

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WESTON FORTNIGHTLY EDITION

Saturday, July 27, 2024

THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

Come join us this **Thursday 8/1/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332**.



Kim Bokamper was a dominant presence on the field, demonstrating exceptional skills as both a linebacker and defensive end during his time with the Miami Dolphins from 1977 to 1985. Let's get his perspective on his remarkable career.

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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Passcode: 6990

Bringing the Rotary Club of Weston Community Together!

Join us for an evening of community building and business development at the Rotary Club of Weston meetings. Let's work together to make a positive impact on our community.

Both our Evening and Impact groups are convening at the Bonaventure Golf Club, located at 200 Bonaventure Blvd, Weston, FL 33326.

Here's what you need to know about our revamped meeting schedule at :

- **First Week of the Month** (Wed at 6 pm): Regular Evening meeting.
- **Second Week of the Month** (Thu at 6 pm): Regular Impact meeting.
- **Third Week of the Month** (Wed at 6 pm): Rotary Means Business hosted by Evening group, a unique opportunity to network and socialize with fellow Rotarians. This meeting will combine elements of socializing, business discussions, and collaboration. Don't forget to bring your business cards and be prepared to work with other Rotarians to make a difference.

Club Meeting

Weston
Meets at The Club at Weston Hills
2600 Country Club Way
Weston, FL 33332
Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

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August 22nd
The Rotary Club of Weston -Weekly Meeting

August 22nd
Rotary Club of Weston Impact
Español Club

UMBRELLA WINNER

Joseph Altschul

- **Fourth week of the Month:** Social hosted by Impact group. This meeting is dedicated to fostering connections and camaraderie among RCW members, with a special focus on the impact of our collective efforts.

We encourage everyone in the Rotary Club of Weston to pop in to meetings of the RCW Morning Group, Evening Group, and Impact Group. It's a great chance to get to know each other better, share ideas and insights, and have a good time!

Breakfast will be available at a **discounted rate of \$15 for members of the RCW Evening Group and Impact Group**, so you can join us for our morning meetings without worrying about food.

Meet our Newest Members

Chad Tamaroff



It is a pleasure to introduce Chad Tamaroff, a partner at Greenspoon Marder LLP, a national business law firm based in Fort Lauderdale. Throughout his 24 years at the firm, Chad has focused his practice on complex commercial and civil litigation, real estate and title insurance litigation, and lender liability litigation. He has served as counsel to banks, insurance companies, businesses, real estate developers, homeowner's associations, and individuals navigating a myriad of legal challenges. Chad is also certified by the Supreme Court of Florida as a Circuit Court Mediator.

Beyond his professional accomplishments, Chad is deeply committed to serving his community. Recently appointed as a Board Member for the David Posnack Jewish Community Center, Chad exemplifies his passion for giving back. He has also served on the board of Junior Achievement of South Florida and as a corporate founder of the Mount Sinai Medical Center.

He is a proud graduate of the South Texas College of Law and holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Florida. Outside of his professional pursuits, he finds joy in outdoor activities like Pickle Ball and cherishes time spent with his wife Amy and their three sons

Guillermo Gómez

Born in Barranquilla, Colombia. In 1995 Mr. Gomez obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Business from the prestigious Xaverian University in Bogota, Colombia.

Guillermo Gomez has over 25 years of experience in the electronic security and technology industries through a prominent career that has encompassed local, national and international sales, marketing and business development roles with some of the world's largest electronic security, safety and technology manufacturers and systems integrators.

Mr. Gomez Information Technology career started in 1997 by helping one of the leading IBM Business Partners in Colombia to implement major projects within the telecommunications industry nationwide.

In 1998 Mr. Gomez moved to the US and served as a Director of Sales and Business Development South Florida & Latin America for one of the largest IBM business partners worldwide located in Boca Raton, FL where he was instrumental for the company's success and expansion throughout South Florida and Latin America.

Since 2001, Mr. Gomez became a Strategic Sales and Business Development Consultant for various major electronic security industry players for expanding market share, identifying the right channels to effectively engaging and closing major technology projects and partnerships across South Florida and Latin America.

In May of 2003, Mr. Gomez wrote an extensive white paper on the current state of Biometrics, entitled, "Biometrics. The road to a safer world". This white paper summarized the significant advances in the field and highlighted potential future developments.

Mr. Gomez is considered today a subject matter expert in Video Surveillance, Weapon Detection, Intrusion Alarm, Fire Alarm and Access Control Systems.

Mr. Gomez subject matter expertise in the world of electronic security, allowed him to write articles and gotten major exposure and interviews in several media appearances in top magazines, newspapers, tv and digital media outlets around Latin America.

Mr. Gomez received the prestigious Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition for outstanding and invaluable service to the community from Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar, 27th Congressional District, FL, and the U.S. House of Representatives in a ceremony which took place at the nation's capital on June 15, 2023.

