

**FRIDAY LETTER**  
**October 1, 2010**

**Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:**

Good Friday to the dedicated staff and City Council of the Top 100 City of Oviedo. On Wednesday night, City Council held an historic joint meeting with the City of Winter Springs. The joint meeting was held in our City Council Chambers. A great welcome buffet was provided through the efforts of the City Clerk's office. (Thank you). What was very important was that the two Cities are now committed to an Oviedo-Springs level of cooperation. John Jones and Bryan Cobb were present to discuss the advantages of a joint City planning effort associated with the development of the Seminole Way Corridor. Our respective planning staffs will be meeting soon to formulate and develop some ideas.

A further and very significant step was the discussion of a Joint Economic Development Committee. I have "initiated" preparations to meet with Kevin Smith and his staff, hopefully Tuesday or Wednesday of next week, to begin those discussions. Once he has confirmed, I will keep you apprised of our progress. I have set the agenda for our joint staffs to discuss the following:

1. Joint Planning Effort in Seminole Way
2. Creation of a Joint Oviedo-Springs EDC
3. A Joint Incubator Contribution

I am very enthusiastic about the potential of cooperation activities with Winter Springs. I have personally seen the economic benefits of Joint Planning in Pennsylvania, having started the first and longest surviving Jointure of four municipalities in the Commonwealth's history.

Some of my activities this week included:

- Joint Meeting with Winter Springs
- Staff Meeting
- DRC Meeting
- Meeting with Mayor Persampiere and Philip McLaughlin
- Meeting with Frank Sloan

**Please see the informational items for the week as reported by City Departments:**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

As a member of the Executive Board, Chief Chudnow attended the Kids House Annual Breakfast Meeting. The Chief also had an opportunity to meet with Principal Navarro (Evans Elementary) & Principal Emmans (Lawton Elementary) to discuss the status of the current school year. Furthermore, Chief Chudnow attended the monthly ION meeting.

The Chief held his weekly staff meeting with the Department command staff. Chief Chudnow met with City Attorney Lonnie Groot to discuss several items, including red light cameras. He also met with Sanford Police Chief Tooley to discuss items pertaining to the Florida Police Chief's Association.

Additionally, Chief Chudnow, Commander Jacobs, Lt. Cockcroft and Dispatch Supervisor Betty Kelly attended a webinar training regarding the use of the Metroplan Orlando Regional Crash Data System. Several members of the Department also received training on the NaviLine system pertaining to the After Hours Alcohol Sales Permit in a coordinated effort with Code Enforcement for implementation of the permit process beginning on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Commanders Jacobs and Coleman attended a Pursuit Policy Training Workshop, along with Chief Chudnow.

Members of CRT executed a search warrant in the 2400 block of Tommy's Turn Court; resulting in a subject being arrested for possession with intent to sell marijuana.

Lt. Egert received a Multi-Discipline Team Award of Recognition from the Kids House of Seminole County at their Annual Meeting held on September 27<sup>th</sup>.

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> the Community Relations Corporal attended the Oviedo Home Owner Association Presidents meeting. She addressed issues of neighborhood burglaries and encouraged citizens to be more aware of suspicious persons or vehicles in their neighborhoods.

The Community Relations Lieutenant was contacted in reference to the Live Oak Reserve Homeowners' Association planning a Hometown Heroes Halloween special event at their clubhouse on October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 4-6 p.m. Community Involvement will be setting up a crime prevention table at the event. Two police motorcycles will be present.

### **FIRE/RESCUE SERVICES:**



Once again we find ourselves fortunate that a tropical development did not negatively impact Central Florida, although at different points during evaluation was considered a potential threat. Tropical Storm Nicole, once destined for Central Florida, encountered a late cold front that acting as a strong steering mechanism moved the system further east and decreased the intensity. Chief White provided the appropriate emergency management notifications and various city departments began basic preparation in anticipation of further development. The EOC was briefly activated for monitoring purposes on Wednesday and discontinued once the threat diminished by mid-day. Hurricane season concludes November 30<sup>th</sup>!

Fire Rescue attended the Kiwanis Club Annual Chicken Run Event held at the Oviedo Gym & Aquatic Center. An Oviedo Fire Engine was on display for children and parents to enjoy and fire safety education was provided.



