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

## **WEEK IN REVIEW 08/26/2025**

President Allison Hill welcomed us and led us in the Four Way Test. Prayer and Pledge was led by David Williams. Past President Henry Roberts helped us welcome two new members that he sponsored, Dennis Connolly and Anne Connolly.

Joe Vinson as Sunshine shared some Pensacola history with "on this date." There were 3 birthdays to celebrate and all were born on August 30 - interesting unexplainable coincidence - we did get to sing. Guests and visiting Rotarians were then introduced.

Dan Shugart drew the chance number but the winner of that did not succeed in finding the elusive Joker - the hunt goes on for a growing pot. (Not that kind of pot). Ed Wonders also contributed 3 jars of the fantastic BBQ sauce that he makes so 3 Rotarians are

cooking up goodies on Labor Day Weekend.

Ed Wonders introduced our speaker, Dan Shugart, retired Sports Broadcaster but happily not a retired speaker. Dan regaled us with many fascinating tales of the life and times of a sportscaster and his early career after telling us we should limit our expectations since he is now retired. Best story ever was the "interview" with Frank Zappa and asking him one question, "what entertains you?" Dan left us with a quote to remember from John Wooden, "Make each day your masterpiece." And as always, he entertained us!

Meeting minutes submitted by Lynne Tobin

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY**

**Today, Tuesday, September 2nd, we will meet at the Morris L. Eaddy Activity Center at Lifeview located at 1110 West Lakeview Avenue, Pensacola, Florida 32501**

**Welcome New Member Kevin Stark.** Kevin is a native of Ponte Vedra Beach, Fl. He is a graduate of the University of Central Florida. Kevin is a Consultant with Club Specialist International. He is a former member of the St. Augustine Rotary Club and Atlantic Beach Rotary Club serving 15 years. His spouse is Hollie Stark. His sponsor is President Allison Hill.

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

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## 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

Cliff Schornak

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or email Haley Robinson ([hrobinson@eskewdumezripple.com](mailto:hrobinson@eskewdumezripple.com)) for more information.

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
 September 2 thru September 8

**John Clancy** – September 3 – born in Pensacola, FL in Rotary less than one year

**Charles Beall** – September 5 – born in Dublin, GA, in Rotary 28 years, Paul Harris Fellow +8, Major Donor

**Jim Flournoy** – September 6 – born in Memphis, TN, in Rotary 31 years, Paul Harris Fellow +3

**John Tice** – September 6 – born in Tazewell, VA, in Rotary 50 years, Paul Harris Fellow +8, Major Donor, Bequest Society, Benefactor

## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### September 2

Greeters: Sara Lefevers

Ticket Sales: Teri Levins and Carmen Cuneo

### September 9

Greeters: Trey Manderson and Ron Martin

Ticket Sales: Dale Knee and Mark Harden

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### September 2

Prayers/Pledge: Bradley Vinson      Sunshine: Brian Wyer

### September 9

Prayer/Pledge: Jack Williams      Sunshine: Ed Wonders

## Program Schedule

### September

- 2 - Laura Gilliam - United Way of West Florida
- 9 - Keith Leonard - Escambia Co. School Superintendent
- 16 - Lindsey Cannon - Escambia Children's Trust
- 23 - Tom Selinger - U.S. Diplomatic History
- 30 - Andrea Kreiger - Pensacola State College Foundation

## Meeting Schedule

### September

- 2 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Morris L. Eaddy Activity Center at Lifeview
- 9 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club
- 16- Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club  
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting
- 23 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club
- 30 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Morris L. Eaddy Activity Center at Lifeview