

Were you in Daytona Beach in 1946 when Jackie Robinson integrated baseball?

The city's nine-person Historic Preservation Board started the process of applying for a National Historic Landmark (NHL) designation for Jackie Robinson Ballpark, the site where Jackie Robinson broke professional baseball's color barrier in 1946. The board is looking for people who witnessed or remembered 1946's game or the Montreal Royals' Spring Training visit. These personal memories and experiences will be invaluable for the study required for the application. To participate, contact the board by emailing profjoevetter@gmail.com.



Summer Saturday night fireworks

Enjoy a fireworks display at the Daytona Beach Oceanfront Bandshell every Saturday night through September. The city sponsors the fireworks show, which follows Saturday night concerts presented by the Boardwalk Merchants and Friends of the Bandshell. The free concerts begin at 7:15 p.m., and the "Bud Light—Lights Up Daytona" fireworks over the ocean follow the concerts at 9:45 p.m. Visit the Daytona Beach Oceanfront Bandshell's website, www.DaytonaBandshell.com, for a schedule of performances and more information.

Stay cool in the city's premier swimming pool

Soak up the sun and have a splashing good time this summer at the family-friendly Cypress Aquatic Center, 981 George W. Engram Blvd.

Monday – Friday: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Saturday – 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday – Closed

Daily admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for youth.

Visit www.CODB.us/CypressAquaticCenter for more information.



WATER QUALITY REPORT 2024

Water Quality Report available

The city vigilantly safeguards its water supply from a series of 24 deep wells in the Floridan Aquifer. As in years past, drinking water produced and delivered to homes and businesses meets or exceeds quality standards required by state and federal regulatory agencies. The city provides an annual drinking water quality report. View the report on the city's website at www.CODB.us/WaterQualityReport.



Lead and Copper Survey to homeowners

In January 2021, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) strengthened regulations for reducing lead in drinking water to improve public health protections by focusing on identifying and removing lead service lines. The EPA's mandate, known as the Lead and Copper Rule (LCRR), affects all water utilities in the nation.

The city of Daytona Beach banned the use of lead in water service lines in 1977 and has been monitoring lead and copper levels in its drinking water in accordance with federal regulations since 1992. Over the past 32 years, hundreds of samples have been collected throughout the city, and lead and copper levels have consistently remained below action limits. Results from the most recent sampling event are available in the city's Water Quality Report, posted on the city's website at www.codb.us/WaterQualityReport.

New regulations require water utilities to conduct an inventory of service line materials. (A service line is a pipe connecting a home or building to public water mains.) Beginning this summer, Daytona Beach's Utilities Department will launch a comprehensive initiative to meet the requirements of the revised regulations. As part of this effort, homeowners with unknown service line materials will be asked to complete self-assessment surveys. Surveys will include instructions on how to determine what material the service line is made of and how to self-report the information to the city. Cooperation with the survey process is vital to this initiative. For more information, visit www.codb.us/LCRR.



Freedom Festival on Manatee Island, June 29

Celebrate the Fourth of July early in Daytona Beach. Join us for a Freedom Festival from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 29, on Manatee Island, 355 N. Beach St. Activities will kick off with a veteran's ceremony at 10 a.m., followed by family-friendly games, food trucks and music. Free meals will be provided to all veterans. The pre-Fourth of July festivities are sponsored by Zone 4 City Commissioner Stacy Cantu, Riverfront Esplanade and Humana. The Freedom Festival replaces the city's annual Fourth of July parade on Main Street.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to give update on flooding study

Public meetings will provide residents with opportunities to learn about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' ongoing comprehensive flood control study in the area bounded by the Nova Canal, Orange Avenue, Ridgewood Avenue and Beville Road. This is a chance for residents to interact and ask questions of engineers, economists, biologists and plan formulators.

Tuesday, July 16 - 2 & 6 p.m.

Meetings will be in Dickerson Community Center's gym, 308 S. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Since February, experts have collaborated on a three-year, fully-funded federal study in an area susceptible to flooding during major storm events. The final report is due February 2027.



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