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Next Monthly Meeting January 6, 2025

Family Services Center
 21500 Gibraltar Drive
 Port Charlotte, FL 33952

[Click Here For Directions](#)

3:00-4:00 Q&A Session
 4:00-5:00 Presentation

[Click Here For Zoom](#)

President's Message Mark Krider

Happy New Year, everyone!

A huge thank you to our 2024 board and volunteers for all their hard work and please welcome to our new board —we're excited to see what 2025 has in store for the CCCGC.

Volunteers are what keeps CCCGC going. Without volunteers there is no organization. Your support is critical and donating a little of your time is essential to keep us operating.

If you have any suggestions on how we can better serve the club or would like to volunteer, don't hesitate to reach out to a board member. Your input is invaluable in shaping our future.

Let's keep the spirit of members helping members alive and look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

Mark Krider, President

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Happy New Year - 2025



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Welcome New Members

Regina Cirillo

Skip Norman

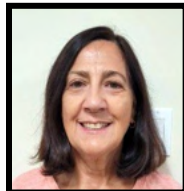
The Executive Board of Directors and Members of CCCGC welcome each of you to the group. We're here to help. Membership has its privileges.

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.

2025 Officers & Directors



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Ron Muschong
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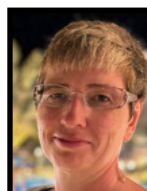
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Rosemary Sexton



Shirley Hammond



Vera Hendricks



Janice Krumwiede



Fran Robitaille

It is a pleasure to serve you in 2025 thru classes, presentations and individual assistance.

Please help to spread the word about CCCGC to your friends and neighbors.



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Charlotte County Computer Group (CCCGC) Needs Volunteers!

If you love technology, we need your help in any of these areas: teaching, presenting, troubleshooting, hardware, software and leadership of the organization. General office help is also needed. We can use your help.

CCCGC is a nonprofit with the mission to promote computer literacy. We are an all-volunteer run agency that refurbishes computers that are then distributed to non-profits, to students, and Veterans. Members can drop off their computers for repair and they can stop by our office if they have a computer challenge. Monthly, we provide computer classes and technical presentations.

Please call CCCGC for more information at
941-585-0356



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December 2, 2024 Annual Meeting 2025 Elections and Social Gathering

The December 2024 elections went off without a hitch. The meeting was lightly attended perhaps due to the elections having no contested races. The good news is that we had a candidate for every position. After the voting was over, those attending enjoyed some social time and snacks with other members of the club.

2025 Officer Vote Count

President - Mark Krider	36
Vice President - Jane McDonald	35
Treasurer - Lydia Rist	33
Secretary - Ron Muschong	33

2025 Directors

Shirley Hammond	31
Vera Hendricks	32
Janice Krumwiede	31
Rosemary Sexton	33
Fran Robitaille	33
Grover Mudd	1 (Write-in)

Thank You For Your Support



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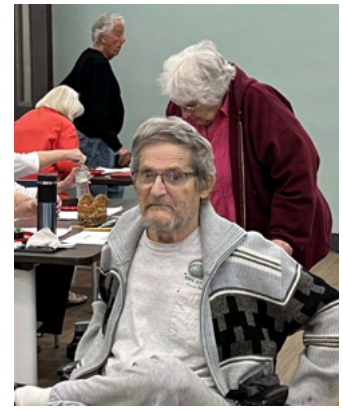
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December 2024 Annual Meeting and Elections



Jane McDonald - Nominating Committee Chair





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Shirley Hammond	Lydia Rist	Jan Krumwiede	Jane McDonald	Fran Robitaille	Mark Krider	Ron Muschong
Board Member	Treasurer	Board Member	Vice President	Board member	President	Secretary

Missing: Vera Hendricks and Rosemary Sexton, both Board Members





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Future Events & Presentations

[January 2025 CCCGC Classes & Programs](#)

- January 1 Happy New Year
Office Closed
- January 2 Maintenance & Backup
2-4PM
Lydia Rist
- January 6 Family Services Center
Monthly Meeting
3-5PM
[Zoom Link](#)
- January 8 Linux Open Forum
Allen Taylor
2-4 PM
Bring Your Questions
- January 9 Windows Open Forum
2-4 PM
Mark Krider
- January 16 Maintenance & Backup
2-4PM
Lydia Rist
- January 20 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Office Closed
- January 31 Board of Directors Meeting
2PM
[Zoom Link](#)

January 31 Board of Director Meeting
2:00 pm
514 E Grace St, Punta Gorda
[CCCGC Board Meeting Zoom Link](#)



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/>

APCUG past presentations can be viewed on YouTube. These are handy links for review if you attended them or had to miss the original presentation. Click the link below to see all the options.
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=apcug





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Windows 10 End Of Life

As we are aware, Windows 10 is rapidly coming to the end of official support from Microsoft. In October 2025 that support will end. For a price, individuals will be able to purchase continued security updates for at least a year. After that, who knows. Windows 10 will continue to work but without security updates.

Updating to Windows 11 has always been restricted to computers having certain newer processors as well as a security chip called a TPM or Trusted Platform Module chip. It appears that Microsoft may be starting to bend a little bit in particular regarding the processor requirements for 11. Here's a story about that as well as one about the TPM requirement being nonnegotiable (or maybe not). Nothing is certain as of this time though I think Microsoft bending would be a good thing.

Click here to read more: <https://tinyurl.com/2u7tbzrc>

Here's the TPM story: <https://tinyurl.com/3u39xkzd>

Here's another TPM story: <https://tinyurl.com/yvdk82kh>



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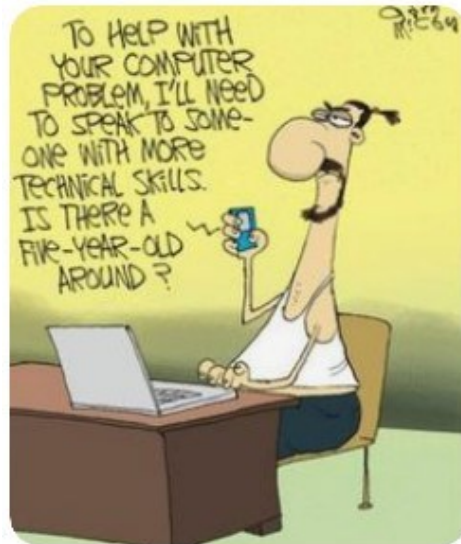
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Final Thoughts

Sometimes You Just Have To Laugh



Having dumped the bag of ashes on the table, Stew hid behind the door and waited for the X-ray technician's reaction.





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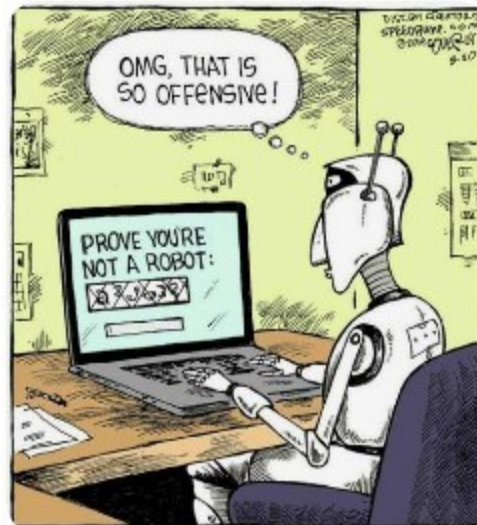
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www.cccgc.info

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

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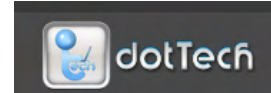
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