

Rotary

Club of Fort Lauderdale



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Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Rotary Weekly Hybrid Meeting

Rotary Weekly Meeting

Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 12:15 pm



Speaker: Former Mayor Jack Seiler

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.

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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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

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Birthdays

Gail Auguston-Koppen
May 9th
Michael J. Grimmé
May 12th

Years of Service

Anthony J. Abbate
04-18-2001
24 Years
Adrian Anghelescu
05-01-2003
22 Years
Jeffrey Shaffner
05-01-2004
21 Years
Dirk Basting
04-24-2006
19 Years
Jaye L. Abbate
05-01-2015
10 Years
Gail Auguston-Koppen
05-01-2017
8 Years
Gwynne Beatty
05-01-2023
2 Years
Artun Bekar
04-10-2024
1 Year
Paul A. Schuler
05-01-2024
1 Year

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 decades-long 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

Rotary Weekly Meeting - Annual Scholarship Lunch

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



Moderated by Scholarship Chairperson, Terry Robinson

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.

You do not need to order lunch; we will have Hugh's catering serving plated meals.

Park in the metered section of the parking lot, but do not pay. Parking is free! The lot is not monitored during our meeting.

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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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Rotary believes in developing the next generation of leaders. Our programs help younger leaders build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service.

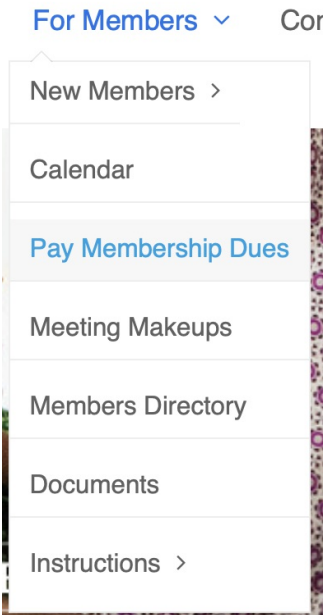
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SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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

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