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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

Despite the gloom and overcast, the Rotary Club of Pensacola held its usual weekly meeting on November 26, 2013. Joe Rosenbaum warmly greeted Rotarians and guests at the entrance. Scott Sallis and Lewis Rushing sold raffle tickets. At the appointed time, President Stafford called the meeting to order and asked the club to join him in reciting the Four Way Test. He then called upon Chris Kelly who lead the club in prayer and then the Pledge of Allegiance. Our speaker selected the winning raffle tickets, which resulted in Kathy Horton-Brown to collecting \$45 and Lew Doman receiving a pie.

President Stafford shared a number of announcements during the meeting. He noted that Fred Sitten is home from the hospital and apparently on the mend. President Stafford also urged club members to volunteer to ring bells in connection with the Salvation Army's annual kettle campaign. For club members wishing to help the Filipino victims of Typhoon Haiyan, President Stafford noted that contributions may be made to ShelterBox USA. President Stafford advised that those wanting to participate in the Pumpkin Pie Fundraiser should contact Bromley Dyson. Finally, President Stafford shared District Governor Kircharr's appreciation for the many volunteers throughout District 6490.

After announcements, President Stafford called upon Frank Bell for Sunshine. Rotarian Frank announced the upcoming birthdays of Alan Bookman, Auby Smith, Dave Galloway, Gary Bemby, and Jimmy

Coe, and led the club in singing Happy Birthday. He also introduced guests of club members, which included Don Stafford, who is President Stafford's brother, and Jean Silva, who is the executive director of United Ministries.

Sean Brantley introduced our program, which focused on the ministry at the Escambia County Jail. Our speaker, Chaplain Leggett, was born and raised in Pensacola. He entered the ministry in 1986 and began his prison ministry in 1988 as a volunteer at Holman Correctional Facility in Atmore, Alabama. He is now the Senior Chaplain at the Escambia County Jail where he has served for the last 18 years. Chaplain Leggett founded New Vision Worship Center, complements his jailhouse ministry by reaching out to the families of incarcerated men. In addition to being a minister, Chaplain Leggett is a Recovery Support Specialist that counsels those seeking to overcome drug and alcohol addiction.

Chaplain Leggett began by explaining that approximately 16,000 people are booked in the Escambia County Jail annually. Approximately 800 – 900 individuals are housed in the main jail facility at any given time, while a slightly smaller amount are housed at Central Booking and Detention. A number of religions services are available to inmates, though space is limited as the jail's religious facility only accommodates approximately 120 people. In any given week, the jail has 2 Protestant services, one Catholic service, and one Islamic service. Jewish services are available if

requested by an inmate.

Next, Chaplain Leggett gave a brief overview of the various programs he oversees in his capacity as Senior Chaplain. "Fathers to Fathers" is a mentoring program that teaches inmates how to be better fathers to their children. Participating inmates are given supplies and stamps and are encouraged to communicate with their families. Chaplain Leggett leads a mentoring program for juveniles that takes place on weekdays in the juvenile pod. Several local churches provide volunteers that assist with the juvenile program. That program is complemented by "Break the Cycle of Jail Addiction" which mentors children before they enter the criminal justice system.

In addition to the various programs offered by his ministry, Chaplain Leggett oversees a book cart which distributes reading materials throughout the jail. The ministry also maintains a bible cart that offers inmates religious materials from a variety of faiths. Finally, Chaplain Leggett discussed his ministry's upcoming Christmas celebration. At that event, minor gifts will be distributed to inmates and carolers will sing Christmas carols throughout the jail.

After Chaplain Leggett fielded questions from the club, President Stafford thanked him for a very informative program. President Stafford then thanked the various club members that assisted with the day's program and the meeting was adjourned.

ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Looking at local Christmas history, it seems that an ancestor of Brit Landrum ran a print shop here in 1885, and may have produced the first holiday greeting cards for Pensacolians that year!
- ❖ Carl Mertins had a fall and suffered an arm fracture a few days ago.
- ❖ So sorry to report that Randy Jackson's father has passed away.
- ❖ On November 23, Frank Beall was part of a dual clergy performing the wedding of Bob Palmer's step-daughter. The second clergy-woman was also part of that family...who now is a navy chaplain stationed at a remote far eastern island. She grew up in Frank's church and was encouraged by him towards her religious career.

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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		

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
December 3rd through December 9th

Wright Moulton - December 3
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 34 years

Ted Nickinson - December 4
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 34 years

Glenn McDonald - December 7
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 39 years

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

December

3 - CIE Chamber - Kelly Reeser
10 - Polio Plus - Julie Tippins Parker
17 - Christmas Program
24 - No Meeting - Happy Holidays!
31 - No Meeting - Happy New Year!

GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

December 3

Greeter: Erin Sammis and Gary Sammons
Ticket Sales: Donn Scott and Terry Scruggs

PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

December 3

Prayer/Pledge: Henry Roberts
Sunshine: Scott Grissett

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