

the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 3/22/2022

The March 22 lunch meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was called to order by President Wonders 12:05 pm. Participants included 46 members on site at PYC and 12 members via Zoom.

Rotarian Jerry Maygarden led us in a thoughtful prayer and pledge. Rotarian Julie Tippins Parker reported on Club support for a student in the Guatemalan Literacy Program. President Ed shared information on the national Diabetes Alert Day, National Agriculture Day and World Water Day. Regarding the raffle, the joker remains at large and the pot grew to \$1,062. Rotarian Jean Norman delivered sunshine remarks and she welcomed 2 guests.

President Ed Wonders and the program chair, Joe Vinson welcomed Matt Posner. He is a native of Pensacola and serves as the Executive Director of the Pensacola and Perdido Bays Estuary Program. In this role, Matt is responsible for overseeing all aspects of Program administration, including strategic planning, fundraising, government affairs, and project development. Prior to joining the Estuary Program, Matt served as Escambia County's RESTORE Program Manager, overseeing all aspects of the County's Deepwater Horizon restoration efforts, including water quality, habitat restoration, resilient infrastructure and communities, and economic development. Matt earned his

bachelor's degree in Environmental Science from the University of West Florida and is currently pursuing a master's degree in Global Sustainability from the University of South Florida. Matt currently serves as the Chair of the Water Resources Committee of the Florida Local Environmental Resource Agencies (FLERA), as Co-Chair of the Panhandle Estuarine Restoration Team (PERT), and is a member of the Florida Association of Environmental Professionals (FAEP) and Pensacola Young Professionals. Posner said the program acts as an environmental advocate to restore ecosystems, improve water quality & support what makes FL so special our natural resources". He said we need to be aware of bay discharges, new development, wetlands, seagrass growth, oyster beds, fish & wildlife. He noted legislation introduced by Senators Rubio & Scott & support from Andrade and Broxson.

Wonders wrapped up the meeting by thanking the ticket sales and greeters: Jonathan Griffith and Charles Gund and Leslie Halsall.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Nicole Gislason.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

There are only 2 days left for qualifying non-profits to make application for The Rotary Club of Pensacola Community Grant. The cut-off date to apply for the grant is 3/31/2022. Applications are available on our website at: <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/>

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 www.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

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 rcopens@bellsouth.net stating the size of ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

2021-2022 Club Officers

•President	Ed Wonders
•Past President	Sally Fox
•President Elect	Bruce Partington
•Secretary	Lisa York
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•Sergeant At Arms	Scott Grissett
•Communications Officer	Joe Vinson

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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
March 29th through April 4th

Judy Bense - March 29 – born in Morristown, New Jersey, in Rotary 13 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Larry Adams – March 30 – born in Birmingham, AL in Rotary 6 years

Nathan Kahn – April 1- born in Mobile, AL, in Rotary 45 years, Paul Harris +1

Laura Gilliam – April 2 – born in Chapel Hill, NC in Rotary 16 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Charles Sherrill, III – April 4 – born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary 8 years

Greeters and Ticket Sales

March 29

Greeters: Laura Gilliam and Hugh Hamilton

Ticket Sales: Sherry Hartnett and Dale Jordan

April 5

Greeter: Verdell Hawkins and Carter Herman

Ticket Sales: Allison Hill and Kathy Horton Brown

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

March 29

Prayer/Pledge: Bruce Partington

Sunshine: Larry Adams

April 5

Prayer/Pledge: Ted Brown

Sunshine: Al Coby

Program Schedule

March

29 - Dr. Norm Haines, Pensacola History

April

5 - Stacey Kostevicki, Gulf Coast Kids House, Child Abuse Awareness Month

12 - Crista Brandt, Valerie's House

19 - Tammy Greer, Escambia Children's Trust

26 - Matt Coughlin, Pensacola International Airport

What's Happening in Rotary

March

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

April

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

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

1:00 Board Meeting

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

21 - Noon CROP Ethics in Business Award Luncheon

26 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting **On-Line ZOOM ONLY**