

# the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW 10/25/2022

The October 25th lunch meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was called to order by President Partington 12:00 pm. Participants included 52 members on site at PYC and 7 members via Microsoft Teams.

Rotarian Charles John Shaffer led us in a thoughtful prayer and pledge

President Bruce read a statement from the Combined Rotary Clubs in our region. The statement provided support to all poll workers and reminded all to be respectful while voting. He also highlight several pivotal days in world history, including the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962.

Rotarian Sally Fox welcomed several guests, remembered birthdays among the members and shared a bit of Irish humor.

Program chair, Rotarian Ed Wonders, welcomed fellow Rotarian Bryan McCall of Duncan McCall Advertising. Bryan is the co-chair of Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival, which celebrates a 50-year anniversary in 2022. The Great Gulfcoast Arts Festival is in Downtown Pensacola's Historic Seville Square. The core Festival starts Friday, November 4 and concludes on Sunday, November 6. The festivities begin at 9am and close at 5pm on Friday and

Saturday, and on Sunday the activities begin at 9am and wrap up at 4pm on Sunday. The Children's Festival Hours are Saturday and Sunday 10am to 4pm. Admission to the festival is free. Brian highlighted several events including a free Foo Foo Fest concert at the Hunter Amphitheater in Pensacola's Community Maritime Park: GGAF presents Bela Fleck My Bluegrass Heart on Saturday, November 5 at 7:30pm. Bryan applauded the all-volunteer team at the GGAF and noted they receive between 500 and 600 applications from artists across the nation. Of that number, about 200 are selected to exhibit. He noted the region's economy benefits greatly from activities like the Arts Fest. Spending is estimated to be \$6.8M with an economic impact that exceeds \$10M. The festival attracts locals, day trippers and out of town guests who spend at the festival and at local businesses and hotels across the area.

President Partington wrapped up the meeting by 1:00pm thanking the members who served.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Nicole Gislason.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

**The Rotary Club of Pensacola has a new email address.** [cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org](mailto:cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org) and [info@pensacolarotaryclub.org](mailto:info@pensacolarotaryclub.org) are tied into our website and all new correspondence should be directed to my email address. The old email address [rcopens@bellsouth.net](mailto:rcopens@bellsouth.net) will only be available for a short period of time.

**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

**Our Clubs Annual Pledge Drive has begun.** 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.

**The Helicopter Committee is looking for members to take the minutes at the weekly meeting.** If you are interested in participating in this committee, please contact Betty Roberts at [bettybroberts@cox.net](mailto:bettybroberts@cox.net) or Chris Bridwell at [cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org](mailto:cbridwell@pensacolarotaryclub.org)

**Promote your business by placing an ad in the Helicopter.** Your ad will run for a full month each week. Business card-size 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.

## 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

## Bulletin Information

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## Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	McQuire's Irish Pub	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

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
November 1st through November 7th

**Sandy Cesaretti Ray** – November 1 – born in Miami, FL, in Rotary 25 years

**Allison Hill** – November 5 – born in Elizabethtown, KY in Rotary 5 year

## Greeters and Ticket Sales

### November 1

Greeters: Aaron Bercovitch and Laura Gilliam

Ticket Sales: Sally Fox and Nicole Gislason

### November 8

Greeters: Jonathan Griffith and Charles Gund

Ticket Sales: Scott Grissett and Leslie Halsall

## Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

### November 1

Prayer/Pledge: Ray Jones

Sunshine: Nicole Gislason

### November 8

Prayer/Pledge: Chris Kelly

Sunshine: Rick Fountain

## Program Schedule

### November

1 - Maria Goldberg and Nicole Stacy - FooFoo Fest

8 - Chief Dan Helms - Santa Rosa Creek Tribe

15 - Mike Ensley - Pensacon

22 - TBD

29 - TBD

## What's Happening in Rotary

### November

1 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and Microsoft Team

8 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and Microsoft Team

15 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and Microsoft Team

1:00 Monthly Board of Directors Meeting

22 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and Microsoft Team

29 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and Microsoft Teams