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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 8/27/2024

President Roberts welcomed us all and called us to order. Rotarian Bruce Partington began our meeting with a very thoughtful prayer and then led us in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rotarian Leslie Mickles, our Sunshine for today, sang Summertime – wow! Then she introduced four guests and one visiting Rotarian. There were two of the three birthday celebrants in attendance and they enjoyed being serenaded.

Rotarian Ed Meadows became a Paul Harris Fellow plus one. Congratulations and thank you for all that you do.

Bright Bridge Ministries via a wonderful spokesperson provided a four minute presentation on what they do. “**Bright Bridge** Ministries strives to meet the physical, emotional, & spiritual needs of the homeless and under resourced individuals & families.” This is a new way of letting our Rotarians know where their donations are “serving” - each non-profit is offered a chance to come and give a

short presentation on their work in the community.

The pot grew a bit more. Innes Richards had the “chance” ticket but she drew a 9. The joker is still in there.

Our speaker was Ben Woodason from Sovereign Ships. He brought Brian Liu, a designer, with him to also speak about the concept. The thought is to build “lifestyle” ships/boats, single hull and catamarans, that are “self-sustaining” with a garden on board. Please consult their website sovereignships.com for background, technologies, and photos. The headquarters is in Pensacola with builders in Vietnam. CEO Woodason is quite a dreamer and bases his concept on space ships.

Next meeting Sept. 3 is at the Bay Center. Drs. Piovesana and Tuliani will speak on Aortic Heart Valve Disease and Management.

Submitted by Lynne Tobin

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

*****ATTENTION - TODAY, TUESDAY, September 3, we meet at Pensacola Bay Center, 201 East Gregory Street*****

Welcome New Member Taylor Phillips. Taylor is a native of Pleasant Grove, Alabama, a graduate of the University of Alabama and Cumberland School of Law. He is the Assistant General Counsel with Regions Bank. Taylor is married to Kris and has one child. His sponsor is Dennis Barnes.

17 members have returned their Rotary Commitments Forms designating where they wish to serve this Rotary year. These forms are available at the meetings and attached with this email. Please take the time to review and make your choice based on interest and opportunity to support of club and community.

The next Naturalization Ceremony will take place on Friday, September 27, 10am at the United States District Courthouse, One North Palafox Street in downtown Pensacola. If you would like to attend, please let me know. cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org

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

September

- 3 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams
- 10 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams
- 17 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting
- 24 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

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 September 3 through September 9

Charles Beall – September 5 – born in Dublin, GA, in Rotary 27 years, Paul Harris Fellow +8, Major Donor
Jim Flournoy – September 6 – born in Memphis, TN, in Rotary 30 years, Paul Harris Fellow +3
John Tice – September 6 – born in Tazewell, VA, in Rotary 49 years, Paul Harris Fellow +8, Major Donor, Benefactor, Bequest Society

Greeters and Ticket Sales

September 3

Greeters: Jack Williams and Frank Yeager
Ticket Sales: Ed Wonder and Brian Wyer

September 10

Greeters: Lisa York and
Ticket Sales: Marjy Anders and

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

September 3

Prayer/Pledge: Rob Overton Sunshine: Laura Piovesana

September 10

Prayer/Pledge: Innes Richards Sunshine: Kelsey Powell

Program Schedule

September

- 3 - Dr. Giovanni Piovesana/Dr. Tushar Tuliani - Aortic Heart Valve Disease and Management
- 10 - Dr. Don Winslett - Mental Health Awareness
- 17 - Keith Leonard - Escambia County School Superintendent
- 24 - Dr. Martha Saunders - UWF President



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