



# THE ORACLE

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Late April, 2016



## NEXT MEETING - MONDAY, APRIL 18

Our next meeting will be a **Steak Night** on **Monday April 18, 6:30 pm grill time at the Rec & Parks admin patio**. Next up for us is grilling duty for the **Snowden Park ribbon cutting** (now tentatively set for Thursday, May 5, 4:00-5:00 pm), followed by the **Soccer Tri-Star Skills Competition** on Saturday, May 7 as well as the annual **Respect for Law** dinner (May - date to be announced) and an update on the review of our high school scholarship applicants. Bring a new member candidate!

## P.C. ORATOR ADVANCES FROM THE SOUTHWEST REGION ORATORICAL CONTEST

**Caroline Brummer** advanced out of the Southwest Region Competition and will now present her speech at the **North Florida District Finals April 23 in Gainesville**. She will compete against the Southwest Region Competition runner-up as well as the top two female competitors advancing out of the other two Regions of the North Florida District. **Gavin Hessler** finished just short of advancing to the North Florida District Finals competition. At the North Florida District Finals, a \$2,500 college scholarship will be awarded to both the top male and to the top female participant. Congratulations to Caroline for advancing and to Gavin for doing a great job representing our club as a 7th grader!

## ON THE HORIZON: GRILLING FOR THE SNOWDEN PARK RIBBON CUTTING

After a false start prompted by a subcontractor doing work at **Snowden Park**, the originally planned ribbon cutting had to be postponed. Due to availability of the City Commissioners, it looks like the ribbon cutting will tentatively be on Thursday, May 5. Once the date is secured (again), we will get the word out.



## ON THE HORIZON: SOCCER TRI-STAR COMPETITION

Save the date... the **19th Annual Soccer Tri-Star Competition** is scheduled for Saturday, May 7 at the **Otis M. Andrews Sports Complex**. Set-up is 8:30 am, the competition is from 9:00 to 11:00 am and after break-down, awards will be handed out at 11:30. We will need 8-10 of us to assist with the grading of the competition and the awards ceremony. Mark the calendar... more later!



## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

- ✓ **Monday, April 18:** Steak Night meeting, 6:30 pm grill time, Rec & Parks admin patio.
- ✓ **Monday, May 2:** Regular meeting, 6:30 pm, location to be announced.
- ✓ **Thursday, May 5:** TENTATIVE DATE—Snowden Park ribbon cutting—grilling hotdogs for 200.
- ✓ **Saturday, May 7:** Soccer Tri-Star Competition, 8:30-11:30am, OMA Sports Complex.
- ✓ **May (date to be announced):** Respect for Law Dinner, 6:30 pm, Plant City Police Department.

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