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Deck The Halls

John D. Rockefeller, Sr.'s favorite time of year was the Christmas holiday, and he was known to host an elaborate party for neighbors and friends at The Casements, his winter home in Ormond Beach. Continuing in the tradition, The Casements Guild hosted their annual Christmas Gala on December 2-4.



Prior to the opening of the Gala on Friday night, Friends of the Casements gathered inside the home and enjoyed a holiday reception complete with hors d'oeuvres and sparkling cider.

The festivities then began outside with a horse-drawn carriage arriving down



Riverside Drive loaded with Santa, Mrs. Claus and Mr. Rockefeller, portrayed by Herb Boreck. As hundreds watched in anticipation, the outside of The Casements was lit with hundreds of lights, and the holiday tree was illuminated. As guests entered the home, they marveled at the 12-foot tree which was the focal point of the atrium and many posed in front of the tree for pictures. Rooms were filled with the sounds of the holiday music.

Many local businesses and individuals donated and decorated holiday trees which were displayed in the dance room. Each tree was uniquely and tastefully decorated to suit the business or individual's interests. Tree donors include: 2012 Art Explosion Summer Camp by Pat Spano, Amber's Jewel Catering by Lynne and John Monroe, Big Shark Gift Shop by Gael Burgess, Cruise Planners/Get Up & Go2 by Celeste Belyea and Holly Marocchi, Florida Hospital Hospice Care by Raeanne Cade, Garden Club of Ormond Beach by Julie Stearns, Hungarian Folk Art by Marga-



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Ormond Beach Celebrates with Music, Tree Lighting and 21st Annual Home for the Holidays Parade

The holidays are here and getting in the spirit is easy and FREE! Bring your family and friends, ring in the holiday spirit and enjoy all your favorite holiday music performed live by Stan Alston, 5:30 p.m. December 10th at Ormond Beach City Hall Plaza, 22 S. Beach Street; limited seating will be provided. Mayor Ed Kelley will officially light the Ormond MainStreet Christmas Tree. Following the tree lighting, the Annual Home for the Holidays Parade "Holiday Illuminations" will commence at 6:30 p.m., filled with festive floats and bands from throughout the community and of course the main attraction Santa himself. Ormond Beach City Hall Plaza is a perfect place to view the parade!

For additional information regarding the Tree Lighting, please contact Maggie Sacks, Ormond MainStreet, Inc., 386 451-2138, or maggie@ormondmainstreet.com.



City Santas Rummage Sale

Ormond Beach City Santas will be holding a Rummage Sale on Saturday, December 10, 2011, at 221 Sanchez Avenue beginning at 8:00 a.m. The proceeds of the sale will be used to provide holiday gifts for children in need in Ormond Beach.

Items available include children/adult clothing, kitchen items, house wares, children/adult books, toys, small appliances, electronics, TVs, surround sound systems, furniture, Christmas and other holiday items, and much more!

Many of you have donated to this annual effort, and we **THANK YOU** for your continued support.

In the midst of all the holiday activities, we hope you are able to stop by the Rummage Sale and see what priceless treasures await you!



D.A.R.E. Graduation Pine Trail

The D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) graduation was held at Pine Trail Elementary on Thursday, December 7th, at 9:00 am. There were approximately 200 children who completed the 10 week course.

In attendance were Officer Cornelius, Officer Stokes, Officer Armanious, Corporal Doggett, Lt. Hayes, Chief Osterkamp, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, and Mayor Kelley. In addition, there were many parents who attended to show their support along with Principal Susan Persis.

The D.A.R.E. program is an important part of the elementary schools in the city. Drug and alcohol abuse education is an important part of a child's education. We are proud of all our graduates and the right choices they make!

We appreciate all the support we receive for the D.A.R.E. program, without it, it would not be possible.



Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,419 Arrests – 18
Citations Issued - 119
Reports Written - 130 Traffic Stops - 182



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

135 INCIDENTS
84 - EMS 4 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
4 - Fires 5 - Fire Alarms
36 - Public Assists 2 - Hazardous



Miss West Volusia County U.S.A Pageant

The Miss West Volusia County USA Pageant was held at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Sunday, December 4th. The pageant contestants competed to hold the titles of Miss West Volusia Teen USA 2013 and Miss West Volusia USA. The titleholders will continue on to the next round of competition in the Miss Florida Teen USA, and Miss Florida USA. Pageant contestants are judged in an interview, in swimsuit, and in evening gown. The pageant experience is beneficial for developing career skills and winners receive college scholarships.



PACE Girls Decorate City Hall Tree

It's that time of year again! Each December, young ladies from the PACE Center for Girls volunteer to decorate the Christmas Tree in the City Hall atrium. The Department of Leisure Services coordinated this annual festive activity and celebrated the beautifully finished job with pizza for the girls.





Irrigation Projects

The Department of Leisure Services Irrigation crew worked recently on various valve and wire installations, a tree replanting, mainline repairs and trenching at numerous locations, including Cassen Park, Fortunato Park, American Legion, South Ormond ball fields, La Vista Avenue median and I-95 overpass.



Facilities Maintenance

The Department of Leisure Services Facilities Maintenance staff worked on a variety of projects, including: putting up the Ormond MainStreet Christmas Tree at City Hall Plaza, getting Bailey Riverbridge facility tented for termites, repairing the PAC fountain, and preparing the PAC kitchen for renovations.





South Ormond Neighborhood Center



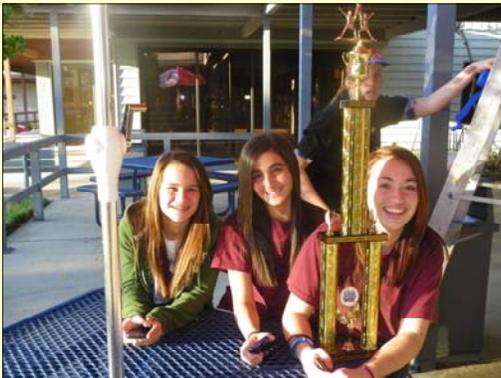
Basketball season is in full swing at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center. During the cooler months, everyday chores and maintenance are performed at the Center to maintain the level of service to our patrons. Recently, the air conditioner was replaced on the east side of the building as part of the ongoing scheduled maintenance program.



Gymnastics Center

Last weekend the Ormond Beach Wolves Cheer Team held a fundraiser at Dairy Queen in The Trails Shopping Center. A percentage of the day's ice cream sales will be donated to the Wolves Cheer Team by the Dairy Queen management. The fundraiser was to help raise money for competition fees and other team expenses throughout the year.

The experience was also a great way for the girls to promote the Cheer program being offered at the Gymnastics Center.



Public Works in ACTION



Urban Forestry trimming on Bostrom Lane



Maintenance crews change out Birthplace of Speed banners with Happy Holidays



Sign Shop installs "No Trespassing" signs at Arroyo Parkway retention pond



Public Works in ACTION

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Maintenance crews clean right-of-way at Grandview Avenue and Rockefeller Drive



Stormwater crews ditch cleaning and reshaping on Cherrywood Drive



Ongoing work by Sign Shop on the wayfinding sign at south city limits



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ret Horvath, Mary Kay Cosmetics by Kelly Ceiler, Magnolia Garden Club by Diana Simmons, Port Orange Florist by Susan Bennett and Barbara Crosby, Ormond Beach Historical Society by Joan Skirde, Re Max Property Centre by Rose Roberts, Southland Suites of Ormond Beach by Shaleen Harrison, TGI Friday's by Melissa Manfredi, Vilari's Martial Arts by David Grabner, and The White House Tree by Mary Ann and Bob Akam.

The Gala continued under sunny skies Saturday and Sunday while many enjoyed a horse-drawn carriage ride along Riverside Drive. Others took time out for some ice cream or chili out on the patio. Visitors were able to shop for holiday gifts as both the first and second floors were filled with crafters selling a variety of holiday items as well as jewelry, pottery, hand painted figurines, homemade bath soaps, folk art, and paintings.

Raffle tickets were sold for many spectacular prizes generously donated by many local businesses. The drawing was held on Sunday. Donors included: Ace Hardware, Alfie's Restaurant, Billy's Tap Room & Grill, Betty's A1A Café, Bonefish Grill, Bonnie's Boutique, Caffeine Bistro & Wine Bar, Cutting Cove Hair Salon, Dairy Queen, Elements of Design, Flamingo Rose, Genovese's Restaurant, Granada Gourmet, Granada Jewelers, Hershey's Ice Cream, Josephine Antar LMT #MA63436, Julie's Hallmark Shop, Larry's Giant Subs, La's Bistro, LPGA Golf Course, LuLu's Oceanside Grill, Moe's Restaurant, Mr. Dunderbak's, Nature's Scapes, Noah's Market, Olive Garden, Ormond Beach Florist, Ormond Steak House, Park's Seafood, Posh Salon - Patricia Stephens, Peach Valley, Peppers, Publix, Pure Skin and Body Care, Riviera Golf Course, Sparkle-N-Shine, Starbucks, Stonewood Grill & Tavern, TGI Friday's Ormond Beach, Thai Erawan, The Dish, The Flower Market, Tomoka Oaks Golf Club, Toscana, Veranda Salon & Spa, Verde Go, and Walmart.

Thank you to all the amazing individuals, businesses, organizations and visitors who helped make the 32nd annual Christmas Gala such a smashing success. If you were unable to attend, there are still many incredible holiday events in store at The Casements for you. December 9th is Movies on the Halifax at 6:30 p.m. featuring "Elf," rated PG, and the original "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," which is not rated. December 15th is Holidays at The Casements beginning at 5:30 p.m. December 17th is Breakfast with Santa. For more information, please call The Casements at (386) 676-3216.

