



# the HELICOPTER

The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 4/8/2025

12:15 Meeting called to order

4 Way Test

Prayer and Pledge – Prayer and Pledge

Bill Fleming – Paul Harris plus 2 presented by President Henry Roberts

Sunshine – Christine Doss

Birthdays – Chris Kelly, Barry Cole, Cedric Durre Charles Thorton, Cliff Payne, Ed Wonders, Henry Roberts

Guests – Christa Davies – guest of Betty Roberts

Raffle – John Tice and John Schaffer sold tickets

\$128 in raffle - \$4 won by Ted Brown

RLI – Saturday @ PSC

Speaker – Thomas Shepp Coggin of Port of Pensacola

Port has 23 Port Families with Martin Marietta, Sea Max, GE Plant, American Magic

55 acres – Full Service- 7 Berths and 7 Warehouses

Tug and Boat Traffic – Plaza De Luna

MTSA regulated secure facility

Would like to develop 10 acres in support of American Magic

GE is a large supporter of the Port-more than financial provides more than 2000 jobs

50 ships per year/ 500 tons of usage

2019 study to support the port and align/integrate with the waterfront

Vision is 3 part

1. Public Use
2. 2) Education
3. 3) Traditional port activities

Army Corp spends \$10M every 10 years to dredge channel

Feds give Port about \$2 M to dredge

Port does not receive any subsidy from the City. Its lease revenue covers it budget of \$3M

President Henry Roberts adjourns at 1:00 PM

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**TODAY, TUESDAY, April 15, we will meet at Pensacola Yacht Club.**

**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.

**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](mailto: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.

**UNITED WAY**  
West Florida

Presented by: **HCA Florida**  
West Hospital

# Glitz and Gallop Gala

May 3, 2025

Join us on Saturday, May 3rd from 4 pm - 7 pm at Culinary Productions Event Venue for our Annual Glitz & Gallop Gala and watch the 151st Kentucky Derby!

Tickets are \$100 each, which includes entry to the event, food, drink tickets, 10 betting tickets, and entertainment.

This unique fundraising event will be packed with exciting activities including horse races and silent auctions, chances to win great prizes, and watching the Kentucky Derby.

Your support of United Way of West Florida improves lives in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties  
Learn more at [uwfw.org/gala](http://uwfw.org/gala).

GET YOUR TICKETS AT [UWFW.ORG/GALATTICKETS](http://UWFW.ORG/GALATTICKETS) OR SCAN THE QR-CODE.

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## 2024-2025 Club Officers

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

## Bulletin Information

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## Clubs Available for Makeup

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

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
April 15 thru April 21

**Sarah Horne** – April 15 – born in Huntsville, AL, in Rotary 1 year

**David Stafford** – April 16 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 19 years, Paul Harris Fellow

**Ted Brown** – April 16 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 46 years, Paul Harris Fellow +4

**Edwin Roberts** – April 17 – born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 41 years, Paul Harris Fellow

**Scott Grissett** – April 17 – born in Atmore, AL, in Rotary 17 years, Paul Harris Fellow +2

**Hank Gonzalez** – April 18 – born in New Orleans, LA, in Rotary 10 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### April 15

Greeters: Lynne Tobin and Paul Tobin  
Ticket Sales: John Trawick and Hill Turner

### April 22

Prayer: Ellen Vinson and Joe Vinson  
Sunshine: Jane White and Stephan Wildish

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### April 15

Prayer/Pledge: Art Hufford                      Sunshine: Bill Fleming

### April 22

Prayer/Pledge: Ray Jones                      Sunshine: Terri Jenkins

## Program Schedule

### April

15 - Kim Wilson - Habitat for Humanity  
22 - Rick Outzen - Inweekly  
29 - Capt. Sterling Gilliam - National Naval Museum

## Meeting Schedule

### April

15 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams  
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting  
22 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams  
29 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams