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# City of Ormond Beach

DECEMBER 23, 2010



# City Santas

City Santas has completed its mission for the 14<sup>th</sup> year! Since 1997, City employees, with the help of citizens and businesses, have worked to provide gifts for children and seniors in need in Ormond Beach during the holiday season. Each year, staff receives a list of those in need living in Ormond Beach from Halifax Urban Ministries (HUM). Employees raise funds with various activities and accept financial donations as well as toy donations for the holiday program. This year, a community rummage sale was held as well as a silent auction each raising approximately \$1,300.00. Every year this program receives great support from employees, citizens and businesses. In addition to financial and toy donations, they donate their time and talents to this annual effort.

This year, City Santas provided for 119 children (46 families) and 10 seniors. All gifts were delivered to Halifax Urban Ministries on December 20<sup>th</sup>. The City Santas are provided a short list of gifts the children would like and try to purchase those items. Each child receives 3-5 gifts.

The City Santas would like to thank everyone who assisted in this effort, and the many who have assisted every year since its inception, and wish everyone a joyous holiday.

City Santas wish to send special

thanks to the following for their support this year:

- Advanced Chiropractic
- Aqua Pure Solutions
- Atlantic Animal Hospitals
- Drs. Brown & Chmielarski
- Charlie Horse Restaurant
- Creative Memories
- Dairy Queen (The Trails)
- Daytona College
- Daytona Cubs
- Daytona International Speedway
- D. Christopher's Photography
- Elements of Design
- Georgian Inn Beach Club
- Kathy Harper Painting
- Marguerite's Florist
- MaryKay (Ella Chick-Power)
- ML Underwood Construction, Inc.
- Orlando Science Center
- Pampered Chef (Jennifer Buckner)
- Partylite (Darlene Yelvington)
- Royal Floridian





# Cassen Park Clean Up

On Saturday, December 18th the Department of Leisure Services hosted a cleanup of Cassen Park that stretched south to Ames Park. A group of Seabreeze High School students earning community service for graduation joined staff as they searched the area picking up trash and debris throughout the parks, shorelines and the swale of the bridge.

A strong focus was placed on the abundance of cigarette butts and smaller pieces of trash in the parking areas and bushes. The group was able to split up and canvass a larger area hauling in numerous bags of trash and spreading some good will along the way. Some passers-by joined in and assisted with cleanup around the bait shop.

These cleanup events are scheduled quarterly and could become more frequent as need and help dictate. To become involved in future city park cleanups, contact Stefan Sibley, Recreation Manager, 386-676-3278. Extra hands are always welcome!



# St. James Sing-A-Long

St. James Episcopal School children performed their annual Christmas program and sing-a-long for family and friends on the Rockefeller Gardens stage on Friday December 17th. Many youthful voices filled the air with lots of uplifting holiday music and Christmas cheer.





# *South Beach Dance Holiday Showcase*

South Beach Dance Academy presented their annual Holiday Showcase at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. South Beach Dance, located in Daytona Beach, offers instruction to students in Classical Ballet, Pointe, Tap, and Jazz dance.

The Holiday Showcase is an opportunity for the students to perform for an audience of family and friends. It is also an essential part of the instructional program to advance the students' mastery of dance performance. Each dance in the performance is designed to highlight the techniques the students learn in class. The excitement of a live performance is as wonderful for the performers as it is for the audience.



The City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Department is glad to have the dancers perform year after year at the Performing Arts Center!



# *SALUTE TO SINATRA, DAVIS, MARTIN*

The Department of Leisure Services Performing Arts Center hosted "The Salute to Sinatra, Davis, Martin" on Sunday December 19<sup>th</sup>. Direct from Las Vegas, the cast members of this show are veteran entertainers who perform great impersonations of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, and Sammy Davis, Jr.

