

# the HELICOPTER



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

## WEEK IN REVIEW 11/11/2025

President Allison Hill called the meeting to Order on Veterans Day and lead us in the 4 way test.

Bill Fleming gave Prayer and Pledge

Judy Bense reminded us of our Pledge Drive.

Allison Hill asked for volunteers for the salvation Army bell ringing for 2025 holiday season.

Terri Jenkins shared information about Holiday for Heroes and collecting items for Red Cross.

Nicole Gislason gave Sunshine. She recognized our service members in Rotary. We had one visitor from Dothan, Alabama. She also acknowledged birthdays for Bruce Partington, Britt Landrum, Leslie Halsall and Randall Richardson. Nicole ended with a beautiful tribute to veterans recognizing her Father as a Marine Officer.

Allison Hill conducted the Raffle of \$51. Olevia won her chance and walked away with a whole \$2!

Niels Anderson was our speaker. He is the founder of Vet CV Mission Next Center. In 1995, he immigrated from Denmark. He was recruited to Pensacola from Seattle, Washington to help with recruitment of doctors to Sacred Heart. While there, Peg Nickelsen encouraged him to start Contact Intelligence-the first of 3 healthcare companies. In 2013, Niels founded a tech company, Vet CV Mission Next Center, which operates as a secure, digital filing cabinet and vault for medical records and resume information for veterans. One of its unique features is its AI bot embedded in its app to help with communication for those who may not be ready to ask for help from a human. He also founded Vet CV Foundation which has 6 areas of support: 1) Transition, 2) Jobs, 3) Housing, 4) Education, 5) Mental Health and 6) Disaster Relief. The Foundation supports programs that support the 6 areas. The Vet CV Mission Next Center is located on the PSC Milton campus. Niels contact is niels@vetcv.com and cell is 850-450-5552.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**Today, November 18, 2025, we meet at Pensacola Yacht Club.**

**Welcome New Member Drayton Smith.** Drayton is a native of Molino, Florida. He has a B.A. Degree in Biblical Studies and a Masters Degree in Theology. Drayton was a previous Rotarian with 5 Flags Rotary. He is the Executive Director for Village Ministries. He is married to Milissa. His sponsors are Mark Isbel and Chris Kelly.

**IT IS THE KICKOFF OF OUR PLEDGE CAMPAIGN FOR THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION AND OUR LOCAL FOUNDATION.**

Attached is the 2025 pledge form, also available at the weekly meeting and by email upon request.

**For the next two week's we are promoting the Holiday for Heroes, an event sponsored by the American Red Cross. We will have a donation box at the meetings through November 25th. Attached is the flyer showing the needed items.**

**"Thank you to the following members for their annual pledge to The Rotary International Foundation and The Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation".** To date we have had 30 members make their annual pledge. If you have not made your pledge, please do so soon.

Frank Beall	Kathy Horton Brown	Terri Levin	Margaret Stopp
Judy Bense	Art Hufford	Jerry Maygarden	John Tice
Alexis Bolin	Bennett Jeansonne	Dr. Ed Meadows	Ellen Vinson
Ted Brown	Ray Jones	Lori NeSmith	Jane White
Carmen Cuneo	Charles Kahn	Julie Tippins Parker	Jack Williams
Bill Fleming	Chris Kelly	Betty Roberts	Frank Yeager
Allison Hill	Andrea Krieger	Henry Roberts	
Craig Hindsman	Britt Landrum	John Shaffer	

**This week we will begin to the sign up for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing.** The Rotary Club of Pensacola will ring the bell at Sam's Club every Friday and Saturday beginning November 28th through December 20th. The goal is to have 2 individuals ring for a two-hour shift. You will be able to sign up at the weekly meeting or contact Chris via email.

**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 that 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

Cliff Schornak

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
November 18 thru November 24

Lane Harper, November 21 - born in Pensacola FL, in Rotary 9 years, Paul Harris Fellow



## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### November 18

Greeters: John Shaffer and Charles Sherrill, III  
Ticket Sales: Charlie Sherrill and Richard Sherrill

### November 25

Greeters: Pam Smith and David Stafford  
Ticket Sales: Mike Steltenkamp

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### November 18

Prayer/Pledge: Art Hufford                      Sunshine: Scott Grissett

### November 25

Prayer/Pledge: Verdell Hawkins              Sunshine: Leslie Halsall

## Meeting Schedule

### November

18 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club  
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting  
25 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club

## Program Schedule

### November

18 - Dr. Troy Shoemaker - Pensacola Christian College  
25 - TBA