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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 spring day, Tuesday, March 22, 2016. President Andrea Krieger called the meeting to order and led us in the four way test and shared the 100 words from District Governor Leon Hirsch. Mike Layton assisted with ticket sales and Dr. Jorge Paleez was the lucky jackpot winner. Earl Hutto led us in the prayer and pledge. Madison Currin provided Sunshine and welcomed two Military guests, guests of members and visiting Rotarians. Shawn Brantley was received birthday greetings.

Past President Ray Jones introduced the Speakers, Dr. Brendan Kelly, Vice President for University Advancement & President of at the University Foundation, Inc of The University of West Florida and Jennifer Benjamin, UWF student and Rotary Scholarship recipient. Dr. Kelly provided a detail of the three scholarship funds established by the Rotary Club of Pensacola. The first was established in 2001 with an original gift of \$52,000 and today has a balance of \$102,000. The second was established in 2009 with a base donation of

\$60,000 and now has a balance of \$85,000. The third is the College of Business Scholarship Fund established with a pledge of \$30,000; the last installment of \$6,000 due in 2016. The endowments provide scholarships to deserving UWF students of \$1, 000 per semester funded by the earnings of each scholarship fund. More importantly, according to Dr. Kelly, the scholarships contribute to the opportunity to “become”. That is to say, that the contributions are part of the financial support systems available at the University of West Florida for making sure that there will be opportunities for “transformations” for students in the future. The endowment for the College of Business Scholarships will fund future scholarships for the UWF College of Business. Jennifer Benjamin, a current MBA student who graduated cum laude with a BA in Business Administration and Management from UWF in December 2015, thanked the club for the scholarship gift and shared the gratitude of all the other students who have received the Rotary scholarships. Jennifer spoke about her plans for the future in Sports Manufacturing with a particular emphasis in the construction of recreational

climbing walls and has a passion for the sport of rock climbing. Jennifer was able to graduate without any student loan debt and now is able to pursue her goal of getting an MBA, thanks in part to the Rotary Scholarship.

Dr. Kelly followed the theme of “climbing” and the opportunities to “become” with a brief history of the upward and forward progress of the University of West Florida. Over the last 49 years, UWF has graduated over 78,000 students, 35,000 of which live and work in Northwest Florida. The University has developed outstanding four year programs in the College of Business, Accounting and STEM programs, led the establishment of the Florida Archeology Network and in 2016 will become a college with football. The climb continues for UWF, as Dr. Bense retires in December 2016, and a new President will come on board in 2017.

President Andrea thanked all who served and adjourned the meeting.

Claudia Simmons

## WHATS HAPPENING IN ROTARY

### March

29 Noon Regular Meeting

### April

5 7:30 a.m. Membership Committee Meeting  
 5 Noon Regular Meeting  
 5 1:00 p.m. Literacy Committee Meeting (if needed)  
 12 Noon Regular Meeting  
 12 4:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting @ United Way Office  
 19 Noon Regular Meeting  
 21-24 RYLA in Pensacola  
 26 Noon Regular Meeting

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### March

29 - Gulf Power Solar Initiatives/Updates, Bentina Terry

### April

5 - Healthcare Today, Brian Baumgardner  
 12 - PFAHC, 2016 Community Health Needs Assessment, Nora Bailey  
 19 - Pensacola Heritage Foundation, Nancy Fetterman and Jim Green  
 26 - CA Weis Community in School Project, Leigh Ann South

## 2015-2016 Club Officers

◆ President	Andrea Krieger
◆ Past President	John Shaffer
◆ President Elect	Brian Baumgardner
◆ Secretary	Claudia Simmons
◆ Treasurer	C. Ray Jones
◆ Sergeant At Arms	Tim Kane
◆ Historian	John Appleyard

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## Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	New World Landing	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends Restaurant Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
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 Cokesbury Methodist	Friday	12:00 pm

## District Governor

**Leon Hirsh**  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

**Innes Richards**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
**MARCH 29th through APRIL 4th**

**Judy Bense** – March 29  
born in Morristown, New Jersey, in Rotary 6 years

**Tommy Tait** – March 31  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 19 years

**Nathan Kahn** – April 1  
born in Mobile, AL, in Rotary 38 years

## GREETER/TICKET SALES

### March 29

Greeters: Charlie Wiggins and Jack Williams  
Ticket Sales: Denise Windham and Ed Wonders

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### March 29

Prayer/Pledge: Roger Vinson  
Sunshine: Frank Beall

### April 5

Prayer/Pledge: Chris Jensen  
Sunshine: Charles Beall

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