

Office of the City Manager

160 Lake Avenue Palm Coast, FL 32164 386-986-3710

# Memorandum

**To**: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

**From**: Jim Landon, City Manager

**Date:** March 10, 2017 **Re:** Week-In-Review

Movie in the Park Friday, March 10, 7:45pm Central Park in Town Center



Palm Coast Seafood Festival Saturday, March 11 thru Sunday, March 12, noon to 8pm Central Park in Town Center

NCCAA Youth Sports Clinic (Sign-up Required)
Saturday, March 18, 9:30am to noon
Indian Trails Sports Complex and Palm Harbor Golf Club



Eggstravaganza Saturday, April 15 Central Park in Town Center



#### Deputy Fire Chief Awarded Professional Designation

Deputy Fire Chief Jerry Forte was awarded the professional designation of "Chief Fire Officer" (CFO) from the Commission on Professional Credentialing. The CFO designation is awarded to individuals after successfully meeting all of the Commission's stringent criteria, which includes applicant's education, experience, professional development, along with other requirements. Forte is one of only 1,204 CFOs. Congratulations to Deputy Chief Forte for this achieving prestigious award. For more information, see the attached Fire Department Update and News Release.



#### First Tree Trimming Class at City Hall

Staff held the first Tree Trimming Class for licensed tree surgeons and landscape maintenance companies at City Hall. Participants received indoor instruction and outdoor demonstrations. The next course available will be March 25<sup>th</sup>. For more information, see the attached Community Development Department Update.

#### Local STEM Students Set Guinness World Record

Local STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) students at Wadsworth Elementary School attempted a Guinness World Record by constructing a free-standing tower out of Qubits. One of the record requirements is for the official measurement to be made by a licensed civil engineer. One of the City's Construction Management and Engineering Division's licensed engineers was there to witness the student's feat with an official measurement of 14ft, 1inch. Congratulations to the local students who are our new Guinness World Record holders. For more information, see the attached Community Development Department Update.



#### Next Week:

- Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, City Council Workshop, 9am, City Hall Community Wing, 160 Lake Avenue
- Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, Planning & Land Development Regulation Board Mtg, 5:30pm, City Hall
   Community Wing, 160 Lake Avenue

#### Attachments

- Administration & Economic Development Department Update
- BAC Update
- Information Technology Department Update
- Public Works Department Update
- Community Development Department Update
- Fire Department Update
- Parks & Recreation Department Update
- Utility Department Update
- News Releases Sent: Deputy Fire Chief Gerard Forte earns Chief Fire Officer designation, Food Truck Tuesdays new season begins (March 21 event), Daylight Savings Time means changes to watering schedule, Palm Coast BAC assists DR. PAINT success story



#### **Administrative Services & Economic Development**

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### Week In Review Friday, March 10, 2017

#### **City Clerk**

- Processed 7 public records requests.
- Processed 3 litigation documents.
- Prepared and processed 15 documents for recording.
- Prepared 2 agenda items.
- Prepared and posted 1 agenda and 2 sets of approved meeting minutes to Web.
- Processed 11 resolutions.

#### **Communications & Marketing**

- News releases sent: Deputy Fire Chief Gerard Forte earns Chief Fire Officer designation, Food Truck Tuesdays new season begins (March 21 event), Daylight Savings Time means changes to watering schedule, Palm Coast BAC assists DR. PAINT success story
- Responded to media requests and coordinated advertising
- Staffed Citizens Academy at Fire Dept.
- Staffed Council meeting Citizens Academy graduation photos of DC Forte
- Attended public records training (all staff)
- Working on annual Water Quality Report
- Working on the launch of the new green brand campaign, including promo video, website, social media
- Finalized 2017 Citizens Survey
- Designed covers for PAFR and CAFR finance reports
- Designed flier for Food Truck Tuesdays
- Designed Week in Review survey
- Design in progress on Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool Activity Guide
- Posted to Facebook, Twitter & Instagram;
   Social Media Post of the Week: →







- Videotaped/aired live the City of Palm Coast Council Meeting
- Attended Employee Academy IT, Financial Services
- Edited and finalized video Electric Vehicle Charging Station at City Hall https://youtu.be/D1v936JfM3A
- Updated news and announcements on PCTV's ticker tape

#### **Central Services**

#### Purchasing:

| Status     | Ref. #             | Project   |
|------------|--------------------|---|
| Pending    | ITB-UT-WD-17-28    | Valve Actuators   |
| Open       | RFP-IT-17-11       | Asset Management Software   |
|            |                    |   |
| Open       | RFP-CD-CME-17-10   | Design Build Services for Shade Sails Project                         |
| Open       | ITB-CD-CME-17-24   | Reclaimed Water Irrigation US1  |
| Open       | ITB-PW-PFM-17-21   | Price Agreement for Irrigation Supplies                               |
| Open       | ITB-RCMP-MIT-17-26 | Residential Construction Mitigation Program (RCMP)                    |
| Open       | LOI-CD-CME-17-29   | Redesign and Replacement of the F-Section<br>Concrete Lined Ditch     |
| Evaluating | RFQ-CD-CME-17-16   | Pavement Management System  |
| Evaluating | RFP-PW-STRT-17-06  | Traffic Sign Printer  |
| Evaluating | LOI-CD-CME-17-23   | Belle Terre Blvd/Pkwy Corridor Improvement Design                     |
| Evaluating | ITB-RCMP-MIT-17-22 | Residential Construction Mitigation Program (RCMP)                    |
| Evaluating | ITPQ-CD-CME-17-24  | Reclaimed Water Irrigation US1  |
| Completed  | RFP-CM-16-02       | Palm Harbor Golf Club Management, Operations and Maintenance Services |
| Completed  | RFI-ADM-16-05      | Tennis Center Consultant Services                                     |
| Completed  | ITB-CD-CME-17-09   | Restrooms & Sports Lighting at PCAF and ITSC                          |
| Completed  | ITB-UT-WD-17-12    | Water Treatment Plant #1 Roof Replacement                             |
| Completed  | ITB-PW-17-20       | Debris Disposal Services  |

#### **Contracts:**

- Midwest Motor Supply d/b/a Kimball Midwest, SDOC-16-B-081-KB, Shop Supplies, 03/07/17-03/01/19
- Rayco Properties, Inc., Woody's Septic Tank Service, Wastewater Collection System Emergency Tank Truck Services, ITB-PW-U-15-07, 05/18/17-05/17/18 (final renewal)
- England-Thims & Miller, Inc., Stormwater & Environmental Services, RFQ-SW-14-02, 03/06/2017-01/21/2018 (first renewal)



#### The Palm Coast Business Assistance Center

Services Provided by the SBDC at UCF

Located at City Hall 160 Lake Avenue Palm Coast, Florida 32164 (386) 986-2499 www.PalmCoastBAC.com

# WEEK IN REVIEW March 10, 2017

#### **BUSINESS CONSULTING**

- This Week 11 Consulting Sessions, 37 Consulting Hours
- Total for Month 26 Consulting Sessions, 80 Consulting Hours

#### **PALM COAST BAC IMPACT**

- Economic Impact This Fiscal Year \$2,324,000
- Economic Impact To Date \$28 Million
- Return on Investment \$86 per Tax Dollar Invested

#### **NEW PALM COAST COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES**

• Wet N Wild Pools Inc. – 10 Cypress Pt Pkwy – Retail Sales

#### **NEW PALM COAST HOME BASED BUSINESSES**

- Michael's Carvings Arts & Crafts
- Areas Pool Care Pool Cleaning
- Ocean Breeze Pool Cleaning Service Pool Cleaning
- Sweet Saigon Retail Sales
- Wilson's Complete Property Care Handyman Service
- Wilson's Complete Property Care Landscaping Service
- Gladys Hartman Arts & Crafts
- CKB Lawn Care Landscaping Service
- New Beginnings Refinishing & Restoration Handyman Service
- Audrey Purcell Arts & Crafts
- Caring for Property LLC Shed Installation
- Caring for Property LLC Fence Installation



#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

**TO**: Jim Landon, City Manager **FROM**: Steve Viscardi, IT Director

**DATE:** 3/10/2017

RE: Week In Review

#### **Department/Division Support**

#### **ENTERPRISE**

- Applications Division continued working on configuring the new Agenda Management system.
- Applications Division did some troubleshooting on issues with OnBase and some of the new Windows10 machines.
- Applications Division made changes and updates to the Purchasing section of the website.
- Applications Division Project Updates:
  - Munis Security: Security updating underway for Human Resources and Customer Service; expect completion no later than end of March. Schedule has been planned by various department/divisions that will run from March to July for project completion.
  - TeleStaff Upgrade: Project current holding for vendor resources to begin integration work in test environment.
  - Contracts Implementation: Novatas vendor demo held, well received. OnBase demo scheduled for March 22nd. Product assessments to be held afterwards.
  - ESS Upgrade to AD: new Virtual Server has been created, migration work to begin with Munis OSDBA support later in month.
  - BATC Second batch of patches for Munis testing underway, along with testing for Cashiering Upgrade targeted for April.
- Applications Division Munis Daily:
  - Resolved issue with Cashiering being experienced by several users; Fixed issue with PO email process to vendors; Corrected printer issue for Business License printing;
  - Kronos/TeleStaff Daily: Significant issue with punch in rejects being encountered by Fire Fighters
    appears to be resolved. Modified system settings/configuration to allow for time off request to be
    submitted up to a year in advance by employees; created/added a number of new users.
- Operations Division completed numerous service requests.

- Operations Division provided support for the following meetings.
  - o PCU Admin Training
  - Council Business meeting
  - Code Board
  - Public records request training (3/8 & 3/10)
  - o LSAC
  - Munis FL User group
  - NOAA Updates to the GTM Management Plan
- Operations Division completed a NetMotion User System upgrade.
- Operations Division began interviewing applicants for the IT Technical Support Analyst position.

#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Applications Division set up and attended meeting for Code Enforcement to ascertain the viability of Perconti
Data Systems moving their Animal Licensing over to CD Plus. Topics that were touched upon included
notification, online license application and/or renewal as well as online payments.

#### **E-PLAN WORK FLOW**

Applications Division worked with Permitting and Planning to continue to augment capabilities of the new work
flow system. New enhancements include visual cues for types of permits received, batch and file stamping
procedures, more fillable forms that are dynamically presented based on permit type, new status to determine
difference between correction and revision. File viewer enhanced to open new inspections from within viewer.

#### **ASSET MANAGEMENT RFP**

• Applications Division responded to additional information requests for vendors needing further technical assistance and/or understanding with the City's RFP.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

• Applications Division worked with vendor to troubleshoot problem with Completed Services Report. Fleet Manager Software updated on server.



**Public Works Department** 

1 Wellfield Grade Palm Coast, FL 32137 386-986-2360

# Office of the Director Activities for the Week of March 10, 2017



Site Distance Improvement - Lake Success Right of Way



#### **Parks & Medians Maintenance**

- Inspected the following:
  - o 44,268 linear feet of park hiking trails
  - o 316 signs
- Irrigation: Inspected the following:
  - o 179 out of 356 irrigation zones
  - o cleaned, replaced, adjusted spray heads along City medians
  - o 63 out of 147 City Park irrigation zones
- All City parks (12) were moved and maintained
- Grounds were maintained at 250 well sites and lift stations
- Maintained grounds at the following locations:
  - 5-Fire Stations
  - o 3-Water Treatment Plants
  - o 1-Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Mowed 16 sports fields, two times each, for a total of 56 acres
- Repaired pitching mound at Indian Trails Sports Complex
- Painted 6 Soccer fields at Indian Trails Sports Complex
- Slicing Turf at Indian Trails Sports Complex
- Turf fertilization on decorative medians and sports fields



**Soccer Field Irrigation Surgery – Indian Trails Sports Complex** 

## **Streets Maintenance & Special Projects**

- Trimming Crepe Myrtle trees at the following locations:
  - o Belle Terre South
  - Whiteview Parkway
- Performed site distance trimming in "L" Section
- Inspected and reported 12 street light outages to Florida Power & Light for repair
- Repaired/replaced the following signs:
  - o 4 Regulatory
  - o 2 Warning signs
- Performed 16 Metro Traffic Counts at the following locations:
  - o Rymfire Drive
  - o Royal Palms Parkway
  - o Central Ave
- Belle Terre Parkway Median Improvements Grading on Phase II and 15000LF of mainline irrigation pipe installed
- Citywide sidewalk maintenance in progress to include mechanical edging
- Seminole Woods neighborhood sign restoration in progress, granite installed
- Tree work at the following locations:
  - o Ryberry Dr
  - o Fortune Lane
  - o Belle Terre Parkway
- Performed traffic control for the following:
  - One Special Event
  - Superhero 5K at Town Center





Roadway Radius Repair - Belle Terre Blvd & Zinnia Trail



**Herbicide Spraying** 

# **Belle Terre South**





## **Stormwater Maintenance**

- Replaced 80 linear feet of drainage pipe on Universal Trail
- Maintained 53,300 linear feet of drainage ditches
- Sprayed 5000 LF of ROW on Belle Terre South
- Graded and stabilized 4,992 linear feet of residential swales
- Cleaned 71 culvert pipes for a total of 1846 linear Feet



**Pipe Replacement - Universal Trail** 

## Fleet and Facilities Maintenance

- Performed the following road calls:
  - o 3 road calls for repairs
  - o 6 fire road calls
- Performed preventative maintenance on the following:
  - o 11 vehicles/equipment
  - o 5 Hand held equipment and Mowers
- Repaired the following equipment:
  - o 15 City vehicles
  - o 5 Fire fleet vehicle/equipment repairs
  - Heavy equipment
  - o Small equipment
  - o Trailers
  - o 36 pieces of small and hand-held equipment
- Completed 12 facility maintenance requests



Weld Extends Life of Tarp Arm

# **Community Development Department**

PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR WELL-PLANNED GROWTH AND
DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CITY'S
NATURAL RESOURCES, PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE.



Week-in-Review- March 10, 2017-Stephen Flanagan, Director

#### **PERMITTING ACTIVITY**

The following is an update of permit and development application activity in Palm Coast from March 2, 2017 through March 8, 2017:

- Total number of permits issued: 343
- New Single Family/Duplex Residences: 12
- Construction value improvements from October 1, 2016 to date \$135,920,791

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|--------------|--|--|
| Commercial Permits Applications |                                   |     |                       |              |  |  |
|                                 | Interior Renovations -            |     | ohen Kenny &          |              |  |  |
| 5 Utility Drive # 23            | Europa Salon & Spa                | Ass | ociates               | \$60,000.00  |  |  |
|                                 | Exterior Renovations -            | Tho | mpson Awning &        |              |  |  |
| 250 Palm Coast Parkway NE # 203 | Tropical Smoothie                 | Shu | tter                  | \$2,000.00   |  |  |
|                                 |                                   |     |                       |              |  |  |
| Commercial Permits Issued       |                                   |     |                       |              |  |  |
|                                 | Exterior Renovations -            |     |                       |              |  |  |
| 45 Plaza Drive                  | Outback Steakhouse                |     | ture Construction     | \$310,000.00 |  |  |
|                                 | Interior Renovations - B          |     | e Crown               |              |  |  |
| 235 St Joe Plaza Dr. SW         | Massage                           |     | struction             | \$12,000.00  |  |  |
|                                 | Interior Renovations - Palm       |     |                       |              |  |  |
| 94 Whiteview Parkway            | Coast Bible Church                |     | m Construction        | \$21,000.00  |  |  |
|                                 |                                   |     |                       |              |  |  |
| Occupancy Permit Issued         |                                   |     |                       |              |  |  |
| 399 Palm Coast Parkway SW 2     | Golf and Adventure Travel         |     | Sunburst Group        |              |  |  |
| Expeditions                     |                                   |     | -                     |              |  |  |
| 235 Palm Coast Parkway NE       | Jungle Hut Inc Realty Executives  |     | Shannon Bruce Vinnick |              |  |  |

| 31 Old Kings Road Suite 1        | Ashlyn Studio Photography | Cheryl McNabb        |             |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| 145 Cypress Point Parkway # 206  | Luscious Nails 2          | Thanh N              | eguyen      |  |  |  |
|                                  |                           |                      |             |  |  |  |
| Certificates of Occupancy Issued |                           |                      |             |  |  |  |
| 250 Palm Coast Parkway NE # 213  | Sushi 99                  | Jamil Zarazel        | \$40,000.00 |  |  |  |
| 250 Palm Coast Parkway NE 408 &  |                           |                      |             |  |  |  |
| 409                              | Starbucks                 | Elfrink Construction | \$50,000.00 |  |  |  |

#### **PLANNING**

#### Development Order Issued for Seminole Woods Blvd. Multi-Use Path Phase 4 & 5

On March 7, 2017 a development order was issued for a technical site plan tier 1, for the development of the multi-use path from Sesame Blvd. from Citation Estates to Selma Trail.

#### First Tree Trimming Class Held for Businesses @ City Hall

Staff held the first Tree Trimming Class for licensed tree surgeons and landscape maintenance companies to comply with the revised Chapter 11, Land Development Code. Students received a comprehensive overview of basic pruning practices according to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 guidelines. The class featured four hours of indoor instruction covering a variety of tree topics then the group ventured outdoors for a pruning demonstration on live trees. Students were pleased with the high quality of instruction and the amount of information covered in a short period of time. The next course is scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup>.

#### CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT & ENGINEERING

#### Palm Coast STEM Students Set Guinness World Record

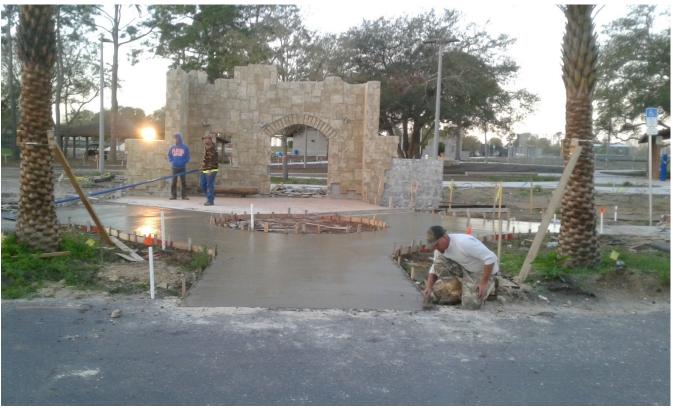
STEM is a curriculum focused on educating students in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics. STEM students at Wadsworth Elementary decided to attempt a Guinness World Record by constructing a free standing tower using a construction toy alternative, called Qubits, developed by a local Palm Coast architect. When they realized, just a couple of hours before completing the tower, that the official measurement had to be made by a licensed civil engineer they contacted the Palm Coast Community Development Department.

One of Construction Management and Engineering's licensed civil engineers responded to the call to ensure that the student's efforts to break the world record would not be in vain. The official measurement came in at 14-ft. 1-inch. A new Guinness World Record by more than two feet. Congratulations Flagler County STEM Students!



The following is an update since last week for projects in the City from March 2, 2017 through March 8, 2017

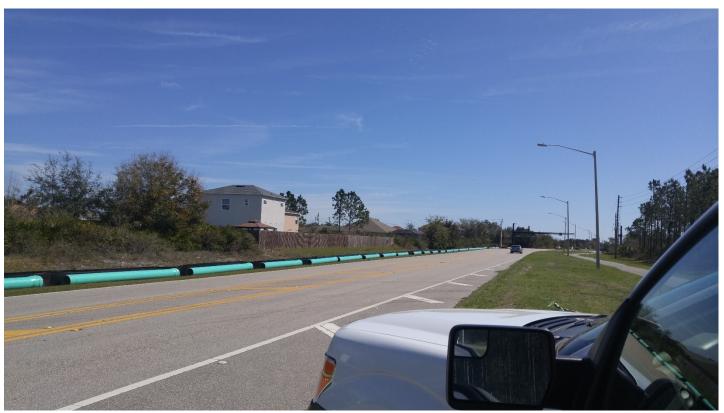
| City Capital Projects Under Construction                      |     |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Holland Park -Florida Park Drive                              | 91% | Installation of feeder wires to Pavilion 3 from Restroom. Colored stamped deco slab poured at north playground portal. Poured concrete sidewalk tie-in to Florida Park Dr. Poured new Utility pump station driveway and pad. Concrete formwork for Horseshoe area begun. Removal of bad veneer on both playground portals and Sugar Mill begun. Grading at Pavilion 3, horseshoe, interior future playground area, and North of park entry drive. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Community Center  | 5%  | Old irrigation well removed. Building pad being formed and staked. Portion of existing building to remain roof weather-sealed. All parking area wheel stops, curbing and sidewalks removed. Steel forms for new Building footers being constructed on site.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Southern Wellfield Expansion Phase 2 (Sesame & Equip 5 Wells) | 30% | March 6, 2017 pipe crew onsite cleaning area and making sure directional drill holes are secured. March 8, 2017 all well sites being worked on by construction crews.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Matanzas Woods Master Pump<br>Station                         |     | March 2, 2017 Florida Power and Light has set power pole for future power. March 3rd pipe material on site and placed along Matanzas Parkway.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wastewater Treatment Plant #2                                 | 56% | March 2, 2017 concrete walls are being placed in the Biological process and Chlorine contact Tanks. Electrical rough inspection was done for the electrical and master control center buildings.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Developer Projects Under Construction</b>                  |     |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Weigh Station US-1  | 80% | March 6, 2017 concrete slab has been poured around meter and backflow assemblies.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dunkin Donut/Baskin Robbins -<br>Rebuild                      | 28% | March 7, 2017 construction of building continues all windows and doors have been installed.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Starbucks @ Island Walk 1%                                    |     | March 9, 2017 pre-construction meeting was held at City Hall offices. Store equipment being moved to temporary units within the Island Walk Commercial Subdivision.   |  |  |  |  |  |



**Holland Park - Finished Stamp Concrete North Portal** 



**Dunkin Donuts Front Facing Palm Coast Pkwy.** 



Matanzas 16" Force Main Pipe Strung Out for Installation



75 Cats 77 Dogs 1 Rabbit

# Animals ready for homes

Puppies and kittens are a lot of work and most people don't realize what they are getting into. Having a puppy or a kitten under 8 weeks old is like having a newborn. They need to be feed at least every 2 hours and need to be stimulated to urinate. Those that are over 8 weeks old need to be housetrained and basic training should begin. Kittens instinctively know to use a litter box but you will need to provide one that is shallow enough for them to get in it. If you think you are up for the task, please contact the FHS adoption specialist for more information on fostering.

**Donation Opportunities:** The *Flagler Humane Society Thrift Store* always accepts donations. They cannot take in any computers/printers or large appliances. Call 386-597-2839 and leave a message.

"General Donations" can be dropped off anytime at your convenience. FHS appreciates all donations, especially those from our Wish List (available at <u>flaglerhumanesociety.org/wish-list</u>). You can also purchase items via the Amazon.com link on the FHS website and ship them directly to the shelter.

**Outreach Adoption Events:** Don't forget that FHS have volunteers and adoptable pets at Petco in Palm Coast on Fridays & Sundays and at PetSmart in Palm Coast on Wednesdays/Thursdays & Saturdays.

Interested in becoming a volunteer? Stop by and attend a volunteer orientation. Volunteer orientations are held at noon in the Humane Society education room every second Saturday of the month.

Interested in helping at Outreach Adoption Events? Join our SPOT Outreach Team! For more information, contact Katie at <a href="kshare@flaglerhumanesociety.org">kshare@flaglerhumanesociety.org</a>.

Adoption Specials: See the FHS Facebook/Website for Upcoming Adoption Specials. We are actively collecting supplies for the upcoming kitten/puppy season! Check out the FHS Amazon Wish List located on the FHS Website for

**Upcoming Fundraisers/Events:** See the FHS Website for Upcoming Events.

details on ordering.

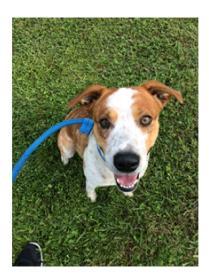
**Public Announcements:** The Flagler Humane Society has a variety of *Subsidized Spay & Neuter Programs* for members of the community that need to have their pets or community pets sterilized. Please call FHS at 386-445-1814, email <a href="mailto:info@flaglerhumanesociety.org">info@flaglerhumanesociety.org</a> for questions.

FHS has a *Wellness Clinic* for minor veterinary issues. Call 386-445-1814 for Appointments. *Low Cost Vaccination Clinics* are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of every month from 1pm-3pm. No appointments are necessary for the Low Cost Vaccination Clinics.

FHS also offers a "Pet Food Pantry" for those that are in need of assistance. Please call for more information.

**To keep up with Flagler Humane Society happenings** – visit us on the FHS Facebook/Twitter, our website at <a href="www.flaglerhumanesociety.org">www.flaglerhumanesociety.org</a>, or via email at <a href="mailto:info@flaglerhumanesociety.org">info@flaglerhumanesociety.org</a>.

# Pet of the Week



### **OSCAR**

Oscar is a beautiful 6 year old gentleman. He is a cattle dog mix that lives up to the breed specifics. He would love a home with an active couple but prefers to not have a home with children due to his herding instincts. Oscar is very choosy of his friends but once you are in his inner circle you will not regret choosing him because he gives the best hugs by placing his paws on your shoulders. He would love a fenced yard or an owner that loves to take walks or jogs. He is beautiful and deserves to have a forever home to call his own.

#### Adoption specialist:

Katrina Geigley adopt@flaglerhumanesociety.org

#### Outreach Manager:

Katie Share <u>kshare@flaglerhumanesociety.org</u>



# Fire Department

To: Jim Landon, City Manager

From: M. C. Beadle, Chief

**Date:** March 10, 2017

Re: Week in Review

In the past week, the department responded to a total of 171 calls. There were nine fire calls. We responded to two building fires, two passenger vehicle fires, two outside trash receptacle fires, one structure fire, one brush fire, and one wildland fire. A total of 104 EMS calls were logged and the balance was miscellaneous in nature. The drought index is at 376 out of a possible 800 and the fire danger is moderate.

Our own Deputy Fire Chief, Gerard P Forte was recognized on Tuesday by the Palm Coast City Council, with the Chief Fire Officer designation presented by Fire Chief Michael C Beadle. Deputy Chief Forte's family and grandson are very proud of him! We are all proud of him for this major accomplishment.

The department was represented at the dedication of the Flagler Palm Coast Fire Academy. The only such program in the state for high school students was well attended by local dignitaries, as well as the Director of the FL State Fire College, Chief Mike Tucker. Members of the Palm Coast Fire Department Honor Guard presented the colors at the beginning of the ceremony that included bag pipes and speeches by Chief Petito, Chief Forte, and Principal Dusty Sims. Fifty eager students are enrolled in the program and are setting the course for their future profession.

Crews rotated through specialized Ladder Deployment training this week. The training emphasized various techniques to handle unique rescue situations.

Lt. Cline, Lt. Driscoll, FF Bull participated in the New Smyrna Beach High School EMS Program. They assisted in creating a disastrous scene used for an EMS demonstration. Volusia County was beyond impressed with their ability to create such a realistic scene!

The Chiefs took part in Youth Leadership Flagler. Youth Leadership Flagler is a program that develops aspiring leaders of Flagler County. The youth program provides participating students with a better understanding of the local community for community-improvement purposes. This week they learned all about emergency services. The group visited Fire Station 25 and the Chiefs spoke to them about emergency management and gave them a station tour.



Deputy Chief Forte is recognized for earning his Chief Fire Officer designation



Deputy Chief Forte's grandson is amazed "GG" grandpa is on the big screen!



**Ladder Deployment Training** 



Realistic scene created by Lt. Cline, Lt. Driscoll & FF Bull

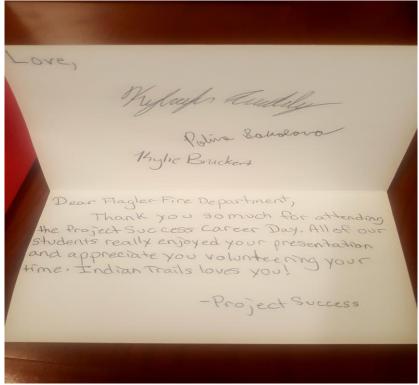




Chiefs take part in Youth Leadership Flagler - Emergency Services Day



FF Hackney explains the equipment & tools used on the fire apparatus



Thank You card received from Indian Trails Project Success students



## PALM COAST PARKS & RECREATION EVENTS & ACTIVITIES Winter/Spring 2017

### CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING PROGRAMS

http://www.palmcoastgov.com/government/fire/cpr

#### The City of Palm Coast Fire Department offers CPR and First Aid Training

- 1. The Healthcare Provider course -- a professional certification course -- includes a multiple-choice written exam and a practical exam.
- 2. Workbooks for use during the class are provided. It is highly recommend that participants purchase a course workbook. The American Heart Association recommends that each student review the course information for two weeks prior to the course. Workbooks can be found at : <a href="http://www.aha.channing-bete.com/">http://www.aha.channing-bete.com/</a>
- 3. Course available to those ages 13 and up.
- 4. All courses begin at 9:00 a.m. Participants should arrive a few minutes ahead of time for check-in.
- 5. A minimum of six persons is required for each course date. If fewer than six persons have registered, each person will be contacted to reschedule or to receive a refund.
- 6. Please contact CPRcertification@palmcoastgov.com with any questions.

#### First Aid and CPR/AED

Heartsaver First Aid is a 7-hour classroom course (*includes 1 hour for lunch*) that is designed to meet OSHA regulations. The course teaches basic first aid skills:

- Administering CPR to an infant, young child, or an adult.
- Using an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).
- Using a mask or barrier device.
- How to stop visible bleeding.
- Assist with possible sprain or broken bone.
- Securing the scene for safety.

**Date:** March 11

April 8 May 20

**Time:** 9 am-4 pm

**Fee:** \$5/person; Pre-Registration required at least 48 hours in advance. **Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool Classroom (339 Parkview Dr.)

#### Healthcare Provider

The Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers Course provides healthcare professionals the ability to recognize several life-threatening emergencies, administer CPR, use an AED, and relieve choking in a safe, effective and timely manner.

Examples of those who may need this certification are: EMS personnel, physician assistants, dentists, nurses, respiratory therapists and others. All must have a credential (card) documenting successful completion of a CPR course.

The 4.5-hour course is video-based with instructor-led discussion and simulation. Students participate, practice, and complete various skills and learning stations. We will provide a workbook for you to borrow during the course. However, we recommend you purchase a workbook two weeks prior to the course and review the information.

**Date:** April 28 **Time:** 9 am-1:30 pm

**Fee:** \$50; Pre-Registration required at least 72 hours in advance.

**Location:** Palm Coast Fire Station #25, (1250 Belle Terre Parkway, Palm Coast, FL 32164)

#### **ADULT FITNESS**

#### Adult/Teen Flag Football League

Come join the 7<sup>th</sup> annual adult flag football league under the lights at Ralph Carter Park. This year we are also having a Teen division as well! Register as a team for 7v7 style play to win the title of league champion, a trophy, a championship t-shirt, and free entry into next season's league. Captain's Meeting is Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

Days: Mondays and Wednesdays
Date: January 18- March TBD
Game Times: 7:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 9:00 pm

**Location:** Ralph Carter Park

**Ages:** 14 & Up **Fee:** \$400

#### Adult/Teen Open Gym Futsal

Come join us for our inaugural Futsal open gym. Futsal is an exciting, fast-paced small sided soccer game that is enjoyed around the world.

**Days/Dates:** Mondays January 23-May 8 \$26

Wednesdays January 25-May 10 \$26

**Time:** 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

**Location:** Rymfire Elementary School

**Ages:** 14 & Up

NO Futsal on 3/13, 3/15

\*Disclaimer: Flagler Schools may cancel program due to school activity. We will make every effort to notify participants of cancellations.

#### Adult Open Gym Volleyball

Come with friends or come alone and play Adult recreational co-ed volleyball open gym creates new "teams" weekly. Usually two nets, with teams rotating in and out of play. One net is for competitive style play and the second net is for recreational style play.

**Days/Dates:** Mondays January 23-May 15 \$33

Wednesdays January 25-May 17 \$33

**Time:** 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

**Location:** Indian Trails Middle School

**Ages:** 18 & Up

NO Volleyball on 3/13, 3/15

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#### Adult Open Gym Basketball

The adult co-ed basketball program is a non-competitive recreation program.

**Days/ Dates:** Tuesday January 24-May 16 \$33

Thursday January 26-May 18 \$33

**Time:** 7:00 pm - 9:30 pm

**Location:** Indian Trails Middle School

**Ages:** 18 & Up

NO Basketball on 3/14, 3/16

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#### 3 on 3 Spring Basketball Tournament

Come join the 1st annual Palm Coast 3v3 Basketball Tournament. All teams must submit a Team Registration Form, one per team, with completed roster and pay a \$12 tournament fee. All players must complete an individual Waiver Form. The team registration, tournament fee, and waiver forms must be submitted 5 days prior to the tournament start date. This is a double elimination tournament.

**Days:** Saturday and Sunday

**Date:** May 20-21

**Game Times:** TBD

**Location:** Holland Park

**Ages:** High School and Adult divisions

**Fee:** \$250

#### **Pickleball**

The fastest growing sport in North America. Pickleball is sport for all ages. Played with small racquets and whiffle balls, this game is perfect for all ages. Equipment is available for rent and will be provided on the days and times below.

**Days/Dates:** December 19-April 28

Belle Terre Park
Tuesdays: 1-3pm
Wednesdays: 6-8pm
Fridays: 11-1pm

**Location:** Belle Terre Park

Ages: 18 & up Fee: Free

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### AARP Driver Safety Program

The nation's first and largest classroom course for motorists ages 50 and older. This one-day course identifies ways that older drivers can compensate for the physical changes that occur as they age and helps older drivers update their driving knowledge and skills. To register contact AARP Representative Karen Zimmerman 386-585-4116.

**Dates**: March 21, April 18 **Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Pool- Classroom

**Fee:** \$20/Session (\$15/Session/AARP Member)

#### Critic's Choice Dinner Club

Each month this "Club" visits a new restaurant, chosen by the group, to spend quality time with friends enjoying a casual dinner while rating the food and service. New members are always welcomed. Dinner and/or transportation are the participant's responsibility. Pre-Registration Required

**Days/Dates:** April 6- TBD by group

May 4- TBD by group

**Time:** Meet at restaurant 5:30 pm

#### Game Day Social

As the name suggests, Game Day Social is comprised of a lively, spirited group of individuals who enjoy the camaraderie and competition of dominos, a variety of card games or board games. Participants are encouraged to bring their favorite game or play one provided by the Parks and Recreation Department. Light refreshments are served.

**Days:** Thursdays (Starting January 12<sup>th</sup>)

**Time:** 12:30 - 4 pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool Classroom

**Fee:** Free

#### Women's Self Defense

Learn effective methods to ward off attackers in this three day class. Sergeant Lutz from the Flagler County Sheriff's Office will teach you skills that will make you more aware of your surroundings and methods to protect yourself and provide safety tips to implement right away. Pre-registration required and participants must attend all three classes. **Pre-Registration required at least 48 hours prior to start date and time.** 

**Days/Dates:** Mondays March 13- City Hall

20/27-FZ Pool Classroom May 08/15/22-FZ Pool Classroom

**Times:** 6 - 8 pm **Ages:** 12 & Up **Fee:** Free

#### **Wood Carvers**

The art of woodcarving has a history that spans centuries. At its core, woodcarving transforms a piece of wood into a masterfully crafted work of art. Join this group of gifted carvers as they share their skill and know how in this informal teaching atmosphere. The woodcarving group is a mixed group of men and women at all levels and abilities. Visitors are welcome.

Days: Tuesdays (Starting January 10th) No Woodcarvers on (Mar 21, Apr 18)

Time: 1pm - 4pm

Location: Frieda Zamba Pool- Classroom

Fee: Free

## **Discover Trips**

The registration fee includes: round-trip, motor coach transportation to and from destination and admission fees for the attraction. Payment is due at time of registration. Limited number of spaces available so register early. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis.

#### McKee Botanical Gardens

Located on a tropical hammock at the southern gateway to Vero Beach, Florida, McKee Botanical Garden is where native plants and exotic botanicals combine with Old Florida charm. Follow the Garden's pathways through a grove of majestic palms; past tranquil streams accented with colorful waterlilies. Explore 18 acres of natural landscape preserved and restored to the vision of its founders. Discover trees, waterfalls and historic structures each with their own unique story. Lunch is included and will be hosted on site. **Pre-Registration required by Wednesday, April 12.** 

**Day/Date:** Wednesday, April 19

**Time:** Depart the Palm Coast City Hall 8 am

Return to the Palm Coast City Hall at approx. 4:30 pm

**Location**: Vero Beach, Florida

**Fee:** \$60/person

#### A look at Ole Florida

First stop at the Lake Ridge Winery where a sampling of 7 different wines will be available, a video presentation shown. Second stop Presidents Museum and third stop Florida Citrus Tower. Lunch at participant expense. Lunch at local BBQ restaurant.

Pre-Registration required by Wednesday, April 8.

**Day/Date:** Wednesday, May 10

**Time:** Depart the Palm Coast City Hall 8 am

Return to the Palm Coast City Hall at approx. 4:30 pm

**Location**: Clermont, Florida

**Fee:** \$50/person

## Lunch N' Lecture Series

Join professionals during lunch for informational discussions on topics that may affect the lives of our adult community. Pre-Registration required 48 hours prior to the program date and while space is available.

**Time:** 11:00 am -12:30 pm

**Location:** City Hall, Community Wing – 160 Lake Avenue, Palm Coast, 32164

Fee: FREE

**Friday, March 17-** Can I recycle this? Learn all the different ways you can recycle various items in the City of Palm Coast.

**Friday, April 21-**Dr. Issam Nasr, Gastroenterologist – will speak on Food Sensitivity, Gluten and beyond.

**Friday, May 19-**Palm Coast Astronomy Club member and volunteer NASA Solar System Ambassador Lee Bentzley will talk on the Total Solar Eclipse to be seen in the U.S. on August 21, 2017. Lee will define what an eclipse is and tell how to protect your eyes while viewing this once in a lifetime event.

#### TODDLER PROGRAMS

Pre-Registration required at least 48 hours prior to start date and time of all Toddler Programs

#### Teddy Bear Picnic

Children will bring their favorite teddy bear for story time, game playing or craft and a snack. This monthly programs offers a unique experience for toddlers and their parent.

**Day:** Mondays

**Dates/Theme:** April 3 – Earth Day Remarkable Recycling

May 1 – Summer Sensational Sea

**Time:** 10 - 10:30 am

**Location:** Palm Coast Linear Park

Age: 2-5 years old

Fee: Free

#### Little Picassos

Little Picassos is designed to help your little artists discover their inner Picasso as they discover their own unique style. Children will learn fundamental art concepts by creating a fun & unique work of art.

Days/Dates: Tuesdays April 11

**Time:** 10 - 11 am

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Pool Classroom

**Age:** 2– 5 years old

**Fee:** \$8

#### Munchkin' Sports

This child with parent program teaches the basic motor skills necessary to play organized sports such as soccer, baseball, golf, football, and tennis. This 6-week program is designed for parents to assist the child.

**Days/Dates:** Wednesday, April 19 – May 24

**Time:** 5:15 - 6:00 pm

**Location:** Belle Terre Park, 339 Parkview Drive

**Ages:** 3-5 years old **Fee:** \$35 per session

#### Little Kicker Soccer

Bring your Little Kicker Soccer player to this high energy, fun, age appropriate introduction to soccer. Little Kicker Soccer is not a league, rather an introduction to the fundamentals of soccer focusing on skill development and confidence building that your child will use as he/she transitions to league play.

**Days/Dates:** Wednesday, April 19 – May 24

**Time:** 6:15 - 7:00 pm

**Location:** Belle Terre Park, 339 Parkview Drive

**Age:** 3-5 years old **Fee:** \$35 per session

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

Pre-Registration required at least 48 hours prior to start date and time of all Youth Programs

#### Recreation on the Go

Come join us as we schedule recreation activities at a variety of parks throughout Palm Coast. We will be providing recreation equipment and encouraging participants in a variety of games and activities.

**Day:** Saturdays

**Dates/Location:** March 11 – Linear Park

April 8 – Belle Terre Park

May13 – Belle Terre Park - Tennis

 Time:
 10am - 12pm

 Age:
 5 and older

 Fee:
 FREE

Aquatic Programs

Pre-Registration required at least 48 hours prior to start date and time of all Aquatic Programs

#### Parent and Child Level 1 (Ages 6 months to 36 months)

Parent and child water introduction class that uses games, music and fun to familiarize your child to being in and around the water.

Water Babies participants learn to:

- Introduction to entering and exiting the water safely
- Submerge mouth, nose and eyes
- Explore floating on front and back with/without support
- Introduction to floating with support
- Basic Kicking

**Day/Dates:** May 8<sup>th</sup>- May 18<sup>th</sup> **Times:** 1:00pm-1:30pm

**Location**: Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$45

#### Parent and Child Level 2(36 Months to Age 4)

Parent and Child aquatics class for the preschool age students. Students will learn introduction skills to prepare for Level 1 class. Your child will familiarize themselves in a more structured aquatic setting to learn safety, basic swim techniques, and more.

- How to safely enter and exit the water.
- Introduction into kicking.
- Introduction into floating on back with/without support.
- Introduction into swimming on front.
- Introduction into bobbing.
- Overview of pool rules and water safety.

**Days/Dates:** May 8<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup> **Times:** 1:45pm-2:15pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$45

#### Preschool Aquatics – Level 1 (Ages 4-5 years)

Participants will be introduced to the basic skills needed to achieve a minimum level of water competency. Skills introduced include, but not limited to the following:

- How to safely enter and exit the pool
- Floating on front and back
- Treading of water
- Swimming on front and back

**Days/Dates:** May 8<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup> **Times:** 1:00pm-1:30pm

2:30pm-3:00pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$45

#### Preschool Aquatics – Level 2 (Ages 4-5 years)

For participants who can successfully demonstrate the skills of Preschool Aquatics Level 1. Participants will build upon those skills and knowledge of water competency in order to advance to Learn to Swim Level 1.

**Days/Dates:** May 8<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup> **Times:** 1:45pm-2:15pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$45

#### Preschool Aquatics – Level 3 (Ages 4-5 years)

For participants who can successfully demonstrate the skills of Preschool Aquatics Level 2. Participants will build upon those skills and knowledge of water competency in order to advance to Learn to Swim Level 1.

**Days/Dates:** May 8<sup>th</sup>-May 18<sup>th</sup> **Times:** 2:30pm-3:00pm

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$45

#### SWIM LESSON INFORMATION:

- ❖ Pre-Registration, including payment of applicable fee, is required prior to the start of each session.
- Online registration is available (website)
- Minimum class size of 4 participants.
- ❖ When classes are cancelled by management, make-ups will be scheduled accordingly.

# American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification Class

The purpose of the American Red Cross Lifeguarding course is to provide entry-level lifeguard participants with the knowledge and skills to prevent, recognize and respond to aquatic emergencies and to provide care for breathing and cardiac emergencies, injuries and sudden illnesses until emergency medical services (EMS) personnel take over. The blended learning offering is designed to provide a flexible online learning environment for the knowledge-based aspects of the lifeguarding course, along with videos demonstrating the skills that participants will practice during the facility portion of the training.

**Day/Dates:** Session 1 - Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>- Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Blended Learning Class

Location: Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Ages:** 15 & up **Fee:** \$160

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# Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool 2017 Hours of Operation

Monday, April 17-Friday, May 26
Monday through Friday - 2 PM to 7:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday - Closed

Saturday, May 27-Monday, September 4
Monday through Friday - 10:30 AM to 7:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday - 12:00 noon-6:00 PM

Tuesday, September 5-Friday, November 25
Monday through Friday - 2 PM to 7:30 PM
Saturday & Sunday - Closed

**Holiday Hours of Operation:** 

Monday, May 29 - 12 PM to 6 PM Friday & Saturday, July 3 & 4 - 12 PM to 6 PM Monday, September 4 - 12 PM to 6 PM

\*\*\* Hours of Operation dependent on daily weather conditions and subject to change without notice \*\*\*

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### NCCAA Youth Sport Clinic

Young athletes – get ready for some free fun on the fields! Free soccer, baseball, volleyball, basketball and golf clinics are scheduled at Indian Trails Sports Complex and the Palm Harbor Golf Club, 100 Cooper Lane from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 6 to 16 year-olds will have the opportunity to learn and practice basic skills with professional coaches and collegiate athletes representing the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA). These talented experts will be right here in Palm Coast to work with our future athletes, so plan to bring your children to take advantage of this exciting opportunity!

**Day/Date:** Saturday, March 18 **Time:** 9:30 am to 11:30 am

**Location:** Indian Trails Sports Complex & Palm Harbor Golf Club

Ages: 6-16 Cost: Free

#### Egg' Stravaganza

The hunt is on 10,000+ candy and toy filled eggs. Enjoy fun-filled morning with exciting activities such as the Easter egg hunt for children ages 2 through 12 years of age, magic shows, balloon art, food, refreshments and pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Day/Date:Saturday, April 15Time:10 am - 1 pmLocation:Central Park

#### Movies in the Park

Bring your blanket, lawn chairs and snacks and invite your friends and neighbors to join you at this monthly free, family activity. Relax and enjoy an "oldie but goodie" or a recent hit as we watch movies on the giant, outdoor movie screen. And, take it from us you don't want to forget your bug spray!

**Day/Date/Time:** Friday, March 10, movie begins at 7:45pm, The Jungle Book (PG)

Friday, April 14, movie begins at 8:00pm, Teen Age Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13)

Friday, May 12, movie begins at 8:20pm, Zootopia (PG)

**Location:** Central Park in Town Center

#### Food Truck Tuesdays

Free entertainment along with gourmet food available for purchase from a variety of specialty food trucks. Proceeds from Food Truck Tuesdays benefits a local organization whose work supports our children and families.

**Day/Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month - March through November

March 21<sup>st</sup>, April 18<sup>th</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup>, June 20<sup>th</sup>, July 18<sup>th</sup>, August 15<sup>th</sup>, September 19<sup>th</sup>,

October 17<sup>th</sup>, November 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 5 - 8 pm

**Location:** Central Park in Town Center

#### **Pool Safety Day**

Our certified pool staff will lead activities to teach safety in and around the pool. Activities will include pool games, mini learn to swim classes, provision of water safety information and discussing basic first aid. Participants will also watch as our life safety staff demonstrates a water rescue.

**Day/Date:** Sunday, May 28

**Time:** 1 - 4pm; *Activities/safety demonstration* 

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Fee:** \$1 daily admission for youth 17 & under

\$2 daily admission for adults/seniors

#### Tribute to the Troops

In honor of current and retired military personnel, show your military ID for FREE admission to Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

**Day/Date:** Monday, May 29

Fee: Free daily admission for current and retired military who show their military ID

**Location:** Frieda Zamba Swimming Pool

#### Memorial Day Ceremony "Remembering America's Heroes"

**Day/Date:** Monday, May 29

Time: 8 am

**Location:** Heroes Memorial Park

Rain Location: Fire Station 21, 9 Corporate Drive

**Information:** Fire Station 25 at 386-986-2300

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To: Jim Landon, City Manager

From: Richard Adams, Utility Director

Date: March 9, 2017

Re: Week in Review

• Temporary modification of the disinfection treatment procedure from chloramines to free chlorine will continue through March 22<sup>rd</sup>. Customers may notice an increase in the taste and odor of chlorine in their drinking water during this time.

- The average water demand for this week was 7.782 million gallons per day. The average wastewater flow was 5.944 million gallons per day.
- Crews installed 16 new domestic water meters and 3 new PEP tanks.
- There was a total of 48 calls after hours.
- There were 172 disconnects for non-payment this week.
- This week crews repaired a 10" water main on Palm Coast Parkway. This was a cast iron main that split in a circular pattern across the circumference of the pipe. Crews were able to throttle down the water flow without shutting down the water main to install a full circle repair clamp so there was no need for a "Boil Water Notice".
- This week crews worked on a deep water service line on Weyanoke Lane. This included removing the driveway and moving the tap from underneath the driveway and installing a casing under the road and retrofitting the existing meter pit with backflow prevention.
- Wastewater crews completed 145 service orders, installed 7 new pep pumps and 9 electric assemblies. Replaced 47 pep pumps, 38 floats, and 3 cleanout caps. Replaced 4 ball valves, 5 valve boxes and installed 2 risers.
- Wastewater crews inspected via CCTV 10,671 feet of gravity sewer and inspected 47 manholes.
- Water Distribution crews repaired 1 service line, replaced/repaired 8 meter pits, and tested/repaired 247 backflow preventers.
- This week techs who are Troxler certified started taking HAZMAT certification. Staff trained on First Aid / CPR and Public Records Training.



#### **NEWS RELEASE - City of Palm Coast**

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March 8, 2017

#### Palm Coast Deputy Fire Chief Forte earns 'Chief Fire Officer' designation

**Palm Coast** – Palm Coast Deputy Fire Chief Gerard "Jerry" Forte has successfully completed the process to be awarded the professional designation of "Chief Fire Officer" (CFO) from the Commission on Professional Credentialing.

Deputy Chief Forte was recognized Tuesday by the Palm Coast City Council, with the Chief Fire Officer designation presented by Fire Chief Michael C. Beadle.

Forte is one of only 1,204 CFOs worldwide. The Commission on Professional Credentialing awards the CFO designation after an individual successfully meets all of the organization's stringent criteria. The process includes an assessment of the applicant's education, experience, professional development, technical competencies, contributions to the profession and community involvement. In addition, applicants are required to identify a future professional development plan.

The CFO designation program uses a comprehensive peer review model to evaluate candidates seeking the credential. The Commission found that Deputy Chief Forte has a rich knowledge of the emergency services professional and has far surpassed critical core competencies for personnel serving in senior fire officer positions.

Forte started with the Palm Coast Fire Department in 1992 and has risen through the ranks to second-in-command. He has served as Deputy Fire Chief since 2009. He is a graduate of Daytona State College's fire science program and also has earned a bachelor's degree in public administration and a master's in public policy.

Deputy Chief Forte has a strong record of leadership in City of Palm Coast government, including creating the City's Emergency Management Matrix that tracks employee assignments during emergencies, leading the team for the ISO assessment resulting in a rating of 2, and serving as operations chief of infectious disease response during the Ebola outbreak. Forte often stars in the City's public safety videos.

"The CFO program is not just about climbing the career ladder; the designation is about being a professional. Seeking this professional designation shows that you take what you do seriously with honor, purpose and dedication," Chief Beadle said at Tuesday's Council meeting. "It gives me great honor and pleasure to present Chief Jerry Forte with the 'Chief Fire Officer' designation."

The Commission on Professional Credentialing, an entity of the Center for Public Safety Excellence Inc., administers the CFO Designation Program. The CPC consists of individuals from academia, federal and local government, and fire and emergency medical services professions. To learn more about CPC, visit <a href="https://www.publicsafetyexcellence.org">www.publicsafetyexcellence.org</a>.

Palm Coast Fire Chief Beadle also holds the Chief Fire Officer designation.

For more information, contact Communications & Marketing Manager Cindi Lane at 386-986-3708 and <a href="mailto:clane@palmcoastgov.com">clane@palmcoastgov.com</a>.



Photo: Palm Coast Deputy Fire Chief Gerard "Jerry" Forte, left, and Chief Michael C. Beadle.



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March 8, 2017

#### Palm Coast Food Truck Tuesdays back for 2017 – first event March 21

**Palm Coast** – Palm Coast's popular Food Truck Tuesdays will kick off for 2017 on Tuesday, March 21! Enjoy gourmet food and family fun from 5-8 p.m. along Park Street next to Central Park in Town Center. The address of Central Park is 975 Central Ave., Palm Coast.

Each Food Truck event features free entertainment and about a dozen food trucks – mobile kitchens, canteens and catering trucks that offer up gourmet foods including appetizers, main dishes, side dishes and desserts. Many menus are kid-friendly.

This month the event welcomes the Game Time Game Truck for entertainment – offering a free gaming experience for groups or individuals in a mobile video game theater!

The food trucks signed up for March include: Monsta Lobsta, Boston's Fish House, Tiki T's Mini Donuts, Marco's Seafood, The Garbage Can, Arrested Appetite, Ritter's Frozen Custard, Surf N Soul Grill, Personal Chef, Bruster's Ice Cream/Nathan's, My Cousin Vinny's, Kona Ice of Flagler County, It's All Greek to Me, Flaming Pizza, Woodson's Wrap Shack, London Fish and Chippy, and Repicci's of Daytona Beach.

Food Truck Tuesdays will be held every month, on the third Tuesday of the month, from March through November 2017.

Each month, Food Truck Tuesdays supports a family-oriented non-profit organization in the community. Proceeds for the opening night will go toward the Palm Coast Parks & Recreation Summer Camp Scholarship Fund.

Food Truck Tuesdays is presented by the City of Palm Coast Parks & Recreation Department. For more information, call 386-986-2323 or visit <a href="https://www.palmcoastgov.com/foodtruck">www.palmcoastgov.com/foodtruck</a>.



#### **NEWS RELEASE**

Contact: Brian Matthews, Environmental Compliance Manager City of Palm Coast 386-986-2353 March 6, 2017

#### City of Palm Coast announces Daylight Savings Time watering restrictions

**Palm Coast** – The Palm Coast City Council has adopted a landscape irrigation policy for Daylight Savings Time, aligning with the restrictions issued by the St. Johns River Water Management District.

Now that the time has changed, the City would like to remind residents that from Sunday, March 12, through Saturday, Nov. 4, residential and non-residential (business) consumers may water lawns and shrubs according to the following provisions:

- 1 Irrigation is limited to twice a week
- 2 Odd-numbered residential addresses irrigate on Wednesdays and Saturdays
- 3 Even-numbered residential addresses irrigate on Thursdays and Sundays
- 4 Non-residential (businesses) irrigate on Tuesdays and Fridays
- 5 For users of private irrigation wells, irrigation is allowed any time except between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. on your designated day
- 6 For users of the City's water system, irrigation is allowed only between midnight and 10 a.m. on your designated day
- 7 Irrigation is limited to ¾ inch of water per irrigation zone and to no more than one hour per irrigation zone
- 8 Hand-held hoses equipped with automatic shut-off nozzles and drip systems/bubblers are allowed at any time
- 9 When reclaimed water is available for irrigation use, the use of private irrigation wells is not authorized

These restrictions apply to water withdrawn from ground or surface water, from a public or private well or pump or from a public or private water utility. They do not apply to irrigation using reclaimed water or storm water. Restrictions and exceptions can be found on the City of Palm Coast website at <a href="https://www.palmcoastgov.com">www.palmcoastgov.com</a> (search for "watering restrictions").

# Helping Businesses Grow & Succeed

# **News Release**





# Florida SBDC at the University of Central Florida March 9, 2017

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Hal Thayer, Communications Director, FSBDC at UCF, 407.420.4850 or hthayer@ucf.edu

# DR. PAINT Succeeding in Palm Coast With Help from FSBDC at UCF

PHOTO: Palm Coast BAC Area Manager Ray Peter, right, has helped Omar and Katherine Rivera establish their business for success. (Second photo of the Riveras available upon request.)

**Palm Coast** – Omar Rivera and his wife Katherine are a Palm Coast BAC success story. Together, and with assistance from the Florida SBDC at UCF-Palm Coast, they have built DR. PAINT, a residential and commercial painting contractor, into a successful local business in just two short years.

In 2013, Omar Rivera was on active duty in the U.S. Air Force stationed in Sumter, South Carolina, but contemplating his retirement and life after the Air Force. He enrolled in a program designed to assist military personnel with the transition into civilian life called "Boots to Business." There he came into contact with the South Carolina Small Business Development Center (SC-SBDC).

"Boots to Business and my SC-SBDC consultant helped me a lot. I had a lot of ideas about what type of businesses to get into and he guided me in the right direction," Rivera recalls.

Shortly after retirement from the Air Force, the Riveras moved to Palm Coast to start DR. PAINT. And they immediately connected with Ray Peter, a consultant at and area manager of the FSBDC at UCF-Palm Coast office located in the Palm Coast Business Assistance Center (BAC). And Peter has been helping them ever since.

"The FSBDC has assisted us in so many ways; guiding us in putting together our Employee Handbook, building our marketing plan, sharpening our social media and public relations, strengthening our financial management. They even introduced us to government contracting," says Katherine Rivera.

"And not only did they help us understand how to go after federal contracts," continued Omar Rivera, "but they actually made it possible for us to put in bids and win the work. They helped get all the documents together and explained what the government was looking for. In a very short time by government standards – less than a year – we have been awarded multiple contracts worth more than \$80,000 in sales to us."

Omar and Katherine Rivera are excited about Dr. Paint's future in Palm Coast. And they are intent upon continuing to work with Ray Peter and using the FSBDC to help them with their business. "The FSBDC is like a mentor to us. When we have any issues, we can always count on them. They are just a call away. It is great to know they are there whenever we need them," Mr. Rivera says.

"Entrepreneurship is a lonely road," he continued. "Sometimes you don't know where to go or what to do. It's definitely worth it to seek out the FSBDC. They know what they're talking about; they are very knowledgeable and have great resources. They can help with any aspect of your business. And it's all at no cost. I'd tell any business owner: 'Try them out. You'll be glad you did.'"

-- FSBDC --

#### About the FSBDC at UCF

With its main office in the National Entrepreneur Center located at the Fashion Square Mall in Orlando, the Florida SBDC at the University of Central Florida (FSBDC at UCF) is part of the UCF Office of Research & Commercialization and the Florida SBDC Network (FSBDC Network). The FSBDC at UCF provides business seminars and no-cost, one-on-one business consultation to emerging and established businesses. The FSBDC at UCF serves an eight-county area that includes Brevard, Flagler, Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia counties and maintains 10 service centers across Central Florida.

In 2015, the FSBDC at UCF served almost 7,000 entrepreneurs in Central Florida through consulting and training, resulting in more than 7,300 jobs created, retained or saved; \$990 million in sales growth; \$74.4 million in capital formation; \$101.7 million in government contract awards; and 111 new businesses started.

#### **About the FSBDC Network**

The FSBDC at UCF is a member of the Florida SBDC Network, a statewide service network funded in part through cooperative agreements with the U.S. Small Business Administration, Defense Logistics Agency, State of Florida and other private and public partners. The Florida SBDC Network is hosted by the University of West Florida and is nationally accredited by the Association of SBDCs. All opinions, conclusions or recommendations expressed are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the views of the SBA.

For over 35 years, the FSBDC Network has nourished a statewide partnership between higher education and economic development organizations, dedicated to providing emerging and established business owners with management and technical assistance, enabling overall growth and increased profitability for the businesses and economic prosperity for the state. The FSBDC Network is a statewide service system of 41 centers with 60 outreach locations, including the FSBDC at UCF.

In 2015, the Florida SBDCs served almost 45,500 entrepreneurs and small business owners through consulting and training, resulting in 217,849 jobs created, retained or saved; \$29.3 billion in sales growth; \$947.4 million in capital accessed; \$2.1 billion in government contract awards; and 3,857 new businesses started.

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