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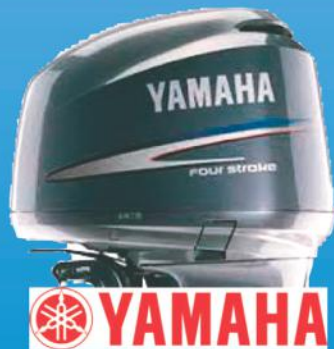
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PGICA Staff: *Corinne Carlson, corinnecarlson@pgica.org, 941-637-1655*

All classes offered at the Punta Gorda Civic Association are open to the public.

FITNESS/DANCE



ZUMBA: Tuesdays and Fridays, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. \$12 per class. Zumba is a fun, effective dance workout that is a good option for people who enjoy upbeat music and an energetic group exercise environment. Instructor: Gigi Caceda. Students register and pay as they attend at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.



Chair-a-Cise: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 10 a.m. \$10 per class. Chair-a-Cise is a low-impact, full-body workout designed to strengthen and tone muscles using a sturdy chair for support. This class targets: improving strength, flexibility and balance. It also targets muscle groups for toning and strengthening and promotes blood flow and circulation. Instructor: Cathy Wetzelberger. Students register and pay as they attend at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.



Yoga: Tuesdays. 10 to 11 a.m. \$10 per class. Enjoy a safe and playful mixed-level Yoga Flow class designed for beginners to intermediate-level practitioners. Join us and explore the awareness of the mind/body connection to inspire good posture, better breathing, movement, balance and relaxation. Instructor: Linda Haverlock. Students register and pay as they attend at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.



Beginner Line Dancing: Wednesdays until October 28. 3 to 4 p.m. \$10 per class. This class will be beginner level line dancing to a variety of musical rhythms. You will be enhancing your physical and mental health as well as enjoying socializing with other dancers. Instructor: Vera Hendricks. Students register and pay as they attend at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.



Learn to Love Tennis. Wednesdays, July 8, 15, 22, and 29. August 5 and 12. 5:30 to 7 p.m. \$90 per six week session. This instruction is geared toward people who have never played tennis and for those restarting. Requirements: Athletic shoes, racquet preferred, loaners available. PTR Certified Instructor: Leigh Chak. Students will receive a USTA Love to Learn shirt. Students 18+ can register. Advanced registration required. Students can register online at www.PGICA.org or at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. ALL SALES ARE FINAL. NO REFUNDS.

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The Power of PGI Homeownership. Held once a month on Fridays, beginning Aug. 14, 10 to 11 a.m. FREE class. First Session: August 14 - The State of the PGI Waterfront Market. Your Instructor is Crystal Covert, Realtor (John R. Wood Properties). This twelve-month homeowner education series is intended to benefit PGI residents. The monthly one hour presentations are topics relevant to buying, selling and owning waterfront property. Each session features practical, waterfront specific content, presented by knowledgeable speakers with expertise in areas important to local homeowners. Hosting the series through the community association provides residents with a valuable educational resource while further supporting the association's role as a hub for community engagement, information and home-owner enrichment. Attendees can register online at www.pgica.org or at the PGICA office: 2001 Shreve St, Punta Gorda. 941-637-1655. All PGICA classes are open to the public. Walk-ins are welcome.

The PGICA Tennis Club plays year-round. Members who have been here through multiple summers know some tricks and tips for safer tennis in the Florida heat. When the air temperature is above 95 degrees, tennis can turn into a game of survival. Hydration, fueling and proper cooling can make it possible to continue to play through a Florida summer. Beat the heat with these tips, and you'll be able to give your best effort to beat your opponent too.

Dehydration can affect a tennis player's performance in less than an hour, even sooner if the athlete comes into the practice session or match dehydrated. Upon waking, drink 12 to 16 ounces of water to begin the hydration process. Drink another 12 to 16 ounces of water, electrolyte drink or juice between 60 to 90 minutes before going on court. Ten minutes prior to the match, consume another eight ounces of water or sports drink.



Ice necklace

Drink consistently during your match, not just when thirsty. The body may be 2% dehydrated by the time thirst is experienced. For every percent of body weight that is lost during play, an athlete's core body temperature can rise by 0.5°F. This results in the athlete's heart working harder by three to seven beats per minute. Beverages containing caffeine, alcohol or carbonation are not as effective as sports drinks and water in rehydrating the body.

Wear light-colored, wicking materials and a breathable hat. Utilize the shade on the court on every changeover. Bring a small cooler with ice and use

ice towels in the lap and around the neck. Ice packs under arms and in the groin can be a lifesaver if you need to bring down your body temperature.

After the match, pop in the pool for five to ten minutes or take a cold shower for the same amount of time. Continue your recovery in an air-conditioned area until your body temperature has returned to normal.

The heat can be intimidating at first, but being able to play year-round will keep your game at its sharpest.

Membership dues keep our courts in great shape. It's \$75 a year, plus a one-time \$100 fee for new members. Everyone who joins also needs to be a PGICA member, just like with all the other clubs. Want more info? Check out our Tennis Club page on the PGICA website.

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I hope everyone is enjoying their summer, especially Independence Day and our great nation's 250th birthday. Some of us are enjoying this time in Florida while some are enjoying their northern homes. As we are now in hurricane season we also pray for a quiet one. Just an update on the summer hiatus. We will not have any sales between June 1 and October 1.

If you think you might want to have an estate sale, do not wait. Please call Tom Teubert at 201-960-5340, or Karen Schwarck at 941-276-8593 so we can get you on the calendar. They will make sure it is possible and help schedule a sale. Our team always takes pride in being courteous and professional with both the seller and the buying public. We will treat your items as if they were our own. It will be our pleasure to assist you in your time of need. We understand that this can be a difficult time.

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ISLES GIRLS AND GUYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
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- **July 21*** - Murdock branch, 1100 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte
- **July 28** - Punta Gorda branch, 2331 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda

Building a Better Estate and Financial Plan - *Select Wednesdays, 10 - 11:30 a.m.*

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- **July 30** - Punta Gorda branch, 2331 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda

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- Pre-Tournament VIP Reception at the PGICA on Friday, October 2, 2026 from 5:30 pm—7:30 pm
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7:00-8:30 Registration, Breakfast & Putting Contest

8:30 Shotgun Start



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For more information or to register as a golfer or sponsor, go to www.pgicagolf.com, scan the QR Code or call 941-637-1665.



Red, white, and blue are everywhere as we celebrate our nation's 250th birthday. Wherever you find yourself this July Fourth, take a moment to reflect on our shared American history. We hope you enjoy the festivities and feel the warmth of our community spirit. Happy Birthday America.

June's hurricane season has been mild for Florida residents, but we're staying cool with Mah Jong, lunches, and dinners in air-conditioned venues. For July, look forward to activities indoors. Check the JFF calendar and watch for Kevin's Flamingo Express every Sunday for updates. Spontaneous events pop up anytime, so stay tuned.

Ladies' lunch at Gina's Pizza Bar was enjoyed by all attendees. See picture. A good place for dinner and lunch during these hot summer days. Our local restaurants are happy to see our summer people. You don't even need reservations at most eating establishments. Just walk in and enjoy dinner with friends.

Bite Night is scheduled for July 18. Check the JFF calendar on our website. Check your calendar. Are you able to host a group for a cool get-together? Just say "Yes" and contact the event coordinator to get event advertised. July's Ladies lunch will be at Tamiami Tavern on July 21 at 11:30. Sign up now, there is room for more. Men's lunch is scheduled for July 28 but needs a host. Check calendar for coordinator to volunteer. A great time to get out of the house and socialize with like minded fellows. Yes, the heat is



Ladies Lunch

dragging us down, but we need to enjoy the friendship of others and not isolate ourselves in our cool air-conditioned home.

