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# City of Ormond Beach

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## Campus Outreach Volunteers

This week at City Hall and Memorial Gardens, Park Maintenance staff along with Campus Outreach student volunteers performed some much needed cleaning up of bushes along the parking lots and sidewalks. The student volunteers are once again a tremendous help during the summer months in assisting staff with various park and facility maintenance projects.

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# 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 Great Britain's rule.

There's no place better to celebrate our nation's 235 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. 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 Rhythm and Blues and Classic Rock music from Brad Yates and Blindside (6:00-7:15 p.m.), and Tarragona Way (7:45-9:15 p.m.). Rockefeller Gardens will feature Southern Rock and Country music by Stickshift Cadillac (6:00-7:15 p.m.) and From Outa Nowhere (7:45-9:15 p.m.).

At each of these beautiful parks, folks will enjoy all park amenities and food vending. Some of the foods you might indulge in include ice cream, barbecue, kettle corn, Italian ice, funnel cakes, hot dogs, hamburgers, seafood, gyros, cheese steaks, cotton candy and frozen custards.

Those visiting the "Patriotic Kidz Park" at Fortunato Park will be treated to an abundance of games, crafts, activities, inflatable rides, rock wall and special appearances by Abe Lincoln, Uncle Sam and Ben Franklin. On stage at Fortunato Park will be magic acts and juggling to wow the senses.

The finale of this celebration will consist of one of the area's best fireworks displays! The fireworks begin promptly at 9:30 p.m. on the Halifax River just south of the Granada Bridge. This is the 14th year the event has been held on the corners of the Granada Bridge and it now attracts visitors from other states.

For 36 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



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# Ormond Beach Celebrates Independence Day (cont'd.)



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.

Free shuttle service will be available from 6 p.m. until 9:45 p.m. to assist guests in getting back and forth across the Granada Bridge. There will be pick-up and drop-off points on each side. We encourage you to get to your fireworks viewing location prior to the end of the shuttle service.

For more information, please contact Community Events at 676-3241 or visit the City's website at [www.ormondbeach.org](http://www.ormondbeach.org). This is a celebration you don't want to miss!





# PROJECT R.O.M.P.

The playground plans have been finalized and the Magic Forest Playground renovation dates have been set! The community build project set up date is September 24<sup>th</sup> which means that volunteers will be needed starting Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, through Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, to assist with the renovation and building of new components in the Magic Forest Playground, also known as "Rainbow Park" in the Nova Community Park.

This community build project has been designed by Play by Design and their Project Manager will be onsite the entire time the project is being built to plan, overseeing and managing the construction.

The committee for Project ROMP (Renovate Ormond's Magic Forest Playground) is looking for 6 to 8 volunteer Construction Project Captains who will be able to work everyday from start to finish of the project, up to 15 hours per day. The Project Manager from Play by Design will provide all necessary information to the Construction Project Captains each day on the portion of the project they and the volunteers they will be leading will be expected to complete that day. It is essential that these Captains are on the job every day, all day, as this will provide the continuity that is vital to be able to complete the project in just seven days! So, if you are willing to commit to being a Construction Project Captain for the entire seven-day project, please contact Project ROMP Chairman Mike Bowen at 386-290-0107.

Monetary donations for the project are still being taken. Please join all the other community-minded citizens of Ormond Beach by mailing your tax-deductible donations for this most valuable project to: Project ROMP, P.O. Box 731861, Ormond Beach, FL 32175.



## *Gymnastics Summer Tumbling Clinic*

On Saturday, June 16th, the Ormond Beach Gymnastics Center held a Summer Tumbling Clinic. For 3 hours, staff worked with students on front hand springs and standing back hand springs, as well as back and front tucks. It was a great experience for all the participants as they were able to fine tune these skills.





# South Ormond Neighborhood Center

Summer Connection Day Camp got under way this week at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center with many new smiling faces ready for a summer of fun activities. The park has very been busy due to various summer programs in the area coming out to enjoy the splash pad. They say "if you build it they will come," and truly, they are coming!



