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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 2/18/2025

President Roberts welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 12:15pm. Madson Currin led the meeting with the prayer and pledge.

Announcements:

- Heather Pabo, director of Loaves and Fishes Soup Kitchen was present to receive a check for \$5000. She shared the excellent work of the soup kitchen and expressed appreciation to Rotary for support.
- Applications are still being accepted for the Rotary Community Grants; reach out to Randal Richardson for more information at rc1@myflorida.com
- On 2-15, all Rotary Clubs gathered at Manna Packaging Food to help pack food for the community.

Sunshine Report: Judy Bense offered some jokes and recognized Rotarians for their **Birthdays for the week of February 18-24:** Cal Moore, 2-19 and a Rotarian for 40 years, Lindsay Darre 2-20, 12 years in Rotary, Don Haferkamp 2-20 and a Rotarian for 23 years, Lee Elebash 2-21 and in Rotary for 11 years and lastly, Frank Beall 2-23 and in Rotary for an amazing 57 years! He received a thunderous round of applause, and everyone present received the Birthday Song.

Guests in Attendance: Heather Pabo with Loaves and Fishes, and Cliff Schornak of Navarre who is an area Rotary governor. Casey Capps was a guest of Allison Hill.

The program for the today's meeting was Nevin Shaffer who shared interesting and helpful tips for avoiding making "Intellectual Property

Mistakes" in the categories of patents, trademarks, copyright, and trade secrets. He stated there were three types of mistakes: Plant, Design and Utility, which is less than 20 years. Criteria for Utility must be "new, useful and obvious."

Chester Carlson who invented Xerox said no to the "IBM" concept because he could not see "beyond the present" and see where Xerox is now. Nevin stressed that it was important to identify words for their ideas and concepts that would "set them apart from their competitors."

Examples of intellectual property violations:

- Using a company's trademarked logo without permission.
- Including music in a video without the artist's consent.
- Manufacturing knockoff products of patented designs.
- Copying written works using a photocopier without authorization.

President Roberts thanked greeters Madison, Judy, Tom, Bruce and DaCotah for their service today.

The February 25 program is Football Coach Ronnie Cottrell with Lighthouse Christian College in Gulf Breeze at the Pensacola Yacht Club Meeting was adjourned at 12:58. PM.

TAKEN BY TERRI JENKINS

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

TODAY, TUESDAY, February 25th we will meet at Pensacola Yacht Club.

The Rotary Club of Pensacola Community Grant applications are now available. If you know of a worthy 501c non-profit that meets the requirements, let them know by sending them to our website: www.pensacolarotaryclub.org. If you have any questions, please reach-out to Randall Richardson at: rc1.myflorida.com or 912.690.2664. The grant application process is open now, and the deadline to submit an application is March 15, 2025. Applications will be available at the weekly meetings, attachments 3 and 4.

The Combined Rotary Clubs of Pensacola along with the University of West Florida are looking for individuals who exhibit outstanding ethical practices. They are looking to identifying those persons who should be given community-wide recognition. That is why the Combined Rotary Clubs of Pensacola, along with the University of West Florida College of Business, established an Ethics in Business Award. This year's recipients will be awarded during a luncheon meeting on May 8, 2025. Two awards will be given, one for an individual from an organization with 50 or more employees and one for an individual from an organization with 49 or fewer employees. The 2025 instructions and nomination forms can be found as attachment #5 and will be available soon on our website at: www.pensacolarotaryclub.org. Copies are available at our weekly meeting, or you can request a form by emailing Chris at: cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org. Nominations must be received by Friday, March 28, 2025.

Rotarian Terri Jenkins is sharing an event on March 27th and is offering you the opportunity to participate in— Dine for Disaster for the American Red Cross Northwest Florida Chapter. Area restaurants have been invited to participate in this one-day event to benefit the local Red Cross Chapter. It began in GA 12 years ago by a board member and it has grown in the division and Terri has now brought it to Pensacola. If you own a restaurant or have connections to one and would be interested in supporting, please contact Terri at Terri.Jenkins@redcross.org. There will also be an online auction, and she has been working with her board in securing items of all kinds. If you want to donate an item, please also email Terri for further steps. The auction will go live on March 20th and March 27th, you will have many options of where to go to eat a delicious meal. All information will be up soon on the North FL Region event page. Terri would like to thank everyone in advance for any and all suggestions in ensuring the success of this event.

We will continue to stream our meeting using Microsoft Teams; however, changes will be made due to poor wi-fi reception at PYC. You will no longer receive visual video of the meetings but will be able to listen to the announcements and hear the speaker. The link to join will be sent out in the same manner as before. If you have any questions or concerns regarding these changes, please let me know. 850-434-0684.

2024-2025 Club Officers

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| •President | Henry Roberts |
| •Past President | Charles Beall |
| •President Elect | Allison Hill |
| •Secretary | Randall Richardson |
| •Treasurer | Lori Nesmith |
| •Communications Officer | Betty Roberts |

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Clubs Available for Makeup

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| Five Flags | Pensacola Bay Center | Mon. | 12:00 pm |
| Gulf Breeze | Legends at Andrews Institute | Tues. | 7:00 am |
| Milton | The Hangar Restaurant | Tues. | 12:00 pm |
| Seville | Seville Quarter | Tues. | 5:15 pm |
| | meets every other Tuesday | | |
| Cantonment | St. Luke's United Methodist Church | Wed. | 12:15 pm |
| Perdido | The Point Church | Wed. | 7:30 am |
| Pace | Stonebrook Village Country Club | Thur. | 7:00 am |
| Cordova | Gulf Coast Kid's House | Thur. | 7:00 am |
| Suburban West | Pensacola Yacht Club | Thur. | 12:00 pm |
| Navarre | Broussard's Cajun Restaurant | Fri. | 12:00 pm |
| Pensacola North | Hancock Bank, Creighton Rd. | Fri. | 12:00 pm |

District Governor

Mike Tatem
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

Assistant District Governor

Cliff Schornak

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

continued

To increase the membership of our club, we will continue to offer three free lunches for potential new members.

Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter. Your ad will run for a full month each week. Business card-sized ads are \$25.00, a 1/4 page is \$50.00, and a 1/2-page ad is \$75.00. To place your ad, send the prepared document to cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org stating the size of the ad you wish to place. **Proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation.**

To pay your quarterly Rotary Club dues with a credit card/debit card go to <http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/payment>. Please note a service charge will be applied to your payment.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**Birthdays for the week of
February 25 thru March 3**

Lori Menke – February 26 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 12 years

Scott Sallis – February 28 – born in Springdale, AR, in Rotary 15 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Lou Ray, Jr. - March 3 – born in St. Louis, MO, in Rotary many years, Paul Harris Fellow + 1

Greeters and Ticket Sales

February 25

Greeters: Bob Perkins

Ticket Sales: Taylor Phillips and Ed Ranelli

March 4

Greeters: Lou Ray and Randall Richardson

Ticket Sales: Stacy Robello and Grover Robinson

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

February 25

Prayer/Pledge: Lee Elebash Sunshine: Christina Doss

March 4

Prayer/Pledge: Bill Fleming Sunshine: Dede Flounlacker

Program Schedule

February

25 - Ronnie Cottrell - Football Coach

March

4 - Jeff Weeks - Conversation with Jeff Weeks

11 - Matt Coughlin - Pensacola International Airport

18 - Terri Jenkins - American Red Cross

25 - Joyce Dove - Rotary Youth Camp

Meeting Schedule

February

25 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

March

4 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

11 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

18 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

1: 00 Board of Directors Meeting

25 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams