

# Week in Review Newsletter

In the City of Temple Terrace

Good things going on in the City

Oct. 26 – Nov. 1, 2020



## HALLOWEEN HIJINKS

Our Temple Terrace Public Library staff can always be counted on to get in the spirit! Hope everyone had a happy - and safe - Halloween!



## MORE HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

Not to be outdone by their colleagues at the Library, staff at the Rec Complex got in the Halloween spirit with their annual door decorating contest. Check out this year's entries. Which one would you crown the winner? (Hint: It's not the one with the "Director" nameplate by the door. 🙄 😊)

## ELECTION DAY

Waiting for November 3 to cast your vote? If transportation is an issue, note that Hillsborough Area Regional Transit is offering free rides on Election Day. Just show your voter card. Some rideshare platforms also are offering discounts, which you can find on their apps. However you roll to the polls, be sure to exercise your right to vote if you haven't already done so.

## COUNCIL MEETING THIS EVENING

The Council meeting that would regularly be held on the first Tuesday of the November will instead take place today, Nov. 2, in deference to Election Day. The meeting will start at 6pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 11250 N 56th St. Note that City Council meetings currently are open to the public on a limited capacity, first come, first served basis. Those wishing to attend the meeting must have their temperatures checked and wear face coverings at all times while in the building. Enter via the door on the 56th Street side.

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### **BAT HUNT!**

Just in time for Halloween, the Library hid a dozen 3D printed Halloween bats in Bonnie Brae, Ben Lomond and Riverhills Parks. Those lucky enough to find one, like this young man at Bonne Brae, got to keep their prize.

### **COFFEE WITH THE MAYOR**

Last week's Coffee with the Mayor at the Temple Terrace Golf & Country Club attracted 19 business leaders and started a conversation about how they could support each other - and the role that the City could play in that effort. The consensus of the group was to meet again to keep the conversation – and the ideas – flowing.

### **ARE YOU GAME TO HELP THE LIBRARY?**

Armada Games and the Temple Terrace Library are teaming up in November to expand the library's board game collection! All month long, a portion of all board game sales at Armada Games will be used to purchase new ones for the library! Visit them at 10910 N 56th Street.

### **REDEVELOPMENT UPDATES SHARED AT TAMPA !P MEETING**

Business Relations Manager Greg Pauley participated in the Tampa Innovation's Annual Gathering last week and shared a short video summarizing projects underway in the Temple Terrace Redevelopment Area (TTRA) with other attendees. The video also includes a short piece about the new Amazon Distribution Center located 2.5 miles east of the TTRA. It can be viewed on the City's website at [templeterrace.com/193/Redevelopment](http://templeterrace.com/193/Redevelopment).



### **VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE**

Are you, or is someone you know, a veteran of the US Armed Forces? The City of Temple Terrace would like to recognize Temple Terrace veterans with special yard signs during the week of November 8. We are collecting names and addresses of these individuals in anticipation of the observance of Veteran's Day. Please forward this info to [lhayes@templeterrace.com](mailto:lhayes@templeterrace.com) or call 813.506.6406. (This data will not be shared publicly.) Thank you for your help in honoring family, friends and neighbors who have served our country.



### **FOOD DRIVE**

Staff from the City's Division of Parks & Rec will be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items to benefit the Corpus Christi Joe Latina Food Pantry Saturday, November 7 from 9am until noon.

The drop off station will be located between Corpus Christi Catholic Church (9715 N. 56th St.) and Wells Fargo Bank. Look for the banners and City's Special Events Truck. Come early - the Temple Terrace Junior Woman's Club will be providing craft kits to the first 50 people to drop off food! For additional information please contact John Swick at [jswick@templeterrace.com](mailto:jswick@templeterrace.com) or 813.506.6600.



## CITY HALL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

It is the Police Department's esteemed honor to nominate Patrick Brown for Employee of the Month for November 2020. Patrick has worked for the City of Temple Terrace for the last four years and excels at his current role, Accreditation Manager. The Police Department just completed its fourth assessment with the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation, and Patrick was integral in the process. Because of COVID-19 the entire process had to be completed virtually, but Patrick was up to the task, and because of his hard work the department has successfully been reaccredited. In addition to being the department's Accreditation Manager, Patrick also assists with Crime Watch meetings, National Night Out, Touch a Truck, speed trailer deployments and Crime Prevention. Patrick is always ready to help his fellow employees, as well as the citizens of this Amazing City! Way to go Patrick!

- Captain Rob Staley

## DID YOU CARVE A GREAT – OR EVEN A GOOD – PUMPKIN?

Wondering what to do with it now that Halloween is over? Compost it! According to Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful, pumpkins are a great addition to a compost pile.

- First, remove candles, artificial lighting, or any other decorations that are in or attached to the pumpkin. Pumpkins that have been painted or coated with a preserving sealant or with glitter should not be added to a compost pile. (If only a portion of the pumpkin is coated with paint or glitter, it is okay to cut off that portion and dispose of it, while adding the remainder of the pumpkin to the compost pile.)
- Second, remove the seeds from the inside of the pumpkin. While natural, the seeds can germinate and start growing new pumpkin plants in a compost pile.

While not necessary, it is advisable to cut up or smash a pumpkin into smaller pieces to accelerate the rate of decomposition. Smashing a pumpkin can be part of the fun, whether by dropping from a high point such as a balcony or smashing with a hammer on the ground. Don't have a compost bin? No problem. Dig a hole in a garden bed or in your yard and add the pumpkin. Replace soil over the hole and let the compost take place naturally through the winter. A pumpkin can also be placed in an unused part of the yard on top of the soil and covered with leaves.

*Did you know that residents can sign up to receive the Week in Review via email each week?  
Just go to the Notify Me sign-up page and select Week in Review.*

## ATTACHMENTS:

- Employment Opportunities



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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES October 22, 2020

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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 3.112 BUILDING INSPECTOR II
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### LEISURE SERVICES • LIBRARY

- 5.108 LIBRARY AIDE I • PART TIME
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### LEISURE SERVICES • PARKS & RECREATION

- 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • ATHLETICS PROGRAM • PART TIME
- 7.178 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT I • PARKS/ATHLETIC FACILITIES

### SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD
- 

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

- 7.120 MECHANIC II
  - 7.125 MECHANIC I
  - 7.178 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT I • GROUNDS • TWO POSITIONS
  - 7.230 SANITATION DRIVER/COLLECTOR I
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### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • UTILITIES

- 1.140 CITY ENGINEER
- 7.160 UTILITY MAINTENANCE II • SEWER
- 7.160-LTE UTILITY MAINTENANCE II • SEWER
- 7.166 UTILITY MAINTENANCE I • WATER
- 7.166-LTE UTILITY MAINTENANCE I • WATER • TWO POSITIONS

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)