

Week in Review • March 2 – 8, 2020

FIRE CHIEF RECEIVES APPOINTMENT

The Florida Fire Chiefs Association Board of Directors announced the appointment of TT Fire Chief Ian Kemp as the West Central Regional Director. Chief Kemp has been a fire rescue professional for over 26 years. He began as a firefighter with the City of Naples Fire Rescue, moving to Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue as a battalion chief and finally landing at the Temple Terrace Fire Department in 2007. His in-depth knowledge of the fire services industry, including public relations, budget management and labor relations, will greatly benefit the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association. Congrats!

TEMPLE TERRACE IN THE NEWS

Last Thursday, the *Tampa Bay Times* ran an article by reporter Divya Kumar about the Richman Group ground-breaking for Waverly Terrace. Kumar also included information provided by the City's Marketing & Communications Officer about the other efforts underway in the City's Redevelopment area. We look forward to working with Divya to get more good news in print.



LIBRARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Lauren Forbes is the Library's Employee of the Month for February! Lauren is a Library Aid and is very skilled at assisting patrons on the computers and finding books or DVDs that they want. A statement on a recent comment card we received noted: "(Lauren) saved my career helping me get my job resume done so I can get a great job opportunity." Congrats to Lauren!

IGNORE THAT FOOLISH STUFF!



Kids in the After-School Program at the Family Complex learned about bullying and bullying prevention through a wildly entertaining presentation by Ret. Officer White (City of Tampa PD). Officer White captures his audience through music to teach them how to spot bullying, how to be an "up-stander" instead of a by-stander, and strategies for dealing with a bully on your own. Our After-Schoolers are better-equipped to deal with this ever-morphing issue as they progress through school and into the adult world!

A huge THANK YOU to Officer White for taking time out of his day to visit the Family Complex and to Tandra, from our own from TTPD, for organizing the presentation.

PLAYERS "LOVE" D THE TENNIS SOCIAL

The RECENT tennis social at the Rec Complex drew 22 players to come and enjoy play on our courts and meet new members and players. Everyone had a blast and they are looking forward to the next social in a couple of months.



CHALK IT UP TO THE WEATHER

The weather was perfect for a day outside last week, and because of early voting in the meeting room, the After School Art Children took to the outside to express their creativity with sidewalk chalk and enjoyed jumping rope on the library front porch.

AND THE WINNER(S) IS...

Last week, the City held a raffle for employees to win a half or full day of PTO to benefit Relay for Life. In all, \$495 was raised and eight lucky staffers walked away with four or eight hours of paid leave. Thanks to all who participated.

Here's a list of winners:

CITY HALL – 4 HOURS TIME-OFF: Kristie Celleri

CITY HALL – 8 HOURS TIME-OFF: Tina Heacock

FIRE DEPT – 4 HOURS TIME-OFF: Thomas Loughlin

FIRE DEPT – 8 HOURS TIME-OFF: Becky Zarella

LEISURE SVCS – 4 HOURS TIME-OFF: Alicia Baker

LEISURE SVCS – 8 HOURS TIME-OFF: John Swick

PUBLIC WORKS – 4 HOURS TIME-OFF: Nate Hale

PUBLIC WORKS – 8 HOURS TIME-OFF: Tim Reed

ARBOR DAY IN TT

The City celebrated Arbor Day on Saturday as part of the Temple Terrace Garden Club's Spring Market in Woodmont Park. City Arborist Joe Ferris was on hand to answer questions and gave away his entire stock of 15-gallon trees to TT residents. Saturday's observance of Arbor Day was made official at last week's Council meeting with a proclamation by Vice Mayor Andy Ross.



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 package are available, and teams can register online at 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

Many thanks to the Fire Union for their recent \$250 donation to Relay for Life. As everyone should now be aware, the 2020 Relay For Life of Temple Terrace will be held at Greco Middle School, 6925 E. Fowler Ave., on May 1 from 6pm to 12am. We are only \$623.51 away from our goal of \$5000. Want to help? Buy a license plates (see above), or a TT t-shirt or candy – all of which are for sale in the Utility Billing. Office. We got this!

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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

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.

Have you been featured in our Employee Spotlight? If not, please submit contact Laurie Hayes at lhayes@templeterrace.com.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- Municipal Code Enforcement Board meeting: March 11 from 6:30-8pm at City Hall
- River Watch Task Force: March 16 from 4:30 – 6pm at City Hall
- City Council meeting: March 17, 6pm at City Hall
- City Council Strategic Planning meeting: March 30 from 2:30-6:30pm at RR Simmons Building

ATTACHMENTS:

- Employment Opportunities

City of Temple Terrace

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES February 28, 2020

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.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
VETERAN'S PREFERENCE EMPLOYER

Job Opportunities are located @ www.TempleTerrace.com/Jobs