

Happy Events: by Tim Hammond

In Person:

Jim Andrew: Happy \$2 to be here.

Richard Breske: Went to Tampa with Beverly to get the COVID-19 vaccine 1st shot.

Joe Minarik: Happy for the *Bucs*, even though he does not like them.

Phil England: Happy to get his first and second Tequila shots.

David Sideri: Happy to see Brady in the *Super Bowl*. He and Wendy are heading for Key West this weekend.

Tom Stewart: Sorry *Zoomers*. They miss out on the Prime Rib today.

Paul Scheel: Happy \$2 for Tami doing his presentation today. Thank you, Tami for giving him the \$2!

Harry Alchin: Happy \$10 for the *Bucs* going to the *Super Bowl*. Will give \$20 when they win.

Barbara MacKellar: Happy \$2 for friends coming in tomorrow from Pennsylvania.

Jeff MacKellar: Happy for friends coming and the *Bucs*.

Yvonne Fay: Happy \$20 for *United Air Conditioning* celebrating being in business sixty years.

Janet Waddell: Happy to see both sons and their families in Orlando on Saturday and seeing daughter and her family here on Sunday. Got to spend time with all five grandsons!

Tim Hammond: Happy for the *Bucs*.

Jerry Krauss: Happy daughter, Christine, and son-in-law, Jayanti, have been married 31 years.

Cory Krauss: Happy to be here.

Jim Fikkert: *Bucs / Green Bay* was a tough loss, but *Go Bucs!*

Starlyn Fikkert: Her 94 year old mom had COVID, but is doing great now.

Kevin Krauss: Happy \$2 for Mom, Joan, doing better.

On ZOOM:

Don Higgins: Happy \$10 for getting second COVID-19 shot this morning.

Tami Scheele: Happy that she and Paul both closed on deals this week.

Ken Bray: Happy to be here on *Zoom*.

Theresa Pinnix: Happy to be working from home. She gets to supervise hubby, Larry, working on the bedroom.

David Allen: Happy the *Bucs* are going to the *Super Bowl*.

Chris Patel: Looking forward to seeing everyone at the road cleanup on Saturday.

Chantel Wonder: Happy to be here while at work.

Words of Wisdom

“Do not train a child to learn by force or harshness; but direct them to it by what amuses their minds, so that you may be better able to discover with accuracy the peculiar bent of the genius of each.” **PLATO**

Club Buddies

Chantel Wonder	Janet Waddell
Harry Alchin	Jeff MacKellar
Jim Andrew	Richard Breske
Theresa Pinnix	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Cory Krauss
Jim Plunkett	Christine Patel
Joe Minarik	Debra Ellis Abney
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

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Joe Minarik won last week's prize of \$10 and donated it back to the club. This week, the Ace of Hearts will win the Jack-pot that starts at \$216.



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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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Rotary Opens Opportunities

Trivia Questions:

1. **What year did Tom Brady play in his first Super Bowl?**
2. **In what year was the first Super Bowl played?**
3. **In what city is the St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital located?**
4. **Who was the last leader of Nationalist China?**
5. **By area, what is the second largest country in the world?**
6. **Who is the only quarterback to have won a Super Bowl with more than one team?**

Wedding Anniversaries:

Christine Patel2/2 31 Yrs

Club Anniversaries:

Kenny Krauss2/1 47 Yrs
 Satya Nanda2/2 9 Yrs
 David Sideri2/4 11 Yrs
 Wendy Sideri2/6 9 Yrs

Rotarian Birthdays:

Pete Hervey2/2 88 Yrs

Another Lexophile

A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.

Questions to Ponder!

"If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?"

Upcoming Programs & Events

Feb 11th	Janet Waddell P/C
Feb 18th	Students of the Month
Feb 25th	Wren Krahl P/C
Mar 2nd	Board Meeting
Mar 4th	City of P P's Employee of Year
Mar 11th	Ken Bray P/C
Mar 18th	Students of the Month
March 25	Tom Stewart -Club Assembly
April 1st	David Allen
April 6th	Board Meeting
April 17th	BOWL-A-THON
April 29th	LAW DAY with KIWANIS
	Speaker—Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Visiting Rotarians:

Robert (Bob) Kelzer ... St Pete Downtown

Missed Last Week:

Wendy Sideri	Wren Krahl
Joe Kolodziej	Jim Plunkett
Josh Astarita	

Rotary Opens Opportunities!