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If you wish to play or want additional information, please contact Debbie Meyer. Her contact information is shown above.

Remember, all players are required to be members of the PGICA. To join, call the front desk at 941-637-1655 or visit the association's website at www.pgica.org.

MEN'S SOCIAL BRIDGE**John Iredale, 919-474-1223, jiredale1243@gmail.com**

Attention all men: We need you to join us.

- If you played bridge in college and have not played since but would like to rekindle an interest.
- If you think only women play bridge, you might be surprised.
- If your wife would like you to learn to play bridge with her (But you don't want to read Bridge for Idiots and can't stand her lessons or criticism).
- If you would like a new, less active hobby other than boating, golf, fishing, carving, woodwork, drinking, carousing or bingeing Netflix series.
- If you just want to get out of the house for one morning a week.
- If your wife would like to get rid of you for one morning a week.
- If you would just like to learn how to play bridge.
- If you already know how to play and would enjoy a challenge from some decent bridge players.
- If you would just like to enjoy some fun and a little kidding and fellowship with PGICA members.
- Enjoy competing against other great and not so great minds.

We would love to have you. Men's Social Bridge group, Mondays at 9.

Contact John Iredale at 919-474-1223. To leave a message or text, be sure to mention PGICA Men's Bridge. Better to text - that way if I miss it when you send it I can still read it later.

COUPLES BRIDGE**Melissa Brown, 734-769-3138, melbrown@umich.edu
Jeanne Hogan, 317-431-5948, jeanno383@gmail.com**

Couples Bridge is taking the summer off and will resume in the fall. Stay tuned for updates. However, if you would like any information about our group, please feel free to email either one of us.

Our fun and friendly group usually meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 12:30. Contrary to the name of the group, you do not have to be a married or committed couple. All that is necessary is that there are two of you - yourself and your partner. We happily welcome players of all skill levels. Whether you are new to bridge, have played forever, or are a little rusty, having not played in years, we would love to have you join us. If you need a partner, we can help you find someone.

BUNCO BUDDIES

Mary Dowdall, 904-210-3168, mcdowd1@aol.com



If you're looking for a fun group of people playing a really easy game, look no further than Bunco Buddies. No skill involved, purely a game of chance - if you can roll three dice, you can play Bunco*. Great for meeting others because you change teammates every round. Come alone, with a friend, or even a spouse. Beginners welcome - you'll be an expert in no time. We play the first Tuesday of each month at 6:30, usually ending around 8:30. Bring a snack to share, your own beverages/glasses, and \$5 for prizes. Check out our website** (https://www.pgica.org/content.aspx?page_id=22&club_id=799073&module_id=655892) for more details. If possible, register in advance so the tables/chairs are set up appropriately.

*only physical requirement is you do get up and change tables with each hand - unless you win

**We're a group of the PGICA, not a club, so no dues or membership required.

THURSDAY EUCHRE CARD GROUP

Marcia Ellis, 269-760-2582, marcia.ellis@wmich.edu



We will be starting back up again in November. Anyone interested in playing for fun is welcome. Bring a snack to share and the beverage of your choice for yourself. We begin at 6:30 and play eight games of eight rounds each. See you all next fall.

CANASTA/HAND AND FOOT GROUP

Janet Lynn, jlynnpji@hotmail.com

We play canasta/hand & foot every Thursday at noon. We draw cards for our partners at 11:55 and play until around 4. This is a fun group we play for laughs. No signup required. We play year-round unless the building is closed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

MONDAY MORNING MAH JONGG

Donna Bernhardson, 732-713-3723

We play on Mondays from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Call Donna if you have any questions.

PGICA PINOCHLE GROUP

Mary Ann Kot, 941-347-8582, mamkot@aol.com



Consider joining us for cards. Getting together to play pinochle is enjoyable and an easy way to have fun. We welcome returning and new players. If you are new or want to learn more, you are welcome to observe. The time is every Tuesday at 12:30.

Current high score: 703 Gary Sblendorio

IN STITCHES

Norma Angus 941-575-1049, Debbie Scholtes 941-347-7044



In Stitches has many philanthropic interests. One of them is the Guardian Ad Litem program. We made more than 100 Izzy Dolls to be distributed to children during stressful situations. We sincerely hope they are of some comfort and assistance to the children. Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to noon.



PGICA Beautification Group

Julie Towers, julitowers@live.com

The newly formed PGICA Beautification Group held its first meeting to outline plans for improving the five welcome signs. These signs have been maintained over the years by various volunteers, but it's time for a more coordinated and consistent approach.

Our plan is straightforward: clean, refresh and enhance each sign area with updated landscaping, improving visibility and a cohesive look that reflects the pride we have in our community. Work will be done in phases, tackling one sign at a time so residents can see steady progress.

Stay tuned - we think you'll like the results. If you are interested in helping, contact Julie Towers at julitowers@live.com.





Hi everyone, and welcome to our page. Our middle name is fun. While FF&C is a little less active in the summer months we still do a number of recurring events due to their ongoing popularity such as Breakfast Belles ladies breakfast at various restaurants and happy hour at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel.



Happy guys

If you have been with FF&C awhile you will find yourself making new friends and socializing with other members for activities outside of the club; Golf, mah jongg, dining out, concerts, etc. If you are reading our Commentator page for the first time, think about giving us a try. Even though things are slower in the summer there are many events in Punta Gorda and southeast Florida which are not specific to PGICA.



Happy girls

I went to the Red, White, and Blue drone show in Laishley Park last Sunday with some FF&C members who have become good friends. I was not too enthused about going due to the

heat and crowds. It did however turn out to be a great experience. We arrived just about sunset as the temperature was going down a bit. The park itself is on Charlotte Harbor and there was a nice breeze. After it got dark the show began, and what a show it was. I was expecting something akin to fireworks, which I seen have many of. It was not that. The choreographed drones formed an American flag waving in the breeze, an American eagle flapping wings, and lots more. My wife was right to get me to go.



Flag

Happy summer everybody. If you are planning ahead, FF&C is planning a cruise in 2027 which will also be available to friends and family of our members - we will be sailing aboard the Majestic Princess for 12 nights beginning on April 7, 2027. Ports of call: Southampton, Cornwall, Cork, Dublin, Liverpool, Belfast, Glasgow, Invergordon, Edinburgh, and LeHavre (opportunity to visit Normandy or Paris). Please email our Cruise Director Susie Krause at susiekrause@yahoo.com if interested.

If you would like a peek at our July schedule reach out to our Social Director Betty Wilcocks at bhw613@gmail.com or 757-508-1070 and she can send you a link. There is always something to see and/or do for FF&C members. Pay attention to the email reminders and be sure to use the website calendar to sign up. Remember, the reservation slots fill up quickly. Reservation cancellations are available up to 24 hours in advance directly



Eagle

on the calendar. For cancels inside the 24-hour window please reach out to Social Director Betty Wilcocks so others on the waitlist can be accommodated. As always, if you have a recommendation for a new restaurant to try or venue to checkout please contact Betty.

If you're outside of the club looking in and would like to join us for Friends, Fun and Community, please contact Membership Director Linda McMeans at lhmcmmeans@aol.com, or President Donna Cary at carydkc1@yahoo.com for membership information.

