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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 10/20/2020

President Sally welcomed members to the October 20, 2020, meeting of the Pensacola Rotary Club by leading the Club in the 4 Way Test. She then reminded those of guiding theme of REEFs, which stands for recognition, education, engagement fellowship and service.

Rotarian Allison Hill led the gathering in a wish along with the Prayer and Pledge before handing off to Rotarian Chris Kelly, who introduced the meeting's speaker, Strider Ellass. Strider Ellass is Senior Economist at First Trust Advisors L.P., a financial services firm based in Wheaton, Illinois. At First Trust, Mr. Ellass is responsible for analyzing economic indicators, writing economic commentaries and producing pieces on the First Trust Economics Blog. Mr. Ellass is part of the First Trust economics team that Bloomberg has consecutively ranked as one of the top forecasters of the U.S. economy over the past several years. This First Trust economics team has also won Market Watch's "Forecaster of the Month" Award several times over the past few years. Out of a panel of over 100 economists, investment strategists, and housing market analysts, the First Trust economics team was awarded the "Crystal Ball Award" by Zillow® in partnership with Pulsenomics in 2012, 2013, and again most recently in 2014 for accurate home price predictions. Mr. Ellass was also instrumental in researching for the book *It's Not As Bad As You Think*, published in 2009 by First Trust Chief Economist Brian Wesbury. Beyond his research responsibilities, Mr. Ellass speaks regularly at broker and retail events around the country and abroad. Mr. Ellass received a B.A. in Business and Economics from Wheaton College, in Wheaton, Illinois and is currently a candidate in the CFA Program.

Mr. Ellass was booked during Hurricane Sallie and was speaking from a hotel in Las Vegas. Lot that is going on with this pandemic and social media presenting fear of Covid-19. 1/3 of total deaths are individuals over the age of 85 years old. Mentioned the misallocation of resources because of this fear and how it has devastated the economy. Good news is data is improving but still have a long way to go. Nationwide hotel occupancy is down 25 to

35% but improving. Travel off 75% to prior year. Spoke about what will change with results of Presidential election. Mr. Ellass also mentioned how it might take time (even years) for a lot of these changes (tax rates, etc.) to take place. The rest of the discussion was based on what the rest of the year should look like in the stock market, investments, and a possible stimulus package. Ended with a summary how things are not as bad as it appears by giving some historical perspective. Mr. Ellass then took questions from the audience.

Rotarian Richard Sherrill did Sunshine and introduced our visitors and scholarship winner. He also acknowledged Rotarians with birthdays this week:

Tom Owens – October 23 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 23 years - Paul Harris Fellow

Paul Tobin – October 24 – born in Detroit, Michigan, in Rotary 12 years - Paul Harris Fellow

Gene Killinger – October 24 – born in Perry, FL, in Rotary 44 years - Paul Harris Fellow +5

A new member Brian Wyer of Gulf Coast Minority Chamber was introduced but needed no introduction as he was our speaker last week.

Andrea Kieger then discussed Rotary Scholarship and named our scholarship winner Brittney Curtis had a great heartfelt thank you.

Sergeant of Arms Scott Grissett is looking for Rotarians to participate in Member Moments.

President Sally then gave some health updates and will wishes as well as good PR from Betty Roberts.

Meeting was then adjourned.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

On-Line Zoom Meetings every Tuesday at noon. You will receive your invitation to join the meetings on Monday's. The meetings can be accessed with your computer, tablet or your smart phone. If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call. 850-619-0679. Chris

The Rotary Club of Pensacola is mourning the loss of Rotarian John Appleyard. John has been a member since 1965 and served as the Club Historian, leader of the Rotary Rooters, Past President and wrote two books regarding the history of the Rotary Club of Pensacola. Our club will truly miss John Appleyard a Pensacola treasure.

Welcome New Member Brian Wyer. Brian is a Pensacola native and a graduate of UWF with a Bachelors Degree in Management Information Systems. He is the President/CEO of the Gulf Coast Minority Chamber of Commerce. Brian is a member of numerous non-profit and civic organizations. He is married to Harriet and they have 3 children. His sponsor is Ray Jones.

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Due to Hurricane Sally damage, resuming to in person meetings at New World Landing has been postponed for 6-8 weeks. Projected return date mid-November.

It is that time of the year again to make your annual pledge to our local Foundation and Rotary International. You should have received your 2020-2021 pledge form last week.

In an effort to raise funds for our Rotary Club's Foundation, Sergeant of Arms Scott Grissett is looking for Rotarians to participate in Member Moments. Scott has increased the time to a five minute platform for a member to share such facts as occupation (now/in the past), hobbies, community passion and something no one knows about the Rotarian. In order to get the opportunity to participate in what surely will be a fun and informative activity simply make the winning bid in the Member Moment auction. The winning bid will go to our Club's Foundation. The bid begins at \$20. for each auction. If you are interested in participating, please e-mail Scott Grissett (sjgrissett@gmail.com) with your bid by 5 pm on Fridays.

2020-2021 Club Officers

•President	Sally Fox
•Past President	John Trawick
•President Elect	Ed Wonders
•Secretary	Lisa York
•Treasurer	C. Ray Jones
•Sergeant At Arms	Scott Grissett
•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.	4:15 pm
Perdido	13660 Innerarity Point Road	Wed.	7:15 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

Jan Pooley
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Daniel J. Sulger

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
 October 27th through November 2nd

Alexis Bolin – October 27 – born in Long Branch, NJ, in Rotary 26 years Paul Harris +1, Sustaining Member & Benefactor

Collier Merrill – October 28 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 31 years Paul Harris Fellow

Martha Saunders – October 28 – born in Hattiesburg, MS, in Rotary 7 years Paul Harris Fellow

Sandy Cesaretti Ray – November 1 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 23 years

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

October 27

Prayer/Pledge: Dale Jordan Sunshine: Chris Kelly

November 3

Prayer/Pledge: Charles Kahn Sunshine: Scott Grissett

Program Schedule

October

27 - Todd Thomson, Pensacola Chamber of Commerce

November

3 - Darien Schaefer, Visit Pensacola

10 - Amy Parker, 19th Amendment

17 - Dr. Bill Lees, Confederate Monuments

24 - Chris Warner & Joe Gilchrist

What's Happening in Rotary

October - Community Economic Development Month

27 - Noon On Line Virtual Meeting
 1:00 Virtual Board Meeting

November - Rotary Foundation Month

3 - Noon On Line Virtual Meeting
 10 - Noon On Line Virtual Meeting
 17 - Noon On Line Virtual Meeting
 1:00 Virtual Board Meeting
 24 - Noon On Line Virtual Meeting

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