

Week in Review
Newsletter
In the City of Temple Terrace

Good things going on in the City

May 25 – June 7, 2021



CONGRATS TO OUR GRADS

Three members of the Leisure Services staff are graduating this spring and we couldn't be prouder of their accomplishments – especially in the face of all of the challenges wrought by the pandemic. Congrats to:

- Elizabeth Branch, Recreation Leader I - Gymnastics, who is graduating from C. Leon King High School with her IB diploma;
- Jayvon Johnson, Recreation Leader I - Athletics, who is graduating from Tampa Bay Technical High School, and
- Aya Bricha, Recreation Leader I - Fitness, who is graduating from Hillsborough Community College with a ASN (Associate of Science in Nursing) and is now officially a Licensed Registered Nurse.



GARDEN WEEK

It's Garden Week in Temple Terrace, as proclaimed by Mayor Ross and City Council at their June 1 meeting. Members of the Temple Terrace Garden Club, including Vice Mayor Cheri Donohue, were on hand to accept the proclamation last Tuesday. Established in 1946, the Garden Club is the oldest community organization in the City. Among other projects, TTGC members maintain all of the flower beds at Woodmont Park – planting, weeding, mulching and pruning. Maintenance for the work is paid for through their annual Spring Market fundraiser, typically held in the spring of each year.



BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER!

Excited to announce that, as of last week, Focus Café is back at the Family Rec Complex. Stop by between 10am and 3pm M-F to grab a coffee or other treats. Indulge your tastebuds while supporting these fantastic young people.

HAPPY (BELATED) BIRTHDAY TEMPLE TERRACE



We had a birthday! The City of Temple Terrace was incorporated on May 28 in 1925. George Young, a landscape architect, civil engineer and town planner, worked with golf course architect Tom Bendelow and citrus grove developer D. Collins Gillett to design the City's master plan. Gillett was elected as Temple Terrace's first mayor after the incorporation, for which he and Maud Fowler led the charge.

Staff already are looking ahead to celebrating the centennial of the City in 2025. As we explore our history, the Marketing & Communications Office will be updating a timeline on the City website. Check it out here: templeterrace.com/554/History-Overview and join us in wishing Temple Terrace a very Happy Birthday!

(NOT QUITE) INSTANT REPLAY

Meetings of the Temple Terrace City Council are broadcast live on Spectrum Channel 641 and Frontier Channel 39, as well as on Facebook and the City's YouTube channel beginning at 6pm on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Beginning with the May 18 meeting, Council meetings also are being rebroadcast with closed captioning the week after the meetings on Wednesdays at 6pm on the Spectrum and Frontier channels. (So the June 1 meeting will be rebroadcast this Wednesday.) Recordings of all Council meetings also are archived on the City's YouTube channel.



ARBOR DAY IN THE CITY

June 5 was proclaimed as Arbor Day in Temple Terrace at the May 18 City Council meeting to commemorate the City's 12th year as a "Tree City USA." City Arborist Joe Ferris, who was joined at the meeting by members of the Temple Terrace Garden Club, gave away trees in Woodmont Park this past Saturday to celebrate.



NEW OFFICERS SWORN IN

The Temple Terrace Police Department swore in two new officers last week! Officer Elizabeth Lorenzo is a graduate of the University of South Florida and was a Temple Terrace Police academy sponsorship recipient. Officer John Allen comes to the Department with experience as a patrol officer and K-9 officer for the University of South Florida Police Department and service in the United States Army as an infantryman. Please Join us in welcoming Officer Lorenzo and Officer Allen to the City family!

SUMMER READING



School is out, but reading is always in – and instead of grades, kids can read for prizes this summer! Bring your children to the Temple Terrace Public Library and pick up a Sumer reading log M-F from 10am-6pm or Saturday from 10am to 4pm. Have them read and rate the books with 1 to 5 stars, then return their logs to the Library for prizes!

The Library also has reading logs for teens and 'tweens. They can turn them in and be entered in a raffle to win a basket full of goodies like books, plushies or water bottles and Amazon gift cards! Teens can get raffle entries by returning their log to the front desk, emailing photos of finished Take & Make kits to Natalia at nschellhaas@templeterrace.com, or attending Virtual Comic Book Club meetings on

Zoom. Follow the Library on Facebook for more info.

Summer readers of all ages, including adults (because why should kids have all the fun?), can register, log reading hours, and win prizes online with Beanstack. Go to hcplc.org/Summer, where there are reading challenges with digital badges and prize drawings for things like cameras, fancy headphones, Kindles and a karaoke machine.

Reading with the Tampa Bay Rays (pre-K to 12th grade) is now virtual also. Kids can win two tickets to a Rays game! More info on that program also is available on the County's summer reading page.

LIBRARY EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Sara Fellers is the Library Employee of the Month. Sara is a Library Aid who's worked at the Library for six months. She graduated from USF, in the spring, with a BA in Anthropology. Sara has a wonderfully happy personality that she isn't afraid to share. Some of her hobbies include archery, swimming, writing and nature walks.





TENNIS LOVE

The Junior Summer Tennis Camp is off and running and the kids are having a blast. An increasing number of kids are coming out to try the game. Tennis is the perfect sport for social distancing and playing outside in the beautiful Florida weather. Weekly sessions are filling up quickly so don't wait to sign up your youngster. Stop by the front desk of the Family Recreation Complex for more info. Full Day Camp runs Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm. Half days are available as well. Come join the fun!

CITY HALL EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Jennifer Hodges worked for the City in Dispatch from 2005-'16. Then, two and a half years ago, she started working in the City Clerk's Office – and hit the ground running. She is responsible for posting ADA compliant agendas for Council, Municipal Code Enforcement Board, River Watch Task Force (RWTF), School Support Committee (SSC), and Board of Adjustment (BOA) and well as handling the SSC and RWTF meetings and minutes. She has been extra busy filling in the gap with Kristin out on maternity leave by taking over handling the MCEB administrative work.

Dedicated hard working employees like Jen are the foundation to the success of our amazing City. Thank you, Jen, for your contributions and your hard work, which is an inspiration to everyone around you! Well done! – *Cheryl Mooney, City Clerk*



POOLS REOPEN



The new decking at the Family Recreation Complex's Aquatics Center is complete and it looks AMAZING. Check it out at left – and then in person.

LET'S HAVE A PARADE!



The City is moving forward with our 46th Annual [Independence Day Celebration](#). What better way to celebrate the strength and resiliency of our City – and our nation than with our traditional parade and fireworks display.

Help us spread the word to organizations and/or businesses who might be interested in taking part in the festivities to be held on **Saturday, July 3**. As the host of this year's parade, we will honor local health care workers for their herculean efforts during the pandemic as well as local veterans.

An application and more information are available online at templeterrace.com/parade. Applications and the \$50 fee, payable by check, cash or credit card, should be delivered to Cori Collins at the Family Recreation Complex, 6610 Whiteway Dr., by June 18.

SCHOOL SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEMBERS SOUGHT

Spread the word - The Mayor and City Council are accepting applications from citizens interested in being considered for three regular member appointments to the Temple Terrace School Support Committee. The School Support Committee was established to utilize the knowledge, interest and insight of citizens to work with the Mayor and City Council, the Hillsborough County District schools, parents and school-based interest groups, to enhance the educational environment for Temple Terrace children and the schools they attend. The School Support Committee meetings are held in the Conference Room behind the Council Chambers in City Hall at 4pm on the fourth Monday of each month. Members **MUST** be residents of the City of Temple Terrace and serve without remuneration. Financial disclosure is not required.

The closing date for receiving applications for two of the three positions is 5pm June 29, the Tuesday prior to the City Council meeting in which the appointment is to be decided. The second closing date is 5pm on August 10, with the remaining appointment being decided at the City Council meeting the following Tuesday. Equal consideration will be given to persons submitting applications and persons recommended by City Council members.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Employment Opportunities



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES May 25, 2021

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- 3.112 BUILDING INSPECTOR II
-

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 4.127 FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC
-

HUMAN RESOURCES

- 1.250 HUMAN RESOURCES TECHNICIAN III
 - 6.166 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III
-

LEISURE SERVICES • LIBRARY

- 5.108 LIBRARY AIDE I • PART TIME
-

LEISURE SERVICES • PARKS & RECREATION

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD • PART TIME
- 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • FACILITY USE • PART TIME
- 7.207 CUSTODIAN • PART TIME

SEASONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- 5.221 LIFEGUARD • TWO POSITIONS
 - 5.230 RECREATION LEADER I • SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM (SYP)
• FOUR POSITIONS
-

POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 4.226 POLICE OFFICER
 - 4.240 POLICE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER • TWO POSITIONS
 - 4.245 POLICE COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR
 - 6.166 ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT III
-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • OPERATIONS

- 7.120 MECHANIC II
 - 7.125 MECHANIC I
 - 7.178 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT I • GROUNDS
-

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT • UTILITIES

- 7.167 MAINTENANCE ATTENDANT III • STREETS
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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