

Sunday, August 11, 2024

THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

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

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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What You Missed Last Evening Meeting

Thursday morning's Rotary Club of Weston breakfast meeting was nothing short of extraordinary—a gathering that truly embodied the spirit of service, leadership, and community impact.

We kicked off the morning with a moment of pride as Past District Governor 6990, Barbara Gobbi, and with the inspiring words of Rotaractors and international speaker, Anni Carracedo. Anni, with her youthful energy and global perspective, reminded us all of the incredible power and potential of Rotary youth. Her message was clear: the future of Rotary lies in the hands of the next generation, and it's up to us to nurture and support their journey.

But the inspiration didn't stop there. We were privileged to hear from our keynote speaker, Broward County Mayor, Mrs. Nan Rich—a leader who has dedicated her life to public service. As she shared her insights, it became evident that her work extends far beyond her role as Mayor. Her involvement as Vice President of the Area-wide Council on Aging of Broward County, Chair of the Broward Behavioral Health Coalition, and Chair of the Coordinating Council of Broward County speaks volumes about her commitment to



Club Meeting

Weston
Meets at The Club at Weston Hills
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Time: Thursday at 07:30 AM

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[Joseph Altschul](#)



our community. Mayor Rich addressed the pressing affordable housing crisis with passion and urgency, outlining strategic initiatives designed to provide sustainable solutions and end homelessness. She also took us through the county's forward-thinking plans for environmental resilience, ensuring that Broward County is prepared to face the challenges of tomorrow.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING



All members are invited to attend the upcoming RCW Monthly Board of Directors meeting **Tuesday, August 13th, 6:00 PM.**

The meeting will be in person at **Rick Case Volkswagen**, 3520 Weston Road, Weston, FL 33331, on the 2nd floor. If you plan on attending, kindly RSVP to Laura Dobrzanski laura.dobrzanski@gmail.com as space is limited.

The new board is eager to start their term with renewed energy to our club's initiatives. Their leadership will guide us as we strive to make a positive impact in our community and beyond.

Bringing the Rotary Club of Weston Community Together!

On Thursday, August 8th, the Rotary Club of Weston Impact Group hosted an enlightening and timely discussion focused on one of the most pressing issues Floridians face during this time of year: hurricanes, insurance claims, and property insurance. With hurricane season upon us, the meeting couldn't have been more relevant, drawing an impressive turnout from our members and community.

The session was led by the dynamic duo, Laura and Chris Hernandez, who brought their knowledge and expertise to the table. Their presentation on navigating insurance claims during hurricane season was not only informative but also empowering, equipping attendees with the tools and insights needed to protect their homes and assets in the event of a storm. They covered critical topics such as understanding policy coverage, the steps to take immediately after a hurricane, and how to effectively file and manage insurance claims. Their practical advice and clear explanations resonated with everyone in the room, leaving us all better prepared for the uncertainties of hurricane season.



This meeting followed another engaging session held just a day earlier on Wednesday, August 7th, where our own Adam Goldberg entertained and informed us at the SEC meeting. Adam provided insightful advice on a topic we all dream about—what to do if you win millions in the lottery. His presentation was both humorous and practical, offering tips on managing newfound wealth and making wise financial decisions.

Both meetings reflect the diverse and relevant programming the Rotary Club of Weston and their Groups offer to its members.

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.

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.
- **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!

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,

150 CHARITIES

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

5 CONTINENTS

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

\$1.5+ MILLION of contribution to The Rotary Foundation

\$2+ MILLION collected and disbursed for scholarships

\$1.25+ MILLION allocated to multiple charitable organizations

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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 FOR FREE until **August 31, 2024 for members of the RCW Evening Group and Impact Group** and at a **discounted rate of \$15 since Sep. 1st**, so you can join us for our morning meetings without worrying about food.

