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City of Ormond Beach

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DUVA·SAWKO RIBBON CUTTING

On Monday, February 10th, the City of Ormond Beach co-hosted the open house and ribbon cutting event for DuvaSawko who celebrated the completion of the building renovation project for their new headquarters in Ormond Beach.

In attendance was Florida House Representative David Hood, Mayor Ed Kelley, Commissioners James Stowers and Bill Partington, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Economic Development Director Joe Mannarino, Grants Coordinator/PIO Loretta Moasio, members of the Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce and MainStreet and employees of DuvaSawko.



DuvaSawko completed the construction of their 30,000 square foot headquarters at a cost of approximately \$2.5 million. As part of the economic development incentives the City of Ormond Beach approved a capital investment grant of \$150,000 for the completion of the redevelopment project.

On February 19, 2013, the City Commission unanimously approved the growth assistance funding to Healthcare Billing Systems and Edge Physicians, Inc., (known as DuvaSawko) for job creation and capital investment related to the relocation of their business to 298 South Yonge Street. Previously, the 30,000 square foot building was a used furniture store until 2007, when it was vacated.

The City of Ormond Beach competed well with other locations in Volusia County, Florida, and throughout the U.S. to develop a strong economic development package that resulted in DuvaSawko's renovation of the former furniture store for their new corporate headquarters.

In addition to the City's competitive economic development incentive package, Ormond Beach's permitting process was highlighted Cont'd on page 2



Valentine Dance



On February 7th, the Nova Community Center and S.P.A.R.C. (Special Populations and Recreational Council) co-hosted the annual Valentine Dance for people with special needs. This party had an attendance of 230 participants and their families or caregivers. Sweethearts and friends enjoyed dancing, hanging out with each other for the evening and listening to the music.



S.P.A.R.C. will host their next party at the Nova Community Center in August.

For more information on programming for people with special needs, please call Lori Koplin at (386) 676-3252.



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in the site selection process, including the Planning Department and Building Division. Joe Levrault, Chief Building Official, conducted pre-permitting meetings with the DuvaSawko contractors to discuss the permitting requirements and process and to ensure them of an expedited permit review and inspection turnaround. Working closely with DuvaSawko architects, engineering, and building contractors, the construction has been moving ahead since the demolition permit was issued on March 15, 2013.

The Planning Department expedited the site plan process and worked closely with Zev Cohen and Associates, Inc., to find creative solutions regarding the design plans for the new parking lot behind the building. It is a unique site that required St. Johns River Water Management District approval. Economic Development staff is working closely with DuvaSawko and City staff to monitor the progress of the job creation and documentation for the growth assistance funding.

The City looks forward to assisting DuvaSawko in their future expansion opportunities.



D.A.R.E. GRADUATION

Another D.A.R.E. graduation ceremony was held this week at Tomoka Elementary School. There were **123 students** who successfully completed this important program. The auditorium was packed with parents, teachers, students, Mayor Kelley and City staff who were there to support the graduates.

The D.A.R.E. program, **Drug Abuse Resistance Education**, provides children the skills they need to help them avoid getting involved with drugs, gangs and violence. This program was founded in 1983 in Los Angeles and has grown due to its success. It is implemented in 75% of our nation's school districts and more than 43 countries around the world.

Officers Cornelius and Stokes are the City's representatives who lead these classes in Ormond Beach to fifth grade students. They help children learn how to resist peer pressure and live productive, drug-free and violence-free lives.

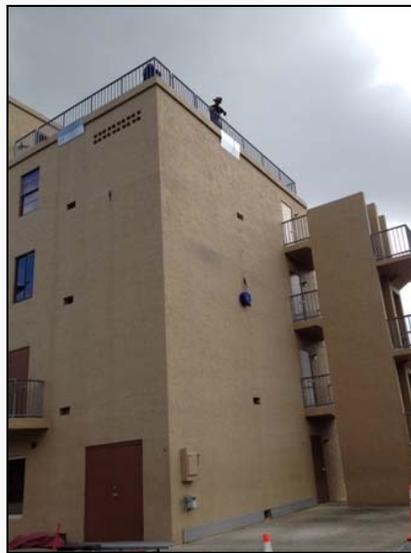
We are all proud of these D.A.R.E. graduates!



Firefighters Perform Physical Agility Training

Recently, several City firefighters were involved with physical agility training at the Volusia County training center. The training scenario consisted of six different areas that were performed consecutively. These areas represent motions that may be required on a fire scene.

Each firefighter began with a 5-story stair climb carrying a 35 lb. hose. Once reaching the top, they hoisted a 50 lb. weighted rope to the rooftop then descended back down the stairs with the 35 lb. hose. Then on to the weight sled which required holding a 9 lb. mallet to drive a 165 lb. block weight five feet to the other end of the sled. Next came the hose lift and drag, moving the hose 50' and flowing water. The last area was the rescue drag which required moving a 165 lb. rescue dummy 100' to the finish line. The fastest time to complete the scenario was performed in 3.26 minutes!



Pickleball Anyone?

With the cold and rainy weather, the pickleball players have enjoyed the indoor courts at the Nova Community Center. The sport mixes aspects of tennis, badminton and table tennis into one sport with its own unique rules.

Each morning you can find 16-20 players in friendly competition with each other. New players are always welcome to join. Pickleball is offered Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. For more information, call the Nova Community Center at (386) 676-3252.



Girls Basketball Season Ends

The Ormond Beach Leisure Services 2013-14 Girls' Basketball League finished their season this past Wednesday. The season was run as an Instructional/Scrimmage League. Each night, the first half consisted of instruction/drills that emphasized skills in which the participants needed to gain strength. During the second half, the players were separated evenly into teams and scrimmaged. Players would earn points for participating, for each win and also earned points for "close" losses. The top five players in each of the two age/ability groups were awarded with a plaque. Each player also received a reversible jersey and individual awards were also distributed.

Gerry Pitchford, Athletic Supervisor, Bob Daniels, Athletic Coordinator, and Dontel Wright, Recreational Leader, all spent time working with the participants. These instructors have a combined total of 70 years of basketball coaching experience!



Three Eras of Elvis



Three Eras of Elvis, a tribute to the music of Elvis Presley from the 50's, 60's and 70's was performed at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on February 7th.

Elvis tribute artist David Jericko performed the hit songs of Elvis from the 50's and 60's. Elvis tribute artist

Peter Alden performed the hit songs of Elvis from the 70's.

It was a great celebration of the music of "The King" for everyone in the audience.



"Vintage Vevera"

Trish Vevera, Ormond artist, held her opening gallery reception on Friday, February 7th, at The Casements. Her exhibit is a collection of her work from 1966 to the present. Her work focuses on certain themes, subject matter and color choices in different formats and mediums. The gallery exhibit will be available for viewing until February 28th during normal business hours at The Casements.





Watercolor Classes

Award-winning watercolorist Janet Rogers offered painting classes at The Casements on February 10th and 11th featuring flowers as the main focal point.

During her workshop on February 12-14, artists focused on watercolor portraits and figures. Janet is a popular national instructor and has taught classes throughout the United States and Europe. She has four instructional DVD's and has been featured in several books and

magazines. It is always a pleasure to have Janet share her exceptional talents at The Casements.



Michigan Travelers Visit The Casements

A congenial group of visitors from the Lansing, Michigan, area visited The Casements on Thursday, February 6th. The 32 motorcoach travelers were on a 15-day tour. They were staying in Florida for a few days before traveling north. A highlight of their itinerary was their afternoon at The Casements.

The Casements' knowledgeable docents led them through the house, providing the history our City, John D. Rockefeller, Sr., and the lovely home. The Casements frequently entertains out-of-state groups.



Parks Maintenance Repairs & Upgrades

Members of the Leisure Services Parks Department worked together with the staff from the Streets Department to enclose the swing sets at Nova Community Park with new timbers. A thick layer of mulch was also brought in to surround the area. New 911 signs were also put up in all four Central Park locations so that park users can correctly inform 911 dispatchers of their location should the need arise for emergency services. Parks staff installed new dog waste stations at Ames Park. In Ormond Memorial Gardens, staff replaced a pump manifold in one of the ponds.



Florida Licensing On Wheels

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles "Florida Licensing On Wheels" (FLOW) mobile unit will be at City Hall on Tuesday, February 18th, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

FLOW is a standalone mobile office with technology to provide most motorists' needs. It provides drivers license/ID card change of address, renewals, replacements, and renewals and replacements of vehicle registration and disabled parking permits, as well as other needs. The only thing FLOW does not provide is for the drivers' license road test.

FLOW brings services to the local communities offering a convenience to citizens while saving them time and gas.

Before visiting, please go to www.gathergoget.com to learn about licensing and ID requirements and make sure you have everything you need when you visit FLOW so you don't have to make a second trip. You can also contact the Florida Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles office at 850-617-2000.



Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,859 Arrests – 20
 Citations Issued - 96
 Reports Written - 119 Traffic Stops - 184



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

160 INCIDENTS
 95 - EMS 8 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
 2 - Fires 4 - Fire Alarms
 48 - Public Assists 3 - Hazardous

Public Works in ACTION



Urban Forestry responding to downed tree on Old Kings & Granada Blvd.



And removing a dead tree on N. Nova Rd.



Public Works in ACTION



Concrete crew replacing sidewalk in Tymber Crossing



Asphalt crew filling potholes in Cassen Park



Public Works in ACTION



Equipment Maintenance crew making repairs in Ames Park



And collecting debris at Memorial Gardens



Public Works in ACTION



Operations crew working to “regain the roadway” on Burns St.



Concrete crew making repairs after water line break on Granada Blvd.



Public Works in ACTION



Asphalt crew making repairs at water plant



Sign Shop making repairs



Public Works in ACTION



Stormwater cleans out ball fields pond

