



THE ORACLE

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Early May, 2011



NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY, MAY 2

WE are back to our regular meeting schedule! Our next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, May 2 - 6:30 pm** at **ABC Pizza, 114 N. Alexander St.** Come with a potential new member and help wrap up final plans for the Soccer Tri-Star (May 7), Oratorical Regional Contest (May 7) and Respect for Law (May 16).

WE HAVE A WINNER!

Our club was well represented at the **Zone Oratorical Contest** in Mulberry on April 19. **Mylie Feaster** finished first in the girls competition while **Clayton Shiver** placed third in the boys competition. Mylie now advances to the **Regional Competition on Saturday, May 7 at 2:00 pm** at Tampa's **John F. Germany Public Library, 900 North Ashley Drive.** See page 2 of this Oracle for a map and directions. From there, winners advance to the North Florida District Finals at the North Florida District Quarterly meetings at the Crowne Plaza Westshore in Tampa on May 14 at 1:00 pm. Mark your calendars to follow our winner all the way!

SOCCER TRI-STAR SCHEDULED FOR MAY 7

Tri-Star Coordinator Jeff A (arnoldjef@gmail.com or 813-842-8829) has us ready for the **14th Annual Soccer Tri-Star Skills Competition** at the **Otis M. Andrews Sports Complex (2402 E Cherry St—west side of the complex)** on **May 7 for 8:30 set up, 9:00 to 11:00 competition through 11:30 break-down.** Graders will be needed to judge the dribbling, passing and shooting drills. No soccer experience is needed for grading the event... an obvious statement when you see the list of volunteers so far: Jeff A, Dave R, Mike W, Stan H, Jeff O, Steve H, Cal C, Jeb H, and Jack H! Any other volunteers should let Jeff A know if you can help with set-up and orientation (8:30 am) through awards presentation (11:30 am)!

RESPECT FOR LAW COMING UP ON MAY 16

Our **Respect for Law banquet** is set for **May 16, 6:30 pm** at the **Recreation & Parks Department admin conference room.** **Dave K has everything lined up except you!** **Johnson's BBQ** will cater, with chicken and pork, baked beans, cole slaw and rolls. We need you to RSVP if you are coming or not, and if you are attending, how many are coming. Cost is \$8 for adults and \$6 for kids. Please RSVP either way to **Dave K (csmdahk@verizon.net or 813-277-4744)** or **Prez Jeff O (jogden01@tampabay.rr.com or 813-299-6498)** no later than Friday, May 13. Police Chief Bill McDaniel will speak to us on the importance of Respect for Law in light of the loss of several officers in the line of duty over the past year.

EASTER EGG HUNT WAS A LOT OF FUN

Thanks to everyone that worked the **22nd Annual City-Wide Easter Egg Hunt** on Saturday, April 23. Immediate Past Prez **Mike W** corralled a great group of workers to cook, wrap and serve. The kids and organizers appreciate the help as well as the 750 hot dogs and drinks served. Thanks to Walt for the grilled sausages!

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Monday, May 2:** Regular meeting at 6:30 pm - ABC Pizza. Topics: Soccer Tri-Star (May 7), Oratorical Regional (May 7) and Respect For Law (May 16).
- ✓ **Saturday, May 7:** Soccer Tri-Star 8:30-11:30 am, Oratorical Regional 2:00 pm.
- ✓ **Monday, May 16:** Respect for Law event, 6:30 pm, Rec & Parks admin conference room.

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JOHN F. GERMAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY – 900 NORTH ASHLEY DRIVE, TAMPA				
		1. From SR39 Plant City, take the ramp toward I-4 W / TAMPA.	go 0.8 mi	0.8 mi
		2. Merge onto I-4 W toward TAMPA. Then, follow signs to I-275 – Downtown East-West	go 20.3 mi	21.1 mi
		3. Take EXIT 45A toward DOWNTOWN EAST-WEST.	go 0.7 mi	21.8 mi
		4. Take the ASHLEY DR ramp toward DOWNTOWN / WEST.	go 0.3 mi	22.1 mi
		5. Take the ASHLEY DR ramp toward TAMPA ST.	go 0.4 mi	22.5 mi
		6. Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto N ASHLEY DR.	go 0.3 mi	22.8 mi
		7. 900 N ASHLEY DR is on the RIGHT.		22.8 mi
Total Travel Estimate: 22.8 miles - about 26 minutes				