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260 Orange Tree Drive
Atlantis, FL 33462

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THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Residents,

Another year has flown by, and despite the uncertainty that last year brought, we have once again persevered. I believe that we can all attest to the resiliency and adaptable nature of our city by looking around and seeing that we have overcome much of the uncertainty that surrounded us last year.

As you may have heard in the news, many cities, including Atlantis, came to assist the City of Lantana in lobbying for maintaining the Lantana Post Office (off of Ocean and Dixie) operational. This post office location serves our zip code designation and is a vital part of our history, but was slated to close because it was "not as profitable as others." Well, a collection of multiple City Officials, staff, students, and area residents, understanding the value of that location, came together to express dissatisfaction with the decision, and Washington heard us. Congratulations! It will remain open to continue serving us.

Our Annual Holiday Golf Cart Parade will be held December 14th and we are looking forward to seeing the decorative creativity with which many of our homes and golf carts will be adorned. This year we are adding a twist to the season by conducting a Food Drive to assist the many people not as fortunate as we are to have plentiful food to eat.

Because of this, we are going to have containers ready to receive any food or toys you can donate during the Golf Cart Parade. Additionally, you do not have to wait until then to make your donation. If you currently have food and toys to donate, please bring it by City Hall and the staff will make sure it is promptly delivered to those in need. We truly appreciate your generosity.

The residents have spoken, and we now have the official name to be given to our recently completed west park. Since its inauguration during our City's fall festival, we have been tallying the votes and we are finally proud to announce that "Sunset Park" is now the official name. Many thanks to all of you who participated in the process.

It is truly a great honor and pleasure to be part of such a great city and I would like to extend the warmest and merriest of holiday seasons to all of you.

May God continue to bless you and your families.

Serving Proudly,

Mayor Manny Fernandez

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The next City Council Meeting is Wednesday, December 16, 2009 at 7:30 pm.

Council Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each Month in the Council Chambers.

In observation of the holidays City Hall will be closed on Friday December 25th and Friday January 1st.

Happy Holidays!

Manager's Notes, December 2009

It hardly seems possible that it is near the end of 2009. It seems like only yesterday that we were beginning the new millennium and here it is 10 years later. Our 50th year has been a busy one. At the beginning of 2009, Palm Beach County opened the new library on Lantana Road, which brought an end to the weekly appearance of the Bookmobile, a long standing community tradition.

We have been fighting the ficus white fly all year. Some ficus has been successfully treated while other hedges are still suffering. Individuals and groups that have pursued aggressive treatment or total replacement are achieving success. That battle wages on, as does the battle in the lake with the water hyacinth. With repeated sprayings, we are starting to see some progress.

As we close out 2009 and begin 2010, we look back at our old traditions; the 17th Annual Golf Cart Parade, the 15th Annual Halloween Party, the Easter Egg Hunt and the Fall Festival. At the same time, we look forward to establishing new traditions, the addition of the food and toy drive to the Golf Cart Parade and the First Annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest. In the spring we had an awesome 50th anniversary party. That was our first spring party, and we hope to establish a new tradition in 2010 and beyond with a "Spring Fling."

Our Atlantis traditions grow and change with the times just as your family traditions evolve. As we move through the holiday season, no matter what holidays you celebrate; enjoy the fellowship of family and friends. Have a Fantastic Holiday Season and a Happy New Year.

Now if I could just get the white fly to eat the water hyacinth...

Mo Thornton
City Manager

ATLANTIS CITY COUNCIL NEWS

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm on November 18, 2009.

The first reading of Ordinance 410 passed 5-0. This Ordinance calls for the regulation of all exterior colors on houses. Colors must be harmonious with each other and representative of the character of the neighborhood. Bright and Brilliant colors are discouraged and fluorescent or metallic are prohibited. This ordinance amends Chapter 4.

The first reading of Ordinance 411 passed 5-0. This Ordinance amends Chapter 15. This ordinance provides for a permit when painting. The Architectural Review Committee will review exterior color choices before a permit will be issued. Existing house colors will not be "grandfathered" in, all house colors must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee, and then a permit will be issued before painting begins.

Treasurer Michael Dahlgren commented on City Manager Mo Thornton's job evaluation. She received high, positive commendations for her leadership experience, budget projections and total dedication.

If possible please remember to acknowledge our wonderful Atlantis Employees this Holiday Season.

Happy Holiday Season!!

William Mitchell

(official Minutes available at www.atlantisfl.gov)

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS by Chief Robert G. Mangold

Holiday Safety: The police department wants to remind everyone that this is the season for crimes of opportunity, such as purse snatching and car burglaries. Citizens need to exercise extra care when shopping and carrying armloads of packages to parked cars:

- **Do not shop alone and avoid shopping at night.**
- **Avoid carrying large sums of money, use credit/debit cards to shop.**
- **When approaching or leaving your vehicle be aware of your surroundings and observant of others in your immediate vicinity.**
- **Lock your vehicle when you park it and if you must shop at night, park in a well lighted area.**
- **Be prepared to enter your vehicle without having to rummage for your car keys.**
- **Ask mall or store security for an escort if there is any suspicious activity near your vehicle.**
- **Do not leave valuables in plain sight in unoccupied vehicles.**
- **When traveling always keep your doors locked.**

Pedestrian/Cyclist Safety: Due to changing to Eastern Standard Time and the onset of the winter season, it has been getting dark much earlier in the evening. The police department strongly encourages joggers, bicyclists, and all other pedestrians to carry or wear illuminating devices and reflective clothing that will help to ensure your visibility to motorists.

**THE ATLANTIS POLICE DEPARTMENT WISHES OUR RESIDENTS A HAPPY AND SAFE
HOLIDAY SEASON!**

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

November 2009

Total Enforcement:	157
Citations:	151
Written Warnings:	6
Parking citations:	None

CRIME STATISTICS

October 2009

<u>Major Crimes</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
Battery		2
Burglary (Structures & Vehicles)	1	3
Theft (Grand & Petit)		2
Vehicle Theft	1	



*We're starting a new tradition in Atlantis—
The Holiday Home Decorating Contest!*

Use lights, music, greens and garlands, the sights, sounds and symbols of this festive season... a panel of judges will award 3 prizes for "best" decorated homes, and we'll announce the winners during the week of December 21 so everyone in town can drive by to see the results!

The details--

- Decorate your house between Thanksgiving and Sunday, December 20.
- Complete the entry form below and return it to City Hall by Friday, December 18.
- Judges will visit all the entries after dark on December 20.
- Winners will be awarded gift certificates for dinner at the Atlantis Country Club.
- We're looking forward to an even more enchanting City this holiday season!

Many thanks to the Atlantis Country Club for donating the prizes!



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1st Annual City of Atlantis Holiday Home Decorating Contest

Yes, we want to enter the contest! Please stop by our home on December 20!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Please submit form to City Hall by Friday, December 18



City of Atlantis 17th Annual Holiday on Wheels Golf Cart Parade. Monday December 14, 2009.

THE PARADE BEGINS AT THE ATLANTIS COUNTRY CLUB AT 190 ATLANTIS BLVD.
AND ENDS AT THE ATLANTIS MUNICIPAL COMPLEX AT 260 ORANGE TREE DRIVE.

Mark the date on your calendar and come out to join in on the fun! Rain or shine or (snow)! No rules apply to decorating. Do as little or as much as you wish, but do bring your golf cart and join the parade. Prizes are awarded for decorating, but all participants will receive a memento. We do suggest headlights for safety.

Agenda:

Gathering of the decorated golf carts in the Atlantis Country Club's parking lot. If you wish to enter your cart in the parade, please arrive in time to have your photo taken prior to proceeding to the dinner.

5:30-7:00 Food and Beverages will be served. Chicken, Hamburgers, Hot dogs, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Coffee, Soda, and Cookies.



SNOW PILE FOR THE CHILDREN– Bring your mittens to play in the snow!

7:00 Parade begins

8:30 Parade ends at the Atlantis Municipal Complex

8:45 Prizes are awarded for the best carts!!

Remember, there are no rules for decorating your carts. You do not need to decorate your cart to participate in the parade.

Bring your cart and come out and have some fun!!!

New this year! Bring a food donation or an unwrapped toy, or book for ages 5-16. Food donations will go to a local food pantry. Toys and books will go the Boys and Girls Club of Palm Beaches.

ATLANTIS 17TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY ON WHEELS GOLF CART PARADE. MONDAY DECEMBER 14TH

PARADE ROUTE:

At 7:00 p.m. we will exit the Atlantis Country Club parking lot and go
 Right on Orange Tree Drive to Walton Heath Drive. The parade will go
 Right on Walton Heath Drive to Glenbrook Drive,
 Right on Glenbrook Drive to Glenbrook Court,
 Right on Glenbrook Court, and travel around the cul-de-sac and back to Glenbrook Drive
 Down Glenbrook Drive to Turnberry Drive
 Right on Turnberry Drive to Turnberry Court North
 Left on Turnberry Court North, around island and back to Glenbrook Drive
 Right on Glenbrook Drive to the end,
 Right on North Country Club Drive to end, circle and return,
 Remain on North Country Club Drive to Walton Heath Drive,
 Right on Walton Heath,
 Right on Gleneagles to Orange Tree Drive,
 Right on Orange Tree Drive to South Country Club Drive,
 Stay on South Country Club Drive and proceed to Muirfield Drive to Troon Drive
 Left on Troon Drive across the bridge.
 Right on North Country Club Drive to Orange Tree Drive
 Right on Orange Tree Drive to City Hall Complex.

