

Our club joined together Tuesday September 14th for an in-person meeting. There were more familiar faces in attendance ready to engage in our community of rotary! We had the pleasure of hearing from two of our club grant recipients, Ginger West of the Family Resource Center and Sharon Autry from Inverness Middle School.

Ginger advised us that the grant they received was to be used to assist folks that are not considered by federal standards to be "homeless". They are the displaced, working poor who are without their own shelter because they cannot make enough money to meet the financial commitments for establishing a rental agreement. Ginger has selected two individuals that she will assist to make that next step.

Sharon Autry, the Media Specialist at IMS, received a grant to implement a new and very exciting program she calls "the maker space" which she will offer to select 6-8<sup>th</sup> graders. The program based on STEM principles will focus the students on invention, problem solving, product development and the language of business and decorum. There will group problem solving and have exposure to books, business owners and an opportunity to engage in business ideas and decision-making processes. What a great idea and a great age group to reach out to!

Our fundraising raising efforts through our fabulous brewfest are already making a difference in people's lives.

#### Other News:

\*Cooter Pond "Save our Waters" clean up event this Saturday. Meet by cooter pond before 8am. Contact Michael Dandurand....[Michael@slaymakerlaw.com](mailto:Michael@slaymakerlaw.com)

\*Board Meeting – Sept. 23 at noon at the CWOW. Should also be offered on zoom

\*Bowling Social – Sept 25 Sportsman's Bowl 6-8 pm. Let Lora Wilson know you are coming!  
[lorawilsonlaw@gmail.com](mailto:lorawilsonlaw@gmail.com)

\*Library Book sale Table setup – Sept 29 at 8 am at the County Auditorium. Sign up, show up!

CELEBRATING 50+ YEARS OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF INVERNESS....now is the time to raise your hand and say yes I would be glad to help. The events are on Oct 15 ad 16 and while many of the plans are already in place, there will be a great need for help before the events unfold. You may be asked to be a part of a particular effort or be boots on the ground. Either way.....YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU! Contact Eloy or Lace to see where you can fit in.....[lanceblue@gmail.com](mailto:lanceblue@gmail.com) or [elnunez@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:elnunez@tampabay.rr.com)

50/50 went to Bob Cohen \$25.00

Happy/sad \$160

Thank you to all that have been bringing in their cans for CART. Keep up the good work. We CAN make a difference.