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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 10/28/2014

Rotarians received a cheerful greeting today from Jean Norman while Hill Turner, Tim Kane, and Laura Mager sold raffle tickets. President John called the meeting to order and kicked off the meeting with the Four-Way test. Earl Hutto led the prayer and pledge. President John welcomed Kerry Langley back from her recuperation. He then reminded everyone the November 4 regular meeting is cancelled due to the CROP meeting on November 3. Scott Grissett was eloquent as he described how important Rotary and the Centennial Park playground are to him. Britt Landrum then introduced our newest member, Mike Steltenkamp.

Today was Leonard Swartz's lucky day, winning the \$51 raffle. Mike Layton won a copy of *The Boom! Boom! Book*, written by Michael Ryan. Ms. Sunshine, Sally Fox, tried to entertain with Halloween jokes, though many missed her humorous Cajun tales. She welcomed military guests, guests and visiting Rotarians, then announced those with birthdays and led the club in singing Happy Birthday, accompanied by John Appleyard on harmonica.

Dr. Martha Saunders, Executive Vice President and Provost, University of West Florida took the

podium for an important announcement. Our Rotary club was the first to hear that the new UWF College of Business Dean, effective immediately, is Dr. Tim O'Keefe. Dr. O'Keefe had been the interim Dean for a little over a year since Rotarian Dr. Ed Ranelli stepped down to become Dean Emeritus. Dr. Saunders graciously introduced Dr. O'Keefe as today's speaker.

Dr. O'Keefe proceeded to update Rotarians about the UWF College of Business and the mission to prepare students for successful careers and lives. The beautiful new building, built with students in mind, is a platform for student and community engagement. College of Business students can compete with anyone else in the country and rank 82<sup>nd</sup> in national exit exams in business major tests. The AACSB has accredited the College of Business since 1994; only 5% of business schools in the world have this premier accreditation.

UWF ranked fifth in the nation in 2012 (of small Master of Accountancy programs) for first-time CPA exam pass rates. Moreover, UWF ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state of Florida (in a virtual tie with the University of Florida) for first-time pass rates, ahead of all other

public and private Florida institutions. The College of Business is adding a new Supply Chain Logistics Management degree program in fall 2015. There is also a new entrepreneurial focus, spearheaded by Dr. Ed Ranelli. As a part of this entrepreneurial focus, the recent Start Up Weekend was held on the UWF campus.

Dr. O'Keefe spoke of the importance of High Impact Programs and how much these programs benefit students. As an example, he mentioned the Executive Mentor Program Sherry Hartnett created for the College of Business. This innovative program matches business executives with students for one-on-one mentoring and coaching for an academic school year. Dr. O'Keefe thanked our Rotarians who have volunteered to be Executive Mentors for this worthwhile, outcome-based, successful program. He then concluded by mentioning the College of Business partnership with the Combined Rotary Clubs of Pensacola Business in Ethics awards.

There being no further business; President John adjourned the meeting thanking everyone for their service.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sherry Hartnett

## WEEK IN REVIEW 11/3/2014

It was a bright and clear fall day in downtown Pensacola as the Combined Rotary Clubs of Pensacola gathered at the New World Landing for the annual military appreciation luncheon honoring our veterans and active duty military. Assistant District Governor Bob Schuster (CROP President for 2014 - 2015) welcomed our veterans, our active duty military, honored guests and Rotarians. Pastor John Webb, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Pace provided our invocation.

McGuire's Bagpipe Band led the procession of the colors presented by the Corey Station CID Color Guard as they entered the hall. The National Anthem was sung by the Pensacola Opera Artists in

Residence. John Shaffer, President of the Downtown Rotary, led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. Following the pledge, the Artists in Residence performed a medley of Service Songs for each branch of the armed services.

Thereafter, Steve McNally, President of the Seville Rotary Club, led Rotarians in reciting the Four Way Test. Carl Backman, President of the Cordova Rotary Club, welcomed and introduced our honored guests who included survivors of Pearl Harbor, active duty and retired military and elected officials. He called upon Rotarian, Mike Denkler (USN Ret.), introduced our speaker, RADM Mike White, Commander, Naval Education and Training

Command, who delivered remarks about the military past, present and future. He noted that at this moment, there are 106 ships of the United States Navy at sea ready to protect American interests and those of our allies around the world. On any given day, there are more than 21,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen in training at NAS Pensacola. After RADM White's remarks, Congressman Jeff Miller offered remarks on the nation's debt owed to veteran's and offered thanks for their service to their country. Thereafter, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeff Lewis

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ A giant hand to Erin Sammis and the Opera Singers whose renditions were so well received at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> CROP Meeting. Erin's also busy plugging the opera being performed five times this month. It's called *The Medium*.
- ❖ If you watch VERY CAREFULLY, you can catch Bo Carter as he appears in a Sandy Sansing TV ad.
- ❖ Julie Parker's played a new role bringing international artists to display in the Great Gulf Arts Festival.
- ❖ Betcha didn't know that Innes Richards given name goes way back to family ties in Scotland!
- ❖ Remembering club history, back in 1918 our members sponsored a patriotic show presented in the Saenger. Admission was by buying a war savings bond.

## 2014-2015 Club Officers

◆ President	John Shaffer
◆ Past President	David Stafford
◆ President Elect	Andrea Krieger
◆ Secretary	Claudia Simmons
◆ Treasurer	Donn Scott
◆ 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

Dave Rauch  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Robert W. Schuster

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
November 11th through November 17th

**Bruce Partington** - November 11  
born in Annapolis, MD, in Rotary 15 years

**Britt Landrum** - November 12  
born in Montgomery, AL, in Rotary 33 years

**John Appleyard** - November 14  
born in Chicago, IL, in Rotary 49 years

**Robert Mills** - November 15  
born in Atlanta, GA, in Rotary 16 years

**Randy Jackson** - November 17  
born in Murfreesboro, TN, in Rotary 9 years

**Leslie Halsall** - November 17  
born in Memphis, TN, in Rotary 24 years

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

### November

11 - Electric Vehicle Project, Jay Patel  
18 - Historic Pensacola Village, Sheyna Marcey  
25 - Es Cty Schools Transportation, Rob Doss

### December

2 - Veterans Resource Center, Marc Churchwell  
9 - One Blood, Betty Roberts  
16 - Christmas Program  
23 - No Meeting  
30 - No Meeting

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

### November 11

Greeters: Tom Owens and Robert Palmer  
Ticket Sales: Julie Tippins Parker and Bruce Partington

### November 18

Greeters: Chris Pate and Beverly Patteson  
Ticket Sales: Cliff Payne and Jorge Pelaez

## PRAYER & PLEDGE/SUNSHINE

### November 11

Prayer/Pledge: Earl Hutto  
Sunshine: Grover Robinson

### November 18

Prayer/Pledge: John Trawick  
Sunshine: Bob Hart

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