

# Rotary



# Club of Orange Park Sunrise

## Club Meeting

Orange Park Sunrise  
Meets at Club Continental  
2143 Astor St  
Orange Park, FL 32073-5624  
Time: Friday at 07:15 AM

## Events

March 14th  
[Orange Park Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: Carmen Queen,  
Mercy Support Services

March 21st  
[Orange Park Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)

March 28th  
[Orange Park Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)

April 4th  
[Orange Park Sunrise  
Weekly Club Meeting](#)  
Speaker: District 6970  
Governor Mickey Uhmer

## Birthdays



[Jenielle E.  
Holderfield](#)  
March 14th



[Duane W. Mallicoat](#)  
March 18th

## Wedding Anniversaries



[Barbara M. Coleman](#)  
March 12th



[Sarah Clark](#)  
March 14th



[Albert Hon](#)  
March 17th



[Randy R. Bowman](#)  
March 20th

[Lisa Daniels](#)

## A WORD FROM THE CLUB PRESIDENT

### What's On My Mind:

Please join me in thanking Guy and his membership team for all their hard work this year AND specifically this past quarter. The business cards, the info videos, and getting ready to bring on the 5<sup>th</sup> new member this year. This is TRULY Service Above Self.

-Duane Mallicoat, Club President



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## INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

(This kinda reminds me of the 4-Way Test). Have the courage to say no. Have the courage to face the truth. Do the right thing because it is right. These are the magic keys to living your life with integrity. – W. Clement Stone

## ANTARCTICA CLUB FLAG PRESENTATION

As some of you may know John and Ann Tabor recently visited Antarctica and met with several Rotarians BUT the club did not have a club flag to recognize the meeting. Having heard this, a SPECIAL Flag Presentation by Charmian, Linda, and Vikki (they also made the flag) was made to Ann and John and the awarded flag was specific to the continent. Many thanks to Charmian, Linda, and Vikki.



March 23rd



Chris McNeese  
April 3rd



## OUR HONOR TO A FANTASTIC ROTARIAN (FROM DUANE)

You received a PMAIL on the passing of Howard Henderson. His celebration of life will be on Wednesday 12 March at the Holiday Inn. As I collected my thoughts about Howard, one only needs to see the Rotarians that we have in our Sunrise Club to see the immeasurable impact that he had on our club and members. I was always taught not to judge a person by what he says, but rather what he or she does. With that thought in mind, I can see Howard's presence and impact on our club through the club members who served alongside him. He lived and loved Rotary and was as fine a person as you will ever meet. He will be missed.

## ITS "I SURVIVED PETS" TIME FEATURING STEVE UNDERWOOD

Our incoming club President, Steve Underwood, gave an update on his PETS training (President-Elect-Training) where he has not been sworn in from the district as an official President-Elect and is looking forward to the Saturday 14 June Induction Ceremony where he will relieve Duane as your club president. There were over 400 PE's at the PETS training from all over the district and even down to the Bahamas. Steve said it was quite an education to meet and chat with the other PE's but also to see how they do things as compared to us. Steve's comment was that we are in very good shape as compared to the other club PE's he had discussions with. Congratulations Steve and looking forward to great things from you and the club in 2025-26.



## SERVICE ABOVE SELF THANKS THIS WEEK

- Linda Reynolds for her picture-taking expertise in supporting the newsletter and PR.
- Randy Bowman for his work with the membership team on the club membership business card.



## Service Above Self Award

## FESTIVAL OF ANGELS 2025

The 3rd Annual Festival of Angels Tasting Event at Eagle Landing Presented by Vallencourt Inc will be held April 4th, 2025 @5pm.

This incredible event was established to support the AngelPlex II project. It is the final phase of Annunciation Catholic School's expansion to build a much-needed cafeteria and performing arts stage.

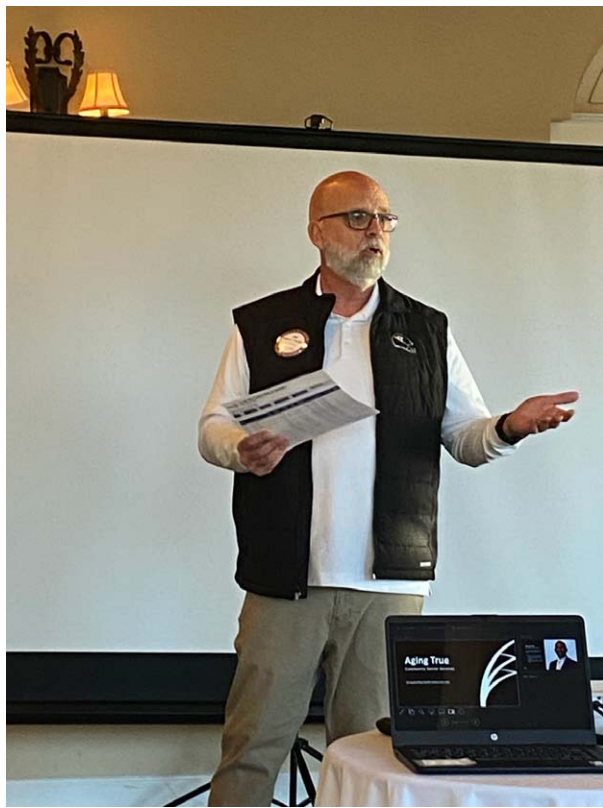
We are looking to securing a minimum of 10 people to get a Rotary table!

