



THE ORACLE

Optimist Club of Plant City
P.O. Box 1755, Plant City FL 33564-1755

Late January, 2007



IT'S A WRAP! TREE LOT IS STORED AWAY FOR ANOTHER YEAR

Even after hours of work during the season selling trees, members came out in force to dismantle the lot and pack it away for another year. With Dave R holding the rake, Jeff A + Jared, Walt A, Cal C, Jeb H, Carl H, Doug H, Jack H, John K, Scott L, Reggie S and Paul W broke down the lot and packed up the trailer in quick fashion. Proof of the work is on page 2 of this issue! Again, thanks to everyone and the many P.C.H.S. volunteers for their help in working the Lot this season!

CHRISTMAS SOCIAL AT STEPPIN' STONE FARM A BIG HIT

Thanks to the over 60 members, their families and guests that attended the Christmas Social at Steppin' Stone Farm. Thanks to Walt Arnold and Jim Sun for their help in coordinating the event. All 27 resident girls as well as the 12 staff members received a gift from Santa, as did some of the member children in attendance. Everyone enjoyed some great food and fellowship as well. Check out page 3 of this Oracle for some photos of this fun event.

ORATORICAL CONTEST COMING SOON

Mark your calendars for Monday, February 19 for the annual Oratorical Contest. We will gather at the Recreation & Parks Department conference room at 7:00pm sharp for the contest, followed by dessert for everyone. Contest Chairman _____ is working hard to make this a great event. All members and their significant others are invited to attend.

FINAL CALL FOR NEW SHIRTS AND HATS

if you have not paid for your new hat and shirt, please get with Club Money-man Paul Woods (813-752-0356) and take care of business (\$33.50 for the set, payable to the Club). If you did not order yours, a second order is being made... contact Cal Calhoun now (plato317@aol.com or 813-754-1189).

BASKETBALL GAMES UNDER WAY!

Remember, PCRPD/Optimist Youth Basketball Program games are being played Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights as well as Saturday mornings. Game sites at Marshall and Tomlin Middle Schools and the Plant City Family YMCA. Schedules and results are available at the Rec & Parks Dept web site: www.plantcitygov.com/rec

SOCCKER REGISTRATION UNDER WAY!

PCRPD/Optimist Youth Soccer Program registration is under way for all youths ages 4-18 (as of 6/1/07 - birth certificate required). Games are mostly Saturday mornings with the older ages (12-14 and 15-18) playing on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Registration is only \$20 and runs through February 14. More info is available at the Rec & Parks Dept web site: www.plantcitygov.com/rec

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- √ Monday, Jan. 15 - Steak Night Meeting, 7:00pm grill time, Rec & Parks admin office patio. Agenda: Tree Lot post-mortem; planning for Basketball Tri-Star, Oratorical Contest, Citizen of the Year, PCHS Scholarships.
- √ Saturday, Jan. 27 - Basketball Tri-Star, Tomlin Middle School, set-up 1:30pm, event 2:00-3:30pm.
- √ Monday, February 5 - meeting at _____, 7:00pm. Agenda: planning for Oratorical Contest, Citizen of the Year, PCHS Scholarships.
- √ Monday, February 19 - Oratorical Contest, 7:00pm, Rec & Parks admin conference room. Agenda following contest: final plans for Citizen of the Year.
- √ Wednesday, February 28 - Citizen of the Year Luncheon, 11:30am, Ramada Plantation House Conference Center.
- √ Monday, March 5 - no meeting - Strawberry Festival Grand Parade holiday

HAVE NEWS FOR THE NEWSLETTER?

INQUIRING MINDS WANT TO KNOW! What's going on with our membership? Send your items to the Oracle via Jack Holland, phone 813-659-4200 ext 4303 or e-mail to jackholland@att.net or mail to P.O. Box 1201, Plant City FL 33564-1201. We need to know about you and your family's news to share with other members.

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TREE LOT TEAR-DOWN DECEMBER 16, 2006



CHRISTMAS SOCIAL AT STEPPIN' STONE FARM DECEMBER 18, 2006

