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Events Calendar

Please register using the link on a calendar date or sign-up form on the website www.cccgc.info

Next General Meeting
of CCCGC

November 2, 2021

Military Heritage Museum
Auditorium, 1st Floor
900 W Marion St.
Punta Gorda, FL

5:30 pm—Open for membership
info, raffle tickets
6:00 PM Forum Q & A
7:00 PM Member Meeting
Introduction of
Bd of Dir Nominees

Also join via ZOOM if you can't
come in person.

[CCCGC General Meeting
Link](#)

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CCCGC President's Message

George Kopenc, President

Dear Members,

♦ CCCGC is taking part in the Punta Gorda Veteran's Day parade on November 6. This will give us exposure for the club as some members ride in the parade advertising the club as well at a booth in the Wells Fargo Parking lot following the parade. We need help with the booth and vehicles to carry members. If you can help, call the office immediately. Please join us. (see Page 8)

♦ It is time to nominate members to serve on the 2022 Board of Directors. The chair of the nomination committee is Rose Kopenc. Nominations are open until Friday, November 19, 2021 with elections on December 7, 6:00—7:00 pm at the Military Heritage Museum. See page 2-7 for information and confirmed nominees thus far.

♦ We continue to look for volunteers for various points of operation in the club. You don't need to be a guru, just willing and interested. We will supply the learning and support. One day a week would help us greatly. Here is a short list of possibilities. If any of these peak your interest, please contact me at the club office.

Office Desk assistance	Assistant Editor for Monthly Newsletter
Various Topic Presenters for Classes/Events	Board Members (Officers & Directors)
Back Office Recycling & Tear Down	Updating/upgrading/fixing computer hardware
Photographer at Club Gatherings	Member help for Microsoft/Apple/Android
Office Manager	Scholarship Coordinator

♦ The Board of Directors is considering changing the time of the monthly member meeting beginning in January. We are looking for some feedback from the membership. See page 5 for details.

♦ As a member of CCCGC you are welcome to attend the monthly Board of Director meetings in person or via ZOOM,
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87106557403>

The Zoom link can also be found on the Events Calendar or on Page 4 of this issue of the Bytes. Please note that non-board members are not allowed to enter in conversations unless a prior request is made to and recognized by the President/Chair.

♦ We have received news that Sherri Evans, Dick's wife, had also died of Covid on September 30 in Kentucky. We've also heard that Ruth Wagley is very ill as well. If you know CCCGC members who are sick or have recently died, please share the information with the club office.

Stay safe and healthy!
George Kopenc, President





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Upcoming Board of Directors Nomination & Election Information

Nominations for all positions on the Board of Directors remain open **until Friday, November 19**. If you wish to nominate yourself or another member (with their permission) for any of the positions listed below, please print, complete the form on Page 7 and return it to: Rose Kopenec, who is coordinating this year's nominations, or a committee member: Donna Whalen and Raphaela Rozanski.

This is a great opportunity to get more involved in CCCGC. Elections will take place on December 7 at the American Military Museum from 6—7 pm.

Positions open for nomination:

- ◆ President
- ◆ Vice President
- ◆ Secretary
- ◆ Treasurer
- ◆ Directors (5)

Position descriptions/responsibilities (per ByLaws.8.7.2018):

President: The President will be the Chief Executor Officer of the Corporation and will, along with the, Directors and other elected officers supervise and control the affairs of the Corporation. The President will perform all duties incident to the office and other such duties as may be provided in the Bylaws or prescribed by the Board of Directors...The President shall, as vacancies occur, appoint chairpersons of committees considered necessary at the time. The President may from time to time appoint committee chairs for such purposes as he or she may deem necessary, or as directed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Vice President: The Vice President shall perform all duties and exercise all powers of the President when the President is absent or unable to perform his duties. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the President or the Board of Directors.

Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors; will be the custodian of the corporate records; give all notices as required by the Bylaws; perform all duties incident to the office of the Secretary and such other duties as may be required by the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws, or which may be assigned by the Board of Directors. The Secretary shall maintain a record of all the correspondence sent and received concerning agreements, obligations, contracts and understandings between the Corporation and any other party. All Directors and Officers involved with such correspondence shall provide a copy of it to the Secretary. In the event the President and Vice President are unable or not available to conduct a Board meeting, the Secretary shall conduct the meeting. The Secretary shall provide each Board member a current copy of the Bylaws at the first meeting of every new Board. The editor of the newsletter and the chairperson of the Nomination Committee shall also be provided with copies. The Secretary shall further assure that a copy of these Bylaws shall be on file at the corporation office.

Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of all the funds of the Corporation; deposit said funds into the Corporation's account; maintain records of the Corporation's transactions; perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be required by the Board of Directors, the Articles of Incorporation, and the Bylaws.

Director: A Director is a [sic] member elected to control or govern the affairs of Charlotte County Computer Group Corporation.



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Board of Directors Nominees

The following persons have been nominated for positions on the 2022 Board of Directors. The process remains open until Friday, November 19. At that time an official ballot will be prepared by the Nomination Committee in preparation for elections which will be held on Tuesday, December 7 at the Military Heritage Museum in Punta Gorda.

PRESIDENT		<u>Mary Fleenor</u> Mary Fleenor has 30+ years' experience in the design and implementation of business and infrastructure applications in industries ranging from agriculture to aerospace. As a member of CCCGC, she joined the board as director last year and is currently serving as vice president. Mary conducts regular training sessions via Zoom on various technology subjects, provides both in-office and in-home technical support to resolve members' computer issues, install updates and upgrades, refurbish computers for donation to school children, vets and disadvantaged, and assist on the help desk. In other community activities, Mary is very active in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) education to middle and high school students through AAUW (American Association of University Women) and its partnership with CCS (Charlotte County Schools) and MHM (Military Heritage Museum). She has served on the quasi-judicial Building Board, reporting to Punta Gorda City Council, to resolve community issues with building contractors.
		<u>Grover Mudd</u> Grover Mudd has been with the Charlotte County Computer Group for 12 years. He has worked in the office for 11 years having been an Office Manager for 10 years. Grover also worked in Recycling and members help. He is past-president for 4 years from 2016 to 2020 and was awarded lifetime membership in 2017.
VICE PRESIDENT		<u>Mark Krider</u> Mark Krider holds a B.S. in Computer Science and MBA in Leadership from Franklin Pierce College. He is a six-year Navy submarine Veteran with 35 years of experience in the commercial nuclear industry. Mark started as a power plant Operator and holds both an NRC Reactor Operator License and Senior Reactor Operator Certification. He also held various positions ranging from Operations Instructor to Supervisor in the Training Department. Mark accumulated 25 years of experience in the nuclear power plant simulation field at Vermont Yankee (VY) in Brattleboro, Vermont as Simulator Supervisor and Specialist. He retired from Entergy Nuclear Corporation in 2015 as a Senior Emergency Planner.
	(no photo submitted)	<u>Harold Nixon</u> (no bio submitted)

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SECRETARY



Rose Kopenec

Rose Kopenec holds a BA in Management and an MA in Systematic Theology. Her professional work experience was in education and administration holding various positions including marketing, teacher, admin assistant, director, coordinator, administrator and technical advisor for the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Benedictine Monks and Sacred Heart Seminary & School of Theology. Prior to retirement she served as Registrar, Assistant Dean and Director of Continuing Education. Rose had been an active member of various National & State educational organizations such as American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO), Wisconsin division Catholic division, Learning Resources Network, Society for the Advancement of Continuing Education in Ministry, Milwaukee Area Catholic Institutions of Higher Education and National Association of Church Personnel Administrators. Rose currently serves on the Board of Directors helping members, teaching, editor of the Bytes and Coordinator of the Scholarship Program.



Ronald Muschong

Ronald Muschong is the current Secretary and is seeking re-election. He has been a member of the Computer Club for 11 years, served on the Board for 7 of those years and an officer for 4 years.

TREASURER



Lydia Rist

Lydia Rist has been a member since 2001 and held an alternating office of secretary for a total of 9 years, vice president for 1 year and director for about 8 years. She now would like to become Treasurer. Over the years, Lydia was instrumental in developing the Refurbishing and Recycling Department and currently oversees in that area.



Sandy Todd

Sandy Todd's professional life was spent as an accountant with 35 years' experience. From general accounting she then moved to medical auditing. Her business experience was primarily in management and moved to owning her own business before retiring to sunny Florida. For the past year she has served CCCGC on the Board of Directors as Treasurer while continuing as a volunteer at the Office front desk primarily on Friday's and as a substitute.





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Board of Directors Nominees

DIRECTORS		Debbie Krider Debbie Krider grew up in Maryland. She attended Salisbury State University, Keene State for her Masters of Education and Northeastern University for a Doctorate of Education. She was a psychotherapist for over a dozen years, then transitioned to management. She worked at Southern NH Medical Center overseeing medical practices then spent 13 years as COO at Granite State Independent Living. She has been volunteering in her community since the age of 6. Currently, she volunteers at Bayfront Healthcare and executive director of Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association.
		Sheri Lenora Sheri Lenora has a BA in Education majoring in English and speech, theatre and debate from the University of Northern. As a secondary school educator, she taught in both private and public schools. Her experience included teaching AP, Gifted and Talented and at-risk students in Texas, Iowa, Oklahoma and New Mexico where she had a self-contained classroom for violent juvenile offenders. Sheri was twice recognized as a National Endowment for the Humanities Chautauqua scholar for her work. As a strong proponent for volunteerism, Sheri has served as a Board of Director and president of a County Community Theatre, Parent-Teacher Organizations, a County Arts and Humanities organization and was appointed to her County Excise Board by her State Representative in Oklahoma. She has served as the Education Director and Government Liaison for the PGICA and currently is a member Mayor Lynne Matthew's advisory group and the president of Smart Growth Punta Gorda.
		Maureen Rand Maureen Rand notes that volunteering was always part of her free time. Since her husband's career involved moving the family ten times within eight states, after getting settled Maureen found areas to volunteer where needed. Her last ten years of working were as a case manager and Aging Specialist. When moving here in 2001, Maureen became active and on the board of a newly started Newcomers' Club at PGICA. After it had reached the maximum occupancy of the old building, she helped form The Floridians, a social club. The pandemic forced Maureen to take stock and re-evaluate "Where shall I volunteer and be involved for learning as well as sharing my talents?" and she chose CCCGC.
		Fran Robitaille Fran Robitaille has been a member of the CCCGC for four years. His activities in the office have been as a volunteer tech helping members with computer problems as well as updating machines for donation. Fran has served as a director for this year, 2021 and looks forward to serving again if elected. Fran will support the club as well as the elected officers to the best of his ability.

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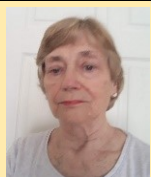
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DIRECTORS
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Gary Skillicorn

Gary Skillicorn holds a BEE degree in Electrical Engineering from Ohio State and a MSSM in Systems Management from USC. His 35-year federal government career, specializing in aviation, includes 20 years with the Department of Defense and 15 years with the FAA. Post government employment includes private industry consulting activities, domestic and international. Retirement activities in Punta Gorda include boating, fishing, ham radio, and aircraft flying at PGD. His volunteer participation has included President of the Board of the Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association (PGICA) and President of the PGICA Fishing Club. He closely follows the activities of the Punta Gorda City and Charlotte County governments.



Helga Weichselbaum

Helga Weichselbaum began her life in Florida as a snowbird before moving here full-time in 2012 from Detroit Michigan. Earning a BSME from Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Michigan her professional life included positions as a Mechanical Engineer and Project Engineer at General Motors Corporation in Detroit. At the GM Argonaut Division Helga was facilities engineer and In-House Architect working on new office and assembly building design and engineering as well as refurbishing and redesigning old GM facilities. In the seventies GM purchased the Applicon Computer Graphics system where Helga became instrumental in learning how to use it. Helga was always involved in the arts; studied the organ and still owns a piano. Currently involved in the visual arts, watercolor, acrylics and oil painting are her real love in retirement and has been a member of the Visual Art Center in Punta Gorda for the last ten years. She has attended many classes and earned several awards.

