

Ocean Ridge Tidings



A monthly e-newsletter for the residents of Ocean Ridge, Florida

Garbage/Trash & Alarm Billing

Town Hall will be mailing the annual garbage/trash and alarm bills to our residents for the fiscal year 2013/14 mid-October. The rates for garbage/trash for single family is \$228 and multi-family is \$159.60 per unit. The annual rate for alarm monitoring is \$202. Should you have any questions, please call Town Hall at 561-732-2635.

Annual Holiday Celebration

The Town will be holding its annual Holiday Celebration on Friday, December 13, 2013 commencing at 5:30pm and ending at 8:30pm. Light snacks and beverages will be served. The children can expect a visit from Santa with some added fun. Free parking will be available at Oceanfront Park for this event only.



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on November 3.

Mobile Library

Palm Beach County's Book Mobile will be visiting Ocean Ridge in the near future! We will provide more details in future newsletters and on the town's website at www.oceanridgeflorida.com as they become available. Meanwhile, Ocean Ridge residents may enjoy the town's library from Monday through Friday 8:30am-3:00pm. We also accept hard cover book donations. If you have any questions, please call town hall at 561-732-2635.



Picture Source: PBCLibrary.org

Registering Rental Properties

The Town Commission has adopted Ordinance 603 which requires individuals renting their single family homes to register with the Town. Unfortunately some homeowners have ignored this regulation. This has created a problem and a nuisance for their neighbors because of new renters coming and going and in some cases ignoring the peace and tranquility that our residents expect and deserve in Ocean Ridge. Therefore, to develop knowledge as to where the renters are located the Commission adopted this ordinance requiring registration. This is also a safety issue for our residents. Many times we don't know of a problem until a neighbor has to complain about excessive noise and a multitude of renters roaming the area. Fortunately most of the renters are wonderful neighbors and don't create any problems. However, as in many instances there are always a few that try to take advantage of a situation.

We appreciate the homeowners working with us and registering their homes with the Town when they become involved in a rental program. The fee for registration is \$50 per lease and can be accomplished by registering at Town Hall (registration form on page 10). The Town still has an existing regulation that homes cannot be rented for less than 30 days at a time and the violators are cited as necessary. We greatly appreciate your cooperation with this program as we believe it's to the benefit of our permanent residents. —Ken Schenck, Town Manager

General Information

6450 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge, FL 33435

www.oceanridgeflorida.com

 @OceanRidgeFL

Town Hall

561-732-2635 (main) ♦ 561-737-8359 (fax)

561-732-ORFL (Citizen Information Line)

General Email: info@oceanridgeflorida.com

Town Hall Hours: 8:30am-3:00pm

Police

Non-emergency: 561-732-8331

Emergency: 9-1-1

Public Records Hours: 8:30am-2:30pm

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Numbers to Know

EMERGENCY

Police, Fire, Ambulance 911

NON-EMERGENCY

Ocean Ridge Police Dept. 561-732-8331

Boynton Beach Fire Dept. 561-742-6600

TOWN HALL

Building Dept., Town Clerk, Town Mgr. 561-732-2635

Fax 561-737-8359

OTHERS

Abuse Hotline 800-962-2873

Animal Control 561-233-1200

Army Corp of Engineers 561-683-1577

Beach Conditions 561-966-6600

Boynton Beach City Hall 561-742-6000

Boynton Beach Water Dept. 561-742-6300

Clarke Environmental Services 800-203-6485

Comcast 800-266-2278

Declare Domicile 561-355-2962

Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP) 561-245-2118

DEP—Mark Taynton 561-313-9007

Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV) 561-681-6333

Elder Affairs 866-882-2991

FEMA 800-621-3362

FL Dept. of Transportation (DOT) 866-374-3368

FL Dept. of Transportation Traffic Line 511

Florida Fish & Wildlife Comm. 888-404-FWCC

Florida Power & Light (FPL) 561-697-8000

Florida Power & Light (report outage) 800-4-OUTAGE

Marriage Licenses & Ceremonies 561-355-2986

Oceanfront Park Beach Conditions 561-742-6775

Oceanfront Park Events/Weddings 561-742-6240

Palm Beach County Building Dept. 561-233-5100

Palm Beach County EOC 561-712-6400

Palm Beach County Health Dept 561-840-4500

Palm Beach County Inspector General 877-283-7068

Palm Beach County Mosquito Control 561-642-8775

Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation 561-966-6600

Palm Beach County Property Appraiser 561-355-3230

Palm Beach County Tax Collector 561-355-2266

Palm Beach County White Fly 561-276-1260

Republic Services (trash collection) 561-478-9590

So. FL Water Management 561-686-8800

Solid Waste Authority 561-640-4000

Supervisor of Elections 561-656-6200

Tides 561-742-6776

CLIP AND SAVE!

