



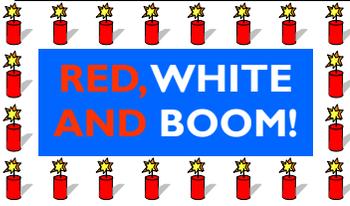
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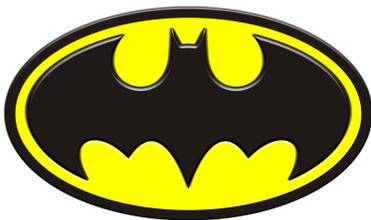
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Its official—we will be able to enjoy a fireworks display over Crescent Lake to celebrate Independence Day this summer. The Crescent City Yacht Club and the Crescent City Celebration Committee have been working hard ever since that first announcement and have put together more than just fire works:

- ☆ There will be games, dancing and DJ music for the kids at Eva Lyon Park from 4pm to 8pm
- ☆ Live music outside at the Sprague House and 3 Bananas.
- ☆ There will be a formal presentation of the Flag at the Central Avenue dock starting at 8pm and a ceremony honoring our veterans will follow.
- ☆ Fireworks over Crescent Lake start @9 pm (nightfall)

We had planned to keep Sunrise Park boat ramp available, but the boat ramp improvements will still be ongoing and it will remain closed this weekend. It may be open to foot traffic, but we cannot be certain. Central Avenue dock and Fletcher Park across from the Winn Dixie will be open for viewing the fireworks.



MOVIE IN THE PARK

Will feature the classic 6Ura Ub movie series starting in June. More info to come.

NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE OF THE CHRONICLE WILL FEATURE THE FY2013/2014 BUDGET PREPARATIONS (I just got goose bumps!)

June 13th City Commission Regular Meeting and CRA Board Meeting Agendas

The City Commission agenda for the June 13th Meeting:

- Recommendation of Award for Fire Hydrant Replacement Project
- Capital Projects Vision Plan
- Second reading of Ordinance 13-01 Amending Article III of the Land Development Code (Zoning Regulations)
- Interlocal Agreement Eliminating School Concurrency
- Better Place Plan Committee and CRA Advisory Committee Joint Recommendation for City Hall Façade Improvements

CRA Board Meeting Agenda is currently set as follows:

- Request for Proposal: Surveying and Due Diligence Services for Miller Property
 - Request for Proposals: Redevelopment of Miller Property
- Meeting Agendas are subject to change until 1 week prior to the meeting. Check the website or contact City Hall if you want to verify the agenda prior to attending. Please contact City Hall 24 hours in advance if any special accommodations are required for you to attend.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Representative Charles Vanzant Town Hall Meeting

Location: City Hall
Date/Time: Saturday June 8th @ 4pm

Juneteenth Celebration

Location: Eva Lyon Park
Date: Saturday June 15th
Times: 10 am to 9pm
(See article on page 2 for more info)

Movie In The Park

Featuring: "6Ura Ub"
Date/Time: TBA (will send out email to subscribers to the Chronicle)
Hotdog, drink and a popcorn just \$2.50!

Dance Recital—"Living Life's Journey"

Location: Miller Intermediate School Auditorium
Date/Time: Saturday June 15th at 7pm
Tickets on sale starting June 8th at Stage 1 Dance Studio, 312 Central Av in Crescent City from 5:30 to 8:30pm.
\$8 in advance/\$12 day of show
Ph: 698-2259

Red, White and Boom! An Independence Day Celebration

Locations: Eva Lyon Park and City Dock at Central Av
Date: Saturday June 29th
Times: 4pm to 8pm Eva Lyon Park
8pm to 10pm Fireworks
(See article and flyer in this issue)

Commission, Committee and Board Meetings for May:

City Commission Regular Meeting
June 13th @ 7pm

CRA Board
June 13th @ 7pm (during Commission meeting)

To get your Crescent City community event posted here or to submit ideas for articles, send in the information by the 28th of the month to make the following month's issue: newsletter@crescentcity-fl.com
Phone: (386) 698-2525



City Hall to Get a Face Lift?

Please note that one item on the agenda for the June commission meeting is a joint recommendation from the CRA Advisory Committee and the Better Place Plan Committee to make some improvements to City Hall. A concept shown drawing shown here was developed by one of our own, Don Fries, owner of *Expressions* across from City Hall. It was reviewed by both committees and both agreed it represents a great enhancement to our otherwise unremarkable City Hall building.

Preliminary cost estimates put the budget for these improvements between \$15,000 and \$18,000. The recommendation is to use Better Place Plan reserves to fund the project. If you are interested in hearing more about the concept, please be sure to attend the June 13th commission meeting.

Did You Know the City Has a Façade Improvement Grant Program for Businesses in Crescent City?

City Hall is not the only building in town that needs a little exterior enhancement, but we know how difficult it is to afford to do anything. If you have a commercial building inside the City's Community Redevelopment Area (CRA), you may qualify for a matching grant of \$1,000



or \$1,500 to help cover some of the expenses. Even if you just want to pressure wash and paint the outside of your building, this may qualify funding.

Eligible applicants must spend a minimum of \$2,000 on improvements to the exterior of their building (\$3,000 if you qualify for the \$1,500 grant). The application and guidelines can be found at: www.crescentcity-fl.com/cra

A map of the CRA boundaries can be found on the same webpage under the [Community Redevelopment Plan](#) link (see page 11 of the Plan). You can also call the City Manager at City Hall to learn more: (386)698-2525



Juneteenth Festival Set for Eva Lyon Park

The 2nd Annual Juneteenth Festival is being held on Saturday, June 15, 10 AM to 9 PM. at Eva Lyon Park.

Juneteenth is the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement.

This event will feature poets, live local gospel artists, and jazz music. Special musical guests *The Grooves* from Jacksonville will be getting there groove on starting at 6pm.

The Strikers Motor Cycle Club of Central

Florida will give a hands on forum on "Bike Safety". And there is expected to be lot of great entertainment for the whole family, as well as a selection of Southern and Caribbean foods.

There will also be a presentation of the A Philip Randolph Award recognizing contributions to the betterment of the Crescent City community.

Everyone is welcome!

For more information call 386-698-3096 or email:

crescentcityjuneteenth@windstream.net.



Crescent City's Avenue of Flags

Did you notice that we have started decorating Summit St with American flags during our patriotic holiday times? Several months ago we purchased 20 flags and brackets to hang them on the street light poles (which was 90% funded by private donations).

Charlotte Santa and the Crescent City Celebration Committee decided we should take it up a notch or two. As part of the Independence Day celebration efforts, they decided increase number of flags we use to decorate Summit Street. Through this effort, we now have 62 American Flags that will be lining Summit St around our patriotic holidays. ALL OF THEM PAID FOR BY DONATIONS! [I must confess that I had to stop the number at 62 in order to make it feasible for City Staff to manage the setting up and taking down of the flags. If we find we can manage it, more may be added in the future.]

The flags are up now for Memorial Day and

they should stay up through the weekend following July 4th (we also have Flag Day in June, so might as well keep them up). The gazebo at Eva Lyon Park will be decorated in early June as well.

Several of the donations were made in honor of a family member or friend. The donors and the persons honored by the donation will be recognized in the *Courier Journal*.

This is good stuff. Way to go Charlotte and the rest of the committee members. This is what makes a city a community.

City Hall wants to urge all of our residents and business owners to put up an American flag at their home or business. Spread the word and lets cover the town in Old Glory.