

News for Neighborhoods

CITY OF DELRAY BEACH - September 2009



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RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY MARKS GRAND RE-OPENING OF HILLTOPPER STADIUM



*Newly installed bleachers at
Hilltopper Stadium*

The City of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department is proud to announce the grand re-opening of Hilltopper Stadium, located at 2501 N Seacrest Blvd (on the site of the old Atlantic High School). A ribbon cutting ceremony marking this important event is scheduled for August 22, 2009, at 8:30 am.

This revitalized stadium facility is home to the Delray Rocks Football League and will be ready for action during the upcoming 2009 season. Parks and Recreation Director Linda Karch stated, "Everyone is very excited about the Delray Rocks

having a home of their very own which was recently approved through a renewed 20 year lease agreement with the School Board of Palm Beach County to provide use of this property. The Rocks represent a big part of the Delray Beach community and completion of this facility will ensure that they remain a strong partner with the City of Delray Beach for years to come. We think the stadium looks fantastic and can't wait for opening day on August 22nd."

Renovations include sod, irrigation, new bleachers, remodeled restroom facilities, freshly painted buildings and a large landscaped area for athletes and spectators.

For more information on Hilltopper Stadium, contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (561) 243-7250.

NEW MARKERS COMMEMORATE HISTORIC DISTRICTS

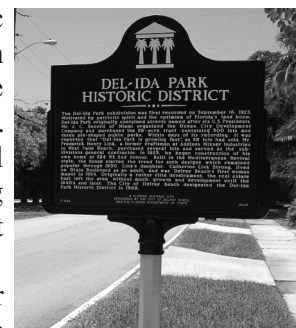
The City of Delray Beach recently installed State Historic Markers within its five (5) designated historic districts, which commemorate the City's rich architectural and cultural heritage while promoting interest in local history and fostering civic pride. Each district - Del-Ida Park, Marina, Nassau Park, Old School Square and West Settlers - contains two (2) Markers providing historical information on both the area and specific properties that have contributed to the district's historic value.

The Markers offer/present an educational opportunity for residents and visitors to learn more about Delray Beach's historic neighborhoods, leaders and events.

Funding to support these Historical Markers was provided by the City of Delray Beach, the Delray Beach Historical Society, Delray Beach Preservation Trust, Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency and EPOCH (Expanding and Preserving Our Cultural Heritage). Additional funding was provided through grant assistance from the State of Florida's Bureau of Historic Preservation and Keep Palm Beach County Beautiful, Inc.

Detailed information on the City's historic districts, including a Historic Architectural Walking Tour, is available in the Planning and Zoning Department, 100 NW 1st Avenue, and on the City's website, www.mydelraybeach.com. On the website home page, select *Planning and Zoning* under *Departments* and click *Historic Preservation*.

For more information on the City's Historic Preservation program (including designating a property as historic), please contact Amy E. Alvarez, Historic Preservation Planner at (561) 243-7284 or alvarez@mydelraybeach.com.



Del-Ida Park historic district marker

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES SEPTEMBER 2009



September 7

Labor Day Holiday
City Hall Closed

September 7

Annual Labor Day
Police Challenge
Atlantic Ave & A1A
Noon – 3:00 PM
Info: (561) 278-3364

September 10

City Commission Meeting
FY 2010 Budget
(1st Public Hearing)
City Hall Commission Chambers
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

September 15

City Commission Workshop
City Hall 1st Floor
Conference Room
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

September 22

City Commission Meeting
FY 2010 Budget
(2nd Public Hearing/Adoption)
City Hall Commission Chambers
6:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7000

September 26

Fire-Rescue Open House
Station #3
651 Linton Blvd
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7400

September 26

Chamber of Commerce
Luminary Gala
Delray Beach Marriott Hotel
7:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Info: (561) 279-0907

CITIZEN SERVICE REQUESTS

Phone: (561) 243-7012

Online: www.mydelraybeach.com

To report a problem, ask a question,
offer a comment or file a complaint.

Delray Beach
Police Department
CRIME TIPS NUMBER
Phone: (561) 243-7839



To report information on a crime that
has already occurred. Crime tips may
be reported anonymously.

PROJECTS, UPDATES & REMINDERS



Economic Stimulus Federal Grant Funding & City of Delray Beach “Grant Team” – The City has been awarded federal economic stimulus funding in the amount of **\$1,360,164** for the *COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)*. This competitively awarded funding will support the cost (i.e., salary & benefits) of six (6) sworn police officers for the next three (3) years (no funding impact to the City’s budget). The City will be required to fund the positions in the 4th year. For information on other stimulus grant opportunities, visit www.mydelraybeach.com and select *Economic Stimulus Bill - City of Delray Beach Proposed Awards & Allocations* under *News*.

Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Hearings – The 1st public hearing on the fiscal year 2010 budget will be held at the City Commission meeting on September 10, 2009. The Commission will consider a tentative millage rate and tentative budget. The 2nd and final public hearing will be held on September 22nd at which time the Commission will consider adoption of the millage rate and fiscal year 2010 budget. Public Hearings begin at 7 pm.

Martin Luther King Jr. Drive Beautification Project - The City and the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency have been working with the Martin Luther King Jr. Beautification Committee on this multi-phase project to renovate Martin Luther King Jr. Drive from I-95 to the Intracoastal Waterway. Improvements are expected to include landscaping, sidewalks, crosswalks and small pocket parks. Tentative start date for this project is January 2010.

2009 Citizen Survey Report Available On-Line – The City’s 2009 Annual Citizen Survey has recently been completed and is now available on the City’s website, www.mydelraybeach.com. The survey includes responses on various categories, including *Community Quality, Environmental Sustainability, Public Safety, Public Trust* and *Community Inclusiveness*. The survey results show that 90% of respondents feel that Delray Beach is either an “excellent” or “good” place to live while 85% gave the overall quality of life a positive rating. Other favorable results include overall image/reputation, services provided and housing options. To view the survey in its entirety, select *2009 Annual Citizen Survey* on the website home page.

DELRAY BEACH EARNS “PLAYFUL CITY USA” AWARD

Delray Beach has recently been designated a “Playful City USA” community by *KaBOOM!*, a national non-profit organization dedicated to *bringing play back into children’s lives*. Our City is one of just 93 communities across the nation recognized for its commitment to play and healthy lifestyles for our children.

A major project that was cited in earning this honor was the City’s revitalization of Miller Park, 1905 SW 4th Avenue. This exciting project is expected to be completed in May 2010 and will include four (4) traditional ball fields, new bleachers and concession stands, batting cages and a new ball field for the Miracle League, a structured baseball league for children with special needs.

“We, as a City, are committed to creating a generation of children who are happier, healthier, and smarter through outdoor recreation while offering safe and quality play areas,” Delray Beach Mayor Nelson S. “Woodie” McDuffie said. “We also hope to increase awareness as to the benefits and availability of play in our community through this initiative.”

Virtual tours and detailed information on City parks and activities can be found on the City website, www.mydelraybeach.com, by selecting *Parks and Recreation* under *Departments*.

KaBOOM! is a national non-profit organization that envisions a great place to play within walking distance of every child in America. For more information, visit www.kaboom.org.

9/11 REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

Friday, September 11, 2009, 9:00 am – 10:30 am

Mizner Park Amphitheater, 433 Plaza Real, Boca Raton



The public is invited to attend the 9/11 Remembrance Day Ceremony to pay tribute to our fallen heroes. The event is hosted by the Palm Beach County Fire Chiefs’ Association and Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services.

For more information, please call (561) 982-4012 or (561) 982-4019.

“We shall never forget.”