

Rotary

Club of Fort Lauderdale



[The Rotary Tarpon](#)

Sunday, June 15, 2025

Rotary Weekly Meeting - June 18, 2025

Rotary Weekly Meeting

June 18, 2025 at 12:15 p.m.

[RSVP](#)



Speaker: Tony Abbate
EIA Bridge Program in the Kingdom of Eswatini

We meet at Cafe Vico, 1125 N. Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale.
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
Password: 275406



Club Meeting

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

Events

June 16th
[Club Board of Directors Meeting](#)

June 18th
[Rotary Weekly Meeting - Speaker Tony Abbate](#)
Speaker: Tony Abbate
Subject: EIA Bridge Program in the Kingdom of Eswatini

June 25th
[Rotary Weekly Meeting - Installation of Officers](#)
Speaker: Installation of Officers

July 2nd
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July 9th
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Board of Directors Meeting - June 16, 2025

Board Meeting



June 16, 2025

5:30 p.m.

Henderson Behavioral Health Center
330 SW 27 Ave., 3rd Floor Conference Room
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
All members are welcome to attend.

Annual Installation Dinner

By Barbara Sanchez

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

[RSVP](#) - by June 20, 2025

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**, 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!

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Birthdays

Patricia A Robinson
June 16th
Marty Fishman
June 18th

Years of Service

Linda Spaulding White
06-21-2000
25 Years



[RSVP](#) - by June 20, 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

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

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.

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."

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.





Scholarship Lunch Photos 2025

2025 SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

This Rotary year, **\$50,000** was awarded in scholarships to truly amazing students!

Our deepest gratitude goes to the Scholarship Committee for their hard work and dedication in making this possible.



Scholarship Recipients for
2025

Click read more to view recipients.

[Read More](#)

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

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
- Auction Item Donation Form
- FAQs

[CLICK TO VIEW THE BROCHURE](#)



We CAN Build Community Together



Save the Date: 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.

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
 Office
 Youth Services
 Chair



[Miguel F. Sanchez](#)
 Treasurer



[Gabor Bodnar](#)
 Club Director



[Les R. Campbell](#)
 Club Director



[Jorg Hruschka](#)
 Club Director



[Kristin LaFleur](#)
 Club Director
 Grants
 Chairperson



[David Sage](#)
 Club Director



[Barbara Sanchez](#)
 Club Director
 Webmaster



[Ray M. Williams](#)
 Club Director

[Linda M. Cooke](#)
 Membership Chair

[Jaye L. Abbate](#)
 Past President

[Rick Riccardi](#)
 iPast President

