



Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950
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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 Allen, & Doug O.**
- ☛ Sergeant at Arms Announcements: **Tom Stewart & Kevin Krauss**

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Trivia Questions:

1. Where is the driest spot on earth?
2. What city claims to be the sunniest?
3. Where is the most expensive city to live in?
4. Where is the least expensive city to live in?
5. What country consumes the most food?
6. Where is the world's oldest city?
7. Which is the youngest country in the world?
8. Which is the world's most visited city?
9. What is the world's least popular country?
10. Which country is the world's most dangerous to live in?



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Upcoming Programs & Events:

Feb 3rd	Poker Run (save the date)
Feb 8th	Tammy Scheele P/C
Feb 10th	Valentine's Cruise
Feb 13th	Board Meeting
Feb 15th	Students of the Month
Feb 22nd	Christine Patel P/C
Mar 1st	Hope Peterson P/C
Mar 8th	Ken Bray P/C
Mar 13th	Board Meeting
Mar 15th	Students of the Month
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Rotarian Birthdays:

Kevin Burkart.....1/17.....54 Yrs
 Pete Hervey.....2/02.....85 Yrs

Club Anniversaries:

Pete Hervey..... 1/1.....46 Yrs
 Christine Patel.....1/26.....6 Yrs
 Kenny Krauss.....2/01.....44 Yrs
 Dr. Pal Nanda.....2/02.....6 Yrs
 David Sidieri.....2/04.....8 Yrs

Wedding Anniversaries:

Kevin & Liz Burkart.....2/01.....21 Yrs
 Chris & Jayanti Patel....2/02.....28 Yrs

Missed Last Week:

Wendy Sideri	Hope Peterson
Kevin Burkart	David Allen
Jim Fikkert	Theresa Pinnix
Christine Patel	Tammy Scheele
Don Vauiso	Bob Dodson
Ken Bray	

Guest of Rotarians:

Warren Zweifel.....Richard Breske

Making A Difference !

This Week's Program:

Program Chairman Jim Plunkett will provide a historical program regarding the history of the Presidency over the past 60 years.



Last Week's Program :

By.....*Jim Plunkett*

Program Chair **Doug Oppenheimer** introduced his son, **Christopher Oppenheimer**. Christopher is employed by the Safety Harbor **Intrega Business Systems** company **Identifi**, as a software expert. Identifi sponsors and conducts a free computer program called **Coderdojo**, a program that began in 2011 in Ireland and now spans 63 countries around the world. The purpose of the program is to educate students (ages 7 through 17) in coding procedures, developing software games, creating applications and building websites. The program uses the same principles as Karate, with 9 belts (White, Yellow, Orange, Green, Blue, Purple, Brown, Red and Black) awarded for varying levels of proficiency in 5 categories (Scratch, HTML, Javascript, Node, and Mobile). The Safety Harbor program began in 2016, and currently is running at capacity with 60 students. The average student is 10 years old, with the youngest being 7. The after-school classes are held at the Safety Harbor Library and continue through the school year. Approximately 250 have participated so far, gaining experience into the high paying computer and tech industries.

Next Week's Program:

Program Chairman Tammy Scheele will present Jennifer Bell. Jennifer is the Director of Business Development for Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) Tampa Bay Chapter at MDA. They are fighting to free individuals - and the families who love them - from the harmful effects of muscular dystrophies, ALS and related life-threatening diseases so they can live longer and grow stronger. She will be presenting about local services and programs offered to families, research updates and treatments, and how the community can get involved to make a difference and how funds raised stay local to support individuals served in the Tampa Bay area. There will be a focus on Myasthenia Gravis (MG) which is one of the 43 muscle diseases covered by MDA, with information on medical management and research.



ROAD CLEANUP : THIS PAST SATURDAY MORNING WE HAD A FINE GROUP OF ROTARIANS SHOW UP IN PINELLAS PARK AT THE CITY BUILDING DEPARTMENT. THEY CLEANED UP FROM THAT LOCATION TO 49TH STREET. **THE ROTARY SANITATION WORKERS WERE:** Chairman Phil England, David Allen, Christine Patel, Starlyn & Jim Fikkert, Janet & Mike Waddell, Jim Plunkett and Richard Breske.

Thank you all for volunteering.

**Rotary mottos: “Service Above Self”
He who serves most , profits best.”**



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE : We had an unusual large turnout for this month’s breakfast. It was one of the few times that we had more residents than Rotarians. **A GREAT TIME WAS HAD BY ALL.** Rotarians & family members cooking & serving were **Photographer Yvonne & Kevin Fay, Buddy Brown, Paul Scheele, Janet & Mike Waddell, Kenny & Kevin Krauss and David Allen.**



Happy Events:*By Jana Vrettos*

Josh Astarita – Great action shot last week with **Tom Stewart!**

Don Higgins – My birthday is this week!

Janet Waddell – We have a ton of volunteers for the next four events coming up. Also we are a 2018 nominee at the Sanders School.

Phil England – Amy and I went roller skating where we had our first date; it was something that we hadn't done in a long time.

David Sideri – I am finally feeling better and I am giving \$10 for the obvious Super Bowl win next week

Dr. Pal Nanda – Happy dollar for **Yvonne Fay**

Starlyn Fikkert – **Jim Fikkert** and I spent a Saturday night together, just the two of us after weeks of having family around

Yvonne Fay – Happy that my children are doing well in life

Joe Kolodziej – My twin brother is coming to see me on Wednesday and he will be at the meeting next week

Kevin Krauss – Cory got engaged!

Jerry Krauss – My heat was not working so I called **Yvonne Fay**. By the end of the day it was fixed. Now I have heat but I am not allowed to use it!

Kenny Krauss – The Lightning came out of their funk and won a couple of games

Jim Plunkett – I am bowling better thanks to some help from **Jerry Krauss**

Richard Breske – My wife's Christmas decorations have been taken down and stored!

Christopher Oppenheimer – Happy to be here today to share CoderDojo with you all!

Words of Wisdom:

“If you don't read the newspaper you are uninformed, if you do read the newspaper you are misinformed.”

Mark Twain

Club Buddies

David Allen	Richard Breske
Chantel Wonder	Jim Fikkert
Jana Vrettos	Theresa Pinnix
David Sideri	Kevin Burkart
Janet Waddell	Joe Minarik
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Harry Alchin	Doug Oppenheimer
Kenny Krauss	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

50/50 Winner: Rotarian Chantel Wonder won the prize for \$14 & donated it back to the club. No Ace of Clubs today! Next week, the Grand Jackpot starts at \$182\$168.

