



THE ORACLE

Optimist Club of Plant City
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STILL ANOTHER NINE BUSY TREE LOT DAYS LEFT!

It has been a very successful season so far, but we still need your help to finish out the work. Many of you have not served a weekend shift. Some of you have not served any time while some have served more than their fair share covering for others. **We are desperate for coverage from 5-9p on Thursday 12/6, 5-9p on Friday 12/7, all shifts on Saturday 12/8 and 1-5p on Sunday 12/9. Contact Prez Jack (jackholland@att.net or 813-752-2057) to volunteer for the tree lot work schedule.** The light at the end of the tunnel is visible, help up get there by sharing the work load and filling these open spots.

REMEMBER, SAUSAGES ON DECEMBER 10

Next meeting is Monday December 10, 6:30pm at the tree lot. We will have Walt's flame-cooked sausages and all the trimmings for members to enjoy. We need to discuss the Steppin' Stone event and tree lot breakdown, so plan to attend!

TREE LOT BREAKDOWN AND STORAGE

We want to dismantle the tree lot on Saturday, December 15 at 8:00am, but to do so, we need to have enough bodies on hand to help. Contact Prez Jack at jackholland@att.net or call 813-752-2057 to volunteer for tree lot breakdown duty.

CHRISTMAS PARADE IS COMING UP

Co-Chairs Darcy and Pat Stottlemeyer (darcystottlemeyer@hotmail.com or patrick.stottlemeyer@kraft.com or 813-759-1019) say we are almost ready to strut down the parade route. Come out and help assemble the float at the tree lot on Friday December 7, starting at 1:00pm. Once we get the float assembled, we will have pizza and drinks for the parade walkers/riders at 4:00pm. Members, be sure to wear your Optimist Club polo shirt and everyone else wear an Optimist sport tee shirt. We'll leave the lot at 5:00pm to join the parade line-up. Come out and be a part of this fun family event which helps us promote our Club! RSVP for the Pizza Party and the Parade by contacting Prez Jack today at jackholland@att.net or call him at 813-752-2057.

STEPPIN' STONE GIFT LIST ATTACHED

We now have the names of the ladies and staff at Steppin' Stone! Attacehd to the e-mail is the list with each member assigned a name. Directions are on the list. **YOU MUST CONTACT PREZ. JACK (jackholland@att.net or 813-752-2057) TO CONFIRM YOUR GIFT IS COVERED OR MARK IT OFF ON THE TREE LOT LIST!** We can not risk having a gift not covered. Be sure to mark your calendar for the Steppin' Stone Christmas Party! We will head to the country on Monday evening, December 17 with arrival time set at 6:30pm. A convoy will leave the tree lot at 6:00pm. Coordinator Walt Arnold (walt34a@gmail.com or 813-752-1602) needs to have your gift at the tree lot before Saturday's dismantling of the lot or on Monday at 6:00 when the caravan leaves the tree lot location. Remember, it's also a covered dish affair and we need each member to bring a large batch of their favorite finger foods or dessert for the crowd. The Oracle has learned that Santa returned his RSVP! This is a great family event and we need to have a good turnout of members and their families!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ Monday, December 10 at Tree Lot, 6:30pm, Sausage Meeting: agenda: tree lot, parade, Steppin' Stone, Oratorical
- ✓ Friday, December 7 at Tree Lot, 1:00pm, Parade float assembly
- ✓ Friday, December 7 at Tree Lot, 4:00pm, Pizza Party followed by Christmas Parade (leave lot at 5:00pm)
- ✓ Saturday, December 15 at Tree Lot, 8:00am, break down and store tree lot materials
- ✓ Monday, December 17 at Steppin' Stone, 6:30pm, Christmas Party (leave lot at 6:00pm)

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