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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

The April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola took place on another beautiful spring day. Rotarian Nigel Allen greeted members and guests, and Bryan McCall and Doug Werber sold raffle tickets. Nathan Kahn was the week's lucky winner of the \$59 prize.

President Margaret opened the meeting, and John Trawick led the group in thoughtful prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. Rotarians had the privilege to hear Pensacola's History In Song performed by the Rotary Rooters. Thanks to the Rooters, Downtown Rotarians now know that Rebel troops fired on Union troops trying to gain entry to Pensacola Harbor by water an hour before the first reported shots of the American Civil War were fired at Ft. Sumter that dark day in 1861.

R.P. Doyle had Sunshine duties, and he welcomed three guests of members and three visiting Rotarians. In honor of the four Navy flyers who were lost in Georgia during a training mission this week, Roger reminded us that our men and women in uniform are solely responsible for giving Americans our daily freedoms that we often times take for granted.

The guest speaker for the week was

Pensacola Young Professional President, Kristine Karsten. Kristine gave a brief history of the PYP, and said the organization began in 2006 with help from Downtown Rotarian Evon Emerson. Twelve young businessmen and women were at the helm in '06, and in 2010 they now have a membership of 250. The PYP operates under five main objectives:

- Focus on attracting and retaining young talent
- Develop, enable and educate Pensacola's next generation of leadership
- Work to make the Pensacola Bay Area a great place to live, work, and play for young professionals
- Showcase Pensacola as a dynamic community to young professionals
- Address issues affecting this demographic and work to find solutions

To help accomplish these objectives as well as to help members improve their personal leadership and networking skills, the PYP uses a team approach that includes the following areas:

- Member Services
- Economic Development

- Quality of Life
- Networking

The PYP is currently concentrating efforts on two programs: Internship Pensacola, which provides local college students with valuable internship opportunities during their summer semester in an effort to retain young talent in the community. And with assistance from The Studer Group, the Pensacola Professional Development Institute program looks to define leaders, embrace their role in the community, and to educate and equip them to be future leaders.

The Young Professionals are hosting a golf tournament on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at Marcus Pointe, and part of the proceeds will benefit the Gulf Coast Kids House. For information on this event or on the Pensacola Young Professionals in general, you may call the PYP at 850-332-7820, or visit their website at [www.pensacolayp.com](http://www.pensacolayp.com).

President Margaret thanked all who were due, and reminded Rotarians "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands."

Submitted by Jake Renfroe, III

## 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.

## ROTARY WHEELS

- Leonard Swartz was the TV-3 star performer during the April 14<sup>th</sup> Honor Fight #6. He was dressed like MacArthur and was very glib on camera. Mike Ferguson and John Appleyard, members of that committee, report that Flight Number 7 will go May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- It looks like Bob Rogers and the Waterfront Mission may well make their move soon. The Mission's been on the waterfront – literally – since 1949, when a clergyman and his congregation began the program.
- Roger Vinson's off to a fast start with the BIG multi-state suit to halt the new healthcare legislation. Looked like Roger had the calendar all drawn. But wasn't it interesting that only a handful of citizens were interested enough to attend the courtroom session?
- The neat biography of Collier Merrill on Page One let everyone see how many irons he has in the fire.
- There've been some ownership chef/management changes at New World. The young chef promises some interesting innovations.

## 2009-2010 Club Officers

◆ President	Margaret Stopp
◆ Past President	Keith Bullock
◆ President Elect	Ray Jones
◆ Secretary	Innes Richards
◆ Treasurer	Ron Jackson
◆ 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	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](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

**Ted Kirchharr**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
April 20th through April 26th

*Eric Nickelsen* – April 23

born in Edmonton, Alberta Canada, in Rotary 31 years

*Jim Stolhanske* – April 26

born in Brainerd, MN, in Rotary 22 years

*Frances Yeo* – April 26

born in Norfolk, VA, in Rotary 10 years

*Buster Dulsion* – April 26

born in Birmingham, AL, in Rotary 26 years

## ANNOUNCEMENT

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.

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

### 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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