

On the Calendar!

Thursday, August 28: Lisa Bratton

- Families in Transition

Thursday, Sept 4 - Special Olympics

Thursday, Sept 11 - Loveland Center

Thursday, Sept 18 - Tender Hearts

Wednesday, Sept 24 - installation banquet at Beef O'Brady's 5:30 pm (1105 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda)

Friday, Sept 26 - CHS Football team dinner at Beef O'Brady's 3 pm

Thursday, Oct 2 - Imagination Library (Dolly Parton)

Thursday, Oct 9 - Mayor Debi Lux

Saturday, Oct 25 - Fall Festival 1-4 pm Punta Gorda Library

Friday, Oct 31 - **Halloween** - Historic Downtown Punta Gorda

Satu/Sun, Nov 1 & 2 - Air Show

Saturday, Dec 6 - Christmas at East

Saturday, Dec 13 - Wreaths across America, Punta Gorda

Saturday, January 24, 2026 -Centennial banquet 5 pm



Today's Program: Resources for Alzheimer's Caregivers

Today we were honored to have Lisa Kiddon and Alisha Johnson from the Alzheimer's Association! Alzheimer's actually falls under the umbrella of Dementia and is the most prevalent - there are over 200 different types of dementia. In Florida alone, there are 580,000 people that have Alzheimer's which is 12.5% of individuals over 65. The Alzheimer's Association helpline number is 800-272-3900. This is a 24/7 helpline that offers translations in over 200 languages. You are welcome to call as many times as needed. One of the most important things that was stressed at the meeting is if a family member is experiencing dementia symptoms, please get their legal/financial affairs in order while they are still able to give consent. Too many people wait until it is too late.



8/6 - Tyler Skaathun 8/15 - Eddie Webb 8/15 - Linda McClain 8/16 - Debbie Bailey 8/27 - Mary Kay Mechlin



8/6 - Jim & Karon Finch 8/9 - Dan Britton & Joellen Bergagna 8/23 - Richard & Barbara Schnur 8/23 - Gene & Theresa Murtha 8/27 - Susan & Wayne Jones 8/31 - Jane & Frank Sturges



Club count today: 13 members 5 visitors

Mandy Hines





Caring for Kids

If you are interested in bringing in donations to the Caring for Kids, here is a list of items we need:

packaged girls underwear - 4T-20 briefs or hipsters packaged boys underwear - 4T - 20 - boxers or briefs

No show socks - 4T - regular adult - boys and girls

Pullup like training pants - 4T, 5T boys and girls

Depends - small adult

diaper wipes - I try to get sensitive in case of allergies

Deodorant for boys and girls

Feminine pads only

We have some toothbrushes and paste - paste was needed more than toothbrushes - toothbrushes need to be individual

Celebrate "Different Abilities, One Community"

The month of September, we will be celebrating individuals with intellectual disabilities.

Sept 4, Coach Sammi will be speaking to us about Special Olympics in Charlotte County.

Sept 11, we will have a representative from the Loveland Center in Port Charlotte to talk about the day program they have therethey are interested in an Aktion club.

Sept 18, Tee and Melissa will talk about Tender Hearts, an organization that has held dances and parties for individuals with disabilities!



Our guest speaker, Lisa, drew Lee's number. He won 17 dollars. And then, predictably, Lee drew the lucky Ace of Hearts winning another \$351! Congratulations





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