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MARCH MEETINGS

CROA Board Organizational Meeting

Friday, March 1
Public 9 a.m. | Closed Executive 11:30 a.m. | Public 1:30 p.m.
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CCDD Budget Workshop

Tuesday, March 5 | 6 p.m.
313 Campus St.



CCDD Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 26 | 6 p.m.
313 Campus St.

CROA Board of Appeals (Proposed)

Wednesday, March 27 | 5:00 p.m.
Town Hall



CROA Board Meeting (Proposed)

Wednesday, March 27 | 6 p.m.
Town Hall

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TRASH & RECYCLING

Trash Schedule

Trash needs to be within 4 feet of the alley or curb before 7 a.m. on the scheduled day. Recycle bins are to be kept in your garage except on the scheduled trash day. Call Celebration Sanitation Services (trash) at 321-939-1805 to arrange for bulk pickup or for more information on trash totes and recycle bins. Thank you for your continued cooperation!

Trash Pick-up

Mondays & Thursdays

North Village, Celebration Village,
Lake Evalyn, West Village and parts of East Village

Tuesdays & Fridays

Aquila Reserve, parts of East Village, Artisan Park, South Village, Spring Lake and Island Village.

Recycle Day

Wednesday for all villages

1. Glass (bottles and jars only)
2. Aluminum cans (no scrap metal or foil type material)
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4. Clean cardboard (no take out or delivery pizza boxes)
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6. Plastic bottles and containers # 1,2,4,5 only.

Discard all screw caps and lids.

Please, no plastic bags of any kind.

Yard Waste Day

Thursdays for all villages.

No more than 10 bags or bundles tied up combined per week.

In a container clearly marked, lid open or paper yard waste bags.

No Plastic Bags.

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IRRIGATION SCHEDULE

ZONE 1:

Day 1: Monday 4 p.m. to Tuesday 10 a.m.

Day 2: Thursday 4 p.m. to Friday 10 a.m.

Celebration Village and Downtown, West Village, Lake Evalyn, North Village, Water Tower Place

ZONE 2:

Day 1: Tuesday 4 p.m. to Wednesday 10 a.m.

Day 2: Friday 4 p.m. to Saturday 10 a.m.

Celebration Place, Celebration Boulevard from Campus Street to the high school (includes Emerson, Spring Lake, and other areas along Celebration Boulevard in South Village), South Village, Roseville Corner, East Village, Aquila Reserve

ZONE 3:

Day 1: Wednesday 4 p.m. to Thursday 10 a.m.

Day 2: Saturday 4 p.m. to Sunday 10 a.m.

• Artisan Park & Island Village

ID BADGE POLICY

The Celebration Residential Owners Association (CROA) Board approved the following resolution to the current ID Badge policy:

A passholder may bring no more than four non-resident guests outside of their immediate family on any given occasion unless under a scheduled event, private party, etc. The passholder must remain with the guest(s) at all times. In order to avoid conflicts or disappointments, please contact Town Hall if you are having a party in one of the parks or playgrounds.

HOA ASSESSMENTS

Celebration Residential Owners Association assessments are due on the first day of every January, April, July and October. After the last business day of those months, payments not posted to accounts will begin to accrue late fees and interest. Please allow 10 business days for mailing and processing. Statements are mailed out 30 days prior to the due date. If you do not receive a statement or if you have a question regarding the balance of your account, please contact Town Hall at 407-566-1200 between 9 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. You can make a one-time payment using eCheck (electronically debited from your checking account), Visa, MasterCard, American Express, or Discover*. Log in to www.GrandManors.com, click on Resident Portal and choose "Make a payment" or call 1-855-947-2636 to pay over the phone.



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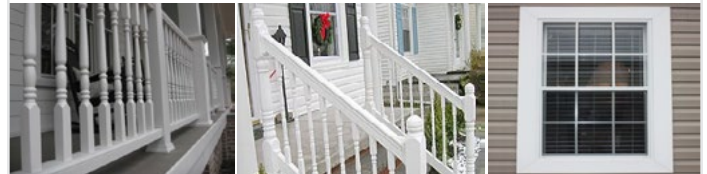
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CNOA - CELEBRATION NON-RESIDENTIAL OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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This organization is comprised of all commercial land owners within Celebration. Governed by a five-member Board of Directors, there are currently three declarant members and two placed landowners. This Association is responsible for preserving, protecting and enhancing the non-residential areas of the community and the value of the community.

CJC - CELEBRATION JOINT COMMITTEE

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This administrative Committee is comprised of representatives from both the CROA and CNOA boards. The Committee administered services that are used jointly by both CROA and CNOA, such as management, communications, accounting and security. Currently, the make-up of the Committee is five spots of which CROA holds two seats.

CCS - CELEBRATION COMMUNITY SERVICES

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CCDD - CELEBRATION COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

407-566-1935 • admin@celebrationcdd.org

www.celebrationcdd.org

A five-member Board of Supervisors, who were elected by registered voters in the Celebration Community Development District, governs this District. This unit of special-purpose government is authorized to provide certain infrastructure improvements. Services include maintenance of roadway lights, street sweeping, common area landscaping, maintenance of street trees and turf, alleyways, public parks and trails, aquatic weed and mosquito control. The Celebration CDD also maintains the lakes, storm water retention areas and drainage system within Celebration.

ECDD - ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

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GrandManors is the managing agent for the Celebration Joint Committee, Celebration Residential Owners Association, Celebration Non-Residential Owners Association. They were hired by the CJC to handle, on behalf of CROA, CNOA and the CJC Boards, the administration, operation and maintenance of Celebration. GrandManors works at the direction of the Board of Directors.

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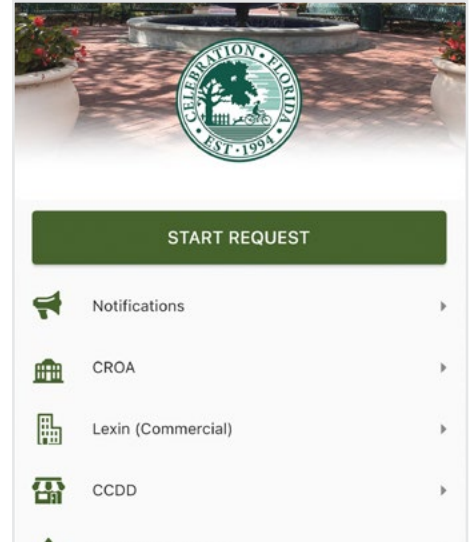
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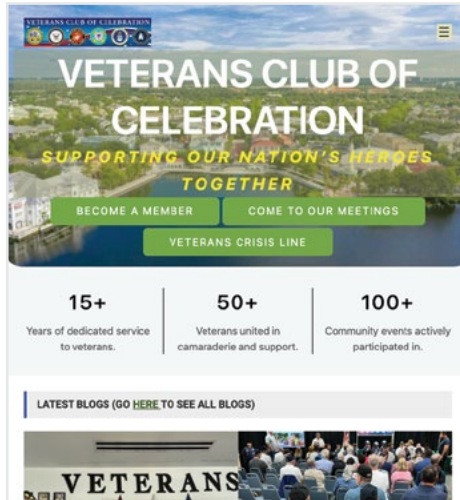
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SPRINGING *Forward*

The month of March brings so much for us to enjoy in Celebration. Our daylight hours are expanding, our temperatures are creeping up, and Daylight-Saving Time occurs on March 10. March is also Women's History Month, National Nutrition Month, and Red Cross Month. March 19 is the vernal equinox, marking the official first day of spring and Earth Day. Locally, March offers our semi-annual Porch and Yard Sale (March 2), Spring Fling (March 30), and the weekly Farmers Market.

With this regular column in the Celebration News, the Board of Directors of the Celebration Residential Owners Association (CROA) provides some highlights and brief updates regarding some of the activities of our association and its activities. Many more details about these and numerous other initiatives are found in the various approaches used to communicate with residents. These are found in print and digital form, including Friday Flash, Monday Matters, our website (<https://celebration.fl.us/>), and Town Hall-managed social media outlets. Articles are found in this and previous editions of the Celebration News and include highlights from key community and local groups, such as the Celebration Community Development District, the Celebration Foundation, the County Commissioner, the Sheriff's Office, and more. The best way of staying fully informed and engaged is to participate in meetings of the Board of Directors and CROA's various committees; this can be done in person, virtually, or with a review of minutes and recordings.

One of the year's highlights is CROA's Annual Meeting, that was held at the end of last month. At this time, the newly elected members of the CROA Board of Directors were introduced to the community, as four positions were available for our community-wide election. The Board's Organizational Meeting, scheduled for the first day of this month, is the time when officers are elected, and planning is initiated for the Board as it begins its year of working together. To be further engaged and updated about the results and planned initiatives, check the website and the various other communications vehicles.

Over the past several months, the five cornerstones of our community have been highlighted, with one covered each month. From Community to Place and from Health to Education to Technology, these serve as a strong foundation for our community's leadership as well as for our individual and family engagement. To help further engage ourselves with the numerous opportunities in our community, check out the "Recreation and Facilities" section on our website and scroll to the "Amenities" tab. You will find a wide range of resources in our community, organized by location (e.g., North Village, Spring Lake, Civic Corridor, and Island Village). It's a great resource with a lot of pictures and descriptions of the dozens of amenities we have.

As this month marks the first quarter of 2024, it is helpful to take stock of our various resolutions and plans made earlier. It is also a great time to reflect upon all that our community has to offer, whether through its amenities, engagement opportunities, foundational cornerstones, or community spirit. It's a great place and time to truly Spring Forward! ●



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AQUATIC WEED CONTROL

Certain times of the year, we seem to notice more algae, duckweed, and other nuisance plants in the ponds. Some ponds seem to be fine, while others are not as pretty. Part of the reason for this growth is due to warmer weather and lack of rainfall. Rain helps flush the ponds and reduces the visibility of nuisance plants. The age of a pond is also a factor, since more mature ponds have fewer problems and generally look nicer throughout the year. Because all the stormwater retention ponds are interconnected and subject to various governmental permits (such as South Florida Water Management District or Osceola County), it is important for these issues to be addressed early so they do not spread to other ponds.

The Celebration CDD ("District") is responsible for managing and controlling the aquatic weeds within the ponds and canals and has hired SŌlitude Lake Management to perform these maintenance functions. The Board of Supervisors has also previously approved installation of aerators in problematic ponds in the community, replacement of the aerator in Lake Evalyn, and sediment removal. All efforts combined—chemical treatments, nutrient abatement, aerators, and continued services for the ongoing maintenance program—should provide marked improvement to alleviate these issues.

One of the biggest contributors causing algae and other noxious weeds in the ponds is grass clippings and excess fertilizer that washes into these ponds. We ask residents to assist in this maintenance effort through the following suggestions:

- Do not fertilize the pond or lake or apply fertilizers closer than 20 feet from the shoreline.
- Do not blow lawn clippings or other plant material into the ponds or into the street where it can run through the drainage system.

Please visit our website, www.CelebrationCDD.org, for more information related to the aquatic maintenance activities and other services of the Celebration CDD. You may also contact us at 407-566-1935 or admin@CelebrationCDD.org with any questions, comments, or concerns. ●



ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS

Every year, the Celebration CDD (“District”) goes through its annual review of the budget. As a limited-purpose public governmental organization, which is governed by Chapter 190, Florida Statutes, many of the District’s requirements on the budget processes and timelines are defined by state law.

As has been the practice in the past, the Board begins its budget planning early in 2024 to allow staff for time to review current costs and make recommendations for changes based on the evolving needs of the District. This also provides time for Board Supervisors to spend time with staff both in public meetings and in one-on-one sessions to review financial information. Finally, it allows the members of the public time to see the development of the FY25 budget and to provide comments to the Board through multiple public meetings. The interaction from the public is critical; it is the Board’s opportunity to hear from constituents on their views of how the District should be prioritizing efforts, increasing efficiencies, and expending resources. All meetings and workshops by the District are open to the public to be a part of the budgeting process with public comments at every meeting. Members of the public are also always welcome to email or otherwise engage directly with Board Supervisors, contact information is at www.celebrationcdd.org/contacts.

During the process, the Board will approve a proposed budget as outlined in the schedule. By Florida law, the final budget cannot exceed the initial proposed budget. Some adjustments may be required after the proposed budget is published; therefore, a proposed budget will always be equal to or higher than the final

budget to allow for these adjustments. The proposed budget also determines if notices of a potential assessment increase are required to be sent to all property owners within the District prior to the final budget adoption.

For its fiscal year (FY) 2025 cycle, the Board has outlined the following tentative schedule starting from initial public discussions and leading up to the final budget approval:

- 5 March: Initial budget workshop to review budget structure, current status of FY24 budget against actuals, initial requests for staff for analysis of specific line items. Board Supervisors to provide capital project requests to staff for costing and review.
- 17 April: Second budget workshop for FY25 proposed budget. Staff has Supervisor capital project requests costed for review by Board and public. Staff also to review proposed adjustments to operations budget items.
- 14 May: Third budget workshop to review final items for consideration, make additional adjustments based on current FY24 actuals.
- 28 May: Regular business meeting, proposed budget to be approved. Board to set public hearing for final FY25 budget adoption; for July meeting and send proposed budget to Osceola County.
- 25 June: Regular business meeting to review any reductions from the proposed budget.
- 30 July: Budget meeting, FY25 final budget will be adopted.
- 1 October: FY25 begins.

As the District moves forward to approval of a final FY25 budget, we look forward to inputs and discussion with the residents and businesses of Celebration to ensure we have a responsible financial plan which meets the needs of the District and preserves the resources entrusted to the District by the public. •

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MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT 1
COMMISSIONER PEGGY CHOUDHRY



BY PEGGY CHOUDHRY
Osceola County Commissioner District 1

RECENT EVENTS:

I partnered with The Salvation Army for a mid-year free backpack and food distribution event on January 27th in Intercession City. It was a great turn-out, and we were able to help many children replenish their school supplies. A big thank you to The Salvation Army for distributing pre-filled backpacks, non-perishable food items, and other goodies. Staples of Winter Garden donated individual school supply kits and other resources that were distributed to many children. I would also like to thank Masa Fund for joining us on this collaboration to provide much-needed resources to families in our community. And a very special thank you to my Student Committee and all the volunteers for their show of support and giving back to our community!

REMINDER:

A friendly reminder that my surprise pop-up ice-cream socials have kicked off! Remember to contact my office for dates or follow me @peggychoudhry on Facebook or Instagram for updates. You can also email me at Peggy.Choudhry@osceola.org to join the free ice cream social list.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, March 9th – Surprise pop-up ice cream social. Stay tuned for time and location.

Tuesday, March 26th – Seniors Fun Day & Pop-up Ice cream Social at 10:00 AM. Stay tuned for location.

Monday, April 1st – Citizens & Business Committee Meeting; 6:00 PM at County Administration Building

STAY INFORMED:

For those of you who want to stay informed and engaged, there are several ways to do so. You can opt to receive county updates, public meeting notifications, and community event notices via email. Simply reach out to my office, and we'll ensure you're always in the loop. I invite you to follow me on all my social media platforms; Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, YouTube, and more – at @peggychoudhry. It's the perfect way to get real-time updates, watch informative videos, and engage with our vibrant online community.

STUDENT COMMITTEE:

Monthly meetings with my Student Committee have resumed. Students looking for volunteer hours or just wanting to learn about local government while making a positive impact on our community, I extend an invitation to join my Student Committee. Grades 5 and higher are welcome. We convene monthly to explore

COMMISSIONER PEGGY CHOUDHRY'S
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Let's all scream for FREE ice cream. Come out and meet Commissioner Choudhry for an opportunity to receive D-1 and County updates while enjoying a variety of delicious ice cream selections - TOTALLY FREE!

Follow me to know upcoming dates, times and locations
@PEGGYCHOUDHRY
407-742-2387

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the workings of county government and brainstorm ways in which we can contribute to the betterment of our community. Don't hesitate to contact my office for details regarding the meeting schedule and registration process.

QUESTIONS:

For all county-related inquiries and updates, be sure to visit www.osceola.org. It's a valuable resource that provides comprehensive information about Osceola County and keeps you informed about all the latest developments.

CONTACT ME:

I want to remind everyone that your thoughts, concerns, and ideas are incredibly important to me. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office at 407-742-2000 or via email at Peggy.Choudhry@osceola.org. Your input helps us shape the future of Celebration, and together, we can make this year the best one yet. •



WINDOWS

NEW/REPLACEMENT & FILM/TINTING

One of the benefits of owning property in a planned community is the commitment among neighbors to maintain their property in a neat, attractive, and well-landscaped condition to enhance the community's overall beauty and aesthetic appeal. In Celebration, the primary consideration is the overall "streetscape" each property should contribute, with no single property dominating its appearance.

WINDOWS – REPLACEMENT OR ADDITIONAL & FILM/TINTING

Replacement windows must be of the same style and muntins pattern with similar detailing as the original windows.

If a window is being added or replaced, design detail is required, clearly illustrating the details surrounding the window, including header, sill, and trim.

Clear glass shall be used for all windows. Some types of glass – such as low-E – have an inherent tint which may also be submitted for approval. Frosted glass may be considered for small windows in private zones.

Windows shall be traditional in appearance with appropriately divided lites for the style of the home. True and simulated divided lite windows are acceptable.

Exterior muntins with projecting profile are required and shall be a minimum of 5/8 inch wide.

Windows shall be double hung in appearance for all home styles except Mediterranean and French, which may have casement windows.

Exterior window trim widths vary with architectural styles and are specified in the pattern book. All trim shall have a sill and projecting square profile cap. Trim profiles shall be consistent with the Pattern Book.

The color shall be consistent on the home. General colors are white, black, and bronze. Alternate colors that are historically appropriate may be proposed and reviewed based on the architectural style of the home.

STAINED GLASS: Leaded stained-glass windows may be used on Victorian and Craftsman-style homes as an accent window pattern. Stained glass colors and patterns shall be based on historical precedent.

WINDOW STYLES

Window patterns describe the number of divided lites in each sash. Window patterns must be consistent in the entire home.

CLASSICAL

- Window patterns are '6 over 6' and '6 over 9.' There are two combinations:
- First floor with '9 over 9' and second floor with '6 over 9'
- First floor with '6 over 9' and second floor with '6 over 9'

COASTAL

- Window patterns include '4 over 4' and '6 over 6' including dormer windows.
- Small accent windows can be '4 over 4.'

COLONIAL REVIVAL

- Window patterns include '6 over 6', '8 over 8', or '6 over 1.'

FRENCH

- Multi-paned casement windows with vertically proportioned muntins patterns.
- Casements are typically divided into three panes.
- Double-hung windows are '4 over 4' - Shallow-arched or flat heads
- Windows shall be recessed at least 2" from the exterior face of the stucco wall.

MEDITERRANEAN

- Casement windows are used as either single units, double units, or paired double units.
- Patterns are either three-light or six-light multi-pane units.
- Windows shall be recessed at least 2" from the exterior face of the stucco wall.

VICTORIAN

- Basic window muntins patterns include '1 over 1' and '2 over 2'. Diamond patterns and other unique Victorian light patterns may be submitted for review. Historic precedents may be submitted to support a unique pattern.
- Second-floor windows are typically two inches narrower than first-floor windows.

ARTS & CRAFTS (CRAFTSMAN)

- Double hung windows are '3 over 1', '4 over 1', '6 over 1', and '9 over 1' muntin patterns.
- Window proportions have slightly more vertical proportions.
- Flat exterior casing with a projecting square profile cap.

CONDOMINIUMS: windows must be consistent building by building.

WINDOW FILM & TINTING

Window films must be within the following technical specifications to be considered for use in Celebration residential properties:

- Film must have no pattern or color variation when installed.
- Film may not extend beyond the edge of the glass onto the window frame.
- Visible Light Reflected (Exterior): 15% or less.
- Visible Light transmission shall be a minimum of 50% or greater.

Solar screens are generally not permitted as they will hide the architectural detailing of windows. Applications may be submitted, however, for review on a case-by-case basis.

For more information, please visit the Celebration website at **celebration.fl.us**. Community Governance tab and click on Design Guidelines. You can also contact our ARC Coordinator at Town Hall by calling 407-566-1200 or emailing townhall@ciramail.com.



By Sheriff Marcos R. Lopez
Osceola County Sheriff's Office

OSCEOLA SHERIFF'S OFFICE ENGAGES SENIORS ON SAFETY INITIATIVES

As Sheriff of Osceola County, Florida, it's my duty to ensure the safety and well-being of all residents, especially our senior community. Recognizing seniors' unique needs and challenges, we have embarked on a mission to bring our services and programs directly to them through the Osceola Sheriff Mobile Office "Keeping Our Seniors Safe."

We are committed to accessibility and community engagement. We understand that mobility can be a hurdle for many seniors when seeking assistance or participating in programs. We have taken proactive steps to bridge this gap by bringing our services to their neighborhoods and communities.

We are pleased to announce the Osceola Sheriff's Mobile Office deployment, the first stop at Sonata Hunter's Creek, and stops at many other locations throughout February and March in Osceola County. This would be an opportunity to educate and recruit the public to join programs such as Project Lifesaver or Project E.A.S.E.: Emergency Access Safe Entry.

The Mobile Office deployment has been planned for different assisted living communities, allowing residents to interact with our deputies and learn about safety initiatives and agency programs. More information about locations for March 2024 is listed below:

- Mariblu Hunters Creek 55+, March 5th, 2024, from 2 pm to 4 pm
2920 Flora Ridge Cir, Kissimmee, FL
- Osprey Park 62+ Apt & Cottages, March 20th, 2024, from 11 am to 1 pm
151 N Osprey Park Rd, Poinciana, FL
- Album Monterey Pointe 55+, March 27th, 2024, from 11 am to 1 pm
3265 Greenwald Way N, Kissimmee, FL

In addition to providing essential services and programs, the mobile office is a hub for fostering connections and building relationships within the senior community. Every conversation deepens our understanding of their needs and strengthens our resolve to protect and serve them better.

Through this initiative, we aim to enhance awareness, provide education, and implement proactive measures explicitly tailored to the needs of our senior population. I encourage all residents to join us in our efforts to prioritize the safety and well-being of our seniors. Together as one, we will continue to uphold our commitment to serving and protecting every member of Osceola County.

Sheriff Marcos Lopez

Osceola County Sheriff's Office •



PARKS & POOLS 2024

"Why float through life, when you can swim!"



CELEBRATION POOL HOURS

LABOR DAY THROUGH APRIL 30

LAKESIDE & SPRING PARK
6 a.m. – 8 p.m.

EAST VILLAGE & NORTH VILLAGE
7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

SPRING LAKE & ISLAND VILLAGE
Opens 1/2 hour after sunrise
Closes 1/2 hour prior to sunset

CELEBRATION PARK HOURS

Passive parks: Sunrise – Dusk

East and North Village: 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Dog Park: Sunrise - Dusk

**Lakeside Basketball &
Tennis Courts:** 7 a.m. – 10 p.m.

**Spring Lake Fitness &
Island Village Fitness Center:** 6 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Please visit www.celebration.fl.us
for the latest information.



The Celebration Farmers Market is located in the heart of Celebration. The market is a weekly, year round market held every Sunday.

Come on out every Sunday and support the Celebration Farmers Market.

Interested vendors can apply online at celebrationfarmersmarket.com.

SUNDAYS
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

**PLEASE ADHERE TO HEALTH
AND SAFETY GUIDELINES**



PARKS & REC PROGRAMS 2024

Participate in one of our many programs

BALLROOM DANCING

7 p.m. | Beginners Rumba

8 p.m. | Intermediate Fox Trot

Contact: Nanette | 386-532-2624
Nannette@NannettesBallroomDance.com

Classes are on Thursdays.

Cost: \$116 per person

Price includes the entire eight-week class that meets for one 55-minute lesson per week.



CELEBRATION EMBRACE BECAUSE YOU MATTER



Mission Statement: We believe in building relationships within our community. We provide information, support, and encouragement. By helping, caring, and sharing, we work to inspire and empower one another. Join us for our weekly gatherings in Town Hall on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Contact: embrace.celebration@yahoo.com

CELEBRATION TENNIS PROGRAM

Location: Lakeside Park

Contact: Darren Holt | 321-320-6383
darrenDH@aol.com

Tennis courts available to residents.
For more information and class schedules, please call Darren or visit celebrationtennis.com.

GROUP AND PRIVATE TENNIS RESERVATION SCHEDULE

Tennis court reservations are subject to change. For an updated tennis court schedule, please visit us at celebrationparksandrec.com

AQUA YOGA

Is practiced in the pool, offering all the benefits of stretch, relaxation and deep breathing with buoyancy and water resistance. It is super low impact, making the class ideal for anyone with joint pain to improve strength and range of motion. Aqua Yoga will help build body awareness, improve balance, increase flexibility, reduce stress and anxiety. Become absorbed in the aquatic experience with playful flows and fun music.

Tuesday & Thursday

10 a.m. | Lakeside Pool

Wednesday Evening

Fall-first Wednesday of each month

AQUA FIT YOGA*

Wednesday

10 a.m. | Lakeside Pool

A deep water aerobic, cardio, yoga & meditation experience

Contact: Nina Schwitters | 407-764-8510
NinaFlashYoga@gmail.com

Reservations required with limited space.
A simple text or email will do it.

Cost: \$10 Residents, \$12 Non Residents

For more information, please visit
AquaTerraYoga.com



SARAH COSTELLO IRISH DANCE ACADEMY

Irish Dance for Adults & Children

Contact: Sarah Costello
321-200-3598
info@centralfloridairishdance.com

centralfloridairishdance.com

\$10 MONTHLY DISCOUNT FOR CROA RESIDENTS.

An enjoyable and exciting class that explores all aspects of Irish Dance. Focuses on stretching, posture, timing, rhythm and movement, basic Irish Steps and Ceili (traditional Irish folk) team dancing. Students will be introduced into the different types of solo Irish dance and the traditional music for each dance.

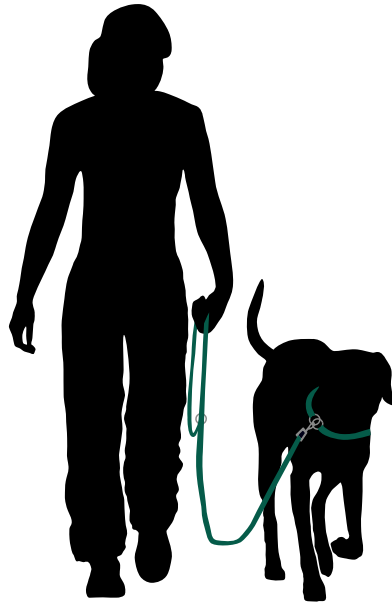


CELEBRATION DOG TRAINING AND BEHAVIORAL SOLUTIONS

Positive reinforcement-based training. Private lessons and group classes for all ages and levels:

- Puppy Kindergarten class
- American Kennel Club STAR class
- Canine Good Citizen preparation class and CGC test
- Advance CGC class and test

Contact: Melania Lavezzi
407-433-0720
celebrationdogtrainer@gmail.com
or www.celebrationdogtrainer.com



CELEBRATION CYCLONES

Year Round USA Swimming club team providing youth swimming to the Celebration community. Competitive and non-competitive groups offered based on ability and commitment. The team trains at the Lakeside pool. We also offer private swim lessons ages 4 to adults: Learn to swim, stroke development, personal swim training and competitive stroke improvement. Visit our website www.swimccst.com Contact us for more info:

Swim Team | celebrationcyclones@gmail.com



CELEBRATION LITTLE FINS

Little Fins Survival Swim Lessons for infants, toddlers and children. Parents can book one-on-one private lessons.

For more information, please contact Ms. Dianne Ojeda, 407-489-6695 or celebrationlittlefins@gmail.com



RCFIT7 PERSONAL TRAINING
Family Fitness for Adults & Children (5-12)

Resident Price: \$10 per class

Non-Resident Price: \$12 per class

Contact: Ryan Clarke
321-278-6523 | RCFIT7@gmail.com or visit Instagram, Facebook or YouTube [@RCFIT7](https://www.instagram.com/RCFIT7).



X-FACTOR DANCE & TUMBLING

Late Afternoon & Evening Classes

Contact: Lindsay Taylor
407-329-4200 | info@xfactordance.com

Dance Classes

- Combo
- Lyrical/Contemporary
- Ballet
- Hip Hop
- Jazz
- Acro
- Tumble Gym

Visit the X-Factor website for more information and complete class schedules at xfactordance.com. Registration can easily be done online or contact Lindsay.

