

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Dan Parrott, City Manager
Date: February 12, 2010
Subject: DeBary City Manager's Weekly Report

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1. What is a Census Taker?

By being counted, you are standing up for what your community's needs are. That's why census takers are so important. A census taker is a person from your community who is hired by the Census Bureau to make sure that your neighborhood gets represented as accurately as possible. The census taker's primary responsibility is to collect census information from residences that have not sent back their 2010 Census form.

The Census Bureau provides the census taker with a binder containing all of the addresses that didn't send back a filled out census form. The census taker then visits all of those addresses and records the answers to the questions on the form. If no one answers at a particular residence, a census taker will visit that home up to three times, each time leaving a door hanger featuring a phone number; residents can call the number on the hanger to schedule the visit.

The census taker will ONLY ask the questions that appear on the census form. Do I have to talk to the census taker? Yes, your participation in the 2010 Census is vital and required by law, (Section 221, of Title 13 of the U.S. Code). However, rather than rely on criminal charges, the Census Bureau is very successful in getting participation by explaining the importance of the questions we ask and how the information benefits our communities. Your privacy and confidentiality are our priority.

The census taker who collects your information is sworn for life to protect your data under Federal Law Title 13. Those who violate the oath face criminal penalties: Under federal law, the penalty for unlawful disclosure is a fine of up to \$250,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

2. Activities in DeBary

**Saturday, February 13
7 to 10 PM**

**Razz Ma Tazz Goes Artzy (668-5553)
880 N. Highway 17/92 – corner of Saxon Blvd.**

**Sunday, February 14
5 PM**

**Remembrance Service for U.S. Solders KIA
American Legion Post 259, 470 Summerhaven Dr.
For more information, call John Murphy (386) 789-0400**

For a detailed description of activities, please see the Activities Calendar and the Parks Event Calendar on the City's web site: debary.org

3. Safety Coordinator

The HAM radio operators met and had a presentation on the Winlink2000 program. The program consisted of the infrastructure already in place in the State of Florida, and how the system is operational during a disaster. Winlink provides e-mail service over HAM radio.

Safety Coordinator Alan Williamson has scheduled a CERT course starting Monday February 22nd. The 21-hour course covers disaster preparedness, fire suppression, first aid, search and rescue, and disaster psychology. Class space is filling quickly. If any residents are interested in the free training, please call Alan Williamson at City Hall.

Alan attended the Volusia County Sustainability Group meeting. Discussions included energy ratings and audits, grant funding, and sustainability plan outlines. Also discussed were action plans, reduction goals, and renewable energy.

Alan met with the representative from Ferrara Fire Equipment and reviewed the components of the new fire tender being purchased. The fire tender is a month ahead of schedule and should be delivered in June.

4. Parks and Recreation Department

The **50+ Crowd** continued on Monday, February 8, 2010 at Florence K. Little Town Hall. Adults 50+ are welcome to attend every Monday from 12-3pm. Attendees enjoy free refreshments and snacks while playing games and meeting new people. For further information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-668-2040.

The **2010 Pilates Classes** continued on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at Florence K. Little Town Hall. This will be the final session instructed by Lauren Sylvester. Cost is \$8 per class. Register on site 30 minutes prior to the start of the class. Classes run on Tuesday evening from 6-7pm. For further information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-668-2040.

The **Youth Karate Classes for Beginners** (ages 7-12) continued on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at Florence K. Little Town Hall. The City of DeBary is partnering with Premier Martial Arts to bring this program to DeBary. The next session will be held March 4, 2010-April 8, 2010 (6 classes). Cost is \$60 per person. Registration will be held at City Hall from February 15, 2010-February 26, 2010. For further information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-668-2040.

Planning continues for the **2010 Father/Daughter Dance**. This popular program will be held on March 26, 2010. It is offered to DeBary residents only and kids must be elementary age. Tickets can be picked up starting March 1, 2010. Two proofs of residency are required at pickup. Hansen's Fine Portraits will provide free pictures for attendees while DJ Mike from FL Party Productions will provide entertainment. Come enjoy a free night of music, snacks and dancing. Prizes will be given out to contest winners! For further information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-668-2040.

Registration for the **2010 Playground Pals** continued this week at City Hall. Late registrations will be accepted up until February 17, 2010. Playground Pals is an interactive program geared toward boys &

girls ages 3-5 and their parents. Attendees will be given the opportunity to participate in arts & crafts projects, interactive story time, group games, snack time and playground time. This program will be held at parks located in DeBary starting February 20, 2010. Cost is \$20 per child. For further information, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 386-668-2040.

