

Rotary

Club of Fort Lauderdale



[The Rotary Tarpon](#)

Sunday, June 1, 2025

Rotary Weekly Meeting - Annual Scholarship Luncheon

Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon
Global Event Center
June 4, 2025
12:15 p.m.

**To help us plan accurately for seating and catering,
please let us know if you will be attending by May 27th.**

[RSVP](#)



Moderated by Scholarship Chairperson, Terry Robinson

Please note: The Scholarship Luncheon will be held at the
Global Event Center at First Baptist Church,
416 NE 1st Street.

Join us at noon. The meeting will begin at 12:15 pm.

Email rotaryftlaud@gmail.com with questions.

[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



Club Meeting

Fort Lauderdale
Meets at Café Vico
1125 N. Federal Highway
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304
Time: Wednesday at 12:15 PM

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Planning Meeting 2025-26



Yr 25-26 Planning Meeting

All are invited to attend this year's planning meeting- please RSVP to Jeff at JeffShaffnerRotary@gmail.com (email in dacdb).

**Saturday, June 7, 2025
9 am to 1pm**

Henderson Behavioral Health
4740 N SR 7, Suite 201
Lauderdale Lakes, 33319

(in back of Headway Office Park- one light south of Commercial on east side of 441)

Please submit your recommendations for agenda items to Jeff by 5/17/25. Please include details of discussion and outcomes you'd like to see at meeting's end. We want everyone to come prepared to have fruitful discussions - so the more info you can provide ahead of time the better.

Light breakfast and snacks will be provided.

Remember to please RSVP to [Jeff](#).

Annual Installation Dinner

By Barbara Sanchez

**Annual Installation of Officers
2025-26 Rotary Year
June 25, 2025
6:00 pm**

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

It's that time of year again! We are excited to invite all Rotary Club members to our *Annual Installation of Officers* for the 2025-26 Rotary year. This special event marks the beginning of a new chapter as we welcome our new President, **Jeffrey Shaffner**,

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Birthdays

James Woods
June 4th

AUGUST R. PUJOLS, P.E.
June 7th

Robert B. Moorman Jr.
June 8th

Years of Service

Barry Levy
06-06-2018
7 Years

Josephine Ebanks
06-07-2024
1 Year

and the dedicated team of officers who will lead our club in the upcoming year.

This celebration is not just about leadership changes; it's about renewing our commitment to service, strengthening our bonds as Rotarians, and embracing the opportunities ahead. With Jeff at the helm, we are confident that this year will continue to be filled with meaningful projects, impactful community outreach, and continued growth as a club.

Whether you've been a part of our Rotary family for years or are relatively new to the club, this event is an excellent opportunity to connect, celebrate, and look ahead to a bright future together.

Come be a part of this exciting evening – your presence will make it all the more special.

We look forward to seeing you there!



[RSVP](#) - by June 14, 2025

Club members are free. Click to pay for [Guests - \\$30](#).

Salvation Army Food Drive 2025



FOOD DRIVE

The Salvation Army of Broward County Food Pantry Shelves Critically Empty – Community Urged to Help Refill Supplies

Critical Food Shortage Alert

Supply Shortage
The Salvation Army of Broward County is experiencing a critical shortage of non-perishable food supplies due to recent changes in government assistance programs.

Call for Support
The organization is urging individuals, corporations, and civic groups to help restock the pantry and provide critical relief to neighbors in need.

Food Insecurity
Major Juan Guadalupe stresses the urgent need to combat food insecurity affecting families, seniors, and individuals in our community.
"With our pantry shelves now empty, we are depending on the compassion and generosity of our neighbors to help meet this growing need. No family should have to choose between keeping the lights on or putting food on the table. We need your support now more than ever."

YOUR DONATION HELPS FAMILIES IN NEED

HOW CAN YOU HELP?



Spread the Word

- Pasta
- Beans
- Canned Fruits
- Rice
- Bread
- Juice
- Oatmeal
- Jelly
- Mac & Cheese
- Canned Soups



Donate Non-Perishable Food

- Dry Potatoes
- Canned Foods
- Canned Veggies
- Dry Cereals
- Peanut Butter
- Pasta Sauce
- Canned Tuna
- Canned Meats
- Granola Bars
- Chili

Families shouldn't have to choose between keeping the lights on or feeding their children.



DROP OFF LOCATION

The Salvation Army of Broward County
1445 W. Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
Open daily: 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.



The Salvation Army of Broward County is experiencing a critical shortage of non-perishable food supplies due to recent changes in government assistance programs.

You may bring your donations to our Rotary Lunch meeting on Wednesday or deliver them directly to the Salvation Army, 1445 W. Broward Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Thank you, Cynthia Fardella, Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale, and Marissa Baroniel, Rotary Club of Pompano Beach, for delivering donations on the Clubs' behalf.







Dillard HS JA Project Update

By Evelyn Ciocco

DILLARD HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Remember the Dillard High School J A project of Flutter Fans which the team presented at one of our lunchtime meetings?

Since then, they have been very busy improving their business plan, selling fans, and solidifying their presentation skills.

As a result of this hard work, they have been invited to the J A National Company Of the Year competition in Atlanta next month.

Congratulations Dillard J A team and best of luck. Well done to you.

Club Board Members for 2025-26

Club Board

2025-26 Rotary Year

Jeff Shaffner, President Elect
Linda Spaulding White, President-Elect
Rick Riccardi, Secretary
Dr. Gabe Bodnar, Treasurer
Dan Rizzi, Immediate Past President

Rolling over for 2nd year of their term:

John Aquino
Kristin LaFleur
David Sage
Barbara Sanchez

Welcome New Board Members:

Gwynne Beatty
Cynthia Fardella
Chris Kerlin
Taryn Koshelnyk

Summer Break



**NO CLUB MEETINGS
JULY 2ND & JULY 9TH**

**FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW ROTARY YEAR
WILL BE HELD JULY 16TH**

Photo Release for Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale

To share the spirit of Rotary with our community, the Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale may use photographs of members and guests taken at meetings, socials, and volunteer events in publications and on social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, X, and YouTube. If you prefer not to have your image used, please notify the [Club Executive Secretary](#) or Club President.

Thank you!

Pay for Guest / Rule of 85 Lunch

LUNCH - \$30



Guest & Rule of 85

Building the Magic of Rotary Canstruction Event

BUILDING THE MAGIC OF ROTARY CANSTRUCTION EVENT

A Partnership between the Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale
and Canstruction

BUILD DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

AWARDS DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2025

Click below to learn more about this exciting event, how you can contribute, and the benefits of your participation.

Included in the brochure:

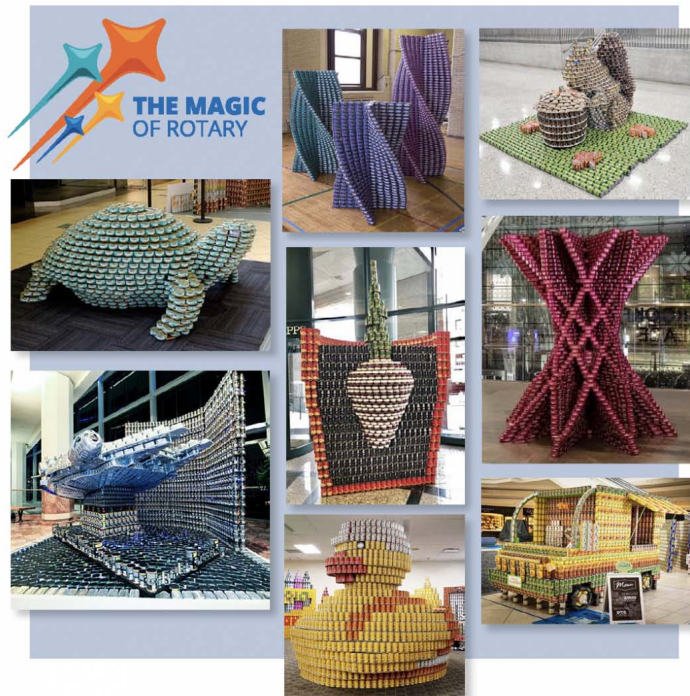
- Sponsor Contract

- FAQs

[CLICK TO VIEW THE BROCHURE](#)



We CAN Build Community Together



Save the Date: Building the Magic of Rotary



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BUILDING THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

SAVE THE DATE

Building the Magic of Rotary

Canstruction Build Date

Thursday, September 25, 2025

Galleria Mall – Fort Lauderdale

Building the Magic of Rotary

Celebration and Awards

Thursday, October 9, 2025 5:30 – 8:00 PM

Galleria Mall – Fort Lauderdale

Join Us!

We are looking for committee members, sponsors, and auction items.

Please contact Kristin LaFleur – 203.858.6055 (m) or lafleur.rotary@gmail.com to get involved.

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS / REQUEST FOR ARTICLES

A graphic for 'Newsletter Submissions' featuring a stylized yellow door on the left. Overlaid on the door are several overlapping circles in blue, red, and pink, and a green triangle. To the right of the door, the words 'Newsletter Submissions' are written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. A thin blue line curves around the bottom right of the text.

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](mailto:Barbara.Sanchez). Include pictures if possible.

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

Donate to Rotary 1090 Foundation

The Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale 1090 Foundation

The Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale 1090 Foundation operates as a 501(c)3 corporation. Contributions are dedicated to supporting various community endeavors, including providing college scholarships for local high school graduates, organizing Thanksgiving meals, aiding our hungry and homeless through Have a Heart initiatives, supporting Challenge Air for special needs children, facilitating neighborhood clean-up and restoration projects, fostering youth leadership programs, and more.

Click below to make a tax-deductible donation.

Donate to the Fort Lauderdale Rotary 1090 Foundation Inc.

[Click here to Donate](#)

Thank you!!

Club Leaders



[Daniel Rizzi](#)
President



[Jeffrey Michael Shaffner](#)
President-Elect



[Linda Spaulding White](#)
Secretary
President-Nominee



[John Aquino](#)
Club Director
Rotary Foundation
Chair
Club Young
Leaders Contact
Youth Exchange
Offic
Youth Services
Chair



[Miguel F. Sanchez](#)
Treasurer



[Gabor Bodnar](#)
Club Director



[Les R. Campbell](#)
Club Director



[Jorg Hruschka](#)
Club Director



[Kristin LaFleur](#)
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Grants
Chairperson



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Club Director



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Club Director
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