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#### The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

#### WEEK IN REVIEW

The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held at New World Landing on a beautiful Tuesday, March 27, 2012. Members and guests were greeted at the door by Nancy Fetterman and Mike Ferguson. Leslie Halsall and Jack Williams did a great job with ticket sales. The meeting was called to order by President Alan Bookman who led us in the four way test. Leonard Swartz led us in the prayer and pledge. Chris Kelly provided Sunshine and welcomed guests of Rotarian Alexis Bolin, the only guests for the day. Judy Bense, Nancy Maloy and Tommy Tait were present to celebrate birthdays. President Alan reminded that April 2, 2012 is the deadline for submission for the Ethics and Business Award for 2012. The raffle ticket worth \$69 was purchased by David Lamar.

Susan O'Connor introduced the Speaker, Marney Needle, Chairperson for Impact 100 of Pensacola. Ms. Needle is a former business and banking Consultant and has been associated with banking and finance for over 20 years and currently serves as Director of Development at WSRE TV Foundation. Ms. Needle shared some great

information about Impact 100, a not for profit organization with a mission of giving grants to local organizations to fund projects to meet a community need. The organization began in 2003 with the idea of 100 women donating \$1,000 each to allow for grants totaling \$100,000 to be given for worthy projects, 233 women joined the first year. Impact 100 is in its 9<sup>th</sup> year and has recruited a record 728 women in 2012 and since its inception has contributed \$4.3M to nonprofit organizations who have used the funds to provide needed services and new programs in the communities in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Beyond the dollars actually awarded the "Impact of Impact 100" is that the organization provides a platform for non-profit organizations of any size or purpose to educate the community about their services or programs and the needs of the community. It has become evident that even those organizations that do not receive grants gain recognition and are able to attract support for their mission simply by participating in the process. The determination of the award finalists is a process of review and once a list of 10 semifinalists is completed, every member

votes on the final six recipients. The vote is overseen by David Stafford, Supervisor of Elections and is handled in the same manner as any election, voting machines are used and the finalists are based on the most votes as tallied by the voting machines. Grants of over \$100,000 are awarded each year for community projects that address needs in 5 focus areas of Arts and Culture, Education, Environment, Preservation and Recreation, Family and Health and Wellness. The Board members of Impact 100 follow up on all awards and ensure that the funds are expended as requested and that the projects are completed in a timely manner. The message for the day was to encourage all members to motivate and support their favorite non-profit organization to get creative and get involved with Impact 100 and apply for one of the grants, no matter the size of the organization or the fact that they may have applied in the past and not been a recipient that year.

President Alan thanked all who served and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Claudia Simmons

# GUANTANAMO PUBLIC MEMORY PROJECT

Over the coming year, the University of West Florida Public History Program in conjunction with West Florida Preservation Incorporated will be teaming up with the Guantanamo Public Memory Project to help preserve the important memory and history of individuals living, serving, and working at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base. Although Guantanamo Bay's more recent history surrounds the detention of unlawful combatants, its rich history in connection to the United States Navy and Marine Corps dates back more than a century and played an essential role in both training of U.S. service personnel and as cornerstone of Cold War activities.

In August, 2001, at the invitation of the U.S. Navy, a team of UWF historians led by history professor Dr. Patrick Moore and Nancy Fetterman traveled to GTMO (as known in Navy parlance) and conducted a series of oral history interviews with Cuban exiles living on Guantanamo Bay Naval Station and eleven "commuters" who daily walk from communist Cuba to work on the Base. Building on that experience, Moore and Fetterman are working with the Guantanamo Public Memory Project to expand the study and collect the memories of service members, civilians, and Cuban expatriates now living in the Pensacola area who have had experiences living and working on the base throughout the last century. The UWF Public History Program and the Guantanamo Public Memory Project will then incorporate the materials into an exhibit that will travel across the United States during the following year.

If you have any experiences living on GTMO, or know of individuals who have lived and worked on the base at any point, and would be interested in preserving this important story, please contact Dr. Moore at (850) 474-2683 or pmoore@uwf.edu or Ms. Fetterman at nfetterman@bellsouth.net.

# CMPA/BALLPARK TOUR

Collier Merrill is our speaker on April 3rd and will make a presentation on the CMPA, ballpark, etc. He has secured use of the stadium for a tour for anyone who is interested after the conclusion of the program on Tuesday.

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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**

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#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# Birthdays for the week of April 3rd through April 9th

Charles Sherrill Sr. (Charlie) – April 6 born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary for 43 years

**Bob Gaines** – April 6

born in Daytona Beach, FL, in Rotary 48 years

Handsel Butts - April 8

born in Natchez, MS, in Rotary 49 years

Chris Kelly – April 8

born in Landstulhl, Germany, in Rotary 2 years

Barry Cole - April 8

born in Jackson, MS, in Rotary 4 years

#### GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

April 3

Greeters: George Fox and Sally Fox

Ticket Sales: George Furlong and David Galloway

April 10

Greeter: Maria Goldberg Ticket Sales: John Gray

### **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

April

- 3 Collier Merrill Chairman CMPA, Past Present Future of the Maritime Park
- 10 Bruce Baldwin/Quint Studer Stadium, Baseball
- 17 Kim Kimbrough Executive Director, Downtown Improvement Board
- 24 Ashton Hayward Mayor, City Progress

#### SAVE THE DATE

"Save the Date" Sunday, June 24 from 2-5pm for the Waterfront Rescue Mission's Dedication Service & Open House in the new facility at 350 West Herman Street.

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