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# City of Ormond Beach

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## State of the City



On Tuesday, October 13th, the Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce, in partnership with the City of Ormond Beach, held the eleventh annual State of the City address at Oceanside Golf and Country Club. Approximately 200 people attended the event.

Mayor Ed Kelley's video presentation focused on Ormond Beach as "THE COMMUNITY OF CHOICE." The presentation highlighted major economic development projects in the last year including SKYO Industries, Edgewell (Playtex Manufacturing), Valiant Equipment, and Germfree Laboratories. These businesses will account for approximately \$16 million in construction and equipment and the creation/retention of 179 jobs.

In local government, partnerships are critical, and Mayor Kelley emphasized the importance of these partnerships the City has with other agencies, groups and private citizens. With the Mayor's "Award for Civic Engagement" (ACE), Mayor Ed Kelley recognized Doug Thomas as being instrumental over the past 40 years in advancing the City's recreational amenities for its citizens, specifically children. Mr. Thomas has consistently seen what was needed and worked with the City to attain it.

Mayor Kelley recognized Nancy and Lowell Lohman with an ACE Award for their efforts and contributions to beautify the entryways into Ormond Beach. The Lohman's have been members of the Ormond Beach community for many years and identify needs and then work to assist in meeting those needs.

The video presentation is available on the City's website at [www.ormondbeach.org/stateofcity2015](http://www.ormondbeach.org/stateofcity2015).



Pictured from left: Mayor Kelley, Doug Thomas, Nancy Lohman, Sally Thomas, Lowell Lohman

# FAST Fly-In

Recently, Deputy Mayor Partington, along with twenty-seven other Florida municipal officials traveled to Washington, D.C., for the Florida League of Cities fall 2015 Federal Action Strike Team (FAST) Fly-in. While there, FAST members met with Jerry Abramson and Rohan Patel from the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to discuss the League's federal issues. They also met with twenty-one members, and/or their staff, of Florida's congressional delegation.

This year's advocacy efforts focused on support for a long-term federal transportation bill, closing the online sales tax loophole, improving the FEMA public assistance process, protecting municipal bonds and regulating the sober home industry.

The group also visited the National League of Cities (NLC) offices for a federal briefing where they met with Alex Amparo from FEMA and heard from the NLC Federal Relations Team for the latest on transportation and e-fairness legislation. FAST members were also in attendance for testimony by Wilton Manors Mayor Gary Resnick before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation. Mayor Resnick spoke on behalf of local governments on removing barriers to broadband deployment.

"Having face-to-face meetings with our congressional delegation in Washington, D.C., has provided an opportunity for city officials to strengthen their relationships with members of Congress," said Scott Dudley, legislative director for the Florida League of Cities. "It gives our membership a chance to provide real-world examples of how the decisions made in Washington affect their cities back home and ensures that members of Congress know their city officials are paying attention to what is going on in our nation's Capitol."

The FAST committee was created in support of the League's strategic plan objective to strengthen its federal relations. The primary purpose of this committee is to establish communications with the Florida congressional delegation in support of federal municipal policy. The committee takes its policy positions and direction from the League's resolutions and the National League of Cities (NLC) policy priorities, as well as from the officers and board of the League.



## Badges & Brunch

The “Badges and Brunch” program launched on Wednesday, October 7th. Ormond-in-the-Pines graciously hosted the inaugural event where approximately 25 residents gathered. Officer Jay Brennan and Officer John Dovine conducted a presentation on frauds and scams that often target our senior citizens. The residents were quite interested in the topic and asked questions on the subject matter. After the presentation, the group enjoyed brunch together while continuing the conversation. Our officers enjoyed getting to know the residents and their history while sharing their own background.

The Ormond Beach Police Department is dedicated to protecting our senior citizens who are Armed Forces Veterans, retired professionals, volunteers, parents and grandparents. We believe this program will provide education on the newest crime trends and assist with prevention. It has also helped to develop dialogue between the citizens we serve and their police department in a more relaxed environment where there is not a crime to report.



## Walk with the Manager



Last Friday, City Manager Joyce Shanahan held her Walk with the Manager, which started at Mr. John D. Rockefeller’s former winter home, The Casements, located at 25 Riverside Drive.

