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District 6960 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club Organized 1979

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ROTARY SPEAKER SCHEDULE 2019

JUNE COORDINATORS: CHET SADLER

14 John Henshaw: Role of OSHA in US Government

21 Chet Sadler: Guatemala Wheelchairs & Coffee Bean Project

28 Rich Evans: Caloosahatchee Water Issues

JULY COORDINATORS: Rachel Tritaik

5 No meeting (Float and parade on July 4)

12 Eldon: International Rotary Conference in Hamburg, Germany

19 Classifications talks

26 Sharon Krispinsky RN "Arthritis, Inflammation, and Diet"

AUGUST COORDINATORS: ???

2 Richard Hall, Assistant District Governor "New Rotary Logo Theme"

9 Dr Gary Goforth: "CART" and "E club meetings"

ROADKILL...SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH



- **HELP NEEDED TO WORK ON THE FOURTH OF JULY FLOAT...SEE JOLEEN ROHL**
- **"SEIZE THE DAY"...AND JOIN THE FUN RIDING ON THE ROTARY FLOAT...EARLY CALL FOR FLOAT RIDERS...ROOM FOR ALL... MORE INFORMATION TO COME.**
- **AFTER PARADE GET TOGETHER ...AT BLUE GIRAFFE... MORE INFORMATION TO COME**

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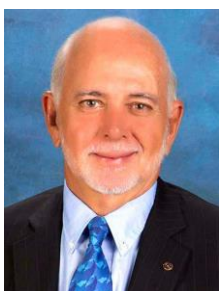
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2018-19
Sandra Hemstead**



**CLUB SONG ...Giver of all things good, We Thank you for this food, With one accord. Lead us we humbly pray,
Onward in Rotary's way of service day by day, Most Gracious Lord (Tune of My Country Tis of Thee)**

**“
If you have the love
of your fellow men
in your heart, my
friend, you are
a potential
Rotarian.
”**

— Paul Harris



Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. Rotary unites people from all continents and cultures who take action to deliver real, long-term solutions to our world's most persistent issues. Together, we apply our professional experience and personal commitment to find new and effective ways to enhance health, stability, and prosperity across the globe. Through volunteering, our 1.2 million members make lifelong friendships that transcend political and cultural boundaries and foster global understanding and respect. In addition to our 35,000 clubs, each year, Rotary members invest more than \$200 million and 16 million volunteer hours to promote peace, fight disease, provide clean water, save mothers and children, support education, and grow local economies.

Sanibel-Captiva Rotarians had the pleasure last week of meeting the new Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation/SCCF

CEO, Ryan Orgera. Ryan took the CEO position at SCCF from Eric Lindblad—a former San-Cap Rotarian in January. Ryan is sort of a Southwest, Florida homeboy. He grew up in Lemon Bay, Charlotte County. His undergraduate and graduate studies were done at the University of South Florida with degrees in Romance Languages and Literatures. Ryan also holds a Ph.D. in Geography and Environmental Sciences from Louisiana State University. Oh, just as an aside...Ryan, at some time received a small Rotary Scholarship for his studies. He taught French and Italian at the university level for eight years.

He then went on to realize that the time he spent on the shores of Lemon Bay were important years for him and his focus turned to marine conservation, water resources, and sea life. Orgera was the Legislative Director of the Coastal States Organization and taught environmental geography courses at George-Washington University. As a Knauss Marine Policy Fellow he worked in the Office of U.S. Senator Bill Nelson, making him Senator Nelson's primary expert on ocean and coastal policy.

His previous job before joining SCCF was at The Pew Charitable Trusts where he worked on marine conservation projects across the globe. He worked on the - Ending Illegal Fishing Project and Global Shark Conservation teams. Ryan helped ensure global protections for thirteen species of sharks and rays.

SCCF's opportunity came along and now he could follow his desire to work for preservation, conservation, and protection of natural habitats focusing on environmental sensitive habitats and importantly the water resources needed to help with the survival of all...Orgera stepped into the giant rubber boots of Eric Lindblad at SCCF.

Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is an important part of the Sanibel and Captiva Communities by being the steward of our island's most important assets with its dedication to the preservation and conservation of coastal habitats and aquatic resources on the islands and the surrounding watershed. SCCF has acquired and owns 1,200 acres on Sanibel and 600 acres on Captiva and sensitive land on Buck Key, Albright, York, Coconut and the Long Cut preserve on Pine Island. SCCF has developed a plethora of programs that are concentrated on the study of and activism on Wildlife & Habitat Management, Sea Turtle Research and Monitoring, Environmental Education, Natural Resource Policy, along with operating a Marine Research Laboratory, and our Native Landscapes & Garden Center on Sanibel.

Ryan stepped into his position of CEO at SCCF just on the heels of last year's Green Algae and Red Tide water crisis. The whys behind these toxic outbreaks are constantly being studied and both facts and studies have once again come to the forefront of activities at SCCF, particularly in relationship to wetland development in Florida. Two maps were used in a power-point presentation given by Orgera showing the destruction of the wetlands in Florida from 1996 to now.

Collecting data of all sorts regarding immediate water quality from SCCF's RECON network of high-quality, autonomous, in situ sensors can detect the presence of algal blooms and nutrient hotspots. The extensive watersheds of the Caloosahatchee (1,400 square miles) and Lake Okeechobee (4,400 square miles) each contribute water that flows into the Caloosahatchee estuary and the Gulf of Mexico. Water quality is affected by both Lake Okeechobee discharges and runoff from the Caloosahatchee watershed. Over time, these watersheds have changed from low-nutrient loading marshes and wetlands to high loading urban and agricultural land uses. Nutrients increase turbidity and decrease concentrations of dissolved oxygen (DO). In addition, excess nutrients fuel nuisance algal blooms. Losses of low-nutrient adapted communities, such as seagrasses have contributed to changes in fish, crustacean and marine mammal communities and wetland developments are conducted continually by SCCF."

