



PUBLIC NOTICE OF GATHERING
OF

FERNANDINA BEACH CITY COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that more than one City Commissioners may be in attendance at the following event:

"Main Street Fundraising Event"

Saturday, December 7, 2019

Time: 5:30 P.M.-7:30 P.M.

Home of Buddy and Lorelei Jacobs

1 Marsh Hawk Road

Omni Resort/Plantation

Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034

PLEASE BE ADVISED THIS IS NOT A MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OR CITY BOARD MEMBERS COVERED BY THE SUNSHINE LAW, SECTION 286.011, FLA. STATS. THEREFORE, THE PUBLIC MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE ACCESS DEPENDING ON THE TYPE AND PLACE OF GATHERING. THIS IS A COURTESY NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC THAT TWO OF MORE COMMISSION OR BOARD MEMBERS WILL GATHER BUT WILL NOT TAKE ANY OFFICIAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM THAT WILL FORESEEABLY COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION OR APPLICABLE BOARD. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE CITY COMMISSION'S ATTENDANCE, YOU MAY CONTACT CAROLINE BEST, CITY CLERK, AT 904-310-3115. For event details, please call Lorelei Jacobs at 904-310-3104 or by email ljacobs@fbfl.org.

From an April 26, 1978 Fernandina Beach News-Leader Editorial

“The Centre Street revitalization project which will be dedicated this week, happened because there were a few who refused to watch a city die. Many large cities and small towns throughout the country have seen a decay of their downtown districts. For a while, it looked as though Fernandina would have taken its place among them, but then the community could not sit back. Few places the size of Fernandina Beach could have mustered enough force to get federal money to begin such a project, let alone complete a massive undertaking. But it happened here. And with the efforts came not only a revitalization of Centre Street but a modern library to boot. ... The revitalization will be as important to Fernandina’s history as the trolley cars that used to roll down Centre Street or the pirates who once savored the merriment found in the town. A hundred years from now, people will only be able to ponder what it must have been like during the second half of the 20th century. “Who were those people a century ago that sought a rebirth of their town?” they may ask themselves. The answer may be speculative to them, but for those who played a role in the actual accomplishment it’s not speculative at all... It’s a fact that Fernandina Beach was reborn by the people who lived here in 1978.”

You are cordially invited to a special event to benefit historic preservation in Fernandina Beach.

- ❖ **What:** A cocktail and hors d’oeuvres event and book reading/signing by Suanne Zuzel Thamm, author of the new book **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978**, which captures photographs and recounts, often in their own words, strategies that city residents of that era used to successfully reverse the historic downtown’s physical deterioration and economic decline. Sal Cumella, Preservation Planner for the City of Fernandina Beach, will also speak. Brett’s Waterway Café will provide catering and pianist John Springer will provide music.
- ❖ **When and Where:** Saturday, December 7, 2019, from **5:30 – 7:30 p.m.**, at the home of Buddy and Lorelei Jacobs, 1 Marsh Hawk Road, Fernandina Beach (at the Omni Resort/Plantation). (Please note that this event was originally set for brunch but was changed to an evening event to avoid conflicting with the Amelia Island Museum of History Holiday Home Tour).
- ❖ **To Benefit:** Proceeds of the event and first publication book sales will benefit Fernandina Beach Main Street. Proceeds of future book sales will benefit Fernandina Beach Main Street, the Amelia Island Fernandina Restoration Foundation, and the Amelia Island Museum of History.

Event Attendance Requested Contribution: [**Please RSVP by December 1, 2019**](#)

- Individual Event Attendee: \$100 for event attendance and to receive one signed special first edition copy of **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978**.
- Couple Attendees: \$150 for event attendance and to receive one signed special first edition copy of **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978**.

OR

Publication Patron Requested Contribution: [**Please RSVP and provide contribution by October 31, 2019**](#)

- Individual Publication Patron: \$750 which will include identification of the Individual(s) as a Publication Patron in the first and all future publications of **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978**, attendance for 2 at the event, and receipt of 2 signed copies of special 1st edition book.
- Organization Publication Patron: \$1,000 which will include identification of the Organization as a Publication Patron in the first and all future publications of **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978**, attendance for 4 at the event, and receipt of four signed copies of special 1st edition book.

Additional first edition copies of **Saving Fernandina 1972-1978** will be available for sale at the Dec. 7th event.

[Event attire is Evening Casual. Please RSVP and mail event contributions and list of event attendees to Fernandina Beach Main Street, Attn: Arlene Filkoff, P.O. Box 5, Fernandina Beach, FL 32035, \(904\) 583-8629, or by e-mail at \[fbmainstreet@gmail.com\]\(mailto:fbmainstreet@gmail.com\). For questions, please contact Lorelei Jacobs, \(813\) 363-0375.](#)