

# Delaney Park News

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## Neighborhood Safety



From official reports and word-of-mouth sources, Delaney Park and other downtown neighborhoods appear to be having an increase in burglaries in recent months. The majority of these crimes have occurred in the daytime on weekdays, when many of the homes in our neighborhood are empty. We also have had a vehicle theft in the last few weeks and there has been several reports of suspicious vehicles that seem to be surveying the neighborhood. In response to these and other neighborhood safety concerns, Commissioner Phil Diamond, Commissioner Patti Sheehan, and Chief Michael McCoy will host a neighborhood public safety summit to discuss public safety, crime issues, and crime prevention.

Chief McCoy and other representatives from Orlando Police Department (OPD) will talk about their plan of action and what they're doing in the district. They will also have the latest crime statistics for our area to compare to previous years. Residents will have an opportunity to ask questions directly to the leadership at OPD and our Commissioners. The meeting will be held at the Beardall Senior Center on Wednesday, September 13th from 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the large meeting room on the second floor of the Beardall Center. This meeting is open to all area residents, if you have friends in other surrounding neighborhoods such as Cherokee, Lake Copeland, Lake Davis, Lancaster Park, or Wadeview, please notify them about this meeting

Other representatives from OPD attending, will be Captain Larry Zweig, Criminal Investigation Division Captain Sonja White, Commissioner Liaison Officers Ernest Smith and Jim Young, Neighborhood Watch Representative, and Citizens Police Academy Representative. This will be an opportunity to hear from the Orlando Police Department about their plans to address public safety issues and concerns. Citizens can also learn how to get involved with crime prevention activities including: Neighborhood Watch, Citizens Police Academy, Senior Citizens Police Academy, and take advantage of the free OPD residential and commercial security surveys.

## Neighborhood News & Notes

- ☞ Remember to use your new cart for garbage collection. The new carts should be more efficient, cleaner, safer, and provides protection against animals. Waste collection days remain the same (Tuesday & Friday). Since the new cart are large, you may be able use a single day for garbage pickup. Effective August 30 Yard Waste pickup has been changed to Wednesdays. Friday will still be the day for large items that need to be manually picked up.
- ☞ Send in your email address! DPNA then can contact you for various reasons such as notification of meetings, socials, other neighborhood events, or crime alerts in the neighborhood. We currently have approximately 225 addresses on the list (out of over 500 homes total); so we're only reaching less than half the neighborhood with these timely announcements.
- ☞ First Fridays are fun to host! We still are looking for people to host our Friday Socials after the first of the year. Please email Lisa Curtis at: [curtiswolf@hotmail.com](mailto:curtiswolf@hotmail.com) if you would like to host a Social.
- ☞ We are gradually getting the Delaney Park web site up and running again, go to [delaneypark.org](http://delaneypark.org) to check it out. If you have any items you would like to see on the site, please contact a board member.

