



# THE ORACLE

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## NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY APRIL 7

Our next meeting is **Monday April 7** at First Choice BBQ, 712 S Collins St, starting at 6:30pm. We will need to discuss upcoming events such as the PCHS Awards Night, Soccer Tri-Star and Respect For Law. Bring a guest and let's have a large turnout!

## ORATORICAL CONTESTANT STILL IN THE HUNT

Our **Oratorical Contest winners Amanda Williamson and Nathan Carson** did well at the Zone Competition in Mulberry on Thursday, March 20 with Nathan taking 1st Place and Amanda receiving 2nd Place, although many thought a girl's judging recount was needed. Nathan then traveled on to the SW Region Contest on Saturday, March 28 in Tampa where he again was awarded 1st Place. The North Florida District Finals are this coming weekend, Saturday April 5, at 1:00pm at the Holiday Inn, 6519 International Drive in Orlando. If you are interested in going, please reply to Prez Jack ([jackholland@att.net](mailto:jackholland@att.net) or 813-752-2057) to let us know you are attending! We need to support Nathan in his competition at the Finals. See the following page for photos.

## EASTER EGG HUNT A HOPPING SUCCESS!

Thanks to everyone that helped out at the Plant City Recreation & Parks Department's annual **City-Wide Easter Egg Hunt**. Thanks to Jeff A, Walt A, Tony Az (welcome back, Tony!), Cal C, Alaina E, Jeb H, Carl H, Jack H, John K, Scott L, Pat S and Paul W for onsite help, thanks to Mike W for dropping off some extra coolers, thanks to Susan for representing Dave and thanks to Jason J for making a guest appearance! Also special thanks to Jeb H as Easter Egg Hunt Event Chairman for helping coordinate the workers. Around 1,000 hotdogs were cooked and assembled along with more than a 1,000 sodas tapped for the participants. Special treat of the day were the sausages, peppers and onions cooked up by Grillmaster Walt. See the following pages for photos.

## A MEMBER IN NEED...

**Charter Member Bernie Reynolds** has been transferred from his home to the Health Center of Plant City, room 5-C, 701 North Wilder Road, phone 813-752-3611. The facility is located just east of baseball fields at Mike Sansone Park. He has had numerous bouts with pneumonia and his meals (now puree instead of solid foods) are having trouble going down to his stomach and end up in his lungs. He is up for visitors, so please plan to visit him and keep Bernie and his wife Elsie in your thoughts and prayers.

## SOCCKER TRI-STAR COMING UP SOON... ALSO RESPECT FOR LAW

Mark your calendars and plan to help out for the **Soccer Tri-Star Competition** on Saturday morning, May 3 from 8:30 set-up through 11:30 pack-up. Similar to basketball, players go through stations showing their soccer dribbling, passing and shooting skills. We need 8-10 members to come out and help. Also, on Monday, May 5 we are planning to hold the annual **Respect For Law** event at the Recreation & Parks admin office conference room. Please keep these two dates open on your calendars and be a part of the fun.

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Saturday, April 5** at Holiday Inn I-Drive Orlando, 1:00pm, N FL District Oratorical Contest Finals.
- ✓ **Monday, April 7** at First Choice BBQ, meeting, 6:30pm, Agenda: Scholarships, Soccer Tri-Star, Respect for Law.
- ✓ **Monday, April 21** at Rec & Parks admin patio, Steak Night meeting, 6:30pm, Agenda: Scholarships, Soccer Tri-Star, Respect for Law, Golf Tournament.
- ✓ **Saturday, May 3** at OMA Sports Complex, 8:30 set-up to 11:30 pack up, Soccer Tri-Star.
- ✓ **Monday, May 5** at Rec & Parks admin patio, Respect for Law event, 6:30pm.
- ✓ **Monday, May 19** at Rec & Parks admin patio, Steak Night meeting, 6:30pm, Agenda: Golf, Steppin' Stone event.

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