

# Ocean Ridge Tidings



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

## Garbage/Trash & Alarm Billing

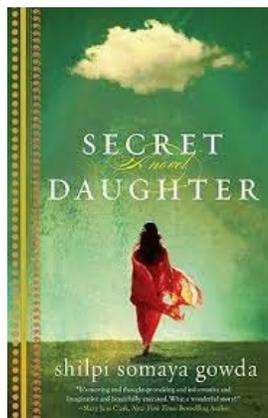
Town Hall will be mailing the annual garbage/trash and alarm bills to our residents for the fiscal year 2014/15 mid-October. The rates for garbage/trash for single family is \$231 for single family and multi-family is \$161.70 per unit. The annual alarm monitoring fee will continue to be \$202. Should you have any questions or concerns, please call Town Hall at 561-732-2635.

## Guidance for Police Activities on the Beach

The Commission reviewed a proposed guidance program for the Police Dept. to use when patrolling the beaches. It outlined the activities the police would follow when approaching beach goers. As there were a few items the Commission wished modified the staff was directed to modify the guidelines. The proposed guidelines will be reviewed at the November Commission meeting.

## Book Club Meeting

On November 5, the Ocean Ridge Book Club will meet to discuss the book *Secret Daughter* by Shilpi Somaya Gowda. The discussion will be led by Lynn Allison. The meeting will begin at 5:45PM and will be held in the community room at Town Hall.



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on November 2

## Grandfathering Ordinance for the 5011 Building

The Commission will consider at the November meeting revising the existing code in order to allow for grandfathering or continued mixed use in specific instances. If approved it will enable the 5011 Building to continue its present mixed use. Mr. Rob Sivitilli gave a presentation on proposed improvements and modifications to enhance the building and give it a more residential appearance. The Commission directed the Attorney to develop the ordinance for first reading consideration at the Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

## FPL: Power & Street Light Outages

Did you know that it is easy to report a power outage or a street light that is out in your neighborhood? To report an outage or to get updates on an outage, call 1-800-4OUTAGE (800-468-8243). You may also dial this number to report any hazardous conditions. To report street light issue, simply click on this [link](#) and fill out the information or go to [fpl.com](http://fpl.com). You will receive a confirmation email and updates from FPL.



## General Information

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

[www.oceanridgeflorida.com](http://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](mailto: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

## Town Officials

### Town Manager

Kenneth Schenck

[kschenck@oceanridgeflorida.com](mailto:kschenck@oceanridgeflorida.com)

### Town Clerk

Karen Hancsak

[khancsak@oceanridgeflorida.com](mailto:khancsak@oceanridgeflorida.com)

### Police Chief

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[cyannuzzi@oceanridgeflorida.com](mailto:cyannuzzi@oceanridgeflorida.com)

### Mayor

Geoffrey Pugh

### Vice Mayor

Dr. Lynn Allison

### Commissioners

Gail Adams Aaskov

James Bonfiglio

Richard Lucibella

### Mayor & Commissioners email

[info@oceanridgeflorida.com](mailto:info@oceanridgeflorida.com)

## 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—Christian Lambert 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!**

## Calendar of Events

### October

- 4: Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup from 8:00AM-10:15AM at Oceanfront Park
- 6: Regular Town Commission Meeting at 6:00PM in Chambers
- 7: Code Enforcement Hearing at 10:00AM in Chambers
- 9: Lecture Series begins at 7PM in Chambers
- 10: Palm Beach County's Book Mobile in parking lot from 1:00PM-1:45PM
- 13: Columbus Day—Town Hall closed, contractors may work but no inspections
- 24: Palm Beach County's Book Mobile in parking lot from 1:00PM-1:45PM
- 25: SeaAngels Beach Cleanup from 8:00AM-10:30AM at Ocean Inlet Park

### November

- 1: Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup from 8:00AM-10:15AM at Oceanfront Park
- 3: Regular Town Commission meeting at 6:00PM in Chambers
- 4: Code Enforcement Hearing at 10:00AM in Chambers (tentative)
- 4: General Election Day from 7:00AM-7:00PM in Community Room. Contact Supervisor of Elections with any questions at 561-656-6200.
- 11: Veteran's Day—Town Hall closed, no inspections and no contractor work. Garbage/trash will be collected.
- 13: Lecture Series begins at 7:00PM in Chambers
- 27: Thanksgiving Day—Town Hall closed, no inspections, no contractor work.
- 28: Thanksgiving Day Holiday—Town Hall closed; no inspections but contractors may work. Garbage/trash/recycling will be collected.
- 29: SeaAngels Beach Cleanup from 8:00AM—10:30AM at Ocean Inlet Park

