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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 7/30/2024

Rotary Club Meeting Recap: A Scorching Summer Gathering

The Rotary Club met on a sweltering Tuesday at PYC, with members seeking refuge from the dog days of summer in the air conditioning. Richard Sherrill and Auby Smith greeted attendees, while Auby assisted Pam Smith selling 50/50 raffle tickets.

President Roberts, still reveling in his new title, proudly recognized the Club's 109-year legacy and growing membership of over 160. Benny Jeansonne led the prayer and pledge, followed by Sunshine expert Dale Jordan, who shared election anecdotes and recognized guests, visiting Rotarians, and birthday celebrants.

Pam Smith, a raffle ticket seller, surprisingly won the prize, but the jackpot rolled over to next week, promising over \$1000. Bruce Partington received another Paul Harris Society award for his ongoing support of Rotary International.

Program Highlight: Waterfront Mission Celebrates 75 Years

The program featured Clay Romano, President and CEO of Waterfront Mission, who shared the organization's history and future plans.

Focusing on rescue and recovery for men struggling with addiction, the Mission offers a faith-based curriculum and recently partnered with ARC Gateway to expand their living spaces. Their "day services" provide showers, meals, employment resources, computer access, and clothing, with up to 230 daily visits. Romano highlighted that 40% of local homeless individuals face addiction, and in 2023, the Mission provided 168,000 meals and shelter to thousands. Their seven thrift stores generate 67% of revenues, and they boast an impressive 2.1 million pounds of recycled materials collected last year.

In Other News:

Former President Charles Beall used his discretionary funds (\$5000) to support local arts organizations facing financial challenges, including the Pensacola Symphony and Pensacola Little Theatre.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Clark Merritt, Correspondent for the Helicopter

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

TODAY, TUESDAY, August 6, we meet at Pensacola Yacht Club.

Welcome New Member Dennis Barnes. Dennis is a native of Pensacola, graduated from Florida State University in 1986 with a Bachelors in Risk management and Insurance. Following working in numerous locations in Florida he returned to Pensacola and opened Barnes Insurance and Financial Services. He sold his agency in 2018 to Alera and is getting close to retirement. Dennis is a Sacred Heart Order of Cornette Member, Member of Perdido Bay United Methodist Church and on the finance committee, Covenant Care Foundation Board, has one son, Jake Barnes, a new grandfather and an avid boater! Go NOLES!! Dennis has been a Rotarian with the Cordova Club for 20 years. His sponsor is President Henry Roberts.

Welcome New Member Jessica Scholl. Jessica is a native of Tuscaloosa, Alabama. She is a graduate of Birmingham Southern College with a B.S. degree in Psychology, minor in English and received her J.D. from The University of Alabama School of Law. Jessica is an attorney with Moore, Hill and Westmoreland. She has one daughter. Her sponsor is Past President Charles Beall.

At the ending of Charles Beall's Presidency, he chose the following organizations to receive a gift from the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation Presidents Discretionary Giving.

Pensacola Symphony Orchestra
Pensacola Childrens' Chorus
Pensacola Opera

Ballet Pensacola
Pensacola Little Theater
Clark Family Cultural Center

We will continue to stream our meeting using Microsoft Teams; however, changes will be made due to poor wi-fi reception at PYC. You will no longer receive visual video of the meetings but will be able to listen to the announcements and hear the speaker. The link to join will be sent out in the same manner as before. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes, please let me know. 850-434-0684.

To increase the membership of our club, we will continue to offer three free lunches for potential new members.

Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter. Your ad will run for a full month each week. Business card-sized ads are \$25.00, a 1/4 page is \$50.00, and a 1/2-page ad is \$75.00. To place your ad, send the prepared document to cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org stating the size of the ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

To pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card go to <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment>. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment.

MEETING SCHEDULE

August

- 6 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams
- 13 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams
- 20 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams
- 1:00 Board of Directors Meeting
- 27 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

Program Schedule

August

- 6 - Marty Stanovich - First Tee
- 13 - Dan Shugart - WEAR Sports College Football
- 20 - Kaleb Nobles - UWF Football Coach
- 27 - Ben Woodason - Sovereign Ships

2024-2025 Club Officers

•President	Henry Roberts
•Past President	Charles Beall
•President Elect	Allison Hill
•Secretary	Randall Richardson
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•Communications Officer	Betty Roberts

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Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	Pensacola Bay Center	Mon.	12:00 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends at Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
Milton	The Hangar Restaurant	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	5:15 pm
	meets every other Tuesday		
Cantonment	St. Luke's United Methodist Church	Wed.	12:15 pm
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	Hancock Bank, Creighton Rd.	Fri.	12:00 pm

District Governor

Mike Tatem
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Cliff Schornak

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of August 6 through August 12

Jonathan Griffith – August 6 – born in Olney, MD, in Rotary 10 years

Pete Doyle – August 7 – born in Erie, PA, in Rotary 26 years,
Paul Harris Fellow

Mark Harden – August 7 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 18 years,
Paul Harris Fellow

Janet Pilcher – August 8 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 22 years,
Paul Harris Fellow

Bob Rogers – August 8 – born in Pensacola, in Rotary for 17 years,
Paul Harris Fellow + 1

Verdell Hawkins – August 10 – born in Natchez, MS, in Rotary 9 years

Christina Doss – August 12 - born in Coronado, CA, in Rotary
10 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Charles Gund – August 12 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary
22 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Greeters and Ticket Sales

August 6

Greeters: David Stafford and Mike Steltenkamp
Ticket Sales: Robert Stephens and Margaret Stopp

August 13

Greeters: Jane White and Charles Thornton
Ticket Sales: John Tice and Lynne Tobin

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

August 6

Prayer/Pledge: Charles Kahn Sunshine: Chris Kelly

August 13

Prayer/Pledge: Ted Brown Sunshine: Jerry Maygarden



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