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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW

The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held on the 3rd day of the 451st year of Pensacola, on August 18, 2009. Rotarians and guests were welcomed by John W. Monroe, Jr. and Alan D. Moore on a warm, tropical day, 48 hours after Tropical Storm Claudette passed over Ft. Walton Beach.

President Margaret Stopp called the meeting to order with the drop of the gavel, not just any gavel, but an historic gavel once used by E. A. "Erv" Worm, Jr. a former President of the Rotary Club of Pensacola, 1945-1946, then Plant Manager of Armstrong Industries and a colleague of John Appleyard. The gavel which was donated by John Worm, will be placed along with other artifacts and significant club items in the Special Collections Archives at UWF and will be part of the Club's celebration in 2010. (1915-2010). After leading us in the Four-Way Test President Margaret introduced Fred Braden who led us in the prayer and pledge.

President Margaret relayed expressions of gratitude and thanks from the Seville Rotary Club by way of their note of thanks and those she received in person from the new Rotarians after her visit last week for all the assistance provided by Downtown Rotary with the formation of their club.

President Margaret introduced the latest "green project" which is the collection of used cell phones for recycling. A Drop Box will be available for deposit of your used cell phones at each meeting. Besides providing a good use of old phones, an added benefit is dollars to the club.

Dr. Judy Bense, Interim President of UWF is a winner! She also won \$92 in the raffle after Cal Moore and Tony Neuner were congratulated by President Margaret for doing an outstanding job of ticket sales.

It seemed that the theme for the day was "A Few of My Favorite Things" as the Rotary Rooters serenaded with a special selection of songs from Rogers and Hammerstein, some familiar, and one with a creative Pensacola twist, just before another favorite, Alan Bookman, provided sunshine on a cloudy day. Alan introduced special Military guests 1st Lt. Jonathon Leach and 2nd Lt. Cody Dimato who are both in advanced flight training at NAS Pensacola, visiting Rotarians, and special guests of Frances Yeo and David Stafford. John Shaffer brought along 3 members of the PHS Interact club who were introduced individually by Alan. Birthday Wishes were sung with John Appleyard in accompaniment on the harmonica to an impressive group of five Rotarians representing a range of service to Rotary from 1 year to 61 years. Prior to the introduction by Ellis Bullock, III of another favorite, Dan Shugart, Sports Director for WEAR-TV to provide the 21st annual update on the upcoming Football season; Ellis and the entire club recognized and congratulated Coy Irvin for the highly successful 450th Celebration of Pensacola with a well deserved standing ovation.

Dan Shugart entertained us with his annual "pigskin" review of SEC football and took questions on other local favorites, such as, Tulane, Dan says they **will** have a football season; Troy, Dan says they will "show up" to play Florida;

University of South Florida, Dan says they are probably the best in their conference; University of South Alabama, they do have 16 players from Northwest Florida; Georgia Tech – "really dangerous", and for Florida State Dan predicts a tough start against opponents BYU and Miami. Dan's rundown of the SEC and predictions were: **University of Tennessee** – quite an off-season, he predicts better things to come: University of **Alabama** – Dan's prediction is the new QB does have talent, Trent Richardson will play, and he is one of three who will rotate at the position. He lists Alabama as "formidable"; and for **Auburn** – his prediction is the new Offensive Coordinator will speed things up and all coaches will be on the same page this year. Dan thinks that for Louisiana State University – there may be a question at QB, **LSU** defense needs work on both pass and run; prediction is expect aggressive defensive style, **Mississippi State** – likes Dan Mullen; describes MS as a work in progress. University of **Florida** – Dan will not predict that Florida will not win the SEC. He does say that one has to really look for a weakness in their team and they have a favorable schedule this year; his prediction is "they will miss Harvin".

After all questions were answered and with thoughts of College Football on the horizon; President Margaret thanked all who assisted with the meeting and adjourned the meeting with "The future of Rotary is in your hands".

Respectfully submitted by
Claudia Simmons

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The District Rotary Office is collecting old cell phones! Please bring these on Tuesday for our involvement with this.

