



Club Meeting

Homestead
Meets at Capri
Restaurant - Gallery
Room
Capri Restaurant 935 N
Krome Ave
Florida City, FL 33040
Time: Wednesday at
12:15 PM



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Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Jeffrey Murray
June 9th
Chris Doherty
June 20th
William Losner
June 21st

Call to Order

June 17, 2020

President Phil Marraccini called the Rotary meeting to order at 12:14 - ZOOM coverage began earlier.

Invocation/Pledge/Song

The invocation was by Phil Marraccini.
The pledge was led by Larry Diehl.

The 10 members present plus 2 on ZOOM recited the 4-Way test at adjournment.

Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

District Governor Ray Williams attended by ZOOM to share information about the District Training Assembly this past weekend, news on the new Rotary Year, and to present the Homestead Club with an award.



Robert S. Harris
June 22nd
Richard S. Glosser
July 1st

Years of Service

Robert S. Harris
11-01-1979
41 Years
Michael J. Marcus
11-01-1988
32 Years
Erik D. Tietig
11-15-2000
20 Years
Craig Pearce
10-01-2014
6 Years
M. Jeannette Varela
11-06-2019
1 Year



Announcements

President Phil announced there are no more food give-aways in the Club's immediate future. Members can still volunteer to join Farm Share on Tuesday June 23 starting at 7 am, at the Government Center on US1 and the Turnpike for a food distribution event.

Phil was tasked with buying a shipping container for storage. After getting five quotes, he found a forty foot non-working refrigerator unit (stainless steel so no rusting) for \$2000; the unit was prepped, decorated and insulated for use for \$600 and is ready for delivery at \$275. Many thanks to Rotary member Bob Houston for allowing the unit to be placed on his land.

The Club is working internally on bylaw changes, soon to be reported. Check was delivered to the Soup Kitchen. Former Rotarian deGrave is purchasing the fishing trailer for \$1500 that stores Club fishing equipment. The Club is also shopping for a podium incorporating a sound system for regular use at meetings.

The officer installation ceremony is on July 1 noon as a set lunch - at Four-Eight restaurant because the Capri is closed that week. Choice of 1 of 3 lunches to be conveyed to Phil for regular Rotary cost; the Club is picking up the tab for the rest plus gratuities. Four-Eight on Krome Avenue is next door to the Seminole Theatre.

The Military Affairs Council plans a Vegas Night at the Redland Country Club on Friday July 24 and is holding a raffle for a large generator, tickets are \$25 or 5 for \$100.

Today's Speaker/Program Rotarian Anna Alvarez shared her impressions of the Rotary District Training Assembly last week, including the inspirational speeches by Jennifer Jones of Canada and incoming Rotary President-elect Holger Knack. She attended the Rotaract part of the concurrent training on Rotaract Clubs. Only 5% of Rotaract members become Rotarians. Rules were changed so Rotaractors can stay with the Club rather than aging-out or having to become Rotarians. Anna also had news about the other types of Rotary Clubs available for sponsorship.

HOMESTEAD ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP EVENT

was well-attended. A special Thank You is due Al Garcia at the Speedway who allowed ROTARY use of the facility.

Seven college students received Rotary scholarships to continue their advanced education:

Phanesia Pharel is attending Columbia, Jonah Hunt goes to NOVA, FIU is the college of Karla Melian and Veronica Claro, Jasmine Rubio and Kristen Benn attend Florida State, and Audrey Daugherty goes to University of Florida.

High school seniors receiving scholarships to attend college included eight students from MAST Academy in Homestead:

Roseline Seus, Aaliyah Fuller, Christian Fernandez, Natalia Fermin, Aya Asouti, Emily Mantila, Sthefany Gomez and Saiyara Raaida.

Four students from South Dade High School got awards: Alyssa Zamudio, Christopher Napoles, Diana Montero, and Jaimee Labanino.

The Center for International Education on Campbell Drive placed two scholars in the program: Mohammed Elahi and Rolando Angulo. Coral Reef High School scholar Delayni Etienne and Southridge High graduate Logan Alvarez received scholarships as did Homestead High School's Gianni Martinez and Palmetto High's Gabriela Conde.



