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City of Ormond Beach

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Volusia League of Cities Annual Awards Banquet



From left: Sylvia Frost, John Noble and Christina Maguire

On Thursday, May 22, 2014, the Volusia League of Cities held its Annual Awards Banquet at The Club at Pelican Bay in Daytona Beach to honor the 2014 Distinguished Service Award Recipients. Mayor Ed Kelley, City Commissioners Stowers, Boehm and Partington, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Leisure Services Director Robert Carolin, and the award recipients' guests attended and proudly supported the Ormond Beach award recipients.

The award recipients were elected officials, appointed officials, public employees, and citizen volunteers who were recognized for their many contributions to their cities and Volusia County. We are very proud to have

the following nominees receive Distinguished Service Awards:

Employee in Parks and Recreation: Sylvia Frost, Office Manager

Sylvia Frost, Office Manager for the Leisure Service Department, has been employed with the City of Ormond Beach for over 27 years. During that time, Sylvia has been a valuable, dedicated and respected employee. Her commitment to her department and the City is top priority and is clearly an asset which surpasses her obligations and beyond.

Over the past few years, Sylvia took on a huge undertaking and spent countless hours coordinating Project ROMP as chair of the Volunteer Committee. In February of 2013 Sylvia rallied together over 400 volunteers who transformed the Magic Forest Playground into a very special place for local children in just over 10 days. She also helped in the fundraising efforts which produced over \$100,000 in donations toward the project. Not only did she coordinate, rally, and fundraise, she was at the project site every day making sure it went smoothly and completed on time in addition to making sure all the volunteers were well taken care of while they were working.

Project ROMP is a reality because of Sylvia's tremendous efforts. Sylvia poured her heart into this very special undertaking, showing her immense dedication to her community and being an example to her fellow employees.



Brian Daly and his wife Siobhan Daly

Police Department Awards Ceremony



Chief Osterkamp and Apryl Andrasco

On Monday, May 19, 2014, the Ormond Beach Police Department held its first annual Awards Recognition Program honoring the accomplishments, dedication and unparalleled professionalism displayed by members of the Ormond Beach Police Department during the past year, and included sworn and non-sworn personnel and members of the Department's Citizen Volunteer Program for their outstanding efforts in promoting the goals, values, and vision of the agency.

Chief Henry Osterkamp opened the awards ceremony with a welcome message followed by giving special recognition to former officer and detective Apryl Andrasco, presenting her with a retirement plaque for 10 years of dedicated and honorable service as a sworn officer with the Department. Apryl now serves in a non-sworn capacity as the Detective Bureau's Administrative Assistant.

The Florida Click It or Ticket Challenge award was then presented to Officer Royce James for having achieved the highest level of productivity of all Ormond Beach police officers during this national seatbelt usage and public safety awareness campaign. For his outstanding efforts, Officer James also received special recognition from the National Click It or Ticket Challenge organization.



Chief Osterkamp and Officer James

Formal Letters of Commendation were awarded to Officers David LaBrie and Stephen Mills for their actions while handling a call of a dangerous dog that had attacked and killed several smaller dogs and attacked and bitten their owner. Upon arrival on the scene, Officer LaBrie was immediately attacked by the large aggressive dog and sustained several bite wounds to the back of his neck and forearm. Officer Mills arrived on scene a short time later and quickly recognized the eminent danger the large aggressive dog posed to Officer LaBrie, who at that time was struggling to keep the animal from biting him again or from breaking loose of his grasp. Officer Mills quickly took the appropriate action to neutralize the animal's aggressive behavior, thereby eliminating the immediate threat to Officer LaBrie, himself, and the citizens and animals of the local residential community.



