

# **The Rotary Tarpon**

Sunday, May 12, 2024

# **Rotary Weekly Meeting - Annual Raffle**

Annual Raffle

Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 12:15 p.m.



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 <a href="mailto:rotaryftlaud@gmail.com">rotaryftlaud@gmail.com</a> 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.

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#### **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

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## **Purchase a Raffle Ticket**

Annual Raffle - Support our Scholarships & Service

Win! \$5,000 / \$2,500 / \$1,000 Tickets: \$50 each



Click here to purchase tickets

The drawing will be on May 15th, and you need not be present to win. Thank you for your support!



# **Birthdays**

Romney Campbell Rogers May 14th
Dawn Hanna
May 14th
George Gilbert
May 14th
David Sage
May 15th
Sergio Mello
May 17th
John Aquino
May 17th

## **Years of Service**

No Years Of Service Found

Proceeds support our 1090 Foundation, a 501(c)3 corporation to fund scholarships for deserving high school seniors and community projects.

Email <u>rotaryftlaud@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

# Rotary and Rotary Community Corps Activities - May 11, 18 and 28



### Rotary Community Corps Activities

On Wednesday, May 8, Tony and Jorg re-introduced the Rotary Community Corps (RCC) which our club pledged to support in 2015. RCC members are service-minded individuals who embody the spirit of Service Above Self. They give back to the community just like we do in our Club but cannot make the time and financial commitments that we are privileged to be able to make. President Rick asked for a list of upcoming events when our Rotary Club members can meet like-minded volunteers. Please RSVP to join us at the following events:

# May 11 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, Book Give Away | RSVP required – Limited spaces

Every Child Reads – Nothing Else Matters! Please join the Action For Literacy team to giveaway gently used books at a special event at the L.A. Lee YMCA/Mizell Community Center, 1409 NW 6 St. To register, contact team leader Jorg Hruschka at Jhruschka@fortlauderdale. gov.

# May 18 9:00 am – complete, Lifenet4families – Paint Resource Room and Sort Donations | RSVP required

Did you know that LifeNet4Families offers services to those who are chronically homeless, those who are newly homeless, and who are food insecure. The 3 pillars that essentially supports our services are: food and nutrition, health and wellness, and stability. Our Rotary team would like to assist by painting and organizing their resource room that is open to hundreds of underserved families each month. The team will meet at 1 NW 33rd Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311. There is plenty of on-site parking. Wear clothes you do not mind getting dirty/painted. For more information, contact team leader Les Campbell at <a href="mailto:lescamp78@gmail.com">lescamp78@gmail.com</a>.

# May 25 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, Good Neighbor Day | RSVP required – Limited spaces

The City of Fort Lauderdale and Christian Life Center is collaborating with the faith-based Love Has No Limits organization and other Non-Profits to produce an informative, family friendly, Good Neighbor Days Community Outreach Festival at Walker Elementary School, 1001 NW 4 St, Fort Lauderdale, 33311. The Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale is giving away fresh food to underserved families. To sponsor or otherwise support the program, contact team leader Jorg Hruschka at <a href="mailto:Jhruschka@fortlauderdale.gov">Jhruschka@fortlauderdale.gov</a>.

# **Rotary Weekly Meeting - Annual Scholarship Lunch**

Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon May 22, 2024 at 12:15 p.m.



Moderated by Scholarship Chairperson, Terry Robinson

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# **Last Meeting of the Month Social**

**MONTHLY SOCIAL** 

MAY 29, 2024 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm



Gateway Shoppes 1025 N Federal Hwy Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

**Happy Hour Food & Drink** 

## **Annual Raffle 2024**

Dear Fellow Rotarians and Friends:

You may know that I am a member of the Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale, and its success is important to me because of the excellent work we do in our community and beyond.

I doubt that winning the grand prize will change your lifestyle. However, we all like to win. But I will assure you, you will win whether you become a winner or not.

