



# What's New at Chi Chi's

## January & February 2009



Chi Chi Rodriguez, Helen Braddock, Bill Braddock and Iwalani Rodriguez surrounded by the Braddock family at the Charity Classic this past November

### Donor Spotlight: The Braddock Family Strong Family Values Build a Tradition of Giving

Bill & Helen Braddock's personal commitment and dedicated family support helped start this unique program for kids. Since the Foundation's beginning in 1979, they both have been an important part of changing the lives of over 25,000 children in the Tampa Bay area. It's evident that their family values and giving to others is what matters most to this special family. Bill and Helen's grandson Griff Braddock, owner of Tampa based Braddock Metallurgical and wife Mary Margaret have now joined in to carry on the family's support of the Academy's mission. We were delighted to welcome the entire family as they gathered with Chi Chi to play golf and to prepare for Bill and Helen's 70th anniversary cruise. Thank you to the entire family for giving your support and friendship to children. Happy Anniversary!

**Academy Congratulates Honor Roll students:** Four elementary students earned a breakfast celebration for the first grading period by achieving honor roll. Another 17 elementary students were honored for having perfect attendance. Middle school recognized 12 students for their honor roll achievement and 20 were recognized for their perfect attendance in the second grading period.

**Thank you to Mr. Imai of Nagano, Japan:** Mr. Imai, a teacher from our sister school in Nagano, Japan spoke to Academy students about the differences of not only our school days but traditions as well. Thank you Mr. Imai for making the long journey and educating our students on our sister city!



Elementary School Honor Roll Students



Tournament Co-Chairs Debbie White (left) & Jessica Majeski (right) with Chi Chi

**Charity Classic Results:** Tournament Co-Chairs Debbie White and Jessica Majeski are proud to announce this 29th annual event raised approximately \$160,000 for the Chi Chi Rodriguez Academy this past November. Below are the winners of both days:

#### Sunday, November 16th

- 1st Place: Jim Hunter, Ray Lopez, Ray Goodman & Gil Day
- 2nd Place: Elliott Ross, Kyle Burd, John Dunphy & Pradip Patel
- 3rd Place: Lt. Gen. John Conaway, Dwayne Scott, Col. Lou Cabrera & Brig. Gen. Bill Burks

#### Monday, November 17th

- 1st Place: Budgie Clark, Brian Mortillaro, Pat Skunda & Gil Patterson
- 2nd Place: Jim Hunter, Ray Lopez, Ray Goodman & Gil Day
- 3rd Place: David Greenwood, Mark Rodriguez, Jason Wyant & Dan Huntington

- Putting Contest: Jody Rotondo
- Closest to the Pin # 6 - Men's: Jim Williford
- Closest to the Pin # 6 - Women's: Pat Eastman
- Closest to the Pin # 15: Dan Huntington
- Longest Drive # 13 - Men's: Jason Wyant
- Longest Drive # 13 - Women's: Pat Eastman

- Putting Contest: Mac Fairchild
- Closest to the Pin # 6: Pete Peterson
- Longest Drive # 13: Bruce Rigoni



Chi Chi & Academy Students at Charity Classic Dinner

**Rockin' The First Tee Results:** Honorary Chairman Robin Zander announces the 3rd annual event netted over \$130,000, more than double last year's amount. He says "I'm proud to be associated with our sponsors and celebrities who have given so much...". Saturday's Celebrity Golf Tournament results are below:

- 1st Place: Ivan Perdomo, David Eyers, Mike Sarnowski & Robert Rankin
  - 2nd Place: Craig Kiesel, Dan Rose, BA Arnot, Chris Rose & Celebrity T.W. Curtis
  - 3rd Place: James Doyle, Bob White, Carol Merritt, Lawrence Merritt & Celebrity Nasty Steve
- Longest Drive # 13 - Men's: Craig Tobe
  - Longest Drive # 13 - Women's: Latricia Goding
  - Closest to the Pin # 15: Bill Ines
  - Putting Contest: Brian Ottsen



Robin Zander wows a sold out crowd at Ruth Eckerd Hall with his performance



COO James Poulter drives 6th grader Michael on the Go Karts at Celebration Station

**Chi Chi Kid's Holiday Party:** On December 19th, Celebration Station was the site of the party where students gathered to play games, race go karts, drive speed boats, play laser tag and eat some great food in celebration of the Holidays. Special thanks to **Jim Stevens, Stevens Insurance Brokerage, Publix Super Markets, Chick-Fil-A, Hooters, McDonald's, Priscilla Schaeneman of the East Lake Ladies Association, Mr. and Mrs. John Pantelis, Zonta Club, Chi Chi Rodriguez Ladies League and Kerrigan's Men's League** for giving time and money to make the holidays brighter for our kids!

**Thank you Rotary members Bobby & Suzie Carollo and Bill Lewis:** To meet Audubon Society International requirements, three hard working members built and replaced Bird Houses, Duck Houses and Squirrel Feeders. This is the second time in 20 years that all of the houses have been replaced.



Bill Lewis & Bobby Carollo putting up a duck house off hole number 1



7th grader Thomas

**Academy's soccer team wins its first championship:** December 16th the soccer team competed in the PALS Florida co-ed soccer league championship in Dunedin. Seventh grader Thomas and eighth grader Brian scored the goals to win the game 2-1. Basketball is up next in the leagues' sports competition. Congratulations team and good luck with basketball! Visit [www.palsflorida.com](http://www.palsflorida.com) for more details.

**Welcome Wanda DiLandro:** Wanda is the Academy Staff's newest addition. She will be assisting both Jayme Pecci with the Academy Public School needs and Mallory Hubbard with Program Services. Wanda previously worked for Schroeder Measurement Technologies in Dunedin. In her spare time she volunteers with Girl Scouts & Boy Scouts and spends time with her four children and one grandchild. Welcome Wanda!



Ms. Wanda and 7th grader Danielle

## Upcoming Events:

For more information on events, contact Mallory Hubbard at (727) 726-8829 x 209 or [mallory@chichi.org](mailto:mallory@chichi.org).



**Tampa Bay Birdies for Charities**  
March 16 - 22, 2009

**2nd Annual Academy Invitational**  
June 14 and 15, 2009



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