



Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950
Thursday August 29th 2019—12:15 P.M.
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This Week's Agenda:

- ☼ Pledge of Allegiance
- ☼ Singing of *God Bless America* or *Let There Be Peace on Earth*
- ☼ Rotary Prayer: **Jimmy Hammond & Jim Fikkert**
- ☼ Rotarian & Guest Introductions: **Cory Krauss & Doug Oppenheimer**
- ☼ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Tom Stewart & Kevin Krauss**

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Trivia Questions:

1. What hurricane devastated Florida 27 years ago, in 1992?
2. What was the strongest hurricane to ever strike the State of Florida?
3. What was the costliest hurricane ever to strike the United States?
4. What is the highest wind speed ever recorded from a tornado?
5. How wide was the widest tornado ever observed?
6. What is the heaviest thing that a tornado has ever picked up?



Upcoming Programs & Events:

Sept 3rd	Board Meeting
Sept 5th	Cory Krauss P/C
Sept 12th	Don Higgins P/C
Sept 14th	Ronald McDonald Breakfast
Sept 19th	Students of the Month
Sept 26th	District Governor visit

Missed Last Week:

Wendy Sideri	Hope Peterson
Dr. Pal Nanda	David Sideri
Jana Vrettos	Jim Plunkett
Jimmy Hammond	Chris Patel
Starlyn Fikkert	Phil England
Yvonne Fay	Ken Bray
Jerry Wennlund	

Honorary Rotarians Visiting:

Donna Cloudwife of Bruce Cloud

Club Anniversaries:

Starlyn Fikkert.....8/14.....5 Yrs
Ken Bray.....8/26.....15 Yrs

Rotarian Birthdays:

Dr. Pal Nanda.....7/19

Wedding Anniversaries:

Jana & Louie Vrettos.....7/02.....14 Yrs
Janet & Mike Waddell.....8/29.....49 Yrs

Guests of Rotarians:

Bill BarkerFriend of Don Higgins
Gene Berry.....Friend of Don Higgins
Charlotte Higgins.....Wife of Don Higgins

Rotary connects the World!

This Week's Program:

Program Chairman Joe Kolodziej will introduce **Kenneth City Chief of Police Kevin Riley**, who has been with the Kenneth City Police force since 2015.



Next Week's Program: **Program Chairman Cory Krauss** is in the process of arranging a presentation of great interest to everyone.

Upcoming Meetings:

August 29th—After Meeting David Sideri (Chair)
Great American Teach-In, Pinellas County Schools (GATI)

August 29th —After Meeting
Business Workshops for Students
David Sideri (Chair); Members: Theresa Pinnix, Ken Bray, Jana Vrettos, David Allen, Jim Fikkert

September 5th —After Meeting
Partnership Committee:
Jim Fikkert (Director in Charge); Members: Barbara Todd MacKellar, Jeff MacKellar, Yvonne Fay

Groups:
Pinellas Park Chamber; Ronald McDonald House; St. Pete College scholarships; Girls, Inc.; Boys & Girls Club; Pinellas Hope; DHHS Interact Club; Ready For Life; Pinellas County Sheriff's Office Child Protection Investigation Division; plus any others added during the year.

Last Week's Program:

Program Chairman Kenny Krauss introduced Florida State Senator **Jeff Brandes**, a life long resident of St. Pete, who attended Northside Christian School and is a nationally recognized policy leader in the areas of autonomous vehicles and mobility, flood insurance, and criminal justice reform.



Senator Brandes spoke to our club about the expected population growth in Florida over the next 20 years. The population in the state was 21.3 million in 2018, and is projected to be nearly 26 million by 2030.

There will also be a significant rise in electric vehicles. He says that the number of different models of electric vehicles will rise from 21 to 418 by 2020.

He says there will be a “robust discussion” on the minimum wage leading up to next year’s ballot,

Grins and Snickers

Because they had no reservations at a busy restaurant, my elderly neighbor and his wife were told there would be a 45 minute wait for a table.

“Young man, we’re both 90 years old,” the husband said. **“We may not have 45 minutes.”**

They were seated immediately.



Ronald McDonald House Breakfast Saturday, Sept 14th, 2019 7:30am

Yvonne Fay has secured another date for a **Ronald McDonald House Breakfast**. If you are available to bring food for the breakfast and participate in this community service project, please sign up with **Yvonne**.

Happy Events - by Janet Waddell

Joe Minarik: After he and son, Joey, worked the Road Cleanup on Saturday, they went to the Flea Market. Leaving the Flea Market, Joey wanted to go out to Breakfast. Happy surprise was that Joey pulled out his wallet and BOUGHT the breakfast!

Joe Kolodziej: Happy as always to be here!

Theresa Pinnix: Glad to be back from vacation, enjoying wedding prep and had an overall great week.

Josh Astarita: Happy \$5 since he was short on his anniversary celebration last week. It is nice to be back at Rotary.

Barbara Todd MacKellar: She has a dozen grandchildren, but she is very proud of one that is 17 and working in Africa as a missionary.

Jeff MacKellar: Happy \$ for the Rays win over Detroit.

Richard Breske: Happy \$5 to be so confident in the weather that he left his umbrella in the car.

David Allen: Happy \$ for our great Membership committee.

Jerry Krauss: Happy \$3 for Rotary Connections. One of his granddaughters earned a job at the Embassy in Luxemburg. However, housing is extremely expensive, and she couldn't find a reasonable place to stay. Jerry asked our Past DG, Eloy Nunez, for help. Eloy contacted a Rotary Club in Luxemburg and they found a moderately priced flat for her to rent. **YEAH Rotary!**

Kenny Krauss: Many Kudos to the staff at Regions Bank. He has been moving his accounts to Regions and they made the experience a pleasant one, taking care of all the details for him.

Kevin Krauss: Thinks Jerry may be surprised when he gets the bill for Anna staying in the flat in Luxemburg!

Theresa Pinnix: Happy \$5 to admit that Larry was right. When they were out celebrating their 30th anniversary last Sunday, she parked on the street. Larry pointed out the sign that said no parking on the street, but Theresa thought it would not apply on Sunday. When they came out, Larry asked if she had moved the car. She had not, but the Tow Truck had! Expensive lesson!

Bill Berry: (Guest) Happy \$ to let the club know that his friend and District 6950 Rotarian, Carl Treleaven, successfully climbed Kilimanjaro.

Barbara Todd MacKellar: Happy \$ to be celebrating 21 years in our Pinellas Park Rotary Club.

Words of Wisdom

"First I prepare... then I have faith."

Joe Namath

Club Buddies

David Allen	Richard Breske
Chantel Wonder	Jim Fikkert
Jana Vrettos	Theresa Pinnix
Wendy Sideri	Starlyn Fikkert
David Sideri	Cory Krauss
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Doug Oppenheimer	Harry Alchin
Kenny Krauss	Hope Peterson
Christine Patel	Jim Plunkett
Ken Bray	Don Higgins
Buddy Brown	Jeff MacKellar
Joe Kolodziej	Phil England
Jimmy Hammond	Tami Scheele
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
Paul Scheele	Dr Pal Nanda
Barbara MacKellar	Josh Astarita
Jerry Wennlund	
h Sandy Donaghy	h Donna Cloud
h Dolores Caunitz	h Carolyn Burns

From Phil England

"My boss told me to have a good day, so I went home."

"I used to be addicted to the Hokey Pokey, but I turned it around."

50/50 Winner: Josh Astarita won the prize for \$12. and donated it back to the club. Grand Jackpot starts at \$206.

