

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WESTON FORTNIGHTLY EDITION

Sunday, October 27, 2024

THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

Come join us this **Thursday 10/31/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332**.



Join us for the Induction of new members.

Virtual Zoom Meeting
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Rotary Club of Weston to Host Halloween Costume Contest at October 31st Breakfast Meeting

Mark your calendars for a spooktacular Rotary morning meeting on Thursday, October 31st! The Rotary Club of Weston invites members to join in the Halloween fun by dressing up for a costume contest at our next breakfast meeting.

Attendees are encouraged to showcase their most creative, spooky, or funny costumes for a chance to win exciting prizes and, of course, bragging rights!

The Halloween-themed breakfast will still follow our regular meeting agenda, but with a twist. Alongside our usual updates and discussions, we'll enjoy an array of Halloween treats and a lively atmosphere, all while recognizing the most impressive costumes.

Come dressed to impress, and bring along your best Halloween spirit!

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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END POLIO DAY

Rotary Club of Weston Celebrates Successful End Polio Walk!



This past Sunday, October 27, Rotary Club of Weston members and supporters gathered for our End Polio Walk, showing their commitment to eradicating polio worldwide. The event brought together community members, Rotarians, friends, and families who all joined in to walk for the powerful cause of a world free of polio.

Thanks to the generosity of those who donated, we're one step closer to making this vision a reality. Each contribution goes directly toward polio vaccinations, which are crucial to reaching the final frontiers of this disease.

We extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who participated, walked, and donated. Your support fuels the hope that future generations will live in a world free of polio. Together, we are making history by being part of the generation that ends polio for good!

Community Toy Drive

We want to remind you about our ongoing Toy Drive. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to donate a toy, there's still time to brighten a child's holiday!

We understand that life gets busy, but your contributions can bring joy and hope to those in need. We're still collecting a new, unwrapped toy to our next meetings in November. Every donation counts, and your generosity can make a significant impact in our community.

Thank you!

The Rotary Club of Weston SEC - Evening Fortnightly Meeting

November 7th

The Rotary Club of Weston -Weekly Meeting

November 14th

The Rotary Club of Weston -Weekly Meeting

November 14th

Rotary Club of Weston Impact Español Club

November 20th

The Rotary Club of Weston SEC - Evening Fortnightly Meeting

November 21st

The Rotary Club of Weston -Weekly Meeting

UMBRELLA WINNER

Alfredo Aguirre



Merrill Lynch



COMMUNITY TOY DRIVE

Juguetes nuevos y sin envolver para niños y niñas de 1 a 12 años para ser entregados en Diciembre de 2024 a niños y niñas necesitados a nivel local y global



Si lo prefieres, también puedes escanear este código QR para comprar cualquier juguete de nuestra lista de compras en Amazon!



Contactanos para coordinar la entrega

Tania Arteaga - 754-317-6210
RCW - Grupo de Impacto Hispano

Eugenio Moreno - 954-821-4776
RCW - Grupo de la Mañana



COMMUNITY TOY DRIVE

New, unwrapped toys for children aged 1 to 12 to be delivered in December 2024 for children in need locally and globally



If you prefer, you can also scan this QR code to purchase any toy from our Amazon wish list!



Contact us to arrange a drop-off

Tania Arteaga - 754-317-6210
RCW - Spanish Impact Group

Eugenio Moreno - 954-821-4776
RCW - Morning Group

What You Missed Last Evening Meeting

Have you ever wondered what you're missing by not attending your Rotary Club's weekly meetings? The truth is, every missed meeting is a missed opportunity—an opportunity for inspiring discussions, valuable connections, and making a difference in our community.

Each breakfast offers a fantastic buffet spread, and the agenda is packed with impactful discussions, club updates, and an exceptional keynote speaker. But what truly makes our mornings memorable are the moments that remind us of the warmth and connection we share within our Rotary family.

On October 24th, we had such a moment when two of our youngest 'members' joined us. These delightful guests, brimming with energy and curiosity, brought smiles to everyone's faces and reminded us why our meetings are about more than just club business – they're about coming together as a family.

So, whether you're there for the latest club updates, an inspiring speaker, or simply a great start to the day with good friends, remember: you never know what to expect at Rotary! Join us next Thursday to see for yourself.



Rotary Club of Weston Halloween Bash: A Spooktacular Evening of Fun and Friendship

This year's Rotary Club of Weston Halloween Party was nothing short of fantastic! Held at the warm and welcoming home of Jim and Donna Ingles, members gathered in full festive spirit to celebrate the spooky season in style. A big thank you to Jim and Donna for hosting, and a special shoutout to Madeleine Asesor, whose organizing skills brought everything together seamlessly.

