

Village of Palm Springs "Spook-tacular" Halloween Event October 31 from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m.



The Village of Palm Springs will be hosting their annual Halloween event outside the Leisure Activity Building, located at 226 Cypress Lane in Palm Springs (on the basketball courts). Don't miss out on the fun! There will be bounce houses, carnival food, games, prizes, contests, music, and the costume contest! Good Shepherd will also be out here giving out Halloween novelty items!



Costume Contest

Age Groups: 4 & Under, 5-7 year olds, 8-10 year olds,
11-13 year olds and 14 - Adult

Registration Times: 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. (each registrant receives a free gift!)

Contest Time: Begins at 6:30 p.m. with the 4 & Under group

For more information or to volunteer, please call 964-8820.

PALM SPRINGS
NEWSLETTER
"A Great Place to Call Home"

OCTOBER 2013 226 Cypress Lane, Palm Springs 33461 Visit our website at www.vpsfl.org

COUNCIL News

The Village Council meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Agendas and minutes are posted on the website.

Annexed a .3114 acre parcel of land owned by Trail Properties, Inc., located at 1616 South Military Trail; amended the land use to "commercial" and rezoned to "commercial general".

Adopted the final non-ad valorem assessment roll rates for fiscal year 2013/2014 in order to provide a uniform method for collecting this assessment for garbage, trash and recyclables collection services on the Palm Beach County Tax Notices. Rates would remain the same as last year: \$144 for single family and \$90 for multi-family and mobile homes.

New Village Manager Richard J. Reade was sworn in.

Amended the employment agreement with former Village Manager Karl Umberger to have him remain as a Consultant for a term not to exceed September 30, 2013, in order to allow for a smooth management transition.

Mayor's Proclamation recognizing August 2013 as MDA Firefighters Appreciation Month in Palm Springs.

Mayor's Proclamation announcing August 112 – 16, 2013 as Florida Water Professionals Week in Palm Springs.

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The **Land Development Board** makes recommendations on land issues such as building site plans, annexations, special exceptions, land use and zoning, and also functions as a quasi-judicial board hearing applications for variances from the Land Development Code; **Construction Board of Adjustment and Appeals** hears cases when there is an appeal to a decision of the Building Official; the **Leisure Services Board**, advises on matters of recreation, use of playgrounds, athletic fields and recreational centers, and the **Library Board** recommends improvements to expand library services and also recommends programs and activities that will best serve the residents. Pick up an application from the Village Clerk or download an application on the website. For further information call the Village Clerk at 965-4010.

TRAVEL Club
964-8820



The Travel Club meetings are held the first Thursday of every month at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall. **All trips are open to members only and costs are non-refundable unless the trip is cancelled by the Palm Springs Leisure Services Department.** Trip minimums must be met in order for trips to take place. Trips often fill up before deadline dates - make your reservations early! If you know of any members who are sick, may be hospitalized or have suffered a loss, please contact Dani Bailey at 964-8820 to send them a card.

Emergency Contact Information - We need names and numbers for people who will not be accompanying you on trips to contact in case of an emergency. Our computer system can store at least 10 emergency contacts per person. Please update this information next time you are at the Leisure Services office.

UPCOMING TRIPS:

November 12 Lunch - Afternoon Tea Style

Members will travel on their own to the Serenity Garden Tea (316 Vallette Way; West Palm Beach, FL 33401) which begins at 11:30 a.m. Enjoy lunch afternoon tea style with your choice of tea, soup, sandwich and dessert! The cost is \$25 (tip included) and the deadline for payment is November 1st

November 19 Island Princess Luncheon Cruise

Members will depart Palm Springs at 11:00 a.m. for The Finest Kind Marina in Stuart to enjoy a 4-hour leisure cruise along the St. Lucie River. Registration includes complimentary coffee and Danish upon boarding and a fresh croissant sandwich, fruit and cookie for lunch. There is also a cash bar available too! The cost is \$59 and the deadline is November 7th

