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City of Ormond Beach

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Sara Tomarelli in Concert

Local singer Sara Tomarelli, a senior at Seabreeze High School, performed in concert on Sunday, November 15th, at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center.

Sara Tomarelli, voted "Miss Seabreeze," is known not only for her excellence in academics, but also for her fabulous singing voice. Sara began performing in her childhood as a student in the Children's Musical Theatre Workshop, so she is no stranger to the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center stage.

The concert featured a wide range of musical styles that showcased her range and musical talent. Sara plans to study voice in college and become an opera singer. Her performance received a standing ovation from the audience.



RIVERFEST

Amidst perfect weather on Saturday and Sunday, thousands enjoyed a fun weekend filled with food, music, and activities along the Halifax River's eastern shore. On November 14th and 15th, Ormond MainStreet celebrated its 7th Annual Riverfest Seafood Festival at Rockefeller Gardens, The Casements' North Lawn, and Fortunato Park. The free event focused on local food and music.



With over a dozen food vendors, attendees enjoyed delectable and fresh local seafood, including oysters, crab, shrimp, and fried fish. Local chefs Jason Rogers from Zappi's Italian Garden Restaurant and Andreas Thon from The International Deli cooked up tasty seafood and provided cooking demonstrations to Riverfest guests. While crowds savored delicious flavors, local bands, as well as Seabreeze and Spruce Creek High School bands, provided musical entertainment.

Riverfest also provided numerous nautical demonstrations, such as paddle boarding, kayaking, and pontoon boat rides all weekend long! Sunday marked the Rubber Duckie River Run & Ride, which included a duckling dash, a 5k run, and a half-marathon bike race. Race winners received awards on the Robbins Camper Sales Music Stage.



More fun family activities highlighted the weekend's festivities. At Fortunato Park, folks played water games and fished along the riverbank. In the Kid Fish area, Fish Florida and Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission gave away 100 fishing poles to lucky kids ages 12 and under. Halifax Yacht Club Jr. held sailing regatta and boat crafts for kids. Children also leaped in bounce houses, bungee jumped, and got their faces painted!

Ormond MainStreet hosts numerous community events throughout the year to support the local economy's development. If you are interested in joining Ormond MainStreet, membership options are available for individuals and businesses. For more information, visit ormondbeachmainstreet.com or call their office at 386-492-2938.



Johnny Dee and the Starlights

Johnny Dee and The Starlights performed “Legends In Concert: A Tribute to Buddy Holly, Hank Williams and Roy Orbison,” on Friday, November 13th. The group, led by actor/singer Andy Matchett as Johnny Dee, and his solid professional back-up band, The Starlights, played the hits of these three 1950’s musical superstars.

Andy Matchett was cast as Buddy Holly in the nationally touring production of “The Buddy Holly Story.” Matchett also portrayed “Hank Williams” on stage in a live musical production of “Hank Williams: Lost Highway.” The combination of acting and musical talent on stage in this tribute was apparent in the enthusiastic reception of the show from the audience.



The Drama That Surrounds Me

“The Drama That Surrounds Me: The Incomplete Autobiography of Jo Marie Payton” was performed on Saturday, November 14th, at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center. The show is based on the life story of Jo Marie Payton, the award winning actress who played the role of Mom on the hit television series “Family Matters.”



In this one woman play, actress Brea Miller portrays Jo Marie Payton. After the performance, Ms. Payton entered the stage for a rocking chair chat, taking questions from the audience and recounting her experiences as a television star. The show was an intimate, revealing, and entertaining look at the struggles and triumphs of an aspiring actress.



Greek Cooking for the Holidays



With the holiday season around the corner, food is on the forefront of everyone's mind! Thankfully, Chef Elaine Pitenis and her students are prepared

to host their December festivities! On November 17th and 19th, My Big Fat Greek Cooking Class taught two groups how to prepare authentic, homemade Greek holiday appetizers. Mouthwatering hors d'oeuvres comprised the evenings' delectable menu; without a doubt, these recipes are perfect to share when entertaining family and friends.

While enjoying wine and laughter, the gourmets in The Casements' kitchen fixed up fantastic food. Foodies created a classic Greek sauce, tzaziki, often served with meats or as a dip. With tangy flavors like yogurt, garlic, and vinegar paired with fresh cucumber and olive oil, tzaziki steals the show at any holiday gathering. Savory seafood samples also graced the holiday spread, such as Greek caviar made with carp roe, fried kalamari, and crab meat wrapped in phyllo pastry dough. Loukaniko, flavorful Greek sausages seasoned with orange peel, fennel seed, and dried herbs, as well as saganaki, an appetizer of fried cheese, brought a Mediterranean twist to typical cocktail fare. Additionally, the cooking class whipped up popular Greek snacks like homemade hummus and stuffed grape leaves to round out the scrumptious carte.

My Big Fat Greek Cooking Class will meet again on Monday, December 7th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at The Casements. Please call Chef Pitenis at 386-677-2733 for more information.