Chief Osterkamp, Lt. Godfrey, Officers LaBrie and Mills

Certificates of appreciation were awarded to members of the Department's Citizen Volunteer Program who have given selflessly of their time, knowledge, and prior work experience without the promise, expectation, or receipt of compensation. These citizen volunteers assist the Department in maximizing our resources to improve public safety and services through their participation in handicap and fire lane parking enforcement and enhancing community relations. The following members of the Department's volunteer program were recognized for having reached a milestone in the number of volunteer hours they have provided to the Department and the citizens of Ormond Beach:

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Memorial Day Remembrance

Hundreds of men, women and children will gather in Rockefeller Gardens on Monday, May 26th, in loving memory of those whose supreme sacrifice protect the privileges we enjoy as a nation. Our debt can never be paid as acknowledged by the increasing faithful citizens and visitors each year who attend the Memorial Remembrance Services.

Whether a guest feels the overwhelming pride that is common at this event or feels a tear rolling down their cheek as some do each year, the most meaningful tribute that can be paid to our fallen heroes is found in being among other caring citizens to honor those who years ago, or as recently as today, have made the supreme sacrifice.

Weeks of preparation by the volunteer Memorial Remembrance Committee and City staff each year has made this an increasingly popular and widely respected event.

Dignity, respect and love describe the humility with which this annual program is presented. The uncompromised purpose is to honor the selflessness and bravery with which over a million men and women throughout our history have laid down their lives for our freedom.

The program includes 90 minutes of heart grasping sights and sounds that will fill Rockefeller Gardens starting at 9 a.m. when Charles Long conducts the members of the Daytona Beach Concert Band. Victoria Leignadier, Colonel, US Army (retired), will serve as the moderator. The Honorable Ed Kelley, Mayor of Ormond Beach will welcome attendees. The invocation will be rendered by Rabbi Howard Schwartz, US Army Major (retired) and the benediction by Chaplain Willie Branch. Guest speaker for the event is Major Patricia "Trish" Hayden, USAFR-NC.

Symbols of liberty will overflow in Rockefeller Gardens as numerous military color guards and color corps enter and take their positions. Additional groups, including Boy and Girl Scouts will join them.

Guests will be given a carnation on arrival at Rockefeller Gardens. A final tribute is rendered as they move forward in procession, to place their flower beside the Memorial Marker as a personal "thank you" to those who made the supreme sacrifice.

As the last flower is placed, we the free will have honored the fallen with love, humility and gratitude.

This annual Memorial Remembrance Service takes place at 9 a.m. on Monday, May 26, at Rockefeller Gardens, 25 Riverside Drive in Ormond Beach.

Rockefeller Gardens is at the southeast corner of Granada Boulevard (State Road 40) and Riverside Drive on the peninsula side of the Granada Bridge, and in front of The Casements. Parking will be available at The Casements, Fortunato Park, and the Ormond Memorial Art Museum.

For additional info, please call Leisure Services at 386-676-3241.



Girl Scout Bridging Ceremony

The evening of Monday, May 12th, brought a large number of Girl Scouts and their families to the Granada Bridge and Rockefeller Gardens. This ceremony was the 28th annual recognition of each scout moving up to the next scouting level, or “flying up,” as they know it.

Approximately 228 scouts, friends and family assembled for “The Sunshine Service Unit” bridging event. This symbolic move up pertained to Daisies moving to Brownies, Brownies to Juniors, Juniors to Cadettes, Cadettes to Seniors, Seniors to Ambassadors and finally Ambassadors to Adults. Five girls moved to Adult status in the Sunshine Unit. Dana Allen, who has been a leader for 33 years, ran the event. The Casements will be displaying the unit’s 100-year time capsule.

Art Guild Reception

The Casements Gallery was filled with art enthusiasts and members of the Ormond Beach Art Guild for their opening reception on Thursday, May 15th. Refreshments were provided and guests were given the opportunity to vote for the annual “Viewer’s Choice” award.

The exhibit will be available for viewing during normal business hours through June 5th.



City Hall and all non-emergency City facilities will be closed on Monday, May 26, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, May 27.

Camp T-Rec Registration Now Open

On Saturday, May 17th, Camp T-Rec held its annual registration kickoff. Camp T-Rec has had a 14-year partnership between the Cities of Port Orange and Ormond Beach. Our two cities work together to provide a summer camp for children with special needs.



During this year's registration, 8 children registered in Port Orange and 13 registered in Ormond Beach. **Space is still available!**

The camp is held Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Session 1 runs June 23 until July 11; camp is closed on July 4th. Session 2 runs from July 14th until August 1st.

Please call Lori Koplin at (386) 676-3252 if you are interested in signing up for camp or if you would like more information.

CMT Presents:

"Willy Wonka Kids" & "Seussical, the Musical"

The Children's Musical Theatre presented "Willy Wonka Kids" and "Seussical, The Musical" at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Friday, May 16th, Saturday, May 17th, and Sunday, May 18th. "Willy Wonka Kids" is a musical based on the book "Charlie and The Chocolate Factory." "Seussical, The Musical" is based on the children's books of Dr. Seuss.

The cast of "Willy Wonka Kids" was comprised of the younger CMT students, while the older children were cast in "Seussical, The Musical."

"Willy Wonka Kids" was performed for area public and private school students on Friday morning, as well as the shows for the general public throughout the weekend. The outstanding performances of these talented children were enjoyed by everyone in attendance.



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, May 27th, 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 - 1,772 Arrests – 20
 Citations Issued - 149
 Reports Written - 151 Traffic Stops - 225



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

136 INCIDENTS
 67 - EMS 10 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
 6 - Fires 5 - Fire Alarms
 47 - Public Assists 1 - Hazardous

Public Works in ACTION



Urban Forestry removing 7 rotten oak trees between Division Ave. and Hand Ave.



And a tree removal just off John Anderson Dr.



Public Works in ACTION



Concrete crew gutter repair on Wild Fern Ln.



And water utility repair on Valhalla Dr.



VLOC Annual Awards Banquet (cont'd)

Employee in Public Works and Utilities: John Noble, City Engineer

John Noble came to the City of Ormond Beach in 1996 as Development Services Engineer and served as Acting City Engineer for several years before being named City Engineer in 2011. Prior to that John worked in private engineering firms as well as for FDOT District 5, and holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from the University of Florida.

Since coming to Ormond Beach, John has implemented a large number of projects for the City and has worked on just about any type of project associated with local government. The list is exhaustive, but includes development and renovations of parks, sports facilities; drainage systems; water and wastewater facilities; architectural improvements; roadway and stormwater improvements.

Over the last couple of years, John has been responsible for a significant number of major engineering projects such as Andy Romano Beachfront Park, Hand Avenue Collector Road Improvements, Central Park Lake Interconnects, John Anderson Drive Improvements, North Halifax Drive Rehabilitation, Downtown Granada Median Improvements, Downtown Underground Utilities, Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion, and Breakaway Trails reuse water that are underway or have been completed. John's value engineering approach has resulted in significant cost savings of over \$6 million to the City on projects and the City was recently recognized for its Hand Avenue Collector Road Improvement Project in Stormwater Solutions magazine as being a 2013 Top Project.

Employee Other: Christina Maguire, Risk Manager (Human Resources)

Christina Maguire was hired as Risk Manager in August, 2006. Christina plans the City's Annual Wellness Day, including vendor participation and project management; she developed the City's New Hire Orientation program; and, last year she was the driving force behind the first Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge. In addition, she has been responsible for organizing, leading, and fundraising efforts for charity organizations the City partners with including United Way, American Heart Association, and American Cancer Society.

In 2012, Mayor Ed Kelley suggested that the City hold a Mayor's Health and Fitness Challenge. This idea was new to the City and we didn't know what to expect. Christina jumped in and began the enormous task of developing this new program using her extraordinary organizational skills. She assembled team members, sponsors, and community partners and was able to successfully organize this event without any costs to the City. In 2013, there were 187 challengers and this year there were 355 challengers! The word is out...this is an amazing event and participants love it! During the event, restaurant partners develop a "Mayor's Menu" to offer healthier dining options and fitness centers offer free classes for participants to experience all types of fitness to determine what is best for them to meet their fitness goals. Christina will tell you it is the "team" that made this event such a success; however, it could not have been done without her leadership, organizational skills, attention to detail, and ability to plan effectively, and her unwavering work ethic. On the weekend, outside of her work day, she attends as many of the events as possible to make sure everything is going well and continually works to add more events and community partners.

Volunteer in Community Events: Brian Daly

Brian Daly has volunteered with the City for the past 18 years. Brian started out as a parade volunteer, helping with planning and parade-day activities and his volunteerism for the City blossomed from there. In 2001, Brian was unanimously selected to lead the volunteer board and he assumed the role as chairman of the committee. As Chairman, Brian has been involved in all actions, activities and processes related to the parade and assisted in implementing new and innovative segments to improve the parade as a whole. Brian's efforts include soliciting sponsorships, recruiting other volunteers, parade logistics and an extensive community involvement movement. Brian was instrumental in creating the President's Cup Award for the best business entry. This award is presented in conjunction with the Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce to promote good stewardship with the businesses in Ormond Beach.

Brian was very active serving the seniors and assisting with activities at The Senior Center. He helped with several of the holiday dances, Senior Games, "Dinner & A Movie" and donated both materials and time to redecorate most of the Center. His time and talents were recognized in 2006 when Brian was presented with the Robert "Bob" Watreas - Volunteer Service Award presented to the volunteer showing outstanding and exemplary service. Brian has been an instrumental part of the Holidays at The Casements Concert and the annual open house of John D. Rockefeller's former home. Working both in front of and behind the scenes, he aids in logistics

Brian has amassed thousands of hours of volunteer service, and we are grateful to have such a gracious and giving citizen in our community. The monetary value of Brian's contributions could never be matched by the grace and dignity he displays in his every day actions and in his character.

PD Awards Ceremony (cont'd.)

Volunteering over 100 hours of service – Erwin Manenti, Tom McCullough, Gus Minardi, Merritt Nellis, William Rowe, Marvin Stein, Mike Farb, and Frank Reda.

Volunteering over 200 hours of service – Jerry Epstein, Maria Kretschmayer and Charles Moskowitz.

Volunteering over 300 hours of service – Sally Panella and Millie Reda.

Special recognition was then awarded to those officers who successfully completed the Department's Physical Fitness Program for 2013, the goal of which is to improve overall performance on the job; reduce the risk of heart attack, job related injuries, and absenteeism due to injury or illness; decrease disability and Workers' Compensation claims; and, increase individual employee overall physical fitness and morale. These members met all of the criteria for various levels of physical fitness designed to establish and maintain their physical conditioning, including seven areas of training and readiness that affect a member's ability to carry out essential and critical physically demanding tasks associated with police work. These officers were also required to participate in the City's Wellness Cove program to earn the overall Physical Fitness award. Officers receiving the Department's Physical Fitness Award include Lieutenant Jesse Godfrey, Sergeant Jamie Gogarty, Sergeant Lisa Rosenthal, Corporal Mike Pavelka, Detective Stephen Brugone, Detective Jim Voegtle, Officer Jeremy Smith, Officer Ryan Mihalko, Officer Amberly Michaelis, Officer Michael Carini, Officer Shane Jarrell, Officer John Dovine and Community Service Officer Justin Soard.



Chief Osterkamp and Millie Reda



From left: Lt. Godfrey, Sgt. Gogarty, Sgt. Rosenthal, Detective Brugone, Det. Voegtle, Officer Michaelis, CSO Soard and Officer Jarrell (kneeling).

Awarded next were the Department's Unit Commendation Bar which is awarded to police members who acted as a group or team and whose combined exceptional achievement distinguished itself during a particular event. The officers recognized for this award responded to a car burglary in progress call where citizens reported observing two subjects breaking into vehicles. The suspects fled from the area as officers arrived on scene. A perimeter of the immediate area was quickly established and a search for the two suspects initiated, resulting in both suspects being apprehended. The subsequent field investigation resulted in multiple felony charges being filed and several car burglaries in the immediate area being cleared and stolen property being returned to their

rightful owners. For their combined efforts and teamwork in bringing these crimes to a successful resolution, the following officers were awarded the Unit Commendation Bar: Sergeant James Doggett, Corporal Mike Pavelka, Officer Rob Pearson, Officer Joe Orlando, Officer Maurine Evans and Officer Lauren Sanders.

