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City of Ormond Beach

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National PAL Award

Mr. Doug Thomas was honored as the Male Volunteer of the Year Award on May 26th at the 2011 National Association of Police Athletic/Activities League Annual Banquet held in Reno, Nevada.

At the banquet, Mr. Thomas was joined by his wife Sally, daughter April, Mayor Ed Kelley and his wife Mary Margaret Kelley and the PAL Director Lisa Messersmith.

Mayor Ed Kelley introduced Mr. Thomas at the banquet of approximately 100 PAL Directors from around the nation. In his introduction, Mayor Kelley highlighted Mr. Thomas' strong community support for youth programs such as the D.A.R.E. program and the Police Athletic League.

After his introduction, Mr. Thomas spoke to the PAL membership thanking them for their dedication to the communities they serve. Mr. Thomas closed his brief address to a standing ovation of community leaders. Afterward, National PAL President and Florida PAL Executive Director, L. B. Scott, thanked Mr. Thomas for his words and shared with him that Ormond Beach PAL is one of the best programs in the nation.





Public Workshop #2 Notice - Wayfinding & Interpretation Assessment Plan for the Ormond Scenic Loop and Trail

A second public workshop will be held to discuss the Wayfinding and Interpretation Assessment Plan for the Ormond Scenic Loop and Trail.

The public workshop will include innovative charette-style techniques, such as poster boards, renderings, conceptual drawings, gateway feature discussion, comment boards, and a brief Microsoft PowerPoint presentation.

The critical outcome of this workshop will be to give the community the opportunity to voice their opinion on the conceptual designs (wayfinding, gateway and interpretive panels), scripting, and proposed locations of the wayfinding, gateway, and interpretation being proposed.

Meeting Date: July 28, 2011
Meeting Time: 6:00 PM
Location: City Commission Chambers
City Hall
22 South Beach Street
Ormond Beach, Florida

All persons wishing to learn more about the proposed project are encouraged to attend this public meeting. For additional information, please contact the Engineering Division at (386) 676-3269.



South Beach Dance Showcased

South Beach Dance Academy presented the "Annual Dance Showcase" at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Saturday, June 11th. South Beach Dance Academy provides professional dance instruction to children and adults in ballet, pointe, jazz, tap, and hip-hop styles.

Each year, South Beach Dance, under the direction of Jerome Devito, brings its students to perform at the PAC. Parents, family members, friends, and fellow dance students are given the opportunity to see new dance techniques the students have learned as they perform their dances. The performance is truly a showcase of dancing talent that is eagerly anticipated each year!





Ormond Beach Celebrates Independence Day

In 1777, 13 gun salutes were fired during the nation's first Independence Day celebration honoring the original 13 colonies whose people had signed the documents releasing our United States from the Great Britain's rule.

There's no place better to celebrate our nation's 234 years of freedom than beside the beautiful Halifax River in Ormond Beach. Citizens and visitors can enjoy hours of entertainment and fun-filled attractions with no admission fee.

Entertainment will stretch from City Hall Plaza across the Granada Bridge to Fortunato Park and south across Granada Boulevard into Rockefeller Gardens. Free shuttle service will be available from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. between the southwest corner of Granada Boulevard and South Beach Street and Fortunato Park on the east side of the bridge. Those visiting Fortunato Park can avoid traffic and access Rockefeller Gardens by walking beneath the bridge on a paved surface.

The City Hall Plaza will feature Jazz and Blues music by the Danny Silva G & The Boomers (6:00-7:30 p.m.), and The Sauce Band (8:45-9:15 p.m.). Rockefeller Gardens will feature Rock & Roll and Country music by Stickshift Cadillac (6:00-7:30 p.m.) and Big Engine (8:45-9:15 p.m.).

Vendors will offer foods to satisfy every appetite and there will be more than 30 varied menu items, ranging from the traditional holiday fare of hot dogs, hamburgers and sausages to exotic oriental foods, seafood and an array of barbecued specialties will be available. All of these in addition to refreshing ice cream, lemonade and other drinks that will help keep everyone hydrated as they enjoy the festivities.

