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APRIL IS THE MOST FESTIVE MONTH IN DELRAY BEACH

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION at the Sandoway House on A1A in Delray Beach (142 S. Ocean Boulevard) on Saturday, April 8th, is an all day event from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Entry is free and the public is encouraged to participate in the Beach & Dune Cleanup as well as participating in environmental games for prizes, view exhibits, live animals, the shark pool and discover ways to create a backyard habitat. For more information, call (561) 274-7263

LUPUS FOUNDATION WALK also on Saturday, April 8th, starting at 8:00 am from Anchor Park at the Beach on A1A (340 Ocean Boulevard). For more information, please call (561) 279-8606

ANNUAL CIRCLE ON THE SQUARE FOOD & WINE GALA on a very busy Saturday, April 8th, at the Old School Square Entertainment Pavilion, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm. For more information, call (561) 243-7922 ext. 310.

EASTER DOG BONNET PARADE is one of the most looked forward too events of the Easter Season. On Saturday, April 15th, at Delray's Green Market in Worthing Park on Atlantic Avenue and Pineapple Grove Way, a canine fashion carnival will begin parading at 10:00 am. For information, please call (561) 276-7511.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES on the Delray Municipal Beach, Sunday, April 16th, for a multi-cultural non- denominational service beginning at 6:30 am to 7:30 am on A1A at the foot of East Atlantic Avenue at the Pavilion. A1A will be closed from Miramar to Atlantic Avenue for the services.

PALM BEACH INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL with its new headquarters at the Delray Beach Marriott Beach Hotel, kicks off a week of screenings, workshops and seminars at several locations in Palm Beach County. The festival concludes on April 27th and 28th at Old School Square with Competition Film Awards presented on Thursday evening (April 27th) at 7:00 pm and a free community event open to the public at the Old School Square Entertainment Pavilion on April 28th for a special Friday Night Flicks at 7:30 pm.



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DELRAY AFFAIR starts on Friday, April 21st with Atlantic Avenue being closed to vehicular traffic at 4:00 am and remaining closed until 9:00 pm Sunday evening. The three day event is the largest of the year in Delray Beach and this is the forty-fourth year of the most popular Arts & Crafts Street Festival in Palm Beach County. Hours are 10:00 am to 6:00 pm each day and feature over 600 artists crafts people and vendors. Continuous entertainment, a great variety of foods, exhibits and fun for the entire family throughout the weekend from Swinton Avenue down Atlantic Avenue to the Intracoastal Waterway. For more information, please call (561) 278-0424.



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Delray Beach Calendar of Events & Activities

April – May
2006

April 4

Regular City Commission
Meeting 6:00 pm
Organizational meeting
March 30th after Municipal
Elections may change
Commission Meeting dates.
City Hall / Commission
Chambers

April 6

MSNBC TV Host/Reporter
Dan Abrams
"The Abrams Report"
Crest Theatre Lecture Series
2:00 pm
Info: (561) 243-7922

April 18

Regular City Commission
Meeting 6:00 pm
City Hall Commission
Chambers

April 20

Gallery Stroll
Art In Delray Beach
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Galleries on Atlantic
Avenue and Pineapple
Grove Way
Info: (561) 274-3676

April 21 – 22

ROOTS Classical Series
Jazz Concert
Crest Theatre 7:30 pm
Info: (561) 274-0365

May 2

Regular City Commission
Meeting City Hall 6:00 pm
Commission Chambers

May 6

Cinco De Mayo Festival
Food, Entertainment,
Dancing, Children's
Activities
Old School Square Grounds
Info: (561) 276-9578

May 11

Art & Jazz On the Avenue
All along Atlantic Avenue PLUS The
Annual Delray Beach Bed Race on
Pineapple Grove Way (2nd Avenue) from
6:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Info: (561) 279-1380 ext. 17

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VILLAGE ACADEMY EXPANSION TO INCLUDE MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

In 1998, MAD DADS initiated a community planning process that was postulated on "breaking the cycle of poverty for children." Over a period of 9 months, a concerted effort was made by the community to set an agenda for the following five years that would mitigate the ill served and under educated youth, primarily in the Delray Beach African-American neighborhoods. The result was the establishment of the Village Academy supported by local residents, City officials,



Present Village Academy to be expanded.

local philanthropists and ultimately the Palm Beach County School District. On August 13, 2000, the Village Academy opened its doors to 200 students in grades from Kindergarten through the 2nd grade. This past year, the Village Academy

accommodated 553 youngsters up to the 6th grade. This month, ground will be broken for an approximately \$10 million expansion for a middle school and high school complex adjacent to the current elementary school separated by a courtyard. To be completed in August of 2007, the new Village Academy will serve over 400 middle school students and 345 high school students. The new building will contain 80,000 square feet including classrooms, science labs, computer labs, a music room, family resource center and a gymnasium. The Village Academy will then be serving the community with classes that may grow together from kindergarten up to a high school diploma.

SPRINGTIME FOR PARKS & RECREATION IN DELRAY BEACH

As the temperatures creep up and the bougainvillea blooms, Delray Beach Parks & Recreation has an abundance of activities for residents and visitors.

- April 7th begins five weeks of **Ocean Awareness Beach and Water Safety** instruction in area schools. Last year, Ocean-Rescue visited 16 elementary and middle schools providing over 3,600 youngsters with water safety information.
- April 15th brings the **14th Annual Easter Egg Hunt** for children, ages 1 to 8 years, to Miller Park. The Easter Bunny will be there at 8:00 am, Saturday morning and the Easter Egg Hunt starts at 8:30 am sharp. Bring your baskets and cameras and hunt for over 10,000 Easter Eggs filled with candy and special prizes.



• April 19th has the Ocean Rescue Division hosting the **19th Annual Lifeguard Competition** beginning at 3:00 pm, across from Anchor Park, Wednesday

afternoon. Lifeguards from Cocoa Beach, Clearwater, Miami Beach and all points between will participate.

• Catherine Strong Park is open to the public. Delray's newest and one of its largest parks has tennis, basketball, soccer, playgrounds and a sensational **Splash Park** children of all ages will enjoy. Catherine Strong Park is located at 1500 SW 6th Street, adjacent to the Boys & Girls Club.

• Register now for **Summer Camp** which starts on June 5, 2006, for children ages 5 to 12. Please call Tonya Smith or Priscilla Patrick at (561) 243-7249.

DELRAY BEACH FIRE-RESCUE FIREFIGHTER AND PARAMEDIC RECEIVE AWARDS

Firefighter of the Year and Life Saving Awards will be presented this month to **Dan Waldrep** of the Delray Beach Fire-Rescue Department.



Waldrep saved the life of one of his neighbors who had been overcome by heavy smoke in a burning home in his Davie community. Paramedic **Mark Szejter** receives a Life

Saving Award for bravely and selflessly saving the life of a woman whose vehicle flipped over and landed upside down in the drainage canal in front of Station #5. The entire unit participated in assisting and transporting the patient and diving into the canal to ensure there were no other victims. Station #5 personnel will receive a Unit Citation Award for this rescue. These are just two examples of the many acts of courage and selfless assistance Delray Beach Fire-Rescue personnel perform day after day for our residents.



From left to right, firefighter heroes Mark Szejter and Dan Waldrep.

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