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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 9/26/2023

The September 26 meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held at the Pensacola Yacht Club. President Beall called the meeting to order at 12:16pm and led approximately 100 members in the Four Way Test.

Rotarian David Henriquez led the members in a thoughtful prayer that preceded the pledge of allegiance.

President Beall reminded the group that team meetings will continue but due to poor WIFI we will have audio only, same link just no visuals. Other announcements, Pints for Polio will be held at Perfect Plain Brewery on Thursday night 28 Sep. The event raises money for eradicating polio across the world. Rotary shirts will be ordered soon at a cost of \$40. Chris is taking orders.

Rotarian Henry Roberts announced the beginning of this year's foundation campaign. Roberts said, "If you want to make a difference in a broken world, this is one of the greatest gifts you can give to make a difference." Members responded with resounding applause.

President Beall underscored Rotarian Roberts' remarks saying the money you give will help people all over the world and at home. Beall invited Rotarian Betty Roberts to the podium to announce a Paul Harris award to an individual who has been doing the meeting minutes for 18 years. In recognition to his service to the club, members celebrated and recognized Clark Merritt.

President Beall turned to the raffle and shared the amount has grown to \$902. An honest former Judge drew Chris Kelly's ticket; but sadly, the joker remains at large. Beall welcomed Laura Piovensana to provide much needed sunshine. She congratulated the Rotarians who

successfully completed one more year around the Sun and led attendees in a rousing rendition of Happy Birthday.

Program Chair Ed Wonders Judge Ross Goodman and Jim Reeves to brief members on their efforts to improve the lives of former foster children. The Judge told the story of 40 children per year in Pensacola who age out of foster care. About half of them find one of their birth parents and go back to them because they don't know anyone else. One quarter become homeless or drug addicted. Jim Reeves developed the idea for tiny homes for this population of youth— one for each child. This represents subsidized housing for these young people, along with a common location to meet with a counselor, and other areas. Baptist donated one-acre parcel of land on the corner of Blount and Pace, the City of Pensacola. Reeves recognized Rotarian and former Mayor Grover Robinson annexed the property into the City to accommodate seven tiny homes foster youth (age 18+). Reeves noted the county declined to enact a tiny homes ordinance to allow such a development. Goodman and Reeves encouraged donations and thanked Allison Hill at Lakeview for filling the gaps so the kids can be successful.

Rotarian Ed welcomed questions and President Beall thanked them for their service noting this is a perfect example of the private sector achieving results for the benefit of the public.

Beall made a few final announcements. Will Condon will speak next week. He is the new CEO of Ascension Sacred Heart. President Beall thanked all who supported the meeting and adjourned at 1:01 pm. Margaret Stopp's service committee met after the meeting.

Meeting minutes submitted by Nicole Gislason.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

PLEASE NOTE TODAY, Tuesday, October 3, we meet at Pensacola Yacht Club

Our Annual Rotary Fundraiser Drive. Along with our Club Foundation, Rotary International EREY and Polio Plus, and The **Hanwash Project** is collaborative national initiatives to provide and sustain clean water in order to promote prosperity and better health to the people of Haiti. This year we have added the **Rotary Youth Camp**. Supported by District 6940, this camp is for any child with disability and enables them to grow in self-confidence and to find success in physical activities and social relationships. The pledge forms will be available at the weekly meeting every Tuesday or you can request a pledge form at cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org.

We will continue to stream our meeting using Microsoft Teams; however changes will be made due to poor wi-fi reception at PYC. You will no longer receive visual video of the meetings but will be able to listen to the announcements and hear the speaker. The link to join 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.

Pints for Polio is a fun way for the Pensacola Rotary Clubs to come together, socialize, and raise some funds for Rotary International's mission to eradicate polio throughout the world. It will take place Thursday, October 12th, 5:30pm - 8:00pm at Perfect Plain Brewing Co., 50 E. Garden St, Pensacola. Tickets are available at the weekly meeting for \$18., on Eventbrite: <https://link.edgepilot.com/s/0847a74a/iY44rAGmIEm0i-BGcPv8Cg?u=https://www.eventbrite.com/o/all-pensacola-rotary-clubs-rotary-district-6940-69553166753> or \$20.00 at the door.

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.

2023-2024 Club Officers

•President	Charles Beall
•Past President	Bruce Partington
•President Elect	Henry Roberts
•Secretary	Randall Richardson
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•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	Hancock Bank, Creighton Rd.	Fri.	12:00 pm

District Governor

Kerry Anne Schultz
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

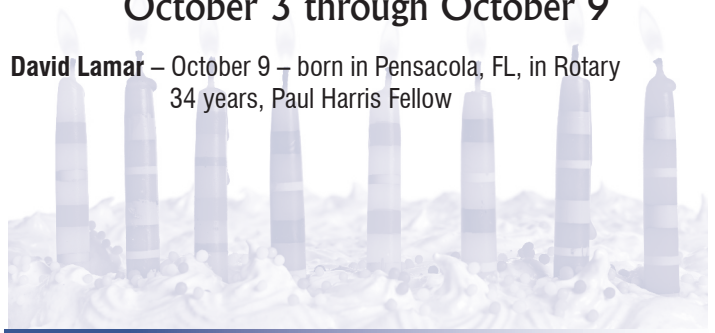
Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
October 3 through October 9

David Lamar – October 9 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary
34 years, Paul Harris Fellow



Greeters and Ticket Sales

October 3

Greeters: Susan O'Connor and Rob Overton
Ticket Sales: Tom Owens and Robert Palmer

October 10

Greeters: Julie Tippins Parker and Bruce Partington
Ticket Sales: Bob Perkins and Laura Piovensana

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

October 3

Prayer/Pledge: Jane White Sunshine: Craig Hindsman

October 10

Prayer/Pledge: Laura Gilliam Sunshine: Rick Fountain

Program Schedule

October

3 - Will Condon - Ascencion Sacred Heart
10 - Tammy Ward - Organ Recovery
17 - Sally Fox - Polio Plus
24 -
31 -

What's Happening in Rotary

October

3 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and
MicroSoft Teams
10 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and
MicroSoft Teams
17 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and
MicroSoft Teams
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting
24 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and
MicroSoft Teams
31 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and
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