After a meet and greet, the group walked approximately two miles and discussed various topics of interest. After touring the area on foot, the walkers returned to The Casements where they were greeted by City staff with refreshing bottles of water.

Citizens are invited to join the City Manager on her Walk with the Manager. Please check the calendar on the City’s website [www.ormondbeach.org](http://www.ormondbeach.org) and future issues of the Weekly Review for dates and times of future walks.

# The Casements Welcomes Girl Scouts



Girlish giggles reverberated throughout Mr. Rockefeller's former winter home on October 10th as local Girl Scouts gathered for a fun-filled day! Sunrise Service Unit Manager Dana Allen organized a jam-packed morning that included breakfast, crafts, and a play performance. As one of five Girl Scout units in Volusia County, the Sunrise Unit includes Ormond Beach, Daytona Beach, and Holly Hill troops.

On the sunny Saturday morning, sixty-five young ladies and their parents congregated in The Casements gallery. The tables were decorated with eggplant colored tablecloths and yellow flowers lined the dining area as the guests enjoyed a tasty midmorning snack.

Afterwards, Scouts convened in the dance room to create magic wands and decorate princess crowns in honor of the day's play!

Families then assembled in the atrium to watch the girls reenact Helena Yates' whimsical story, Princess Rain and the Dragon.



Throughout the day, the girls celebrated friendship, built character, and gained confidence with their fellow Brownies.

The local Girl Scout troop has a rich history with The Casements. On October 2, 2014, The Casements unveiled the Girl Scouts' Great Gathering Time Capsule. Local artist and Girl Scout leader Wendy Crouch painted the time capsule for the 2012 centennial celebration; the handcrafted capsule will remain on display at Mr. Rockefeller's home for the next 36 years.

For more information about Ormond Beach's local troops, please call Dana Allen at 386-451-9150.



# Explore the Arts

Explore the Arts started on September 30 at the Nova Community Center. This is an art class for those with special needs. Each week, the class will create different art projects based on the movie "Inside Out."



This week, artists reviewed the movie for inspiration, and then painted a happy picture. Next week, the artists will be working on silhouettes and adding the color of the emotions.

Registration is required. For any questions on this class, please call Lori Koplin, Nova Community Center Coordinator at 676-3252.

## John Denver Tribute

The John Denver Tribute starring Tom Becker and his five piece band performed in concert at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Friday, October 9th.

Tom Becker is a former member of the New Christy Minstrels, a group that also formerly included John Denver.

John Denver is known for many hit songs including "Leaving on a Jet Plane" which he wrote for Peter, Paul, and Mary. He became famous for performing songs "Thank God I'm a Country Boy," "Take Me Home Country Roads," "Rocky Mountain High" and "Calypso."

Tom Becker and his band performed all of these songs and many more. The audience enjoyed an excellent show.



# FREE SKATEBOARD LESSONS



The Ormond Beach Skate Park, located at 440 North Nova Road, is proud to offer free skateboarding lessons at the beginner, intermediate, and advanced level for all age groups **every Saturday morning** (depending on favorable weather), from **9 to 10 am**. Instruction, led by Birdstown Surf and Skate, is on-going all year except on holidays or special events, and pre-registration is not necessary but highly recommended, as classes do fill up (maximum of 16 students are allowed at any given time). For reservations, additional information, or to arrange for private/group lesson at a nominal cost, please contact Tary Valle at the Ormond Beach Skate Park at (386) 676-3237 or email him at [taryvalle@gmail.com](mailto:taryvalle@gmail.com).

Free skateboarding lessons at our skate park are taught and supervised by Senior Surf/Skate instructors Hector and/or Tary Valle, each with extensive experience, spanning over 30 years in this field. They use the approved teaching methods under the Tony Hawk skateboarding fundamental principles and have developed a curriculum that breaks down the art of skateboarding into an easy and safe process to learn. On their first day, beginner lessons start with the method of falling down without getting hurt. Instructors are CPR certified and take every precaution to teach students in injury prevention. Beginners then learn proper stance and where to place their feet on

the board. Eventually they move on to kick-turns and dropping into an incline to negotiating a variety of obstacles.

After an evaluation, intermediate and advanced students can progress at an accelerated rate and learn the techniques necessary to advance their skating to the next levels and begin training for competition, if they so desire.

