



THE ORACLE

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Late April, 2010

NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, APRIL 19

Our next meeting is a **Steak Night, 6:30 pm grill time at the Rec & Parks admin patio**. Agenda items include Respect for Law, Soccer Tri-Star and High School Graduate Scholarships. Bring those new member candidates and a steak for your guest and yourself!

DONATION TO CITY IS WELL RECEIVED BY COMMISSION

Thank you to the 12 or so members that attended the City Commission meeting on April 12 when Prez Mike presented the City with our Letter of Commitment for \$40,000 and a check for the first installment of \$20,000. The proceeds will go toward Ellis-Methvin Park and signage is being made as you read this Oracle. On page 2 of this Oracle are some photos of the evening's activities, starting with dinner at First Choice BBQ.

CITY-WIDE EASTER EGG HUNT PHOTOS

As reported in the last Oracle, the Easter Egg Hunt was a great success. On pages 3-4-5 of this edition are some photos from the day's event.

SOCCER TRI-STAR SKILLS COMPETITION WORKERS NEEDED

Don't forget to mark your calendar for **Saturday, May 1** for the annual Soccer Tri-Star Skills Competition at the Otis M. Andrews Sports Complex. Set-up and orientation is 8:30 am, the event is 9:00 to 11:00 am and the awards will be handed out after equipment breakdown at 11:30 am. Around six (6) workers are needed to grade the dribbling, passing and shooting drills. Some folks have already volunteered, but we will finalize the list Monday night and you know those members that do not attend meetings tend to get volunteered for work, so you best be there! An event flyer is attached to the end of this Oracle.

ORATORICAL COMPETITORS GET READY FOR ZONE CONTEST

Our Oratorical Contest winners, Haley Ours and James Orso will present their speeches to the Toastmaster Club this week and we hope to have them at our April 19 Steak Night meeting. The **Zone Competition will be held in Mulberry on Monday May 3**. From there, winners move on to the region competition on Saturday May 8, followed by the State Finals on Saturday May 15 in Jacksonville. Let's have a good showing for their Zone Competition, which is also our first May meeting.

RESPECT FOR LAW - MAY 17

Event Chairman Jeff A (arnoldjef@gmail.com or 813-707-8373) announced that due to the date set for the Zone Oratorical in Mulberry, we have to move our Respect for Law event to another night. Mark your calendars for the new date of **Monday, May 17, 6:30 pm at the Recreation & Parks administrative office conference room**. More details will be decided at the April 19 Steak Night meeting, so stay tuned for more details!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Monday, April 19:** Steak Night meeting, 6:30 pm grill time, Rec & Parks admin patio.
- ✓ **Saturday, May 1:** Soccer Tri-Star Comp., OMA Sports Complex, 8:30 set-up, 9:00-11:00 comp., 11:30 awards.
- ✓ **Monday, May 3:** Meeting at the Zone Oratorical Competition, 6:30 pm, Paradise Lakes, Mulberry.
- ✓ **Monday, May 17:** Respect for Law event, 6:30 pm, Rec & Parks admin conference room.

2009-2010 OFFICERS

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2009-2010 BOARD MEMBERS

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2009-2010:

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CITY COMMISSION DONATION PHOTOS—4/12/2010



EASTER EGG HUNT PHOTOS—4/10/2010



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EASTER EGG HUNT PHOTOS—4/10/2010 (these photos courtesy Plant City Courier)





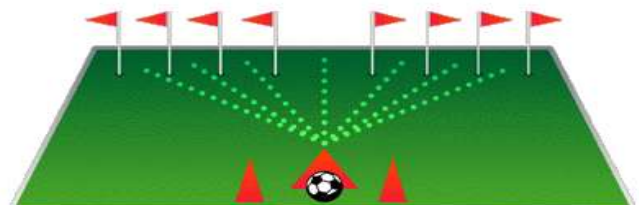
City of Plant City Recreation & Parks Department 13th Annual Optimist Tri-Star Soccer Skills Competition



DRIBBLING

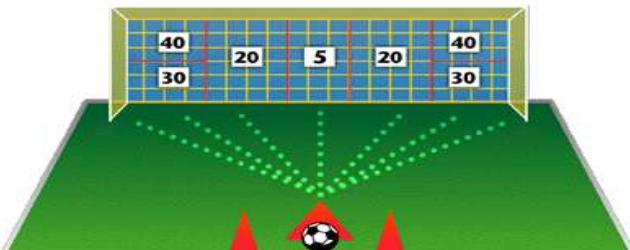
Race against the clock as you blaze through the slalom course of flags! Each participant gets one attempt at dribbling through the course as the stopwatch ticks. The total score is recorded in tenths of a second and converted into points. Faster is better, but you have to keep control!

May 1, 2010
9:00 TO 11:00 AM
OTIS M. ANDREWS
SPORTS COMPLEX



PASSING

Nail a pass through the tightest zone for accuracy! Each player attempts three passes, from ten yards away, through a line of flags. Each space between the flags - or zone - is worth a different amount of points. The narrower the zone, the more points it is worth. Do you play it safe, or do you go for the points?




SHOOTING

Launch a shot at the target to score big points! Each participant attempts three shots from either 8 or 12 yards from goal (depending on age). Each shot is taken on a regulation-sized goal with a target net that designates point totals for each zone. Pick the easy shot for the sure points, or try and hit the upper 90 for a big payoff!

FREE EVENT!
Ages 6-14 (as of event date)
Boys and girls compete separately!
No pre-registration needed!

Co-sponsored by the City of Plant City
Recreation & Parks Department and the
Optimist Club of Plant City





**Combined score determines
awards winners!**
Awards for top three
in each age group:
6-7 8-9 10-11 12-14
Awards handed out at 11:30 am