October & November Calendar of Events

October

- 5-Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup from 8am-10:15am at Oceanfront Park
- 7-Regular Town Commission meeting in chambers at 6pm
- 10-Lecture Series welcomes Tony Marconi's Ponce de Leon's presentation at 7:00pm in chambers
- 14-Ocean Ridge Garden Club Sea Turtle Presentation at 6:30pm in chambers
- 14-Columbus Day—Town Hall closed, no inspections but contractors may work
- 26-SeaAngels Beach Cleanup from 8am-10:30am at Inlet Park
- 31-Halloween

Turtle Season Ends October 31

November

- 2-Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup from 8am-10:15am at Oceanfront Park
- 3-Daylight Saving Time ends (set clocks back one hour)
- 4-Regular Town Commission Meeting at 6pm in chambers
- 5-Code Enforcement Hearing at 10am (tentative) in chambers
- 11-Ocean Ridge Garden Club White Fly Presentation at 6:30pm in chambers
- 11-Veteran's Day-Town Hall closed, no inspections, contractors may work
- 14-Lecture Series welcomes musician Bill Hartmann at 7:00pm in chambers
- 28-Hanukkah
- 28-Thanksgiving Day—Town Hall Closed, no inspections, no contractor work
- 29-Thanksgiving Holiday-Town Hall Closed, no inspections, contractors may work, garbage/recycle will be collected
- 30-SeaAngels Beach Cleanup from 8:00am to 10:30am at Ocean Inlet Park

Manatee Awareness Month—Manatee Season Begins November 15

Agendas, minutes, and updates to the calendar are available on the town's website and will be posted as they become available.

We Want To Hear From You!

Do you have a favorite recipe?

- * A new edition to the family you'd like to announce?
- * A favorite pet, wildlife, beach, or nature picture?

We'd love to add them to the newsletter and share them with your neighbors.

Email submittals to Lisa at
Lburns@oceanridgeflorida.com

Add Us To Your Contacts!

To ensure that you receive the e-newsletter, news alerts and other town information please add the following email addresses to your contacts (especially if you have a Comcast email address!)

info@oceanridgeflorida.com
Lburns@oceanridgeflorida.com
dispatch@oceanridgeflorida.com



Ocean Ridge Police Department News

By Chief Christopher T. Yannuzzi

Criminal Activity

Here is a listing of the crimes/suspicious activity reported to ORPD in **September 2013** for both Ocean Ridge and Briny Breezes:

<u>Type of Incident</u>	<u>Report Date</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Synopsis</u>
Theft	09/29/13	09/24/13 – 09/29/13	5700 blk Old Ocean Blvd.	Over the course of several days, unknown persons stole a garden hose, spare paver bricks and a key.

5 Health Insurance Scams

By Carole Moore (Article published in www.nasdaq.com on 09/30/2013)

Medical and health insurance scams are rampant. Both government and private initiatives have renewed their focus on preventing health insurance fraud and abuse. Michael Williams, director of communications and membership of the National Health Care Anti-Fraud Association, says new and better technology, improved awareness, and more widely available information combine to combat fraud. Williams adds that while the majority of physicians run honest practices, consumers must also step up to the plate to prevent fraud.

"Pay attention, do your research, read your EOBs (explanations of benefits) and beware of free offers," he says.

Read on to discover some of the most common health insurance scams making the rounds and ways experts like Williams say you can guard against becoming another victim.

1. Fake insurance policies

Like counterfeit money, bogus health insurance is not only circulating, but it's becoming increasingly common. James Quiggle, communications director of the Coalition against Insurance Fraud (CAIF), says fake policies are particularly virulent.

