

# News for Neighborhoods



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH - February 2008



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City Website: [MyDelrayBeach.Com](http://MyDelrayBeach.Com)

## ONE DAY A WEEK WATERING BEGINS JANUARY 15, 2008

For the first time in the agency's history, the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) has declared an extreme District-wide water shortage, directly affecting more than five million South Florida residents and thousands of farms and businesses.

Modified Phase III Water Restrictions for Delray Beach residents will be enforced beginning January 15, 2008. Landscape irrigation will be restricted to one day per week.

- **Odd** street addresses may irrigate lawns and landscapes on **Mondays** between **4:00 am and 8:00 am** or **4:00 pm and 8:00 pm**.
- **Even** street addresses may irrigate lawns and landscapes on **Thursdays** between **4:00 am and 8:00 am** or **4:00 pm and 8:00 pm**.
- Properties with **more than five acres** have expanded irrigation hours, between **12:00 am and 8:00 am** or **4:00 pm and 11:59 pm** on their designated irrigation day.
- Hand-watering with one hose fitted with an automatic shut-off nozzle is allowed for 10 minutes per day for landscape stress relief and to prevent plant die-off.
- Low-volume irrigation, including the use of drip and microjet systems that apply water directly to plant root zones, is not restricted but should be voluntarily reduced.
- Additional watering days and times will be allocated for the establishment of new lawns and landscapes.
- No restrictions apply to other outside water uses, such as for car and boat washing, pressure cleaning of paved surfaces, decorative fountains and water-based recreation (e.g. swimming pools, water slides).
- Golf courses must reduce their allocated water use by 45 percent.

The new, mandatory restrictions apply to all water from traditional sources, including water from public utilities, private wells, canals, ponds and lakes. Users of 100-percent reclaimed water are exempt from the restrictions but are encouraged to conserve water voluntarily.

Failure to observe water restrictions could result in fines starting at \$100.

For additional information on the water shortage, irrigation restrictions or water conservation, call the SFWMD's toll-free **Water Conservation Hotline at 1-800-662-8876**, visit [www.sfwmd.gov](http://www.sfwmd.gov) or contact a regional SFWMD service center. Helpful water conservation tips also are available at [www.savewaterfl.com](http://www.savewaterfl.com).



## MUNICIPAL ELECTION - MARCH 11, 2008

The City of Delray Beach Municipal Election is scheduled for March 11, 2008. City residents will vote on two seats of the five member City Commission. Elected officials will fill City Commission seats #2 and #4, each serving two year terms beginning March 27, 2008.

### CANDIDATE INFORMATION

The official candidate qualifying period begins at noon, Tuesday, January 29, 2008 and closes at noon on Tuesday, February 12, 2008. Any person seeking to qualify as a candidate must have been a resident of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, who had become an elector of the City on or before September 1, 2007. For information on filing as a candidate, contact the Delray Beach City Clerk's office at (561) 243-7050.

### VOTER REGISTRATION

The Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections will close voter registration books at 5:00 PM on February 11, 2008. Anyone who registers to vote after this date is ineligible to vote in the Municipal Election on March 11, 2008.

### VOTER INFORMATION

The Clerk or Inspector shall require each elector, upon entering the polling place, to present one of the following current and valid picture identifications:

- ◆ Florida Drivers License
- ◆ Florida Identification Card issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles
- ◆ United States Passport
- ◆ Debit or Credit Cards
- ◆ Military Identification
- ◆ Student Identification
- ◆ Retirement Center Identification
- ◆ Neighborhood Association Identification
- ◆ Public Assistance Identification

If the picture identification does not contain the signature of the voter, an additional identification providing the voter's signature shall be required.

Polling locations in the City of Delray Beach will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. Where you vote depends on your Precinct Number, which is located on your Voter Identification Card. If you are unable to locate your Precinct Number, it is available on the Supervisor of Elections website at [www.pbcelections.org](http://www.pbcelections.org) or by calling their office at (561) 656-6200.



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## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES FEB. – MAR. 2008

### FEBRUARY BLACK HISTORY MONTH

#### February 9

9th Annual Everglades Day Festival  
Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee  
National Wildlife Refuge  
Free Family Festival  
8:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
Info: (561) 734-8303

#### February 9 - 17

International Tennis Championships  
Delray Beach Stadium &  
Tennis Center  
Info: (561) 330-6000

#### February 11

Annual Chamber of Commerce  
Education Foundation Auction  
Delray Beach Marriott  
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM  
Info: (561) 279-1380

#### February 18

Presidents' Day  
City Hall Closed

#### February 19

City Commission Meeting  
Commission Chambers  
City Hall 6:00 PM  
Info: (561) 243-7000

#### February 21

Swamp Safari Day Trip  
Florida Everglades  
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Info: (561) 243-7350

