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

#### WEEK IN REVIEW

It was Fat Tuesday and a strong gust of February cool air greeted Rotarians as they strolled into today's meeting for comradeship, networking, and lunch in lieu of more Mardi Gras celebration and debauchery. Charlie Sherrill was again on raffle duty skillfully bringing in the greenbacks for the fifty-fifty.

President Andrea brought the order to order and mentioned that we need to support the Manna effort building the meal boxes for those in need. At least 40 per shift is needed and there will be two shifts — one from 8-10:00 am and the other from 10:00 to 12:00 pm. Sign-up sheets are will be on the tables for the next few weeks. Also, starting next week, feel free to bring can goods for donation to Manna as well.

As Presidents Day is forthcoming, nothing is quite as appropriate to recognize that event like the Club's own Rooters. The Rooters were in rare form and wooed the membership with some history of the office of the President and a trio of patriotic songs culminating with "God Bless America".

The \$52 raffle was won by Ted Brown who smiled all the way to the podium.

Chris Kelley delivered Sunshine, a few funnies specifically targeting the Superbowl losing quarterback Cam Newton and his alma mater Auburn. In spite of the jokes, he still managed to expertly recognize our guests, the military, and the only birthday boy – County Commissioner Grover Robinson – Happy Birthday Grover – we are "for ya".

Kristian Doss introduced our program an update on Ever'man Cooperative Grocery and Café located on 315 West Garden from their director of education - Ashley Forrer. Although Ashley has only been with Ever'man for a short period of time, she ensured the membership was aware of all that is going on at the Co-Op. Ever'Man was originally founded in Gulf Breeze in 1973 to provide wholesome, nutritious food at a reasonable cost and is committed to ensuring that our community has education about health, nutrition, and environmental issues: access to healthy, natural foods and products at the lowest possible price; support for Responsible, Local Agriculture and Small Business; and fosters Green Business

Practices. The new building opened in 2013 and added a separate education center and an electric car charging center. A few more stats include: 99% of their produce is organic, they emphasize and promote organic food, whole or minimally processed foods, Non-GMO foods, products that are cruelty-free, items that are Fair Trade, items that are packaged in an environmentally responsible manner, and finally, locally grown products whenever possible. They also partner with ECUA on various programs including the new FOG (fat, oil, grease) program that collects those materials in order to keep them out of the sewer system and for conversion into biofuels. Membership is only \$12 a year (\$5 for seniors) and brings many other benefits including discounts and specials. We adjourned shortly before 1:00

Respectfully submitted, M. Clark Merritt.

## ROTARY WHEELS

- Bobby Switzer's using his outdoor ad company's graphic skills to decorate window and door spaces to show what enterprises will be coming into the revising of the Brent Block.
- Sorry to hear David Lamar's wife suffered a broken hip recently. Of all things the injury occurred while she was in attendance at a Mardi Gras dance.
- Hear the Renfore clan's going to put their family's broad experiences in a biography-history.
- Ed Meadows is using his speaking skills on WSRE TV to promote several of PSC's new course opportunities.
- Sorry to report the passing of longtime member Lou Brown. Lou was with us 1981 into the mid-2006 year. He was a city councilman, mayor pro-tem and then was a charter board member of ECUA. Lou passed away February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# **COMMUNITY GRANTS**

The Rotary Club of Pensacola Community Grants Request form for 2016 is now online at http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/page/community\_grants/ The application deadline is March 1, 2016.

# WHATS HAPPENING IN ROTARY

#### **February**

Noon Regular MeetingNoon Regular Meeting

27 8:00 a.m. CROP –Rotary Against Hunger

## 2015-2016 Club Officers

◆ President
 ◆ Past President
 ◆ President Elect
 ◆ Secretary
 ◆ Treasurer
 ◆ Sergeant At Arms
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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**

Leon Hirsh www.rotary6940.org

## **Assistant District Governor**

**Innes Richards** 

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# Birthdays for the week of February 16th through February 22nd

**Robert Palmer** – February 16

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 26 years

Cal Moore - February 19

born in Montgomery, AL, in Rotary 31 years

Roger Vinson - February 19

born in Cadiz, KY, in Rotary 32 years

Don Haferkamp - February 20

born in LaPorte, IN, in Rotary 15 years

Jimmy Jones - February 21

born in Paragould, AR, in Rotary 36 years

Bret Barrow - February 21

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 6 years

## GREETER/TICKET SALES

#### February 16

Greeter: Fred Sitten

Ticket Sales: Auby Smith and Sandra Smith

February 23

Greeter: Tommy Smith and David Stafford

Ticket Sales: William Stafford and Mike Steltenkamp

#### PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

#### February 16

Prayer/Pledge: Brian Baumgardner Sunshine: Jeff Powell

#### February 23

Prayer/Pledge: Hugh Hamilton Sunshine: Jeff Lewis

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

#### **February**

16 - Escambia Community Clinics

23 - Supervisor of Elections, David Stafford

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