

Happy Events: by Tim Hammond

In Person:
Barbara MacKellar: Happy to have had several Rotarian ladies to her house to make candles. It was fun getting together with friends.
Jeff MacKellar: Happy the Rotarian ladies had fun making candles at their house. The floor looked like a sand box afterward.
Janet Waddell: Had a great week at a rental house in Carrabelle, south of Tallahassee. Enjoyed visiting three lighthouses.
Theresa Pinnix: Happy to be here.
Christine Patel: Thanks to everyone purchasing Christmas gifts.
Jerry Krauss: Happy there are bowling customers in their building. Sad that some businesses have no customers.
Cory Krauss: Happy to be here.
David Allen: Happy the Gators continue to win.
Jim Fikkert: Had a good time in New Mexico with Starlyn.
Joe Minarik: Happy his wife, Pat, and son, Joey, bought the Rotary Christmas gifts for the families.
Tom Stewart: Happy \$5. Had a nice Thanksgiving. Going clay shooting for the Christmas holidays.
Phil England: In a pawn shop he found and purchased a gun he has been looking for. Also, was watching Jeopardy and one of the Double Jeopardy questions was "What is the Rotary?".
David Sideri: Happy \$5 Great weather for fishing and boating last weekend.
Richard Breske: Happy \$2 for going to the Biltmore House in Ashville, NC with his wife, Bevie. As an electrical contractor, he marveled at the house's construction – built in 1895. He was glad he didn't have to do the Christmas decorations! Also, happy that Jim Andrew got engaged! Congratulations.
Jim Andrew: Happy to be here. Glad his table was not designated as the "Old Guys" table.
Paul Scheele: His wife took him Christmas shopping for their grandson at *Dinosaur Land*. Expensive!
On ZOOM:
Don Higgins: Happy \$3 He got their Christmas tree up and decorated and he has two presents for his wife, Charlotte. Also happy he survived two root canals today.
Kenny Krauss: Happy he had a visit from Yvonne's company, United Air Conditioning today.
Wren Krahl: Happy that Don is standing after two root canals! Happy for all the candle makers that were at Barbara's house.
Yvonne Fay: Happy \$5 for a nice Thanksgiving with her family and glad to be part of our Rotary family. Also sad she won't be able to be at the Rotary Christmas party.
Tami Scheele: Happy \$5 1) Thanks to Barbara for the wonderful evening making candles. 2.) Happy it was a good day for Theresa's son (a police officer whose patrol was the one who responded to the shooting) 3.) happy birthday Chantel, 4) Thankful she couldn't hear Paul's H/E!
Debra Ellis-Abney: Happy \$5 for her buddy, Joe, being back and doing well, for the enjoyable evening at Barbara's and for the small and simple things.

Words of Wisdom

“Reality is merely an illusion, albeit a very persistent one.”

Albert Einstein

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
Debra Ellis-Abney	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 Krahl / Sean S.
Wendy Sideri	Josh Astarita
Janet Waddell	
	h-Dr Paul Nanda
h-Donna Cloud	h-Sandy Donaghy
h-Carolyn Burns	h-Dolores Caunitz

50 / 50

Jeff MacKellar won last week's prize of \$11 again and donated it back to the club. Next week, the Ace of Hearts will win the Jackpot that starts at \$148.



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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. **What President banned Christmas trees from the White House for environmental reasons?**
2. **What color of pants did the French Army wear at the beginning of World War I?**
3. **Where is the world's largest living Christmas tree located?**
4. **What was the name of the most sought after toy in the movie, *Jingle All the Way*?**
5. **What was the name of Chevy Chase's character in the movie, *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*?**
6. **What do the initials *BC* and *BCE* stand for?**

Upcoming Programs & Events:

Dec 11th	CHRISTMAS PARTY
Dec 17th	Students of the Month
Dec 19th	Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Dec 19th	Christmas Baskets
Dec 24th	MERRY CHRISTMAS (no meeting)
Dec 31st	HAPPY NEW YEAR (no meeting)
Jan 5th	Board Meeting
Jan 7th	Club Assembly - Tom S.
Jan 14th	David Sideri P/C
Jan 21st	Students of the Month
Jan 26th	Sanders S O M on Zoom
Jan 28th	Paul Scheele P/C
Feb 2nd	Board Meeting

Rotarian Birthdays:

Chantel Wonder 12/3 36 Yrs
Alex Cruz12/4 50 Yrs
Sandy Donaghy 12/1077 Yrs
Starlyn Fikkert12/1165 Yrs

Visiting Rotarians:

Robert (Bob) Kelzer St Pete Downtown

Another Lexophile

The Soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.

Missed Last Week:

Ken Bray	Joe Kolodziej
Wendy Sideri	Josh Astarita
Jerry Wennlund	Chantel Wonder
Starlyn Fikkert	

Questions to Ponder!

"Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?"

Rotary Opens Opportunities!

Last Week's Program:

Program Chairman Jim Plunkett presented a thought provoking program on the differences in values between the American culture that most of us grew up with and the rising influence of the so-called Progressive culture that we are seeing in our society today.

He threw in his take on how we got to this point, where election results are questioned. In his view, it is a scary time, but we can take heart in the fact that politics are like a pendulum that swings one way and then swings back in the opposite direction.

He said he had a lot of fun doing this program, as he was able to sing parts of his most recent creation, a song titled *"One More Time Again"*.

He thanked everyone for being patient listeners.



Mark Your Calendar:

***** TOMORROW EVENING *****

FRIDAY Dec 11th

Pinellas Park Rotary's CHRISTMAS PARTY

**FUSION RESORT-SKYVIEW TERRACE
290 107th Ave TREASURE ISLAND**

Arrive at 5 pm Sunset is 5:30pm Cocktails & Appetizers 5:30 - 6:30pm
6:45pm-ish family style dinner 7:30 - 8:30pm Yankee Present Swap
8:30-ish Cookies for dessert! \$60 per person

Bring a present (Up to \$25) for Yankee Present Swap.

If you would like, wear an Ugly Christmas Sweater for the contest.



SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGING

Please let Richard Breske know if you will be helping out with Bell Ringing at Publix at Pinellas Crossings 7333 Park Blvd. He needs **two people per shift** for seven one-hour shifts from 9am until 4pm. He will have a sign up sheet at the meeting today.



CHRISTMAS BASKETS

Thanks to Jerry & Cory Krauss & Christine Patel. Jerry has purchased the food and Christine will sort and prepare the food baskets on Saturday morning. Cory will deliver the baskets to the schools by 8:30am. Many thanks to the Rotarians who have purchased presents for the children & will hand out the food and presents to the families on Sat Dec 19th from 8:30am - 10:30am.



This Week's Program:

Program Chairman Kevin Krauss will introduce Mike Fleischhauer, who is with Regions Private Wealth Management.

Mike is a Navy veteran and a graduate of the *University of South Florida*. He holds a Florida Life, Health and Annuity License and is a Certified Financial Planner, as well as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). He has more than twenty-two (22) years of business consulting, personal finance planning, banking, wealth and relationship management experience. He will discuss the 2020 year-end strategic planning considerations and strategies.



Next Week's Program:



Nicole Preil & Jose Ramos-Rodriguez are the Students of the Month for October, and Nicole Hill & Steven Issari are the Students of the Month for December from *Dixie M. Hollins High School*. They will be joining us in person along with Guidance Counselor, Steve White, at next week's meeting.



The Students of the Month from *Pinellas Park High School* will be recording their speeches and Guidance Counselor, Elise Whitley will be putting them into a Powerpoint presentation that she will send it for our viewing at next week's meeting.

Happy Teachers' Smiling Faces at Cross Bayou Elementary

Congratulations to Speaker/Teacher \$50 check recipients:
Denise Giammarco - Kindergarten; Meagan Fulmer - 3rd Gr; Brandi Rosenbluth - Gifted;
Amy Kuespert - Speech & Language & Robert Wirth - Library/Media

Many thanks to Rotarian Janet Waddell for delivering the checks to the school, and to Volunteer Coordinator, Christine Beatty, for handing out the checks & taking the pics!

