

# the HELICOPTER



**The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248**

## WEEK IN REVIEW 6/24/2025

12:10-Called to order by President Henry Roberts

He noted that our new President Allison Hill was in Calgary at the Rotary International Meeting.

Prayer-Charlie Sherrill

New Member (returning) Dale Knee sponsored by Innes Richards

Ed Meadows was presented with the Paul Harris +2 award by President Roberts

President Roberts recognized the past Grover Robinson award recipients

Martha Saunders presented the 2025 Grover Robinson award to Sherry Hartnett

Raffle was \$45 – Taylor Phillips won \$11

Sunshine was presented by Ed Wonders-he introduced several guests and acknowledged birthdays. Instead of jokes, he told the history of Pralines and gave away several pralines from Renfro's to the raffle ticket holders in the audience, to include a couple jars of his homemade BBQ sauce. Of course, Lynne Tobin won pralines AND BBQ sauce.

Randall Richardson presented community grant awards to the winning recipients for 2025.

42 applicants-15 won \$2000 each

14 of the 15 recipients were present; Salvation Army was unable to attend

1. AMI Kids Pensacola
2. Baptist Health Care Foundation
3. Bright Bridge Ministries
4. Capstone Academy
5. Embrace Florida Kids
6. Family Promise of Escambia County

7. First Church Respite Ministry
8. Girl Scouts of Gateway Council
9. Health and Hope Clinic
10. Pace Center for Girls
11. Ready Kids
12. Ronald McDonald House Charities of NW FL
13. Salvation Army
14. UWF Student Health Service Foundation

Jerry Maygarden-Presenting Speaker-What is Rotary?

History of Rotary starting in 1905; Rotary started in Pensacola on March 9, 1915 with 45 charter members

Covid reduced membership and attendance for Rotary worldwide

Currently, we have 1.4 million members with 46,000 clubs in 200 countries and regions.

Rotary International elects a Board of Directors and a President from Clubs around the World.

Rotary Motto: Service above Self (5 types of service)

1998-our Rotary club formed "Doers and Givers" to reach more members

External giving-Rotary International Foundation-multiple avenues to give

Internal giving-Locally, we have Pensacola Rotary Foundations

The 4 way test was established by a business owner for his employees during the depression – given to Rotary in 1954 by that business

1:05-Adjourned by President Roberts - his last meeting to preside during his term.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**Today, Tuesday, July 8, we meet at Pensacola Yacht Club.**

**The opportunity to attend the next Naturalization Ceremony is Friday July 18th.** This event takes place at 10:00 a.m. in the United States District Courthouse located at One North Palafox Street, Pensacola, Florida. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to Chris by Tuesday July 15th.

**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.

## 2025-2026 Club Officers

•President	Allison Hill
•Immediate Past President	Henry Roberts
•President Elect	Judy Bense
•Secretary	Jane White
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith

## 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

Andre Boyd  
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

## Assistant District Governor

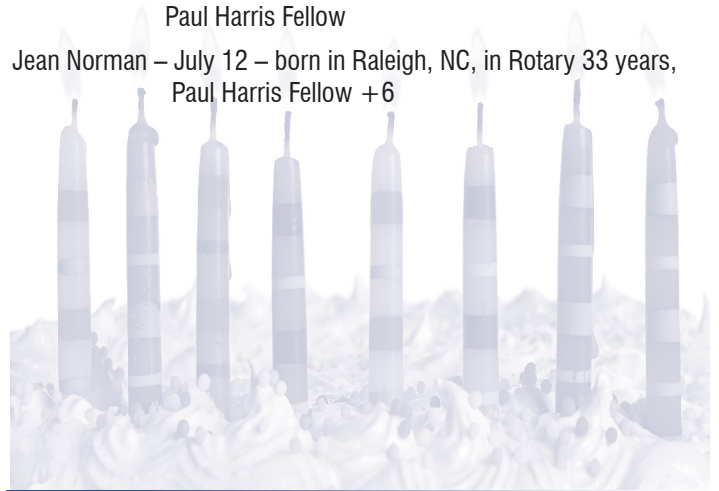
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# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
July 8 thru July 14

**Tony Neuner** – July 8 – born in Baton Rouge, LA, in Rotary 24 years,  
Paul Harris Fellow

Jean Norman – July 12 – born in Raleigh, NC, in Rotary 33 years,  
Paul Harris Fellow +6



## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### July 8

Greeters: Dede Flounlacker and Preston Forshee  
Ticket Sales: Sally Fox and Will Fox

### July 15

Greeters: Nicole Gislason and Kia Goldsmith  
Ticket Sales: Jonathan Griffith and Scott Grissett

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### July 8

Prayer/Pledge: Charles Sherrill      Sunshine: Scott Sallis

### July 15

Prayer/Pledge: Stephania Strei      tSunshine: Richard Sherrill

## Program Schedule

### July

- 8 - Joe Vinson - Independence Day History
- 15 - Chris Plate - West Florida Economic Development Alliance
- 22 - Theresa Cserep - City of Pensacola
- 29 - Leslie Moland - Florida Blue

## Meeting Schedule

### July

- 8 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club
- 15 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club  
1:00 Board Meeting
- 22 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club
- 29 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club