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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola took place at New World Landing on Tuesday, January 24, 2012. Kyle Marrero and Leslie Halsall handled ticket sales and greeted members and guests at the door. The meeting was called to order by President Alan Bookman who led us in the Four Way Test. Earl Hutto provided the prayer and pledge. Grover Robinson added Sunshine to the day and welcomed visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotarians. Courtney Dell, David Aronson, Roger McDonald and Ron Martin celebrated birthdays this week and all received a celebratory Happy Birthday. President Alan reminded all members to sign up for February 25, 2012 Combined Rotary Workday at Manna Food Bank, Spouses are welcome to help in the "feed the hungry" campaign by filling boxes with food. Innes Richards will present the slate of Officers to be considered for 2012-2013 at the meeting next week. Scott Grissett is looking for a host family for the Swedish exchange student for February through May of this year. Please contact Scott if you are interested. Margaret Stopp introduced the newest member of the Rotary Club of Pensacola, Abe Singh, Director of the Pensacola Area Housing Commission, who was welcomed into the Club. Visiting Rotarian and Assistant District Governor Ted Kircharr was the ticket winner and claimed \$59.

Ed Meadows, President of Pensacola State College introduced

Chanda Rigby whose official title is Intercollegiate Athletic Coach at PSC, or Coach of the Lady Pirates. Coach Rigby is the Coach, mentor and educator, of young women on the Pensacola State College Women's Basketball Team, The Lady Pirates. Coach Rigby began her coaching career in her home state of Louisiana where she had 6 undefeated seasons and has an overall winning record of 75% over 22 years. The Lady Pirates are nationally ranked and went to the National title game last year and came away without the win, their only loss of 2011. Coach Rigby developed her love of sports while growing up on a Dairy Farm in Katkow, LA and basketball was the only sport available for women. She bases her winning strategy on the philosophy of surrounding herself with the best talent possible and the results speak for themselves. The PSC Coach seeks out and recruits those players who are of Division 1 caliber with regard to basketball skills but do not have the academic credentials to qualify for their programs. Coach Rigby mentors and tutors them to achieve their academic goals and includes a good dose of community service and support for the young women and the approach produces outstanding results on the court and in the community who supports them. The results are amazing for the student athletes, a lot of whom go on to Division 1 schools after graduating from PSC, as well as producing a nationally ranked basketball program for PSC. Six

former players from PSC were playing for Division I schools last weekend; all were featured on national TV. It was evident that the spirited and committed Coach Rigby counts her wins not just on the basketball court; the most important are the achievements of her students who in most cases are the first in their families to attend college. The PSC program has the highest graduation rate in the State with a 100% over the last four years. The Lady Pirates team and Coach Rigby represent another great advantage of the draw of sports to college life for many students and the opening of doors of opportunity for them and the local community. Another winning season is shaping up for The Lady Pirates who have a record of (3-1) in Panhandle Conference play, their only loss to the #1 ranked NWF State and an overall of (15-2). The Panhandle Conference is the toughest in the country and traditionally has the #1 and #2 nationally ranked programs. Coach Rigby challenged everyone to attend one of the Lady Pirates games and see some real super-stars in action and some very competitive play and enjoy benefits of a very successful program.

President Alan thanked all who served and the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted,  
Claudia Simmons

## 2011-2012 Club Officers

◆ President	Alan B. Bookman
◆ Past President	C. Ray Jones
◆ President Elect	Innes C. Richards
◆ Secretary	Betty B. Roberts
◆ Treasurer	Ronald E. Jackson
◆ 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		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

**Jeanne Quave**

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## Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Birthdays for the week of  
January 31st through February 6th**

**Leonard Swartz** – February 3

born in Brooklyn, NY, in Rotary 26 years

**Brian Masterson** – February 3

born in Pensacola, in Rotary 9 years

**Gary Lee** – February 5

born in Greensboro, AL, in Rotary 6 years

**Norris McMahon** – February 5

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 7 years

**Gerald Hoewing** – February 6

born in Keokuk, Iowa, in Rotary 6 years

## PRAYER AND PLEDGE

**January 31**

Prayer/Pledge: Charles Sherrill

Sunshine: Frank Beall

**February 14**

Prayer/Pledge: Shawn Brantley

Sunshine: Scott Grissett

**February 7**

Prayer/Pledge: Al Stubblefield

Sunshine: Grover Robinson

**February 21**

Prayer/Pledge: Henry Roberts

Sunshine: Bob Mills

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

**January 31**

Greeters: Alexis Bolin and Shawn Brantley

Ticket Sales: Richard Brosnaham and Roger Brown

**February 7**

Greeters: Ellis Bullock, III and Randy Butler

Ticket Sales: Handsel Butts and Bo Carter

**February 14**

Greeter: John Clark

Ticket Sales: Al Coby and James Coe

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

**January**

31 - Melinda Crawford - Pensacola International Airport

**February**

7 - Club Meeting and Roto Rooters

14 - John Appleyard - History of Valentines, Love and Marriage

21 - James Madison Society

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