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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

David Harrison and Roger Sherman greeted all Rotarians, visitors and guests with a warm greeting and firm handshake. Charlie Sherrill sold raffle tickets.

President Margaret called the meeting to order and led us in reciting the Four Way Test, followed by Jack Nobles who offered our prayer and then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. President Margaret then recognized Rotarian Francis Yeo who told us all about a Junior Achievement fund raiser set for November 14th. It is called "Life is a Breeze" and tickets can purchased for \$10. For this, you can have your car washed or have a pancake breakfast.

President Margaret then called upon Roger Doyle to introduce our military guests. Today, our military guests were Ensign Daniel Kinjo and Ensign Tracy Maddox. Ensign Kinjo is from Honolulu, HI. He has a business management degree from the University of Phoenix. Ensign Kinjo served in the United States Air Force as an F-15 crew chief. He was commissioned through OCS in February, 2009. He is currently stationed at VT-10 at Pensacola NAS and hopes to fly anything with a tailhook. Ensign Maddox is a native of Orangevale, California. Ensign Maddox has a bachelors degree in Biological Sciences from California State University Sacramento. Ensign Maddox previously served 2 years in the Navy as a Nuke Machinist mate. Ensign Maddox also was commissioned through OCS in February 2009. She likewise is stationed at VT-10 aboard Pensacola NAS. Ensign Maddox hopes to fly on the P-3 Orion.

Rotarian Roger then provided us with Sunshine and introduced our other guests and

visiting Rotarians. He then announced the birthdays in the club and led us in a rousing "Happy Birthday You All." The drawing had \$57 thanks to Rotarian Charlie's efforts and it was won by Rotarian Ted Nickinson. Did we tell Ted that we are sending out 1099's?

President Margaret then asked Rotarian John Schafer to introduce our speaker, Larry Hicks from the City of Pensacola Charter Review Commission. Crystal Spencer also attended. Larry Hicks is a partner in the accounting firm of O'Sullivan-Creel. He told us of the process for selecting the commission whereby applicants were interviewed and selected to serve. Ten citizens were selected to actively serve on the committee and two alternates were then chosen. The members of the commission are Floyd Armstrong, Larry Hicks, James Hinson, Samuel Horton, Bob Holmes, Natalie Prim, Ed Ranelli, DeeDee Ritchie, Crystal Collins Spencer and Jim Reeves. The alternate members of the commission are Barbara Mayhall and Ed Turner.

The commission conducted extensive hearings on the various aspects of the city charter and had access to two, professional consultants to assist them in their work. Additionally, the commission heard from the mayors of St. Petersburg, Florida and Charleston, South Carolina as well as the former Mayor of Mobile, Mike Dow. Mr. Hicks told us that the final recommendation for a strong mayor form of government was guided by their belief that it brings "accountability" and "separation of powers" between executive and legislative functions. Under the proposed charter that will be voted upon by mail in ballot next month, Under the

changes proposed, there would be seven council members from each of the city's seven districts and two at-large council members. The mayor would be elected, but would not be a voting member of the council which would allow the mayor to meet privately with individual counsel members. No member or mayor could be elected to more than three consecutive terms.

Mr. Hicks gave a very informative talk on the proposed changes to the city's charter. He noted that the City of Pensacola had seen its population diminish over the past several years. He further noted that problems of poverty and unemployment would not be solved by the form of government alone. He noted that the new charter would allow citizens to challenge decisions of the council or recall elected members of the council upon a petition request signed by just 10% of the registered voters as opposed to the current charter which requires a petition signed by 15% of the voters. He indicated that our own President Margaret was the paid legal consultant to the commission.

Mr. Hicks was warmly and respectfully received by our club. President Margaret thanked him for his presentation and he and Ms. Spencer were presented with our club's fine china. President Margaret then indicated that representatives of a group that opposes the proposed charter revisions have been invited to speak to our club and would hopefully present their thoughts in the next couple of weeks. There upon, President Margaret ended our meeting with the words, "The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands."

ROTARY WHEELS

Word is that Hal Major's doing some fine work in aiding the growth of Habitat for Humanity.

And didjasee where Jack Lowrey has relocated his services to Gulf Coast Community Bank?

When Roger MacDonald did NOT appear with the Rooters, it was because he had just had a knee replacement and was on a

walker.

If we ever get around to awarding prizes for club activities, there should be one created for the best prayers. Earl Hutto would win hands down.

Give Ellis Bullock III at attaboy for a good try on the Southwest Airlines caper. The community was just outgunned.

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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

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
November 4th through November 15th

Alison Rogers - November 8
born in Scott AFB, IL, in Rotary 9 years

Bruce Partington - November 11
born in Annapolis, MD, in Rotary 10 years

Nigel Allen - November 11
born in Plainfield, NJ, in Rotary 3 years

Britt Landrum - November 12
born in Montgomery, AL, in Rotary 28 years

John Appleyard - November 14
born in Chicago, IL, in Rotary 44 years

Robert Mills - November 15
born in Atlanta, GA, in Rotary 11 years

MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

David DelGallo is a graduate from the University of Florida with a B S degree in Building Construction and is a Certified General Contractor in the state of Florida. He has been in the commercial building business for many years and with the Morette Company since 1978. He is active in the community and a 1987 LEAP graduate.

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