



Club Meeting

Homestead
Meets at Homestead
Veterans of Foreign
Wars (VFW)
Homestead Veterans of
Foreign Wars (VFW)
601 NE 2nd Rd
Homestead, FL 33030
Time: Wednesday at
12:15 PM

Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Phil Marraccini

PLEDGE led by Louie Melara

BIRTHDAYS: Louie Melara's Birthday was October 11

Call to Order

October 13, 2021

Rotary President Roxanne Jeghers opened the meeting at 12:11 pm at the VFW, 12 Rotarians and the speaker.

Lunches at the VFW start serving at 11:30 AM. Rotary meetings start at 12:15. Please confirm attendance with Roxanne prior to Wednesday meetings, although accommodations will be made for guests. The VFW is known as the "friendly" club, located at 601 NE 2nd Road, on the point with 601 NE 6th Avenue - it's behind the Homestead Power plant, next to Pioneer Park tennis courts.

Club Officers



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Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Craig Pearce
November 10th

Years of Service

Robert S. Harris
11-01-1979
42 Years

Michael J. Marcus
11-01-1988
33 Years

Erik D. Tietig
11-15-2000
21 Years

Craig Pearce
10-01-2014
7 Years

M. Jeannette Varela
11-06-2019
2 Years

Marcel Zangger
10-07-2020

Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

Rotary's guest today was our speaker:
Gabriela Crespo of First Horizon Bank

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Rotary prime rib dinner will be held Friday December 3 at the Dickinson Community Center. Tickets are \$40 each. Tentatively, there will be a DJ, a few quality silent auction items, door prize, and drawings for our two raffles.

Homestead Rotary is raffling off a Yeti cooler filled with booze at \$20 a ticket/6 for \$100, drawing December 3.



Raffle #2 separate tickets sold for a 2 night Bimini stay with ferry transportation, also drawn with at the Prime Rib Dinner Dec. 3.

Homestead Hospital is hosting the Second Annual Halloween Drive, a drive-thru event at the Homestead-Miami Speedway. There will be 30 themed booths hosted by "community partners". The Hospital expects 2000 cars to participate. Booths are free if you register with Margaret Sotham at the Hospital.

NEW DATES FOR HOMESTEAD ROTARY
2022 Seafood Festival - March 12 & 13!
Our vendors assure us plenty of fresh seafood will still be in season!

CITY NEWS:

Homestead's Mayor Steve Losner recapped the Council meeting of October 13. Two proposed developers of the old City Hall property presented their plans to Council. No decision was made but both were invited back November 17 to brief on their plans and perhaps a decision will be made. Also approved was the Public Art Plan, after eleven years on the books. It was presented with a tentative work plan for Art in Public Places development around the City. Developer of the shotgun houses asked for more time to seek public subsidies for senior citizen housing and the amendment was narrowly approved. Council also accepted its annual grant from the state for the Seminole Theatre.

General Election Tuesday November 3 for Homestead Mayor, one Council seat and questions to amend the City Charter. Election turnout in the Primary was 8%.

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS

No formal presentations today.

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Today's Speaker/Program

Gabriela Crespo from First Horizon Bank moved to Homestead to run the local branch, acquired with the acquisition of Capital Bank in 2017. First Horizon is from Memphis, TN, 155 years old and it acquired Iberia Bank in 2019 making it an \$84 billion bank = big & strong. Gabriela's position as senior VP is to consult, not sell. New to the bank are a trust department and wealth management. She is very optimistic about the opportunities for business locally. Their headquarters is at Krome & Campbell. Discussion of the application of the Dodd-Frank Act and timing of interest rate changes occurred. She sees interest staying flat through the 2022 election as people wait to see what will happen.

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Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars:

Happy (& sad) Dollars donated by:
Julio Guzman, Dale Machesic, Marcel Zangger, Jeannette Varela, Larry Diehl, Phil Marraccini, and Moe (\$5) for the military golf tournament.

Fines

Fines : Jeannette Varela for taking her badge home (but confessing!)
Dale Machesic for threatening the Sgt.-at-Arms!



Today's Raffle

Raffle pot was \$275

No joker pulled so ROLLOVER.
TEN cards REMAINING!
Odds are good next week!!!

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:07 pm
with recitation of the Four Way Test.



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District 6990 Meetings updates at:
<http://rotary6990.org/index.php/club-locations/>

Also Worldwide Club Finder at Rotary International website for history, causes, programming, news, and membership issues (like Club Finder):
<https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs>