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City Manager's Update



Trailblazers featured on street banners during February's Black History Month

City partners with community organization to recognize leaders who shaped city

The City of Daytona Beach celebrates Black History Month each year with a street banner program honoring individuals who made significant contributions to the community.

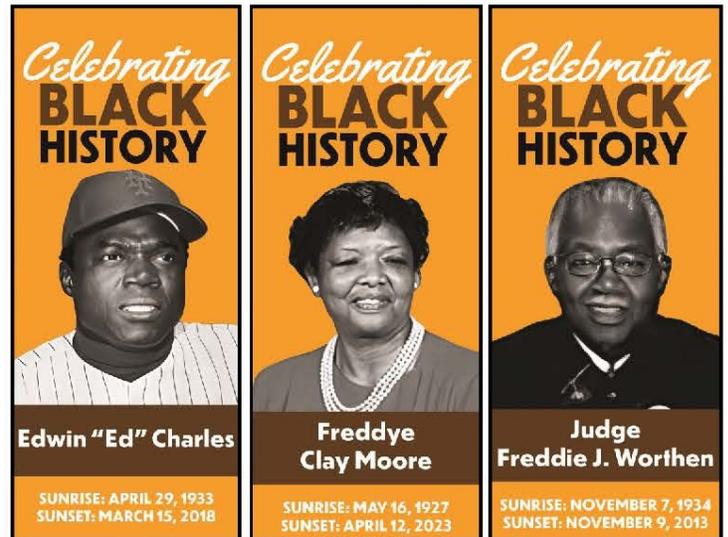
"This is an important project to acknowledge our city's diverse past and recognize the people who shaped our community. This year's banners feature 18 people with direct ties to Daytona Beach," said City Manager Deric C. Feacher. "It is our duty to ensure their legacies are not forgotten," he added.

For the fourth year, the city partnered with the Midtown Community Development Corporation to identify Black pioneers and produce custom street banners, which will be displayed on International Speedway Boulevard from Nova Road to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

The distinguished group of honorees showcases a diverse range of talents and achievements across various sectors such as medicine, law, education, civil rights and community activism. Among them are four doctors: Dr. Norwaird Biggins, Dr. Neill O. Crosslin, Dr. Stimon Meeks and Dr. John R. Parnell, who significantly contributed to healthcare and community well-being. Their work varied from establishing pharmacies and health centers in underserved communities to serving in medical roles at educational institutions.

In civil rights and community leadership, Charles W. Cherry II and Freddye Clay Moore are notable for their groundbreaking roles and advocacy. Cherry's involvement in media and authorship, coupled with his academic accomplishments, demonstrated a passion for elevating Black voices and narratives. Moore broke significant barriers as the first Black woman elected to both the Daytona Beach City Commission and the Volusia County Council Chairperson.

In the education field, William D. Prince and Peggy H. Wesley made enduring impacts through their teaching and administrative roles, particularly in enhancing opportunities for Black students during segregation.



Judge Freddie J. Worthen stands out for his diverse career path, transitioning from a science student to a 22-year military service, and subsequently to law, where he served as a state prosecutor and judge. His extensive involvement in various community organizations highlights a lifelong commitment to public service and community engagement.

Along with the double-sided banners, a website www.CelebratingBlackHistory.com features biographical information on each honoree. Pioneers being recognized this year are:

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| Dr. Norwaird Biggins | Freddye Clay Moore |
| Emma Brinkley | John. R. Parnell, MD. |
| Edwin "Ed" Charles | William D. Prince |
| Charles W. "Chuck" Cherry, II | Ralph Robinson |
| Dr. Neill O. Crosslin | Samuel O. Rogers |
| Lucius Henry Davis | Nettie Ryan |
| Horace E. Hill, Esquire | Peggy H. Wesley |
| Harold V. Lucas Sr. | Janice Marie Wilson |
| Dr. Stimon Meeks | Judge Freddie J. Worthen |

Banners will be displayed through the end of February.

Planning an outdoor event? City staff ready to help guide event planners

If you are planning an outdoor event requiring a temporary street closure, city staff is happy to help you get the event through the permitting process. For awareness of nearby merchants, the safety of participants and to help facilitate the planning of city resources, follow these simple steps:

1. **Get a Permit:** Get a special outdoor event permit from the city before having an event.
2. **Fill out the permit application** and include:
 - A permit application fee (it's nonrefundable)
 - If you're not the property owner, provide written notice from the property's owner.
 - Send written notice to owners or occupants of each lot abutting the portion of the street to be closed 20 days before the event's date. The notice needs to include the date, time and place of the event.
3. **Obtain consent** from at least half of the owners or occupants abutting the street closure. We provide a standardized form to make it easy.

4. **Pay the fees** associated with the street closure.
5. If the event involves a street festival or temporary vending activities, **make sure local businesses located in the area of the street closure get an opportunity to participate** in the event before inviting third-party vendors with the same merchandise.
6. **Submit applicable insurance:** depending on the event, this may include liability or liquor liability insurance.



That's it! We're ready to help ensure a safe, quality event within our community. If you have any questions, contact (386) 671-8256.

City Clerk earns industry designation



Long-serving City Clerk Letitia LaMagna earned the Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation after completing the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) Program.

Hours of specialized coursework and on-the-job experience were factors in the evaluation for earning the designation.

As the records custodian, LaMagna leads a team of five professionals who maintain the city's official records, support the City Commission in agenda preparation and coordination, coordinate municipal elections and provide notice of public meetings.

IIMC awards the CMC designation to municipal clerks who complete demanding education requirements and have a record of significant contributions to their local government, community and state. Congratulations Tish!

Halifax Marina named "Elite Fleet 2023"

For the third year in a row, the city-owned Halifax Harbor Marina was designated as an "Elite Fleet" by Marinas.com. The Elite Fleet tier is awarded to marinas with a standard of excellent customer service, evidenced by maintaining an average star rating of at least 4.7 while receiving a minimum of 10 reviews throughout the year.

The Halifax Harbor Marina features 550 boat slips on the 60-acre property and provides year-round docking facilities for boaters seeking permanent slips and seasonal or overnight accommodations. The marina enters the Intracoastal Waterway in the heart of Daytona Beach at 450 Basin St.





IN THE WORKS



Beach Street Streetscape (*in-design*): The second phase of the Beach Street Streetscape is currently being designed, with about 60% of the plans completed. Parker Mynchenberg is the project's designer. The streetscape includes roadway, sidewalk, parking, landscaping and lighting improvements on Beach Street from Bay Street to Fairview Avenue and on Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard from Beach Street to Ridgewood Avenue.



Daytona Stadium Roof Deck (*upcoming*): Plans for a new roof deck at Daytona Stadium are under review and expected to go out to bid by next month. The project will consist of new concrete, 2x2 pavers, railing extensions and a catch net around the entire deck. This new roof deck, located on the home side of the stadium, will give the media an additional area to place cameras for events and games.

Florida Tennis Center Renovations (*under construction*): Crews began mobilizing the area and delivering material for replacing the fencing and resurfacing all tennis courts at the Florida Tennis Center. The project will have four phases, with six courts being under construction at a time. Once all material is delivered, demolition of the existing fencing and removal of the surface material will take place. New chain link fencing with windscreen fabric, gates and poles will be installed around the entire complex. The project is expected to be finished this summer.



Heineman Water Tank and Pump Station (*under construction*): Construction is nearing completion on the five-million-gallon water storage tank, located in the rear of Suburbia Park. The contractor, Wharton-smith, is currently conducting site work and the final electrical components of the pump station. A walk through of the substantially completed project is scheduled for the first week of February, and completion of the \$12.4 million project is expected in March.



YSG Cultural & Educational Center Waterproofing (*under construction*): Waterproofing of the Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural & Educational Center, 1000 Vine Street, is wrapping up. Work is expected to finish this week, which consists of sealing and caulking the entire outside of the building and courtyard to help mitigate any interior leakage or flooding. The community center remains open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.



F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival, Feb. 22-24



The city is a proud sponsor of the annual F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival Feb. 22-24 with a full schedule of activities at the Julia T. and Charles W. Cherry Sr. Cultural & Educational Center.

This engaging festival offers entertainment with film, book and author presentations. More than 40 authors, editors and filmmakers are scheduled to participate in the international festival. For details, visit www.FRESHBookFestivals.net.

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Registration open for Easter Beach Run

Registration is open for the city's popular Easter Beach Run happening **Saturday, March 30**. Participants of all ages and fitness levels can enjoy a scenic view while traveling out and back for the 2-mile or 4-mile run/walk. Kids can participate in the 1/4-mile race, 50- and 100-yard dashes. Races start on the beach behind the Oceanfront Bandshell. Kids' races start at 7 a.m. and the 2-mile/4-mile run/walk starts at 7:30 a.m. To register, visit www.CODB.us/EasterBeachRun.



Daytona 2 Beach Half Marathon, Feb. 11

The popular road race starts at the track at the world-famous Daytona International Speedway and takes runners on a scenic route through the city to the beachside before crossing the finish line at Victory Circle in One Daytona. Runners will cross two of Daytona Beach's four bridges: the Veterans Memorial Bridge and the Broadway Bridge (ISB bridge). The 13.1-mile race starts at 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Feb 11.

Additionally, a 5K will be offered for those interested in a shorter distance and gives families the option to compete together. The 5K course will be centered around the iconic Daytona International Speedway and One Daytona.

For more information, to register or for a course map, visit www.ClashEndurance.com.

DOWNTOWN DAYTONA BEACH

DOWNTOWN DAYTONA Nights

FEB. 2
5:00 - 9:00 PM

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