

# Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva



## Holiday Party

**HOLIDAY PARTY REMINDER!  
LAST DAY TO REGISTER THIS FRIDAY!**

**Sign up on our Club website  
OR  
Bring your check or cash to the meeting  
this FRIDAY!**

**Heather & Sharron will sign you up!**



## Speakers

**December 06, 2024**

Dr. Timur  
FGCU President

**December 13, 2024**

Jeannine Joy  
United Way

**December 20, 2024**

Susan Talmage  
Santiva Islanders

**December 27, 2024**

No meeting in observance of  
December Holidays

## Birthdays

Savannah Miller-Berg

December 10th

James A. Davis

December 10th

Holli J. Martin

December 11th

Jonathan Dean

December 16th

Melanie A. Holliday

December 20th

Rachel S Tritaik

December 21st

Charles Emerson

January 1st

Lee Almas

January 2nd

## Wedding Anniversaries

Mary C. Schoeffel

December 14th

Bob Stern

December 17th

Richard Birney

December 26th

James C. LaVelle

December 29th

Dorothy Marie Farrell

December 31st

## Years of Service

James D. Reid

01-01-1995

A festive invitation card for the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club's Holiday Party. The card features a light blue background with white snowflakes and green holly leaves with red berries at the top and bottom. The text is centered and reads: "SANIBEL-CAPTIVA ROTARY CLUB INVITES MEMBERS & GUESTS TO OUR HOLIDAY PARTY DECEMBER 11 6:00-9:00 PM Food - Drink - Fun ST CHARLES YACHT CLUB 15900 ST. CHARLES BLVD FORT MYERS FL 33908 REGISTER ONLINE AT SANIBELROTARY.ORG BY DEC 6 Let's celebrate together! APPROPRIATE HOLIDAY ATTIRE COCKTAILS 6PM DINNER 7PM \$50/PER PERSON CASH/CC BAR".

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[Register Here!](#)

30 Years  
Christopher J. DeCosta  
12-09-2011  
13 Years  
John Anthony Raho  
12-20-2017  
7 Years

## Baskets & Bites



December  
9

ATTENTION ROTARY  
CREATIVE MEMBERS  
AND SPOUSES:

SILENT AUCTION  
ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

**BASKET  
BRAINSTORM  
GATHERING**

WITH BITES & BEVS  
PRE-DINNER HOUR  
LOCATION TBD

## Membership Categories

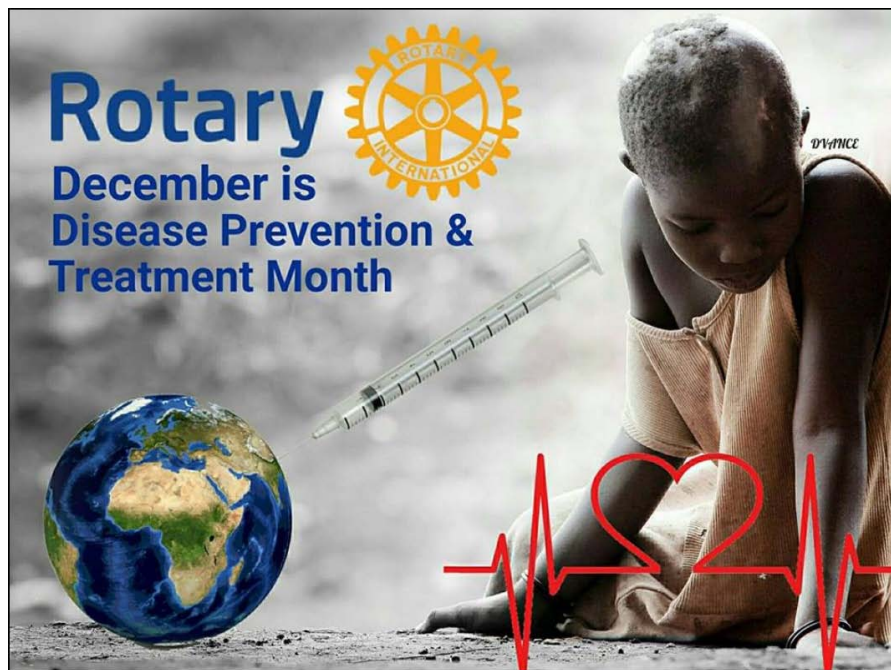
### New Membership Categories!

