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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

The first meeting of 2010 of the Rotary Club of pensacola was held under sunny skies and cold temps on January 5 at New World Landing.

Greeting duties were skillfully handled by Lavonne Agerton while ticket duties were carried forth by Charlie Sherrill.

President Margret called the meeting to order and led the club in the Four Way Test.

Henry Roberts was then called to the podium to lead the club in prayer and the pledge to our flag.

Grover Robinson, who was noted for being early to the meeting, then came forth with Sunshine. Due to the late hour that Grover was engaged for this duty, he delivered "Sunshine Lite" which was well received by the membership. Grover introduced guests and led the club in a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday You All for all of the birthday guys and gals in the room – seems like half the club was born in the first week of January!

The raffle was drawn by our guest speaker, Rick Outzen, and Jock Mobley walked away with a cool \$70.

President Margaret then called Jerry Maygarden to the podium to acknowledge his achievement of the Paul Harris Plus Four designation. Jerry had dutifully served the Club and our community for many years and his leadership has served as an inspiration to his fellow Rotarians – congratulations Jerry!

Shawn Brantley was then called to the podium to recognize our newest member, Chris Kelly. Chris has been employed in the financial services industry for over 17 years and currently works as a financial consultant. He and his wife are the proud parents of 4 children and Chris is actively involved in his church and various civic activities. Welcome aboard Chris!

Richard Sherrill then introduced our program and guest speaker. Rick Outzen is a former Gulf Breeze city councilman and he is the editor of a weekly local newspaper, The Independent News. Rick also leads a local blog known as "Ricks Blog" that has proven to be a forum for local issues to be bandied about. Rick spoke about the 3 stages that our community has evolved through since the mid 90's – unconscious incompetence,

conscious incompetence and now heading towards capable competence. The drive towards capable competence is indicated by positive forces in the community pushing for a project for the common good – otherwise known as the Community Maritime Park. In addition, the most recent City Council elections resulted in 4 fresh faces joining the action at City Hall. We also witnessed the victory of David Morgan over incumbent Ronnie McNesby in a hotly contested race for the Sheriff's office. More recent developments include the approval of a new charter for the city of Pensacola and efforts toward consolidation of city and county government. Rick stated that it was his hope the upcoming Mayor's race would center on relevant issues and not personalities. In light of this, the IN will not speculate on who the next mayor will be but Rick indicated that he really likes the thought of David Stafford running for the office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by M. Blaise Adams.

## ROTARY WHEELS

Did you know that Tom Birdwell is one of the co-hosts for this year's Heart Ball?

At the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, Betty Roberts and Rodger Doyle were still tightlipped about who had/would win the Blood Center's new auto. Later maybe they'll tell us how the promotion worked in getting more blood donations.

David Bear continues his struggle to create a new form of Arts Council. David and his family have been key players in such work for half a century.

Nigel Allen and Dale Knee say that Hospice now is caring for an average of 800 patients a day over the several-county service area.

If you hadn't noticed, the Red Cross has moved from its Palafox Street headquarters to a Crestview address. Leigh Broxton urges all to take note.

These wintry days have kept Bob Rogers and the Waterfront Mission mighty busy, and John Clark's Council has worked hard distributing heaters and blankets. Rotarians CARE!

As 2010 arrived and the old year disappeared, many Rotarians were involved in unusual situations, or helped shape an attitude. W. Bob Hart and other Walmart managers stood forth with wonderful help for the needy. Maria Goldberg was seen in a PR role for Jackson's Restaurant, and Jean Norman, with a successful United Way campaign locked up, reminded people of a continuing need for aid to the less fortunate. Al Coby will have a true challenge managing a city whose operations must change by 2010's end.

Andrea Farage points with pleasure at the rising walls of the new Ronald McDonald House. She and Henry Roberts tell folks that the new quarters are truly needed, for more and more families have little ones at Children's Hospital.

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## 2009-2010 Club Officers

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◆ Past President	Keith Bullock
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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

**John Kuykendall**  
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## Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
January 12th through January 18th

*Joe Maloney* - January 14  
born in Indianapolis, IN, in Rotary 2 years

*Sally Fox* - January 17  
born in Arlington, VA, in Rotary 15 years

## ROTARY WHEELS

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Credit John Clark and the Council on Aging with another fine year of aid to our seniors. This was especially obvious at holiday time.

And Betty Roberts and Rodger Doyle have come to the drawing date in giving away an automobile to one of their 2009 blood donors, a new twist in healthcare marketing.

Randy Jackson's church members have kicked off celebration of their 165<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Our sympathy to Reed Bell in the passing of his brother, Bill, the retired dentist and World War II hero.

David Bear's making headlines as he tries to create a new form of fine arts organization to raise and channel funding.

Gerry Hoewing seemingly happy with recent visitor numbers at the aviation museum, where despite recession, more people are enjoying a great thing!

Ted Nickinson has gladdened some friends with grapefruit picked off a tree which he shares with a neighbor.

Pity Grover Robinson! He gets to be chairman in the search for a new county administrator, just as the consolidation plans nears presentation.

Didjaknow that Hill Turner's ancestors Richard and Charlie built most of the great antique structures in our city?

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

### January 12th

Greeters: Tom Gilliam, Malcolm Thomas  
Ticket Sales: Judy Bense, Gary Sammons

### January 19th

Greeters: Beverly Patteson, Antonio Terry  
Ticket Sales: Trip Maygarden, Martin Small

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