#### March 2

Performances in the Park  
Veterans Park  
Free Concert Series  
"The Caribbean Experience"  
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
Info: (561) 243-7277

#### March 3

City Commission Meeting  
Commission Chambers  
City Hall 6:00 PM  
Info: (561) 243-7000

#### March 5

Special Olympics Golf Classic  
Lakeview Golf Club 1:00 PM  
Info: (561) 243-7380

#### March 6

Magical Evening of Music  
Old School Square  
6:00 PM – 9:00 PM  
Info: (561) 833-9499

#### March 11

MUNICIPAL ELECTION  
Polls Open 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

#### GreenMarket in the Park

Worthing Park, 150 E Atlantic Ave  
Saturdays, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM  
Info: (561) 276-7511

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## BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATES ORIGINS OF MULTICULTURALISM

Delray Beach is proud of its rich and diverse history. Many of the contributions that made this city a thriving and successful entity can be traced to our African American community. Black History Month provides the opportunity to recognize and celebrate these achievements.

The theme of this year's Black History Month, "Origins of Multiculturalism," emphasizes how African Americans were at the foundation of multiculturalism in America. Because of their success in gaining cultural acceptance in American society, other cultures were able to follow.

Spady Cultural Heritage Complex-Phase II Project Underway



The Spady Cultural Heritage Museum embraces multiculturalism. In collaboration with EPOCH (Expanding and Preserving Our Cultural Heritage, Inc), the museum is expanding its facility and, when completed, will become one of the county's largest repositories of African American, Caribbean and Haitian history. The Spady Cultural Heritage Complex Phase II Project includes renovation of the Munnings Cottage for the museum's children's programs, Kids' Cultural Clubhouse, construction of a fifty seat amphitheatre named after C. Spencer Pompey and the addition of offices and storage areas.

For more information, contact the museum at (561) 279-8883 or visit [www.spadymuseum.org](http://www.spadymuseum.org).

### "African American Firsts in Delray Beach" Exhibit

February through April 2008

The African American Firsts in Delray Beach exhibit is a collection of photos documenting the history of the African American firsts in Delray Beach, including the first mail carriers, elected officials, teachers and many more.

### Ride & Remember Trolley Tour

February 9, 2008

The popular "Ride and Remember Trolley Tour", sponsored by the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum and the Delray Beach Historical Society, takes riders on a tour of the city's five historic districts. Riders will tour the Cason Cottage Museum and the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum and will also disembark at select historic sites for a closer look at the fascinating history of Delray Beach. \$15 per person; \$12 for members; from 10:00 am - noon.

### "Connecting Community and Culture"

Lecture Series

February through March 2008

The Spady Cultural Heritage Museum will present a six-part lecture and discussion series called "Connecting Community and Culture." Each of the lectures will be held at the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum in Delray Beach. The lectures will include a presentation by a noted speaker followed by a discussion of the topic. The series is one more way for the Spady Museum to spotlight topics pertaining to the rich cultural heritage of African Americans in South Florida.

*The Spady Cultural Heritage Museum is operated by EPOCH (Expanding & Preserving Our Cultural Heritage, Inc.), a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization dedicated to communicating the rich history and cultural diversity of Delray Beach and South Palm Beach County.*

## BRAGGING RIGHTS AT STAKE IN 11TH ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF



*Hearts Run Wild – West Virginia Chili  
by 1st Place Winner Nancy Simons*

Chopped onions, chili powder and a generous portion of fun make for a wonderful recipe at this year's Annual Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, February 16, 2008, at the GreenMarket in the Park, 150 E Atlantic Avenue. Veteran and novice chefs are invited to take up their ladles from 10:00 am until noon to flaunt their culinary talents. Tasting is always free and chili lovers will delight in the assortment of homemade recipes.

Introduced at the GreenMarket in the Park eleven years ago, the Chili Cook-Off gains popularity with locals and out-of-towners each year. From Traditional to New Age to Vegetarian, entries are sampled and voted on by judges and market goers. Competition is fierce as cooks vie for the Chef's Choice and the People's Choice awards. Trophies and bragging rights are awarded to winners for their creative concoctions in a variety of categories.

The GreenMarket in the Park offers the finest in produce, baked goods, flowers, plants and organic foods every Saturday from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Weekly musical entertainment and special events occur at this outdoor market through October, 2008.

To find out more about the Annual Chili Cook-Off or how to enter contact Lori Nolan, Manager of the GreenMarket in the Park, at (561) 276-7511 or email [greenmarket@delraycra.org](mailto:greenmarket@delraycra.org).

*The GreenMarket in the Park is a project of the Community Redevelopment Agency.*

### City of Character Trait of the Month: **RESPECT**



*Treat others with respect; follow the Golden Rule. Be tolerant of differences. Use good manners, not bad language. Be considerate of the feelings of others. Don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone. Deal peacefully with anger, insults and disagreements.*