If you are interested, you will need to bring your own skateboard (proper for skatepark riding), plus a helmet (mandatory). Knee and elbow pads, as well as wrist guards, are highly recommended for beginners. Boards and equipment are also available for rental at the skatepark for a small fee. Skateboarding is an extremely fun sport and aerobic activity that men and women, boys and girls of all ages thoroughly enjoy. Birdstown Surf and Skate makes learning how to skateboard easy, safe, and fun!!!



# PARKS

The Leisure Services parks staff added some additional fun for park users at Fortunato Park by installing a new rock climbing wall fixture on the playground. For those who enjoy barbeque grilling, Parks staff completed the installation of new barbeque grills at Andy Romano Beachfront Park including some surrounded by brick pavers.

As usual, Citywide safety inspections were performed of all parks and equipment and weekly inspections were done of parks facilities for reservations. All park reservations were posted at various facilities.



## Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,402    Arrests – 20  
Citations Issued - 70  
Reports Written - 134    Traffic Stops - 177



## Weekly Fire Operations Stats

**143 INCIDENTS**  
77 - EMS    8 - Motor Vehicle Accidents  
1 - Fires    3 - Fire Alarms  
53 - Public Assists    1 - Hazardous

# Public Works in ACTION



## Inlet demo and replacement on corner of Marvin Road and Riverside Drive



## R-O-W trimming on S. Old Kings Rd.



# Public Works in ACTION



## Forming for concrete pad for generator at the airport



## Repair of uneven sidewalk on Vanderbilt Drive



# Public Works in ACTION



## Road repaired at Sports Complex

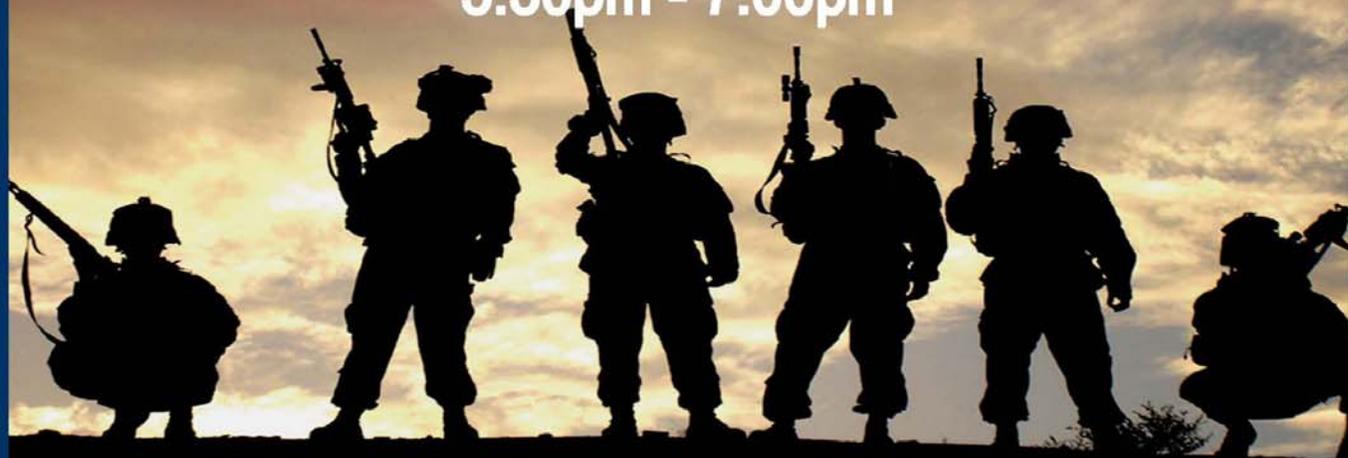


# Veterans Day Celebration

Monday, November 9, 2015

Ormond Beach Senior Center, 351 Andrews Street

5:30pm - 7:00pm



*Dinner & Entertainment ~ \$7.00*

**Veterans FREE!**

**Reservations Required ~ Limited Seating**

**Ticket Reservations:**

**Monday through Friday, 10:00am ~ 3:00pm**

**October 19th ~ October 30th**

**(or until the event is sold out)**

**Community Events Office, Senior Center  
351 Andrews Street, Ormond Beach  
676-3241**

**Brought to you with honor from the Leisure Services Department**