The night was filled with laughter as members donned fascinating costumes, bringing creativity and fun to the occasion. From classic Halloween attire to wildly unique outfits, everyone brought their A-game to the costume contest. Though all the costumes were impressive, one clear standout left everyone talking (...you know the one!).

Thanks to everyone who joined in and made it a night to remember!

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

START TO CHANGE THE WORLD

Sign up and join us! Visit www.westonrotary.com

Forthnightly quote

Today is your opportunity to build the tomorrow you want.

—KEN POIROT

<https://www.rd.com/article/monday-motivation-quotes/>

Birthdays

Melissa Fils November 5th

Erik Chafin November 8th

Sean Lee November 8th

Marilyn Gustman November 10th

Winston McDoom November 11th

Nicky Stup November 12th

Andres Saravia November 13th

Julianne Dinda



Save the Date! Rotary Club of Weston Holiday Party

The holiday season is just around the corner, and the Rotary Club of Weston is excited to celebrate with you! Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, December 6, 2024**, as we gather for an evening filled with joy, friendship, and festive cheer at our annual **"Rotary Club of Weston Holiday Party"**.

This cherished tradition offers a wonderful opportunity for Rotarians, family, and friends to come together and celebrate the successes of the past year. Join us for an evening featuring delightful holiday treats, music, and memorable moments as we toast to our accomplishments and the joy of giving back.

Stay tuned for more details on the venue and festivities planned. We look forward to making this holiday season bright with all of you!



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- November 13th
Henry N Gillman
November 15th
Neal R. Kalis
November 22nd
Jim Sayih
November 22nd
Keith Petron
November 24th

Years of Service

- Fred R. Sadoff
11-01-1988
36 Years
- Jim Norton
11-01-1997
27 Years
- Joseph E. Altschul
10-30-1999
25 Years
- Nugene E. Harvey Jr.
10-31-2002
22 Years
- Michael Ross LoBiondo
11-19-2009
15 Years
- Robin A. Lewis
10-27-2011
13 Years
- Linda S. Rouse
10-30-2014
10 Years
- David Rouse
10-30-2014
10 Years
- David Sanderson
10-29-2015
9 Years
- Andy Suarez
10-27-2016
8 Years
- Henry Mead
10-31-2019
5 Years
- Esteban Valiente
11-20-2019
5 Years
- Sam Cavallieri
10-29-2020
4 Years
- Peter A Williams
11-22-2021
3 Years
- Michael Horning
10-27-2023
1 Year
- Patricia C. Bernardini
10-27-2023
1 Year

Club Leaders

-  **Jacqueline Gillman**
President
- Laura Dobrzanski**



Join us at the Cleveland Clinic for an enlightening panel discussion on weight management! Discover the benefits of focusing on what you could gain rather than what you might lose. Empower yourself with knowledge, support, and inspiration. Don't miss this opportunity for a healthier mindset and lifestyle!

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Rotary Club of Weston Nominating Committee Now Forming for 2025-2026



The Rotary Club of Weston is excited to announce the Nominating Committee has been selected and will start working soon!

It is a crucial step in selecting dedicated leaders for the 2025-2026 Rotary year. The committee will play an essential role in identifying passionate Rotarians who wish to serve and continue our club's mission of community service, leadership, and fellowship.

If you're interested in serving as a leader in our club and shaping the direction of the Rotary Club of Weston, please consider putting your name forward. Those eager to make a difference are encouraged to contact Kurt to express their interest in participating on the committee or in exploring leadership opportunities.

This is a fantastic chance to help shape our club's future, make a positive impact, and further our commitment to "Service Above Self." Join us in building an even stronger Rotary Club of Weston!

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MONTHLY MEETING



All members are invited to attend the upcoming RCW Monthly Board of Directors meeting **Tuesday, Nov 12th, 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.

THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

Come join us this **Thursday 11/14/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332.**



Secretary



Maria Eugenia Ochoa
Treasurer



Gordon Thompson
Club Committee Co - Chair
Vice President
President-Nominee



Maria Mercedes Alvarez Arancedo
Community Service Chair
Service Projects 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



Eugenio Moreno
Service Projects Chair



Evangelina Theobald
Sergeant-at-Arms



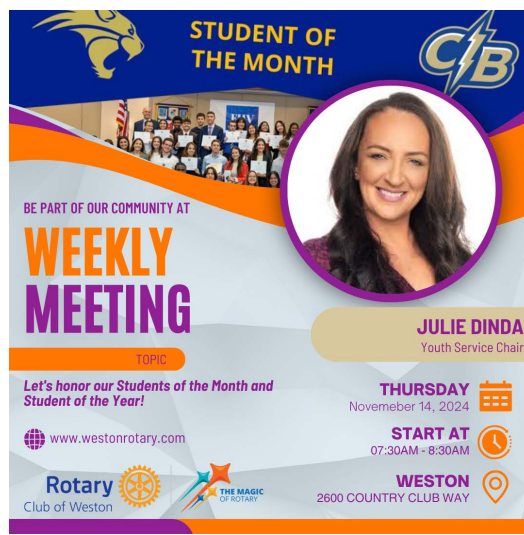
Ana Mary Ramirez de Moreno
Club Committee Co - Chair



Edwina Auguste
Past President



Cristiano Nicolucci
iPast President



The Rotary Club of Weston's Student of the Month program honors students by presenting them with a scholarship and inviting them to a breakfast ceremony. The program recognizes students who exemplify the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self". Let's come together and show our encouragement for these amazing students!

[Virtual Zoom Meeting](#)

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THURSDAY MORNING MEETING

Come join us this **Thursday 11/21/2024** at our regularly scheduled **7:30 AM** meeting at **The Club at Weston Hills**, located at **2600 Country Club Way, Weston, FL 33332**.



Join us for an insightful discussion with Dr. Haleem Mohammed on the importance of regular screenings for prostate health. Learn how proactive measures can lead to early detection and better outcomes for prostate conditions.

[Virtual Zoom Meeting](#)

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Polli-Nation: Rotary Weston's Mission to Save Pollinators

The **Rotary Club of Weston's Satellite Evening Club (SEC)** is known for its engaging speakers and networking, but it's also taking a lead in environmental action through its initiative Polli-Nation. Focused on supporting our planet's pollinators—bees, butterflies, moths, hummingbirds, and more—Polli-Nation raises awareness about the critical role these creatures play in sustaining our ecosystem and humanity's food supply.

Remarkably, one in every three bites we eat is thanks to pollination.

On October 16, RCW members joined students from **Sagemont Preparatory School's Environmental Club** to set up their first pollinator garden. Together, they transformed a section of the campus into a haven for pollinators by planting native, pollinator-friendly species. The students' passion was inspiring, and soon they'll be visiting classrooms to teach their peers about pollinators' essential contributions.

Polli-Nation is more than an environmental initiative; it's a call to action for all ages to help protect these vital species. With projects like this, SEC and Sagemont's students are planting seeds of knowledge and sustainability for the future.



Bringing the Rotary Club of Weston Community Together!



- **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!

RUN FOR TOMORROW 2024

Saturday, October 12, 2024



Mark your calendars for the 27th annual Rotary Run for Tomorrow, happening on Sunday, December 8, 2024!

This exciting event is more than just a run—it's a community tradition that brings together friends, families, and neighbors to support our local and global Rotary initiatives.

We're looking for volunteers to help make this event a success. We need hands on deck both the day before and the day of the run to assist with setup, registration, water stations, and more. Your support is vital in ensuring a smooth, fun, and safe experience for everyone.

Here's how you can help:

Volunteer: Whether you're free on Saturday for setup or Sunday for the event, we can use your help!

Any time you can give is appreciated. Sign up today and be part of making this event memorable.

Sponsorship and Donations: Reach out to your friends, family, and local businesses to see if they would be willing to sponsor the event or donate. Every contribution helps further our Rotary efforts in the community.

Spread the Word: If you have family in Weston or the surrounding areas, encourage them to come out and participate! The Run for Tomorrow is perfect for all ages and fitness levels, with a variety of races and fun activities for everyone.

Together, we can make this year's Run for Tomorrow the best one yet! To get involved or for more information, contact Gordon Thompson, event co-chair, or Frank Dreier, committee member.

Let's hit the ground running and make a difference!

Community Service Corner

The Rotary Club of Weston is dedicated to making a difference in our local and international communities through various service initiatives. Whether supporting literacy, environmental cleanups, or essential holiday needs, there's an opportunity for everyone to get involved. Join us in giving back by volunteering at one of our upcoming events.

We hope to see you there! For a complete list of approved charities, please visit our Community Service Projects page ([Click here](#)).