"These crooks come out of the woodwork and promise affordable premiums, no medical exams and guaranteed acceptance," Quiggle says, adding that the criminals who offer worthless policies often operate through sophisticated networks with strong marketing arms and money-laundering components. Many times they can be tied to organized crime.

Often, these con artists target small businesses, unions and associations. It's only when a policyholder needs the insurance that the game's up.

How to spot the scam: Use common sense, says Quiggle. Check with your state's department of insurance to see if the company is properly licensed. And remember, if it seems too good to be true, it most likely is. (Continued on next page)

What to do: If your policy is through an organization, report fraud to someone within the organization. Also, report the fraud to the Federal Trade Commission at FTC.gov and your state's department of insurance.

2. Bogus “Obamacare” Policies

With the phased-in implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, known more commonly as Obamacare, hucksters by the thousands have surfaced. Reports of program-related scams have flooded in from all over the country, according to Thomas M. Devlin, chief deputy attorney general for the Health Care section of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office. One prominent health insurance scam involves the criminals calling victims and trying to con them out of personal information.

"They're trying to tell people they're going to be issued a national health card and they need their Social Security numbers and bank account numbers; essentially, it's an identity theft type of scam," Devlin says.

"Be aware that the government is not going to solicit information over the phone or through email," he warns.

How to spot the scam: Any effort to solicit information from you for national health care should be regarded as suspicious. Don't respond to emails, and hang up on the callers.

What to do: Report your complaint to the Federal Trade Commission.

3. Medicare and Medicaid Fraud

The Coalition against Insurance Fraud says that in 2007 alone, Medicare and Medicaid made an estimated \$23.7 billion in improper payments. Medicare accounted for \$10.8 billion of that amount. However, as baby boomers get older, the number of seniors joining the program is expected to grow, so those numbers are expected to rapidly expand.

Jeff Young, vice president of fraud control at Verisk Health, says Medicare and Medicaid fraud generally begin at a practitioner's office. The staff members may order tests the patient's condition doesn't warrant, "upcode" or falsify what procedure the patient receives, or bill for nonexistent hours -- "double bill" -- among other illegal practices.

Although these don't necessarily impact the patient out of pocket, it can come back to haunt patients who really do need a medical procedure at some future point, and who could be denied the service based on false evidence. And, of course, there is also the moral issue of ripping off taxpayers.

"Ask questions as a consumer: 'Why do I need this (procedure)?' Get the answers upfront," says Young.

How to spot the scam: While explanations of benefits, or EOBs, can be complicated, always read through them. (Continued on next page)

What to do: If you spot an error, contact your insurer, either Medicare or Medicaid.

4. Medical discount card scams

A few years ago, the state of California joined Massachusetts in taking on the sellers of unscrupulous medical discount cards. Presented as a substitute for health insurance or a way to obtain discounts for everything from eye exams to dental work, the cards target mostly poor communities and are often useless. Experts say they expect to see more of these offers in the future.

These cards provide fake lists of providers, phony discounts, and high fees that aren't readily apparent and often mimic health insurance but provide no actual benefits. Ads for them can be found all over the Internet and in print and televised media. Dr. Deborah C. Peel, a physician and founder of the nonprofit Patient Privacy Rights, says beware when those selling such cards try and get you to divulge personal information, like your Social Security number.

"Always question why someone needs that information," Peel warns.

How to spot the scam: If you find a discount card you like, research it. If you discover complaints, hidden fees, false or overblown promises, or exorbitant costs, run fast in the opposite direction.

What to do: If you've already signed on with a company that's sold you a bogus discount card, contact your local state department of insurance.

5. Employers without worker's comp

Most workers don't think about having workers' compensation insurance until they need it, but an on-the-job injury could leave them in a financial bind. And, some employers don't carry workers' compensation coverage even though they are mandated to do so by law. This year, North Carolina state auditor Beth Wood reported that more than 11,000 businesses in her state canceled coverage or let it lapse. That meant about 30,000 employers required to carry workers' compensation insurance were without it.

Quiggle says lack of workers' compensation coverage is particularly rampant in certain industries, such as construction.

"When a worker falls off the roof and wakes up in the hospital, he ends up finding he's not covered by workers' comp," Quiggle says. It's a rude awakening to a health insurance scam in which the employer is the culprit.

