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EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR COMMUNITY EDUCATION EFFORTS



Police Officer Jeffrey Rasor and Fire-Rescue Lt. Trisha Dunkelmann

The Delray Beach Elks Club recently honored City employees as Firefighter of the Year and Police Officer of the Year. Both were recognized for their work in community education which has proven to be highly effective in promoting public safety.

Fire-Rescue Lt. Patricia Dunkelmann has been named the 2007 Firefighter of the Year. As Community Education Specialist, Lt. Dunkelmann reached a record 12,000 students and residents during 2007. She has been commended for the community oriented programs she has initiated, many of which have become models for other organizations. Under the direction of Fire-Rescue Chief David James, Lt. Dunkelmann implemented the Fire Station Open House Community Health and Wellness Program.

Officer Jeffrey Rasor has been named Police Officer of the Year. Officer Rasor began his career with the Delray Beach Police Department in May 2002. Some months later, he was assigned as an instructor with the Atlantic Community High School Criminal Justice Academy. The goal of this program is to introduce students to the criminal justice field and inspire them to choose this as their career path. When Officer Rasor took on this responsibility, 12 students were enrolled in one class. Through his perseverance, the program has expanded to ten classes with 318 students. This highly successful program has received national recognition and is being emulated by other police departments.

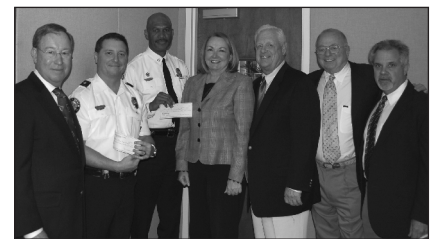
Congratulations to Lt. Dunkelmann and Officer Rasor on receipt of their prestigious awards from the Delray Beach Elks Club.

GENEROSITY OF DELAIRE COUNTRY CLUB BENEFITS CITY

For two decades, the Delaire Charity Golf Tournament has raised much needed funds for the Delray Beach Police and Fire-Rescue Departments, and Delray Citizens for Delray Police. The proceeds from this Delaire Country Club annual event allow for the purchase of equipment not available through normal budget processes. Since its inception, the charity event has raised over \$600,000 which has improved public safety for all Delray Beach citizens.

Delaire representatives made check presentations at the April 1, 2008 City Commission meeting. Delray Citizens for Delray Police President Perry DonFrancisco introduced Delaire Country Club member Harvey Lurie during the presentation. Mr. Lurie awarded checks in the amount of \$18,750 each to the Delray Beach Police Department and Fire-Rescue. Mr. Lurie co-chaired this year's event with David Gray who was also in attendance at the Commission meeting along with Delaire Country Club President Buddy Magod.

"On behalf of the city, I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the members of the Delaire Country Club for their generosity," said Mayor Rita Ellis. "All City of Delray Beach residents benefit from the crime fighting and lifesaving equipment purchased through the Delaire Charity Golf tournaments and I thank this community for their continued support."



(l to r) Delaire Country Club President Buddy Magod, Police Major Craig Hartmann, Fire-Rescue Chief David James, Mayor Rita Ellis, Event Co-Chairs David Gray and Harvey Lurie, and Delray Citizens for Delray Police President Perry DonFrancisco.



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EVENTS & ACTIVITIES MAY 2008

May 3

Cinco de Mayo Festival
Old School Square
11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Info: (561) 276-3396

May 6

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

May 6 – 11

Delray Beach Film Festival
Downtown Delray Beach
Info: (561) 381-3212

May 8

Art and Jazz on the Avenue
Atlantic Avenue
6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Info: (561) 279-1380

May 10

Take it Easel
Pineapple Grove Arts District
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Info: (561) 279-1380

May 11

Mother's Day

May 16

Pineapple Grove Bed Race
Pineapple Grove Arts District
5:30 PM – 10:00 PM
Info: (561) 279-1380

May 17

Family Fun Fishing Day
Lake Ida Park
8:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Info: (561) 243-7277

May 20

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

May 24 - 25

Howard Alan Craft Show
Delray Beach Tennis Center
10:00 AM – 5:00 PM
(954) 472-3755



FIRE-RESCUE OFFERS CERT TRAINING

The Delray Beach Fire-Rescue Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) certification program trains people to be better prepared to respond to emergency situations in their communities. When emergencies happen, CERT members can give critical support to Fire-Rescue, provide immediate assistance to victims and organize spontaneous volunteers at a disaster site. CERT members can also choose to assist with non-emergency projects that help improve the safety of the community. Instructors are City of Delray Beach Fire-Rescue emergency personnel who are certified firefighters and paramedics.

A free eight week CERT class will be offered to City of Delray Beach residents beginning July 8, 2008. This course consists of a series of three-hour training sessions, one night per week for eight weeks (see schedule below) at Delray Beach Fire-Rescue Headquarters, 501 West Atlantic Avenue.

CERT CLASS: July 8-August 27, 2008 (6:00 pm – 9:00 pm)

Tuesday, July 8	Introduction/Disaster Preparedness
Wednesday, July 16	Disaster Medical I
Tuesday, July 22	Disaster Medical II
Tuesday, July 29	Communications/Fire Suppression
Wednesday, August 6	Light Search and Rescue
Tuesday, August 12	Terrorism/Incident Command System
Tuesday, August 19	Disaster Psychology and Course Review
Wednesday, August 27	Disaster Simulation/Graduation

Refresher classes will also be held in May, June, October and December. CERT members should attend at least one class per year to retain active CERT status.

If you would like more information or would like to enroll in the CERT Class, contact Lt. Trisha Dunkelmann (561) 243-7456.



SPRING/SUMMER PROGRAMS ABOUND AT PARKS AND RECREATION

Do you like to swim? Or is yoga more your style? Whatever your interests, Delray Beach Parks and Recreation has a program designed for you. Fitness classes for moms and babies, youth track & field, acrylics art classes and beach walking are just a few of the activities scheduled during the 2008 spring/summer sessions. Parks and recreational facilities are located throughout the city, offering a variety of both new activities and familiar favorites including:

Aquatic Programs: Enjoy a swim at one of the family-oriented aquatic facilities. Pompey Park pool and the Delray Swim and Tennis Club pool are open year round and offer great programs for all ages.

KinderYoga: Children's yoga is a natural and healthy way to exercise, relax, focus and gain self-control. Classes are held at Veterans Park.

Senior Bridge: Party Bridge, also called Contract Bridge, is played once a week at Veterans Park. Become a member of the Senior Bridge group or play as a guest. All experienced players are welcome (partners not needed).

Dance Programs: Adults and seniors can enjoy folk, ballroom and soul line dancing while the younger generation can participate in the Delray Divas step program, attend teen dances or learn to twirl a baton in a choreographed routine. Dance classes are offered at Pompey Park, Veterans Park and the Delray Beach Community Center.

A complete listing of programs can be found in the Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Spring/Summer 2008 Activities Guide. Copies are available at the Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Avenue, and various locations throughout the city. Program information is also available at www.mydelraybeach.com under Parks and Recreation.

For more information, please call (561) 243-7277.



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