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Post Office (Tamarac Branch).....	(954) 722-3152

FALL FOR TAMARAC

Fall is on the horizon and back-to-school season is here! As usual, “The City For Your Life” has great things happening all around, as we wish the best of luck this school year to Tamarac’s young scholars and gear up for the fun fall festivities.

Throughout the summer, we had a “far out” time celebrating Tamarac’s 60th Anniversary at the All-American Celebration on July 4, the Party Like It’s 1963 Seniors Dance on July 12 and at Tamarac Shines Bright Like a Diamond 60th Anniversary Bash on July 19. Our 60th Anniversary Celebration will wrap-up on Sept. 23 with Vintage Family Fun Day at Mainlands Park.

This summer, we also completed the last of five public input sessions to develop the City’s 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The next steps will include development of legislation necessary to put the plan in motion. Stay up-to-date by visiting www.Tamarac.org/ComprehensivePlan. Additionally, the first of two Multimodal Transportation Master Plan Development meetings takes place on Sept. 21.

The second session is set for early 2024. Be a part of the process by visiting MoveTamarac.com.

When was your last time driving past Colony West Golf Club? The scenery has definitely changed as construction of the brand-new Fairfield by Marriott hotel was completed and is set to open soon. Read more on page 13. A full list of major construction projects in Tamarac is available on page 12.

Sadly, during the summer, we mourned the loss of former Mayor of Tamarac, Harry Dressler. He passed away on Aug. 12, 2023. A proclamation was delivered in honor of his accomplishments and service to our City. Mayor Dressler will be forever in our hearts. Read the entire proclamation on page 7.

Stay connected with what’s happening in Tamarac! For information about City events, activities, updates and resources, visit www.Tamarac.org or follow us on social media.



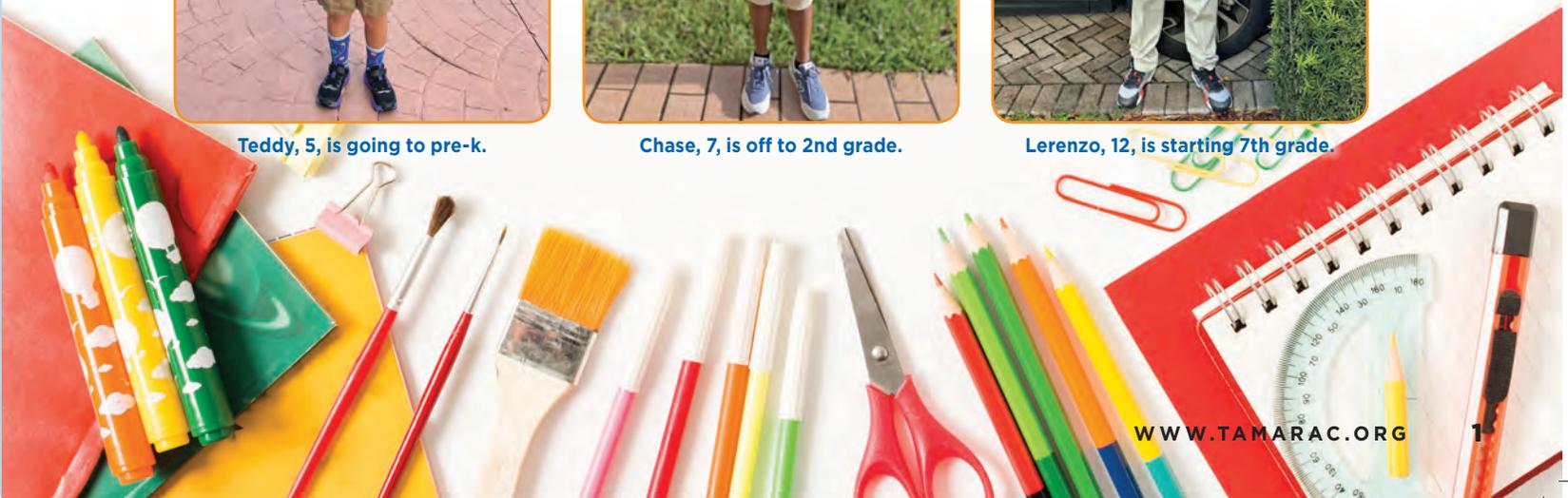
Teddy, 5, is going to pre-k.



Chase, 7, is off to 2nd grade.



Lorenzo, 12, is starting 7th grade.



FROM THE CITY COMMISSION



Commission Editorial Mayor Michelle J. Gomez

Dear Neighbors,

Students are full swing into a new school year; and the fall is right around the corner. It also means we're in the final stretch of the third quarter. Time sure does fly!

During this time, we gather to remember - today, everyday and especially in commemoration of September 11, 2001.

- Remember those who died unnecessarily.
- Thank all of our first responders and servicemen and women who protect us.
- Thank those who are preparing to be our future defenders.
- Thank their families and friends as well.
- Thank the unsung heroes.
- Remain proud to be living in our wonderful Country!

As we observe Breast Cancer Awareness Month this October, I'm happy to share that Aug. 30 marked my 4th "birthday" being cancer free. I will always appreciate your love, support, prayers and endless laughter throughout my battle. These memories inspired this year's Breast Cancer Awareness event, Ha-Ha's for the Tatas. We're going to laugh the night away with comedian and host Cindy-Ann Boisson and headliner Dougie Almedia, on Friday, Oct. 13, at Colony West Golf Club, 6850 NW 88th Ave. They'll be joined by comedians Amber Joy Layne, Perry Sak, Angela Nacca and Nadeem Awad. You won't want to miss it!

For information about purchasing tickets, please visit www.ColonyWestGolfClub.com or call me for more information at (954) 263-1918. Proceeds will be distributed to Gilda's Club and the Tamarac Employees' Benevolent Fund, which is in development.

Warmest Regards,
Michelle



Created by Mayor Michelle J. Gomez and Rubi Garcia, this new Breast Cancer Awareness Ribbon honors both men and women affected by breast cancer.

Scan this QR Code with your smart device for the latest Commission initiatives outlined on the Tamarac Events Calendar.





Commission Editorial Vice Mayor Marlon Bolton, District 1

We have made lots of progress over the years, putting a much-deserved focus on eastern Tamarac, and listening to the needs of our residents.

Anyone who drives by the Shaker Village Community in eastern Tamarac can see an abandoned clubhouse in disrepair. It is an eyesore that disrupts community pride. An independent Eastside Park Feasibility Study was conducted in 2017, to address the disparity in the inequitable distribution of City services between the east and the west sides of town. The study concluded that the eastside of Tamarac severely lacks resources and facilities, and that residents of east Tamarac, District 1, were underserved.

The study also identified several ways the City could enhance resources and facilities for the eastside of Tamarac. One of the recommendations included acquiring the clubhouse at Shaker Village and transforming it into a state-of-the-art community center for all of the City's residents.

The City Commission, by a majority vote, agreed to acquire the property at Shaker Village. Once



Shaker Village Clubhouse

the City acquires the property, it will be available for use by the public.

Subject to an agreeable shared use agreement, the dilapidated building will be gone, community pride restored, an improved Commercial Boulevard will emerge and a public facility will be built to benefit you.

More major projects are slated for District 1. Almost complete are the barrier walls along Prospect Road, improvements to the Prospect Road corridor and Caporella Park. I am also pleased to announce that the Sabal Palm Park, in Central Parc project, and the repaving of the streets in Mainlands 1-5 will start soon.

See You Soon,

Marlon D. Bolton, Vice Mayor, District 1



Citywide buffer wall project, Phase 6, on Prospect Road

Scan this QR Code with your smart device to learn more about my work.



FROM THE CITY COMMISSION



Commission Editorial Commissioner Morey Wright, Jr., District 2

For most people across the Country, fall is the most beautiful time of year because of the weather - not too hot or cold. For Floridians, fall represents the most treacherous part of the hurricane season. Remember to stay prepared, even as the season progresses.

For sports fanatics, fall is sports heaven. It is the start of football season, the Major League Baseball playoffs and the pre-season for the National Basketball Association and National Hockey League. Not to mention, there is Messi and international cricket right in our backyard.

For kids, fall represents back to school. It is a time to rekindle relationships with old friends, forge new friendships and continue to be inspired by extraordinary teachers.

Let us make sure we are prepared for hurricanes. Let's pray for a safe and successful school year for our kids! And let's root for South Florida's sports teams to win championships this season.

Best,
Morey



Commissioner Morey Wright, Jr. distributing school supplies to local students at Daybreak Assembly in Tamarac.



Commissioner Morey Wright, Jr. greets Mr. Richard Garrick, Tamarac Elementary Principal.



Commissioner Morey Wright, Jr. disbursing backpacks to school-aged learners.

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Commission Editorial Commissioner Elvin Villalobos, District 3

THE KINDNESS PROJECT



Commissioner Villalobos and Herbert Daley



BE KIND sculpture located on Nob Hill Rd. & State St.



Elvin Villalobos and Susan S. Buzzi



Colored and displayed in Commissioner Villalobos' Office



The Kindness Project on display at the Tamarac Community Center.



Commissioner Villalobos and Aaron, 9

The Kindness Project is a community initiative that brought people of all ages together to spread positivity, kindness and mindfulness. The project is displayed at the Tamarac Community Center and is a testament to Broward County's dedication to promoting these values through its grant program. Despite past challenges, people have come together to support and uplift one another. The Kindness Project embodies this message.

It calls for all of us to continue to embody these values and make a difference in the world around us. Every positive action we take, whether it's a small act of kindness or a grand gesture, has the potential to create a ripple effect of goodness. The Kindness Project is a beautiful reminder that we can all positively impact the world.

Tamarac resident Susan S. Buzzi supports this initiative and uses expressive therapies such as

visual art and literary techniques for children with disabilities. She is also a victim advocate for trafficked individuals and juveniles in the tri-county area. Susan's next exhibition is a photo documentary titled, "This is How I Feel," which examines domestic violence and abuse and the recent alarming statistics surrounding men and women in intimate relationships.

The Kindness Project was held May 11. The exhibition occurred May 27. Let's continue to spread kindness, compassion, and mindfulness wherever we go and inspire others to do the same. Tamarac, together, we can create a brighter, more loving world for ourselves and future generations...especially, in our own backyard.



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FROM THE CITY COMMISSION



Commission Editorial Commissioner Kicia Daniel, District 4

It's September, and our children are back to school! They are excited and apprehensive about what this school year has to offer. The care and management of a child's education can unintentionally cause stress. Parents play a crucial role in supporting their children's educational journey. They can help eliminate unnecessary stress.

As parents, our encouragement and inspiration can make a significant impact on the confidence and success of our children. Remember, you are a guiding light in your child's life. Your unwavering support can set the tone for a positive and fulfilling school year.

Embrace Curiosity: Encourage your child's natural curiosity and love for learning.

Celebrate Effort: Remind your child that effort is more important than perfection. Applaud their hard work, determination and resilience, whether they excel or face setbacks. Emphasize that progress is the key to success.

Create a Learning Environment: Establish a comfortable and organized space at home where your child can study and engage in school-related activities.

Set Realistic Goals: Help your child set achievable goals for the school year. These goals can be academic, personal or extracurricular.

Foster Independence: Encourage your child to take ownership of their education.

Stay Positive: Maintain a positive attitude about school and learning. Your optimism will be contagious and inspire your child to approach challenges with a similar mindset.

Open Communication: Create an environment where children feel comfortable discussing their experiences, concerns and triumphs.

Lead by Example: Show your child the value of continuous learning by pursuing your interests and hobbies.

Emphasize Balance: Encourage a healthy balance between academics, extracurricular activities and downtime.

Unconditional Love: Let your children know that our love and support are unwavering, regardless of their achievements. Your belief in their potential is a constant source of strength.

As a parent or mentor, your words and actions lay the foundation for a successful and fulfilling school year.



Young Tamarac residents pose for 2023 first day of school photos.

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TAMARAC REMEMBERS FORMER MAYOR

THE CITY OF TAMARAC, FLORIDA



Requested by Mayor Michelle J. Gómez

WHEREAS, On August 12, 2023, the passing of the City of Tamarac's former Mayor, Harry Dressler was announced; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dressler faithfully served as Tamarac's District 4 Commissioner from March 2006 until January 2014, before serving as Mayor of Tamarac from January 2014 until November 2018; and

WHEREAS, During his tenure on the Tamarac City Commission, Mayor Dressler took great pride in his work with residents, community groups, professional staff and employees; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dressler was committed in his efforts toward strengthening the City's financial stability, providing essential services for all residents and establishing relationships with other governmental agencies, including the Broward County Commission and Broward Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dressler represented Tamarac for several years on many boards and committees including serving as a Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization delegate and as a Broward League of Cities Board Member; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dressler's commitment to the City of Tamarac was unwavering and we are all very grateful for his leadership, contributions and dedication to public service; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Dressler was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and local government leader who will be missed by the City of Tamarac, and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle J. Gómez, Mayor of the City of Tamarac, Broward County, Florida, on behalf of the City Commission and all City employees, hereby offer our sincerest condolences to Mayor Dressler's family and our gratitude for his unparalleled dedication to public service and the City of Tamarac, for which we will always appreciate.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tamarac to be affixed this 12th day of August, 2023.

Michelle J. Gómez
Michelle J. Gómez, Mayor



TAMARAC CELEBRATES 60TH INCORPORATION ANNIVERSARY WITH A BIRTHDAY BASH



Wednesday, July 19, the City of Tamarac celebrated its 60th Incorporation Anniversary during the Tamarac Shines Bright Like a Diamond 60th Anniversary Bash. The birthday bash celebrated this milestone anniversary by recognizing five impactful residents, Seena Kuny, Florida Segarra, Patti Lynn, Linda Danner and Mark Daniel, whose innovation and enthusiasm help shape Tamarac into the thriving “City For Your Life.”