PGICA ACOUSTIC MUSIC GROUP

Jennifer deChiara, jenniferdechiara@gmail.com



A great aspect of the Acoustic Music Group is that there is an entry point for all members, regardless of skill level, musical preferences, even one's personal schedule. No one is keeping track of attendance - we are happy to see and hear anyone who comes to a Tuesday night meeting. There are regulars and newbies, year round residents and snowbirds, people who are comfortable singing and people who are not comfortable singing, veteran musicians and beginners. Regardless of who shows up on any given night, there is always good music and a fun time.

If you are thinking of joining this group but have some questions, please email our president, Terry Dotson at terrywdotson@gmail.com. Grab your guitar, choose your favorite song, and come join us.



The Newcomers Club is coming in hot for the month of July with plenty of opportunities to stay connected, have fun and enjoy the summer season. While our calendar may be a little lighter during these warmer months, there is still no shortage of activities, adventures and friendly faces waiting to welcome you. Whether you are looking to learn something new, enjoy a meal with friends, get some exercise, or simply meet fellow residents, there is something for everyone on the July calendar.

July kicks off with our monthly happy hour at Beef O’Brady’s, followed by a variety of favorite Newcomers activities throughout the month. Members can enjoy our weekly Monday Morning Walks along Charlotte Harbor, the always popular Bring Your Lunch and Learn program, our Ladies’ and Men’s Luncheons, Appetizer Night, a glass blowing workshop at the Visual Arts Center, the Jug Creek Meet Up by boat or car, a Caribbean Moonshine Distillery mixology class, and our July Dine Around at River City Grill. We encourage everyone to visit the online calendar often since new events are frequently added throughout the month.

June was another enjoyable month for Newcomers as members gathered for a variety of social, educational and recreational activities. Our monthly Bring Your Lunch and Learn program featured a fascinating briefing from a Special Agent with the United States Secret Service. Members enjoyed learning more about the agency’s mission, responsibilities, and the important work performed behind the scenes to protect our nation’s leaders and safeguard the country’s financial infrastructure. We appreciate the time and insight shared during this informative presentation.



Double Trouble at Dinner and Darts

Our June happy hour was another well attended gathering, bringing members together for an evening of great conversation, laughter and camaraderie. The Ladies’ and Men’s Luncheons continued to be popular monthly outings, while Appetizer Night and Dine Around offered additional opportunities for members to socialize and enjoy some of the area’s favorite restaurants.



Happy Hour at Winesett House

Monday Morning Walks remain one of our most popular recurring activities. Walkers continue to meet at Fishermen’s Village at 8 to enjoy the waterfront scenery, exercise and good company. The beautiful harbor views and occasional dolphin sightings remind us why Punta Gorda is such a special place to call home.

Throughout the month, members also participated in a variety of smaller group activities and informal gatherings that help make Newcomers such a welcoming organization. Whether attending a large club event, sharing a meal with friends, or joining a walk along the harbor, members continue to build friendships and



Men's fishing day

strengthen the sense of community that makes our club so special.

Another great way to stay connected is through our private Facebook group. It is the



Men's lunch at Village Brewhouse

perfect place to put names with faces, keep up with club happenings, and enjoy photos shared by fellow members.

If you are already on Facebook, search for The Official PGICA Newcomers Club group and request to join.

If you are new to PGI, recently retired, or simply looking to expand your social circle, we invite you to join us. You do not need to be new to the area to become part of Newcomers. Membership forms are available in the PGICA lobby and online through the PGICA website.

We look forward to enjoying another month of friendship, fun and community with all of you. Stay cool, stay connected, and we hope to see you at a Newcomers event soon.

On June 25, PGI Castaways celebrated our first birthday, and one year of adventure, friendship and community. What started as a few friends sitting on a beach in Key West, talking about creating a club centered around fun, friendship and shared experiences, has grown into one of PGICA's most active and vibrant social clubs, with more than 200 members.

It's amazing to think that just one year ago, our very first event was a trip to Hertz Arena to see Heart in concert. Fourteen adventurous Castaways joined us that day. We had no idea where the journey would lead, but we knew we were onto something special.

Over the past year, we have shared countless memories together. Many of our signature events have drawn well over 100 participants, including Australia Day, Mardi Gras, Super Bowl, the Boat Poker Run, and our most popular event to date, the Pig Roast. These gatherings brought together neighbors, friends and newcomers who quickly became part of the Castaways family.



Along the way, we discovered that while the large events create unforgettable moments, the smaller gatherings are just as important. Happy hours, bocce, baseball games, hockey outings, movie screenings, breakfasts and spontaneous get-togethers have helped build friendships and strengthen connections throughout our community.

The Castaways have also embraced opportunities to give back. Earlier this year, members volunteered at the Harry Chapin Food Bank, helping support an organization that serves so many families throughout Southwest Florida. It was a rewarding experience, and we look forward to

volunteering again in the future.

Giving back will continue to be part of who we are. This coming holiday season, the Castaways will be accepting donations for Toys for Tots as we work together to bring a little extra joy to local children during Christmas.

One of the things we have come to appreciate most over the past year is how special the Punta Gorda Isles community truly is. Time and again, members have stepped forward to volunteer, organize events, prepare food, lend a helping hand and support one another. We are fortunate to be surrounded by people who value friendship, kindness and community spirit. It is a privilege to be part of such a remarkable place.

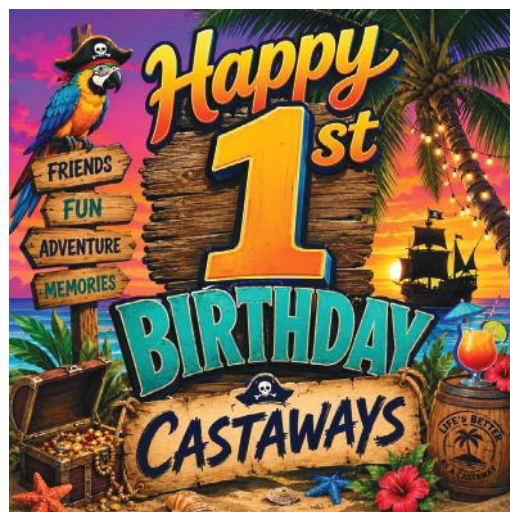


As we begin our second year, the adventures continue. In August, a group of Castaways will head to Tampa for an immersive courtroom experience where we will serve as jurors in a live murder trial. In September, members will travel to Disney's EPCOT Food & Wine Festival for a four-day, three-night getaway filled with food, fun and friendship.

Most importantly, we want to thank every member who trusted us enough to take a chance on a brand-new club. Thank you for attending events, bringing dishes to share, volunteering your time, laughing with us and occasionally even shedding a few tears along the way. You are the reason the Castaways have become such a success.

Congratulations, Castaways, on turning one year old.

Where are we going next? Come along and let's find out together.



Introducing the Aardvark Fish and Game Adventures Group

Are you passionate about the outdoors? Do you enjoy fishing, hiking, shooting sports, or simply spending time in nature with like-minded adventurers? If so, we invite you to join the Aardvark Fish and Game Adventures Group, a new community of outdoor enthusiasts right here in Punta Gorda Isles.

Our group was founded to bring together people who love the outdoors - whether you're an experienced angler, an avid hiker, a shooting sports enthusiast, or someone who just enjoys fresh air and good company. We'll be organizing a variety of excursions, including fishing trips, hiking outings, wildlife explorations, visits to local sporting clubs and social gatherings, all designed to embrace the natural beauty of Southwest Florida.

