



The Rotary Reader

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The Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE EMERALD COAST

Jessica Jarosz Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast

A native of Fort Walton Beach, Jessica is a community leader and non-profit executive, proudly serving the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast in the capacity of President & CEO. In this role, she is responsible for working in partnership with the Corporate Board of Directors of the BGCEC to carry out the mission of the Clubs in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, and Walton counties through visionary leadership, strategic direction, and operational oversight - ever keeping the inspiration and empowerment of Club kids at the heart of her decision-making.

Before joining the BGCEC, Jessica served as Area Director for Troy University. In this capacity she was the chief administrator for Troy's presence in Okaloosa and Walton counties with oversight for four locations in that service area. She also served the University as Director for Business Development for all Florida locations. During her tenure at TROY, she was appointed to many University-wide initiatives to include Website Redevelopment, and a Continuing Education Pilot Program. Among her many accomplishments at TROY, she is most proud of the initiative to partner with the Okaloosa County School District to open a University location in Crestview, her leadership through an extensive and successful reaffirmation of accreditation process, and her efforts to bring a graduate degree in Educational Administration to the area.

Prior to joining Troy, Jessica was involved with the Kaplan organization in instructional and marketing capacities. Jessica is a graduate of the University of West Florida with a major in Marketing and also earned an MBA from the University of Florida. Her areas of expertise and special interest include the management of non-profit entities, strategy formulation and implementation, youth development, and military related initiatives. Jessica has been invited to speak at many national professional and educational venues to include a case study presentation on Military Spousal Tuition Assistance at the Department of Defense's Worldwide Education Conference.

Jessica has established strong partnerships and positive relationships throughout the BGCEC service area through service in many local and national civic and professional organizations including the American Marketing Association, Council of College and Military Educators, We All Value Education PAC, Economic Development Councils, Taylor Haugen Foundation Board of Directors, Emerald Coast Science Center Board of Directors, various area Chambers of Commerce, and the Junior League of the Emerald Coast. She is a member of the Leadership Florida organization and graduate of Leadership Okaloosa. She is also proud to have served as Honorary Commander for the 46th Test Wing at Eglin Air Force Base. Jessica makes her home in Fort Walton Beach with her two beautiful daughters, Jillian and Avery.

Rotary news in brief from around the globe

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Rotary clubs around the globe have many things in common, including a commitment to service. All year long, clubs are taking action to make a difference in their communities. Here's a roundup of recent club activities worldwide:

Austria

In August, Districts 1910 and 1920 (parts of Austria; Bosnia-Herzegovina) hosted 24 students and two Rotarians from Japan who were affected by the March 2011 earthquake and tsunami. Many of the students had lost their homes or had to evacuate, or lost parents or other relatives. Japanese and Austrian Rotarians covered the cost of the flights (Lufthansa provided discounted tickets), accommodations, and other expenses, and the governments of both countries offered additional financial support.

Canada

Members of the Rotary Club of Ladner, B.C., have been instrumental in a campaign to rid the province's coast of *spartina anglica*, or common cordgrass, a noxious weed that was planted to control erosion but whose spread now poses a danger to wetland areas. This fall, club members put in 58 hours of work, hand-pulling 250 bags, or 5 tons, of the weed. They finished that stretch of shoreline in October.

Curaçao

The January 2010 earthquake in Haiti left thousands of people with injuries that required amputations. This October, members of the Rotary Club of Willemstad brought 10 amputees to Curaçao, where each patient was fitted with a prosthetic leg and underwent six weeks of physical therapy. The club worked with the Royal Netherlands Navy, which provided accommodations in its barracks, and with local companies Insel Air and ABC Bus Company, which covered travel expenses.

Indonesia

Through a mobile clinic, medics from a hospital in Yogyakarta have provided care to 3,636 homeless children who lost their families in the 2006 eruption of Mount Merapi. After a Group Study Exchange trip to District 3400, team leader Hugo Pike, of the Rotary Club of Chelwood Bridge, England, worked with his district to develop the idea. The US\$20,000 Rotary Foundation Matching Grant project got underway in September 2010, but another eruption of Mount Merapi that October halted progress for several months. After the effort resumed, it expanded to 22 locations.

Pakistan

Rotarians in Karachi used a van emblazoned with messages in English and Urdu to share information about polio during Subnational Immunization Days in December. Club members also visited a school in the nearby town of Korangi, where they gave drops of vaccine to 238 children and worked with administrator Naushaba Burney to distribute fliers about the disease to students and teachers.

Philippines

Rotarians in District 3830 carried out two dozen projects after an environmental conference in November 2010. They far exceeded their goal of planting 5,000 trees, or two for every Rotarian in the district. By the end of 2010-11, they had planted 23,000 trees and expected to add another 25,000 in 2011-12.

USA

The Rotary Club of Honeoye Falls-Mendon, N.Y., created a self-guided audio tour of 12 local sites, including the Lower Mill, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places; the 1837 Mendon town hall; and a one-room schoolhouse that's now a museum. Visitors can use their cell phones to listen to information about the stops on the tour. Instructions are posted at each location and are available in brochures and at www.hfmrotary.org/tour.html.

Zambia

The village of Mwandi is home to hundreds of AIDS orphans whose caregivers are elderly relatives. Working with the United Church of Zambia Mission Partners, the nearby Rotary Club of Livingstone is helping these families by replacing 31 deteriorating huts with more stable, traditional African mud houses, and aims to build 25 more. Rotarians from District 6000 (Iowa, USA) have participated in the project, which has benefited 64 families and 200 orphans as of November.

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UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

June 6 John Watts & Tom Brassell - Wuerffel Trophy
 June 13 Dr. David Goetsch
 June 26 Annual Installation Event

Annual Installation Event

June 26, 2012

Our installation event will be held Tuesday, June 26 beginning at 6:30pm at the newly remodeled Gulfarium Marine Adventure Park. There will be no meeting Wednesday, June 27.

Rotarians are encouraged to mark their calendars now and plan to bring their spouse, significant other, children and grandchildren. More details to come.

This Day in History

On this day in 1806, Revolutionary war veteran and future President Andrew Jackson kills Charles Dickinson in a duel.

On this day in 1431, at Rouen in English-controlled Normandy, Joan of Arc, the peasant girl who became the savior of France, is burned at the stake for heresy.

On this day in 1911, Ray Harroun drives his single-seater Marmon Wasp to victory in the inaugural Indianapolis 500, now one of the world's most famous motor racing competitions.

On this day in 1942, a thousand-plane raid on the German city of Cologne is launched by Great Britain. Almost 1,500 tons of bombs rain down in 90 minutes, delivering a devastating blow to the Germans' medieval city as well as its morale.

On this day in 1971, the U.S. unmanned space probe *Mariner 9* is launched on a mission to gather scientific information on Mars, the fourth planet from the sun. The 1,116-pound spacecraft entered the planet's orbit on November 13, 1971, and circled Mars twice each day for almost a year, photographing the surface and analyzing the atmosphere with infrared and ultraviolet instruments. It gathered data on the atmospheric composition, density, pressure, and temperature of Mars, and also information about the surface composition, temperature, and topography of the planet.

Rotarians with Anniversaries this Month

Jody Henderson

Tom Lowery

Dan Nelson

Bian Page

Al Stearns

Kent Tinsley

Jack Yeiser

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?



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity



Rotary Roster

Anderson, Robert SM

CPA

Arthur, Jack PHF SM

Insurance

Bennett, Nitsi (18) PHF X *

Non-Profit Administration

Bodenstine, Debbie PHF X SM

Economic Development

Brewster, Joseph PHF SM

Cable Television

Brutt, Frank PHF SM

County Planning

Butcher, Tom

Honorary Member

Cagle, Kevin SM

Office Machines

Chalker, Gerry (4) PHF SM *

Pension Administration

Clark, Jason (2) SM

Insurance

Corbin, Andy (6) PHF SM X *

Electronics Mfg.

Curry, Jim PHF SM **

Government Management

Davis, James (32) PHF SM *

Public Utilities

Dorris, George PHF SM

Dentistry

JT Edwards SM

Retail Owner

Ekedahl, Brian SM

Social Services

Empson, Dan

Honorary

Fallin, Ralph (30) PHF SM X *

Dairy Products

Foster, William PHF SM * X

Attorney

Fowler, Bob (1) PHF SM

Association Manager

Gavin, Clifton SM

Attorney

Gilligan, Tony (16) PHF SM

Government Contractor

Grissom, Ron SM

Utilities

Grubbs, Haydon PHF SM

Education

Hamilton, Chad PHF SM

CPA

Hardy, Sallie PHF SM

Commercial Properties

Hayes, Tom PHF SM

Financial Services

Henderson, Jody PHF SM *

Accounting/Auditing

Henley, Mitzi (3) SM

Retail Shopping Center

Hipsh, Whitney SM

Attorney

Hooton, Jeff (4) SM

Commercial Lending

Howard, William PHF

Real Estate-General

Johnson, Chris PHF *

CPA Retired

Johnson, Johnny (39) PHF SM X*

Banking

Kedroski, Cristie SM

Foundation Development

Kunkel, Richard SM

Education

LaBlanc, Ross

CPA

Landers, Chuck PHF SM

CPA

Leonard, Tony PHF **

Retail/Musical Instruments

Linn, John PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Litschauer, Ted SM

Public Safety

Lowrey, Tom PHF *

Stockbroker

Martin, Ralph PHF

Aircraft Equipment Mfg.

Mattern, Jamey PHF

Architect

Macdonald, David SM

Shopping Center Mgr

McDonald, J.R. SM

Aerospace Marketing

McNabb, Julie (1) SM

Developmental Disabilities

Meyer, Joe SM

Retail/Computers

Miller, David O. (9) PHF

Developmental Disabilities

Monroe, Jason SM

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 SM

Financial Services

Orr, Julie SM

Personnel Staffing

Page, Brian PHF

Tax Attorney

Palmer, Charlie SM

Real Estate Development

Peadro, Roger PHF SM

Pastor

Plummer, Mary PHF SM

Real Estate Sales

Poff, Lyndon (2) PHF X SM

Paint & Body Shop

Pooley, Jan (5) 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 (35) PHF SM *

Property Management

Richburg, Bob PHF SM X

College Administration

Ricketts, Dusty SM

News Media

Rollins, Joe SM

Compliance Services

Shaw, Susan SM

Fund Raising

Shelley, Eulice PHF *

Moving & Storage

Simpson, Natalie SM

Legislative

Smith, Pete PHF * SM

Appraiser

Smith, Scott PHF SM

Chiropractor

Stearns, Allan (20) PHF SM *

Travel Agent

Stevens, Rick (3) 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 SM

CPA

Vaughan, John PHF SM

Past Service

Watson, Yonge (1) PHF*SM

Real Estate

Weaver, John SM

Youth Organization Mgmt.

Webber, Aaron (1) SM

Condo Management

West, Charles PHF

Investment Broker

Williamson, Ken PHF SM *

Retired

Woo, Jean PHF SM

Dentist

WrightReynolds, Mike PHF SM

Photography

Yeiser, Jack PHF

Mortgage Broker

Youngblood, Russ PHFSM**

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 are recognized as achieving perfect attendance as of the end of the previous year (June 30th)

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, Tuscan Grill at Hidden Creek

Niceville: Thursday noon, OWC Bld. K

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