



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.**

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Trivia Questions:

1. What city would you be in if you were feeding the pigeons in the *Piazza San Marco*?
2. What group asked the musical question *Do You Believe in Magic??*
3. What British prime minister and U.S. president were seventh cousins once removed?
4. What book originally weighed three pounds, ran 1,037 pages and sold for \$3?
5. Who is called *The Father of the H-bomb*?
6. What country won the first gold medal in the modern-day Olympics?



Upcoming Programs & Events:

Mar 16th	Country in the Park
Mar 21st	Students of the Month
Mar 28th	Board Meeting
Mar 28th	Club Assembly
Mar 30th	Bowl-A-Thon
Apr 4th	Jana Vrettos P/C
Apr 5-7th	Autism Camp
Apr 11th	Barbara MacKellar P/C
Apr 23rd	Board Meeting

Rotarian Birthdays:

Kevin Burkart.....01/17.....55 Yrs
 Pete Hervey.....02/02.....86 Yrs
 Jana Vrettos.....03/06.....42 Yrs
 Buddy Brown.....03/07.....61 Yrs

Wedding Anniversaries:

Kevin & Liz Burkart.....02/01.....22 Yrs
 Jim & Starlyn Fikkert.....03/13.....9 Yrs

Guests of Rotarians:

Cory Krauss.....Son of Kevin Krauss

Missed Last Week:

Ken Bray	Ken Bray
Kevin Burkart	Buddy Brown
Wendy Sideri	Christine Patel
Kenny Krauss	Chantel Wonder
Richard Breske	David Allen
Jim Plunkett	Joe Kolodziej
Dr. P. Nanda	Jana Vrettos
Starlyn Fikkert	Jim Fikkert

Club Anniversaries:

Kenny Krauss.....02/01.....45 Yrs
 Wendy Sideri..... 02/09.....7 Yrs
 Rev. Jimmy Hammond...03/10.....45 Yrs
 David Allen.....03/12.....4 Yrs

Bowl-A-Thon in 2 weeks !!!

R. L. Sanders School's STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR JAN. & FEB. 2019

January

Brandon Page is a 2nd grade student who completes all of his classwork and is usually the first one to finish. Brandon currently has A's in his core academic classes and has advanced his levels in math and reading. Brandon is a leader amongst his peers and always tries to help them when they are feeling upset or frustrated. Brandon has been earning over 100% of his daily behavior points during the past few weeks.

Jamari Ford is an 8th grade student who has recently been promoted to Level 2 as a reflection of his positive behavior. Jamari is an honor roll student, and a leader among his peers. He constantly has a smile on his face and is known among the teachers as a respectful young man with tons of potential. We are so excited to nominate Jamari and hope he continues to make positive choices every day. (not pictured)

Makayla Hanger is an 8th grade student who was also promoted to Level 2 for positive behaviors. Makayla recently came to R L Sanders School from Ft. Myers and she is determined to succeed. Makayla is well read and tries very hard in all her classes. The middle school team appreciates her hard work and determination. They know that wherever she goes, if she takes her good attitude and her work ethic with her, she will continue to do well. (not pictured)

February

Detrezz Williams is a 6th grade student who has been working very hard on every lesson that has been given to him this month. Even when he gets stuck, he is staying positive. He also motivated himself in reading and went from reading one word correct on a one-minute running record to 31 words correct in just three weeks! He has also gone from getting 50-60 points on his daily data point sheets in January to 90-100+ in just one month. He has learned when to step away from unwanted situations and when to ask for help. He has become a role model for the younger students, both with his verbal manners and positive talk, and by holding doors for peers and staff.

Gage Wilson is a 3rd grade student who enrolled at Sanders in November. Since his arrival, Gage has made great improvements both academically and behaviorally. Gage has learned strategies to remain calm. He is learning to take a break in the cool off room, rather than reacting to other student's negative behaviors. Gage completes his assignments and enjoys sharing answers out loud with his peers. He is also learning the patience to raise a silent hand when wanting to answer instead of yelling out. The elementary team is looking forward to Gage's continued progress.

Tristan Robinson is a 7th grade student who has been at R.L. Sanders for two years. Tristan is one of their "gifted students" and was able to advance one grade level at the beginning of last school year. He has a good sense of humor and is kind and considerate toward peers and staff. He has struggled in the past with not always making good choices. However; he has made a total turn around over the past few months! He is engaging in learning, finishing early and then offering to work with peers who may need some assistance. He is ignoring negative peer behaviors, making friendships with peers, and staying positive!