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

## Recipe: Spaghetti & "Oozing Eyeballs"

### **Ingredients:**

- 2lbs lean ground beef
- 1 6oz pkg stuffing mix for chicken
- 1 cup water
- 2 eggs
- 1—24oz jar spaghetti sauce, divided
- 4 sticks mozzarella string cheese, cut into quarters
- 4 large pitted black olives, cut into 4 slices each
- 1— 1lb pkg of spaghetti, uncooked

**Directions:** Heat oven to 375. Mix meat, stuffing, water, eggs, 1/4 cup of spaghetti sauce. Shape into 16 (2 inch) meatballs. Insert 1 cheese piece into top of each meatball, with end of cheese piece just showing at top. Place on baking sheet. Top each with olive slice to resemble eyeball. Bake 20-25 mins or until meatballs are done. Meanwhile, cook spaghetti as directed on package, omitting salt, and heat remaining sauce as directed on jar. Drain spaghetti and served topped with meatballs and sauce. (Source: Kraftfoods.com)

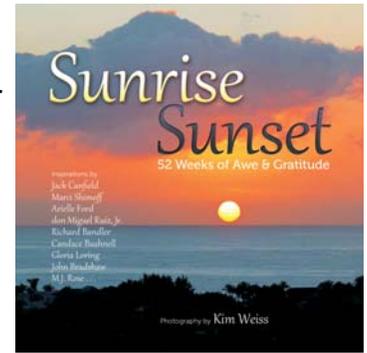


## October's Regular Town Commission Meeting Action Summary

1. Approved the Tentative Budget Adoption/Regular Town Commission Meeting held Sept 9 and Final Budget Hearing held on Sept 16, 2014
2. Proclaimed October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month"
3. Approved a Unity of Title to join 3 Beachway North and the Beach Parcel located on the east side of Old Ocean Blvd. for CDS Beachway LLC to utilize 1,000 sq ft of eastern lot area for building permit calculations and for a future dune crossover
4. Approved a Landscaping ROW obstruction at 18 Ridge Blvd. provided the property owner submit a civil engineer drainage plan approved by the Town Engineer and provided a ROW Obstruction Agreement is executed
5. Directed Town Atty to develop an ordinance for 1<sup>st</sup> reading in November either as previously presented or with some sort of repealing mechanism that would allow the 5011 property owners to pull appropriate building permits until the ordinance passes but also protects the Town in the event they don't bring the property up to standards
6. Directed staff to revise the "Guidance for Enforcing Ordinances and Trespass Violations on Beaches within Ocean Ridge" to provide clearer guidance and revise the language in #6
7. Tabled the Item pertaining to the Beach Signage until the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting

## Local Author/Photographer Presents First Book Featuring the Beauty of Ocean Ridge to the Book Club

Local author/photographer, Kim Weiss, recently presented her new book, **Sunrise, Sunset: 52 Weeks of Awe & Gratitude**, to the Ocean Ridge Book Club. Kim Weiss has been a book publicist, writer and author mentor for more than 20 years. She began documenting the awe and beauty of nature right from her 14<sup>th</sup> floor apartment building terrace overlooking the marina, Intracoastal Waterway and the beautiful beaches of Ocean Ridge. The results: **Sunrise, Sunset: 52 Weeks of Awe & Gratitude** (*HCI Books: October 2014*) gift book that brims with glorious color photographs of different suns on different days, captured from the very same vantage point, on the very same terrace. Each photograph in **Sunrise, Sunset** is accompanied by a reflective passage. The book club enjoyed the presentation. Ms. Weiss's book can be viewed and obtained at the following venues:



- Thursday, October 30, 8:00PM, Books & Books, Coral Gables, FL
- Saturday, November 1, 2:00PM, Barnes & Nobles, University Commons, Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL
- Sunday, November 16, 11:00AM, Unity of Delray Beach, Delray Beach, FL
- Saturday, November 22, Miami Book Fair

To see more about the book and Ms. Weiss's events, please visit [www.sunrisesunsetbook.com](http://www.sunrisesunsetbook.com).

## Coastal Artists: Ocean Ridge Gets Artsy in February 2015

By: Nancy Flinn

During the month of February 2015, Ocean Ridge Town Hall will be the spot in Town to view fine art from a variety of artists who reside along our coastal shores. Working with Max Matteson, Beth Sloat, Nancy Flinn, and the Delray Arts League, the exhibit will feature works in oil, water color, acrylics, collage and other mixed media. Contemporary, abstract, and realist works will be shown.

The artists must have a residence in one of the coastal communities. There will be an entry fee and multiple prizes will be awarded. Ocean Ridge resident and respected artist, Beth Sloat, will be judging the show. All artists will price their submissions for sale.

We look forward to a festive opening reception and gathering of artists. This exhibit is our opportunity to celebrate the uplifting social value of art with our neighbors and friends.

