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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 12/11/2018

Quick! You now have way less than the twelve days of Christmas to bake cookies and gather gifts for Santa's big day. Perhaps you'll collect another golf club during the holiday season. That wouldn't be surprising following the "golf talk" at our gathering on the 11<sup>th</sup>. More on that in a bit but first the basic review....

Members and guests were joyfully greeted by **Angela Hahn** and **Lee Elebash** for our weekly gathering at the New World Landing. Guided by their smiles to the opportunity to win gift money from **Leslie Halsall** and **Hugh Hamilton**, one lucky winner walked away with \$42 from the 50/50 split ticket jackpot. Prayer and Pledge were led by **Cal Moore**. Mayor **Grover Robinson** provided Rotary sunshine. He recognized birthdays, guests and visiting Rotarians, including a Rotarian all the way from Champagne IL. President **Betty Roberts'** opening remarks included the upcoming RLI registration for the January session in Pensacola, a reminder that electronic billing will begin January 1<sup>st</sup>, a request on behalf of **Scott Grissett** for more bell ringer volunteers and inviting **Henry Roberts** to the podium for an update on the current Foundation giving drive.

RLI is a great series of one-day programs in which participants learn many things about Rotary and how it is run as an organization. Most importantly, participants learn more about all of the great things Rotary accomplishes around the world, including what is possible here. While many think this program is about developing future Rotarian leaders it is so much more, and anyone interested in learning more about Rotary will benefit regardless of how long they've been a Rotarian. New members are most definitely encouraged to participate. An added benefit is that participants have an opportunity to meet other Rotarians in the region and learn of the great things local clubs are doing. Graduates of the program have stated they learned so much more about Rotary than by just attending their club meetings. It is well worth a Saturday, especially when conducted in Pensacola.

Speaking of great things, you have an opportunity to help make great things happen in our club through your donation to one or all of the Foundation giving categories: Local, International and Polio Plus. To date, approximately 24% of members have made a donation or pledge to do so. As a result, our club is

significantly below its dollar and participation goals. We *currently* have a reputation as a "giving club" in the community and with Rotary clubs but this reputation is in danger without funds to give. But, this isn't really about reputation. It is about making a difference in the world, one member at a time. Please consider making a contribution. Additional information is available online or by contacting Henry.

Now back to golf. Goofy that is! **Charlie Sherrill** introduced our guest speaker, Marty Stanovich, and his colleague Jennifer Hobbs. Why "goofy" you ask? (Hint: It's not because of Charlie.) It is because The First Tee of Northwest Florida has converted the old, decaying goofy golf landmark in Warrington into a facility where boys and girls ages 5 – 18 have an opportunity to participate in their program regardless of their experience or ability to pay. The mission is simple: "To positively impact the lives of young people by promoting character development and life-enhancing values through the First Tee's 'Life Skills Learning Experience' and the game of golf." Why? Integrity, judgment, honesty, responsibility, sportsmanship, respect, confidence, perseverance and courtesy. Any one of these is worthy but achieving all together is a significant challenge and accomplishment. Developing good citizens while developing golfers for life. A great combination!

In addition to having fun while developing these values through their participation, the youth have a chance to participate in numerous opportunities all over the U.S., including academies, camps, tournaments, leadership development seminars and more. "More" includes the valuable possibility of obtaining college scholarships via the sport of golf. In addition to the Warrington campus, The First Tee operates at numerous gold courses in Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton and Bay counties. More information about the organization, including schedules and programs can be found online at [www.thefirstteenwfl.org](http://www.thefirstteenwfl.org), or by calling 850.456.7010.

President Betty closed the meeting by thanking the speaker and all of those who volunteered to serve the membership by making this another successful meeting.

Yours in Rotary Service, Randy Ray

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**Electronic Billing to Begin January 1, 2019.** Effective January 1, you will be receiving your club quarterly invoices via email. You will also be able to make your payments direct deposit. The option to opt out is available. By now you should have received your instructions to set up your bill pay with your bank, if not or if you have questions please contact Chris.

**As we are approaching the end of the year be sure to make your Annual Pledge and Donation** to support our Local and International Foundation. Pledge sheets are available at the weekly meeting or by request on line.

**Everyone have a great, safe Holiday,** we will return January 8, 2019 to our regular weekly meetings

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

### December - Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

18 Noon Regular Meeting  
1:00 pm Board Meeting, New World Landing

### January - Vocational Service Month

8 Noon Regular Meeting  
15 Noon Regular Meeting  
1:00 pm Board Meeting, New World Landing  
29 Noon Regular Meeting

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### December

18 - Holiday Meeting with Pensacola Opera Carolers and Guest

### January

8 - National Flight Academy  
15 - Open  
22 - Ray Plamer, Pensacola Sports  
29 - James Briscione & Brooke Parkhurst, Angelena's Italian Restaurant

## 2018-2019 Club Officers

◆ President	Betty Roberts
◆ Past President	Paul Tobin
◆ President Elect	John Trawick
◆ 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.	5:30 pm
Perdido	Triggers Restaurant	Wed.	7:30 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 <a href="http://navarrerotary.org">navarrerotary.org</a>		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

John Medina  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Innes Richards

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
December 18th through December 31st

**Bobby Switzer** - December 20  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 27 years

**Jerry Maygarden** - December 22  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 29 years

**Alan Moore** - December 23  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 15 years

**Buck Lee** - December 24  
born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary 27 years

**LaVonne Agerton** - December 26  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 23 years

**Dale Jordan** - December 27  
born in Huntsville, AL, in Rotary 26 years

## GREETERS/TICKET SALES

### December 18

Greeters - Tammy Hardy Fauber and William Hart  
Ticket Sales - Sherry Hartnett and Verdell Hawkins

### January 8

Greeters - Allison Hill and Carter Herman  
Ticket Sales - Kathy Horton Brown and Art Hufford

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### December 18

Prayer/Pledge - Alexis Bolin  
Sunshine - Vicki Campbell

### January 8

Prayer/Pledge - Ted Brown  
Sunshine - Charles Beall

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