



**Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950**  
**Thursday June 15, 2017—12:15 P.M.**  
**Volume #48 Edition 2016–2017**



**This Week's Agenda:**

- ✿ Pledge of Allegiance
- ✿ Singing of *God Bless America or Let There Be Peace on Earth*
- ✿ Rotary Prayer: **Jim Fikkert & Jimmy Hammond**
- ✿ Rotarian & Guest Introductions: **David A, Susan W & Doug O.**
- ✿ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Tom Stewart & Kevin Krauss**
  - \* 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 Pursuit!**

1. What two countries are joined by the Harwich-Ostende ferry?
2. Which pianist always wanted you to meet his brother George?
3. Which black person was nominated for VP at the 1968 *Democratic National Convention*?
4. What constellation is known as "*The Water Bearer*?"

**Upcoming Programs & Events:**

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| June 22nd | Josh Astarita P/C           |
| June 29th | Yvonne Fay P/C              |
| July 1st  | <b>Installation Banquet</b> |
| July 6th  | Jerry Krauss P/C            |
| July 11th | Board Meeting               |
| July 13th | Harry Alchin P/C            |
| July 15th | <b>R McDonald House</b>     |
| July 20th | David Allen P/C             |
| July 27th | Ken Bray P/C                |

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

Jerry & Cheryl Wennlund.....6/10.....12 Yrs

**Visiting Rotarians:**

Doug Hilkert.....Clearwater

**Club Anniversaries:**

Don Higgins.....6/11..... 33 Yrs  
 Kevin Burkart.....6/6.....8 Yrs  
 Joe Kolodziej.....6/14.....9 Yrs

**Missed Last Week:**

<b>Wendy Sideri</b>	<b>Hope Peterson</b>
<b>Kevin Burkart</b>	<b>David Allen</b>
<b>David Sideri</b>	<b>Phil England</b>
<b>Joe Kolodziej</b>	<b>Starlyn Fikkert</b>
<b>Teresa Pinnix</b>	<b>Christine Patel</b>
Richard Breske	Jerry Wennlund
Don Higgins	Doug Oppenheimer
Don Vauiso	Pal Nanda

**Rotary Serving Humanity**

**Last Week's Program:** Program Chairperson Janet Waddell introduced Kristina Fortner, the Executive Director of *Girls Inc.* Kristina provided information about the after-school and summer programs that they provide. Her organization has been around since the Civil War era, originally affiliated with the Boys Club of America and was called Girls Club of America. Some of the major issues and unique challenges that young girls face are: 16% do not finish high school, nationally 30% of girls become pregnant before the age of 20, locally even higher at 33%, 78% of girls under the age of 17 are not happy with their body shape, and some are victims of sexual abuse. The *Girls, Inc.* program teaches life skills, provides academic assistance, and lets the girls participate in many activities. They have a 4,000 square foot playground, a library, computer lab, art area and kitchen facilities. Their girls have a 97% high school graduation rate. There are currently 190 girls enrolled in the Pinellas County program, plus 6 interns. Although considered as a small non-profit, Girls Inc. has a budget of \$40,000 per month.

By Rotarian Jim Plunkett



**SAVE THE DATE:**

Please plan to attend the

**2017-2018 Installation Banquet**

to usher in another great Rotary Year with

**2017-18 President JOSH ASTARITA**

**Bayou Club 7979 Bayou Club Blvd, Largo FL 33777**

**Saturday July 1, 2017 Cocktails - 5:30pm Dinner - 6:30pm**

**Prime Rib, Chicken Piccata, Grouper Thermidor**

**Garlic Potatoes, Rice Pilaf, Grilled Vegetables, Caesar Salad**

**Rolls & Butter, Tea & Water, Ice Cream Sundae Bar**

**\$55 per person**

**Please RSVP to Josh before 6-16-2017**



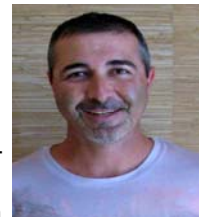
**This Week's Program:**

Program Chairperson Chantel Wonder will present Ruel Smith, Attorney at Law. A graduate of *Stetson University College of Law*, he joined the Law Firm of *Hinshaw and Culbertson LLP* in May 2010. He is versed in representing property owners, developers, general and trade contractors, and material suppliers in construction defect litigation. He will speak to our club about the *Telephone Consumer Protection Act*.



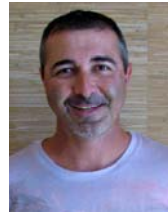
**Next Week's Program:**

Program Chairperson Josh Astarita will present Joe Alsobrook, Agency Development Manager for *Colonial Life*. He helps Small Business Owners grow their business by providing value and service through strong work ethic and dedicated service. *Colonial Life* provides financial protection for America's Workers, applies tools and resources to help their businesses grow, as well as assist in servicing them throughout the year at no cost to their business.



