INNES CAMERON RICHARDS, DG

Introduction

Innes Richards was born in Washington, D.C. spending early years living in Chevy Chase, MD. Since Birmingham, Alabama was the family home, she enjoyed summers visiting relatives in Birmingham and Mobile. Innes has a B.A. Degree from Judson College in Alabama, and attended Johns Hopkins University for some graduate courses. She and her late husband, Ron Richards, lived in Birmingham a number of years before moving to the Pensacola area in 1988.

Early on, Innes and Ron owned and operated a supermarket for several years, which she said gave her valuable experience and knowledge of the business world. She has worked most of her life in the area of fundraising , major gifts, grants, and community relations at non- profit organizations such as Children’s Hospital of Alabama, The American Lung Association and Covenant Hospice. She was Executive Director of the Pensacola Symphony Orchestra for a number of years and then Executive Director of the Northwest Florida Ballet when she retired to take care of her mother in law. She is currently working again, as Client Relationship Manager for a local certified financial planner.

Innes has been very active in the community and has served on several Boards including the Navarre Chamber of Commerce and is currently serving on the Community Advisory Board of Gulf Breeze Hospital. She is past Chairman of the National Society of the Colonial Dames, a member of the Pensacola Yacht Club, a Charter Member of the Florida Commodores Association, a sustaining member of the Pensacola Junior League, and a member of the Rotary Yachting Fellowship.

Innes is a member of the Rotary Club of Pensacola. She has served on many committees on the Club level, District level as well as the Zone level. She is a Major Donor, a member of the Paul Harris Society, Bequest Society and a Discussion Leader for the Rotary Leadership Institute, having served as its Director 3 ½ years. She has been a Rotarian since 1998 and has perfect attendance. She loves music, sailing, traveling, reading, painting, and Rotary. She and her late husband Ron, a past District Govsernor, were married 33 years. She lives in Navarre with her 16 year old Shi Tzu Nicky.