



# Ocean Ridge Tidings

A monthly email newsletter for the residents of Ocean Ridge

## Noseem & Landscaping Bid Results

At the July, 5, 2011 Regular Town Commission meeting the Commission approved a contract with Clarke Mosquito Control for up to a 12-month period commencing on October 1, 2011 at a cost of \$37,700 from budgeted funds for noseem spraying. The Commission also approved a one year landscaping contract with Chris Wayne & Associates at a cost of \$40,800 commencing at October 1, 2011.

## Expired Permits Reminder

Every month an expired permit report is generated and letters are sent to the homeowners informing them that an open building permit for their property will expire shortly as per Section 67-52 of the Town of Ocean Ridge Code of Ordinances. Every permit requires a final inspection and without a final inspection the building permit is considered "not complete due to lack of final inspection" for any reporting purposes and may present delays when attempting to sell or refinance your home. Call Town Hall at 561-732-2635 to see if your property has any open permits that require attention.

## Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund

I am sure that by now most residents of Ocean Ridge have visited the new Town Hall and Police Department and observed the Koi pond and garden. If you have, I am equally convinced that you feel it adds a special ambience to the entryway of the new town buildings.



What you may not know is that the maintenance funds for the Koi garden come out of the town's general budget account. With the shortage in our town budget, this does not leave a lot to maintain the pond and garden when something arises. That is why it was drained in December and kept empty for four months before funds were available to repair leaks and get the pond up and running.

Several residents and I feel the garden and Koi pond adds uniqueness to our town and the new town hall. We have started a fund — The Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund—to keep the garden and pond at its finest. With this fund we will be able to help the town maintain the garden should problems arise that need repair. These funds would be used exclusively for the garden and be overseen by a committee of interested residents.

We are actively seeking residents who share our enthusiasm regarding the Koi garden and invite you to contribute whatever you can to the Ocean Ridge Koi Garden Fund. Please contact Dr. James Weege at 561-523-5705.

# July



# 2011

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Calendar will be updated as needed at [oceanridgeflorida.com](http://oceanridgeflorida.com)

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Sand Sifters  
Beach Cleanup &  
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8a-10:15a @  
Oceanfront Park

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Town Hall Closed –  
-No inspections  
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Code Enforcement  
Hearing @ 10a  
  
Regular Town  
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Meeting @ 6p

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Cleanup &  
School Supply  
Drive  
8-10:30am

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# Ocean Ridge Police Department News

By Chief Christopher T. Yannuzzi

## Criminal Activity

Here is a listing of the crimes/suspicious activity reported to ORPD in June for both Ocean Ridge and Briny Breezes:

<u>Type of Incident</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time Frame</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Synopsis</u>
Arrest/Recovered Stolen Vehicle	06/18/11	3:49 PM	6300 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	Following an alert from Manalapan PD's camera system, a stolen vehicle was stopped and the driver was arrested.
Warrant Arrest	06/18/11	3:49 PM	6300 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	The stolen vehicle driver has a warrant for Failure to Appear in Court for no license.
Hit & Run Accident	06/19/11	2:45 PM	6300 blk N. Ocean Blvd.	A Jeep struck the security gate and fled. Investigation via Manalapan PD's camera system provided the tag and the driver was located and charged.

## Sgt. Dan Tinfina Announces Retirement

After 34 years in law enforcement, 22 of which serving the residents of Ocean Ridge, Sgt. Dan Tinfina has announced his plan to retire effective September 1, 2011. On Tuesday, July 5, 2011, he was recognized by the Town Commission for his dedicated service.

Dan is our senior Sergeant. Over the years, in addition to being a shift supervisor, his duties have included handling the work schedule, training, and being the Field Training Officer.

His absence will be felt and we wish him the best as he leaves law enforcement to pursue new adventures. But, as Dan mentioned in his retirement letter, "It is better to retire too early, instead of too late." (Author: Ernie Zelinski)



**Call the Citizen Information Line at 561-738-ORFL (6735) for alerts and updates.**

**Oceanfront Park Beach Conditions  
Call 561-742-6775**



# Ocean Ridge Police Department News

By Chief Christopher T. Yannuzzi

## Generosity Comes in Many Forms

As the Police Department prepared for 2011, one thing that was planned for was to seek funding for the replacement of our old Automated External Defibrillators (AED). As a result, we applied for a grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation. Unfortunately we were turned down in December and March.

