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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 11/5/2024

Election Day was upon all Rotarians as they filed into PYC for some good sustenance and conversation. Tony Neuner was selling tickets for the smaller, but growing, 50/50 raffle, and Kia Goldsmith greeted everyone as they headed into lunch.

President Henry kicked off the meeting with the 4-Way Test, followed by the prayer and pledge led by Ted Brown. To honor Election Day, we enjoyed a stirring performance of "America the Beautiful" by Leslie Mickles. The Rooters then surprised us with a heartfelt rendition of "God Bless America." The crowd was thoroughly entertained and feeling patriotic after these inspiring performances.

PSC Foundation Takes Center Stage

Olivia introduced our fellow Rotarian, Andrea Kreiger, Executive Director of the Pensacola State College Foundation. Andrea's detailed presentation highlighted the Foundation's vital role in supporting PSC's growth, providing quality education, and enhancing the college's impact on the local community. Did you know that countless members and past presidents of our club are actively involved with the Foundation?

With total assets exceeding \$50 million, the Foundation supports various programs, scholarships, and endowments. Andrea shared compelling examples of how these funds are making a difference.

Mackenzie Opperman then took the stage to discuss the scholarship program. She introduced several scholarship recipients, who briefly

shared their stories and expressed gratitude for the club's support.

Andrea concluded by highlighting some of the Foundation's exciting events, including:

- **The Big Break:** This annual golf tournament raises significant funds for student scholarships.
- **Day of Clays:** A fun and challenging sporting clay event that supports the Foundation's mission.
- **Change Makers Challenge:** This innovative program encourages students to develop solutions to real-world problems.
- **Holiday Experience:** A festive celebration that brings the community together.

Andrea also shared the exciting news that the PSC women's soccer team is heading to Nationals after only two years! Congratulations to the team and their coaches.

Raffle Results and Closing

Former Club President, Lou Ray, was the fortunate winner of the 50/50 raffle, but only managed to draw the Ace, so the pot continues to grow.

Following a brief Q&A session, President Henry closed out the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Clark Merritt

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

TODAY, TUESDAY, November 12, WE MEET AT PENSACOLA YACHT CLUB.

It Is Time To Sign Up for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing. The Rotary Club of Pensacola will ring the bell at Sam's Club every Friday and Saturday beginning November 29th through December 21st. The goal is to have 2 individuals ring for a two-hour shift. You can sign-up at the weekly meeting or contact Chris via email.

We have kicked-off our Pledge Campaign for the Rotary International Foundation and our Local Foundation. Attached is the 2024 pledge form, also available at the weekly meeting and by email.

"Thank you to the following members for their annual pledge to The Rotary International Foundation and The Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation".

Marjorie Anders	William Fleming	Charles Ray Jones	Bruce Partington	Jessica Scholl	John Tice
Charles Beall	Richard Forsley	Charles Kahn	Laura Piovesana	John Shaffer	Lynne Tobin
Frank Beall	Sophia Forsley	Chris Kelly	Innes Richards	Charles Sherrill, Jr.	Paul Tobin
George Biggs	Lane Harper	Britt Landrum	Randall Richardson	Auby Smith	Ellen Vinson
Ted Brown	Sherry Hartnett	Jerry Maygarden	Betty Roberts	Pam Smith	Joe Vinson
Vicki Campbell	Allison Hill	Norris McMahon	Henry Roberts	Mike Steltenkamp	Jane White
Vince Currie	Craig Hindsman	Lori NeSmith	Grover Robinson	Robert Stephens	Brian Wyer
Madison Currin	Art Hufford	Tony Neuner	Bob Rogers	Margaret Stopp	
Lee Elebash	Benny Jeansonne	Kathy Horton Brown	Scott Sallis	Stephania Streit	

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.

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



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
November 12 through November 18

Britt Landrum – November 12 – born in Montgomery, AL, in Rotary 42 years, Paul Harris Fellow +4

Leslie Halsall - November 17 – born in Memphis, TN, in Rotary 34 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Randall Richardson – November 17 – born in St. Simons Island, GA, in Rotary 6 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Greeters and Ticket Sales

November 12

Greeters: Charles Gund

Ticket Sales: Hugh Hamilton and Mark Harden

November 19

Greeters: Lane Harper and Sherry Hartnett

Ticket Sales: Verdell Hawkins and Caleb Heifner

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

November 12

Prayer/Pledge: Ellen Vinson

Sunshine: Paul Tobin

November 19

Prayer/Pledge: Jane White

Sunshine: Joe Vinson

Program Schedule

November

12 - Dr. Don Winslett , Mental Health

19 - Dr. Jaromy Kuhl, UWF Provost - PAM Lab

26 - Dr. Geoffrey Lentz - Thanksgiving

MEETING SCHEDULE

November

12 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

19 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

1:00 Board Meeting

26 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams