

# Delaney Park News

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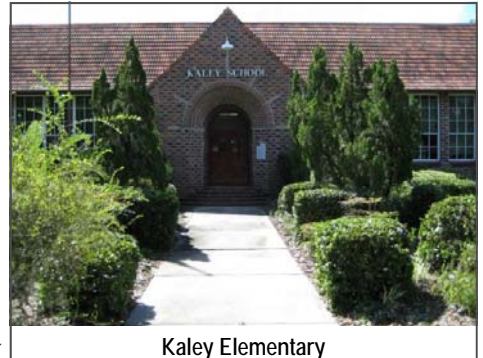


## In Our Neighborhood

There are many historic schools in the downtown Orlando area, two of these school are in the Delaney Park area—Cherokee School and Kaley Elementary.

**Kaley Elementary School (1600 East Kaley)** was constructed in 1935 as a Works Progress Administration (WPA) project. If you are not familiar with the WPA, it was the 1930's version of an *Economic Stimulus Package* put in place by the Roosevelt administration to get people working during the Great Depression.

The school is constructed of Depression bricks in an old English style of architecture. The school was somewhat unique when it was constructed with its sprawling, open horizontal layout, most schools at that time were typically multi-floor buildings to minimize land usage. This "open" design is now common among Florida schools. In 1995 Kaley Elementary was proclaimed a historical site by the Orlando Preservation Board & the City of Orlando.



Kaley Elementary

The school originally was a traditional elementary school, it still serves a general K-5 population, as well as students in the Auditory-Oral Hearing Impaired, Educable Mentally Handicapped, Exceptional Education, and Varying Exceptionalities Programs. It is also the location for the district's Audiology Department.



Cherokee School

**Cherokee School (550 South Eola)** was finished in 1927 at a cost of approximately \$350,000. Its architecture is Spanish Colonial Revival with Exotic Revival elements. The exterior of the building features terra cotta ornamentation in a similar style to many of the larger homes that were being constructed in Orlando and Winter Park during the same period.

The school was originally Cherokee Junior High and served that purpose until 1952 when two new high schools (Boone and Edgewater) opened to replace Orlando High School. What had been the old Orlando High School became Howard Middle School and Cherokee in turn became an elementary school. Today Cherokee provides a program for students who are experiencing significant learning or emotional problems in grades K - 6.

## Neighborhood News & Notes

- ✉ Send us your email address! Then you can be contacted for meetings, socials, neighborhood events, or crime alerts. We currently have less than 250 addresses on the list (out of over 500 homes total); so we're reaching less than half the neighborhood with these timely announcements.
- ✉ The Delaney Park web site up and running, with online copies of the newsletter and other news and information. Go to [www.delaneypark.org](http://www.delaneypark.org) to check it out. Please contact us if you have items to add.
- ✉ **Have you renewed your membership?** You can send your voluntary association dues for 2009 (\$25 per household is suggested) to Joel Garris, 614 Richmond Street, Orlando, Florida 32806. Make checks payable to DPNA.

### Upcoming:

~ **Meetings** ~  
No neighborhood meetings this month.