Rotary Club of Weston Awarded Prestigious Rotary International Citation for Club Excellence



In a momentous achievement, the Rotary Club of Weston has been honored with the Rotary International Citation, also known as the Club Excellence Award, presented by Past District Governor (PDG) Barbara Gobbi. This award is a symbol of the relentless passion, dedication, and hard work of our members, who have come together to make a lasting impact on our community and the world.

The Rotary International Citation is not just an award; it is a recognition of the heart and soul of our club—a symbol of our unwavering commitment to service, our desire to create positive change, and our mission to build a brighter future for generations to come.

During the 2023-2024 year, our club set out to achieve ambitious goals that would not only enhanced our own operations but also contributed to the larger vision of Rotary. With determination and a collective spirit, we opened our doors to individuals who share our passion for service, bringing in new members who have added their unique talents and perspectives.

We actively engaged our members in service projects that are both meaningful and sustainable. These projects reflect our commitment to addressing the root causes of issues in our community and beyond, leaving a legacy of positive change that will endure for years.

With a deep understanding of Rotary's global impact, our club made significant contributions to The Rotary Foundation. These donations fuel life-changing projects across the globe, from providing clean water to eradicating diseases. Every dollar we give represents hope for a better tomorrow.

We made it our mission to elevate Rotary's presence in Weston and beyond. Through outreach, events, and a strong online presence, we've spread the word about who we are and what we do, inspiring others to join us in our mission of service.

Receiving the Rotary International Citation is a profound honor that inspires us to continue our journey of service with even greater passion and commitment. It is a reminder that every action we take, no matter how small, contributes to a larger movement that spans across the globe—Rotary's mission to create lasting change.

We are deeply grateful to Rotary International and Barbara Gobbi for recognizing our efforts and to every member of the Rotary Club of Weston, whose dedication and hard work made this achievement possible. Together, we have proven that when we unite for a common purpose, there is no limit to what we can achieve.

As we look to the future, we are filled with hope and excitement. The work we have done this year is just the beginning. With renewed energy and a steadfast commitment to our ideals, we will continue to engage our members, serve our community, and contribute to the ongoing success of Rotary. The Rotary Club of Weston is not just a club—it is a force for good, a community of changemakers, and a beacon of hope for generations to come.



RCW FOOD & WINE Festival



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Birthdays

Siddharth Pandya
August 14th

Peter A Williams
August 15th
Emilie Anne Wallace
August 22nd
Andy Suarez
August 24th

Years of Service

Robert W Greene
08-13-2009
15 Years
Maria Mercedes Alvarez Arancedo
08-13-2020
4 Years
Chris L Eddy
08-13-2020
4 Years
Jennifer Mossadeghi
08-22-2023
1 Year
Pedro Andres Perolini
08-24-2023
1 Year
Antonio Alberto Verratti Sr.
08-24-2023
1 Year
Evangelina Theobald
08-24-2023
1 Year

Club Leaders


 [Jacqueline Gillman](#)
President

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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



Mark your calendars and prepare your taste buds! The Rotary Club of Weston's much-anticipated Food and Wine Festival is just around the corner! On September 19, 2024, we'll be gathering for an evening of exquisite flavors, fine wines, and unforgettable experiences, all in support of our ongoing community initiatives.

This year's festival promises to be the best yet, with a lineup of gourmet dishes, artisanal treats, and world-class wines that will delight every palate. Whether you're a foodie, a wine connoisseur, or simply

someone who enjoys good company and great causes, this event is not to be missed.

We're thrilled to announce that our very own treasurer, Maria Ochoa, has made it easier than ever to secure your tickets. Thanks to her efforts, you can now purchase your Food and Wine Festival tickets conveniently online through Square. Simply follow the link below to reserve your spot at this spectacular event:

[Purchase Your Food and Wine Festival Tickets Here \(Member Admission\)](#)

We're counting down the days to September 19th and can't wait to share this extraordinary evening with you. So, gather your friends, family, and fellow Rotary members, and join us for a night that celebrates not only the best in food and wine but also the best in our community.

Secure your tickets today, and let's make this year's Food and Wine Festival an event to remember!

