

## CLEARWATER HISTORY TIDBIT

Clearwater established its first police department on June 12, 1916, with the appointment of Joseph L. Russell as Chief of Police. At that time, the city had about 2,200 residents and only a handful of police officers. The city continued to grow steadily in the years following World War I through the boom years of the 1920s, but slowed during the Great Depression of the 1930s. By the end of World War II, the population was again on the rise and the department had 21 officers to protect Clearwater's 17,000 citizens.

## FISHING

Good Fishing from May 15-17 and 21-23, with the best fishing May 18-20.

## CONSERVATION TIP

Be "Turtle-Friendly." Sea turtle nesting season begins this month. If you live near a beach, turn out your lights at night so that sea turtles don't move toward your home instead of the water, as they might mistake your outdoor lights for the moon.



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<p>◆ City offices closed</p> <p>■ City Council Meeting, Chambers, 6 p.m.</p> <p>▣ City Council Work Session, Chambers, 1:30 p.m.</p> <p>● New Moon ☾ First Quarter Moon ○ Full Moon ☾ Last Quarter Moon</p>																																																																																																																				
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- Implemented major upgrades to both the payroll and finance software systems; implemented electronic filing of many of the payroll division's periodic filings; and setup new debit cards for direct deposit of wages for employees without bank accounts.
- Implemented an e-payment method for vendor payments, enabling quicker payments to vendors while providing additional rebate/interest earnings revenues of nearly \$150,000 per year.
- Selected an e-procurement vendor to provide online purchasing, which will result in increased competition, less time involvement for staff, and lower costs for goods and services.
- Provided financial support services for the city in a timely and accurate manner, via payroll, risk management, purchasing, accounts payable, accounting, and financial reporting services.
- Assisted in promotion of the downtown boat slips referendum by providing financial analysis of the proposal and informing citizens of the financial impact at meetings with homeowners associations and civic organizations.
- Discussed proposed changes with residents to allow pension investments to increase diversity and reduction of risk for the approval in March 2007's referendum.