CELEBRATION YOGA

Monday- Friday:
Morning Yoga | 10 a.m.
Online Only

Reservations are required for limited in person classes.

Contact: Laurie Croft
321.689.7452 | laurie@wholisticjourney.com

Visit wholisticjourney.com for more information and class schedule.



CELEBRATION ZUMBA

Contact: Ana Martinez | 407-517-8874
mvzcanino_felino@hotmail.com

Ditch the workout and join the party! This fun and easy to follow cardio dance class combines high energy and motivating music with unique moves and combinations that make you feel like you are partying on the dance floor. Easy to follow and something everyone can participate in. Celebration Zumba is the best way to "dance away your worries." We promise exercise has never been so fun.



CELEBRATION BALLERS

Basketball Pick-Up Games
Lakeside Basketball Court
Tuesdays & Thursdays | 6-8 p.m.
Age-appropriate participants.

Open-Play is available for all ages **Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, & Sundays**



CASTY SPORTS ACADEMY

For more information, please visit www.castysportsacademy.com and contact Info@castysportsacademy.com

STAR DIBS

Come learn Self Defense with Krav Maga techniques, which will improve your physical conditioning, motor coordination, self defense, self confidence, self esteem and health.

Limited vacancies by groups.

SCHEDULE STUDENT GROUPS

Tuesday and Thursday

Children 7-11 years

4:45 - 5:45 p.m.

Woman (Teen/Adult)

5:50 - 6:50 p.m.

Teens/Adults

6:55 - 7:55 p.m.

Make your membership to the program now through the email below.

First Lesson Free

Email: celebration@adselfdefense.com

Phone: (407) 978-1004



CELEBRATION SOCCER SCHOOL

CELEBRATION SOCCER CLUB/CELEBRATION YOUTH SOCCER PROGRAMS

All practices located at the CCFC

Monday

OC Soccer School | 5:30-8:15 p.m.
Moms/Daughters | 6:45-8:15 p.m. (Resident Program)
Adult Co-Ed 11v11 | 7-9:30 p.m. (Resident Program)
Travel Team Practice | Coming Soon!

Tuesday

Adult Co-Ed 7v7 | 8:15-9:45 p.m. (Resident Program)
Travel Team Practice | Coming Soon!

Wednesday

OC Soccer School | 5:30-8:15 pm
Moms/Daughters | 6:45-8:15 pm (Resident Program)
Girls Only OCSS | 7-8:30 pm
Adult Co-Rec | 7-9:30 pm (Resident Program)

Thursday

OC Soccer School | 5:30-8:15 p.m.
Adult Co-Ed 7v7 | 7:30-9:30 p.m. (Resident Program)
Travel Team Practice | Coming Soon!

Friday

Family Soccer Night (Resident Program) | Coming Soon!

Saturday

Adult Co-Ed, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Resident Program)
Travel League Games, Coming Soon!

Sunday

Adult 11v11, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Resident Program)
Travel League Games, Coming Soon!

Marco Meccia
407-483-6336 | soccer@celesoccer.com



March 8 | 5 to 9 P.M.

Lakeside Park

631 SYCAMORE ST.

As always, admission is free for all. Seating is limited, so we do recommend everyone bring a folding chair or blanket to sit on. Join us for an evening of entertainment provided by The Vacationers Band. The Vacationers Band, a dynamic 5-piece ensemble hailing from Michigan, combines the love for travel with a passion for music. Specializing in a diverse range of genres including beach vibes, pop, oldies, country, and light rock, we cater to all occasions. Join us as we bring a unique blend of melodies to your event, creating unforgettable moments wherever our travels take us.

For more information, please contact the Town Hall Lifestyle Office, 407-566-1200 or townhall@ciramail.com



THE VACATIONERS BAND

Please note:

Please follow all health and safety guidelines in place. Most food trucks accept cash and credit cards. There will be limited tables and chairs available, so you may want to bring your own blanket or chairs to make sure you have a comfortable place to dine. These are some of the best food trucks around and they will be sure to draw in lots of hungry people. *Participating food trucks are subject to change without notice.



Porch & Yard

**SATURDAY
March 2**

8 A.M.-2 P.M.

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SALE

Community-wide and at Lakeside Park, 631 Sycamore St.

Cash is highly advised, other payment methods may not be accepted by sellers.

For more information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Department at 407-566-1200 or townhall@ciramail.com.

**OPEN
HOUSE**

Jones Room

Are you feeling lucky today? Join your Parks and Recreation Team for a Celebration raffle while you tour the conveniently located facility at Lakeside Park!

SATURDAY, MARCH 2
2 - 3 P.M. | 631 SYCAMORE ST.

For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (407) 566-1200 or townhall@ciramail.com





CALENDAR of events

2024
MARCH

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25 FARMERS MARKET Market Street & Front Street 10 A.M.-2 P.M.	26 FINANCE COMMITTEE Heritage Hall 5:30 P.M. RECREATION COMMITTEE Town Hall 5:30 P.M.	27 CROA ANNUAL ELECTIONS POLLS CLOSE AT 5:30 P.M. CCDD BOARD MEETING 313 Campus St. 6 P.M.	28 TOWN HALL CLOSING AT 4:30 P.M. CROA ANNUAL MEETING Town Hall RECEPTION 5:15 P.M. PROGRAM 6 P.M.	29 MASTER PLAN ADVISORY GROUP MEETING Town Hall 6 P.M.	1 CROA BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING Town Hall PUBLIC SESSION 9 A.M. & 1:30 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION 11:30 A.M.	2 PORCH AND YARD SALE Community Wide 8 A.M.- 2 P.M. "OPEN HOUSE" FACILITY TOUR Jones Room 2-3 P.M.
3 FARMERS MARKET Market Street & Front Street 10 A.M.-2 P.M.	4	5 CCDD BUDGET WORKSHOP 313 Campus St. 6 P.M.	6 CELEBRATORS MEETING Town Hall 9:30 A.M. TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Town Hall 5:30- 6:30 P.M. Joint ARC & Covenants Committee Town Hall 6 P.M.	7 ROTARY CLUB Artisan Clubhouse 6 P.M. JAZZ UNDER THE STARS Great Lawn Stage 6:30-8:30 P.M. DEMOCRATS OF CELEBRATION Town Hall 7 P.M. ARC DEADLINE	8 FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY Lakeside Park 5-9 P.M. THE VACATIONERS Great Lawn Stage 5-9 P.M.	9
10 FARMERS MARKET Market Street & Front Street 10 A.M.-2 P.M. DAYLIGHT SAVINGS	11 ONEBLOOD BLOOD DRIVE Town Hall 9:30 A.M.- 2:30 P.M. LUCKY LEPRECHAUN SCAVENGER HUNT Community Wide	12 SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE Town Hall 2 P.M. DOG PARK COMMITTEE Town Hall 4-5 P.M. LUCKY LEPRECHAUN SCAVENGER HUNT Community Wide	13 LUCKY LEPRECHAUN SCAVENGER HUNT Community Wide CROA Board Workshop Town Hall 6 P.M.	14 VETERANS CLUB Town Hall 6 P.M. COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS 690 Celebration Ave. 7 P.M. LUCKY LEPRECHAUN SCAVENGER HUNT Community Wide	15 KIDS NIGHT OUT: A NIGHT IN IRELAND Heritage Hall 6-9 P.M. (Pre-Registration Required) MY CELEBRATION FL TRANSITION LUCKY LEPRECHAUN SCAVENGER HUNT Community Wide	16
17 FARMERS MARKET Market Street & Front Street 10 A.M.-2 P.M. ST PATRICK'S DAY	18 ARC COMMITTEE Town Hall 5 P.M.	19 ONSPOT MOBILE DERMATOLOGY Town Hall Lot 7:30 A.M - 3:30 P.M.	20 GARDEN CLUB Heritage Hall 9 A.M. KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO Town Hall 6 P.M.	21 ROTARY CLUB Artisan Clubhouse 6 P.M. COVENANTS COMMITTEE Town Hall 6 P.M.	22	23
24 FARMERS MARKET Market Street & Front Street 10 A.M.-2 P.M.	25	26 FINANCE COMMITTEE Town Hall 5:30 P.M. CCDD BOARD MEETING 313 Campus St. 6 P.M. Recreation Committee Workshop Heritage Hall 5:30-7 P.M.	27 CROA BOARD OF APPEALS (PROPOSED) Town Hall 5:00 P.M. CROA BOARD MEETING (PROPOSED) Town Hall 6 P.M.	28	29	30 SPRING FLING CCFC 10 A.M.- 12:30 P.M.
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All meetings and events subject to change. Please visit www.celebration.fl.us for the most up to date schedules.

TOWN HALL IS CLOSED EVERY SATURDAY AND SUNDAY.



Scan the QR code to view the most up to date calendar of events.



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RECURRING MONTHLY EVENTS

SUNDAY

CELEBRATION PICKLEBALL | GEORGETOWN TENNIS COURT | 9 A.M.-12P.M.

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CELEBRATION
SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE, 511 CELEBRATION AVE. | 8, 9:30 & 11:11 A.M.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH
1050 CELEBRATION AVE. | 8:30 & 10:30 A.M., 12:15 & 5:30 P.M.

CELEBRATION COMMUNITY CHURCH
501 CELEBRATION PLACE | 8 A.M., 9:45 A.M., 11:30 A.M.

FARMERS MARKET | 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.

CELEBRATION ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP
WINDSOR BUILDING, THE "CELEBRATION CENTER"
ROOM 1370 CELEBRATION BLVD. | 1ST & 3RD SUNDAYS | 10:30 A.M.
FOR INFORMATION CALL | 407-566-1195

THERE IS A SOLUTION | CCFC MEETING ROOM | 7 P.M.

MONDAY

CELEBRATION PICKLEBALL | GEORGETOWN TENNIS COURT | 8-11 A.M.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH | 9 A.M.

CELEBRATION AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | 9:30 A.M.

RCFIT7 PERSONAL TRAINING | NORTH VILLAGE PAVILION | 10 A.M.

THRIVING IN PLACE | CALL 407-566-1234 | 9:30 A.M.-3 P.M.

CELEBRATION SOCCER CLUB | 6:30-7:30 P.M. LADIES, CCFC

COMMUNITY CHORUS | 7 P.M.

RECOVERY AT CELEBRATION | CCFC MEETING ROOM | 7 P.M.

CELEBRATION SOCCER CLUB | 7:30-9:30 P.M. ADULT CO-ED, CCFC

TUESDAY

RUNNING CLUB | FOUNDERS PARK | 6:30 A.M.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH | 9 A.M.

THRIVING IN PLACE | CALL 407-566-1234 | 9:30 A.M.-3 P.M.

AQUA YOGA | LAKESIDE POOL | 10 A.M.

PÉTANQUE | LAKESIDE LAKE | 4-6 P.M.

CELEBRATION ZUMBA | TOWN HALL | 5:45 -6:45 P.M.

CELEBRATION YOGA | 10 A.M. & 6 P.M.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS | JONES ROOM | 7 P.M.

WEDNESDAY

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH | 9 A.M.

ATLAS THEOLOGICAL CENTER | 1134 CELEBRATION BLVD.
CALL FOR CLASS SCHEDULE | 407-566-1195

THRIVING IN PLACE | CALL 407-566-1234 | 9:30 A.M.-3 P.M.

AQUA FIT YOGA | LAKESIDE POOL | 10 A.M.

RCFIT7 PERSONAL TRAINING | NORTH VILLAGE PAVILION | 10 A.M.

THERE IS A SOLUTION | CCFC MEETING ROOM | 7 P.M.

THURSDAY

CELEBRATION PICKLEBALL | GEORGETOWN TENNIS COURT | 8-11 A.M.

RUNNING CLUB | FOUNDER'S PARK | 6:30 A.M.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH | 9 A.M.

THRIVING IN PLACE | CALL 407-566-1234 | 9:30 A.M. - 3 P.M.

IRISH DANCE | 5:15-8:15 P.M.

AQUA YOGA | LAKESIDE POOL | 10 A.M.

CELEBRATION ZUMBA | TOWN HALL | 5:45 -6:45 P.M.

BALLROOM DANCE | TOWN HALL | 7 P.M. & 8 P.M.

COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CELEBRATION
CONTEMPORARY SERVICE | 511 CELEBRATION AVE. | 7:30 P.M.

FRIDAY

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH | 9 A.M.

THRIVING IN PLACE | CALL 407-566-1234 | 9:30 A.M.-3 P.M.

RCFIT7 PERSONAL TRAINING | NORTH VILLAGE PAVILION | 10 A.M.

COMPANY DANCE WARM UPS | 4-4:30 P.M.

RECOVERY AT CELEBRATION | CCFC MEETING ROOM | 7 P.M.

SATURDAY

CELEBRATION PICKLEBALL | 8-11 A.M.

RUNNING CLUB | FOUNDERS PARK | 6:30 A.M.

CELEBRATION PICKLEBALL | GEORGETOWN TENNIS COURTS | 8:30-11 A.M.

PÉTANQUE | LAKESIDE PARK | 9 A.M.

CELEBRATION SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
ADULT STUDY GROUP | NICHOLSON CENTER | 9:30 A.M.
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8 P.M. | Traditional Dances & Fire Knife Performance

Traditional dances from Tahiti, Hawaii, and New Zealand, and a fire knife dance from Samoa

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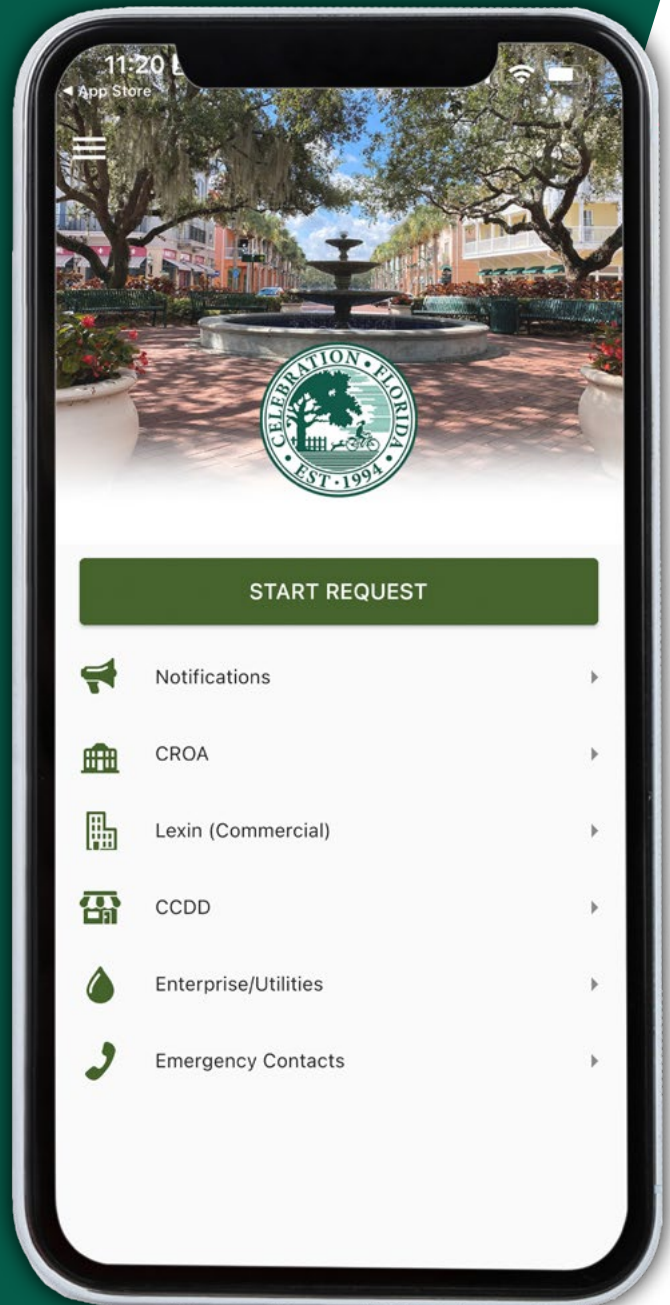
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The Celebration Soccer Club started in 2015 to unite residents to play in an organized way, growing into a club in 2016. Two years later, in 2018, it became known as Celebration Soccer Club. They currently reside at Celebration Community Fields Complex, 319 Campus Street. They are present seven days a week to both adults and youth. The Celebration Soccer Club program was created to provide Celebration residents with a safe, respectful, and healthy environment to play soccer.

Celebration Soccer Club prides itself on providing soccer opportunities for all in a meticulously organized manner. CSC ensures a high-quality experience for residents by engaging top-tier professionals and offering premium equipment. They actively contribute to charitable causes. Each year, CSC’s fundraising efforts significantly impact initiatives such as breast cancer research, providing soccer shoes for children in underserved communities abroad, and aiding hurricane relief programs. The Celebration Soccer Club has donated uniforms and soccer balls to Celebration K-8s and high school soccer teams and programs for many seasons.

The Celebration Soccer Club (CSC) offers soccer opportunities at both recreational and competitive levels, ensuring a comprehensive experience for all players. With a team of knowledgeable staff and coaches holding US Soccer licenses, players receive top-notch guidance and instruction in a pleasant, healthy, and well-structured environment.

The purpose of creating CSC’s program was to meet the needs of Celebration’s residents, drawing on a shared commitment and passion for soccer to enhance the community’s experience. Maintaining a familial atmosphere is paramount, with most staff hailing from Celebration, fostering a sense of unity and belonging among players and families. CSC is made for players ages two and up to enjoy soccer in Celebration.

Some of the Celebration Soccer Club programs: Celebration Cup, Tournaments and Leagues, Celebration Youth Soccer League, Soccer Palooza, Orlando City Soccer School, Celebration Soccer Stars, Celebration Travel Team, Adult Leagues (all setups), Coed Pickups, Over 40 League, Family Soccer, Moms and daughters (ladies only), Pride Soccer; Spring, Fall and Winter Leagues, Parades, Summer Camps, Coaching Education, etc. All were created by Celebration residents and for Celebration Residents and their guests.

CSC actively engages in community events and demonstrates its dedication to community involvement and support. Registration for seasons, pickups, tournaments, and other events is conveniently accessible through the club’s website, ensuring seamless participation for players. Additionally, CSC welcomes donations of soccer shoes and shin guards to facilitate participation and growth within the program.

Driven by a commitment to continual improvement, CSC strives to remain current with global sports organizations, ensuring that the club’s offerings evolve while maintaining high standards. Challenges, such as field issues due to weather, are met with resilience and teamwork, underscoring CSC’s dedication to overcoming obstacles alongside its community members.

As CSC continues to expand and evolve, new community involvement and growth opportunities emerge. With an unwavering dedication to excellence and a collaborative spirit, CSC looks forward to facing future challenges and achievements with its valued residents.

