

# PG KIWANIS

## Newsletter



### On the Calendar

**Saturday, May 3rd: Larry Taylor Golf Tournament**

**Monday, May 5th at 7pm:**  
Kiwanis Foundation of  
Charlotte County **Awards  
night** at Event Center

**Thursday, May 8th:** Jim  
Finch, Trustee, **Florida  
Kiwanis Foundation** & visit  
from **K Kids, East  
Elementary!**

**Monday, May 12th: Board  
meeting** 5:30 at the Event  
Center

**Thursday, May 15th:**  
Christopher People - **Tidewell**

**Saturday, May 17, 2025:**  
**Kiwanis Bridal Shower** at  
the Life Celebration Center  
3pm

**Wednesday, May 21, 2025:**  
We are hosting **DCM** at Beef  
O'Brady's at 6:30 pm

**Thursday, May 24th:**  
**Crossroads Dinner**



**Welcome Ashley  
Brantley and  
Phyllis Donovan  
from Jesus Loves  
You Ministry**

Homelessness has changed in the last few years- it is no longer only drug addicts and alcoholics. Today we are seeing families, hurricane victims, veterans, young people and retired people. The largest group of homeless people are youth between 18-24 and people over 65. Jesus Loves You Ministry reaches all of them. Whether you need meals, a shower, tents, blankets or clothes, the ministry is there. The ministry relies heavily on donations and volunteers. There are currently 135 volunteers who serve over 30 people a day here in Charlotte County. The ministry has a mobile shower unit that goes to different churches to meet the needs in that area. On Tuesday and Thursday, people can come to have laundry done. Jesus Loves You Ministry has been around over 13 years and is located at 1734 Cedarwood St, Port Charlotte

Thank you to everyone who volunteered at the Mr Swindle's show! We received \$12,101.88 for our Foundation! This goes to help children here in Charlotte County!



**Happy Birthday!**

**5/9 Brian Dockery**

**5/11 Don Rutherford**



**Welcome new club member, Lisa Lusby!**

*Kiwanis*  
*Bridal Shower*

HONORING  
*FL Vice-Governor Linda Martin*

**MAY 17, 2025**

**3:30 PM-6 PM**

LOCATION:  
LIFE CELEBRATION CENTER  
OF PUNTA GORDA  
(1515 TAMiami TRl, PUNTA GORDA, FL 33950)

DINNER IS INCLUDED  
(SALAD, ENTREE, SIDE AND DESSERT)

Link to Buy A Ticket:  
<https://flkiwanisgov.org/vebacks.com/store/items/1183730>



**Visani's Fundraiser**



On May 8th, we will vote on the 25/26 President and President-Elect. Here is the names of the new board starting October 2025:

DebbieBailey - President; Ramon Anderson - President-Elect; Jim Finch - Secretary; Sam Summers - Treasurer; Mike Hahn, Past President; directors Mary Kay Mechlin (new); Lee Swift (renew); Maureen Dahmen, Jennifer Rivera, Frank Desguin, and Marian Taylor.



Jim drew Don's number for 50/50. Don won \$24, but did not win the grand prize of \$176

"Improving the world, one child, one community at a time" Kiwanis International Motto