

FEB. 1, 2023

# City Manager's Update



Join us in celebrating Black History Month. Visit [www.CelebratingBlackHistory.com](http://www.CelebratingBlackHistory.com) as we reflect on our heritage and honor local leaders in Daytona Beach.

## In this issue:

- ◇ Overall crime drops slightly in 2022
- ◇ Road signs encourage donations
- ◇ Daytona 2 Beach 5K & Half Marathon, Feb. 12
- ◇ In the Works
- ◇ Easter Beach Run, April 8
- ◇ Crab & Seafood Festival planned for April 29
- ◇ F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival, Feb. 23-25
- ◇ CVB hosts listening session; has online survey

## Let's Connect!



DBCityNews



CityDaytonaBeach



CityDaytona



City of Daytona Beach



City of Daytona Beach



Daytona Beach TV



News & Current Events in the City of Daytona Beach

Weekly updates via email/text

Daytona Beach Radio



Noon to 1 p.m.

## Local Black pioneers honored with banners

*City partners to recognize community leaders who helped shape city*

This year, the city partnered with the Midtown Community Development Corporation again to recognize 16 Black pioneers with street banners displayed on International Speedway Boulevard from Nova Road to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Pioneers being recognized this month include:

- Rev. Carl F. Brinkley
- Julia Mae Troutman Cherry
- James F. Daniels
- Vernon L. Echols
- Jennie Mae Fudge
- James Griffen Greene
- Josie Queen James
- Earl C. McCrary II
- Jack "Cy" McClairen
- Fannie H. Counts McNorton
- Andrew J. Moore Sr.
- Cardy Moten Sr.
- Ralph A. Singleton Sr.
- Daisy Hardy Stocking
- Robert K. Wright



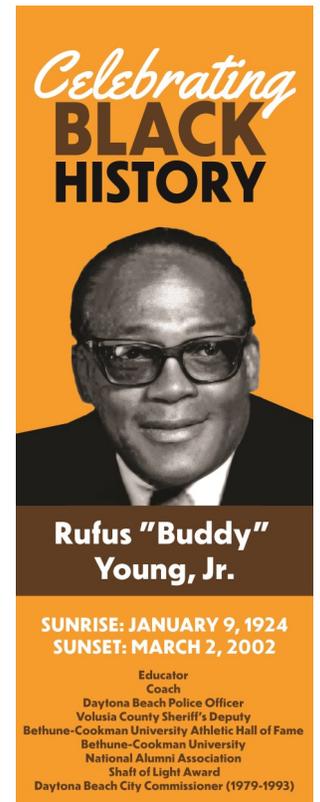
*Celebrating*  
**BLACK HISTORY**



**Julia Mae Troutman Cherry**

SUNRISE: NOVEMBER 16, 1927  
SUNSET: APRIL 24, 2022

Educator and Community activist  
Golden Heritage Life Member of the NAACP  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
Owner of one of the largest private Black-owned media companies in America, with twelve radio stations and two weekly newspapers



*Celebrating*  
**BLACK HISTORY**



**Rufus "Buddy" Young, Jr.**

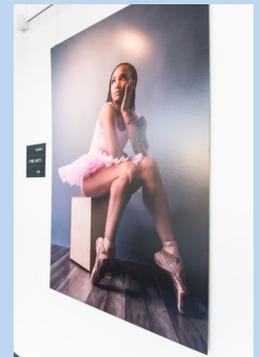
SUNRISE: JANUARY 9, 1924  
SUNSET: MARCH 2, 2002

Educator  
Coach  
Daytona Beach Police Officer  
Volusia County Sheriff's Deputy  
Bethune-Cookman University Athletic Hall of Fame  
Bethune-Cookman University  
National Alumni Association  
Shaft of Light Award  
Daytona Beach City Commissioner (1979-1993)

## Photography exhibit featuring local residents on display

Make sure to visit the free photography exhibit, "Cultuvue," now on display at the Yvonne Scarlett-Golden Cultural & Educational Center. "Cultuvue," under the creative direction of Kenneth Grant Inzpirations, features an artistic, creative expression of Black culture, utilizing photographic, interactive and educational components. On display is the 2022 collection for those who missed it last year or want to see it again. Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday.

A new series of local residents will be featured in a "Cultuvue" exhibit on display starting Saturday, Feb. 4, at International Speedway Square. Exhibit hours are 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. This exhibit will be on display through March 24. "Cultuvue" is free to the public thanks to the generous support of sponsors.



## Overall crime drops slightly in 2022



Preliminary end-of-year crime statistics released by the Daytona Beach Police Department show a 3% decrease in overall crime when comparing 2021 to 2022.

Property crime – auto theft, burglary and larceny – comprised nearly 75% of reported crimes and violent crime – homicide, robbery, aggravated assault and sexual assault – made up 25% of Part 1 offenses.

In 2022, 5,771 arrests were made and there were 148,343 calls for service.

“Our goal as we begin this new year is to continue to see crime drop throughout our community and maintain our proactive policing approaches year round,” said Police Chief Jakari Young.

	2021	2022	CHANGE
<b>PROPERTY CRIME</b>			
<i>Auto thefts</i>	168	244	+45%
<i>Burglaries</i>	259	259	0%
<i>Larcenies</i>	1,690	1,560	-8%
<b>VIOLENT CRIME</b>			
<i>Homicides</i>	11	15	+36%
<i>Robberies</i>	65	65	0%
<i>Aggravated Assault/Battery</i>	664	583	-12%
<b>TOTAL PART 1 CRIMES</b>	<b>2,874</b>	<b>2,783</b>	<b>-3%</b>
<b>CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	145,820	148,343	2%
<b>ARRESTS</b>	6,483	5,771	-11%

## New signs encourage donations to social service agencies instead of panhandlers

It’s normal to want to give money to someone who’s down and out, but oftentimes it’s the worst thing you can do. Panhandling on busy roadways can be dangerous for panhandlers and motorists. Also, giving money prolongs the situation because small cash donations keep people trapped in the cycle of panhandling. A better alternative is to donate to reputable nonprofit agencies, charitable organizations and community groups.

New street signs giving motorists an alternative for their donations will be installed soon at about 30 high-traffic areas in Daytona Beach.

The signs are an initiative of Zone 4 Commissioner Stacy Cantu after seeing an influx of



panhandlers at intersections throughout the city. The signs have been well received by homeless advocates and other elected officials in the county.

Signs include the First Step Shelter’s website and a hotline phone number to request the dispatch of an outreach team to visit panhandlers who may be candidates for First Step Shelter or other resources.

The number is (386) 999-HELP and calls are answered Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The program is a collaboration between First Step Shelter and the Volusia Sheriff’s Office.

The bottom portion of the sign features a QR code, which provides a direct link to make a donation to First Step Shelter.

## Daytona 2 Beach 5K and Half Marathon, Feb. 12

The popular road race starts with a lap around the track at the world-famous Daytona International Speedway and takes runners on a scenic route through the city to the beachside before crossing the finish line at Victory Circle in One Daytona. Runners will cross two of Daytona Beach’s four bridges: the Veterans Memorial Bridge and the Broadway Bridge. The 13.1-mile race starts at 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Feb 12.

Additionally, a 5K will be offered for those interested in a



shorter distance and gives families the option to compete together. The 5K course will be centered around the iconic Daytona International Speedway and One Daytona.

The City of Daytona Beach is a major sponsor of the races. For more information, to register or for a course map, visit [www.ClashEndurance.com](http://www.ClashEndurance.com).



# IN THE WORKS



**Beville Road Sidewalk** (*In progress*): Construction of the Beville Road sidewalk is finished with minor work needed to the east end, which includes filling in gaps and repairs to damage caused by last year's hurricanes. The 2.1-mile sidewalk project is expected to be finished before the end of March.

**Dickerson Community Center** (*In progress*): As renovations to the exterior of the facility continue, crews are pouring concrete for sidewalks and curbs this week. Once finished, asphalt will be laid down and landscaping work will begin in the parking lot to beautify the area. The \$1.2 million project is expected to be finished this spring.



**Peabody Auditorium Restrooms** (*In progress*): Improvements to Peabody Auditorium's restrooms are in the final stages with wall and floor tiles being installed this week followed by fixtures next week. Upgrades to the men's and women's restrooms include five additional toilets in the women's bathroom, an ADA men's toilet and improved function and traffic flow for patrons using the restrooms. The \$600,000 project was partially funded by a grant from the Daytona Beach Racing and Recreational Facilities District.



**Road Repaving Program** (*In progress*): Road resurfacing is nearing completion in Madison Heights and will stay in Zone 5 for milling and paving work in Idlewild Terrace. Once Idlewild Terrace is complete, crews will move to the Hillcrest area and Magnolia Terrace, which are in Zone 6.

