

## Week in Review • Feb. 24 – March 1, 2020



### GROUND IS BROKEN ON WAVERLY TERRACE APARTMENTS

City elected officials, staff, local dignitaries and residents joined Todd Fabbri, president of the Richman Group Development Corp, and other members of his team – more than 100 folks in all – at a groundbreaking last Wednesday afternoon in the City's Redevelopment area. Richman is set to begin construction of Waverly Terrace, a luxury apartment community located at 8901 Bertha Palmer Blvd. (formerly Main St.).

Waverly Terrace will boast 200 luxury apartments, occupying two Mediterranean-style, four-story buildings on just under five acres. The complex will have a resort-style pool and sun deck, private cabanas and spa, fitness center and yoga studio, outdoor grilling stations, fire pits, a pet park and wi-fi hot spots.

Waverly Terrace is the first of the pending projects in the City's redevelopment area. The Paragon Property Group is expected to begin construction on a multi-structure, mixed-use commercial development that will include a Chase Bank and Starbucks at the site of the old Burger King location later this year. And Enigma Events is working on transforming the structure at 8622 N 56th St. into retail and restaurant space.



## RECYCLING REFRESHER

Ray LeBlanc, director of Public Works / Operations & Maintenance, and some of his ever-accommodating crew paid a visit to the GFWC Temple Terrace Woman's Club last Wednesday to explain the City's recycling program and how best to sort recyclables before they end up at the curb. Need a refresher? For helpful tips on recycling in TT, go to [templeterrace.com/187](http://templeterrace.com/187).



## MORE PUBLIC ART



The City continues to partner with Kim Straub and the Temple Terrace Arts Council to create public art. Thanks to the Community Art Impact Grant program, the next project features works by several local artists showcasing the City's flora and fauna on the walls at the intersection of Riverhills and 56th. Mike Knapp was out bright and early yesterday, painting his design on the wall on the corner of the Shell Station on 56th. It looks great – and got the stamp of approval from Station owner Harry. Thanks to a collaboration with the Temple Terrace Preservation Society, the walls at 56th and Busch also

will be getting a new look highlighting the City's history. (Thanks to Kim Straub for the photo.)

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

COVID-19 has reached the Bay Area, with those infected now including a patient in Hillsborough County. Because of this, the Governor has issued a public health emergency. The City continues to monitor the situation and will continue to maintain discussion and direction from our Medical Director, Hillsborough County Emergency Management, as well as the State of Florida and the CDC.

COVID-19 is a respiratory disease caused by a novel (new) coronavirus, which is thought to be spread through person-to-person contact. Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that are common in many different species of animals. The most common symptoms of COVID-19 are fever, cough and shortness of breath. The virus is thought to spread via droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes, or among people who are in close contact with one another.

Everyone should adhere to everyday preventive actions to help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases, including:

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth
- Stay home when you are sick
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom, before eating and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing (If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol. Always wash hands with soap and water if hands are visibly dirty.)

For more information, go to the Center of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html> Thanks to Fire Chief Ian Kemp for this update.



## GOVERNMENT WEEK ACTIVITIES HIGHLIGHTED

The Florida League of Cities recognized the City's observance of Florida City Government Week last year with a write-up in their quarterly magazine. (See left.) This was the third annual event in partnership with Florida College.

## RIBBONS GALORE

The Temple Terrace Gymnastics Team competed at the 33rd Annual Gasparilla Classic that was held at Tropicana Field on February 21-23. The athletes competed in four different levels and had a total of five first place, 10 second place and nine third place individual event finishes. In the team competition, the Xcel Gold team placed 1st and the Xcel Silver team placed 3rd overall. There was a total of 5,555 athletes that competed at the Gasparilla Classic: 682 boys and 4,873 girls, including 15 international teams. Congratulations to the Temple Terrace Gymnastics Team members and coaches for a job well done.

## PUNCHING BAG DONATION

The Fitness Center at the Family Complex continues to work to provide a variety of exercise and wellness options for users. Through a generous donation from David and Marie Koehler, a heavy punching bag is now available for patrons to utilize. The punching bag is great for cardiovascular and muscular endurance exercise as well an outlet to relieve some pent-up stress! Bring your own gloves or wraps and give it a go.



## THEY ARE IN A BOOK!

On Wednesday, the kids who participated in After School Art at the Temple Terrace Public Library read "We are in a Book" by Mo Willems and colored pictures from the story. Then even ended up in a book of their own!

