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Dr Shelia Smalley and others cut ribbon at official opening of Leesburg's first Humanities and Fine Arts Charter School.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Leesburg's First Charter School

By Louis C Ward

More than 200 parents, children, civic, business, religious, and community leaders, attended the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the opening of Leesburg's first Humanities and Fine Arts Charter School (HFACS) on Sunday, August 22nd, 2010 at the old Lee Elementary School, 213 N. Lee Street.

The HFACS, which opened Monday, August 23 with a little less than 160 students, is a 40 year old dream come true for Dr. Shelia Smalley, the school's founder and educational leader. "We will provide a quality education for your child and his talents and skills will be nurtured," Dr. Smalley said

For the 2010-2011 school year, HFACS will begin with kindergarten, first and second grade classes only. Third, fourth and fifth grade classes will be added in the future. HFACS will be located on the old Lee Elementary School grounds, using new portable modules for classrooms.

During the ceremony, Mayor David Knowles presented a proclamation to Dr. Shelia Smalley and Lake County Schools' Superintendent Dr. Susan Moxley applauded Dr. Smalley's vision of a charter school that will include humanities and fine arts to enhance the teaching of the core curriculum, which is aligned with the Florida Next Generation Sunshine State Standards and Benchmarks. Mrs. Carolyn Samuel, a member of the school's Board of Directors, said, It's a wonderful occasion and I am proud to have a school that will not only concentrate on academics, but will include the arts and humanities in its curriculum.

Joshua Mc Miller, a HFACS first grader, exemplified the school's motto: "Where Every Child Is A Star" with his rendition of "I believe I can Fly".

HFACS is still registering children. Parents interested in enrolling their child at HFACS must bring their child's birth certificate, immunization record and proof of resident. For more information, please call 352 365-6890.



From the Bishop...

Praise the Lord, Church of the Living God (CLG) Family! I pray that all is well within the CLG family.

This is the second issue of "The Advocate", the Florida Atlantic Diocese's official newsletter. The first one was very informative and I hope you find the second issue even better. I encourage you to send items of news to Deacon Louis C. Ward, Editor, at poppalouis1@hotmail.com or call (352) 552-7540, and maybe your church will be in the next issue.

As you know, we have some major events coming up:

1. **81st General Assembly**, Monday October 18th to Sunday October 24th.
2. **Annual Fellowship Dinner** Saturday, November 6th, 2010 at 6 pm at Leesburg Community Center, \$20 for Adults and \$12 for children.
3. **Annual Fellowship Day**, Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Celebration Day, Monday, January 18, 2011 at the National Tabernacle in Orlando, Florida

Identify this drummer and win a cash prize!



The first two individuals who send in the correct answers, either by email (poppalouis1@hotmail.com) or telephone: 352 552-7540 (text message only) will receive a cash prize. You must submit name & telephone number with your answers. Pastors, elders, ministers, deacons may not participate.



Deacon Reid of Garden of Prayer CLG and youth prepare to eat.

Leesburg District's Men's Council Family Picnic



Minister Johnny Campbell masters the grill.

FOOD FUN FELLOWSHIP

A water balloon fight, fishing, volleyball and throwing horseshoes were some of the activities youth and adults participated in at the first Leesburg District Men's Council Family Day Picnic held on Saturday, July 24th, 2010 at Lake Griffin State park. "I really had a good time and enjoyed myself today," said Mrs. Janie Brockington, Pastor of Holy Temple Church of the Living God in Okahumpka.

Rosemary Taylor, a 7 year old visiting from New York, said I really liked getting wet in the water balloon fight and my team won." After the water balloon fight, Deacon Gene Reed, Co-President of LDMC, told his daughter Tara, who was scared of the big spider in the bathroom, "You better go in the bathroom and change those wet clothes because you can't get in my car soaking wet."

When the children were not playing on the slides or swings, Deaconess Georgette Ward of True Temple CLG showed them how to make things from her big basket of arts and crafts.

Minister Johnnie Campbell, who mastered the grill and noticed franks and burgers disappearing as soon as he cooked them, jokingly said "an experienced cook serves himself first".

The first Leesburg District Men's Council Family Picnic was a successful day of food, fun and fellowship.



Elder Anthony Graham, Pastor of Living Waters Cathedral CLG, encourages men at Men Conference

Men's Conference

Men, apprehensive about stepping out on their own to start a business, or making a major change in their lives, were encouraged by Elder Anthony Graham's discourse "God Are You Sure?" at a Men's Day Program held Saturday, August 21, 2010. The Men's Day Program, held at Holy Temple CLG on County Rd 33 in Okahumpka, was coordinated by Minister Johnny Campbell, Assistant Pastor of HTCLG.



Bishops pray for Bishop Ward minutes before she addresses the audience at our National Youth Congress in Daytona Beach in July 2010.

Mrs. G's Puzzle

Fill in the blanks for this Bible verse with the book and verse number.

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