



**Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950**  
**Thursday Aug 27th 2015 - 12:15 P.M.**  
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**This Week's Agenda:**

- ☛ Pledge of Allegiance
- ☛ Rotary Prayer: **Jimmy Hammond & Jim Fikkert**
- ☛ Singing of *God Bless America*
- ☛ Rotarian and Guest Introductions: **David Allen & Susan Walker**
- ☛ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Tom Stewart**
  - \* Happy Events, Missed Last Week, Fines, Special Dates
  - \* Rotary Trivia Questions for the week.
- ☛ This week's Program (See following page)
- ☛ The Four Way Test ..... Adjourn

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**Trivia Questions :**

What mountain is the tallest point of these nations?

1. Greece
2. Nepal
3. U.S.A.
4. France
5. Japan
6. Australia

**Upcoming Programs & Events:**

Aug 29th	<b>Rotary Road Cleanup</b>
Aug 30th	<b>ROTARY RAYS DAY</b>
Sept 3rd	P/C David Sideri
Sept 8th	Board Meeting
Sept 10th	Kenny Krauss P/C
Sept 12th	<b>Special Olympics</b>
Sept 17th	Students of the Month
Sept 24th	Jerry Wennlund P/C
Sept 26th	<b>Special Olympics</b>
Sept 29th	<b>R McDonald House</b>

**Club Anniversaries :**

Barbara Todd.....	8/20.....	17Yrs.
Joe Minarik.....	8/21.....	29Yrs.
Ken Bray.....	8/26.....	11Yrs.
Josh Astarita.....	8/27.....	6Yrs.
Phyllis Tellor.....	8/28.....	7Yrs.

**Missed Last Week:**

Kevin Burkart	
Joe Kolodziej	Richard Breske
John Donaghy	Barbara Todd
Bob Munch	Phyllis Tellor
Wendy Sideri	Jayne Chancellor
Jimmy Hammond	Starlyn Fikkert
Christine Patel	Dorothy Gilbert
Bill Ashcraft	Janet Waddell

**Rotarian Guests:**

Charlie Coffman.....Seminole

**Guests of Rotarians :**

Theresa Dollard.....	Kevin Krauss
Angelina Carter.....	Tami Scheele
Becca Stewart.....	Tom Stewart
Dillon Allen.....	David Allen
Ryan Allen.....	David Allen

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

Priscilla & Joe Kolodziej...8/10.....	57 Yrs.
Dorothy & Zonnie Gilbert 8/24... .	52 Yrs.
Janet & Mike Waddell .....8/29.....	45 Yrs.

**Be a gift to the world !**

**This Week's Program:** Wendy Sideri will present **Corporal Daniel Butterworth** with the Pinellas **Park Community Redevelopment Policing Unit - Homeless Outreach**. He started with Pinellas Park Police Department in June of 2006 and spent three years on Patrol. In January of 2010, he was selected to join the Community Redevelopment Policing Unit. After a year and a half in that unit, he transitioned over to Homeless Outreach where he has been working ever since. He partners with a Social Worker from **Directions for Living**. He will present a program to explain the workings of the **Homeless Outreach Program**.



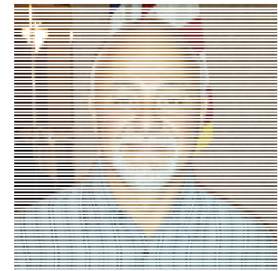
**Last Week's Program:** Program Chairperson **Josh Astarita** presented **Eric Lynn** as our guest speaker. Eric Lynn was Senior Advisor to three Secretaries of Defense while serving under the Obama Administration because of his experience with Middle Eastern Policy. He gave us a little insight on two of those Secretaries of Defense as well as some of what led up to Osama Bin Laden's death, the non-classified info! Secretary of Defense Bob Gates believed in "no partisan politics" when it came to national security.



Eric was honored to work with Gates because he was willing to do what was right for the people even if it meant getting criticized for cutting programs. Bob Gates instituted the MRAP (Mine Resistant Ambush Protected) program. By ordering over 27,000 MRAP trucks, thousands of military lives have been saved. Eric described why Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta's life is a classic story of the American dream. He also said that Leon was never short on curse words, never short on his pride of his Italian heritage & never short on being sure that we were being protected by the American National Security. Erik captivated the members with several amazing 1<sup>st</sup> hand stories that most Americans can only surmise and it was obvious that he deeply cares about the United States!