January 11-12 Fort Myers

Members will depart Palm Springs at 8:30 a.m. to make the first stop at the Mardi Gras Casino and receive \$10 in free play and a \$3 food coupon. Then head to the Holiday Inn in Fort Myers for a cocktail party before going to the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre to see "South Pacific". The next morning, after breakfast at the hotel, go to *Irresistible Confections* and make your own 1/2 lb. box of chocolate to take with you! The final part of the trip is lunch at *2 Meatballs in the Kitchen*. The cost is \$177 per person for double occupancy or \$214 for single occupancy and the deadline is December 6th.

December 11-12 Gaylord Palms Resort

Members will depart Palm Springs at 8:30 a.m. for the Gaylord Palms Resort in Kissimmee (after making an included lunch stop). Once at the resort experience the historic old-world charm of St. Augustine, the island spirit of Key West and the mysterious waters of the Everglades in one extraordinary place, without ever leaving the resort, offering four acres of themed experiences ALL under a glass atrium! Also take in the dozens of lavish holiday displays that include more than 2-million twinkling lights and an amazing 54-foot-tall Christmas tree (as well as Christmas carolers to set the mood).

Featuring "Frosty the Snowman", the award-winning *ICE!* attraction has over 20,000 square-feet of exciting hand-carved sculptures of over TWO MILLION pounds of ice and is carved by a team of 40 artisans from Harbin, China. The talented artisans spend more than a month in Kissimmee/Orlando creating this one-of-a-kind attraction. **(Optional tickets to I.C.E.! are \$18 additional and is due with your initial deposit - that's a 25% savings!)**

The trip registration price includes a group dinner at the Villa de Flora (in the resort), a \$10 breakfast coupon, Luminescence Christmas show on the main stage at the resort, Dasani® bottled water replenished daily in your guest room refrigerator, round trip bus transportation, taxes and tips (excluding the bus driver). The price per person for Trip Occupancy is \$179, for Double Occupancy is \$199 or for Single Occupancy is \$289. A minimum deposit of \$59 per person is due by October 6th (if purchasing *ICE!* Tickets, \$18 additional is due with the deposit) and the final payment is due no later than November 1st.

UPCOMING TRIPS IN THE WORKS

(Date/events are subject to change)

- Dec. 7 Holiday Party at Atlantis Country Club
- 2014**
- March Caribbean Cruise
- Apr 4-May 11 "Over the River and Through the Woods" (Stage Door Theatre)
- June 7 & 8 "Mid-life! The Crisis Musical" overnight to Ft. Myers



YOUR VILLAGE OFFICIALS

Bev Smith, Mayor
 Patti Waller, Vice Mayor
 Sergio Escalada, Mayor Pro Tem
 Joni Brinkman, Council Member
 Doug Gunther, Council Member
 Richard Reade, Village Manager
 Glen J. Torcivia, Village Attorney
 Virginia Walton, Village Clerk

LEISURE Services
964-8820

Youth Flag Football

Registration for children ages 5-18 will begin October 1, 2013 through November 2, 2013. The cost per child will be \$75.00 for residents and \$105.00 for non-residents. Cost includes uniform shirt/shorts and a participation trophy at the end of the season.



(If you sign up before Saturday, October 19, 2013 you will receive a \$10 discount.)

Coaches and Sponsors are needed. Practices begin in November and the season runs December through the first week of February. For more information please contact the Leisure Services office at 964-8820.

Cheerleading (for Youth Flag Football)

Registration for children ages 5-14 will begin October 1, 2013 through November 2, 2013. The cost per child will be \$75.00 for residents and \$105.00 for non-residents.

(If you sign up before Saturday, October 19, 2013 you will receive a \$10 discount.)

We are always in need of squad leaders and assistants. There will be training for those willing to help even if you have never cheered or coached before. Contact Dani at 964-8820 for more information or if you would like to volunteer to be a squad leader or assistant.

Village of Palm Springs School Days Out

- **October 18th — Field Trip, Lunch Included — \$25.00
- **November 27th — Field Trip, Lunch Included — \$25.00

For ages 5 to 12. Drop off between 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. and pick up between 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Sign up at the Leisure Services Office. Space is limited. For more information contact Karen at 964-8820.

Field Conditions Hotline – (561) 304-4619

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OCTOBER 2013

Calendar of Events

- Oct 8 10:00 a.m. Code Enforcement Hearing
- Oct 8 6:30 p.m. Land Development
- Oct 10 7:30 p.m. Regular Council
- Oct 15 7:00 p.m. Library Board
- Oct 17 7:00 p.m. Leisure Services Board

MARK (X) THESE DATES

TAKE A CLASS!

Register with instructor on first day of class.

Adult Exercise



Beginning Adult Strength, Stretch & Stability Balls

Includes mat work, bands & weights

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Thurs	8:45 - 9:45a	Adult	Studio	\$60	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

Chair Exercise (Men & Women)

Class will include strengthening, stretching, movement, and chair exercises with small balls, weights & bands

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Mon	10-11a	Adult	Studio	\$48	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

(BEGINNER)

or

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Thurs	10-11a	Adult	Studio	\$60	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

(INTERMEDIATE)

*Special rate to take both classes \$99

Fast Aerobic Workout at Barre and Center

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Mon	8:30-9a	Adult	Studio	\$24	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

or

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Wed	8:30-9a	Adult	Studio	\$24	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

Fit For Life (Mon & Wed 9:00)

Aerobics with continuous training to develop the overall body

(prices are per month)

DAYS A WEEK	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
2	Adult	Studio	\$99	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

Youth Classes



Ballet for Beginners (Ages 3-8)

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Mon	3:15 - 4:15p	5-6	Studio	\$48	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686
Mon	4:15 - 5:15p	5-6	Studio	\$48	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686
Thurs	11:15-11:45a	3-4	Studio	\$60	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686



Preschool Classes



Children's Acrobatic Mat Exercises & Stretch

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Mon	11:00-11:45a	3-4	Studio	\$48	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

Pre School Motor Skills - "Tumbleweeds"

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Mon	10:15 - 11:00 a	3-5	Studio	\$48	Pat Mieszczenski	969-0686

Martial Arts



Judo

Judo, an Olympic sport, is the martial art most practiced in the world and improves fitness as well as self-esteem. Our club and instructors are certified nationally as well as in Florida.

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Wed	6:30-8:00p	7-Adult	L.A.B.	****	Jorge Miranda	452-5755
Mon	6:30-8:00p	7-Adult	L.A.B.	****	Jorge Miranda	452-5755
Sat	10:30-12:30	7-Adult	L.A.B.	****	Jorge Miranda	452-5755

****1 Day per week \$35 per month/2 Days per week \$50 per month****

Karate

Shotokan Karate Do training is divided into three parts: *kihon* (basics), *kata* (forms or patterns of moves), and *kumite* (sparring) and teaches discipline, self trust, self defense, respect and organization.

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
M/Th	5-8p	7-Adult	Studio	\$70	Renaldo Roach	(617)312-6788

AND
Rodrigo Suarez (561)315-1037
Wed 6:30-8p

New Class!

Zumba Fitness

Zumba is a blend of Latin music with fitness and dance steps to create an energetic and fun aerobic workout. No dance experience required. This is a multi-level class for beginners or advanced and is great for all fitness levels, ages and sizes.

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Wed	7 - 8 p	8 & Up			Multi-Purpose	\$30

Caroline Mann (561)516-9861

DAY	TIME	AGES	ROOM	COST	INSTRUCTOR	PHONE
Thurs	7 - 8 p	8 & Up			Multi-Purpose	\$30

Betty Rodriguez (561)313-8477

***Guest fee: \$10 per class for either Wednesday or Thursday

***Special cost for BOTH Wednesday and Thursday classes is \$50

Ask a Master Gardener

Grow Your Own Backyard Veggies

Everyone else in the country is done harvesting most of their garden veggies, and we are just at the beginning of our growing season.

