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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

A hot day for most as Rotarians joyfully strolled into today's meeting for fellowship, networking, and lunch. Scott Grissett and Jonathan Griffith greeted those at the door as Charles Gund worked the raffle (properly accounting for every George Washington of course).

President Andrea brought the house to order with a modest clang of the bell as Roger Vinson led all in the prayer and pledge. There were few announcements other than the judge mentioned that at the Saenger on Friday at 10:00 AM there will one of the largest naturalization ceremonies ever held with over 200 new citizens to be sworn in. All are invited to the event and because it is at the Saenger there is plenty of room.

The \$49 raffle was won by Frank Beall who smiled all the way to the podium

Henry Roberts delivered a dose of Sunshine, a few funnies, and a few not so funnies. In spite of the jokes, he still managed to expertly recognize our guests and the birthday boys and girls – with Vince Curry the only one in attendance to enjoy the singing.

President Andrea introduced our program -- an update on the Club by Andrea, its' various committees and their leaders, and what the future holds for this year. The Club has many committees and sub-committees involving many, many, many, members who volunteer their time generously. For a full listing of the committees, the chairs of those committees, and membership of those committees please contact the Club's Executive Secretary Kerry Langley and she can provide the entire list. Andrea thanked all those who serve and said that if you are interested in a committee please feel free to

reach out to the chair. Following the committee overview was an update on a few programs of interest including ECARE, the CROP service project with Manna Food Bank, and the desk and wheelchair project. A few more tidbits: the Club has raised over \$125,000 for the Centennial Park project, we have 212 members (down from 225 last year), the average age of our membership is 61 years old and most members have over 25 years of service! The annual budget is a little over \$153,000 and we should expect to see some changes to the Programs we enjoy with a concentration on economic development, downtown Pensacola projects, and legislative updates. And finally, the survey results are being reviewed and expect more details from that especially as it relates to the venue of New World Landing. We adjourned shortly after 1:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted, M. Clark Merritt.

## CENTENNIAL CLUB MEMBERS

John Appleyard/Appleyard Foundation, Brian Baumgardner, Charles Beall, Frank Beall, Robert Benz, Alexis Bolin, Alan Bookman, The Warren Ted Brown and Kathy Horton-Brown Family Foundation, Inc., Ellis Bullock, Jr., Handsel Butts, Bo Carter, Vince Currie, Lew Doman, Roger Enzor, Ray Fox, Bob Gaines, Scott Grissett, Donald Haferkamp, Robert D. Hart, Sherry Hartnett, Wylie Hogeman; Earl Hutto, C.Ray Jones, Dale Jordan, Charles Kahn, Jr., Chris Kelly, Douglas Killinger, Andrea Krieger, Nell & Britt Landrum, Carol Law, Jeff Lewis, Brian Masterson, Jerry Maygarden, Trip Maygarden, Bryan McCall, Lori Menke, Collier Merrill, Will Merrill, Robert Mills, Moore, Hill & Westmoreland, P.A., Eric J. Nickelsen, Jean Norman, Susan O'Connor, Mort O'Sullivan, Bruce Partington, Chris Pate, Lyal C. Payne, Jorge Pelaez, Betty Gail Peters, Bill Phillips, Innes Richards, Henry & Jane Roberts, Grover Robinson, Bob Rogers, John Shaffer, Judy Shelton, Richard N. Sherrill, Jean Silva, David Stafford, William Stafford, Jim Stohlanske, Margaret Stopp, Terry Terrell, Malcolm Thomas, John Tice, Roger Vinson, Doug Werber, Jack Williams and Ken Woolf

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Dedication of the anniversary playground reminds us of another similar club action. In 1917 Pensacola High School was destroyed by fire. The new building included a gym, but there was no money to equip it. Rotarians, led by John Sherrill, raised \$3,000 thus providing the first such activity the city had ever had.
- ❖ Bet you didn't know that the land where our park is located was "made land" created after 1885 by covering ballast rock with sand and clay. The site once was the marshaling yard for the Muscle Shoals, Birmingham and Pensacola Railroad.
- ❖ Hear tell that Bill Stafford and his bride are relocating to Azalea Trace.

## 2015-2016 Club Officers

◆ President	Andrea Krieger
◆ Past President	John Shaffer
◆ President Elect	Brian Baumgardner
◆ Secretary	Claudia Simmons
◆ Treasurer	C. Ray Jones
◆ 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

**Leon Hirsh**  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

**Innes Richards**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
July 28th through August 3rd

*John Phelps* – August 1  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 51 years

*Jack Williams* – August 2  
born in Norfolk, VA, in Rotary 24 years

*Tim Kane* – August 2  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 20 years

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

### July

28 - Pensacola State College, Dr. Ed Meadows

### August

4 - Future with Cuba, Stephen Reyes

11 - Downtown Improvement Board, John Peacock

## GREETERS & TICKET SALES

### July 28

Greeters: Leslie Halsall and Hugh Hamilton

Ticket Sales: Mark Harden and Bob Hart

### August 4

Greeter: William Hart

Ticket Sales: Sherry Hartnett and Martin Harwood

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### July 28

Prayer/Pledge: Randy Jackson

Sunshine: Frank Beall

### August 4

Prayer/Pledge: John Trawick

Sunshine: Grover Robinson

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