### **Next Week's Program:**

Program Chairperson **David Sideri** is planning a different speaker presentation. He will be hosting a Trivial Pursuit Contest next week....So pull out your vintage game from the closet, dust off the cover and brush up on your categories. He will ask questions from the game. The table that gets most correct answers will then compete among themselves to win a Tampa Bay Bucs rolling cooler.



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# He who serves me

# Welcome New Member Suzanne Hester!

Suzanne noted that it was appropriate that she is becoming a member of our Rotary Club following Eric Lynn's program as she is the Principal at Skyview Elementary, the "Home of the Eagles", the Patriotic American Symbol. She went on to say that the school was having their "Meet the Teacher" evening with over 700 students coming that evening. They will be having a Flag Salute by the Pinellas Park Police Explorers, followed by a speaker. Their speaker is a veteran, a wounded warrior named Mike, who had also attended Skyview Elementary. Mike will speak to the students, parents, teachers & staff



about the importance of education as it was his education that helped him get through his hard times. Suzanne stood before us representing approximately 700 students and 100 staff at Skyview Elementary. She thanked us for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful program - Rotary. Rotary is working with and serving the community and, as she learned through the Rotary Information Committee, our serving extends to the International Community. She again thanked us for the opportunity to join Rotary & is looking forward to working with us on all of our projects.



# Thank You Theresa Dollard & AIG!

Theresa has secured \$7,000 dollars in pledges over the last 3 years for our Bowl-A-Thons. In turn, her company, AIG, has doubled that amount, thus providing a total of \$21,000 dollars to our Rotary Club of Pinellas Park Foundation. Thank you, Theresa!



"Rotary Day with the Rays"  
Sun Aug 30th  
Rays vs KC Royals



Save Your Box Top Coupons  
& bring them to our Meetings  
for our five Pinellas Park elementary schools.

# Cost, profits best!

## Happy Events:

**Josh Astarita:** Happy that **Eric Lynn** is here today as our speaker.

**Jerry Wennlund:** Enjoyed the *Sounds of Soul* Motown Concert and happy that the *FL Gators* had to recruit new members.

**Jerry Krauss:** Happy that the new dock only took two and a half days to complete.

**Don Higgins:** Had fun with his daughter and two grandkids at the *Tradewinds Resort!*

**David Sideri:** Happy \$5.00 for his company's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at the *Tahitian Hotel* and he advises everyone to stay away from *Treasure Island*.

**David Allen:** Happy that his sons are his guests at today's meeting.

**Susan Walker:** Happy that her two granddaughters are starting the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade!

**Tami Scheele:** Happy for our two guests at today's meeting & happy she went to the *Pinellas Park Chamber* meeting as **Susan Walker's** guest.

**Eric Lynn:** Happy to be here as today's speaker.

**Bob Dobson:** Happy to pay \$3.00 to hopefully keep the rain away.

**Charlie Coffman:** Happy \$1.00 to thank all of our members who went to & supported the *Sounds of Soul* Motown concert.

**Tom Stewart:** Happy that his two daughters are starting their next year in college.

**Kevin Krauss:** Happy \$5.00 for his guest, **Theresa Doldard**, who has been a good friend and raised **\$21,000.00** over the last three years from *AIG* for our *Pinellas Park Rotary Foundation*.

**Theresa Pinnix:** Happy to be here, and hopeful that next week Banquet Masters will have a chocolate desert.

**Yvonne Fay:** Happy she and **Kevin** went to the *Sounds of Soul* Motown concert.

**50/50 Winner:** Our drawing was won last week by Rotarian **Josh Astarita** who graciously donated the \$12 back to the club. To win the \$30 Grand Jackpot, the Card to draw is the **Ace of Spades**.



## Words of Wisdom

**“Be so happy that when others look at you they become happy to.”**

*The Editors*

Club	Buddies
Jana Vrettos	Theresa Pinnix
Jerry Wennlund	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Kevin Burkart
John Donaghy	Barbara Todd
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Phyllis Tellor	Joe Kolodziej
Susan Walker	Colleen Carson
Jim Fikkert	Bob Dobson
Ken Bray	Don Higgins
Dorothy Gilbert	Josh Astarita
Pal Nanda	Phil England
Jim Hammond	Tami Scheele
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
David Allen	Richard Breske
a Jayme Chancellor	a Wendy Sideri
h Donna Cloud	h Ann Carter
h Dolores Caunitz	h Carolyn Burns
a Harry Alchin	a Paul Scheele
a Christine Patel	a Don Vauiso
a Starlyn Fikkert	Suzanne Hester
a Bob Munch	a Bill Ashcraft