In addition to fishing Charlotte Harbor and offshore and exploring local trails, we'll also plan trips to sporting clubs like the Sarasota Trap, Skeet & Sporting Clays Club for those who enjoy shooting sports. Whether you're a seasoned marksman or just interested in trying something new, these outings will be a great way to connect and enjoy some friendly competition.

We also want your input. What types of outdoor adventures interest you most? Are there specific fishing spots, hiking trails or sporting clubs you'd love to explore with the group? Let us know - we're excited to shape this club around the interests of our members. Stay tuned for upcoming events, and don't hesitate to reach out with your ideas. We look forward to seeing you out there.

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Warm greetings from the Seafarers as summer gets underway. With great weather for cruising and socializing, members and friends are planning even more outings and events. Throughout the month of June, the Seafarers were able to enjoy multiple cruising and social activities.



Village Brewhouse

On June 12, Cruise Director Kathy Nelson led a lunch cruise to the Village Brewhouse in Fishermen's Village. With construction still underway, the new transient docks were complete, making the outing easy for attendees. The group also enjoyed a great meal and an afternoon of lively conversation. The following week on June 18, Social Director Jane Orlin organized a night of comedy for the Seafarers to attend at Visani Comedy Club in Port Charlotte. The Seafarers experienced a unique performance delivered by co-headliner Paul "Ox" Jensen and Bill "Bull" Ohse who left everyone in stitches. To cap off June's events, the Seafarers set course for an overnight cruise led by Debbie Lemmink to 'Tween Waters Marina from June 19 to 21, with additional members joining the group for a day cruise and fun on Saturday, June 20. Attendees soaked up a fun-filled weekend on beautiful Captiva Island, enjoying time together socializing, relaxing by the pool, kayaking and gathering for wonderful evening meals and entertainment.

With summer in full sail, the Seafarers will be looking forward to cruising and social activities during the month of July to supplement their busy summer calendar. Cruise Director Kathy Nelson has scheduled a lunch cruise to Laishley Crab House Restaurant on July 16. Social Director Jane Orlin will have

scheduled and coordinated the twice a month meet and greet at St. Andrews South Golf Club.

The Seafarers Cruising Club is a volunteer-driven organization that offers a wide range of activities for members to enjoy. Commodore Jeanne Myers extends her thanks to all the volunteers whose efforts make the club so special. To keep offering a full range of activities, the club needs volunteers to lead cruises such as lunch outings, pop-up beach days and raft-ups. The club also welcomes help with social events, including providing food for happy hours and assisting with set-up and decorating for events.

The Seafarers look forward to making new friends and sharing our adventures with



Nav Lunch Cruise

you. Membership Director Lisa Wienecke is looking forward to greeting prospective members with a warm welcome aboard! The Seafarers membership is a friendly, inclusive and active group. We are committed to providing a variety of day and overnight boating adventures as well as numerous fun-filled land-based activities.



Happy Hour TWSTS

Each month several fun and interesting new boaters join the Seafarers. We encourage you to visit and get to know us at one of our meet and greets at St. Andrews South Golf Club from 5 to 7 on the second and fourth Thursdays each month. As a friendly reminder, please add July 9 and 23 to your calendar and jump aboard one of our social events so you can meet our members and learn about all the fun we have together. There is no obligation - just stop by the 50/50 table in the foyer to let our greeting team know you are a new visitor interested in the Seafarers.

We are eager to welcome new members who wish to join our many fun adventures and make lasting friendships along the way. For more

information, please contact Membership Director Lisa Wienecke at 630-715-6333 or lawnienecke@gmail.com or Jeanne Myers at Jeanne.myers@icloud.com.



The PGI Car Club (PGICC) meets at Beef O'Brady's in Punta Gorda at 11:30 on the second Tuesday of each month. Our next general meeting is on July 14. Look for a reminder email a couple days before. The club will continue to offer educational presentations during or in addition to our monthly meetings.

Cars and Coffee at Bal Harbor Plaza is open to all automobile enthusiasts and continues to meet on the third Tuesday of each month. Our next Cars and Coffee is on July 21 at 8. Look for us at the Bal Harbor side of the parking lot. The Celtic Ray hosts a car show every second Thursday from 3 to 5. They offer discounts on food and drink for participants. It's a great way to spend an afternoon. The Car Club also participates in the Punta Gorda History Park Sunday Market at 501 Shreve Street. Join us on the third Sunday of each month (July 19) as we showcase some of our members' special vehicles.

This month we highlight Louise Gussin's 2007 Saturn Sky Redline. Louise has always loved the look and concept of the Saturn Sky ever since it first rolled off the GM production facility in Wilmington, Delaware. While in Punta Gorda in late December 2015, before moving here full time, Louise pulled into the strip mall on Rio Villa and saw the Sky with a for sale sign. She immediately walked around to the rear of the car and reported back "It's a Redline turbo and a stick!" After some quick research, an offer was made and accepted. The deal was closed on New Year's Eve day. Louise's New Year's Eve celebration consisted of an early dinner and some spirited, top-down driving under the stars!

Louise's Sky is one of fewer than 5,000 Sky Redline (turbo) models produced in 2007, and one of only 12,000 Redlines produced for all model years. It has 35,000 lightly driven miles with a showroom engine compartment and excellent paint, body, and interior. Louise's Sky is painted in the original concept car color, bluestone.

One Christmas, Mike surprised Louise with the gift of horsepower and torque. Thanks to the Christmas power tune, the two liter, intercooled four-cylinder now pumps out almost 300 horsepower and a whopping 340 lbs/ft of torque. It moves the 3,000-pound car around quite well, with 0 to 60 at about 5.2 seconds with some fancy shifting that's smoother after the power tune. The all-aluminum LNF engine was GM's first direct fuel injection powerplant (vs throttle body). Frame and engine components were hydroformed for strength and rigidity and well as weight savings. Limited production combined with aggressive styling and spirited performance make this a possible collectable vehicle, as well as a heck of a lot of fun to drive.



SKY Front Quarter



SKY Rear Quarter



SKY Side

We encourage new and current members to visit the club's Facebook page under PGI Car Club. It features members' postings, what's happening, photos of impressive automobiles and more. Check it out and post your favorite vehicle images. For more info contact Roland Ericsson at roland.ericsson@yahoo.com.

The purpose of the club is to create friendships among car enthusiasts through the fun and enjoyment of owning and operating special and/or antique vehicles. The club sponsors overnight and day trips, automobile maintenance and safety education, displays, shows and related social events. Interested in finding out more about PGI Car Club? Check us out at

<https://pgicarclub.com/> or contact Wayne and Joan Erickson at mabax2@aol.com for membership information.

SEASONAL FLOCKERS

Glenice Verhoff, glenicev@gmail.com and Danita Stone, astone4879@aol.com



Seasonal Flockers

Seasonal Flockers are snowbirds that gather to socialize, meet new people, share stories of our seasonal travels and perhaps share in some adult beverages and fun times. We will meet once a month at the PGICA or sometimes take field trips for other fun adventures. Seasonal Flockers meet beginning in November and ending in April each year. If this sounds like your kind of group, please text or email me. Looking forward to meeting my fellow Flockers.