In June, after reading the Department's Annual Report, Ocean Ridge residents Al Naar and Judith Kelly came forward and provided an unsolicited donation of \$9,065.00 to fully fund the purchase of 7 AED's. The equipment was quickly ordered and arrangements were made to honor Mr. Naar and Mrs. Kelly at the Town Commission meeting on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, while awaiting the arrival of the new equipment, we were notified that the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation had awarded a total of \$250,000 to various agencies in several states. Of the two Police Departments selected in Florida, our AED project was one of them.

Rather than lose the grant, Mr. Naar and Mrs. Kelly authorized the use of their donation for other Police Department needs. It was a pleasure recognizing them at the Town Commission meeting and, coincidentally, the new AED's arrived the same day.

On behalf of the entire Police Department, and the citizens and visitors we serve, I thank them and the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for their generosity.

## Manalapan Police Dispatch Consolidation

On May 13, 2011 the Town of Manalapan advertised a Request for Proposal (RFP) announcing their desire to have any interested party submit a bid to assume the Dispatch function for the Manalapan Police Department (MPD). The deadline for submission of responses to the RFP was Friday, June 24, 2011 at 2:00 PM. On behalf of the Town of Ocean Ridge (TOR) and the Ocean Ridge Police Department (ORPD), a timely bid was submitted.

It should be noted that, based on the Scope of Work outlined in the RFP, the project was much more broad than simply taking on the responsibility of dispatching for MPD. However, the personnel of the Ocean Ridge Police Department indicated that we are ready, willing and able to handle the expanded duties and responsibilities.

In light of the expansive nature of this RFP and the short time frame for submission of a response, in-depth research could not be completed. Likewise, all current costs could not be obtained for several reasons; to include the inability to contact all current Manalapan vendors. Also, despite the timely responses by Manalapan staff to most of our requests for additional information, some issues remained open. Finally, all existing agreements and/or contracts for services currently being provided to MPD could not be reviewed for legal sufficiency and/or conflict.

Nevertheless, ORPD expressed our continued interest in this consolidation project and suggested that discussions continue in an effort to formulate a final plan and develop an Agreement suitable for presentation and ratification by the Town Commissions of both Manalapan and Ocean Ridge.

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On Monday, June 27, 2011 a Workshop was held by the Manalapan Town Commission. Our bid was reviewed but not accepted. Based on the pending action of many local municipalities in regard to hiring a consultant to discuss mutual issues of consolidation, the matter has been shelved. However, conversation with our counterparts in Manalapan continues.

In closing, it should be recognized that the Towns of Manalapan and Ocean Ridge have enjoyed a good working relationship over time. Likewise, our Police Departments have partnered on numerous occasions. The personnel of each agency understand and accept the unique nature of our clientele and the level of service that is expected. The opportunity for each employee to excel would certainly increase under a consolidated operations plan.

## Hotel Safety

The below link contains a video clip that is pretty alarming - it shows how easy it is for a stranger to enter your hotel room, using nothing more than **a piece of wire**. As you will see in the video clip, the wire goes under the door, and is used to open the door from the inside. In all my years of staying in hotels, I never realized how simple it could be.

Thankfully, the video clip **also shows** how easy it is to defeat this illegal entry method - **using a towel stuffed behind the door handle**. I'm going to start using **the towel protection method** every time I'm in a hotel room. At least, when you are "in" your room, you can protect against this kind of entry with the deadbolt and door chain, the real danger is when you are not in your room, and nobody is protecting your valuables.

Check out the video: [http://www.gadling.com/2010/02/24/hotel-room-security-defeated-by-a-piece-of-wire-can-be-secured?icid=sphere\\_blogsmith\\_inpage\\_gadling](http://www.gadling.com/2010/02/24/hotel-room-security-defeated-by-a-piece-of-wire-can-be-secured?icid=sphere_blogsmith_inpage_gadling)



Pet Owners:  
For your animal's safety and the safety of your neighbors, please remember to secure your pets by a collar and leash as you walk them around the town and especially on Old Ocean Blvd. where pedestrian traffic is heavy. Thank you.



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P.O. Box 1989  
West Palm Beach, FL 33402-1989  
(561) 355-2754  
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www.pbcgov.com

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Electronic Press Release

## News Release

For immediate release:  
Contact:

June 28, 2011  
Drowning Prevention Coalition of  
Palm Beach County  
(561) 616-7068 or (561) 723-3650

# Use the ABC's of Water Safety to Stay Safe In and Around Water

The four near drowning incidents that have occurred within the last few weeks should be a wake-up call for parents, care givers, pool owners and vacationers to make drowning prevention a top priority. The Drowning Prevention Coalition (DPC) of Palm Beach County wants everyone to use the following ABC's of water safety to stay safe in and around water.

### A – ADULT SUPERVISION

- Whenever infants and toddlers are in or around water, an adult should be within an arm's length, providing visual and touch supervision.
- In addition to parental supervision, designate an adult **WATER WATCHER** (using a distinguishable item such as a lanyard or funny hat) for 15 minutes whose sole responsibility is to watch the pool area and not read, talk on the phone or have outside distractions. After the 15 minutes conclude, hand over the distinguishable item to another adult for 15 minutes and so forth. Ensure that the "Water Watcher" is a sober adult who knows CPR and has basic swimming skills.
- Do not use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision. "Water wings" or "floaties," inflatable water rings, and other pool toys are **NOT** safety devices. Only U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets are designed and tested for safety.

### B – BARRIERS, BEACH SAFETY & BOATING SAFETY

- Have a properly working physical barrier around, on or in the pool itself (i.e. isolation fence, pool safety cover, pool alarm) that meet code requirements.
- Have window and door alarms that sound when breached.
- Always swim at a lifeguarded beach, and pay attention to the beach flags. Wear properly fitted US Coast Guard approved life jackets while on a boat.

### C – CLASSES

- Take a water safety course at a local aquatic facility to learn the skills necessary to survive in the water.
- Take CPR classes.

The DPC suggests that everyone use the following ABC's of water safety to stay safe in and around water, but it is up to each individual to make sure a drowning incident does not happen. For more information on water safety lessons and water safety/drowning prevention education, please visit the DPC website at [www.pbcgov.org/dpc](http://www.pbcgov.org/dpc) or call 561-616-7068.

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## Red Cross Heat Safety Tips

Source: Article/Tips from <http://cbs4.com/local/south.florida.sun.2.1763468.html>

- \* Dress for the heat. Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing. Light colors will reflect away some of the sun's energy. It is also a good idea to wear hats or to use an umbrella.
- \* Drink water. Carry water or juice with you and drink continuously even if you do not feel thirsty. Avoid alcohol and caffeine, which dehydrate the body. Avoid using salt tablets unless directed to do so by a physician.
- \* Eat small meals and eat more often. Avoid high-protein foods, which increase metabolic heat.
- \* Slow down. Avoid strenuous activity. If you must do strenuous activity, do it during the coolest part of the day, which is usually in the morning between 4 and 7 a.m.
- \* Stay indoors when possible. If air-conditioning is not available, stay on the lowest floor out of the sunshine. Remember that electric fans do not cool, they simply circulate the air.
- \* Be a good neighbor. During heat waves, check in on elderly residents in your neighborhood and those who do not have air conditioning.
- \* Learn Red Cross first aid and CPR.

## Keep Your Animals Cool This Summer

Source: Article from HSUS, [www.humanesociety.org/news/press\\_releases/2010/06/protect\\_pets\\_from\\_heat\\_062310.html](http://www.humanesociety.org/news/press_releases/2010/06/protect_pets_from_heat_062310.html)

It's really outside, isn't it? Your pet is feeling it too. The Humane Society offers several tips to protect our animals from the summer heat:

**Never leave your pets in a parked car.** On a warm day, temperatures inside a vehicle can rise rapidly to dangerous levels. On an 85 degree day, for example, the temperature inside a car with the windows opened slightly can reach 102 degrees within 10 minutes. After 30 minutes, the temperature will reach 120 degrees. Your pet may suffer irreversible organ damage or die. If you see an animal in distress in a parked car.

