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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Travel through time to Scotland of yore

38th annual
Central Florida

Scottish Highland Games

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January 17-18, 2015
CENTRAL WINDS PARK
Winter Springs, Florida
Saturday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Sunday 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM

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Upcoming Events

Winter Springs Babe Ruth
Baseball Registration
January 3rd & 10th
Central Winds Park

Scottish Highlands Games
January 17-18
Central Winds Park

Father Daughter Dance
February 6th
Winter Springs Senior Center



GARBAGE AND RECYCLING SERVICES

No garbage collection services will occur on New Years Day, Thursday January 1st. **Recycling only will occur on January 1st.** Normal services will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day.

See page 8 for more info



the City of Winter Springs **COMMISSION REPORT**



IN GOD WE TRUST



During the month of November 2014, the following Ordinances and Resolutions were approved by the City of Winter Springs City Commission:

Ordinances:

- The City Commission reviewed the First Reading of Ordinance 2014-34, a re-write of the State Road 434 Corridor Vision Plan.

Resolutions:

- Resolution 2014-22, that amended the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget.

Of Special Interest:

- Also during the November 17th City Commission Special Meeting the Final Engineering Plan and Aesthetic Review was approved, with conditions, for a proposed Dunkin' Donuts restaurant with three (3) associated retail bays located at the southeast corner of the intersection of State Road 434 and Stone Gable Circle.

COMMISSION REPORT, DID YOU KNOW?

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Source: Patricksmithonline.com

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW THE HISTORY OF THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS?

Our early ancestor's lifestyle was far from the luxurious sunny Florida that we enjoy today. The land was full of hot, humid swamps thriving with bugs, mosquitos, snakes, gators, and hungry bears. Indian tribes hunted and farmed the land until armed forces and early settlers began taking the land for themselves. Soon wharves filled the banks of Lake Jesup and steamboats brought new settlers, goods, and supplies for the bustling new City of Orlando.

Most people do not know that Lake Jesup is only about six feet deep in most places, and that it was considerably deeper in its earlier years. Find out more interesting facts on our website:

[The History of Winter Springs](#)



Source: metrojacksonville.com

CITY COMMISSION UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

January 2015

Thursday and Friday, January 1st – 2nd, 2015 will be a City Holiday

Monday, January 19th, 2015 will be a City Holiday

During the month of January 2015, the City Commission will hold two (2) Regular Meetings.

The first meeting will be on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 5:15PM.

The second meeting will be on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 5:15PM.

February 2015

During the month of February 2015, the City Commission will hold two (2) Regular Meetings.

The first meeting will be on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 5:15PM.

The second meeting will be on Monday, February 23, 2015 at 5:15PM

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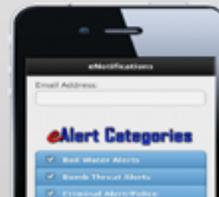
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MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION

From your Mayor and City Commission...



Our best wishes to you and yours - for a very...



MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION

Announcing Winter Springs

2015 Deputy Mayor



At the December 8th, 2014 City Commission Regular Meeting, the City Commission ratified Commissioner Joanne M. Krebs as the City's New Deputy Mayor.

Congratulations Deputy Mayor Krebs!

2014 TOURISM AWARDS

2014 TOURISM CITY OF THE YEAR AWARD

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Winter Springs named Seminole County Tourism 2014 City of the Year!

Each year, the Seminole County Convention and Visitors Bureau recognizes a City for its efforts in helping to grow and promote tourism for Seminole County. This year, the City of Winter Springs was recently selected as Seminole County Tourism 2014 City of The Year! In addition, the Highland Games, which are held at beautiful Central Winds Park, was selected as Seminole County Tourism 2014 Event of the Year. The City is host to several large events which promotes tourism including the Highland Games and the Jamaican National Soccer Team at Central Winds Park, and the Winter Springs Artoberfest at the Town Center. The Highland Games had an estimated attendance of 20,000 this year and is considered in the top 5 in the USA. We are pleased and honored to be chosen for this award.

2014 TOURISM AWARDS



The Seminole County Convention and Visitors Bureau selected the City of Winter Springs as Seminole County Tourism 2014 City of the Year.

Shown in picture:
Executive Director of the Seminole County Convention and Visitors Bureau - Danny Trosset,
Commissioner Pam Carroll, and Director of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation - Chris Caldwell



The Seminole County Convention and Visitors Bureau selected the Highland Games held at Central Winds Park as Seminole County Tourism 2014 Event of the Year.

