AVIATION & ECONOMIC RESOURCES

Operations: The airport will support Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University’s (ERAU) homecoming weekend, Nov. 2 – 4. Support is for the visits of the UH-60 (Black Hawk), UH-64 (Apache), and KC-46A (Pegasus). For more information, contact Joanne Magley at jmagley@flydab.com.

OCEAN CENTER

Events: Aquashella moves into the exhibit hall on Nov. 1 for its events on Nov. 4 and 5. The show is for all aquarium hobbyists, from beginner to expert, as well as people who want to experience the wonders of aquariums and exotic pets. A first-time event for the facility, over 2,000 attendees are expected, generating 1,000 room nights. More information about the event can be found here.

Amp Live moves into the arena on Nov. 3 for the Monster Truck Nitro Tour NEON X-PERIENCE. The event will feature the nation’s most competitive monster trucks with two shows on Nov. 4, with a 1:30 p.m. matinee and a 7:30 p.m. evening show. Tickets are available online or at the box office on show day. For more information, contact Tim Buckley at tbuckley@volusia.org.

BUSINESS SERVICES

Transit Services: During the Florida Department of Transportation’s Mobility Week, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, staff will participate in several events. On Oct. 31, from 4 to 6 p.m., they will be at the DeBary SunRail Station, giving out promotional items to thank riders and inform them about Votran’s services.

On Nov. 1, Councilman Reinhart will ride a Votran bus with the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization. The trip will go from the Volusia Mall to the Transfer Plaza and back. During this ride, he will wear glasses that reduce his vision to experience what it's like to ride transit while visually impaired.

The activities will wrap up on Nov. 2, from 4 to 6 p.m., when the staff will be at the Transfer Plaza. They will hand out more promotional items, thank riders for using the service, and answer any questions they may have. For more information, contact Bobbie King at bgking@volusia.org.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Assistance: The Children and Families Advisory Board is scheduled to meet at 1:30 p.m. on Nov. 1 at the Volusia County Historic Courthouse. During this meeting, the board will undertake several activities, including reviewing the minutes from the previous session, electing a vice-chair, and examining the program expenditures for the Fiscal Year 2022-23. Additionally, they will assess the draft of the CFAB Annual Report for 2023.

The meeting will also involve a presentation of the Summer Camp Scholarship Program Annual Report for 2023. Following this, the board will discuss potential modifications for the 2024 iteration of the program. The agenda and related materials are accessible online. For additional information, contact Carmen Hall at chall@volusia.org.
EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency Management, Emergency Medical Services, and Fire Rescue: Personnel from the three divisions participated in the Active Shooter Exercise conducted at the Daytona International Speedway on Oct. 25. This exercise was a collaborative effort, bringing together partners from both police and fire departments from the local municipalities. For more information, contact Clint Mecham at cmecham@volusia.org, Kevin Captain at kcaptain@volusia.org, or Chief Joe King at jwking@volusia.org.

PUBLIC WORKS

Coastal: Contractor repairs of the Ponce Inlet Jetty railing began on Oct. 19. Approximately 150 feet of the jetty has been reopened to the public, with additional work expected to occur over the next several weeks. Trades workers repaired the Curlew Street walkover in Wilbur-By-The-Sea and the 21st Avenue walkover in New Smyrna Beach. Both walkovers are now open to the public. A total of 29 beach accesses remain closed.

The County's Trap Bag installation crews continued their efforts in Ponce Inlet. As of Oct. 24, approximately 33,739 linear feet of TrapBags have been installed. The debris removal crews have completed their efforts at all properties that had signed an easement to Volusia County. In total, 12,423 cubic yards of debris have been removed from the beach. For more information, contact Jessica Fentress atjfentress@volusia.org.

Engineering & Construction: On Oct. 23, the newly constructed east section of the Old Elections parking lot was made available for employee parking. Currently, Phase 2, which includes the west parking area, is closed due to ongoing construction activities. All paving work is expected to be finished by Oct. 29, after which the west parking lot will partially open for employee use. The project is projected to reach substantial completion by Nov. 5. For more information, contact Tadd Kasbeer attkasbeer@volusia.org.