



ROTARY CLUB OF MARCO ISLAND NOONTIME



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Noontime News *June 17th, 2021*

District 6960
Area One
Zone 34

President's Message



I am excited to announce we have a new “Rotary Central”.

It is the **Gulfstream Model Home** at **201 S Heathwood Drive** for dropping off glasses and sunglasses for Glasses for Mexico and Wine Cork contributions for Meals of Hope.

New member Samantha Bruntjen has the model open daily and looks forward to getting to know you. If the model is closed you can leave your donation on the front porch for her to collect.

Upcoming Speakers

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| 7/1/2021 | Andy Lyman, District Governor |
| 7/15/2021 | Sean Cooley, SW Florida Water Management |
| 8/5/2021 | Dan Smith, Director Community Affairs City of Marco Island |
| 9/2/2021 | Brittany Piersma, Audubon of Western Everglades |
| 9/16/2021 | Jennifer Edwards, Collier County Supervisor of Elections |
| 10/7/2021 | Linda Turner, Marco Eagle Sanctuary Foundation |

For the latest information on meetings, events and more, visit

marcoislandrotary.org

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Opportunities to serve our Community

- **August golf tournament to support the Marco Island Charter Middle School. Email me to join the planning committee**
 - ⇒ Sign up \$100 golf hole sponsors- good for either individuals or businesses to advertise their business
 - ⇒ Join the fun! Sign up to golf and get your friends to sign up with you- \$150 entry fee
 - ⇒ Sign up to volunteer at the event.
- **Save all your wine corks to raise money for Meals of Hope packing event. Drop off at Rotary Central - Gulfstream Model Home at 201 South Heathwood Drive.**
- **Save your glasses for Glasses for Mexico annual project. Drop off at Rotary Central - Gulfstream Model Home at 201 South Heathwood Drive.**
- **The Marco Island Historical Society and Museum need volunteers: docents to greet visitors and gift shop volunteers to assist customers.**
- **The Y needs someone to oversee the Bread Run.**
- **The Y needs “Y READS” volunteers. This could be virtual help as well as in person.**
- **The Y needs grant/administrative help.**



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Upcoming Scheduled Meetings

- **June 22, Tuesday - Membership Team Zoom Meeting - 5:00pm**
- **July 1, Thursday - Zoom Club Meeting - Guest Speaker Andy Lyman, District Governor**
- **July 15, Thursday - Zoom Club Meeting - Guest Speaker Sean Cooley, Southwest Florida Water Management**
- **August 5, Thursday - Zoom Club Meeting - Guest Speaker Dan Smith,**

Upcoming Events

August 14th Golf Tournament Planning Team Schedule (Co-sponsored by Rotary Noontime & Rotary Sunrise) to raise money for the Marco Island Charter Middle School below:

All committee meetings follow the Sunrise Club regular meetings on Tuesdays at the Sand Bar at 8:30am. Debra Shanahan from Sunrise is the chair of the event.

June 15 8:30- organizational meeting to discuss sponsorship levels, entry price, contact assignments of sponsors and players.

June 29 8:30

July 20 8:30

July 27 8:30

August 03 8:30

August 10 8:30

August 14 Tournament at Hammock Bay



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Rotary 

Flamingo
Fiesta
DISTRICT 6960 CONFERENCE

July 9 - 11, 2021

CHARLOTTE HARBOR EVENT CENTER
75 TAYLOR ST | PUNTA GORDA

 **Rotary Opens Opportunities**



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Out and About With The Rotary Club of Marco Island Noontime

Fun was had by all on board **Paradise Cycle Boat Tours** for the Rotary Family VIP Cruise on Saturday, July 12th. Captains Michael And Deborah Passero entertained us and provided all with Blue Zone health smoothies while Jennifer treated all to yummy fruit kabobs. In the shade of the red, white and blue canopy and with cool breezes from the water, the weather was perfect. The dolphins performed on schedule and Deborah gave us a history lesson along with competition questions, and we all were awarded prizes!



Pictured Al, Myrna & Alexandra Diaz, Bill Kohut, Jennifer, Derek & Dakota Tenney, Roy & Gail Helfrick, Andrew & Rene Ford, Aldo Forlini (Friend of the Fords)



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Speaker Highlights June 17th, 2021

Madison Smith

Madison Smith, the Community Resource Coordinator for “Collier Cares, was our speaker today. “Collier Cares” is a resource, including a website and an app., that connects individuals who are facing challenges, to many local organizations that are able to respond to them. “Collier Cares” is the initiative of and sponsored by the Community Foundation of Collier County, the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation, and the Naples Children and Education Foundation and was launched on March 31, 2021.

To access the website simply go to www.colliercares.org or, on your phone, download the app. from Play Store (if you have an Android) or Apple Play (if you have an Apple). You will find categories such as: FOOD, JOBS, HEALTH and WELLNESS, SHELTER, EDUCATION, LEGAL, SUBSTANCE ABUSE, MENTAL HEALTH, TRANSIT, etc.

“Collier Cares” is not to be confused with Collier County Government and its Collier Cares grant programs; rather, it is an additional resource that organizes the various community assistance agencies. In short, “Collier Cares” is “One Stop Shopping” for those in need of assistance.

Madison has worked closely with various community organizations to ensure that their services and resources are available on the app to those in need. It is her hope to continue aiding the growth of this innovative app and utilizing the analytics gathered from it to assist organizations in addressing community needs.

We wish Madison the best of luck and thank her for speaking with us today.



Our Rotary Club and Rotary International Partnerships

One of Rotary International's goals is to leverage the good we can do by partnering with other accredited organizations with similar goals to achieve greater good in the world. Our club has likewise followed this example both locally and globally.

Instead of creating our own global projects that we did not have the funds or man power for, we have supported other Rotary Clubs who are doing all the work on the ground but who needed our financial help to qualify for their matching global and district grants which make both their money and our money go further.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting:

- Rotary Club of Lakewood Ranch Peru Water project
- Haiti WASH- Water & Sanitation Project
- Water4Life Mozambique with Punta Gorda Club
- Gift of Life- heart surgeries for children- with Sunrise Club
- See thank you just received for Peru oxygen plant below:
 - "We cannot thank you enough for your generosity to our Global Grant, which will help provide an oxygen-generating plant to our partner hospital in Iquitos, Peru. Because of the additional DDF from our district the grant is fully funded for 21/22 Rotary year. Because of YOU, thousands of patients will be able to receive medical oxygen, and recover from COVID19. Be sure to look in the mirror today and see what WE see - HEROES who use the power and spirit of Rotary to save lives."



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Paul Harris Fellow Recognition

One of the unique characteristics of Rotary is our participation in international service to persons and communities around the world through The Rotary Foundation. Named for our Founder, Paul Harris, who founded Rotary in 1905, the presentation of Paul Harris Fellow recognition is The Rotary Foundation's way of expressing its appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programs.

We move closer to a world of peace and good will today as **Pat Rutledge** becomes a **Paul Harris plus 1** and **Durell Buzzini** becomes a **Paul Harris plus 7** adding additional jewels to their Paul Harris pins and **Linda & Alan Sandlin** become major donors. Each PLUS represents another \$1000 gift to The Rotary Foundation.



Pat Rutledge



Linda & Alan Sandlin



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