Reminder: Nominations are open for all positions until Friday, November 19. To nominate someone, please use the form on the next page.



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CCCGC 2022 Board of Directors Nomination Form

I nominate _____ for the position of
(Please print name)

- _____ President
- _____ Vice President
- _____ Secretary
- _____ Treasurer
- _____ Director

☐ I am nominating myself.

If the nominee listed above is not myself, I have received their permission for such nomination.

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please return this form no later than **Friday, November 19, 2021** to:

CCCGC Board of Directors Nomination Committee

Rose Kopenec, Chair

PO Box 494296

Port Charlotte, FL 33949

Or

rmkopenec@yahoo.com or cccgcoffice@gmail.com

CCCGC Board of Directors Election Ballot December 7, 2021

President (Vote for 1)

- ☐ Mary Fleenor
- ☐ Grover Mudd
- ☐ _____ (write in)

Vice President (Vote for 1)

- ☐ Mark Krider
- ☐ Harold Nixon
- ☐ _____ (write in)

Secretary (Vote for 1)

- ☐ Rose Kopenec
- ☐ Ronald Muschong
- ☐ _____ (write in)

Treasurer (Vote for 1)

- ☐ Lydia Rist
- ☐ Sandy Todd
- ☐ _____ (write in)

Directors (Vote for 5)

- ☐ Debbie Krider
- ☐ Sheri Lenora
- ☐ Maureen Rand
- ☐ Fran Robitaille
- ☐ Gary Skillicorn
- ☐ Helga Weichselbaum
- ☐ _____ (write in)

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October Member Meeting Report

On October 5, 2021 CCCGC held its monthly gathering at the Military Heritage Museum Auditorium. It was great to see some new faces.

5:30 pm Members checked on membership info, obtained giveaway tickets and got ready for the evening's program.

6:00 pm The open forum session was led by Mary Fleenor. During the session she took questions and comments from the floor.

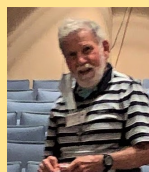
7:00 pm The general member meeting was attended by 35 members on site and 9 members via ZOOM. George Kopenec began the meeting by welcoming some new attendees and new members to the evening's meeting.

- ♦ George Kopenec shared the "Monthly Favorites" for October entitled "Remove Background" which can be found within this link: <https://www.remove.bg/>
- ♦ Another request for volunteers to assist with the work of club was highlighted by Rose Kopenec as a follow up to last month's presentation. Anyone feeling enticed to volunteer should contact the office or fill in the volunteer form which can be found on the website or at the meeting.
- ♦ Chair of the Nomination Committee, Rose Kopenec, introduced the committee, explained the process and positions available. She also asked for nominations from the floor in line with the club's Bylaws. Rose announced that at the November meeting all nominees will be introduced in person or by photo and within a short bio in preparation for the December elections.
- ♦ The evening's presentation was a video from APCUG entitled "Crimes Against Seniors" led by Lt. Kim Lopez from Cleveland County, Oklahoma Sheriff's Office. She gave some very interesting statistics and suggestions for us to stay safe. The video can be reviewed on the APCUG website.

GIVEAWAY WINNERS - \$25 gift cards



Kinga Cook (Walmart) and



Tony Flores (Winn Dixie)

50/50 winner—



Harold Howard



Desktop Winner— Patricia Froeschner

8:20 pm the meeting closed officially.



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Punta Gorda
Elks
Lodge 2606
Know a WWII Veteran?
Please contact the
parade chairman.

VETERAN'S PARADE

Saturday, November 6
2021
10:00 a.m. --- 12 Noon
Follow the parade route: Taylor
Rd. starting at Carmalita St.
ending at
W. Retta Esplanade
Parade Contact Information:
Charlie Moores, Elks #2606 Parade Chairman,
Email: cam4fire@yahoo.com
Phone: 860-595-7482

Announcements

November 19—Deadline for Bd of Dir Nominees

All confirmed nominees will be introduced at the November 2 meeting. Nominees will also be accepted from the floor at that time. See Page 2—7 of this newsletter for further information.

