



Pinellas Park Rotary - District # 6950

Thursday Nov 21st, 2013 - 12:15 P.M.

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This Week's Agenda:

- ✿ Pledge of Allegiance
- ✿ Singing of *God Bless America*
- ✿ Rotary Prayer: Jimmy Hammond
- ✿ Rotarian and Guest Introductions: Tami Scheele
- ✿ 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: Thanksgiving Trivia

1. What are baby turkeys called?
2. What is the name of the skin that hangs from the turkey's beak?
3. How fast can a Turkey Trot ?
4. Which American Indian tribe celebrated the Thanksgiving Feast with the Pilgrims?
5. What American President did not like the idea of having a National Thanksgiving Day ?
6. Approximately how many Green Bean Casseroles are served on Thanksgiving?
7. Approximately how many calories in a Thanksgiving Dinner?

Upcoming Programs & Events:

Nov 21st	Students of the Month
Nov 21st	Great American Teach In
Nov 28th	Thanksgiving (No Meeting)
Dec 5th	Tami Scheele P/C
Dec 7th	Christmas Party
Dec 10th	Board Meeting
Dec 12th	Dan Evans P/C
Dec 14th	R. McDonald Breakfast
Dec 17th	Interact Holiday Concert
Dec 19th	Christmas Baskets
Dec 26th	Wendi Sideri P/C

Rotarian Birthdays:

Bob Munch	11/10	69yrs
Don Vauiso.....	11/14.....	81yrs

Missed Last Week:

Wendi Sideri	
Donna Eppes	Josh Astarita
Ken Bray	Phil Burns
John Donaghy	Dr. Pal Nanda

Guests Of Rotarians:

Keith Ellis.....	Theresa Pinnix
Ed Hotz.....	Kevin Krauss
Bill AshcraftKenny Krauss

Visiting Rotarians:

Bruce Sobut.....Ass't D.G.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!

No Meeting Next Week - Happy Holidays! Mark Your Holiday Calenders!

Christmas Party: To be held at the **Bayou Club** 7979 Bayou Club Blvd, Largo, Saturday Dec 7th Cash Bar starts at 6pm...Dinner served at 7pm. The Cost is \$50 per person. Make reservations with **Phyllis Tellor** November 29th.



Pinellas Park Christmas Parade on Dec 14th 6pm: Joe Kolodziej is supplying a flat bed truck and driver. Please see our committee Chairman, **Phil England**, if you would like to help.



Interact Holiday Concert: Presented by both Dixie Hollins & Pinellas Park High School Interact Clubs. Tues Dec17th.. 7 to 9 PM. ...at the Dixie

Ronald McDonald Breakfast: Dec.14th ...Prep Time... 7AM
at 401 7th Ave S, St Petersburg See Josh Astarita to sign up.



Christmas Baskets: We have purchased turkeys, food & gifts for 40 families and will deliver the baskets to 40 families Saturday, December 21st. See **Christine Patel** to sign up.



Christmas Bell Ringing: We will be ringing Christmas Bells for the Salvation Army at the Publix on Park Blvd and Belcher Rd on Saturday, December 21st. ...See **George Carter** to sign up.



50/50 Winner: **Bill Ashcraft** won the drawing for \$9 and donated it back to the club! Jackpot is now \$54 and the card to draw is the **Ace of Spades**

Live the Theme: ENGAGE

ave a Happy Thanksgiving!

Last Week's Program: Program Chairperson, **Christine Patel** introduced **Capt. David Olson**, U.S. Navy (Ret), Founder and Program Executive Director of the non-profit Combat Wounded Veteran Challenge program. This program was founded in 2010 to improve the lives of our wounded and injured Veterans through rehabilitative, high-adventure challenges, and therapeutic outdoor recreational activities. David said that the program has three core values that they stand by, to **inspire**, to **challenge**, and to



research. St Petersburg College has teamed up with them to direct the research to improve the technology. The college already has a patent pending on a socket (SOCAT). They have had over 10 challenges to further scientific research and treatment associated with prosthetics, Traumatic Brain Injury & Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. David talked about a few of these challenges, one was when they trekked up Mount Kilimanjaro for research on the effects high altitude may have on the prosthetics worn by the veterans. He shared with us how it was inspirational and challenging at the same time for each of them. The Program also gets involved with community services and in the future, they are looking to sponsor two students from overseas to learn O & P so that they can run an O & P clinic in their homeland. David mentioned that there is a country using soda bottles for prosthetics... David's passion for the Combat Wounded Veteran Challenge Program and compassion for the veterans was very evident. Twice he said that the suicide rate for wounded veterans was just unacceptable. He spoke from his heart sharing the different stories, never reading off any notes or other materials, as most do.



Dixie M Hollins



This Week's Program:
Presented by Program Chairmen
Dan Evans & Bob Munch



Students of the Month

Sanders School

Pinellas Park

ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES

Happy Events: **Don Higgins'** H/E was to welcome the assistant district governor, **Bruce Sobut**, to the meeting. **Joe Minarik's** H/E was that he took his son and grandson to see UF play basketball. Fortunately, their basketball team is doing better than their football team! **Yvonne Fay** and **Dave Zanitsch** thanked **Joe Kolodziej** for setting up the wild animal event. They had a great time visiting the tigers and such. **Phil England's** H/E was that he had a great time at the Monday night Bucs football game. He was that happy that they won—it must have been the lucky U.S. Navy shirt he wore. **Barbara Todd** was happy to see FSU winning in football. When she attended school there, she used to cheer for the band because the football team was so bad! **Richard Breske** paid a happy \$20 because his 43 year old son Ritchie is getting married next Saturday in Georgia. Congratulations to the entire Breske family! **Theresa Pinnix** paid a happy \$3 to welcome the guests, Keith and Bruce, to the meeting. She also enjoyed her time seeing the animals on Saturday. **David Sideri's** H/E was to honor all stay-at-home moms. He watched his grandchildren for a few days and was exhausted. **Jerry Wennlund's** H/E was that his daughter posted a picture of her grandmother (Jerry's mom) on her Facebook page. **Kevin Burkart** paid a happy \$2 because he will be going to Asheville, North Carolina this weekend for some rest and relaxation. **Bob Munch's** H/E was that he had a good time in New Orleans for five days last week. **Kevin Krauss** paid a happy \$5 because he enjoyed himself in Germany, and he welcomed his guest, **Ed Hotz**, to the meeting. **Pete Molinaro** paid a happy \$20 because he had a good time in Key West last weekend with his wife **Joan**. They were able to watch the boat races—he saw Kenny Chesney racing his boat! **Joe Kolodziej** paid a happy \$10 because his phone went off during Happy Events. **Judd Chapman's** H/E was the FSU football team is doing well.

Punography

“Jokes about German sausage are the wurst..”

Quotable Quotes

“A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”

Winston Churchill

Club	Buddies
Christine K. Patel, a	Don Vauiso, a
Jerry Wennlund	Kenny Krauss
David Sideri	Pete Molinaro
Wendy Sideri, a	Donna Eppes, a
John Donaghy	Richard Breske
Judson Chapman	David Zanitsch
Tom Stewart	Kevin Krauss
Phyllis Tellor	Joe Minarik
Don Higgins	Phil Burns
Ken Bray	Joe Kolodziej
Dan Evans	Theresa Pinnix
Dorothy Gilbert	Josh Astarita
Pal Nanda	Phil England
Jim Hammond	Tami Scheele
Barbara Todd	Bruce Cloud
Jerry Krauss	Yvonne Fay
George Carter	Kevin Burkart
Bob Munch, a	Bill Ashcraft