Road Name	From	To
	<b><u>Idlewild Terrace</u></b>	
Greene Ave.	Milton Dr.	Idlewild Dr.
Idlewild Dr.	Mercedes Ave.	Heineman St.
Lotus Lane	Milton Dr.	Idlewild Dr.
Mercedes Ave.	Mason Ave.	Idlewild Dr.
	<b><u>Hillcrest Area</u></b>	
Derbyshire Road	North St.	Hillcrest Dr.
Essex Road	North St.	Hillcrest Dr.
Hampton Road	White St.	Hillcrest Dr.
Hillcrest Dr.	Berkshire Road	Hampton Road
Westmoreland Road	North St.	Hillcrest Dr.
	<b><u>Magnolia Terrace</u></b>	
North St.	White St.	Nova Road
Janice Ave.	Hampton Road	Michael Road
Mark Ave.	North St.	Hampton Road
Michael Road	Amanda Road	Mark Ave.
Peter Road	Sandra Ave.	Janice Ave.



**World's Most Famous Beach Sign** (*In progress*): The hurricanes last year caused damaged throughout our city and the World's Most Famous Beach sign at the beach was no exception. Last week, the World's Most Famous Beach sign was taken down for further evaluation.



## Registration open for Easter Beach Run

Registration is open for the city's popular Easter Beach Run happening **Saturday, April 8**. Participants of all ages and fitness levels can enjoy a scenic view while traveling out and back for the 2-mile or 4-mile run/walk. Kids can participate in the 1/4-mile race, 50- and 100-yard dashes. New this year, the races will start on the beach behind Breakers Oceanfront Park at 13 S. Atlantic Ave. Kids' races start at 3:30 p.m. and the 2-mile/4-mile run/walk starts at 4 p.m.

To register, visit [www.CODB.us/EasterBeachRun](http://www.CODB.us/EasterBeachRun).



## Crab & Seafood Festival, April 29

Save the date! The Crab & Seafood Festival will be from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. **Saturday, April 29**, in Daytona Beach. Attendees can enjoy a variety of delicious dishes served up fresh at this festival happening on Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Boulevard between Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Charles Street. The city is sponsoring this family festival, which will also have live music, local vendors and a Kids Zone.



For more information and details on becoming a vendor at the festival, contact Brittany Presley at (386) 366-0599 or [Brittany@DivineDesignsEvents.co](mailto:Brittany@DivineDesignsEvents.co).

## CVB hosts listening session; has online survey for feedback

The Daytona Beach Area Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB), the organization responsible for promoting visitation to the Daytona Beach area, will continue with its series of Community Tourism Listening Sessions at noon **Tuesday, Feb. 21**, at 126 E. Orange Ave.



The CVB is hosting these listening sessions with area residents, sharing information on how the CVB markets the destination and the importance of the tourism industry in the community. Residents are encouraged to provide their input and learn how they can participate and get involved. A light lunch will be provided to attendees.

Space is limited to attend the session. Attendees should RSVP no later than Monday, Feb. 20, to [info@daytonabeach.com](mailto:info@daytonabeach.com) or by calling (386) 255-0415 ext. 110. Those unable to attend the session are encouraged to email their input to Lori Campbell Baker, at [lcb@daytonabeach.com](mailto:lcb@daytonabeach.com) or call (386) 255-0415 ext. 120.

### Resident sentiment survey

The CVB is seeking resident's feedback through an online survey at [www.research.net/r/DBAResident](http://www.research.net/r/DBAResident). The survey will take 8-10 minutes and help with the planning and determining priorities for Daytona Beach area tourism. Survey participants can opt-in to win a \$100 gift card.



## F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival, Feb. 23-25

The F.R.E.S.H. Book Festival starts **Thursday, Feb. 23**, with a film festival at Embry-Riddle



Aeronautical University in the Captain Willie Miller Instructional Center and a full schedule of activities at the Julia T. and Charles W. Cherry Sr. Cultural and Educational Center.

This engaging festival offers entertainment with film, book and author presentations. More than 50 authors and narrators are scheduled to participate in the international festival. For details, visit [www.FRESHBookFestivals.net](http://www.FRESHBookFestivals.net).

5TH ANNUAL BEER & BACON FESTIVAL  
DOWNTOWN DAYTONA BEACH FEBRUARY 25, 2023

SATURDAY FEB 25  
1-5 PM  
AT PARTICIPATING BUSINESSES

20 Beer Samples & Souvenir Beer Glass  
Bacon items sold separately  
**TICKETS \$20 ADVANCE**  
\$25 DAY OF EVENT

LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE  
[DowntownDaytonaBeachEvents.com](http://DowntownDaytonaBeachEvents.com)

SPONSORED BY  
Brown & Brown INSURANCE RIVERFRONT SHOPS OF DAYTONA BEACH DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY