

Rotary

Club of Fort Lauderdale



[The Rotary Tarpon](#)

Monday, March 18, 2024



Club Meeting

Fort Lauderdale
Meets at Global Event
Center
416 NE 1st St Entrance B
Second Floor
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
Time: Wednesday at 12:15
PM

Events

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Speaker: Speaker: Sara Nunez
Subject: PACE Center for Girls

March 27th
[Monthly Club Social](#)
Speaker: Social
Subject: Club Social

April 3rd
[Rotary Weekly Meeting](#)
Speaker: Club Meeting
Subject: Club Meeting

April 10th
[Rotary Weekly Meeting](#)
Speaker: Speaker: Frank Gernert/FIND
Subject: Speaker: Frank Gernert/FIND

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Rotary Weekly Hybrid Meeting

Rotary Weekly Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 12:15 pm



Speaker: Sara Nuñez
Executive Director, Pace Center for Girls

We meet at the Global Event Center, 416 NE 1st Street, for the live meeting.
Join us at noon. The meeting will begin at 12:15 pm.
Email rotaryftlaud@gmail.com with questions.

A lunch buffet is provided by Hugh's Catering.

Parking Update: December 6, 2023:

Please note that on Wednesdays during our lunch meetings, we have free parking if you arrive between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

If you arrive after 12:30 p.m., please be sure to pay for the time you need to avoid getting a ticket.

[Click here](#) on Wednesday anytime after 12:00 to participate in the Zoom meeting.

You can also dial in, but you will not see the PowerPoint or video feeds.
To dial in call: 646-558-8656 and use this Meeting ID: 954 424 0731
Password: 275406

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St Patrick's Day Float and Parade Photos

**Thank you to all of the volunteers who
built the float and to those who came on
Saturday to ride (or walk) with us!**

**A special thank-you to Jon Hines and CBI
for providing the trailer.**

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Birthdays

No Birthdays Found

Years of Service

Karen Stevenson
03-21-2001
23 Years



Jorg, Mike and St. George working into the night.



Friday - Working on the finishing touches.



How tall ARE you, Jon?



Thanks for your help, Artun (proposed member)
Mike, Mark & Olivia



Adrienne proudly displays her banner design.



Thank you to Past District Governor Alan Cohn for joining us!



Joseph helping with finishing touches



JD and Brenda



Barbara, Lee Anne, Victoria and Maggie May



Post parade lunch at the Riverside





Back to CBI before dismantling.

Rotary Cares Project



ROTARY CARES PROJECT

PLEASE HELP US PUT A SMILE ON A CHILD'S FACE!

Our hearts go out to help our neighbors in need, especially our youngest children. Each year somewhere around two hundred elementary school students in Fort Lauderdale experience homelessness. The Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale, in collaboration with the City of Fort Lauderdale and other local partners, is collecting food and comfort items to replenish resource rooms at North Fork, Thurgood Marshall, Westwood Heights, and Walker Elementary Schools. Our liaisons at these schools will use these resource rooms to prepare personalized family care packages that will provide school supplies and minimum necessities for a dignified, safe, and healthy life to homeless families.

Here are four ways you, your business or organization can make a difference:

1. Start your own personal collection drive for select new or gently used items.
2. Go to our Amazon Wishlist and purchase essential items.
3. Donate to the Rotary 1090 Foundation to purchase comfort items for our kids.
4. Host a collection drop-off location.

[Click here to shop our wish list on Amazon.](#)

[Click here to see a list of items needed.](#) (Highlighted items)

[Click here to make a donation through our 1090 Foundation.](#)

Deadline: April 5, 2024

For more information and drop off locations, contact:
Jorg Hruschka at Jhruschka@fortlauderdale.gov.

Rotarians Honoring Rotarians Registration



Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale
Inaugural Annual Luncheon
ROTARIANS HONORING ROTARIANS

May 1, 2024, 11:30 - 1:30
First Baptist Church - Global Event Center
416 N.E. 1st Street, Fort Lauderdale



Bob Swindell
President and CEO
Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance
Keynote Speaker
and Emcee



Greg Chavarria
Fort Lauderdale
City Manager



Lisa Scott-Founds
President and CEO
Winterfest, Inc.