## CITY HALL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH: City Arborist Joe Ferris

Besides his continued excellence as our City Arborist duties which include meeting with home-owners and contractors regarding tree inquiries and issues, Joe Ferris has stepped up in several additional areas in the Community Development Department, assisting with permit training for new employees, and filling in on the Permit desk itself when the department was shorthanded. He has spent numerous weekend hours with the City's Tree Planting Program and coordinating volunteer participation as well as continued Public education. Thank You Joe for being such a monumental part of Community Development and the City Of Temple Terrace. – Amir Anisi, Director, Community Development





## **HOLLY BURROUGHS NAMED TTPD OFFICER OF THE YEAR**

In a ceremony last Wednesday, Holly Burroughs was presented with the Thomas L. Lewis Law Enforcement Award in recognition of her outstanding service to the Temple Terrace Police Department. Officer Burroughs and other members of the department received additional accolades including Meritorious Citations, Individual and Unit Commendations and Safe Driving Awards. A full list of the awards and their recipients is attached.

## **PAWS FOR K9S**

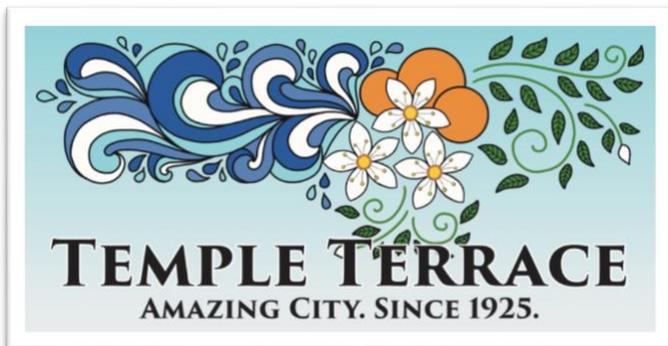
Paws for K9s, a fundraiser to aid in the construction of the regional law enforcement K9 memorial, honoring their service and sacrifice, is planned for Saturday, April 4 from 10am – 4pm at Scout Park, 330 S. Riverhills Dr. This location will be the site of the memorial.

This fun-filled pet and family friendly day will include vendors, food trucks, games for kids, raffles, music, canine costume contest, dog water station and a dog walk. Entry and parking are free, however donations towards the K9 memorial construction fund are appreciated. All pets must be leashed and never left unattended. Owners are responsible for their pets. (No aggressive pets please!)



## **3RD ANNUAL CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT**

The Temple Terrace Firefighters Benevolent is hosting its third annual Battle of the Bags Cornhole Tournament at Fuzzy's Taco Shop on March 28 from 11:30am-3:30pm. Sponsorship packages are available, and teams can register online at [TTFireCharity.org](http://TTFireCharity.org). There will also be raffle prizes, a silent auction, 50/50 and more.



## **LICENSE PLATES FOR SALE**

Speaking of Relay for Life... Team Temple Terrace is selling limited edition Temple Terrace license tags featuring a design by local artist Ameena Kahn. The plastic tags are only \$5, and all profits will go to Relay for Life. Pick one up in the Customer Service office at City Hall.

## **RELAY FOR LIFE**

Registration for the 2020 Relay For Life of Temple Terrace is underway! Make plans to support this great cause while fostering a sense of community in the City. Relay For Life is a grass roots, community-based team event. It will be held at Greco Middle School, 6925 E. Fowler Ave., on May 1 from 6pm to 12am. The City's goal is \$5000.

## TIME OFF RAFFLE!

To assist our Relay for Life fundraising team reach their goal for this year's American Cancer Society Relay for Life, the City Manager is offering every City employee a chance to win TIME-OFF from work. City employees can purchase two raffles tickets for \$5, with no limit on the number of tickets purchased, to enter the drawing. Raffle tickets will be on sale until March 6.

Tickets can be purchased at:

- **City Hall** (Includes Police) – Raffle tickets can be purchased in the City Clerk's office (Jennifer Hodges).
- **Family Recreation Center** (includes all of Leisure Services) – Raffle tickets can be purchased at the front desk (Raquel Ruiz).
- **Public Works Building** (includes both PW Operations & Utilities) – Raffle tickets can be purchased at the front desk (Julie Vaccaro).
- **Fire Station 1** – Raffle tickets can be purchased at the front desk (Carolina Aguilar).

There will be two winners (8 hours / 4 hours) from **each** location for a total of **EIGHT** winners! A minimum of \$50 must be collected from each location in order for the employees from that location to be eligible to participate. Winners will be announced on March 9.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Get out those 2020 calendars (or, let's be real, your smartphone), and make note of some upcoming City events...

The Temple Terrace Garden Club's annual **SPRING MARKET** will be held on Saturday, March 7 from 8am to 3pm in Woodmont Park. The market includes vendors selling everything from plants to jewelry and other handmade home décor, as well as live music, kids' activities and food. The event also will feature City Arborist Joe Ferris, who will offer planting advice and have free trees for City residents.

