

# San-Captions

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District 6960 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club Organized 1979  
 Chartered March 18, 1980

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**FRIDAY MORNING SPEAKER SERIES 2017:**

**FEBRUARY Coordinators: Ed Wheeler and Roger Triftshauer**

- 17 Arts and Crafts Fair Setup Breakfast at Community House
- 24 Club Assembly

**MARCH Coordinators EJ Neafsey and John Danner**

- 3 Rabbi Jim Rudin: The Civil War
- 10 Maggi Feiner: President and CEO of FISH
- 17 Chet Sadler: Rotary Trip to Haiti and Ecuador
- 24 Dave MacGregor: Lee Memorial Arts in Healthcare and Arts for disabled
- 31 Chris Davison: Island Inn Happenings on Sanibel

**AFTER BREAKFAST TODAY,  
 ALL HANDS-ON DECK FOR FAIR SETUP.**

**MEMBERSHIP NEWS:**



Welcoming new Sanibel-Captiva Rotary member... Gary Dyer...last week. Gary now living in Florida transferred his Rotary membership from his long-time Kentucky Rotary Club.

**CLUB SONG ...Giver of all things good, We Thank you for this food,  
 With one accord. Lead us we humbly pray, Onward in Rotary's way  
 of service day by day, Most Gracious Lord  
 (Tune of My Country Tis of Thee)**



**ROTARY DISTRICT  
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## **NEW SANIBEL CAPTIVA ROTARY MEMBERS WILL BE SWORN-IN TODAY:**

### **Mary C. Schoeffel**

Development Director CROW-Club -Sponsor Holli Martin

MBA - University of Dallas. BA and MA English - Loyola University of Chicago.

Mary moved to Florida from Texas to join CROW in March of 2016. In Texas she led the design of the permanent butterfly house at Texas Discovery Gardens; coordinated furthering the works of the Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary; launched Blackland Prairie Raptor Center; and most recently, she worked across the country with Susan G. Komen Affiliates' leadership.

**Richard J. Green** – CEO, SmartPro Group Ltd. – Studied business and computer science - East Herfordshire College, UK. 1990 founded Printext Peripherals Ltd, London, bought and developed Olympian Computer System... sold to major computer manufacturer.

1999 founded Integrated Document Technology (IDT) Ltd. sold in 2011 to major NASDAQ listed US software company.

2015 Business Development Director for various companies and moved from the UK to the US, bought a property management company in Orlando.

December 2016 moved with his wife Elise to Sanibel.

Today owns and runs SmartPro Group LLC. The company develops and deploys management software assisting in physical security and is working with many Cities on their "Safe Cities" initiatives. Contracts with the White House and US Navy and numerous major commercial enterprises throughout the US with our partners.

**ROTARY EXPERIENCE: RICHARD HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH ROTARY FOR 33 YEARS IN UK AND US, SINCE 17-YEAR-OLD EXCHANGE STUDENT IN ORLANDO. IN 1984, AT THE AGE OF 18 HE GAVE A PRESENTATION AT THE ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL ROTARY CONVENTION.**

**SAVE THE DATE: Installation Dinner scheduled for Monday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. More details to follow.**

### **SPEAKER NOTES FROM 2-10-17 MISSION UNITED**

Many of San-Cap Rotarians are deeply involved in other organizations both here on the Islands and overseas throughout Southwest, Florida and along with their volunteer efforts with Rotary find time to support important charitable agencies within our Southwest community. Rotarian, Roger Trifshouser, US Navy Reserve- Rear Admiral Retired, is a prime example of donating his amazing organizational skills to the Military Officers Association/MOA. As part of MOA, Roger also brought many of these same skills in helping MISSION UNITED of Lee, Hendy Glades and Okeechobee a United Way initiative to support military veterans by creating a comprehensive information and referral program that brings together many non-profit and government agencies working for and with veterans, active military, and their families to help them navigate through finding the services and resources that fit their particular needs.



Roger invited MISSION UNITED Program Manager, Jeremy Gentile, to come speak to our club last week about this United Way 211 information and referral program. On November 18, 2016, United Way launched MISSION UNITED using their 211 program to help military members and their families in need of assistance. MISSION UNITED is a central information point to help military families. When you dial 2-1-1 a trained information and referral specialist, will assess your needs, then search a comprehensive database of relevant human service agencies. As Jeremy explained this is more than just a referral service, MISSION UNITED goes beyond that, it stays on the line and accesses the needs of the caller; the caller is listened to. With over 70 partnering agencies in the United Way family and many more directed government programs for Veterans there is a lot of help but which ones are the right fit for the caller's needs. Referral specialist are familiar with programs and agencies throughout our community and have ability to directly and quickly contact partnering agencies/stakeholders-advisory committee, including veterans and veteran organizations and make the personal connection for the caller, finding the help needed. Jeremy told us, "that in crisis situations, MISSION UNITED will even take charge of warm transfers-personal, direct action to make sure their callers get the help they need within a short time-frame and help solve the crisis".

Top requested calls are for help with rent, electric bills, food assistance.

2-1-1 call...Veteran...has no food, hasn't eaten for 3 days, out of financial resources...going to school on GI Bill this semester but has no financial help from that until school starts, car broke down...MISSION UNITED- Volunteer, Kevin Boyd bought food for caller and brought it to him. Kevin, also, arranged for the Harry Chapin Food Bank to deliver food to this caller. MISSION also helped with transportation need.

2-1-1 call...Iraq War Vet...wife of fourteen years just left him, 100% disability, has 3 children...can't pay bills-no income...MISSION UNITED- immediate arrangement for veteran's program assistance and connected children with help from BIG BROTHERS and BIG SISTERS organizations for help for children.

2-1-1 call...Veteran... hours have been reduced, recently been laid off... MISSION UNITED specialist shared information about unemployment benefits, job search options, food stamps, food pantries, mortgage or rent help, utility assistance, free tax preparation, counseling, and other available resources. Connected veteran to help needed.

Calls to 2-1-1 MISSION UNITED are complex and need for assistance is so very necessary.

This UNITED WAY program is vital for the health and well-being of our-in-need military men/women and their families. For all of us, this is a give-back program, a thank you for your service program. The Sanibel Captiva United Way Fundraiser Campaign is now underway, please consider contributing to the campaign by mailing your financial gift to Sanibel Captiva United Way Campaign-P.O. Box 173-Sanibel, FL.