Beginning November 1, 2014, complete details for the show participation will be posted at [Facebook.com/OceanRidgeCoastalArtists](https://www.facebook.com/OceanRidgeCoastalArtists). Digital pictures of the art submissions will be sent to a gmail email account (available November 1) for participation consideration.

Look for to more information in future issues of Ocean Ridge Tidings. If you have any questions about participation or the art show in general, please contact Nancy Flinn at [nancym7@yahoo.com](mailto:nancym7@yahoo.com).



Painting by Beth Sloat



# Ocean Ridge Police Department News

By Chief Christopher T. Yannuzzi

## Criminal Activity

Below is a listing of the crime/code enforcement/suspicious activity reported to ORPD in **September 2014** 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>
Auto Theft	09/02/14	2:30-3:50AM	6100 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	Resident left keys in unlocked vehicle. Vehicle theft was observed on security camera. SUV was located abandoned in Boynton Beach via OnStar activation.
Burglary/Auto	09/03/14	5:25AM	100 BLK Marlin Dr.	Unlocked vehicle entered and property taken. Security video from neighbor captured suspect vehicle & 2 subjects. Investigation pending.
Fraud	09/22/14	09/10/14 – 09/18/14	6800 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	Resident noticed unusual activity on her bank account. Subsequent review determined unknown person altered and electronically deposited a fraudulent check for \$5,000.
Theft	09/25/14	07/15/14 – 08/08/14	6500 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	Resident reported the theft of jewelry; possibly by a former acquaintance. Investigation located item at a local Pawn Shop. Property recovered and victim refused to prosecute.
Identity Theft	09/30/14	09/28/14 – 09/29/14	100 blk Douglas Dr.	Resident became aware of 2 unauthorized purchases on his credit card. Transactions were cancelled prior to any loss occurring.

## Would You Like A Free Crime Prevention Survey?

Often folks ask the police for information about what a citizen can do to make their home and family more secure. A Crime Prevention Survey of your property is one of the best ways to identify potential points of vulnerability. This is just another service provided by your Police Department.

If you are interested in having your home surveyed, please contact Lt. Hal Hutchins at 561-732-8331.

In the meantime, PLEASE remember to activate your alarm system whenever you leave your home; even for a short period of time. Also, install secure locking devices; especially if you have plate glass near the doors.

If you own a single-family home, when you leave for vacation, add your name to our Dark House list so that we are aware. Also, notify your neighbors and stop mail & newspaper deliveries. Leave your home with the look that it is "lived in" by setting lights on timers, etc.

If your alarm system is connected directly to the Police Department, post the free-standing sign to alert potential criminals to that fact. Remember, the first sign is free to active Town alarm account holders and a second sign can be purchased for \$15.00!

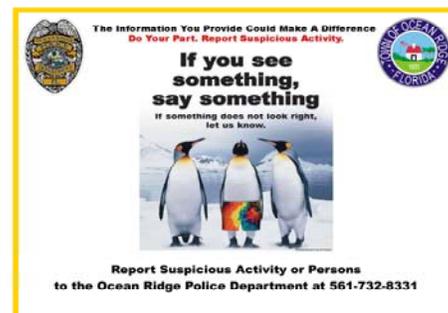
Finally, the need for citizens to report suspicious activity – when it is happening – is essential. Please continue to do so. Thank You!

## "Snowbirds" Flocking Back

October 1<sup>st</sup> 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 pursue 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!



## Bicyclist/Motorist/Pedestrian Education/Enforcement Initiative Results

During the period from 09/13/14 – 09/18/14 the Ocean Ridge Police Department joined with other local law enforcement agencies from Broward and Palm Beach County to conduct a traffic initiative along A1A. In addition, this activity was supported by the Dori Slosberg Foundation's "South Florida Safe Roads Task Force".

The initiative included a "Bike Safety Fair" that took place in Oceanfront Park and provided free bicycle helmets & safety information/demonstrations.

As a follow up to a similar traffic initiative that took place in April, the September event resulted in the following:

Bicyclists: 24 Citations/103 Warnings  
Motorists: 50 citations/93 Warnings  
Pedestrians: 1 Citation/53 Warnings

Additional initiatives will be conducted in the future.

## Palm Beach County Fire/Rescue Celebrates 30-Years of Service

On Saturday, 10/25/14 from 11:00AM-3:00PM, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue will host their 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at their Administration Building site at 405 Pike Road, W. Palm Beach.

Advertised as "Family Fun for All", the event will have free food & drinks, tours of facilities, displays of equipment and demonstrations.

For additional information, visit their website: [www.pbcfr.org](http://www.pbcfr.org)

# Palm Beach County Fire Rescue Invites you to its 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



### Family Fun for ALL!!

Free Food and Drinks (11 - 1 only)  
Tour the Training Center  
Meet your Palm Beach County Firefighters  
Safety Displays  
Check out the Fire Trucks  
"Jaws of Life" and Firefighting Demonstrations  
Kids Entertainment  
and much much more!!

