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## The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

#### WEEK IN REVIEW

Felt like a summer day with plenty of humidity for most as Rotarians joyfully strolled into today's meeting for fellowship, networking, and lunch. Barrister John Monroe greeted those at the door as Cal Moore with a little help from Hill Tuner worked the raffle.

Past-President John Schaffer brought the house to order with a modest clang of the bell as Roger Vinson led all in the prayer and pledge. With Veterans Day this week, John asked all veterans to stand and be recognized for their service. There were a few announcements including that a new member orientation will be held the week of 15<sup>th</sup> and, confirming that the Holidays are upon us, it is time to sign up for Salvation Army Bell Ringing and everyone should have received an email discussing the event.

The \$59 raffle was won by Innes Richards who smiled all the way to the podium.

Hugh Hamilton delivered a healthy dose of Sunshine, a few funnies, and a few not so

funnies. In spite of the jokes, he managed to expertly recognize our guests and the birthday boys and girls.

Past-President Ray Jones introduced our program - the Northwest Florida YMCA. The YMCA's CEO. Michael Bodenhausen went into some of the details of the Y and just how long Pensacola has had a relationship with the organization. As a Port town, in the 1880's, the Y was fostered locally so that the sailors and other young men would have alternative socially redeeming activities and sports to indulge in other than what could be found at various establishments in the "Red Light" District. Michael had a few interesting facts about the Y (like it was the first with an indoor pool) and some modern facts including that over 2000 children participate in their sports programs—and 18% of those are on scholarship. Also, 20% of the downtown membership is seniors, over 400 kids are in after-school Y programs, and that there are inclusion programs for autistic or the developmentally challenged. As for the

new downtown Y, the new building will encompass approximately 52,000 square feet at the corner of Intendencia and Tarragona Streets. Plans include a fully equipped wellness center nearly triple the size of our current area; an accessible aquatic center with two pools; multi-purpose rooms dedicated to group exercise and special programs; a gymnasium; a demo kitchen; a larger KidZone designed for varying ages; expanded locker rooms; social gathering spaces; and dedicated space for the health care partner Baptist. Overall cost is sixteen million and they have raised 78% or \$12,400,000 - Michael and his Chairman of the Board, John Cagan, both asked the members to please consider donating their time or by donating. We adjourned shortly after 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Clark Merritt.

#### ROTARY WHEELS

- On November 10<sup>th</sup> acting president John asked all former military members to stand and be recognized, our club's recognition of Veterans Day.
- Congratulations to David Bear on the fine reception of the Foo-Foo events. David steered the state funding here to support the activities.
- Keep in mind that De De Flounlacker's MANA Food Bank and Bob Rogers' Waterfront Mission are in their BIG season for service and can always use help. And this year marks half a century when our members have rung the bells for the Salvation Army.
- President Andrea's in high gear as the United Way Campaign is rolling. As part of the club's centennial please remember that our good member Carl Weis and his wife were the ones who began Community Chest here.
- As one drives Garden Street near Palafox it's easy to see that Bobby Switzer's Blount Building remodeling is well under way.
- Again remembering the club's heritage: in 1915 the point where I-110 exits onto Garden Street was an L&N freight yard and warehouse. Garden Street at that location was not paved.

#### CENTENNIAL CLUB MEMBERS

John Appleyard/Appleyard Foundation, Brian Baumgardner, Charles Beall, Frank Beall, Alexis Bolin, Alan Bookman,

The Warren Ted Brown and Kathy Horton-Brown Family Foundation, Inc., Ellis Bullock, Jr., Handsel Butts, Bo Carter, Vince Currie, Lew Doman, Roger Enzor, Ray Fox, Sally Fox, Scott Grissett, Donald Haferkamp, Robert D. Hart, Sherry Hartnett, Wylie Hogeman, Earl Hutto, C. Ray Jones, Dale Jordan, Charles Kahn, Jr., Chris Kelly, Douglas Killinger, Andrea Krieger, Nell & Britt Landrum, Carol Law, Jeff Lewis, Brain Masterson, Jerry Maygarden, Trip Maygarden, Bryan McCall, Lori Menke, Collier Merrill, Will Merrill, Robert Mills, Moore, Hill & Westmoreland, P.A., Eric J. Nickelsen, Jean Norman, Susan O'Connor, Mort O'Sullivan, Bruce Partington, Chris Pate, Lyal C. Payne, Jorge Pelaez, Betty Gail Peters, Bill Phillips, Innes Richards, Henry & Jane Roberts, Grover Robinson, Bob Rogers, John Shaffer, Judy Shelton, Dick Sherrill, Richard N. Sherrill, David Stafford, William Stafford, Jim Stolhanske, Margaret Stopp, Terry Terrell, Malcolm Thomas, John Tice, Roger Vinson, Doug Werber, Jack Williams and Ken Woolf

# 2015-2016 Club Officers

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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.	5:30 pm
Perdido	Triggers Restaurant	Wed.	7:30 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		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

# **District Governor**

Leon Hirsh www.rotary6940.org

## **Assistant District Governor**

**Innes Richards** 

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# Birthdays for the week of November 17th through November 23rd

Leslie Halsall - November 17 born in Memphis, TN, in Rotary 24 years

**Ephtimios**, **Issa** – November 22 born in Egypt, in Rotary 10 years

**Skip Furlong** - November 23 born in Muskogee, OK, in Rotary 28 years

#### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

Nov 17 - NAS Commanding Officer Keith Hoskins

Nov 24 - Rotary Rooters "The Origins of Thanksgiving Nationally & Here"

Dec 8 - Escambia County School District, Superintendent Malcolm Thomas

#### GREETERS & TICKET SALES

#### November 17

Greeters: Tony Neuner and Erick Nickelsen Ticket Sales: Ed Nickinson and Ted Nickinson

#### PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

November 17

Prayer/Pledge: Henry Roberts Sunshine: Madison Currin

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