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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

Downtown Rotarian's took a respite from "Spring Breakin'" to come together for a day of fellowship. Greeters Gerry Hoewing and Kathy Horton-Brown had an easy job welcoming all at the door.

President Margaret banged the gavel and asked Martin Harwood to deliver the Rotary prayer and Pledge of Allegiance. She then mentioned that all should be looking forward to the next family of rotary event and that the club is seeking host families for two study exchange visitors. Cliff Payne briefed the club on upcoming wheelchair events including a service trip to Central America in which over 97 chairs will be delivered to needy recipients.

President Margaret, Rotarian Innes, and Dist. Governor Ted celebrated and thanked Chris Pate on his induction into

the Paul Harris "Society" (for donations over \$1,000 annually) – congratulations Chris!

With April 15th fast approaching, ex-President Jean Norman happily accepted the winnings from the raffle.

Sunshine inside was cheerfully delivered by Nigel Allen who humored everyone a bit, recognized it seemed like half the club on their birthdays the past week, and did a heck of a Mel Brooks Jewish bride impression on one of his jokes.

The program: Dr Jimmy Jones welcomed Brian Lee, CEO of the Select Specialty Medical Center, to discuss their facility. Opened in February 2008, and one of over 89 hospitals across 12 states, the Select center located off , Airport Road, was specifically designed

as an long term acute care hospital used by those patients that have long term issues but do not , need to be in a full service hospital. Select does not compete with the local major hospitals but offers a solution to patients on an insurance and treatment front because of Medicare length of stay requirements. With 54 beds, 50 are normally filled and overall, these long term facilities help reduce re-admittance to full service hospitals--again reducing overall medical costs. It is not a hospice facility and average length of stay is in excess of 20 days. Economic impact to the area includes nine million in payroll, \$260,000 in property taxes, 150 new jobs paying in excess of \$50,000 per year, and a one million dollar utility tab! Learn more at www.selectmedicalcorp.com. Your humble scribe, M. Clark Merritt.

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

Kenneth W. Prest, Jr. is the newly appointed Director of the Northwest District of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Ken has 30 years of previous experience in starting up and managing productive organizations. Ken holds a B.S. in Biology from Florida Presbyterian College (now Eckerd College) and an M.S. in Environmental Engineering Science from the University of Florida. Ken has been a Rotarian since 1979 and is transferring from the Rotary Club of Tallahassee Southside. He has served in a variety of club and district leadership capacities including club president and district club extension chair. In the capacity of club extension chair, he chartered three clubs: the Rotary Clubs of Milton, Tallahassee Southside, and Williston. He is married to Ellen Prest, has two children and one grandson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CROP (Combined Rotary Of Pensacola) will have the Ethics in Business on Monday, May 3 at the New World Landing at Noon. We will not have our regular meeting on Tuesday, May 4

Rotary Club of Pensacola , in combination with the Five Flags and Cantonment Rotary clubs, is hosting the next wheelchair trip to Costa Rica in May. The dates are May 15-22, 2010. This project was competitively selected by The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International for a Matching Grant which funded the purchase of the chairs. The trip is a great way to be involved with a very meaningful project and to experience firsthand the great humanitarian benefits that Rotary provides worldwide. A team of six Rotarians is desired. If you are interested, please contact Clif Payne, 433-8732, or Carl Dickerson, 291-3379, for more details.

2009-2010 Club Officers

◆ President	Margaret Stopp
◆ Past President	Keith Bullock
◆ President Elect	Ray Jones
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◆ Treasurer	Ron Jackson
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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

John Kuykendall
www.rotary6940.org

Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
April 13th through April 19th

Ed Wonders – April 13

born in Newton, KS, in Rotary 8 years

Henry Roberts – April 14

born in Selma, AL, in Rotary 4 years

David Stafford – April 16

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 5 years

Ted Brown – April 16

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 32 years

Edwin Roberts D.C. – April 17

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 26 years

Mike Doman – April 17

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 7 years

Scott Grissett – April 17

born in Atmore, AL, in Rotary 2 years

Claudia Simmons – April 18

born in Tallahassee, FL, in Rotary 2 years

GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

April 13th

Greeters: Nigel Allen and Coy Irvin

Ticket Sales: Bryan McCall and Doug Werber

April 20th

Greeters: William Phillips and David Stafford

Ticket Sales: Oliver Soule and Frances Yeo

April 27th

Greeters: Paul Young and Betty Roberts

Ticket Sales: Wanda Cross and William Mitchem

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