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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

#### MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at New World Landing under bright summer skies. Rotarians and their guests were greeted warmly by Ron Martin and Lou Ray. Ticket sales were ably handled by Jerry Maygarden. President Alan called the meeting to order and led the Club in the Four Way Test. President Alan then recognized Toney Neuner and acknowledged the success that his son Will is having on the tennis court this summer prior to his start at Florida Atlantic University in the fall on a tennis scholarship - way to go Will!

Bill Stafford was called to the podium for Sunshine and after President Alan acknowledged his 50 years of legal practice under the Florida Bar. Bill introduced 2 military guests, 1 visiting Rotarian and 4 guests of the Club. A rousing rendition of Happy Birthday You All went out to all birthday guys and gals with harmonica accompaniment from Rotarian John. Bill closed with a great joke about the Lutheran who beat a stubborn mule. Chris Klotz went home with the \$80 raffle.

David Stafford was called to the podium to introduce the program. Shane Allen serves as Director of Golf at Marcus Pointe Golf Club. Tom Whites serves as Director of Tournaments at Marcus Pointe. Golf tournaments have proven to be a very successful means of fundraising in recent years. A well run tournament can take up to six months to plan and prepare for and this stage will make or break a tournament. Methods for increasing revenues consist of soliciting hole sponsors, selling mulligans and teebusters and holding a putting contest. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Due to the brevity of today's program, the writer will take this opportunity to reflect on The British Open which was won by Northern Irishman Darren Clarke. This victory follows on the recent US Open victory of fellow Irishman Rory Mcilroy and 2010 US Open victor Graeme McDowell - also known as G Mac - who also hails from tiny Northern Ireland. Did you know that Northern Ireland is the second most sparsely populated part of the UK after Scotland, with 317 people per square mile? The total population is estimated at just over 1.6 million so the fact that 3 winners of recent professional major golf tournaments hail from this one small. sparsely populated area is truly of note. This year's Open victory by Mr. Clarke was the first major for the 42 year old who has been a mainstay of the European Ryder Cup Team for the last 5 consecutive Ryder Cup tournaments. Clarke, known as Clarkie to his fellow tour players, plays on both the PGA Tour and the European Tour. He has represented Northern Ireland as an amateur and a professional. The 2011 Open represented his 20th attempt at winning the claret jug and he certainly made the most of the opportunity. Clarke is a keen cigar smoker, on and off the golf course, and has been reported to spend an estimated 25,000 British pounds per year on them. He has also been known for smoking a pipe. Clarke is currently engaged to ex Miss Northern Ireland Alison Campbell and has 2 sons by his late wife Heather who passed away in 2006 after a courageous battle with cancer.

For more information on Darren Clarke refer to his website at http:// www.darrenclarke.com.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Blaise Adams

## **ROTARY WHEELS**

- See where Jack Williams and his Seville Quarter team have brought a new sport to Pensacola, a takeoff on the Spanish custom of running the bulls. Only Jack wisely has transformed the bulls into attractive young ladies on roller skates...chasing the young men down Government Street.
- Maybe the club ought to start planning for a spring date to attend a WAHOO game in Maritime Park. Collier Merrill and the committee have dodged many a bullet getting the park to its present stage. They deserve support.
- Speaking of support, Eric Nickelsen was a host when Gator

Boosters met recently and helped set the table for a host of Space Academy scholarships.

- A recent ad showed Tommy Tait and other officials of the new Hancock Bank management team. (Tommy's newspaper picture was better than his photo in the club's new picture directory.)
- To keep pace with the times, drive out North P Street and view Malcolm Thomas's new elementary school. Word says it will open in late August.



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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		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## **District** Governor

Jeanne Quave www.rotary6940.org

Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY Birthdays for the week of July 26th through August 1st

Brian Bell – July 31

born in Pensacola, FL – in Rotary 4 years

John Phelps – August 1 born in Pensacola, FL – in Rotary 47 years

## **GREETERS AND TICKET SALES**

July 26: Greeters: Bryan McCall and Glenn McDonald Ticket Sales: Rex McKinney

# PRAYER AND PLEDGE

#### July 26

Prayer/Pledge: Martin Harwood Sunshine: Bob Mills

# UPCOMING SPEAKERS

#### July

26 - Superintendent Malcolm Thomas - Escambia County School District

#### August

- 2 John Hosman ECARE Project Ready
- 9 Florida Supreme Court Justice Ricky Polston
- 16 Dr. Rick Harper
- 23 Wendy Spencer, CEO Commission on Volunteerism, Volunteer Florida, Inc.
- 30 Dan Shugart WEAR, Sinclair Broadcasting

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