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The Rotary Club of Pensacola District 6940 Club 4248

WEEK IN REVIEW 11/19/2024

The November 19 meeting of the Rotary Club of Pensacola was held at the Pensacola Yacht Club. President Roberts called the meeting to order at 12:10 PM and welcomed approximately 80 members and 4 guests, including the guest speaker, Dr. Jaromy Kuhl, Provost of the University of West Florida (UWF).

Rotarian Art Hufford delivered a thoughtful prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Roberts then guided the group through the Four-Way Test.

Rotarian Joe Vinson brought a dose of much-needed sunshine on a rainy day, sharing a statement that resonated with all in attendance.

President Roberts encouraged members to participate in the raffle, where a lucky Rotarian won a dollar, though the elusive joker remained at large.

Rotarian Sherry Hartnett introduced Dr. Kuhl, highlighting his impressive accomplishments as a mathematician and dean.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Jaromy Kuhl, UWF Provost

Dr. Kuhl's presentation centered on UWF's innovative use of predictive analytics to drive student success. He explained how the university leverages data-driven strategies to identify students likely to succeed and those who may need additional support. By integrating descriptive, predictive, and prescriptive analytics, UWF has developed tools to enhance student outcomes and streamline strategic decision-making. Initially, UWF relied on shared spreadsheets to guide decisions, a process that was both inefficient and time-consuming. Recognizing these challenges, the university created a centralized dashboard system. This platform incorporates analytics, modeling, and customizable visualizations to empower administrators, faculty, and staff to collaborate effectively and holistically.

Key Features of the Dashboard:

Success Metrics: Offers detailed cohort profiles, including insights into students' academic backgrounds, risk levels, and progress. This feature

helps the university allocate resources effectively and provide targeted support for at-risk students.

Course Explorer: Enables administrators, department chairs, and deans to analyze course histories and patterns. This tool allows for optimized course offerings, improved resource allocation, and better academic support for students.

Metric Monitor: Tracks individual and cohort progress, providing an integrated view of student performance and program completion trends. This allows the university to identify areas requiring additional support or adjustments.

Dr. Kuhl also described UWF's use of predictive modeling to forecast student retention rates. These models, updated every semester to ensure accuracy, assess the likelihood of student

retention after the first year. By identifying at-risk students early, UWF can intervene with tailored support services, improving outcomes and aligning with institutional goals.

Beyond higher education, UWF has demonstrated the broader applicability of its analytics framework. By partnering with other universities and industries, including healthcare, the university has shown how data analysis and predictive modeling can inform decision-making in various contexts.

Dr. Kuhl concluded his remarks by emphasizing how UWF's innovative systems transform raw data into actionable insights, driving collaboration and fostering success. Following his presentation, he engaged with Rotarians in a Q&A session.

Closing

President Roberts thanked all those involved in organizing the meeting and adjourned the session at 12:55 PM.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Nicole Gislason.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ROTARY

TODAY, TUESDAY, November 26, WE MEET AT PENSACOLA YACHT CLUB.

PLEASE NOTE: NEXT TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3rd we will meet at PENSACOLA BAY CENTER, 201 East Gregory Street.

It Is Time To Sign Up for the Salvation Army Bell Ringing. The Rotary Club of Pensacola will ring the bell at Sam's Club every Friday and Saturday beginning November 29th through December 21st. The goal is to have 2 individuals ring for a two-hour shift. You can sign-up at the weekly meeting or contact Chris via email. Currently we have 3 empty time slots for this coming week-end. Please if you have not already done so, sign up now.

We have kicked-off our Pledge Campaign for the Rotary International Foundation and our Local Foundation. Attached is the 2024 pledge form, also available at the weekly meeting and by email.

"Thank you to the following members for their annual pledge to The Rotary International Foundation and The Rotary Club of Pensacola Foundation".

To date we have had 66 members or 40% of the club membership make their annual pledge. If you have not made your pledge, please do so soon.

Marjorie Anders	Lee Elebash	Craig Hindsman	Jerry Maygarden	Randall Richardson	Charles Sherrill, III	Paul Tobin
Dennis Barnes	William Fleming	Art Hufford	Norris McMahan	Betty Roberts	Auby Smith	Ellen Vinson
Charles Beall	Richard Forsley	Benny Jeansonne	Olevia McNally	Henry Roberts	Pam Smith	Joe Vinson
Frank Beall	Sophia Forsley	Charles Ray Jones	Lori NeSmith	Grover Robinson	Mike Steltenkamp	Jane White
George Biggs	Sally Fox	Dale Jordan	Tony Neuner	Bob Rogers	Robert Stephens	Ed Wonders
Ted Brown	Nicole Gislason	Charles Kahn	Kathy Horton Brown	Scott Sallis	Jim Stohlanske	Brian Wyer
Vicki Campbell	Charles Gund	Chris Kelly	Julie Tippins Parker	Martha Saunders	Margaret Stopp	
Vince Currie	Lane Harper	Andrea Krieger	Bruce Partington	Jessica Scholl	Stephanie Streit	
Madison Currin	Sherry Hartnett	Britt Landrum	Laura Piovesana	John Shaffer	John Tice	
David DelGallo	Allison Hill	Fred Lindstrom	Innes Richards	Charles Sherrill, Jr.	Lynne Tobin	

We will continue to stream our meeting using Microsoft Teams; however, changes will be made due to poor wi-fi reception at PYC. You will no longer receive visual video of the meetings but will be able to listen to the announcements and hear the speaker. The link to join 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.

2024-2025 Club Officers

•President	Henry Roberts
•Past President	Charles Beall
•President Elect	Allison Hill
•Secretary	Randall Richardson
•Treasurer	Lori Nesmith
•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.	5:15 pm
	meets every other Tuesday		
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	Hancock Bank, Creighton Rd.	Fri.	12:00 pm

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthdays for the week of
November 26 through December 2

Auby Smith - November 29 – born in Boaz, AL, in Rotary
21 years, Paul Harris Fellow

Greeters and Ticket Sales

November 26

Greeters: Craig Hindsman

Ticket Sales: Leslie Halsall and Kathy Horton Brown

December 3

Greeters: Ron Jackson and Benny Jeansonne

Ticket Sales: Terri Jenkins and Ray Jones

Prayer/Pledge And Sunshine

November 26

Prayer/Pledge: Lisa York

Sunshine: Charlie Sherrill

December 3

Prayer/Pledge: Stephan Wildish

Sunshine: Susan O'Connor

Program Schedule

November

26 - Stephan Wildish - Salvation Army

December

3 - Kim Wilson - Habitat for Humanity

10 - Dr. Tim Ryschon - American Magic

17 - Pensacola Symphony - Christmas Program

MEETING SCHEDULE

November

26 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

December

3 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

10 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

17 - Noon Regular Weekly Meeting at Pensacola Yacht Club and MicroSoft Teams

1:00 Board Meeting

continued from front

To increase the membership of our club, we will continue to offer 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 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.