The "Rat Pack" were best loved for their comedic humor as well as their signature songs. As part of the show, Frank Sinatra's "My Way," Dean Martin's "Volare," and Sammy Davis Jr.'s "Candy Man" were performed along with many others to the delight of the audience. It was a memorable performance enjoyed by all in attendance!





# Challenger Basketball Season Ends

Challenger Basketball, for special needs participants, had their last practice for the season on Tuesday. Over thirty participants and volunteers collaborated to result in the best season yet! Coach Tim Jones donated jerseys for each player and guided each individual through skills and drills which enhanced their playing ability. Buttleman's Sport Center donated T-shirts and medals for all the players. Challenger Basketball has been practicing at Nova Community Center for five years and is offered through the Special Populations Division of the Leisure Services Department.



# Winter Girls' Basketball Off to a Great Start!

The Department of Leisure Services Winter Girls' Basketball Program for 2010-11 is four games into their season at the holiday break. Practice and games are held at Nova Gym. All games are played on Monday through Friday night. The league is divided into 3 age groups: 7-9, 10-11, and 12-14, with a total of 14 teams. So far only one team is without a victory, with 2 of the losses by 5 points or less. The season will start back after the break on January 3<sup>rd</sup>. Each team will play a minimum of twelve games, with the 2 older divisions having playoffs. The younger division has "skill" contests instead of playoffs. These consist of free-throw shooting, dribbling obstacle course, timed lay-up contest, and a "Hot-Shot" contest. Awards will be presented to all who compete.





# *Breakfast with Santa*

On Saturday, December 18th, Santa and Mrs. Claus stopped by The Casements to enjoy a delicious pancake breakfast with 250 children of all ages, parents, grandparents and friends. Cookie decorating and face painting were also highlights of the day.

This special annual breakfast event was sponsored by the Leisure Services Department and co-sponsored by Porter Paints and Professional Business Group.



# *Boys' Winter Basketball*

The Winter Boys' Basketball Program for 2010-11 is three games into their season. Games are played at either the South Ormond Neighborhood Center or Nova Gym, Monday through Friday night and some on Saturday mornings. Practice is held at Nova Gym. The league is divided into 4 age groups: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, and 14-15, with a total of 26 teams. Each team will play a minimum of 12 games, with all divisions having playoffs. The season will start back after the break on January 3<sup>rd</sup> and will end in mid to late February.





## *Santa on the Go!*



Santa and Mrs. Claus were able to take time off from their busy schedule to stop by some of our local day care schools and assisted living homes. The children were able to tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas and have their pictures taken.

The residents in the assisted living homes were also delighted to see Santa and Mrs. Claus. They had their pictures taken to give to their family and friends. Many thanks to Santa and Mrs. Claus, for sharing and spreading the spirit of the season!



## *Christmas Dinners*

In partnership with Community Christmas Club of the Halifax Area, the Police Athletic League gave out food to 86 families that will feed 344 people. The food was given out on Monday, December 20th at the Ormond Beach Police Department. Community Service Officer Shannon Champion, Police Officer Greg Stokes, Police Officer Lloyd Cornelius, and Victim Advocate Erica Hines participated in handing out the meals. This was a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community and help those in need.





# *PAL Youths' Holiday Party*

The Ormond Beach Police Athletic League held its Annual Holiday Party at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center (SONC) on December 20th. Over 100 youths and their families enjoyed pizza, wings, and cookies while waiting for Santa to arrive.

Officer Lloyd Cornelius escorted Santa to the SONC to surprise the children in attendance. Each youth at the party received a new wrapped toy provided through toy sponsorships from Anchor Certified Planners Group, the Margarita Society of Volusia County, Ormond Beach Dollar General, Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce, National Active and Retired Federal Employees and Seniors-R-Us. Parents attending the party thanked members of the Ormond Beach Police Department for providing new gifts to their children. For many families the toys received at the party are the only new toys their child will receive for the holiday.



