

"ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES"



# Spoke 'n Wheel

The Weekly Broadsheet of the Winter Park Rotary Club

## PRESIDENT BRYAN LEADS MEETING #34!

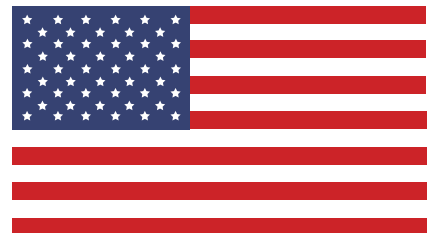
The limits on the power of a club president seldom get tested. Rotary prides itself on stable traditions to guide conduct of club affairs year after year allowing decades to fall away with as little fanfare as attends the first leaf in fall fluttering to the ground. But 2021 required inventiveness and adjustments on the fly as Covid upset business as usual. What once was a seeming trifle has taken on huge ceremonial significance.

I speak of course of the opening bell. It would be tempting to yield to popular sentiment and give other members a shot at the strike that initiates a meeting but, as president, it stretches my authority to designate a regular bell ringer. Other than one unfortunate occasion when Butch Margraf struck glancing blows that started club deliberations on the wrong foot, the President's Pick has set the tone throughout this term.

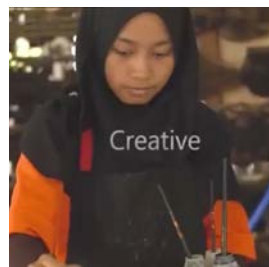
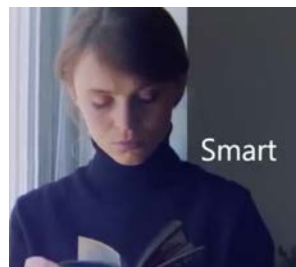
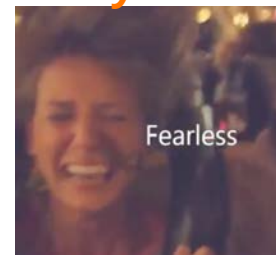
With Jeffrey fully armed and adequately concentrated, the invitation to kick off was accepted, the bell was whacked and the show began. Who would possibly deny the gravity of the matters about to unfold? If you feel you have been slighted by allowing Jeffrey to occupy the spotlight during so many successive opening ceremonies, please submit your protest in triplicate to the home office. Action will be taken but not before early July when the incoming administration will be engaged in tying up loose ends from my term.



Gary Brewer led the invocation and pledge to get the meeting off on a proper note.



## Music Selection: Commemorate Int'l Women's Day



# ADVENT HEALTH LAUNCHES HOPE & HEALING CENTER

Onward immediately to the program of Ruth Bowling and Dr. Scott Hunter from Advent Hospital bringing us up to speed on a new initiative to provide both residential and outpatient services for offenders with substance abuse issues who have been identified by Sheriff Lema of Seminole County. The alternative used to be “Go directly to Jail”. This fresh approach combines a range of services to put a potential inmate back on his/her feet: everything from yoga, clothing, counselling, connection with other social agencies all the way to assistance in finding a job.



Dr. Scott Hunter

Our prisons are full of offenders for crimes that are a direct and foreseeable consequence of the underlying pathology of substance abuse. There has to be a better way than simply “lock ‘em up”. It costs the State something like \$30,000 per year for each of its “permanent guests”. Hats off to Advent and the Sheriff for trying to a new and likely better way. Rotary might consider finding a way to add its energy and financial support to assure this program produces results. President-elect Anne already put her hand up to volunteer on-site in honor of her deceased brother.



Ruth Bowling



## THE PROBLEM

The misuse of and addiction to opioids— including prescription pain relievers, heroin, and synthetic opioids such as fentanyl— is a serious national crisis that affects **public health** as well as **social and economic welfare**.

This issue brings with it **devastating consequences** including increases in opioid misuse and related overdoses, as well as the rising incidence of **neonatal abstinence syndrome** due to opioid use and misuse during pregnancy. The increase in injection drug use has also contributed to the spread of infectious diseases including **HIV and hepatitis C**.



