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# The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

### WEEK IN REVIEW 8/10/2021

The August 10 lunch meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola at the Pensacola Yacht Club (PYC) was called to order by President Wonders at 12:05 pm. Participants included members on site at PYC and online via Zoom. Rotarian Laura Gilliam led us in a thoughtful prayer and pledge.

President Wonders' opening remarks reminded us that August is National Golf Month. It is the perfect time to get out to the golf course and introduce a new friend or two to the wonderful game. He also reminded us that National S'mores Day is upon us – August 10th recognizes the most popular campfire treat create. The origin of this tasty snack is credited to the entrepreneur Alec Barnum. However, the first recorded version of the recipe can be found in the 1927 publication of Tramping and Trailing with the Girl Scouts.

Regarding the Rotary jackpot, the joker remains at-large with the pot at \$50. President Wonders raffled a smores pack! All are grateful for his scrumptious donations to the ticket raffle.

Rotarian Rick Fountain presented sunshine. He contemplated what it would be like to be a senior citizen. He welcomed 4 guests. Birthday greetings for 3 Rotarians were announced followed by a chorus of Happy Birthday You All:

Rotarian Margaret Stopp welcomed one of our very own Rotarians, Jonathan Griffith, president of the Pensacola Blue Wahoos, joined the team in October 2010 after a five-year tenure as the Vice President/ General Manager for the Potomac Nationals (High Class A; Carolina League). Prior to coming to the Nationals, he was the Assistant General Manager of the Kinston Indians (High Class A; Carolina League) and Stadium Operations Manager for the Richmond Braves (Class AAA; International League). Griffith was the Assistant Director of Stadium Operations for the Carolina Panthers in 2003. In March of 2015, Griffith was promoted to President of the Blue Wahoos and placed on the Blue Wahoos' Board of Trustees. Later in 2015, he was named President of Studer Entertainment and Retail. Griffith earned a Bachelor's degree in Sports Management from High Point University and a Masters Degree in Sports Leadership from Virginia Commonwealth University. A native of Maryland, Jonathan is an avid fan of the Maryland Terrapins and Washington Redskins. In his downtime, he also enjoys fishing, the beach, and adventures with his children, Callie and JC.

Rotarian Griffith provided an interesting overview of Studer Entertainment and Retail operations. Jonathon made all of us want to go to the ballpark! He fielded numerous questions from the audience. He addressed needed repairs after Hurricane Sally as well as other questions about the next steps for his organization.

In closing remarks, President Wonders thanked today's speaker Jonathan Griffith; Sunshine Rick Fountain, the greeters: Lee Elebash and Kelsey Powell; and ticket sales – Paul Tobin and Lynne Tobin. He announced that next week's guests include Lloyd & Robin Reshard of the Kukua Institute. The will present "Walking the Blocks: A Virtual Experience of Belmont-Devilliers in History."

President Wonders adjourned the meeting promptly at 1:00 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Rotarian Nicole Gislason (GEESE-la-sun)

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

The Pensacola Yacht Club meetings are now open to an unlimited number of people. However is very important that you RSVP every week, between Wednesday through Friday at 5:00 pm.

**Our new Prayer/Pledge and Sunshine Committee Chair-Person Jean Norman** is looking for members to serve at our weekly Rotary Club meeting. Contact Jean at: jean.n.norman@gmail.com and let her know if you would like to be included and if you would like to provide prayer and pledge or sunshine or maybe both.

**Our new Helicopter Committee Chair-Person Nicole Gislason** is looking for members who would like to take minutes at the weekly Rotary Club meetings. If you would like to be a part of that committee please contact Nicole at: nicole@uwf.edu.

We will continue to have On-Line Zoom Meetings along with the In-person meetings at Pensacola Yacht Club. You will continue to get a Zoom invitation every Monday. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call. 850-619-0679. Chris

You are now able to pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment. The link can be found on our website at http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment.

**Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter.** The Rotary Club of Pensacola will advertise your business in our weekly newsletter with ads running for a full month. Business cards \$250. 1/4 page \$500. 1/2 page \$750. To place your ad send the prepared document to rcopens@ bellsouth.net stating the size ad you wish to place. Proceeds to benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.

# 2021-2022 Club Officers

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- Past President
- President Elect
- Secretary
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### Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	McQuire's Irish Pub	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends at Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
Milton	The Hangar Restaurant	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	4:15 pm
Cantonment	St. Luke's United Methodist	Wed.	12:15 pm
	Church		
Perdido	The Point Church	Wed.	7:30 am
Pace	Stonebrook Village Country Club	Thur.	7:00 am
Cordova	Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Suburban West	Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
Navarre	Broussard's Cajun Restaurant	Fri.	12:00 pm
Pensacola North	Asbury Place, Cokesbury	Fri.	12:00 pm
	United Methodist Church		

# District Governor

Larry Kubiak http://www.rotary6940.org

# Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY Birthdays for the week of

# August 17th through August 23rd

Ken Woolf – August 19 – born in Scarsdale, NY, in Rotary 51 years, Paul Harris +3

Jessica Lyublanovits – August 19 – born in St. Petersburg, Fl. In Rotary 4 years

Matthew Massey – August 19 - born in Alexandria, VA, in Rotary 2 year, Paul Harris Fellow

# Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### August 17

Prayer/Pledge: Vince Currie

Sunshine: Scott Ford

August 24 Prayer/Pledge: Frank Bell

Sunshine: Sally Fox

## **Greeters and Ticket Sales**

#### August 17

Greeter: Jane White and Jerry Kindle Ticket Sales: Margaret Stopp and Charles Gund

### August 24

Greeter: Mark Harden and Deborah Hawkins Ticket Sales: Carter Herman and Allison Hill

## Program Schedule

### August

- 17 Lloyd & Robin Reshard, Kukua Institute, Walking the Blocks, A Virtual Experience
- 24 Pete Shinnick, UWF, Football Coach
- 31 Dan Shugart, WEAR-TV, Sports

# What's Happening in Rotary

### August

17 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting

1:00 Board of Directors Meeting

- 24 Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting
- 31 Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting