

May 2024

Celebrate Youth Service



Goldcoast
Rotary
Cape Coral, FLA



Rotary District 6960 RI President - Gordon R. McNally | District Governor - Alfred Current | Area Governor - David Rice

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Birthdays

Erik Elsea
May 21st
Alan L. Tannenbaum M.D.
June 10th
Bradley P. Corbett
June 12th
Robert D. Knight Jr.
June 12th
Phil Deems
June 14th

Wedding Anniversaries

Julie Maree Ferguson
June 1st
Mark D. Howell
June 14th

Speakers

May 17, 2024
Dr. Jackie Green - FGCU & 4-Way Test Recipients
FGCU Education Department

May 24, 2024
NO MEETING - Memorial Day Weekend
NO MEETING

May 31, 2024
Dr. Alexander - FGCU
Florida's Future and Its Educational Investment Dilemma

June 07, 2024
Joe Cerino
Scholarship Awards

June 14, 2024
Bob Beville
Captains for Clean Water

Club Meeting

Cape Coral Goldcoast
Meets at Gulf Coast Village,
Auditorium, Main Building
1333 Santa Barbara Blvd.
Cape Coral, FL 33991
Time: Friday at 12:00 PM

President's Message

Greetings Members,

It is with deep sadness that I share the news of Mike Gennaro's passing last Saturday. Mike, a charter member of our club, dedicated 39 years of his life to our community. Mike was a dedicated member of our Rotary Club for 39 years and was a charter member. He was a past club president, a PHFâ€"Paul Harris Fellow, and was serving on the board of directors at the time of his passing. He was always willing to lend a helping hand and support our club's many projects and initiatives. Mike was also a true friend to many of us in the club. He will be deeply missed.



We will remember him for his invaluable contributions. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Joanne, and his entire family and friends during this difficult time. Details about Mikeâ€™s funeral arrangements will be shared as soon as they are available.

This week, we will have Dr. Jennifer Sugrue from FGCU, another of Nikaâ€™s guests. Her resume can be found online here: [Jennifer Sughrue \(fgcu.org\)](https://fgcu.org)

Booze wagon tickets are available for sale. We plan to use our Facebook page to help market the event. When the information is ready on Facebook, we will ask that you share it among your contacts.

We are in need of dedicated volunteers to assist Christine with planning and organizing the pickleball tournament. Your help is crucial to the success of this event. If you're interested in volunteering, please sign up with Machele.

This week, we will have two presenters. First, we will have the 4-Way Test Awards with Dale Avery, the participating students, and their parents; right now, we are anticipating 12 additional guests as a result of the program awards. After the awards ceremony, we will have a presentation by Dr. Jackie Greene of FGCU. View more about her here: [Dr. Jackie Greene \(fgcu.edu\)](https://fgcu.edu)

I hope to see everyone this Friday.

YIRS,
Mark D. Howell, Jr.
President 2023-2024



Check out what's happening in D6960 this May!



Rotarians worldwide celebrate Youth Service for the month of May. I am proud to share that we have had an extremely successful year rebuilding our youth service program that was ravished by COVID-19 and Hurricane Ian. Read all about our District's work with youth, from Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) to Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) and beyond, in the District 6960 May Newsletter. [Read it here.](#)

SAVE THE DATE

Our District Conference will be held mid-way in our district at the Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center in downtown Punta Gorda. Our celebration will begin Thursday afternoon July 11, 2024, with a Paella Party on the Charlotte Harbor in Lashley Park under the two pavilions at the waterside docks. Friday night's Casino Night, "Rolling on the Rotary River", is a "Sure Bet" for fun, fellowship, and fantastic food. Saturday night is the passing of the "Baton" as Kelsey Mitchell will be pinned as Governor and crowned as Queen of District 6960. Our conference will conclude Sunday morning with a PolioPlus Walk, a fundraising tribute to Rich Willett, who is a published author and Polio survivor that serves as our District Co-Chair for PolioPlus.

Your servant governor,
Alfred

District Governor 2023-24
Rotary International District 6960



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Meeting Hosts & Greeters

Date	Host	Greeters
5.17.24	Nika Verna & Dale Arvay	Brad Corbett & Phil Deems
5.24.24	NO MEETING	NO MEETING
5.31.24	Nika Verna	Julie Ferguson & Mark Howell
6.7.24	Joe Cerino	Robert Greco & Joan Henry
6.14.24	Joe Cerino	Wayne Kirkwood & Bob Knight
6.21.24	Joe Cerino	Bill Martin & Sam Mazzotti
6.28.24	Joe Cerino	Lisa Musial & Wendy Piascik
7.5.24	NO MEETING	NO MEETING

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