Overdose Incidents (Countywide)				Overdose Deaths (Countywide)			
Month	2019	2020	YTD Increase or Decrease	Month	2019	2020	YTD Increase/Decrease
January	25	52	+108%	January	9	7	-22%
February	30	39	+30%	February	5	2	-60%
March	37	56	+51%	March	6	17	+183%
April	43	57	+33%	April	10	4	-60%
May	29	51	+76%	May	3	5	+67%
June	30	49	+63%	June	5	7	+40%
July	50	53	+6%	July	5	6	+20%
August	42	-	-	August	3	-	-
September	55	-	-	September	10	-	-
October	44	-	-	October	12	-	-
November	36	-	-	November	7	-	-
December	39	-	-	December	8	-	-
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>357</b>		<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>48</b>	
<b>YTD Total</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>357</b>		<b>YTD Total</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>48</b>	
<b>Monthly Average</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>51</b>		<b>Monthly Average</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	



## THE INITIATIVE

AdventHealth, the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, Seminole County EMS/Fire Rescue and the Board of County Commissioners are launching a **unique partnership** to combat the opioid epidemic.

A key element of the partnership is a new **addictions recovery center** in Sanford that will provide clinically supported residential substance abuse treatment.

This is the **first time** in Florida that a health care system and law enforcement are coming together to open such a facility.

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**Raffle Prize: Pick one!**

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**CHILI FOR CHARITY: The ball is rolling. Sponsorship Checks are hitting the P.O. Box. Our coffers already groan under the weight of \$40K. Throughout the year you hear from enough of our client 501c3's to know the loss of any one of them would amount to a setback in the extraordinary safety net fellow citizens find in Winter Park. By membership in this club you have tacitly committed to support this fundraiser.**

**Want to know what to do to shoulder your share of the load? ASK! If you start with me, I will probably hand you off to Fred Jones or another of the front line troops making this happen. If you have a philanthropic target but don't feel confident in how to approach the sponsorship target, ASK! Whatever you plan to do, don't stop until you have done more than your share. It isn't only "show me the money": you can do your share by spreading the word about [Chiliforcharity.amfundvip.org](http://Chiliforcharity.amfundvip.org) . You have received emails and then more emails to invite you to wake up and get it in gear.**

**Let this issue of the Spoke 'n Wheel add to those prior wake up calls. For all the challenges of Covid this year's C4C can ring the register with sufficient vigor to become our most profitable fundraiser ever. I am ASKING in full confidence of your response.**

# Club Business

Word for the Week: **ASK!** New members keep the club vibrant. If you know of a citizen with a disposition to Rotary values, ASK. If you know of friends and associates with the capacity to contribute to the success of Chili for Charity, ASK. If you have any questions about life, politics or finances, DON'T ASK ME.

**RAFFLE:** Don't **ASK.** Maybe next week. Kick into the kitty at the club website. If you don't know how to sign on, ASK.

**HAPPY BOX:** Don't **ASK.** Maybe next week. Ran out of time this week.

**GUESTS:** Glad you **ASKED.** The club welcomed Ryan Dodds, Chris Jacobs and Michael Broadus to a test drive of a typical Rotary meeting. Jody Lazar manages Membership as the Chair of that Committee. You aspire to become Rotarian of the Year (although the odds are slender this year)? Step one: recruit and that starts out by identifying a potential member and then **ASK.**

**LIVE MEETINGS.** Good news. The CDC recently gave a green light to meetings of vaccinated people. You have been surveyed and your thoughts heard by the Board. Expect a hybrid meeting on Monday March 22. If you want details before details are published, don't **ASK!**

## ROTARIANS OF THE WEEK: LEN HABAS AND JEFFREY BLYDENBURGH



**Rotaract**   
Club of Winter Park  
Winter Park Florida

**8-14 March —  
World Rotaract Week  
To learn more about our  
Rotaract Club at Rolins,  
reach out to Richard  
Yount.**

## TODAY'S PROGRAM:

**Mayor Steve Leary, a fellow Rotarian and public servant who kept his good name in shiny condition during his time in office.**



**A tip of the cap to Lauren Cooper and the members of her Programs Committee. Week after week we have good reason to sign on to the Zoom account.**

March 22nd: USTA National Campus - Brian Orminston

March 29th: Local News - Marshall Swanson

**March 15 also happens to be St. Patrick's Day. You will be regarded with disfavor were you to attend without a touch of green to demonstrate your pride in your Irish heritage even if that heritage has been nothing more than a pint of Guinness.**



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# District Business

District 6960 is launching Infinite Possibilities Series 2: Diversity, Equity & Inclusion. This four part webinar series offers vision, encouragement, enthusiasm and motivation to grow your membership. You can register for the remaining two parts which are:

• March 26, 2021 - Investing in Equity, hosted by District 6960 Governor Darryl Keys, with featured speaker Xavier Ramey, fellow Rotarian from Chicago.

