



Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950
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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 island is the boot of Italy kicking?
2. Who was *The Little Tramp*?
3. What was the name of former U.S attorney-general John Mitchell's wife?
4. What's the alternate title of the play "*The Boy Who Would Not Grow Up?*"
5. What's the international radio code word for the letter Q?
6. Does tennis service begin in the left or right court?



Upcoming Programs & Events:

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| Sept 28th | Special Olympics Bowling at Seminole Lanes |
| Oct 1st | Board Meeting |
| Oct 3rd | Club Assembly |
| Oct 10th | Barbara Todd MacKellar P/C |
| Oct 17th | Students of the Month |
| Oct 19th | Special Olympics Bowling at Seminole Lanes |

Missed Last Week:

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| Wendy Sideri | Hope Peterson |
| Dr. Pal Nanda | Doug Oppenheimer |
| Kevin Krauss | Kenny Krauss |
| Christine Patel | Phil England |
| Josh Astarita | Jim Plunkett |
| Chantel Wonder | Joe Kolodziej |
| Tami Scheele | Paul Scheele |
| Barbara MacKellar | Yvonne Fay |
| Starlyn Fikkert | Jim Fikkert |

Rotarian Birthdays:

- Dr. Pal Nanda.....7/19.....94Yrs
 Joe Kolodziej.....9/17.....80Yrs
 Christine Patel.....9/25.....56Yrs
 Jeff MacKellar.....9/29.....62 Yrs

Guests of Rotarians:

Tim Hammond.....Guest of Jimmy Hammond

Club Anniversaries:

Jerry Wennlund.....9/13... ..30 Yrs
 Yvonne Fay.....9/30.....9 Yrs.

Rotary connects the World!

Dixie Hollins High School Students of the Month

Meredith Grimm is a senior at Dixie Hollins H S and is enrolled in the Cambridge Program. As an athlete, she is a member of the Varsity Letterman's Club playing volleyball, basketball and track and serves as captain of the girls' basketball team for the three years. She became a member of the International Thespian Society in 2017 and has since served 2 years as their Troupe 2055 officer. Last year, she performed at Epcot in Disney's Candlelight Processional. In student council for four years, she currently serves as the Senior Class VP and helps coordinate festivities for DHHS's Homecoming Week. In NHS, she currently serves as Vice President, overseeing environmental volunteering. In Academics, she has earned four years of Academic Chevrons. She is a member of 'Florio's Flock' (the principal's focus group), the Dixie Hype Club, encouraging involvement in school activities and "Rebel Vision", the daily TV morning show. She has received the Anne Frank Humanitarian Award and the West Point Society Leadership Award. Her current WGPA is 4.47 and she is ranked 5th in her class. In her free time, she enjoys time with her friends & family members, exercising, and watching football. She hopes to attend FSU to major in telecommunications, specifically, broadcast journalism, then obtain her Master's Degree in Journalism at the University of Georgia, earning a Sports Media Certificate. Her dream job would be a career at ESPN.



Carly Lewis, a senior at Dixie Hollins H S, has been enrolled in the Cambridge and Culinary Arts programs since the beginning of her freshman year. She has been taking AICE and AP classes all throughout high school and hopes to receive her AICE diploma and AP Capstone diploma in May. She also hopes to graduate with her certification in Culinary Arts. With a GPA of 4.4, she is ranked 6th in the class and plans to remain in the top 10 for graduation. She spoke at a previous Rotary Club meeting after attending S4TL. She cannot thank the Rotary enough for everything they have done for her. At DHHS, she has received multiple academic awards including Academic Letters and Chevrons for the last three years. She was "Most Outstanding Pre-AICE Math 3 Student" and "Most Outstanding Pre-Calculus Honors Student" as well as "Most Outstanding Thinking Skills AS Student", and finally the "Most Outstanding Cambridge Student in Interdisciplinary Skills" awards. Carly plays on the Lady Rebels Varsity Softball team, the JV and Varsity Volleyball team, and the JV and Varsity Soccer. She received the "Rookie of the Year" award as a freshman, and the "P.C.A.C. Honorable Mention" as Utility Player award in Softball and made Captain for some of those teams. She was the Dixie Student Council VP for the last two years and is National Honor Society VP now, which provides her with numerous community service opportunities. On the Senior Council, she is currently their Treasurer. She is also a member of Florida Business Leaders of America, the Health Squad, and the "Hype" Club. She found out about the Interact Club, sponsored by our Pinellas Park Rotary Club, and joined it last year after being chosen for S4TL. She is now working at Tijuana Flats. In her free time, she likes to go to the beach and spend time with her family and friends.

Pinellas Park High School Students of the Month

Tang Tang is a Senior at Pinellas Park HS in the Criminal Justice Academy program. Her GPA is 4.2 and her class rank is 22 out of 437 students. Last July, she was a delegate at the Seminar for Tomorrow's Leaders (S4TL). She participated in the talent show in S4TL and two months ago, she shared her fabulous experience attending S4TL at our Rotary meeting. She is involved in the PPHS Marching Band, she is the Parliamentarian in the Skills USA Club, she was Sophomore Student of the Year in CJA and received an Honorable Mention in the 34th Annual Stanley Shalit Short Story Competition. She has been on the Dean's List since her sophomore year. She has volunteered at Teen Court, Primavera Musical Festival and the YMCA's Girlfriends Club. At Pinellas Park High School, she serves at the Front Desk Reception in Guidance Office. During her free time, she likes traveling, reading books, singing songs, playing chess, and playing ping pong. Her planned future educational path is to go to SPC, then to USF for her Bachelor degree, and later to go to Harvard University to obtain her Master's degree, majoring in Psychology. She hopes to eventually be a Human Resource Director.

