CHAMPIONS CHATTER

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Late November, 2025

NEXT MEETING IS A GRILL NIGHT MEETING ON NOVEMBER 17

Our next 3rd Monday meeting is set for a **Grill Night on Monday November 17! Hot grill at 6:15 pm, meeting is at 6:30ish, at Gracepoint Church** (see the map on page 2). Come join us to hear **Yasmeen Neuman** tell us about the great things that **Workforce Development Partners** and the **Future Career Academy** are doing for high school seniors throughout Hillsborough County. We will also debrief the **"Monster Mash" Trunk or Treat** and **Youth Excellence Awards** events as well as prep for the **Christmas Tree Lot** (Nov 22 set-up, then open for business Nov 24-Dec 12 – see below). Bring a new member candidate and a protein to grill for you and your guest. We'll provide the baked potato, salad, iced tea/lemonade, and dessert. You also should forward this newsletter email to your candidate as it has a membership form included (hint, hint ☺)!

EIGHT EXCEPTIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS WERE RECOGNIZED

Thanks to David Kinghorn for organizing the **Youth Excellence Awards** and for Pat, Darcy, Doris, and all the others that were there to help set up the venue before the event and clean up afterwards. Awardee names and bios are in the press release linked on the event web page. Photos of the event are available on our Facebook page under the Photos > Albums link at **https://www.facebook.com/pcchampionsforyouth**.

OUR OFFICE TRAILER WILL NOT BE LONELY MUCH LONGER… TREE LOT SEASON IS ONLY ONE WEEK AWAY!

The office trailer is on site advertising for us! **Christmas Tree Lot set-up is Saturday, November 22 at 8:00 am**. We need as many members and friends as we can get – bring someone with you to help! You bring the muscles and a 8-10' ladder, we'll provide the donuts, juice, gloves, and workout. Trees arrive the same day at 12:00 noon, providing more fun for all! **The lot opens for business Monday, November 24**. Schedule is Mon-Tue-Wed-Thur 10 am to 8 pm and Fri-Sat-Sun 9 am to 9 pm (closed Thanksgiving Day). We plan to be sold out by Friday, December 12. It is an intense three weeks, but it funds all of our programs, so we need your help!

LOOKING AHEAD… MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- ✓ ***Monday, November 17:*** 3rd Monday, Grill Night, 6:15 pm hot coals, 6:30ish meeting, Gracepoint Church.
- ✓ ***Saturday, November 22:*** Set up the Tree Lot, 8:00 am, Plant City High School.
- ✓ ***Saturday, November 22:*** Trees arrive – we need muscles at 12:00 noon, Plant City High School.
- ✓ ***Monday, November 24:*** Tree Lot opens for business! Open Mon-Tue-Wed-Thur 10a to 8p, Fri-Sat-Sun 9a-9p
- ✓ ***Monday December 1:*** 1st Monday meeting, 6:30 pm, pizza at the Tree Lot.

2025-2026 OFFICERS

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

2025-2026 BOARD MEMBERS

Pat Stottlemyer
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!

Walt's Christmas Extravaganza

Monday, December 15, 2025
6:30 pm in Mason Hall at
Gracepoint Church
1107 Charlie Griffin Rd, Plant City, FL 33566

Open to all Friends of the Club
(past members, current members, future members, friends, tree lot staff, and everyone's families)

Each family - please bring a large plate of savory finger food - 10-12 servings (desserts are being assigned)

Each person should bring a $20 max-price gift, wrapped with no name, to be used for the Yankee Swap Gift Exchange. If you have children expecting a gift from Santa, bring it with their name on it.

Please RSVP no later than 10:00 am on Saturday, December 13 to PCChampionsForYouth@outlook.com or call/text 813-752-2057 so proper plans can be made!

Christmas Trees

Fresh Cut!

November 24 to December 12, 2025

or until we sell out!

HOURS:

Monday to Thursday 10 am to 8 pm
Friday-Saturday-Sunday 9 am to 9 pm

All proceeds support Plant City area youth programs!

PLANT CITY CHAMPIONS FOR YOUTH
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Location:
Plant City High School corner Maki Road and W Alexander St

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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)*:

- ☐ YOUTH PROGRAMS
- ☐ YOUTH SCHOLARSHIPS
- ☐ MEMBERSHIP
- ☐ FUNDRAISING
- ☐ MARKETING
- ☐ WEB SITE / SOCIAL MEDIA
- ☐ 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