If you choose to participate, your ticket purchase will affect someone's life. It may be a special needs child who experiences their first plane ride or someone who is given mobility through our wheelchair donations. It could be a needy family or child who receives a meal or toy during the holidays. It could be a family in Africa who finally has safe water to drink through our Water Projects initiative. Then, again, it could be a local student who is given a hand up to go to college or vocational school through our scholarship program, or someone in the Bahamas or elsewhere who benefits from our ability to mobilize and get relief to where it's needed most with our connections to other local Rotaries.

The raffle is May 15th at noon. You do not have to be present to win, but you can join us or watch on Zoom if you would like. Tickets are \$50 each. Grand prize is \$5,000, Second prize is \$2,500, and Third prize is \$1,000. All net proceeds go to the Rotary 1090 Foundation, a 501(c)(3) corporation.

This raffle is being administered by the Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale together with the Rotary 1090 Foundation. All checks should be made out to Fort Lauderdale Rotary 1090 Foundation. This will help support our service projects and the scholarships.

Go to www.rotaryfortlauderdale.org to purchase tickets.

Thank you for your time and your support.

Best regards, Daniel Rizzi President Elect 24-25

# **Celebrating Service: Inaugural Rotarians Honoring Rotarians Event**

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On May 1, 2024, the Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale gathered in full force to commemorate the remarkable contributions of members who have dedicated over 50 years of service to our community. Spearheaded by Linda Cooke and the dedicated Rotarians Honoring Rotarians (RHR) team, the event was a resounding success, thanks in no small part to the dynamic Emcee and Keynote Speaker, Bob Swindell, President and CEO, Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance.

The event saw an impressive turnout, with approximately 165 members and guests assembling to pay homage to our esteemed honorees: Dr. Ziya Celik, Humanitarian and General Surgeon; Greg Chavarria, Fort Lauderdale City Manager; Chris Madsen, President and CEO, Mad 4 Marketing; and Lisa Scott-Founds, President and CEO, Winterfest, Inc. These individuals exemplify the spirit of Rotary through their decadeslong commitment to service, embodying the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self" in every aspect of their work.

We extend our sincerest gratitude to all who attended, standing in solidarity with our club as we honored these exceptional Rotarians. Your presence served as a testament to the strength and unity of our Rotary community, reaffirming our shared commitment to making a difference in the world.

As we reflect on the inaugural Rotarians Honoring Rotarians event, let us carry forward the spirit of appreciation and service that filled the afternoon. Together, we will continue to uphold the values of Rotary, striving to create positive change and foster a brighter future for all.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this memorable occasion, and here's to many more years of service and celebration within our Rotary family.

Yours In Rotary Service,

The RHR Team-John Aquino Linda Cooke Cynthia Fardella Jack Fink Barbara Sanchez Mike Sanchez Linda Spaulding White Ray Williams

# Dillard SigmaC@T Robotics Team Win FIRST Impact Award



### Rotary Fort Lauderdale Supports Dillard High School's SigmaC@T Robotics Team

Many thanks to Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale for your support in sending our team to compete in World Championship.

This season has been surreal for us. Having a robot that competes within the top 10% of the world and winning the FIRST Impact award is something that we have been striving for. Again, we want to thank our entire SigmaC@T family (you) for supporting us in making this happen!?

https://www.frcteam108.org/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kXTJsNufcOc

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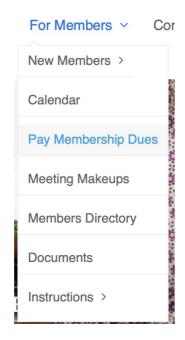


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Do you have a great idea for our next newsletter? Would you like to see more information on a certain topic? If so, please email your article or suggestions to Barbara Sanchez.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

# Make a Difference: Join a Committee Today!

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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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#### **Club Leaders**



Rick Riccardi President



Daniel Rizzi President-Elect



Jeffrey Shaffner Secretary



John Aquino Rotary Foundation Chair Club Director Youth Services Chair



<u>Linda Spaulding</u> <u>White</u> Treasurer



Victoria Briggs Club Director



Les R. Campbell Club Director



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Jorg Hruschka Club Director



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Ray M. Williams
Club Director



<u>Linda M. Cooke</u> Membership Chair



Jaye L. Abbate iPast President



Terry Robinson
Past President