



# Neighborhood News

"Partnering with the City of Concord"

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## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Dana Plaza is hosting Dana Estates' 3<sup>rd</sup> annual **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT** on **Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm.** Residents will be able to enjoy a FREE ice cream sundae, FREE Jumpy House, and door prizes. The Concord Police department will be offering information and answering questions for residents regarding crime and drug prevention.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT'S** goal is to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.
- Generate support for, and participate in, local anticrime programs.
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships.
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organizing and fighting back.

So send a message to the criminals in your neighborhood - take back your streets by putting your porch light on and then walk or drive to Dana Plaza for a sundae!



## Do-It-Yourself Traffic Monitoring

The City of Concord is evaluating a traffic monitoring device that might eventually be loaned to neighborhood associations like DENA. This would enable the associations to collect reliable information about local traffic speeds and perhaps serve as a deterrent to speed limit offenders. It would also assist City management in making traffic related decisions.

The device, which costs about \$2,500, is very mobile and could be mounted atop a table or car roof. Power requirements are modest. It's possible that the device could be set to record the number of vehicles and their speeds. John Templeton, Concord Transportation Manager, says that the city is now in the process of developing a program to implement use of the device.

The 19th Concord Police Department Citizen Police Academy was held this spring from 2/9 - 4/27/05. The thirteen-week Academy program is designed to give citizens an overview of the police department's function and operational procedures. Academy classes are taught by police executives and veteran police officers. Participants have the opportunity to meet with the Chief of Police and staff members and are encouraged to ask questions and express ideas and concerns to police employees.

The Academy provides community members with an inside look at local law enforcement. While at the Academy, students will be introduced to a variety of topics: Community Policing, Criminal Justice System, Laws of Arrest, Legal Issues, Patrol Procedures, Communications, Police Facility Tour, Traffic Investigations, Police Pursuits, Volunteers, Financial Crimes Unit, Professional Standards Unit, Gangs, K-9, Reserve Officer Program, Narcotics Enforcement, Youth Services Bureau, CSI, SWAT, Tactical Negotiations, Use of Force Issues/Force Options Simulator and Scenarios.

Potential candidates for the Citizen Police Academy must meet the following criteria:

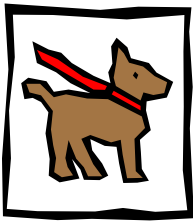
- ♦ Minimum age of 16 years.
- ♦ Live or work in the Concord Area.
- ♦ No felony convictions.
- ♦ No misdemeanor convictions within one year of application.



Any requirement may be waived or modified upon review and approval of the Chief of Police.

The Concord Police Department offers a Spring and Fall session of the Citizen Police Academy. Classes meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. at the Concord Police Headquarters.

For additional information about the Citizen Police Academy, contact the Community Action & Awareness Unit at (925) 671-3032.



Animals running at large are prohibited. Animal owners shall not allow their animals to disturb any person by barking or howling. Persons disturbed by an animal may sign a formal complaint. For more information, or to make a complaint about an animal disturbance, please call County Animal Services at 646-2995.

Crime stats are now available on the city's website, [www.cityofconcord.org](http://www.cityofconcord.org). Once there, select the "Community Crime Mapping" icon. One quick tip - if there are several crimes in the same area, the crime type icons will "stack". When the map is zoomed in, the icons will un-stack.



**DENA has a website!**

DENA's website can be viewed at: [www.DENAESTATES.org](http://www.DENAESTATES.org) – come and see what is going on in your neighborhood! Help is needed in keeping the site current. If you're interested in assisting, please contact us.

**BE SURE TO CHECK OUT THE DATES IN THIS BOX EACH NEWSLETTER FOR IMPORTANT EVENTS AND MEETINGS!**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7pm, Dana Plaza – Come & meet your neighbors!
- Neighborhood Clean Up 'Dumpster Day's' September 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Watch for your flyer!!
- General Membership Meeting, Wednesday, September 28th, 7:00pm at the Concord permit Center Conference Room, 1950 Parkside Drive, Concord
- DENA Board meets the first Wednesday of the month at the First Christian Church, 3039 Willow Pass Road, Concord



All Dana Estates residents are encouraged to attend and participate in DENA General Membership and Board Meetings.

**❖PURPOSE❖**

The purpose of Dana Estates Neighborhood Alliance is to:

- A. Encourage and maintain a neighborhood of which we can be proud;
- B. Increase the feeling of security and concern among neighbors;
- C. Inform the City of Concord about our community/neighborhood needs and concerns;
- D. Act as a resource for the neighborhood by referring people to appropriate agencies, departments, or individuals for information or services available;
- E. Provide a forum where matters of interest or concern can be discussed and acted upon.

**Board:**

Phil Schafer.....Chairman  
 Holly Belknap .....Vice Chairman  
 Ken Weis.....Treasurer  
 Francie Price.....Secretary

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