### Upcoming

#### Meeting:

**September 13, 7 p.m.**

Special Safety Summit, see article with more info above

#### Friday Socials

**October 6, 7 p.m.**

It will be hosted by:  
Jen & Mark O'Mara  
1306 South Osceola

## City and Community Calendar

- **September Sale at the Public Library!** This is your chance to pick up great books at a fraction of the cost as everything will be reduced 50%! Check out the Friends of the Library Bookstore on the third floor of Orlando Public Library. It's all happening Friday, **September 15** and Saturday, **September 16**. Friends of the Library members are invited to shop early and enjoy special advance entrance to the book preview sale on Thursday evening **September 14**.
- Mark your calendars for the **POW-MIA Recognition Ceremony**, a time to remember our prisoners of war and those missing in action. This solemn event will take place in the Orlando City Hall Rotunda at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, **September 15**. The VFW Post 2093 Band will provide patriotic music and the symbolic setting of the table will be performed to remember those members of the five branches of the military who are held prisoner or are missing in action. For more information call 407-246-3095.
- **Florida Coastal Cleanup** will be held Saturday **September 16**, 9 - 11 am at Lake Ivanhoe, Lake Lorna Doone, Lake Lucerne, or Park Lake. For more info, please contact Jody or Jane at (407) 246-2752.
- The **City of Orlando's Lake Eola Park** will be featured on national television! **Stunt Junkies**, a show on the Discovery Channel, has selected a local wakeboarder as the feature stunt artist for one of their upcoming productions. Aaron Rathy will be jumping over the Lake Eola fountain on Saturday, **September 30**. Don't miss this unique event experience!
- Orlando's **Come Out With Pride Parade** will be held Sunday **October 15**. The parade will step off at 3 p.m. starting on the corner of Summerlin and Robinson and continues down Central. This year's Grand Marshall is actor and comedian Jim J. Bullock. Complete schedule can be found at [comeoutwithpridecfl.org/](http://comeoutwithpridecfl.org/).
- **Veterans Day Parade** will be held Saturday **November 11**, at 10 a.m., the parade will start at Orange and Amelia and travel south to Central, then north on Rosalind. Please come to honor the men and women in our Armed Forces who have fought to protect us.

### DON'T FORGET...

*If you have any item that you would like published in the DPNA newsletter, email Lisa at [curtiswolf@hotmail.com](mailto:curtiswolf@hotmail.com)*

*You can advertise about upcoming garage or yard sales, announce birthdays / engagements / anniversaries, or maybe start up a special interest groups, etc... all for no charge!*

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## Notes from Commissioner Diamond



### Dear Friends,

I hope that everyone had a great summer now that we all are settled in for another school year. Many of you have asked about crime and the City's efforts to keep Orlando safe.

### What is the City Doing to Address These Concerns?

Commissioner Sheehan, Chief McCoy, and I will be hosting a Safety Summit Sept 13 (see page one of this newsletter for details). The City is dedicating additional public safety resources to protect and serve the citizens, reduce crime and maintain livable neighborhoods. In the budget year that begins on October 1<sup>st</sup>:

- The City will hire twenty-four more patrol officers to help keep our neighborhoods safe;
- Two more detectives will be hired in order to solve crimes and arrest criminals more quickly; and ten more 911 dispatchers will be hired to help police officers respond to calls for service more quickly.
- Police substations will be added in southwest and southeast Orlando;
- The City's communications equipment will be improved and updated with the installation of a new high-tech, digital communications system that will soon be the standard around Orange County and will allow all of our region's public safety departments to communicate
- The city will construct a state-of-the-art police department training center that will ensure our officers get the most up-to-date training.

### How Can I Get Involved and Make A Difference?

**Citizens for Neighborhood Watch** - Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that provides home and personal safety training including free home and business security surveys; hosts Operation I.D. to engrave personal items for easy identification; and regular updates on neighborhood crimes statistics and crime alert bulletins.

**Citizen Police Academy** - A program that introduces citizens to police work; from how to patrol neighborhoods to tactics used in high-risk incidents. It is also offered during the day for senior citizens and in Spanish.

**Citizen Observer Program (COP)** - Volunteers who help police maintain livable neighborhoods. Members perform crime watch duties and alert the police department of hazards and unlawful behavior.

**Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS)** - A volunteer program that draws on the time and talent of citizens and allows law enforcement professionals to better perform their frontline duties.

For information on these programs call Officer Ernest Smith at 407-246-2513 or [ernest.smith@cityoforlando.net](mailto:ernest.smith@cityoforlando.net).

**District 1 E-Mail List** - From time to time, I send emails on issues of concern or specific District 1 issues and events. If you would like to be added to this list, please email me or call me. Recently a number of emails 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/Comments** - If you have any other questions, comments or concerns, please call me at 407-246-2001 or email me at [phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net](mailto:phil.diamond@cityoforlando.net). Or contact my aide, Sandy Johnson, at 407-246-3011 or email at [sandra.johnson@cityoforlando.net](mailto:sandra.johnson@cityoforlando.net) or Officer Smith (contact info above).


