



Bring your sweetheart and your dancing shoes to the City of Winter Springs First Annual Dancing Under the Stars Town Center Sweetheart Ball Valentine's event. Enjoy a romantic evening of horse and carriage rides and dancing under the stars to the captivating sounds of Michael Andrew and Swingerhead. Joining Swingerhead will be special guest Michelle Amato.

This free event kicks off at 6:00 PM on Saturday, February 17 at the Winter Springs Town Center with fun-filled swing dancing lessons! Town Center restaurants will be open during the event with plenty of dining and other specials for you and your sweetheart.

This event is one you don't want to miss! See insert for more information.

## Phase II Furthers Vision For The Town Center

At the November 20, 2006 Commission meeting, the City Commission approved an implementation agreement for Phase II-A of the Winter Springs Town Center, paving the way for expansion of the Town Center east of Tuskawilla Road.

Phase II-A is located on 7.75 acres of property along the east side of Tuskawilla Road (Main Street), north of S.R. 434. This phase will contain 312 residential units, 33,240 square feet of retail/restaurant space, and 755 parking spaces, 670 of which are provided in two multi-level parking garages.

Phase II-A represents the first large scale venture in the Town Center to integrate both retail/office units and residential units in the same building. This phase also establishes the eastern streetscape of Main Street and will further reveal City leaders' original vision of the Town Center.



**Main Street, Winter Springs Town Center Phase II-A**  
Approved November 2006

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### Upcoming Events

**Dancing Under The Stars**  
February 17th  
Winter Springs Town Center

**Celebration of Spring**  
March 11th at Central Winds Park

**2007 Arbor Day Celebration**  
March 24th  
Winter Springs City Hall

**"Eggstravaganza" Egg Hunt**  
April 7th at Central Winds Park



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# Community Development Projects

## Sonesta Pointe Brings “Country Estate” Architecture to Town Center

At their December 11, 2006 meeting, the City Commission approved final engineering plans and a development agreement for the Sonesta Pointe development in the Town Center. Engle Homes plans to construct 408 townhomes on a 40 acre site east of Tuskawilla Road in the northeastern section of the Town Center.

Engle Homes has worked with the City to prepare what will be one of the finest examples of traditional neighborhood development (TND) in the Town Center. The buildings are placed close to the interior roadways and have rear-loaded garages off alleys. A coastal British-Colonial theme with varied front porches and vertically aligned balconies give the units a “country estate” feel, along a grand entry boulevard incorporating a large leisure linear park.

A system of interconnected pedestrian paths throughout the development and around the lakes will provide residents with a fully walkable community with access to all locations within the Town Center. The major vehicular entry into Sonesta Pointe has been designed to form a public urban park terminating at the community clubhouse which includes recreational amenities for resident’s enjoyment.



Sonesta Pointe, Winter Springs Town Center Phase II  
Approved December 2006

## City’s Urban Beautification Division Plants Trees After 2004 Hurricanes

The City’s Urban Beautification Division has been involved in an aggressive effort to replace more than 600 trees destroyed by Hurricanes Charley, Francis and Jeanne during the 2004 hurricane season. “The loss of such a large number of street trees set back our street canopy tree program”, According to Sources and City Arborist Michael Mingea, the City’s goal is to have a canopy of trees over all streets in Winter Springs. “We have a long road ahead of us in the reforestation of Winter Springs streets and highways, but we’re making great progress”.

Since the hurricanes, City staff has planted over 400 trees of various species and sizes, concentrating primarily in the highly visible areas along roadways which include: State Road 434, Tuskawilla Road, Winter Springs Boulevard and Northern Way. Additionally, the State of Florida Division of Forestry has contributed thousands of dollars in grant money toward tree planting projects in Winter Springs since the hurricanes hit the Central Florida area in late 2004. “Without Federal and State funded forestry grants, it would take many more years to do this type of tree planting in Winter Springs”, “Our plans are to continue planting native trees on other roadways, including many in the West side of the City where additional tree canopy is needed.”

Residents can also help by attending the City’s Annual Arbor Day Celebration and by planting one of the free trees that will be given away at the event.





