

Happy Events: by Tim Hammond

In Person:

Tom Stewart: Happy that the *Bucs* are 5½ point favorites over the *Bears*.

Richard Breske: Happy \$4 for the *Rays* win.

David Allen: Happy \$2 for the *Rays* win and for getting his flu shot today. Everyone get it!

Cory Krauss: Happy to see Donna Cloud attending today in person.

Jerry Krauss: Happy \$5 for Christine being the speaker today & for the *Rays* beating the *Yankees* twice.

Joe Minarik: Sad \$ for his dog, Buster, dying. Happy \$ for the *Rays*, *Lightning & Gators* wins and hopefully the *Bears* win over the *Bucs*.

Tami Scheele: Happy to be here.

Christine Patel: Happy to be speaking today about White Sands National Park and also to be telling everyone about the Christmas baskets program for this year.

Alex Cruz: Happy to be finally getting his office staff to volunteer for *Rotary Camp Florida*.

David Sideri: Happy that they are opening Red Snapper for the next three weekends.

Neil Brickfield (Clwtr): Happy to be at a meeting in person.

Kevin Krauss: Happy to be here.

On ZOOM:

Don Higgins: Happy to be here on *Zoom* today.

Tim Hammond: Happy to be spending time with friends in Atlanta this week.

Wren Krah: Happy \$5 for the Dixie Hollins H.S. Students' Interact Poster Contest. Great job!

Theresa Pinnix: On vacation again and working at home getting her new house to look like a home!

Another Lexophile

I wondered why the baseball
kept getting bigger.
Then it hit me!

Words of Wisdom

“The world suffers a lot. Not because of the violence of the bad people, but because of the silence of the good people.”

Napoleon Bonaparte

Club Buddies

Chantel Wonder	Jerry Wennlund
Harry Alchin	Jeff MacKellar
Jim Andrew	Richard Breske
Theresa Pinnix	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Cory Krauss
Jim Plunkett	Christine Patel
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
Phil England	Joe Kolodziej
Tami Scheele	Jimmy Hammond
Jim Fikkert	Tim Hammond
Ken Bray	Don Higgins
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
David Allen	Starlyn Fikkert
Paul Scheele	Alex Cruz / Nhi N.
Barb MacKellar	Wren Krah / Sean S.
Wendy Sideri	Josh Astarita

	h-Dr Paul Nanda
h-Donna Cloud	h-Sandy Donaghy
h-Carolyn Burns	h-Dolores Caunitz

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Kenny Krauss won last week's prize of \$11 and donated it back to the club. Next week, the Ace of Hearts will win the Jackpot that starts at \$69.



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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 Intro's **Cory Krauss, Alex Cruz & Jim Fikkert**
- ☛ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Kevin Krauss, David S. & Phil E.**

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Trivia Questions:

1. In what decade was the board game, *Risk*, invented?
2. Which three Tampa Bay Rays' players have won the *Rookie of the Year* Award?
3. Who wrote and also sang the theme song for *Welcome Back Kotter*?
4. How do you apologize, or say “You're sorry” in Spanish?
5. What do the 13 stripes on the American flag represent?
6. In 2020, what is the wealthiest car company in the world?

Visiting Rotarians:

Robert (Bob) Kelzer St Pete Downtown
Neil Brickfield Clearwater
Donna CloudHonorary

Wedding Anniversaries:

Tom & Karin Stewart10/12 29 Yrs

Rotarian Birthdays:

Josh Astarita 10/7 46 Yrs
Kenny Krauss10/13 79 Yrs

Upcoming Programs & Events:

Oct 22nd	Barbara MacKellar P/C
Oct 29th	Don Higgins P/C
Nov 3rd	Board Meeting
Nov 5th	Theresa Pinnix P/C
Nov 7th	Meals on Wheels Packing
Nov 12th	Starlyn Fikkert P/C
Nov 18th	Great American Teach-in
Nov 19th	Students of the Month
Nov 26th	HAPPY THANKSGIVING
Dec 3rd	Jim Plunkett P/C
Dec 8th	Board Meeting

Missed Last Week:

Wendy Sideri	Starlyn Fikkert
Phil England	Chantel Wonder
Yvonne Fay	Jerry Wennlund
Jim Fikkert	Jimmy Hammond
Joe Kolodziej	Barbara MacKellar
Josh Astarita	

The Art of Insulting!

“I feel so miserable without you. It's almost like having you here.”