How to spot the scam: Your employer should be happy to provide copies of its policies and procedures for on-the-job injuries. If it hasn't or if another worker has an accident and finds he or she isn't covered, then you probably aren't covered, either.

What to do: Report this health insurance scam to your state department of insurance.

7th Annual DEA Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative

In cooperation with the Ocean Ridge Police Department, the Drug Enforcement Administration's (DEA) Miami Field Division (MFD) will conduct their 7th Annual Prescription Drug Take Back Initiative on Saturday, October 26, 2013. This is a one-day collaborative effort with Federal, state and local law enforcement counterparts to remove potentially dangerous prescription drugs from our nation's homes. This initiative will provide an opportunity for the public to voluntarily surrender expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutically controlled substances and other medications to law enforcement officers for destruction. Collection activities are scheduled *from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm on October 26th* in the Police Department lobby.

As a reminder, thru the Palm Beach County Substance Abuse Coalition, the Ocean Ridge Police Department has a permanent Prescription Drug Collection Box in the lobby. So, in addition to this event, this drop box is available to the public 24/7 for the disposal of unwanted/outdated prescription drugs.

"Snowbirds" Flocking Back

October 1st marks the annual migration of our parttime residents from the North. So motor vehicle, bicycle and pedestrian traffic will be on the rise. Please drive carefully!

This also means that criminals who wish to avoid the cold will also be heading this way to apply their trade. We ask that you remain vigilant and report any & all suspicious activity – while it is happening. This provides your Police Department with the greatest opportunity to identify those involved and to potentially thwart a crime & make an apprehension. Remember: "If you see something, Say something!"

In an Emergency, dial 9-1-1. Non-emergency situations, dial 732-8331. THANK YOU!



**The Information You Provide Could Make A Difference.
Do Your Part. Report Suspicious Activity.**

If you see something, say something

If something does not look right, let us know.



**Report Suspicious Activity or Persons
to the Ocean Ridge Police Department at 561-732-8331**

KNOW THE RULES[®]...

Halloween Safety Tips

1. Instruct your older children to **TAKE FRIENDS** when "Trick or Treating."
2. Make sure a **TRUSTED ADULT**, an older child, or you accompany your younger children when "Trick or Treating." A trusted adult is a person parents/guardians have come to rely on and with whom they and their children feel comfortable. Discuss with your child who will accompany him or her and make sure you are both comfortable with the choice.
3. Accompany, or make sure a trusted adult accompanies, your younger children to the door of every home they approach. Become familiar with each home your child visits and the people who are providing Halloween treats to your children.
4. Teach your children to only enter homes with your prior permission and only approach homes that are well-lit both inside and outside.
5. Teach your children to **NEVER** approach a vehicle unless they are accompanied by you, even if it appears no one is inside the vehicle.
6. Make sure your children wear reflective clothing and carry a flashlight or glow stick when traveling during the evening hours.
7. Make sure your children are able to see and breathe properly and easily when using facial masks. All costumes and masks should be clearly marked as flame resistant.
8. Teach your children to always stay in well-lit areas, never take shortcuts, and never go into isolated areas.
9. Teach your children to stay alert for any suspicious incidents and report anything unusual to you and/or law enforcement.
10. Teach your children if anyone tries to grab them to draw attention to themselves and loudly yell "This person is trying to take me," or "This person is not my father/mother." Instruct your children to make every effort to escape by walking, running, or pulling away; yelling; kicking; attracting attention; and/or otherwise resisting.
11. Consider organizing or attending parties at home, in schools, or in community centers as a good alternative to "Trick or Treating."



Have a safe and fun Halloween!

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October's Regular Town Commission Meeting Action Summary

The following list is actions taken at the October 7, 2013 meeting:

