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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 05/09/2017

Beautiful weather greeted Rotarians just as Ted Brown was doing the same as everyone enjoyed a day of fellowship and fried fish at New World Landing. Doing double duty, the first one being ticket sales, was Vicki Campbell.

President Sherry brought the meeting to order as ... surprise, Vicki Campbell led all in prayer and pledge. A few announcements included Scott Grisset discussing the family of Rotary event to be held at the Fish House deck on 4 June. Come one come all and enjoy a little fellowship on that Sunday from four to six o'clock. Sherry then asked for Rex McKinney to come up who was awarded with his Paul Harris +1 – congrats Rex.

Judge Stafford was the lucky recipient of Vicki's double duty collecting \$41 greenbacks which he promptly donated to the Foundation. Cal Moore was Sunshine

and as an avid golfer told a little story about celebrating a "rider" (all the golfer's in the audience could sympathize).

The Program. Retired Master Chief Mark Harden introduced our program – US Navy Captain Chris Martin, Commanding Officer (CO) of our own base – NAS Pensacola. The Skipper, prior enlisted, attended Auburn on a ROTC scholarship and became an E-2 Hawkeye pilot. Serving at various deployed and ashore commands across the county as he rose through the ranks prior to becoming CO at NAS Pensacola. As CO, he actually controls the infrastructure at several bases including Saufley Field, Corry Station, and even the Blue Angel recreation complex. With a replacement value of over \$3.6 billion and 1500 buildings, over 95 defense related tenants and 31 non-defense tenants reside at the

various bases. More stats include that the economic impact of NAS has increased from \$1.281 billion in 2012 to over \$2 billion for 2016. Pensacola is also one of only three bases that have an active cemetery on board and he noted that on average there is a funeral every 30 minutes. Wrapping up he discussed access to the base and the challenges they face moving forward. He expects that they will need \$18 million to fully alcove or separate areas like the museum, cemetery, and light house from the rest of the base so public access is easier. It will be a big challenge but they still have a few years to work out all the details. More information on the base can be found on their website or Facebook page – he even has a Twitter account. Respectfully submitted – M. Clark Merritt Jr.

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Hats off to Malcolm Thomas! The school superintendent was recipient of the Bar Association's annual Liberty Bell Award on May 5th...noting Malcolm's work in promoting student study of the nation's three great documents.
- ❖ When our recent speaker detailed the history of Ascend (originally Chemstrand) Wylie Hogeman was the most interested man in our audience. Once upon a time Wylie was general manager at the huge plant.
- ❖ Earl Hutto's one of a group planning future highlights for our Veterans Park.
- ❖ If all goes well Paul Tobin's to be a new voice in the ROOTERS! Ken Woolf makes a daily stroll past the Brent-Blount complex, admiring the additions in progress. For over 35 years Ken was architect covering earlier renovations and improvements there.
- ❖ Mark you calendar for Sunday, June 4th, Family of Rotary Event at The Fish House Deck 4-6pm.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

May	
16	Quint Studer, Pensacola Happenings
23	Sacred Heart Hospital & Children's Hospital
30	West Florida Hospital CEO Carlton Ulmer

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

May (Youth Service Month)		
16	Noon	Regular Meeting
23	Noon	Regular Meeting
	4:00 pm	Board Meeting at United Way
30	Noon	Regular Meeting

2016-2017 Club Officers

◆ President	Sherry Hartnett
◆ Past President	Andrea Krieger
◆ President Elect	Paul Tobin
◆ Secretary	Claudia Simmons
◆ Treasurer	C. Ray Jones
◆ Sergeant At Arms	Tim Kane
◆ Historian	John Appleyard

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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 - Check navarrerotary.org		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

District Governor

Roger Champion
www.rotary6940.org

Assistant District Governor

Innes Richards

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of MAY 16th through MAY 22nd

David Bear – May 17

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 16 years

Ed Nickinson, III – May 17

born in Jacksonville, FL, in Rotary for 31 years

David DelGallo – May 18

born in Trenton, NJ, in Rotary 7 years

Hank Bell – May 19

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 34 years

Kaberi Samanta – May 19

born in Calcutta, India, in Rotary 1 year

John Clark – May 21

born in Lewiston, Maine, in Rotary 10 years

Martin Coe – May 22

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 18 years

PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

May 16

Prayer/Pledge: Shawn Brantley

Sunshine: Henry Roberts

May 23

Prayer/Pledge: Madison Currin

Sunshine: Alexis Bolin

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