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## The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

### WEEK IN REVIEW 10/15/2019

Rotarians Charles Michaels and Leslie Mickles were smiling as they offered warm greetings to Rotarians entering New World Landing. One was left to wonder if the smiles were because of seeing the Rotarians or happy about the recent rain that fell upon the Greater Pensacola area. After Rotarian Jimmy Jones led prayer and pledge, President John Trawick warmed up a capacity crowd of Rotarians with Rotary Trivia. Rotarians John Appleyard, Bo Carter and Charlie Sherrill were among the members that knew the date of our Club's founding (March 16, 1915); St. Augustine is the oldest Rotary Club in Florida; and Rotary Club of Pensacola is the largest Club in the District.

President John reminded all that the Club's current Membership Drive is proving to be successful. As a reminder, any potential new member's first three lunches are free. Speaking of new members, Rotarian Ray Jones had the pleasure of introducing new member Joe Vinson. An alum of Florida State University and Hiroshima University, Rotarian Joe is the Assistant Director of Communications for University of West Florida Innovation Institute.

The Club was happy to hear that both General Mike Ferguson and Rotarian Nathan Kahn are doing better.

The winning raffle ticket belonged to Rotarian Sally Fox. Unfortunately, after drawing a King from the deck of cards, Sally was only able to claim \$10 of the \$434 raffle. Rotarians Lisa Minshew and Alan Moore helped increase the raffle by being top notch ticket sellers.

Dale Jordan took his turn at Sunshine and did a great job of providing the assembled Rotarians with laughs through his telling of an airline's "buy one, get one free" ticket offering and also relaying how to pick up a date in The Villages Retirement Community.

Rotarian Dale had the honor of introducing Ensign Elizabeth Rouleau, a San Bernardino, California, native who is currently in Flight School to become a Naval Flight Officer. Sean Saleh was the other Military Guest in attendance. Saleh is in the VT 86 jet training pipeline for Naval Flight Officers.

University of West Florida College of Business Interim Dean and Associate Professor Eric Bostwick was in attendance and Executive Secretary Chris Bridwell and the before mentioned Rotarian Lisa Minshew were honored with a signing of "Happy Birthday, You All."

Dale concluded Sunshine by sharing the story of Navy Machinist's Mate 1st Class Ulis C. Steely. Steely, 25, was one of 429 crewmen -- 415 sailors and 14 Marines -- that died on the USS Oklahoma during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. As Sarah Ladd of the Louisville Courier Journal shares in her article that can be found in the October 13<sup>th</sup> edition of the Pensacola News Journal (page F1), it took two burials, two rounds of testing, travel to at least four states and 78 years before Steely began his long journey home this month for his final resting place. As Dale shared, Steely's life and the story of how he finally made it back to his home of Corbin, Kentucky, serves as a wonderful reminder of how special the United States of America is.

Rotarian Mark Harden had the pleasure of introducing fellow Rotarian Vicki Campbell as the day's Program. While Vicki wears many hats throughout the greater Pensacola area, her talk focused on her role as District 1 Representative for the ECUA Board. First elected in 2012, Vicki's current term concludes in 2020. It has been a tough year for commodities and as a result, a tough year for the selling of recyclable goods. ECUA recycles items that are able to be sold. Seventy-three percent of ECUA customers participate in the Recycling Program. Contamination of recyclable goods is an ongoing concern. If a participant in the ECUA Recycling Program recycles incorrectly, his/her recycle bin is taken away for a year. ECUA Drivers are incentivized to utilize the cameras on their trucks to ensure that proper goods are being recycled. The Methane Gas and Compost Programs have allowed ECUA to be at 72% of its recycle goal, which is three percentage points less than the State of Florida goal of 75%. The Compost Program has the smell of sweet success as it is able to account for \$1 million a year in savings. ECUA replaces eight to ten of its trucks in its sanitation fleet a year. This fleet is responsible for collecting trash and recyclable items from 160,000 trash & recycle bins throughout ECUA service area. In case one is wondering, 7,000 bins are purchased a year and it would cost \$2.5 million to replace every bin in the ECUA service area. The amount of traffic in the Pine Forest, Mobile Highway, Beulah and 9 Mile area has led to the need for a transfer station. Unfortunately, not too many people are eager to welcome a transfer station in their area. Beulah's growth has exploded to the point where five new collection routes are needed. Prior to closing out her remarks and opening the floor to questions, Vicki detailed how ECUA is repairing and expanding infrastructure: educating the public on how flushable wipes are increasing the operating costs for lift stations (no such thing as flushable wipes); and educating the Public on the importance on converting from septic to sewer.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

The CROP Military Appreciation Luncheon will be Monday, November 4th at New World Landing at 12 noon. The regular Tuesday meeting that week will be cancelled.

Our new member drive continues. Bring any potential new member to the meeting and their first three lunches are free.

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is now accepting registrations for 2020: All members are invited and encouraged to attend. Just login to www.DACdb.com, click on the calendar and select January 11th for the Pensacola State College event. Three other locations are available and all three parts are offered at each location.

## 2019-2020 Club Officers

◆President
 ◆Past President
 ◆President Elect
 Sally Fox

◆Secretary Claudia Simmons
◆Treasurer C. Ray Jones
◆Sergeant At Arms Tim Kane

♦Historian John Appleyard

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### Clubs Available for Makeup

New World Landing	Mon.	12:15 pm
Legends Restaurant	Tues.	7:00 am
Andrews Institute		
Red Barn on Hwy. 90	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville Quarter	Tues.	4:15 pm
13660 Innerarity Point Road	Wed.	7:45 am
Scenic Hills Country Club	Wed.	12:15 pm
Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Stonebrook Village	Thur.	7:00 am
Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
The Tuscan Grill	Thur.	12:00 pm
Hidden Creek Golf Course - C	heck navarrerotary.org	
Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
Cokesbury Methodist		
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### District Governor

Innes Richards www.rotary6940.org

## **Assistant District Governor**

Daniel J. Sulger

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Birthdays for the week of October 22nd through October 28th

Tom Owens – October 23 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 22 years Paul Tobin – October 24 – born in Detroit, Michigan, in Rotary 11 years Gene Killinger – October 24 – born in Perry, FL, in Rotary 43 years Alexis Bolin – October 27 – born in Long Branch, NJ, in Rotary 25 years Collier Merrill – October 28 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 30 years Jeff Powell – October 28 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 19 years Martha Saunders – October 28 – born in Hattiesburg, MS, in Rotary 6 years

### **Greeters / Ticket Sales**

### October 22

Greeters - Cal Moore and Tony Neuner
Ticket Sales - Sheila Nichols and Susan O'Connor

#### October 29

Greeters - Bob Overton and Tom Owens Ticket Sales - Bryan McCall and David Lamar

### **Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine**

### October 22

Prayer/Pledge - Adam Principe Sunshine - Pete Doyle October 29

Prayer/Pledge - Charles Kahn Sunshine - Rick Fountain

### Program Schedule

### **October**

22 - Gulf Power

29 - Mark Faulkner - Baptist Hospital

### What's Happening in Rotary

October - Economics and Community Development Month

22 Noon Regular Meeting

29 Noon Regular Meeting



