

30 September 2021

**Rotary Club of  
Punta Gorda**  
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**THE COG**  
**ROTARY CLUB OF PUNTA GORDA, FL**  
**ZOOM & IN PERSON MTGS: Thursday at 12 Noon**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – 10 AM Club Board Meetings**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday - 8 AM PG Rotary Charity &  
Education Foundation Board meetings**



Now that 99 percent of the world's population lives in regions certified polio-free, the goal of eradication is closer than ever. [Endpolio.org](http://Endpolio.org)

**September 30 – Ray Briggs – Punta Gorda Fire Chief**  
**October 7 – Darcy Hanley – Youth Services Programs**  
**October 14 -Club Assembly**

**Club Goals: Support the Global Grants, Community Grants!**

Club meetings are back in person at the Isles Yacht Club. **We welcome walk-ins, but to eat, sign up in advance at the meeting or email Alyson in advance of the meeting, so that she can give the IYC an accurate meal count.**

Congratulations to George Weaver for becoming a Paul Harris Fellow Plus 5.

George Miller reported that, with the donation from our Foundation, Dr. Stephen Schroering was able to ship \$50,000 worth of medical supplies to a hospital in the mountains of Haiti for earthquake victims.

Our Foundation gave the following grants this quarter:

- \$1,000 to Team Punta Gorda for their bike loaner program
- \$500 to Goodwill of SWFL for their MicroEnterprise Institute
- \$500 to Friends of Barnabas for medical aid in rural Honduras
- \$1,000 to the Honor Flight of SWFL to send vets to see WWII and Korean War

**Memorials**

- \$800 to Hogar la Esperanza de Jesus: \$800 for aid to a children's home in Honduras
- \$500 to Charlotte High School's Project Graduation
- \$1,000 to ShelterBox for shelter and other assistance for victims of disasters and wartime displacement
- \$1,000 Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity to help build homes for low-income families
- \$500 to Valerie's House: \$500 for a program to support grieving children.

Two other grant requests were tabled for further discussion by the Board of Directors at next month's meeting.



# The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and do

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

One of more than 33,000 Rotary Clubs Worldwide. All are welcome!

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