For more details, contact Mercedes Alvarez at (925) 548-1123.

Rotary Club of Weston Upcoming Community Service Engagements					
Event	Type	Supporting	Schedule	Location	Contact
Little Library	Local communities	Ongoing		Indian Trace Park	Mercedes Alvarez
Children's Harbor	Children's Harbor	October 25 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM	19410 SW 58th Place	Erin Chaffin	
Beach Clean Up	Environment	October 26 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Dante Beach Pier	Margaret Larrigue	
Clothes Drive	Local communities	October 26 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM	2480 Glades Cir	Erinella Diaz	
Building homes, community and hope!	Habitat for Humanity	Nov 2 7:30 AM to 12:00 PM	3718 Riverside Dr. Coral Springs	Valentina & Ana Mary Ramirez de Hozano	
Pancakes, PB & Raisins Book Reading	Flor de Loto Montessori	Nov 6 11:00 AM to 12 PM		Ramona	Mercedes Alvarez
Foreign Film Series	Art Council of Greater Weston	Nov 11 4:45 PM to 7:20 PM	APHC Weston & Theatre	Laura Dobczanski	
Community Drop off	Harvest Drive	Nov 15 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM	1200 SW 136th Ave., Dade, FL	Debra Richman	
Pet Up	Harvest Drive	Nov 16 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM	1200 SW 136th Ave., Dade, FL	Debra Richman	
Family Pick Up (Adults only)	Harvest Drive	Nov 17 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM	1200 SW 136th Ave., Dade, FL	Debra Richman	
Thanksgiving Feast (Adults only)	Gilbert's Club South Florida	Nov 20 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM	4800 W. Pines Road Ft. Lauderdale	Mari Sureskumar	

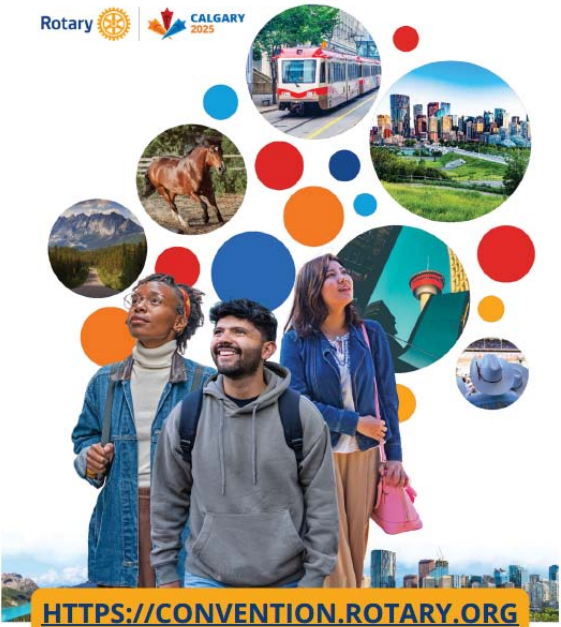
List of Approved Charities: <https://www.westonrotary.com/community-service-projects.php>

Rotary Club of Weston Upcoming Community Service Engagements					
Event	Type	Supporting	Schedule	Location	Contact
Food Drive	Harvest Drive	Ongoing		Weston Hills	Debra Richman
Feeding South Florida (most register)	Local communities	Nov 23 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM	2501 SW 32nd Terrace, Pembroke Park	Margaret Larrigue	
Walk to End Alzheimer's	Alzheimer's Association	Nov 23 8:00 AM		Nova Southeastern University	Carlette Dineen
Clothes Drive	Local communities	Ongoing		Weston Hills	Erinella Diaz
Community Toy Drive	Local and international communities	Ongoing		Weston Hills	Tania Arriaga & Eugenia Hozano
Pancakes, PB & Raisins Book Reading	Flor de Loto Montessori	Dec 4 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM		Ramona	Mercedes Alvarez
Run for Tomorrow	Local and international communities	Dec 8	Cypress Bay HS	Frank Dreier	
Blood Drive	One Drive	Dec 8	Cypress Bay HS	Janine Gibson	
Foreign Film Series	Art Council of Greater Weston	Dec 8 4:45 PM to 7:30 PM	APHC Weston & Theatre	Laura Dobczanski	
Shoes Drive	SoleaBout	Ongoing		Weston Hills	Margaret Larrigue
Pancakes, PB & Raisins Book Reading	Flor de Loto Montessori	Jan 5 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM		Ramona	Mercedes Alvarez

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