

Band Shell Press Release Fact Sheet

- The Heritage Stage is part of \$2.3 million in improvements to the Land O' Lakes Community Center.
- August 14, 2015 - Ribbon-cutting for several new amenities at the Land O' Lakes Community Center including:
 - Bermuda grass practice fields
 - .4-mile walking trail
 - Concession building/restrooms/meeting room
 - Maintenance building
 - 2 shelters, new parking lots/ playground/ patio area

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- The \$250,000 stage was a community effort made possible through in kind donations from architects, contractors and a grant from the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs.
- Construction of the stage began in September, 2016.
- The 1,020 square foot stage spans 31' by 31'.
- The Heritage Stage will be host to cultural events such as school band assemblies, concerts, plays, cookouts, pageants & various presentations.
- **Stage:** Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs grant funding of \$250K to build the stage.
- **Stage Contractor:** Walbridge
- **Stage Architect:** Mr. Peter Gottschalk
- **Stage Amenities:** Green room, storage, power, lighting, metal roof fully covers stage.
- **Event Field:** Spectators will view events from more than 1.25 acres of open space southeast of the stage. A sidewalk spans the perimeter of the area and includes 15 power pedestals for vendors.
- **Future Stage Uses:** School band assemblies, concerts, plays, cultural events, pageants & presentations.
- **Acreage:** 16.5
- **Original Community Center building:** Built in 1961

****School Board Partnership:** Successful Inter-local agreement-with the School Board to share basketball courts, shelters, athletic fields, parking lots and future stage between Saunders Elementary School and Pasco County Parks, Recreation & Natural Resources. Building upon this successful relationship with the School Board, we are building this stage using School Board contractors, vendors and workforces while promoting community involvement by offering volunteering opportunities to local citizens.