

# C.O.P. Community Informer

*A well Informed C.O.P. can be a Community's best asset*

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## NEED A TOW TRUCK?

### DID SOMEONE YOU KNOW LOCK THEIR KEYS IN THEIR CAR?

One of the above has happened to all of us sometime during our lifetime. Remember how frustrating it was? Now just think what it would be like to be from "out of town" and not know a friend to call and have your car stalled in the street or accidentally lock your keys in the car. Believe it or not, being a C.O.P. you will, at some time during your patrol life, come upon this exact event. You just might make that persons life a little less complicated with the information below:

**Blocking the Road?** The first thing is to remember that if the car is off the road it probably does not require getting a BSO deputy involved since they are not on a roadway and not hindering the traffic flow, however, if it is in the roadway, it probably will. You might be able to take some quick steps to get the vehicle off the road and a safer location.

**Safety First** The first thing to do is position your C.O.P. car behind the stalled vehicle in such a manner as to keep you and the stalled vehicle safe. Turn all overhead lights on, then take your cones out and place them at an angle to divert traffic away from your vehicle. Check with the driver to see if they have towing services with their insurance and ask them to call for service. If they do not and refuse to call a tow truck to remove their vehicle, then a BSO deputy needs to be called immediately. You should stay with the vehicle until the deputy arrives. The deputy may advise the driver to have his car towed. The deputy at the scene may call a tow truck for the disabled car. In the event you get lucky and the driver of the car is cooperative and willing to get a tow truck before a deputy is called, you could provide the driver with some helpful information:

**Information** Below is a list of tow companies and locksmiths (in case you come upon a car with the keys locked inside). YOU MAY WANT TO PUT THIS IN YOUR C.O.P. UNIT'S GLOVE COMPARTMENT, JUST IN CASE YOU MIGHT NEED IT.

Emerald Towing	954-917-4747	USE EMERALD TOWING FOR C.O.P. VEHICALS	
Emergency Towing	954-428-7660		
Hamilton Towing	954-570-8355		
Ray & Son's Towing	954-570-9531		
Sunshine State Towing	954-821-9944		
Tamarindo Towing	954-596-8027		
Deerfield Emergency Locksmiths:	954-671-6934	954-671-6940	954-719-1632
USE POP-A-LOCK FOR C.O.P. UNITS	954-3703736		

**Disclaimer** CITIZEN OBSERVER PATROL MEMBERS ARE NOT TO CALL FOR TOWING OR LOCKSMITHS - LET THE DRIVER KNOW THAT YOU ARE IN NO WAY RECOMMENDING THESE COMPANY BUT KNOW THAT THEY ARE LOCAL. LET THE DRIVER PICK THE COMPANY THEY WANT TO USE. THEY WILL HAVE TO MAKE THE FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE LOCKSMITH OR TOW COMPANY.

*Note: If your C.O.P. unit is disabled call dispatch and request Emerald Towing.*



VALENTINES DAY  
FEB. 14, 2010

*“ We learn wisdom from failure much more than success. We often discover what we will do, by finding out what we will not do.”*

Samuel Smiles



PRESIDENTS DAY  
FEB. 15, 2010

## My Story

Hello and thank you for touching my life in my cancer survivor journey, each one of you have in one great way, by your fun, laughter, kindness and love, helped me in many silent ways, daily. Let me explain why I say that. The type of cancer I had has no signs of warning as many types do, I was walking around with a time bomb ready to burst. Because of my medical education, in maxial facial surgery, I found my own cancer. I had seen it before, assisted on this type of surgery many times with my surgeons and thought it would be nothing as many of my patients were before. However this was not the same type it only looked like the other but was cancer instead. It was not seen or heard of for 55 years in Florida and only 2 surgeons (one in Holland and one in Miami, Florida-again I was Blessed) were familiar enough and had the experience to save my life in just enough time. I was Blessed and that is why I met you all and are asking this important favor of you to help me again in my journey to make sure no one else has any type of cancer anymore!! Please join my team, I would like to have a COP Team and a CERT Team if possible to work together for this May 1, Sat., and Sun-May 2, at Quiet Waters Park. As we join together, I would like to have a kick start event locally to help get the word out as we continue to the final event.

LET'S MAKE 2010 THE YEAR....

Again I thank you all for your time and hope to hear from you soon. REMEMBER ANY HELP IS A GREAT HELP AND THANKFUL FOR ! God Bless with Good Health to you and yours, ox Claire

Relay For Life of Deerfield Beach/  
Lighthouse Point Team Recruitment Time

The Relay For Life of Deerfield Beach/Lighthouse Point will be held on Saturday and Sunday, May 1&2, 2010 at Quiet Waters Park. Our 2010 theme is "Countries". Each team will be highlighting a specific country with food, decorations, music, and activities at the Relay. The May 2009 Relay raised \$102,300. The 40 teams that participated raised \$90,000 of the total and the remainder came from sponsorships. Our goal for the 2010 Relay is to have at least 40 teams and raise \$110,000 for the American Cancer Society. We're looking for people to either join a team or start a new team for the Relay. As soon as you register we can choose the country that your team will represent and begin fund-raising.

To learn more about the Relay For Life of Deerfield Beach/Lighthouse Point and team registration,

go to [www.relayforlife.org/dblpfl](http://www.relayforlife.org/dblpfl).

You can call me anytime-

Claire Riccardi- at: 954-464-7734

Relay for Life Recruitment Chair

Be a part of this outstanding Relay For Life, benefitting the American Cancer Society.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Calderaro	Marie	6-Feb
Kayko	Micheal	5-Feb
Linhart	LaVerne	26-Feb
Meeks	Rhonda	24-Feb