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

## WEEK IN REVIEW 3/21/2023

The March 13 meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held at the Pensacola Bay Center. President Partington called the meeting to order at 12:00 and led approximately 56 members in the Four Way Test. Prayer and Pledge was delivered by Art Hufford.

Rotarian Ray Jones spread sunshine and WINE! He welcomed guests and recognized Rotarian Birthdays.

President Partington highlighted several important events on this day in history.

1556—Archbishop of Canterbury was executed. He was expected to give a scripted sermon on the day of his execution but he deviated from the script and was executed (as scheduled) soon thereafter.

1617—Pocahontas traveled to England with her husband, John Rolfe, to promote trade and good relations between the Indians and the English. Pocahontas fell ill while in England and died at the age of 21. Rolfe and Pocahontas had one son named Thomas.

1685—Famous composer, Johann Sebastian Bach, was born on March 21, 1685, in Germany.

1788—A devastating fire occurred in New Orleans, Louisiana, on March 21, 1788. In the aftermath of the disaster, the Spanish colonial government implemented new building codes and regulations to help prevent future fires. The disaster also led to the growth of the city's population and economy, as many people came to the area to help rebuild and take advantage of the opportunities created by the disaster.

1800—A coalition of European powers led by Austria defeated the French occupying forces and they withdrew from Rome. The city was returned to papal control, and Pope Pius VII was elected as the new pope.

Program chair Ed Wonders welcomed Terri Jenkins. She is the executive director of the American Red Cross of Northwest Florida. Originally from Florida, she recently moved back to West Florida in September 2022 to assume the role. Formerly a board member for the American Red Cross, Terri became an executive director in 2009. Her non-profit career of 24 years began at the Children's Advocacy Center in Valdosta, GA. She received a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Speech Communication

with an emphasis in public relations. Terri's civic involvement includes membership in the Valdosta Rotary Club for 9 years and last summer, ended her year as president. She is a proud mother to two, and grandmother to one granddaughter.

Terri's remarks centered around the American Red Cross. The American Red Cross is a non-profit organization and is supported by volunteers and its work is guided by the principles of humanity, impartiality, neutrality, independence, voluntary service, unity, and universality. It was founded in 1881 by Clara Barton, who was inspired by the work of the International Red Cross during the Franco-Prussian War. The American Red Cross Chapter in Pensacola, Florida provides services and support to the local community in times of emergency and disaster. The Pensacola Red Cross offers a range of services, including disaster response and recovery, blood drives, health and safety training, and services to military families. In the event of a disaster, such as a hurricane, flood, or fire, the Pensacola Red Cross provides shelter, food, and supplies to those affected. The organization also offers mental health services and support to help people cope with the emotional impact of disasters. The organization also provides training in CPR, first aid, and other life-saving skills.

In addition, the Pensacola Red Cross offers support to military families, including emergency financial assistance, counseling, and referrals to other resources. The organization also provides training to military personnel and their families on topics such as coping with deployment, parenting, and communication. Terri concluded her remarks with Q&A for the members, she provided gifts to those who responded.

President Bruce thanked our speaker, greeters, and ticket sales. He reminded members that the next meeting of the Rotary will be at the Pensacola Bay Center on March 28, at noon. He also reminded the members of the board meeting that followed the regular meeting of the members.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Nicole Gislason

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**This week's meeting will be at Pensacola Bay Center. 201 East Gregory St., 2nd floor**

**We will continue to meet at Pensacola Bay Center for our weekly meeting.** Due to remodeling at Pensacola Yacht Club, for the next 2 months, we will be meeting at Pensacola Bay Center at 201 East Gregory Street (previously known as the Pensacola Civic Center),

**Only 4 days remain for The Rotary Club of Pensacola Community Grant application process.** Applications are available online at: [https://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/page/community\\_grants/](https://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/page/community_grants/), also on our home page. You can also use the shorter URL [www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/grants](http://www.pensacolarotaryclub.org/grants). Application deadline is March 31st.

**You can now book your trip to the "Celebration of Clubs" District 6940 Conference for 2023!** Click here to register for the conference: Start date: Friday April 28th, end date: Sunday April 30th, 2023. Cost of conference: \$210, and \$105 for any Rotarian a member for 1 year or less (50%). Last date to register for the conference: April 15, 2023

**Registration for the Melbourne International Convention is open** and information can be found at [www.Rotary.Org](http://www.Rotary.Org) or at [www.rotarymelbourne2023.org](http://www.rotarymelbourne2023.org)

**We are now streaming our meeting using Microsoft Teams.** If you already have a Microsoft account, you can join the meeting just like any other. If you don't have a Microsoft account, there aren't any special downloads or requirements to join as a guest. Click here for a quick overview of accessing Microsoft Teams as a guest. The meeting join information 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

## 2022-2023 Club Officers

•President	Bruce Partington
•Past President	Ed Wonders
•President Elect	Charles Beall
•Secretary	Lisa York
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•Sergeant At Arms	Scott Grissett
•Communications Officer	Betty Roberts

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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.	4:15 pm
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	Hyatt Place - Pensacola Airport	Fri.	12:00 pm

## District Governor

Dan Sulgar  
<http://www.rotary6940.org>

## Assistant District Governor

Sally Fox

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**Our Clubs Annual Pledge Drive continues.** Along with our Club Foundation, Rotary International EREY and Polio Plus, a new category has been added to give. The **Hanwash Project** collaborative national initiatives to provide and sustain clean water in order to promote prosperity and better health to the people of Haiti. Pledge forms will be available at the weekly meeting every Tuesday or you can request a pledge form at [cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org](mailto:cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org).

**In an effort to increase the membership of our club,** at the most recent board meeting it was decided to extend the offer of 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.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
March 26 through April 3

**Judy Bense** - March 29 – born in Morristown, New Jersey, in Rotary 14 years, Paul Harris Fellow

**Larry Adams** – March 30 – born in Birmingham, AL in Rotary 7 years

**Nathan Kahn** – April 1- born in Mobile, AL, in Rotary 46 years, Paul Harris Fellow +1

**Laura Gilliam** – April 2 – born in Columbia, SC in Rotary 17 years, Paul Harris Fellow

## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### March 28

Greeters: John Tice and Paul Tobin  
Ticket Sales: Lynne Tobin and Bob Palmer

### April 4

Greeters: John Shaffer and Pam Smith  
Ticket Sales: Terry Scruggs and Hill Turner

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### March 28

Prayer/Pledge: Allison Hill                      Sunshine: Dale Jordan

### April 4

Prayer/Pledge: Kelsey Powell                      Sunshine: Charles Kahn

## Program Schedule

### March

28 - Warden Kelly Watkins - Prison System

### April

4 - Captain Terry Shashaty - Commanding Officer, Pensacola NAS  
11 -  
18 - Rob Doss - Veterans Memorial Park  
25 - Caleb Heifner - Chiropractic and Back Safety

## What's Happening in Rotary

### March

28 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams

### April

4 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams  
11 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams  
18 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams  
1:00 Board of Directors Meeting  
25 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Bay Center and MicroSoft Teams  
27 - Ethics in Business Luncheon -