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260 Orange Tree Drive
Atlantis, FL 33462

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NOVEMBER 2009

THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Residents,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our friends returning home for the winter months. We have missed you and look forward to the many months ahead of us.

Everyone should have received their tax bills by now and despite the realities of our national economic circumstance, your City has been able to proceed in a direction that, although not painless, is looked upon by many municipalities as envious and an anomaly that they wish they were partaking in. It has not been easy, and over the last three months, I have tried to express and describe the many efforts that we have expended to minimize the negative impact on our residents as a result of a down economy. Today, we look forward to an economy that appears to have signs of recovering with the assurance that your City Council and City Staff will continue to work through any difficulty to yield the best outcome for those we serve.

As you may recall from my prior newsletter columns, I described the sacrifices borne by our City Staff this year to allow the City to arrive at an acceptable budget. At this time of the year, I believe that we can show our appreciation to this staff by contributing to The Employee Holiday Fund. The proceeds go to help our City staff that is the most in need and your generosity has truly been appreciated over many recent years. Contributions can be made to:

**The Employee Holiday Fund
City of Atlantis
260 Orange Tree Drive
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Thanksgiving is right around the corner, as I continue to struggle to lose a few pounds so that I can fill up with all that this season has to offer. The reality is that, aside from the good food that we will share, there are many things that we should give thanks for. We are poised to celebrate another holiday season and despite our difficulties, death of loved ones, turbulent circumstances, and uncertainty about the future, we stand as a collective and will continued to perpetuate all the good that Atlantis has to offer. It is for this that we should be thankful.

I wish you and your families the Happiest Thanksgiving ever and I thank you for your continued support and confidence.

**Serving you proudly,
Mayor Manny Fernandez**



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Did you know?

OUR NEWSLETTER IS ALSO

AVAILABLE ONLINE.

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**Remembering our Veteran's
November 11th.**

**There is no garbage
collection on:**

Thanksgiving Day!!

**The next City Council
Meeting is Wednesday,
November 18, 2009 at 7:30
pm.**

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

**In observation of Veteran's
Day November 11, 2009 &
Thanksgiving November 26
and 27, 2009 City Hall will be
closed.**

Happy Holidays!

Manager's Notes, November 2009

From time to time I receive suggestions from residents. Some months ago, Allan Bennett wrote me and suggested that Atlantis begin a Holiday Decoration Contest. We thought that was a good idea so here it is ~ the **First Annual Atlantis Holiday Home Decoration Contest**. The rules are simple. Decorate your home for the holidays between Thanksgiving and December 20, 2009. Judging will take place on Sunday December 20. We will provide a form in the December newsletter to enter. Thank you to the Atlantis Country Club for providing dining certificates as prizes for the top three homes. Winners will be announced in the January Newsletter.

Thank you to Marcos Pizza and Southern Waste Systems for sponsoring the Halloween Party. Jennifer Kintz told me that this was the 15th Halloween Party. She started it when her children were small. The first couple of years it was held here in the parking lot at City Hall. Earl Moore and Dick Johnson served hot dogs and drinks. As it grew, it was moved to Kintz Park. This year we served over 300 pizza slices and drinks.

A big thanks to the Fall Festival Committee: Diana Fernandez, Isabel Moraguez, Collene Walter, Keller Lanahan, Pat Matulis, Richard Brown and all the high school students who make our event a success. From the first ladybug to the last hot dog, it was a fun filled day for all.

Our new garbage collection company Southern Waste Systems started serving Atlantis on October 1. It took a couple of weeks for the crews to learn the route, but the collection process seems to be going well. We are looking forward to a long relationship with them. They are a locally owned company. It is not often that you get the top management personally serving your account.

We have so much to be thankful for. We wish you a Happy Thanksgiving. As always, I can be reached at city hall during normal business hours and via email at mthornton@atlantisfl.gov.

Mo Thornton
City Manager

ATLANTIS CITY COUNCIL NEWS

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting was held at 7:30 pm on October 21, 2009.

Resolution 09-35, a resolution adopting new water and sewer fees and charges passed 5-0. This will help the City's utility systems to remain solvent.

Resolution 09-36, passed 5-0. This resolution authorizes the mayor to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the Solid Waste Authority to provide delivery of the city's solid waste to designated facilities for municipal revenue sharing and also for the city's recycling program.

Councilmembers Cathy Higgins and David Kintz spoke about the Bike-A-Thon and how well it went. It was a huge success.

Councilmember Michael Dahlgren stated that the Whitefly invasion on the ficus continues. It has devastated many ficus hedges and trees in Atlantis. Other than treatment, he suggested replacing damaged greenery with alternative hedges. City Hall has a list of substitutes for ficus hedges.

William Mitchell

(official Minutes available at www.atlantisfl.gov)

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS by Chief Robert G. Mangold

Welcome back: To all of our residents that traveled elsewhere during the summer months, welcome back to Atlantis.

At this time of year, I want to remind everyone of our traffic enforcement program. The Atlantis Police Department routinely enforces all Florida traffic statutes. The police department has strict radar/speeding enforcement guidelines, established by the city council, and aggressively enforces these laws and guidelines to ensure the safety of our citizens.

During the winter months darkness arrives earlier in the evening, so I am providing the following information for the safety of our residents that enjoy a nightly walk.

Pedestrians must walk on the left side of the street, facing oncoming traffic. Pedestrians must give way to approaching vehicles, that is, they must walk, jog, etc. in single file when traffic is approaching. Pedestrians do not automatically have the right-of-way, except in specific instances involving crosswalks and intersections.

Pedestrians should wear light colored clothing and carry a flashlight. Products, such as reflective materials and special flashing lights, can provide additional visibility and help illuminate pedestrians. These products can be purchased at bicycle shops and sporting goods departments in such stores as Wal-Mart and Target.

Minimum Property Standards:

The City of Atlantis is undertaking a Code Compliance Campaign to address Minimum Property Standards, which serve the City of Atlantis to ensure the City remains one of the most aesthetically beautiful country club communities in Florida. The following is an excerpt of City of Atlantis Ordinance 248, Section 4.61

Section 4-61 - Maintenance and appearance standards for all structures.

A. The owner and/or manager of all real property within the City shall maintain the exterior of the premises in such a manner to conform with all City codes and ordinances to avoid blighting influence on neighboring properties, and to avoid the creation of hazard to public health, safety and welfare. Properties shall be maintained in accordance with the following standards:

1. The exterior of all premises and every structure thereon, including all parts of the structure and appurtenances where exposed to public view, shall not show evidence of deterioration, weathering, discoloration, ripping, tearing or other holes or breaks. All screened enclosures shall be properly fitted and maintained. All other surfaces shall be maintained free of broken glass, crumbling stone, brick or stucco, or other conditions reflective of deterioration or inadequate maintenance.
2. All surfaces requiring paint or which are otherwise protected from the elements shall be kept painted or protected. Painted surfaces shall be maintained free of graffiti, and with uniform colors, void of any evidence of deterioration.
3. All off-street parking spaces shall be asphalt, concrete or block and shall be smooth-surfaced and in good repair, in compliance with City codes.
4. Only one principal color may be used on each structure, excluding those used in accent architectural features and/or trim.
5. Only the following roofing materials are allowed: (a) Concrete tiles; (b) Barrel tiles; (c) Cedar shake shingles.
6. The entire yard where exposed to public view must be landscaped. Height of trees, hedges, etc., shall conform to all applicable City ordinances. Play areas, gardens, flower beds, driveways, walks, etc., not intended to have vegetative cover should be clearly defined and maintained free of uncultivated growth. Yards not utilizing vegetative cover must utilize a material that meets all City codes, and such material must be maintained free of uncultivated growth. Additional information regarding City of Atlantis Ordinances can be found at the following web-sites.

http://www.atlantisfl.gov/Pages/AtlantisFL_Building/PropertyStandards

<http://www.municode.com/Resources/gateway.asp?pid=11815&sid=9>

Should you have any questions, you can contact Sergeant Sean Mahoney or Sergeant William Amason at the police department, 965-1700, or contact city hall at 965-1744 for clarification of Minimum Property Standards.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS.....By Chief Robert G. Mangold**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT**

October 2009

CRIME STATISTICS

September 2009

		<u>Major Crime</u>	<u>Residential</u>	<u>Commercial</u>
Citations:	191	Robbery		1
Written Warnings:	012	Burglary (Structures & Vehicles)	7	2
Total Enforcement:	203	Theft (Grand & Petit)		1
Parking citations:	NONE			

FREE SEMINAR

Are You or Someone You Know At Risk of Falling?

