



BE THE INSPIRATION

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**February is
Peace & Conflict Prevention
and Resolution Month**

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- Scholarship Drawdown:**
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The Rotary Reader

**Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach
2017-2018 Rotary Citation Earner**

Today's Speaker: Corey Cooper CEO/Founder of BOTE



A tinkerer by birth and an Engineer by education, Corey Cooper has had a lifelong passion for understanding what makes things tick. Corey attended Auburn University where he received his BS in Mechanical Engineering and met Magda; his wife, business partner and mother of their three crazy kids.

Motivated by the water, Corey and his wife relocated to Destin, FL shortly after college. Corey held various engineering jobs from the military to the private sector.

One day Corey got a wild hair and decided to go into business for himself. He created what he called BOTE, a lifestyle watersports brand, just because he wanted to torture himself.

Corey is extremely fulfilled because all his time is occupied with either BOTE or his lovely kids and he now truly understands what tinkering is all about.



Today's Rotary Prayer

Oh Lord, and giver of all good,
We thank Thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help to serve Thee all of our days.

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RI Convention Hamburg June 1-5, 2019

Registration is Open!

December 16-March 31
\$495 per person

April 1—June 5
\$595 per person

Discover the unique blend of historical and contemporary culture that makes Hamburg such a distinctive place. A flourishing city with friendly people and an array of entertainment options, this beautiful port city is the perfect setting for a memorable experience.

Join Rotarians from around the world to learn, be inspired and share fellowship.

From the House of Friendship to the General Sessions to Breakouts to Special Ticketed Events, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

Consider making the commitment to attend. You will be a better Rotarian!

For More Information:
www.riconvention.org

Longwood Read-a-Thon

Longwood Elementary School is holding their Read-a-thon on Friday, March 1st from 9:30 AM-1:30 PM.

If you will be available to read to the students, as a representative of our Rotary Club, please let Rick Owen know the time that would be best for you. Fifteen minutes is all it takes to spread the love of reading to a classroom. You may bring a book of your own or the school's staff will provide you with a choice of books.

Scholarship Drawdown

Our 5th Annual Scholarship Drawdown is set for Friday, May 24 at the Northwest Florida Fairgrounds. Dusty Ricketts and Matt Simpson are co-chairs for the event. We need all club members to start soliciting sponsors so we can have the best event yet. All proceeds fund scholarships awarded by FWB Rotary Club Scholarship, Inc.

Rotary Vision/Mission

“Together we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change—across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves” Rotary Vision Statement adopted by the Board and Trustees in June 2017
Our mission is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professionals, and community leaders.

Rotary 6940 District Conference



Mark your calendars now for the 2019 District 6940 Conference at the Baytowne Conference Center.

Join fellow Rotarians from around the district as we serve together (Socks of Love and potential hurricane relief project), learn together (great speakers and breakout sessions), celebrate together (district awards and recognition) and remember together (memorial service).

Medina's Treasure theme will carry throughout the conference. Family friendly **Registration is now open on DACdb!** Plan to attend...you won't regret it. The club will reimburse your registration fee and the cost of 1 night for a studio if you stay at the resort. Jean Woo, Rick Owen, Fred Pryor, Sallie Hardy and Jan Pooley have already registered. Won't you join them?

Feed the Need

Feed the Need is a community meal packaging event. The food packaged will be immediately provided to food pantries in Okaloosa and Walton counties to feed hungry people. Event details:

Saturday, March 30

90 minute shifts beginning at 8am, 9:30am, 11am and 12:30pm

Gregg Chapel Life Center (15 Carson Dr)

Our club is a Gold sponsor, providing the supplies for 4000 meals. The event's goal is to package 100,000 meals. Sign up with Rick Owen and plan to bring your family to volunteer. You'll have lots of fun and help those in need.

