

Club Meeting

Homestead Meets at Golden Corral Florida Golden Corral Restaurant 33525 S Dixie Hwy Florida City, FL 33034 Time: Wednesday at 12:15 PM



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Dobbins Rotary Foundation Board

Call to Order

August 28th, 2024

Restaurant Florida City, Presided by President Dennis Maytan, who opened the meeting at 12:15. We were graced with 14 total in attendance, with 1 guest(s) and 0 visiting Rotarian(s).

> Homestead Rotary meets at the GOLDEN CORRAL Buffet 33525 S. Dixie Highway, Florida City, Florida 33034.

Announce you are with Rotary when you enter - the private room is to the right of the dining room. Please select your meal(s) and be seated by 12:15.



Invocation/Pledge/Song

Invocation led by Julio Guzman,

 <u>Benito</u> <u>Robaina</u> Rotary Foundation



Interact Club Sponsor Kenneth <u>Ross Jr.</u> Membership Chair

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Richard S. Glosser Rotary Foundation Board Treasurer

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Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Thomas R. Jones Jr. September 1st Charles Thomas Witherell September 2nd Quinton L. Dobbins September 10th Margie Zaid September 19th Barry Burak September 23rd Marcel Zangger September 25th

Years of Service

Robert S. Harris 11-01-1979 45 Years M. Jeannette Varela 11-06-2019 5 Years Marcel Zangger 10-07-2020 4 Years Katherine Rubio 12-02-2020 4 Years James Ford 11-16-2023 1 Year Andres Saun Jr. 11-22-2023 1 Year Ramon D Ortiz 11-24-2023 1 Year

Pledge of Allegiance led by Ken Ross, ROTARY MINUTE: Anna Alvarez reminded us that the speakers for any Rotary meeting shall be informative, educational, they should raise awareness and should avoid political and religious subjects.

SPEAKER'S SCHEDULE (Reminder, you have a responsibility to bring a speaker, the schedule can be flexible, but we need you to speak up).

8/28/2024	Marraccini, Phil
9/4/2024	Maytan, Dennis
9/11/2024	Mazure, Philippe E.
9/18/2024	Melara, Louis R.
9/25/2024	Moscoso, Edgar
10/2/2024	Murray, Jeffrey
10/9/2024	Robaina, Benito
10/16/2024	Ross, Kenneth Jr.
10/23/2024	Spell, Ken
10/30/2024	Uzquiano, Kevin
11/6/2024	Varela, M. Jeannette
11/13/2024	Witherell, Charles Thomas
11/20/2024	Zaid, Margie
11/27/2024	Zangger, Marcel
12/11/2024	
12/18/2024	

Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

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GUESTS: Ms Silvia Lopez, guest of Ariela Diaz

VISITING ROTARIANS: None at this time

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- SAVE THE DATE: Prime Rib Dinner (PRD) is Dec. 6th, at the Harris Field pavilion,
- Members are needed to bring in sponsors
- also:
 - give, find or procure auction items for the Prime Rib Dinner,
 - Major auction item is desperately needed!!
 - Silent auction items. If you are a business owner, can you give a FREE what ever?
- Honoree prospects for the PRD are being contacted & considered, please give your input on potential honorees.
- Dennis Maytan met with a local beer distributor and they have offered to sponsor the bar at the Prime Rib Dinner.
- Dennis also met with a local grower and received another sponsorship.
- we need all members to
- SAVE THE DATE: The Stone Crab and Seafood Festival is set for March 1st 2nd.
- 2024/25 is our centennial year, the club turns 100!
- We have a flag for the Stone Crab and Seafood Festival, see below

Birthdays: None this week *Anniversaries:*

- Richard Glosser, 36 years, August 1st.
- Julio Guzman, 5 years, August 28th,



CLUB ACTIVITY - Coastal Clean up - September, day to be determined.

CITY NEWS: None today

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Presentations

PRESENTATIONS:

Club members are called to action. Sponsors are needed for the Prime Rib dinner and the Stone Crab and Seafood Festival.

- Do you have a contact that can be asked to sponsor?
- Do you know of a business that regularly sponsors events?
- any help is appreciated, it only takes a phone call!

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Today's Speaker/Program

Speaker:

Steve Losner, the honorable Mayor of Homestead.

Steve was asked about his family's connection to the Rotary Club of Homestead. Steve says the family moved to Homestead based on a flip of a coin and the rest is history. Once moved, his great-grandfather joined the club after a season of vetting had passed. Since then, there has been a Losner in membership for 93 continuous years. That's a legacy that will be hard to match!

Steve lauded the new city manager, says he is cleaning up and will be getting the city on track soon. In his 6 months in the job, the city manager has already eliminated \$250,000 in useless contracts. Other projects include having inhouse counsel, the cost could be half of what counsel currently costs, and the

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The City budget has increased year over year some \$8MM, mostly due to commercial real estate, which has generated much more additional income than any residential real estate could or will. Commercial is more lucrative for the city.

Other projects on the slate are; software and Π upgrades and improvements, partnership with the track to possibly create 'activity centers' that would include a water park, a top-notch hotel, a new rodeo and concert venue and other nice amenities.

There is a ribbon cutting next week at the new Amazon warehouse near the air reserve base.

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Fines

Fines : were not levied today due to the small group in attendance.

Moe collected for the Soup Kitchen. Please be generous, for you may be feeding someone their only meal that day!



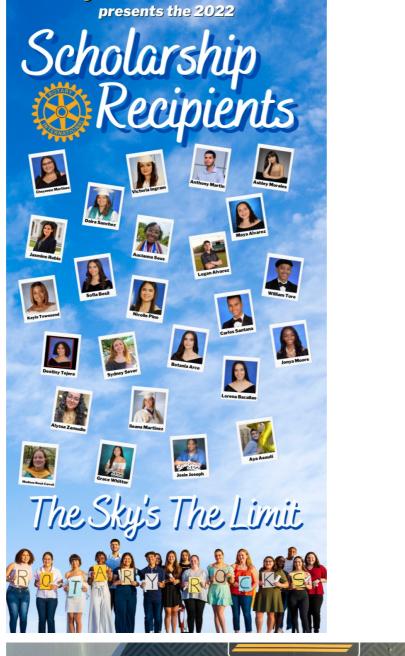
Today's Raffle

RAFFLE: NO raffle this week and the pot rolled over! Where is Tom???

The real winners:







Welcome home.



Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars: Members were VERY generous with the Happy Dollars today! Another sign of a great club!! Thank you Rotarians for being awesome!!

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:22pm with the recitation of the Four Way Test.







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Where Clubs Meet in District 6990

District 6990 Meetings updates at: http://rotary6990.org/index.php/club-locations/

Also Worldwide Club Finder at Rotary International website for history, causes, programming, news, and membership issues (like Club Finder): https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs