



The Rotary Reader

Post Office Box 892

Fort Walton Beach, FL 32549

District Governor's Gold Medal of Honor Award Winner – 2006-07

Presidential Citation Award Winner – 15th Consecutive Year

The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

Gina Ballone, MS/Alison Thome, BS Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA)

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Gina Ballone



Alison Thome

Gina Ballone has been working in the field of ABA for over 11 years. She first gained experience in teaching language to children with autism during her undergraduate studies at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Upon completion of her Bachelor's degree in Psychology, she decided to pursue her Master's degree in Psychology/ABA through FSU at their Panama City campus (FSU-PC). During graduate school she and another student started an in-home therapy group, in which they trained other students to work with children with autism in their homes... a program that exists to this day! After her completion of a graduate degree, Gina was offered a position at Behavior Analysis Inc. During her work there, she supervised a team of behavior therapists, as well as wrote verbal behavior programs, precision teaching and behavior reduction programs. She also did parent trainings and workshops for families. Her company appointed her to be the Behavior Analyst to consult at the Miami Children's Hospital, Dan Marino Center. There she oversaw all verbal behavior therapy programs as well as conducted on-site consultation to non-behavioral staff at the Dan Marino Center. She had the opportunity to assist in training Speech, Occupational and Physical Therapists as well as provide consultation at the Dan Marino Summer Camps. Gina has attended numerous workshops in Verbal Behavior, as well as advanced consultation workshops at the Carbone Clinic. She has presented at FABA, as well as

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NOVEMBER 17, 2010
Welcome Rotarians and
Guests!

We're glad to have you join us.

Scooter Policy: Members, If you leave prior to the completion of the program, you will be fined \$5.00 under the scooter policy. Please leave your badge **on Carole's table** if you leave early!

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?

LAST WEEK'S STATISTICS:

VISITING ROTARIANS

Larry O'Dell—Three Rivers, Michigan

ROTARIANS WITH GUESTS

Al Stearns brought Mickey Lagarde and Jimmy Beavers

Forrest Townsend brought his mother, Gina

INTERACT/WHEELETTES

Sarah Hawn, CHS Paige Campbell, CHS Andy Hoppenjan, CHS

Wes Busby, FWBHS Jessey Burroughs, FWBHS

MAKEUP

Nitsi Bennett Clif Gavin Jan Pooley Scott Smith

ATTENDANCE: 65.2%

Secretary's Note: All statements have been mailed or e-mailed. Any questions—please e-mail Carole at carolejones@aol.com.

REMINDER

There will be no meeting on November 24th or December 29th. Mark your calendars.

ROTARY GIFTS

Russell-Hampton has long been a source for Rotary gift items and clothing. Their website at www.ruh.com/rotary has the world's largest selection of Rotary merchandise and supplies.

NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

Top 5 reasons to support The Rotary Foundation:

5. Fighting Hunger
4. Reducing Child Mortality
3. Promoting Peace and Conflict Resolution
2. Basic Education and Literacy
1. Eradicating Polio

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other trainings throughout the years. She is the Clinical Director of Brilliant Minds and has been with the organization for over the past 6 years. Gina is also a practicum supervisor for the graduate students in the FSU-PC Master's ABA program.

Alison Thome attended the University of Georgia where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Child and Family Development in 2000. After graduating, Alison decided to pursue her dreams of acting in New York City. Her "acting" abilities and dynamic personality are what makes her such a strong therapist... it's not uncommon to find her singing, dancing and doing handstands for the kids! After leaving New York, Alison was happy to find her true calling in working with kids who are developmentally delayed. One of Alison's future goals is to bring ABA/ Verbal Behavior to other countries, where providers are very limited. In January of 2010 the Rotary club began helping her achieve this dream by involving her as a GSE team member. She traveled to India and gave several speeches to schools as well as consulted and did parent trainings. Alison gained a broader scope of knowledge about the services offered in India and how she could effectively help their special needs community in the future. She has been at Brilliant Minds for almost 3 years and is currently working towards her certification as a Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst.

The Year's Worst Country Song Titles

- * If You Don't Believe I Love You Just Ask My Wife
- * You Can Tell the Man Who Boozes (By the Company He Chooses)
- * I Got Tears in My Ears From Lying on My Back Crying on My Pillow Over You
- * The Pint of No Return
- * Your Negligee Has Turned to Flannel Nightgowns
- * It Ain't Love but It Ain't Bad
- * Thank God and Greyhound She's Gone
- * I'd Rather have a Bottle in Front of Me Than a Frontal Lobotomy
- * Don't Let That Doorknob Hit You (on the Way Out)
- * I've Got You on My Conscience But At Least You're Off My Back
- * I've Got a Funny Feeling (I Won't Be Feeling Funny Very Long)
- * She Even Woke Me Up to Say Goodbye
- * You're the Reason Our Kids Are So Ugly
- * I Don't Know Whether to Kill Myself or Go Bowling
- * She Feels Like A New Man Tonight
- * Velcro Arms, Teflon Heart
- * He's Been Drunk Since His Wife's Gone Punk
- * I Bought the Boots That Just Walked Out On Me
- * Ever Since I Said "I Do," There's a Lot of Things You Don't
- * The Next Time You Throw That Fryin' Pan, My Face Ain't Gonna Be There

Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach Rotary Roster

Amos, Pam SM Funeral Services	Empson, Dan Honorary	Leonard, Tony PHF ** Retail/Musical Instruments	Potts, Charlie PHF SM * Jeweler	Walker, Frank SM Insurance Services
Anderson, Robert SM CPA	Fallin, Ralph PHF SM *X Dairy Products	Lewis, Preston SM Minister	Pritchard, Kathy PHF SM Commercial Banking	Watson, Yonge PHF * SM Real Estate
Arias, Don SM Public Affairs	Felts, Gary SM Retail Services	Linn, John PHF SM Kitchens-retail	Pryor, Fred PHF SM * Utility Service – Gas	Webber, Aaron SM Condo Management
Arthur, Jack PHF SM Insurance	Foster, William PHF SM * X Attorney	Litschauer, Ted SM Public Safety	Rahe, Theodore PHF SM * Property Management	West, Charles PHF Investment Broker
Bennett, Nitsi PHF X * Non-profit Administration	Fowner, Bob PHF SM Assoc. Manager	Lowrey, Thomas PHF* Stockbroker	Richburg, Bob PHF SM X College Administration	Williamson, Kenneth PHF SM * Retired
Bodenstine, Debbie SM Economic Development	Gavin, Clifton SM Attorney	Martin, Ralph PHF Aircraft Equip. Mfg.	Rollins, Joe SM Compliance Services	Woo, Jean PHF SM Dentist
Bohnsack, Rob SM Reverend	Gilligan, Tony PHF SM Government Contractor	Mattern, Jamey PHF Architect	Shaw, Susan SM Fund Raising	Yeiser, Jack PHF Mortgage Broker
Brewster, Joseph PHF Cable Television	Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM Education	McDonald, J.R. SM Aerospace Marketing	Shelley, Eulice PHF * Moving & Storage	Youngblood, Russ PHF ** SM Psychologist
Brutt, Frank PHF SM County Planning	Hamilton, Chad PHF CPA	McNabb, Julie SM Developmental Disabilities	Simpson, Natalie SM Legislative	
Butcher, Tom Honorary Member	Hardy, Sallie PHF SM Commercial Properties	Meyer, Joseph Computers-retail	Smith, Pete PHF * Appraiser	
Cagle, Kevin SM Office Machines	Hayes, Tom PHF, SM Financial Services	Miceli, Gail SM Banking	Smith, Scott SM Chiropractor	
Campbell, Wayne PHF Hospital Administration	Henderson, Joseph PHF*SM Accounting/Auditing	Miller, David O. PHF Developmental Disabilities	Spurling, Dyan SM Banking Services	PHF: Paul Harris Fellows SM: PH Sustaining Members * FWB Club Past Presidents ** Past President Other Clubs X FWB Rotarian of the Year
Chalker, Gerry PHF SM * Pension Administration	Henley, Mitzi SM Retail Shopping	Morgan, John PHF * SM Computer Engineer	Stearns, Allan PHF SM Travel Agent	Members in green font have missed three or more meetings. Please give them a call and encourage them to attend a meeting.
Clark, Jason SM Insurance	Hipsh, Larry SM Attorney	Morgan, Matthew SM Electrical Engineer	Stevens, Rick PHF * X SM Surge Suppression Systems	Members in purple have perfect attendance. Members in blue font are on a leave of absence.
Conner, Tom PHF SM News Media	Hipsh, Whitney SM Real Estate Attorney	Nelson, Dan PHF SM Restaurant - Fast Food	Stokes, Randy PHF SM * Architecture	
Corbin, Andy PHF SM X * Electronics Mfg	Hooton, Jeff SM Commercial Lending	Newman, Brody SM Alternative Energy	Tibbetts, Alexis SM Schools	
Curry, Jim PHF SM ** Government Management	Howard, William PHF Real Estate - General	Nicholson, Michele SM Communications	Tinsley, Kent SM Commercial Banking	Crestview: Wednesday noon, Sonny's BBQ
Davis, James PHF SM * Public Utilities	Hutson, Karen T. PHF SM Retail Cars	Peadro, Roger PHF SM Pastor	Tinsley, Herb PHF *X SM Savings & Loan Mgt.	DeFuniak Springs: Wednesday 7:30 a.m., McLain's Family Steak House
Dorris, George PHF SM Dentistry	Johnson, Chris PHF * CPA Retired	Perkins, Bryant SM Youth Org. Mgmt.	Townsend, Forrest PHF*X SM Veterinarian	Mid-Bay: Wednesday 7 a.m., Bluewater Bay Golf Club
Duncan, Buddy SM Chaplain	Johnson, Johnny PHF X** SM Banking	Plummer, Mary PHF SM Real Estate Sales	Trigg, Brian SM Program Analyst	Navarre: Thursday noon, Cocardries
Edwards, JT SM Landscape Mgmt.	Kleist, Carl SM Communications	Poff, Lyndon SM X Paint & Body Shop	Trum, Alex PHF SM Orthodontist Retired	Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K
Ekedahl, Brian SM Social Services	Landers, Chuck PHF CPA	Pooley, Jan PHF SM X Department Store	Vaughan, John PHF SM Past Service	South Walton: Thursday 7:30 a.m., Embassy Suites Destin: Tuesday 7:15 a.m. Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

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

Crestview: Wednesday noon, Sonny's BBQ

DeFuniak Springs: Wednesday 7:30 a.m., McLain's Family Steak House

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

Navarre: Thursday noon, Cocardries

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