

# Palm Springs Named For 22<sup>nd</sup> Year Tree City USA!!

The Village of Palm Springs was named a 2014 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of our commitment to effective urban forest management. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters. Cleaner air, improved storm water management, energy savings, increased property values and commercial activity are among the benefits enjoyed by Tree City USA communities. More information about this program is available on their website at [www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA](http://www.arborday.org/TreeCityUSA).



Pictured: Anton Mikov & Hosea Ivory

A photograph of a playground with yellow and red equipment. Several children are playing. Overlaid on the image is the text "PALM SPRINGS NEWSLETTER" in large, bold, green letters with a yellow outline. Below the title is a white box containing the text "PALM SPRINGS NEWSLETTER" and a postage-paid stamp. In the bottom left corner of the image area is a circular logo for "THE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS GARDEN SPOT OF PALM BEACH COUNTY FLORIDA". At the bottom of the image area is a yellow banner with the text "A Great Place to Call Home".

**PALM SPRINGS NEWSLETTER**

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**"A Great Place to Call Home"**

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## \$5,000 Matching Grant Available For Eligible Property Improvements



As an incentive to encourage residents and business owners to renovate their property, the Village is offering financial assistance, on a reimbursement basis, for construction projects that 1) require a building permit, 2) cost at least \$500, and 3) enhance the visual appeal and value of the structure. Specific program details and the application form can be found on the Village website ([www.vpsfl.org](http://www.vpsfl.org)), or by calling the Land Development Department at 561-965-4016 for more information. The deadline to file complete applications for this grant is Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>.



**Book Discussion!** Join us on Tuesday, April 14th, at 6:00 p.m. for a book discussion on *All The Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr (available in print, large print, and eBook formats at the library). Explore a different book with us each month in this relaxed setting. Light refreshments will be served.

**Celebrate April with Sidewalk Chalk Art** - Spend the day decorating the sidewalks of the municipal campus, Saturday April 18th from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Participants must register and submit a sketch of their intended art work by Friday, April 17th. Registration forms are available on-line or at the circulation desk. For more information, call 965-2204. Ask for Karen.

**Tax Help** - AARP tax preparers are in the library on Wednesdays and Fridays through April 15th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The last hour is reserved for people already signed up and waiting. No last minute arrivals will be accepted.

**Movies at the Library!** Did you know the library is a great place to watch the latest film releases? Check the circulation desk calendar for information on movies showing in March. For more information call Michele at 965-2204.

**Teen Gamerz** - Attention Teen Gamerz! Challenge your friends or yourself in TeenSpace Gamerz, Saturday, April 11th at 1:30 p.m. For more information, contact Michele at 965-2204.

**Bookmark Contest Award Ceremony** -- April 15th at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room in Village Hall (next door to the Library.) Winners will be announced first week of April.

**Science Club** - Science Club meets twice a month on Mondays at 3:30 p.m. April 13th, Learn about plants and how they grow. April 27th, Explore photosynthesis and the structure of plants. This program is for children from Grade 2-5. Register at the circulation desk or call 965-2204.

**Cuentos en español** meets on the second Tuesday evening of each month. April 14th at 7:00 p.m., the theme of the stories is birds = el martes el 14 de abril a las 7:00 p.m.; el tema es los cuentos de los aves. This program is bilingual in Spanish and English. Families are welcome.

**Paws-to-Read:** Read with 'Trouble' on Tuesday, April 7th & 21st from 3:00—4:00 p.m. Practice reading aloud or simply enjoy spending time with Trouble, a well behaved, Delta Society certified dog. Reading materials will be provided, or bring a favorite book.

**Preschool Storytime** meets each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. for children from 30 months until they start school. No registration required. Parents or caregivers must stay in the building.

**Evening Storytime** is to help children age 2 to 8 learn to love reading. Working parents and their children will enjoy Bedtime Storytime at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings. For more information contact Mary Helen Sakellarios at 965-2204.

#### Library Hours

Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Friday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Closed Sunday

The library will be closed Friday and Saturday, April 3rd & 4th for Easter.

The Village Council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Agendas and minutes are posted on the website.

Amended the Comprehensive Land Use Plan of the Village for 13 parcels of land, individually owned, and located on Lake Worth Road, Charlotte Street, Lakewood Road, Boatman Street, Patio Court, 43rd Drive South, Clinton Boulevard and 2nd Avenue North, to amend the land use designations to "medium density residential" and "commercial", and to amend the zoning designations to "residential multi-family" and "commercial general".

