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Reorganization of the Board of County Commissioners



The Leon County Board of County Commissioners held its 2013 Reorganization of the Board Ceremony on Tuesday, November 19, in the Commission Chambers of the Leon County Courthouse.

Clerk of the Court Bob Inzer swore in District 5 Commissioner Kristin Dozier as Chairman, and At-Large Commissioner Mary Ann Lindley was selected as Vice-Chairman. For the next year, Chairman Dozier will serve as the official representative of the Board, leading official meetings and signing resolutions on the Board's behalf.

(Left to Right) District 2 Commissioner Jane G. Sauls, At-Large Commissioner Nick Maddox, At-Large Commissioner Mary Ann Lindley (Vice-Chairman), District 5 Commissioner Kristin Dozier (Chairman), District 3 Commissioner John E. Dailey, District 4 Commissioner Bryan Desloge, District 1 Commissioner Bill Proctor

EMS 10 Year Celebration

Tuesday, December 10 at 9 a.m.

Leon County EMS Operations Center, 911 Easterwood Blvd.

Breakfast will be served.

Leon County Government will host a Ten Year Anniversary Celebration event recognizing the past ten years of service provided by Leon County Emergency Medical Services (LCEMS). The event is open to the public. The program will include testimonials from patients saved by the LCEMS team, including a young boy resuscitated in 2006 when he was two-and-a-half weeks old.

On December 31, 2003, LCEMS started responding to calls throughout the community. Over the past ten years, LCEMS has made a significant impact in Leon County, not just in response to accidents, but also public education and injury prevention. Recently, LCEMS received a full three-year reaccreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services, and also a 2013 State of Florida Injury Prevention Award.

LCEMS exceeds these statewide and national benchmarks all while responding to more calls each year. Since 2003, LCEMS has responded to nearly 300,000 calls for service. The community is invited to join Leon County Government in thanking the LCEMS first responders and command staff for their service.

For more information, contact: Emergency Medical Services at (850) 606-2100 or Community and Media Relations at (850) 606-5300.



Town Hall Meeting

Woodville Water Quality, Stormwater and Central Sewer

Thursday, December 5 at 6 p.m.

Woodville Community Center, 8000 Old Woodville Road

Refreshments to be served.

Under the facilitation of Commissioner Bill Proctor, this town hall meeting will allow citizens to discuss future development potential and sewage options. Leon County staff will present on the environmental factors regarding sewer infrastructure in Woodville including projects currently being considered by the Leon County Sales Tax Committee, and how sewer could affect development rights.

For more information, call: Leon County Community and Media Relations at (850) 606-5300.

Season's Readings

Visit your nearest Leon County Library for season's readings, whatever your holiday!

Find holiday movies to enjoy with your whole family, check out your favorite holiday reading, find new books and stories to help celebrate and understand your holidays, and find holiday stories to read out loud.

Do you need some inspiration for those important holiday meals? Check your Leon County Library's cookbook shelves for recipes for your favorite holiday foods, or start a new tradition with a new recipe. Does your holiday table need a little pizzazz? Check holiday-themed books and magazines for fresh decorating ideas!

Homemade holiday gifts are always appreciated. Find lots of gift ideas for your relatives and friends of all ages in your Leon County Library's holiday craft books and magazines.

Your Leon County Library will make it easy for you to enjoy season's readings. All of the libraries have holiday books on display throughout the season.

For more information: www.LeonCountyLibrary.org • (850) 606-2665

Trailhassee

When it comes to staging nationally recognized cross country events, Leon County has an "Ap" for that. In this case, it's Apalachee Regional Park. Recently, during a one-month period, the "Ap" hosted two major cross country meets, attracting nearly 9,000 visitors and generating more than \$1.9 million in spending in the community. The meets included the Florida State University Cross County Invitational and more recently, the Florida High School Athletic Association State Championships. The Leon County Division of Tourism Development, Leon County Schools, the Leon County Parks and Recreation Department and FSU coordinated the events.

To learn more about related events and other attractions, visit VisitTallahassee.com or call (850) 606-2305.

Interested in Serving on a Citizen Advisory Committee?

Citizen participation, by way of community input, advice, and/or recommendations regarding matters brought before the Board of County Commissioners for approval, is important in developing Leon County's programs/policies and in providing quality public services to the community.

Currently, applications are being accepted for the following Leon County Committee vacancies: Affordable Housing Advisory Committee - Three appointments, and for the following term expirations: Council on Culture & Arts - One appointment, Contractors Licensing and Examination Board - Two appointments, Science Advisory Committee - Four appointments.

Leon County citizens may go to the County's website, www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Committees, and review a listing of committees that includes information on committee responsibilities, member eligibility, and committee vacancies, complete a Committee Application and Citizen Committee Orientation and Training. The application may be completed online, downloaded and e-mailed, or faxed to: Christine Coble, Agenda Coordinator; phone: (850) 606-5300, fax: (850) 606-5301, email: CobleC@LeonCountyFL.gov

Adopt-A-Tree

Leon County is proud to offer the 2014 Adopt-A-Tree public tree planting program. If you live inside Leon County, but outside of Tallahassee city limits, you may qualify to have a Basswood planted on your property for free. If you are looking for a medium to large sized shade tree, this is certainly one to consider. Also known as American linden, this tree can be grown as a specimen or shade tree.



If you agree to water the tree three times a week for one year, Leon County Public Works will plant the tree anywhere between your house and any publicly-maintained road or any privately maintained road with public access. To have a tree planted on your property between February and March 2014, simply fill out an application online at www.LeonCountyFL.gov/AdoptATree and place a wooden stake at the desired location. Public Works will try to get as close to the designated area as possible. One tree per household per year will be planted.

The application deadline is Friday, January 31, 2014.

ADOPT-A-TREE APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Best Daytime Phone: _____

Other Phone: _____

Leon County Public Works and Community Development

2280 Miccosukee Road Tallahassee, FL 32308 Phone: (850) 606-1400 Fax: (850) 606-1401

December 2013

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SCHEDULE

- 9 Board of County Commissioners Board Retreat 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Goodwood Museum and Gardens, 1600 Miccosukee Road, Carriage House
10 Board of County Commissioners Workshop on Consideration of Leon County Funding Participation in Construction of the Comprehensive Emergency Services Center 12 - 1:30 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
Board of County Commissioners Workshop on 2014 State and Federal Legislative Priorities* 1:30 - 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
Board of County Commissioners Regular Meeting* 3 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
Board of County Commissioners Public Hearing* 6 p.m., County Courthouse, 301 S. Monroe St., 5th Floor, Commission Chambers
11 Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) 2:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
12 Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA) 2:00 p.m., City Hall, 300 S. Adams, 2nd Floor, Commission Chambers
24 Board Recess, No Meeting
25 Christmas Day, Offices Closed

*Live television broadcast available on Comcast Channel 16; webcast available anytime at www.LeonCountyFL.gov.