

News for Neighborhoods



CITY OF DELRAY BEACH - SEPTEMBER 2006



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Delray Beach, Florida 33444
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Magazen Golf

City Website: MyDelrayBeach.Com

CITY OF DELRAY BEACH RESIDENTS URGED TO CHECK NEW INFORMATION FOR CODE RED TELEPHONE ALERT SYSTEM

The Code Red Telephone Alert System went into operation in Delray Beach in April of 2005. Since then the system has been used nearly 30 times; most being in conjunction with Amber alerts for missing children and Hurricane Wilma. Delray Beach residents who have registered for Code Red Telephone Alert service received those emergency messages in areas affected by the emergency. Temporary residents who provided an out-of-State phone number as a preferred number or alternate number also received those alerts if their resident address was in the area involved.

The Code Red Telephone Alert System can reach 50,000 phones in one hour and blanket the entire City with an emergency message; as in the case of hurricane instructions or evacuation.

All residents, permanent and/or temporary, should visit the City's web-site (mydelraybeach.com) and click on "emergency notification." The application is quite simple and clear. To register, provide the preferred phone number, street address, alternate or cell phone. If a resident's alternate or preferred phone number is out-of-state, they will receive emergency messages at those designated numbers. If you do not want to receive calls at your out-of-state number regarding missing person alerts, or other Police Related investigations pertaining to certain neighborhoods in Delray, please do not enter an out-of-state number when registering. It is more important that we have local contact numbers, since all of our alerts pertain to the City of Delray Beach only. All this information is held in strictest confidence by

the City of Delray Beach and Code Red.

Any residents that are members of a condominium association or homeowner association whose utilities are paid from a "master list" have not been updated in our system from our Utility customer database, and will not be listed for Code Red Alerts unless they make individual applications. These residents need to register individually. If you do not have access to a home computer, please send a letter with the above information to City Hall, 100 NW 1st Avenue, Delray Beach, FL, 33444 to the attention of Amanda Solomon, Telecommunications Systems Manager. Also, if you DO NOT want to be called by the Code Red Alert data base, please e-mail solomona@ci.delray-beach.fl.us or mail a letter declining the Code Red service.

Please make sure to include your Name, address, and telephone number that you want blocked from receiving calls. No numbers will be removed from the system unless the request is received in writing. The Code Red Alert System is used only in the most serious emergencies and is under the supervision of the Delray Beach Police Department.

For more information, please call (561) 243-7008.



POPULAR DELRAY BEACH RESIDENTS ACADEMY STARTS FALL SESSION ON SEPTEMBER 28, 2006

Beginning on September 28th, the very popular and widely recognized Delray Beach Residents Academy will conduct sessions over a six week schedule to familiarize locals with their City government.

Sessions are held every Thursday evening from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and by the end of the semester, graduates will have increased their understanding of the organizational structure and operations of all City departments.

To receive additional information go to the City's

website (mydelraybeach.com), select Residents Academy found in the column "For Residents" and click on the link "Residents Academy Information". If you are interested in attending this session you may download the application by selecting the link "Residents Academy Application". Applications are also available at City Hall reception, 100 NW 1st Avenue, Delray Beach. Space is limited.

For more information, please call Janet Meeks, (561) 243-7231.

VOTE September 5, 2006. Your future depends on it.



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**Delray Beach
Calendar of Events &
Activities
September – October
2006**

**September 4
Labor Day – City Hall Closed**

**September 5
Primary Elections
Nonpartisan & Judicial Elections
Info: (561) 656-6200**

**September 5
City Commission Meeting 6:00PM
City Hall
Commission Chambers**

**September 12
Chamber of Commerce
Focus On Women Event
Extreme Makeover In & Out
Delray Beach Golf Club
5:30PM – 7:30PM
Info: (561) 278-0424**

**September 14
Palm Beach Watercolor Society's
Annual WaterMedia Exhibit -
Cornell Museum
Old School Square
Info: (561) 243-7922**

**September 19
City Commission Meeting
6:00PM City Hall
Commission Chambers**

**September 23
First Day Of Ramadan**

**September 23 – 24
Rosh Hashanah**

**September 24
Spady Living Heritage Day
Spady Cultural Museum
Exhibits & Demonstrations
12:Noon Info: (561) 279-8883**

**September 30
Howard Alan Craft Show
NE 2nd Avenue / Pineapple Grove
Way 10:00AM – 5:00PM
Info: (561) 279-1380 ext.17**

**October 2
Yom Kippur**

**October 3
City Commission Meeting
6:00PM City Hall
Commission Chambers**

**City Website:
mydelraybeach.com**

**DELRAY BEACH HOLDS 3RD ANNUAL YOUTH
CRIME PREVENTION SUMMIT**

The 3rd Annual Youth Crime Prevention Summit was held in Delray Beach on July 13, 2006. The program was designed to educate local youth about the dangers of drugs and other high risk behaviors and to empower them to make healthy life choices. Organized by a planning committee comprised of representatives from the Delray Beach Police Department, Palm Beach County Head Start, Coalition for Community Renewal, and Community Childcare Beacon Center at Village Academy, the event was offered free to summer youth programs operating within the City.

Educational seminars were held in the morning on topics such as gangs, drugs, and sexual behavior. In the afternoon, youth participated in an interactive panel discussion with the theme of "Life Choices." Panelists included: Lula Butler, Director of Community Improvement from the City of Delray Beach, Sgt. John Evans with the Delray Beach Police Department, and Prince Arafat, also of Delray Beach. All of the panelists spoke about the barriers they faced and the choices they

each made. Sgt. Evans and Ms. Butler are both minorities that grew up poor and overcame many challenges to reach positions of authority in the community.



Lunch was provided by Delray Medical Center and Delray Beach Police Officers served the hamburgers and hotdogs to the kids. During the lunch break, entertainment was provided by the Jr. Diva's and comedian, Mother Watoosy. Organizers felt that this year's summit was the most successful yet! Including the young volunteers, approximately 250 youth between the ages of 10-17 participated in this free, community-service event. Participants experienced a day that was both educational and thought-provoking.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY VOLUNTEERING IN THE
2006 INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP**



Residents of Delray Beach are invited to have fun while making a difference by participating in the International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) on **S a t u r d a y**, September 16, 2006. Volunteers are requested to arrive at the Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd. at 9:00 AM. Light refreshments will be served and free commemorative t-shirts will be distributed while supplies last. The outing is expected to last until noon.

The International Coastal Cleanup began in 1986 when a concerned citizen, appalled by the trash found on a local beach in Texas, organized a cleanup effort. Since then volunteers of all ages from every continent descend on beaches, lakes and streams all over the world to remove trash and debris on land and under the water.

ICC is passionate about pollution cleanup and prevention. Volunteer in the International Coastal Cleanup on September 16th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Gather your friends, family, co-workers at the Sandoway House and enjoy the day outside while doing something that makes a difference.

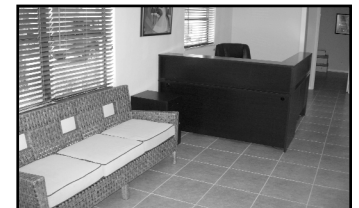
For more information or to pre-register please call Nicole Householder at (561) 274-7263 or Jennifer Buce at (561) 243-7138.

**NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE CENTER
CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING**

The City of Delray Beach Neighborhood Resource Center (NRC), located at 141 SW 12th Avenue, celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on August 23, 2006. This facility represents a collaborative effort between the City of Delray Beach, Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency and the United Way of Palm Beach County Prosperity Campaign. Offices from the Coalition for Community Renewal, Community Land Trust and the new United Way Prosperity Center will reside at the Center. Organizations and agencies responsible for health, human and education services will also be onsite.

The goals of the Neighborhood Resource Center are designed to assist residents with building stronger and safer communities. To accomplish this, the Center will encourage neighborhood involvement and citizen participation, provide leadership mentoring and

promote relationship building between neighborhoods, government, businesses and religious communities



Neighborhood Resource Reception

The Neighborhood Resource Center will be staffed to serve residents from 8:30 AM to 6:00 PM every weekday and many neighborhood associations and community groups are expected to schedule evening meetings at the Center. Training and leadership workshops, neighborhood resource library and youth programs are just a few of the many services available to the residents. For more information please call Elizabeth Alpert at (561) 243-7282.