<https://my.onecause.com/event/organizations/75324061-2589-45bf-b64c-cb94dfa579e7/events/vevt:4a52786f-0abf-43de-ac1f-a3d5ef7e263f/home/story>



## CLUBS PAUL HARRIS POINTS VS CASH PROGRAM

Joe Markey went over the plan to offer each club member the opportunity to use their points, club points, and cash to gain another level of PH Award. If you see an email from Joe, it will include the details and the options. Many Thanks Joe.



## ANOTHER AWESOME GUEST SPEAKER: ACTUALLY TWO

Thanks to our Awesome GS Coordinator (Doug Conkey), we had yet ANOTHER very informative and engaging Guest Speaker: Sam Hall (COO) and Christa Martin (Director of Senior Services) from Aging True. We were educated on all the programs that Aging True has for seniors, including those with dementia and Alzheimer's, as well as their Meals on Wheels Program. The topic hit home with the attendees as there were a lot of questions during the brief and after the meeting.





## WE HAVE OUR OWN ELON MUSK IN OUR CLUB: HIS NAME IS GORDON REYNOLDS (MUSK)

As you know, Gordon is our goals tracker and advisor (Steve, you are about to start your education). After letting me know that we might be a little short on our Annual Fund Goal and could we collect a donation at the club's upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration dinner. Gordon couldn't figure out why so re-audited the Polio+ and Annual Fund and, while he did not find any fraud or waste, he did find that we have several members who donate more than \$85 per month for their PH awards, and thus he did find efficiency. So, based on our OWN Gordon Musk, if you plan to attend the club's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, we WILL NOT collect a donation. It appears we will achieve both goals for our club this year.



PHOTOS FROM MARCH 7TH MEETING



CLICK READ MORE FOR ADDITIONAL IMAGES PROVIDED BY LINDA REYNOLDS. [Read More](#)

## SIGN-UPS HAVE STARTED FOR ANNIVERSARY GALA

The sign-up sheet is at the SAA desk. Cost is free if you are an active member. Prime Rib is the meal. Heidi is providing the desserts. We will ask for a donation to our Annual Fund as Gordon says we could use some help to meet our goal. Either sign up at a Friday Club Meeting or email Duane at [duanemalli@comcast.net](mailto:duanemalli@comcast.net). Yes, you can bring a guest, and their cost is \$35 per person. We will only order food for those who have signed up. We must tell Club Continental a week out of the final number of meals.



## CLAY FAIR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH: SIGN UP TODAY

Our day at the fair is Wednesday April 9, 2025. This year we have afternoon as well as evening volunteer slots available.

Here is a link to the sign-up sheet at the fair: <https://www.claycountyfair.org/p/getinvolved/volunteers> and info/description of activities. Signing up EARLY gives you the most options.

## TENNIS 4 CANCER UPDATE

Goran says we are doing well with the sponsorships to include a new \$5000 sponsor level. Paul says only 9 of our 45 members have signed up to volunteer (please consider signing up this week), and Josie passed around a silent auction sheet with a list of the areas she still needs help with.



## 2025 TENNIS 4 CANCER SPONSORSHIP LETTER



January 29, 2025

Sponsors, Players and Patrons,

We're pleased to announce the Tennis 4 Cancer Eagle Harbor Doubles Championships will be held April 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

This past year's event was one for the record books. We received almost \$40,000 in sponsorships, and a donation in the amount of \$56,000 (total revenue) was made to The American Cancer Society/Hope Lodge. It is because of Sponsors like yourself who have chosen to be as dedicated to this event as we are. This year these funds will once again be used to help defray the ongoing transportation expenses incurred in assisting Hope Lodge guests. Currently Hope Lodge is at full capacity, and 90% of the guests will require transportation services.

In the 14 years since the inaugural event in 2010, the tournament has raised over \$500,000 to help local cancer patients and local charities.

Through the loyalty of sponsors and participants, event proceeds have supported the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge at Mayo Clinic as well as hundreds of grants to local individuals and institutions in support of the Rotary mission. That mission consists of Promoting Peace, Fighting Disease, Providing Clean Water, Saving Mothers and Children, Supporting Education, Growing Local Economies, and protecting the environment.

We are more than halfway to our promise to assist in underwriting transportation costs of \$100,000, which will go towards the lease or purchase of vehicles to support the Hope Lodge Mission. We would appreciate any sponsorship or donations to help us achieve this goal.

The Tennis 4 Cancer Committee is a collaborative effort of the Eagle Harbor Tennis Community and the Rotary Club of Orange Park Sunrise. Each year roughly 300 tennis players from all over the North Florida, and their friends join the Rotary Club in participating in this event.

There are several ways to participate:

- Become a Tournament Sponsor
- Donate an item for auction
- Donate an item for the raffle
- In-kind donations of food or drink for the tournament

All donations may be mailed to:  
Tennis 4 Cancer  
2189 Autumn Cove Cir.  
Fleming Island FL 32003

With Thanks,

James Ellison | Tournament Chairperson  
james.a.ellison@gmail.com | (904) 318-0382

Erica Washhill | Sponsorship Chairperson  
ewashhill@yahoo.com | (904) 422-5530

Josie Schiazza | Auction and Raffle Chairperson  
josieschiazza@gmail.com | (904) 866-2581

Tennis 4 Cancer is operated under the Rotary Club of Orange Park Sunrise Charities Inc., a 501(c)(3) Charitable Organization. Tax ID Number 83-00500212. Florida Sales Tax Exemption Certificate Number 85-8015688990C-8

Sponsorship Information: <https://www.tennis4cancer.org/sponsor-info>

## T4C ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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EAGLE HARBOR TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS- April 25,26,27 2025

#### What will you be doing?

Volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs all weekend. Whether it is registration, tournament management, food service, event set up, traffic control, match official, or many other exiting jobs, **WE NEED YOU!** All Proceeds go toward The American Cancer Society and Rotary Club Charity Missions.



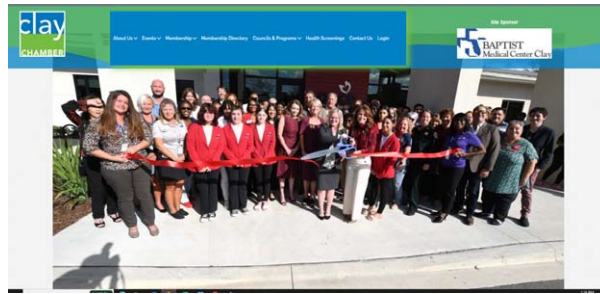
<https://www.tennis4cancer.org/>



## THIS WEEK AT THE CLAY CHAMBER

As the club is a member of the Clay Chamber, we want to encourage you to enjoy the benefits of our membership by attending some of their functions. Remember to indicate that you are a member of Rotary Club Orange Park Sunrise when you register.

Click the calendar link for a complete list of events.  
<https://business.claychamber.com/events>



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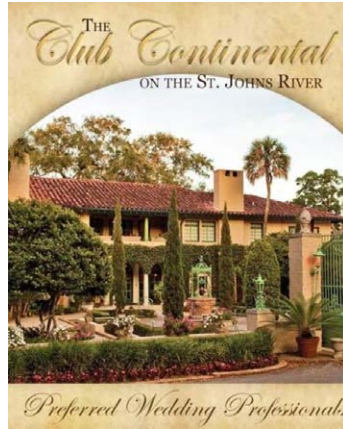


**THE MAGIC  
OF ROTARY**

Click here for up-to-date information: <https://rotarydistrict6970.org/>



## CLUB CONTINENTAL



### "Spread The Word"

The Club Continental is now offering **25% off weddings and receptions** (Friday, Saturdays & Sundays) for dates between **January 2025 – Sept. 2025!!!**

Hurry as **dates are limited** and on a first-come, first-served basis! For those planning a more intimate affair, we also offer **micro-weddings and elopement packages** offered mid-week and booked within **4 months of the date!**

**Reservations are required** and we will require credentials. You can reach the club at (904) 264-6070 to make reservations.

**Come, be a part of our history!!!**

## NON-PROFIT SPOTLIGHT: WASTE NOTE-WANT NOT

This year, Waste Not Want Not is celebrating 35 years of fighting hunger and poverty in our community. To commemorate this significant milestone, they will be holding several fundraising events throughout the year. For a full list of events please visit: <https://wastenotflorida.org/help-fight-hunger/fundraisers/>

Their next event is their Spring Yard Sale featuring new and gently used products. The sale will be held on:

April 4, 2025 - 8am -7pm

April 5, 2025 - 8am -1pm

at:

Challenge Enterprises Plaza, 500 Kingsley Avenue in Orange Park.

This indoor yard sale is a great way to spend your tax refund while supporting Waste Not's mission!! All proceeds from the sale will ensure Waste Not is able to continue to rescue food to fight hunger.

