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#### The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

# WEEK IN REVIEW

Rotarians Dale Knee and Jeff Lewis greeted all Rotarians, visitors and guests with a handshake and smile that on a warm summer day where Pensacola was trying to dry out from an overload of liquid sunshine. Rotarians Mike Layton and Gary Lee sold raffle tickets. President David Stafford called the meeting to order and led the club in the Four Way Test. He then called upon Rotarian Charlie Sherrill to lead us in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag.

Our president then noted with sadness the passing of a past president of the Rotary Club of Downtown Pensacola and noted civic leader, Dr. Reed Bell. He asked that the club observe a moment of silence for Dr. Bell and for local Medal of Honor winner Col. George "Bud" Day who had also passed away over the weekend. President Stafford announced to the club that the investment committee was now working with a professional consultant and that our fellow Rotarians Andrea Kreiger and DeDe Flounlacker were recently featured on the cover of Pensacola Magazine as two of the five women featured for making a difference in our community - well done! He also noted with thanks that Kathy Horton-Brown for helping our club complete its second India desk project. He then called on Dr. Judy Bense to introduce our newest member of the Downtown Rotary Club (and contributing columnist to The Helicopter), Dr. Brendan Kelley.

President Stafford then called upon Al Stubblefield to introduce our visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotarians. We had no military guests this week. Rotarian Stubblefield then provided some Downtown Rotary Sunshine and led us in a "Happy Birthday You All" to our club Rotarians with birthdays this week. The raffle was worth a healthy \$64 and was won by John Phelps. Peit Hudson was the lucky winner of some Blue Wahoo tickets for the week.

Our program was introduced by Paul Young. Rotarian Paul introduced Charles Brewer who is the executive director of ARC Gateway and a longtime member of Five Flags Rotary. Rotarian Charles has 27 years of experience in the healthcare industry and an obvious passion for the work of ARC. He started in the position in 2013.

During his presentation, we learned that ARC Gateway develops innovative ways to help children and adults with developmental disabilities reach their full potential. Services include speech, occupational, and physical therapy. ARC Gateway is a non-profit organization with an annual operating budget of \$6,000,000. Their funding comes from the State of Florida (60%), sales to public (32%), and grants/membership fees(8%). Florida ranks

last out of the 50 states in their funding of programs to help people with developmental disabilities. The state is presently funding the program at rates established in 1989. The state of Florida has 22,000 people that are intellectually and developmentally delayed. Gateway operates six group homes with six people per home. Thirty-five out of the thirty-six residents are employed. ARC employees around 250 disabled people a month. The maximum IQ for people in the program is 75. ARC conducts pediatric therapy for 150-200 children a month. ARC has several ventures to raise money. These include a partnership with Armstrong World Industries, a public plant nursery, document imaging and shredding operation, and an adult enrichment program. Dr. Judy Bense rose to recognize the outstanding work being done at ARC Gateway and to recognize the important role the agency fulfills for its clients. President Stafford thanked our guests for their work and informative program and presented them with the prized Downtown Rotary coffee cup.

After thanking all of those who worked to make today's program and the year ended a success, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Trey Manderson

### ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ As Jerry Maygarden prepares to begin the interim role as chamber executive, he joins half a dozen other club members who had such a role. That list began with Perry Reed (1922) and included Waldo Carrell (for many years) and Evon Emerson.
- ❖ With the passing of Reed Bell, it's interesting to recall that
- over a brief time some fifteen years ago the club gained quite a few physician members who had delayed joining because of the press of practice schedules. Sadly, many of them had preceded Reed.
- Last week Ed Meadows' culinary students hosted a "Garde Manger" to show off their skills to a lunch gathering.

#### 2013-2014 Club Officers

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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**

Ted Kirchharr www.rotary6940.org

#### **Assistant District Governor**

Robert W. Schuster

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

# Birthdays for the week of August 6th through August 12th

Mark Harden - August 7

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 8 years

Bob Rogers - August 8

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 20 years

Janet Pilcher - August 8

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 12 years

Tom Birdwell – August 11

born in Louisville, KY, in Rotary 37 years

Charles Gund - August 12

born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 11 years

## **UPCOMING SPEAKERS**

#### **August**

6 - Urban Development Task Force, Brian Hooper

13 - The Jail, etc., Sheriff Morgan

20 - ECUA, Lois Benson

27 - Play Ball, Dan Shugart

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

#### August 6

Greeters: Jeff Lewis and Roger MacDonald

Ticket Sales: Trey Manderson

August 13

Greeter: Ron Martin

Ticket Sales: Morris Marx and Brian Masterson

### Prayer/Pledge and Sunshine

August 6

Prayer/Pledge: Earl Hutto

Sunshine: Sally Fox

August 13

Prayer/Pledge: John Trawick

Sunshine: Chris Kelly

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