



What's New at Chi Chi's

March 2019

Academy's 5th Grade class upgrades their Pollinator Garden

One of the most popular 5th grade science projects involves students watching caterpillars transform into gorgeous colorful butterflies, hence the creation of the Pollinator Garden at the Academy. In December, the 5th grade class worked with Ms. Sanne (one of the Foundation's newest volunteers) on pulling soil samples that the class then sent off to the University of Florida for nutrient testing. After receiving the test results back and learning they needed to add different soil to provide additional nutrients, the students worked with Ms. Sanne on cleaning out the soil, and planting charming flowers designed specifically to make their "Pollinator Garden" thrive. These plants include the Beach Sunflower, Blanket Flower, Pentas, Muhly Grass and Parsley-Fennel. A huge Thank You to Sanne Kure-Jensen for planning and guiding students throughout the fascinating process!



Top Left: Ms. Sanne and Hunter pulling soil for the test;
Top Right: Navaeh and Zayonna take a break from digging for a photo;
Middle: Brandyn works with Ms. Sanne on pulling a flower out to plant;
Right: Nathan, Charles, Alex and Ms. Sanne dig holes for more flowers



Upcoming Events

Chi Chi Pro Am
Thursday, March 14th
Feather Sound Country Club

Valspar Championship
March 18th - 24th
Innisbrook

Chi Chi Charity Classic
November 9th - 11th
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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**8th grade students learn about opportunities
with Pinellas Technical College**



In late January, our 8th grade class took a personalized field trip to Pinellas Technical College. Throughout the day, they experienced hands-on moments with different departments at the College, including virtual reality, trivia and preparing their own pizza for lunch. The goal for this now annual trip is for our students to see how many opportunities are available for them in their futures, including dual-enrollment while in high school. Thank you to PTC's Jakub Prokop and Jennifer Weaver for making this day so special for our students and to Academy Executive Committee's John Kobasic for chaperoning the trip with our team!

Top Left: Tatyana practices resistance testing for basic electric & safety; Right: David tries his hand at virtual reality; Bottom Left: Vincent and Taylor ready to prep their pizzas for the oven in the culinary department

**The First Tee beneficiary of the annual
Mary Lou Edwards Memorial Golf Tournament**

We're honored to be selected as the beneficiary of a golf tournament celebrating the life of an incredibly beloved woman in our community. Thank you to Courtney Fox, Whitney Wenglasz and everyone at the Eagles Golf Club for the loyal support! This annual tournament has raised over \$8,000 and the funds have paid for equipment, scholarships and programming that teaches life-skills through golf.



Top: Craig Tobe, Academy Executive Committee Members Scott & Sean Tobe, Kirk Heller, Foundation COO James Poulter, Kevin Doran and Foundation Director of Development Mallory Hubbard; Bottom: James Poulter with Mary Lou's sister and tournament director Courtney Fox

**Thank you to all the events that
have chosen us as a beneficiary:**

- * Dunedin Heritage Golf Tournament
- * Paradise Golf The First Tee of Greater Tampa Bay Golf Tournament
- * Pinellas County Office of Technology and Innovation Golf Tournament
- * Rotary Clubs of Dunedin Waterside & Safety Harbor Golf Tournament
- * Simply Event's Beer & Burger Throwdown
- * Turkey Trot - West Florida Y Runners Club

Did You Know...?

The Valspar Championship provides numerous opportunities for the community to get involved in the week. This year, the Foundation is volunteering from Wednesday, March 20th to Sunday, March 24th in the 19th Hole Michelob Ultra Club. Funds raised support The First Tee of Clearwater.

We need your help and if you can give some time as a volunteer please contact Laura Tobe at laura@chichi.org or (727) 726-8829 x 207.