

# Rotary



# Club of Homestead

## 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



## Club Officers



**Roxanne Jeghers**  
President-Elect  
Rotary Foundation Board



**Larry Diehl**  
Secretary Club  
Director Secretary-Elect  
Webmaster



**Richard S. Glosser**  
Rotary Foundation Board  
Club Director  
Treasurer-Elect  
Membership Chair



**Dale Machesic**  
Public Relations Chair  
Rotary Foundation Board  
Club Director



**Louis R. Malara**  
Club Director  
Sergeant-at-Arms



**Benito Robaina**  
Club Director



**Anna Rita Alvarez**  
Rotary Education Chair



**Steven D. Losner**  
Rotary Foundation Board



**Phil Marraccini**  
Rotary Foundation Chair  
iPast President



**Dennis J. Callagirone**  
Area Governor

## Events and Speakers

No Events Found

## Birthdays

Dale Machesic  
April 4th

## 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

## Homestead Rotary Scholarship 2021



Rotary Club of Homestead Charitable Foundation  
PO Box 901215 Homestead, Florida 33090-1215

## Scholarship Application 2021

[homesteadrotary.org](http://homesteadrotary.org)

## Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Phil Marraccini

PLEDGE led by Quinton Dobbins

BIRTHDAYS: No Rotarians this week

## Call to Order

March 24, 2021

President Roxanne Jeghers called the Rotary meeting to order, in person and on ZOOM at 12:15 pm at the Capri. Thirteen Rotarians attended in person, plus guest speaker Lew Matusow.

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=Zmdhb050TjBVWUJQNIJ3U2ZxdWlpUT09>

Meeting ID: 837 6871 5337  
Password: 457708



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

### Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

Speakers Lew Matusow presented on the South Florida Youth Symphony early; as publicity chair for all Florida Kiwanis Clubs, the District Governor is visiting their Homestead Club today!

### Announcements

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**  
**ROTARY SERVICE EVENT!**  
Rotarians and Homestead Rotaract Club will help Farm Share pack food distribution boxes on Thursday, April 29 from 9 am to noon, at the Farm Share Warehouse on the EAST side of town - 14125SW 320th Street. Information about helping with distribution that day or weekend will be available at the event.

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

**MARCH 31** is the deadline, next week, for drop-off donations for the Children's Alliance of Florida. They take in children between in-take and foster care, feed them, clothe them, and help them before placement. Bring diapers, socks, wipes, snacks, small toys, and clothing in all sizes!

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.

Homestead Rotary will hold a raffle for

a Yeti cooler filled with booze at \$20 a ticket/6 for \$100, drawing to be held in conjunction with Prime Rib dinner in November. Cooler to be displayed at Berry's Paint. In addition, a 2 night/2 person stay at the Bimini Hilton including airfare will be raffled off, a \$1,000 value, will be raffled off, too

#### CITY NEWS:

Rotarian Mayor Steve Losner gave a summary of LeJardin's offer to lease two areas of the old YMCA building at Harris Field for its early learning classrooms. LeJardin announced receipt of a \$31.5 million grant enabling them to place 304 children and create 125 jobs. The Mayor hoped his colleagues will agreed to the lease deal for the local company.

County COVID vaccination site at the old stadium has steady demand but is the smoothest run in the County. Eligibility is now age 50 and over. Go there prior to closing at 2:15 to avoid lines.

The Cybrarium ribbon cutting was a success. All Miami-Dade residents are allowed to use a Cybrarium library card. Rotarians are invited for a behind-the-scenes tour soon, being arranged.

Efforts to move the UDB to build a warehouse district within one mile of the AirBase are part of a larger picture for well-known developers. The Air Base suit against the City for changing the Alger land zoning is getting a hard NO for any potential settlement.

## Presentations

#### PRESENTATIONS:

No official presentations at this meeting.

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## Today's Speaker/Program

Lew Matusow gave a presentation on the South Florida Youth Symphony, a 56 year-old institution with students from 3 to 18 years old. Their website is [www.sfys.net](http://www.sfys.net) or call (305) 238-2779 for recent event scheduling. The Youth Symphony is coming to Homestead! The Seminole Theatre hosts them on May 22 for two concerts. The \$3200 expense is being carried by Commissioner Kionne McGhee, Kiwanis, and Soroptomists. Rotary is invited to participate. The speaker shared a video of the Fairchild Garden concert, under direction of Majorie Hahn. The kids pay an annual \$600 fee to play; summer school events are less and student alumni are teachers. "SFYS has never turned anyone away for inability to pay," said Matusow. 70% of the kids are on scholarships. Contact their website for more information. [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!

Happy (& sad) Dollars donated by: Margie Zaid, Marcel Zangger, Phil Marraccini, Jeannetter Varela, and Julio Guzman.

## Fines

Fines : Only voluntary fines today (thanks Jeannette!)



### Today's Raffle

Raffle of \$21 - Bob Harris pulled the joker and WON!

### Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 pm with recitation of the Four Way Test.

Next meeting: Wednesday March 31 at 12:15 pm. Speaker is District representative on new membership drive.





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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>