

Rotary Rote

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Invocation:

Michael Koppenhafer

Pledge: *MJ Fratianni*

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Al Hammack
Jennifer Logue
George McCaughan

Our Rocking Rotarians played another great song for us last week to kick us off. A BIG thank you to **Rosemary** for leading the group on accordion, **Tom** on drums, **Norwin** on guitar and singers **Sherry, Jennifer L., Jennifer R., Rob and Sam**. You all are so talented-we so enjoy listening to your uplifting, positive music! The FOLIO Weekly 250 Best of the Beaches has been announced. We are proud to share that a few members of TBRCITW are among the winners! Folio Weekly named **Dr. Truty, Dr. Ng., and Dr. Gordon** in the medical categories and **Thom Wilkinson** in the money category. Read more here: <http://folioweekly.com/> **Congratulations to all our winners!**

An impressive roster of speakers last week-we heard from five different Rotarians regarding their non-profits and how our new 'ab'normal has effected the way they reach their clients. Thank you to **Lori Anderson**, Mission House **Mary Marx**, Pace Center for Girls **Mary Anne Thomas**, Red Cross of North Florida, **Jennifer Ryan**, Volunteers in Medicine and **Mike Linnington**, Wounded Warrior Project. These organizations are critical to so many people around the country and the world -we appreciate your leadership more than ever.

May 21st Program: We're Zooming!



As CEO of K9s For Warriors, Rory is responsible for the executive management and strategic vision of the organization. Under his leadership, K9s For Warriors grew into the nation's largest provider of service dogs for disabled American veterans and the largest service dog agency in the world using primarily rescue dogs. Prior to leading K9s For Warriors, Rory was a litigator at two international law firms. He also served as a federal prosecutor for the U.S. Department of Justice specializing in public corruption and financial fraud prosecutions. Before

earning his law degree, Rory served as Briefing Director for California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger and as a Deputy Associate Director at the White House for President George W. Bush. He was working in the White House on 9/11 and, ultimately, served as part of the startup staff for the U.S. Office of Homeland Security. Rory is a national advocate for American veterans focusing primarily on combat-related PTSD, Traumatic Brain Injuries, veteran suicide, and veteran homelessness. In 2015, he partnered with Florida Rep. Ron DeSantis (R-FL-6) to author and introduce the Puppies Assisting Wounded Service Members (PAWS) Act. Passage would require the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs to provide a service dog to qualifying military veterans with severe PTSD.

In 2016, Rory was elected to the Neptune Beach City Council. In addition to a focus on property rights, Rory authored and passed legislation to make "fake" service dogs illegal, which now serves as a national model. In 2017, Rory conceived of and helped found "Service Dog Pass," the nation's first nationally recognized credential for legitimate service dogs. In 2019, Rory was elected to the Jacksonville City Council representing the Jacksonville Beaches. As a city councilmember he founded the nation's first community-based veteran suicide prevention initiative called The Fire Watch.



Ecology Day! We are so excited to announce our next service project will be held June 13th at 8am. *See you there!*



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Mission House (Still) Needs Our Help!



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Men's shorts- first priority
 preferably small sizes but they will take anything.
 Men's casual pants
 Men's Underwear - Boxers preferably
 Men's and Women's CASUAL SHOES
 No women's clothing needed at this time.

Please DO NOT bring anything to Mission House as you will be turned away. Please contact **Lori Anderson** at (650) 743-3232 and she can pick up or she will have a bin outside her gate for you to put things in at her house: 125 S. Roscoe Blvd., PV.

Donations can be made at www.missionhousejax.org or you can buy items for us on Amazon at https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/VU3PNCNZ964/ref=bnav_topnav_lists_2



Thank you to those who donated to "Rock The Pantries" for United Way of SJC and to all those that volunteered. 'Most striking was the diversity of the donations from, literally kids on bikes with full backpacks to Big SUVs, Sports Cars, Harleys and every flavor in between. All tied together by their care for community.'



AGENDA

1. Invocation, Pledge, Announcements
2. Special Guest Speaker Rory Diamond, City Council Updates and Special Committee on JEA.
3. The 5 way test

Topic: PVB Rotary Club, May 21, 2020 ZOOM Meeting

Time: May 21, 2020 07:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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