



Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950
Thursday Oct 26th 2017—12:15 P.M.
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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 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 Questions:

1. Where are the OK Corral and Boot Hill?
2. What is Captain Kangaroo's real name?
3. What non-President said: "I'm in control now, at the White House."
4. What book was F. Scott Fitzgerald working on when he died in Hollywood in 1940?
5. What do you call an infant whale?
6. What symbol goes first in the game of Tic Tac Toe?

Upcoming Programs & Events:

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| Oct 28th | Polio Golf Tournament |
| Oct 31st | Halloween Treat Trail |
| Nov 2nd | Joe Kolodziej P/C |
| Nov 4th | Road Clean Up |
| Nov 9th | Starlyn Fikkert P/C |
| Nov 9th | Dist. Gov. Elect visit |
| Nov 11th | Veterans Day Celebration |
| Nov 16th | Students of the Month |
| Nov 16th | SPC Student Showcase |
| Nov 23rd | Thanksgiving |
| Dec 8th | Christmas Party SPYC |

Missed Last Week:

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| Wendy Sideri | Doug Oppenheimer |
| Susan Walker | Hope Peterson |
| Starlyn Fikkert | Don Higgins |
| Paul Scheele | Ken Bray |
| David Allen | Jerry Wennlund |
| David Sideri | Christine Patel |
| Jimmy Hammond | Dr. Pal Nanda |
| Bob Dobson | Don Vauiso |

Guest of Rotarians:

Josh Astarita.....Steve White, PPHS
Josh Astarita.....Anna Kalinowska, DHHS

Wedding Anniversaries:

Ken & Georgia Bray...10/23.....17 Yrs
Richard & Beverly Breske..10/28.....50 Yrs

Visiting Rotarians:

Charlie Coffman.....Seminole

Making A Difference !

This Week's Program: Dixie Hollins H.S. students of the Month were introduced by Anna Kalinowska. Pinellas Park H.S. students were introduced by Steve White. Each student made their own presentation. Enclosed are excerpts of their speeches.

“My name is **Shakira Huewitt**, and I am a Senior at Dixie Hollins High School. I am a member of the National Honor Society, the Debate Team, varsity basketball cheer team, and the varsity football cheer team, where I was also the co-captain. I am also a member of the varsity flag football team, teen court, the homecoming Committee, and the prom committee. I also serve as a mentor, and volunteer to help struggling ninth and tenth grade students. In the future I plan on becoming an attorney. I feel that being a member of a competitive debate team has prepared me to think critically and prepare me for the future. I attribute my success to hard work and discipline, which was instilled into me by my parents. I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park for this opportunity.”

“My name is **Josh Dunn**, and I am a Senior at Dixie Hollins High School. I am currently working two jobs and training for my MMA. As such, I haven't had much time to volunteer. I was not a good student in my first two years of high school and have had to work extremely hard to catch up, while taking full responsibility for my past actions. I was a member of the Dance Team, and hope to someday acquire a business degree, electrical engineering degree and possibly a journeyman certification. I also hope to become a professional fighter and open up my own gym to train other fighters. I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park for this opportunity.”

“My name is **Morgan Buchanan**, and I am a Senior at Dixie Hollins High School. I am ranked first in my class with a 4.63 GPA. I am the Senior Class President, and the Vice President of the National Honor Society and the Academic Team. I volunteer as a youth soccer coach, at the Pinellas County Science Center Summer Camp, and at the Largo Medical Center. I participated in an internship in the operating room at Largo Medical Center last summer. I also work for a physician in St. Petersburg who specializes in Internal Medicine. In the summer of 2016, I traveled to Europe with other students with the Cambridge program. In the future I plan to graduate high school with both the Cambridge diploma and the AP Capstone diploma. I hope to continue my education by majoring in biology at Johns Hopkins University, with the long term goal of becoming an anesthesiologist. I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park for this opportunity.”

“My name is **Omar Milian**, and I am a Senior at Dixie Hollins High School. I did not expect to speak today, so I wasn't prepared. However, I would still like to thank the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park for this opportunity.”

Pictured from left to right, P.P. Rotary President Josh Astarita, Dixie students ; Omar Milian, Josh Dunn, Shakira Huewitt, Morgan Buchanan. Pinellas Park students; Mariah Laber and Chiara Simeoni.



This Week's Program:

Program Chairman **Don Higgins** is very pleased to announce that **Beth Maday**, the **Executive Director of the Bardmor YMCA**, will be his guest speaker. **Beth** was born and raised in New England and went to the University of Vermont and Emerson College in Boston, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Business and Organizational Communication. Her topic will be 'Wellness programs for all ages.'



Next Week's Program:

Program Chairman **Joe Kolodziej** will present **Captain Kevin Riley** with the **Kenneth City Police Department**.



Pinellas Park Rotary's Halloween "Trick or Treat Trail"

Volunteer Rotarians are needed to make it an enjoyable evening for the Pinellas Park Youth. We ask that you come dressed in Halloween costume to experience the joy of seeing children's faces as they receive treats. The event is to be held Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 4:30 pm to set up. The party gets started at the England Brothers Park at 6:00 PM. Let Theresa Pinnix know if you can make it.



"My name is **Chiara Simeoni**, and I am a Senior at Pinellas Park High School. I am in the First Responder Program. I have a 3.7 GPA. I am in the National Honor Society. I volunteer 3 days a week in the Child Life Department of John Hopkins All Childrens Hospital, where I help patients and their families by facilitating arts and crafts, and playing board or video games with the children. I also volunteer at Toymakers of East Lake, an organization that produces and donates brightly painted handmade wooden toys to sick and needy children. I am also involved in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) where I train in communications, logistics, search and rescue, and medical. I am from Italy and enjoy visiting the rest of my family during breaks. In the future I plan on enrolling in nursing program at either USF or UF. If I could change one thing to make the world a better place I would require all high school students to attend a magnet program. Thank you again."

"My name is **Mariah Laber**, and I am a Senior at Pinellas Park High School. I am in the Criminal Justice Academy. I have a 3.6 GPA. I am an officer in four clubs and two honor societies. Last year, I received the Criminal Justice Academy Junior-of-the-Year certificate. I am an officer for the Children's Teen Advisory Council of John Hopkins All Childrens Hospital. I am a member of the Pinellas Park Police Department Explorers Post # 912. I have accumulated over 800 volunteer hours. I have participated in 23 ride-a-longs with police officers and have assisted police dispatchers. I am the president of my school's Battle of the Books team for the past 2 years. In the future I plan on enrolling UF, and hopefully write mystery novels and become a Criminological Psychologist. If I could change one thing to make the world a better place I would become a law enforcement officer, because I really enjoy protecting and helping other people. I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Pinellas Park for this opportunity."

Happy Events: by..... *Jana Vrettos*

Joe Minarik – Thank you to everyone that came Saturday to help with Special Olympics – Great Job!

Josh Astarita – Spent Saturday at Seminole Lanes serving lunch for the Special Olympics event. We had a count of how many wanted mustard and how many wanted ketchup – ketchup won; also, it is great to see **Theresa Pinnix** and the Students of the Month.

Yvonne Fay – Welcome the Students of the Month and their parents.

Theresa Pinnix – I have a new grand dog and it’s adorable!

Phil England – Tuesday I was driving and called in to a radio trivia contest and won tickets to the Sunshine movie fest in January!

Joe Kolodziej – Thank you to all of my drivers to and from the meetings.

Jerry Krauss – Monday my granddaughter **Kelsey** turned 27 . The family enjoyed a wonderful shrimp and scallop dinner .

Kevin Krauss – I think I am in trouble because **Kelsey** is my daughter, Happy Birthday to her!

Richard Breske – Funny joke about Alan and Fred, with wifi autocorrecting to wife and one upset husband!

Buddy Brown – Great job everyone with the Special Olympics!

Janet Waddell – working on a reunion for my High School class, so we are having a girls night out to “talk” about the reunion. In addition, **Marie Hacker** was at Seminole Lanes and said she likes to bowl. She then joined the Dixie Hollins bowling team!

Jim Fikkert – **Starlyn Fikkert** had fun with **Marie** at the alligator attraction taking it off her bucket list!

Kenny Krauss – Thank you **Steve White** for being a great friend.

Jim Plunkett – My son returned safely from Afghanistan!

Maria Hacker – I am now on the bowling team for Dixie Hollins High School, and I had fun at the alligator attraction

Tom Stewart – At the Special Olympics event, a kid turned in a ticket for his food. Then an announcement was made that food was being served, so he asked for another ticket for more food!

50/50 Winner: Visiting Rotarian **Charlie Coffmann** won the 50/50 for \$10 & donated it back to the club. No Ace of Clubs today! Next week, the Grand Jackpot starts at \$60.



Words of Wisdom:

“If you want to make a permanent change, stop focusing on the size of your problems and start focusing on the size of you!”

F. Harvey Eker

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