Choose a location near the house where the soil is well drained and receives 6 hours of sunshine and close to the water spigot. Draw up a plan of the vegetables you want to plant and always choose varieties recommended for South Florida.

Plant on whatever soil type you have, but it is usually worthwhile to improve your garden soil with organic matter as compost or composted manures. A raised garden bed is an easy way to improve your garden soil. Fertilize with organic or inorganic fertilizers per the manufactures recommendations to keep plants growing vigorously. Water your garden every day. Mulching around the plants with pine straw or bark can help keep plants moist, weed and disease free. Scout the garden twice per week for pest and disease problems. Learn to recognize beneficial insects such as ladybeetles (ladybugs) that prey on pest insects. Don't forget to weed in and around the vegetable garden. Record notes on pest problems and performance of the different vegetables, this information will be invaluable for your next vegetable installation.

Please direct any gardening questions to Lynda Hare at harezoo@comcast.net Lynda Hare is a certified Florida Master Gardener.

Welcome To The Village Cook!

Spinach and Cheese Bake



- 1/2 cup diced onion
- 1 tbs butter
- 2 tbs flour
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup half and half
- 1 cup shredded Italian or Cheddar cheese
- 1 pkg frozen (10 ounce) chopped spinach thawed and well drained
- 2 Tbs Parmesan cheese
- 1 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- salt/pepper
- 1 cup fresh bread crumbs
- 2 tbs melted butter
- 1 teaspoon parsley

Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 425
2. Grease a shallow 2 cup casserole dish, set aside.
3. Sauté onion in butter until translucent
4. Add flour, stir to coat and slowly mix in the milk and half and half
5. Simmer 2 minutes
6. Stir in the cheese until melted and remove from the heat.
7. Add the spinach, Parmesan and red pepper flakes and mix well.
8. Place the spinach into the baking dish.
9. For the topping:
10. Mix the crumbs, butter and parsley in a bowl, gently place on top of casserole.
11. Bake uncovered for 25 minutes

See more at: <http://thevillagecook.com>



LIBRARY NEWS
965-2204

Palm Springs Police Department
968-8243

The Library Board meets October 15th at 7:00 p.m.

We're into some real ghouly fun during our **Creepy Craft Program**, October 17th at 4:00 p.m. All materials provided. Pre-registry required. Sign up at the circulation desk or call Karen at 965-2204. Limited space! Sign up today!

Scary Stories- Meet Cora, October 29th at 7:00 p.m., as she takes you for another chilling walk down scary story lane. Be warned: this program is not for the faint of heart. Eight and up only, please. This program requires you to sit on the floor, if you need a chair, please make arrangements during registration. **Everyone planning to attend must preregister** for this program. Limited space.

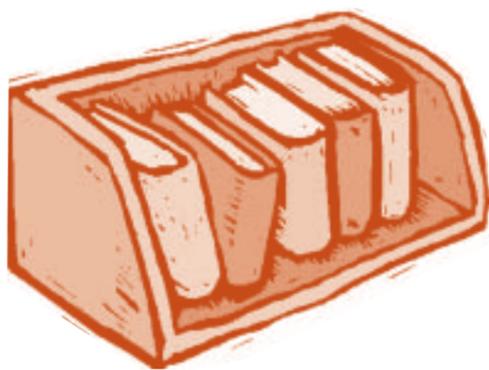
1 on 1 Service provides basic instruction skills for those wishing to learn how to use a computer. Individual training can cover basic internet use, email, or basic word processing. A current library card is required. Stop by the library to register for this free service, or call 965-2204.

Science Club is back! We meet on two Mondays each month; October 7th and 21st from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Our theme this month is Astronomy: the Universe and Solar System.

