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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 3/8/2022

President Ed Wonders called the meeting to order. He gave a general welcoming to guests and visitors.

Rotarians stood and said the Four Way Test.

President Ed called on Leslie Halsall to lead Rotarians in prayer and to pledge allegiance to the flag.

President Ed announced that the Club will welcome two new members. Introduced as new members were David Cohen-Henriquez, Rabbi B'nai Israel Synagogue, and businessman Will Butcher. A brief bio of each was presented to the Club. Upon receiving Rotary information and the Rotary pin each said a few words to members.

Getting to newsy information, President Ed announced that today is National Peanut Cluster Day. He explained that the peanut cluster can come from an inventor in Nashville, Tennessee. Members heard facts about other days of interest such as National Proofreading Day.

Also, he announced that a Pints for Polio CROP Initiative is being planned for the Fall. This vital information was followed by the foundation drawing. No one won the big pot.

Sunshine was spread all over by Ray Jones. Ray introduced visitors, guests and visiting Rotarians. Ray made great efforts to inflict humor and finally all laughed. He announced birthdays and the Birthday Song was led by Rabbi David who performed an amazing job.

Program Director Joe Vinson introduced the Speaker of the Day, Judge "Bill" Stafford. Judge Stafford's bio was filled with wonderful experiences. He was appointed to the bench by Past President Gerald

Ford. Judge William H. Stafford, Jr. was named Senior U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Florida.

Judge Stafford's talk centered around the story of the "Four Chaplains" and the SS Dorchester steam ship. The story began with Judge Stafford sharing that the SS Dorchester in 1943 was sailing from New York to Greenland carrying 904 military. Also, there were four Chaplains on board each maintaining allegiance to various religions. On February 3, 1943, a German submarine torpedoed the SS Dorchester. There was a mad scramble to secure life jackets as the SS Dorchester sank. Lives lost totaled 674. This story is known as the "Four Chaplains". The four chaplains made the most heroic sacrifice by giving their life jackets away to save others before they died. On February 3, 1951, the President of the United States dedicated a memorial in memory of the Chaplains. Rotarians applauded and a few questions asked as Judge Stafford closed.

President Ed thanked all who participated in making the meeting a success. He reminded that this Saturday is Manna Food Bank Day and if you decide to add to the volunteers who are working the event please let Chris Bridwell know. Also, a new directory is in progress and if you have a new picture, new address or phone number please get that information as soon as possible to Chris Bridwell.

President Ed invited the new members to stand at the entrance to say Hello to members as they exited.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Betty Roberts

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

The Rotary Club of Pensacola Community Grants application process is now open to qualifying non-profits organizations at: <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/>

Please forward any information that needs to be updated, personal or professional, for our new Club Directory, including addresses, employment/retirement and photos.

PLAN TO ATTEND THE ROTARY 6940 DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2022 SCHEDULED APRIL 7 – 9 to be held at SANDESTIN RESORT. More information to come. Also, go to www.Rotary.Org to register for the ROTARY HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2022 SCHEDULED June 4-8. Details contact Betty Roberts, International and District Conference Promotions Coordinator at bettybroberts@cox.net

Our Prayer/Pledge and Sunshine Committee Chair-Person Jean Norman is looking for members to serve at our weekly Rotary Club meeting. Contact Jean at: jean.n.norman@gmail.com and let her know if you would like to be included and if you would like to provide prayer and pledge or sunshine or maybe both.

Our Helicopter Committee Chair-Person Nicole Gislason is looking for members who would like to take minutes at the weekly Rotary Club meetings. If you would like to be a part of that committee, please contact Nicole at: nicole@uwf.edu.

We will continue to have On-Line Zoom Meetings along with the In-person meetings at Pensacola Yacht Club. You will continue to get a Zoom invitation every Monday. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call. 850-434-0684. Chris

You are now able to pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment. The link can be found on our website at <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment>

Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter. The Rotary Club of Pensacola will advertise your business in our weekly newsletter with ads running for a full month. Business cards \$250. 1/4 page \$500. 1/2 page \$750. To place your ad send the prepared document to rcopens@bellsouth.net stating the size of ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

2021-2022 Club Officers

•President	Ed Wonders
•Past President	Sally Fox
•President Elect	Bruce Partington
•Secretary	Lisa York
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•Sergeant At Arms	Scott Grissett
•Communications Officer	Joe Vinson

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Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	McQuire's Irish Pub	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends at Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
Milton	The Hangar Restaurant	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	4:15 pm
Cantonment	St. Luke's United Methodist Church	Wed.	12:15 pm
Perdido	The Point Church	Wed.	7:30 am
Pace	Stonebrook Village Country Club	Thur.	7:00 am
Cordova	Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Suburban West	Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
Navarre	Broussard's Cajun Restaurant	Fri.	12:00 pm
Pensacola North	Hyatt Place - Pensacola Airport	Fri.	12:00 pm

District Governor

Larry Kubiak
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
March 15th through March 21st

Charlie Sherrill (Jr.) - March 15 – born in Lawton, OK, in Rotary 28 years - Paul Harris Fellow

Andrea Krieger – March 17 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 20 years - Paul Harris +1

Tory Sokul – March 17 – born in Concord, NH, in Rotary 4 years -

DeDe Flounacker – March 17 – born in Blountsville, AL, in Rotary 11 years

Wylie Hogeman – March 20 - born in Baton Rouge, LA, in Rotary 26 years - Paul Harris +1

Greeters and Ticket Sales

March 15

Greeters: Scott Ford and Bill Fleming

Ticket Sales: Brian Wyer and Nicole Gisalon

March 22

Greeters: Scott Grissett and Jonathan Griffith

Ticket Sales: Charles Gund and Leslie Halsall

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

March 15

Prayer/Pledge: Lee Elebash

Sunshine: Nicole Gisalon

March 22

Prayer/Pledge: Jerry Maygarden

Sunshine: Vickie Campbell

Program Schedule

March

15 - Lawrence Powell, Homelessness Initiative

22 - Matt Posner, Pensacola & Perdido Bays Estuary Programs

29 - Dr. Norm Haines, Pensacola History

What's Happening in Rotary

March

15 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting

1:00 Board of Directors Meeting

22 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting

29 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting @ Pensacola Yacht Club and On-Line Zoom Meeting