

Happy Events January 20, 2022
(sorry if I missed any..... the recorder didn't work!)

Joe Minarik: Happy that his family, Pat, Joey, Holly and Scott, went out to dinner last Saturday to celebrate his one year anniversary of retirement.

Josh Astarita: Hope that Janet has a speedy recovery on her broken wrist!

Janet Waddell: Happy to have her voice back, sorry to have broken both bones in her wrist and need surgery, but happy to have Mike. He is a great valet, chauffeur, and cook!

Cory Krauss: Happy \$ his son, Conrad, is 3 weeks old today

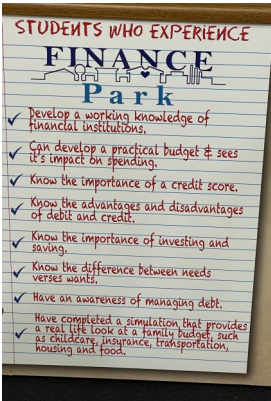
Ken Bray: Happy to see his Michigan friends, Pete and Sally, here today

Don Higgins: Happy to be here and to be having lunch on Saturday at *Harvey's* for his birthday.

Kevin Krauss: Happy \$3—his grandson, Conrad, is 3 weeks old today and really darn cute!

ZOOM:

Debra Ellis-Abney: Happy \$5 to have her sister coming into town to celebrate her birthday on Saturday...



FINANCE PARK
Many thanks to **Theresa Pinnix** and **Tami Scheele** for chaperoning the students from **Pinellas Park Middle School** on Tuesday. A special thanks to **Jeff MacKellar** who stepped up to cover for **Janet**, but when he got there, was told he was not a registered volunteer and could not stay to help.

Lexophiles
What kind of music do Planets like?
Nep tunes!

Words of Wisdom

“When a man opens a car door for his wife, it’s either a new car or a new wife!”

Prince Philip

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
Caitlyn Peacock	Yvonne Fay
Phil England	Bob Kelzer
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 / Brian
Wendy Sideri	Josh Astarita
Jerry Krauss	
	h-Priscilla Kolodziej
h-Dr Paul Nanda	h-Jerry Wennlund
h-Donna Cloud	h-Sandy Donaghy
h-Carolyn Burns	h-Dolores Caunitz

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Joe Minarik won last week’s prize for \$10, donating it back to the club. The grand jackpot starts today at \$322.00 The card to draw is the Ace of Diamonds.



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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: **Tom Stewart, Kevin K, David S.**

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Trivia Questions:

1. **Where was the original Mason-Dixon Line located?**
2. **Who built the world’s first working submarine?**
3. **Excluding the Negro Leagues, what Major League Baseball player hit the fourth most Home Runs?**
4. **Name one of the two vegetables that most closely resemble bones?**
5. **Name three of the four teams that have never been to a Super Bowl.**
6. **What is the longest land border between two countries?**

Upcoming Programs & Events

Feb 1st	Sanders School SOM
Feb 3rd	David Allen P/C
Feb 8th	Board Meeting—Allen Ind.
Feb 10th	Ken Bray P/C
Feb 12th	Valentine Party
Feb 17th	Students of the Month
Feb 24th	Josh Astarita P/C
Mar 3rd	City of PP– Employee of Yr
Mar 8th	Board Meeting—Allen Ind
Mar 10th	Richard Breske P/C
Mar 17th	Nite Mtg - Dinner Theatre
Mar 19th	Country in the Park
Mar 24th	D G Jocelyn Chapman visit
Mar 26th	BOWL-A-THON

Guests of Rotarians:

Sally Hervey.....Wife of Pete Hervey
Mike Waddell ... Husband of Janet Waddell

Rotarian Birthdays:

Debra Ellis-Abney January 22nd
Jim Andrew January 24th

Club Anniversaries:

Jerry Krauss 1/1558 Years
Christine Patel 1/2610 Years

Wedding Anniversaries:

Wren & David Krahl 1/15 17 years

Missed Last Week:

Wendy Sideri	Jim Andrews
Yvonne Fay	Starlyn Fikkert
Jim Fikkert	Richard Breske
Kenny Krauss	Jerry Krauss
Dave Sideri	Tami Scheele
David Allen	Wren Krahl
Alex Cruz	Christine Patel
Barbara MacKellar	

Questions to Ponder!

There are three kinds of people,
Those who can count, and those who can't.

Serve to Change Lives

Last Week's Program: Students of the Month

Gaëlle Guillaume is a senior at *Pinellas Park High School*. She serves as the Secretary of the Science Honors Society and holds a class rank of 51st of 341 seniors, with the GPA of 3.5. She was awarded the Dr. Mac J. Williams of Certificate of Excellence and received Dean's list for the 1st semester this school year. She loves reading books (hard copy) and playing the piano. Born in Haiti, she survived an earthquake at the age of 5. In 2010, Haiti was struck by level 7 earthquake, killing millions of people there and her family was left on the streets with nothing but their sheets and their clothes in bags. That scary event made her realize how blessed and grateful she is to be where she is today. Her dream career is to become an OB/GYN and to also teach at a university. She has applied to *USF* and is still waiting for their decision in February. When accepted, she will study Molecular and Cellular biology, which is the study of cell functions and structures for her bachelor's degree. If she could spend time with anyone it would be her great-grandmother who is thousands of miles away in Haiti and Gaëlle can't spend as much time as she would like with her.



Quoc Lien, is a senior at *Pinellas Park High School* and a member of the AVID program. Currently, he is ranked 2nd with a WGPA of 4.4. He is a member of the National Honor Society and serves as the secretary for Key Club. A few years ago, he was very timid. He could not have imagined speaking at a podium. However, after four years of high school, meeting new friends, and joining many clubs, he has learned to be more self-confident. He has become involved with his community by tutoring, cleaning up beaches and cleaning up trash around the community. He attends a *Taekwondo* dojo where he assists instructing classes. He has been in *Taekwondo* for about 5 years and has achieved black belt status. He also enjoys playing piano and guitar. He has played the piano for 10 years and is currently learning to play the guitar. He plans to attend the *USF* to achieve his goal of becoming a family physician. At *USF*, he plans to study biology and join a pre-med program that will help him prepare for medical school. If he could do one thing to change the world for the better, he would want to end all conflict in the world and make everything peaceful.

Kaitlynn Touchton is a senior at *Dixie Hollins High School* and is in the Cambridge, AVID, and Entertainment Arts Programs. With a WGPA of 4.5, she is ranked 16th out of 327. She is the Online Liaison and Web Manager for her school's NHS, is a member of the Anatomy Club, and is the Design Editor for their yearbook. She also plays Varsity Cross-Country and Varsity Softball. Through her Leadership class, she helps run their food pantry and clothing closet, and she is on the Teen Court on campus. She is proud of her volunteer efforts because they aid the local community. She also volunteers through *Feeding Tampa Bay* at the *Feeding Pinellas Trinity Café*. She has also volunteered at *Nine Lives Kitten Rescue*, which is also gratifying because of its direct influence on the safety and health of the cats. She has been accepted at *Eckerd College* and has received the *Academic Founders Scholarship*, a \$22,000 yearly scholarship. She plans to earn a degree in Marine Biology and enlist in the *United States Coast Guard* to eventually become a Marine Science Technician. If she could do one thing to impact the world for the better, she would implement conservation methods to protect our marine ecosystems and other wildlife.

Nicolas Zdunczyk is a senior at *Hollins High School*. With a 4.5 WGPA, he is ranked 12th in his class. Most of his classes are either AICE or AP classes, and he is a member of the National Honors Society. He frequently volunteers with *Friends of Crescent Lake* and *Keep Pinellas Beautiful*. There they pick up trash, keeping a spreadsheet where they tally the types of trash, like plastic, paper, Styrofoam, etc. He also volunteers at *Lealman Elementary School* where they help organize and label books for children based on reading level. Then the teachers can easily distribute the books for the children to take home. He enjoys playing video games, looking for scholarships, and helping his parents. He plans to attend the University of South Florida to major in mechanical engineering and eventually work as an automotive engineer. Arnold Schwarzenegger has been his hero for a long time. He enjoys his movies and his story of coming to America as a little boy with a dream and becoming a world-famous weightlifter and actor.

This Week's Program:

Program Chairperson **Harry Alchin** will introduce **Amy**, a Representative from the *Seaside Seabird Sanctuary*, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization located at 18328 Gulf Blvd, Indian Shores, Florida 33785. The Sanctuary is a wildlife rehabilitation facility and tourist attraction that is dedicated to the rescue and treatment of sick and injured wild birds. **Amy asked that we bring laundry detergent to donate to them to help with bird cleaning**



Next Week's Program:

Program Chairperson **David Allen** will be presenting a program entitled, *"Recreational Vehicles Fellowship of Rotarians."* (RVF) The RVF is one of many fellowships of Rotary in which members have a common bond. In RVF's case, that bond is a love for camping and rallies in various scenic locations in North America. Members include Rotarians from the US, Canada, Europe and Australia. David is a member of RVF, and encourages all Rotarians who have a love for camping, be it in a popup tent trailer or a Class A motorhome, to consider joining the group.



Upcoming Events—Save the Dates:

Tuesday Feb 1st - Sanders School - Students of the Month (Nov, Dec & Jan) Celebration - Come join us at the school, 5025 76th Ave N, as we celebrate the with the staff and students. Arrive by noon. Pizza Lunch. We will be done by 1pm.



Saturday Feb 12th - Valentine Sunset Cruise - Hubbard's Pier - John's Pass - Cruise, Beer, Wine, Soft Drinks, Bottled Water, and Publix Platters. 4:30 to 7 pm. \$50 per person. Please sign up with Starlyn Fikkert as soon as possible so we will know how much food to purchase.

Superbowl Squares: Fundraiser for Ready For Life (Aged Out Foster Students)

Please see Rotarian **Joe Minarik** to purchase \$10 *Superbowl* Squares for the upcoming *Superbowl* game, scheduled for Sunday February 13th in Inglewood, CA. (\$500 for RFL and \$125 for the final score squares of each quarter of the Superbowl.)



Banquet Masters Dinner Theatre - NO NOON MEETING
March 17th 4 - 6pm \$40 per person for show and dinner - Moon Over Buffalo
Please let Janet know if you will be attending and how many

BOWL-A-THON - MARCH 26th - 10am - 4pm
IT'S TIME TO START SOLICITING \$\$\$\$ AND PRIZES FOR THE RAFFLES



Are you Interested in

- Sponsoring One of our Charity Staff Teams?
- Sponsoring One of the Golden Gate teams?
- Sponsoring your own friends/family team?
- Donating items for the \$20 Raffle tickets?

Donating items for the "Opportunity Bag" raffles?

Please send out letters to co-workers and vendors, talk to your friends and get everyone enthused about the Bowl-a-thon! Then let us know as soon as you know....

Thanks as always for all you do for Rotary and for our Pinellas Park Community