

News in the Village ARCHIVE

JULY 2009

Donate to New Library ... Librarians at the Palmetto Branch Library, scheduled to open in the fall, encourage residents to donate books and/or other material that may be added to the general collection of the Miami Dade Library System or be used to help raise funds. (July 28, 2009)

Building Dept Survey Results ... A recent consumer survey shows above-average service in several categories. (July 2009)

Water/Sewer Project ... County work is set to begin in the Village's emerging downtown area, to provide much-needed infrastructure for future growth. Review "Basin B" construction.

A Good Sign ... Entrance signs will be installed to welcome motorists to Palmetto Bay. The eco-friendly LED/solar-powered "monument" signs are featured in the July e-Currents. (July 2009)

Skate Easy Skate Pass ... Parks & Rec offers pay-one-price at the Palmetto Bay pavilion for just \$75, July 1 - Aug. 23. View this flyer -- and don't forget your helmet this summer. (July 1, 2009)

Flu Update ... With eight H1N1 Swine Flu related deaths in Miami-Dade, Mayor Eugene Flinn continues to stress the need to use precautions to avoid spreading infections. For local Swine Flu info, call the Health Dept. (305) 324-2400. (July 28, 2009)

What's the Buzz ... Learn how to deal with this overwhelming seasonal invasion of mosquitoes. Also, visit The Herald for recent news coverage. (July 2009)

Camp Activities in July... See what's happening in July at "Camp Palmetto Bay" and at "Skate Camp." (July 2009)

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Take Care ... With the 6th and 7th H1N1 Flu deaths verified (a 25-year-old female in Palm Beach and a 55-year-old male in Duval), it is clear this pandemic remains. Florida has 1,781 confirmed cases of this flu. So, stay home if sick, cover your cough, and wash hands often! See Friday's Herald for related coverage. (July 13, 2009)

Building Dept. Extends Hours ... Business hours for the Building 7 permitting office at Village Hall have been extended to better accommodate our customers. (June 2009)

New Park & Ride Lot ... A new transit lot is now open, just south of Palmetto Bay. See coverage of the ribbon cutting in our Photo Gallery, coverage in the July 14-20 Palmetto Bay News (page 12), and a story in The Miami Herald. (July 10, 2009)

Special Election Results ... Check out the final tabulation of votes in Palmetto Bay's mail-in ballot election that took place June 25. Also see Michael Miller's "Around Town" column on page five of the July 14-20 edition of Palmetto Bay News. (June 26, 2009)

Herald Features Historic Home ... Palmetto Bay's Flipse-O'Donnell home was in the city-wide spotlight this Sunday, as all editions of the Neighbors section carried a story on this beautiful and unique home. We featured it in our own e-Currents, in May and June. (July 12, 2009)

Police Host Blood Drive ... Chicken dinners were provided for donors at a recent blood drive hosted by Village Police and CBC. Donors included Councilwoman Shelley Stanczyk, Commander Gregory Truitt, Officer Peter Judge, and Mayor Eugene Flinn. See Photo Gallery for more. (July 2, 2009)

Lights, Camera, Action ... We are close to premiering a new program that will have a big impact on the worldwide promotion of our community: a streaming video "Tour Book" that highlights via six, one-minute videos the many wonderful qualities of our community. From beautiful parks and real estate, to great schools... Stay tuned! (July 1, 2009)

JUNE 2009

Hurricane Preparedness ... Subscribe [NOW](#) to get the upcoming Hurricane edition of *e-Currents* -- your source for breaking news and online information -- coming in July. (June 2009)

Thank You for Voting! More than 4,000 voters (29.47 percent) participated in the recent mail-in election -- and voted to end mitigation. The official results show that 93.63% voted YES for question #1 in favor of removing any mention in the Village Charter of mitigation. View the official [results](#).

'tis the Season ... Now is the time to properly dispose of overgrowth in your yard and bulky waste that can become projectiles in a strong wind. View the County [PSA](#) on this matter. (June 2009)

Fire Rescue Summer tips ... Are you being drained by the summer sun? During the summer there are many cases of heat-related illnesses that occur, so keep cool by following these [tips](#) provided by Miami-Dade's Fire Rescue. (July 2009)

Flinn on News & Views ... Channel 4's *News & Views* [program](#) recently featured an interview with Mayor Flinn on the impact of the cat killings on our community. (June 20, 2009)

Alleged Cat Killer Nabbed ... Following the arrest of a suspect, Miami-Dade Police held a press [conference](#) in Cutler Bay, June 14. As a result of tragic episode in our Village, there is sudden interest among residents to join Citizen Crime Watch. Visit the Police [page](#) now for more on this program. (June 13, 2009)

Mayors Cast Ballots ... As the June 25 mail-in ballot deadline nears, Mayor Flinn joins mayors of Doral and Miami Lakes at County Elections to deliver their [ballots](#). See recent coverage in the Palmetto Bay [News](#). (June 2009)

Summer Block Party? Start the [process](#) at least two weeks ahead of time with a street-closing [permit](#), a completed petition, and announcements. (May 2009)

Top Rated Schools... *Newsweek* recently ran a piece on the top-ranked high schools around the country. Look who made the [list](#) at #25 and #205. (June 2009)

MAY 2009

Fire Rescue Producing PSAs... The Village is supporting Miami-Dade Fire Rescue's (MDFR) new approach to community education by posting public service announcements (PSAs) on a monthly basis. Please see the following two PSAs; the potential [danger](#) burglar-bars pose during house fires; and child [drowning](#) prevention. For information, contact MDFR's Media & Public Relations [Bureau](#). (May 28, 2009)

Crime & Incident Report ... Updated weekly and posted Mondays in the bottom left corner of the Village homepage. The most current report for the period is now available. All previous reports are posted on the [Police](#) page. (May 26, 2009)

Taste of Green ... A new web page, called **Environment**, will soon provide residents & businesses info on how to make our community a more sustainable place to live, work, and play. Here's a taste of things to come: "Easy [Tips](#) on on Cooling, & Saving Energy." (May 2009)

"Superstar Way" Unveiled... Across from the front entrance of Southwood Middle School, a new street sign was unveiled May 22. The street has been officially co-designated by the Village as "SuperStar Way." The event included remarks and a musical performance See the [Photo Gallery](#) for images of the event. (May 22, 2009)

Ripple Effect... To subscribe to South Florida Water Management District's monthly e-news, [Ripple Effect](#), contact Senior Intergovernmental Rep. Lewis J. Beilman [directly](#). Also see current water [Restrictions](#) for your neighborhood; and what you can do to [Save Water](#).

Fire-Rescue Summer Tips... Miami-Dade's Fire Rescue department shares [tips](#) on how to have a safe & sizzling good time during the summer-time barbecue season.

Shed Amnesty deadline... Palmetto Bay's Shed [Amnesty Program](#) allows residents to bring up to code unpermitted sheds without double permit fees or violations, through August 2010.

Read All About It... The Village's official newsletter is now electronic. If you wish to receive breaking news, events announcements, and emergency notices -- information that may be of great importance to you as a Palmetto Bay resident or business owner, subscribe today to [e-Currents](#).

Mayor Flinn Talks 'Green'... In the latest edition of *Palmetto Bay News*, a publication of the Community Newspapers, the Mayor touts the Village's myriad green programs and services. (May 20, 2009)

Perez Joins Village Staff... Also see the *Palmetto Bay News* for an article on Julian Perez, the Village's new Director-Planning & Zoning/Code Compliance. (May 20, 2009)

Thanks for Joining Us... About 400 guests celebrated the [grand opening](#) of Ludovici Park last Friday evening. Mayor [Flinn](#), Councilman [Feller](#) and other dignitaries shared remarks... Thank you to the students and others who made this event a success. Please see the Village's Photo [Gallery](#), as well as the Mayor's personal [website](#) for photos Also, see [shots](#) of Park development. (May 16, 2009)

Mayor Touts Deering in Herald... "We're thrilled to have [Deering] as a centerpiece of our village," Mayor Eugene Flinn was quoted as saying in a recent article about this popular County Park located in Palmetto Bay. "It's going to be there... protected... for future generations and that means a lot to us," he continued. Read the complete [article](#).

Tree City USA... Palmetto Bay is now listed among the 138 Florida [cities](#) recognized by the Arbor Day Foundation as "Tree City USA" award winners.

Congratulations! Plantation appears to have the record in Florida -- 29 years. (April 2009)

Red Light Cameras ... The Council has given a green light to staff to obtain services of a firm to provide a Traffic Camera Safety Program. This is a first step following last month's approval of an Ordinance allowing the use of red-light camera technology throughout the Village to assist with enforcement of red-light violations.(May 4, 2009)

Home Alarm ... renewals, changes, payments can all be managed [online](#). But please note that pPayments -- AND ONLY PAYMENTS -- online require a \$2.50 convenience fee, charged and collected by the online provider. (April 2009)

Earth Week News ... 15,000 were released during the Village's Earth Day celebration, April 18-25. The week-long series of events also featured a kayak tour, a community clean-up, and book readings. See [Photo Gallery](#) for more. Residents also enjoyed Movie night in the Park and a family bike ride. [Read](#) all about it! (May 1, 2009)

APRIL 2009

Fire Station Approved... Village Council gave a Zoning [go-ahead](#) April 13 to Miami Dade Fire Rescue to begin construction of a two-story, 13,000 square-foot fire station to be [located](#) at the Palmetto Bay Village Center Station will be a permanent home for Engine 62 and will provide increased life-safety support to surrounding residents. (April 13, 2009)

County Water & Sewer Update... Please review changes to the Palmetto Bay Water & Sewer [Project](#), including: an extension of the southern boundary of Basin-C to 184 St.; a later start for Basin-B water and sewer main improvements; and, rather than a mere upgrade to Basin-A pump station, it will be entirely reconstructed.

Brief Power Interruptions ... Florida Power & Light is [advising](#) residents/businesses that work being done in our area may cause brief service interruptions. A "Storm Secure" project involves pole replacement and tree trimming in the area from SW 168 St. to SW 182 St. and from SW 90 Ave. to SW 104 Ave. Work will continue through December.

Splash Safely into Summer... Drowning is the number one cause of death for children in Miami-Dade. As summer approaches, please teach your kids about water safety. Start by reviewing these safe-summer [tips](#) prepared by Miami-Dade Fire Rescue. (April 6, 2009)

Winholds Honored on 50th ... Councilman Howard Tendrich recently [honored](#) Marvin and Eleanor Winhold for "showing us how dedication and commitment are key to a lifetime of happiness," on their 50th wedding anniversary. The long-time residents are best known for operating Winhold Montessori School at 17555 So. Dixie Hwy. See the [Photo Gallery](#). (April 2, 2009)

Alarming news... This week, nearly 2,500 alarm registration renewal letters were mailed by the village to residents. And *Palmetto Bay News* picked up on the news... [read](#) all about it. (April 2, 2009)

State should protect homeowners... A [resolution](#) passed asking the State to put into place controls regarding inflated appraisals performed by insurance companies. Most homeowners have their insurance paid through their monthly mortgage payments. The additional insurance cost may be forcing some residents into foreclosure.

Police Blood Drive ... [Pre-register](#) for the Palmetto Bay Policing Unit blood drive at Village Hall, Friday, April 3. Contact Officer Pete Judge or Ellen Robinson at 786-859-9649. Donors get free movie tickets, a mini-physical, and a 'thank-you' pack.

MARCH 2009

Lights Out ... What do Palmetto Bay, the Acropolis, and the Eiffel Tower have in common? We are all recognizing Earth Hour 2009, to promote energy conservation by turning out the lights for one hour (8:30 p.m., this Saturday). Visit the World Wildlife Fund for [info](#). Also, see local coverage in the *South Florida Business Journal* and in *The Miami Herald*.

