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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 4/4/2023

President Bruce Partington called the meeting to order and asked all to stand and recite the Four Way Test. Judge Charles Kahn was asked to give prayer and pledge. Rotarian Charles asked that we remember Federal Judge Roger Vinson who recently passed with a moment of silence.

Area Governor Sally Fox next announced that President Bruce had received a lifetime award and honor from the Florida Bar Construction Institute for his legal practice.

President Bruce began the announcements of the day which were: registration & hotel bargain for Panama City District Conference ending April 8; UWF Ethics and Business Awards submissions on line; Melbourne International Conference registration on line. Also, President Bruce commented that RYLA weekend had ended this past weekend and asked Ed Wonders to give a report. Ed responded that all went well but would be planning a program to give a full report. The drawing of the day was won by Charles Thornton.

Then, a touch of today's history was begun by President Bruce. He reported historic happenings of the day which included Napoleon, William Henry Harrison, the American Civil War, Maya Angelou, Eisenhower, WWII and Martin Luther King.

Rotarian Brian Wyer as Sunshine brought an Easter spirit of song

with a "How Great Thou Are" by Johnny Cash with members joining in singing along. A humorous aside included a popular song of days ago "Easter Bunny Bop". Brian introduced visitors and Birthdays. Rotarians sang the Birthday song.

Past President Ed Wonders introduced NAS Commanding Officer Captain Terry Shashaty as Speaker of the Day.

CO Shashaty explained the mission of the Commanding Officer of the base commands of Navy, Marines and Coast Guard to provide "support & enable the training of the future war fighters to get to the Fleet". He discussed the importance of the Pensacola Community, the Mayor, and the challenges faced by the naval base. Because of Covid & the terrorist attack, the base has been closed to tourists but he said base access to the Museum was in process. People "want to visit the museum, the Lighthouse and Fort Barrancas", he said. Challenges are in housing, and fixing various projects. CO Shashaty commented on the Flight Academy and the PSC Charter Academy with his support for education. At the conclusion of his talk, questions were answered from various Rotarians.

President Bruce thanked all who helped make this meeting a success and adjourned the meeting with Imagine Rotary.

Submitted by Betty Roberts

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

This week's meeting will be at Pensacola Bay Center. 201 East Gregory St., 2nd floor

We will continue to meet at Pensacola Bay Center for our weekly meeting. Due to remodeling at Pensacola Yacht Club, for the next 3 months, we will be meeting at Pensacola Bay Center at 201 East Gregory Street (previously known as the Pensacola Civic Center),

Our regular weekly meeting on April 25th is cancelled and will be replaced with the Business in Ethics Award Ceremony April 27th, at Pensacola Yacht, 12:00pm.

You can now book your trip to the "Celebration of Clubs" District 6940 Conference for 2023!

Click here to register for the conference: Start date: Friday April 28th, end date: Sunday April 30th, 2023. Cost of conference: \$210, and \$105 for any Rotarian a member for 1 year or less (50%). Last date to register for the conference: April 15, 2023

Registration for the Melbourne International Convention is open and information can be found at www.Rotary.Org or at www.rotarymelbourne2023.org

We are now streaming our meeting using Microsoft Teams. If you already have a Microsoft account, you can join the meeting just like any other. If you don't have a Microsoft account, there aren't any special downloads or requirements to join as a guest. Click here for a quick overview of accessing Microsoft Teams as a guest. The meeting join information will be sent out in the same manner as before. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes, please let me know. 850-434-0684

Our Clubs Annual Pledge Drive continues. Along with our Club Foundation, Rotary International EREY and Polio Plus, a new category has been added to give. The **Hanwash Project** collaborative national initiatives to provide and sustain clean water in order to promote prosperity and better health to the people of Haiti. Pledge forms will be available at the weekly meeting every Tuesday or you can request a pledge form at cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org.

2022-2023 Club Officers

•President	Bruce Partington
•Past President	Ed Wonders
•President Elect	Charles Beall
•Secretary	Lisa York
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•Sergeant At Arms	Scott Grissett
•Communications Officer	Betty Roberts

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Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	Pensacola Bay Center	Mon.	12:00 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

Dan Sulgar
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

In an effort to increase the membership of our club, at the most recent board meeting it was decided to extend the offer of three free lunches for potential new members.

Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter. Your ad will run for a full month each week. Business card-sized ads are \$25.00, a 1/4 page is \$50.00, and a 1/2-page ad is \$75.00. To place your ad, send the prepared document to cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org stating the size of the ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

To pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card go to <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment>. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
April 11 through April 17

Charles Thornton – April 11 – born in Dothan, AL in Rotary 3 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Clif Payne – April 12 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 30 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

Ed Wonders – April 13 – born in Newton, KS, in Rotary 20 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

Henry Roberts – April 14 – born in Selma, AL, in Rotary 16 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

David Stafford – April 16 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 17 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Ted Brown – April 16 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 44 years, Paul Harris Fellow +4

Edwin Roberts – April 17 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 39 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Scott Grissett – April 17 – born in Atmore, AL, in Rotary 15 years, Paul Harris Fellow +2

Greeters and Ticket Sales

April 11

Greeters: Joe Vinson and Stephan Wildish
Ticket Sales: Pam Smith and Jack Williams

April 18

Greeters: Brian Wyer and Larry Adams
Ticket Sales: Jane White and Marjy Anders

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

April 11

Prayer/Pledge: Robert Stephens Sunshine: Chris Kelly

April 18

Prayer/Pledge: Henry Roberts Sunshine: Susan O'Connor

Program Schedule

April

11 - To Be Announced
18 - Rob Doss - Veterans Memorial Park

What's Happening in Rotary

April

11 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams
18 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting
25 - Regular Weekly Meeting Cancelled
27 - Ethics in Business Luncheon - Noon at Pensacola Yacht Club