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YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN THE PARTY!

**The Seminole Chamber of Commerce
& City of Seminole Will Present
35TH ANNUAL KIDS APPRECIATION DAY**

**Wednesday, June 4, 3 - 5:30 pm.
At Seminole City Park**



**Women's
Leadership
Council
Monthly Mtg.**

Thursday, June 26 ~ 8 am.

Speaker:

**Nancy Howe,
President of
KnowHowe,
Topic: Come
Learn to
"Live Local"
All are invited!**



TRIBUTE TO TEACHERS 2014



Our Tribute to Teachers Breakfast honored 20 area teachers and their administrators from Anona, Bardmoor, Bauder, Bay Pines Lutheran, Blessed Sacrament Catholic, Career Academies of Seminole, Indian Rocks Christian, Keswick Christian, Madeira Beach Fundamental, Oakhurst, Orange Grove, Osceola Middle & Fundamental, PARC Discovery Center, Ridgecrest, Seminole Elementary, Middle & High School, Starkey and St. Petersburg College. Hearing their stories was truly inspirational! A special thanks to Chair Jean Campbell and the committee that made the event successful on May 6 at Seminole Middle School.

- photos by Gretchen Wells

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Notary Services Available



The event was supported by community leaders, including Fred Zinda, "Mr. Seminole 2014," and Gene Stern, "Mr. Seminole 2013,"

who gave prizes to lucky teachers in a drawing, as "Mr. Seminole 2000," Ken Burke, Clerk of Circuit Courts, served as Master of Ceremonies.



**Gretchen's Gatherings
Chamber Chief of Operations**

School's Out for the Summer!

Do you remember that exhilarating feeling of being finished with a goal, such as completing a grade in school, and having a little breathing space before taking on the next big challenge in your life? There probably is nothing sweeter ever again than the carefree childhood days when "school's out for the summer."

I think anticipating that "window of freedom," can be a powerful motivator, even when we are adults. I've always believed in celebrating our victories with small rewards. You may be able to relate to an example such as, "If I can implement one component of the marketing strategy I just learned in a webinar, I can leave work on time today, and have a frosty at Wendy's."

Of course as adults, we always are faced with another project, or two, or three, on stand-by, since all of us tend to be multi-taskers. But, on June 4, the Chamber and City of Seminole are offering you the opportunity to escape from your current responsibilities for an afternoon, and join us for the 35th annual Kids Appreciation Day celebration at Seminole City Park.

I don't know of another community that organizes a party like this, which is geared toward elementary-age school kids. Food, games and prizes, sponsored by civic groups and the business community, are the kids' reward for trying their best at school, and as an incentive for practicing "summer integrity."

I think Dr. Steve Nickse, who has been chairman for a many years, coined that expression. His definition of summer integrity relates to behavior. Kids are encouraged to listen to adults and play nicely with each other. It's also an opportunity for parents to open a dialogue with their kids about goals, knowing that school will be starting again (back to the real world) in a couple of months.

Gretchen Wells

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**Roger Edelman
Chamber President**



Over the past several months the Chamber has gone through, and continues to go through, a complete re-branding effort that includes both internal and external documents, operations and functions.

This was done, in great part, to expand the our visibility and our message out to the community, as well as, to our membership. During the next several years the face of Seminole will change significantly and we want to ensure the Chamber, as the voice of the business community, plays a leadership role in that effort.

A major part of this re-branding effort is a revision of the Chambers logo and promotional material in addition to a totally new web site, designed to be easier to navigate and containing much more information and data about our community.

You and your business have a listing in the member's directory section, along with links to your address, web site, map and e-mail information, if applicable.

It is essential you review this information for accuracy and contact the Chamber, so we can get your 25 word bio, logo and/or picture, set up for visitors to see.

We will be making other changes in the near future and will keep you updated, as we continue to work toward helping support and grow our local business community.

Roger Edelman



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Grand Opening



The Seminole Chamber of Commerce and City of Seminole officiated at a ribbon cutting for Meineke Car Care Center May 8. The business is located at 8478 Seminole Blvd. and owned by Fred Fenk. From left are Councilor Jim Quinn; Vice Mayor Thom Barnhorn; Dr. Jim Olliver, Chamber treasurer; Leona Broussard, AFLAC; Mayor Leslie Waters; Fred Fenk, Meineke owner; Paul King, Chamber Board; Roger Edelman, Chamber President; second row, Victor Adamo, Chamber Chair; Donna Miller, Admin. Assistant; Janet McGibbeny, Belleza Tan & Spa; and Evan Davenport, Meineke.

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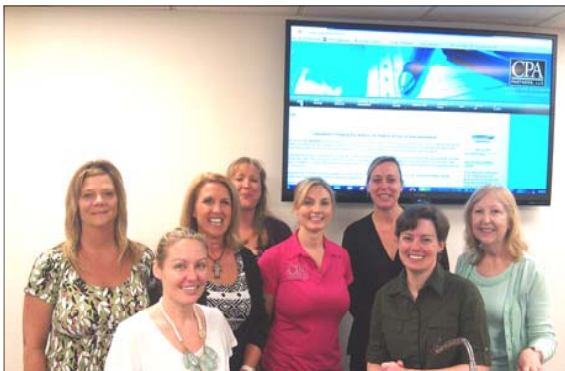
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Understanding QuickBooks

Jessica Price and Kristina Helferty, of CPA Partners, LLC, were recently on hand to give a QuickBooks accounting seminar at the Seminole Chamber. They made use of the conference center, with its Wi-Fi compatibility features.



RIBBON CUTTINGS & AFTER HOUR SOCIALS

Thurs., June 5
My Hope Chest
7985 113th St. N. #300
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5 - 7 pm.

Thurs., June 26
Zounds Hearing Aids
Nathan Millhouse
& Tina Moser
102nd Avenue
5 - 7 pm.



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June 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 KIDS APPRECIATION DAY! Seminole City Park 7464 Ridge Road 3 - 5:30 pm.	5 Ambassadors' Meeting 8 am. ~ Chamber <hr/> RIBBON CUTTING/SOCIAL My Hope Chest 7985 113th St. N. #300 (3rd Floor Chamber Bldg.) 5 - 7 pm.	6	7 City of Seminole Fire Rescue Hurricane EXPO Sem. Rec. Ctr. 10 am. - 2 pm.
8	9	10 Chamber Exec. Board Mtg. ~ 7:30 am. <hr/> Heart & Soul Shoe Drive Lake Seminole Square 8333 Seminole Blvd. 10 am. - 2 pm. <hr/> Seminole City Council City Hall ~ 7 pm.	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Chamber Board Mtg. ~ 7:30 am.	19	20	21
22	23	27 Seminole City Council City Hall ~ 7 pm.	25	26 Women's Leadership Council Chamber Office ~ 8 am. Speaker: Nancy Howe Topic: "Live Local" - All are Welcome! Come & Lean How <hr/> RIBBON CUTTING BUSINESS AFTER HOURS Zounds Hearing Aids Nathan Millhouse & Tina Moser 102nd Avenue 5 - 7 pm.	27	28
29	30					