



PLANT CITY CHAMPIONS FOR YOUTH

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CHAMPIONS CHATTER

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NEXT MEETING IS SET FOR JANUARY 19

Our next meeting is a 3rd Monday Grill Night meeting on **Monday January 19, grill time 6:15 pm, meeting at 6:30ish, at [Gracepoint Church](#)** (see the map on page 2). We will debrief both the [Citizen of the Year luncheon](#) and the [Future Career Academy Business Tour luncheon](#) at PC Stadium. Other topics are [Scholarships](#) (submittal portal is open through Mar 15), [Basketball Skills Challenge](#) (Jan 24), and the annual [Easter Egg Hunt](#) (April 4). Forward this newsletter to a new member candidate – a membership form is included (hint, hint 😊)!

LOTS OF FUN INTERACTING WITH THE SENIORS AT FUTURE CAREER ACADEMY BUSINESS TOUR LUNCHEON!

Over 350 high school seniors from Durant, Plant City, Simmons, and Strawberry Crest arrived at Plant City Stadium on Friday January 16 for lunch and a display of job opportunities available through the City. [Future Career Academy](#) provided these non-college-bound students tours of sites such as Palm Harbor Homes, Gordon Food Service, Star Distribution, NuCycle Energy, Stingray Chevrolet, James Hardie Building Products, Patterson Companies, Sysco, and Tampa Electric Operations to be exposed to more job opportunities for high school graduates. We had a great time handing out Chick-fil-A lunch to the students when they arrived and each student also received a container of strawberries as they left.



BASKETBALL SKILLS CHALLENGE

Always a fun event to interact with our area youth! On **Saturday January 24**, we need your help at the [Sadye Gibbs Martin Community Center](#) to set up and score the dribble, pass, and shoot competition. **Arrive at the gym at 8:30 am, competition is 9:00 to 10:30, awards at 11:00.** Check the details on page 3 of this Chatter newsletter.



CONGRATULATIONS TO STEVE HURLEY 2026 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
[Click here for media coverage!](#)

LOOKING AHEAD... MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ✓ **Monday, January 19:** 3rd Monday meeting Grill Meeting, 6:30 pm, [Gracepoint Church](#).
- ✓ **Saturday, January 24:** [Basketball Skills Challenge](#), 8:30-11:00 am, [Sadye Gibbs Martin Community Center](#).
- ✓ **Monday, February 2:** 1st Monday regular meeting, 6:30 pm, [Hungry Howie's](#).
- ✓ **Monday, February 16:** 3rd Monday meeting Grill Meeting, 6:30 pm, [Gracepoint Church](#).

2025-2026 OFFICERS

Jeff Arnold, President
Jeb Hicks, Vice President
Jack Holland, Secretary/Treasurer
Walt Arnold, Sergeant at Arms

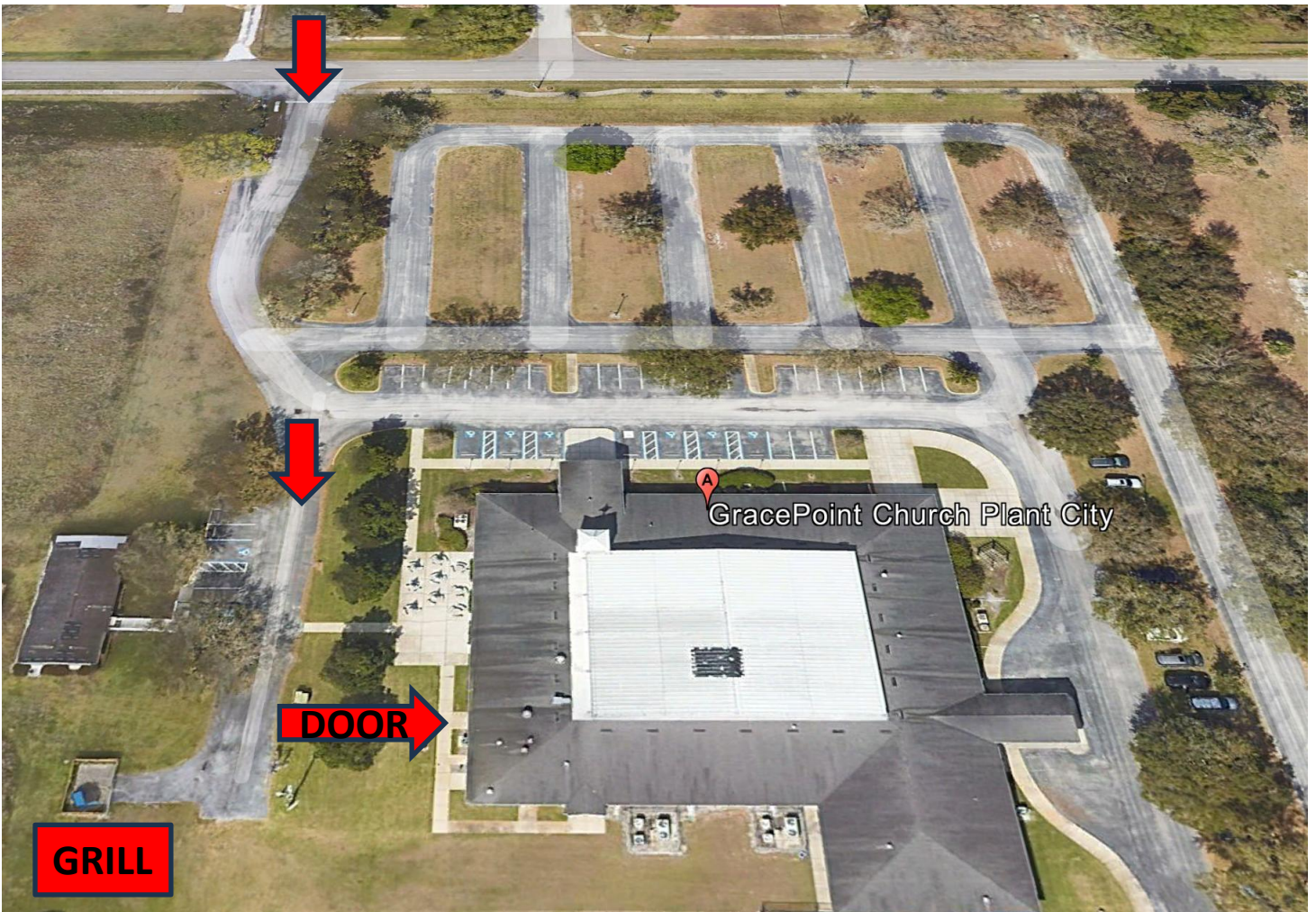
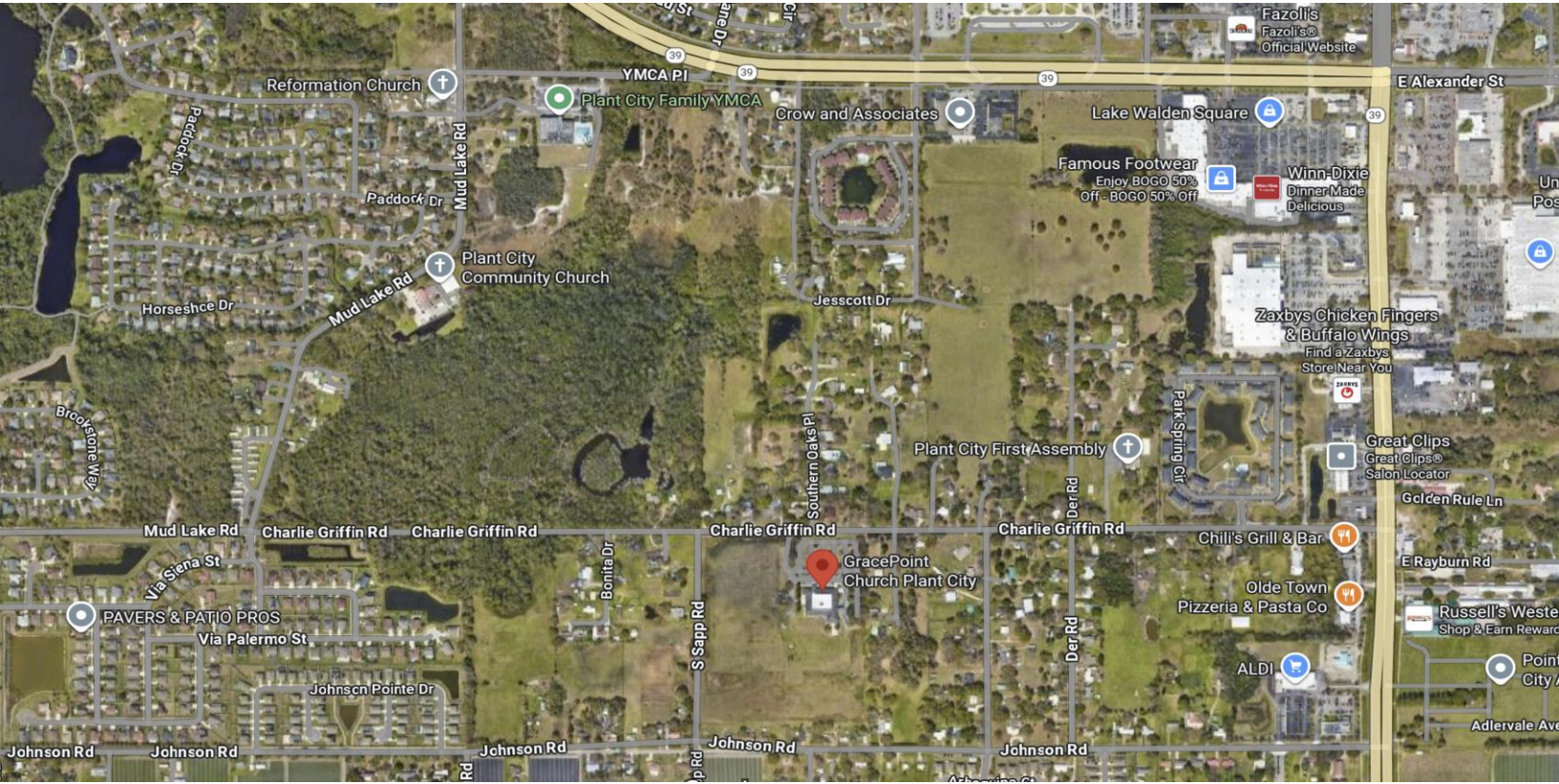


2025-2026 BOARD MEMBERS

Pat Stottlemeyer
Robert Olszewski
David Kinghorn
Jeb Hicks

VENUE FOR GRILL NIGHT

Don't forget the location of our next grill night! We will grill at 6:15 pm, then meet at 6:30 pm at **Gracepoint Church, 1107 Charlie Griffin Rd, Plant City, FL 33566**. This is at the red marker on the top map below... between Redman Parkway (Chili's) and Mud Lake Road (Walden Lake east entrance). Grill and entrance are shown on the bottom map. Bring your own protein, we will provide the hot coals, baked potatoes, salad, dessert, and iced tea!



BASKETBALL SKILLS Challenge

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24TH



Boys (8-13) Girls (8-13)



**9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
(AWARDS AT 11:00 A.M.)**



**SADYE GIBBS MARTIN COMMUNITY CENTER
(302 SOUTH MARYLAND AVENUE)**



MUST WEAR CLOSED TOE SHOES TO COMPETE



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**Help us continue the legacy and present the
53rd Skills Challenge to our area youths!
Arrive at 8:30 am to help set up and receive
the rules and your assignments.
We wrap up at 11:00 am with the awards!**



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

DATE*: _____
FIRST NAME*: _____ LAST NAME*: _____
MAILING ADDRESS*: _____
MAILING CITY AND STATE*: _____ ZIP*: _____
BIRTH MONTH*: _____ BIRTH DATE*: _____
MOBILE*: (_____) _____ HOME*: (_____) _____
EMAIL ADDRESS*: _____
SPOUSE / SIGNIFICANT OTHER NAME: _____
SPOUSE / SIGNIFICANT OTHER TELEPHONE - MOBILE: _____
SPOUSE / SIGNIFICANT OTHER EMAIL ADDRESS: _____
CURRENT / FORMER OCCUPATION: _____
PLANT CITY CHAMPIONS' MEMBER SPONSOR: _____
HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT PC CHAMPIONS: _____
WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR HOBBIES: _____
AREAS OF INTEREST (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)*:

<input type="checkbox"/>	YOUTH PROGRAMS	<input type="checkbox"/>	YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS	LOGO POLO SHIRT SIZE: _____
<input type="checkbox"/>	MEMBERSHIP	<input type="checkbox"/>	FUNDRAISING	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MARKETING	<input type="checkbox"/>	WEB SITE / SOCIAL MEDIA	
<input type="checkbox"/>	CLUB LEADERSHIP (PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY/TREASURER)			

* = *REQUIRED*

**PLEASE SAVE TO YOUR COMPUTER
AND EMAIL TO US AT:
PCCHAMPIONSFORYOUTH@OUTLOOK.COM**

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- ⇒ APPROVAL OF APPLICATION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- ⇒ \$100 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE (JULY 1 TO JUNE 30)
- ⇒ VOTING RIGHTS AVAILABLE TO THOSE IN GOOD STANDING
- ⇒ MEETING ATTENDANCE IS PREFERRED BUT NOT REQUIRED
- ⇒ FOCUS IS ON ASSISTANCE AT ACTIVITIES AND FUNDRAISING EVENTS