

Rotary



Club of Homestead

Club Meeting

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



IMAGINE ROTARY

Club Officers



Marcel Zangger
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Board



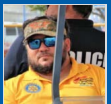
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Call to Order

October 26, 2022

President Marcel Zangger opened the meeting at 12:15 with 17 members present and 2 guests.

Homestead Rotary meets at the GOLDEN CORRAL Buffet at 33525 S. Dixie Highway, Florida City, Florida 33034 across from the WalMart parking lot. Announce you are with Rotary when you enter - the private room is to the right of the dining room There are multiple buffets to choose from so please have your food and be seated by 12:15 so the meeting can begin on time.





Chair



Louis R. Melara
Rotary Foundation
Board
Sergeant-at-Arms



Richard S. Glosser
Rotary Foundation
Board
Treasurer
Webmaster
Past President

Invocation/Pledge/Song

INVOCATION by Tom Witherell

PLEDGE led by Louie Melara

SONG: Songmeister Phil Mazure led us
in God Bless America!

BIRTHDAYS: No Homestead Rotarians this week.

ROTARY MINUTE: Anna referenced the Four Way Test, used by all Rotary Clubs around the world. First used by the founders in Chicago, the Four Way Test morphed into what is used to day and was adopted in the 1940s by Rotary International as the official motto of Rotary. It was copyrighted in 1954.

SPEAKER'S SCHEDULE:

11/02/2022 Tom Jones / Insight view concerning the Future of Home Insurance

11/09/2022 no speaker / Internal and 1st Prime Rib Dinner preparation talk

11/16/2022 Margie Zaid / let me know if Marilyn Viruet is available for this Date

11/23/2022 Thanksgiving, no Lunch Meeting

11/30/2022 no speaker / Internal and 2nd Prime Rib Dinner preparation talk

12/07/2022 Mark Ben Asher / please let me know asap

12/14/2022 Phil Mazure / please let me know asap

12/21/2022 Benny Robaina / please let me know asap

Introductions/Guest/Visiting Rotarians

Guests of Rotary today were Ken Ross and from Zoo-Miami, Ron Magill, the tallest Cuban American in Miami-Dade County.

Events and Speakers

No Events found

Birthdays

Craig Pearce
November 10th

William Duquette
November 14th

Years of Service

Robert S. Harris
11-01-1979
43 Years

Michael J. Marcus
11-01-1988
34 Years

Craig Pearce
10-01-2014
8 Years

M. Jeannette Varela
11-06-2019
3 Years

Marcel Zangger
10-07-2020
2 Years

Katherine Rubio
12-02-2020
2 Years

Barry Burak
11-16-2021
1 Year

Mark Ben-Asher
11-16-2021
1 Year



President Marcel Zangger welcomes Miami-Zoo Communications Director Ron Magill. Marcel thought Ron was standing on a box. Here's proof!

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Copies of the Rotary Board minutes from October 13 are available upon request.

First Fridays at Portofino for Homestead's non-profit clubs meets at 6:30 to socialize; Rotary needs Club members to participate.

Prime Rib dinner set for Friday December 2 at Harris Field; tickets are \$45. Club volunteers needed to help make this last fundraiser of 2022 a big success. Contact President Marcel for how you can help.

Rotary District polio event scheduled for Friday October 28 from 6 to 10 pm at Miami Club Rum Distillery at 7401 NW Miami Place (33150) to create the world record for largest rum & coke, the goal is 348 gallons!

Rotarian Margie Zaid is Homestead Rotary's Veterans' Day contact for the parade Friday November 11. Contact Margie to help decorate the float and participate in the parade.

Rotary Grants seminar by District on Saturday, November 19 from 9 to 11:30. Excellent presentations on finances and the Rotary Foundation if last year is any indication. **IT IS REQUIRED** that each Club participate in order to get a grant next year, so Homestead needs a volunteer!

Florida City Elementary asked for men to read to children as

part of our joint literacy program and to serve as role models. An event is scheduled for November 16 (a Wednesday) from 9:30 to 11:30. See Anna to join our Club volunteers.

The Soroptomist Club informed Rotarians about the three scholarship programs for the community and need help finding candidates. 1. the Violet Richardson Award of \$500 for girls 14-17 with \$500 to their sponsoring organization is given December 1. 2. Live Your Dream Award for single mothers returning to school is a \$1,000 award that can be used for any expenses, awarded November 15, and 3. the Memorial Scholarship program, winners announced Dec. 1 for young women going to college, awarded to one to three candidates from the Homestead community. Contact Adrienne Griffiths of Soroptomists 786-255-8580 with suggested awardees.