Cuentos en español meets on the second Tuesday evening of the month, October 8th at 7:00 p.m., *el martes el 8 de octubre a las 7:00 pm*. This program is bilingual in Spanish and English. Families are welcome.

Paws-to-Read! Practice your reading with Trouble, a Delta Society certified Therapy Dog, October 8th & 22nd at 3:00 p.m.

Preschool Storytime meets each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. for children from 30 months until they start school. They listen to stories, sing songs, and participate in activities that will help them build pre-reading skills. It is also a good time for parents to enjoy a few quiet minutes in a busy day. No registration is



Village Department Phone Numbers

Administration	Human Resources	965-4011
Village Clerk		965-4010
Land Development		965-4016
Leisure Services		964-8820
Library		965-2204
Finance		965-4013
Public Safety		968-8243
Code Enforcement		968-8243
Public Works		965-4022
Utility Department		965-5770

DON'T BE THE VICTIM OF A SCAM!

Palm Springs Police investigate hundreds of financial scams a year. The most common is telemarketing fraud aimed mostly at elderly residents. Many of these scams are perpetrated by scam artists operating outside the United States and are put in motion by an unsolicited phone call claiming the victim won a prize or inherited a large amount of money. The scam artist usually requests money up front in exchange for the prize. Once the victim gives the scammer money, it is very difficult if not impossible to recover the lost money.

Another common scam is when someone approaches you on the street and says they either have a winning lottery ticket or a large check but they are unable to cash it due to any number of reasons including not having a bank account. They then ask you to give them cash in exchange for the ticket or check. The lottery ticket or check is always fraudulent.

When you send money to people you do not know personally or give personal or financial information to unknown callers, you increase your chances of becoming a victim of a fraud.

Here are some warning signs of telemarketing fraud and what a caller may tell you:

- "You must act 'now' or the offer won't be good."
- "You've won a 'free' gift, vacation, or prize." But you have to pay for "postage and handling" or other charges such as taxes or processing fees.
- "You must send money, give a credit card or bank account number, or have a check picked up by a courier." You may hear this before you have had a chance to consider the offer carefully.

Remember if a deal is too good to be true, it probably is!!

If you think you've been a victim of a fraud, stop communicating with the scammer. The scammers sometimes make promises to keep you "on the line" and to swindle you out of more of your money. Contact the police to file a report and contact your bank to close accounts if needed.

'Paying for College:

Controlling Your Degree of Debt' Offers Free Information on Financial Options as Part of CFO Jeff Atwater's Your Money Matter\$ Initiative

Parents face a real economic challenge – one that requires planning, saving, and sacrifice – when it comes to providing a quality education for their children. According to a 2012 report by the Center for American Progress, in the past three decades the cost of attaining a college degree has increased by more than 1000%.

Florida Chief Financial Officer Jeff Atwater is partnering with the Florida Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (FASFAA) to offer "Paying for College: Controlling Your Degree of Debt." As financial aid application deadlines are fast approaching, this free webinar will provide valuable information on the variety of financial aid programs that can minimize college debt.

The webinar will be held at the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, September 17th – 1:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 19th – 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, September 30th – 5:30 p.m.
- Wednesday October 2nd – 8:30 a.m.

The webinar will provide an overview of the many financial aid programs available to assist with the costs of a college education and explore opportunities to learn how financial need is determined, calculate the true cost of education, discover types of financial aid available, and identify important steps to complete financial aid applications.

The webinar is part of CFO Atwater's *Your Money Matters* initiative to help Floridians secure a firm financial foundation. The CFO's initiative includes a web page with a section on College Planning along with information on career planning, tips for saving and education calculators.

For more information or to register for the "Paying for College: Controlling Your Degree of Debt" webinars, visit www.MyFloridaCFO.com/YMM or call the Division of Consumer Services helpline at 1-877-MY-FL-CFO (693-5236).