Air Traffic Control Tower Generator

On Thursday, November 12th, crews from the Public Works Department installed a new emergency backup power generator for the Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) at the Ormond Beach Municipal Airport.

The old backup generator had been in service since the tower became operational in 2004. That generator malfunctioned and was taken out of service. Since then, the tower's electrical power has been supported by a temporary, mobile backup generator. The new generator includes updated features and components better suited for critical ATCT systems support, a service warranty, and with State assistance costs less to acquire than repairing the old unit. Replacement of the generator was accomplished as an element of the recently completed Air Traffic Control Tower Systems Upgrade project.



The Casements Closure



The Casements will be closed on Thursday, December 3rd, and Friday, December 4th, in preparation for the annual Christmas Gala "Holiday Memories at The Casements" which begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, December 4th.

Providence Church Presents: A Gift of Carols



Providence Church of Ormond Beach will present "A Gift of Carols" to the community on Sunday, December 13th, at 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center, located at 399 North US Highway 1.

The Providence Church choir and band is comprised of men and women from Ormond Beach and surrounding area and will present ten cherished songs of the season. As with all gifts, this gift is free!

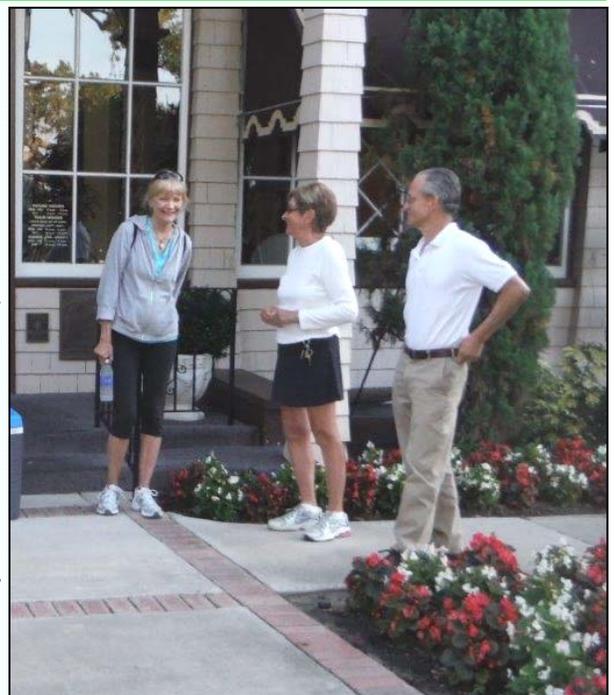
For more information, please contact Marc Schwartz, Performing Arts Center Supervisor, at 386-676-3379.

Walking with the Manager

Last Friday, November 13th, City Manager Joyce Shanahan held her Walking with the Manager at The Casements. At 8:00 a.m., enthusiastic walkers were greeted by the City Manager and guest walker Chris Mason, Neighborhood Improvement Manager.

Before heading out on their walk, the group spent a few minutes on introductions and chatting. As they walked, the group talked about various code related topics, such as property maintenance and code enforcement processes.

After their walk, the group was greeted with refreshing cool water and spent several more minutes discussing various topics before heading out to their individual destinations.



Happy Thanksgiving!

All non-emergency City offices will be closed on Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27, 2015, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

There will be no Weekly Review or Weekly Reports next week.

Please have a safe and happy holiday.



Thanksgiving Holiday Waste Collection Schedule

There will be no garbage or recycling collection on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26, 2015. The yard waste pick up schedule remains unchanged.

The Thanksgiving holiday garbage and recycling collection schedule is below:

Regularly Scheduled Day

Thursday, November 26th

Friday, November 27th

Service will be provided on

Friday, November 27th

Saturday, November 28th

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Waste Pro at 386-788-8890.

Weekly Police Stats

Calls for Service - 1,431 Arrests – 26

Citations Issued - 135

Reports Written - 138 Traffic Stops - 158



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

156 INCIDENTS

90 - EMS 8 - Motor Vehicle Accidents

1 - Fires 3 - Fire Alarms

50 - Public Assists 4 - Hazardous

Public Works in ACTION



Stormwater crews install “gator” gate on outfall pipe on Pineland Trail



Public Works in ACTION



R-O-W trimming, S. Orchard, Highland Ave. and N. Halifax



Public Works in ACTION



Sign Shop at Work





Free Guardian Advocate Workshop Ormond Beach

Community Legal Services of Mid-Florida (CLSMF) is partnering with the City of Ormond Beach to offer free quarterly workshops to interested individuals. During these workshops, a specific legal topic will be presented by a pro bono attorney followed by a generic question and answer period. Workshop topics will change each quarter.

Workshop Information

Date: December 3, 2015

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location:

Ormond Beach City Hall
Conference Room 103
22 South Beach Street
Ormond Beach, FL

Please note:

- Workshops are available on a first come basis.
- If anyone attending would like to meet with a pro bono attorney to receive legal advice *specific to their situation*, they will need to indicate this on the sign-in sheet upon arrival and an intake will need to be completed to establish eligibility for services.