Rotary History Corner

Rotary celebrates its 114th Anniversary February 23. The first meeting was held in Chicago and had 4 men present: Paul Harris (attorney), Gus Loehr (mining engineer), Silvester Schiele (coal dealer) and Hiram Shorey (tailor). On the same day the Rotary Club of Fort Walton Beach celebrates its 66th Anniversary! Our club was sponsored by the Rotary Club of Niceville-Valparaiso under the direction of the late Walt Ruckel. Lamar Kelly was our club's first President The first meeting as a chartered club coincided with the RI Anniversary and also reflected the number of charter members...23.

Upcoming Programs and Activities

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| 2/20 | Regular Meeting | Nat'l Flight Academy—Mark Curley |
| 2/23 | Rotary Leadership Institute | Institute in Lake City |
| 2/27 | Regular Meeting | Celebrating Club and Rotary Heritage |
| 3/06 | Regular Meeting | Drawdown Committee |
| 3/13 | Club Social | St Patrick's Day theme |
| 3/20 | Regular Meeting | Polio and Post Polio—Corina Zalace |
| 3/27 | Regular Meeting | Pete and Carol's Rotary Trip to Nepal |

Do You Know? You can make up missed meetings by attending another club's meeting or an e-club meeting, participating in a project or committee meeting. Be sure to let Lorrageia know.

February Birthdays and Anniversaries

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| <p>Birthdays</p> <p>2/10 Richard Kunkel</p> <p>2/19 Matt Zasada</p> <p>2/21 Tony Leonard</p> <p>2/22 Joe Brewster</p> <p>2/23 Jessica Simpson</p> | <p>Wedding Anniversaries</p> <p>2/04 Tony & Gretchen Gilligan (36)</p> <p>2/04 Ross & Jenny Hamilton (53)</p> <p>2/14 John & Alicia Roper (10)</p> <p>Club Anniversaries</p> <p>2/01 George Dorris (41)</p> <p>2/12 Rick Stevens (27)</p> | <p>2/14 Eric Polson (1)</p> <p>2/14 Jessica Simpson (1)</p> <p>2/15 Tony Gilligan (24)</p> <p>2/15 Matt Zasada (2)</p> <p>2/17 Dave Miller (26)</p> <p>2/22 Jeff Hooton (13)</p> <p>2/22 Dusty Ricketts (7)</p> |
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The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster: **FIRST** the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service

SECOND High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

THIRD The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life

FOURTH The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.



Tackling the last 1% of polio cases has proved to be difficult. Conflict, political instability, hard-to-reach populations and poor infrastructure continue to pose challenges to eradicating polio. Each country offers a unique set of challenges which require local solutions. Thus, in 2013 the Global Polio Eradication Initiative launched its most comprehensive and ambitious plan for completely eradicating polio. It is an all-encompassing strategic plan that will lead to eradication.

Rotary Roster

We are

People of Action

Rotary is where
Neighbors, Friends and
Problem Solvers

- Share ideas
- Join leaders and
- Take action to create lasting change.

Interested in joining Rotary?

Please contact our Membership

Chair: Andy Corbin
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The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think,
say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOOD-WILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Area Make-Up Opportunities

Don't forget that you can make up missed meetings at neighboring clubs. They include:

Crestview: 12 p.m. Wednesday at Samuel's Restaurant

Destin: 7:15 a.m. Tuesday at Rutherford's at Regatta Bay

DeFuniak Springs: 12 p.m. Wednesday at McLain's Family Steakhouse

Mid-Bay: 7 a.m. Wednesday at American House in Bluewater Bay

Navarre: 12 p.m. Friday at Beach Community Bank—Navarre

Niceville—Valparaiso: 12 p.m. Thursday at Northwest Florida State College Student Services Building

South Walton: 7:30 a.m. Thursday at Somerby, Santa Rosa Beach

Robert Anderson, SM

CPA

BBVA/Compass

**Katie Sharon PHF*/Lane Redding/
Robin Donlon**

Corporate Member

Neal Bern SM

Insurance

**Debbie Bodensine PHF/SM Roty
RLI 1**

Economic Development

Joseph Brewster, PHF SM

Cable Television

Mack Busbee, PHF SM **

County Government

Tom Butcher

Honorary Member

Gerry Chalker, (11) PHF MD SM *

Pension Administration

Tim Chiasson

Attorney

Andy Corbin, PHF SM RotY * RLI 1

Electronics Mfg.

