July 14, 2022

Rotary Club of Punta Gorda

#4337 District 6960 Chartered April 22,1925 P.O. Box 511132 Punta Gorda, FL. 33951-1132 Puntagordarotary.org





THE COG

ZOOM & IN PERSON MTGS: Thursday at 12 Noon 2nd Wednesday - 8 AM Club Board Meetings 4th Wednesday - 8 AM PG Rotary Charity & Education Foundation Board meetings



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July 14 - Foundation Annual Meeting

July 21 - Beth Magnin - Puna Gorda Historical Society

July 28 - TBD

Club Goals: Support the Global Grants, Community Grants!

Club meetings are back in person at the Isles Yacht Club. We welcome walkins, but to eat, sign up in advance at the meeting or email Alyson in advance of the meeting, so that she can give the IYC an accurate meal count.

Please note that "hybrid" meetings with Zoom will only occur on the last Thursday of each month. The other Thursday meetings will be held <u>in person</u> only.

Today is the Annual Meeting of Punta Gorda Rotary Charity and Education Foundation, Inc. We will elect three new members to the Foundation Board, and review our Foundation's grants over the past Rotary year.

Believe it or not, our Club had the highest "Every Rotarian Every Year" per capita giving of all the 54 Rotary Clubs in District 6960 this past year. Yes, large Clubs like Fort Myers, Naples, and Lakewood Ranch contributed large dollar amounts. But, as to contributions per member, WE WERE NUMBER 1 IN THE DISTRICT!! Our Club gave a total of \$16,5745 this past year (from 52 Club members and our Foundation). Congrats and Thank You from your TRF Chair and COG reporter.

You know that, three years later, Rotary International will send back to our District 50% of the EREY funds to be distributed among the D6960 Clubs as "District Designated Funds." Because we were Number 1, we will have a Club member appointed this year to the D6960 committee which decides how to distribute this year's "District Designated Funds" as grants among the Clubs in our District. D6960 will receive \$488,665.11 this year to give out as District Designated Grants to the 54 Clubs (i.e., 50% of the EREY funds collected three years ago).

Thank you, James Williams for manning a table at the House of Friendship at last weekend's District Conference, which highlighted our Club's efforts to promote Ukrainian Relief.



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?

One of more than 33,000 Rotary Clubs Worldwide. All are welcome!

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