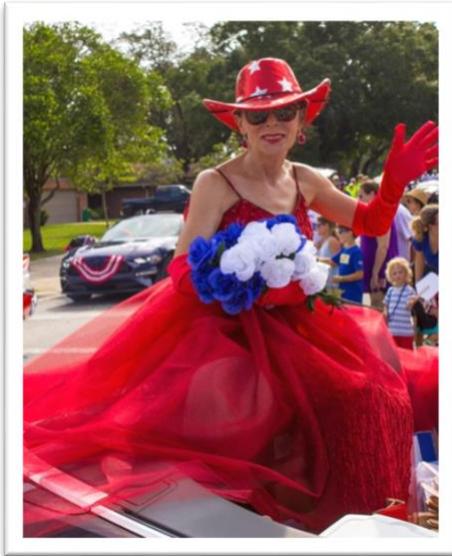


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### LOCAL HERO SUCCUMBS TO CANCER

Our community lost a true treasure when resident Kim Straub passed last week away after a brief battle with cancer. First and foremost, we send our most sincere condolences to her husband, children and extended family. Their loss is unimaginable and our hearts go out to them. Her friends too – and I was so fortunate to be among them – have been left with a hole in our hearts and the promise of a little less sparkle in our lives.

Even if you weren't lucky enough to have known her personally, you almost certainly had come across the lady in the cowboy hat. A former Resident of the Year, Kim Straub was a fixture in Temple Terrace. Perhaps best known for being the driving force behind the public art that now proliferates in the City, she also made it her mission to instill and nurture a spark of creativity in children. An artist herself, Kim taught classes at the Rec Complex and took part in nearly every City event to host imaginative kids' activities (like making pretend driver's licenses at Touch-a-Truck or creating 4th of July rockets out of paper towel rolls at the Independence Day

festival). She was the pixie dust that could turn empty water bottles, tissue paper and some paint into art.

Kim also was quite sprite-like in spreading positivity about this City, flitting from project to project, always wearing a smile, a hat and some fabulous shoes. She belonged to a number of community organizations and was a near constant presence at City Council and other meetings. Kim was tireless in her efforts make Temple Terrace a better, more colorful place. She was a joy to collaborate with and brought out the best you could be. Like her laugh, her love for this community was infectious and she made you want to be a part of it.

The City is working on a way to honor Kim's legacy of adding art and beauty to Temple Terrace. In the meantime, please keep her family in your thoughts. And, if you can manage it in these difficult times, maybe turn up your own sparkle a bit in her honor. The City is about a quart low right now...

(As Kim would say) In love and art,  
*-Laurie Hayes*



### CONGRATS ARE IN ORDER

Marketing and Communications Intern Nathan Bynum has graduated from Florida College with a degree in Business Administration. The school held a small ceremony last Saturday for family and friends – albeit with masks and social distancing protocol. Nathan's first experience with the City was during our Government Day activities. He inquired about an internship and has been assisting with the website and other marketing activities since late last year. Nathan, happily, is continuing on in his capacity with the City.

## LEISURE SERVICES HONORS KIM STRAUB



For years, Kim Straub came to the Family Complex and provided arts and crafts instruction and ideas for our youth programs. After her passing, small heart memorials began to appear near the road artwork in front of her home and throughout the City where artwork that Kim orchestrated is located. To show our thanks and appreciation and the impact she had on all of our youth and staff at the Family Complex and for all the time she spent at the Family Complex, participants in the summer camp made their own heart memorials and they were placed by her home on Wednesday afternoon. Kim was a wonderful asset to the community, and we all loved her at the Family Complex.



## FIREFIGHTER / POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to our 2019 Temple Terrace Fire Department Firefighter of the Year, Engineer Shannon Parker, and our 2019 Temple Terrace Police Department Officer of the Year, Officer Holly Burroughs. Both were recognized for their achievements at yesterday's City Council meeting. Many thanks to these outstanding first responders for the contributions they make to the quality of life and safety in the City of Temple Terrace.

## LIBRARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – KRISTIN BAKER

Library Assistant Kristin Baker is our Library Employee of the Month! One patron commented, "Her performance was quite over the top today. Mark of excellence!!" Kristin is a graduate of USF with a degree in Anthropology and has been working at the library for nine months.



## MOVIN' ON UP

Nine lifeguards are on their way to bigger and better adventures! A majority of the Parks and Recreation Aquatic Staff are headed off to Colleges across the State and Country, representing USF, UF, FIU, Notre Dame. Two staff members are serving our Country in the Marines and Army. Congrats to all staff and their accomplishments.