2009-2010 Club Officers

◆ President	Margaret Stopp
◆ Past President	Keith Bullock
◆ President Elect	Ray Jones
◆ Secretary	Innes Richards
◆ Treasurer	Ron Jackson
◆ 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

John Kuykendall
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Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
August 26th through September 1st

John Hinman - August 25
born in Sunnyside, MS, in Rotary 43 years

Rex McKinney - August 29
born in Austin, TX, in Rotary 14 years

Dante Kahn - August 29
born in Charleston, SC, in Rotary 33 years

Kathy Horton Brown - August 30
born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 18 years

Milton Usry - August 31
born in Mineola, TX, in Rotary 22 years

GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

August 25

Greeters: Eric Nickelsen and Eric J. Nickelsen
Ticket Sales: Edward P. Nickinson, Jr. and John W. Nobles

ROTARY WHEELS

Final pats-on-the-back to Coy Irvin and Cal Wilson for their roles in the Grande Party. For which even the weather cooperated.

The Civitan Club has named Andrea Farage and Ronald McDonald House as that Club's "Service Organization of the Year!"

Nathan Kahn's new crusade is to save the downtown Post Office from closure. He needs help.

Credit Bill Maloy with his continuing work with UWF in Distance Learning. UWF is becoming a leader in this movement, especially in assisting overseas military. Troops there even have LD courses in local languages and cultures.

Leonardo Swartz continues on as a volunteer in the sheriff's office, where he's had a close watch on the Billings-Killings affair.

Didjknow that Bob Mills, Andy Popple and Nelson Bradshaw are all board members at Covenant Hospice?

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ROTARY HISTORY

On a pleasant October Sunday morning Paul and several co-workers crossed the Mississippi River to dredge for oysters in a bayou. Their return trip encountered strong winds which by night fall intensified while being accompanied by heavy rain. The men took refuge in the grove owner's home. As the storm continued to grow, non-English speaking orange pickers and their families also took shelter in the house.

In the early morning hours with heavy rain and peak winds of 135 mph, the storm struck flooding the house.

The men grabbed the children and, against wind and fast moving water, made their way to the owner's warehouse. This structure was built on piers so that its floor was level with the top of the levee for easy ship loading of the oranges. It provided safer shelter until the hurricane passed.

Paul would later note that this storm known as the Cheniere Caminada Hurricane for the island it obliterated, pushed a three-masted schooner inland, devastated Buras and New Orleans, and that times would be hard for New Orleans.

I wonder if Paul would say if alive today "Yep, been there-done that" after viewing the devastation created by Ivan and Katrina?

READING PALS

Reading PALS volunteers enhance Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) programs, and contribute to the goals set by ECARE (Every Child A Reader in Escambia) program. Reading PALS provide one-one attention to children who need extra help developing the literacy skills they'll need when they enter kindergarten.

Reading PALS do not teach reading, nor do they merely read to the child. Reading PALS help a child develop communication skills that include:

- a desire to read, and the confidence needed to learn to read
- the ability to recognize letters, numbers, shapes
- the understanding that a word is made up of letters, that letters have sounds, that numbers have meaning
- the ability to express their thoughts and feelings

Basic Qualifications for PALS Readers:

- High School diploma; preferably some college
- Excellent oral communications skills and command of the English language
- A strong desire to help pre-school children to enjoy reading
- Attendance at an orientation session
- Completion of VPK literacy training either on line or in print form
- Background screening, including fingerprinting
- Able to commit to preparation time and one-half to one hour, one day per week for 8-12 weeks (Sept-Dec and/or Jan-April)
- Able to provide own transportation to VPK

Reading PALS (Partners And Literacy Support)

Orientation Sessions

Friday September 4, 2009 and Tuesday, September 8, 2009

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. 3407 North L Street

Choose your session - you only need to attend one.

Sessions are free. Registration is required.

Contact Lucie Wade Email: lwade@elcescambia.org or Phone: 850-595-5094