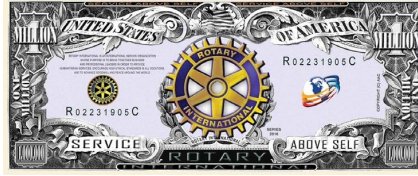


Thanks A Million



This Week's Thanks A Million goes to....

**Clair Beckmann!**

For being knocking it out of the park and arranging, in record time, Rotarians to help staff the FISH Pop-Up Vaccine Clinic! Way to go, Clair!!!

THANK YOU!

A BIG Thank You!



A BIG Thank You to all the Rotarians and their Spouses who answered our call for help for the April 9 Clinic! Within hours of an email being sent out, we had all the slots filled to help with the COVID-19 Vaccination Outreach Clinic being conducted at FISH. Great Job stepping up and helping out!

- Clair Beckmann
- John Schwandke
- Eldon Bohrofen
- Bill Rahe
- Roger Thriftshouser
- Rick Heyman
- John Henshaw
- Barb Ellis
- Paul Prestia
- Scott Mowry
- Bill Harkey
- Bill Letendre



Friday's Speaker: Sam Ankerson, Executive Director of the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum



Sam Ankerson, Executive Director of the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum  
Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum ♦ Vision for the Future

Sam Ankerson joined the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum in March 2021. His prior positions include Deputy Director at the Norton Museum of Art (West Palm Beach, FL), Director of Development at Shelburne Museum (Shelburne, VT), and Director of Major Gifts for the Colleges of Arts and Sciences at the University of Vermont. He has been shelling on Sanibel since the late 1970s and is honored to strengthen and advance the Museum's work to build awareness and appreciation of mollusks, their shells, and natural environments.



Speakers

April 16, 2021  
[Sam Ankerson](#)-  
[Executive Director of](#)  
[National Shell](#)  
[Museum](#)  
Non Profit

April 23, 2021  
[Jessica Stanfield](#),  
[Exec. Director of](#)  
[Guardian ad Litem](#)  
[Foundation](#)  
Non-Profit

April 30, 2021  
[Sanibel School](#)  
[Interact/3rd Grade](#)  
[Book Zoom meeting](#)  
Education

May 07, 2021  
[Silvia Whitlock-First](#)  
[Famale Rotary Club](#)  
[President](#)  
Rotary

Birthdays

- Lynn A Schneider
- April 14th
- Rick Hayman
- April 16th
- Jack Alexander
- April 28th
- Chuck Whitman
- May 1st
- Sharron Ann Moss-
- Higham
- May 8th
- Robin L Cook
- May 9th
- James Cardle
- May 10th

Wedding Anniversaries

- Guy H. Tober
- April 26th
- Jerry Wayne Gorby
- May 2nd

Years of Service

- Guy H. Tober
- 05-02-2003
- 18 Years
- Lee Almas
- 04-22-2005
- 16 Years
- Jonathan Dean
- 04-22-2016
- 5 Years
- Vanessa Torgerson
- Flynt
- 04-19-2019
- 2 Years
- John Paul White
- 04-19-2019
- 2 Years
- Bill Harkey
- 04-17-2020
- 1 Year

## Call for Road Kill

Many years ago, the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club adopted the stretch of road that leads up to the causeway toll booths. On a monthly basis, certain brave members, fearlessly led by Darrin Grotrian, pick up all the trash, debris and who knows what else in an effort to maintain a clean roadway on the entrance to our beautiful island. This effort is affectionately known as "Road Kill". No, it is not glamorous, yes, all are welcome, yes, it builds comradere, and on the plus side, you never know what you're going to find!

**April 17 at 8:00**  
meet at Carlton Naumann, just over the bridge.



Come have fun saving the world one piece of 'treasure' at a time! You never know what you might find!

## FGCU Annual Art Exhibition winner



My favorite thing about art has to be how incredibly subjective this field of work is. Subjectivity gives art a different meaning every single time. The reason I bring this up is because we as artists are our own biggest critics. We stare at our art until the point where we hate it. If I had let my own judgement of this piece guide whether I would enter it into the FGCU Annual Juried Art Show, I would never have won awards for it. This is why we have to blindly believe in our own potential and understand that our points of view are not the only correct ones.

Thank you to the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club and the FGCU Art Galleries for this amazing opportunity.



