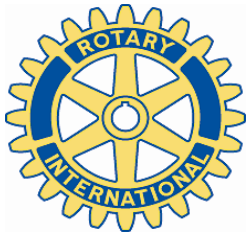


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Presidential Citation Award Winner — 18th Consecutive Year

The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

MATT GAETZ
Florida House of Representatives—District 4

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Matt Gaetz is an attorney with the firm of Keefe, Anchors, Gordon and Moyle in Fort Walton Beach. Serving his community and advocating for his neighbors has been his passion since early childhood.

The son of Don and Vicky Gaetz, Matt grew up in our community -- graduating from Bluewater Elementary School, Ruckel Middle School and Niceville High School. While in high school he won the state policy debate championship and was ranked as one of the top debaters in the country, a skill he took to Florida State University where he achieved national and international honors. Matt earned his way through college with academic scholarships.

Gaetz was designated by the FSU Board of Trustees to serve on the selection committee that chose the university's president. He honed his interest in government as head of FSU's student lobbying organization with the Legislature, fighting for Bright Futures Scholarships and higher academic standards. He served as a legislative intern in the Florida House of Representatives and Senate, helping constituents solve problems with state agencies and preparing legislators to support conservative bills. He graduated from FSU with a degree in social science with concentrations in Political Science, History and Geography

Gaetz graduated from the nation's oldest law school at the College of William and Mary with a Juris Doctor degree and was a finalist in moot court competition.

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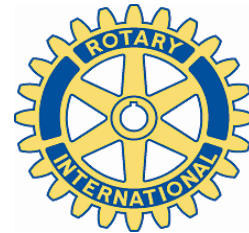
THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

- 1) Is it the truth?
- 2) Is it fair to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
- 4) Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



Quote of the Day

“Too many people spend money they haven’t earned, to buy things they don’t want, to impress people they don’t like.”

- Will Rogers (1879-1935) , American Humorist, Actor and Social Commentator

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

- 8/10 Tony Hughes—Dover AFB
- 8/17 Tom Rice—Fisher House of the Emerald Coast
- 8/24 Christina Forsyth—Children’s Volunteer Health Network
- 8/31 Sharon Rogers - Judge Ben Gordon, Jr. Family Visitation Center
- 9/7 Jim Brunner—Conchology

QUESTIONS TO PONDER

- Do Lipton Tea employees take 'coffee breaks?'
- I thought about how mothers feed their babies with tiny little spoons and forks, so I wondered what do Chinese mothers use. Toothpicks?
- Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do, write to them? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen can look for them while they deliver the mail?
- Is it true that you never really learn to swear until you learn to drive?
- If a cow laughed, would milk come out of her nose?
- Whatever happened to Preparations A through G?
- As income tax time approaches, did you ever notice: When you put the two words 'The ' and 'IRS' together, it spells 'THEIRS'?

Rep. Matt Gaetz (continued from Page 1)

In recent years, Matt Gaetz has gained public notice as an attorney leading fights for open government and against needless tax increases. In 2008 he earned the nickname "tax killer" in the Northwest Florida Daily News for his successful campaign to convince the Fort Walton Beach City Council to reverse a property tax increase.

Many area residents know Matt as the chief litigator to bring the F-35 to Eglin AFB. When the City of Valparaiso filed for an injunction to stop all F-35's from coming to Eglin, Gaetz and his law firm volunteered to intervene FOR the F-35 and to show support for the Air Force. Though the fight isn't over yet, it's now assured that at least 59 F-35's will come to our area, bringing thousands of new good-paying jobs and saving the jobs of many existing defense contractors. Gaetz's advocacy for the F-35 has been at no cost to taxpayers.

One of the greatest joys in Matt's life is his work with "Trendsetters," a group of struggling students at Pryor Middle School. Matt joined in founding the mentoring program through which young professionals and business people volunteer every week to help students succeed academically and practice good citizenship. One of the students Matt personally mentors won the school's "Turnaround Achievement Award" last year.

Matt is active in a number of community organizations, including the Niceville-Valparaiso, Destin, Fort Walton Beach and Navarre chambers of commerce. Matt is a member of First Baptist Church of Niceville.

He is a member of the board of directors of the Emerald Coast Marine Institute, an educational facility that seeks to turn around the lives of troubled youth. Matt is a Lifetime Member of the National Rifle Association.

He is serving his first term as State Representative for District 4 that encompasses parts of Okaloosa and Santa Rosa Counties. He is a member of Military & Local Affairs, Government Operations Appropriations and Health Care Regulation Policy Committees.



A MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR JEANNIE QUAVE

Welcome! I invite you to surf through our website as it takes you through District 6940 and our clubs. We are a large district made up of 51 clubs spanning over 400 miles from club to club, covering 25 counties. Our theme for this year is "Reach Within To Embrace Humanity!" Giving of one's self, time, energy, and money begins from within.

District 6940 Rotarians are stellar at digging deep within themselves and making the unimaginable happen! 2011-2012 will be no exception, of this I am quite sure!

So reach within, embrace humanity and let's get to work making our home towns, communities, and the world a more wonderful place to live!

Oh, make sure you have a lot of fun along the way!