Proposed General Meeting Schedule

The Board of Directors is considering changing the time of the monthly member meeting beginning January 2022. We are looking for some feedback from the membership.

Current Schedule: First Tuesday of each month, Location: American Military Museum, Punta Gorda
6—7 pm Open Forum
7—8 pm Meeting

Proposed Schedule: First Tuesday of each month, Location: American Military Museum, Punta Gorda
4—5 pm Open Forum
5—6 pm Meeting

Proposed Schedule Other: *Your suggestions please*

Please send feedback or suggestions to:

cccgcoffice@gmail.com or use the suggestion box on the website at: [CCCGC Suggestion Box](#)

Computer Systems for Members for a Donation

TO THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY COMPUTER GROUP MEMBERSHIP

FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS, THE CLUB FINDS ITSELF WITH A LARGE INVENTORY OF DESKTOP COMPUTERS AND MONITORS. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS DECIDED TO OFFER SOME OF THIS INVENTORY TO YOU, THE MEMBERS.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A MONITOR, JUST ASK.

MONITORS ARE FREE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A DESKTOP SYSTEM WITH COMPUTER, MONITOR, MOUSE AND KEYBOARD, AGAIN, JUST ASK.

COMPUTER SYSTEMS ARE FOR DONATIONS

OF WHATEVER YOU FEEL COMFORTABLE TO THE CLUB WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

SORRY BUT NO LAPTOPS ARE AVAILABLE





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Future Events & Presentations

NOVEMBER 2021 Classes & Programs

Nov 2 Member Meeting

Member Meeting
Military Heritage Museum Auditorium
900 W Marion St, Punta Gorda
6:00 pm Mary Fleenor, Open Forum
7:00 pm Group Mtg, Rose Kopenec
Intro of Nominees for 2022 Bd of Dir Election
[CCCCG General Meeting](#) for ZOOM Link

Nov 4 Maintenance Programs (Office)

[Office Location Register](#)
Lydia Rist 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Nov 6 Veterans Day Parade Punta Gorda

Nov 8 Beginner Help (Office)

[Office Location Register](#)
Rose Kopenec 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Nov 10 Macrium Reflect (Office)

[Office Location Register](#)
George Kopenec 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Nov 15 Ipad-Iphone Q&A (Office)

[Office Location Register](#)
Rose Kopenec 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Nov 18 Maintenance Programs (Office)

[Office Location Register](#)
Lydia Rist 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Nov 19 Board of Director Meeting

2:00 pm
514 E Grace St, Rm 144, Punta Gorda
[CCCCG BdMtg](#)

Nov 20 Tech Forum

[Zoom Link](#)
Mary Fleenor 12:00 to 2:00 pm

Nov 25 THANKSGIVING



An International Association of Technology and
Computer User Groups

As members of CCCGC, you are automatically members of Association of Personal Computer User group (APCUG) who offer free ZOOM classes and presentations to members. However, you must register with them to attend. Check the website for course options and registration: <https://apcug2.org/>

Nov 6 Virtual Technology Conference



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Welcome New Members

Cheryl Domingo

Barbara Flores

Christina Joy

Sheri Lenora

Pamela Schultz

Gurio Vincenti

Larry Woodruff

The Executive Board of Directors and Members of CCCGC welcome each of you to the group. We're here to help. Membership has its privileges.

If you have any questions, concerns or need computer help, please contact us at the office, by telephone or via the website. We will endeavor to help you any way we can.

Membership: 349

2021 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS



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Interesting Links to Check Out

<http://cccgc.info/>

[Windows 11 Introduction](#)

<https://support.apple.com/>

<https://www.remove.bg/>



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Please register using the link on a calendar date or sign-up form on the website if you are planning to attend a class: www.cccgc.info

Forms, Supplements, Membership, Classes, Bytes, etc.

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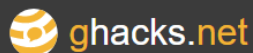
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News, tips, advice, support for Windows, Office, PCs & more. Tech help. No bull.
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