Julio Gonzalez Batista  
"Assumptions of Gemini" 2021

Each year the Sanibel Captiva Rotary Club awards a \$500 check to student at FGCU's annual Art exhibition. This year, Chet Sadler and Bill Rahe went to the Gallery at FGCU and chose this year's winner. This year's winner was **Julio Gonzalez Batista**, and his **Assumptions of Gemini** 2021.

Click the following link to view a video with Chet Sadler presenting the award for the Rotary Club. His presentation starts at 5 minutes and 30 seconds.  
<https://www.fgcu.edu/artgalleries/currentseason/23rdannualstudent>

The following link is an acknowledgement of award donors:  
<https://www.fgcu.edu/artgalleries/currentseason/23rdannualstudent#2021AwardRecipients>

## Hybrid Meetings



This Friday, we will be holding a hybrid meeting both on Zoom and in person at The Dunes.

This week we will be hosting Sam Ankersen, Executive Director of the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum  
"Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum Vision for the Future"

If you wish to attend a meeting in person, please email Bill Harkey on [William.Harkey@gmail.com](mailto:William.Harkey@gmail.com) by Wednesday. **YOU MAY NOT JUST SHOW UP!** You will be required to wear a mask at all times in the building when not sitting at your table. You should not attend if you have had ANY signs of feeling unwell.

Another option to join us for meetings, is through our club's Zoom meeting on Fridays, doors open at 7am, meeting will begin at 7:30 am.

If you have not attended one of our Zoom meetings yet, we would love to see you there. We have a lot of fun and the fellowship in the small breakout rooms from 7-7:30 have been a huge success. Give it a try!!

You can join the meeting with the following information:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/>

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Meeting ID: 815 8644 0050  
Password: ROTARY2021

Or by phone:

+1 312 626 6799  
Meeting ID: 815 8644 0050  
Password: 9077383631

See you Friday morning!



The Florida State Department of Health ♦ Lee County has an over-abundance of vaccines and open appointments.

The new vaccine site is in the old Sears building at the Edison Mall.

Residents need to go to <https://www.lee.gov/covid-19/vaccine> to sign-up for an appointment for Friday and/or Monday. For those that do not have access to a computer, they can call 866-200-3468 to make an appointment.

### Rotary is on the Radio!

By Traci Hamill on Wednesday, April 7, 2021

District 6960 has just secured a talk radio slot as detailed above for 13 weeks on WCCF News Radio 1580 AM/100.9 FM (HeartMedia). This program is hosted by Bob Alexander - Sunrise Charlotte County. Rotary Radio Show - 8am to 9am Wednesday 4/7 to Wednesday 6/30. [Click Here To Listen](#)



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**NewsRadio 1580 AM & 100.9 FM**

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1,900	12,663

**WEEKDAY SCHEDULE**

- 7a-8a: Bob Alexander - Sunrise Charlotte County
- 8a-11a: Charlotte County Speaks w/Jan Longrey
- 12p-3p: Rush Limbaugh
- 3p-4p: The Schmitt Show

**WCCF NEWS RADIO 1580 AM | 100.9 FM**

### Punta Gorda Rotary's Healing Field of Honor

By James C. Williams on Wednesday, March 17, 2021

The **Punta Gorda Rotary Club & Foundation** is honored to host a National Colonial Flag Foundation Healing Field of Honor ♦ over Memorial Day Weekend, 2021. The event will display as many as 1,000 US flags waving proudly atop 8-foot poles, each flag dedicated by donors to our first responders, nurses and doctors, and the men and women who have served and are serving in all branches of the military.

It will occur at **Laishley Park** from **May 28<sup>th</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup>** and is free to the public. Flags are available for sponsorship for **\$40 each** to be taken home and flown proudly to continue the tribute. Donations and business and corporate sponsorships are also being accepted online at <https://www.healingfield.org/event/puntagordaf121/>, or at the time of the event.





***A stirring display of hundreds of flags over Memorial Day Weekend!***



The Rotary Club of Punta Gorda *presents*



**HEALING FIELD  
OF HONOR®**



***9 AM - 6 PM, Friday, May 28<sup>th</sup> - Monday, May 31<sup>th</sup>  
Laishley Park, Punta Gorda***

**Honor your hero – a veteran living or deceased, a doctor or nurse, a first responder, a family member or friend. Become a part of this special event by either dedicating a flag or becoming a sponsor.**

**<https://www.healingfield.org/event/puntagordaf121>**

**Call or text 941-875-3829**



[Read More](#)

#### **Club Meeting**

Sanibel-Captiva  
Meets at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club  
949 Sand Castle Road  
Sanibel, FL 33957  
Time: Friday at 07:00 AM