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Presentations

District Governor Ray Williams praised the Homestead Rotary Club as one of fifteen District award-winners for its COVID response. The Club regularly offers ZOOM attendance and participation at meetings, which the Governor said was especially good for getting speakers. The award recognizes how Homestead engages Rotary members and continues projects providing community support.

President Phil noted Rotary International's marketing team director Amanda Gose emailed that RI was inspired by the Club's projects on food distributions and asked for a contact at Channel 10 News to distribute video clips from the Club's press coverage.

CITY NEWS:

Rotarian Mayor Steve Losner said Homestead is still working with FEMA for damages from Hurricane Irma three years ago. The City cataloged damages of \$12.9 million for claims but only received \$1.4 million in reimbursement. The money was taken from City reserves so that any future hurricane means there's no money for restoration and recovery. One claims adjustor of 28 (!) made a negative remark which held up the process. The thousands of pages of claims submission have been resubmitted several times. Steve was leaving for a conference call with the Florida's US Senators' offices about the issue.

The reduction in gas tax revenues caused Florida to reduce Homestead's revenue share by 77%, a loss of \$750,000 in this year's budget.

City Council meets virtually this afternoon but will have a live meeting in July where land use issues could be discussed. A live meeting requires a Council quorum be physically present.

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, November 13 Prime Rib dinner at the Harris Field pavillion. Club is discussing the details.

Rotary ZOOM meetings set for noon on Wednesdays, for the following dates:
June 24, 2020 noon
tentative: July 1, 2020 noon

Join the Zoom Meeting with this link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/429354446?pwd=VW5rc3NUY01NYWJvZ0dUdDZYXFGUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6871 5337

Password: 457708

Type in the password when prompted and be patient until the HOST let's you in the meeting; this could take several minutes beyond the noon schedule. You can mute your line on the screen, appear with or without a picture, and you can type a message to the host in the margin.

BIRTHDAYS: Chris Doherty on June 20

Bill Losner on June 21

Bob Harris on June 22

[Read More](#)

Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars: No Happy Dollars this week.

[Today's Raffle No Raffle this week.](#)

Fines NO FINES!!

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:09 pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday June 17 at noon

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Members of the Rotary Club of Homestead Listing Their Company Name, Website, and Company Phone. (Send me your info drmendbone@aol.com)

Rotarian Jeannette Varela - Casa Tranquila event venue www.casatranquilamiami.com (305) 803-8325

Rotarian Terri Ellis - Residential Mortgages tellis@centerstatebank.com (305)588-5348

Rotarian Richard Glosser-Orthopedic Surgery- www.Homesteadbones.com (305)248-6311

Rotarian Louis R Melara, CCIM, ALC - Commercial, Agricultural, and Residential Real Estate for The Keyes Company - www.louismelara.keyes.com - (305)281-9472

Rotarian Philippe Mazure, DC - Homestead Chiropractic Clinic - www.homesteadchiro.com - (305)247-2804

Rotarian Phil Marracchini, - Phil's Berry Farm, home of Red Barn Estates - www.philsberryfarm.com and www.redbarnestate.com - (305) 905-2284

Rotarian Anna R Alvarez - Private Spanish Tutoring - anna.r.alvarez@gmail.com (786) 280-2328)

South Dade Community Links

If any links throughout the bulletin don't seem to work with routine left clicks, try right mouse click which may allow you to open the link in a new window.

Redlandview.com/Events/

SouthDadeChamber.org/

HomesteadCenterfortheArts.org/

[Old Town Hall Museum](#)

New/Events From Our Interact Clubs

Interact Club of MAST Academy of Homestead has been registered with Rotary for the academic year with the agreement of faculty advisor Michael Gustin, giving the Club the ability to participate in Rotary events outside the school property.

Where Clubs Meet in District 6990

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

Also Worldwide Club Finder for Rotary Internation: <https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs>