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City of Ormond Beach

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John Anderson Drive Improvement Project Survey Available & Public Community Meeting Notice

Citizens of Ormond Beach are invited to attend a Public Community Meeting regarding the interest to construct a sidewalk along the east side of the roadway as a part of the planned John Anderson Drive Roadway Improvement Project.

The Public Community Meeting will be held at The Casements on **Wednesday, February 22, 2012**, between **6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.** to provide citizens with the opportunity to provide additional input on the sidewalk component of the project, submit comments, and/or ask further questions. Please note that this meeting will be an opportunity for citizens to interact on an individual basis. Thus, feel free to arrive **anytime** between **6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

Attendance at the Community Meeting is not needed if the Sidewalk Survey is submitted (please see below for details).

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, F.S., persons needing accommodations or an interpreter to participate in the meeting should notify the City no later than 48 hours prior to the meeting by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 386-677-0311.



SIDEWALK SURVEY INFORMATION

In addition to the Public Community Meeting, a **Sidewalk Survey** has been developed to solicit input from City of Ormond Beach citizens regarding this upcoming City Commission decision. A copy of the survey (with instructions) is available on the City of Ormond Beach website, www.ormondbeach.org under the "Our Spotlight" or by this link www.ormondbeach.org/jadsurvey. The City welcomes and appreciates your suggestions and comments.



Three Chimneys Open House and Colonial Marker Dedication

On Sunday, February 12, 2012, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. the Ormond Beach Historical Society will hold its sixth annual open house at the Three Chimneys Sugar Mill Plantation site at 715 West Granada Blvd. Admission and parking is free. Parking is available at the Granada Professional Center, located at 725 W. Granada. Blvd.

This is a once a year opportunity for the general public to see this priceless piece of Colonial architecture and industrial history in their own backyard. During the rest of the year, access to the ruins is through the Society's Historical Bus Tours which includes a stop at Three Chimneys.

At this year's Open House, there will be a special on-site dedication of a colonial marker by the Daughters of the American Colonists which will take place at 1:00 p.m. as well as guided tours of the sugar mill and rum distillery ruins.

The Three Chimneys site is believed to be the first built and oldest successful British sugar plantation, sugar mill and rum distillery in the State of Florida and in the continental United States. It was a part of a 20,000 acre grant awarded to Richard Oswald by King George III in 1764 under direction of the King's Florida Governor James Grant. Oswald was a wealthy and influential Scotsman and in his time, the Three Chimneys was known as the Swamp Settlement. Originally, the Swamp Settlement consisted of 300 cleared acres and several substantial buildings, including the overseer's house, grain houses, sugar house and distillery works, and sugar mill.

In May 2003, the State of Florida acquired the 7.59 acres around the Three Chimneys and a fifty year lease was negotiated with the Ormond Beach Historical Society to manage and care for the property.

To schedule a bus tour, please contact the Ormond Beach Historical Society at 677-7005. The Society is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. For further information, you can also visit the Historical Society's website at www.OrmondHistory.org.

Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,552 Arrests – 23
Citations Issued - 93
Reports Written - 141 Traffic Stops - 141



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

122 INCIDENTS
78 - EMS 4 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
2 - Fires 5 - Fire Alarms
26 - Public Assists 7 - Hazardous

Movies on the Halifax

On Friday, March 2, 2012, at 6:30 p.m., the City's Leisure Services Department and The Casements Guild will present "Nanny McPhee" in Rockefeller Gardens.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and come out and enjoy the movies with your friends and family! Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Moving Rating: "Nanny McPhee" 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.



The Long Run Tribute to the Eagles

The Long Run Tribute to The Eagles performed at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Friday, February 3rd.

The Long Run band is composed of seasoned professional musicians who perform the music of the legendary American band, The Eagles. The show featured such top radio hits as "Tequila Sunrise," "Hotel California," and "One Of These Nights." The audience loved every minute of the show, and called the band back for an encore.

