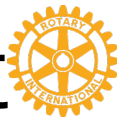




# Gator Tales



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This weeks speaker: Introduction by Shanna Johnston

Dr Jason Kurtz - Principal: Hector Cafferata Jr K - 8 School  
"Two Journeys, One Legacy: From Hurricane Recovery to  
the Launch of the USNS Hector A. Cafferata Jr."

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Hector A. Cafferata, the school, is named after Hector A Cafferata Jr. Hector (1929-2016) was born in New Jersey but moved to Venice, Florida in the 1990s. He earned a Medal of Honor in one of the most storied battles in Marine Corps history, the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir in 1950. The battle lasted 5 more hours and Cafferata fought until he was struck by a sniper and forced to evacuate. By the end of the battle, he killed over 100 enemy combatants while developing frostbite in his feet. He was awarded the Medal of Honor, the Purple Heart, Navy Presidential Unit Citation (w/ 1 service star), National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal (w/ 1 service star), Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, and United Nations Korea Medal. But as Hector said "I did my duty. I protected my fellow Marines.

Dr. Kurtz grew up in Kendall, NY graduating from Kendall Jr. Sr. High School. He received his undergraduate degree from Hamilton College in Comparative Literature with a minor in education. Dr. Kurtz earned his Master's Degree in Special Education from Florida Gulf Coast University in 2004 and his Doctor of Philosophy in Leadership and Exceptional Student Education from the Adrian Dominican School of Education at Barry University in 2011. His interests include special education, organizational learning and change.

Dr. Kurtz began his career in education at Immokalee Middle School, where he taught 7th grade Language Arts and Reading. He has taught elementary, middle, and college level students and has served as an administrator at both the school and district levels in his more than 20 years with the School District of Lee County. Dr. Kurtz believes in meeting the needs of all students and views a collaborative school environment as the key to creating successful students and teachers. He believes partnerships with parents and community partners are essential to enriching the educational experience at Cafferata K-8.

During his free time, Dr. Kurtz enjoys sailing, baseball, reading, and spending time with his family.

PLEASE WELCOME DR JASON KURTZ !!!

### PLANNING AHEAD

April 11 - Bike Night—see David

April 25: Golf Tournament - Magnolia Landing - see Hugh

May 8 : Distribute Food at The Pantry - see David

June 12: Distribute Food at The Pantry - see David

July 2: Induction Breakfast - see Judy or David



Will Barnes won the  
\$6 50/50 But  
Not The \$376 Pot



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May those assembled here today enjoy the many offerings of Rotary. May we abide by the rules we have established, those of trust, fellowship and ethics, and may we place Service above Self in our daily endeavors. Amen.

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**Of course it will, Now go out and live it!**

### Guest Speakers



Next Week: 05-07: Nick Myers - Babe Ruth League Baseball

Last week 04-23: Lori Brooks - Numan Trafficking Awareness

### Birthdays & Anniversaries



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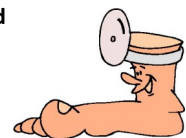
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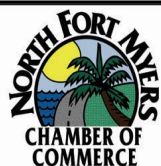
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