

## WEEK(S) IN REVIEW • NOV. 4 – NOV. 17, 2019



### **MAYOR'S YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL IN THE NEWS...**

The Mayor's Youth Leadership Council continues to collect toiletries at City facilities for their pillowcase project to benefit survivors of human trafficking in our area. Their drive got a huge boost from the generous folks at the Tampa office of Averitt Express, who adopted the cause and delivered a treasure trove of donations to the Council. The Youth Council also manned a booth both days of the Temple Terrace Arts & Crafts Festival in on Nov. 9 and 10. Many patrons stopped by their table to paint a pillowcase, which will be used as a gift bag for the toiletries.

Their efforts caught the attention of our friend Haley Bull from ABC Action News - WFTS (with prodding from the City's Marketing & Communications Officer). The station came out to the Festival on Saturday and highlighted the Youth Council and their project on the evening news.

Should any doubt the presence of human trafficking in our area, note that during a press conference just this morning, Sheriff Chad Chronister announced that a five-month undercover investigation related to human trafficking in Hillsborough County led to the arrest of more than 100 people...

### **GOING ALONG SWIMMINGLY...**

Six swimmers from Team Velocity Swimming (at the Family Recreation Complex) will be moving onto Florida State Championships. This means they were ranked top 8 of both Hillsborough County's District Meets and Central Florida's Regional Meets. Swimmers will have the opportunity to compete for their High School Swim Teams next week at State Championships for the State of Florida. Congratulations to Team Velocity swimmers Abby G., Alex H., Justine A., Mabry B., Madison H. and Zachary K. for moving on to FHSAA State Championships!

## A STAR IN THE MAKING



Our newest K9 Torben is a star – thanks to our friend Mariah Harrison from FOX 13 News - Tampa Bay! Torben and other Temple Terrace first responders took part in training exercises during the week of Nov. 4 with their counterparts from across the state.

Every year, paramedics from around the state head to Temple Terrace to test their skills and abilities. Congrats to Palm Beach County Fire Rescue for coming in 1st place, Margate City Fire Dept. for coming in 2nd, to Pembroke Pines Fire Rescue Dept. for coming in 3rd and to Sunrise Fire-Rescue for their 4th place showing! A huge round of applause as well for the Title sponsor of this year's event, Ten-8 Fire Equipment, Inc. and to all the amazing competitors, including Miramar Fire-Rescue, Firefighters & Paramedics of Boca Raton, Tamarac Fire Dept., Orange County Fire Rescue Dept., Florida Hillsborough County Fire Rescue, Florida, Coral Gables Fire Dept., Northport Fire Rescue and Davie Fire Rescue Dept.

## A FITTING TRIBUTE

There was a Veteran's Day observance at Omar K Lightfoot Center on Nov. 8 as part of the Center's weekly Exploration Time. Attendees participated in a discussion of the origin of Veteran's Day and the different ways the holiday is observed and took in a short history lesson about the wars in which our military has been involved. Veterans and their spouses and families were recognized and all enjoyed a hot dog lunch and sides.

## ENGINE ARRIVES IN ABACOS

Our donated Fire Engine arrived in the Bahamas Nov. 6 and was received by members of the Marsh Harbour Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department. It was driven the short distance to their fire station where they performed a ceremonial push back of their new engine #5 into their bay for the first time – wearing their new Temple Terrace Fire Department shirts! Wishing them all the best in their continued recovery efforts.



## NEW OFFICERS

The Temple Terrace Police Department swore in two new officers on Nov. 8. We wish Ofc. Alysa Caisse and Ofc. Allison Atkins long and safe careers with the City of Temple Terrace and the Temple Terrace Police Department!

## READING FOR THE RECORD

On November 7, kids at both the Library and the Family Complex took part in the 2019 Read for the Record. The library kicked off the day with a pop-up event around 2:30 pm. After finishing they passed the book on to the gang at the Family Complex. This year's book, *Thank you, Omu!*, was a big success!