Christine Madsen
President and CEO
Mad 4 Marketing



Dr. Ziya Celik
General Surgeon

Advanced registration required by April 24th
Club members: Free
Guests: \$30
Register and buy tickets at www.rotaryfortlauderdale.org
Linda Cooke 954.494.7779
John Aquino 954.298.0747
Barbara Sanchez 954.873.0967



Members and Guests: [Please Register](#)
Guests: [Click to Purchase Tickets](#)

RLI Fort Lauderdale

ROTARY DISTRICT 6990 LEADERSHIP TRAINING



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MARCH 23, 2024
8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Keiser University
1500 NW 49th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309?

Parts 1, 2 and 3 will be offered along with a Graduate class TBA.
Breakfast, Lunch and all materials for \$100.

[Click Here To Register in DACdb.](#)

Upcoming Service Projects

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Here is an update of the service projects scheduled for Spring. We do not have exact dates for everything, but please keep these projects in mind and be on the lookout for more information. If you would like to help with any of these projects, please contact the chair directly. If you have ideas for new projects, please contact [Kristin LaFleur](#) or [St. George Guardabassi](#).

March

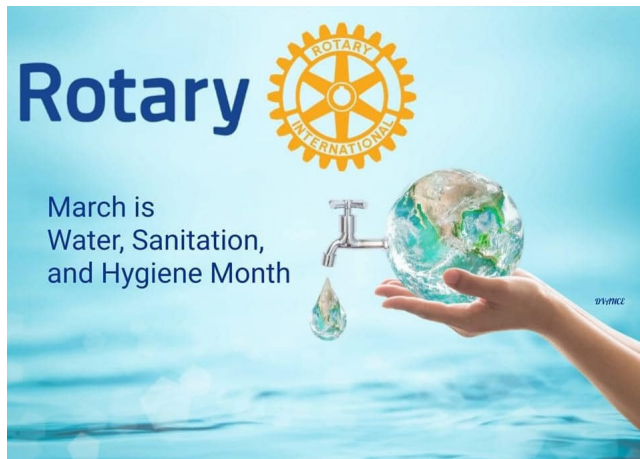
- Waterway Cleanup
- Rotary Cares – April 5 Deadline (contact Jorg Hruschka)

Spring

- LifeNet4Families
- Hispanic Unity Of Florida

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WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE MONTH



At least 3,000 children die each day from diarrheal diseases caused by unsafe water, a grim reminder for Rotary members who make providing clean water and sanitation an organizational priority.

For more information, please visit rotary.org.

Rotary Club Service Projects

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As we begin our Rotary year, here is a quick reminder of the service projects we have on our schedule so far. We do not have exact dates for everything, but please keep these projects in mind and be on the lookout for more information. If you would like to help with any of these projects, please contact the chair directly. If you have ideas for new projects, please contact [Kristin LaFleur](#) or [St. George Guardabassi](#).

- Find Your Way Home - Jorg Hruschka - Select Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Waterway Cleanup - John Perry - Saturday, September 16
- Fast Pitch - Kristin LaFleur - Wednesday, October 4
- Fellowship Recovery - Rick Riccardi - Saturday, October 14
- Holiday Toy Drive - Linda Cooke - October - December
- Thanksgiving Baskets - Steve Botkin - Saturday, November 18
- Salvation Army Bell Ringing - Steve Botkin - December
- Challenge Air - Dan Rizzi - January 26 & 27
- Agape Love Breakfast - Gail Auguston-Koppen - February 9 & 10

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As we continue to embody the spirit of "Service Above Self," we invite you to consider joining one of our dynamic committees. Your unique skills, passions, and dedication can play a pivotal role in creating positive change within our local community and beyond.

Our committees are the heartbeat of our club, and they allow us to focus our efforts and expertise on specific areas that matter most to us. Whether you're passionate about youth development, community service, international projects, or professional networking, we have a committee that aligns with your interests.

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NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS / REQUEST FOR ARTICLES



NEWSLETTER SUGGESTION / ARTICLE REQUEST

Do you have a great idea for our next newsletter? Would you like to see more information on a certain topic? If so, please email your article or suggestions to [Barbara Sanchez](#).

SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday, 10 a.m., for bulletin/newsletter being sent the following Monday.

Club Leaders



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