

What's New at Chi Chi's July & August 2011



Academy Scholarships go to Eddie Brehm and Jessica Dornan

Student Spotlight-Academy Scholarships Presented: Please meet Eddie Brehm & Jessica Dornan, the Academy's 2011 Scholarship recipients! Both 5th grade students have turned their academic performance around 180 degrees since enrolling here for 4th grade. These Honor Roll students, credit the Academy's small class size and our staff with teaching them skills and self confidence. "I'm excited about school every morning" said Eddie after he was awarded the scholarship. "Me, too" chimed Jessica. "And I know I will always get the extra help I need to do my best!"



Back row Gerry Hazinski, Education Director L to R Chloe, Jonathan & Christian

Art in the Park is Big Success: Co Chairs and Board Members Phil Powell and Frank Chivas reported that over 250 guests enjoyed entertainment, art and other festivities at Raymond James Carillon Headquarters on May 15th. Thanks to Baystar Restaurant Group, guests enjoyed a delightful buffet then bid on trips and other auction items to raise \$122,777 for Academy education programs. That represents about 21% of the annual program dollars needed. Academy students displayed their artistic talents by designing custom visors as guest mementos.



Anne and David Rood chose unique visors.



Griff and Mary Margaret Braddock, Sharon and Waide Weaver

Artists Donate 50% Back to Children from the Art in the Park Event: A warm thank you goes to Ray Cannata, Jon Smith, Lance Rodgers, Ernest Simmons, David O'Keefe, Duncan McClellan, Charlie Parker, Rocky Bridges and James Michaels.



Royal Theater Arts Academy of the Boys and Girls Club entertains the guests.



Co Chair Phil Powell with the performers and students



L to R Tom James Board Chair, Committee Members: Fred Whaley, Jim York, Tom Harrington, Ken Armstrong, Emily Shrider, Scott Brown. Not shown Emily Kapes and Chairs, Phil Powell and Frank Chivas



Mike and Kathy Marston take home beautiful art pieces.

Lee Roy Selmon's new restaurant opens and benefits Chi Chi's:

Thanks to the generosity of owners Bob Basham, Chris Sullivan and Lee Roy Selmon, Chi Chi's was able to invite over 90 supporters to help celebrate the opening as a fundraiser. Supporters raised \$8,644 for the Academy. Lee Roy's legendary friends showed up to help celebrate including Vinny Testaverde, Dewy Selmon, Shelton Quarles, Raheem Morris and many more. Show your support and call for reservations at 727.216.6566. The restaurant is located at 34200 US Hwy 19 N. Palm Harbor, 34684 just 1 mile north of Tampa Road on the west side.

L to R Co owners, Bob Basham and Lee Roy Selmon, Frank Chivas, Vice Chairman of the Chi Chi Rodriguez Youth Foundation



Academy Graduate Spotlight:

Shaina Neuhardt and Ashley Taylor are now 9th graders at Tarpon Springs High and are enrolled in the Veterinarian Program. Returning for a visit, they shared their insights about high school. Shaina said " high school was a lot harder than I expected but Chi Chi's taught me that study and my grades are important ... I feel like I did well. " We happily report both successfully finished their freshman year in the program.

"Chi Chi's helped me improve my grades to work on a future with my life and this program is my start. " Ashley Taylor



Shaina Neuhardt and Ashley Taylor



Ted Williamson, President, Safety Harbor Rotary and Cary Stiff, Senior Vice President, Chi Chi Rodriguez Youth Foundation

Safety Harbor Rotary Club donates \$800:

Ted Williamson presented a check to the Foundation from the proceeds of the East Lake Woodlands golf spring event. The event was co-sponsored with the Dunedin Waterside Rotary Club. The funds will help keep a child in school for almost two months of the school year. The check was presented at a Safety Harbor Spa breakfast.

Boys and Girls Club at Chi Chi's Welcomes New Site Team:

Anna Rawson and Justin Hahl are the new team at the Boys and Girls Club. Programs this summer include a variety of activities keeping kids active, engaged and learning. Anna says " We have the campers repainting and cleaning their lemonade stand. They are learning how to bake nutritious foods so that we can sell them on the golf course once the stand has been renovated. Another program is teaching them to care responsibly for a pet. Camp is great! The energy is insane and every day is different." says Anna.



Anna and Justin



Having fun at the Boys and Girls Club, including Cyrus the dog!!



The First Tee of Clearwater Summer Golf Camp:

By the end of summer over 300 participants will have attended camp at the Chi Chi Sports Complex. Young golfers are enthusiastic about learning the game and getting to play on a full size course. As a part of the program, participants receive five free rounds of golf when accompanied by an adult. To register visit the pro shop or e-mail Coach Tony Simpson at tony@chichi.org or call 727.726.4673



The First Tee campers, all ready for golf!

Chi Chi Charity Classic
Sunday, November 13, 2011
Monday, November 14, 2011



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