March 25, 2009 -- Library Photographs ... [NEW Aerials](#) are now available, as we wrap up construction at the Palmetto Bay Branch Library & Community Room at [Ludovici Park](#) at 17641 Old Cutler Road. Grand opening should take place in early June, following installation of bookshelves -- and the books -- by Miami-Dade County! Also see a round of new [ground shots](#).

March 24, 2009 -- Magnet School Welcomes Stanczyk... During a tour of the new Magnet Program facility at Perrine Elementary School, Principal Maileen Alicea Ferrer introduced Palmetto Bay Councilwoman Shelley Stanczyk to students in various classes, including music, dance, drama, visual arts, and phys ed. Join the tour, by visiting our [Photo Gallery](#).

March 20, 2009 -- New Skating Rules... Spring has sprung -- and so have two new [signs](#) at Palmetto Bay Park's Skate Pavilion, outlining new rules for skaters, including the requirement for use of helmets. New hours, too: Mon-Fri. 4-9pm; Sat. 10-8pm; and Sun.

12-6pm

March 19, 2009 -- End in Sight for Mitigation ... Village mitigation payments to the County will soon be eliminated, following recent approval of a resolution to put the issue to a public vote. See news coverage in the [Neighbor's](#) section of the *The Miami Herald*.

March 16, 2009 -- Also in the News... Recent articles in *The Miami Herald* tout Palmetto Bay's ongoing [tree](#) initiatives; and two articles, one on the [front page](#) and another in the [Neighbor's](#) section, discuss programs we have initiated to maintain abandoned and/or foreclosed properties.

March 11 -- Village Hall Site ... A [resolution](#) passed March 11 approving the purchase of a \$4.1 million site at 9705 E. Hibiscus St., for Palmetto Bay's new Village Hall complex. See the full text of a [letter](#) to residents, recently penned by Mayor Flinn addressing the matter.

March 7, 2009 -- Thanks for Attending the Celebration Picnic at Coral Reef Park (see [Photo Gallery](#) and [Press Release](#) on the News/Media page). More than 3,000 people enjoyed rides, music, delicious food, and other activities. And there are plenty of people to thank...

March 6, 2009 -- New IBUS Brochure... Public Works dept. just updated its general information [brochure](#) on the IBUS -- Palmetto Bay's free, intra-Village bus service. The [Schedules](#) section of the IBUS webpage has been updated, too.

March 4, 2009 -- Council Rallies for Perrine... Council-woman Shelley Stanczyk came out to support the home team during a pep rally to motivate 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at Perrine Elementary School to excel at their [FCATs](#). See [Photo Gallery](#) for more.

March 3, 2009 -- Designated Historic Places... A [new brochure](#) featuring Palmetto Bay's four designated historic places is now available online. Read all about it!

-March 20 -- Policing Unit in Relay for Life... Eight Palmetto Bay officers are walking in the Cancer Society Relay for Life. Cheer them on at Miami Children's Hospital at 17615 SW 97 Ave., starting at 6 pm, March 21 -- or make a direct [donation](#).

FEBRUARY 2009

-Feb 19, 2009 -- Lights, Camera, Action ... Video images from all around Palmetto Bay were captured this week in preparation for the spring release of our new [Video Tourbook](#) feature. See below right for more information, and visit the [Photo Gallery](#). Pick up a current issue of *Palmetto Bay News* for local coverage.

-Feb. 13, 2009 -- Call for Donations ... Howard Palmetto Baseball/Softball Association ([HPBSA](#)) and Teens Against Domestic Abuse (TADA) have asked the the Village to place collection boxes (through Feb. 22) at all Parks facilities for your old cell-phones to be donated to victims of domestic violence. Contact TADA's Emily Martinez-Lanza at 305-661-9148.

-Feb. 7, 2009 -- Palmetto's Blue & White Game... Fans gathered at Coral Reef Park for the kick-off game of Palmetto Panther Baseball, featuring Varsity, JV, and 16-and-Under teams and coaches. See the [Photo Gallery](#) for coverage of the first pitch.

-Feb. 5, 2009 -- Shed Amnesty introduced... A new program has been introduced that allows for an 18-month [amnesty](#) period during which residents may properly permit their backyard sheds.

-Feb. 4, 2009 -- County Proposes Major Upgrades ... Miami-Dade County [Public Works](#) projects in Palmetto Bay, recently unveiled by Commissioner Sorenson, include: improvements to the Old Cutler Road bike path, resurfacing of Franjo Road, and intersection improvements along Old Cutler Rd.; and two separate proposed County [Parks & Recreation](#) projects.

-Feb. 4, 2009 -- Golf cart registration... The Village Council voted this week to simplify the process for registering golf carts. The multi-page form is now available online for

residents to [download](#) and complete -- today!

-Feb. 3, 2009 -- The Spirit of St. Richard's... At its February meeting, the Village Council [recognized](#) St. Richard's Church for its strong community spirit. Each year, the church provides parking for the Celebration Picnic and steps up for other civic events.

JANUARY 2009

-Jan. 30, 2009 -- Council attends Baby/Navy game... Neither winter wind nor raindrops dampened the enthusiasm Friday night at Palmetto Bay Park as the Mayor and Council greeted players at the annual Baby/Navy Intra-Squad Game for the Miami Palmetto State Champion Girls Softball team. Visit our [Photo Gallery](#) for the scoop.

-Jan. 28, 2009 -- Water restrictions continue... South Florida Water Management District just distributed its January [newsletter](#) indicating restrictions remain in effect for Miami-Dade. Check out the "Water Drops" section.

-Jan. 16, 2009 -- Arbor Day in the Village ... The Mayor Council joined students and residents today to celebrate [Arbor Day](#) with reps of South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD). The Mayor also signed the [US Mayors](#) Climate Protection Agreement. See the Village [Photo Gallery](#). Also on Jan. 14, the Village accepted a donation from the Int'l [Garden Club](#) of Florida. See [Palmetto Bay News](#) for more.

-Jan. 16, 2009 -- Principals meet with Mayor, Council ... The Mayor & Council hosted a [breakfast](#) for principals of local schools. Joined by members of the Village Policing Unit, the group discussed student safety, parking, and partnership opportunities.

-Jan. 15, 2009 -- Skate Pavilion Closing ... But only temporarily for surface [improvement](#), beginning Jan. 20 for about a month. Call Village Parks & Rec department for additional information at 305-259-1234.

-Jan. 14, 2009 -- Forum addresses canal issue... Residents voiced their concerns on speeding boaters and canal erosion at a Town Hall meeting this evening. The Village is considering an ordinance to designate Palmetto Bay canals as minimum-wake and slow-speed zones. See recent news coverage in [The Miami Herald](#).

-Jan. 12, 2009 -- Attend the Police Academy ... "Citizen's Police Academy," that is. The Miami-Dade Police Dept. will offer a unique 13-class training program starting in April for civilians. Participants are trained in patrol procedures, homicide investigation, firearms orientation, and more -- similar to what actual police-officer candidate learn. Pick up an application at Village Hall or read all about it and

-Jan. 9, 2009 -- Holiday Schedule Pos ted... The [schedule](#) of annual holidays that the Village of Palmetto Bay will observe in 2009 is now available for your viewing pleasure.

-Jan. 7, 2009 -- Holiday Tree Disposal ... **This** the season to get rid of your tree! Residents are encouraged to review handy info provided by Miami-Dade Dept. of Solid Waste Management regarding [options](#) for collection, recycling, disposal of Christmas trees -- and to learn how to get free tree chips, too!

-Jan. 06, 2009 -- Sub-Shop Ribbon Cutting ... Mayor Flinn and Councilwoman Stanczyk officiated a ceremony today welcoming one of Palmetto Bay's newest restaurants: [Hole in the Wall Sub Co.](#), located in [King's Bay Center](#). See our [Photo Gallery](#) for more.

-Jan. 05, 2009 -- Turnpike Projects Underway ... Florida's Turnpike Enterprise today begins work on two Turnpike Milling & Resurfacing [projects](#) that may disrupt traffic, mainly during evening hours. Presently, mobilization activities are underway, including surveying, installation of construction signs and devices, and material delivery.

-Jan. 2, 2009 -- Recycling Pick-Up ... Curious when the Miami-Dade County Solid Waste truck will be in your neighborhood to empty your recycle bin? Input your address on this [web site](#) for a 2009 calendar of services. Print it out, stick it on the fridge.

-Jan. 1, 2009 -- Village's New Year's Resolutions ... Mayor Eugene Flinn shares his annual [New Year's message](#), outlining significant projects in Parks & Recreation, Public

Works, and Planning & Zoning -- and an impending end to mitigation.

DECEMBER 2008

-Dec. 30, 2008 -- A New Generator House ... is emerging in the Franjo [Triangle](#), part of the Water/Sewer Project that is vital to the eventual development of "[downtown](#)" Palmetto Bay. A revised [fact sheet](#), is now available, showing that sub-basin B construction will now start in June 2009. Also, view work site progress in our [Photo Gallery](#).

-Dec. 29, 2008 -- FPL Continues Pole Re placement... Public Works advises that [FPL is installing](#) stronger and cleaner looking concrete poles along 144 St., and will continue to do so over the next month or so, periodically disrupting traffic flow.

-Dec. 30, 2008 -- Policing Host Blood Drive ... The Palmetto Bay Policing Unit is coordinating a blood drive Friday, Jan. 2, 1:30 - 3: 30 p.m., at Village Hall (8950 SW 152 St.). [Pre-register](#) today. All donors will receive a movie ticket, mini-physical, and a thank-you pack. Call for information (786) 859-9649.

-Dec. 30, 2008 -- Holidays Bring Out the Best ... well usually.. There have been reports of late-night parties, [loud music](#), and at least one large gathering in an unoccupied house. If you observe loitering or other inappropriate activities, don't hesitate to call the Police.

-Dec. 29, 2008 -- Little Chipmunks, Big Success..Last night's showing of "Alvin & The Chipmunks" at Coral Reef Park was a resounding success. Great weather, a good turn out, and discount coupons provided by Movie Night sponsor Polo Camper all added up to a wonderful time for everyone. Next Movie Night should take place in February.

-Dec. 15, 2008 -- Holiday Spirit Lands at Baptist..Airline pilots Javier Caracal and Daniel Molina, residents of Palmetto Bay, visited Baptist Hospital today, toting toys and tales about what it's like to be a pilot for children hospitalized for the holidays. Take off to the [Photo Gallery](#) for more.

-Dec. 1, 2008 -- Swearing In Ceremony. Newly elected Vice Mayor Brian Pariser & Council Member Howard Tendrich are sworn in at the Dec. Council meeting. Visit our [Photo Gallery](#) for full coverage.

-Dec. 8, 2008 -- Recycling Pick-Up ... Can't recall when Miami-Dade County Solid Waste is supposed to pick up your recycle bin? Enter your address on this [website](#) for a calendar of services in your neighborhood. Print it out, stick it on the fridge.

-Dec. 8, 2008 -- Public Works on the Move... Public Works staff has transitioned to a new Village facility. [E-mail](#) remains the same, but phone has changed to 305-969-5011.

-Dec. 5, 2008 -- Alarming News... Save trouble and potential fines -- and reduce false and wasteful calls to our Village Policing Unit. [Register](#) your home and/or business alarm today.

-Dec. 4, 2008 -- FPL to Replace Poles... Public Works advises that [FPL will install](#) "stronger" concrete poles along 144 St. over the next several months.

-Nov. 18, 2008 -- "e-Currents" to replace "Voice" ... Be sure to [subscribe](#) to the village's electronic newsletter, "e-Currents," when it officially launches in [mid-December](#). It replaces "The Voice of Palmetto Bay," the [last edition](#) of which is available online.

-Dec. 5, 2008 -- Village Hosts Holiday Run... Lace up your running shoes and bring a holiday-gift donation to the 2008 Holiday Run (5K and 10K) at the Palmetto Bay Village Center, Dec. 13, 7 a.m. [Register](#) online or [download](#) a registration brochure.

NOVEMBER 2008

-Nov. 4, 2008 -- Register Your Golf Cart... Planning to drive your golf cart on designated Palmetto Bay streets? Don't forget your Village permit, showing that your golf cart meets the requirements of State Law and Village Code. Review the Village [Ordinance](#) relating to golf cart use and download a [registration](#) form, today.

-Nov. 3, 2008 -- Councilmembers Term Out... Councilmember Paul Neidhart and Vice

Mayor Linda Robinson were honored during their final Council Meeting, Nov. 3, upon the completion of two three-year terms each. See more in the [Photo Gallery](#).

-Nov 1, 2008 -- Parks & Rec Posts November Calendar... The November calendar of Parks & Recreation department events and facility hours is now available for your [review](#).

-Nov 1, 2008 -- Village Welcomes Cooper's... The newest restaurant in town got a warm welcome by the Mayor, members of Village Council, and staff, during a grand opening. Capture the full flavor of the event in the [Photo Gallery](#).

OCTOBER 2008

-Oct. 31, 2008 -- Pumpkin Patrol Targets Monsters, Princesses... and all kinds of characters in between. On Halloween, the Council went into the night to find trick-or-treaters, hand out glowing gifts and candy, and offer monstrous greetings to the Village kids. Catch a glimpse of some of the goblins in our [Photo Gallery](#).

-Oct. 27, 2008 -- Red Ribbon Week... a drug-awareness campaign at Coral Reef Elementary School kicks off with Mayor Flinn and local officials. Celebration included a unique poem by 2nd graders and an official Red Ribbon cutting. See [Photo Gallery](#) for more.

-Oct. 15, 2008 -- 2008 State of the Village... Thanks for attending the 6th Annual State of the Village Address Oct. 15. Mayor Flinn discussed Village business and remembered the service of outgoing Council Member Paul Neidhart & Vice Mayor Linda Robinson. Read the Mayor's [address](#), watch online [video](#) coverage, or view [Photo Gallery](#).

-Oct. 11, 2008 -- Village Budget Posted... The Village's Operating & Capital [Budget](#) for the [fiscal](#) year 2008-09 has been approved and is available for you to review. If you have questions or concerns about the newly adopted budget, please call Village Hall.

-Oct. 10, 2008 -- Water Project Underway... New water/sewer system presently under construction will bring much-needed services to a key area of future development for the Village, along US-1. Learn all about the County's [project details](#) and view [Photo Gallery](#) coverage of the groundbreaking ceremony Oct. 10.

-Oct. 1, 2008 -- IBUS Growing in Popularity... Village's successful connector bus continues to do its part driving ever-increasing numbers of residents to the Busway and Metrorail beyond. For the six-month period ending June 2008, ridership doubled! Transfer here to see updated route and map [information](#). Transfer here for [traffic-growth](#) tables.

SEPTEMBER 2008

-Sept. 26, 2008 -- Hurricane Season doesn't end... until Nov. 30. Is your emergency weather preparedness plan up to date? Please [review](#) our hurricane suggestions and links.

-Sept. 21, 2008 -- Tree-Planting Program Branches Out... During the summer, Palmetto Bay planted 25 oak trees along 94th Ave. at the County Trash and Recycling Center. To date, 81 oaks and 29 Japanese Blueberry trees have been planted throughout District 3, on the Village's SW side. [Leaf over](#) to the next page for more info -- and photos.

AUGUST 2008

-Aug. 15, 2008 -- Home Security-Alarm Registration is a MUST ...

The Alarm Registration Form is now available online. Save yourself a lot of trouble and potential fines -- and reduce false and wasteful calls to the Police. [Click here](#) for additional information.

JUNE 2008

-June 1, 2008 -- Get your Permit Application...

The Building Permit Application is now available online for downloading. You are permitted to [read more..](#)

