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Rotary Club of Punta Gorda

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Club of Punta Gorda FL



Meetings: Thursday at 12 NOON
Isles Yacht Club - Marion Ave & Bal Harbour
Blvd Punta Gorda, FL

2nd Wed - 8A.M. Club Board Meetings @
Isles Yacht Club

4th Wed - Punta Gorda Rotary Charity &
Education Foundation Board

THE FOUR WAY TEST
Of the things we think, say or do -
FIRST - Is it the TRUTH?
SECOND - Is it FAIR to all concerned?
THIRD - Will it build GOODWILL and better friendships?
FOURTH - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS

September 12 – Rhonda Harvey and Nicole Rietveld- Keep Charlotte Beautiful
September 19 – Jan Hoven- Elastec (canal cleaning)
September 26 – **Marlene Hauck and Jeremiah Radle**- Compass Center
October 3 – **Sally Senitz**- Wings of Shelter International

Welcome back to the Isles Yacht Club. And, thanks, IYC, for having us back!

Please consider making a donation to Bahamas Rotary District 7720 for Hurricane Dorian Relief. Our Club's Foundation will match our Member's donations up to a total of \$2,500.

District Governor Rich Kirschner will visit our Club at our October 10 meeting. Please plan to attend that day so that he sees a "full house" at our meeting. Like Santa Claus, the DG only comes once a year.

Our October 17 meeting will be held as a sunset cruise from Fisherman's Village aboard the Charlotte Lady. \$25 per person. Hors d'oeuvres. Cash bar. 5:15 PM to 7:30 PM. Bring your spouse, partner and potential members!

Our Foundation's quarterly grants will be determined at the Board's September 25 meeting. Please submit your grant applications to the Grant Review Committee: Laura Knutson (lauraknutson@outlook.com), John Dzurak (johndzurak@hotmail.com), or Susan Cravens (sjcravens@gmail.com) in person or by email by **Friday, September 20, 2019 at noon**. Again, you can print a grant application form at our Club's website.

Coastal Cleanup is Saturday September 21. Our Club and Charlotte HS Interact have been assigned Gilchrist Park.

James is taking orders for Polio Plus tee shirts, and we will hold our Polio Plus Pool (winner receives a Paul Harris Fellowship) for Polio Plus Day, October 24, 2019.

As it says to the right, Please sign up for Greeter, Invocation, and Pledge.

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Rotary District 7020
Hurricane Recovery

Dorian Report #1
September 1, 2019

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As Hurricane Dorian was raging through Abaco on Sep 1st, leaders of District 7020, the Disaster Network of Assistance Action Group and neighboring Rotary Districts in Zone 33-34 gathered to formulate plans for the recovery efforts. The team is continuing to meet on a very regular basis, confirming the status of Rotarians and clubs and monitoring the immediate and longer-term needs.

SHELTERBOX - A ShelterBox team arrived in the Bahamas Sep 7th, with the aim to speak to our local contacts and other organizations to assess the extent of the damage and whether we may assist. We need to fully assess the situation to understand whether our emergency items such as tents, tarpaulins and solar lights will be needed and appropriate for families in the Bahamas. We have aid prepositioned in Panama should a response be appropriate. We will continue to work closely with local Rotarian's and Rotary Clubs to gather localized information and support.

DISASTER AID USA - Disaster Aid USA has Domestic Response Trailers prepositioned in Florida (2) Georgia (1) Virginia (1) and Maryland (1). Texas (4) and Louisiana (3) are on standby and DAUSA also has access to a private plane if needed as well. DAUSA is in touch with emergency officials and we are waiting to see where the storm goes just as they are. We will be in touch with our contacts in the Bahamas soon, as we have helped them during the past hurricanes to reestablish contacts and communication lines.

Rotary District 6960 - Hurricane supplies collected by various clubs are now on their way to the Bahamas. **Punta Gorda Rotary** will deliver its monetary donations to via our Foundation to the Bahamas Disaster Fund, credited to the Rotary Disaster Relief Fund.

Rotary District 6990 - Serving SE Florida, the Keys, and Grand Bahama, District 6990 has secured a 181-foot ship and begun the efforts to fill four (4) 20-foot containers with needed supplies to aid in the Dorian Relief efforts. It is being loaded for its second trip, and in addition to food, toiletries, and medical supplies they are looking for fans, generators, trucks, buses and building supplies.