



CREATE HOPE in the WORLD Rotary



Club Ponte Vedra Beach

Invocation:

Sara Coryell

Pledge:

Ed Waller

We kicked off our meeting with a presentation by **Sherry Mahoney** who spoke to the club about an initiative focusing on food insecurities in SJC. There will an opportunity to visit Feeding Northeast Florida on 5/28 (more info on pg. 2). Thank you to **Byron, Sherry and Jen** for taking on this initiative to education our members. Don't forget to sign up to celebrate and recognize our Local



Heroes on May 23rd. The awards were started in 1993 by Rotarians **Vic DiGenti** and **Chuck Day** in partnership with The PV Recorder in order to recognize the "unsung heroes" who give back to the community and reflect the spirit of the Rotary Club's motto, "Service Above Self." You can RSVP [here!](#)

**We needed a few volunteers to helps serve lunch this Thursday at the Players Senior Center in PVB for their annual Centenarian Luncheon. Program begins at 11am and we will serve at 11:45am. Our guest speaker this week was Charles C. W. Cooke, a senior editor at National Review and the former editor of National Review Online. A graduate of the University of Oxford, where he studied modern history and politics. His work focuses on Anglo-American history, British liberty, free speech, the Second Amendment, and American exceptionalism. <https://podcast.charlescwcooke.com/>



May 16th: Program:



David Rey is CEO and President of Goodwill Industries of North Florida, Inc., a not-for-profit organization dedicated to assisting individuals who face barriers to employment. With 20 years of finance and accounting experience, David has been with Goodwill for nearly a decade, most recently serving as Chief Financial Officer, where he led the organization's Information Technology, Facilities, Risk Management and Real Estate teams.

A Michigan native, David's family relocated to the Florida Keys when he was eight years old. At 18, he began attending Santa Fe College in Gainesville before receiving both bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Florida. David currently resides in Clay County and is a proud father to his daughter and son, who are all avid sports enthusiasts. David's extensive background in finance started at Ernst & Young in Orlando before joining the team at Morrison Homes, a top 20 national home builder. In 2009, economic challenges from the recession unexpectedly placed David in a season of unemployment. David's obstacle unfolded a new level of compassion and understanding for those enduring the plight of unemployment. This journey ultimately led him to an opportunity at Goodwill in which he has been able to further Goodwill's mission to transform lives by providing training, trade certifications and job placement services. David's experience has brought him to be a natural spokesperson for Goodwill, educating the public and fostering relationships throughout North Florida with his passion for the work that is achieved every day. As his daughter says, "failure is just a launching point for potential greatness."

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Rotary Foundation's grant applications for 2024 are open! You can submit your applications until May 31st. All submissions are electronic. Just click this [link](#) and fill out the information requested. The foundation

plans to conduct the selection process in late June-if you or an organization submits a grant be on the lookout for response by July 5th.

Also coming up in June is the HEAL Surf Camp in Neptune Beach, June 18th and 19th. Volunteer registration is open but spots go fast so sign up today! Arrive at 7am for setup, if you are available. Arrive by 8am for assignments and safety briefing. To learn more and to sign up click [here!](#)



May/June Speakers & Upcoming Events

- May 16th:** David Rey - CEO Goodwill North Florida
 - May 16th:** Centenarian Luncheon at the Players Senior Center Program at 11am. We will serve lunch at 11:45am
 - May 21st:** *Board Meeting*
 - May 23rd:** Local Heroes 5:30pm: *No Morning Meeting*
 - May 28th:** Trip to Feeding Northeast Florida Food: Meet at 3pm in Target parking lot to carpool
 - May 30th:** Dr. Michael Koren, Cardiologist conducting clinical trials
 - June 1st:** Ecology Day! 7:30 am in front of Poppys in PV
 - June 6th:** Vicky Oakes, Supervisor of Elections SJC
 - June 13th:** Non Profit Check Presentation
- Board meetings are held every third Tuesday from 7:30-8:30am at Vicars Landing-upstairs in their conference room. Red badgers are encouraged to attend!**

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Mark your calendar's for our next **Ecology Day** June 1st. We will

meet in front of Poppy's in Ponte Vedra Beach at 7:30am. This is a great opportunity for red badger to check this off your list!

Spotted!

Check out **Jen Kjellman** enjoying her babymoon with her husband James. While on her recent trip to Sorrento she spotted a Rotary plaque. Its always fun to try and spot Rotary when we travel right? That's the magic of Rotary! Next time you travel make sure to snap and pic!

