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City of Ormond Beach

DECEMBER 16, 2016

Holiday Parade

The streets of Ormond Beach lit up on Saturday evening December 10th as the 26th Annual Home for the Holidays Parade began down US1, onto Granada Boulevard and then to South Beach Street in front of City Hall. This year's theme was "Twinkling Lights and Sweet Delights."



Our new City Commission rode in cars provided by Ritchey Cadillac Buick GMC, while passing out candy to over 10,000 spectators lined up and down the streets. This year's Parade Grand Marshal was former Ormond Beach Mayor Ed Kelley

and Chair-elect for Volusia County Council. Over 95 parade entries, with more than 3,000 participants, delighted the crowd with their creative floats, vehicles and performances.

The parade would not be possible without the hard work of the parade committee, local volunteers, and businesses, parade entrants, and generous sponsors. A special thank you to President and Parade Committee Chairman Brian Daly for all his efforts and organization working on the Parade Committee for the past 22 years.

Judges found it hard to pick a winner from the spectacular group of entrants in this year's parade. Congratulations to this year's winners! Awards will be presented at the City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, January 17, 2017.







PARADE WINNERS

Best of Show
Arrow Towing

President's Cup
Cunningham Oil

Floats

- 1st - Tomoka Elementary PTA
- 2nd - Skate & Shake
- 3rd - Holly Hill School

Vehicles

- 1st - Mid Florida Jeep Club
- 2nd - Reunion Bank
- 3rd - Daytona Pro Cart Team

Walkers

- 1st - Pathways Elementary Patriots
- 2nd - Beach Bucket
- 3rd - Church of the Holy Child



City Hall and all non-emergency City offices will be closed on:

**Friday, December 23, 2016
Monday, December 26, 2016
Monday, January 2, 2017**

There are no Weekly Reviews or Weekly Reports until after the New Year.

City staff wishes everyone a safe and joyous holiday season.

The City of Ormond Beach Department of Leisure Services

Home for the Holidays

Nighttime Parade

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2016 Home for the Holidays
Parade Committee Business Partners*

- The Paint Drop by Valspar
- The Logicom Logic System
- Complete Construction of Central Florida
- Ormond Beach Chamber of Commerce
- Ormond Beach MainStreet

PAL Holiday Party

On Wednesday, December 14th, Santa arrived a little early for children in the Ormond Beach community. The Ormond Beach Police Athletic League's (OBPAL) Annual Holiday Party was held at the South Ormond Neighborhood Center at 5:30 p.m. Children and their families enjoyed a light meal before Santa's arrival. Our amazing Youth Directors Council members served as hosts for the event, greeting each visitor with cheer for the holidays. Chief Godfrey was Santa's Arrival Coordinator letting guests know Santa was on his way. With shouts of joy, children gathered excitedly to peer out the windows of the community room and saw flashing lights from the Ormond Beach Police Department Motors Unit and the Outreach and DARE cars making it known Santa was on his way. Santa and Mrs. Claus were escorted into the Center by Officer Jay Brennan and Officer John Dovine. Santa entered the room with sleigh bells ringing to the laughter and delight of our small guests. With his hearty HO! HO! HO! Santa and Mrs. Claus greeted the children and sat at the front of the room to talk and share time with each child.



To begin the gift giving, Commissioner Selby presented a donation of \$500 to the Ormond Beach Police Athletic League to support youth educational and athletic programming offered through OBPAL. After Commissioner Selby's presentation, boys and girls were greeted by our elf who guided them over to visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Every child attending the party received a new wrapped toy from Santa.

Gifts for this annual event were provided through sponsorships from Anchor Certified Planners Group and the Margarita Society of Volusia County. In addition to the gifts at the party, 14 bikes and 20 other special toy items were hand delivered by the OBPAL team to families dealing with economic challenges during this gift giving season.

Special thank you to Santa's helpers: Mayor Bill Partington, Commissioner Dwight Selby, Commissioner Rick Boehm, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, OBPAL Treasurer Delia Boehm, Chief Jesse Godfrey, Captain James Crimins, Sgt. Tom Elkins, Sgt. Mike Pavelka, Sgt. Michelle Gaden, Officer Gregory Stokes, Officer Lauren Sanders and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Grigat. Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, Ormond Beach PAL was able to brighten the holidays for over 100 at-risk children in the community. For many families the toys received are the only new toys their child will receive for the holiday.

Photos on following page

PAL Holiday Party



Chief looking for Santa



Holidays at The Casements

December's festivities continued on Thursday evening when The Casements hosted a free event open to the public. From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., cultural center staff hosted the 11th annual "Holidays at The Casements" reception inside the home and on the North Lawn.



Starting at 6 p.m., all were invited to tour the decorated and dazzling mansion. Guests then convened on the North Lawn at 6:30 p.m. to enjoy a dessert social filled with plenty of sweet treats and hot cocoa. Around 7 p.m., Daytona Beach swing band The Moonlighters played classic holiday favorites for the crowd. Overall, locals and visitors alike experienced a magical evening under the stars and twinkling lights on December 15th.

The Casements staff has one more community event this holiday season. After "Holidays at The Casements," staff began setting up for tomorrow's Breakfast with Santa. With 360 tickets sold, Breakfast with Santa draws in many local children and their families for a Christmas themed morning at The Casements. From 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., guests will enjoy pancakes, photos with Santa, cookies, letters, crafts, and a holly jolly good time all around!



Providence Church Christmas Concert

Providence Church presented three Christmas concerts at the Ormond Beach Performing Arts Center on Friday, December 9th, and Sunday, December 11th. The free concerts were open to the public



and featured the Providence Church Praise Band and Choir in a program of contemporary arrangements of traditional Christmas music.

Prior to the concert, the Providence Church Bell Choir performed in the PAC lobby.

The music brought the joy of holiday season to everyone in attendance.



Challenger Basketball



Challenger Basketball has ended its 2016 session. The nine Challenger players were joined by the Embry Riddle

Softball team and Seabreeze Key Club each week for practice. Team members worked on their drills and played a short scrimmage.

For the final day, the teams warmed up and had a Snowman Relay. The final game was exciting as they put their skills to the test. They celebrated their hard work with pizza and awards.



“GET Home for the Holidays”

The holidays are a time to celebrate. This is also the time of year where there are a high number of impaired drivers behind the wheel. The Ormond Beach Police Department will be stepping up patrols from December 16, 2016, to January 1, 2017, with it's goal to reduce crashes that are caused by impaired drivers by using aggressive traffic enforcement for those drivers that are under the influence.



The “GET Home for the Holidays” event was held at Lowe’s Home Improvement this afternoon to launch the Police Department’s participation in Florida’s “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” campaign.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 35,092 people were killed in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2015. Twenty-nine (29%) percent (10,265 people) of those fatalities died in a crash involving a driver with a blood alcohol concentration of over the limit of .08. Driving impaired is never worth the risk to yourself, your passengers, or others on the roadways.

The Ormond Beach Police Department recommends that you are prepared for the festivities. If you plan on drinking, plan on not driving. Plan your safe ride home before you start the holiday party. Designate a sober driver ahead of time. If someone you know has been drinking, do not let that person drive. We want everyone to get home safe and enjoy the holidays.

Please contact Officer Jay Brennan with any questions: (386) 676-3526 or jay.brennan@ormondbeach.org.

PARKS

The Leisure Services Parks staff assisted with deliveries of poinsettias to decorate City Hall. They also cleared out a homeless camp and tent that was located in the woods at Central Park I. A trash can was secured and a dog waste station was installed at Lincoln Avenue Park. A broken 2x6 was replaced at the Tennis Center. Staff installed a new spring and reinstalled a new snail rocker apparatus at Central Park I.

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 - 1,270 Arrests - 22
Citations Issued - 77
Reports Written - 140 Traffic Stops - 123



Weekly Fire Operations Stats

143 INCIDENTS
70 - EMS 11 - Motor Vehicle Accidents
2 - Fires 3 - Fire Alarms
52 - Public Assists 5 - Hazardous

Public Works in ACTION



Post storm tree removal on Alcazar



Removal of split oak tree Ormond Lakes Blvd.



Public Works in ACTION



Post storm tree removal Hummingbird Lane