Stephen Bishop

Rotary Opens Opportunities!

Last Week's Program:

Program Chairperson Christine Patel presented a brief summary and **Power Point Presentation** of her recent trip to **White Sands National Park**. Christine traveled 2,200 miles from St. Pete to Scottsdale, Arizona to visit her daughter, Mackenzie. She and her family purchased **America The Beautiful** passes for \$63, which enables the entire family to visit the national parks. A pass is your ticket to more than 2,000 federal recreation sites. Each pass covers entrance fees at national parks and national wildlife refuges as well as standard amenity fees (day use fees) at national forests and grasslands, and at lands managed by the Bureau of Land Mgmt, Bureau of Reclamation and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Christine described her family's trip down 8 miles of extremely bumpy **Dunes Drive** (one way traffic, 5 mph speed limit, which is strictly enforced), but they only made it about 2 miles. The crystals are carried by rain water down mountains into the basin, and are actually clear. The sun reflecting off the gypsum crystals makes the "sand" appear white. Despite temperatures



over 100 degrees, the "sand" is cool to touch and walk on. Sledding is allowed in some areas. In 1933, **White Sands** was designated as a National Monument by **President Herbert Hoover**. It was designated as a National Park in 2019. It is located in New Mexico and encompasses an area of over 227 square miles. With an average elevation of 4,000 feet, it is the largest gypsum dune field on earth.



Mark Your Calendar:

Sat Nov 7th - MEALS ON WHEELS FOR KIDS - Catherine Hickman Theatre 5501 27th Ave So, Gulfport - 10am - 1pm - to pack meals to be delivered to kids who are currently on virtual school at home and do not have access to the in-school breakfasts and lunches. We need 12 volunteers. **David Allen** has a sign-up sheet. Please let him know if you will be able to help. Our club will provide a lunch in the adjacent Clymer Park after we finish working.



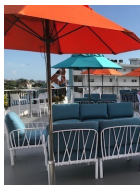
Great American Teach-In (GATI) will be virtual this year and held on **Wed. Nov 18th**. If you would like to participate to share information on your vocation, avocation, or info on Rotary, they are looking for business owners and workers to talk to the students, either in Elementary, Middle or High School. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact **David Sideri** who can tell you how to get in touch with the schools and their **GATI** coordinators



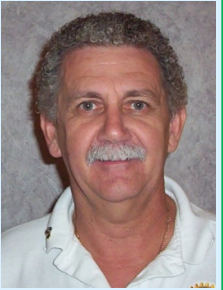
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FRIDAY DEC 11th - Pinellas Park Rotary's CHRISTMAS PARTY

FUSION RESORT - SKYVIEW TERRACE - 290 107th Ave, TREASURE ISLAND, 6-7pm cocktails & appetizers; 7-10pm dinner and socializing. \$60 per person. Please let **David Sideri** know if you will be attending and how many will be in your group.



This Week's Program: Program Chairman **Joe Minarik** will take a deep breath and come down off cloud 9, after the **Tampa Bay Lightning**, **Tampa Bay Rays** and (believe it or not), the **Chicago Bears** all won their games this past week! Joe received last minute notice yesterday from his Canine Officer that they would not be able to attend again today due to precautions with Covid-19. He is very happy to say that **M K Rawlings Elementary** School's Volunteer Coordinator, **Lori Ann DiPenta Shamsidin**, was available, with short notice, to be our speaker today. Lori-Ann will talk about the many volunteer opportunities available this year with the **Great American Teach -In** going virtual.



Next Week's Program:

Program Chairperson Barbara MacKellar will introduce her nephew, Milton Sheen IV, President and CEO of **Suncoast Precision Tool**. He will talk about business survival during these difficult times.



Confident Smile Dentistry's "SMILE" Grant Program

Rotarian Alex Cruz and the crew at **Confident Smile Dentistry** are pleased to share with our **Pinellas Park Rotary Club** that they have seen the first recipient of **Confident Smile Dentistry's** monthly dental smile "grant". They are not allowed to share or publish his name, but his parents have given us permission to use his picture. The young man, a student at **Pinellas Park Middle School**, was very excited and very grateful to receive treatment. He is a sweet kid and they were so happy to be able to help him.



Ready for Halloween !

Two of our Pinellas Park Rotarians are ready for the Halloween season. **Josh Astarita** (below left) and **Alex Cruz** (below right) have decorated their houses and yards and ready for the trick or treaters to come and be amazed! Great work Guys!