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Upcoming Events

Friday, August 21, 8:30 to 2:30 pm
Blood Drive

Friday, September 25, 4:00 to 7:00 pm
Tag Team Artist Diamond Jubilee Show

**** Saturday, October 3, 7:00 am to 2:00 pm ****
1st Annual Punta Gorda Isles Community Golf Tournament
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Please welcome these new members who have joined since the last publication:

Natalie & Timothy Bennett
Christopher & Jenifer Boling
Peter Castillo
Katie & Lou Finazzo
Dale & Kathy Hanke

Jay & Shelli Hanselman
Suzanne & Tom Miller
Joyce Morgenroth
Margaret Prickett
Barbara Sontag

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- ✦ Ability to join more than 30 PGICA *Clubs and Groups* which include popular activities such as fishing, boating, table games, cars, music, painting, tennis, paddling, and social clubs. And you can start your OWN new club or group!
- ✦ Receive discounts on all PGICA *Entertainment* events including concerts, comedy shows, and dance parties.
- ✦ PGICA *Room Rentals* are discounted by 25% for your upcoming event including all varieties of parties, weddings, receptions, showers, life celebrations, etc.
- ✦ *The Commentator*, a full-color magazine, will be emailed to you every month to keep you apprised of all PGICA news and activities.
- ✦ Receive the weekly *In The Know* email newsletter which includes PGICA news and announcements, city news, and reminders for upcoming classes and events.
- ✦ Attend special *Community Seminars, Presentations, and Events*.
- ✦ *Be quickly notified* of important issues, breaking news, and emergency weather tips and announcements.
- ✦ Access the *On-line Member Directory* which allows you to keep in contact with your PGICA friends and neighbors.
- ✦ Utilize the drive-thru document *Shred Event* twice every year.
- ✦ Free *Notary Public* services to notarize documents.
- ✦ Participate in the *Annual Arts & Crafts Fair, Annual Nautical Flea Market, and our Wednesday~Markets* with premium locations.
- ✦ Attend annual *Exclusive Member Parties*.
- ✦ Your annual dues of \$80 *help the nonprofit PGICA* provide these many member benefits and additional events and opportunities for the entire Punta Gorda community.

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- ◊ Weddings and Receptions
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- ◊ Rehearsal Dinners
- ◊ Anniversary Parties
- ◊ Baby Showers
- ◊ Business Meetings and Seminars
- ◊ Celebrations of Life
- ◊ Birthday Parties
- ◊ Bar/Bat Mizvahs
- ◊ Promotional Events
- ◊ Dinner Parties
- ◊ Graduation Parties
- ◊ Quinceaneras
- ◊ Fundraisers

AMENITIES

- ◊ Auditorium Capacity:
 - 125 with tables (dance floor open)
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Take a look at our PGICA Shop and Save Program and check back frequently to see additional listings being added in the future.

TO VIEW YOUR MEMBER DEALS BY:

- Go to pgica.org
- Click "MEMBER LOGIN" in the upper right corner with your username and password.
- On the blue title bar, select "Members." The dropdown list appears, select "PGICA Shop and Save" to view the list.

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Swing by the office and pick up a printed copy at the front desk.



Present your membership card to the participating business to receive your discount. Show card BEFORE you purchase or order.

PGICA Volunteer Recruitment

The Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, Inc. (PGICA) is a 501(C)3 nonprofit community organization. It serves the entire Punta Gorda area by providing a wide variety of programs and services which highlight a transparent commitment to overall civic welfare and education. It is one of more than 800 nonprofit organizations serving our community.

Volunteers in several areas would greatly assist with the success of PGICA programs and services.

You are needed!

ADVERTISING SALES- Does cold-calling make you feel all warm and fuzzy? Are you a CRM guru? Do you absolutely love the PGICA? If yes, yes, and yes ... this might be for you! *The Commentator* digital magazine and a new monthly digital advertiser beginning in January could use your devotion.

(There might even be a \$small commi\$\$ion?)

EVENT PROMOTION- How organized ARE you? It's hard to believe, but the PGICA has an average of more than 50 classes and events each month. That does not even include club and group events or private functions. Those 50 activities include ukelele lessons, festivals, line dancing, fundraisers, concerts, yoga, photography, markets, exercise, and more ... without an advertising budget. Yes, members have the resources to stay informed of the PGICA happenings. However, we need the general public to be constantly kept updated about those happenings. That includes postings on all digital community calendars and other free announcement resources.

EVENT PARKING LOT ASSISTANCE- Maybe you were a school crossing guard, or you had an orange Safety Patrol belt and badge, or you generally like to ~~boss people around~~ ... help people! As our events become more successful, additional assistance is needed. It's a good problem to have, but it is a problem.

- ◆ Pre-marking vendor spaces
- ◆ Signage placement
- ◆ Directing traffic/traffic control
- ◆ Vendor assistance— parking, tables, electrical, etc.
- ◆ Traffic cone placement
- ◆ Trash can placement/emptying
- ◆ General safety
- ◆ Break down

LOANER PROGRAM ASSISTANCE- By far the most popular service offered by the PGICA, the Loaner Program does demand quite a bit of TLC. Assistance is needed with inventory organization, cleaning of returned items, repairs to equipment, and the disposal of unusable items.

HANDS-ON TECHIE TYPES- We do get ourselves into a jam sometimes. Maybe it's a paper jam in the copy machine or a musical jam when the audio/visual equipment decides to become obstinate, we sometimes need fixing. What seems like a major computer malfunction to us just might only be a case of the wrong button being clicked. Who we gonna call? **TECH BUSTERS!**

INDOOR EVENT SET-UP- Yes, we make it look easy, but there is a lot more to hosting an event other than opening the doors. When needed, how about volunteering to help with:

- ◆ Stage assembly and skirting
- ◆ Audio/visual set-up and operation
- ◆ Table and chair placement
- ◆ Table coverings
- ◆ Centerpieces/flyer placement
- ◆ Lobby set-up
- ◆ Green room set-up
- ◆ Greeter/registration
- ◆ Refrigerator/warmer clean out
- ◆ Ice inventory
- ◆ Holiday decorating
- ◆

MAINTENANCE AND FACILITIES ASSISTANCE- As much as we love doing it all ourselves, sometimes it's just not possible. If you are experienced in bid research and solicitation, plumbing projects, electrical work, computer glitches, copy machine jams, and stone work, and if you have a love for special projects, WE are here for YOU!

GRANT WRITER- Are research, project alignment, and persuasive writing your passion? Do you have an unwavering Oxford comma stance? Have you ever experienced joy because of new highlighters, binders, and colored tabs? You are in luck ... we are here to "grant" you hours of bliss!

PGICA OFFICE RECEPTION- The little desk behind the glass window in the lobby loves to have new attendants. All you need is a very friendly face and voice! Volunteering in the PGICA office involves answering the phone, checking in and out loaner program items, assisting with class and event registrations, making copies, providing general information, and other various office tasks.

To be added to the volunteer list for any of these categories, please contact the PGICA office by calling 941-637-1655. A special orientation is being planned for all new volunteers, which may or may not involve refreshments. Yes, we will resort to bribery.