# the City of Winter Springs **COMMISSION REPORT**



During the months of September, October, November and December 2006 the City Commission amended Chapter 9 of the City Code strengthening compatibility requirements for the subdivision of land within the City as it relates to proposed subdivisions and their compatibility with surrounding neighborhoods; directed staff to file a Comprehensive Plan amendment changing the designation of four parcels of land located immediately west of DeLeon Street at Cress Run from "Rural-3" to "Rural Residential", increasing the size of allowable lots; directed staff to prepare a text amendment to the Comprehensive Plan establishing an eastern annexation boundary for the City at DeLeon Street; amended Article III of Chapter 16 of the Code of Ordinances bringing the City's sign ordinance into compliance with recent court cases; approved the Zoning District Code to allow public recreational areas and facilities in C-1 (Neighborhoods Commercial) and PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning districts as permitted uses; approved a methodology for Assessing Proportionate Fair-Share Mitigation for Transportation Concurrency Management, pursuant to the requirements of Section 163.3180 (16) Florida Statutes, to ensure developers pay their fair share of transportation improvements necessitated by new development; and approved changing the term "Occupational License Tax" to "Local Business Tax", consistent with Florida Law.

In further action, the Commission approved entering into a Landscape Construction and Maintenance Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for landscape and sidewalk maintenance associated with the West End Office Center Project in the Town Center; adopted the City's Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007; approved a Study Methodology related to examining the desirability and feasibility of possible changes to the City's Defined Benefit Pension Plan; approved, in coordination with the Private Business Association of Seminole County, a Resolution seeking the Florida House and State Senate to address the emerging crisis of the high cost of insurance premiums facing property owners of Seminole County and the State of Florida; approved support and endorsement for Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, Florida; and approved \$5,000 to support Meals on Wheels for meals delivered to the homes of residents in Winter Springs.

The City Commission also approved the formation of the Open Space Advisory Study Committee to explore options for the possible acquisition of available green space and conservation lands in the City, and appointed Mr. Michael Pillow, Ms. Denise Ryser, Mr. William Poe, Mr. Kenneth D. York, Mr. Robert B. Henderson, Mr. Charles Lacey, and Ms. Yvonne Froscher to that committee.

Mayor Bush presented a Commission Resolution to Mr. Ned Voska for his service on the Planning and Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency, a Proclamation in honor of "The Month of the Family" and Employee Service Awards to City employees recognizing employees for their tenure with the City.



## **CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS**

The following individuals were elected at the November 7, 2006 City of Winter Springs Municipal Election:

### **Mayor**

**JOHN F. BUSH** - Re-Elected

### **Commissioner / District Two**

**RICK BROWN** - Elected

### **Commissioner / District Four**

**SALLY McGINNIS** - Re-Elected

*All terms are for four (4) years.*

## **SERVING YOUR COMMUNITY**

Let us know if you want to serve on one of the City's Advisory Boards.

- ❖ Beautification Of Winter Springs Board
- ❖ Board Of Adjustment
- ❖ Board Of Trustees (Pension Plan)
- ❖ Code Enforcement Board
- ❖ Districting Commission (2007)
- ❖ Oak Forest Wall And Beautification District Advisory Committee
- ❖ Planning And Zoning Board/Local Planning Agency
- ❖ Tusawilla Lighting And Beautification District Advisory Committee

All Advisory Boards and Committee Members are appointed by the Mayor and City Commission. If you are interested in serving your community in this way, please contact the Office of the City Clerk for more information and to request an application at 407-327-5965, 407-327-5999, or 407-327-5955.

# Celebration of Spring

## JUST AROUND THE CORNER!



**Sunday, March 11, 2007**  
**Central Winds Park**

featuring  
**The Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra**

**Laser Light Spectacular**  
**Instrument Petting Zoo**  
**Arts and Crafts**  
**Food from Area Restaurants**

**This is a Free Event!**

Don't miss the Second Annual Winter Springs "Celebration of Spring" Festival in the Park on Sunday, March 11, 2007, featuring the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra, in the delightful setting of Winter Springs' Central Winds Park.

Gates open at 4:00 PM with an array of artists and crafters displaying their work. Area restaurants will also be on hand with a great selection of food for purchase. At 6:00 PM, all eyes turn to the Concert Stage as the Orlando Philharmonic Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Andrew Lane, presents its spring concert program entitled "Sounds of America." Winter Springs High School student Joseph Columbo will be contributing an original composition that will be performed by the Philharmonic.



Prior to the concert, there will be an instrument "petting zoo" from 4:30 to 5:30 PM. Introduce your children to the instruments of the orchestra in a fun and entertaining format. Children of all ages can try their hands at a variety of instruments with the help of professional musicians from the Philharmonic.

At 8:00 PM, following the Philharmonic performance, get ready to experience the colorful and beautiful effects and unparalleled excitement of the Laser Light Spectacular. This entire exhilarating presentation will be choreographed to music soundtracks.

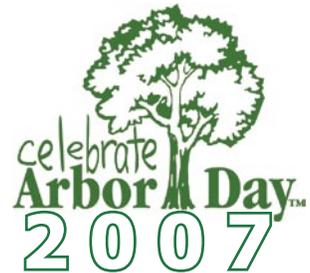
This is a fun-filled event for the entire family! There is no cost for admission for this event. Please bring your blanket or chairs. Coolers are permitted. For your safety, fireworks are prohibited.

Mark your calendar for what has already become a can't miss event!  
For more information, please call (407) 327-6593

## Arbor Day 2007

Join us on Saturday, March 24, 2007 from 9 am to 11 am, for the City of Winter Springs Annual Arbor Day Celebration at City Hall located at 1126 East State Road 434 next to the Winter Springs Town Center.

There will be tree giveaways to the first 300 Residents of Winter Springs! Be sure to bring proof of residency (ex: copy of your City water billing) as trees will only be provided to City Residents. There will be open forum clinics on tree selection, tree care, native plant materials in the Florida landscape, and water conservation. Space is limited for the clinics and pre-registration is required.



Stop by and help make our City a better one, one tree at a time. For more information or to register for clinics contact the Urban Beautification Services Division at: (407) 327-6584 or visit us on the web at: [www.winterspringsfl.org](http://www.winterspringsfl.org)

# Upcoming Meetings & Events

## “EGGSTRAVAGANZA” EGG HUNT

The City of Winter Springs presents the largest egg hunt in Seminole County on Saturday, April 7th at beautiful Central Winds Park, located at 1000 East State Road 434. There will be approximately 20,000 eggs hidden in 9 areas for age groups ranging from toddler to 5th grades. There will be several games for the kids to enjoy as well as a special guest who will be stopping by for complementary pictures! The Egg Hunt will begin at 9:30 AM, followed by train rides, face painting, bounce houses, and refreshments, available until to 12:30 PM. The Egg Hunt is brought to you by our friends at Magic 107.7 FM and Covenant Community Church. For more information, please call (407) 327-6593.



## FATHER / DAUGHTER DANCE

The City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department will host the Annual Father and Daughter Dance on Friday, February 9, 2007 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at the Winter Springs Civic Center. This free event is for elementary school girls, grades 1 - 5, from Winter Springs Schools only. Participants are welcome to dress up and bring their dad to enjoy great music, contests, giveaways, refreshments and a complimentary picture by Hansen Portraits. The dance is limited to the first 150 people, so pick up your free tickets now at the Winter Springs Civic Center or at the Parks and Recreation office at Central Winds Park. One ticket per couple. The Winter Springs Civic Center is located at 400 North Edgemon Avenue off of State Road 434 and 419. For more information, please call (407) 327-6593.

## SPRING BREAK CAMP

The City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department is currently offering registration for this year's Spring Break Camp. The camp will take place from Monday, March 12th through Friday, March 16th at the Winter Springs Civic Center located at 400 North Edgemon Avenue. The camp will have a mix of sports, arts and crafts, trips and various social activities. Campers will have the opportunity to visit Chuck E. Cheese for lunch, attend a new release movie at University 8 Cinemas, and take in a day of roller skating at Semoran Skateway. All trips and activities will be included in the \$70, per camper, camp cost. The hours of camp will be from 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM. To register, please stop by the Parks and Recreation office at Central Winds Park or the Winter Springs Civic Center. For more information, please call (407) 327-6593



The City of Winter Springs will be hosting a series of Town Hall meetings regarding the expansion of wireless internet services (WiFi) in the City of Winter Springs on January 30, 31, and February 1, 2007, at various locations throughout the City.

Residents and business owners are encouraged to attend to provide the City and its consultants with the public's needs for wireless high speed internet services.

Meetings will be held at 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the following locations:

<b>Tuesday, January 30, 2007</b>	<b>Wednesday, January 31, 2007</b>	<b>Thursday, February 1, 2007</b>
Tuscawilla Country Club 1500 Winter Springs Blvd.	City Hall 1126 East SR 434	Winter Springs Civic Center 400 N Edgemon Ave.

## Community News

### Central Winds Park Receives PGMS's Highest Award

The Professional Grounds Management Society (PGMS) recently awarded its highest honor, the Grand Award, to the City of Winter Springs' Central Winds Park at its 34th Annual Green Star Awards competition held in Columbus, Ohio on November 4, 2006. This prestigious award recognizes Central Winds Park as one of the nation's top manicured grounds.



Founded in 1911, PGMS is the oldest national grounds organization in the country. PGMS' Green Star Awards program recognizes those grounds maintained with a high degree of excellence. Overall, PGMS presented 14 Grand Awards as well as 12 Honor Awards in a dozen categories of competition. For more information on Central Winds Park and the City's many other outstanding parks, please contact the City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department at (407) 327-6593 or visit [www.winterspringsfl.org](http://www.winterspringsfl.org).

### Tire Amnesty Day



There will be free disposal of up to 10 waste tires for residents of Seminole County on Saturday, January 27, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Central Transfer Station and the Seminole County Landfill. The Central Transfer Station is located at 1950 SR 419 in Longwood, and the Seminole County Landfill is located at 1930 E. Osceola Road in Geneva.

This service is for private households only; businesses are not eligible to participate. If you have any questions, please contact Seminole County Solid Waste Management at 407-665-2260.

### COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PUBLIC WORKSHOP Wednesday, February 28, 2007

Involve yourself in the future of Winter Springs.  
Help identify important issues related to the Comprehensive Plan.

Winter Springs City Hall  
1126 East State Road 434  
7:00 PM

# City Employee Recognition & Phone Directory

**WELCOME ABOARD!**

## NEW ADDITIONS TO THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS STAFF

### POLICE

Jason Redd  
Bernard McPherson  
Joseph Garcia  
Jon Neubauer  
Corye Chenet

### FIRE

Sherry Norman

### PUBLIC WORKS

Anthony Vereen  
Winston Lundy

### UTILITIES

Jerry Maxon  
Lindsey Hernandez  
Richardo Cantu  
Manuel Figueroa

### PARKS & RECREATION

Gregory Davis  
Stephanie Sebelle  
Mark Thaens  
Thomas Helm

### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Victor Rodriguez

To become part of the City Of Winter Springs staff please visit [www.winterspringsfl.org](http://www.winterspringsfl.org) to view our open positions.



City of Winter Springs

## Telephone Directory

<b>CITY HALL</b>	<b>407-327-1800</b>
Billing (water, sewer, garbage fees)	407-327-5996
Arborist	407-327-5982
Inspections	407-327-7596
Permits	407-327-5969
Planning	407-327-5966
Zoning	407-327-5963
<b>City Clerk</b>	<b>407-327-5955</b>
Deputy City Clerk	407-327-5965
<b>City Manager</b>	<b>407-327-5957</b>
Computer Services	407-327-5975
Comprehensive Planning	407-327-5967
Occupational License	407-327-5964
<b>Fire Dept. (Non-emergency)</b>	<b>407-327-2332</b>
<b>Mayor/Commission</b>	<b>407-327-5965</b>
Parks/Recreation	407-327-6599
Senior Citizen Center	407-327-6697
<b>Police Dept. (Non-emergency)</b>	<b>407-327-1000</b>
<b>Code Enforcement</b>	<b>407-327-7975</b>
Public Works/Utility	407-327-2669
Job Hotline	407-327-7595
Garbage Complaints	407-327-7576

### PUBLIC SERVICES

Progress Energy	407-629-1010
Waste Pro of Florida	407-774-0800
Bighthouse Networks	407-645-4701
Winter Springs Post Office	800-275-8777

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Keeth Elementary	407-320-5350
Lawton Elementary	407-320-6350
Winter Springs Elementary	407-320-0650
Rainbow Elementary	407-320-8450
Highlands Elementary	407-320-6650
Layer Elementary	407-871-8050

### MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

Indian Trails Middle School	407-320-4350
Winter Springs High School	407-320-8750
South Seminole Middle School	407-320-1350
Oviedo High School	407-320-4050

**EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS**

## RECOGNIZING EMPLOYEES' TENURE WITH THE CITY

### 25 YEARS

**Skip Lazlo**, Fire  
**Joe McGaugh**, Public Works

### 20 YEARS

**Nancy Vobornick**, General Services  
**Edith Farnum**, Police

### 15 YEARS

**Bob Eckman**, Public Works  
**Bonita Roberts**, Parks & Recreation

### 10 YEARS

**Lori-Ann Anello**, Police  
**Allison Swain**, Police  
**Desiree Johnson**, Police  
**Clark Schneider**, Police  
**Robert Keene**, Fire

### 5 YEARS

**Desiree' DuBois**, Finance  
**Angela Ashley**, Public Works  
**Dan Lynch**, Utilities  
**Chris Carson**, Parks & Recreation





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**SENIOR'S CORNER**

**TAMPA BAY DOWNS**  
**February 10, 2007**

Enjoy a sumptuous lunch buffet in the Clubhouse featuring orange teriyaki glazed pork loin, chicken marsala, wild rice pilaf, honey glazed baby carrots, fresh fruit salad, cheddar broccoli salad, tossed garden salad, chocolate éclairs and cream puffs. Then check your program, pick your horses, make your wagers and get ready because the horses will be off and running. Catch the excitement of thoroughbred horse racing at the one and only Tampa Bay Downs. COST: \$48.00 per person. Includes:R/T motorcoach-Admission-Lunch-Program-Reserved seating-Taxes-Gratuity on meal-Driver's gratuity. Bus departs Winter Springs Sr. Center at 8:30 a.m.

**MOUNT DORA**  
**April 14, 2007**



Relax as your motorcoach takes you through the rolling hills of Lake County to beautiful Mount Dora, one of Florida's best-loved towns. Enjoy lunch at the beautiful, historic Lakeside Inn where Southern hospitality never goes out of style. Then embark on a narrated scenic tour of Mount Dora aboard the Mount Dora Trolley, followed by browsing the art galleries and specialty

stores of this quaint village. Voted as the "Best Antiquing in the State" by Florida Magazine, Mount Dora's shops are filled with nostalgic items and treasures from the past. COST: \$53.00 per person. Includes: R/T motorcoach-Lunch-Trolley tour-Taxes-Gratuity on meal-Gratuity to trolley guide-Driver's gratuity-Bus will depart the Winter Springs Sr. Center at 9:30 a.m.

**EXPLORE THE REAL FLORIDA**  
**March 17, 2007**



Discover some Old Florida "treasures" on this unique day trip. We'll start with a visit to Blue Springs State Park, home of the manatees. Walk the boardwalk before boarding our pontoon boat for a two hour nature cruise through the shallow backwaters of the historic St. Johns River. Next, get ready for some Down South River Cookin' at Aunt Catfish's restaurant overlooking the Halifax River. Before heading home, we'll visit the quaint shops along Beach Street including Angell & Phelps Chocolate Factory where they've been making old-fashioned, handmade chocolates since 1925. COST: \$59.00 per person Includes R/T motorcoach-Cruise-Lunch-Gratuity-Driver's gratuity. Bus leaves Winter Springs Sr. Center at 8:00am.

**WINTER 2007**



**MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS TODAY!!!**

FOR MORE QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION CONTACT: SUSIE COFFMAN AT 407.327.6554