



# City Manager's Update

## City expands condemnation process

### *Targets derelict docks and signage*

In the last two years, the city's building department has targeted more than 100 dilapidated and unsafe properties through its condemnation program. While this effort has significantly helped improve safety and remove visual blight in neighborhoods, there are still more opportunities to address other damaged and structurally unsound features on residential and commercial properties.

This month the city's building rehabilitation inspector has started reviewing damaged docks and business signs, typically pole-type signs. Docks with missing decking or hidden submerged piles pose a hazard to boaters, and signs in disrepair are unsightly and can become projectiles in inclement weather. In two weeks, there have been five damaged docks and multiple signs identified for condemnation.



### Meet and Greet for new B-CU President

Please join us to welcome Bethune-Cookman University's President Dr. E. LaBrent Chrite to our community. Reception is from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, at the Midtown Cultural and Educational Center located at 925 George W. Engram Blvd. in Daytona Beach. For more information and to RSVP, call (386) 671-8010. This community welcome is sponsored in part by the City of Daytona Beach, the Daytona Beach NAACP, the Midtown Community Development Corporation and the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

## Grants submitted for utility and road improvements in downtown area

The city has submitted grant proposals on three projects requesting \$24.6 million from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity's Florida Job Growth Grant Fund. The projects include building a five-million gallon potable water tank near Suburbia Park to expand the city's water storage capacity, constructing a force main on South Beach Street to increase sewer system capacity and funding for the Beach Street streetscape, which will increase the width of pedestrian walkways and reduce traffic lanes. These grant submissions are being reviewed and the city anticipates feedback in the coming months.



## Sweetheart Trail work continues at Wilder Boulevard

The first phase of a multi-phased effort to complete the southern end of the city's Sweetheart Trail is continuing at the South Beach Street and Wilder Boulevard intersection. The roadway remains closed until underground utilities are installed, and the road is repaved. Officials anticipate this phase to take about another month to complete. The second phase will affect the stretch of Beach Street from the Tzadik Apartment's north entrance to just south of the Holiday Care Center.



## Seawall and Sweetheart Trail grant funding awarded

The city was awarded a \$101,000 grant from the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) to offset the cost of the design of a seawall along Riverfront Park between Orange Avenue and International Speedway Blvd. Port Orange-based Dredging & Marine Consultants is currently designing the 1,400 linear-foot seawall and is about 60% complete. A new seawall is necessary to stabilize the shoreline in Riverfront Park which will allow for future construction of park improvements associated with the Brown Riverfront Esplanade Foundation's master plan.



The City of Daytona Beach was awarded \$275,860 to fund two projects for the SUNTrail program, an initiative that is creating off-paved trails and greenways throughout the state. The two projects are located at Beach Street from Bellevue Avenue to Marina Point Drive and Beach Street from Marina Point Drive to Orange Avenue, which are portions of the city's Sweetheart Trail. These areas are the final sections of the 12-foot wide, concrete, multi-use trail along the Halifax River to be constructed.



## Sunnyland Park renovations

Sunnyland Park located at 825 Washington Ave. is undergoing some major renovations to improve and add amenities to this popular neighborhood park off of Mason Avenue. Construction will be completed by Dec. 1 and includes exterior painting of its community center, new playground equipment, remodeled and modernized restrooms which comply with ADA standards, sidewalks that address site connectivity, a new fitness trail, two new pavilions and landscaping and irrigation improvements. Kirton Enterprises, based in Port Orange, was awarded the project with a low bid of \$204,564.



## Schnebly Recreation Center improvements

Schnebly Recreation Center located at 1101 N. Atlantic Ave. has interior and landscaping improvements underway. The renovations include painting the kitchen walls and concrete floors and installing stainless steel tables. City crews will paint and install new sinks, toilets, stainless steel partitions and mirrors in the restrooms. The landscaping and irrigation has been refreshed. The improvements cost about \$18,000 and will be done in two weeks.



## Record rainfall in October

According to the National Weather Service, the city experienced record rainfall in October. During a 24-hour period last week, 4.2" to 7" inches of rain fell, which caused ponding water on roadways. There also was a blockage of vegetation and debris in the Nova Canal. The blockage, coupled with the rainfall, caused the Nova Canal to overflow into the Jean Street area. The Florida Department of Transportation hired a contractor who removed the blockage. By the next day, many areas of the city, which had seen ponding water due to the intense rainfall, were clear of standing water.



