

# the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

Rotary members and guests were welcome by Greeters Carol Powell and Susan O'Connor. Tickets were sold by Tom Owens. Julie Tippins Parker gave support to Krista Murzin to handle front door operations.

President Margaret called the meeting to order. R.P. Doyle gave the prayer and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. John Tice announced to the group that fellow Rotarian Malcolm Ballinger of Five Flags Club needs some support to help his son Andy who has been diagnosed with a form of leukemia. John asked members of the club to make a donation of \$10.00 to help with costs of hospital and doctors visits. John said that if all the clubs did this we would be able to donate several thousand dollars. Recently, Northwest Florida Blood Services held at blood drive and bone marrow registry at St. Anne's Catholic Church in Gulf Breeze. John thanked all for consideration of this matter.

President Margaret announce that a trip to Costa Rica is in the making for October 4 -11 to provide backpacks and school supplies to children in need. Anyone interested in making the trip is asked get in touch with President Margaret.

President Margaret announced that a

decision had been made to bestow \$60,000 in scholarship funds to both Pensacola Junior College and the University of West Florida. President Margaret presented checks to UWF President Dr. Judy Bense and UWF Foundation Representative Martha Lee and also to PJC President Dr. Ed Meadows and Patrice Whitten, PJC Foundation Director. Both gave acceptance speeches that graciously appreciated the Rotary partnership to provide help for students to go to school at home.

Bob Hart added a touch of humor to the role of Sunshine with a couple of carefully orchestrated jokes. He did provoke laughter. Bob welcomed military guests, visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotarians to the meeting. He also led the Birthday Song with the harmonica accompaniment of John Appleyard.

Richard Sherrill welcomed both guest speaker former Supreme Court Justice Honorable Kenneth Bell and his father Reed Bell, Sr., M.D. in preparation for the upcoming talk. Judge Bell, chairman of the newly formed Escambia County Consolidation Commission established by the state legislature, gave an overview of the objectives and tasks of the commission. The task is to outline the pros and cons of consolidation of the City of Pensacola,

Town of Century and Escambia County and develop a consolidation or unification of services plan and economic development. Membership on the committee represents about 25 community leaders and citizens. He said that right now they do not know what "it" is but that they were gathering information for a team-based approach to health, housing, education and poverty in our area. He did say that they study was not a "Jacksonville junior" plan. But did relate statistics from a University of Central Florida Study in which Jacksonville has done a lot better since consolidation in many areas of concern in Pensacola. The consolidation commission will meet once a month through January 15, 2010 and is requested to have a status report to submit by November 30. A final recommendation is due to the legislative delegation no later than January 15, 2010. The proposal would them be placed on the ballot in 2010 to be considered by voters in Pensacola, Century and Escambia County.

After questions from the membership, President Margaret thanked all for making the meeting very successful. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Betty Roberts

## MEMBERSHIP PROPOSAL

Joe Miller is President and Owner of Miller Commercial Development Co., and is President and Partner of L&M Engineering Co. He holds a Master of Business Administration Degree from the University of Notre Dame. He is the founder of [www.PrayforPensacola.com](http://www.PrayforPensacola.com) and coordinates the 40 Days of Prayer each January.

## ROTARY WHEELS

See where Nigel Allen has been renamed a trustee for the Opera Association.

Alan Bookman has another honor. He was named a member of the Florida Legal Elite...one of just 918 so chosen. Pensacola had a few others, but no other club members.

See where Ellis Bullock III was recognized as a photographer...noted for a picture he took of the Blue Angels

flying above the El Cano.

Sandy Cesserati Ray and WSRE TV hosted a unique appearance by the Electric Road Show, a TV show aimed at little folks and learning to love to read.

When out senior member Mac Miller wakes up on September 14<sup>th</sup> he'll be celebrating his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday. (Hope he makes it to the meeting for a harmonica salute!)

## 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 Andrews Institute	Tues.	7:00 am
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 Hidden Creek Golf Course	Thur.	12:00 pm
Pensacola North	Asbury Place Cokesbury Methodist	Friday	12:00 pm

## District Governor

**John Kuykendall**  
[www.rotary.6940.org](http://www.rotary.6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Ted Kirchharr

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
September 9th through September 15th

*Ellis Bullock* - September 11  
born in Birmingham, AL, in Rotary 33 years

*Earle Bowden* - September 12  
born in Altha, FL, in Rotary 43 years

*Chris Pate* - September 14  
born in Macon, GA, in Rotary 29 years

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Pensacola Opera will hold their signature JukeBox Gala on Saturday September 19 at New World Landing. Artists from around the world will sing opera classics, songs from musical theater and jazz standards includes dinner. For information and tickets call 433-6737 or Betty Roberts.

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

### *September 8th:*

Greeters: Robert Palmer, III and Julie Tippins Parker  
Ticket Sales: Bruce Partington and Beverly Patterson

### *September 15th:*

Greeters: Christopher Pate and Scott Paul  
Ticket Sales: Lyle Payne and Betty Gail Peters

### *September 22nd:*

Greeters: John Phelps and William Phillips, III  
Ticket Sales: William Vernon Phillips and Janet Pilcher

### *September 29th:*

Greeters; Marshall Popple, Jr. and Carob Powell  
Ticket Sales: Jeff Powell and Ed Ranelli

### *October 6th:*

Greeters: Sandy Ray and George Rees  
Ticket Sales: John Renfroe, III and Ron Richards

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