District Rotary has approved Homestead's grant application for a 50/50 match on the Thanksgiving turkey project! Volunteers will be needed Tuesday, November 22 to help with packing food bags and distribution.

SEAFOOD FESTIVAL dates reserved for March 4 & 5, 2023.

CITY NEWS:

Mayor Steve Losner spoke about a Special Call meeting on Tuesday November 1 at 6 pm with the Related Group, proposed developer of the Old City Hall site. Citiplace Homestead is still on the table according to Albert Milo, president of Related Group.

November 5 is the grand opening of Losner Park from 4-9 with music and food trucks and adult beverages from the Seminole Theatre window.

Target opens Nov. 6. Raising Cane chicken franchise opens Nov. 8. Holiday event will be huge this year at the Park - Dec. 9 for the traditional Tree Lighting ceremony.



Rotary Scholarship winners at Racetrack ceremony
June 15, 2022.

Presentations

PRESENTATIONS:

Club President Marcel presented a plaque to Larry Diehl, retiring as Club secretary after many years, who is moving to Pennsylvania. Always doing the right thing, Marcel included two swell bottles of red wine. Picture of Larry proves he doesn't usually share his meals. Thanks to Homestead Rotary for all the years of good fellowship and community service.



Larry Diehl thanks President Marcel for indulging his drinking habit with excellent red wines. The new Secretary is Edgar Moscoso who agreed to assume the office through 2023.

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Today's Speaker/Program

Ron Magill is famous for representing the Miami Zoo for the last 43 years, creating endowments for students for trips to Africa and preaching conversation of all species around the globe. Ron brought us fascinating pictures of the tragedy of bad nest-building by two bald eagles in Miami-Dade County that chose an Australian pine to build a huge nest. The nest collapsed throwing two hatchlings to the ground; one died and the other broke a wing. Lloyd Brown from Wildlife Rescue rushed the bird to vet Don Harris for his volunteer services. Doctor Harris did surgery on the wing and released the eaglet to Lloyd. Ron endowed the flight cage for Lloyd to use in teaching birds to fly. The young eagle learned to fly, learned to hunt, and the rescuers (staying in the background) taught the bird to hunt iguanas! She likes them as a tasty snack! Hopefully, she'll find her own mate and teach her young to feed on this invasive species. Check out the action on the live camera the rescuers installed after building a platform and structural feature for the new eagle's nest SEE <https://www.zoomiami.org/bald-eagle-cam> Ron says the latest feature is a microphone so you can hear the eagles talking to each other. (Check out dawn, about halfway through the feed.) Eagles live 35 to 45 years. It's a federal law to not come within 1000 feet of an eagle's nest for fear of disturbing the birds. The eagle-cam solves that problem. Thanks to Ron for all he does in resisting developmental pressures, UDB expansion, and habitat destruction to protect the animals of Miami-Dade County.

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Fines

Fines : Fines were suspended but the Sgt-at-Arms had to fine Alfredo for leaving his badge in the car.

NEW POLICY: Rotarians must take badges home and **BRING THEM BACK** to wear. If you leave it in the car, its a \$1 fine!

Moe collected for the Soup Kitchen.



Today's Raffle

No raffle today in the interest of time; next week \$86 at stake.

The real winners:

Rotary Club of Homestead

presents the 2022

Scholarship Recipients



The Sky's The Limit



Happy Dollars

Happy Dollars:

\$3 Marcel Zanger, Larry Diehl, Phil Mazure, Bob Houston, \$2 Margie Zaid, Demmetrious Knowles, \$5 Dale Machesic, Steve Losner, Anna Alvarez, \$2 Ken Ross, Mick Cronje, and Richard Glosser.

ANNOUCEMENT: Marcel attended PETS 1 training for Club President's-Electand is supposed to attend #2 in Orlando in early March that conflicts with Seafood Festival. Since no one else stepped up as President-elect, perhaps

Marcel will consent to be President for Life! (Seriously, thanks for representing Homestead Rotary.)

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm with the recitation of the Four Way Test.



Homestead Rotary Loves Your Business

New/Events From Our Interact Clubs

South Dade Community Links

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>