## OUR HERO – ALICIA BAKER

There is yet another success story stemming from the emphasis that the City puts on making sure staff are trained in CPR. The Fire Department does an excellent job making sure our staff is all trained, and in Leisure Services, we put extra emphasis on continued training and practice in CPR and first aid training. My thanks to Alicia Baker for her efforts in this situation and to the Fire staff for their training and Tiffany Beltran from Parks and Rec who provides additional training to our staff. Great Job all!!!!!!

*-Karl Langefeld, Director, Leisure Services*

*Alicia Baker described the incident as follows:* “On Sunday, August 9 at approximately 3:30pm I was driving down 56<sup>th</sup> street at the corner of Busch Blvd. when I noticed a commotion near the bus stop near Walgreens. I witnessed a lady performing CPR on a man who was laying on the ground. I got out of my car to see how I could help. I immediately asked if anyone had called 911; multiple people had already called. I saw that he had lost color and was not breathing. I realized the two people performing CPR were not doing it correctly, so I helped by instructing them how to perform CPR correctly. One person was giving mouth to mouth while the other was doing chest compressions. I told them to continue with chest compressions and to not worry about giving breaths. While giving chest compressions, the victim started to regain consciousness. I instructed the person giving compressions to stop and I began to pat the victim on his shoulder and called out his name. The victim gradually regained consciousness and was fully awake when TT fire personnel arrived. The victim jumped up when fire personnel got to him and was completely unaware of what had happened. His girlfriend told him that he was “dead” for a few minutes and he needed to go to the hospital. The bystander who was also assisting was very impressed with how much I knew about CPR and inquired about how and where I received my training.”



## SWEET (BUT SWEATY) DIGS

Hooray for everyone who was involved in the replanting of the entrance to the Rec Center. You all did a fantastic job on this project. Jann and her crew kicked butt in removing all the old establish plant material, this was no small feat to do in this heat! Well done!! Tony and his crew rocked the site preparation and the planting of all the new material! Awesome Job! Thanks again, this could not have been completed without all of your help. (Pictured is the work in progress.)

*–City Arborist Joe Ferris*

## FULL ACCREDITATION ACHIEVED BY TTPD

Congrats to the Temple Terrace Police Department, which was found to be 100% compliant with all accreditation standards and received exemplary reviews from each assessor regarding the agency personnel that they spoke with. The Team will now recommend to the full accreditation commission that TTPD be awarded full accreditation status for the next three years!!

All the credit goes to the men and women, civilian and sworn, of TTPD who work tirelessly to ensure that we live by the standards we profess to and serve our citizenry with professionalism, compassion and respect!

A special thanks goes to Patrick Brown who assumed the responsibility for our accreditation process in February when Sgt. Stanton retired. He has done a wonderful job ensuring that we would be ready for this assessment and the proof is in the results we received.

*– Police Chief Ken Albano*

## FIREWORKS CANCELLED

Due to continuing concerns regarding the spread of COVID-19, the End Summer with a Bang fireworks and festival have been cancelled.



## COUNCIL RECOGNITION

Whether as a local official or a private citizen, service on local boards provides an opportunity to be involved in the decisions that affect our City. At Tuesday's City Council meeting, Acting Mayor Andy Ross was recognized for his four years of service on the Hillsborough River Interlocal Planning Board and Sean Lloyd received a certificate of recognition for his 9 years of service on the Temple Terrace Municipal Code Enforcement Board. Anyone interested in joining a Citizen Board can check for openings at [templeterrace.com/106/Board-Vacancies](http://templeterrace.com/106/Board-Vacancies).



## HARD WORK INDEED

The mural, titled "Hard Work Always Pays Off" by Adam Woodard, is located outside of the Fitness Center and Studios at the Family Recreation Complex and highlights a few of the many activities that take place on a daily basis in our community recreation center. The motivational phrases are meant to inspire both adults and children who visit and add a welcome splash of color in the entryway.

Grandson of former Mayor Bob Woodard and JoAnn Woodard, Adam is a lifelong Temple Terrace resident who grew up using the Family Complex. He participated in various Temple Terrace sports leagues, worked as a Youth Counselor at the Family Complex, and still uses the Center today. Adam regularly participates in and has his work on display at the Temple Terrace Arts Festival in the Fine Arts Section. You can see some of his other art on Instagram (@adamsartstuff) and Facebook (Adams Art Stuff).

## ATTACHMENTS:

- Employment Opportunities