[Non-Member Admission Food and Wine Festival - Purchase Tickets Now](#)

We look forward to seeing you there!



[Deborah Richman \(O'Connor\)](#)
Public Relations Chair



[Robert Sirota](#)
Chair - Satellite Club
4th of July Chair



[Mercy Velazquez](#)
Membership Chair



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Community Service Corner



In a world where small acts of kindness can ripple into extraordinary impact, the Rotary Club of Weston's Clothing Project is proving just how powerful compassion and community spirit can be. The team behind this incredible initiative has been working tirelessly, and their efforts are nothing short of remarkable.

Over the past few weeks, the RCW team has successfully delivered an astounding 48 boxes of gently used clothing to local organizations in need. These aren't just numbers—they represent hope, warmth, and dignity for countless individuals and families across our community.

- 14 boxes were delivered to *Netlife4families*, an organization dedicated to supporting those facing homelessness and hunger. These clothes will provide much-needed comfort and support to individuals striving to rebuild their lives.

- 28 boxes found their way to *Harvest Drive*. By providing clothing to those in need, our team has helped ensure that children and parents alike can step out with confidence and pride.

- 6 boxes were sent to *Reyna Group Home*, a safe haven for youth in our community. The impact of this delivery was so profound that we received a heartfelt appreciation email from Reyna Group, expressing their gratitude

To: C Marquez <cmarquez@reynagrouphome.org> for the care and kindness shown by our Rotary team.
Cc: Ana Mary Ramirez Márquez

This outpouring of support is indeed incredible. It's not just about the clothes; it's about the message of solidarity and compassion that comes with them. The Clothing Project is a shining example of how Rotary's motto, "Service Above Self," comes to life in tangible, meaningful ways.

As we celebrate this success, we extend our deepest gratitude to the Clothing Project team for their unwavering dedication and hard work with a special recognition to Estrella Diez. Y

Together, we're making a difference—one box, one life, one act of kindness at a time. Let's keep the momentum going and continue to bring light to those who need it most. The Rotary Club of Weston is proud to stand with you in this mission of service and compassion.



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A graphic for the Rotary Club of Weston Weekly Meeting. It features a circular portrait of DG Dennis Caltagirone, District 6990. The text includes "BE PART OF OUR DISCUSSION AT WEEKLY MEETING", "TOPIC: Dennis Caltagirone's Vision for Rotary District 6990", "THURSDAY August 22, 2024", "START AT 07:30AM - 8:30AM", and "WESTON 2600 COUNTRY CLUB WAY". Logos for Rotary Club of Weston and The Magic of Rotary are also present.

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



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!

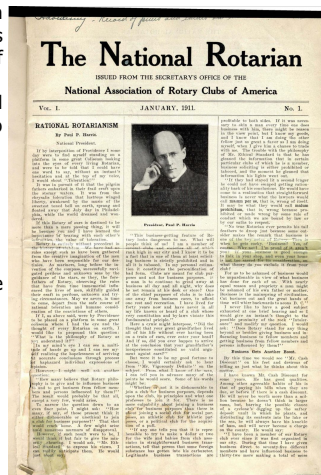


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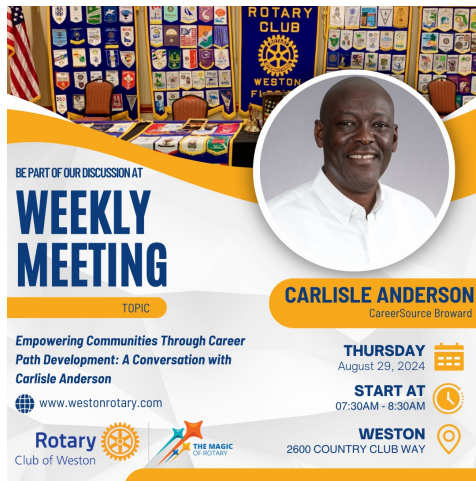
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THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

Come join us this **Thursday 8/29/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332**.



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.