# Rotary



# Club of Homestead

## Club Meeting

Homestead Meets at Homestead Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Homestead Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) 601 NE 2nd Rd Homestead, FL 33030 Time: Wednesday at 12:15 PM



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#### Club Officers



<u>Roxanne Jeghers</u> President



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#### **Call to Order**

June 22, 2022

President Roxanne Jeghers opened the meeting at 12:12 with 11 members present.

Rotary meetings usually start about 12:15. Please confirm attendance with Roxanne prior to Wednesday meetings, although accommodations will be made for guests. The VFW is located at 601 NE 2nd Road, on the point with 601 NE 6th Avenue - it's behind the Homestead Power plant, next to Pioneer Park tennis courts.



## Invocation/Pledge/Song

**INVOCATION** by Tom Witherell

PLEDGE led by Phil Mazure

BIRTHDAYS: Bob Harris' Birthday was today! Members present sang Happy Birthday. Chris Dougherty's Birthday was June 20.

**ROTARY MINUTE: No Rotary minute today.** 





Phil Marraccini Rotary Foundation Chair Past President



<u>Dennis J Caltagirone</u> Area Governor

### **Events and Speakers**

No Events found

#### Birthdays

Robert S. Harris June 22nd Richard S. Glosser July 1st M. Jeannette Varela July 14th

#### **Years of Service**

No Years Of Service Found



Santiago de Compostela, end of pilgrimage 2022.

## **Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians**

There were no guests or visiting Rotarians today.

**NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKER: from Tom Witherell.** 

#### **Announcements**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Rotary Board meeting June minutes available upon request.

Rotary Installation has been moved to a lunch meeting on Wednesday July 13 at the Redland Golf Club - plus ones are still invited and the choice is still between chicken or salmon. See Roxanne to confirm attendance and choices.

Rotary District conference moved to July 24-27 in Orlando, Florida. Details for reservations available upon request. This is the final meeting of the 2021-2022 Rotary year for District leadership.

Homestead's Race to the 4th for fireworks is July 4 from 6 to 10 pm. To join festivities at the Champions' Club, contact the City for tickets. Word is many food trucks will be present for the celebration.

Military Affairs Council's 10th annual Las Vegas night

is at the Redland Golf Club on Friday July 29. Tickets are \$25 which buys \$100 in chips good for prize auctions. SEE Roxanne for more information.

#### **CITY NEWS:**

Council meets tonight, Wednesday June 22 at 6 pm. For more City news, see SPEAKER.



Rotary Scholarship winners at Racetrac ceremony June 15, 2022.

## **Presentations**

#### PRESENTATIONS:

Moe Hakssa received a Certificate of Appreciation from the VFW where Rotary holds its lunches. Moe donated the new awning over the VFW entrance and was thanked with a good speech by the VFW manager.



**NEW MEMBERS:** 



Edgar Moscoso, June 1, 2022

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## Today's Speaker/Program

Because the Club had to speaker today, Rotarian Mayor Steve Losner gave an impromptu and very fascinating report on development projects in Homestead. Among other items, he reported - Rumor is Amazon admitted it overbuilt its warehousing space including the Homestead unit as deliveries have dropped below pre-pandemic levels. The issue is finding tenants for the space. In any event, the finished property on Palm Drive goes on the City's tax rolls next year.

A vodka & gin distiller from St. Petersburg, Russia partnered with Mega-Liquors. Mega is now looking for distilling space stateside to make the liquor in-house. Homestead is one of the places being looked at - a potential distillery would include a tasting room as well as a restaurant. The company was referred to the City by the Economic Development Council. Flanagan's restaurant has committed to bringing one of its restaurants to Homestead. They're looking for 10,000 SF with space for a Big Daddy's Liquors, budgeting \$2 million per acre for a three acre space.

The City Hall site still under negotiations but the deal could fail, due to market conditions and the cost of the City-owned 16 acres. Planned density of the site increased to 780 units with 8 to 12 story buildings. It was marketed here like a Doral Citi Place. The hotel with meeting space is now an extended stay and is far into the future. The deal proposed 15% of net profits once the place was at 50% of occupancy - perhaps 5% of gross would be a realistic counter-offer for the City. The land itself could be

purchased outright for \$9.1 million whereas this deal ("capitalized lease plan" for 99 years) costs \$8.1 million now plus \$1 million later. The City received the counter-offer Friday.

Alger Farms has 96 acres to the east of the Park of Commerce, not in HARB's accident potential zone that is being marketed to a nationally known industrial developer. Transfer rights to the land under litigation between Alger and HARB was to be settled with the old City Hall deal but stayed tuned.

Chik-Fil-A could go to Council next month on building on the lot next to Dairy Queen south of Campbell Drive. There could be some discussion about adding extra turning lanes for this popular fast-food!

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## 2021 Prime Rib Tribute Dinner













## **Fines**

Fines: Phone & Leaving early: Richard Glosser.

Moe collected dollars for the Homestead Soup Kitchen.



# **Today's Raffle**

The new Raffle of \$10 had a Rollover.

The real winners:



# **Happy Dollars**

Happy Dollars: Moe Hakssa, Dale Machesic, & Edgar Moscoso

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 pm with the recitation of the Four Way Test.

The Club has a new Four Way Test banner!



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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): <a href="https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs">https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/rotary-clubs</a>