



CREATE HOPE in the WORLD Rotary



Club
Ponte
Vedra
Beach

Invocation:

Randy Hayes

Pledge:

Bob Williams

Thank you to everyone who attended last Thursday's 32nd Annual Local Heroes Awards dinner. This year's honorees included Nease High School Lacrosse Coach Max Gurowski, who was accompanying the team to a game in West Palm Beach when he saved the life of a truck driver who drove into a retention pond. Carol Grysko, who puts her 40 years of nursing experience to good use providing medical care to working individuals who lack health insurance at Volunteers in Medicine, Jacksonville. Charlotte Peverley, a recent Ponte Vedra High School graduate whose volunteer activities included spearheading a book drive that collected 3,000 books, collecting clothes for an orphanage in Bolivia and creating a program to 'Stop the Summer Slide' for students



served by Blessings in a Backpack; Elizabeth Joshi, who founded the Ponte Vedra Litter Crew to keep our community beautiful; and Elaine Ashourian, Lori Moffett and Beth Angelo (not pictured), who led the charge to secure millions in federal funding to restore Ponte Vedra Beach. A BIG thank you to **Stephen Crosby** and the entire committee for all your time and efforts to ensure a great



representation of Local Heroes this year. This is such a special evening and we are grateful to Rotarians **Vic DiGenti and Chuck Day** for starting Local Heroes in 1993.



May 30th: Program:



Dr. Michael Koren, is a practicing cardiologist and CEO of ENCORE Research Group, which conducts clinical trials across Florida. He has been the principal investigator of over 2000 trials while being published in the most prestigious medical journals. Dr. Koren received his medical degree cum laude at Harvard Medical School and completed his residency in internal medicine with a fellowship in cardiology at New York Hospital/Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center/Cornell Medical Center. Dr. Koren has always focused on the "research of research" and is the host of the MedEvidence podcast, The Truth Behind the Data.

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Ponte Vedra Beach
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Foundation



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!](#)



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!

May/June Speakers & Upcoming Events

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: John Laurence, Film Producer

June 20th: Beyond the Business Card

June 27th: Club Assembly/Awards

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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Join the Ponte Vedra Beach Rotary Club on a fun field trip to Feeding Northeast Florida's brand new facility on the Northside. We will meet at 4pm at the new facility and take a tour then meet to talk about partnership and enjoy wine and cheese.

Location: 5245 Old Kings Rd Building #1, Jacksonville, FL 32254

If you have any questions please contact **Jen Ryan:**

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If you are interested in carpooling contact

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Learn more about food distribution in Northeast Florida and ways the Rotary Club of Ponte Vedra Beach can make an impact!