1. Approved the Tentative Budget Adoption/Regular Town Commission Meeting minutes of Sept. 10, 2013 with two minor changes and adopted the Final Budget Adoption/Special Town Commission Meeting of Sept. 17, 2013
2. Authorized the Mayor and Town Clerk to Execute and Record the Delinquent Garbage/Trash and Alarm Monitoring Liens for FY 2012/13
3. Proclaimed October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"
4. Approved a Unity of Title Request for 5903 N Ocean Blvd. (Lot 6A Charles D Owens Subdivision) and Beach Parcel (Lot 5, Blk 6 Boynton Sub Amended) for the Purpose of Constructing a Dune Crossover
5. The Commission Denied any Lien Reduction Requests for 6011 N Ocean Blvd.
6. Consensus for the Town Attorney to remain as counsel pertaining to the Lawsuit related to the Inspector General
7. Directed Town Attorney to draft a policy to permit telephonic participation by Town Commissioners in certain circumstances
8. Discussed the Rezoning for 5011 N Ocean Blvd. and the consensus of the Commission was generally in support of a mixed use; however, the property owner would need to petition the Town for the Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zoning Change to be funded by the owner
9. Directed staff to contact the four property owners immediately south of Beachway Drive on Old Ocean Blvd. regarding their submittal of a formal request to abandon a portion of the Old Ocean Blvd. ROW at their expense
10. Approved a request by PBC Dept. of Environmental Resource Management to permit extended work hours (24 hours/7 days a week) for the Beach Renourishment Project that will begin Nov. 20, 2013 and continue for approximately 30 days
11. Approved the purchase of 300 Alarm Notice Signs in the amount of \$2,500 from the Contingency Account that residents can either erect on a sign post or place in a window that would provide notice that the alarm is monitored by the Ocean Ridge Police Department
12. Approved Changing the December Regular Town Commission Meeting Date from Dec. 2, 2013 to Dec. 9, 2013
13. APPROVED SCHEDULING THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2013 FROM 5:30 – 8:30 PM



**TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE
REGISTRATION APPLICATION
FOR RENTAL OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS WITHIN THE TOWN**

This application is to be used to register each individual residential unit rented within the Town of Ocean Ridge that is not governed by a cooperative or condominium association. A registration fee of \$50.00 is required for each application. Property owners who have more than one residential rental property and receive a separate property tax bill for each property must complete a separate application for each unit.

Property Control No.: 46-43-45-____-____-____-____

Rental Address: _____

Property Owner: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Lease Term: From _____ To _____

Renter(s) Name(s): _____

Renters' Phone Number: _____

of Adults over Age 18 years: _____ # Children under Age 18 years: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent: _____

Printed Name of Signator: _____

Elizabeth Thompson's Everglades Paintings

Ocean Ridge resident and renowned artist, Elizabeth Thompson, is showcasing her Everglades collection in town hall. Elizabeth Thompson shared the following about the Everglades collection via her website, "My hope is that these paintings, which depict details selected from a vast wilderness, trigger a connection with the Everglades – an ecosystem that although altered and threatened, is still magically dynamic."



An exhibit and opening reception will be held at a later date but the public may view the paintings at town hall Monday through Friday from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Portions of the every sale will go to support Art in Public Places in Ocean Ridge. For more information about Elizabeth Thompson's collection, please visit her website at www.elizabeththompsonart.com.

Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund By Dr. James Weege

I am sure that by now most residents of Ocean Ridge have visited the new Town Hall and Police Department and observed the Koi pond and garden. If you have, I am equally convinced that you feel it adds a special ambience to the entryway of the new town buildings.



What you may not know is that the maintenance funds for the Koi garden come out of the town's general budget account. With the shortage in our town budget, this does not leave a lot to maintain the pond and garden when something arises. That is why it was drained in December and kept empty for four months before funds were available to repair leaks and get the pond up and running.

Several residents and I feel the garden and Koi pond adds uniqueness to our town and the new town hall. We have started a fund — The Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund—to keep the garden and pond at its finest. With this fund we will be able to help the town maintain the garden should problems arise that need repair. These funds would be used exclusively for the garden and be overseen by a committee of interested residents.

We are actively seeking residents who share our enthusiasm regarding the Koi garden and invite you to contribute whatever you can to the Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund. Please contact Dr. James Weege at 561-523-5705.

Recycling Information

Place These Items In Your Yellow Bin

Beverage Cartons
Tissue Boxes
Dry Food Boxes
Newspapers
Magazines/Catalogs
Unwanted Mail
School/Office Paper
Phone Books/paperback books only
Paper Bags
All Cardboard Boxes (flattened & cut to 3x3max or next to yellow bin)

Place These Items In Your Blue Bin

Plastic Containers #1-#7
Steel Cans
Aluminum Cans
Aluminum Foil NO: Styrofoam
Aluminum Pie Pans NO: Plastic Bags
Drink Boxes
Milk & Juice Cartons
Glass Bottles & Jars

Recycling is collected on Fridays!

