

# Rotary



## Club of Stuart-Sunrise

### Club Meeting

Stuart-Sunrise  
Meets at Monarch Country  
Club  
1801 SW Monarch Club Dr,  
Palm City, FL  
Palm City, FL 34990  
Time: Thursday at 07:30  
AM

### Speakers

**October 17, 2019**

[Bob Zaccheo, Project Lift](#)

**November 07, 2019**

[Humane Society National  
Animal Shelter  
Appreciation Week](#)

**November 14, 2019**

[100 Club of Martin County](#)

### Birthdays



John J. Fedorek  
November 2nd

### Club Member Anniversaries



John J. Fedorek  
11-01-1990  
29 Years



Thomas  
Whittington  
11-01-2007  
12 Years

### Weekly Meeting - October 10, 2019

Chris Shoaf led the Pledge of Allegiance and President Brian offered the Prayer.

Sue took a bow for the Golf Outing. Hopefully we raised over \$3,000 for scholarships.

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### Dictionaries are Being Distributed

Harry Lerch led the way with his team going to Crystal Lake this morning to distribute books. Other team leaders include Hap Mills, Gene Van Curen, Brian Moriarty, and Larry Lavargna.

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### 2nd Annual Water Forum

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual water forum was a big success on Saturday. More than 100 guests joined the Rotarians for this important update. Thanks to the speakers and town officials for their participation. The club president gave special thanks to Carrie and Larry Lavargna and Elmira Gaaney for all their hard work. Larry is considering the next forum to be about time travel. It will be held 2 weeks ago.)

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### Happy and Sad

Sue and John R. collected bucks from members. Sue reminded us of a fateful day in 1973 when VP Spiro Agnew resigned.

Several Rotarians offered jokes, sports dollars and visits with family members, and lost football bets. Two members were thanked for their sponsorships of Tykes and Teens upcoming Holiday Fundraiser. The event is set for Nov 17-23.

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### AmeriCorps - Get. Things. Done.

By David Shoaf

**Boys and Girls Club exec John Robitaille introduced the Americorps staff that is working with Martin County schools. Omar Ferreira introduced Team Leader Matt Burgess who is serving at Stuart Middle School. He gave a quick overview of the Americorps program.**

**Americorps** engages men and women in intensive service at thousands of locations across the country through nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to Volunteer Florida, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.

The middle school volunteers greet students each day, mentor them to higher academic achievement, and keep them on track to graduate. Inspire creativity with STEM and robotics programs, or design cost-effective solutions that support teachers and tutors. They work to keep students motivated and engaged during these critical teen years.

Last year more than 2800 Americorps volunteers served in FL. The volunteers sign up for 10 months to a year.

Scott Crumpler described the elementary program. The 20 volunteers are working in 5 schools in the county. They are helping students improve their reading skills and prepare them for a better learning experience. There is a strong focus on helping students develop better literacy skills in the early years. Scott has been working in education for more than 20 years. He is educational director for the MC Boys and girls Club.

Volunteers receive a small stipend AND the chance to reduce any Student Loan debt they might have. They also gain skills in mentoring, leadership and confidence building to help them become better candidates for employment after their service.

For more details on Americorps go to [www.nationalservice.gov/](http://www.nationalservice.gov/)

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## Rotary World Polio Day is October 24

Rotarians will rally around the world this key day to continue the battle. Visit [Facebook.com/rotary](https://www.facebook.com/rotary) to stream the event and learn more.

The October Rotarian Magazine updates our efforts (page 59). Bill and Melinda Gates continue to match 2 to 1 our annual Rotary giving of \$50 million.

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## 50-50

Hap and Chris sold the tickets and Gene VanCuren had the winning number. Alas, he did not pick the Ace of Spades.

This week's editor is Dave Shoaf,

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