Executed an agreement with Sunshine City BBQ, Inc., lessee and operation of a mobile food trailer on the Home Depot property, located at 4241 Lake Worth Road, to provide for continued use and development requirements and allowances.

Approved, with conditions, a site plan submitted by Damocles Investment, LLC, for construction of an additional duplex structure for the property containing an existing single family residence locate at 3348 Kirk Road.

Approved a preliminary plat for RaceTrac Gas Station to combine two parcels for the gas station property and abandonment of a public utility easement, then to subdivide for a south parcel for future development. These parcels are located on the southwest corner of Lake Worth Road and South Congress Avenue.

Approved, with conditions, the abandonment/release of all right, title and interest in the recreation/open space previously dedicated to Palm Springs from Palm Springs Apartments Rental Community.

Presented a Certificate of Appreciation and Thanks to Damon Kolb for his 9 years of dedication and participation on the Land Development Board.

Presented Assistant Deputy Clerk Maylee DeJesus with a plaque announcing the achievement of her Certified Municipal Clerk designation from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Modified the contract with Hinterland Group Inc. for final contract reconciliation and credits for unused bid items and miscellaneous work allowances in the amount of \$153,320.00, for the rehabilitation of Monica, Davis Road and Professional Plaza Pump stations.

Approved a Task Order for Eckler Engineering for the design phase for replacing the pedestrian bridge at Canal L-10 and Davis Road for the lump sum fee of \$8,150.00.

Approved a Task Order for Eckler Engineering for the design and construction phase for the utility storage building at the Main Water Treatment Plant for the lump sum fee of \$12,000, and limited services during construction at an hourly rate plus direct expenses basis not to exceed \$3,000.00.

Approved a Task Order for Eckler Engineering to provide a Stormwater Study for Justification of Initial Fees, for the lump sum fee of \$29,800.00.

Authorized an agreement with Advanced Disposal Services Solid Waste Southeast, Inc. for garbage pick-up in newly annexed areas already within Advanced Disposal service areas.

Appointed Richard Hughes as a regular member of the Land Development Board for a 3 year term, and appointed Dawn Cox as senior alternate member for a one year term.

Appointed Damon Kolb to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals for a 3 year term.

# TAKE A CLASS!

Register with instructor on first day of class.

## Exercise Classes with Pat Mieszczenski

**(561) 969-0686 Location: Studio**

- **\*\*NEW CLASS\*\*** Beginner Mayo Clinic Chair Class – Call Pat to sign up  
Tues 1:00-2:00p \$52 (4 classes) or Fri 9:30-10:30a \$26 (2 classes)
- Chair Exercise (Men & Women) - Includes strengthening, stretching, movement, and chair exercises with small balls, weights & bands  
Mon 9:45-10:45a \$52 INTERMEDIATE (4 Classes) or  
Thurs 10:00-11:00a \$65 INTERMEDIATE (5 Classes) or  
\*Special rate to take both classes \$108 (9 classes)
- Fit For Life (Mon-Wed-Fri 8:30a (No Class April 13th or 24th) Aerobics with continuous training to develop the overall body (prices are per month)  
2x/week (9 Classes) \$108  
3x/week (11 Classes) \$127
- Teen & Adult Beginner Exercise Workout – NEW  
Tues 4:30-5:30p \$52
- Ballet for Beginners (Ages 3-8) New Class opening soon!  
Mon 4:00-5:00p \$52 5 & 6 Year-olds  
Mon 5:00-6:00p \$52 6 & 7 Year-olds
- Pre School Motor Skills – “Tumbleweeds” - NEW  
Mon 11:15a-12:00p \$52 Ages 3-5
- **\*\*NEW Senior Men’s Workout**  
Thurs 11:15a-12:15p \$65 (5 Classes)

## Zumba Fitness with Caroline Mann

**(561) 516-9861 Location: Multi-Purpose Room**

- 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.  
Thurs 7:00-8:00p \$20 Ages 8 & above

## Judo with Jorge Miranda

**(561) 452-5755 Location: Leisure Activity Building**

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

M/W	6:30-8:00p	****	Youth
T/Th	6:30-8:00p	****	Adult
Sat	10:30a-12:30p	****	All Ages

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

## Karate Location: Studio

- 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.

with Renaldo Roach – (617) 312-6788			
M/Th	6:30-8:00p	\$70	Ages 7-Adult
Wed	6:00-8:00p		
with Rodrigo Suarez – (561) 315-1037			
T/Th	4:00-5:00p	\$70	Ages 4-13
Sat	9:00-11:00a		

# 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.

## UPCOMING TRIPS:

**Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> Gulfstream Casino (Smoke free)**  
Members will depart Palm Springs at 9:30 a.m. Each member will receive \$10 Free Play & \$7 lunch coupon. The cost is \$20.

**Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> Morikami Museum**  
Members will depart Palm Springs at 9:30 a.m. Members will enjoy a guided tour of the museum, a Bento Box lunch and have time to explore the beautiful Japanese gardens. The cost is \$57.

**Wednesday & Thursday, April 29<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Ft Myers Murder Mystery Dinner Train**  
This trip is sold out. Members will depart Palm Springs at 8:30 a.m.

**Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> Taste History Culinary Tour**  
Members will depart Palm Springs at 11:00 a.m. This tour is a combination of riding a bus and four to six blocks of walking. At least four to five local and family owned restaurants will be visited for food tastings, as a tour guide takes us through the history, landmarks and artistic culture of Delray & Boynton Beach. This tour will last about four hours. The cost is \$78.

## **YOUR VILLAGE OFFICIALS**

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

## **APRIL 2015**

### **Calendar of Events**

April 2	9:00 a.m.	Travel Club Meeting
April 3		Closed Good Friday
April 9	6:30 p.m.	Regular Council
April 14	10:00 a.m.	Special Magistrate Code Hearing
April 14	6:30 p.m.	Land Development
April 16	7:00 p.m.	Leisure Services Board
April 21	6:30 p.m.	Library Board

**MARK (X) THESE DATES**

# LEISURE Services

## 964-8820

# Palm Springs Police Department

## 968-8243

### Summer Camp and Teen Camp

The Leisure Services Department is offering an enjoyable summer camp program. In addition to the program for the 5-12 year-olds, a camp catering to the interests and recreational needs of teenagers is also being offered. This teen camp will be open to 13-15 year-olds and will include trips and activities better suited to this age group.

**Registration for residents of Palm Springs will begin on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>. Non-Resident registration will begin Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.** Both camps will begin Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. There will be a registration fee of \$25 per child and each child will receive five T-shirts. The cost for both camps will be \$125.00 per child, per week, which includes all field trips, supplies and Breakfast & Lunch. There will be a \$10 per week discount for all weeks paid for by May 16<sup>th</sup>. Camp hours are 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. with field trips scheduled between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. For more information, contact Karen at the Village of Palm Springs Leisure Services department at 964-8820.

### Youth Basketball League

Registration begins Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> and runs until Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> for ages 8 – 17 (based on age on 9/1/14). Cost is \$75 for residents and \$105 for non-residents. If you sign up before Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> you will receive a \$10 discount. Volunteer coaches are needed. Practices begin in late May and league play will begin in mid-June. Contact Dennis at 964-8820 for additional information.



## IN A CRASH, DO THE RIGHT THING AND STOP!

Florida has experienced an alarming increase in the number of fatal hit and run crashes during the last two years. Now, fleeing the scene of an accident can result in tougher penalties.

Last year, the *Aaron Cohen Life Protection Act* was signed into law by Governor Scott. The law enhances the penalties for leaving the scene of a crash.

In 2014, there were more than 80,000 hit and run crashes in Florida, which was a seven percent increase from 2013. "Leaving the scene makes the situation worse, not only for those who flee, but even more so for the victims left behind, said DHSMV Executive Director Terry L. Rhodes. "It is crucial that all individuals involved in a crash, including witnesses to a crash, contact 911 and remain at the scene until help arrives. Every life matters and every second counts."

#### What to do after a crash:

- CALL law enforcement.
- REMAIN calm.
- ATTAIN vehicle, witness and driver information.
- SKETCH the scene, showing vehicle crash locations.
- HELP the injured.

#### What does Florida law say?

As of July 2014, the *Aaron Cohen Life Protection Act*:

- Increases the punishment for leaving the scene of a crash resulting in serious bodily injury to a person as a second degree felony, rather than a third degree felony.
- Imposes a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of four years for a driver convicted of leaving the scene of a crash resulting in the death of a person.
- Increases the mandatory minimum term of imprisonment from two to four years for a driver convicted of leaving the scene of a crash resulting in the death of a person while driving under the influence (DUI).
- Imposes a minimum driver license revocation period of at least three years, and driver education requirements for leaving the scene of a crash.
- Ranks offenses for leaving the scene of a crash one level higher if the victim was a "vulnerable road user" (such as a pedestrian, a bicyclist or a motorcyclist).

For more information about hit and run crash facts and tips, visit <http://www.flhsmv.gov/fhp/HitRun>.



#### 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