November 2006

# **SoRoPa Neighbors**

#### News of Note:

 Permitting Department goes online. Check the city website:

#### www.oaklandparkfl.org

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## Neighborhood Meeting November 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm Fire Station

#### **Tentative Topics:**

- "Walk Through Wednesdays" in our permitting department
- Dogs in our Park
- The Upcoming Performing Arts Schedule
- OP Emergency Volunteers
- Community Roundtable Tour

#### Speakers to include:

- Lt. Hubrig of BSO
- A representative for the Veterans Memorial
- Community Development
- Others TBA...!

\$ 50-50 Raffle \$

Beginning this meeting, join us in a 50-50 raffle to cover cost of refreshments! (and perhaps enrich your pockets!!)

## **Watchful Eyes Pay Off in South Royal Palm Acres**

When BSO Lt. Al Hubrig spoke at our meeting last month, he said that burglars and other troublemakers go to areas where they know they are not being watched. That is one of the reasons that South Royal Palm Acres continues to have a relatively low crime rate along with a couple of other nearby neighborhood

The #1 deterrent to neighborhood crime is you, the watchful neighbor!

See a car you don't recognize or a person hanging around a home that gives you a funny feeling? You know better than a cop on patrol what is normal for your neighborhood.

Have you ever seen something next door and wondered if everything was alright? Did you wonder if maybe you should call the police?

Why did you hesitate? Afraid you might be wrong? What if you are right?

The Police Department works for us, to serve and protect us. Don't hesitate to contact them. If you have a funny feeling that something is not right, don't wait until you are sure you are right, contact the BSO!

If you suspect danger, a crime in action or want fast attention, call 911. If you have a funny feeling about something and just want a second pair of eyes to check it out, call BSO's non-emergency line at (954) 765-4321. If you can't get through, call the Oakland Park Station non-emergency number at (954) 561-6111.



## Camp Olympiad - Silent Auction and Raffle

Saturday, December 2, 2006 7:30PM - 10:00PM Collins Community Center, 3900 Northeast 3 Avenue Oakland Park, Florida 33334

Come and hit a home run for Camp Olympiad, a nonprofit organization providing activities for the mentally handicapped for over 30 years!

There will be food, fun, and great prizes. Items include autographed memorabilia, dinners at local restaurants, and much, much more.

All proceeds from the auction and raffle tickets will be used to provide scholarships to the Camp Olympiad summer camp and Saturday sports programs, and can be used as a tax deductible donation.

All payments for the auctions and raffle tickets can **only** be made by cash or check. Participants do not have to be present to win.

For more information, contact Dan Zachofsky at (954) 796-0614 or the City of Oakland Park Parks & Recreation Department at (954) 630-4500.



Have you checked out the City website? www.oaklandparkfl.org Its chock full of valuable information!

# The City of Oakland Park Presents WALK-THROUGH WEDNESDAYS

"Quick Service Permitting" 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

In July, Oakland Park staff began devoting every Wednesday to allowing residents and contractors to walk in with complete applications and walk out with the following types of permits only:

Maximum of five (5) permits per day per customer



- · sewer replacements
- water service replacements
- plumbing fixture replacements
- · water heater replacement
- · gas appliance replacement (2)
- · residential irrigation systems

#### Mechanical

- air conditioner replacements
- · pool heat pump replacements (2)

#### Electrical

- service changes
- · low voltage permits [no fire alarms]
- · burglar alarms

#### Structural

- · re-roofs (4)
- fences (3) [vinyl coated (4)]
- · concrete patios (3)
- · shutters (4)
- window replacements (4)
- screen enclosures (3), (4)
- sheds (2), (3), (4)
- (2) Provide manufacturer's sheets and installation instructions.
- (3) Requires zoning review.
- (4) Product approvals required.



### Block Representatives (Contact your rep with questions & comments)

32nd Ct. - Karen Nagy, 1980 NW 32<sup>nd</sup> Ct., (954)609-8845

31st St. & 32nd St. - Dennis & Gwen Cox, 1851 NW 32nd St. (954) 730-7254

33rd Ct. - Richard & Jean Bernhardt, 1851 NW 33rd Ct, (954) 486-4057

33rd St. - Hope Gold, 1940 NW 33rd St, (954) 684-0638

34th St. - Anne & Steve Sallee, 1971 NW 34th St, (954) 717-3090

35th & 36th St. - Al Wakefield & Marshall Belmaine, 1920 NW 36th St., (954) 714-0758

21st Ave. - Paul Spearing & Louis Weinberg, 3520 NW 21st Ave, (954) 733 9871-H & (954) 579 9662-C

18th Ave. - Neighbors Needed

For more news and useful links about our neighborhood go to:

www.neighborhoodlink.com

and enter your zip code, then select:

SoRoPA - South Royal Palm Acres

## 18th Avenue Neighbors Needed

Neighbors on 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue are invited, encouraged and welcomed to attend. Our meetings are usually on the first Tuesday of every month, 7:30 pm at the Fire Station at NW 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue and NW 39<sup>th</sup> Streets.

For more about what SoRoPa Neighbors United is about, see the description on the next page.

Note - If you are going away, submit a vacation alert. Call (954) 561-6111. BSO will stop by and keep an eye on your home.

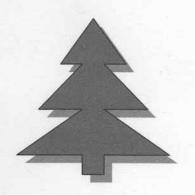
## **Neighborhood Holiday Party**

Still in the planning stages, but something to look forward to:

A gathering to share the joy and festivity of the season. Meet your neighbors, make new friends!

Planning has just begun, so attend the meeting November 13<sup>th</sup> to participate in the planning and...

See next month's SoRoPa Neighbors Newsletter for more!





## Oakland Park Strategic Planning Underway

Steve and Anne Sallee recently participated in an Oakland Park Community Roundtable that will be instrumental in developing the immediate and long-term future direction of our city and will ultimately result in Oakland Park's first dedicated strategic plan.

On Saturday, November 4th, they joined about 25 Oakland Park residents for a 2 1/2 hour tour of the city focusing on designated points of interest, Capitol Improvement Projects, current and future land development projects, as well as areas that highlighted neighborhood and community-wide issues.

The next step: on Tuesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> the participants reconvene to discuss their thoughts after the tour and to do an exercise called SWOT to identify and discuss the Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats to our community.

Anne and Steve will be sharing the progress of this project and look forward to having the input of their SOROPA neighbors as it proceeds.

The Neighborhood Meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup> will be our first opportunity to hear about their experience and to share any thoughts about Oakland Park's Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats.

## What is SoRoPa Neighbors?

South Royal Palm Acres Neighbors United is a neighborhood group focused on improving crime prevention awareness, strengthening spirit and fostering pride in our community in order to provide a safer, organized and more beautiful place for all of us to live.

The mission of South Royal Palm Acres Neighbors United is...

- To encourage and promote community pride in our neighborhood by providing a forum for neighborhood activity.
- To be a voice for our common neighborhood interests by acting as liaison with governmental bodies and with institutions.
- To serve as a focal point for maintenance and improvement of institutions and facilities serving our neighborhood, including parks, schools, and public safety services, and to provide an avenue for neighborhood social activities.
- To encourage and facilitate vigorous citizen participation in all issues affecting our neighborhood, including land use, zoning changes, traffic patterns, and street modifications.
- To promote the welfare of the community.
- To Have Fun!

### Please Join Us!

Your Neighborhood Organization meets at the Fire Station the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7:30.

If you don't participate in the process, you won't have a voice. We look forward to your comments and participation.