**Shade and water are a must.** Anytime your pet is outside, make sure he or she has protection from heat and sun (a doghouse does not provide relief from heat) and plenty of fresh, cool water. Heat stroke can be fatal for pets as well as people.

**Limit exercise on hot days.** Take care when exercising your pet. Adjust intensity and duration of exercise in accordance with the temperature. On very hot days, limit exercise to early morning or evening hours, and be especially careful with pets with white-colored ears, who are more susceptible to skin cancer, and short-nosed pets who, because of their short noses, typically have difficulty breathing.

Asphalt gets very hot and can burn your pet's paws, so walk your dog on the grass if possible.

**Recognize the signs of heatstroke.** In case of an emergency, it's important to be able to identify the symptoms of heat stress caused by exposure to extreme temperatures. When in doubt, contact your veterinarian immediately. Some signs of heatstroke are: heavy panting, glazed eyes, a rapid heartbeat, restlessness, excessive thirst, lethargy, fever, dizziness, lack of coordination, profuse salivation, vomiting, a deep red or purple tongue, and unconsciousness. If the animal shows symptoms of heatstroke, take steps immediately to gradually lower her body temperature and contact your vet as soon as possible.

If you fear your pet may be suffering heatstroke, following these tips could save her life:

- \* Move the animal into the shade or an air-conditioned area.
- \* Apply ice packs or cold towels to her head, neck and chest or run cool (not cold) water over her.
- \* Let her drink small amounts of cool water or lick ice cubes.
- \* Take her directly to a veterinarian.

# We've got your license to drive!

## Be Prepared. Bring the Right Stuff.

We've made it simple. Use this handy checklist to gather your documents required for a Real ID compliant driver license or identification card. Once you've completed the checklist, you're ready to visit one of our service centers. Before you go, check out the wait times or schedule an appointment on our web site.

### 1. Identification: U.S. Citizens

- Bring one: (original or certified copy) {
- Certified U.S. birth certificate (not hospital issued birth certificate)
  - Valid U.S. passport in your current name
  - Certificate of naturalization
  - Consular proof of birth abroad

#### Additional required documents if you've legally changed your name:

- Valid U.S. passport in current name OR
- Original or certified copies of all marriage certificates or court orders that show your name change(s) (uncertified photocopies are not valid)

### 2. Social Security Number

- Bring one (original): {
- Social Security card
  - W-2 form
  - Paycheck/stub showing Social Security number
  - 1099 Form

### 3. Residential Address (not post office box)

- Bring two: (Remember, both of these documents must be in your name.) {
- Deed, mortgage, payment booklet, or rental agreement
  - Florida vehicle registration or title (order a duplicate at [www.taxcollectorpbc.com](http://www.taxcollectorpbc.com))
  - Utility bill or hookup/work order (not more than two months old)
  - Mail from financial institutions including checking, savings, or investment account statements (not more than two months old)
  - Florida Voter Registration Card
  - Current automobile insurance policy or bill
  - Statement from person you live with along with two address documents in that person's name

Immigrants, Non-Immigrants and Canadians may visit [www.taxcollectorpbc.com](http://www.taxcollectorpbc.com) for a list of acceptable identification documents.

For more document options, visit [www.taxcollectorpbc.com](http://www.taxcollectorpbc.com).

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## How to Get the Right Stuff.

### Where to get a Birth Certificate

**Palm Beach County Health Department Office of Vital Statistics**  
800 Clematis Street, 1st Floor  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
(561) 837-5847  
[www.pbchd.com/vitals/birth\\_death.html](http://www.pbchd.com/vitals/birth_death.html)

**Florida Department of Health Office of Vital Statistics**  
P.O. Box 210  
Jacksonville, FL 32231  
(904) 359-6900  
[www.floridashealth.com](http://www.floridashealth.com)

**Vitalcheck.com**

*(recommended online ordering company on PBC Health Dept. website)*  
Website contact only: [www.vitalchek.com](http://www.vitalchek.com)

### Where to get a Marriage/Divorce Certificate

**Sharon R. Bock**  
**Clerk & Comptroller, Palm Beach County**  
205 N. Dixie Highway, 3rd Floor  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
(561) 355-2986  
[www.mypalmbeachclerk.com](http://www.mypalmbeachclerk.com)

**Vitalcheck.com**

Website contact only: [www.vitalchek.com](http://www.vitalchek.com)

### Where to get a Social Security Card

**Social Security Office**  
Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm  
1645 N. Congress Avenue  
West Palm Beach, FL 33409  
1-800-772-1213  
[www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)

# Sea Angels



SeaAngels are dedicated to help in cleaning up our beaches, waters and parks from the continual litter that threatens our wildlife and natural environment.

