



Club Meeting

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



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Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Craig Pearce
November 10th
William Duquette
November 14th
Ronald J. Dorris
November 20th
Adolfo Pichardo
November 27th
Stephen Shelley
December 1st

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

Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Tom Witherell

PLEDGE led by Steve Losner

BIRTHDAYS: No Rotarian Birthdays this week.

Call to Order

November 3, 2021

Sgt. at Arms Louie Melara opened the meeting at 12:15 pm at the VFW, 15 Rotarians present in-person plus our guest speaker Cate McCaffrey.

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.



Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

No guests this week.
The Club has speakers scheduled for three weeks in November.

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Rotary prime rib dinner will be held Friday December 3 at the Dickinson Community Center. Tickets are \$40 each. There will be a DJ, a few quality silent auction items, door prize, and drawings for our two raffles. Tickets go on sale November 4. Flyers are available for advertising.

21 Years
Craig Pearce
10-01-2014
7 Years
M. Jeannette Varela
11-06-2019
2 Years
Marcel Zangger
10-07-2020
1 Year
Katherine Rubio
12-02-2020
1 Year

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 at the Prime Rib Dinner Dec. 3.

HOMESTEAD ROTARY 2022 Seafood Festival will be held March 12 & 13! Vendors will sell non-alcoholic drinks, Rotary has the cash bar. Our vendors assure us plenty of fresh seafood will be in season!

CITY NEWS:
Homestead's Mayor Steve Losner deferred to our guest speaker, the City Manager. The Mayor's win in yesterday's election was the subject of much congratulations. Additionally, Rotarian Julio Guzman was elected Vice Mayor. SEE happy dollars for having two Rotarians in City Council's administration.

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS
No formal presentations today, although the City Manager brought Keep Homestead Beautiful T-shirts for all attendees, promoting the new anti-dumping and -litter campaign.

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Today's Speaker/Program

City Manager Cate McCaffrey addressed the Club on City issues. Downtown redevelopment stopped with COVID but now there have been four letters of interest on renting space at Homestead Station, plus Jalene's Sweets next to Losner Park and Escape, a bar/bakery, across the street. Losner Park will soon reopen, 3X the size it was before. Two companies are competing for redevelopment of Old City Hall as mixed use residential/commercial to add to nightlife. The MDC Student Center is due to open in spring 2023 and SMART transit about the same time. Improvements to English Avenue as a City entrance have started. A Sprouts grocery and a Target will open next year at the Pavillion shopping center on the east side. Cate read through an long list of multi-million dollar grants the City expects for projects around town and promoted the City Beautiful trash pick-up volunteer occasions. The new budget includes two new Code enforcement officers too. Council heard about cameras in the City, a contract out to bid. There is a consultant looking at use of electric power by a bitcoin mining operation, whether it will be to the City's advantage. The truck by-pass on Krome is awaiting FDOT's signage installation. She closed with the Sports Park. Due to cost, the first Phase coasting about \$7.5 million will start in early 2022 with a push through grants. Also a Parks Master Plan should be done in six months to plan the Parks to People ideal ratio for Homestead. The Mayor also mentioned the linear park proposed on old rail lines at NW 10th Avenue as a new project.

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Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars:

The purpose of Happy Dollars can't always be heard in the rush at the close of meetings. Today, Happy Dollar donors were Phil Mazure (\$4), Anna Alvarez, Larry Diehl, Moe Haksza (\$20) and Quinton Dobbins (\$20) of Mayor Losner & Vice Mayor Guzman's election win and for both being Rotarians. Louie Melara (\$20), Jeannette Valera, Dale Machesic, Barry Burak, and Roxanne Jeghers.

Fines

Fines : Jeannette Valera (badge), Mark ben Asher (badge), Tom Jones (late, leaving early, not signing in), Adolfo Pichardo (not signing in), Roxanne Jeghers (late), Larry Diehl (phone), and Julio Guzman (because)

Moe collected donations for the Soup Kitchen.



Today's Raffle

The Club raffle was won last week, so no new raffle was started this week.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 pm with recitation of the Four Way Test.



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<http://rotary6990.org/index.php/club-locations/>

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<https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs>