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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 10/5/2021

If it is a Tuesday in Pensacola, three things are certain: the Sun will rise in the east and set in the west; The Rotary Club of Pensacola will conduct its weekly lunch meeting; and raindrops will dance on the heads of Pensacolians as they go about their day. Ok, so maybe only two of the three are certainties but is sure does seem to be raining on Tuesdays lately.

A Rotarian for all seasons and weather conditions, President Ed Wonders, welcomed Rotarians that were attending both in person and via Zoom to the October 5th meeting. After President led all in the 4 Way Test, Rotarian Frank Beall provided a wonderfully warm prayer and led the reciting of The Pledge of Allegiance.

As they returned to their seats, many a Rotarian were breathlessly waiting to find out the designation for Tuesday, October 5, 2021. Turns out that it was National Get Funky Day and National Do Something Nice Day. We're not talking funk as in depressing, but funk as in get-happy-and-celebrate-life! (<https://nationaltoday.com/national-get-funky-day>) President Ed shared that James Brown, the Godfather of Soul and Funk, always dressed to the nines because he was picked on as a child because of his clothes.

National Do Something Nice Day encourages us to perform acts of kindness for strangers or loved ones — or both! It's easy to become so caught up in our own stresses and struggles that we forget to show kindness to others. (<https://nationaltoday.com/national-something-nice-day/>) As an example of Do Something Nice Day, President Ed shared the story of "Aaron's Last Wish." A gentlemen instructed his family to give away any money that he had at the time of his death in the form of \$500 tips to waiters/waitresses. (arroncollins.org).

Other interesting events that occurred on an October 5th:

- October 5, 1921: World Series is broadcast on the radio for the first time.
- October 5, 1949: President Truman gave the first Presidential Address that was broadcast on television.
- October 5, 1962: The first James Bond Movie, Dr. No, is released in the United Kingdom.

Next up was Rotarian John Clark, who was making his first appearance in the role of Sunshine. Rotarian John recognized a visitor from the great

state of North Carolina. To try and describe the joke that Rotarian John shared is next to impossible. It was breathtaking, amazing, and funny all at the same time. It is certain that there is a Rotarian laughing now as the joke is recalled.

Rotarians celebrating birthdays include:

- David Lamar – October 9
- Joe Rosenbaum – October 11

Marty Stanovich, Executive Director First Tee Gulf Coast, provided the day's program. First Tee Gulf Coast is a youth-serving organization that teaches golf as a life-long sport to instill character education through the game's inherent "Nine Core Values."

Since the founding of the Local Chapter of First Tee in 2003, First Tee Gulf Coast has worked to spread character education and junior golf to the counties of Baldwin of Alabama and Bay, Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Walton of the Florida Panhandle through 102 National School Programs in area schools and 15 Golf Course program sites. Over 800 program participants are guided by 25 coaches, some of whom are paid and some of whom are volunteer.

Incorporating the Summer Tour of the Greater Pensacola Junior Golf Association (established 1990) and presenting the annual Divot Derby Week (est. 1958), First Tee Gulf Coast works to reach young people who otherwise might not have an opportunity to learn and play the game of golf and to learn its inherent values. No participants are turned away due to financial constraints as scholarships are available. (<https://www.fsga.org/juniorprogram/Details/92>)

First Tee Gulf Coast continues to enhance its presence at its 3924 West Navy Boulevard location. Not only has it refurbished the iconic Goofy Golf Course sitting adjacent to its headquarters, it has also installed a top notch practice area. In addition, a driving range with floating targets in a local lake is in the works.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott Grissett

October 6, 2021

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

The Pensacola Yacht Club meetings are now open to an unlimited number of people. However is very important that you RSVP every week, between Wednesday through Friday at 5:00 pm.

Our new 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 new 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. 850-619-0679. 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>.

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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	Asbury Place, Cokesbury United Methodist Church	Fri.	12:00 pm

District Governor

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

Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

What's Happening in Rotary

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 ad you wish to place. **Proceeds to benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
October 12th through October 18th

Robert Overton – October 14 – born in Jackson, AL, in Rotary 4 year

Lisa Minshew – October 14 – born in Pensacola, FL. In Rotary 3 year

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

October 12

Prayer/Pledge: Laura Gilliam Sunshine Vince Currie

October 19

Prayer/Pledge: Lynne Tobin Sunshine: Madison Currin

Greeters and Ticket Sales

October 12

Greeters: Bryan McCall and Norris McMahan

Ticket Sales: Lori Menke and Collier Merrill

October 19

Greeters: Clark Merritt and Chuck Michaels

Ticket Sales: Leslie Mickles and Lisa Minshew

Program Schedule

October

12 - Chris Warner - History of Football in the South

19 - Coach Rod Aldoff - Pensacola Ice Flyers

26 - Maria Goldberg & Nicole Stacy - Foo Foo Fest

What's Happening in Rotary

October

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

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

1:00 Board Meeting

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

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