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# COG Rotary

Club of Punta Gorda FL



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[endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org). Now that 99 percent of the world's population lives in regions certified polio-free, the goal of eradication is closer than ever.

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 5 – Lunch at **The Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

September 12 – **Rhonda Harvey and Nicole Huck** – Keep Charlotte Beautiful

September 19- **Jan Hoven** – Elastec (canal cleaning)

September 26- **Marlene Hauck and Jerimiah Radle** – Compass Center

Jim Sanders introduced Mike Riley as this year's Testimonial Dinner honoree. Mike is the Community Relations Officer for Charlotte County Schools and an original Boogiemanager and a fellow Rotarian. Mike was escorted to our meeting by two of Punta Gorda's finest.

October 24 is Polio Plus Day. Sign up for a tee shirt for \$13.95.

Also we will have a "square" Pool. 100 squares at \$10 per square. The winner will receive a Paul Harris Fellowship.

The Charlotte Tech graduating class of nurses thanked us for their graduation pins.

George Miller announced that our Club's Foundation will be giving out \$60,000 in donations this year (half of which will be budgeted for Youth Service). (Give your grant requests to L. Knutson, Dzurak or Cravens for this quarter.)

George also mentioned the webinar on Shelter Box. Our purchase of a Shelter Box will provide shelter and supplies to five families in war torn Syria The Interact Club has also purchased a Shelter Box. Six million people in Syria have been displaced from their homes due to civil war. FYI, Shelter Box has been nominated for the Noble Peace Prize this year

**Our Club's Paul Harris Fellows are:** R. Adair, T. Beck, P. Blaine, C. Brown, S. Cravens, J. Dzurak, C. Esterly, K. Ewing, R. Francis, B. Gamblin, V. Hotho, P. Lioon, S. Mansfield, J. Sanders, G. Weaver, and J. Williams. P. Blaine is also a member of **The Paul Harris Society**.

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