## VETERAN'S DAY DISPLAY

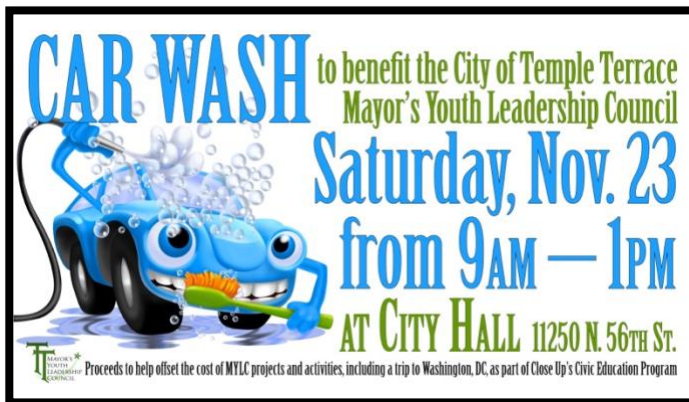
The Library's recent request for military memorabilia, to include in a Veterans Day display, garnered items from men and women who served in the U. S. Air Force, Army, Marines and Navy. These Temple Terrace residents, City employees, and their family members who contributed served during WWI, WWII, the Korean War, Vietnam, and Desert Shield/Storm.

Some of those represented are **Dr. James A. Chambers, Sr.** who was injured during battle in Belgium, and was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism. As a member of the Allied Forces that liberated France he also received the American Order of the French Croix De Guerre.

**Warren R. Smith** was aboard the battleship USS Pennsylvania in Pearl Harbor when it was attacked on December 7, 1941, he was later injured while serving in the Korean War.

**Norbert A. Gotner** spent two years as a POW in the infamous Hanoi Hilton. He was awarded numerous medals including the Bronze Star and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

On Veteran's Day, and every day, we honor the Airmen, Marines, Sailors and Soldiers who served our nation, with pride and distinction, in times of peace, in times of conflict, and in times of war. The display will stay up through November.



## MYLC: WORKIN' AT THE CAR WASH

Treat yourself to a clean car and help the Temple Terrace Mayor's Youth Leadership Council fund projects and activities – including a trip to Washington, DC, to participate in the Close Up - Washington D.C. Educational Programs this spring. The Youth Council will be in the City Hall parking lot from 9am to 1pm on Saturday, Nov. 23, right across from the Temple Terrace Farmers Market. Pick up fresh veggies and other treats for your Thanksgiving Day feast and then give thanks for a clean ride!

## RELAY FOR LIFE

Registration for the 2020 Relay For Life of Temple Terrace has begun! Make plans to support this great cause while fostering a sense of community in the City. Relay For Life is a grass roots, community-based team event. It will be held at Greco Middle School, 6925 E. Fowler Ave., on May 1 from 6pm to 6am. The City's goal is \$5000.

**Dollar Wars** will be November 18-22. The gracious volunteers include Leisure Services Director Karl Langefeld, Police Chief Ken Albano, Fire Chief Ian Kemp, Code Compliance Director Tom Borroni, Public Works (Utilities) Director Troy Tinch and City Manager Charles Stephenson. Three of them will get a pie in the face at our Holiday luncheon. By popular demand, we will also raffle off who will get to pie the lucky “winners!” Our goal for this effort is \$500 – so vote early and often! 🍪🍪🍪🍪🍪🍪🍪

The **50/50 raffle** tickets are on sale now, with the raffle scheduled for some time in December. Just in time for holiday shopping – or giving. (Or just keep the cash. We won't tell!)

The **2nd Annual Chili Cook Off** will take place Jan. 24 in the Utility Billing Office. Registration forms to enter the chili cook off were sent via email by Kristina Stamm. You also may stop by Utility Billing to pick up a copy. \$25 registration fee. Winner receives a Visa gift card, bragging rights and a trophy. The deadline to register is Jan. 17.



**A PARTY 30 YEARS IN THE MAKING** 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷

Please make plans to gather in the City Council Workroom at 1pm on Friday, Nov. 22 to bid IT Director Bob Keel a fond farewell as he retires from the City after 30 ½ years of service. We wish Bob all the best and thank him for remaining nimble in keeping up with the many technical changes and challenges he has seen in his three decades of work with the City.

**SAVE THE DATE** 🎄🎄🎄🎄

Winter Wonderland will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 5-8:30 in Woodmont Park and the first fairway of the Temple Terrace Golf & Country Club. Stay tuned for an opportunity to create decorations for the Temple Terrace Christmas tree in the Park.

**EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

River Watch Task Force	11/18, 4:30-5:30pm at City Hall
City Council Workshop	11/19, 5pm at City Hall
City Council Meeting	11/19, 6pm at City Hall
Board of Adjustment	11/21, 7-8pm at City Hall

Attachments:

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