



Club Meeting

Homestead
Meets at Capri
Restaurant - Gallery
Room
Capri Restaurant 935 N
Krome Ave
Florida City, FL 33040
Time: Wednesday at
12:15 PM

Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Louie Melara

PLEDGE led by Mark ben Asher

BIRTHDAYS: No Rotarians this week

Call to Order

March 10, 2021

President Roxanne Jeghers called the Rotary meeting to order, in person and on ZOOM at 12:15 pm at the Capri. Fifteen Rotarians attended in person, plus five speaker/guests by ZOOM.

ZOOM calls are being suspended starting March 10 unless reserved ahead of time. They can be used for speakers as needed.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83768715337?pwd=Zmdhb050TjBvWUJlQmU1U3U2ZkdWlpUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6871 5337
Password: 457708

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Events and Speakers

No Events Found

Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

Speakers from the Miami-Dade Department of Transportation were: Andrew Davis, Natacha Placide, Alex Gorgas, Carmela Carter and Charesse Chester, principle speaker.

Birthdays

Dale Machesic
April 4th

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Rotary Executive Board meeting
Thursday March 18 at 8:30 am
at Redland Country Club.

Rotary District is offering three types of training on line. The regular District meeting will be on May 8 at 9 am for officers and interested Rotarians. RLI courses are starting again - all three sections with various March starting times. Check with President Roxanne for

Years of Service

Robert S. Harris
11-01-1979
42 Years

Michael J. Marcus
11-01-1988
33 Years

Erik D. Tietig
11-15-2000
21 Years

Craig Pearce



10-01-2014
7 Years
M. Jeannette Varela
11-06-2019
2 Years
Marcel Zangger
10-07-2020
1 Year
Katherine Rubio
12-02-2020
1 Year

registration info and class schedules. Rotary University (NOT RLI, a free private look operations) will start in early April. Again, Roxanne has registration info.

CONTACT with our local Rotaract Club was successful. President Mayra Padilla is still holding meetings although membership is down to seven active members. Leadership may have to change this summer when Mayra graduations from MDC. The group is anxious to partner with its parent Club for a service project in April!

President Roxanne Jeghers announced that March is being dedicated to the Children's Alliance of Florida. They take in children from bad situations temporarily, feeding and clothing them, until foster homes are found. Capri allowed Rotary to place a box for badly needed items: socks, snacks, toys, clothing in all sizes, wipes, and especially DIAPERS!

Rotary Scholarship applications are being created for the website and should appear by the end of March, deadline to return will be mid-April.

Homestead Rotary is a supporter of the Seminole Theatre. Its non-profit group is sponsoring its 4th Annual Gala on April 17, in front of the theatre. The theme is Masquerade in Venice. Full bar, catered food, raffles, and silent auction items + live entertainment. Tickets are \$100 each; limited tickets; available at the theater.

Tickets for the Million Dollar Rotary District dinner on April 17 now available for \$150 each, limit of 200 seats featuring Rotary's international stars. Substantial donors receive priority on seating. Check on DACdb to purchase through PayPal.

Kiwanis and Military Affairs Committee are sponsoring their Dolphin Fishing Days - kick off party is June 10, fishing tournament with prizes is June 12.

CITY NEWS:

Rotarian Mayor Steve Losner announced grants are in the air. Council tonight accepts two grants for 'hardening' utility lines plus a town generator to run the systems - a FREE total of \$4.374,000 from the state. In addition, federal monies could come from COVID Relief funds totaling \$20 million! The Mayor said he could remember when that was the total town budget. Monies are not yet received but likely to replace actual COVID costs like \$1 million in un-budgeted police overtime.

The Cybrarium ribbon cutting is set for Thursday March 18 at noon. The Cybrarium will then open to the public at 2 pm, at 80 West Mowry Drive.

The Miami-Dade fire department opened a vaccination site at the Sports Complex. Eligibility rules are in flux and hopes to do 1,000 doses a day. Check City website for rules and hours of operation.

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS:

No official presentations at this meeting.

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Today's Speaker/Program

Today's topic was the South Corridor RT project presented by Charisse Chester from the County DOT. The County wants our help with input from citizens on the plans, distribution of information about the project, and on social media.

The BRT (bus rapid transit) corridor is 20 miles long. The exclusive right of way is being acquired. Project started in February, will take two years to build, and revenue service begins January of 2023.

The \$300 million cost was supplied equally by the federal government, the County and Florida DOT.

The vision is to maximize rider comfort and create iconic & memorable stations. Of the 30 transit stations along the corridor, 14 will be upgraded for BRT. Formal terminals will be at Dadeland Station and at SW 344th Street. The project requires upgrading 46 signalized intersections with gate arms + rehabbing the collateral bike path. BRT station elements will include an air conditioned vestibule, CCTV cameras for security, free Wi-Fi, recognizable signage with message displays, and standard maintenance of the station.

For more information, see SMARTsouth@miamidade.gov or contact MEDIA at 305-944-7564. [Read More](#)

Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars:

Happy dollars reasons are given by the Rotarian contributing - but in the hustle of lunch, its hard to hear. Come to lunch & share happy events!

Moe Hakssa give \$40 as Happy Dollars for the 40th anniversary of LUMO print. Happy Dollars also came from Margie Zaid, Marcel Zangger, Dale Machesic, and Quinton Dobbins.

Fines

Fines : Advertising: Steve Losner + wearing his badge home!
Phone: Roxanne Jeghers
Not wearing green on St. Patrick's Day, many members.



Today's Raffle

Raffle of \$9 - no one pulled the joker so the pot rolled over.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:49 pm with recitation of the Four Way Test.

Next meeting: Wednesday March 24 at 12:15 pm. Speaker is Lou from the Miami Youth Symphony.



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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>