**The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission** has announced the following recalls:

- Molenaar LLC recalls Electroluminescent Night Lights. Product can become extremely hot to the touch and melt resulting in a fire risk. Confirmed property loss incidents. Includes model # 2019 and #2017. Distributed from 2001-2009 as promotional products. Manufactured in U.S. For recall information, contact 877-719-4442 or [www.miline.com](http://www.miline.com)
- Siemens recalls Siemens and Murray Circuit Breakers, Load Centers and Meter Combos. Product defect that can result in excessive heat, arcing and fire. Sold at Home Depot, Lowes, and other hardware stores from June 2010 to August 2010. Manufactured in Mexico. Contact 800-756-6996 or visit [www.usa.siemens.com](http://www.usa.siemens.com) for information.
- Fisher Price has recalled more than 10 million childrens products sold in the U.S. including the Trike and Tough Trike Toddler Tricycles, Infant Activity Centers with Inflatable Balls, High Chairs, and the Little People Wheelies Stand N' Play Rampway. Each product presents a different safety risk to children and infants. For specific product details and recall information, contact 800-432-5437 or visit [www.service.mattel.com](http://www.service.mattel.com) Consumers are encouraged to discontinue use immediately of these products.

### **PUBLIC WORKS:**

The City residential recycling rewards, known as the "RecycleBank" program, starts the week of October 4, 2010. The welcome post cards were mailed by RecycleBank for Thursday (September 30, 2010) or Friday (October 1, 2010) home arrival. The post cards contain instructions on setting up reward accounts and the homeowner's pin code for reporting recycling. With the mailing of the post cards, the RecycleBank web site has been opened to Oviedo customers for registration. Residents will receive bonus points as an incentive to register. Rewards options include a variety of local Oviedo merchants and national sponsors.



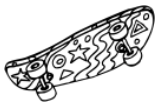


Work on the reclaimed interconnection was initiated this week with the authorization of the engineering contract. The engineers first task was to meet with the Water Improvement contractor at the potential interconnect location to find the most cost effective and efficient means to interconnect the City's two reclaimed water systems. The reclaimed systems are adjacent to each other along Lockwood Road near Long Branch Lane. Staff also met with

Florida Environmental Construction about resuming construction of new headworks for the City's Wastewater Reclamation Facility that Alafaya started, but halted. The headworks improvement is required to allow the wastewater system to properly control odors and maximize reclaimed production.

### **RECREATION AND PARKS:**

Today, October 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a Fifth Grade Dance held in the multi-purpose room at Riverside Park. The dance will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will conclude at 9:30 p.m. The Riverside concession stand will be open for this event and music will be provided by DJ Frankie C. Jr.



Skateboard clinics are being offered at Rippin' Riverside Skate Park, offering one-on-one instruction at the participant's pace. The clinics are available to those between the ages of 5 and 13 and consist of 4 consecutive week 30-minute lesson plans; held on either Saturdays or Sundays. Participants will learn skateboard safety, skate park etiquette, and much more. Registration is at Riverside Park on a first come, first serve basis. The first lesson cycle begins this weekend.



Registration for Family Archery will begin on Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. This 3-week program will take place on Saturdays beginning November 6<sup>th</sup>. Participants ages 8 and above (adults too!) can enjoy learning Olympic-style archery in a program that develops life skills, such as sportsmanship, self-confidence and friendship. The beginner's level course will be offered from 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at the Oviedo Sports Complex. For archers who have already completed the beginner's level, or those with previous archery experience, an advanced level course will be offered on the same dates, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Don't miss this great family-friendly opportunity.

Oviedo Babe Ruth and Little League baseball and softball began their games last Saturday.



Registration is now open for the fall Adult Wallyball League at Riverside Park. This exciting sport is played in air-conditioned racquetball courts at Riverside Park. Teams consist of 3 to 4 players (minimum 1 female) and games will be played on Tuesday nights, beginning October 12<sup>th</sup>. For more information about the sport of wallyball, please visit [www.wallyball.com](http://www.wallyball.com).



This week marks the completion of the painting of the interior hallways and the exterior of City Hall. Additionally, the installation of the new dumpster enclosure has begun.

**Please note the following meetings and work sessions.**

**Upcoming Meetings**

<b>Monday, October 4, 2010</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Monday, October 18, 2010</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Monday, November 1, 2010</b>	<b>Regular Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>

Sincerely,



Richard Gestrich  
City Manager