Kennedy Colston is a Senior at Pinellas Park H S, enrolled in the Criminal Justice and Avid magnet programs. Her GPA is a 4.1 and she is ranked 23rd in her class. She is involved in six honors societies and she serves the National Honor Society as Parliamentarian and Law Honors Society as Vice President. She serves as a Senator on the Senior Board Student Government. She is also an athlete, having played volleyball all four years of high school and serves this year as captain of the team. To give back to her community, she has been a cheerleading coach for young girls at Pinellas Park Thunderbirds Youth League. She also tutors in the learning lab for all subjects, both after school and during lunch. In her free time, she loves being around family and friends. She also has a job on the weekends, hosting at the Longhorn Steak House for the last year and a half. She plans to attend college at Florida State University or the University of Central Florida to study criminal justice and psychology.

This Week's Program:

We welcome our 2019-2020 District Governor, **Allen Collins**, and his wife, **Theresa Lynn Collins** who will be joining us at our Rotary luncheon next week. Allen is almost a native of Florida, having moved down with his family at a very young age. He graduated from Clearwater HS, St Pete Jr. College and USF and now lives in Tierra Verde. He enjoys fishing, boating and golf. He and his wife, TLC, just returned from the Rotary International Convention in Hamburg, Germany. They had an incredible trip! They took the time to experience the world of Rotary and enjoyed connecting with Rotarians from around the World. They found it amazing, that at the convention, anyone can sit down next to someone from another part of the globe and call them by their first name and feel like friends. Connections like these change the world.



Allen's focus this year is on Basic Education and Literacy - one of Rotary's 6 Areas of Focus

Rotary connects the World!

Meals for 300,000 people in the Bahamas were packaged this past week from Rotary Districts all over Florida. District 6950 unloaded boxes and set up production at Countryside High School on Friday September 13, 2019. **Joe and Joey Minarik** and many other District Rotarians, Interact Students and friends attended. On Saturday, September 14th, **Harry Alchin** helped package the meals with 300-400 additional Rotarians, families & friends who volunteered on that day.

THESE KIND OF EVENTS CAN ONLY HAPPEN, ROTARIAN TO ROTARIAN, ALL OVER THE WORLD WITH NO PROFITEERS AT EITHER END!!!!!!



Next Week's Program:

Club Assembly

Be There at Seminole Lanes for Special Olympics this Sat 28th

Happy Events - by Janet Waddell

Ken Bray: Happy \$5 as he talked with **Jerry Wennlund** this past week. Jerry has completed 4 rounds of Chemo – his tumor has shrunk enough for them to do surgery next Tuesday. The tumor is embedded around the artery on the pancreas. The surgeon who will do the surgery is a transplant surgeon, so all should be good in this intricate surgery! (Our best wishes and prayers go out to Jerry this week.)

David Allen: Happy \$2 for Jerry Wennlund and for Gators pulling out a win.

Jeff MacKellar: Happy \$ for a good turnout at the Ronald McDonald Breakfast this past Saturday.

David Sideri: Happy \$5 to be back at the Rotary meetings. For those to whom he owes a boat trip (from the Bowl-a-thon) he let them know that they have been slaying the Mahi-Mahi lately.

Joe Minarik: Happy \$2 since the Gators have a good team and the Bears have a great kicker. He and son, Joey, went on Friday evening to help unload the supplies that were used to pack 100,000 meals on Saturday. The guy who organizes these has done three in three weeks in a row.

Theresa Pinnix: Sad \$ to see her old buddy, Jana, leaving the area. Happy \$ for her new buddy, Kenny Krauss.

Jerry Krauss: Happy \$ to announce his last Friday morning bowling. For the first time in a long time, he rolled an 820 for 4 games (205 avg). It has been a long time coming as he has been recuperating from knee surgery.

DHHS Guidance Counselor Steve White: Happy to be back working in High School again after a short stint in Middle School. Happy to be back as the Student of the Month liaison between DHHS and our Rotary Club.

Janet Waddell: Happy \$ as she is glad to have the Students of the Month back with us and hopes that Jerry Wennlund will have a good surgery outcome on Tuesday.

Words of Wisdom

“Diplomacy is the art of telling people to go to hell in such a way that they ask directions.”

Winston Churchill

Club Buddies

David Allen	Richard Breske
Chantel Wonder	Jim Fikkert
Kenny Krauss	Theresa Pinnix
Wendy Sideri	Starlyn Fikkert
David Sideri	Cory Krauss
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Doug Oppenheimer	Harry Alchin
Jerry Wennlund	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
h Sandy Donaghy	h Donna Cloud
h Dolores Caunitz	h Carolyn Burns

Another Aphorism

◆ When wearing a bikini, women reveal 90% of their body. Men are so polite they only look at the covered parts.

“An Aphorism is a statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner .”

50/50 Winner: Cory Krauss won the prize for \$12 and donated it back to the club. Grand Jackpot starts at \$251.