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\$474,900	\$445,000	0.94	941 DON JUAN CT	1,515	1973	Private	2	2	0	127	05/05/2026	\$313.47	\$293.73
\$495,000	\$450,000	0.91	2122 CASSINO CT	1,807	1981	Private	3	2	0	6	05/20/2026	\$273.93	\$249.03
\$499,000	\$450,000	0.90	2101 GULFVIEW RD	2,023	2006	None	3	2	0	170	05/28/2026	\$246.66	\$222.44
\$499,900	\$465,000	0.93	495 BELVEDERE CT	1,424	1969	Private	3	2	0	89	05/29/2026	\$351.05	\$326.54
\$499,000	\$490,000	0.98	2448 ROSA LN	1,595	1974	Private	3	3	0	4	05/18/2026	\$312.85	\$307.21
\$549,900	\$500,000	0.91	380 CORONADO DR	1,599	1974	Private	3	2	0	196	05/28/2026	\$343.90	\$312.7
\$515,000	\$501,500	0.97	1615 VIA BIANCA	1,994	1975	Private	3	3	0	245	05/01/2026	\$258.27	\$251.5
\$549,000	\$505,000	0.92	1018 FRANCESCA CT	2,076	1997	None	3	2	0	59	05/20/2026	\$264.45	\$243.26
\$540,000	\$507,500	0.94	200 VENEZIA CT	2,185	1978	Private	4	2	0	76	05/04/2026	\$247.14	\$232.27
\$529,000	\$529,000	1.00	946 MESSINA DR	2,082	1978	Private	3	2	0	61	05/19/2026	\$254.08	\$254.08
\$565,000	\$535,000	0.95	1626 ALBATROSS DR	2,161	1990	Private	3	2	0	177	05/15/2026	\$261.45	\$247.57
\$589,000	\$535,000	0.91	2219 EL CERITO CT	1,743	1970	Private	2	2	0	176	05/26/2026	\$337.92	\$306.94
\$595,000	\$540,000	0.91	262 LIDO DR	2,469	1987	None	3	2	1	94	05/08/2026	\$240.99	\$218.71
\$569,000	\$545,000	0.96	350 BELVEDERE CT	1,782	1969	Private	3	2	0	162	05/15/2026	\$319.30	\$305.84
\$555,000	\$548,000	0.99	200 CAPRI ISLES CT	2,061	1969	Private	3	2	0	356	05/20/2026	\$269.29	\$265.89
\$589,000	\$560,000	0.95	1415 COLUMBIAN DR	2,132	1971	Private	3	3	0	7	05/20/2026	\$276.27	\$262.66
\$599,000	\$565,000	0.94	3448 NIGHTHAWK CT	1,830	1988	Private	3	2	0	174	05/29/2026	\$327.32	\$308.74
\$587,000	\$568,000	0.97	2137 RYAN BLVD	1,797	1983	Private	3	2	0	78	05/21/2026	\$326.66	\$316.08
\$572,000	\$573,001	1.00	147 HIBISCUS DR	2,240	1993	Private	3	2	0	13	05/05/2026	\$255.36	\$255.8
\$595,500	\$580,000	0.97	2507 VIA VENETO DR	2,456	2000	Private	3	3	0	505	05/15/2026	\$242.47	\$236.16
\$675,000	\$675,000	1.00	463 CAPRI ISLES CT	1,586	1970	Private	3	3	0	0	05/10/2026	\$425.60	\$425.6
\$700,000	\$690,000	0.99	2300 VIA ESPLANADE	2,040	1995	Private	3	3	0	61	05/06/2026	\$343.14	\$338.24
\$729,900	\$715,000	0.98	1030 VIA FORMIA	2,075	2000	Private	3	2	0	100	05/26/2026	\$351.76	\$344.58
\$769,000	\$719,000	0.93	2085 EL CERITO CT	2,275	1983	Private	3	2	0	54	05/22/2026	\$338.02	\$316.04
\$724,999	\$724,999	1.00	2436 DEBORAH DR	2,198	1998	Private	3	2	1	81	05/22/2026	\$329.84	\$329.84
\$759,000	\$725,000	0.96	2737 SAINT THOMAS DR	2,284	1984	Private	3	2	0	103	05/18/2026	\$332.31	\$317.43
\$799,000	\$735,000	0.92	1353 THRASHER	2,429	2000	Private	3	2	1	140	05/12/2026	\$328.94	\$302.59
\$770,000	\$770,000	1.00	2024 DEBORAH DR	2,415	1988	Private	3	2	0	0	05/05/2026	\$318.84	\$318.84
\$819,000	\$780,000	0.95	257 LIDO DR	2,060	2010	Private	3	2	0	127	05/01/2026	\$397.57	\$378.64
\$850,000	\$786,500	0.93	3606 WHIPPOORWILL BLVD	2,151	2014	Private	4	2	0	381	05/22/2026	\$395.17	\$365.64
\$849,000	\$812,500	0.96	2321 VIA VENETO DR	2,428	1988	Private	4	2	0	81	05/27/2026	\$349.67	\$334.64
\$899,000	\$845,500	0.94	3504 WHIPPOORWILL BLVD	2,051	1991	Private	4	2	0	211	05/29/2026	\$438.32	\$412.24
\$869,900	\$850,000	0.98	1740 AQUI ESTA DR	2,227	1978	Private	3	2	0	60	05/05/2026	\$390.62	\$381.68
\$899,000	\$870,000	0.97	521 ELEUTHERA DR	2,330	2005	Private	3	2	1	22	05/28/2026	\$385.84	\$373.39
\$900,000	\$875,000	0.97	3514 CAYA LARGO CT	2,132	1989	Private	3	2	0	4	05/04/2026	\$422.14	\$410.41
\$900,000	\$908,000	1.01	131 HIBISCUS DR	2,365	1990	Private	3	2	0	30	05/01/2026	\$380.55	\$383.93
\$1,199,000	\$1,050,000	0.88	3787 WHIPPOORWILL CT	3,249	2002	Private	4	3	0	293	05/01/2026	\$369.04	\$323.18
\$1,215,000	\$1,075,000	0.88	1434 CASEY KEY DR	2,513	2019	Private	4	4	0	189	05/27/2026	\$483.49	\$427.78
\$1,249,000	\$1,230,000	0.98	740 CORONADO DR	2,216	2018	Private	3	2	1	102	05/22/2026	\$563.63	\$555.05
\$1,300,000	\$1,290,000	0.99	3324 ANTIGUA DR	3,920	2000	Private	4	3	1	424	05/22/2026	\$331.63	\$329.08
\$1,349,000	\$1,299,000	0.96	735 SANTA MARGERITA LN	2,529	2025	Private	3	3	0	98	05/28/2026	\$533.41	\$513.64
\$1,414,999	\$1,375,000	0.97	1321 SEA HORSE CT	2,372	2023	Private	3	3	0	7	05/19/2026	\$596.54	\$579.68
\$1,650,000	\$1,600,000	0.97	1701 CASEY KEY DR	4,143	1991	Private	5	3	1	31	05/26/2026	\$398.26	\$386.19
\$1,995,000	\$1,895,000	0.95	1111 SAN MATEO DR	4,128	2019	Private	5	3	0	342	05/01/2026	\$483.28	\$459.06

