

# Rotary



## Club of Ponte Vedra Beach:

Join us Thursday  
Mornings at  
Marsh Landing CC  
at 7:30am



### Invocation:

*Jim Browning*

### Pledge:

*Robbie Manners*

#### Club Officers

Beverly Flanagan  
*President*

Chris Eckols  
*President-Elect*

Jen Ryan  
*President Nominee*

Jennifer Logue  
*Immediate Past President*

Julie Kurtz  
*Secretary*

Lorraine Dorsa  
*Treasurer*

Tom Kastner  
*Sergeant at Arms*

Chris Bondani  
*Legal Counsel*

#### Board Members

Toni Boudreaux- Godwin  
Toni Chrabot  
Tim Crosby  
Mary Merrill  
Byron Miller  
Sherry Mahoney  
George McCaughan

#### Appointed

Tom Veltri  
Jennifer Ryan

#### District Governor

2024-2025  
Mickey Ulmer  
Rotary Club of Flagler Beach

#### Rotary International

President 2024-25  
Stephanie A. Urchick  
Rotary Club of McMurray  
Pennsylvania, USA

*Rotary Rote Published Weekly  
by Toni Boudreaux-Godwin  
of the Rotary Club of PVB*

If you missed us last week we congratulated PE **Chris Eckols** and his team for a job well done! MCC was a great event and honoring Brian Sexton as our 'Rock' was the icing on the cake! Past President and AG **Sam Hall** announced his three-year tenure is up. Thank you Sam for your dedication to our club and our district. You are **#ServiceAbove Self**. We need your



submissions for Local Heroes! Please complete the nomination form by 4/25. Click [here](#) for the nomination form and if you have questions please contact **Steve Crosby**. You can email him [here](#). We heard from **Toni Chrabot** who shared a presentation recognizing high stress situations, action items to navigate awareness of such issues and matters of safety. Thank you **Toni**! Our speaker was one of our very own

**Tim Crosby**, a native of Augusta, he shared highlights from the inception to current status of this iconic location. The Masters was the brainchild of legendary amateur golfer Bobby Jones and investment dealer Clifford Roberts, who co-founded the Augusta National Golf Club in 1933. The original architect was Alister MacKenzie, a British surgeon who later became a golf course architect. When the tournament began it was called the Augusta National Invitation Tournament. Roberts suggested it



be called the Masters, a reference to the "masters of golf" who played in it, but Jones thought the name was immodest. Roberts finally got his way in 1939. Rory got his way too with a Grand Slam win! What a great finish...Thank you **Tim** for sharing such a rich history!

### April 17th Program:



Kelly Franklin, Chief Executive Officer Betty Griffin Center Kelly is a dedicated advocate for the rights of survivors of domestic and sexual abuse serving as the CEO of Betty Griffin Center. Kelly Franklin is a member of the Program Council and Advocacy Committee for the Florida Partnership to End Domestic Violence. Under Kelly's leadership Betty Griffin Center was recognized by The Florida Times-Union as one of the Top Workplaces for 2024 and is the first recipient of their Social Responsibility Award. *Kelly will also be joined by a member of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office.*





## 2025 Rotary Foundation Grant Applications Now Open!

We are pleased to  
announce that the Rotary  
Foundation Grant

Application for 2025 officially open on April 15th! This is a wonderful  
opportunity to support impactful projects in our community and beyond.

To apply, please complete the online application using the link [here!](#)

### Key Dates to Remember:

Application Opens: April 15, 2025

Application Deadline: June 1, 2025

Final Proof of Funds Used for Previous Grants Due: April 15, 2025

Please ensure any outstanding final reports are submitted by April 15th to  
remain eligible for future funding. We're excited to see the inspiring ideas and  
meaningful work that will be supported through this year's grants.



### UPCOMING EVENT



TOUR & CHECK PRESENTATION

APRIL 17, 2025 | 9:00-10:30 AM

Join us directly after Thursday's  
meeting for a tour and check  
presentation at BEAM

headquarters:

850 6th Avenue S., Ste 400

Jacksonville Beach, FL

See you there!

### April/ May Speakers & Upcoming Events

**April 15th:** 2025 Rotary Foundation Grant Application Now Open

**April 17th:** Betty Griffin Center & SJC Sheriffs Office

**April 17th:** BEAM Tour & Check Presentation: 9-11am

Address: 850 6th Avenue S., Ste 400 Jacksonville Beach, FL

**April 19th:** Ecology Day!

**April 26th:** District Training Assembly Palm Coast:

Mantanzas High School 7:30am-noon [Register!](#)

**May 3rd:** Rotary Leadership Learning Institute

**May 8th:** Joe Scargill, Secret Service Special Agent Jax Office

**May 10th:** Jacksonville Symphony Outing 7:30pm: *Sold Out!*

**May 20th:** Board of Directors Meeting

**May 22nd:** Local Heroes (*Evening Meeting*)

**Board meetings are held every third Tuesday from  
7:30-8:30am at Vicars Landing-upstairs in their conference  
room. Red badgers are encouraged to attend!**

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#21038  
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DISTRICT 6970



Join us for Ecology Day  
this Saturday! April 19th  
at 7:30am.

We will meet in front of  
Larry's Giant Subs in PVB.



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**Congratulations to  
JEFF CONN!**

We are proud to recognize  
**Jeff Conn** as a  
Rock of the Foundation!  
His generous one time \$5,000  
donation will help grow our  
endowment and  
extend our impact.