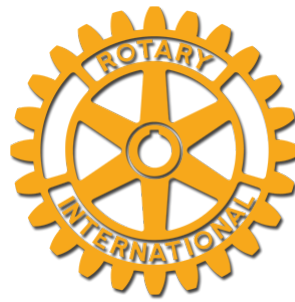
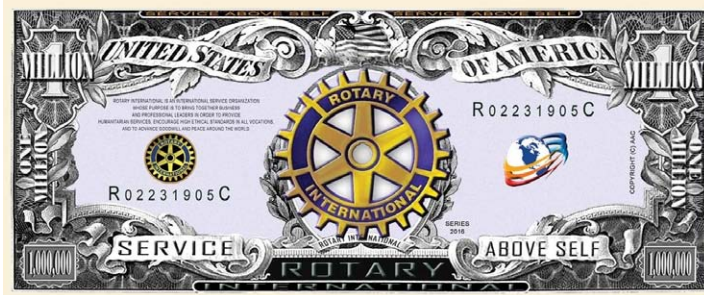


# Rotary

## Club of Sanibel-Captiva



### Thanks A Million



This Week, our Thanks A Million goes to....

**Rachel Tritaik, David Lowden and the Clean Up Crews!**

**We are Rotary! We are Family! We got you!**

**You are awesome!  
THANK YOU!**

### Hugs Help



**Be sure to check in on your friends!**



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### Speakers

**November 18, 2022**

[James Hinch](#)  
Rotary Foundation

**December 02, 2022**

[Dick Waterhouse](#)  
Rotary Anniversary Presentation

### Birthdays

Joleen Mercedes Raho  
November 25th

Diane de Terra  
November 25th

Paul Joseph Hawkins  
November 27th

### Wedding Anniversaries

John E Silvia  
November 10th

David Barton Lowden  
November 26th

### Years of Service

Scot M. Congress  
12-01-1985  
37 Years

Christopher J. DeCosta  
12-09-2011  
11 Years

Rachel Salvage Tritaik  
11-11-2012  
10 Years

James A. Davis  
12-05-2014  
8 Years

Maureen McGauran  
11-15-2021  
1 Year

## Crisis CleanUp Update

### Sanibel Disaster Group activities for this week:

**(submitted by Rachel Tritaik, Team Co-Leader)**

Wednesday, we helped clean out a storage unit in Fort Myers.

Thursday, we had a small but mighty crew, Mike McKeever (from Rotary Disaster Aid USA and club in NC), Judy Hammond (from District and Bonita Beach Sunset Club), Evyn Batie (from club in Colorado), Evan (Evyn's friend), Rachel Tritaik (Sanibel Club)

We helped a member pack belongings in his condo (Guy), helped clear a garage of wet boxes on Sunset Circle, and move items out of a house on Ibis Lane. And lent out a chainsaw to one of our members (Don).

On Saturday, our team consisted of Annie Campbell (Sanibel Club), David Lowden (Sanibel Club), Eldon Borofen (Sanibel Club), Barb Ellis (Sanibel Club), Linda Arnold (Sanibel Club), Mike McKeever (Disaster Aid USA and NC Club), Tony Rodriguez (from North Naples Club), Andre Limarenko (from Naples Club), Donna Limarenko (from Naples Club), Trevor Calhoun (from North Naples Club), Sheri Calhoun (from North Naples Club), Rachel Tritaik (Sanibel Club), Paul Tritaik.

Eldon, Mike, Andre, Donna, Trevor, Sheri, Paul and I tackled a large space with lots of muddy items and furniture/equipment to sort and remove, including doors, cabinets and appliances. Mike, Paul and I then cleaned muddy floors in a home for an elderly couple who had been living and sleeping in the space. Annie, Barb, Linda, Tony and David were at 2 homes on Ibis Lane clearing belongings, chain-sawing trees on a roof and removing drywall.

We'll do it again this Saturday for whoever can meet to volunteer at Gator Bites at 8:30, and Bank of the Islands Trailer at 9:00. (Please keep spreading the word, all!)

Thank you to all who volunteered their energy and time! We all have so much to do and yet find time to help each other!





## Volunteers Needed



Please help spread the word that those interested in helping our neighbors on Sanibel should meet at **8:30am** at Gator Bites Restaurant parking lot in the Publix plaza closest to the Island (20351 Summerlin Rd, Ste #120, Fort Myers). Volunteers will meet on **Thursdays and Saturdays**. We will then carpool over to the disaster trailer on Sanibel (located at the Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way) to meet at 9:00 for supplies and assignments, and join with those already on Island. Priority jobs we will tackle are moving furniture and trash out of homes, mucking and gutting, and chainsaw work. Volunteers should be ready with boots or appropriate footwear, and work or gardening gloves.

If you aren't as physically able, we may need drivers with passes and people who can be runners for lunches, drinks and tools, that wouldn't be needed the whole day.

For more information, or if you know of someone who needs help, please contact Rachel Tritaik at [rachel@islandtherapycenter.com](mailto:rachel@islandtherapycenter.com) or David Lowden at [dlowden@bankoftheislands.com](mailto:dlowden@bankoftheislands.com).

[RotaryFL.org](http://RotaryFL.org)



The outpouring of concern and support from our Fellow Rotarians around the world is tremendous. Please know that Rotary is here for you, now and always.

If you need anything (water, shelter, food, supplies, etc.), or would like to help by volunteering or donating, please go to: [Rotaryfl.org](http://Rotaryfl.org). This website will help us stay organized and enable us to be more effective. Please share this link widely with family and friends.

We WILL get through this together because WE are Rotarians and WE are people of action.

## Hurricane Ian Disaster Fundraiser

### Hurricane Ian Disaster Relief Fundraiser

Rotarian Taylor Osborne has created a collaborative fundraiser between the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club and the

Sanibel and Captiva Business Women's Association to provide direct relief to the victims of Hurricane Ian.

\*Proceeds from your purchase will be donated to assist in hurricane relief efforts.

<https://hurricane-ian-disaster-relief.myshopify.com/>



## Friday's Speaker

### This week we will be hearing from Reverend Wendy Oxenhorn discussing a recent Ukrainian mission trip and her involvement in the Jazz Foundation of America



In 2000 Oxenhorn took over the executive directorship of the Jazz Foundation of America (JFA), which provides assistance to elderly professional jazz, blues & R & B musicians in need.<sup>[10]</sup> At the time, the organization had \$7,000 in its accounts and handled 35 clients per year. In 2001 Oxenhorn conceived and produced what became the major annual JFA fundraising event: "A Great Night in Harlem." Named after the famed [Art Kane](#) photograph, [A Great Day in Harlem](#), Oxenhorn's Great Night in Harlem Concert at the [Apollo Theater](#) has been a hugely successful annual fundraising event, which would not have been possible without Lauren Roberts, a co-worker and Jarrett Lilien, the former E\*TRADE president, who offered to bankroll the cost of the Apollo Theater and has since become the organization's President.<sup>[11]</sup> The inaugural event was emceed by [Gil Noble](#), and featured performances by dozens of prominent jazz musicians. The concert also helped attract prominent board members, including [Quincy Jones](#), their current chairman; [Richard Parsons](#), Agnes Varis, [Elvis Costello](#), [Danny Glover](#), [Michael Novogratz](#) and [Lou Reed](#). The benefit concert raised \$350,000 in its first year, 13 days after 9/11.<sup>[12]</sup> Oxenhorn's fundraising efforts vastly expanded the program to over 500 cases per year and by 2005 the JFA became a national organization with a staff of four.

Oxenhorn's work at the JFA has included post-Katrina relief efforts for displaced musicians, re-housing and creating instant employment to hundreds of New Orleans musicians and their children, thanks to the support and generosity of Jarrett Lilien and E\*TRADE and the famous Met Opera philanthropist [Agnes Varis](#), who has since been known and loved the world over as "Saint" Agnes.<sup>[9]</sup> Agnes Varis' support allowed Oxenhorn to create the Agnes Varis Jazz in the Schools Program. This program makes it possible for hundreds of elderly musicians to introduce jazz, blues and live music for the first time, to over 80,000 public school children a year. The Agnes Varis Program has kept hundreds of musicians afloat for the past ten years since Katrina, allowing them to pay their own rent. The Foundation's efforts are credited with bringing over 1000 displaced musicians back to New Orleans after Katrina by re-housing families and creating immediate employment. Oxenhorn also acquired over a quarter million dollars worth of donated new top shelf instruments to replace what was lost in the flood for hundreds of NOLA's most beloved musicians. Since 2001 Oxenhorn has generated over 70 million dollars and the organization now assists 7000 emergency assists a year and continues to save the homes and lives of thousands of musicians in crisis.

Our regular weekly club meetings will resume at 8:00am in person, doors open at 7:30, at The Heights Center,  
15570 Hagie Dr., Fort Myers, as well as via zoom.  
Here is the link to connect to zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81545260726>  
Here is the number to connect by phone: (646) 931-3860  
Meeting ID: 815 4526 0726  
Passcode: **955563**

**See you Friday morning!**

## Upcoming Meetings



This week we will be meeting in person at:

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15570 Hagie Dr., Fort Myers,  
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If you need assistance with Zoom meetings, please feel free to reach out to Cindy and she will gladly do her best to walk you through set up! (rotarycindycarter@gmail.com/ 239-302-0670) She will be at the ready at 7:30 for our 8:00 meeting if you need help!

## **2022-2023 President Contact Info**



**Contact information for our 2022-2023 President Annie Campbell  
cell (231) 313-1589 or [annie@heightsfoundation.org](mailto:annie@heightsfoundation.org).**

## **Club Meeting**

Sanibel-Captiva  
Meets at The Sanibel Community House  
2173 Periwinkle Way  
Sanibel, FL 33957  
Time: Friday at 07:30 AM