In his free time, Mr. Gomez enjoys traveling, reading, riding motorcycle, cruising and volunteering for social causes. Mr. Gomez currently lives in Weston since 2008, FL and works as Account Executive for Security



Daniel Pico



Daniel Pico, along with his family, moved to Weston in 2014 and has been an active member of the community since. He joined New York Life in 2003 and transitioned to their South Florida office in 2014.

Following the events of September 11th, Dan faced the challenge of being laid off from his position in New York City. In search of new opportunities and a fresh perspective, he relocated to Miami.

During this period of reassessment, he attended a gathering in Weston Hills, where he was immediately captivated by the beautiful homes, the welcoming community, and the overall environment. He distinctly recalled thinking, "This is a place where I would love to live and start a family."

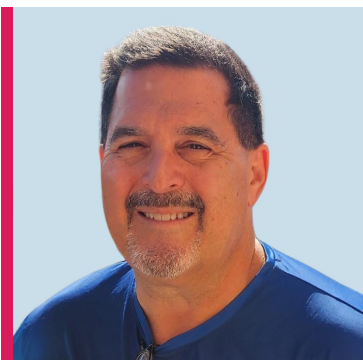
Dan eventually returned to New York, as many do after an initial attempt at change, but the impression Weston left on him remained strong.

Years later, he met Evelyn, and their connection was immediate. As their relationship grew, Dan realized that Evelyn was the person he wanted to build a future with.

When he proposed himself, he candidly shared his vision: "Before you answer, know this: I'm not planning to stay in New York City forever. I want to move to a place called Weston in Florida."

Evelyn, a lifelong New Yorker with deep family roots to the city, had her reservations. However, her love and commitment to their future together were evident when she agreed. Five years later, they found themselves in Weston, with their daughter Daniella beginning her VPK at Manatee Bay Elementary.

The initial sense of belonging and vision for a new life in Weston has come full circle. Dan is now honored to be part of



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Rotary Club of Weston

along with the Charitable Foundation, aims to be the driving force of positive change in our local and global communities.

SINCE ITS LAUNCH, Rotary Club of Weston Charitable Foundation

150 CHARITIES

local and global charities received funds and benefitted from the Rotary Club of Weston efforts and activities

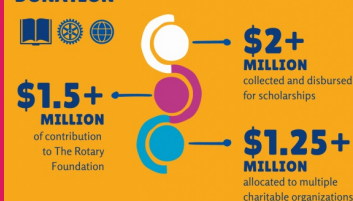
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we have been making a tangible difference in communities across five continents.

1,500+ SCHOLARSHIPS

scholarships were awarded and given to kids with outstanding academic performance

DONATION



START TO CHANGE THE WORLD

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Forthnightly quote

this community and the Rotary Club. He eagerly anticipates contributing to this community that has given so much to his family and him.

Daniel holds the Certified Financial Planner (CFP) certification, demonstrating his commitment to excellence in his career. He and his wife, Evelyn, are excited to contribute to Weston's growth and development and Daniel looks forward to collaborating with fellow members of the Rotary Club to make a meaningful impact in the community.

Please make sure to introduce yourselves to our newest member! We are honored to have him be a part of our club.

Exclusive Early Bird Sale: FOOD & WINE Festival



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Let's get a comprehensive and insightful view into the challenges and opportunities faced by County Mayors. Join Nan H. Rich as she shares her unique perspective on navigating the complex landscape of local governance, highlighting the key issues and decisions that shape the future of County.

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Believe you can and you're halfway there.

—Theodore Roosevelt

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Birthdays

Sergio M Rodriguez
July 28th

Dan Young
August 2nd

Julian Gazzano Jr.
August 2nd

Jesus A. Sanchez
August 6th

Maria E Penaloza-Houstoun
August 6th

Marc N Weiss
August 9th

Ramon Ortega
August 10th

Siddharth Pandya
August 14th

Peter A Williams
August 15th

Emilie Anne Wallace
August 22nd

Andy Suarez
August 24th

Karen Hollis
August 26th

Byron L. Jaffe
August 26th

Years of Service

Eric Stettin
08-05-2004
20 Years

Robert W Greene
08-13-2009
15 Years

Peter Messina
07-29-2010
14 Years

Pete Pecci
08-05-2015
9 Years

Maria Mercedes Alvarez Arancedo
08-13-2020
4 Years

Chris L Eddy
08-13-2020
4 Years

Robert Sirota
08-05-2021
3 Years

Milin Espino
08-05-2021
3 Years

Ingrid Castellanos
08-10-2022
2 Years

Monica Gonzalez
08-10-2023
1 Year

Jennifer Mossadeghi
08-22-2023
1 Year

Pedro Andres Perolini
08-24-2023
1 Year

Come join us this **Thursday 8/15/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332**.



Dive into an Inspiring Conversation Revealing Joseph Altschul's Journey with the Rotary Foundation. Join us for an extraordinary opportunity where all members can gain valuable insights and actively contribute to shaping a brighter future

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Community Service Corner



As members of the Rotary Club of Weston, we recently had the opportunity to participate in the Feeding South Florida event. This event was a moving and unforgettable experience, showcasing the immense support and active involvement of our local community.