The Club is a year-round soccer program, so Adults and Youth can choose when they want to play throughout the year, seven days a week. The Celebration Soccer Club provides affordable and accessible programs (CROA ID) to the “town” of Celebration. Membership fees, donations, and sponsors help offset the cost of field rentals and equipment needed to provide all programs. They are always open to volunteer support for their soccer programs and events. It is always appreciated.

Their mission is to provide Celebration residents with soccer in a safe, respectful, and healthy environment, “All smiles on the fields”. We are here to serve, and as Marco loves to say, “See you on the pitch!” •



THE WEST OSCEOLA LIBRARY HAS SOME AMAZING PROGRAMS FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH!

PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS:

Saturday, March 2 at 2 p.m. – He Named Me Malala

Learn more about Malala Yousafzai with a screening of the documentary *He Named Me Malala* in honor of Women's History Month. Rated PG-13. Closed captions available upon request.

Saturday, March 16 at 1 p.m.

NovelTea Book Club: *Lady Tan's Circle of Women*

Enjoy a lively book discussion while enjoying teas based on each month's book selection. This month: *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See.

Saturday, March 23 at 2 p.m. – Step Into the Past

Discover the history of remarkable women living in Osceola County. Presented by Osceola History.

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES:

Every Tuesday starting at 10 a.m. – Storytime!

Join us for twice the fun with two storytimes for your little ones, with special stories and songs for toddlers at 10am and babies at 11am.

Every Wednesday morning starting at 9:15 a.m. R.I.S.E. Up Osceola

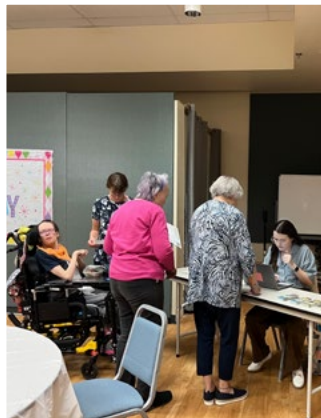
The School District of Osceola brings their READ Bus equipped with resources to engage parents of pre-school age children and toddlers with activities to develop their early literacy skills.

Every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. – Celebration Chess Club

Test your skills, learn new strategies, and meet fellow chess enthusiasts while playing the most popular game in the world! All ages welcome. This program will be facilitated by Nick Perez of the Orlando Chess Association.

Research and Instruction for everyone!

In addition to these exciting programs, the Library is partnering with the Adult Literacy League to host E.S.O.L. (English as a Second Language) Conversation Hour every Friday at 10am. This is a great opportunity to become more familiar with the English language and meet new people. ●



Check out our March calendar online at osceolalibrary.org, or at the West Osceola Library right here in Celebration!

SNAP SHOTS PUPS AND PINTS

Thank you to everyone who joined us at Pups & Pints on Saturday, January 20. This event was brought to you by Experience Kissimmee, Island Village at Celebration by Mattamy Homes, and Celebration Brewing Company. ●



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Sid's Story

You may have noticed a gentleman carrying the American flag among the 2498 runners at the 11th annual Celebration Marathon. That man was Sid Bush, who has run over 200 marathons and never kept a medal for himself.

Sid's career choice was coincidentally influenced by Celebration's neighbor, Disney. When he was eight, he watched Disney's "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea." A decade later, he joined the Navy. Except for the lack of a fight with a giant squid, his life as a submariner was everything he had expected.

Serving in the Navy, Sid blew a disc in his back, which kept him from submarine duty. He asked his doctor if he could finish a marathon and if he would be allowed to continue serving. He went on to do just that and returned to active duty.

In 1974, Sid's wife, Alicia, and one-year-old son, Seth, were going to the pediatrician for the child's check-up. They were both killed by a drunk driver.

When the tragic accident occurred, Sid was deployed deep in the ocean. The authorities sent a message to Sid's captain, who called him into his office to share the horrific news. The captain ensured Sid was returned to port as soon as possible.

After suffering from this tragic loss, Sid realized that he needed to find a way to help others who had suffered a similar and unimaginable loss. In every marathon he ran, Sid carried a flag and presented his medal to families to honor those they had lost.

One of Sid's favorite honorees was James Malachowski, a staff sergeant in the US Marine Corps. As James was leaving for his fifth deployment in Afghanistan, he told his mother that his greatest fear was that if he died, no one would know he ever lived. He was killed at age 25.

Sid wanted to make sure that Sergeant Malachowski was remembered for his service to our country. He contacted the family and met them at the finish line of the Marine Corps Marathon, where together they placed the medal on their son's headstone in Arlington National Cemetery.

Sid has proudly carried the American flag for many years to honor 206 fallen soldiers, police officers, and first responders so they will never be forgotten. ●

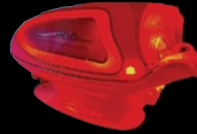


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When you meet Teenie, you are amazed at her energy. She has already made plans to run in her 80th year and is pursuing a “Healthy 100”. We asked her to share with us the most important things that have contributed to her healthy aging and longevity, and we found this.

Tennie is a health educator who holds seminars and events around the world. So, she has been living and researching health for some time. But when she turned 69, she attended a presentation that focused on the benefits of staying active, and it emphasized the importance of running for mental and physical health – so she decided that she would put this to the test in her 70s. She and her husband came to the hospital for their executive physicals before starting to train. They were amazed by the fitness center and CREATION Life principles because they correlated so closely with what Teenie teaches. That is why she selected Celebration as her running home. Keep reading to find her secrets to living “as long as you can as young as possible.”

Whether you run or not, Teenie’s health habits will benefit your life. And who knows – you may want to run with her team next year.

Teenie’s secrets are found in the word WELLNESS. She uses the word as an acronym for the most important elements to her and keeps it simple!

Water – She drinks plenty of water and uses hydrotherapy to build her immune system. Teenie is also a fan of the sauna and steam.

Exercise – Moving is vital to health and longevity, and Teenie gets a minimum of 10,000 per day and sometimes up to 20,000. She also incorporates stretching, interval training, and cardio.

Love – Her faith is vital. The love that she shares with family and friends keeps her healthy. Studies have shown that our health improves when we love and are loved.

Lifestyle – Abstain from anything harmful and use that which is good wisely. Teenie applies temperance to all things.

Nutrition – Teenie’s diet is 100% plant-based. She believes in intermittent fasting.

Environment – Fresh air in nature is so important! Despite living in Virginia, Teenie and her husband Mark would love to come and stay in our town and take advantage of our numerous trails. She is adamant about taking in the sunshine without sunscreen for 20 minutes daily.

Sleep – She tries to get 7.5-8 hours per night; if she cannot, she will take a 30-minute nap throughout the day.

Teenie and Mark return each year for their health assessments at Advent Health since the hospital was built with a commitment to wellness and around the creation principle, which strongly appeals to them. Our town is where she wants to run! She has completed three half and four full marathons!

We asked Teenie what your mind and outlook have to do with wellness. She reminded us that all things physical affect our mind.

Keep your brain active and sharp. Teenie will always have a sudoku game with her when she travels. As she writes her new book, the research exercises her brain. She constantly challenges her brain to learn new things, even at 79! As she writes her latest book, she follows her complete mental fitness routine (to be featured later).

When it comes to outlook, she referred to a Harvard study that focused on six cornerstones: Plant-based diet, exercise, sleep, stress management, social connection, and challenging your brain.

Teenie’s support system enables her to have a positive outlook. Her husband and family are involved in all her races. Inspiration from family and friends is vital to her wellness model.

Teenie would love to see you at next year’s marathon. So why not apply some or all of her secrets? ●



Celebration Foundation



Dear Neighbors,

Lucky to live in celebration every month of the year especially in March!

This March, Celebration Foundation is celebrating the following highlights:

Scholarships: Our scholarship applications are in, and our Scholarship Committee is reading each application. Thank you to the Education Foundation for being a one stop shop for all students applying for hundreds of scholarships every year.

Thriving In Place: Continues to be a vibrant program where program members volunteer at the Celebration Marathon before the sun rises and program members write letters to their student pen pals from Creation Village. This group has a packed social calendar every month!

Celebration Lifelong: Returns to Town Hall for Spring 2024 Session with 35 courses to choose from with a few hybrid options. Consider becoming a member this year to meet our volunteer instructors and learn something new!

Learning Without Hunger: Provides weekend meal packs (and in school snacks) for 19 schools in Osceola County. We are lucky to have AdventHealth Celebration, Osceola County Commissioners, and your support to help alleviate food insecurity for our students.

Concert Series: Bringing quality and a variety of music to Celebration with our Concert Series Committee and Celebration High School volunteers – music matters!

Annual Fund: Donations continue to arrive at our office or online for all the Celebration Foundation continues to do in our community and beyond.

Foundation Family: Feeling grateful that we are beyond lucky to have so many hands and hearts that want to make a difference in our community.

I hope to see you searching for a “sham” rock this month! Join our Shamrock Community Challenge as we are lucky to live, learn, work, and play in Celebration every day.

Warm regards,

Kathleen Sipio,
Executive Director •

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Stay fit and healthy – Thriving In Place has yoga offerings three times a week; a water aerobics class at AdventHealth Celebration once a month. We also offer a Qigong class monthly too! We have partnerships with AdventHealth and AARP who send professional speakers on health-related topics during weekly Lunch & Learns—discounted AdventHealth Fitness Center membership. Thriving in Place provides 10 rides a month within Celebration, these can be used for your medical appointments and shopping at the grocery store too. Light handyman services – keeps you off the step ladder, changing a light bulb or battery in the fire alarm.

Learn something new – Quarterly outings, lunch and learn on a variety of topics, learn to knit/crochet or bring a current project to visit with the Happy Stitchers; Spring & Fall semester Lifelong Membership – access to lectures, clubs and more; chatting with other members with different experiences – always brings something new and different.

Help others – Thriving In Place and the Celebration Foundation have many volunteer opportunities waiting for you – check it out. Better yet, create your own opportunity by making a presentation, teaching a craft, card game, or sponsoring a fun activity.

Spend less, save more – The activities, events, socialization, and offerings are priceless while creating great memories! Call today to join!

Feel free to reach out to Becky Varley, Thriving In Place manager with questions.

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You'll hear all the best hits featuring a young powerhouse group of diverse live musicians. "Reach Out (I'll Be There)," "Baby, I Need Your Lovin'," "Superstition," "I Got You (I Feel Good)," "September," "Uptown Funk," and many more.

So, "Get Ready" to take a journey through the generations honoring the musical and cultural influence of soul with **EVOLUTION: MOTOWN!**



CELEBRATION LIFELONG
Spring-Summer 2024
Term Continues...
AND GET READY TO SHRED!

It is almost Spring and the first three-week session of the Celebration Lifelong Learning 2024 Spring-Summer Term just ended, with the second session beginning on March 12th and the third on April 9th. Our Speaker Series continues with six more weekly presentations and our Clubs meet the first week of each month. In addition to our class offering and Speaker Series, spring is the season for our **Annual Spring Shredding Event!**

Sponsored by Dan Zagata with Evershore Financial Group, the **Shredding Event** will take place on **Saturday, April 27**. Do you have a backlog of personal paperwork too sensitive to recycle? Bring your boxes of papers to **Celebration Town Hall at 851 Celebration Avenue between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m.** One to five boxes, approximately 10"x12"x15" in size, can be shredded for a minimum donation of \$25, with a \$5 charge for each additional box. All proceeds support the Celebration Lifelong Program. Registering is the only way to guarantee participation, so visit celebrationfoundation.org to register.

Over the years Celebration Lifelong Learning has evolved with the times. During the early days of Covid we offered the entire program online, and as the pandemic waned, we returned to in-person classes. For the first time this term we are offering a select few classes in a hybrid format, with students electing to attend in-person or via Zoom. The hybrid format allows people who are homebound, traveling or who live at a distance to attend several of our many, excellent classes.

There is still time to register for our March and April class sessions. Visit celebrationlifelong.org to view our current catalog and register for classes. You will also find a listing of our Speaker Series programs and club offerings. If you would like to be a part of our Celebration Lifelong Learning program, we are always looking for volunteers to offer new courses and to help with our Welcome Desk and Technology Support. To volunteer your expertise in either capacity, visit our homepage and select **WANT TO TEACH** or **WANT TO VOLUNTEER** from the left side of the page. We look forward to seeing you in class and becoming part of our team! ●



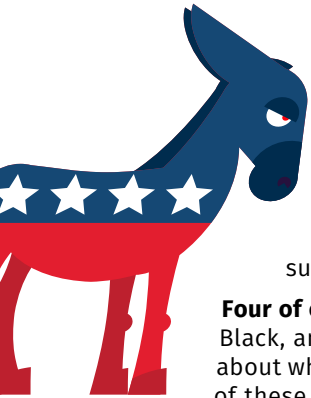
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Come to our next meeting, Thursday, March 7, at 7 pm at Town Hall to meet the two Democratic candidates for county sheriff who couldn't join the February 1 meeting: Marcos Lopez (current Sheriff) and Luis "Tony" Fernandez. There are 6 Democratic candidates for this office to choose from. So come March 7 and ask them questions to help you decide your vote in the Primary on August 20. Club members will also vote on DOC officers for the next two years.

At our meeting on April 4, hear from our US Congressman, Darren Soto, who is running for re-election in November—Darren does good work for central Florida (see any of his newsletters) and needs your support.

Four of our six Democratic candidates spoke at our February 1 meeting: Russ Gibson, Amaryllis Rivera, Wiley Black, and Angel Rivera, in order of when they responded to the Democrat Club's invitation. We learned a lot about what goes on in the Sheriff's department, and many were impressed with the experience and motivation of these candidates. With so many candidates and to make good use of everyone's time, each candidate was sent in advance a page of questions members developed at the preceding meeting, and each was given a specific 15-minute time slot during the Feb. meeting to respond to them. Candidates were also told that attendees at the Feb. meeting would have hard copies of those questions and were advised that a timer would be used to give



Wiley Black



Russ Gibson



Amaryllis Rivera



Angel Rojas

them a 1-minute warning to close before having two minutes for spontaneous questions from the group. It worked! For more information on these candidates (in alphabetical order):

- **WILEY BLACK:** email - wiley.black4sheriff@gmail.com; Facebook – Wiley Black for Osceola Sheriff
- **RUSS GIBSON:** website – www.russforsheriff.com; Facebook - Russ Gibson for Sheriff
- **AMARYLLIS RIVERA:** website – www.amaryllisrivera4sheriff.com
- **ANGEL ROJAS:** email - osceolasheriff2024@gmail.com

Our Pat Schroeder Memorial Voter Registration drive continues, every month. Come meet DOC volunteers at Food Truck Friday on March 8, the Library on the 9th and the Farmers Market on the 10th to help people register to vote—electronically only!—renew their vote-by-mail applications, and have many good conversations.



Connect! Find the Democrat Club on Facebook and Instagram—look for “democratsofcelebration.” Their Media Maven Jill reports they are now getting hundreds of viewings! Just one more way of getting the good Democratic word out. Since it's a page and not a site, the more you look them up, the more new posts will pop up in your feed. They now also have online options for joining, paying dues (only \$20 per calendar year—a bargain!) and buying a spiffy DOC T-shirt.

Next DOC meeting: Thursday, March 7, 7 pm at Town Hall, for more sheriff candidates, DOC officer elections, snacks and socializing after—Bring friends! ●



I BELIEVE IN YOU

“I believe in you.” Sometimes, the simplest phrases carry the most incredible power. Life has a way of thrusting obstacles into our stories that we didn’t plan on, and those waves of resistance try to convince us that our belief in ourselves to accomplish something is futile. If you’ve ever found yourself wallowing on the jagged shoreline of despair, you might understand the rush of hope imparted in those precious words: “I believe in you.”

The community of Celebration holds a mighty key that lifts the broken, saves lives, and elevates people into fulfilling their destinies. That key comes in the form of men and women of all ages who sacrifice their time, money, and energy for the good of strangers who need a lifeline. Right here in Celebration, there’s a generation rising to carry the torch of good works, lighting up the night and giving sight to those who couldn’t see past their darkest moments.

Over thirty teenagers come together every Friday at Embrace of Celebration High School club to brainstorm and create ideas for fundraisers for Embrace of Celebration. Embrace provides meals and basic needs for over 500 people each week. Volunteers gather every Saturday to pack lunch bags for families struggling to make ends meet. The food isn’t the only thing people receive; each food bag carries a message of hope and encouragement, including an information sheet with different support organizations. Teenagers often write notes for students who face heart-wrenching situations at home. Words of life ring deep to fuel the next step, the next moment. “I believe in you” is often all it takes.

Embrace of Celebration is delighted to have this incredible team of volunteers, many teenagers, who serve wholeheartedly with a smile.

For students who are trying to make their way through school while facing the possibility of homelessness and for those waking up in a motel without access to a kitchen for breakfast, knowing strangers are cheering them on is vital. When parents work tirelessly for a minimum wage that cannot sustain a household, sometimes the one thing that keeps them from giving up is the phrase, “I believe in you.”

Influencers throughout the centuries know the power of showing support and belief in another. Charles Dickens once said, “No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.” John Bunyan was right when he said, “You have not lived today until you have done something for someone who can never repay you.” Steve Maraboli knows the truth: “A kind gesture can reach a wound that only compassion can heal.” And even if you feel you have little to contribute, remember what Mother Teresa taught: “Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.”

And sometimes that love comes in the breath that says, “I believe in you.”

For more information about Embrace of Celebration, please visit embraceofcelebration.org.

Email our Founder Bettina Grzeskowiak at Bettina@embraceofcelebration.org ♥ ●



Passover Community Seder CELEBRATION JEWISH CONGREGATION (CJC)

Please join CJC for a truly meaningful holiday experience.

Our Passover Community Seder will take place on Thursday evening April 25, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at Celebration’s Artisan Club. The Seder will engage participants in a traditional, yet expeditious Program followed by a buffet dinner of Passover favorites. The Artisan Club provides the highest quality food and service experience.

Complete details on the Seder menu, pricing, etc. will be available in next month’s edition of Celebration magazine as well as through other Celebration publications. ●

SAVE THE DATE – APRIL 25TH, 2024

Happy Passover



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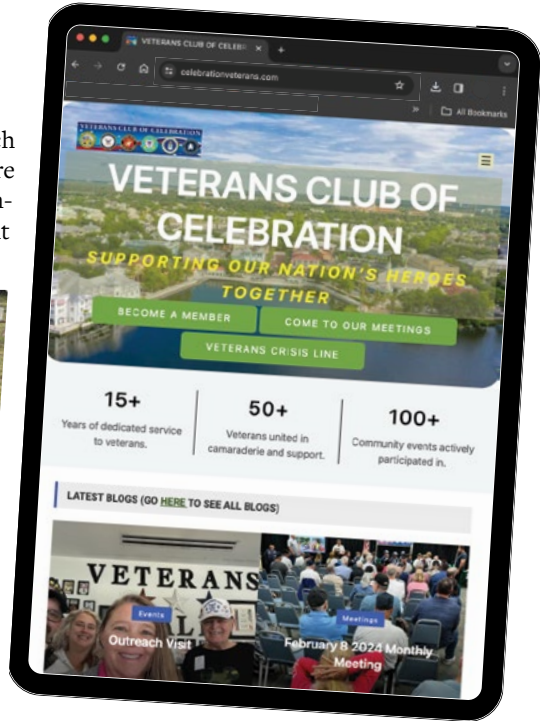
CELEBRATION VETERANS



THE VETERANS CLUB HAS A NEW WEBSITE

We've moved to a new website!
- celebrationveterans.com

We're thrilled with our new site which will be more interactive, more informative and provide much-needed current information about our club's activities.



VETERANS CLUB of Celebration

The Veterans Club of Celebration was organized in 2007 to provide support to honorably discharged Veterans (any military service branch) and to participate and support community events.

We are organized as a non-profit organization with the intent and purpose to promote awareness and interest in veterans' affairs and activities. All honorably discharged veterans are welcome.

We meet the second Thursday of the month, 6 p.m.

For further information, contact Celebrationvets@outlook.com, (845) 551-2213 or visit celebrationveterans.com.



In January, club members placed 450 coins on gravestones at Greenwood Cemetery, honoring individuals who served this country through military service in the Spanish-American War, World War 1, World War 2, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. The club will be visiting the Cape Canaveral National Cemetery on March 25.

The Veterans Club met for their semi-annual breakfast at the Shades of Green in February.



Our next meeting will be March 14, with pizzas and sodas at 6:00 pm, followed by our meeting at 6:30 pm. Meetings take place on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the 851 Building.

Veterans interested in becoming a member of the club can complete a membership application online or for more information, email us at CelebrationVets@outlook.com.

MEETINGS

SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
6 P.M. | TOWN HALL



CELEBRATION VETERANS CLUB



Happy St. Patrick's Day

THERE ARE ONLY TWO KINDS OF PEOPLE IN THE WORLD, THE IRISH AND THOSE WHO WISH THEY WERE! And once again the Celebrators are out to prove it! Join us on Saturday, March 16th when we will gather once again at the Artisan Club for a traditional Irish dinner! This year's menu features: corned beef and cabbage, boiled potatoes, Shepheard's pie, lamb stew, Guinness Mac and Cheese, Colcannon (mashed potatoes with Kale) and more! You'll want to save room for a wee-bit-o' dessert like Irish Cream cupcakes, Apple cake and Bailey's Cheesecake. Your \$25.00 per member ticket also includes non-alcoholic hot and cold beverages as well as tax and gratuity. There will also be Irish music piped in just in case anyone feels the urge to break out in a jig or a reel after a pint or two. Kilts optional. Slainte! But you better hurry...the last Day for reservations is March 8th!

"SAY IT AIN'T SO, JOE!" Staying with the St. Patrick's Day theme, here's some things about this well-known (dare I say popular) saint you probably didn't know, starting with the fact that he wasn't Irish! He was born in Britain to Roman parents. He was kidnapped by Irish raiders when he was 16 and became a slave in Ireland. His color was originally blue, not green. (Blarney, you say!) But here's the best one...his real name was *Maewyn Succat!*

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN SOMETHING? - Reminder...Your 2024 Annual Membership dues were payable by December 31, 2023. If you missed the deadline...it's not too late! The next time you're at a meeting, **MARCH** (hint...) mosey on up to the head table with your 15 buck-a-roos where Pat Wells will be ready, willing and able to take your money. Cash and checks cheerfully accepted. OR...you can mail your check payable to: The Celebrators at PO Box 470214, Celebration, FL 34747. And remember...we know where you live!

AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST, AN IRISH TOAST..."May your hair never fall out and may your beard be ever bushy!" •

REGULAR MONTHLY SCHEDULE

MEMBER MEETING: 1st Wednesday of the month
NEXT MEETING: **March 6**
 Town Hall
 851 Celebration Ave
 Doors open at 9:00 a.m.
 Meeting starts at 9:30 a.m.
 Bring your own beverage...we'll supply the sweet treats!

Please note that the following "dates" are subject to change or cancellation based on possible scheduling conflicts with other Celebrator events or activities.

LUNCH AT "THE CLUB": 1st Saturday after the month
LET'S DO LUNCH: 2nd Monday of the month
SOCIAL HOUR: 3rd Tuesday of the month (subject to change)
DINNER OUT: 4th Thursday of the month

DUES ARE *STILL ONLY \$15 ANNUALLY*
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For more information, please call 321-939-2594 or visit our website, www.thecelebrators.org.

The Garden Club of Celebration has at least six University of Florida Master Gardener Volunteers this year. The University of Florida offers classes on horticultural topics that are geared for Florida growing regions. Taking these classes gives a person a better understanding and knowledge on how to grow things in Florida. Along with lectures, you have access to books and flyers that collate data from many research sources. The Garden Club tries to share this knowledge with the public at various functions and farmers' markets. The following are connections to a number of helpful flyers and pamphlets from the Master Gardeners:



Central Florida
Gardening Calendar.



Florida Wildflowers
and Butterflies.



What to plant in March.



What to plant in April.

The Garden Club has monthly meetings to increase your plant and environmental knowledge. Last month, on February 21st, they had a speaker talk about growing a garden in shady areas of the yard or porch. Many plants need full sun and others require shade or only partial sun. If a plant is placed in the wrong environment, it will not thrive. Please come and give the Garden Club a try. They start the meetings at 9:00 A.M. and have a little social and refreshment time first at 8:30 A.M. Their meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of each month.

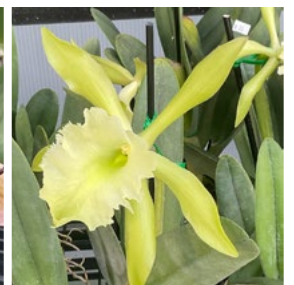
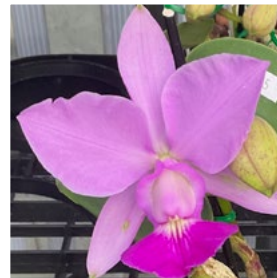
This month the Garden Club is continuing their Spring Pine Straw sale, which will continue through the next few days. They also award several \$1500 scholarships to deserving high school seniors to help with their college expenses. The pine straw sales and poinsettia sales allow them to be able to give out over \$4000 per year. The Garden Club also gives money to the local schools for plant-related activities. The club is helping to replant gardens in Deerwoods Park with pollinator and Florida native plants. These types of plants help out our butterfly, bee, and other animal populations.

Now that spring is just around the corner and the temperatures are rising, look to put in new annuals in your garden or pots. This is a great time to do it, even if your winter plants are doing fine. The roots of the plants need to get established before the summer heat starts stressing them. So, starting them now will give you stronger and prettier plants throughout the summer. This bit of gardening help was from the director of Leu Gardens.

This is also the time of the year when you can start fertilizing your yard. You cannot fertilize anytime you wish in Florida legally. There are rules against placing lawn fertilizers during the rainy season, as the heavy rains cause the fertilizers to run off into the storm drains and into the streams causing pollution downstream. You are also supposed to use fertilizers without phosphates. There is enough in our soil already for the grasses. Fertilizing now through June and then again later in the fall is adequate for your lawn. Winter fertilizing is not necessary as the grass slows its growth down in the cool season.

Have a great spring, folks!

To find out more about the garden club,
visit our website at www.celebrationgardenclub.org •



TOASTMASTERS MEETING AT CELEBRATION LIBRARY JOIN US!



Face it. In today's world of e-mails, texting, and other social media, effective communication is the key to opening the doors of success.

Need help in this area? Toastmasters can help.

Toastmasters International is a valuable resource for anyone seeking to hone their public speaking and other communication skills. Founded in 1924, Toastmasters has grown into a global organization with approximately 270,000 members in more than 14,200 clubs in 148 countries.

The mission of Toastmasters is to empower individuals to become confident communicators and leaders. Through a structured program, members prepare and deliver speeches, respond to spontaneous questions, and receive constructive feedback—all in a very supportive environment. By delivering speeches, leading meetings, and facilitating discussions, members are given many opportunities to enhance their public speaking skills and build confidence in front of an audience. During this journey of personal growth, members achieve their communication and leadership goals.

One of the best-kept secrets of Toastmasters is that it provides a great opportunity for networking and socializing. Toastmasters offer a unique platform for meeting like-minded, goal-oriented people from diverse backgrounds and occupations. English is not your first language? No problem.

Toastmasters offers a welcoming and supportive community that transcends cultural backgrounds. This ethos of encouragement and feedback fosters personal growth and strengthens bonds among members as they support each other's self-improvement journey.

As our interconnected world continues to change daily with new demands for effective communication, stay caught up. Whether you're seeking to conquer your fear of public speaking, increase your leadership abilities, develop critical thinking skills, or sharpen your active listening, we can help.

Interested in learning more? Interested in finding your voice?

Please join us at the Celebration Library every Tuesday at 6:45 pm or contact 407-900-4720. Through our supportive community, structured learning environment, and numerous leadership opportunities, we'll support you in your journey of personal and professional growth. ●

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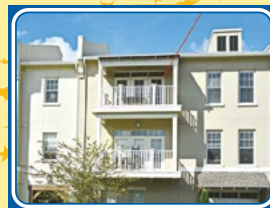
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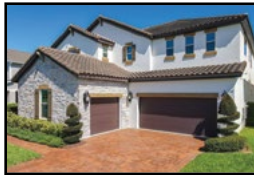
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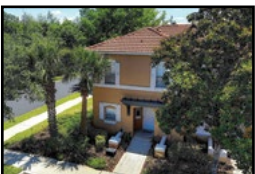
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