

the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 5/3/2022

Someone flicked on the summer heat switch as Rotarians met at PYC for some lunch and fellowship greeted at the door by “Team Maygarden – father and son”. After buying a raffle ticket from Bryan McCall and Norris McMahon then heading to the buffet line, those assembled were ready for President Ed to kick it off.

Following the prayer and pledge by Fred Lindstrum, Ed noted the passing of Judy Tice, wife of long-time member, Club President and District Governor John Tice. Our prayers are with him and his family as all mourn her loss.

Sally Fox was recognized by Louisiana Rotary district 6840 for her efforts supplying hurricane recovery support last year – congrats Sally. We also welcomed two new members -- Kimberly Irvin and Craig Hindsman. Welcome Aboard!

The annual family Rotary event is scheduled for May 25th for a Wahoo’s game – sign up early and bring your whole crew for a great night of baseball and corn dogs.

President “National Day” Wonders then rattled off no less than six National Days – most asking if just about anything qualifies to make the list. Lucky, or unlucky depending on how you look at it if you are Innes Richards, as she was the raffle winner going home with six dollars instead of a couple thousand dollars.

Chris Kelly skillfully pulled off Sunshine recognizing visiting Rotarians and birthday boy Trip Maygarden – he even snuck in a pretty good joke.

And we were off to the Program. Our own Martha Saunders, President of UWF. Martha went over many of the recent success stories including that UWF is a great college to work for according to a survey conducted by a leading education trade magazine, UWF is a top school in their category per US News and World Report (second year in a row), enrollment is up even with Covid affecting everything, and they are #4 of the Top 10 institutions as it relates to the military and veterans. They are also working to increase scholarships especially for those receiving Federal Pell Grants. Also, the Fort Walton campus is expanding, they are working to improve the transfer process to and from Pensacola State College, enhancing online education not only because of Covid but also for hurricanes, the nursing program is expanding, renovation of the Field House is planned, fundraising is going well, and alumni are giving more and more. Finally, a master plan is in work to best utilize UWF’s 1600 acres.

We adjourned shortly after 1:00 pm. Respectfully submitted
Clark Merritt.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

RSVP NOW for the Family Rotary Event at Blue Wahoo Stadium, Wednesday May 25th, the Pensacola Blue Wahoo’s vs. the Mississippi Braves. Event includes tickets to game on the Dignity Deck, hamburger, hot dog with sides buffet and non-alcoholic drinks, hat, fun and fireworks show. Free to club members and \$35. for guest. rsvp at rcopens@bellsouth.net

Go to www.Rotary.Org to register for the ROTARY HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2022 SCHEDULED for June 4-8. For details contact Betty Roberts, International and District Conference Promotions Coordinator at bettybroberts@cox.net

The board has voted to reduce the price of running an ad to promote your business in the Helicopter. Your ad would run for a full month each week in our the newsletter. Business card size would be \$25.00, a 1/4 page would be \$50.00, and a 1/2 page ad would be \$75.00. To place your ad send the prepared document to rcopens@bellsouth.net stating the size of the ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

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>

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
May 10th through May 16th

Angela Hahn – May 10 – born in Pensacola, in Rotary 4 years

Carol Powell – May 11 – born in Boston, MA, in Rotary 30 years, Paul Harris +1

William Stafford – May 11 – born in Masury, OH, in Rotary 47 years, Paul Harris +1

John Monroe – May 15 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 34 years, Paul Harris +1

Greeters and Ticket Sales

May 10

Greeters: Ed Meadows and Lori Menke

Ticket Sales: Collier Merrill and Clark Merritt

May 17

Greeters: Craig Hindsman and Leslie Mickles

Ticket Sales: Cal Moore and Lori NeSmith

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

May 10

Prayer/Pledge: Randall Richardson Sunshine: Leslie Mickles

May 17

Prayer/Pledge: Lawrence Powell Sunshine: Bob Palmer

Program Schedule

May

10 - Todd Humble, Bellview Branch Library

17 - Clark Merritt, Port of Pensacola

24 - Dr. Ed Meadows, Pensacola State College

31 - Lizzy Jenny, Florida Native Plant Society, Longleaf Pine Chapter

What's Happening in Rotary

May

10 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting and on Zoom

17 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting and on Zoom

1:00 Board of Directors Meeting

24 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting and on Zoom

25 - Blue Wahoo's Baseball Game

31 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting **ON LINE ZOOM ONLY**