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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)

September 8 – Marci Manna, MD
September 15 – Jennifer Welch – The Homeless Coalition
September 22 – Paul Versnick – Charlotte County School Board

We are glad to be back this week at the Isles Yacht Club for lunch.

At our August 25 meeting, we welcomed our Rotary Youth Exchange student from France, Robin Weinstoerffer. Bonsoir, Robin, and good luck this school year in the USA.

Our Foundation's Grant Review Committee will meet for lunch during the week of September 19. If you wish to submit a grant request, print out an application form from our club's website, get another Rotarian to co-sign the form and submit it to **Darcy Hanley** either in person or by email to darcyrhanley@gmail.com by Friday September 16, 2022 at 5 PM.

We received thank you letters for our club's donations to St. Vincent DePaul Society and Crossroads Hope Academy.

Happy/Birthday/Anniversary Dollars this month will go to purchase shoes for needy students who are heading back to school.

Rotary International's theme for the month of September is Basic Education and Literacy.

As of this printing, the 50-50 pot is \$186.

The newest Rotary club in District 6960 is located in what President George W. Bush called "the Internets." It is called the "Rotary E-Club of District 6960." They have a Facebook page and a web domain: rotaryeclub6960.org. They even have a Club charter. Their goal is to retain Rotarians, attract new Rotarians, and facilitate meetings through the use of the Internet.

A sad note: I read in the Charlotte Sun that long time Punta Gorda Rotarian Ray Jasica recently passed away. Please keep Ray and his family in your prayers.



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?

ROTARY – Where community and business leaders meet, exchange ideas, and take action!

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