

GREATER PLANT CITY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

July 6, 2010

E-FLASH

PLEASE NOTE: This *E-FLASH* editor will be out of the office from this Friday, July 9th, until Monday, July 19th; therefore, today's *E-FLASH* lists events for the next two weeks rather than the usual one-week period. The next newsworthy and exciting *E-FLASH* you receive will be on Monday, July 19th.

A Treat for Race Fans!

Presented by Verizon Wireless
2909 James L. Redman Parkway, Suite 13
2:00 'til 7:00 PM / Thursday, July 8th

NASCAR Verizon Dodge #12 (the actual racing car) will be onsite at Verizon Wireless. Everyone will have the opportunity to have pictures taken with the car, check out authentic Verizon racing items, and change a tire on the *Tire Changer!* For more information, call Store Manager Cathi Ball (cathi.ball@verizonwireless.com) at 764-8202.

Dinner Meeting

Sponsored by the Plant City Federated Republican Women's Club
Featuring State Representative Rich Glorioso, County Commission Candidate Josh Burgin,
and School Board Candidate Terry Kemple
Red Rose Inn & Suites / Twelve Oaks Fireside Room
6:00 PM Dinner Buffet (Optional) / 6:30 PM Program / Thursday, July 8th

For this event, an optional dinner buffet (\$15) will be offered, beginning at 6:00 p.m., and the program will begin at 6:30. You are also welcome to attend simply to hear the featured speakers, in which case there will be no charge. Both women and men are invited to participate. Since seating is limited, please call Diane Martin-Johnson (dmi5112@aol.com) at 760-6125 to RSVP for dinner as soon as possible but no later than noon tomorrow – Wednesday, July 7th. You may also contact Diane for more information about this event.

Car Show Committee Meeting

Chamber of Commerce
3:30 PM / Monday, July 12th

City Commission Meeting

City Hall
7:30 PM / Monday, July 12th

REMINDER

We **DO NOT** host a *Contact Breakfast* in July. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, August 11th, at the *Salute to Agriculture*, when the *2010 Agriculturist of the Year*, *Young Agriculturist of the Year*, *Agriculture Educator of the Year*, *Agri-Business of the Year*, and *Supporter of Youth in Agriculture* awards will be presented.

***** Business After Hours *****

Sponsored by D.R. Horton at Whispering Woods

2756 Walden Woods Drive

5:15 'til 7:00 PM / Thursday, July 15th

Enjoy great refreshments while you network with fellow Chamber members at this event. Admission to the *Business After Hours* is complimentary, but please call 754-3707 to RSVP.

The Boy Friend

Presented by Plant City Entertainment (PCE), Inc.

Plant City Community Playhouse / 101 North Thomas Street

8:00 PM / Friday, July 16th and Saturday, July 17th

2:00 PM / Sunday, July 18th

8:00 PM / Friday, July 23rd and Saturday, July 24th

Nominated for a Tony Award on Broadway, this lighthearted musical is a tongue-in-cheek look at the *Roaring '20s* on the French Riviera. Admission for PCE members (or group advance sales) is \$10; admission for seniors 55 and older and for students, through 12th grade is \$12; and general admission for non-members is \$14. Advance tickets and group rates are available. Tickets may be purchased at the door, one hour prior to show times, or in advance at Hardee's Fashions, 1501 North Wheeler Street. For more information, call Frances Hardee at 754-4929.

***** Strawberry Classic Car Show *****

FEATURING ALL YEARS AND MODELS OF IMPORTS

Proudly sponsored by the Greater Plant City Chamber of Commerce

Historic Downtown Plant City

4:00 'til 9:00 PM / Registration Opens at 3:00 PM / Saturday, July 17th

1985 and older classics, antiques, hot rods, and customs are on display for this event, also featuring, D.J. Eddie with 50s & 60s music, food and craft vendors, and a 50/50 drawing. Downtown specialty shops and restaurants stay open for this event. Bring your family to Historic Downtown Plant City for an evening of good old-fashioned fun!

UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH FISHING DERBY

The annual *Youth Fishing Derby* (for all youths ages 5-15), presented by the City of Plant City Recreation & Parks Department, will be held beginning at 8:00 a.m. (registration from 7:00 'til 8:00 a.m.), Saturday, July 24th, at the pond behind the Randy Larson Softball Four-Plex, off of Gordon Food Service Drive (formerly Albertsons Drive). This **FREE** event will allow area youth to fish and compete for various awards. Pre-registration is preferred and is available through July 21st at the Recreation & Parks Department Administration Offices, 1904 South Park Road (659-4255) or online at <http://www.plantcitygov.com/forms.aspx?FID=163>. You may also register on site, from 7:00 until 8:00 a.m., the day of the event. For more information, call Program Manager Deborah Haldane (dhaldane@plantcitygov.com) at 659-4200, extension 4302.

