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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

On a particularly cold and gloomy day, members arriving for our weekly meeting received a warm greeting from David Stafford and William Stafford. Immediately inside, Jim Stohlanske and Mike Steltenkamp offered raffle tickets for sale. At the appropriate time, President John Shaffer opened the meeting and led the members in the Four Way Test. Earl Hutto delivered the prayer and pledge. Madison Currin provided a little Sunshine and introduced guests of club members, visiting Rotarians, and military guests.

Announcements preceded the day's program. Innes Richards informed the club that the last RLI workshop of this year will be held on February 28, 2015. Those interested in participating should contact Rotarian Innes. After Innes left the stage, the club was introduced to our newest member, Bob Scott, who recently relocated from Hawaii. He's been a Rotarian since 1998.

Club member Jerry Maygarden provided the day's program, which concerned the Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce. More specifically, the program explained the impetus and details of recent changes at the Chamber, discussed some of the Chamber's recent accomplishments, and identified the Chambers goals and objectives.

In the summer of 2013, State Attorney Bill Eddins determined that the Chamber is subject to the Florida's Sunshine Law. According to our speaker, the Chamber faced a choice: remain in the sunshine and comply with the sometimes onerous requirements of the Sunshine law or stop accepting taxpayer money. The Chamber chose to stop taking the money. To accomplish that task, Visit Pensacola and the Community Development Association – improvement of the local tourist industry is the goal of the former, economic development is the mission of the latter – were spun off from the Chamber. Now, those bodies perform the various functions associated with their stated objectives, including the receipt and administration of public money. By divesting itself of those functions and public funds, the Chamber is free to operate outside of the sunshine where it can be more effective. In addition, the Chamber empowered its Foundation to manage philanthropic and private gifts to the Chamber and attempt to determine whether members of the Chamber and the general public are satisfied with the Chamber's performance.

Rotarian Jerry mentioned various successes that have taken place in the past

few years. Many of which are due, at least in part, to the Chamber. Among other things, Rotarian Jerry cited an approximately four percent decline in area unemployment, the creation of over eight thousand new jobs and the retention of almost eight hundred more, increased tourism and local high school graduation rates, and increased Chamber membership. Additionally, while the ranks of the Chamber's membership have swelled, its payroll has decreased as a result of the streamlining allowed by recent changes.

Before concluding, Rotarian touched upon the current goals of the Chamber, which include small business development, leadership development, public advocacy on behalf of small businesses, and efforts to retain local military installations. He listed several present Chamber programs that seek to further these goals, including partnerships with PSC and UWF and the Leadership Pensacola program.

Following the presentation of the day's program, President John adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Trip Maygarden

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Courtney Dell and the Pensacola Ballet have a new selection upcoming March 7th. It's called ALL THAT GLITTERS.
- ❖ The passing of Earle Bowden removed the ninth most senior member of our club. He had joined in 1966.
- ❖ As our club formed in 1915 David Bear's family business was celebrating its 40th anniversary. In that year city officials were cleaning up hitching posts for horses along Palafox, and it would be another decade before the city had its first traffic signal.
- ❖ Judy Bense has had her ups and downs. Sports? Great. But it appears that two major projects are on hold.
- ❖ When members sang HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Bob Palmer Feb 17th, we were noting number SIXTY! Good show.

CENTENNIAL CLUB MEMBERS

John Appleyard/Appleyard Foundation, Brian Baumgardner, Charles Beall, Frank Beall, Robert Benz, Alan Bookman, The Warren Ted Brown and Kathy Horton-Brown Family Foundation, Inc., Handsel Butts, Bo Carter, Vince Currie, Lew Doman, Roger Enzor, Earl Hutto, C.Ray Jones, Douglas Killinger, Andrea Krieger, Nell & Britt Landrum, Carol Law, Moore, Hill & Westmoreland, P.A., Jean Norman, Susan O'Connor, Chris Pate, Lyal C. Payne, Jorge Pelaez, Bill Phillips, Henry & Jane Roberts, Grover Robinson, John Shaffer, William Stafford, Margaret Stopp, Roger Vinson, Doug Werber

2014-2015 Club Officers

◆ President	John Shaffer
◆ Past President	David Stafford
◆ President Elect	Andrea Krieger
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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

Dave Rauch
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Assistant District Governor

Robert W. Schuster

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
February 24th through March 2nd

Jean Silva – February 25 – born in Winston-Salem, NC, in Rotary 1 year

Lori Menke – February 26 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 2 years

Scott Sallis – February 28 – born in Springdale, AR, in Rotary 6 years

Bob Fargo – March 1 – born in Springfield, IL, in Rotary 35 years

Bill Dollarhide – March 1 – born in Greenwood, MS, in Rotary 6 years

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

February

24 - Global Corner, Lee Hanson

March

3 - County Business, Jack Brown

10 - Ronald McDonald House, Judy Burns

17 - Orthopedic Biologics, Adam Anz

GREETERS & TICKET SALES

February 24

Greeters: Margaret Stopp and Leonard Swartz

Ticket Sales: Bob Switzer and Tommy Tait

March 3

Greeters: Terry Terrell and Malcolm Thomas

Ticket Sales: John Tice and Paul Tobin

PRAYER & PLEDGE/SUNSHINE

February 24

Prayer & Pledge: John Trawick

Sunshine: Charles Beall

March 3

Prayer & Pledge: Shawn Brantley

Sunshine: Henry Roberts

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