Come join the SeaAngels for a beach cleanup. We do give volunteer hours for students.

**WHEN:** Every last Saturday of the month

**TIME:** 8:00-10:30am

**WHERE:** 6990 N. Ocean Boulevard, Ocean Ridge

(Check in is at the picnic tables next to the snack bar)

For more information go to [www.seaangels.org](http://www.seaangels.org)

or e-mail us at [info@seaangels.org](mailto:info@seaangels.org)

*Please join us so we can make a difference one piece of litter at a time.*

**School Supply Drive at the SeaAngels July's Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park! The School Supply Drive will benefit Atlantic High School students in Delray.**

Are You A

## Grandparent Raising Grandchildren?



Join us in our **2011 Educational Program Series**

March 23		July 13 & 27
April 13 & 20	<b>FREE</b>	August 10 & 24
May 11 & 25		September 21 & 28
June 8 & 22		October 12 & 26

Learn about: legal issues, guiding behaviors & discipline, computers, resources, support, managing stress and much more.

Time: 10:00 am – Noon

Location:  
Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service  
University of Florida / IFAS  
559 N. Military Trail  
West Palm Beach



Call [561-233-1739](tel:561-233-1739) to sign up and for more information

**Family Bird Lost on July 2<sup>nd</sup> from Coconut Lane  
in Ocean Ridge**

**Cockatiel Goes by the Name of Gracie**

**Will not come to you; may land on you**

**If seen, please call immediately!**

**Peter, 267-797-6184**



# Volunteer Opportunities

## Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup & Forgotten Soldiers Donation Collections

**What:** Join the Sand Sifters for beach cleanup!

**When:** First Saturday of every month. Next cleanup: **July 2**

**Where:** Oceanfront Park, 6451 N. Ocean Blvd. On A1A, just north of the Ocean Ave. bridge in Ocean Ridge. Meet at the pavilion in the lower parking lot.

**Time:** 8-10:15am

**Who:** Individuals, schools, churches, clubs, businesses, organizations, and families are all encouraged to participate. All ages.

**What's provided:** Free parking, bags, gloves, and refreshments available to participants only. School and community service volunteer credit forms available.

**What to bring:** Please bring water, sunscreen and a hat.

**Contact:** Gary Solomon at 561-734-9128 / **Website:** [www.SandSifters.us](http://www.SandSifters.us)

## Sea Angels Beach Cleanup & School Supply Drive

**What:** Join the Sea Angels for beach cleanup!

**When:** Last Saturday of every month. Next cleanup: **July 30**

**Where:** Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N. Ocean Blvd. Check in is at the picnic tables next to the snack bar.

**Time:** 8-10:30am

**Who:** Individuals, schools, churches, clubs, businesses, organizations, and families are all encouraged to participate. All ages. Volunteer hours awarded for students.

**What to bring:** Please bring water, sunscreen and a hat.

**Contact:** [info@seaangels.org](mailto:info@seaangels.org) / **Website:** [www.seaangels.org](http://www.seaangels.org)

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## Triple Strawberry No-Drip Pops

Recipe: [kraftfoods.com](http://kraftfoods.com)

### What You Need:

2 cups boiling water

1pkg strawberry flavor gelatin

18 fresh strawberries, stemmed

2/3cup strawberry flavored, sugar sweetened drink

### How to Make:

Add boiling water to gelatin mix; stir 2 min until completely dissolved. Cut strawberries in half and then mash the berries and drink mix in a large bowl with a fork. Stir in gelatin and then pour into 5oz paper cups. Cover cups with aluminum foil and then insert a wooden stick into center for each for handle. Freeze for two hours or until firm.

