

the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 2/8/2022

President Ed kicked off our meeting for the week with a good crowd and a few Zoom'ers. After the Four-way test, he invited John Schaffer to lead all in the prayer and pledge to the Republic.

A few announcements: Mark Harden mentioned that on March 18 that the Dean of Maritime Studies will be in town at the National Museum of Naval Aviation to discuss the state of current events. Ed stated that the Rotary District Conference will be April 7-11 in Sandestin encouraging all to attend. And for those who enjoy beer and curing polio, beer cups are available for the "Pints for Polio" event at Perfect Plain downtown in the next week. Also, RIYLA is coming up and if you know of a high school sophomore that would be interested in this leadership camp to please nominate as the Club is hosting five students this year. The final announcement was that the Mayfield Rotary Club thanked our Club for the \$1500 donation we sent to help with recovery from the major tornado that affected their region.

Ed went on to recognize that it was Boy Scout Day, National Kite Flying Day, and the always favorite "Laugh and get Rich day".

The raffle rolled over and should be over \$800 next week after a 10 card was pulled. Margret Stopp entertained all with a bit of Sunshine recognizing our guests and birthday boys and girls.

Joe Vinson introduced our speaker – former member and recent Pensacola returnee, Holly Benson. Holly, with her diverse background, was there to discuss ArtVenture – a project she has spearheaded to

identify statues and art across Pensacola for an interactive website. About a year ago, Holly decided that she would try and locate all the statues in the area and document their location. She also classified them into categories such as "The Founders", "The Leaders", "The Veterans", and then expanded into identifying art in the areas as well. Further categorization for the art included "Abstract", "Murals" to include historic, contemporary, and even the 17th avenue CSX trestle (known better today as Graffiti Bridge).

Holly went on to say that art plays a major role in what many tourists want to see when they visit an area and typically ensures that they stay longer and spend more money. Following the lead of other major cities, Holly and her team have mapped and documented locations and a brief description of the art and built a website for it all – www.artventurepensacola.com. The entire site is interactive, and she expects to add murals soon now that the statues are uploaded. Another next step is adding QR codes to the statues and art that will take you to the pages for more information. Wrapping up, Holly said a few ways to help with the project are to provide feedback and the spread the word about the site so that it is used. And finally, she said to "Please keep supporting the Arts".

Respectfully submitted, M. Clark Merritt.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

PLAN TO ATTEND THE ROTARY 6940 DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2022 SCHEDULED APRIL 7 – 9 to be held at SANDESTIN RESORT. More information to come. Also, go to Rotary.Org to register for the ROTARY HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2022 SCHEDULED June 4-8. Details contact Betty Roberts, International and District Conference Promotions Coordinator at bettybroberts@cox.net

It is that time of the year again to make your annual pledge to our local Foundation and Rotary International. Copies of the pledge form are available upon request and at the weekly club meetings.

Our Prayer/Pledge and Sunshine Committee Chair-Person Jean Norman is looking for members to serve at our weekly Rotary Club meeting. Contact Jean at: jean.n.norman@gmail.com and let her know if you would like to be included and if you would like to provide prayer and pledge or sunshine or maybe both.

Our Helicopter Committee Chair-Person Nicole Gislason is looking for members who would like to take minutes at the weekly Rotary Club meetings. If you would like to be a part of that committee please contact Nicole at: nicole@uwf.edu.

We will continue to have On-Line Zoom Meetings along with the In-person meetings at Pensacola Yacht Club. You will continue to get a Zoom invitation every Monday. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call. 850-434-0684. Chris

You are now able to pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment. The link can be found on our website at <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment>.

Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter. The Rotary Club of Pensacola will advertise your business in our weekly newsletter with ads running for a full month. Business cards \$250. 1/4 page \$500. 1/2 page \$750. To place your ad send the prepared document to rcopensa@bellsouth.net stating the size ad you wish to place. **Proceeds to benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

2021-2022 Club Officers

•President	Ed Wonders
•Past President	Sally Fox
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Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	McQuire's Irish Pub	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends at Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
Milton	The Hangar Restaurant	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	4:15 pm
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	Hyatt Place - Pensacola Airport	Fri.	12:00 pm

District Governor

Larry Kubiak
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
February 15th through February 21st

Robert Palmer – February 16 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 32 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Vicki Campbell – February 17 – born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary 5 years

Steve Black – February 17 – born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary 3 years

Cal Moore – February 19 – born in Montgomery, AL, in Rotary 37 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

Roger Vinson – February 19 – born in Cadiz, KY, in Rotary 38 years, Paul Harris Fellow +7

Don Haferkamp – February 20 - born in LaPorte, IN, in Rotary 21 years, Paul Harris +2

Lindsay Durre – February 20 – born in Pensacola, in Rotary 12 years

Lee Elebash – February 21 – born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary 8 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Jimmy Jones – February 21 – born in Paragould, AR, in Rotary 42 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Greeters and Ticket Sales

February 15

Greeters: Ted Brown and Mark Harden

Ticket Sales: Vickie Campbell and John Clark

February 22

Greeters: Al Coby and Madison Currin

Ticket Sales: David DeGallo and Christina Doss

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

February 15

Prayer/Pledge: Terry Scruggs

Sunshine: Collier Merrill

February 22

Prayer/Pledge: Jane White Sunshine: Scott Ford

Program Schedule

February

15 - Dr. Megan Pratt, Pensacola MESS Hall

22 - Josh Newby, Council on Aging

What's Happening in Rotary

February

15 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting

1:00 Board of Director Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom

22 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting