



PLANT CITY CHAMPIONS FOR YOUTH

ENCOURAGE - SUPPORT - ACHIEVE

CHAMPIONS CHATTER

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NEXT MEETING IS SET FOR FEBRUARY 16

Our next meeting is a 3rd Monday Grill Night meeting on **Monday February 16, 6:30 pm**, at [Gracepoint Church](#), see page 2 for directions. We will get an update on Parks & Rec activities from **Director Julie Garretson** and **Program & Events Supervisor Ivanna Ibarra**, as well as [Scholarships](#) (submittal portal is open through Mar 15), the annual [Easter Egg Hunt](#) (Apr 4), and [Law Appreciation](#) (May 4). Forward this newsletter to a new member candidate and invite them to join us – a membership form is included (hint, hint 😊)!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE ALREADY COMING IN!

So far, five applications have been received and students still have another month to apply! Our online scholarship portal is open through March 15 for graduating seniors who have participated in Parks & Rec or Champions programming to apply. Trade/tech school scholarships are available as well as college assistance scholarships. Details and the portal links are [at this link!](#) See page 3 for the info flyer!



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – SATURDAY APRIL 4

Since 1989, we have been a part of the Parks & Recreation Department [Easter Egg Hunt](#). This year, the event will be at Plant City Stadium, 1810 E Park Road, on Saturday, April 4. Event starts at 10:00 am and continues after the egg hunt with lots of fun activities for the age 3-11 participants. Our participation includes sponsoring the “special” eggs for prizes and staffing a tent to promote our organization. We currently have **Darcy**, **Pat**, **Mike W**, and **Jack** signed up to be there. Others should come out and join us for a couple hours of interaction with our area families! Thanks to **Darcy** and **Pat** for coordinating! See page 4 for the infographic from Parks & Rec!



WANT TO BE A PART OF OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM?

Our fiscal year comes to a close on June 30. In April, we will elect our slate of officers and board members for next fiscal year starting July 1. If you are interested in helping us on the administration side, please reply to the email bringing you this Chatter and let us know!

LOOKING AHEAD... MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ✓ **Monday, February 16:** 3rd Monday Grill Meeting, 6:30 pm, [Gracepoint Church](#).
- ✓ **Monday, March 2:** 1st Monday regular meeting – **canceled** due to [Strawberry Festival](#) and Grand Parade.
- ✓ **Monday, March 16:** 3rd Monday meeting, 6:30 pm, [United Food Bank of PC](#), pizza and drinks provided.
- ✓ **Saturday, April 4:** [Easter Egg Hunt](#) event, 10:00 am, Plant City Stadium.

