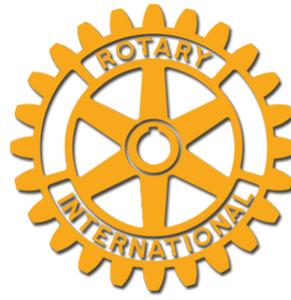


Rotary Club of Stuart



Chartered in August 29, 1929.

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Club Meeting

Stuart
Meets at The Dolphin
Bar & Shrimp House
1401 NE Indian River
Drive
Jensen Beach, FL
34957
Time: Wednesday at
12:00 PM

Club Leaders



[Thomas F. Campenni](#)
President



[Bernard J. Roy](#)
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Vice President



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Membership Chair
Club Director



[Kathleen Crum](#)
iPast President



Lauren Carroll Esq. What it Takes to be an Effective Community Assoc. Board Member

By Kathleen Crum on Sunday, July 31, 2022



On July 20th, our club speaker was Lauren Carroll, Esq. with Ross Earle Bonan and Ensor P.A. Lauren practices in the areas of community association law and litigation support and her presentation 'To be or Not to be an Effective Board Member, What Does it Take' was highly informative and a refresher on what anyone who is considering or is currently servicing on a community association Board of Directors must ask.

Serving on the board of a community association is one of the toughest volunteer jobs around because it requires one to govern their neighbors and friends in a consistent, non-preferential manner, a task much more easily said than done.

Lauren stressed that to be an effective board member you must have the time to participate in both board meetings and ancillary duties such as communicating with management, accounting and legal advisors, reviewing financials and walking the property.

A board member must have thick skin. Residents often forget that board members serve for free in an effort to assist in operating the community in accordance with its governing documents. It takes thick skin to be able to enforce restrictions against your neighbor or your friend. Board members should enforce consistently and remain professional.

Be tactful and remember it is not what you say but how you say it. Remember to always use honey before vinegar.

Create cohesion and cooperation; never start a sentence with 'you people', use committees, be transparent and respect other points of view.

Obtain and become familiar with Florida statutory laws, the provisions such as Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations and the governing documents of the community and the association.

Delegate: not only does delegating prevent burn out it results in members being more engaged in the operation of their community.

Pat Tobin & Howard Meister Receive Paul Harris Pin

By Thomas F. Campenni on Saturday, August 6, 2022

Birthdays

Joe Melanson
August 1st
Kerline Cambronne
August 18th

M. Bruce Irwin
August 21st
Benjamin Kadiz Sharfi
August 28th

Years of Service

Darren Steele
08-01-1996
26 Years
Kerline Cambronne
08-14-2019
3 Years



Rotary International

Pat Tobin and Howard Meister both received another Paul Harris award for their continued contributions to Rotary International. Both Howard and Pat demonstrate what it means to be a Rotarian with the work they do not only for our club but for what Rotary stands for internationally.

Congratulations Howard and Pat.

Stuart City Manager David Dyess Provides City commission Updates to Club

By Kathleen Crum on Friday, August 5, 2022



At the Club's July 27, 2022, meeting Stuart City Manager, David Dyess updated club members and guests on recent city happenings. First, he shared the legal status of the future land use on Kanner Highway site for a Costco, retail and restaurant space and a 378 unit apartment complex to be built by a New Jersey Developer. After an administrative challenge filed by some residents citing increased traffic and the high density apartments as a concern a Florida Division of Administration hearing judge ruled against the City in April. The City filed an appeal and a decision is expected in the next few months.

Next Mr. Dyess next referenced a recent city commission proposed ordinance rezoning a commercially planned unit development to a residential unit development. The proposed parcel located on Central Parkway would establish Sailfish Cay consisting of 60 townhouse units.

The license agreement between a House of Hope Community Garden, located on city owned property was renewed at a recent commission meeting.

Members asked when is City Hall moving from its current downtown Stuart waterfront property into the Wells Fargo building, owned by the city but currently leased back to the bank and what plans does the City have for its current downtown location? At this time, Mr. Dyess advised that no final decisions has been reached on either question.

David Dyess has been a solid guest speaker for our Stuart Rotary Club over the past years, first as the Stuart City Police Chief and over the past years in his current role as Stuart City Manager. The Club wished him well and joyful days ahead upon hearing of his retirement plans.

August President's Message

By Thomas F Campenni on Saturday, August 6, 2022



I look at my year as president as one to re-build.

Our club has seen tremendous flux because of COVID. But that is not all that has prevented Stuart Rotary from being all it can. Most of us have been in Rotary for many years. While our mission has remained constant our abilities have been diminished by a falling away of some of our members.

In general, Rotary Clubs across America have the same problems. Most organizations do. I see our continuation as trying to bring in "new blood" but also engaging each current member in some sort of activity. So, I am looking to everyone to come up with ideas to the club assembly to be held on September 7th.

In the meantime, we are pursuing our engagement with Banner Lake/Dunbar and Guatemala. We will also once again be bringing dictionaries to our schools. I want each of you to become engaged in one of these projects.

Becky Scheelk from the Martin County Library System

By Thomas F Campenni on Saturday, August 6, 2022



Becky Scheelk from the Martin County Library System spoke to the club regarding the great programs that they have for people with various interests of all ages.

For many Rotarians, it was eye-opening even though most were familiar with at least some of the offerings. From children's programs to those of parents and even us older folks, it is fascinating to see how our tax dollars and donations are being used. E-Books are now readily available for download. And to belong, you don't even have to be a resident, though there are some limitations.

Becky is the type of person that strives to make the Martin system better. If you are so inclined please contact her at rscheelk@martin.fl.us.

Events

August 3rd

[Stuart Weekly Club Mtg/Blake Library](#)

August 10th

[Stuart Club Meeting](#)

August 11th

[Stuart Rotary Club board Meeting](#)

August 17th

[Stuart Club Meeting](#)

August 24th

[Stuart Club Meeting](#)

August 24th

[Stuart Rotary Charitable Fdn Board Meeting](#)

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