The Meritorious Police Service Investigation Award was presented to those officers demonstrating exceptional initiative and skill during the course of an investigation, going above and beyond the customary investigative methods to bring closure to the victims and families involved. Detective Briana Mathis was presented with this award for her handling of a strong-arm robbery involving a juvenile victim. During the course of the investigation, Detective Mathis determined that the crime was committed by street gang members and affiliates and was able to identify several suspects involved. Detective Mathis obtained a search warrant for the residence belonging to one of the suspects, a residence that had generated numerous police responses for various nuisance calls and criminal activity over the past year. The execution of the search warrant led to the clearance of several open criminal investigations, including two additional armed and strong-arm robberies. Detective Mathis demonstrated exceptional initiative and skill throughout the course of the investigation in order to bring it, and several others, to a successful resolution. Detective Mathis was also recognized as the Department's nominee for the 2014 Crime Stoppers Officer of The Year Award for Volusia County for her handling of this case.

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PD Awards Ceremony (cont'd.)



From left: Sgt. Doggett, Officer Pearson, Officer Evans and Officer Sanders

Also receiving the Meritorious Police Service Investigation award was Officer William Warmington. Officer Warmington responded to the scene of a traffic crash involving two motorcycles resulting in the death of one motorcycle operator. In a collaborative effort, responding officers completed various aspects of the investigation, working with a very limited amount of information, eye witnesses, or physical evidence. Officer Warmington proceeded to collect the needed evidence required of a traffic homicide investigation, including extensive research of the two motorcyclists' actions just prior to the fatal crash. Officer Warmington was able to determine that the two motorcycles collided while trying to negotiate a curve at a very high speed, directly resulting in the crash. Officer Warmington's investigation revealed the surviving rider to have been at fault in the crash and was charged with DUI manslaughter.

Chief Osterkamp then presented the Chief's Commendation, an honor awarded to a sworn member for exceptional and commendable performance in the execution of criminal justice duties. The Chief's Commendation was awarded to Officer Caleb Braun for his determination in resolving the status of a vehicle that had been abandoned on private property in a business parking lot. Several officers over a period of several months had checked the status of the vehicle through several law enforcement data bases and information venues with no negative results or owner information being made available. Officer Braun initiated an investigation to determine the ownership of the vehicle in an attempt to have the vehicle removed. Officer Braun's efforts were eventually successful in identifying a family member of the registered owner of the vehicle. Officer Braun's investigation revealed that the vehicle in question was used during the commission of a homicide occurring in Holly Hill approximately one year earlier. The vehicle was impounded by the Holly Hill



Detective Mathis & Officer Warmington

Police Department and processed for evidence which was used to identify a suspect and make an arrest for the homicide. The exceptional perseverance by Officer Braun in the execution of his routine duties directly resulted in the arrest of a murder suspect that had gone undetected for over a year.



Mr. Royce and Officer Lank

The final award of the night, and the highest award presented during the ceremony, was the Life Saving Award, bestowed to a member or citizen for exercising competent and expedient action that was directly accountable for sustaining or saving a human life. This award was presented to Officer David Lank for his quick and decisive actions on October 25, 2013, when he responded to a call for assistance to help a 42 year old male in cardiac arrest. Upon his arrival on scene, Officer Lank quickly determined the victim had no pulse and was not breathing. Officer Lank immediately initiated CPR, and continued his CPR efforts until the arrival of EMTs/ Paramedics who stabilized and transported the victim to the hospital. Within two days, the patient was alert and able to talk with friends and family. Officer Lank's initiation of CPR was instrumental in saving a human life. Chief Osterkamp introduced Mr. Jeremy Royce, the heart attack victim who's life Officer Lank saved. Mr. Royce presented the Life Saving Award to Officer Lank in an emotional and moving moment. Mr. Royce expressed his deepest gratitude and appreciation as his wife and two small children cheered from the audience.



Mr. Royce and Officer Lank