SEA TURTLE PRESENTATION



MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

AT 6:30PM

OCEAN RIDGE TOWN HALL

The Ocean Ridge Garden Club is pleased to have Kim Jones speak to our community about the endangered sea turtles' nesting ritual. Slides and a video of the nesting and hatching of these beautiful and endangered creatures will be shown and then we will head across the street to the beach to see if any hatchings are about to take place and learn more about the Aquatic Ecosystem.

Please bring your family and neighbors to Town Hall this Monday for a night not to be missed!

Save the Date!

WHITEFLY INVASION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH

AT 6:30 PM

OCEAN RIDGE TOWN HALL



HAVE THEY INVADED YOUR PROPERTY?

COME LEARN HOW TO MANAGE THEM

The Ocean Ridge Garden Club is excited to host Bill Schall, Commercial Horticulture Extension Agent, Palm Beach County Extension, on Veterans Day. Please come join us and learn about the current Whitefly problems and what we can do to manage the situation.

Mark Your Calendars!

Town of Ocean Ridge LECTURE SERIES 2013/14

Free and Open to the Public

October 10, 2013

Tony Marconi, Curator of Education at the Historical Society of the Palm Beaches, will recount the adventurous story of Ponce de León's discovery of Florida 500 years ago.



November 14, 2013

Enjoy contemporary music from Bill Hartmann, a very talented 12-string guitarist and vocalist.



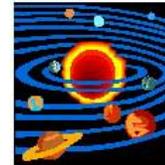
January 9, 2014

Dr. John C. Fine will present interesting facts and information about marine life, reefs, and shipwrecks off of Boynton Beach.



February 13, 2014

Eric Vandernoot, Astronomy & Physics Lab Coordinator at Florida Atlantic University, will present some exciting information about the new planets found by the Kepler Space Telescope.



March 13, 2014

Turtle season is here and Dr. Kirt Rusenko, Marine Conservationist at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, will describe the three turtle species that commonly nest on our beaches and will also provide information on what citizens can do to keep turtles safe during nesting season.



April 10, 2014

Join us for an engaging story about the Macedonian King, Alexander the Great, as told by Dr. Christos Papatheodorou.



All events begin at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday
of each month except for December 2013.

6450 N Ocean Blvd ♦ Ocean Ridge ♦ 561-732-2635

OP ART ON DISPLAY TO OPEN ON MAY 13 CONNECTS WITH KINETIC ART IN BOYNTON

BOYNTON BEACH, FL --- A new Art in Public Places “Op Art” exhibit will open May 13 in the City’s Library, featuring Stanford Slutsky’s Kinetic and Optical artwork. Kinetic Art refers to art that moves, or that gives the sensation of movement, through its optical effects. As viewers enjoy and move around the art, the art work’s light, colors and surfaces change dramatically. Optical art is a method of painting that provides an interaction between illusion and picture plane, between understanding and seeing. Op art works are abstract. When viewed, the impression of movement, hidden images, flashing, vibration, patterns, or alternatively, of swelling or warping.

Slutsky’s optical art is composed of precisely cut wooden geometric shapes all fitting together to give the illusion of depth and distance. Slutsky works are meticulously created by cutting wood with table saws and jig-saws, separating them into pieces with spacers and fitting them perfectly with their counterparts on a canvas or in a frame. Slutsky uses magnets to piece together many of his works, making these removable, though not noticeable at first, they become an interesting surprise to the viewer. He also created painted acrylics pieces on wrapped canvas that have become popular among collectors.



#101 "Blue Light" 40" x 40" Acrylic on canvas



#104 "Vortex" 40" x 40" Framed Acrylic on canvas



#103 "Spectrum" 30" x 42" Framed Acrylic on canvas



#106 "Spiral" 42" x 42" Framed Acrylic on canvas



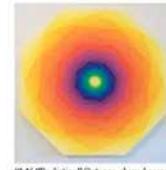
#107 "Chain & Symmetry" 42" x 42" Framed



#109 "Ribbon" 40" x 40"

All pieces created by Slutsky are one-of-a-kind and for sale with commissions benefitting the Art in Public Places program and Friends of the Library. **The Stanford Slutsky “Op Art” exhibit begins May 13 and continues through December 5.** Art in Public Places and the City Library will host a meet the artist reception Saturday, June 8, 2- 4 pm. Public is welcome and encouraged to attend. The City Library is located at 208 South Seacrest Boulevard, Boynton Beach.

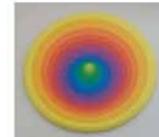
For more information, contact Debby Coles-Dobay, City of Boynton Beach Public Art Administrator, at 561-742-6026. Visit www.facebook.com/BoyntonBeachArtInPublicPlaces or www.BoyntonBeachArts.org. Stanford Slutsky can be contacted by phone at 561-789-4678 or by email at geometricartist@aol.com. His website is www.StanfordSlutsky.com



#146 "Radiance" Octagon shaped canvas 48" x 48" Acrylic on canvas



#139 "Symmetry" 48" x 48" Acrylic on canvas



#134 "Radiance" 36" round Acrylic on canvas



#135 "Sage" 40" x 40" Acrylic on canvas



#102 "Surprised" 36" x 42" Hexagon shaped Acrylic on canvas



#130 "Sphered" 36" X 36" Acrylic on canvas

Inspired by Victor Vassarely, Slutsky achieves his effects by juxtaposing hard-edged color patterns that disrupt the normal process of vision. Some shapes of color seem to advance and then recede; others appear to pulsate in waves. Slutsky painstaking, semi-scientific approach to painting and mixed media constructions are based on the manipulation of optical devices and depend on subtle color gradations, systematic chromatic harmonic lines and shapes.



#202 "Evoke" 32" x 42" Mixed Media Construction



#270 "Globe Ball" 24" x 24" Mixed Media Construction



#206 "Cube & Star" 31" x 36" Hex Shaped Mixed Media Construction



#209 "Tinsel Curve" 24" x 24" Mixed Media Construction



#207 "Shimmering Star" 24" x 24" Mixed Media Construction



#200 "Moss 10" 24" x 24" Mixed Media Construction

Volunteer Opportunities

Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup

What: Join the Sand Sifters for beach cleanup!

When: First Saturday of every month. Next cleanup **November 2**

Where: Oceanfront Park, 6451 N. Ocean Blvd. On A1A, just north of the Ocean Ave. bridge in Ocean Ridge. Meet at the pavilion in the lower parking lot.

Time: 8-10:15AM

Who: Individuals, schools, churches, clubs, businesses, organizations, and families are all encouraged to participate. All ages.

What's provided: Free parking, bags, gloves, and refreshments available to participants only. School and community service volunteer credit forms available.

What to bring: Please bring water, sunscreen and a hat.

Contact: Jeff at JeffLev02@gmail.com

Website: www.SandSifters.us



Sea Angels Beach Cleanup

What: Join the Sea Angels for beach cleanup!

When: Last Saturday of every month. Next cleanup: **October 26**

Where: Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N. Ocean Blvd. Check in is at the picnic tables next to the snack bar.

Time: 8-10:30AM

Who: Individuals, schools, churches, clubs, businesses, organizations, and families are all encouraged to participate. All ages. Volunteer hours awarded for students.

What to bring: Please bring water, sunscreen and a hat.

Contact: info@seaangels.org

Website: www.seaangels.org

Town Hall Library

What: Shelve and organize books in the Town Library.

When: Ongoing

Where: 6450 N. Ocean Blvd. at Town Hall.

Time: Any time between 8:30AM—3PM.

Who: Residents of all ages welcome. Those with library experience are encouraged to volunteer.

What's provided: School and community service volunteer credit available.

Contact: Town Hall 561-732-2635

Ask the Town Manager!

The Town Manager would like to answer your questions pertaining to the Town. This column will be added to the newsletter each month or as often as there are questions submitted. Just send your question to kschenck@oceanridgeflorida.com or leave note in drop-box in the Police Department lobby.



Book Club Meeting

The Book Club will be meeting on Wednesday, November 6 at 5:45pm in the Town Hall Community Room to discuss Lucky Jim by Kingsley Amis. The discussion will be lead by Ed Brookes. Residents are encouraged to join the discussion.

