

## Light Up Eustis!

Eustis Main Street, Inc. and the City of Eustis proudly presents the 22<sup>st</sup> Annual *Light Up Eustis* event at 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, November 27, 2009 in downtown Eustis and Ferran Park. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive via fire truck at around 6:15. The Bay Street Players will begin Christmas caroling around the Christmas Tree located at Eustis St. and Magnolia Ave, at 5:45 p.m. The public is then invited to join Acting Mayor Karen LeHeup-Smith in a countdown ceremony to watch approximately 200,000 LED Christmas lights come to life at 6:00 p.m.

This year's entertainment includes: *The Moonlighters*, *Radio Jubal's Kin*, *Jericho*, and *Patrick Gibson*. The Light Up event will also include food booths, carnival rides, and kids games. For information, contact Wayne Carter, Executive Director of Eustis Main Street, Inc., at (352) 357- 8555 or visit [www.eustismainstreet.org](http://www.eustismainstreet.org)



## First Responders Climb 25 Stories, Raise \$2,100+



City employees from the Fire and Police Departments participated in the 2009 *Fight for Air Climb* on November 14<sup>th</sup> to benefit the American Lung Association. The climb, during which teams tackled the 512 steps of Orlando's Bank of America Building, raised money for lung cancer research.

The Eustis Police team, nicknamed "Eustis PD Blue in the Face," included Misti Morhenne, Anthony Kemeny, Carol Morrison, Kenny Birkhofer and Nick Incontrera. The team raised more than \$700 for the American Lung Association.

The Eustis Fire team, nicknamed "Tri-City Fire" because of the inclusion of five other firefighters from Mount Dora and one from Umatilla, included Chance Neeld, Chad Massey, David Jackson, Sammy Rimes, Brad Carroll and Jon Evans. The Tri-City Fire team raised more than \$1,400 for the American Lung Association and climbed the 512 steps in full bunker gear.

The participants, who took between five and nine minutes to climb the 25 stories, were awarded a completion medal at the top of the building and treated to an air-conditioned elevator ride to the lobby. The Eustis teams, along with 423 other local climbers, raised more than \$95,000 for the American Lung Association.

## Children's Library Winter Holiday Crafts Program

Create some Winter Holiday Crafts with your kids at the **Eustis Memorial Library** on Wednesday, December 2, from 4:00–5:00PM. This is a **free** craft program for children, 4–12 years old. There will be a variety of holiday crafts to choose from. Parents are always welcome! We ask that children under 7 years old be accompanied by an adult. The library is located at 120 N. Center Street in Eustis. For more information please call Ms. Emily at 357-0896 or 357-5686.

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## ***Eustis Website goes live with Commission Meetings***

In the continuing pursuit of government transparency, the City has teamed up with Legistar, an Agenda Management & System Administration, and Granicus, a Streaming Media Solution specializing in Internet broadcasting, to enable Eustis' website to carry the regular City Commission Meetings live on the internet, and have an archived webcast of the meeting available the next day. The agendas, background information and minutes from the meetings will now be available through an RSS feed page in addition to their current links on the Legislative Information Page, located at the government pull-down menu at [www.eustis.org](http://www.eustis.org) or directly at <http://eustis.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

"We are excited to provide the public access to watch the regular City Commission meetings and workshops live and on-demand," said Acting Mayor Karen LeHeup-Smith. "Making city government meetings available on the internet is another example of our ongoing efforts to improve communications with the public."

A "soft" launch of the live streaming technology was put to the test during the November 19<sup>th</sup> City Commission Meeting. With reported success, the City will now offer this service for every City Commission Meeting. City Commission meetings are generally held on the first and third Thursday of the month, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Meetings will be available live and will be archived the following day.



*Installation of "Sunset", by Gus Ocamposilva, as part of the 2009-2010 Eustis Public Sculpture Program exhibition*

## ***2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Eustis Public Sculpture Exhibition installation***

Sculptures are now being installed as part of the 2009-2010 Eustis Public Sculpture program. The exhibition includes nine sculptures that will be on display for one year and are available for purchase by the public. The sculptures in this exhibition will join the City's nine-piece permanent public art collection. The program's second year will be announced at the Light Up Eustis event on November 27, 2009.

The Eustis Public Sculpture Program is an annual sculpture exhibit where public sculpture artisans contract with the City of Eustis to display the works for one year. All the art is available for sale. The City, in addition to paying a stipend to offset transportation costs, will install the art and insure it. Should the artist sell their sculpture, a commission is paid to the City, thus perpetuating the program.

For more information about the Eustis Public Sculpture Program, please contact Rich Hoon, Assistant to the City Manager for Community Relations, at (352) 483-5430.

## ***Eustis Memorial Library / Lake County Health Dept. Flu Shot Clinic***

The Lake County Health Department will be offering two additional Flu Shot Clinics on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, **10:00AM–12:00PM**. The Eustis Memorial Library sponsored Clinics will be held in the Library Community Room. **Prices:** Seasonal Influenza - \$25, Pneumonia - \$45, *free* – if Medicare Part B is used. Payment Options: cash or check. For information or registration, please call the Library at 352-357-5686; Library location is 120 N. Center Street in Eustis. Call to register for your vaccine today **or** register directly to VaxCare online at [www.vaxcare.com](http://www.vaxcare.com), click on "Patient Sign Up", under Onsite Health Clinics and enter "Clinic ID 092267".

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## ***Thanksgiving Holiday Closure Reminder***

The Eustis City Government will be closed for normal business in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Normal business hours will resume for all government offices on Monday, November 30, 2009. Closure dates are as follows:

City Hall Offices: Thursday & Friday, November 26-27.

Eustis Memorial Library: Thursday-Saturday, November 26-28.

\*Parks & Recreation Services -

- Eustis Aquatic Center: November 26 & 27.
- Congregate Meal Program: November 26 & 27.

\*Scheduled rentals of recreation facilities are not affected by holiday closures.

Residential garbage will not be collected on Thursday, November, 26th due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Residential pick up will resume on the next scheduled pick up day following the holiday. Recycling and yard debris scheduled for Thursday will be collected on Friday, November 27th.

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