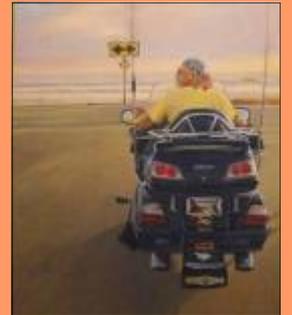




Six Artists/Six Views Exhibit



A meet and greet with the talented artists of the "Six Artists/Six Views" gallery exhibit was held at The Casements last Friday. Created through various mediums, these artists have put together a spectacular collection of diverse works. This gallery exhibit features pieces created by Foxfire artists Kay Botet, Rainey Dimmitt, Marilyn Masters, Karen Ann Patton, Barbara Perrotti, and Carol Thornton. The exhibit will be on display through February 24th. Please stop by The Casements for a peek at this incredible display!



Farmers' Market at Rockefeller Gardens

As the beautiful weather persists this winter, visitors have continued to make the Farmers' Market in Rockefeller Gardens the place to be on Thursday mornings. Vendors offer a variety of items including fresh fruits and vegetables, hand-made jewelry, organic honey, fresh baked goods and even something for lunch. Now is the time to get your fresh, locally-grown strawberries, and the Farmers' Market has some of the best at terrific prices. Stop by on Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and see what they have for you!





Tours at The Casements

The docents have been extremely busy giving a large number of tours through The Casements. Visitors from all over including Canada, Minnesota, Illinois, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and South Dakota have been coming in to learn the history of the building and Ormond Beach during the Rockefeller era.

During the first fiscal quarter, the docents gave 2,422 tours and generously served The Casements with 1,400 volunteer hours. Hats off to the men and women of The Casements Guild for their service! Tours are free, and of course "locals" are encouraged to participate as well. For times and information, please call The Casements at (386) 676-3216.



Volleyball Tournament

The 3rd annual Daytona Beach 100 volleyball tournament was held February 4th and 5th. There were 150+ girls' and boys' teams from all over the state of Florida that played on 18 courts in the area, 2 of the courts being located at the Nova Community Center. The very exciting and competitive games started at 8:00 a.m. Saturday and went on into Sunday afternoon.





Simply Streisand Back to Broadway

Simply Streisand, Back to Broadway, starring Carla DelVillaggio and the Hello Gorgeous Band performed at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Saturday, February 4th. The program featured songs from "Funny Girl", a show in which Barbra Streisand was the lead actress, launching her career as a very successful star in music and film.

Miss Carla DelVilaggio bares a striking resemblance to Barbra Streisand, and is a trained opera singer and professor of voice at Valencia Community College. Along with the Hello Gorgeous Band, this is her second appearance at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center. The show received accolades and tremendous applause from the audience for an excellent performance.



Preparing for Spring at SONC

At the South Ormond Neighborhood Center, Youth Basketball is finishing the regular season games this week and will begin play-offs on Saturday. The play-offs will go on through February 24th. As basketball starts to wind down, staff is preparing for the busy spring season with several projects and tasks in the park and on the grounds: park benches and tiny tot play area, refreshing mulch, power-washing, tree trimming and more as we get ready for warm weather smiles.



WWII Memorial Plaque Moved Inside Museum

Facilities Maintenance personnel recently moved the World War II memorial plaque to a more visibly accessible location inside the Ormond Memorial Art Museum.

The plaque, which was previously located on a wall along the walkway from the front of the museum to the north gallery, is now placed directly on the wall inside the museum's front (Granada Blvd.) entrance.



Light Pole Repaired

On Sunday evening a light pole on Nova Road was struck by a motorist, knocking it to the ground and causing damage to the light head and base. Facilities Maintenance crews, along with Economy Electric Company, worked to repair the pole and had it fixed within 48 hours of the incident. The City's Facilities Maintenance Department recently began to stock replacement parts for light poles in an effort cut down on repair time.



Public Works in ACTION



Concrete crew makes sidewalk repairs on Fernery Trail...



...and on SR40 at Wal-Mart



Public Works in ACTION



Stormwater crews replacing outfall pipe at Ames Park

