



Club Meeting

Homestead
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601 NE 2nd Rd
Homestead, FL 33030
Time: Wednesday at
12:15 PM



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Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

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
21 Years
Craig Pearce

Homestead Rotary 2021 Prime Rib Tribute Dinner

Wednesday, November 3, 2021



**ROTARY CLUB OF HOMESTEAD
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.**

Smoked Prime Rib Dinner

**HONORING
JOHN MAAS**

Sponsored by Mayor Steve Losner
& Councilman Sean Fletcher

Friday, December 3rd, 2021

Doors open at 6:00pm • Dinner served at 6:30-8:00pm
Followed by Program, Entertainment, Cash Bar & More

Homestead Community Center
1601 N Krome Ave.
Homestead, FL 33030

Tickets: \$40.00 each
Reserved Table
for 8: \$320.00

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Major Sponsor: \$2,500 (includes table for 10) Gold Sponsor: \$1,000 Silver Sponsor: \$500

Tickets Available at:

South Dade News Leader
Monday - Friday
305-245-2311
125 NE 8th St., Suite 2

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305-246-0003
1470 N. Homestead Blvd.

Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Tom Witherell

PLEDGE led by Phil Mazure

BIRTHDAYS: Rotarian Craig Pearce's Birthday on November 10.

Call to Order

November 10, 2021

President Roxanne Jeghers opened the meeting at 12:15 pm at the VFW, 10 Rotarians present in-person plus two guests including our speaker, Karen Browning from the Soup Kitchen.

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.

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



Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

Guests were Karen Brindle who handles the Soup Kitchen's office and Karen Browning who manages the kitchen. There is an opening for a Director who must have amazing work skills, communication ability, and grant experience - and volunteer for the fulltime position that doesn't pay anything.

Next week's speaker is Joe Altschul, Rotary District 6990's Foundation giving chair, a dynamic speaker with an important message for Homestead Rotary just before its first fundraiser since the pandemic.

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Rotary prime rib dinner will be held Friday December 3 at the Dickinson Community Center. Tickets are \$40 each. All Rotarians are expected to participate. There will be a DJ, a few quality silent auction items, door prize, and drawings for our two raffles. Auction items are still needed. Flyers are available for advertising.

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. Planning continues as soon as the Prime Rib dinner ends!

Homestead Rotary got two District grants this year. The first was for Thanksgiving turkey dinner give-aways to 53 families from Rodando Elementary. Two Rotarians with a truck are needed on TUESDAY NOVEMBER 23 (AM) to load the turkeys - then help is also needed to pack the dinners. Each dinner box will feed six to eight people for two full meals, with leftovers. Turkeys are confirmed from Publix (altho difficult to get this year) and weight 14 to 16 pounds. Two more Rotarians are needed Tuesday 11/23 afternoon to help load the dinner boxes in client cars.

Working with The Education Fund, charitable arm of the Miami-Dade School system, Homestead Rotary is helping build a FOOD FOREST garden at Avocado Elementary. Rotarians are needed the FIRST FULL WEEK OF DECEMBER for planting day with pictures! Rotary is paying part of the contractor costs for gravel paths, pavers, outdoor furniture, and trees for the garden. Students, parents and Rotarians can help with our donation of the cost of the plants. Please mark this event on your calendars; more information next week.

CITY NEWS:
Homestead's Mayor Steve Losner announced the City Manager,

Cate McCaffrey who spoke to our Rotary Club last week, has submitted her resignation effective February 9. She is truly retiring/retiring to enjoy her pensions and reflect on her successful career in Homestead. Rotary wishes her good luck. The Mayor said Council approved expenditure of premium pay for police and City staff from federal COVID monies. The remainder of the money (about \$18 million) to be distributed is still being discussed.

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS

No formal presentations today.

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Today's Speaker/Program

Karen Browning who runs the Soup Kitchen meal service shared that they service 11,384 meals in the first three months of this year, up from 3964 last year. Meals have been served by the Soup Kitchen since 1983, Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Bill Losner donated their building in 1990 and Rotary recently contributed to their new industrial stove. Needs include newer electrical work, a walk-in cooler, and more storage. Juanita Smith served as director fro 1992-2015 - its said she trained the clientele so everyone is well-behaved. A new fulltime Director is needed. The Soup Kitchen already has its turkey donations for November 24 but asked that they not be forgotten in spring and summer.

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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 Marraccini, Adolfo Picardo, Steve Losner, Phil Mazure and Moe Hakssa.

Fines

Fines : In the absence of the Sgt.-at-Arms, fines were suspended today.

Moe collected donations for the Soup Kitchen.



Today's Raffle

Instead of a new Raffle pot today, those present were asked to contribute to the Soup Kitchen can.

Adjournment

The Club held a brief open discussion on the details for the December 3 Prime Rib dinner, and shared some details on the planning for the Seafood Festival set for March 2022.

The meeting adjourned at 1:19 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>