Those visiting the Kid's Patriotic Corner at Fortunato Park will be treated to many special features between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. including Glen Foster's Comedy Magic and Juggler Randy Cabral. The kids will be able to play on inflatables, climb a rock wall, and visit with Abe Lincoln, Ben Franklin, and Uncle Sam.

At 9:30 p.m., Fireworks by Santore, Inc., will light up Ormond Beach's sky with breathtaking fireworks above the Halifax River. This is the 13th year the event has been held on the corners of the Granada Bridge and it now attracts visitors from other states.

For 35 years, Santore has provided the anxiously awaited fireworks show in Ormond Beach exciting all the spectators and reminding us of the history we are celebrating on the fourth of July.

Those with handicapped parking permits may park in the lot near Bailey Riverbridge Gardens (where Pilgrim's Rest Church is located), on the northeast corner of Granada Blvd. and North Beach Street. Public parking includes the lot behind City Hall and The Casements parking lot.

Piers and boat docks will be closed at 7 p.m.

This year, North Beach Street will be closed from Granada to Lincoln Avenue; South Beach Street will be closed from Granada to Division Avenue; and, Grove Street will be closed from Tomoka Avenue to Division Avenue. Other side streets within the event area may be detoured or closed for the event.

For additional information, contact Leisure Services at 676-3241.



Adult Coed Softball League

The City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Department is offering its 19th Annual Adult Coed Softball League. The season will run from August 15th to approximately November 17th. Participants must be 18 years of age. The league will be divided up into 2 or 3 divisions based on the number of teams and the diverse levels of play. The team sponsorship fee is \$475.00.

Each team will play a minimum of 18 games. Games are played Monday through Thursday at the Ormond Beach Sports Complex, 700 Hull Road, off of North US 1. Game softballs will be provided and team awards will be presented.

A pre-season meeting will be held Thursday, July 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Sports Complex Office, 700 Hull Road off of North US 1. All team captains and individuals wishing to be on a team need to be present.

For further information, please contact Gerry Pitchford, Athletic Supervisor, at 676-3280 or by email at pitchford@ormondbeach.org.



Gymnastics Center is in Full Swing!

Summer is in full swing at the Ormond Beach Gymnastics Center. On Monday morning, the Department of Leisure Services Nova day campers enjoyed visiting the gymnastics facility and learning about the sport of gymnastics. Several of the summer campers are also gymnastics students and helped demonstrate skills to the other campers.

The gymnastics boys' competitive team is working very hard to prepare for an upcoming Nationals meet at the end of the month. The coaching staff is also preparing for team tryouts in July for the 2012 girls' and boys' teams. We are looking to have another good year of competitions!





Summertime at SOHC

The South Ormond Neighborhood Center has been hopping the last couple of weeks. The hot weather has brought the park users out in droves. Park rentals have been constant and splash pad numbers have been off the chart. Summer Camp Connection is going very well also. The kids are having fun and making new friends. This year's group has a few more younger kids than recent years. They are an excited bunch that are eager to learn and have a good time.



Youth basketball also had a good weekend. Three teams competed in the United States Specialty Sports Association State basketball tournament in Fort Lauderdale. All teams played well and finished in the top eight spot to qualify for nationals.



Summer Connection Day Camp

Nova Community Center's Summer Connection Day Camp continued its second week. The campers enjoyed a guest presenter from Blue Springs State Park who taught them about manatees and their habitats.

The counselors stayed busy throughout the week providing activities and fun for the Cubs, ages 6 to 9 years, and the Grizzlies, ages 10 to 13 years. The day campers have begun their summer with many laughs, new friendships and fun times!





They're Back!

The Campus Outreach volunteers spent much of their time this week at Ames Park performing much needed TLC on some of the ponds and planters. Weed removal and pruning were just some of the areas of focus where these extremely dedicated volunteers assisted staff.

The Recreation Manager is the City's Campus Outreach program liaison and meets daily with the youths to schedule projects, assign team leaders and share knowledge of municipal operations and functions. Already the group has performed numerous tasks at the Performing Arts Center, Senior Center, Nova Community Center Complex, Ormond Beach Sports Complex and City yards. Some of their duties so far have included: laying sod, cleaning ponds, picking trash, raking leaves, restoring shell paths, organizing storage areas and more.