Prizes and refreshments will be provided in the City Council Chambers.

Families: If you don't have a golf cart, experience the Golf Cart Parade on a Trolley Ride, complete with holiday decorations and music. Molly's Trolley will be transporting families in the Golf Cart Parade.

Sign-up will be available at the parade by the trolley between 6:30 and 6:45 p.m. on a first come – first serve basis. All riders must be available to board at 6:45.

Please complete the form below and mail or drop it off to: Marie Tynans at 379 Villa Drive South or at City Hall 260 Orange Tree Drive. Questions? Call Marie at 968-1666 or City Hall at 965-1744.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

COMING SOON!

December 27, 28 & 29



Father and Son is sold out.

Limited Entries Available for Parent/Child.

For Information Call 968-1300.



Come out see some of the world's best tour players participating in
The 56th Annual Father and Son Event.

**GOLF MEMBERSHIPS
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 No Initiation Fee
 No Minimums
 No Assessments
 Single \$1,995/\$2,995
 Family \$2,995/\$3,995



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- Premier Championship Style Golf
- Pristine Course Conditions
- Pace of Play: 4 Hours or Less
- Golf Digest Best Places to Play
4½ Stars

PLAY CARDS AVAILABLE



Lunch: Tue-Fri 11:00am-2:00pm
 Dinner: Tue-Sat 5:00pm-9:00pm
 Sun 5:00pm-8:00pm
 For Reservations: Please Call
 561-965-5788
 Open for Private
 Parties Tue-Sun

30% Discount
 On 1 Lunch or Dinner Entree
 per coupon
 Coupon must be present
 Not valid with any other
 coupons or Holidays

\$59.00
 Weekday and Weekend
 Before 1:00pm
\$49.00
 After 1:00pm
 November 1st thru December 15th

ATLANTIS COUNTRY CLUB
 190 Atlantis Boulevard | Atlantis, FL 33462

For tee times call 561-968-1300 | www.atlanticountryclub.com

Atlantis Country Club
 New Year's Eve Dinner
 Thursday, December 31, 2009
 6 to 10 p.m.

Appetizers

Cream of Asparagus Soup
 Fresh Fruit Cup
 Maryland-Style Crab Cake

Salad

Caesar Salad
 Iceberg Wedge with Bleu Cheese Dressing

Entrées

Roast Prime Rib of Beef au jus
 Steak Au Poivre in Green Peppercorn Sauce
 Surf & Turf

(Grilled Shrimp and Sliced Roast Tenderloin, Tarragon Sauce)

Sautéed Pork Chops with Butternut Squash Ravioli
 Petite Rack of Veal with Mushrooms in a Red Wine DemiGlaze
 Cornish Hens

Broiled Yellowtail with Lemon Beurre Blanc

Entrées accompanied with Pecan Rice Pilaf and Broccoli Florets

Dessert

An Exquisite Tray of Assorted Delectable Desserts for the Table

Champagne Toast

Coffee, Tea or Iced Tea

\$60. Per person

Plus 6.5% tax and 20% gratuity

190 Atlantis Boulevard, Atlantis, FL 33462

561-965-5788



Music By Fred Ferrese and Flight 26

The group of seasoned musicians bring a special mix of the 80's, 90's and today's hits, along with some great dance music that is sure to get you out of your seat! Their tight harmonies allow for some classic songs, not often preformed. Fred Ferrese and Flight 26 features Veteran Singer and Guitarist Fred Ferrese. Fred and the band hope to see you for a memorable New Year's Eve

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BRONZE SPONSORS:

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JFK Medical Center

Paul and Dolores Kintz Foundation

EVENT SPONSORS:

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Waste Management

PATRON SPONSORS:

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Abco Sprinklers

Prudie Anderson

Roger and Carolyn Bettin

Mrs. W.F. (Kay) Christoffers

Corbett and White, P. A.

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Linens of the Week

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Il Circolo, The Italian Cultural Society of the Palm Beaches

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Mr. and Mrs. Donn Jennings

Johnson-Davis, Inc.

Ed and Judy Jokiel

Phyllis Lyon

Martin Fence Co.

Janet McGrath in Loving Memory of Connie McGrath

The Family of Jane M. O'Connor in memory of Matthew J. O'Brien,

Raymond F. O'Brien and Donald J. O'Connor

Pace Roofing, Inc.

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Theresa Turley

Weathers and Associates Court Reporting

Community Activities

AFTER SCHOOL TENNIS - THURSDAYS 5-6 PM AGES 5-8 THURSDAYS 6-7 PM AGES 7 & UP

CHESS CLUB AND HOMEWORK HELP - Upon request.

ADULT BEGINNER TENNIS - WEDNESDAYS 8 PM Basics of tennis and an eye toward getting you playing "The game of a lifetime". **ADULT TENNIS** intermediate to advanced round robin and clinic. Extensive exercise with some advanced drills. **For any of the above classes contact Sherwin Anderson at 588-4557.**

SENIOR TENNIS – Monday and Fridays from 9-11 AM at Kintz Park– Contact: **Betty Ann Badger** at 561-434-4142 or **Rob DeCesare** at 561-315-0880 **** Please note the location changed from Sunset Park to Kintz park.**

THE LITERARY SOCIETY of Atlantis Golf Club meets on the THIRD WEDNESDAY of each month at the Atlantis Golf Club. We invite all to attend and have fun. We review books, have a fruit and Danish continental breakfast, meet interesting authors, get to know each other, and add to our enjoyment of living in Atlantis. The cost is \$5.00 CONTACT **PAT** at **561-965-7600**

JEWELRY CLASS - Held TUESDAYS, 6-8 PM in Chambers. For information and dates, call **Marie Claude** at 561-736-5609 or 561-271-8967 or email her at CLVERT@AOL.COM

Atlantis Functional Training Circuit Classes: Classes are held at Kintz Park on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Nights and Saturday mornings . Thursday is open circuit and Wednesday is stretch class. Rain or Shine. Classes available for all ages and fitness levels. Increase muscle tone, core strength, balance, flexibility and metabolism. Private training is also available. Please call to reserve your space *Class size will be limited to accommodate individual instruction* **Carene Kengeter** - American Council of Exercise - Certified Personal Trainer Call: **561-313-4026**

WATER COLOR CLASSES: Resume on December 4th and will be held each Wednesday from 1-4 PM in the Council Chambers. Registration is required. Call Joan Tiberi at 561-547-5123.

2010 HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS

The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office will be accepting Homestead Exemption applications from residents. (All Palm Beach County residents are welcome)

Where: City Council Chambers at 260 Orange Tree Drive.

When: The 4th Wednesday of each month, now through December 23, 2009. Time: 11:00 am to noon.

A copy of your deed and proof of residency is required.

For further information log on to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's website at: www.pbcgov.com/PAPA, call them at 561-355-2866 or the City Clerk at City Hall 561-965-1744

Warm welcome to new residents:

Don Pelto

Mathew Thibaut and Kacey Crocilla

Angel West

Robert and Suzanne Sullivan

Our condolences on the deaths of:

Beverly Niester

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by Sandy Thompson (313-1060)

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

EMERGENCY (Fire, Police, Ambulance) 911

Police and Fire (Non Emergency)	561-965-1700
J F K Medical Center	561-965-7300
Atlantis City Hall	561-965-1744
Building Department	561-965-1796
Police (Administration)	561-965-1711
Utilities Department	561-965-1744
Garbage Collection	561-965-2627
Atlantis Country Club	561-965-7700
Atlantis Golf Club	561-966-7600
Atlantis Realty	561-965-7900

NEW FALL SPLASH PAD HOURS:

Monday through Thursday 11am to 4 pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 11am to 8pm

- **During periods of heavy rain, the splash pad hours may be suspended.**

GARBAGE INFORMATION:

BACKDOOR PICKUP

- * **MONDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE**
- * **THURSDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE & RECYCLE**

CURBSIDE PICKUP

- ***MONDAY ONLY – YARD WASTE AND BULK ITEMS**

Please place all material for collection by **7:00 am** on the day of service.

Curbside items may only be placed at the curb after 5:00 pm on the day before collection. *Exception, on the first Sunday of each month items may be placed at the curb after noon for Monday pickup.

Please use your underground containers. Liners may be obtained at Ace Hardware or by calling Jim Schumacher at 718-5888 for liners or other repairs. Recycle containers may be obtained at City Hall.

Landscape debris generated by a paid landscape maintenance company must be removed on the day of generation by the maintenance company. (City of Atlantis Code of Ordinances 8.3-9)

Questions, Call City Hall at 965-1744.