The sight of numerous individuals coming together for this crucial cause was not only inspiring but also served as a powerful reminder of the significant impact that volunteerism and service can bring about. Witnessing such a collective effort deeply resonated with each of us, reinforcing our unwavering belief in the power of community and the profound satisfaction that comes from making a tangible, positive difference.

This experience was more than just about giving back; it was about coming together as a community. The camaraderie and support among fellow Rotary members during the event further strengthened our shared commitment to service.

Participating in Feeding South Florida is a testament to our club's dedication to addressing hunger and supporting those in need. It highlighted the substantial impact that we can achieve when we unite for a common purpose.



Updates from Environmental committee. How Do You Know What You Can Recycle?



Recycling can sometimes be confusing, but knowing what you can and cannot recycle is crucial for effective waste management. To help clarify these details, Margarita Lartitegui, the Chairman of the Environmental Committee of the Rotary Club of Weston, is available to provide guidance.

Margarita recently explained the recycling process to Alan Cohn, a Past District Governor of Rotary District 6990 and member of the Fort Lauderdale Cypress Creek club, and Ingrid Castellanos, from our own Weston club. This discussion took place after one of the club's Beach clean-ups at Dania Beach.

For more detailed information on recycling, reach out to Margarita Lartitegui, who is always ready to help our community become more environmentally conscious.

Antonio Alberto Verratti Sr.
08-24-2023
1 Year
Evangelina Theobald
08-24-2023
1 Year

Club Leaders



Jacqueline Gillman
President



Laura Dobrzanski
Secretary



Maria Eugenia Ochoa
Treasurer



Paola Vergara
Club Administrator



Maria Mercedes Alvarez Arancedo
Community Service Chair
Webmaster



Harold Calle
Chair - Impact Club



Julianne Dinda
Youth Services Chair



Margarita Lartitegui
Club Committee Chair -
Environmental



Deborah Richman (O'Connor)
Public Relations Chair



Robert Sirota
Chair - Satellite Club
4th of July Chair



Mercy Velazquez
Membership Chair



Alfredo Aguirre
Club Programs Chair



Joseph E. Altschul
Rotary Foundation Chair



Frank Dreier
Run Programs Chair



Julian Gazzano Jr.
Club Director



Evangelina Theobald
Sergeant-at-Arms



Edwina Auguste
Past President



Cristiano Nicolucci
iPast President

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BE PART OF OUR DISCUSSION AT
WEEKLY MEETING

TOPIC
DG DENNIS CALTAGIRONE
District 6990

Dennis Caltagirone's Vision for Rotary
District 6990

THURSDAY
August 22, 2024

START AT
07:30AM - 8:30AM

WESTON
2600 COUNTRY CLUB WAY

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Rotary Club of Weston

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting the esteemed Rotary District 6990 Governor, Dennis Caltagirone. During this special event, Governor Caltagirone will be sharing his inspiring vision for the future of the district in the upcoming year.

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Rise Against Hunger on August 24

Rise AGAINST HUNGER CELEBRATING 25 Years 1999-2024

ANNUAL MEAL PACKING EVENT

Organized by
Rotary Club of Weston

We will be packing 20,000 meals going to the Philippines to feed those that need it the most!

Saturday 08/24/2024 12pm - 3pm

MUST register with Margarita Lartitegui Before 8/7/2024! Text @ (561) 843-8776

TMCA Weston
20201 Saddle Club Rd., Weston, FL 33327

volunteer with other rotarians
Let's rise against hunger!

Rotary Club of Weston

Don't miss our upcoming Rise Against Hunger event on June 18! This year, **we have an ambitious goal to pack 20,000 meals** for people in Philippines, and we need your help to make it happen.

Imagine the impact we can make together! Join us for a day filled with energy, teamwork, and a shared mission to fight hunger.

Don't pass up on this incredible opportunity to give back and be part of something truly meaningful.

Register now on Civic Rush or contact Margarita Lartitegui for more details. Let's rally together, pack those meals, and make a real difference in the lives of many.

We can't wait to see you there and work alongside you to achieve this amazing goal!



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BE PART OF OUR DISCUSSION AT
WEEKLY MEETING

TOPIC
CARLISLE ANDERSON
CareerSource Broward

Empowering Communities Through Career Path Development: A Conversation with Carlisle Anderson

THURSDAY
August 29, 2024

START AT
07:30AM - 8:30AM

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We are excited to announce that we will be hosting Carlisle Anderson, the Community Outreach Liaison for CareerSource Broward, for an informative conversation. During this session, Carlisle will elaborate on his role, which involves conducting outreach activities to increase awareness and provide access to businesses and job seekers in Broward County. He will shed light on how CareerSource Broward's services can benefit individuals and businesses in the local community, and share insights on the resources and opportunities available. This promises to be a valuable discussion for anyone interested in learning more about the employment and business support services offered by CareerSource Broward.

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Share your Rotary Club of Weston news! Send it to Barbara Slutsky (bls523@icloud.com) to have your story considered for an upcoming newsletter.