

1 December 2022

Rotary Club of Punta Gorda #4337
District 6960
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IN PERSON & ZOOM MEETINGS: Thursday at 12 Noon
2nd Wednesday - 8 AM Club Board Meetings
4th 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)

- December 1 - Ashley Maher – Charlotte Community Foundation**
- December 8 – Wendy Schwind – Brookdale Senior Living**
- December 15 – Kevin and Cynthia Johnson – The Garden Mission**

Rather than hold a Club Christmas Party this year, we will hold a Club New Year's Party In early January. Details will be announced soon.

We are still not sure about our annual Christmas Party with the students from the Charlotte Harbor School.

President Liz Maclean of the Lynhaven, Florida Rotary Club attended our last meeting. Liz and a group of Rotarians from the Panhandle brought \$1500 worth of food and supplies to our area to distribute to families suffering from the effects of Hurricane Ian. Are you interested in helping them distribute the supplies? Liz and her crew will be here for a while.

Did you see James Williams's "Stand With Ukraine" shirt (with our Club's name on the back)? You can purchase one for \$20 by going to the website

www.daggercustomapparel.com/ROTARY STAND WITH UKRAINE

FYI, our Club has raised \$55,000, the Anna Maria Rotary Club has also raised \$55,000, and other Rotary Clubs around the country have raised over \$200,000 for Ukrainian Relief.

Treasurer Craig will be emailing out invoices for our semi-annul dues. Please pay your dues ASAP when you receive the invoice, as a portion of these dues will be forwarded as our Club's share to District 6960.

Thank you Rotarians for stepping up to the plate (no pun intended) to purchase Thanksgiving dinners for 31 needy families this year.

The deadline for submitting a grant application to our Club's Foundation for the second quarter is Friday, **December 16, 2022**. Please submit a Grant Application Form signed by two Club Members to Darcy Hanley in person or by email to darcyrhanley@gmail.com.

Our speaker today is Charlotte Community Foundation CEO Ashley Maher. She will speak about our community's recent response to Hurricane Ian.



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?

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Committees:

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PG ROTARY FOUNDATION BOARD

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