**District 1 Picnic** - Since fall will soon be here, it is time for the annual district one picnic. The picnic will be held on Saturday, November 4th at Wadeview Park so mark your calendars! I promise that it will be even better than last year's terrific picnic. You will be seeing more information about the picnic soon.

## Current Complete Brick Dedications

Listed below are the brick dedications, this list is current as of (approximately) mid-August, the entries in **Bold text** indicates multiple or corporate bricks donated. If you have purchased a brick and are not on the list, please contact Joel at joel@planwithnips.com

Arcara, Danette; Asquith, Mrs. Leonard; Avery, Harry; Bagozzi, Loretta; Ball, Brian; Ballard, Sam; Bassett, Jim & Peg; **Bell, Lisa**; Bergin, Scott; Bhavsar, Amy; Bird, Bill; Bittner, Kristin; Blaker, Mary & Woody; Bowyer, Sam; Bramuchi, Chris & Joe; Braun, W. Gerry; Burden, Alice; **Burzee, Phyllis**; Cardoso, Kim; Clem, Carmen & Zander; Coleman, John; Crawford, Craig; Darnall, Bill & Diane; **Davis, Mike & Terry**; Delozier, John; Diamond, Phil; Dierich, Terry; Doherty, ; **Downs, Linda**; Edwards; Evans, Rob; Fitzpatrick, Tracy; Friedell, Mark & Donna; **Gabrielson, Jane**; Garrido, Jose; **Garris, Joel & Stephanie**; Ghioto, Rod & Lynne; Gilbert, Kellie; Guthrie, Bill & Maria; Harding, David & Marie; Hart, Chris & Amy; Haydon, Larry & Martha; Hayes, Christian; Hellie, Dan; **Hinson, Daniel**; Hodges, P.; Igou, Annetta; Jervis, Dorothy; Kakob, Keith; Kelly, Mary; **Kern, Joe & Sherry**; Killian, Marna; Laguardia, Nike; Lang, Tom & Marilyn; LeBlanc, Gabriel & Rina; Lewis, Craig; Linxwiller, Joe; **Losch, Tracy**; McIntyre, Jeralee; McWhirter, John; MacFarlane, Maily; Martinez, Rachel & Cesar; **Miller, Sheila**; **Moore, Michael**; Nash,

Ryan & Leah; Nichols, George & Darcy; **Obee, Ron**; O'Connor, Thomas; O'Donnell; **O'Mara, Mark & Jen**; **Palmer, Rebecca**; Partlow, Terri; Paymayesh, Stephanie & Robert; Peecher, C. L.; **Pittenger, Beth**; Porter, Bob & Cindy; **Powell, Dick & Sherry**; Pyle, Frank & Lois; Quartano, Ellen; **Radcliffe, Michelle**; Renick, Rose Mary; Rogers, Maggie & Rusty; Rosenfeld, Debra; Ryan, Karen; Schiffer, Eileen; **Schreiner, Stephanie**; Schuler/Pierce, David/Dennis; Scollan, Carol D; Seidl, Jeff; Sevi, Dante & Kim; Shafer, ; Sharp, Heather & Bryan; Simpson, Claire M.; **Smith, Chris**; D. H.; Staniszki, Jan; Stead, Jessica & Ryan; **Stelmashenko, Paula**; Stevens, Todd & Tara; Stoeckel, Rusty; **Stolz, Robert**; Stowers, Jim; **Sublette, Bill** ; **Tamlin, Susan**; Thill, Steven; Tosko, Susan; Trulove, Sandra; Tyree, James; Umpierre, Tracy C.; **Upperco, John**; Wahl, Julie; Walker, Don; Walsh, Jack & Stephanie; **Waranch, Michael**; **Webster, Sage**; Weigand, Eric; Werth, Jean; Wicks, Michael; **Wolf, James**; Zakari, Ahmed; Zehnder, Leigh.



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Neighbor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

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