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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

MINUTES

Warm weather and warm smiles of Charles and Richard Sherrill greeted arrivals as Ted Brown sold Gene Killinger the \$61 winning raffle ticket. President Alan called the meeting to order with Betty Gail Peters leading us in prayer and the pledge. Alan went on to recognize President Ed Meadows of Pensacola State College for ranking 9th in the country in awarded AA degrees and President Judy Bense of the University of West Florida for her efforts with their football interest. Judy was also recognized for being newly elected to the University President's Council for Division II Athletics. And following, our Rotary Rooters gave us an appropriate serenade of patriotic songs.

President Alan surprised our Sunshine presenter, Scott Grissett, with the presentation of the Paul Harris Fellowship award. Not usually short for words, Scott went on to introduce our two military guest officers representing the United States Navy, visitors and visiting Rotarians. Birthday greetings were then sung to those celebrating this week.

David Stafford introduced our speaker, U.S. Congressional Representative Jeff

Miller. Rep. Miller has served the First District of Florida since 2001. He is appointed to serve on the House Armed Services Committee, Veterans Affairs Committee and the Select Steering Committee. The recent decision to raise the national debt limit he voted in favor of was very hard, especially considering the Federal Government issues 80-million checks each month and spending needs to be prioritized. Social Security, Medicare and the military use up all available funds each month and we must borrow for the balance. Those other areas of spending must be looked at to reduce spending as well as looking to all programs for future reductions. A new committee equally represented by Democrats and Republicans was created and must present \$1.4 trillion in spending cuts or across the board cuts will be made in discretionary spending. Both sides agree that the current glide path is un-sustainable and we cannot raise enough taxes for the current spending. Currently 51% pay no taxes. But we must cut spending. Social Security and Medicare are broke. The retirement age needs to be raised.

On military issues, we do not need to go into Libya. We are drawing down Iraq but it may be a mistake to announce a set date for the Afghanistan withdrawals. Also, Pakistan harbors forces and supplies for terrorist that help continue the war there. We need to address those border safe harbors. We are going to get out of Afghanistan.

Answering questions, Rep. Miller stated we need a balanced budget amendment which nearly passed in 1995. Washington is ineffective and more needs to be shifted to the private sector. A consumption or flat tax is better than the present taxation. Medical cost are too high and drivers of much of the expense in federal programs. Tort reform would help reduce defensive medicine practices that help drive up cost. Escambia and Santa Rose Counties ask for assistance with title transfer to island residents to allow for a fee simple option in view of the new taxation on improvements on that land. With that, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,
Chris Pate

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ See where Mark Harden, Jack Gray and Bob Mills were made directors of John Clark's Council on Aging. Mark, by the way, recently made an excellent presentation on his military-related service to a gathering of veterans.
- ❖ Bob Hart's legal firm has been named "Most Supportive Law Firm" by Northwest Florida Legal Services.
- ❖ As one of her running back options, Judy Bense has been named to the NCAA Division II Presidents Council.
- ❖ Nigel Allen will be attending a lot of classes shortly, for he's a member of the 2011-12 LEAP class.
- ❖ See where John Shaffer's helping build student skills as a mentor.
- ❖ Betty Roberts now enters another term on the Opera Board, and Susan O'Connor has been named to head still another board!
- ❖ Trading off on the annual Shugart Football Predictions...didja know that the first local football game was played in 1885...in Kupfrian's Park? OR...
- ❖ That the city's first sports field (American Legion Field) was built for just over \$28,000? That was in the late 1920s...and the cost was slightly less than Community Maritime Park.
- ❖ It's interesting to note that Jock Mobley's auto franchise is the only one now seen as part of our membership. Over time, the club's members represented Chevrolet, Ford, Buick, Pontiac, Studebaker, and Kaiser-Frazer. (We might have had Reo and Maxwell in the "old days," but old rosters don't say.)

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Sept 9th is the next joint Five Flags/Rotary Club of Pensacola Habitat For Humanity construction date. Many thanks to all the previous volunteers. Please contact Cliff Payne to volunteer for the Sept 9th event.

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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		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

District Governor

Jeanne Quave
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Ted Kirchharr

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of August 30th through September 5th

Kathy Horton Brown – August 30, born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 19 years
Milton Usry – August 31, born in Mineola, TX, in Rotary 23 years
Sandra Smith – September 1 born in Asheville, NC, in Rotary 9 years
Bob Benz – September 1, born in Philadelphia, PA, in Rotary 37 years
Mac Miller – September 4, born in Baltimore, MD, in Rotary 50 years
Mike Ferguson – September 4, born in Waycross, GA, in Rotary 20 years
Jake Renfro – September 5, born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 3 years
Charles Beall – September 5, born in Dublin, GA, in Rotary 14 years

GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

August 30: Greeters: Jean Norman and Susan O'Connor
Ticket Sales: Mort O'Sullivan and Tom Owens

September 6 Greeters: Bob Palmer and Julie Tippens Parker
Ticket Sales: Bruce Partington and Chris Pate

September 13 Greeters: Scott Paul and Clif Payne
Ticket Sales: Jorge Palaez and Betty Gail Peters

September 20 Greeters: John Phelps and Janet Pilcher
Ticket Sales: Pople and Carol Powell

PRAYER AND PLEDGE

August 30
Prayer/Pledge: Henry Roberts
Sunshine: TBD

September 13
Prayer/Pledge: Charles Sherrill
Sunshine: Jimmy Jones

September 6
Prayer/Pledge: Roger Vinson
Sunshine: Nigel Allen

September 20
Prayer/Pledge: Al Stubblefield
Sunshine: Roger MacDonald

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

August
30 - Dan Shugart - WEAR, Sinclair Broadcasting

September
6 - Quint Studer
13 - Ed Schroeder - Visit Pensacola
20 - Wendy Spencer - Volunteer Florida
27 - Dr. Jay Clune - UWF, Next Exit History

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