2025-2026 OFFICERS

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

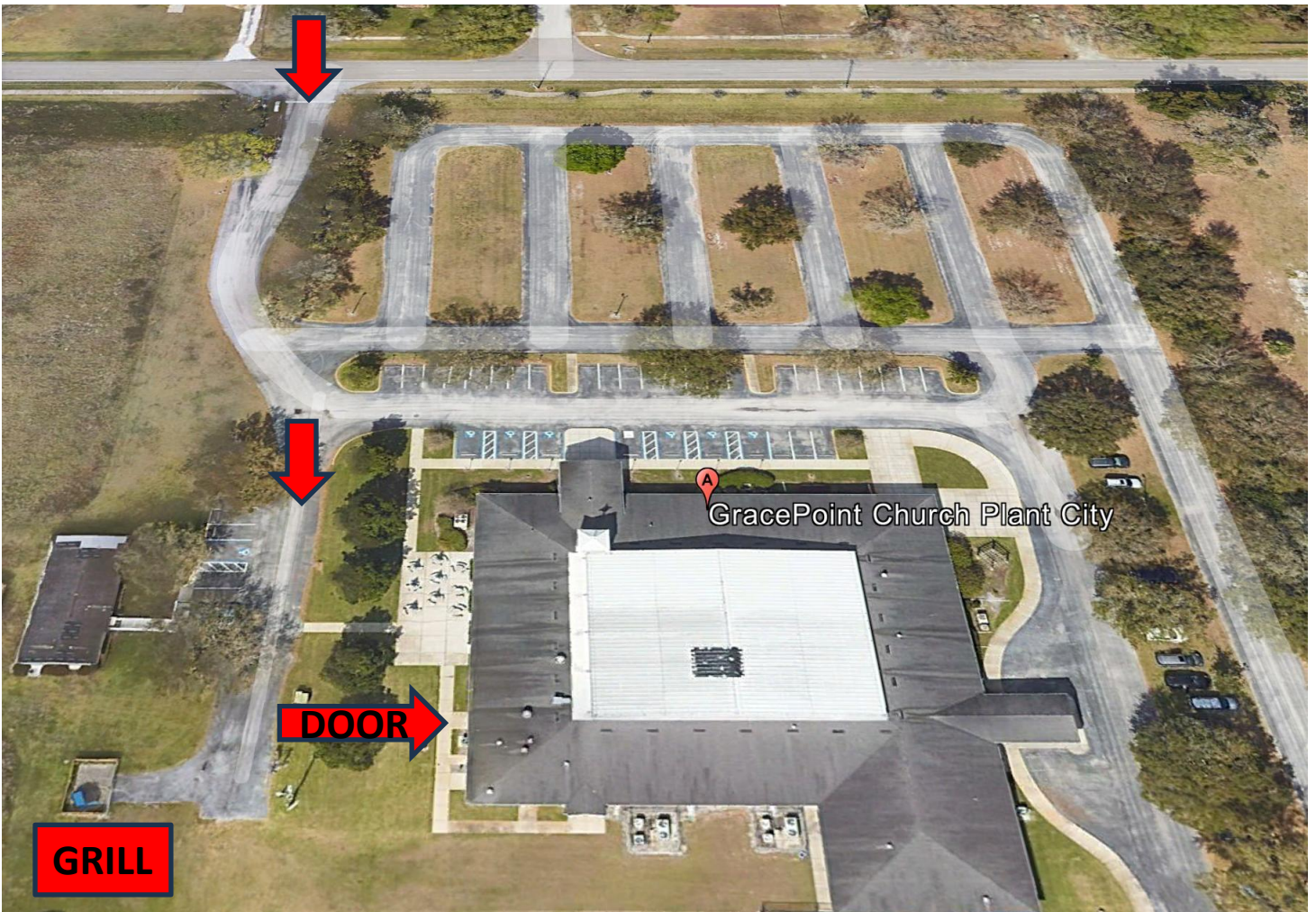
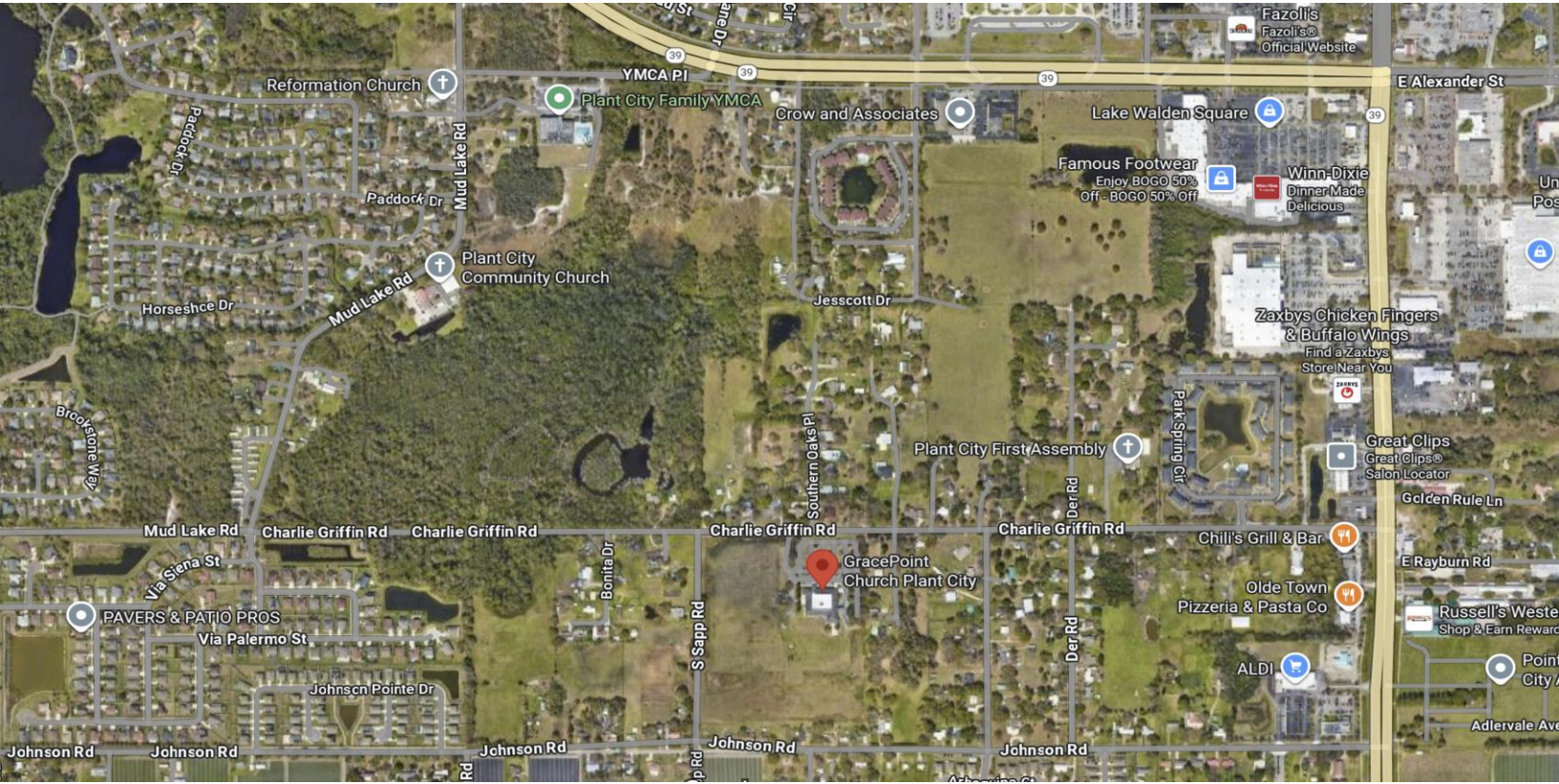


2025-2026 BOARD MEMBERS

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!





High School Graduate
SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM

Open for all Durant, Plant City, Simmons, and Strawberry Crest graduating seniors that have participated in at least one Plant City Parks & Recreation or Plant City Champions for Youth program!

Pick your Track:



Scholarships are up to \$1,000 each!

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: MARCH 15, 2026

More info: www.PCChampionsForYouth.org



CITY OF PLANT CITY PARKS & RECREATION

EASTER

EGG HUNT

INFLATABLES
BUNNY PHOTOS
VENDORS
FOOD TRUCKS

SATURDAY,
APRIL

4

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
PLANT CITY STADIUM

EGG HUNT
STARTS AT 10:15A.M.
AGES 3-11

\$5 CASH
PARKING

ALL ACTIVITIES
ARE FREE

OVER 20,000
EGGS!

GOLDEN & SPORTS EGGS
HIDDEN WITH PRIZES

Plan to join us at Plant City Stadium for this fun event!

***We should be on site by 9:00 am at the latest
to ensure close parking and get our table set-up!***



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