Shown in picture:
President of the Central Florida's Scottish Highlands Games - Chip Crawford

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR GARBAGE PICKUP AND RECYCLING SERVICES

In order to avoid a three week gap between recycling services to residents serviced on Thursdays, recycling service will be provided on New Year's Day for those customers whose recycling is normally picked up on that day. The rest of the holiday schedule is as follows:

New Years Day **Thursday** **1/1/2015**
No Garbage Service, *Recycling Service will occur

MLK Day **Monday** **1/19/2015**
Normal Garbage and Recycling Service

All other garbage, recycling and yard waste pickups will occur on Monday to Friday as regularly scheduled.





Think, Shop, Buy
Winter Springs

THE CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES:

- ACE AMERICAN INSURANCE CO
- AMERISURE INSURANCE CO
- CIGNA HEALTH & LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
- FIRST HEALTH LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE
- FRED'S MOBILE SERVICE, LLC
- LIFE INSURANCE CO OF NORTH AMERICA
- MILLER REAL ESTATE HOLDING, LLC
- POWER PROMISE ORGANIZATION
- SEEKER TECHNOLOGY, INC
- SILVERSCRIPT INSURANCE COMPANY
- TECHNIQUE CARPET AND TILE CLEANING
- BRIARSTONE, LLC
- CENSE, LLC
- CHELSEY BELL
- FIRST 2 AID, LLC
- FUSION LABZ
- GB HANDY CORP
- NORTH POINTE INSURANCE CO
- SAFETY TRACKER SOFTWARE
- SEICO TECHNOLOGY, LLC
- STERLING INVESTORS LIFE INSURANCE

Winter Springs GoLocal is a free service helping Winter Springs business owners and Winter Springs residents connect. If you are a Winter Springs for-profit business owner and hold a valid business tax receipt with the City, go to www.winterspringsfl.org and click on GoLocal to add your business listing. For additional information, please call Kerwin Maynor at 407-327-6562, or email him at kmaynor@winterspringsfl.org.

GOLOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY IS AVAILABLE ON THE CITY'S WEBSITE! - AND IT IS FREE!

The City of Winter Springs is proud to announce our all NEW and IMPROVED GoLocal Business Directory Listing on our website. It is a FREE Business Directory webpage for businesses located in the City of Winter Springs. To be eligible to have your business listed on the GoLocal site you must own a legal for-profit business and hold a current Business Tax Receipt from the City of Winter Springs.

The GoLocal Business Directory can help you promote your business by featuring your business name and logo in the main directory listing in up to three business categories. Next, when a potential customer clicks on your business listing, your very own webpage will open presenting up to four pictures as well as text that you can upload about your business. Website links, business hours, phone numbers, email, and features such as locations with Google Maps can help you personalize your website.

Tell customers who you are and what you can offer them. The site is set up in a very user friendly, "Do-It-Yourself" format and takes only a few minutes to create your own personalized webpage.

Support your Community and your local Businesses!

CONTACT: Kerwin Maynor. Phone: 407-327-6562 or Email: kmaynor@winterspringsfl.org for details. To get started, visit our website at www.winterspringsfl.org and click GoLocal!



BULLETIN BOARD

WINTER SPRINGS CIVIC CENTER

Are you looking for a great location to hold a wedding reception, birthday party, group meeting, baby shower, graduation party, office party, or dance? Look no further! Winter Springs has the facility for you. The Civic Center is located at 400 North Edgemon Ave., and is accessible to both State Road 434 as well as State Road 419. The Center has the capacity to hold up to 100 people comfortably with chairs, tables, and a wooden dance floor.



SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT TODAY!

For more information contact: Dee David
at 407-327-6556 or via email at
ddavid@winterspringsfl.org



DOG TRAINING

The Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department offers Dog Training Classes by Daryl and Pennie Payne of Pawfection Dog Training. Daryl has 28 years of dog training and handling experience. He is a certified dog trainer and dog behaviorist. Training classes are held on Saturday mornings at the Winter Springs Dog Park. If you have any questions about training classes, please call Mike Hesselbart at 407-327-6589.

RECREATION CLASSES



New Class: Young Rembrandts

Unlock your child's potential with the Power of Art! Young Rembrandts art classes teach kids ages 3½-12 how to draw in a fun, engaging, and educational environment. Classes are now open on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm and cost \$48 per 4 week session.



Yoga

More than exercise, Yoga integrates body, mind, and spirit, resulting in relaxation and a release of tension and stress. Class takes place on Tuesday evenings from 6:00PM - 8:00PM at the Winter Springs Senior Center. Cost is \$15 per class.



