

21 May 2020

**Rotary Club of
Punta Gorda**



The COG
Rotary Club
of Punta Gorda FL



#4337, District 6960

Chartered

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Zoom Meetings: Thursday at 12 NOON

2nd Wed – 10 A.M. Club Board ZOOM Meetings

4th Wed – Punta Gorda Rotary Charity & Education Foundation Board (T.B.A.)

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do –

FIRST - Is it the TRUTH?

SECOND - Is it FAIR to all concerned?

THIRD - Will it build GOODWILL and better friendships?

FOURTH - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President: James Williams

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Secretary: Carol Knutson

Treasurer: Alice Rose

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International: George Miller

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Club Service: Rosa Benghatt

Youth Services: Paul Blaine/Charles Marsee

COMMITTEES

Public Image: Keven Knight

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Membership: Rex Koch

Newsletter: John Dzurak

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UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

May 21 – **Adriana Quinones**, Peace River Botanical Gardens

May 28 – **Roland Archilla**, Guatemala Literacy Project, www.guatemalaliteracy.org

Jun 4 – **Craig Esterly**, Punta Gorda Rotary Club Charity & Education Foundation

Jun 11 – **Bill Truex**, Charlotte County Commissioner

Jun 18 – **VIRTUAL CHANGE OF WATCH PARTY, 5-6 PM**

Jun 25 – **Darcy Hanley**, Search and Rescue

The Club's **Charity and Education Foundation** is seeking members to stand for election for **five (5) Trustee positions** at its Annual Meeting in early July. Our Foundation is a 501(3)3 non-profit organization, and all club members are also Foundation members.

Trustees serve a 3-year term and can run for one additional 3-year term. Meetings are held at 8 A.M. on the 4th Wednesday of the month, and some committee or officer involvement may be required. While not required, some familiarity with operation of charitable organizations and some investment review experience would be beneficial.

If you have an interest in running for a Trustee positions, please notify before June 25th the Club Secretary, Carol Knutson at knutson_carol@yahoo.com with a copy to the Foundation Secretary, Steve Goettler at sgoettler@buckeye-express.com. Please contact Foundation President, Craig Esterly at cesterly@sdasset.com or Club President James Williams at techjunc@gmail.com with any questions.

This week we're joined by **Adriana Quinones** from the Peace River Botanical and Sculpture Gardens. They have just reopened to visitors, having shut down during the COVID-19 closures. Barring unforeseen spikes in COVID-19 cases, the Gardens will resume its summer schedule, opening Wednesday - Sunday from 9am to 2pm, with health and personal safety as a significant focus.

Don't forget the TEAM Punta Gorda is planning a "contact-less" drive-through food drive from 9 AM to 1 PM, Friday, May 22 at the Charlotte Community Foundation.

Birthday, anniversary, happy/sad dollars, and tips for servers go to our virtual tip jar: <https://squareup.com/store/punta-gorda-rotary-club-2>.



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