

Rep. Richard Corcoran, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, will be the guest speaker at the March Panhandle Tiger Bay Club meeting.

The meeting will be held on **Friday, March 17, at New World Landing**. Lunch will be served at **11:30 AM** and the program will begin at **noon**.

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March Meeting: Richard Corcoran



Rep. Richard Corcoran, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives

Corcoran grew up in Pasco County Florida, having moved there when he was 11. His parents were both veterans of World War II. His father was an American soldier and his mother, a daughter of a British tea-planter, served in the Women's Auxiliary Air Force during the London Blitz.



Upcoming Meetings

April 21: Dr. Troy Shoemaker, President of Pensacola Christian College

May 19: Senator Jack Latvala, Chair, Florida Senate Appropriations Committee

June 16: Dr. Rodney Guttman, Director for Center on Aging at UWF



Panhandle Tiger Bay Club gives you what you can't get anywhere else! The quality speakers we have been bringing you cost the Club. We have established a Sponsorship Committee to find sponsors to help fund these esteemed guest speakers. If you are interested in your business being a sponsor, please contact Glenda Raines, Sponsorship Committee Chairman at 850-995-0769.

We offer 4 sponsorship packages:

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One of five siblings-including a twin sister, Corcoran thrived in the athletic fields of Pasco and excelled at tennis, golf and basketball.

Corcoran attended St. Leo College, where he graduated in 1989, and Regent University, where he received his Juris Doctor in 1996. He also had the honor of serving six years in the United States Naval Reserves.

He is married to his wife, Anne, and they have six children. They currently reside in Land O' Lakes, Florida.

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Greetings from the President

Dear Fellow Tigers,

There is a quote attributed to Judge Gideon Tucker that "No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session."

On March 7, 2017, the Florida Legislature convenes for its regular session.

During this session, in addition to disputes over budget and taxes, several issues will be discussed, decided and directed toward the lives and futures of Panhandle residents: Triumph Gulf Coast and the allocation of funds stemming from the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, the future of Enterprise Florida and Visit Florida, implementation of Amendment 2, changes to Florida's Capital Punishment and Concealed Carry laws, infrastructure, and numerous measures on school choice and higher education. The Panhandle has more at stake in this legislative session than any other region of Florida.

Historically, the Panhandle has produced many senior leaders in Florida Government: Senator Dempsey Barron, Senator W.D. Childers, Speaker Bo Johnson, and Senator Don Gaetz. While studying Florida Government in graduate and law school, I was always proud that Governor Reuben Askew-considered by many scholars to be one of America's best and most effective governors-was from Pensacola! Today, we count among our club's current and former members three members of the Florida Legislature: Representative Frank White, former Representative Mike Hill, and our co-founder, former Senator John Broxson.

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As the Florida Legislature prepares for its 2018 session, we are very fortunate to host Representative Richard Corcoran, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, on Friday, March 17, 2017. Speaker Corcoran may prove to be the strongest and most significant Speaker of the Florida House we have seen in many years, so we certainly appreciate the fact that he is sharing his time with us during the legislative session. This is an exceptional opportunity for Panhandle Tiger Bay, and we are especially grateful to Representative Hill for his assistance in getting Speaker Corcoran to address us.

In addition to Speaker Corcoran, Panhandle Tiger Bay will host Senator Jack Latvala, Chair of the Florida Senate's Appropriations Committee in May. Jeff and the Tiger Bay team will continue to bring the best and most informed experts and leaders to address our club.

Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton Counties comprise only 3.7% of Florida's population. When we look at the legislative session ahead of us and what is at stake, we should note the fact that Panhandle Tiger Bay ensures that our leaders in Florida and Washington, D.C., those who are elected and unelected, do not discount us.

There are many good reasons to be part of Panhandle Tiger Bay. Keeping the Panhandle on the map and in the minds of Tallahassee is one of them!

Sincerely,
Edwin Howard
President
Panhandle Tiger Bay Club

February Meeting featuring Daniel Connolly

Please see the attached link for a video of Daniel Connolly addressing the Panhandle Tiger Bay Club.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dm9A5-ficog>

■ Pictures Welcome!


We'd love to include pictures from members or guests of our meetings. Please forward to panhandletigerbay@gmail.com.

Welcome to our newest members!

**Nancy Brefka
Dr. Judith Ring
Steven Specht
Ed Stanford
Cheryl Weir
Charles Williams**

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