## North Course reopens Nov. 3

The North Course at the Daytona Beach Golf Course is expected to reopen Sunday, Nov. 3, following the renovation of the putting greens, collars, green-side irrigation and selected bunkers. The putting greens that were replaced on the North Course were about 25 years old and required overseeding every fall to provide an acceptable putting surface during the winter and spring months. The new greens are a different type of Bermudagrass that will not require fall overseeding and should provide a year-round quality putting surface due to having a better cold weather tolerance. The irrigation at the North Course was also updated with four sprinkler heads added to each green, making a total of eight heads per green. Crews also added 341 tons of bunker sand to replenish a number of greenside bunkers. Additionally, the back nine has been re-routed so the original last two holes will not be two par fives in a row. The cost of the renovations was a little less than \$400,000.

## Free bike helmets for kids available Oct. 19

The Daytona Beach Police Department is partnering with Amscot Financial Services to give away free children's bicycle helmets from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Saturday, Oct. 19**, at Amscot's Daytona Beach location at 979 W. International Speedway Blvd. Helmet sizes are small, medium and large, and are for children in pre-school and elementary school. The helmets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

According to officials, the effectiveness of a bike helmet is highly dependent on how well it fits and how it is worn. To help ensure a proper fit,

officers from the police department will be on hand to ensure that recipients get a properly sized helmet along with instructions on how to wear it. For more information, contact the Daytona Beach Police Department at (386) 671-5406.



## Dispose of unwanted firearms Oct. 24

The Daytona Beach Police Department is participating in Real Radio's 104.1's annual "Kicks for Guns" event from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 24**, at the Midtown Substation, located at 995 Orange Ave. The initiative encourages residents to safely dispose of unwanted firearms anonymously in exchange for a gift card valued up to \$50. All firearms should be unloaded and safely secured. As a safety precaution, trained officers will retrieve guns from vehicles for gun owners who don't know if their guns are loaded or are uncomfortable unloading their own weapons. Following the event, all surrendered guns will be destroyed. The Daytona Beach Police Department has participated in Kicks for Guns since 2010. For more information, please call (386) 671-5113.



## Enjoy Downtown Daytona Nights Oct. 25

Take a trip to downtown Daytona Beach **Friday, Oct. 25**, and enjoy live music, a car club cruise in featuring classic automobiles, dinner and drink specials from local restaurants, food trucks and more during Downtown Daytona Nights. Beach Street will be closed from Orange Avenue to International Speedway Boulevard.

*Save the date!*  
**Daytona Beach Christmas Boat Parade**  
**Saturday, Dec. 7**  
 Presented by  
 Halifax River Yacht Club

## Hazardous Waste Amnesty Day is Nov. 2

Residents can safely dispose unwanted common, yet potentially hazardous, household items during Hazardous Waste Amnesty Day, which is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, Nov. 2**, at the city's Public Works facility, 950 Bellevue Ave. in Daytona Beach.



**Materials not accepted include fuel, gas cans, used motor oil and tires.** Citizens must show proof of Daytona Beach residency and there is no cost to drop off items. For more information, call (386) 671-8670.

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# On The Move With Leisure Services

## Entries being accepted for city's Holly Jolly Christmas Parade

Ring in the holidays with the City of Daytona Beach! The Holly Jolly Christmas Parade will begin at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at Bethune Point Park and travel north on Beach Street to Bay Street. Enjoy local bands, festive floats and performances by community organizations. There is no cost to enter the parade. Entries are now being accepted. For information and an entry application, visit [www.codb.us](http://www.codb.us), and click on "View All News" under the "City Highlights." For more information or to participate, please contact Charles Bryant at (386) 671-8185 or Vincent Terry at (386) 671-5830.



## Daytona Beach's holiday night parade tradition returns Saturday, Dec. 14

**Casting Call!**

**Tuesday, Oct. 29**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 30**  
**4:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural & Educational Center**  
**1000 Vine St., Daytona Beach**

## Acting auditions at Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Center

InnerActing Theater Ensemble, a Daytona Beach community acting troupe, will hold casting auditions for all ages from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29, and Wednesday, Oct. 30, at the city's Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural and Educational Center (YSG), located at 1000 Vine St.

