



### **Community Meetings**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Christ the King Episcopal Church 26 Willow Dr., Orlando, Florida 32807 March 11, 2025 April 8, 2025 May 13, 2025 Check Nextdoor, www.OCSafeNeighborhoods.net, or apsnapresident@yahoo.com for

more information.

**Orange County Telephone Numbers** District 3 Commissioner Uribe 407-836-7350 Sheriff's Non-Emergency 407-836-HELP (4357) Emergency 9-1-1 **Crime Line** 407-423-TIPS (8477) Drug Enforcement 407-521-2400 **Seniors First** 407-292-0177 Find hurricane and COVID-19 resources at WWW.OCFL.NET Orange County **Customer Service** 3-1-1



### Orange County, Florida, Quarterly Newsletter

Spring 2025

# Azalea Park Safe Neighborhood Association

A newsletter about issues important to you and your neighbors...

**Honoring Mary I. Johnson** 

On Saturday, January 18, the Azalea Park Safe Neighborhood Association dedicated a bench and plaque to Mary I. Johnson who was a commissioner for the City of Orlando (1980-1992) and then for Orange County (1992-2004). Mary was a trailblazer and was the first Hispanic to serve on both boards. She was also the founder and president of the Victim Service Center in 1999.

As commissioner, she spent three decades of her life dedicated to the service of her community. She was the founder of Yucatan Park and worked with OUC to get the property for the park. The park opened in 2007 and has been a central gathering place for neighbors to come and enjoy the outdoors. To honor her, this bench is located near the playgrounds on the North side.

Many thanks to Commissioner Mary I. Johnson's son, Charles, her entire family, and BarbaraKay for spearheading this initiative and honoring her memory.





Be sure to follow us on Facebook to stay up to date with the latest events and news.

Facebook: @Azalea Park Safe Neighborhood Association Email: apsnapresident@yahoo.com

#### A Note from Commissioner Uribe, District 3

Dear Neighbors,

I hope this letter finds you all well and enjoying 2025. I'm thankful for all of you, and excited to have a year filled with events, opportunities, and prosperity. We kicked off the year with our annual Three Kings Day, Refill Your Backpack, and Pioneer Day events. It was an amazing opportunity to bring the community together to celebrate and give back.

As Spring approaches, we continue to recognize the achievements and efforts of our neighbors, and I'm proud to be part of this vibrant, hardworking community.

Ensuring a safe and healthy environment for all residents is a priority, and Orange County Safe Neighborhoods is dedicated to fostering a supportive and prosperous community where people can live, work, and thrive.

Be sure to watch for exciting community events and gatherings to connect with your neighbors, learn about local resources, and enjoy time together. Our events include food drives, Connectival — a high school student event, and many more.

I encourage you to sign up for our biweekly newsletter to stay up to date. You can easily subscribe by visiting <u>https://bit.ly/D3Mail</u> or contacting our office at 407-836-5140.

Together, we can build a stronger, safer community for everyone.

I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events! As always, feel free to reach out with any questions, concerns, or comments – we're here to help.

Warmly,







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