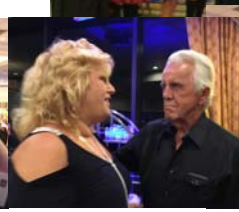
## Ronald McDonald House Breakfast Saturday, July 15, 2017 7:30am

**Josh Astarita** has secured another date for **Ronald McDonald House**. If you are available to bring food and participate in this community service project, please sign up with **Josh**. He will have a sign-up sheet to pass around at today's meeting.



### **Rotary District 6950 Annual Conference**

Congratulations to our Pinellas Park Club President **YVONNE FAY** who was named the **2017 President of the Year** for a Middle Sized Club at last week's District Conference. Rotarians & family in attendance to see her receive the award: **Harry Alchin, Buddy Brown, Jerry & Joan Krauss, Kenny & Carole Krauss, Kevin Krauss, Jim & Linda Plunkett, Tami & Paul Scheele, David Sideri, Janet & Mike Waddell, Susan Walker, Asst DG Jonathon Brewer, Yvonne & Kevin and Yvonne's Sister & B-in-Law, Lori and Mike Kinstle.**



### **Ready for Life—Mommy & Me Picnic**

Rotarians Janet Waddell, Yvonne Fay, Susan Walker, David Sideri, Jim & Starlyn Fikkert, Theresa Pinnix, along with spouses Mike Waddell, Kevin Fay and Larry Pinnix enjoyed providing the picnic with food and games at **Freedom Lake Park** last Saturday. Many thanks to **Shadai Simmons** from **Ready for Life** who coordinated the picnic from her end, signing up the Moms and their children. We had a great time!





**Happy Events: ....By: Rotarian Jana Vrettos**

**Josh Astarita** – Thoughts and prayers for **Theresa Pinnix** and **Phil England**; July 1<sup>st</sup> is the Installation Banquet – Thank you to everyone that has helped get everything organized!

**Janet Waddell** – Happy to have **Kristina Fortner** of **Girls, Inc.** here. Looking forward to attending the District 6950 Conference dinners tonight & tomorrow night with **Yvonne & Kevin Fay** and hubby **Mike**.

**Yvonne Fay** – Sad event, her Aunt Joan passed away this week.

**Susan Walker** – This is Code Enforcement Appreciation Week, so if you see anyone from code enforcement, give them a hug! She is also looking forward to District Dinner tomorrow night

**Paul Scheele** – He had a great birthday and anniversary weekend at **Sheppard's** with wife, **Tami**.

**Ken Bray** – Had a great trip to Norway, England and Italy

**Don Higgins** – Heading to Atlanta for the RI Convention tomorrow. Happy his oldest granddaughter accepted him as a friend on Facebook!

**Joe Minarik** – Son, **Joey**, and Grandson, **Alex**, are leaving tomorrow for 5 days in Chicago.

**Tami Scheele** – Enjoyed the weekend at **Sheppard's** with hubby, **Paul**, for his birthday and their anniversary.

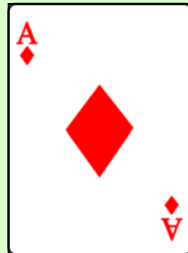
**Bob Dobson** – Happy to be coming back to Rotary after his leave of absence.

**Jim Plunkett** – Happy to have attended his grandson's preschool graduation and his doctor appointment!

**Jerry Krauss** – He and **Joan** are having **Dolores Caunitz** over for dinner tonight to celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**50/50 Winner: Kevin Krauss**

won the 50/50 for \$16 & donated it back to the club. No **Ace of Diamonds** today! Next week, the **Grand Jackpot** is \$525.



**Words of Wisdom:**

“What one person receives without working for, another person must work for without receiving”

*Mark Twain*

**CLUB BUDDIES**

David Allen	Richard Breske
Chantel Wonder	Jim Fikkert
Jana Vrettos	Theresa Pinnix
Jerry Wennlund	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Kevin Burkart
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Harry Alchin	Doug Oppenheimer
Susan Walker	Hope Peterson
Christine Patel	Jim Plunkett
Ken Bray	Don Higgins
Buddy Brown	Josh Astarita
Joe Kolodziej	Phil England
Jimmy Hammond	Tami Scheele
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
Paul Scheele	Dr Pal Nanda
Don Vauiso	Bob Dobson
Starlyn Fikkert	Wendy Sideri
John Donaghy	Barbara Todd
h Ann Carter	h Donna Cloud
h Dolores Caunitz	h Carolyn Burns