The auditions are for two productions. One production is a story about community, romance and courage in an urban setting. The other production is an Aesop fable casting children ages 10 to 18 years of age to play turtles, birds, rabbits, dinosaurs and other animals.

Additionally, the troupe is looking for solo and group acts to participate in the upcoming "Apollo at YSG Talent Competition," "Black History Month Celebration" and "Kwanzaa."

This is a free event and no acting experience is required. For more information or to schedule an audition time, call YSG at (386) 671-5780.

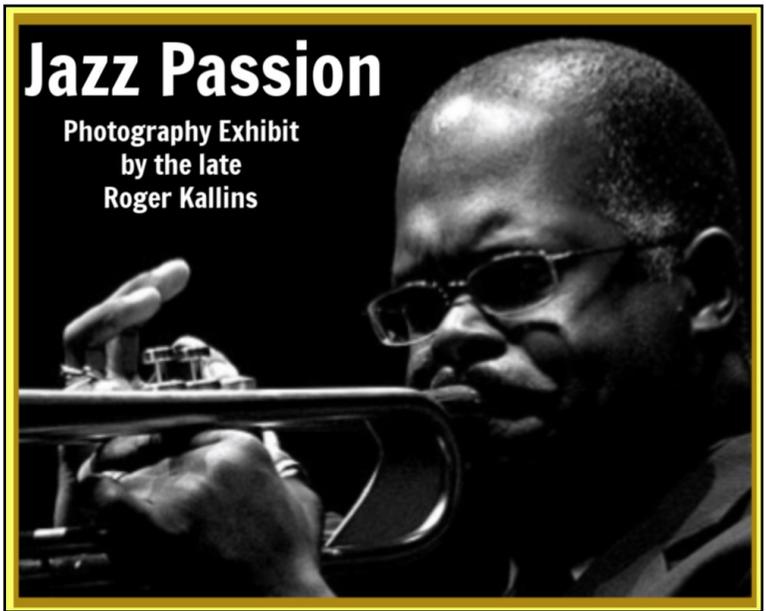
## Fall Festival Nov. 2

The Raven Daytona Church is hosting a Fall Festival from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2, at Daisy Stocking Park located at 550 Mary McLeod Bethune in Daytona Beach. There will be a trunk or treat, music, games and food. There is free entry and parking for the event. Costumes should be kid friendly. There also will be a drawing for someone to win two SeaWorld tickets courtesy of Chick-fil-A International Speedway.



## Jazz Passion photography exhibit

The “Jazz Passion” photography exhibit by the late Roger Kallins at Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Center has been extended to remain on display through November and will close Monday, Dec. 2. Kallins was an extraordinary man and through his photography, he artfully captured the emotion that jazz musicians bring to their work. This exhibit of 32 images commemorates Kallins' passion for both jazz and photography, highlighting some of his best images taken over a period of 50 years, from Ray Charles in Miami in 1958 to Sandip Burman at Daytona State College in 2007. The images on display are originals, scanned from 35-mm black and white negatives and printed on archival watercolor paper by Kallins himself. Admission to the exhibit is free. The center is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information call (386) 671- 5780.



## Daytona Gymnastics offers youth fall classes

Daytona Gymnastics is offering a full schedule of fall classes for youth ages 10 months and older. Beginner and advanced classes are available weekly. Youth interested are able to try a class one time for free. To register, visit [www.codb.us](http://www.codb.us), and click on “Leisure Services” under “Departments” and then “Gymnastics.”

## Programs at Dickerson Heritage Library

There are some new free weekly activities at the John H. Dickerson Heritage Library located at 411 S. Keech St. in Daytona Beach.

### Family Game Night

There will be a family game night from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. every Thursday. Families can play board games, cards, dominoes, checkers, Pictionary and other family friendly games. All ages are welcome. Registration is not required.

### Sit and Be Fit

Adults can “sit and be fit” during a new weekly program at the John H. Dickerson Heritage Library, 411 S. Keech St., Daytona Beach. Staff leads low impact exercises from noon to 1 p.m. every Monday. The program focuses on stretching and strengthening routines that can be done from a seated position. Attendees should wear comfortable clothing and bring a towel and bottle of water. Registration is not required. For more information, call 386-239-6478.

The library is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

