



What's New at Chi Chi's

February 2018

Board Vice Chairman Frank Chivas inducted into Pinellas Education Foundation Hall of Honor



Frank recently pioneered a \$100,000 gift to the Pinellas Education Foundation which will be matched by the State of Florida's "Take Stock in Children" program creating \$200,000. These funds are designated for Chi Chi Academy student 2-year college scholarships over the next ten years.



In January, Frank was on campus to meet the first eight students who were selected for this scholarship opportunity. He spent the morning making a video for his Hall of Honor Induction, playing golf with the students, checking out the bird boxes built by the students on the course and getting to know them.



Frank has served on the Board for Chi Chi Rodriguez Youth Foundation since 2006 and is currently the Vice Chairman. In 2007, he spearheaded the expansion of the Academy to both an elementary and middle school for 95 at-risk students through a partnership with the Pinellas County School District, earning him the 2008 Chi Chi Humanitarian of the Year Award.



Frank's commitment to helping children reach their potential is deeply appreciated by students, teachers and all those who have invested in Chi Chi's over the past 38 years.

Top: Frank takes a photo with students selected for the scholarship program;
Middle Left: Frank accepting the Hall of Honor Award from Pinellas Education Foundation and friend Bob McIntyre at the Evening of Excellence event;
Middle Right: 6th grader Daniel showing Frank how to putt at Chi Chi's;
Bottom: COO James Poulter, Director of Development Mallory Hubbard and Board Member Claude Macari with Frank at the Evening of Excellence

Upcoming Events

Chi Chi Pro Am
Wednesday, March 7th
Innisbrook - North Course

Valspar Championship
Thursday-Sunday, March 8th-11th
Innisbrook

Chi Chi Charity Classic
Sunday & Monday, November 11th & 12th
Chi Chi Golf Club



Mission: To assist at risk children by improving their self-esteem, character, work ethic, social adjustment, and academic performance using the golf course as a living classroom.

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Chuck McGee

Pete Morell

Scott Tobe

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Richard Wegman

Student Spotlight: Wheels on Wheels teaches clay pottery on campus



Top: 7th grader Kayla showing off her clay monster and cup; Bottom Left: 4th grader Eashaan smiles with his creation in front of the bus; Bottom Right: 4th grader Roman works on a potter's wheel in the bus

Thanks to the Dunedin Fine Arts Center, this one of a kind program involves using a converted school bus as a mobile clay wheel lab. All of the seats were removed and replaced with 12 potter's wheels. The primary focus is on providing a fun and educational experience for students throughout Pinellas County. The bus spent two days on campus, giving all of our students the opportunity to use the potter's wheels as well as create "monsters" by hand out of clay.

Student Spotlight: 8th graders field trip to Finance Park provide valuable lessons

Following six-weeks of classroom preparation, students were put in small groups with a chaperone for a realistic lesson to understand economic issues they will have to deal with once graduated from high school. Each student has to balance their own monthly financial budget based on their simulated "life experience," including transportation, investment, home improvement, banking, housing, entertainment, healthcare, utilities, food, home furnishings, clothing and education. One of our groups was fittingly based at Bloomin' Brands restaurant, a long-time supporter of the Foundation.



Top: The 8th grade class with their teacher Kathy Pagnani, Assistant Anne Mammau and chaperone Wanda Di Landro; Bottom Left: Bader, Shay and Dretze pose in the Lightning's entertainment section; Bottom Right: Emari works on her grocery bill at Publix

Did You Know...?

You can make a charity the beneficiary of your IRA.

Ask your IRA administrator about special rules for designating a nonprofit as the heir to your IRA. You don't have to leave the whole account to the charity, you can split it into multiple accounts.

("Charity can be beneficiary of a will" by Kimberly Lankford, Tampa Bay Times)