MIDSUMMER MELODIES

Midsummer Melodies, sponsored by the Arts Council of Plant City and Plant City Photo Archives, Inc., will be held Saturday, July 31st in the Red Rose Ballroom at Red Rose Inn & Suites, 2011 North Wheeler Street. The event (\$40 a person) will include a cash bar at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00, and the performance at 8:00. Guests will enjoy a musical medley of pop, jazz, opera & Broadway tunes, including instrumental, vocal, and dance routines, in addition to an art exhibit and silent auction. For more information, call Gil Gott (gvgott@gmail.com) at 754-1578.

VIETNAM VETERANS' MEMORIAL WALL

The FedEx Office (formerly FedEx Kinko's) has teamed up with the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation (VVMF) to help collect pictures of the 58,000 veterans listed on the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C. The public may take Vietnam War veterans pictures to the FedEx Office, 2803 James L. Redman Parkway, to be scanned and uploaded to the VVMF website at no cost. **The offer ends TODAY – July 6th.** The images will be used to create an exhibition of faces that belong to the names on the wall. For more information, contact Will Tavarez at 754-6323 or willie.tavarez@fedex.com.

SPECIAL SUMMER DISCOUNT OFFER!

Dinosaur World wants to thank you for being a friend. Simply print out either the picture or the entire newsletter, which is attached, and present it at the time of ticket purchase to receive \$2 off admission. You may use one coupon for up to six people, and the offer is valid until September 1st. Either use the offer yourself or pass it along to a friend for an unforgettable prehistoric journey into the past. For more information about **Dinosaur World**, visit www.dinoworld.net or call 717-9865.

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Bike Fest: www.facebook.com/PlantCityBikeFest and www.twitter.com/PCBikeFest

Car Show: www.facebook.com/PlantCityCarShow and www.twitter.com/PCCarShow

Pig Jam: www.facebook.com/PigJam and www.twitter.com/PlantCityPigJam

CITY OF PLANT CITY

City of Plant City news regarding the budget, calendar and events, city commission agendas and minutes, city ordinances, street closures, etc., may be found under *Quick Links* on the City of Plant City website – www.plantcitygov.com. The Recreation & Parks Department hosts numerous events and activities for various age groups throughout the year. For more information, call 659-4255 or visit the city's website, click on Departments, then Parks & Recreation.

WEEKLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS

American Business Women's Association

11:45 a.m. / last Monday of every month

Carrabba's Italian Grill / 1205 Townsgate Court

Contact: Karen Hurst / 763-1423

American Legion – Norman McLeod Post #26

6:00 p.m. / second and fourth Tuesday of every month

American Legion / 2207 West Baker Street

Contact: Julian Womble / 752-8608

Arts Council of Plant City

7:00 p.m. / first Tuesday of every month (September through May)

Chamber of Commerce Public Meeting Room / 106 North Evers Street

Contact: Maggie Carlisle / 752-6133

East Hillsborough Art Guild

7:00 p.m. / first Monday of every month

GFWC Woman's Club / 1110 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Leo Watson / 719-6533

GFWC Junior Woman's Club of Plant City

7:00 p.m. / second Thursday of every month

GFWC Clubhouse / 1110 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Kristen Hitchcock / 495-7842

GFWC Woman's Club of Plant City

10:30 a.m. / second Tuesday of every month

GFWC Clubhouse / 1110 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Jean Ann Eatman / 752-3737

HR Plant City

NOON / third Wednesday of every month

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Janet Kelly / 754-5997

Improvement League of Plant City

7:00 p.m. / third Wednesday of every month

911 East Warren Street

Contact: Henry Johnson / 767-4374

Plant City Bar Association

NOON (meeting and/or CLE) / second Friday of every month

Except August (Executive Meeting) and December (Holiday Dinner)

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Veronica Prostko / 870-1300, ext. 301

Plant City Civitan Club

7:00 a.m. / first and third Thursday of every month

Buddy Freddy's Restaurant / 1101 Goldfinch Drive

Contact: Pat Pogue / 754-4680

Plant City Daybreak Rotary Club

7:00 a.m. / every Monday

South Florida Baptist Hospital / Community Conference Room

Contact: Bruce Sperry / 754-3030

Plant City Federated Republican Women's Club

6:00 p.m. / second Thursday of every month

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Diane Martin-Johnson / 760-6125

Plant City Garden Club

10:00 a.m. / second Monday of every month (September through May)

For meeting location, contact Cassandra Banning.

Contact: Cassandra Banning / 759-1638

Plant City Kiwanis Club

NOON / every Wednesday

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Sharon Moody / 453-7134

Plant City Lions Club

NOON / every Tuesday

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Charles Harris / 719-3800

Plant City Noon Rotary Club

NOON / every Monday

Red Rose Inn & Suites / 2011 North Wheeler Street

Contact: Jimmy Carapezza / 707-1221

Toastmasters International

7:30 a.m. / every Thursday

Chamber of Commerce Public Meeting Room / 106 North Evers Street

Contact: Stan Reynolds / 309-0269

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