

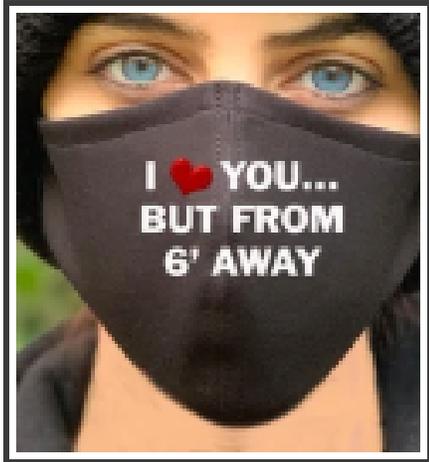
Rotary



Club of Sanibel-Captiva

Just a thought...

Restrictions are being lifted, but please keep in mind that a social distance is highly encouraged.



Speakers

Birthdays

Donald McDonald
May 23rd
Chester James Sadler
May 30th
Scott T Mowry
June 3rd
Robert Eidsvold Jr.
June 7th
John Paul White
June 9th
Michael F. Raab
June 12th
Bill Harkey
June 17th
Christopher J. DeCosta
June 19th

Wedding Anniversaries

Richard P. Waterhouse
June 6th
John Schwandke
June 7th
John Grey
June 13th
Robert D Sprotte
June 16th

Years of Service

Hormoz Mark Minoui
06-16-1966
54 Years
Charles Emerson
05-22-2007
13 Years
Barbara Ellis
05-21-2008
12 Years
John Howard Danner
05-24-2011
9 Years
Caleb E. Wallace
05-28-2013
7 Years

Zoom Meeting this Friday!

Please attend our club's virtual Rotary meeting this Friday, May 22 at 7:30 AM. Please arrive before 7:30 AM as our members like to begin promptly at 7:30 AM. Our guest speaker will be John Smarge, Rotary International Director 2010-2012 who chairs the Rotary International Haiti Clean Water program. Please email Eldon if you would like to join and have not yet received an email with the Zoom Meeting address.

Rotary Donations of an Additional \$10,000

Sanibel is its own little paradise and has some of the most unique shops and businesses and premier restaurants to offer our locals and guests alike. Recently, for the safety of their employees and guests, during their prime season, the businesses were mandated to close their doors. A note that many people overlook when living in or visiting a paradise, is the total number of people needed to make that paradise a reality. Employees that work in the food industry providing us with top-notch culinary experiences, employees that upkeep the rooms and houses that were occupied, employees in the stores that provide so many different shopping experiences, many of these people will never be seen, or least noticed. However, with the closing of businesses, these very employees that are the backbone of our paradise, are out of a job and suffering extreme financial hardships. During a hurricane, these hardships are a few weeks and somewhat expected on an annual basis, but during this extreme time, it has been going on for months causing financial devastation.

Last month, the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary recognized this need in our community and contributed \$10,000 to the Sanibel Community COVID-19 Relief Fund which was managed by FISH of SanCap, to help the support staff of our Community who have been unemployed due to this pandemic. This fund was created in conjunction with other service organizations on the Islands, as well as individuals, a true community effort. It is with mixed emotions that it can be reported that many families were helped with the Rotary contributions, however, it is just the tip of the iceberg and that fund was quickly exhausted. Again, recognizing the continuing need in our Community, members from the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club are contributing an additional \$10,000 to help to people from

our Community affected by the COVID-19 crisis. These contributions will be divided between FISH and the Harry Chapin Food Bank.

FISH of SanCap is a human services organization, focused for over thirty-eight years on helping neighbors help neighbors. The mission of F.I.S.H. is to lend a helping hand to those who live, work or visit here. The F.I.S.H. vision is to enrich the lives of everyone on Sanibel and Captiva Islands through an array of Food Programs, Island Based Workshops, Social Services and Helping Hands. Sanibel Community COVID-19 Relief Fund is open for receiving donations from the public and Island organizations.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida is the largest hunger-relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties. Their need has increased 40% recently due to the effects of the Pandemic. They distribute over 600,000 pounds of food each week to those who need a hand up. Most of their produce is donated directly from farms in which the Food Bank pays for the transportation of the food.

If you would like to make a contribution, please send your donations to the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Trust Fund with a note in the memo line about what you would like your donation to go towards.

Brian S. Boyd
06-20-2014
6 Years

Ralph C. Korn
06-19-2015
5 Years

Clark Rambo
06-08-2018
2 Years

Lending a Helping Hand

Rachel Tritaik, Physical Therapist and Owner of Island Therapy Center has made an offer that she would like passed on.

If you are making washable, cloth masks (not bandanas), we would like to make them available for any in the community that need them. My front office (Island Therapy Center, 2242 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, near the Sanibel Bean) is open 9-2 weekdays now, with mostly just me and possibly one other therapist doing administration and video-call physical therapy sessions.

I will sanitize them, and make them available in our regularly-cleaned waiting room (limiting 2 masks per person). I will arrange for FISH to get some also, to give out with their food pantry deliveries. I know they don't want non-volunteers going to their Walk-In center right now.

Other items needed for making the masks are elastic (preferably 1/4" width) and interfacing (to line the masks), which apparently is now in short supply. If you are interested in making masks, I will be getting some patterns to e-mail. Zonta also has some sewing machines they can lend out, plus fabric. Let me know rachel@islandtherapycenter.com if you want to help make masks and I will get you in touch.

If you need hand sanitizer, I have rubbing alcohol (70-99% isopropyl) and can use it to make hand sanitizer for you with our clinic ultrasound gel. Bring clean, empty pump-bottles for re-filling.

Thank you for your generous offer, Rachel! A true example of our 4-Way Test!

Music Soothes the Soul

By Cindy Carter on Friday, May 8, 2020

Member John Fredricks has offered to send out a weekly email with him playing piano to those who would like it. Please email him at fredericksjohn44@gmail.com if you would like to receive these beautiful recordings! I listened to last week's recording and it was outstanding! Thank you, John!



Returning the Favor

Throughout the year, our Sanibel small businesses are solicited numerous times for donations to many worthy causes on the Island, everyone from Sanibel Service Clubs, to nonprofits for animals, children, neighbors and conservation, the list goes on and on. In this difficult time, our nonprofits need help more than ever, but our small businesses need it even more! Our small businesses employ many people on our Island and off, many of these employees live paycheck to paycheck. So if you have the opportunity and means to grab some takeout from a favorite restaurant or to purchase a gift certificate for later use, please do so. Sanibel small businesses always help Rotary to achieve our goals to help others, it's our turn to return the favor to them.

**Remember when you asked
that small business to
support your fundraiser?
It's time to support them.
They're the heart of a town.**

Rotary's 4-Way Test



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The Four-Way Test

of what we think, say or do

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Club Meeting

Sanibel-Captiva
Meets at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club
949 Sand Castle Road
Sanibel, FL 33957
Time: Friday at 07:00 AM