Last Week's Program:

President Tom Stewart's Grant Project: The Interactive Book Club & Technology For Literacy

We did an assessment last school year of two 4th grade classrooms at one of our sponsored elementary schools. It was determined that the majority of these students were not at the 4th or 3rd grade reading levels. The Rotary Club of Pinellas Park's community consists of many families below the poverty level. We want to give every opportunity for elementary school age children & teenagers to read so that they can achieve success in life. Having **tablets with headphones** at the library will offer those who need to use the audiobooks and tablets access to thousands of digital eBooks that are not available at the library through apps such as the Libby App & the 1-2-3- program. The **Interactive Book Club** will help them with their **spelling, reading & writing**. It will help them to find a genre that they will enjoy, teach them collaboration & accountability, expand their vocabulary & comprehension, and ultimately help them become proficient for their grade level. To help keep the school age children & teenagers interested and involved, some of the equipment will be used to virtually bring authors and other invited VIP's to the Book Club to interact with everyone. We all know that libraries have a variety of literature available, as well as being a safe zone, so it's a perfect place to help the kids! The Barbara S. Ponce Public Library has rooms available to hold meetings, classes, etc., and is one of the Summer Break locations where the kids can receive free meals while reading. To help promote the Interactive Book Club, we will attend some of the PTA meetings in surrounding elementary & middle schools and promote the program. The library has a huge social media following and will help promote the book club. Items we are donated are: **2 - IPEVO White Board Systems, 4 Document Cameras, 2 Laptops, 25 Samsung Tablets, 20 Headphones 2 Projector Screens and a "Joey 30" Cart Charging Station** for the tablets. There will be **Rotary Stickers, donated by Jim & Starlyn Fikkert (Great Bay Signs)** applied to all of the equipment that will read: **"This equipment has been donated to the Barbara S. Ponce Public Library by the Pinellas Park Rotary Club. Join the Interactive Book Club."**



INTERACTIVE is an acronym:

I – young people will have their own **INTERPRETATION** about a book

N – belonging to a Book Club is **NETWORKING** with others

T – introduces kids to reading different **TEXTS**

E - reading different subjects will help to **EDUCATE**

R – a book club helps a child to **READ** well and often

A – kids can learn **ACCOUNTABILITY** when in a Book Club

C – a Book Club creates **CONVERSATION** & helps **COMPREHENSION**

T – reading makes you **THINK**

I – a Book Club helps to find a young person's **INTERESTS**

V – reading will help an adolescent's **VOCABULARY** to expand

E – finally, it's **ENJOYABLE** to Read

Mark Your Calendar!

We will be volunteering again at **Meals on Wheels 4 Kids Saturday, Feb 20th from 10am until noon-ish at 5501 27th Ave So in Gulfport.**

We have ten people signed up already. Thanks for the great response.

2021 BOWL-A-THON

The 2021 Bowl-a-thon will be held at noon on **Saturday April 17th** at **Seminole Lanes.**

Chantel will be setting up a **"pay online"** site with a link to our website where **Don Higgins** will set up a link to the items that we will be raffling off at the **Bowl-a-thon.**

We can direct our friends and relatives and our supporters from Golden Gate Mobile Home Park to view and purchase tickets for the \$20 Raffle Items and the "opportunity" raffle on these links. Look out 21st Century, here we come!



This Week's Program:

Program Chairperson Tami Scheele will introduce District 6950 Past District Governor 2007-08, Rotary leadership Institute Discussion Leader and Lawyer, **Tim Schuler**, who will present a PowerPoint presentation on "Harassment" and how to avoid it.



Next Week's Program:

Program Chairperson Janet Waddell will introduce **Michelle Walag** from *Ready for Life*. **RFL** is a solution-based skill center supporting youth in homelessness prevention, education & employment, and lifeline support networks as they age out of the Foster Care Program. Michelle will talk about *Ready for Life's* mentoring program, what they are doing for the youth in their program in this Covid time and how we can help them help the kids.



BARBARA PONCE PUBLIC LIBRARY - 7770 52nd St N **TOM'S ROTARY GRANT PROJECT - RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY**



There will be a ceremony at the Barbara Ponce Library, next Thursday, **February 11th** at 2pm, after our Rotary club meeting, presenting the equipment that we are providing with this year's Grant Project. Because of COVID restrictions, we are limited on how many people may attend. Tami Scheele will **ZOOM** the ceremony using her I-Pad. The ID # is 822 5730 4144 & Password is "Rotary". Please join us to celebrate the completion of Tom Stewart's Grant Project.



ROTARY ROAD CLEANUP

Thanks to Chairperson **Phil England** for setting up the event. It was a beautiful morning to be out. Thanks also to participants: **Harry Alchin, Joey and Joe Minarik, Christine Patel, Theresa Pinnix** and her niece, **Sophia Seely, Tom Stewart, Bob Kelzer, Janet Waddell** and her grandsons, **Peter (PJ) and Ethan Zylman, Jeff MacKellar** and his friend, **David Schauf, & Tim Hammond**. They picked up bags of trash including facemasks, asphalt roof tiles, plastic water bottles and cigarette butts. They finished in record time.



Meals on Wheels for Kids - Food Packing

Many Thanks to Chairpersons **David and Linda Allen** for coordinating this great event and to participants **Jim Andrew, Theresa Warner, Richard and Bevie Breske, Jim & Starlyn Fikkert, Bob Kelzer, Janet Waddell** and her grandson **Peter (PJ) Zylman** who packed canned goods, vegies, and fruit for kids learning at home. They also finished in record time They packed 49 boxes-55 min.