Line Dancing

Line dancing is a fun and exciting way to stimulate the body and mind. The combination of steps gets the heart rate up, improves balance, and improves memory. Cost is \$42 per 6 week session. Come dance with us on Mondays from 6:30PM - 8:00PM at the Winter Springs Civic Center.



Camp Gladiator

Camp Gladiator is more than a fitness boot camp, it's an experience. Created by an American Gladiator Grand Champion, Camp Gladiator has become the fastest growing and most dynamic fitness program in the nation. A typical session includes interval training, sprint and agility drills, plyometrics, body weight strength drills, cardio mix, and much more. Camp Gladiator is designed to increase your functional strength, speed, stamina, and most importantly to deliver results. For more information about Camp Gladiator, please call Mike Hesselbart at 407-327-6589 or go to www.campgladiator.com.

FOR MORE CLASS INFORMATION:

Please contact Brian Dunigan at 407-327-6593 or bdunigan@winterspringsfl.org.

PARKS AND RECREATION SPORTS PARTNERSHIPS

The Winter Springs Parks and Recreation Department partners with local sports organizations to provide athletic opportunities for the youth in Winter Springs. The benefits from playing sports include self discipline, self confidence, a healthier body, and stronger relationships with peers and adults. With our partnerships, we offer baseball and softball, basketball, soccer, football and cheerleading. Below is the information about our partners:

Basketball

The Winter Springs Basketball League offers recreation and competitive leagues, tournaments, and summer camps for boys and girls from kindergarten through High School. There are four seasons throughout the year, spring, summer, fall, and winter. Registration is open January 10th through February 14th for the Spring League 2015 Season. If your child has hoop dreams, contact Courtney Mullins with the WSBL at 407-327-8952 or visit www.wsbl.com.



Baseball & Softball

The Winter Springs Babe Ruth offers baseball and softball recreation leagues, travel teams, tournaments, and camps for boys and girls of all ages. Registration for the upcoming Spring Season will be on January 3rd and 10th from 8:00 am-2:00 pm at Central Winds Park. To get more information on how to sign up your slugger, please call Mike Hesselbart 407-327-6589 or visit www.wsbaberuth.com.



Football and Cheerleading

The Winter Springs Grizzlies offers a tackle football and cheerleading program for boys and girls from 5-15 years of age. Practices are at Central Winds Park and home games are played on the stadium field at Winter Springs High School. For more information to get your child on the gridiron, call Jen Maxwell at 407-327-8966 or visit www.winterspringgrizzlies.com.



Orlando City Youth Soccer

The Orlando City Youth Soccer club offers recreational and competitive leagues, tournaments, and camps for boys and girls from 4-19 years of age. Orlando City Youth Soccer's core values are professionalism, development, training, and coaching. Registration is open for the Spring Season. If your child is interested in scoring goals for Orlando City Youth Soccer, please call 407-695-4957 or visit www.orlandocityyouth.org.



Florida Kraze Krush Soccer

The Florida Kraze Krush Soccer club offers recreational and competitive leagues, tournaments, and camps for boys and girls from 4-18 years of age. The goal of FKK is to build one club, one family and maximize the full potential of your children in a safe, competitive, and educational environment. Registration is open for the Spring Season. For more information on how to kick it with Florida Kraze Krush, please call 407-542-4939 or visit www.floridakrazekrush.com.





WINTER SPRINGS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE



Active Projects:

Additional Project Information including architectural renderings, site plans, and more colored photos can be found at www.winterspringsfl.org under the "Current Development Projects" Tab.

Cross Seminole Trail:

- The Cross Seminole Trail has a missing link from Layer elementary to the west end of Old Sanford/Oviedo Road. Seminole County's planned connection will continue from the current terminus at Layer northerly adjacent to SR 419. It will then turn under the power easement in unimproved City right of way, cross the CSX tracks, and then connecting to the trail end in the power easement. The property along SR 419 and Layer Elementary is being donated by Bart Phillips to complete this section of the trail corridor that is needed. The trail/railroad crossing agreement between Seminole County and CSX was finally approved on 9-23-14 and funds for the construction of the crossing have been remitted to CSX. The State can now certify a viable corridor exists which will allow the appraisals for the donated land to proceed. Once approved by the Governor and Cabinet in 2nd Quarter 2015, the real estate closings should occur in mid 2015. Seminole county has the trail construction plans complete and they plan on proceeding with construction shortly after the land conveyances are completed.



Magnolia Park:

- The construction of the Magnolia Park Amphitheater is tied to the Cross Seminole Trail property conveyances timeline with real estate closings anticipated to be completed by mid 2015. The City plans on purchasing from the State approximately 0.44 acres of trail right of way adjacent to the City property. This adjacent trail right of way is needed because the amphitheater building encroaches into the State's trail right of way. This encroachment will allow maximum utilization of this facility given the constraints of the site. The State ARC (Acquisition and Restoration Council) unanimously approved the request at the February 14, 2014 Meeting. The property has been preliminarily appraised at \$106,000 and the City Commission approved Resolution 2014-03 in April 2014 formalizing the City's intent to purchase. It is anticipated the conveyance will be to the Governor and Council in 2nd Quarter 2015 and the real estate closings should occur in mid 2015. Construction will begin shortly thereafter with a completion date of March 2016.



CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)



Dunkin Donuts:

- A plan was submitted for a proposed Dunkin Donuts with three associated retail areas. This project went to the Planning & Zoning Board in November and was approved by the City Commission on December 8, 2014.



The RiZE at Winter Springs (FKA) Grandeville:

- Developer: LeCesse Development Corp. The project is proposed as a 244 unit, four story apartment complex reflective of the historic downtown layout of the Town Center. The project is proposed to be located adjacent to City Hall, at the intersection of State Road 434 and Doran Drive. The ground breaking ceremony was held on October 29, 2014. The parking garage is nearing completion, and the permit for the first two buildings has been issued.

The Greens at Tuskawilla:

- Builder: TGD Orlando, LLC. The project has a sophisticated look and design, with spacious townhomes nestled along the Fairway at Tuskawilla Golf Course. Take the cart path/walkway to the Tuskawilla Country Club located just off Winter Springs Boulevard. Staff has been releasing permits on a regular basis as the project moves forward and construction is ongoing.



HAYES ROAD SHOPPING PLAZA



Hayes Road Plaza:

- Builder: Harbco. The project is an upscale 7-11 Convenience Store without pumps. In addition, the Plaza will have a Pizza Restaurant, and a Farmers Produce Market. The 7-Eleven is now open and operating. Additional tenants are to begin the permitting process in the near future.



CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)



Jesup's Landing:

• Builder: Mattamy Homes. Upon completion, this project will consist of 171 townhomes in 30 building units on 17 acres of land located on the south side of Orange Ave., behind Winter Springs High School. The subject property is located in the T4 Transect (General Urban Zone) of the Town Center. Construction on the clubhouse and pool area is nearing completion. Six buildings are complete or nearing completion and units are now being sold. The developer has presented an option for a two-story unit with the same architectural detailing. This option represents a minor aesthetic modification as the buildings will look the same and have the same architectural detailing. The project layout remains exactly the same as approved. Staff has been releasing permits on a regular basis as the project moves forward and construction is ongoing.



The Professional Offices (East side):

• Builder: Strasberg Construction & Development. The Professional Offices will be located on the east side of Winding Hollow Boulevard. The proposed structures are to be even more upscale than the west side offices. The Final Engineering and Aesthetic Review Plans were approved at the City Commission meeting January 13, 2014. Permits have been issued and construction is underway.



Offices at Winding Hollow (West side):

• Builder: Strasberg Construction & Development. The Office complex will consist of six single-story buildings having a total of 19,230 square feet of professional office space on 2.9 acres of property located on the west side of Winding Hollow Boulevard just south of State Road 434. Two more office buildings for the proposed project are still pending.



Pinch A Penny:

• An Final Engineering Plan and Aesthetic Review application has been submitted for a 4,400 square foot building with a Pinch A Penny pool supply store located on the northeast corner of the intersection of SR 434 and Central Winds Parkway. This project was approved in 2008 but was not constructed. Staff held a new meeting with the applicant on June 10, 2014, and the project was approved at the July 28, 2014 City Commission meeting. The contractor has informed the City that the owner is considering changes to the building and site engineering. Staff will provide updates as they become available.