Bowl-A-Thon on

This Week's Program:

Program Chairman **Tom Stewart** will present a program about the Pinellas Park Rotary Club's own service projects at the Autism Camp and Skyview Elementary School.



Next Week's Program:

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH:

Dixie Hollins High School Pinellas Park High School



Last Week's Program:

Program Chairman **David Sideri** presented a "Ted Talk" video titled, "**Making sense in a fake news world.**" *By Dan Bellack*

Fake news is a problem that many wish would just go away. But it's a fact of life that we all must get used to. Separating what is fact from what is fiction is a skill that we must develop in order to make informed decisions. Complicating this process, is confirmation bias, which means that we tend to look for information that confirms or supports our preexisting beliefs. There is a clear need for better ways to evaluate the information we receive each day. Dr. Dan Bellack outlines a three step strategy to deal with the issue.

Dan Bellack, earned a doctorate in psychology from the University of Kentucky and has now been a psychology professor for 30 years. Driven by his curiosity for what makes us human and his research for how people think, Dr. Bellack has taught researchers much about how we naturally operate, and how we can improve our thinking to create deep, lasting impact in the world.

Watch more by going to the following:

Making sense in a fake news world | Dan Bellack | TEDxCharleston

by TEDx Talks **Thank you David Sideri for a very interesting program!!!**



News from District 6950: President Joe Minarik reported to us that the tracking amount for our District CART charitable foundation for 2018 & 2019 was a total of \$51,278.76. Our Rotary Club produced \$43,999.28 of that amount.

Keep that change coming in!!!!!!

SAVE THE DATES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Our main Community Grant Project for this year:

Friday, April 5th through April 7th, 2019: Autism Camp Weekend

We will provide dinner on Friday, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday

n March 30th !!!

Happy Events: *by Janet Waddell*

Janet Waddell: Wishing the best to Kenny and Carole Krauss.

Don Higgins: Happy to have been told by the Doctor that he does NOT have to come back for 4 months!

Tami Scheele: Happy to have had a good visit at Pinellas Park HS with 20 prospective S4TL students. Also happy that her 2 grandkids who have been sick are now better.

Dave Sideri: Happy that he has a good turnout today for his "Ted Talks" program.

Yvonne Fay: Saying a prayer for all who are sick.

Barbara Todd MacKellar: Happy to have her favorite grandson coming soon. Also looking forward to the party at her house.

Jeff MacKellar: Sorry his friends had to return to Pennsylvania and the snow.

Jerry Krauss: Hoping all will be well for his brother, Kenny, and sister-in-law, Carole.

Kevin Krauss: Happy to have his son, Cory, here today and that they have more of the \$20 tickets if anyone needs more to sell.

Theresa Pinnix: \$2 – one for Carole and Kenny and one to be here today to see all of her Rotary friends.

Phil England: Happy \$\$\$\$ as he and Amy enjoyed his motorcycle again this past weekend. They drove for 4 hours and covered 170 miles!

Josh Astarita: Happy that both he and David Sideri are here today so he can pay off his gambling debt of \$50. Not sure why he was so sure the Chiefs would beat the Pats! Happy to see Cory here today and glad that Theresa is not on vacation!

Joe Kolodziej: A Happy \$1 to help Tom raise more money for the club

Hope Peterson: Happy \$ as she is glad to see Donna Cloud here today. Hope would like to know how Donna looks younger and younger each year. Hope also just returned from Nashville, the Grand Ole Opry, seeing the American Pickers and cart racing and thoroughly enjoyed the weekend although the weather was "crappy".

Tami Scheele: Hoping for the best for Kenny and Carole. Hi to Donna and Cory. Tami knows the dangers of cart racing. When her Grandson was 12 years old, he was doing Motorcross and broke his leg.

Donna Cloud: Happy to say she was just in Nashville last week and the weather was crappy. Hopes all will be good for Carole and Kenny. She also had a \$1 for Paul since Tami works him so hard!

Tom Stewart: Happy \$\$\$ to update on his daughter, Jessica. Her vision was 700, but now was corrected to 20/20.

Words of Wisdom

“Old age is when liver spots show through your gloves.”

Phyllis Diller

Club Buddies

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

50/50 Winner:

Phil England won the prize for \$20 & donated it back. He then selected the ace of clubs and won the jackpot for \$544.00. Congrats to Phil! You can now buy some more chrome for that Harley!!!!!!

