

Rotary

Club of Sanibel-Captiva



Baskets & Bites



ATTENTION ROTARY LADIES & SPOUSES:

December 9

SILENT AUCTION
ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

BASKET BRAINSTORM GATHERING

WITH BITES & BEVS
PRE-DINNER HOUR
LOCATION TBD

Speakers

November 22, 2024

[Lisa Riordan](#)
Protect Captiva

November 29, 2024

[No meeting in observance of Thanksgiving](#)
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December 06, 2024

[Dr. Timur](#)
FGCU President

December 13, 2024

[Jeannine Joy](#)
United Way

Birthdays

Joleen Mercedes Raho
November 25th

Diane de Terra
November 25th

Paul J. Hawkins
November 27th

Manuela Martinez
November 28th

Savannah Miller-Berg
December 10th

James A. Davis
December 10th

Holli J. Martin
December 11th

Jonathan Dean
December 16th

Wedding Anniversaries

David Barton Lowden
November 26th

Mary C. Schoeffel
December 14th

Bob Stern
December 17th

Years of Service

Scot M. Congress
12-01-1985
39 Years

Christopher J. DeCosta

Holiday Party



12-09-2011
13 Years

[Register Here!](#)

[In case you missed it!](#)



Last Week's Speaker:



Monica is a Florida transplant of 6 years and through a very interesting path landed her in the Harlem Heights area volunteering with Disaster Relief. She is currently at The Heights Center coordinating the Seniors Program and blooming in her newly created role as Community Advocate. The Heights Center offers Harlem Heights seniors free programs designed to keep their older residents active and engaged in their community. Opportunities such as art activities, stretching and exercise sessions, trivia games, field trips, spiritual support, education and wellness programs and hot meals are offered to their residents.

Upcoming Events!

- **Holiday Party, Dec 11, St. Charles Yacht Club**
- **District Mid-Year Conference, Jan 25, Punta Gorda**
- **RLI & Grant Writing Course, Feb 28, North Port**

Upcoming Meetings

- **Membership Meeting, Dec 4, 12:00, Bank of the Islands or Zoom**

Committee meetings and board meetings: all members welcome. Please contact Rachel for Zoom link if needed.

Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers needed for Luminary set up Friday afternoon December 6th, time and location TBD

Our Mother's Home volunteers needed building furniture (physical) and organizing donations (non-physical) Sunday Dec. 8th 10-4 2666 Swamp Cabbage Ct. Fort Myers

Please send your pictures of any Rotary events to:

Photos@sanibelrotary.org

Attend by Zoom

If you can't attend in person, you can still have breakfast with us! Try our new and improved zoom option (with the immersive Owl 360) from 8-9am. Just click the link and follow the directions.

Here is the link to connect to zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88513773856>
Here is the number to connect by phone: (646) 931-3860
Meeting ID: 885 1377 3856
Passcode: **955563**



Dues due



Members with a balance on their club dues for this semi-annual billing period, please ensure you are up-to-date by the end of this month. Rotary International and District 6960 dues are paid for each member on the roster on December 31st and June 30th each year. If you are not sure of your balance, please check your email from club treasurer, John Raho, mailservice@dacdb.net, and follow the instructions. Alternately, log into DACdb and select "My Data", then, "My Finance Statement" to check your balance and pay online. Please contact myself or John Raho if you have any questions about your statement.

Friday's Speaker

This week, we will be hearing from

**Lisa Riordan,
Protect Captiva Coalition**



Lisa Riordan first visited Captiva more than 40 years ago and has been a Captiva resident since 2012. After vacationing on Captiva for several years, she and her husband, David Mintz, expanded their time there after retirement. Lisa currently serves on the Board of Directors for both the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation and the Charitable Foundation of the Islands. Lisa will serve as CFI's Chair beginning January 2025.

A New York native, Lisa spent many years in the communications industry before beginning her 25-year career in labor representation. She directed and managed the New York staff for a major labor union and negotiated and administered collective bargaining agreements with large public and private sector employers and municipalities, including Verizon, the City of New York, and the State of New Jersey, as well as dozens of smaller employers and municipalities.

Since her retirement in 2012, Lisa has spent her free time getting involved in the Captiva community. Beginning in 2013 she joined the Board of her homeowner's association and has served as President for 5 years. In 2015 she was invited to join the Captiva Memorial Library Board of Trustees and has served as the President for the last 3 years. In 2015 she was also invited to join the Board of Governors of the Captiva Civic Association and served as the President for 3 years before currently serving as Treasurer. She was appointed to the Captiva Civic Association (CCA) Foundation Board of Governors, the fund-raising vehicle of the Civic Association, in 2017 and continues to serve there as President.

Lisa has been instrumental in organizing the Protect Captiva Coalition as part of her role as President of the CCA Foundation Board of Governors. The Protect Captiva Coalition was established in June 2023 by concerned citizens and organizations in opposition to increasing building height and density and opening the door for hundreds of new hotel rooms on Captiva Island. The coalition includes more than 13,000 residents, organizations, and other individuals who are opposed to this shortsighted plan that will forever change the character and safety of Captiva.

Lisa has two adult daughters, and seven grandchildren, all of whom reside out of state. When she is not busy with her community activities, Lisa enjoys boating, traveling, reading and spending time with friends.

Our regular weekly club meetings are at 8:00am, doors open at 7:30am. Our meeting will take place at

The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel!

Meetings will also continue to be available by zoom for those unable to physically attend.

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See you Friday morning!

Thanksgiving No Meeting



Rotary November Theme



November is Rotary Foundation Month – Here's why!

Each year, Rotary International highlights November as Rotary Foundation Month to emphasize the importance of and need for Rotarian support of The Rotary Foundation.

Contributions from Rotarians around the world go to the Foundation's Annual Programs Fund, which provides grants and awards through Foundation programs; and the Permanent Fund, an endowment from which only the earnings are spent in support of Foundation programs, ensuring the long term viability of the Foundation.

Every dollar contributed by Rotarians funds humanitarian and educational programs and program operations. Clubs and districts apply for and receive Foundation grants to carry out worthy projects worldwide.

If Rotary is to be there to teach children to read, build wells, feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the poor; then **every Rotarian is invited and encouraged to support the Annual Fund with a personal contribution, every year.**

How can I make a gift in support of the Rotary Foundation?

Visit the Rotary International website (www.rotary.org) to make your gift: one time, regular/sustaining

(recurring gift at the timing of your choice), to the program area of your choice – all of the information is there for you to choose what would be most meaningful to you.
Or – you can visit www.rotary.org and click on The Rotary Foundation for additional information on ways to give, as well as to learn more about how our gifts make a difference around the world. Let's meet the yearly challenge to get 100% participation in the annual fund this year and set the standard for every year to follow!

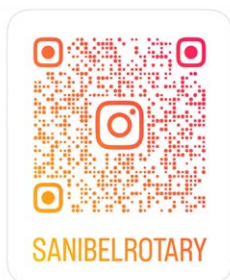
Visit www.rotary.org for great information about why your support will make a difference!

2024-2025 President Contact Info

Our 2024-2025 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary President: Rachel Tritaik



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rachel@islandtherapycenter.com or cell 239-297-4997



Club Meeting

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