Bring the kids for a special  
"trunk or treat" with the Firefighters



For updated information visit:  
[www.pbcfr.org](http://www.pbcfr.org)



Palm Beach County  
Board of County Commissioners



# 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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BOYNTON BEACH COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL  
Announces a

**FALL SPECIAL EVENT!!**

Featuring  
**A Candidates' Forum**



And

**A Concert by the Famous  
DIMENSIONAL HARMONY**



**Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**

**4:30-6:30 PM Candidates' Forum**

**YOUR chance to meet and greet local candidates!**

*Paul Spain, Lois Frankel, Alcee Hastings, Jay Bonner,  
Ellyn Bogdanoff, Maria Sachs, David Silvers, Bill Hager*

**Get answers to YOUR questions on local issues.**

Moderated by the League of Women Voters of Palm Beach County.

**7:00 PM Concert**

**Help Dimensional Harmony go to Carnegie Hall!**

Choir members are our Florida ambassadors on the march to success!

**Support their quest to be the best!**

**Don't Miss This Important Event!**

Boynton Beach Community High School  
4975 Park Ridge Boulevard, Boynton Beach FL 33426

Admission to Forum is Free; Donations to Dimensional Harmony \$10



League of Women Voters® of Palm Beach County

Light refreshments available from Lucille's On Wheels and Outside The Box Catering.

**RSVP and Questions: Email [forum2014@aol.com](mailto:forum2014@aol.com)**

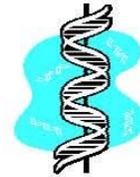
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# Town of Ocean Ridge LECTURE SERIES 2014/15

*Free and Open to the Public*

**October 9, 2014**

Dr. Colin R. Hughes, associate professor from Florida Atlantic University, will give an intriguing presentation about human evolution and insights from DNA studies.



**November 13, 2014**

Janet DeVries, president of the Boynton Beach Historical Society, will give a captivating lecture about the history of Boynton Beach and the Boynton Beach Hotel.



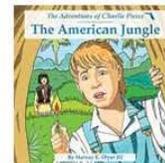
**January 8, 2015**

Dr. Eric Vandernoot, astronomy and physics lab coordination at Florida Atlantic University, will present new and up-to-date theories on the formation of solar systems.



**February 12, 2015**

Harvey Oyer III, fifth generation Floridian and descendent from one of the earliest pioneer families in south Florida, will discuss Florida's history through the eyes of a pioneer family. Mr. Oyer's books will be offered for sale.



**March 11, 2015**

Barry Heimlich, a research affiliate at Florida Atlantic University, will give a presentation on global warming and rising sea levels and how it may impact us.



**April 9, 2015**

Steve Carr, of Barry University & Palm Beach Atlantic University, will give a fascinating presentation on the Seminole Indian Wars.



All events begin at 7:00 PM on the 2nd Thursday  
of each month except for Wednesday, March 11, 2015.

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

# Bookmobile

## Schedule for Ocean Ridge



Palm Beach County Library's Bookmobile will be visiting Ocean Ridge twice a month from April 2014 through October 2014! Use your County Library Card or have one issued to you on the Bookmobile. Library cards are free-of-charge to residents of the Palm Beach County Library District and their children (proof of address, such as a Florida's Driver's License, an envelope cancelled by the Post Office, or a utility bill is required).

### 2014

April 11, 25

May 9, 23

June 6, 20

July 18

August 1, 15, 29

September 12, 26

October 10, 24

Ocean Ridge Town Hall Parking Lot  
1:00PM-1:45PM



For more information on the Library's Bookmobile program,  
call 561-649-5500 or visit [www.pbclibrary.org](http://www.pbclibrary.org).

## Volunteer Opportunities

### Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup

**What:** Join the Sand Sifters for beach cleanup!

**When:** First Saturday of every month. Next cleanup: **November 1**

**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](mailto:JeffLev02@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.SandSifters.us](http://www.SandSifters.us)

### Sea Angels Beach Cleanup

**What:** Join the Sea Angels for beach cleanup!

**When:** Last Saturday of every month. Next cleanup: **October 25**

**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](mailto:info@seaangels.org)

**Website:** [www.seaangels.org](http://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

### Oceanfront Park Beach Conditions

Call 561-742-6775

### Town Hall Library

Ocean Ridge's library has a large selection of donated fiction and non-fiction books available for residents to sign-out. Checking out books is based on an honor system. We ask that you sign out the books at Town Hall and date when returned. Please have proof of residency available. Library operating hours are Monday through Friday from 8:30AM to 3:00PM.