Rotary Roster

Amos, Pam SM

Funeral Services

Anderson, Robert SM

CPA

Arthur, Jack PHF SM

Insurance

Bennett, Nitsi PHF X *

Non-Profit Administration

Bodenstine, Debbie PHF X

Economic Development

Bohnsack, Rob SM

Reverend

Brewster, Joseph PHF SM

Cable Television

Brutt, Frank PHF SM

County Planning

Butcher, Tom

Honorary Member

Cagle, Kevin SM

Office Machines

Chalker, Gerry PHF SM *

Pension Administration

Clark, Jason SM

Insurance

Conner, Tom PHF SM

News Media

Corbin, Andy PHF SM X *

Electronics Mfg.

Curry, Jim PHF SM **

Government Management

Davis, James PHF SM *

Public Utilities

Dorris, George PHF SM

Dentistry

Duncan, Buddy SM

Chaplain

Ekedahl, Brian SM

Social Services

Empson, Dan

Honorary

Fallin, Ralph PHF SM X *

Dairy Products

Fitzhugh, Mark

Clergy

Foster, William PHF SM * X

Attorney

Fowner, Bob PHF SM

Association Manager

Gavin, Clifton SM

Attorney

Gilligan, Tony PHF SM

Government Contractor

Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM

Education

Hamilton, Chad PHF

CPA

Hardy, Sallie PHF SM

Commercial Properties

Hayes, Tom PHF SM

Financial Services

Henderson, Jody PHF SM *

Accounting/Auditing

Henley, Mitzi SM

Retail Shopping Center

Hipsh, Whitney SM

Attorney

Hooton, Jeff SM

Commercial Lending

Howard, William PHF

Real Estate-General

Johnson, Chris PHF *

CPA Retired

Johnson, Johnny PHF SM X *

Banking

Kedroski, Cristie

Foundation Development

Landers, Chuck PHF

CPA

Leonard, Tony PHF **

Retail/Musical Instruments

Linn, John PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Litschauer, Ted SM

Public Safety

Lowrey, Thomas PHF *

Stockbroker

Martin, Ralph PHF

Aircraft Equipment Mfg.

Mattern, Jamey PHF

Architect

McDonald, J.R. SM

Aerospace Marketing

McNabb, Julie SM

Developmental Disabilities

Meyer, Joe

Retail/Computers

Miller, David O. PHF

Developmental Disabilities

Monroe, Jason

Communications

Morgan, John PHF SM *

Computer Engineer

Morgan, Matthew SM

Electrical Engineer

Nelson, Dan PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food

Nicholson, Michele SM

Communications

O'Brien, Kevin

Financial Services

Orr, Julie

Personnel Staffing

Peadro, Roger PHF SM

Pastor

Plummer, Mary PHF SM

Real Estate Sales

Poff, Lyndon PHF X

Paint & Body Shop

Pooley, Jan PHF SM X

Department Store

Potts, Charlie PHF SM *

Jeweler

Pritchard, Kathy PHF SM

Commercial Banking

Pryor, Fred PHF SM *

Utility Service-Gas

Rahe, Ted PHF SM *

Property Management

Richburg, Bob PHF SM X

College Administration

Rollins, Joe SM

Compliance Services

Sera, Kay

Long Range Planning

Shaw, Susan SM

Fund Raising

Shelley, Eulice PHF *

Moving & Storage

Simpson, Natalie SM

Legislative

Smith, Pete PHF *

Appraiser

Smith, Scott PHF

Chiropractor

Stearns, Allan PHF SM *

Travel Agent

Stevens, Rick PHF * X SM

Surge Suppression Systems

Stokes, Randy PHF SM *

Architecture

Tibbetts, Alexis SM

Schools

Tinsley, Kent SM

Commercial Banking

Tinsley, Herb PHF * X SM

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Townsend, Forrest PHF* X SM

Veterinarian

Trigg, Brian SM

Program Analyst

Trum, Alex PHF SM

Orthodontist Retired

Turpin, Matt

CPA

Vaughan, John PHF SM

Past Service

Watson, Yonge PHF*SM

Real Estate

Weaver, John

Youth Organization Mgmt.

Webber, Aaron SM

Condo Management

West, Charles PHF

Investment Broker

Williamson, Ken PHF SM *

Retired

Woo, Jean PHF SM

Dentist

WrightReynolds, Mike PHF

Photography

Yeiser, Jack PHF

Mortgage Broker

Youngblood, Russ PHF**SM

Psychologist

PHF: Paul Harris Fellows

SM: PH Sustaining Members

* FWB Club Past Presidents

** Past President Other Clubs

X FWB Rotarian of the Year

Members in purple have perfect attendance.

Members in green font have missed three or more meetings. Please give them a call and encourage them to attend a meeting.

Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.

Don't forget that you can make up a missed meeting at a neighboring club. They include:

Crestview: Wednesday noon, Ryan's

Destin: Tuesday 7:15 a.m. Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

DeFuniak Springs: Wednesday 12:00 p.m., McLain's Family Steakhouse

Mid-Bay: Wednesday 7 a.m., Bluewater Bay Golf Club

Navarre: Thursday noon, Cocodries

Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K

South Walton: Thursday 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites