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# City of Ormond Beach

APRIL 29, 2011



## The Casements to Receive Historic Preservation Award

In January 2011, The Casements Renovation and Restoration project was nominated for a Florida Trust for Historic Preservation Award for adaptive use.

The Casements was constructed circa 1912 for Reverend Harwood Huntington who was a wealthy retired minister whose wife was the daughter of the Pullman Car Company founder. In 1918, John D. Rockefeller, Sr., purchased the home to be his winter cottage and spent his winters in the cottage until his death in 1937.

Mr. Rockefeller expanded the home with additions and developed beautiful gardens in front of the home adjacent to the Halifax River which are now fittingly known as Rockefeller Gardens. One of Mr. Rockefeller's renovations included enclosing the west porch to enlarge the octagonal living room and opened the living room ceiling to a new skylight which is believed to have been constructed by Louis Tiffany. Following Mr. Rockefeller's death, the home went through several owners. It served as a girls' preparatory school, a Junior College, and as a retirement home.

The Casements was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on June 30, 1972. The City of Ormond Beach purchased the home in

1974 for \$500,000 after the structure had been unoccupied for several years and had sustained damage from two fires, hurricanes, and vandalism. In 1979, the City completed renovations of the building to be used as a community center. This initial renovation project was partially funded by a Federal Economic Development Administration Grant.

The current renovations were completed in two phases. In 2006, the building was reroofed with the remainder being completed in 2009. In 2009, the renovations to the interior were to provide historically appropriate finishes including ceilings and paneled wood doors and new period lighting on the first floor. The non-historic windows installed in 1979 were replaced with wood windows. In addition, a new patio was built on the southeast corner of the building for outdoor weddings, receptions and other social gatherings. The Casements Guild donated concrete pavers for the construction of the patio.

The 2009 renovations also provided for safety and accessibility with the installation of a new building fire alarm system and smoke detectors as well as having the restrooms expanded and rebuilt for handicapped accessibility. A new fire exit stair was installed, the elevator was renovated,

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# Town Hall Budget Meetings

The City of Ormond Beach will be holding a series of town hall/round table-style meetings intended to:

- Raise the community's awareness of the City's budget and financial situation.
- Hear residents' recommendations on what issues are important to the economic health and vitality of our community and our quality of life.
- Discuss how these programs and services can be sustained.

The scheduled meetings are identified below.

<p><b>Thursday, May 12, 2011</b> <b>Zones 3 &amp; 4 Meeting:</b> <b>Commissioners Boehm and Partington</b></p> <p>6:30 p.m. Trails Homeowners Association 201 Main Trail</p>	<p><b>Wednesday, May 25, 2011</b> <b>Zones 1 &amp; 2 Meeting:</b> <b>Commissioners Stowers and Kent</b></p> <p>6:30 p.m. Senior Center Ballroom 351 Andrews Street</p>
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Mayor Ed Kelley and the City Commissioners invite all Ormond Beach residents to participate in these meetings. For more information, please visit the City's website [www.ormondbeach.org](http://www.ormondbeach.org) or contact Kelly McGuire, Finance Director, at 386-676-3226.





## Ormond Beach's Andy Romano Beachfront Park Project Design Community Meetings: May 10, 2011 and May 11, 2011

Citizens of Ormond Beach are invited to actively participate in the design of a major new public park located on a beautiful 4 acre beachfront site at 839 S. Atlantic Avenue. Two (2) community meetings have been scheduled to obtain input.

The first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, May 10, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at The Casements** located at 25 Riverside Drive, Ormond Beach. In the event you are unable to attend the first community meeting, an additional meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 11, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center Ballroom**, located at 351 Andrews Street, Ormond Beach.

The first 3 steps of the design process - discover, imagine and choose – are about engaging the community in the design of the park. The design focus is to create a special public place that reflects Ormond Beach's unique character and the desires of its citizens while achieving improved beach access, enhanced ocean views, restoration of natural dunes, ample off-beach parking, and enjoyment for all.

Please attend and share your views on this exciting new project. You can assist the design team in imagining a new public beachfront park that will create a lasting impression in the community. Your input is very important and will help the City ensure that the park becomes a special place in Ormond Beach.

For additional information, please contact Beth Lemke at Zev Cohen & Associates, Inc., at 386-677-2482 or 407-491-9477.

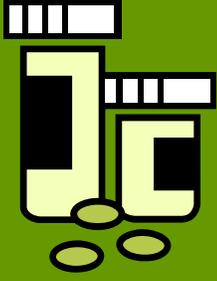


## City of Mount Dora Citizens Oversight Committee Visits PAC

Members of the Citizens Oversight Committee from the City of Mount Dora, Florida, visited the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

The City of Mount Dora is nearing completion of construction renovation of their community center building, which is being repurposed as an art center. The Citizens Oversight Committee is charged with the responsibility to advise the Mount Dora City Council on management and operation of the building.

The group chose to visit the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center because the PAC auditorium is similar in seating capacity, and they wanted to look at a model of a city run facility. Marc Schwartz, PAC Coordinator, provided the committee members with a personalized tour of the PAC and answered questions from the members.



# *Rx Drug Take-Back Day to be Repeated*

The first National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was so successful that the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration is planning another one this month. During the first take-back effort in September 2010, Americans turned in more than 242,000 pounds of prescription drugs at 4,000 sites across all 50 states.

The take-back effort is designed to prevent pill abuse and theft by getting rid of potentially dangerous, expired, unused or unwanted prescription drugs in a safe manner. Studies show that most teens who have abused prescription drugs get those drugs from their own homes or from the homes of friends.

The next prescription drug take-back day is scheduled for Saturday, April 30, 2011. The Ormond Beach Police Department is a certified collection site for this event. Expired, unused or unwanted prescription drugs may be dropped off in the lobby of the Police Department at 170 West Granada Blvd. between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.



## *D.A.R.E. Graduations*

On Thursday, April 21, 2011, two elementary school fifth grade classes held their D.A.R.E. graduations, one at St. James Episcopal School and the other at Calvary Christian Academy.

D.A.R.E. stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education, and is a highly acclaimed program with classes led by police officers who give children the skills they need to avoid involvement in drugs, gangs, and violence. D.A.R.E. was founded in 1983 in Los Angeles and is now being implemented in 75 percent of our nation's school districts and more than 43 countries around the world.

The first graduation held on Thursday was Mrs. Scanlan's class at St. James Episcopal School, with 20 students graduating. On hand were Mayor Kelley, Police Chief Osterkamp, Lt. Hayes, Officer Rudloff and Officer Cornelius to congratulate the students.

The second graduation was held at the Calvary Christian Academy for Mrs. Hill's class of 25 students. Mayor Kelley, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Police Chief Osterkamp, Lt. Hayes, Sgt. Gaston and Officer Cornelius were in attendance to support the program.

At both graduations, Mayor Kelley presented the students with a button that had the key to the city on it, which represented their key to the future. We are proud of these graduates and wish them a bright, successful future.



# walking with the Manager

On Friday, May 13, at 8:30 a.m., "Walking with the Manager" will begin at Central Park II located off of Hammock Lane. Walkers should meet at the picnic tables next to the parking lot and restrooms on the north side of Hammock Lane. The walk will be approximately 2 miles.

Kevin Gray, Public Works Operations Manager, will be the City Manager's "guest walker." Mr. Gray will speak about storm drainage improvements and will answer questions from the group.

Citizens are invited to join the City Manager and the Public Works Operations Manager for a walk, ask questions, share comments and offer suggestions.

Please put on your walking shoes and join us.



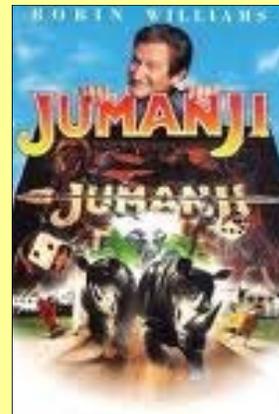
# Movies on the Halifax

On Friday, May 6, 2011, at 8:00 p.m., the City's Leisure Services Department and The Case-ments Guild will present "Jumanji" in Rockefeller Gardens.

Food vendor(s) will be available. Come out and enjoy the movies with your friends and family!

Moving Rating: "Jumanji" is a PG rated movie and parents are urged to use parental guidance as the motion picture may contain some material parents might not like for their younger children to view.

For more information, please contact The Case-ments at (386) 676-3216.



## Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,407    Arrests - 16  
Citations Issued - 207  
Reports Written - 167    Traffic Stops - 169



## Weekly Fire Operations Stats

**132 INCIDENTS**  
77 - EMS    7 - Motor Vehicle Accidents  
5 - Fires    7 - Fire Alarms  
35 - Public Assists    1 - Hazardous



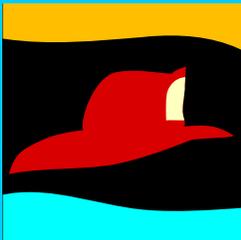
# Law Enforcement Torch Run

The 28th Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run to support Special Olympics Florida was held early this morning starting at 7:00 a.m. at the Ormond Beach Police Department located at 170 West Granada Boulevard.

The entire run, from start to finish, is over 1,500 miles long with five planned routes that culminates on Friday, May 13, 2011, when it opens the Special Olympics State Summer Games in Lake Buena Vista.

Today's participants ran and bicycled the two miles from the Ormond Beach Police Department down U.S. 1 to the Publix supermarket in Holly Hill. They were escorted by the Florida Highway Patrol, South Daytona Police Department, Florida Department of Corrections, Volusia County Sheriff's Office Crime Stoppers, and the motorcycles from the Ormond Beach Police Department and Volusia County Sheriff's Office. This portion of the run ended in Edgewater.

This was the largest turnout to date, with the Ormond Beach Police Department parking area filled to capacity with supporters for this event. Thanks to all the participants, supporters, and escorts who made this event an overwhelming success!



# Relay for Life

On Saturday, April 23rd, Ormond Beach firefighters from Station 94 participated in the American Cancer Relay for Life event held at Walgreen's on West Granada Boulevard.

At the event, Captain Rick Conte, Driver Engineer Bill Baranowski and Firefighter Michael Rannie were on hand with Engine 94 to answer citizens' questions, demonstrate equipment and educate the public on the many services the Ormond Beach Fire Department offers.

All in attendance were very appreciative of this information and the Fire Department's support of this important event.





# *The Casements Guild Celebrates 32 Years!*

On Wednesday, April 27th, The Casements' staff and City officials honored The Casements Guild members at the annual appreciation luncheon. The Guild's members have volunteered for the City of Ormond Beach for the past 32 years! To date, there are 74 members strong and growing.

Along with offering daily guided tours throughout the home, members of the Guild work in The Casements Gift Shoppe, offer special tours for larger groups, assist with special events such as the City's "Movies on the Halifax" and offer the annual Christmas Gala to the community every December.

This past year they have greeted and taken over 3,500 visitors on a tour of The Casements. The volunteers collectively have served over 6,700 hours which, calculated at the national average for museum technicians or conservators, is valued at approximately \$134,000.

The luncheon, provided by our friends at Amber's Jewel Catering, was attended by over 60 members and special guests. This annual luncheon is our way to thank the Guild members for their dedication to the City for all they do. Their expertise and commitment is greatly appreciated!



## **The Casements (cont'd.)**

and a chair lift was installed in the dance/meeting room to provide handicapped access to the Gallery.

A new storage area designed to look like a historical garage was added at the northeast corner of the building where a previous addition had been located. The canvas awnings were replaced, the basement was waterproofed, and the entire building was painted.

The 2009 renovations and restorations were funded with assistance from the Volusia County ECHO Grant program in addition to City funding with a project total of approximately \$1.2 million. The Casements is actively used as the cultural center for the City with public meetings, numerous classes, exhibits, weddings, receptions, and special events.

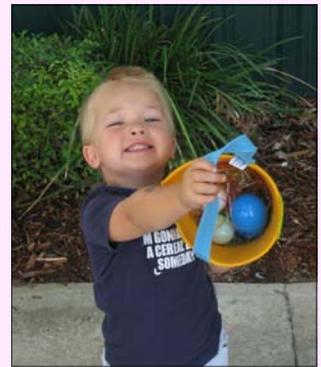
City staff was recently notified that The Casements will be receiving recognition for meritorious achievement in the field of restoration/rehabilitation at the 2011 Annual Statewide Preservation Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 20, 2011, during the Florida Trust's Annual Conference in Orlando.



# Easter Egg Hunt

Miss Brenda's Activity Class got a head start on Easter last Thursday with their own version of an Easter egg hunt. The youngsters, who are 2-1/2 to 4 years of age, were given a number that corresponded to a number printed on the decorated eggs hidden on the grounds outside the Nova Community Center.

With pails in hand, the children enthusiastically joined in the hunt. They all had fun helping each other in searching for their eggs and were thrilled when they found their hidden cache.



# Dancing Dogs at PAC

To the delight of all in attendance, the Canine Fancy Dancers of the Obedience Club of Daytona presented the "Dancing Dogs" show at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, April 20th. Linda Stites, show director, teaches the Freestyle and Advanced level dog dancing classes offered through the Obedience Club.

The audience was amazed at the dance routines performed by the talented canines, which was evident by their enthusiastic applause. The show was free and open to the public, and fun for dog lovers of all ages.





# *Cheer Team Brings Home the Gold!*

The Ormond Beach Wolves cheer teams attended their second competition at The Expo National Championships last weekend in Jacksonville. Both teams took first place in their division, and the younger Wolves also took 4th place in "best in show."

At the Leisure Services Department's Gymnastics Center, these girls have worked very hard and their efforts are paying off as they have begun to compete and bring home the gold!

Congratulations Wolves! We are proud of you!



# *City Clerk Retires*

On Wednesday, April 20th, prior to the City Commission meeting, the atrium at City Hall was filled with friends and co-workers of Veronica "Ronnie" Patterson for a farewell retirement reception.

After 18 years of dedicated service, Ronnie is retiring from the City Clerk position. During the reception, Ronnie was presented with a beautiful gift basket, and after a few speeches and chatting with her well-wishers, she cut the first piece of cake for good luck. All in attendance enjoyed wishing her all the best in her retirement. We will miss you Ronnie!





## *Bailey Riverbridge Gardens Repairs & Maintenance*

The Facilities Maintenance and Irrigation crews recently worked at Bailey Riverbridge Gardens to install new park benches and picnic tables, as well as make necessary plumbing and irrigation repairs to the facility and grounds. Crews work hard so that all our citizens and visitors can continue to enjoy our beautiful park.



## **Repair at Central Park**

New decking material was installed to replace the deteriorating boards at Central Park III on the south side of Hammock Lane. This necessary project is part of the Repair and Replacement (R&R) budget for the City. Work was managed by the Facilities Maintenance Division of the Department of Leisure Services. We welcome you to come out and admire the work while enjoying the beautiful view the lake.





# PAC Sold Out

A sellout crowd of 600 attended the performance of “The Stars From The Platters, Coasters, Drifters, and Temptations, Salute The VFW” at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

The group, led by The Platters’ Myles Savage, delighted the audience with hit songs such as “My Prayer,” “Smoke Gets In Your Eyes,” and “The Great Pretender.” The show also included performances of the songs, “My Girl,” “Under The Boardwalk” and “Up On The Roof,” which had the audience dancing in their seats and ended with standing ovations.

It was an evening of outstanding entertainment and fun for everyone to enjoy a live performance of some of the greatest songs of yesteryear!



# Busy Pop Warner Registration at SONC

On Saturday, April 23rd, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Pop Warner registration was held at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center.

The turn out was great! Staff was excited to see more than 200 youths sign up for football and cheer. Everyone is looking forward to a busy, fun season!



# Public Works in ACTION



## John Anderson Drive sidewalk repairs



## Asphalt crew installs patch on Aqua Vista after utility repairs were completed



# Public Works in ACTION

(continued)

## Concrete crew replaces sidewalk after utility repair



## Urban Forest crew assists in removing bird tangled in overhead wires



## Stormwater crews assist in removal of landscaping on So. Forty Trail



The City of Ormond Beach Department of Leisure Services & The Ormond Memorial Art Museum proudly present

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**Saturday April 30 & Sunday May 1, 2011**

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- Floral**
- Edibles**
- Pottery**
- Jewelry**
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**Entertainment**

**Saturday**

**Docs of Dixie**

**10:30a-12:30p**

**Dan Allen-One Man Band**

**1:30p-3:30p**

**Sunday**

**2 Guys w/ Horns**

**10:30a-12:30p**

**Docs of Jazz**

**1:30p-3:30p**