CONDOS

List Price	Sold Price	SP/LP Ratio	Address	HTD	Built	Pool	BE	FB	HB	CDOM	Sold Date	LP/SqFt	SP/SqFt
\$149,900	\$140,000	0.93	3627 BAL HARBOR BLVD Unit#102	1,105	1991	Community	2	2	0	192	05/19/2026	\$135.66	\$126.7
\$159,000	\$150,000	0.94	311 GARVIN ST Unit#201D	1,114	1973	Community	2	2	0	5	05/29/2026	\$142.73	\$134.65
\$185,000	\$165,000	0.89	3233 WOOD THRUSH DR Unit#23C	1,024	1984	Community	2	2	0	111	05/08/2026	\$180.66	\$161.13
\$200,000	\$190,000	0.95	3335 PURPLE MARTIN DR Unit#6	1,515	1981	Community	2	2	1	381	05/29/2026	\$132.01	\$125.41
\$229,500	\$207,500	0.90	1500 PARK BEACH CIR Unit#5G	988	1975	Community	2	2	0	42	05/22/2026	\$232.29	\$210.02
\$247,000	\$225,000	0.91	601 SHREVE ST Unit#64C	1,398	1981	Community	2	2	0	81	05/11/2026	\$176.68	\$160.94
\$249,000	\$249,900	1.00	2002 BAL HARBOR BLVD Unit#912	1,517	2002	Community	3	2	0	139	05/15/2026	\$164.14	\$164.73
\$279,000	\$250,000	0.90	255 W END DR Unit#4204	1,768	2005	Community	3	2	0	174	05/11/2026	\$157.81	\$141.4
\$274,000	\$267,500	0.98	4000 BAL HARBOR BLVD Unit#127	1,682	1989	Community	3	2	0	261	05/08/2026	\$162.90	\$159.04
\$299,900	\$270,000	0.90	1318 WESLEY DR Unit#8122	1,049	1984	Community	2	2	0	349	05/22/2026	\$285.89	\$257.39
\$279,000	\$279,000	1.00	255 W END DR Unit#1308	1,498	2005	Community	3	2	0	64	05/28/2026	\$186.25	\$186.25
\$310,000	\$300,000	0.97	1890 DEBORAH DR Unit#6	2,582	1988	Community	3	2	1	27	05/07/2026	\$120.06	\$116.19
\$319,000	\$300,000	0.94	1 COLONY POINT DR Unit#A8	1,741	1972	Community	2	2	0	186	05/31/2026	\$183.23	\$172.31
\$359,000	\$312,500	0.87	3216 PURPLE MARTIN DR Unit#123	1,460	2004	Community	2	2	0	207	05/14/2026	\$245.89	\$214.04
\$349,999	\$335,503	0.96	1601 PARK BEACH CIR Unit#114	1,576	1988	Community	2	2	0	335	05/04/2026	\$222.08	\$212.88
\$399,000	\$365,000	0.91	2521 W MARION AVE Unit#912	2,004	1990	Community	3	2	0	330	05/14/2026	\$199.10	\$182.14
\$414,000	\$385,000	0.93	1 COLONY POINT DR Unit#13C	1,581	1972	Community	2	2	0	48	05/13/2026	\$261.86	\$243.52
\$424,900	\$390,000	0.92	3308 PURPLE MARTIN DR Unit#122	1,882	2006	Community	3	2	0	69	05/27/2026	\$225.77	\$207.23
\$425,000	\$400,000	0.94	87 VIVANTE BLVD Unit#8732	2,338	2006	Community	3	3	0	470	05/22/2026	\$181.78	\$171.09
\$450,000	\$425,000	0.94	96 VIVANTE BLVD Unit#9625	2,106	2006	Community	2	2	1	9	05/15/2026	\$213.68	\$201.8
\$499,000	\$450,000	0.90	3800 BAL HARBOR BLVD Unit#313	2,068	1994	Community	3	2	1	5	05/27/2026	\$241.30	\$217.6
\$485,000	\$485,000	0.97	3205 PURPLE MARTIN DR Unit#8	1,806	2003	Community	3	2	0	12	05/19/2026	\$276.30	\$268.55

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Regular readers of this column may recall that in the last two issues, I have described a Space Coast cruise, to be led by Mariners Commodore, Mike Guler and wife, Beth. With a couple of very close friends, they started the cruise at the end of May aboard *New Tack*, their Cutwater C-288. They had to turn back after one night on the water, as it became clear that Mike, in a long-term battle with cancer, was unable to continue. He passed away at home Thursday, June 4, surrounded by Beth, family and their close cruising friends. Throughout his multi-year war, Mike was positive and upbeat, maintaining very much a “glass is half-full” perspective. While local Mariners have paid their respects to his memory and to Beth, we will be holding a much more structured tribute this fall, when our far-flung Mariner family is back gathered together.



Mike Guler

With rainy season upon us, it is difficult to plan extended cruises, so most summer cruises are local. Past Commodore Michael Mankin and wife Crystal led a five-boat lunch cruise on June 9 to The Islands Kitchen and Cocktail House, located in Fishermen’s Village. Everyone had a great time, and the food was delicious (especially for our sushi-loving cruise leader). The Contes opened their neighborhood docks and home June 20 for a backyard barbecue. Mariners came by boat and land yacht to enjoy grill master Bobby’s fare with all the fixings.

Many thanks to Bobby and Julie for hosting this well-

attended event. Mariners will gather at one of our favorite lunch cruise destinations, Riviera Bar and Grill on July 18. As usual, land and sea cruisers are welcome.

Landside, the Mariner social calendar is cruising right along. Sandy Franzino hosted May’s Lunch with the Ladies (LWL) at Fin Sushi Bar and Grill in Port Charlotte on May 20. New England Roadside Grill, also in Port Charlotte, was the site of the June 17 LWL, hosted by Suzanne Martin. Suzanne gifted each attendee with a hand painted Florida scene on a shell. This was an especially clever choice, as one of the restaurant’s specialties is Portuguese style stuffies: quahog shells filled with a mixture of chopped quahogs, breadcrumbs, herbs, spices and chorizo sausage.

Quahogs are very large clams native to Narragansett Bay, which is primarily located in Rhode Island. Introducing stuffies to those in the group who were unfamiliar, and teaching them how to pronounce “quahog” was just as enjoyable as eating them. Debby Dehmel will host the July LWL at Perfect Caper.

In season, Mariners gather weekly for happy hour at the Village Brewhouse. In summer, with fewer members in town and hot and rainy weather making the outdoor Brewhouse venue a bit uncomfortable, Mariners often volunteer to host the weekly gathering at their homes. Social Director Sue Hills hosted the first such gathering on June 10. We took the opportunity to share a moment of silence and hoist a toast to our departed Commodore Mike Guler.

Mariners gather the first Sunday of each month to enjoy delicious breakfast fare and relaxed and friendly conversation at Tamiami Tavern; the next date is July 5. Other recurring activities include pickleball each Tuesday and Thursday morning starting 8 at South County Park, and Bullets and Brunch the second Wednesday of the month.

If the above has sparked your interest, we invite you to join in the Mariners fun, fellowship and family feeling. Drop by and meet the crew at one of our happy hours, held every Wednesday from 5 to 7 at the Village Brewhouse in Fishermen’s Village. Check out our monthly newsletter, *Nautical Notes*, which can be viewed at <https://marinersofpgi.org/nautical-notes/>. For questions, give our Membership Co-Directors, Paul Baird at 330-347-9023 and Tracie Goin at 815-922-9833 a call. We look forward to meeting you.



Lunch cruise to Conte's



Islands lunch cruise



Lunch with the ladies at New England Roadside Grill



While Beyond Ourselves does not meet during the summer months, our members are still finding ways to give back to their community and are hard at work planning upcoming fundraisers.

The three missions of the Beyond Ourselves club are to help children’s charities, aid the homeless, and protect the wildlife in Charlotte County. Funds raised from our annual spring event, the Share the Love for the Kids Home Tour, benefit eight local children’s charities. Our fall fundraiser supports both the homeless and wildlife in our community, with funds raised benefitting the Charlotte CARE Center (formerly the Charlotte County Homeless Coalition) and the Peace River Wildlife Center.

Donated items are always needed for both the Charlotte CARE Center and the Peace River Wildlife Center, especially through the summer months when our population decreases. Please consider helping these organizations by utilizing the donation bins located in the lobby of the PGICA. Wish lists for each organization are attached to the bins. Member volunteers will collect any donated items and make sure they are distributed to those in need.

