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Club of Punta Gorda FL



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endpolio.org. Now that 99 percent of the world's population lives in regions certified polio-free, the goal of eradication is closer than ever.

Meetings: Thursday at 12 NOON
Isles Yacht Club - Marion Ave & Bal Harbour
Blvd Punta Gorda, FL

2nd Wed - 8A.M. Club Board Meetings @
Isles Yacht Club

4th Wed - Punta Gorda Rotary Charity &
Education Foundation Board



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?

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

January 9 – **Eric DeYoung** - Open Adoption

January 16 – **John Tiller** – His trip to Turkey

January 23 – **Lunch Meeting at The Military Heritage Museum**

January 30 – **Club Assembly** - Student of the Month; New Member introductions; Taste of Punta Gorda; Club projects and grants.

The cutoff date for submitting grant requests to our Foundation's Grant Review Committee, for the second quarter, is tomorrow, Friday January 10, 2020. The applications are found on our Club's website. If you think our Foundation should donate to a worthy organization which meets our charitable and/or educational purposes, fill out the application, get another Club Member to co-sign it, and give it or email it to a Committee Member (J. Dzurak, L. Knutson, S. Cravens, D. Hanley, A. Eastburn) by tomorrow at noon.

Our January 23 meeting will be held at the Flight Deck at the Military Heritage Museum at 900 W. Marion Ave. Lunch will be catered.

Congratulations, Chuck Marlowe for receiving his Paul Harris Fellowship last Thursday.

Please bring in a bottle of wine or spirits so that Darcy can make a "basket of cheer" (or more) for the silent auction for this year's Taste of Punta Gorda. The TOPG this year is Sunday, March 1. Please fill out a volunteer sheet for various jobs that Sunday, and for the set up on Friday and Saturday at Laishley Park.

Please try to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute (Phase I, II, or III) on Saturday January 25 at Keiser University in Fort Myers. Our Club will reimburse your \$100 cost. Sign up on the District Calendar through DACdb.com.

Did you read Emma Giordano's letter that President James emailed to us this week? She is really taking advantage of her RYE year in the Czech Republic.

Please try to attend the Human Awareness Seminar at Charlotte Tech College's auditorium on Wednesday, January 22 from 9 AM til 2PM. RSVP 941-639-5499.

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Thank you!



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Healing little hearts around the world

<https://www.giftoflifeinternational.org>

You're Invited

February 15, 2020

5:30pm - 11pm

THE GIFT OF LIFE DINNER

FOOD, WINE, MUSIC, FUN

TICKETS \$100 PER PERSON



Hosted by;

Buffy & Don Crost

6480 Sandalwood Lane, Naples, FL 34109

RSVP to : gsd@workin.com

239-631-2605

The Last Straw Committee is pleased to announce...

The Effects of Plastic on Wildlife

**Presented by:
Dr. Terry Root
Thursday, January 16
7 p.m.**

at Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association



Dr. Terry L Root

Did you know...

...that 8 million tons of plastic flows into our oceans each year?

...that 44% of all plastic manufactured has been made since 2000?

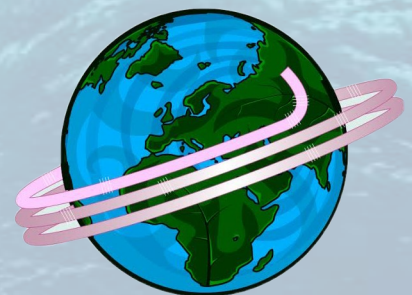
...that single-use plastic items are one of the biggest threats to our environment?

“We have a lot of innocent victims that are in a lot of trouble and it’s all because of one species — us,” says Noble Peace Prize winner Dr. Terry Root. In her presentation, Dr. Root shares images and statistics of seabirds, sea turtles and whales that are killed or injured after mistaking plastic for food.

Dr. Root stresses the importance of local environmental advocacy groups who work to reduce the use of single use plastics.



This past Fall, the PGICA initiated a campaign called “The Last Straw” to raise public awareness of the issues caused by plastics pollution and to encourage behavioral changes in our community through education.



Dr. Terry L. Root was a Lead Author for the Third (2001) and Fourth (2007) Assessment Reports of the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change and a Review Editor for the Fifth (2014) Assessment Report. In 2007 the IPCC was co-awarded the Nobel Peace Prize with Vice President Al Gore. In addition to other honors, Root was awarded the Spirit of Defenders Award for Science by the Defenders of Wildlife in 2010; in 1999 she was chosen as an Aldo Leopold Leadership Fellow; in 1992 as a Pew Scholar in Conservation and the Environment; and in 1990 as a Presidential Young Investigator Award from the National Science Foundation. She served on the National Audubon Society Board of Directors from 2010 to 2016, and as Assistant Secretary from 2016 to present. Root is also Science Adviser to the American Wind and Wildlife Institute, Boreal Birds Foundation, Point Blue. She resides in Sarasota.



The Last Straw Punta Gorda Is a partnership of organization and concerned citizens

