



THE ORACLE

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NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, AUGUST 2 - LOTS TO DO!

Our next meeting will be **Monday, August 2, starting first at 6:30 pm at Bernie's (Health Center of Plant City, 701 N Wilder Rd)**. Following the business meeting with Bernie, we will adjourn to the Ellis-Methvin Park playground for a photo at the Optimist sign. After the photo, everyone will meet at Grandpa Johnson's BBQ (1305 W Dr. MLK Blvd) for dinner. Come out and be in the photo as well as help plan the upcoming events such as Punt-Pass-Kick (Sept 25), Installation Banquet (early Oct—Lakeland hosts), Golf Tourney (Oct 23), Youth Appreciation (early November) and Tree Lot (Nov 20 set-up, Nov 21 unload).

...AND A FUN TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

The re-scheduled Steppin' Stone Farm Summer Family Outing was a blast for the residents, staff and our families. Great food was provided and cooked by Grill Masters **Walt A** and **Steve H** and several other members provided desserts. **Jeff A** coordinated the Guesstures challenge matches while **Paul W** kept the bingo game running along. Cranium and Apples to Apples games were also in play. Thanks to all that attend and help pull off another fun event with the Steppin' Stone girls. Watch for photos in the next Oracle.

GOT YOUR GOLF TEAMS AND SPONSORS LINED UP?

The **16th Annual Golf Tournament** is slated for **Saturday, October 23**. Golf Tournament Chairman **Walt A (walt34@gmail.com or 813-752-1602)** is working hard to coordinate the event, but it is not a one man show... your help is required! Included with this Oracle e-mailing is a list of the Chamber of Commerce members. Please review the list and at the next meeting, there will be a hard copy for you to initial beside the businesses you are contacting. Whether it is money, gifts or in-kind contributions, they all go toward the bottom line of supporting our youth programs. Please review Chamber list for potential sponsor contacts and at the August 2 meeting, sign up to contact them. Also attached is a copy of the 2010 tournament flyer.

YES, WE HAVE TO START THINKING ABOUT THE TREE LOT...

Tree Lot Chairman Dave R reports that the initial order is in place and we will start up on these dates: **Lot Set-up—Sat 11/20/2010, 8:00 am, Unload trees—Sun 11/21/2010, time to be announced, Open for business—Mon 11/22/2010**. Mark these dates on your calendar as all hands are needed on the lot for the set-up and unloading activities. Also, start setting some time aside for working the lot, especially on the weekends. You will hear more info soon on how to get on the work schedule. This is our hardest and most time consuming activity. By not doing your part, you hurt your fellow members and the community as a whole. Everyone is expected to contribute. Please do your part as we assist the youths of our community!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- √ **Monday, August 2:** Meeting, 6:30 pm at Bernie at Plant City Health Center, then Ellis-Methvin Park for a photo op, then dinner at Grandpa Johnson BBQ. Lots to cover concerning Punt-Pass-Kick (Sept 25), Installation Banquet (early Oct—Lakeland hosts), Golf Tourney (Oct 23), Youth Appreciation (early November) and Tree Lot (Nov 20 set-up, Nov 21 unload).
- √ **Monday, August 16:** Steak Night, grill time 6:30 pm, Rec & Parks admin office patio Still lots of planning to be done on the above list of projects!

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