

Rotary



Club of Stuart-Sunrise

Club Meeting

Stuart-Sunrise
Meets at Monarch Country
Club
1801 SW Monarch Club Dr,
Palm City, FL
Palm City, FL 34990
Time: Thursday at 07:30
AM

Speakers

October 29, 2020

[Keith Fletcher, CEO, Boys
and Girls Club of Martin
County](#)

November 12, 2020

[Brenda Dickerson, LAHIA](#)

Birthdays



Linda Weiksner
October 16th



John J. Fedorek
November 2nd



John Robitaille
November 20th

Club Member Anniversaries



John J. Fedorek
11-01-1990
30 Years



Thomas
Whittington
11-01-2007
13 Years

Rotary News - October 15, 2020

See you next week at Monarch on October 29th (\$15) at 7:30. Speaker is Keith Fletcher, CEO of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Martin County.

Golf and Tennis Tourney is Saturday, November 7th at Monarch!

October 15 meeting featured Carol Houwaart -Diez, Pres. of United Way
Hap Mills gave the prayer and we pledged allegiance to the US flag.

Jason reminded everyone of the upcoming golf outing on Saturday, Nov. 7 at Monarch. Sue added that we have 14 foresomes so there is room for a few more teams.

Dictionary update

Harry and Jason have been in touch with both RI and Martin County Educators. Virtual learning has added a new wrinkle to our annual distribution of Dictionaries to all 3rd graders in our schools. Options include distribution of the books next semester if regular classes begin or doing both 3rd and 4th grades next year. Stay tuned as we move towards 2021!

Interact hard at work.

Nick Lynch, president of the Clark Center Interact Club announced that the members are raising funds for UNICEF projects covering food and water. Jason advised him to ♦pass the hat♦ and the club donated \$92 to their effort.

Happy and Sad

Sue led off with sad dollars for Virginia Tech♦s loss to UNC The Mills had happy bucks for their pro teams LA Rams and Buffalo! Bob Swan has a daughter visiting, Mike D. returned from exploring the great outdoors in Yellowstone Park and the Grand Tetons! Larry had a happy buck for being back at Rotary! Gene reminded members of our Alzheimers research efforts through the CART program (www.cartfund.org)

Dr. Rex announced that he had suffered a heart attack in late March and was rushed to Cleveland Clinic for some quick repairs. He feels much better, thanks. Ken Furcron helped a fellow printer retire and merged the business into his on Dixie Highway! Tom W. has acquired 2 new tennis racquets and sold another sailboat! Robert Wesch is ready for Halloween and Linda is heading to Gainesville for Saturday with her kids!

United Way and COVID-19 Relief Fund and More!

By David Shoaf

Carol Houwaart-Diez, President and CEO of the United Way of Martin County, talked about coordinating with County officials to maximize the relief efforts in the area. A request to the public by United Way for \$200,000 for economic help resulted in over \$260,000 being raised. These funds helped establish the County♦s COVID-10 Relief Fund to underwrite rent, mortgage and utilities aid to our residents (www.unitedwaymartin.org/Cares). The partnership grew to include Martin County Board of

Commissioners, House of Hope and Salvation Army working together to help our residents. Funds went to Meals on Wheels, Gertrude Walden Center, Hobe Sound flood cleanup and food distribution through the County fire and rescue workers.

The County received \$1.75 million in state and Federal funds and \$545,000 was earmarked for food. Another \$500,00 was set aside for mental health programs dealing with the isolation, depression and anxiety impacts. Groups include Murray Middle School, ProjectLift and other mental health groups. In all 44 programs and 33 agencies received \$1.87 million in help.

United Way is adjusting their programs to cope with COVID. Look for new guidelines for Toys for Tots collection and distribution as well as prepackaging holiday food baskets. Other United Way programs continued including Character Counts, Tools for Success (school supplies) and volunteer outreach.

The United Way regular programs are raising \$2.6 million for 2021 needs. Volunteers are needed in business and community fundraising efforts to help groups like Safe Space, Boys and Girls Cubs and more. (cares@unitedwaymartin.org).