Learn About Our: Fall Prevention Conditioning Program

RSVP no later than November 16 to Lorraine Sousa at 561-628-2375

Tuesday, Nov 17, 2009 10:00am - 12:00 noon.*COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**Location: City of Atlantis Council Chambers**260 Orange Tree Drive**Sponsored by:*

Comprehensive Hand & Physical Therapy - Lake Worth

3230 Lake Worth Rd., Suite C Lake Worth, FL 33461

T. (561) 968-7788 F. (561) 968-9969

Nick Haffey, PT, CSCS & Rosemarie Hawley, PT

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE ATLANTIS ANNUAL HALLOWEEN CONTEST

AGE	CUTEST	SCARIEST	MOST ORIGINAL	FUNNIEST
0-3	Aubrie-Li Chong	Leilani Palma	Sophia Cabrera	Ayden Pults
4-7	Jordyn Jennings	Connor Kerce	Riley Taylor	Jack Frankel
8-11	Jayden Jennings	Derek Paul	Tommy Lukas	Nick Kintz
12+	Brittany Leckrone & Cheyenne Schaefer	Justin Bergeron	Craig Kerce	Michael Moraguez & Betsy Anne Isiminger

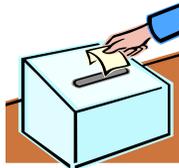
Family Winners were: Lanahan Family**Group Winners were: Christina and Logan Kintz**

The City is once again grateful to Leslie Leckrone and Jennifer Kintz for bringing everything together. Thank you to the judges and volunteers also.

*It's November and time to vote—
cast your ballot to re-name the West Park!*

Thank you to everyone who submitted “candidates” for names that reflect the location, recreational and/or landscaping features of the park. The slate is below...choose the one you like best, **turn in your ballot to City Hall by Friday, November 20**, and we'll announce the winner in the December newsletter.

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|------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------|
| Archilles Park | Founder's Park | Nature Way Park | Trail Park |
| Atalanta Park | Happy Trails Park | Paradise Park | Tranquility Park |
| Atlantis Park | Happy Feet Park | Pine Tree Park | Triumph Park |
| Butterfly Park | Heart Park | Poinciana Park | Veteran's Park |
| Butterfly Trail | Ken Seaquist Memorial | Seaquist View | West Gate Park |
| Celebration Park | Life Line Park | Serenity Park | Westside Park |
| Community Park | Magnolia Park | Serenity Park Trail | |
| Edgewood Park | Military Park | Sunset Park | |
| Fitness Park | Mulberry Park | The Heart of Atlantis Park | |



NAME THE PARK!!

My vote for the name of the “new” park is _____

Name (optional) _____

Address (optional) _____

*******Please turn your vote in to City Hall by Friday, November 20, 2009*******

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS WHO DONATED TO OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

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Atlantis Golf Club

JFK Medical Center

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Roger and Carolyn Bettin

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Corbett and White, P. A.

East Coast Valet – Tim, Cathy, Sofia and Olivia Higgins

Florida League of Cities

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Linens of the Week

Lourdes, Brian, Amy, Jouni and Kate in Memory of Jim Holyfield

Il Circolo, The Italian Cultural Society of the Palm Beaches

Jason's Deli

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.

Pathmed Associates, Dr. Genieve Kuruvilla

Rosalita's Tex Mex Grill

Donald J. Sasser and Diane A. Sasser

Seacoast Embroidery

Maria Sirotzky

Something Buggin Ya

Stormwater J Engineering, Inc.

Rita L. Taylor

TD Bank

Barbara and Arnie Toivonen

Tomasello, Inc.

Theresa Turley

Weathers and Associates Court Reporting



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.

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



Limited Entries Available.

For Information Call 968-1300.



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 No Minimums
 No Assessments
 Single \$1,995/\$2,995
 Family \$2,995/\$3,995



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 Sun 5:00pm-8:00pm
 For Reservations: Please Call
 561-965-5788
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\$59.00
 Weekday and Weekend
 Before 1:00pm
\$49.00
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 November 1st thru December 15th

ATLANTIS COUNTRY CLUB
 190 Atlantis Boulevard | Atlantis, FL 33462

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

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 West Park– Contact: **Betty Ann Badger at 561-434-4142** or **Rob DeCesare at 561-315-0880**

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 November 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.

FLU SHOTS FOR CHILDREN- November 9th from 3-6 PM in the council chambers! Ages 2-24 ONLY. Swine Flu for children only will also be available. Call City Hall at 965-1744 for more information.

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:

Bob Antonoiou , 465 Forestview Drive

William Martin Jr., 312 Glenbrook Drive

Our condolences on the deaths of:

Patrick Foley

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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.