**TREK FOR TREASURE** will take place on March 8 from 1-5pm at the Greco Middle School track. Join Greco PTSA at this bicycle scavenger that hunt takes you around the picturesque golf course and tree lined streets of Temple Terrace. Clues for all ages and bicycle abilities. This fundraiser will help Greco PTSA provide support to the students and faculty of Greco Middle School, a Title I school. All participants will receive a drawstring backpack. Register at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com). Haven't been on a bicycle in years? There is a golf cart group just for you!

**BIKE WITH THE MAYOR** will be held Friday, March 27. Gather at the Family Rec Complex beginning at 7:30am. Ride at 8am.

**ART EN BLANC** is slated for Saturday, March 28 from 6:30-10pm in Woodmont Park. Tickets and more information about this fundraiser for the arts are available on [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com).

*Have you been featured in our Employee Spotlight? If not, please submit contact Laurie Hayes at [lhayes@templeterrace.com](mailto:lhayes@templeterrace.com).*

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- City Council meeting: March 3 at 6pm at City Hall
- Spring Market: March 7 from 8am – 3pm at Woodmont Park
- Trek for Treasure: March 8 from 1 – 5pm at Greco Middle School
- Municipal Code Enforcement Board meeting: March 11 from 6:30-8pm at City Hall

## ATTACHMENTS:

- TTPD 2019 AWARDS
- Employment Opportunities

**CITY OF TEMPLE TERRACE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
2019 AWARDS**

- Burroughs: Officer of the Year
- Blenman: Meritorious Citation
- Lee: Meritorious Citation
- Burroughs: Meritorious Citation
- Checo-Almonte: Meritorious Citation
- Baldwin, Burroughs: Life Saving Award
- Desmarais: Life Saving Award
- Osborn: Life Saving Award
- Lebovitz, Desmarais, Scilabro, Malave, Burroughs, Daniel: Unit Commendation, Individual Commendation (Daniel)
- Staley, Lebovitz, Miller, Desmarais, Osborn, Malave, Crayton, Chapoteau, Headley: Unit Commendation
- Desmarais: Unit Commendation (Omitted from Original)
- Burroughs: Unit Commendation
- Crayton: Individual Commendation
- Blenman: Special Operations Unit Service
- Anthony M. Ford, Matthew D. Mihlfeld (Citizens): Citizen Citation
- Patty Stanton: 20 Year Ribbon
- Seeley: 25 Year Ribbon
- Patty Stanton: 20 Year Safe Driving Award
- Seeley: 25 Year Safe Driving Award
- Lebovitz, Osborn, Burroughs, Malave, Landry, Daniel, Desmarais: Unit Commendation, Individual Commendation (Daniel), Meritorious Citation (Landry)
- Desmarais, Malave, Daniel, Landry, Burroughs, Caisse: Unit Commendation, Meritorious Citation (Burroughs)
- Neli Desmarais: Meritorious Citation
- Burroughs, Malave, Landry, Daniel, Desmarais: Unit Commendation
- Kinlaw, Huertas, Thomas, Struble: Unit Commendation
- Kinlaw, Huertas, Thomas, Struble, Lee: Unit Commendation
- Kinlaw, Huertas, Baldwin, Thomas, Struble, Guay, Elmer: Unit Commendation
- Lee: Individual Commendation
- Kinlaw: 5 Year Safe Driving Award
- Valentine: 5 Year Safe Driving Award
- Mills, Kinlaw: Special Operations Unit Service

# *City of Temple Terrace*

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES February 28, 2020

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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 3.112 BUILDING INSPECTOR II
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### HUMAN RESOURCES

- 1.250 HUMAN RESOURCES TECHNICIAN
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### LEISURE SERVICES • PARKS & RECREATION

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD • PART TIME
- 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • ATHLETICS PROGRAM • PART TIME
- 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • GYMNASTICS • PART TIME

### SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD • SIX POSITIONS
  - 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM (SYP)  
• TEN POSITIONS
  - 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • TENNIS
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### POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 4.226 POLICE OFFICER
  - 4.240 POLICE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER • TWO POSITIONS
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### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • OPERATIONS

- 7.120 MECHANIC II
  - 7.125 MECHANIC I
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### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • UTILITIES

- 1.140 CITY ENGINEER

The City of Temple Terrace is a drug-free workplace.  
A pre-employment drug screen, criminal history background investigation,  
and a driver's license verification may be conducted.

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER  
VETERAN'S PREFERENCE EMPLOYER

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Job Opportunities are located @ [www.TempleTerrace.com/Jobs](http://www.TempleTerrace.com/Jobs)