## US1 (SR5) and Nova Road (SR5A) FDOT Improvements

On June 24th, construction at the intersection of US 1 and Nova Road in Ormond Beach will be underway as the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) begins intersection improvements.

The project includes the construction of a left turn lane along Nova Road, milling and resurfacing the intersection, discontinuation of the northbound continuous green light and replacement of Traffic Signal Mast Arm and street lighting.

Halifax Paving, Inc., is performing the work. The project will last approximately 80 calendar days, weather permitting. The construction cost for the project is \$307,254.

There will be daytime and nighttime lane closures northbound and southbound and FDOT will provide updates regarding any lane closures as they occur.

Motorists should be alert for construction personnel and equipment in the area and are urged to drive cautiously and carefully. For more information about the project, contact Chris Nolan, FDOT, at 386-943-5765.

# MOVIES ON THE HALIFAX



On Friday, July 6, 2012, at 8:30 p.m., the City's Leisure Services Department, The Casements Guild, and The Shoppes of Granada Place, in conjunction with Ormond MainStreet, will present "Zookeeper" in Rockefeller Gardens.

Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and come out and enjoy the movie with friends and family! Refreshments will be available for purchase and TGIFriday's will be offering FREE popcorn for your movie night!

Moving Rating: "Zookeeper" is a PG rated movie. 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.



# Summer Sounds

The City of Ormond Beach Leisure Services Department will be presenting its FREE "Summer Sounds" concert series during the month of July. All performances begin at 7:00 p.m. at Rockefeller Gardens which is located along the Halifax River in front of The Casements at 25 Riverside Drive. Those scheduled to perform are:

**Friday, July 13**

Folkin' Up the 80's  
(1980's music with a folk twist)

**Friday, July 20**

From Outa Nowhere  
(County and South Rock)

**Friday, July 27**

Knights to Remember  
(Doo Wop, 50's, 60's and oldies)

For a relaxing evening, grab a lawn chair or blanket and come out and enjoy the great music and breeze from the Halifax River.

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

## Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,485    Arrests - 34  
Citations Issued - 88  
Reports Written - 155    Traffic Stops - 146



## Weekly Fire Operations Stats

**130 INCIDENTS**

76 - EMS    11 - Motor Vehicle Accidents  
3 - Fires    2 - Fire Alarms  
37 - Public Assists    1 - Hazardous



# *The Casements Receives TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence*

TripAdvisor, which has become the world's largest internet travel site by recognizing the power of traveler feedback, has awarded The Certificate of Excellence to The Casements in recognition for earning exceptional traveler ratings over the past year. With a rating of 4.5, The Casements has earned a place among the very best.

This award, which is given only to the most exceptional performers in TripAdvisor's global business community, is a significant achievement deserving of recognition from both travelers and staff. We are very proud to receive this award, and hope it will bring even more visitors to enjoy The Casements!



## ***Nova Community Center Summer Hours***

The Nova Community Center offers a wide variety of fitness and wellness activities for the whole family to enjoy. The center offers open basketball courts, 2 open pickleball courts, a game room with pool tables, foosball and table tennis and a complete fitness room with nautilus equipment, treadmills, stationary bikes and a rock climbing/tread wall.

Use of the Center is free to City of Ormond Beach residents with proof of residency and just \$3.75/day for non-residents. The center, located at 440 N. Nova Road, Ormond Beach, is open Monday through Friday 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m., and Sunday 1:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

For more information, please call us at (386) 676-3252.



## *Center Stage Dance & Performing Arts at PAC*

Center Stage Dance and Performing Arts, a dance and performing arts school based in New Smyrna Beach, performed a recital at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. The school owner and director, Miss Nadine Soldivieri, is an experienced dance educator who teaches classes in ballet, hip-hop, acrobatics and tumbling, as well as a “kinderdance” program for pre-school age children. The performance included the students from each of these programs. The recital was enjoyed by all the parents, family members and friends in attendance.



## *Jim Miller's Big Band*

Jim Miller's Big Band America will perform at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. The band is based in Ormond Beach and is conducted by renowned lead trombonist and band leader, Jim Miller.

Jim Miller has a storied career as a professional musician, as well as being a twenty-four year veteran of the U.S. Navy. During his professional career as a musician, he has played for six U.S. Presidents and has performed at Carnegie Hall. For over a decade, he was conductor and band leader of the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra, one of the best selling and most highly regarded big band jazz orchestras of all time. Under his leadership, the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra performed throughout the world and was featured on television programs including “The Tonight Show” with Johnny Carson.

This concert program is entitled “Broadway and Hollywood Revisited.” It will include the music from American composer Henry Mancini, best known for writing the musical themes for many popular Hollywood movies, notably “The Glenn Miller Story.” Also included in the program are selections from Leonard Bernstein's score of the beloved Broadway Musical “West Side Story.”

Reserved seat tickets are on sale for \$10 at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center Box Office. The Box Office is located at 399 N. U.S. Highway 1 and is open Tuesday through Friday from Noon until 5:00 p.m., and two hours prior to all performances. To contact the box office, or order tickets by phone, please call 386-676-3375.

# *PAL Youth Field Day at Disney's Blizzard Beach*

Eight youths from Ormond Beach PAL spent the day at Disney's Blizzard Beach Water Park riding the waves in the wave pool, relaxing in the lazy river and bouncing down the slides on the slopes. OBPAL along with several PAL's throughout the State took advantage of Florida PAL's Field Day Event held at Blizzard Beach. Despite the heat, the youths stayed cool while enjoying some of the best water rides around!



# Summer Camp at Nova Community Center!

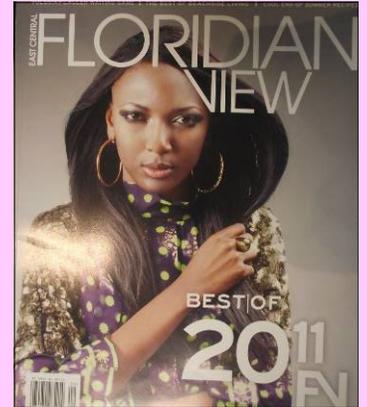
Nova Community Center began its first session of summer camp on June 18th. Eighty campers and eight counselors start each day with a morning meeting so that Coach Hill can explain the expectations and games for the day. Then they divide into groups and play either inside or outside games and activities. Summer camp will pass by quickly as the staff will continue to plan fun filled activities for the children.





# *Casements Voted Number Two Best Place to Get Married*

It was just brought to our attention that over 5,000 votes were tallied to decide Volusia and Flagler counties "Best Of" for 2011 in dozens of categories by the Floridian View magazine readers and followers. The Casements was voted number two for the Best Place to Get Married!



Staff at The Casements handles many wedding inquiries each day. The Casements Coordinator is happy to make an appointment for bridal consultations to show couples all that The Casements has to offer for their "special day."



## **"Perspectives 2" On Display at The Casements**

The Casements has a marvelous original photography collection entitled "Perspectives 2" by local photographer Donna Palmer Oldham, now on display in the Gallery. The collection consists of 69 photographs which have been enhanced by computer wizardry. Please stop by during normal business hours to view Ms. Oldham's work, or make plans to come to the opening reception on Friday, July 6th, from 5:00 p.m. to 800 p.m. The pieces will be on display through July 31st.



# Public Works in ACTION



## Urban Forestry trimming on Bryant St.



## And on Cumberland and N. Yonge St.



## Maintenance crews grading boat ramp at Fortunato Park



# Public Works in ACTION



## Concrete crew installs pad for memorial bench at Fortunato Park



## Concrete crew making repairs on Ocean Shore Blvd.