Planning continues for the 2010 Summer Camp program. The **Summer Day Camp** will be held June 14, 2010-August 6, 2010 (8 weeks). The **Summer Movie Program** will be held August 9, 2010-August 13, 2010. These programs are held at Florence K. Little Town Hall for boys & girls entering 1st grade thru entering 5th grade only! Cost is \$60 per week per child. Registration for DeBary residents only will run May 3, 2010-May 14, 2010. If spots remain registration will open for non-residents as well as residents on May 17, 2010. All registrations will be held at City Hall. Two proofs of residency are required.

Recreation Coordinator Michelle Leach attended the SAC meeting at DeBary Elementary School on Thursday, February 11, 2010. Issues facing local schools and students were discussed.

Recreation Coordinator Michelle Leach attended the AARP meeting on Friday, February, 12, 2010 at Florence K. Little Town Hall. Members of AARP Chapter 64 DeBary donated two round tables to our 50+ Crowd program. These tables will serve the attendees better as they can fit more players and offer more space. Thank you to AARP Chapter 64 DeBary for their generous donation.

Parks and Recreation Director John Fletcher attended the Volusia County ECHO Grant “pre-ranking” meeting in the Volusia County Council Chambers on February 10, 2010.

Parks and Recreation Director John Fletcher, City Consultant Kassandra Blissett, Gateway Center for the Arts CEO Sandra Wilson and VCSO Captain Osowski met to discuss plans for the March 13, 2010 Youth Celebration of the Arts event to be held at Gateway Park.

Parks Superintendent Tom VanDeHey contracted repair of the electric pump and replacement check valve for the storm water pump at Bill Keller Park.

5. Drainage Improvement Projects

Design Projects:

Hollow Pine

Prior to formulating a response to the District for the RAI received for the March 10th application submittal, GAI is waiting for the permit modification to the West Side Emergency Flood Management System (WSEFMS) submitted by David Hamstra to be approved by the St Johns District. Per David Hamstra, approval for the WSEFMS is expected in approximately 4-6 weeks from the week of February 1st. Once the approval to the permit modification to the WSEFMS is obtained, GAI will then re-submit to the district for the Hollow Pine permit.

A permit extension request was provided to the District on February 5th requesting a 120-day extension to allow for the finalization of the WSEFMS permit modification.

Pine Valley Court

An RAI was issued by the District, primarily over concerns with connection to the WSEFMS, September 8, 2009. Prior to formulating a response to the District for the RAI received, GAI is waiting for the permit modification to the West Side Emergency Flood Management System (WSEFMS) submitted by David Hamstra to be approved by the St . Johns District. Per David Hamstra, approval for the WSEFMS is expected in approximately 4-6 weeks from the week of February 1st. A permit extension request was provided to the District on February 5th requesting a 120-day extension to allow for the finalization of the WSEFMS permit modification.

End of Report

City of DeBary, Florida

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| Feb 13 Saturday
7 – 10 PM | Razz Ma Tazz Goes Artzy
Gateway Center for the Arts, 800 N. Highway 17/92
Dinner, Dancing, Entertainment, Silent & Line Auction |
| Feb 14 Sunday
5 PM | Remembrance Service for U.S. Soldiers Killed In Action
American Legion Post 259, 470 Summerhaven Drive
For further information, please email jremy@cfl.rr.com or call John Murphy
at 386-789-0400. The American Legion Post telephone is 386-753-1492. |
| Feb 16 Tuesday
9 – 10 AM | Development Review Committee Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Feb 17 Wednesday
7 – 11 PM | City Council Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Feb 20 Saturday
10 AM to Noon | Joint City Council/Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Feb 22 Monday
5 PM | VCOG Governing Board Meeting
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd. Suite 120 DAB |
| Feb 25 Thursday
7 PM | Orlandia Heights Board of Directors Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Mar 2 Tuesday
9 – 10 AM | Development Review Committee Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Mar 3 Wednesday
7 – 11 PM | City Council Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Mar 7 Sunday
7 AM to 11:30 AM | DeBary Volunteer Fireman's Pancake Breakfast
Florence K. Little Town Hall, 12 Colomba Road |
| Mar 9 Tuesday
5:30 to 7:30 PM | Streetscape Advisory Committee Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Mar 10 Wednesday
6 – 8 PM | Code Enforcement Board Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
| Mar 11 Thursday
7 PM | Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting
16 Colomba Road |
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