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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 08/20/2019

On a rather dreary weather day, Rotarians were welcomed to the August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Downtown Rotary Club by the warm greetings of Rotarians **Dale Jordan** and Judge **Charles Kahn**. Rotarians **Kathy Horton-Brown** and (?) sold Rotarians chances to be the first to claim the most recent installment of a progressive raffle. All were thinking, "Is today history is made?"

President **John Trawick** opened the meeting with the Four Way test and then turned the podium over to Rotarian **Henry Roberts** for Prayer & Pledge.

President John updated the Club with the good news of Rotarian **Marty Longworth** having made it through her surgery.

The Club is continuing its New Member Drive where visitors can attend meetings three times at no charge.

It was at this moment, history happened. President John asked Rotarian **Mark Harden** to draw a raffle ticket. Rotarian **Lynn Tobin** held the winning ticket number. With a 1 in 47 chance to draw the Joker and claim the \$359 in the progressive pot, Rotarian Lynn did just that; she drew the Joker! An enthusiasm unknown to mankind swept the room as Rotarian Lynn made her way to the front. Some say they could hear Rotarian Lynn's husband, Past President Admiral **Paul Tobin** remark, "That's the second time in her life Lynn has hit the jackpot!" There was a certain twinkle in his eye that led one to believe the first time was when her path crossed his.

Rotarian Judge **William Stafford** provided a dose of wonderful Sunshine. During his time in behind the microphone, Judge Stafford welcomed guests and visiting Rotarians.

**Lieutenant Jimmy Donohoe** and **Sargent Pat Bradley** of the Pensacola Police Department were in attendance as guests of Club. Judge Stafford had the pleasure of recognizing Sargent Bradley for being Employee of the Month for the City of Pensacola. He highlighted his contributions to the Escambia County School Board and PPD Swat.

The before-mentioned Mark Harden had the pleasure of introducing one of the most, if not the most anticipated, speakers of the Rotary Year, Dan Shugart. Having been in Pensacola since 1980, this proud UCLA Alum is the trusted voice of Pensacola Sports. It is easy to see why Dan's work in both radio and television have been recognized with numerous accolades and one of a kind experiences: Dan's passion and commitment to share the wonderful happenings of the region are unmatched.

As he began his preview of the 2019 College Football Season, Dan reminded the group that this would be the 24<sup>th</sup> year of Prep Football Final. A good bit of production activity is underway. There will also be a College Football Preview on August 30<sup>th</sup>. Both will be airing on WEAR 3.

The Auburn Tigers was the first team placed under the spotlight. Auburn

has a brutal schedule but could be a team that improves from last season despite what its final records shows.

The Alabama Crimson Tide was up next. The season ending injury to inside linebacker Joshua McMillon was a blow to Alabama's defense. Dan recalled how Alabama responded to the disappointment of the 2010 season (winning the 2011 & 2012 National Championships) and claiming Championships in 2015 and 2017 after coming up short in previous years. Alabama plays great with the proverbial "chip on the shoulder."

Dan continued to recap his insights into the Gators of the University of Florida, and the Florida State football program.

There is a sense of refocus this year for the University of West Florida Argonauts. After playing in the National Championship game the previous season, a rash of injuries hampered an Argonaut squad that could never quite recover the necessary competitive edge last season. Three linebackers have transferred into the program; one of which is from Baylor and is Division One caliber. A key for the 2019 Argos is how well its defensive line holds up playing in the Gulf South Conference. A team from the Gulf South Conference has played in the last three National Championship Game (North Alabama, University of West Florida, and Valdosta State). UWF's quarterback is athletic and offensive line is experienced. The second team receivers could start for other programs.

Dan likes Ole Miss Head Coach Matt Luke. It is possible for Ole Miss to win six games this season. Dan does admit to mix

Kirby Smart's Georgia Bulldogs have attained the type status in college football where one looks for reasons to doubt.

The Tarheels of North Carolina welcomed back a familiar face in Mac Brown to lead its football program this season. Brown's chance to succeed is dependent on how well he recruits and how other teams use his age to recruit against him.

It will be interesting to see how Oklahoma Head Coach Lincoln Riley utilizes Alabama transfer Jalen Hurts this season.

The Tigers of both Louisiana State University and University of Missouri should be better this season. The outlook for the squad atop Rocky Top is less certain. Coach Jeremy Pruitt's Tennessee Volunteers suffered a major loss along the defensive front.

With a defense that led the nation in sacks and tackles for losses, Manny Diaz's Miami Hurricanes return a talented stable of linebackers that should help carry the load while a not as talented defensive front gains its footing. Jarren Williams gets the nod at quarterback over Ohio State transfer Tate Martell. The Florida/Miami opener should be interesting as the Gators' offensive line is a bit of a question mark and Miami's strength is found in its defense.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**Our new member drive continues.** Bring any potential new member to the meeting and their first three lunches are free.

## 2019-2020 Club Officers

◆ President	John Trawick
◆ Past President	Betty Roberts
◆ President Elect	Sally Fox
◆ 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	Tues.	7:00 am
	Andrews Institute		
Milton	Red Barn on Hwy. 90	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	4:15 pm
Perdido	13660 Innerarity Point Road	Wed.	7:45 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 - Check navarrerotary.org		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

Innes Richards  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Daniel J. Sulger

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Birthdays for the week of August 27th through September 2nd

**Adam Principe** – August 28 – born in Jacksonville, FL, in Rotary 3 years  
**Rex McKinney** – August 29 – born in Austin, TX, in Rotary 24 years  
**Dante Kahn** – August 29 – born in Charleston, SC, in Rotary 43 years  
**Kathy Horton Brown** – August 30 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 29 years  
**Lynne Tobin** – August 30 – born in Cleveland, OH, in Rotary 2 year  
**Marty Longworth** – August 31 – born in Milton, FL, in Rotary 5 years  
**Bob Benz** – September 1 – born in Philadelphia, PA, in Rotary 46 years  
**Scott Ford** – September 2 – born in Panama City, FL in Rotary less than 1 year

## GREETERS/TICKET SALES

**August 27 -** Greeters - Ron Jackson and Ray Jones  
Ticket Sales - Jimmy Jones and Allison Hill  
**September 3 -** Greeters - Sorna Khakrad and Jerry Kindle  
Ticket Sales - John Klocke and Andrea Krieger

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

**August 27**  
Prayer/Pledge - Charles Stewart      Sunshine - Pueschel Schneier  
**September 3**  
Prayer/Pledge - Laura Gilliam      Sunshine - Alexis Bolin

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**August**  
27 - Eileen Perrigo - Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival  
**September**  
3 -  
10 -  
17 - District Governor, Innes Richards  
24 - Frances Cutshaw, United Ministries

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**August - Membership and New Club Development Month**  
27 - Noon Regular Meeting  
**September -Basic Education and Literacy Month**  
3 - Noon Regular Meeting  
10 - Noon Regular Meeting  
17 - Noon Regular Meeting      1:00 Board Meeting  
24 - Noon Regular Meeting

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