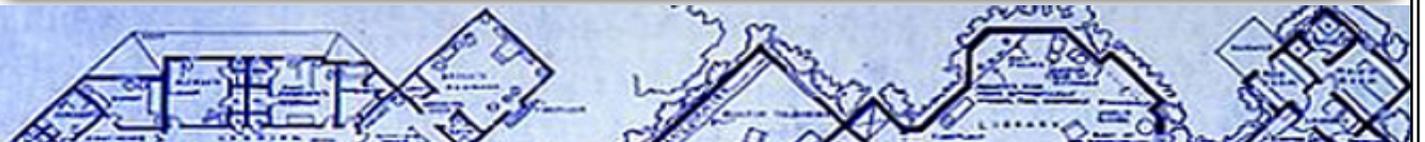


CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)



Plante Property (Tuskawilla Pointe):

• Staff has received a request to hold a charette for the Plante property, pursuant to Policy 2.1.2 of the City's Comprehensive Plan. This property comprises approximately 116 acres located in the southeast quadrant of the SR434 / Tuskawilla Road intersection. Approximately 60 acres will be the subject of a voluntary annexation. This property represents the largest enclave within the City. The applicant and staff are working together to finalize the annexation, land use change, and rezoning of the enclave property by the end of 2013. A charette was held on May 2, 2013 in the City Commission chambers. Approximately 30 citizens attended and solicited input to the proposed development of the property. The application for annexation is expected to be submitted by June 7, 2013. Staff met with the applicant on August 19, 2013 to finalize elements of the annexation, land use amendment, and rezoning. The application is expected to be submitted to the City by August 21, 2013 with the preliminary subdivision plan to follow soon thereafter. Staff is working on an Annexation Agreement that outlines the major uses for the annexed parcel. The annexation, land use amendment, and rezoning application have been submitted and are being reviewed by staff. At the October 2, 2013 Planning & Zoning Board meeting, the annexation, land use amendment, and rezoning applications were unanimously approved. The annexation, land use amendment and rezoning applications will be presented to the City Commission for first reading at the October 28, 2013 meeting. The annexation, land use amendment, and rezoning applications were unanimously approved at the October 28, 2013 City Commission meeting. The future land use amendment has been transmitted to the State of Florida for review and comments have been received. The future land use amendment and the requested rezoning are scheduled to come back before the City Commission for adoption on February 24, 2014 for final action. Staff continues to work with the applicant on the annexation agreement and the site plan. Staff and the applicant are working on revisions to the annexation agreement as well as changes to the proposed density study/concept plan. Second reading and adoption of the future land use amendment and rezoning ordinances will be delayed until the details of these amendments are finalized. It is anticipated that the second reading of these ordinances will come before the City Commission in April or May of 2014. Documents formalizing acceptance of the brownfield area as part of the annexation are also being formulated by the City Attorney's office. Second reading and adoption of the future land use amendment and rezoning ordinances as well as the pre-annexation agreement were approved by the City Commission at their May 12, 2014 regular meeting. Resolution 2014-10 will be presented to the City Commission on July 28, 2014 which proposes to ratify and designate real property comprising part of the Plante property as a brownfield area, consistent with Seminole County's findings when the property was in the County. The City Commission designated a portion of this development as a brownfield area at the July 28, 2014 meeting. This brownfield area is the same as the one designated by Seminole County. Staff has been advised that the buyer and seller have been in negotiations over language involving the brownfield transfer. It is staff's understanding that these negotiations are nearing an end and the project should be moving forward. The applicant is working with the city to process a Right of Way Masterplan for this project.





CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)



Pollack Shores Apartments:

- Staff is in receipt of a Conceptual Plan submittal for a 338 unit apartment complex located on the northeast corner of the intersection of SR 434 and Michael Blake Boulevard. This project is located within the T5 (Urban Center Zone) of the Town Center. The plan is currently under staff review.

A public meeting with the developer of the project was held on August 21, 2014 in order to solicit input and answer citizen's questions and address any concerns regarding this project. The Preliminary Site Plan (PSP) will be presented to the City Commission later this year. The date of that Commission meeting will be determined at such time as City Staff is made aware these changes have been incorporated into the design of the project. The Planning & Zoning Board unanimously recommended approval of the Preliminary Site Plan (PSP) subject to the City Commission continuing the project to a date certain to permit an additional workshop to be held with concerned citizens in order to permit their concerns to be heard. The applicant and concerned citizens met on December 2, 2014 to discuss remaining design concerns related to the project. It is anticipated that the Preliminary Site Plan (PSP) will be presented to the City Commission in late January 2015.



Primrose School of Winter Springs:

- Builder: RB Marks Construction. Staff has been working with developers on a proposed daycare to be located on SR 434 at the Heritage Park outparcel. On December 9th, the City Commission approved both the Final Engineering and Aesthetic Review for a proposed 12,324 square foot Primrose School located at the southwest corner of Heritage Park Street and State Road 434. The proposed development will have a maximum of 206 students with an anticipated build out in 2015. The Final Engineering Plan and Aesthetic Review were approved by the Planning and Zoning Board on November 6, 2013, and approved by the City Commission on December 9, 2013. Building plans were submitted and on April 7, 2014, staff sent comments on the revised submittal of the building plans and received a response. Construction of the building is underway. Conditional site acceptance was presented to the City Commission and approved at their December 8, 2014 meeting.



CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)

RaceTrac Gas and Convenience Center:

- Staff is working with the RaceTrac Company to redevelop the abandoned Hess Gas station site located at the intersection of SR 419 and U.S. Highway 17-92. The project will involve the annexation of three additional parcels of land south of the existing site. Construction is anticipated to begin in the first quarter of 2015. Because of State regulations, modification of the on-site billboard will occur prior to the RaceTrac construction. This item has been reviewed and coordinated with the City Attorney. The applicant has requested an extension of the approved Final Engineering Plan and Aesthetic Review. At the October 27, 2014 meeting, the City



Commission approved the extension of the Final Engineering Plan and Aesthetic Review for eighteen (18) months.

Seven Oaks Subdivision:

- Builder: Meritage Homes. The City Commission has approved the construction of the proposed Seven Oaks Subdivision, located on the south side of Shepard Road, north of Florida Avenue, east of Boat Lake, near the City's boundary on State Road 17-92. The final Plat was approved by the City Commission on November 18, 2013. Plan review for additional units continues and permits are continuously being issued as construction is ongoing. The developer submitted a replat to address issues with several lots adjacent to Boat Lake. Construction of the residential units continues. On November 11, 2014; Veteran's Day, Meritage Homes gave a home in the Seven Oaks subdivision to a military veteran.



Southern Oaks Subdivision:

- The Southern Oaks subdivision, a proposed 50-acre development, will have around 92 houses near the Oviedo-Winter Springs line along State Road 434, across from the Black Hammock preserve. An approximately 4-1/2 acre parcel will be used for a retention pond. The developer would only be able to use the 4-1/2 acres as green space, not for building. An application was submitted by the new owner of the property, (Mermel Property) Taylor-Morrison Homes of Florida for a rezoning to R-1A and a future land use amendment to Low Density Residential for the Mermel property and the former Florida Avenue right-of-way. The City Commission approved the Northern pond modification agreement at the March 10th, 2014 meeting. The second and final reading was approved by the City Commission at the March 24, 2014 meeting. The first phase of the project will begin with the portion in the City of Oviedo in late 2014. The second phase of the project will be the portion in Winter Springs and will follow in 2015. Final Engineering Plans have been submitted for review. Public hearing dates will be scheduled at such time all staff review comments have been satisfied. A pre-application meeting was held with the developer on November 5, 2014 to discuss incorporating a property located to the east into the overall development. Staff will provide updates as they are made available.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE (Cont.)

CITY OF WINTER SPRINGS



Electronic Plans Review Process

The City is now accepting Building Plans electronically. Paper Building Plans are no longer accepted. All Building Plans must be submitted with a computer online through the ePlans ProjectDox Plan Review System.

Electronic Submittal Advantages

- Submit your Building Plans 24 hours a day/seven days a week
- Upload plans from your computer, reducing trips/time driving back & forth
- Review and compare building plan revisions on computer monitors
- Comparing revisions will take only hours instead of days
- e-Mail notification when revisions are needed or completion of plan review
- No need to print out and replace revisions or store paper plan revisions
- Complete Integration with the City's file management archive system
- Savings: Driving time, review time, fuel, paper, ink, and our environment

For more information, or visit: www.winterspringsfl.org/eplans



WINTER SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Safety Tip of the Month:

Crime Prevention



The members of the Winter Springs Police Department want to take a moment to remind everyone that we will again be implementing additional neighborhood and commercial district patrols to help keep our city safe. Despite our efforts, the most powerful tool we have in the fight against property crimes of opportunity is our residents and business owners. It is our continued goal to keep the criminal element out of our city but we need your help!

Some ways you can help:

- Always report suspicious activity immediately by calling 407-327-1000. The call you make could be the most important to help us catch criminals in your area.
- Keep your valuables locked up and out of ordinary sight, especially at shopping centers or areas where you could be a target for vehicle burglary. Windows are easily smashed by criminals to take things such as purses, computers, or other small electronics left in plain sight.
- Around your home or place of business, keep bushes and shrubs trimmed low, especially ones near front windows or other places where they could conceal someone trying to break in. Also keep security lighting in good working order to help light dimly lit areas.
- Remember: if something doesn't look right it probably isn't. Call us immediately and don't be afraid to report anything you think looks out of place. You may remain anonymous!

We wish everyone a prosperous and safe New Year.

POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

If you feel uncomfortable about calling the police department, you can report suspicious activity anonymously to the Winter Springs Police Tip Line at 407-327-8977 or email us at crimetips@winterspringsfl.org. You don't have to give your name.

Help the Winter Springs Police Department:
Be a crime stopper not a victim. Lock your car and Report suspicious activity.

Emergency 911 or Non-Emergency (407) 327-1000

Visit us on the web at:
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A nationally and state accredited law enforcement agency

UPCOMING EVENTS

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January 17-18, 2015
CENTRAL WINDS PARK
Winter Springs, Florida
Saturday 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Sunday 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM



flascot.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

Father Daughter Dance

WELCOMING CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS.
PLUS COMPLIMENTARY PICTURES, REFRESHMENTS,
CONTESTS AND PRIZES!

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH
7PM TO 9PM

WINTER SPRINGS SENIOR CENTER

FREE TICKETS FOR WINTER SPRINGS RESIDENTS ONLY WILL BE AVAILABLE BEGINNING MONDAY JANUARY 12TH AT CENTRAL WINDS PARK. NON WINTER SPRINGS RESIDENTS MAY PURCHASE TICKETS BEGINNING MONDAY JANUARY 26TH AT CENTRAL WINDS PARK. TICKETS FOR NON WINTER SPRINGS RESIDENTS ARE \$10 PER COUPLE AND \$5 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD, NOT TO EXCEED \$25 PER HOUSEHOLD.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL BRIAN DUNIGAN AT 407-327-6593
OR EMAIL BDUNIGAN@WINTERSPRINGSFL.ORG

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COMMUNITY EVENTS



City of Winter Springs Community Events 2015



Scottish Highland Games



- January 17th / Central Winds Park / 8am-10pm

- January 18th / Central Winds Park / 9am-6pm

The Central Florida Scottish Highland Games offers a unique cultural experience for all to enjoy. Area Scottish clans and societies gather to compete in rigorous athletic events, dancing and piping to celebrate their rich heritage. Sponsored by the Scottish-American Society of Central Florida and The City of Winter Springs, the event also features live entertainment and Scottish themed vendors. For more information please visit www.flascot.com.

Father Daughter Dance



- February 6th / W.S. Senior Center / 7pm-9pm

The Father Daughter Dance is great opportunity for Fathers and Daughters to share a lifelong memory. The dance includes a live DJ, a complimentary picture by professional photographer, free refreshments and great prizes. For more information please visit

www.winterspringsfl.org or call 407-327-6593.

Winter Springs Babe Ruth Opening Day



- February 21st / Central Winds Park / 11am-12pm

Play Ball! Opening day for Winter Springs Babe Ruth is a cherished tradition in Winter Springs. Celebrate teamwork, dedication and sportsmanship with the future citizens of Winter Springs.

Spring Family Festival



- March 28th / W.S. Town Center / 5pm-9pm

Enjoy all that spring has to offer at The 4th Annual Spring Family Festival in Winter Springs. The Event will feature great live entertainment for the entire family and food and craft vendors will be on hand. There will also be a kids area with fun games for kids of all ages. For more information please visit www.winterspringsfl.org or call 407-327-6593.

Celebration of Freedom



- July 4th / Central Winds Park / 5pm-9:30pm

Celebrate your Freedom with a bang at our annual 4th of July event at Central Winds Park. In addition to a world class fireworks display the event offers old fashioned kids games, The Winter Springs got Talent competition, a diverse range of vendors, and live entertainment. For more information please visit www.winterspringsfl.org or call 407-327-6593.

Hometown Harvest



- October 10th / W. S. Town Center / 5pm-9pm

The Hometown Harvest is a fall themed event that captures the essence of a small town. Free pumpkin painting for the kids and hayrides for the entire family are always a huge hit. Vendors will be on hand selling fantastic food and drinks. Live country music and a live line dancing performance by the Winter Springs Senior Line Dancers have also become an annual tradition. For more information please call 407-327-6593 or visit our website at www.winterspringsfl.org

Winter Springs Festival of the Arts



- October 17th / W. S. Town Center / 10am-5pm

- October 18th / W. S. Town Center / 10am-5pm

Sponsored by the Oviedo-Winter Springs Regional Chamber of Commerce and The City of Winter Springs, the event showcases 125 juried and invited artists. This annual festival represents various artistic and creative personalities that comprise the greater Central Florida region with more than \$13,000 in cash prizes awarded to participating artists. Designed for the entire family to enjoy, a variety of food and beverages will be available for purchase plus live entertainment and a kid's activity area. For more information please visit www.wsfota.org or call 407-278-4871.

Veteran's Day Memorial Ceremony



- November 11th / W. S. Town Center / 6pm-7pm

Rotary Club of Winter Springs and The City of Winter Springs host this annual celebration of our nation's heroes. Taking place at The Winter Springs Veteran Memorial the event offers a time to honor retired military servants and to remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for freedom. For more information please visit www.winterspringsfl.org or call 407-327-6593.

Winter Wonderland



- December 5th / W. S. Town Center / 5pm-9pm

Celebrate the season with your neighbors at the annual Winter Wonderland Event. The festivities kick off with one of the longest running traditions in Winter Springs, the 34th Annual Holiday Parade. Following the parade is the 12th annual Christmas Tree Lighting. There will also be free pictures with Santa and great holiday themed performances by local performers and schools. For more information please visit www.winterspringsfl.org or call 407-327-6593.

PHONE NUMBER CONTACT LIST



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City Hall	407-327-1800	Parks Maintenance, Safety Concerns, Park Rangers, City Parks, Dog Park	407-327-6592
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City Clerk's Office	407-327-5955	<u>Recreation Division</u>	
Community Development Department	407-327-5968	Recreation Classes, Special Events, Pavilion Rentals, Spring and Summer Camps	407-327-6593
Finance Department	407-327-1800	Civic Center Rentals	407-327-6556
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Mayor & Commission	407-327-5955	Senior Center	407-327-6554
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Police Department (non-emergency)	407-327-1000	<u>Sports Division</u>	
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General		Police Department	
City Hall	407-327-1800	Citizen Advisory Committee	407-327-7551
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Arbor	407-327-6584	Crime Line	407-327-8977
Building Inspection Line	407-327-7596	Community Relations	407-327-7999
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Utility Billing	407-327-5996	Water Conservation	407-327-6584
Fire		Water and Sewer Emergencies: After 5PM and Weekends	407-327-2669
Administration (Seminole County Fire Dept)	407-665-5175		
Parks & Recreation Department			
Administrative Secretary	407-327-6597		
Central Winds Park Weather Hotline	407-327-8951		





SENIOR CENTER

The Winter Springs Senior Center is the most active recreational facility in the City on a day to day basis. The Senior Center is open to anyone over the age of 55. The programs offered are designed to keep the body and mind active. The programs include Line Dancing, Mexican Train Dominos, Tai Chi, Ceramics, Art Group, Jazzercise, Bridge Class, Silver Sneakers exercise class, Mah Jong, Computer Class, Chair Yoga, and Bingo. On Wednesdays, there is a catered lunch for only \$6.00. Each month, there are various day trips that will take you to see a show or walk through a museum. Cost varies in price per day trip. For more information about memberships, programs, or day trips, please call Susie Coffman or Kelley Robinson at 407-327-6554.

THERAPY POOL

The Winter Springs Therapy Pool is an award winning facility that provides exercise classes for those over the age of 55. The Therapy Pool has been voted as the #1 Therapy Pool in the State of Florida and the #2 Therapy Pool in the country by the United States Water Fitness Association. The water is heated to a temperature of 92-94 degrees. The benefits of the heated water include improving blood circulation and allowing aching muscles and joints to relax. Classes are offered in six week sessions at various intensities from low to medium intensity. The low intensity classes include Basic Arthritis, Water Walking, and Walk-Tone Balance. The medium intensity classes include Aerobics H2O, Power Aquatics, Water Wake-Up, and Strength & Flexibility. For more information about the Therapy Pool, classes, or membership, please call Dell Walker at 407-327-6577.



SENIOR CENTER & THERAPY POOL MEMBERSHIP FEES

	<u>Winter Springs Residents</u>	<u>Non-Residents</u>
Senior Center	\$25.00	\$65.00
Therapy Pool	\$45.00	\$105.00
Both	\$65.00	\$165.00

Seminole Hard Rock Casino

January 3, 2015

Cost \$32.00 - Bus departs the Winter Springs Senior Center at 8:30 AM.

Alhambra Theatre & Dining

The Buddy Holly Story Musical

January 17, 2015

Cost \$81.00 - Bus departs the Winter Springs Senior Center at 8:45 AM.

John's Pass Village Lunch & Wildlife Cruise

February 7, 2015

Cost \$74.00 - Bus departs the Winter Springs Senior Center at 8:30 AM.

Carousel

Show

March 14, 2015

Cost \$75.00 - Bus departs the Winter Springs Senior Center at 10:15 AM.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION TODAY!!!

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