

# the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 08/22/2017

The rumble in the distance attracted attention. Perhaps it was the sound of Rotarians and potential new members stampeding toward the weekly Rotary meeting about to commence. But, alas, it was simply the sound of thunder as the surrounding storms darkened the sky as much as the solar eclipse the previous day. It was the joyful greeting by **David Lamar** and **Marty Longworth** upon entering the New World Landing that brightened the day and promised sunshine about to appear inside during another opportunity to break bread with fellow members engaged in service above self.

President **Paul Tobin** called the meeting to order with the Four Way Test. Prayer and Pledge followed, which was led by **Chris Kelly**. The Rooters then gave a surprise presentation about the Club's significant involvement in both World Wars. While only in its second year of existence, our Club was asked to help in WW I by raising funds to support the war effort locally that included what is now the Pensacola Shipyard and NAS. \$250K was pledged by the Club during that campaign, which is a substantial amount today and even more so then. A similar call to duty arose during WW II. It is apparent given history that our Club has played a significant role in many service aspects over the years. Phase one of the day's history lesson was concluded with the Rotor Rooters leading the Club in singing Gob Bless America.

Continuing with phase two of the day's history lesson, Paul shared the life experience of John A. Williamson, who was the most successful WW II antisubmarine warfare officer in the Pacific. Williamson was assigned to the USS England and in one 12-day period in 1944 sank more submarines than any other ship in U.S. naval history. Six subs were targeted and Williamson's skills led to the sinking of all six. There is also something in the story about a whale having been in the wrong place at the wrong time. Paul also announced that a member's daughter had raised \$3,700 at PHS for the Wheelchair Project, the commencement of the Club's membership drive in September and discussion regarding the use of recognition points for the Paul Harris Fellowship Awards. The split ticket jackpot of \$50 was awarded but it is unlikely that either **Trey Manderson** or **Ron Martin**, who each sold tickets, received a commission from the prize.

Sunshine finally arrived with **Byron Stokes**, who was greeted with a few claps (at least he started out with a few fans!). In addition to recognizing our guest and two visiting Rotarians, Byron recognized the birthdays and tested our sense of humor with three jokes supposedly based on true stories. This writer concluded the test was not properly validated or most members do not score high on the humor meter. Nevertheless, Byron gained many more fans and

a few sympathizers.

**Ross Pristera** was our guest speaker. Ross, who is a Historic Preservationist with the UWF Historic Trust, presented the Architectural Survey of the Governmental Center District (GCD), which was the same presentation delivered to the Pensacola City Council. Numerous reasons existed for the need such a study, including clearly identifying the boundaries for the GCD and establishment of clear guidance for development projects within the area. The study was expanded to include the proposed Maritime Redevelopment District (MRD). Many recommendations resulted from the study. Given the reasons for the study and issues identified, several key recommendations were made. The creation of a new Aesthetic Review District and a Tanyard Historic District were among those recommendations, each with its own subset of recommendations such as areas covered, demolition and building codes, guidelines for parking for streets, etc. Work to further develop these recommendations was included as next steps. Additional information, including a copy of the presentation, can be found at the following website: <https://pulsegulfoast.com/2017/08/uwf-backs-preservation-standards-for-downtown-pensacolas-tanyard-area#>

Randy Ray

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER - HENRY LAND

Henry is a Licensed Florida Real Estate Agent and the Commercial Property Manager for SVN Southland. He is a member of Surfers on Mission and been a foster parent with Children's Home Society. Henry is a native of Mayo, Florida, a current resident of Pace with his wife Courtney and two children and one on the way. Henry's sponsor is Alan Bookman.

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Didjknow that some time back David Lamar was in instructor at the Air Force Academy?
- ❖ For Jon Griffith the regular Wahoos season's about to wind down. And, once again attendance has been a true winner!
- ❖ Bob Hart's a true music lover, and part of his late summer

- vacation will be spent listening to great ballads of the South.
- ❖ With the musical brief on August 22<sup>nd</sup> the Rooters completed TWENTY-ONE YEARS as part of the club.
- ❖ Back 100 years ago in August the local high school boys were about to begin basic military training exercises, to be ready.

## 2017-2018 Club Officers

◆ President	Paul Tobin
◆ Past President	Sherry Hartnett
◆ President Elect	Betty Roberts
◆ 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 - Check <a href="http://navarrerotary.org">navarrerotary.org</a>		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

Lisa Broxson Weeks  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Innes Richards

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
August 29th through September 4th

**Rex McKinney** – August 29 – born in Austin, TX, in Rotary 22 years  
**Dante Kahn** – August 29 – born in Charleston, SC, in Rotary 41 years  
**Kathy Horton Brown** – August 30 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 26 years  
**Lynne Tobin** – August 30 – born in Cleveland, OH, in Rotary less than one year  
**Marty Longworth** – August 31 – born in Milton, FL, in Rotary 3 years  
**Milton Usry** – August 31 – born in Mineola, TX, in Rotary 30 years  
**Sandra Smith** – September 1 – born in Asheville, NC, in Rotary 16 years  
**Bob Benz** – September 1 – born in Philadelphia, PA, in Rotary 44 years  
**Larry Perino** – September 3 – born in Globe, AZ, in Rotary less than one year  
**Mike Ferguson** – September 4 – born in Waycross, GA, in Rotary 26 years

## TICKET SALES/GREETERS

### August 29

Ticket Sales: Andrea Krieger and Fletcher Tidwell  
Greeters: Marty Longworth and Trip Maygarden

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

### August 29

Prayer/Pledge: Jimmy Jones                      Sunshine: Richard Sherrill

### September 5

Prayer/Pledge: Dale Jordan                      Sunshine: Frank Beall

## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

### August

29 Dan Shugart WEAR3, Sports Director

### September

5 Ryan Tilley, Partner/Chief Operating Officer, Innovation Coast

12 Scott Luth, Bluffs Development

19 Lisa Broxson Weeks, Rotary District Governor

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

### August (Membership and New Club Development Month)

29 Noon Regular Meeting

### September - Basic Education and Literacy Month

5 Noon Regular Meeting

12 Noon Regular Meeting

19 Noon Regular Meeting

4:00 pm Board Meeting @ United Way

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