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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 10/22/2019

Rotarians Cal Moore and Tony Neuner offered us a warm greeting and a big smile as we entered New World Landing.

After Rotarian Adam Principe gave us a very thoughtful prayer and led us in the pledge of allegiance President John Trawick reminded us about RLI and the need for us to all fill out a pledge form. He had the new pledge forms on the tables and told us his personal goal was to have 75% of our club giving this year!

President John also reminded us that the Membership Drive has been successful thus far, but we still need new members and any potential new member's first three lunches are free.

The club was happy to hear that Nathan Kahn was doing better and very happy to have Mike Ferguson back at the luncheon this week.

Rotarians Susan O'Connor and Bruce Partington were there to sell us the winning ticket and they dutifully promised someone would win! And as luck would have it the winning raffle ticket belonged to Rotarian Andrea Krieger. There was \$495 in the pot and Andrea drew a 3 so she took \$3 home and \$492 rolls over to next week.

Charlie Sherrill did a fine job as a sub for Sunshine and brought the house down with a couple of his jokes. His Dentist would have giggled the loudest at the joke of pulling Charlie's wife's tooth.

Rotarian Charlie introduced our Guest and visiting Rotarians followed by wishing and singing Happy Birthday to Rotarians in attendance.

Charlie continued with his fine wife jokes after lunch and we just hope his wife didn't hear the last joke or he may have had to take her out for dinner the rest of the week.

Rotarian Mark Harden had the pleasure of introducing fellow Rotarian Verdell Hawkins as the day's program. Verdell wears many hats in Pensacola including the Board of Florida West, the Economic Development arm of Escambia County and today his talk focused on how energy provided by Gulf Power now a part of NextEra Energy tied into the Economic Development plans of the Florida Panhandle. Verdell told us that parent NextEra founded in 1925 provided energy related products and services to build energy infrastructure that drives economic growth and supports communities. NextEra is a Fortune 200 energy company with about 45,900 megawatts of generating capacity and they are a clean energy leader in Wind and Solar. He told of the plans of conversion of Gulf Power's Crist Plant from a coal-based plant to a natural gas-based plant over the next couple of years. NextEra through Gulf Power serves 8 counties in Northwest Florida including over 400,000 in Escambia County. They have 3 solar facilities in Northwest Florida and a landfill methane gas recapture program. Another of NextEra Energy's subsidiaries Florida Power & Light has plans to put 30 million solar panels in Florida by the year 2030. Gulf Power is planning a new customer engagement tool for your smart phones and tablets and you should see that tool out soon. Another thing we might notice in our area is the conversion from wood power poles to concrete power poles which withstand hurricane force winds. He explained the reason we are seeing some of the wood poles still standing was due to leases with cell phone or other provider companies that leased space on those polls and may not have chosen to convert to the new concrete polls just yet. Verdell's talk was very informative and the crowd was happy to hear of all the plans forthcoming from Gulf Power and other NextEra subsidiaries.

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 on November 5th 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.

National Literacy Day is Friday Nov. 1, 2019. Rotarian Kim Ray is looking for volunteers for the ECARE (Every Child a Reader in Escambia) event offering a wonderful opportunity to support literacy in our community. You can read to a classroom in a local school or donate a book. The time commitment is approximately one hour. Contact Kim to arrange a time that is convenient for you to participate in this fun event.

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Clubs Available for Makeup

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

District Governor

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Daniel J. Sulger

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of

October 29th through November 11th

Frances Cutshaw – October 29 – born in Morganton, N.C. in Rotary 1 year Sandy Cesaretti Ray – November 1 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 22 years Allison Hill – November 5 – born in Pace, FL, in Rotary 2 year Owen Drey – November 7 – born in Mobile, Al, in Rotary 12 years Zack Smith – November 7 – born in Pensacola, Fl, in Rotary 1 year Alison Rogers – November 8 – born in Scott AFB, IL, in Rotary 19 years Sorna Khakzad – November 8 – born in Tehran, Iran, in Rotary 1 year Bruce Partington - November 11 – born in Annapolis, MD, in Rotary 20 years

Greeters / Ticket Sales

October 29

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

November 12

Greeters - Chris Pate and Jorge Pelaez
Ticket Sales - Adam Principe and John Phelps

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

October 29

Prayer/Pledge - Charles Kahn Sunshine - Rick Fountain

November 12

Prayer/Pledge - Leslie Halsall Sunshine - Scott Grissett

Program Schedule

October

29 - Mark Faulkner - Baptist Hospital

November

12 - Andrea Kreiger - PSC, Scholarship Foundation and Howard Reddy, UWF Fnd.

19 - Pam Rodgerson - Favor House

What's Happening in Rotary

October - Economics and Community Development Month

29 Noon Regular Meeting

November - Rotary Foundation Month

- 4 CROP Military Appreciation Luncheon
- 5 Regular Meeting Cancelled
- 12 Noon Regular Meeting
- 19 Noon Regular Meeting Board Meeting
- 26 Noon Regular Meeting