George Dorris, PHF SM

Dentistry

JT Edwards, PHF SM RotY

Landscaping Owner

Dan Empson

Honorary

Joe Garvie

Construction

Tony Gilligan, PHF SM RotY

Government Contractor

Ben Gordon, SM

Attorney

Ron Grissom, PHF SM RLI 3

Utilities

Chad Hamilton, PHF SM

CPA

Ross Hamilton, SM RLI 1

Education— College

Sallie Hardy, PHF

Commercial Properties

Tom Hayes, PHF SM

Financial Services

Jody Henderson, PHF SM *

Accounting/Auditing

Mitzi Henley, PHF SM

Retail Shopping Center

Rudy Hill, SM

Office Products

Jeff Hooton, PHF SM

Commercial Lending

Richard Kunkel, PHF SM RLI 1

Education

Chuck Landers, PHF SM

Certified Public Accountant

Ross LeBlanc, SM

Certified Public Accountant

Tony Leonard, PHF SM **

Retail/Musical Instruments

John Linn, PHF SM

Kitchens-Retail

Stacey McGilvray

Commercial Lending

Joe Meyer, RotY PHF

Retail/Computers

David O. Miller, (16) PHF SM

Developmental Disabilities

John Morgan, PHF SM*

Computer Engineer

Matthew Morgan,

Electrical Engineer

Dan Nelson, PHF SM

Restaurant/Fast Food

Michelle Nicholson, PHF SM

Communications

Donatello Nobatti

Top Secret Strategy

Rick Owen (2) PHF PHS RLI 2

Non-Profit Management

Mary Plummer, PHF

Real Estate Sales

Lyndon Poff, PHF SM RotY

Paint & Body Shop

Diane Poff, PHF SM

Paint & Body Shop

Eric Polson (1)

Collision Repair

Jan Pooley, (12) PHF SM BS RotY*

RLI 3 RLIDL

Department Store

Charlie Potts, PHF SM*

Jeweler

Fred Pryor, PHF SM RotY*

Utility Service-Gas

Dusty Ricketts, SM RLI 2

News Media

John Roper, PHF RLI 2

Developmental Disabilities

Dick Rynearson

Honorary Member

Eulice Shelley, PHF *

Moving & Storage

Jessica Simpson

Lighting Sales

Matt Simpson

Insurance and Bonding

Scott Smith, PHF SM*

Chiropractor

Oxana Solovieva (2)

Commercial Real Estate

Rick Stevens, PHF SM RotY* RLI 3

RLIDL

Surge Suppression Systems

Herb Tinsley, PHF SM RotY*

Savings & Loan Mgmt.

Forrest Townsend, PHF SM RotY*

Veterinarian

Alex Trum, PHF

Orthodontist Retired

Matt Turpin, SM

Certified Public Accountant

Aaron Webber, (2) PHF SM * RLI2

Condo Management

Charles West, (3) PHF BS SM*

Investment Broker

Jean Woo, PHF

Dentist

Jack Yeiser, PHF

Mortgage Broker

Russ Youngblood PHF **

Psychologist

Matt Zasada

CPA

Recent Attendance

1/02 50.9%

1/09 72.4%

1/16 61.0%

1/23 59.6%

Jan To Date 61.1%

PH: Paul Harris Fellows

PHS: Paul Harris Society

MD: Major Donor

BS: Bequest Society

SM: PH Sustaining Members

* FWB Club Past Presidents

** Past President Other Clubs

RotY: FWB Rotarian of the Year

RLI1/2/3—Level Completed

RLI DL—RLI Discussion Leader

Members in purple have perfect attendance.