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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 06/13/2017

Despite the rainy weather we had a solid turnout of Rotarians for our weekly luncheon. Sally Fox, wearing a big smile, warmly greeted everyone while George Furlong seemed to enjoy his turn selling 50/50 tickets.

Andrea Krieger-filling in for Sherry Hartnett-called the meeting to order and led us in the Four Way Test. Richard Sherrill offered a prayer, and then called on John Appleyard, who announced that June 14<sup>th</sup> was Flag Day. In honor of Flag Day, John and the Rotary Rooters led us in singing George M. Cohen's "You're a Grand Old Flag", after which, Richard completed his duties by leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Andrea recognized Wiley Hogeman for achieving Paul Harris Fellow plus one and Preston Forshee had the pleasure of introducing our newest club member, Trey Poirier. Trey is a Certified Financial Planner and a welcome addition to Pensacola Rotary Club. Bruce Partington gave us a rundown of ten community

projects/organizations we will support this year. The total expenditure was recently raised to \$15,000.

Collier Merrill began his Sunshine duties by introducing our visiting Rotarians. After joking about someone sleeping in his yard following the recent Fiesta Celebration, Collier recognized Margaret Stoop and Jerry Kindle as our weekly birthday honorees.

Bill Seedes, Executive Director of the YMCA, was our guest speaker and delivered an impressive presentation concerning the growth of the downtown YMCA. The focus of Mr. Seedes' presentation was the Bear / Levin / Studor Family YMCA Building which officially opened Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017.

In September of 2015 the Downtown YMCA had a membership of 3163. In 18 months that number has grown to 10,136. On a typical day the YMCA now has 1500 visitors. There are eighty-five group exercise classes, which include Spinning, Yoga and Boot Camp. There are classes for

Seniors Monday-Friday mornings. In cooperation with Baptist Health Care, free nutritional classes are also offered. Swimming and water safety lessons are being offered to 395 people with 44 more are on the waiting list.

There is also KidZone- a children's area without televisions - that had 2151 visits in May alone.

The YMCA actively partners with many non-profit organizations. ARC Gateway, Sacred Heart Early Steps, the Waterfront Rescue Mission, Special Olympics and The Studer Family Children's Hospital are among these partners.

Fund raising has gone extremely well. According to our speaker, a couple of needed improvements we can look forward to are completion of the parking garage and a revamp of the locker rooms. Mr. Seedes fielded a few questions and Andrea adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Layton

## WEEK IN REVIEW 06/21/2017

On Wednesday June 21, 2017 amongst the impending threats from Tropical Storm Debi a number of Rotarians and their guest attended the Change of Command Ceremony at the Pensacola Yacht Club. to celebrate the achievements of the outgoing leadership and welcome the incoming leadership.

President Sherry Hartnett welcomed everyone and administered the Four Way Test. A moment of silence was observed in memory of those we lost this year. Vince Currie lead the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

John Appleyard and the Rotary Rooters lead the crowd in song.

Jerry Maygarden announced the nominees for the Grover and Sandra Robinson Awards and gave a description of each award and expressed the importance of this recognition to the club. Jerry presented the Sandra Robinson award to Judge Casey Rogers and the Grover Robinson award to Henry Roberts. He described the achievement of each recipient and their contributions and service to our community.

President Sherry presented to all attending with a Year in Review booklet and recognized the clubs accomplishments and the Rotarians that made this year successful. Sherry recognized the 2016-2017

Board Members.

AG Innes Richards called President Elect Paul Tobin to the podium and swore him in as the new president. Newly sworn in President Paul thanked the Board Members who agreed to stay on for another year and called his new 2017-1018 board members to the podium. President Paul thanked everyone for their service and spoke of his commitment to continue the momentum of another great year for the Rotary Club of Pensacola. With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Bridwell

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Looking ahead to 2018, Ed Meadows and Shelia Nichols will be hosting many student returnees who'll be noting the PSC 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Note too: every president of the college has been a member of this club.
- ❖ Pat on the back for Jon Griffith and the Wahoos AS the Bulletin went to press the ball club was comfortably in first place in their division.
- ❖ Note from the community's visitor promoters: the Rotary playground is getting high use, and with many positive comments.
- ❖ Hear that Chuck Michael's daughter, a true outdoorswoman, was on an encampment and was gored by a BULL! NOT GOOD...BUT SHE'S doing OK.
- ❖ As Pensacola witnesses a change in police chiefs, you may find it interesting that – since the charter turnaround in 1885 – the city has had fifteen chiefs...and a very fine record.
- ❖ If one drives behind the Wentworth museum he or she will see that Overton and company have work in progress for huge changes to the university's historic district.
- ❖ See that Andrea Krieger leaving United Way to join the PSC Foundation.
- ❖ Roger Vinson was reported as having to use A "sour text" in legal decision related to the Bayview Park cross.
- ❖ Paul Tobin is not only our newly installed president but he also is an added PLUS to the works of the Rooters. (Oh...and the net is still out to capture additional voices.
- ❖ On June 20<sup>th</sup> Jon Griffith & Company took over New World Landing during our club's absence...to host a super baseball luncheon. That week included the regional All Star Game and home run derbies.

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## 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](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

**Innes Richards**

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Birthdays for the week of June 21st through July 3rd

**Terry Terrell** – June 21 – born in Seattle, WA, in Rotary 18 years

**Jock Mobley** – June 22 – born in Thomasville, GA, in Rotary 22 years

**Preston Forshee** – July 1 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 5 years

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### June 27

Prayer/Pledge: Chris Kelly

Sunshine: Dale Jordan

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

### June (Rotary Fellowships Month)

27 Noon Regular Meeting  
June Board Meeting Cancelled

### July (Start of the New Rotary Officers' Year of Service Month)

4 Regular Meeting Cancelled  
11 Noon Regular Meeting  
18 Noon Regular Meeting  
25 Noon Regular Meeting

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### June

27 Maestro Peter Rubardt, Pensacola Symphony Orchestra

### July

11 2017/2018 Committee Briefs

18 Curt Morse, Executive Director Downtown Improvement Board

## ROTARY WHEELS *(continued)*

- ❖ June 21<sup>st</sup> was Jack Fleming's 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday...and this was honored via a luncheon arranged by his daughter, Merry who lives in Charlottesville, Virginia.
- ❖ The new Rotarians of June, 1917, had begun their work helping gain pledges for the first WWI Liberty Loan Campaign.

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