~ **Friday Social** ~  
**March 6, 7 p.m.**  
507 E. Gore  
Sage & Jamie

## City and Community Calendar

- **Lincoln Bicentennial Celebration at the History Center**, Now through Sun. 03/08, Orange County Regional History Center, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Cost: \$12, \$9 for seniors and students with valid ID, \$7 for children ages 5-12, For more information, contact (407) 836-8500.
- **HOPE Festival - Parramore Street Fair**, Sat. 2/28, Music with live band on stage, vendors, Dr. J.B. Calahan Center, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., Free, For more information, contact Richard Bock (407) 451-5282.
- **Smucker's Stars on Ice "On the EDGE"**, Sat. 2/28, 3:00 p.m., Amway Arena. Event puts the World's best skaters to the ultimate test, showcasing their elite athletic skills. They'll be going to the limit to bring to the ice the very best that skating has to offer - and will be pushing their bodies right to the EDGE. Produced by Scott Hamilton, the event is coming for one performance only! \$25 - \$120 (discounts for groups of 20 or more), Event information (407) 849-2001 or Ticket information (407) 849-2020
- **The Food & Wine Festival at Baldwin Park**, Sat. 3/07, Food & beverage tasting event with live music & silent auction, Baldwin Park/New Broad St., 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., \$65 donation, For more information, contact Kerri Rossi (407) 339-2978.
- **Music in the Gazebo**, Sun. 3/08, Come to Langford Park and sit under some live oak trees while you here the sounds of folk music from our special guests. The company that brings us the folk music is Central Florida Folk, Inc., Langford Park Gazebo, 1808 E Central Boulevard, 1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., Free, For more information, contact Nikki Tanner (407) 246-2150 or e-mail: nikki.tanner@cityoforlando.net.
- **3rd Annual Baldwin Park Arts Festival**, Sat. 3/14, Festival for the Visual Arts & Performing Arts, Artist booths, opera/ballet/orchestra performances, kids' activity area & fashion show, sponsor booths. New Broad St. in Baldwin Park Village Center, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Free, For more information, contact Pat Jones Petrick (407) 896-3155
- **St. Patrick's Day Party**, Sat. 3/14, Bands playing and bagpipes, 4982 New Broad St. in Baldwin Park Village Center, 5 p.m. - 1 a.m., Cost: \$10 per person For more information, contact Tom Murphy (407) 622-4700.
- **Orlando Farmers Market**, Join us every Sunday for baked goods, fresh produce, flowers, beautiful plants, and homemade crafts, Lake Eola, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., For more information, contact Dana Brown, (321) 202-5855.

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## A Note From Commissioner Diamond

Dear Friends,

**Help Stop Crime** - Here are some crime prevention tips to help keep you and your neighborhood safe:

- Report suspicious people and activities to the police department immediately by calling 911.
- Lock your car when you are not in the car.
- Do not keep your car running when you are not in the car.
- Remove all valuables (including GPS, CD's and cell phones) from your car when you are not in the car.
- Report all crimes to 911

**District Spring Picnic** - The Annual District Spring picnic will be Saturday, March 14, 2009, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It will be held at Amhurst Park, 6204 S. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando, FL 32829.

Children of all ages can participate in a variety of family-friendly activities at the picnic including moonwalks, games, face painting, and demonstrations by the Orlando Police and Fire Departments, musical entertainment, food and soft drinks. In addition, they can meet critters from the Central Florida Zoo and make crafts with the Orlando Science Center. The picnic will also be a day for community service, with a food drive benefiting the Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida. Voluntary donations of canned goods, nonperishable food, and financial contributions will be accepted.

**Graffiti Program** - There has been more graffiti in the area recently. You can help wipe out graffiti in Orlando by reporting it in a timely manner. To report graffiti in the City of Orlando call the hotline at 407-254-4723. You can also report it online at the City's website at [www.cityoforlando.net/graffiti](http://www.cityoforlando.net/graffiti).

**District 1 E-Mail List** - I periodically send emails to keep people up to date on District 1 issues and events. If you would like to be added to this list so that you can also be up to date and receive these emails, please email me or call me. Recently, after sending some of these emails, a number of them were returned because of spam filters. If you are on the email list but haven't been getting your emails, check your spam filter. If that doesn't work then let me know.

**Questions or Comments?** - Call me at (407) 246-2001 or email [phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net](mailto:phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net). My aide, Jeanne Rosenthal, can be reached at (407) 246-3011 or email at [jeanne.rosenthal@cityoforlando.net](mailto:jeanne.rosenthal@cityoforlando.net) and Officer Edgar Malave can be reached at (407) 246-2513 or email at [edgar.malave@cityoforlando.net](mailto:edgar.malave@cityoforlando.net).

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## Worthy Causes

☞ **2009 CROP Hunger Walk**, Sun. 3/01, First United Methodist Church, 142 E. Jackson Street, 2 p.m. - 4 p.m., Free, For more information, contact (407) 426 -7123.

☞ **Walk MS (Multiple Sclerosis)**, Sat. 3/14, Walk MS is a family fundraiser event to raise money to provide programs and services to those living with Multiple Sclerosis in Central Florida, Lake Eola's N.E. Grass Area, 6:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Free, For more information, contact Jamie Elasisk (407) 478-8882.

☞ **Orlando Walk for Wishes**, Thurs. 3/26, Join us as we walk around beautiful Lake Eola to raise money to grant the wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions. If you are interested in sponsorship opportunities, forming a team or participating in the event please refer to contact information, Lake Eola's N.E. Grassy Area, 4:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., For more information, contact Andrea Halpem (407) 622-4673.