Over the course of the summer, the volunteers will have the opportunity to work in all areas of Leisure Services and portions of Public Works. It's a pleasure to have these dedicated young people volunteer their time with us each summer!

AMES PARK



BEFORE



AFTER





Art Explosion!

The new "Art Explosion!" art camp with instructor Pat Spano is in full swing this week with children learning the art of mosaics. Several of the projects completed used tiles, beans, coins and found objects to incorporate into the art pieces.



During the first week, the young artists created portraits of themselves in watercolor and various mediums including torn pieces of painted paper.

This week a special guest artist visited the class to show her mosaic creations. The group of art campers also visited the Ormond Memorial Art Museum to take in the beautiful mosaic artwork in the park.

For more information on the upcoming classes, please call The Casements at (386) 676-3216.



Advisory Board Training

Most local governments appoint hundreds of citizens to advisory boards and committees that deal with a variety of issues. Whether it is on planning and zoning, parks and recreation, transportation, or senior citizens, etc., these boards provide a vital service to the community. In order to make the boards and committees truly effective, it takes the support of the elected officials and staff, a commitment from the members of the boards, and knowledge about how citizen boards and committees should function.

On June 13th, the City hosted an advisory boards training workshop conducted by Ms. Marilyn Crotty, Director of the John Scott Dailey Institute of Government at the University of Central Florida. The workshop reviewed the role and responsibilities of board members; when boards and committees were appropriate; offered insight into the selection of advisory board members; discussed productive relationships between boards, staff, and elected officials; highlighted important techniques for managing meetings; and described how group roles affect the dynamics of every group.

There were board members from almost all of the City's boards at the three-hour workshop, as well as several staff members who serve as the City's liaison to the various boards.





How to Protect Your Family from the Health Effects of Smoke

The Florida Department of Health issued these recommendations for people who may become affected by smoke from wildfires.

STAY ALERT: Pay attention to local air-quality reports and stay alert to any news coverage or health warnings related to smoke.

USE COMMON SENSE: If it is smoky outside, avoid prolonged outdoor activities. It is especially important to limit time spent outdoors for children and persons with existing medical conditions.

STAY INDOORS: Run your air conditioner if you have one. Keep the fresh air intake closed and the filter clean to prevent bringing additional smoke inside. For best results, run the air conditioning with re-circulated air. One warning: If you don't have an air conditioner, staying inside with the windows closed may be dangerous in extremely hot weather. In these cases, seek alternative shelter.

DON'T BURN ANYTHING: Help keep particle levels inside lower. When smoke levels are high, try to avoid using anything that burns, such as wood fireplaces, gas logs, gas stoves — and even candles. Don't smoke tobacco.

DON'T VACUUM: That stirs up particles already inside your home. Follow your doctor's advice about taking your medicines and following your asthma management plan if you have asthma or other lung disease.

Volusia County has set up a Citizen Information Line (386-740-5187) to provide information to its residents regarding conditions in their neighborhoods.

Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,336 Arrests – 17
 Citations Issued - 204
 Reports Written - 127 Traffic Stops - 184



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

121 INCIDENTS
 70 - EMS 2 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
 8 - Fires 4 - Fire Alarms
 32 - Public Assists 5 - Hazardous

Public Works in ACTION



Concrete crew replacing sidewalks at the Nova Recreation Complex



Concrete crews making repairs to pavers on N. St. Andrews Drive after utility repair



Concrete & Urban Forestry crews make repairs to replace sidewalk at 23 Aaron Circle



Public Works in ACTION

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Striping completed on Main Trail



Urban Forestry removes fallen tree at 505 N. Ridgewood Ave.



Public Works in ACTION

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Urban Forestry removes fallen tree on Bennett Lane



Asphalt crews make utility cut repairs



Independence Day Celebration

Brought to you by
The City of Ormond Beach
Department of Leisure Services

July 4, 2011 • 6pm - 10pm

City Hall Plaza ~ Fortunato Park ~ Rockefeller Gardens

Featuring Music By:

**Stickshift Cadillac, The Sauce Band, Silva G & The Boomers
and Big Engine!**

**Fireworks Start
at 9:30pm**



**For more info
call 676.3241**

**Patriotic
Kids Corner!**

**Games...Arts & Crafts
Inflatables...Music
...and much more!**