Register NOW for Infinite Possibilities - Investing in Equity, 1:00 pm EDT March 26, 2021

• April 30, 2021 - Celebrate Diversity, with special guest speakers Rotary International President Holger Knack, Rotary International Director Peter Kyle and Anna Ekbäck.

Register NOW for Infinite Possibilities - Celebrate Diversity, 1:00 pm EDT April 30, 2021

## MEETING ADJOURNED!

The clock on the wall and the general feeling of impatience in the membership, led to closing ceremonies without delay. Recitation of our unique four word, four way test: true, fair, kind, useful. Who rang the Rotary bell to bring deliberations to an official adjournment? You need not ASK. What would WPRC do without Jeffrey and his magic hammer? If not for him, the meeting might still be in session.



- MARCH**  
**1ST: PITT WARNER**  
**6TH: KATHLEEN PETERS**  
**8TH: NATU SANGHRAJKA**  
**9TH: LAUREN COOPER**  
**19TH: PETE LEMIEUX**  
**21ST: KIM GROVES**  
**23RD: CLYDE KING**  
**26TH: FAY DALLAS**

# Zoom Chat

Chris Jacobs: Cjacobs@15lightyears.com

kklein: Happy Monday! Christopher is my guest today

Michael Broadus: michaelbroadus-01@att.net

Debbie Komanski: Bravo Steve!

Jody: Thanks, Jeffrey!

Jean Marie Fuhrman: Hello! I'm having trouble with my audio

Terry: What is the capacity; inpatient and outpatient?

Kathleen Peters: Drug addiction mainly and not alcoholism?

David Collis: This is a great program that is treating people for substance abuse and not locking them up in jail for a treatable illness.

Debbie Komanski: I wish my husband could have heard this program. He will be thrilled to hear about it after advocating for these services for years.

Ruth Bowling: scott.j.tucker@adventhealth.com

Ruth Bowling: Great presentation! Thank you Dr. Tucker, and thank you Rotary for your help!

Ruth Bowling: yay Jeffrey!!!

Fred Jones: Accolades to Jeffrey! thanks for all you do for our Rotary club and community. Chili For Charity - At Home 2021 will be success because of Jeffrey.

Jody: Here's the link to register for Chili 4 Charity: <https://chiliforcharity.amfundvip.org/#/index>

A GOOD FRIEND IS LIKE  
A FOUR-LEAF CLOVER,  
HARD TO FIND AND  
LUCKY TO HAVE.

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Beck, JoAnn	Lazar, Jody M.
Behrle, John R.	Leary, Steve
Blitch, Gordon H.	Lemieux, Emily
Bloodworth, Jennifer	Lemieux, Peter
Blydenburgh, Jeffrey	Levy, Justin
Bowman, Carter (Curley)	Mackey, Kirk
Bowman, Jan M.	Maisenholder, Rosemary
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Collis, David	Marlowe, Michael L.
Cooper, Lauren	Marsh, Duke
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Crouch, Lania Jane	Morgan, Andrea
Culpepper, Diane B.	Munns, Jane T.
Dallas, Fay	Neill, Rob
De Armas, Nestor M.	Parker, Jessica
Deal, Mike	Peters, Kathleen
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DeMaria, Ali	Prather, David D.
Edwards, Ted	Price, Alan D.
Filliez, Tris	Prill, Larry
Fraze, Richard C	Rader, Robert Lee
Fuhrman, Jean Marie	Roberts, Wayne P.
Gourlay, Alex B.	Roesch, Clay
Gourlay, Karen	Sacha, Thomas C.
Groves, Kim	Salerno, Frank A.
Habas, Leonard	Sallee, Anne E.
Hardy, James M.	Sanghrajka, Natwarlal
Hartnett, Bob	Shaheen, Dean
Hughes, John I.	Sprinkel, Sarah
Hulslander, Donald Kurt	Sullivan, Eugene
Hurlburt, John C.	Tabor, Christopher
Infantino, Thomas V.	Terranova, Joe
Jallad, Johnny	Thomas, Bryan M.
Johnston, David A.	Walker, William A. II
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	Woodall, Woody
	Yount, Richard

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