The new membership categories are now found on our website under the Membership tab.

Any members anticipating a change of their membership status to one of these categories should contact John Raho or Rachel Tritaik prior to December 15th.

[Click here for the Membership Tab](#)

## Rotary December Theme



December is **Disease Prevention and Treatment Month** on the Rotary Calendar.

Rotary's top priority is the [eradication of polio](#), but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. They set up health camps and training facilities in undeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria. They also design and build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who can't afford to pay for healthcare.

This is one of the Rotary Foundations Areas of Focus and one in which many of us would be aware of the numerous projects around the world supported by clubs and the Foundation. Look at your role in promoting improved health at home and abroad and supporting these vital programs that contribute not only to healthy communities but peaceful communities.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.

## 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**



**In case you missed it!**



## Upcoming Events!

**\*\*Luminary – bag and candle set-up**  
Friday, Dec 6, 2:30-5:00 Chamber of Commerce

**\*\*“Funky” Rotary Social - Beach Concert and Fireworks!**  
Saturday, Dec. 7th 5:30 'Tween Waters, Captiva  
FISH Jog'n'Jam – Bring beach chairs/be ready to dance!  
Tickets can be purchased through the FISH website or  
please contact Maria if you would like a Rotary discount code

**\*\*Service Project - Our Mother's Home**  
Sunday, Dec. 8th 10-4 2666 Swamp Cabbage Ct. Fort Myers

**\*\*Holiday Party, Fun & Festivities**  
Wednesday, Dec 11, St. Charles Yacht Club  
Holiday Party Tickets Now Available on the website (Sanibelrotary.org)

**\*\*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**

**\*\*Silent Auction meeting Dec 9th, 4:30-6:00**  
9446 Kava Ct RSVP Heather 847-736-7790

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 to build furniture (physical) and organize donations (non-physical) Sunday, Dec. 8th 10-4 2666 Swamp Cabbage Ct. Fort Myers**

**FM South Club is requesting help for a family in downtown FM**  
Contact Rachel if you are interested and for more information

## Announcements!

**The annual meeting to elect our Club board for the 2025-2026 Rotary year will be held December 13th. Any members interested in serving in future years are encouraged to contact John Danner or Barb Ellis of the Nominating Committee.**

**Please send your pictures of any Rotary events to:**

**Photos@sanibelrotary.org**

## Friday's Speaker

This week, we will be hearing from

# Dr. Aysegul Timur, President, Florida Gulf Coast University



Aysegul Timur, Ph.D., was selected to become Florida Gulf Coast University's fifth President on May 4, 2023, following a unanimous endorsement from the FGCU Board of Trustees. Her presidency was confirmed by the Florida Board of Governors on June 22, 2023. In her most recent role, Timur served as Vice President and Vice Provost for Strategy and Program Innovation at FGCU, where she has worked since 2019.

Dr. Timur received her doctoral degree in Business Administration, majoring in Economics, from the University of South Florida, and both her Master's and Bachelor's Degrees in Business Administration from the University of Istanbul. Her areas of specialization includes business policy and organizational development, quality and continuous improvement, health (especially pharmaceutical pricing), and international economics. She is a go-to expert for workforce development and was recently honored by the Florida College Access Network as one of its first Workforce Education Innovators. Before joining the University team, she held a variety of faculty and executive leadership positions in higher education, including full professor of economics.

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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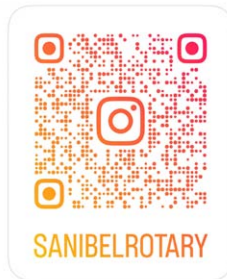
See you Friday morning!

## 2024-2025 President Contact Info

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



Contact information for our 2024-2025 President, Rachel Tritaik  
[rachel@islandtherapycenter.com](mailto: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