Also continuing through the summer months, Beyond Ourselves member volunteers pick up donations of perishable food and deliver it to the Peace River Wildlife Center. Every week, member volunteers help to ensure the wildlife receives much-needed food that might otherwise be thrown away.

Beyond Ourselves’ golf event planning team continues to meet and is finalizing all the details for Chip In For Charity. All proceeds from this inaugural golf event, to be held on Saturday, October 17 at St. Andrew’s South Golf Club, will benefit the Charlotte CARE Center and the Peace River Wildlife Center.



Chip In For Charity will kick off with a shotgun start at 8:30. Your \$125 per person entrance fee will include continental breakfast, your greens fee and golf cart, giveaways, fun contests and lunch. On the day of the golf event, golfers can purchase mulligan, move-up hole and 50/25/25 raffle tickets. Cash prizes will be awarded for longest drive, closest to the pin and top scoring teams.

Beyond Ourselves is offering many sponsorship opportunities at our Chip In For Charity golf event. This is a wonderful way to promote your business or group while also supporting a great cause. Additional information about sponsorship can be found on the Beyond Ourselves website or by visiting www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/chip-in-for-charity-a-beyond-ourselves-golf-event.

Please consider supporting our golf event, Chip In For Charity, by registering as a golfer or becoming a sponsor today. Scan the QR codes on the flyer or visit our website at www.PGICA.org/Beyond_Ourselves to sign up.

Remember to put the next Share the Love for the Kids Home Tour on your calendar. Would you like to have your home featured on our tour? Or do you know someone with a spectacular home that we should feature? Send an email to BeyondOurselvesPuntaGorda@gmail.com to



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submit a home for consideration. We will be showcasing an all-new group of local homes for you to tour and enjoy on Saturday, February 27, 2027.

Beyond Ourselves is a community service club that meets the third Wednesday of the month, September through May. Our next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, September 16 at 10 at the PGICA. We invite you join us at our meeting in September.

This article is written by Laura Hart. If you have photos or information to contribute, please email them to BeyondOurselvesPuntaGorda@gmail.com.



Donations needed during the summer, too.

All of us in July will be celebrating 250 years that our country has been in existence. In the concluding line of “America the Beautiful,” we sing “From sea to shining sea.” We are lucky enough in Punta Gorda to be located right by the sea. Just think how large and spacious our country is from coast to coast. For example, my 15-year-old granddaughter who lives out west just went to a camp near Los Angeles, which is roughly 2,630 miles away from us. In comparison, the distance from east to west in England is roughly 300 miles. Next, she is flying from Nevada to Fort Myers, which is approximately 2,070 air miles. We live in a wonderfully



Let's Celebrate

spacious country. She is going to visit us and loves it in PGI. She loves to sit out on the lanai in the afternoon enjoying the summer rains, as it rarely rains in Nevada. This month, enjoy all of the activities and fun, including the list below, to be enjoyed in PGI, celebrating 250 years of America, the Beautiful.

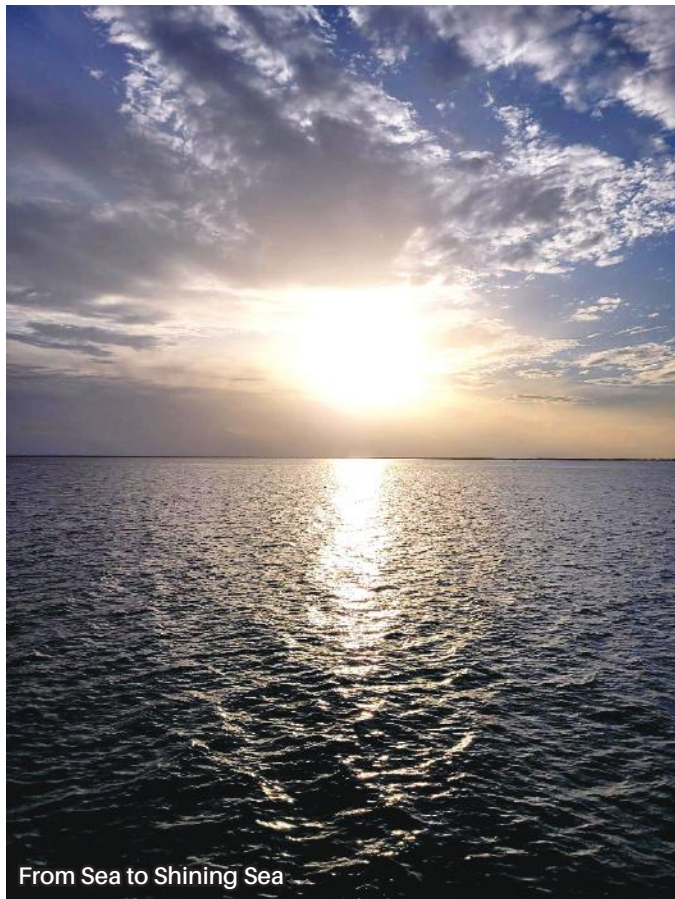
ChowHounds Men’s Lunch will be held on July 9 at 11:30 at Monty’s Restaurant & Pizzeria located at 2515 South Tamiami Trail. Enjoy some authentic Italian food and join the men in our group that want to celebrate 250 years together. They might even run out of beer at this restaurant like they did during the World Cup in Boston. Please sign up on our website. For more information, contact Mike Dougherty at 314-220-7940 or CaptMikeD@gmail.com.

PF Ladies Lunch is on July 9 at noon at F.M. Don’s. This restaurant is a popular restaurant located in downtown Punta Gorda. It includes lots of good food, a full bar and a lively atmosphere. Please register on the website. Contact Andrea Bush at ab050749@hotmail.com for more information.

Our Paradise Friends Mixer will be held on Thursday, July 16 at 5 at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel in the Library



We are at the Library, not reading



From Sea to Shining Sea

Room. We will enjoy cocktails and a variety of different choices of food on two different menus. Plus, the desserts are wonderful. Come join our friends to share stories about our fun and exciting things we have experienced this month. Please register on our website. For more information, contact Jack Gardner at 4jackgardner@gmail.com.

Our Choice dinner this month will be held on Thursday, July 23 at 5:30 at F.M. Don’s. We will enjoy a variety of choices of food, including steaks, seafood and other New American dishes. You won’t have to cook at home tonight. You can come have a few drinks, eat dinner, and share whatever you would like to with friends that enjoy dining out with other friends from PGI. Please register for this outing on our website.

To join our club, membership forms are in the lobby of the PGICA and on our website under the Join the Club bar. If you would like to contact someone, please contact Dan Kain, our membership director at dkain01@gmail.com. He will answer any of your questions about our friendly club.

Please submit any photos to Sue Kelley who will writes this article at skelley180@aol.com.

Tag Team Artists paint together at the PGI Civic Association on Mondays and frequently bring inspiration in the form of pictures and images collected from travels and spectacular sunsets we enjoy here in Southwest Florida. As I considered our collective works, there are common themes that run through our inspiration and work. This month the images featured below are the birds that live here and dot our landscapes, shores and seawalls. The range in sizes, shape and colors highlight the parks, mangroves and ditches as we travel along by boat and cars. They are majestic in flight and size whether winter eagles or summer kites. Their long beaks plunge into the soil extracting grubs and rocket from above piercing the surface and emerging with fish dinners to the delight of onlookers.

Here are a small flock of birds that inspired us over the last year and a nod to the work in capturing their long necks and layered wings in our paintings. Please come and see them and more, up close at our Tag Team Artists exhibition Friday, September 25 on your way for a night out. We'll be showing the team's work from 4 to 7.



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