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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 and safe Tuesday, September 11, 2012. Henry Roberts and Grover Robinson greeted members and guests at the door. Alison Rogers and Bob Rogers did a great job with ticket sales. Kathy Horton Brown had the winning ticket. President Innes Richards called the meeting to order and after observing a moment of silence in remembrance of our member, Bill Maloy and the tragedies of 911, led us in the four way test. President Innes announced the need for volunteers to serve as Group Study Exchange Team Leader for an upcoming trip to Portugal and that Cliff Payne needs help on Friday, September 14 at Habitat for Humanity from 8 to 12am. The Africa Project has an opportunity for Rotarians to travel to observe the efforts underway with the Polio Project. Information can be obtained from President Innes. Also, a reminder that it is time to renew your season tickets for the Blue Wahos for next year. Bob Mills inspired us with the prayer and pledge. Jimmy Jones provided quick wit and solid jokes while introducing the visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotarians. Happy Birthday, with the help of John Appleyard, went to Mike Ferguson, Ellis Bullock, Charles Kahn, Jr, Chris Pate and Tommy Smith.

Scott Grissett introduced the Speaker, Daniel R. Brown, Superintendent of the Gulf Islands National Seashore, with the National

Park Service. Dan came to Pensacola as Superintendent shortly after the BP Oil Spill and oversees the operation of the National Seashore that spans from Mississippi to Florida. Gulf Islands National Seashore offers recreation opportunities and preserves natural and historic resources along the Gulf of Mexico barrier islands of Florida and Mississippi. The protected regions include mainland areas and parts of 7 islands. Millions of visitors enjoy America's largest National Seashore every year. District offices are located in Gulf Breeze, Florida and Ocean Springs, Mississippi. Dan provided updates on the frequently asked questions regarding the Seashore, most current being the effects of Hurricane Isaak. Isaak impacted the Seashore at Ft. Pickens and Santa Rosa Island by dumping as much as 6ft of sand onto the roadways and in the case of Earle Bowden Way connecting Navarre and Pensacola Beach, the road was undercut and completely eroded in several spots rendering the road impassable. Earle Bowden Way remains closed at this time. Ft. Pickens road is open and in use. Funds have been obtained and road construction is being planned for the road repairs to Earle Bowden Way and completion is expected around the first of November. West Ship Island in Mississippi received damage to its only point of access for the Ferry and will be back to full use shortly. The new pier under construction at Ft. Pickens was not impacted. The pier is being

built with the vision of providing a docking spot for Ferry transport to and from Pensacola. The Ferry project will be completed if funds are made available to purchase the Ferry Boats and complete the transport loop, a project that is on the list for possible funding from the proceeds from the fines collected from BP for the 2010 Gulf Oil Spill. The effects of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill on the Seashore are well under way to being controlled. The recreational areas are clean and preserved at this point, oil residue is still embedded in some areas of the Seashore and storms and winds continue to expose oil within the National Seashore. BP has continued to work the cleanup process and appears to be ready to clean up the oil as long as it appears. Dan provided some information on the problems regarding the damage from Hurricane Ivan and the destruction and reconstruction of the Ft. Pickens road which was nearly complete when it was destroyed by Hurricane Dennis in less than 12 months. The current road at Ft. Pickens was built in such a manner that it was less expensive to build and less expensive to replace when it is damaged or destroyed by weather events since the road is not used as a travel route or an evacuation route.

President Innes thanked all who served to make the meeting great and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Claudia Simmons

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Unfortunately Mac Miller was not present when the club members sang his birthday salute on September 11th. That week Mac turned 98. He is our senior member, having joined this club in 1960.
- ❖ Sandy Ray says that station "WSRE will air the new documentary on Pensacola baseball on November 8th, in a two-hour showing.
- ❖ Ted Brown's hunting for some musical nuggets in Pensacola's maritime history. A group in Central Florida is looking for music/lyrics of Sea Chanties...the kind of songs maritime men sang at their work. Any memories of such songs that may have originated or been sung here?
- ❖ One of our members recently came into possession of a booklet of local short tales and poetry written by Dr. Charles Haddon Nabors, our president 1927-28. Dr. Nabors was pastor of the Presbyterian Church, and hopefully Randy Jackson and Frank Beall may find some unique sermon material from the booklet's pages.
- ❖ UWF has Ed Ranelli on the front page of the university's magazine.
- ❖ There'll be copies of John Appleyard's new booklet on "Stories About Pensacola" available without charge at our next meeting.
- ❖ A sizeable and interested audience heard Morris Eaddy detail what motivations inspire artists as he lectured at the Artel Gallery.

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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

Edward Philman
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Robert W. Schuster

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Birthdays for the week of
September 18th through September 24th**

William Dickerson – September 19
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 18 years

Randy Oliver – September 20
born in Morgantown, WV, in Rotary 1 year

Susan O'Connor – September 21
born in Quincy, IL, in Rotary 10 years

Maria Goldberg – September 23
born in Hopewell, VA, in Rotary 11 years

Trey Manderson – September 23
born in Kosciusko, MS, in Rotary 4 years

GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

September 18

Greeters: Scott Sallis and Erin Sammis
Ticket Sales: Gary Sammons and Donn Scott

September 25

Greeters: John Shaffer and Roger Sherman
Ticket Sales: Gary Sammons and Donn Scott

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

September:

18 – Jonathan Griffin – EVP Pensacola Blue Wahoos
25 – Edward Philman - Rotary District Governor

October:

2 – Admiral Quinn – Commander, Naval Education and Training Command
9 – John Dosh – Escambia County Emergency Management
16 – Julie Tippens Parker – Trip to India for Polio Plus
23 – Captain Cerovsky – Center for Information Dominance
30 – Alex Sanchez – CEO of FBA

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