

# the HELICOPTER



The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

## WEEK IN REVIEW

On a warm, sunny day, Rotarians arriving for the club's weekly meeting were met at the door by Al Coby, Scott Grissett, Kathy Horton-Brown, and John Monroe, and asked to ring bells for the Salvation Army's annual Red Kettle Campaign. Once inside, Rotarians were able to purchase raffle tickets from Claudia Simmons and Mike Layton.

At the appropriate time, President John Shaffer called the meeting to order and led the club in the Four Way Test. Next, Charlie Sherrill said a prayer and guided the club in its recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Norris McMahon won the raffle. Chris Kelly then provided a little Sunshine, introduced guests and visiting Rotarians, and mentioned Rotarians celebrating birthdays. After Sunshine, during the "membership minute," Erin Sammis briefly shared some of the reasons Rotary is important to her.

Before the weekly program, President John made a number of

announcements. President John first thanked those that have volunteered to assist in the Red Kettle Campaign and asked for additional volunteers. Interested persons should contact Rotarians, Scott, Kathy, Al, or John. President John then mentioned that our club is able to sponsor five (5) high school sophomores to participate in RYLA. Anyone interested in making a nomination or in need of further information should contact Kerry Langley. Finally, President John indicated that ECARE needs more people to volunteer as readers. To volunteer or receive additional information, contact Jim Stolhanske.

After announcements, Dr. Brendan Kelly announced the week's speaker, Marc Churchwell. Mr. Churchwell retired from the United States navy as a Master Chief Petty Officer. He obtained his undergraduate and graduate degrees from UWF, where he currently operates the Military Veterans Resource Center ("MVRC").

The MVRC provides a central, on-campus facility where veterans can receive support for issues they face as they embark upon their academic careers. According to the speaker, support is sometimes necessary as many veterans experience a sense of isolation as they transition into student life. The MVRC is designed and staffed to provide for peer networking, education benefit assistance, academic counseling, and mental health counseling. In addition, the MVRC has connections to other agencies that offer benefits and assistance to veterans and can serve as valuable conduit for the services those agencies provide. Because of the significant local military presence, a large number of veterans and dependents matriculate to UWF, all of whom can seek the valuable assistance of the MVRC.

After speaking, Mr. Churchwell fielded a few questions before yielding the floor to President John. There being no further business, the meeting was then adjourned.

## ROTARY WHEELS

- ❖ Recently Wheels reported that Cal Moore had suffered a hunting related ankle injury. Now it's learned that he may be sidelined for six months.
- ❖ As Betty Roberts related, the continuing growth and sophistication of blood service notes that six decades ago volunteers at the YMCA either were the donors or went about finding them! The professional service dates from 1948.
- ❖ Guess how many ladies we now have in this club! The number is 32.
- ❖ Hats off to Bob Rogers and the staff and volunteers at the Waterfront Rescue Mission for efforts to make Thanksgiving a little bit special for a lot of folks.
- ❖ John Appleyard's new monograph, *The Story of Pensacola In World War II*, will appear in part in the December 7<sup>th</sup> *Journal*, coupled with the events of Pearl Harbor.

## 2014-2015 Club Officers

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## Clubs Available for Makeup

Five Flags	New World Landing	Mon.	12:15 pm
Gulf Breeze	Legends Restaurant	Tues.	7:00 am
	Andrews Institute		
Milton	Red Barn on Hwy. 90	Tues.	12:00 pm
Seville	Seville Quarter	Tues.	5:30 pm
Perdido	Triggers Restaurant	Wed.	7:30 am
Cantonment	Scenic Hills Country Club	Wed.	12:15 pm
Cordova	Gulf Coast Kid's House	Thur.	7:00 am
Pace	Stonebrook Village	Thur.	7:00 am
Suburban West	Pensacola Yacht Club	Thur.	12:00 pm
Navarre	The Tuscan Grill	Thur.	12:00 pm
	Hidden Creek Golf Course		
Pensacola North	Asbury Place	Friday	12:00 pm
	Cokesbury Methodist		

## District Governor

Dave Rauch  
[www.rotary6940.org](http://www.rotary6940.org)

## Assistant District Governor

Robert W. Schuster

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of  
December 9th through December 15th

- Chris Klotz* - December 11  
born in Portland, ME, in Rotary 10 years
- Beverly Patteson* - December 12  
born in Winston Salem, NC, in Rotary 5 years
- Bryan McCall* - December 14  
born in Pasadena, Texas, in Rotary 9 years
- Richard Sherrill* - December 14  
born in Pensacola, FL, in Rotary 15 years
- Ray Jones* - December 15  
born in Rockingham, NC, in Rotary 13 years

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

- December**  
9 - One Blood, Betty Roberts  
16 - Christmas Program  
23 - No Meeting  
30 - No Meeting

## GREETERS AND TICKET SALES

- December 9**  
Greeters: Ed Ranelli and Lou Ray  
Ticket Sales: Sandra Ray and Wes Reeder
- December 16**  
Greeters: John Renfroe and Innes Richards  
Ticket Sales: Betty Roberts and Edwin Roberts

## PRAYER/PLEDGE AND SUNSHINE

- December 9**  
Prayer/Pledge: Shawn Brantley  
Sunshine: Madison Currin

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