

15 September 2022

Rotary Club of Punta Gorda #4337
District 6960
Chartered April 22,1925
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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 15 – Jennifer Welch – The Homeless Coalition
- September 22 – Paul Versnick – Charlotte County School Board
- September 29 - TBD

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 darcyhanley@gmail.com by Friday September 16, 2022 at 5 PM.

President Donna is looking for volunteers to sign up to work the 2023 edition of the Taste of Punta Gorda.

James Williams needs some volunteers to sit at our club's table at the Punta Gorda Farmer's Market on Taylor Street on Saturday morning September 17 and September 24. We will be both promoting our Club and encouraging people to participate in a "digital fundraiser" at local restaurants for Ukrainian relief through the Czestochowa, Poland Rotary Club.

James also announced that the Anna Maria Rotary Club has raises \$50,000, and, together with \$55,00 raised by our Club, \$105,000 is going to Czestochowa.

James obtained a \$25,000 Disaster Response Grant for Ukraine from District 6060, and D6960 appointed our Club's Foundation to handle the distribution of this grant.

Our 'social event" at the Ice House was deemed a success. We will hold another "social event after the first of the year."

There will be a "Meals of Hope" event at Babcock Ranch Rotary Club on Saturday September 17 from 9AM to 11AM. Both meals and water purification systems will be packaged for shipping to Europe for Ukrainian relief. James has further details.

You can join Rotary International's "Polio Plus Society" by donating \$100 to The Rotary Foundation's "Polio Plus."



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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| Vocational Service | Frank Bell |

Committees:

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| Membership | Breven Baima |
| Public Image | James Williams |
| Newsletter | John Dzurak |
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PG ROTARY FOUNDATION BOARD

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