



Town of MALABAR

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MALABAR GETS IN THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT!

On December 5th the Town of Malabar came together to celebrate our collective holiday spirit. With the help of almost every branch of your local government, the Town put together one of the best Tree Lightings in recent memory. The Public Works Department set



up and decorated the beautiful tree at Malabar Community Park. Nails Farms of Melbourne generously donated 20 bales of hay for seating. The Town Hall staff provided holiday cookies and warm apple cider, as well as ensuring that spirited Christmas music was playing continuously. At promptly 6 P.M., Mayor Pat T. Reilly flipped the switch illuminating the beautifully decorated Christmas Tree. Almost immediately after the tree was lit, Malabar Fire Department's new Fire Truck could be seen in the distance with a special guest. As the truck came closer to the tree, it was apparent that riding on the front bumper was Santa Clause! For the next 30 minutes Santa posed for pictures with children in front of the tree and listen to the children's requests for presents. With at least 50 members of the community coming together at this event, it was undoubtedly a huge success!



On December 14th, Malabar Town Hall opened its doors for a Holiday Open House. From 4-5 P.M., Town Hall was open for the public to come meet their hard-working Town staff. Mayor Patrick Reilly and Town Council Members Grant Ball, Dick Korn and Steve Rivet were in attendance, as well as Board

Member Gregory D'Amico of the Trails and Greenways Committee. Town Hall staff attendees included Town Administrator Matt Stinnett, Town Clerk Debby Franklin, Building Official Daryl Munroe, his Administrative Assistant Denine Sherear, Public Works Director Tom Miliore and his Department, Town Secretary Dorothy Carmel, Fire Chief Mike Foley, Lt. Joseph Hooker, Driver/Engineer Sean Borda and Fire Fighter Jordan Navarre from the Malabar Fire Department, and Special Projects Manager Richard Kohler. Many residents came out to mingle with the Town staff and get to know the people working behind the scenes of Malabar.

TOWN HOLIDAY LIGHTING CONTEST

This year, two of your Council Members, Danny White of District 5 and Brian Vail of District 2, decided to give a little extra holiday cheer! Both Council Members searched their Districts to find the most festive and best decorated houses in their districts. District 2's winner is the Hughen family on Benjamin Road. They decorated their house with thousands of lights, set to festive Christmas music. Cars can pull up, and tune in to the designated radio station, and enjoy the show! District 5's Winner is Jim and Karen Huff of 2175 Ivey Lane. It wasn't an easy choice, as their next-door neighbor was a very close runner up. Councilmen Danny White and his wife Dortehea also wanted to give an honorable mention to the residents of Lineberry Lane, as almost every house had festive decorations and lights! Both winning residents really enjoyed putting together a great display to really show off their holiday spirit! Congratulations to the Hughen and Huff families on their wonderful decorations!



NEW TOWN WEBSITE

The Town of Malabar is very excited to unveil our new Town website! After hearing the public feedback, the Town has decided to upgrade our town site. The new site offers a much more user-friendly interface which allows residents to easily navigate the web page. Meeting minutes and agendas from Council and all public boards are available. Documents ranging from a variance request to a new pool permit are available. Communicating directly with Town Staff and your Town Representatives has never been easier! You can now follow a link to send e-mails directly to Town Staff and Council Members. All email communication with Malabar Town officials are considered public record and are subject to Florida freedom of information requests. Through this new site, residents can search documents, and look over upcoming events in and around our Town. Town Staff has spent a lot of time developing this site, and it launched on December 21st! The Address will still be townofmalabar.org, but you will see a completely new site! Enjoy!

MALABAR TOWN HISTORY

It was 56 years ago this month, that Malabar decided to become a municipality. On December 1, 1962 Malabar had 272 residents, 150 homes and 12 businesses. Out of the 120 electors, 108 voted to incorporate, 11 voted against it and one was a voided ballot. The original voted was for the City of Malabar with the corporate seal consisting of crossed palms, no dock or shoreline. On December 18, 1962 the first Mayor, Council and Clerk were sworn in and the documents were filed within Circuit Court on December 19, 1962. In April of 1963 while working on the first Charter the corporate name was changed to Town of Malabar. Early meetings were held at the Mayor's house and then moved to a community hall and then later moved to the Town Hall's current location.