

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Thursday, July 12th, Rail House Grill, 5:30 PM
- Archer Historical Society, Thursday, July 19th, SFC Davis Center, 7:00 PM
- City Commission Meeting (tentative), Monday, July 23rd, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM
- Codes Enforcement Board Meeting, Tuesday, July 24th, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM
- City Commission Meeting, Monday, August 13th, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM
- Planning and Zoning Board Meeting, Tuesday, August 14th, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM
- City Commission Meeting (tentative), Monday, August 27th, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM
- Codes Enforcement Board Meeting, Tuesday, August 28th, Archer City Hall, 7:00 PM

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Happy Birthday America,

July always meant vacation and picnics when I was growing up. Sometimes Dad would load all 4 kids in the car and we would go to the Tastee Freeze on a Sunday afternoon (if we were good). We would each get a 10 cent cone and it was a real treat. It was a very fond memory from my youth. I would love to see an ice cream store here in Archer, wouldn't you?

We have selected a new city manager Al Grieshaber. We have made an offer of employment and hopefully negotiations will work out so he can begin later this month. Al was the former city manager of Sanford, Florida and was city attorney for Albany, Georgia. We are very fortunate to have someone onboard with so much experience. We look forward to working with Al. Towards the end of this month we will have a meet and greet, so watch for the date to be posted at city hall and on the web site. Come and welcome Al to our city.

All of our permits and equipment are in so we can begin to take care of the water looping problem we

ARCHER COMMUNITY CENTER



ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO HOLD AN EVENT? Check out the New Archer Community Center. It is the place to be when you are planning for a banquet, wedding, plays, family reunions, class reunions meetings birthday parties, workshops, retreats and all other community events.

Please contact City Hall for more information

(352) 495-2880

THE ARCHER COMMUNITY CENTER IS EQUIPPED WITH THE FOLLOWING:

- * Open space dance floor and stage with curtains**
- * Concession area with double door stainless steel refrigerator, Counter top and cabinets, Convection microwave (no stove)**
- * Heat and air conditioning**
- * Piano**
- * Tables and chairs**
- * Stage with lighting and hi-tech sound system**
- * Approximately two acres of outdoor space for other activities**

have. I know that will make our water better for those customers that have had problems.

I attended a meeting with the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council last night. The voluntary water restriction will probably be lifted because of all the rain we got. Parts of Lake City and Live Oak were still underwater and crews from South Florida water management districts were dispatched to help with the flooding.

That's about it for this month. If you have anything you want to put in the newsletter, please contact Vice Mayor Zander. We are always looking for interesting Archer news.

Take care and be safe everyone.

Mayor Frank Ogborn



FLORIDA HISTORY

Julia Sturtevant was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1849. She married Frederick Tuttle, who employed an enterprising young man named John D. Rockefeller. The Rockefellers and the Tuttle became very wealthy in the iron ore business in Cleveland. Julia and Frederick enjoyed raising children and orchids and teaching Sunday School at the Baptist Church.

Julia's parents had settled in the wilds of south Florida, in the little-known town of Miami. She enjoyed the stories they told her about the beauty of the land, and decided to take her children to Miami to visit their grandparents. It was not considered proper for a young woman to travel without a companion, so she took her friend, Mrs. Davis, along. Some people considered it scandalous for a woman to travel without her husband, but Mr. Tuttle was busy with his job and she wanted her children to see the wonderful land her parents had described to her.

Julia made friends with a gentleman named J. W. Ewan, who toured the waters around Miami with her in a sailboat, which caused something of a scandal! It was said that Ewan was entranced by her, even though she was a married woman with two children. But Julia did not worry about the opinions of others. When her husband became ill, she went back to Cleveland and brought him to her parents' home in Miami. She felt the warm climate would be healthy for him.

In 1894, Julia heard that Henry Flagler was completing his East Coast Railroad as far as Palm Beach. Through her friend, John D. Rockefeller, she contacted Flagler and asked him to bring his railroad further south to Miami. He did not seem interested, however.

On the night of December 28th, 1894, it was very cold, and all the orange groves in Florida froze, except for the ones in Miami! She mailed Flagler some orange blossoms packed in damp cotton. Flagler was convinced, and he brought the railroad to Miami!

M. Zander