## ***HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFT-A-PALOOZA!***

The Leisure Services Department offered artist Gretchen Neal's 2010 Arts & Craft-A-Palooza as another exciting function at The Casements this holiday season. The class offered the chance for children to learn new art skills and make wonderful gifts to put under the tree. In addition, the children were treated to a tasty holiday snack made by Gretchen.

There were two different classes on Friday, December 17th, and a festive time was had by everyone, including Gretchen's volunteer elves! Ms. Neal is a very creative and industrious teacher who also instructs the children's summer art camp at The Casements. The children adore her and they keep coming back year after year!



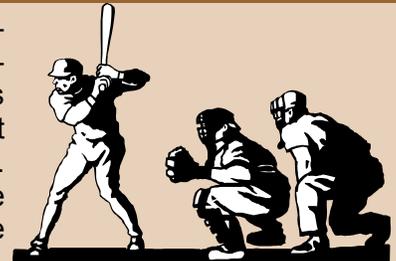
*There will be no Weekly Review or Staff Reports next week due to the New Year's holiday.*

*City staff and I hope you have a safe and joyous holiday season.*



# HARRY WENDELSTEDT'S UMPIRE CLINIC

The City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Department is now accepting registration for a 3-day Umpire Clinic which is being offered by the Harry Wendelstedt Umpire School from age 16 through adult. The clinics, beginner and advanced, are being taught by major- and minor-league umpires on the Wendelstedt staff.



The clinics will be held on three consecutive Saturday mornings, January 8, 15, and 22, from 9:00 a.m. until noon in Ormond Beach. Clinics will cover basic fundamentals of a two-man system, plate work, the strike zone and other encountered rules. Advanced umpire training will focus on the obstruction and interference rule. A certificate will be issued upon completion of this 3-day clinic.

This clinic is FREE; however, the registration form is REQUIRED to be completed and turned in to the Leisure Services Registration Office by noon, January 6, 2011. Minors can only be registered by their parents or court-ordered legal guardian. Contact the City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Registration Office, located at 399 N. US1, Ormond Beach, Florida 32174, or at (386) 676-3250 for registration information or email [bierwagen@ormondbeach.org](mailto:bierwagen@ormondbeach.org) for a registration form to be emailed to you.

## Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 907    Arrests – 18  
 Citations Issued - 45  
 Reports Written - 103    Traffic Stops - 77



## Weekly Fire Operations Stats

**95 INCIDENTS**  
 52 - EMS    7 - Motor Vehicle Accidents  
 6 - Fires    6 - Fire Alarms  
 20 - Public Assists    4 - Hazardous

# Public Works in ACTION



Asphalt crew preparing for 5 ton asphalt patch repair at Jamestown and Peninsula Dr.



3 ton asphalt utility patch on Thackery Rd. in Forest Hills.



# Public Works in ACTION

(continued)

**Concrete crew repairing driveway at 682 S. Ridgewood after utility repair.**



**Stormwater crews replace 420' of stormdrain line on Domicillio Ave.**



*The City of Ormond Beach Proudly Announces:*  
**The 20th Annual**  
**"HOme for the HOlidays Parade"**  
**"20 Years of Holiday Magic"**  
**Winners**

**Best of Show:**  
**Holly Hill PTA**

**President's Cup Award:**  
**Sparkle & Shine Car Wash**

**Floats:**  
**1st Place - Cub Scout Pack # 54**  
**2nd Place - Aloha Marine**  
**3rd Place - Bruce Heck**

**Vehicles:**

**1st Place - Dance Art Theatre**  
**2nd Place - The Yard Trainer**  
**3rd Place - The Beach Bucket**

**Walkers:**

**1st Place - Pathways Elementary School**  
**2nd Place - Amanda's Dance Center**  
**3rd Place - American Legion Post 267**

The City of Ormond Beach would like to thank EVERYONE who participated in the parade and made it a successful and enjoyable event.

*Congratulations  
to all the winners!!!*