The celebration continued with live music, dancing, refreshments and an array of historical images with the help of the Tamarac Historical Society.

Keeping with tradition, in collaboration with the Tamarac Public Art Committee, festivities also included the unveiling of a commemorative digital public art piece, by artist DJ Chery, titled, “One Love.” The final installment of the city-wide 60th Incorporation Anniversary will conclude with **Vintage Family Fun Day**, at Mainlands Park on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 10 a.m.



SUMMER FADES AND SCHOOL BELLS RING

It's back-to-school season in Tamarac! Thanks to Camp Tamarac, young residents once again entered the new school year with fantastic summer tales to share with fellow pupils.

Camp Tamarac ran from June 19 to Aug. 11, with 275 campers enrolled. Based out of the Tamarac Recreation Center, summer campers learned while having fun on-site and at an array of group outings. Enrichment activities included field

trips to Tamarac's Caporella Aquatic Center, the Museum of Discovery and Science and even a Marlins baseball game. Summer fun was delivered to campers through on-site visits from Wild Animal World, Archery and Sports, Get Fit Kids, Ceramics on Wheels and the Escape Room. Plus, they experienced educational fun through Operation Read, GABIE Science and the King's League Reading Program.

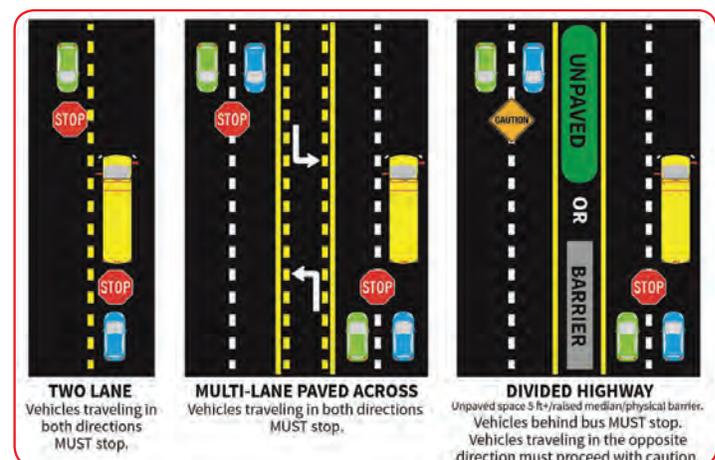


Youngsters experienced the joys of learning and enriching summer fun at Camp Tamarac.

WHEN TO STOP FOR SCHOOL BUSES

Children gathered at bus stops around town serve as evidence that school is back in session. This also signals drivers to take extra precautions as children load and unload from school buses.

Drivers, remember to keep your guard up and stay aware by keeping a keen eye out for school zones, monitoring your speed and eliminating distractions like cell phones. Don't forget, those flashing red lights and the stop sign-arm indicate when school buses are ready to pick-up or drop-off children. Remind your children to cross in front of the bus after exiting, as recommended by Broward Sheriff's Office.



Sticking to the assigned spots during drop-offs and pick-ups keeps traffic flowing smoothly. BSO also recommends that bus-bound youngsters wait curbside and stand 6 to 9 feet away from the road.

There is no room for compromise when it comes to school bus safety for Tamarac's most precious cargo.

GREEN SCENE

Conserving natural resources is crucial for the future of our planet.

Here are few helpful water conservation tips:

- Limit watering your yard to a maximum of 1-inch per week. Over-watering can lead to issues like fungal growth, diseases, and shallow, compacted root systems vulnerable to drought and foot traffic.
- Water your lawn during early morning hours to reduce water evaporation, minimize the risk of fungal diseases and to ensure your lawn has ample moisture for daily growth.



Note: The City of Tamarac needs your input to enhance its recycling and trash collection services. Please complete a brief survey at www.Tamarac.org/159.



TAMARAC CITY COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

Tamarac's Regular City Commission Meetings are held in-person in the Tamarac City Hall Commission Chamber, 7525 NW 88th Ave. Please join us for upcoming Regular Commission Meetings on the following dates:

Wednesday, September 13 | 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27 | 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 11 | 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 25 | 9:30 a.m.

All City Commission Meetings are streamed live at www.Tamarac.org/Meetings and on the City of Tamarac's Facebook page, @Tamarac.Florida.

This schedule is subject to change. For updates about Tamarac's Regular Commission Meeting and Commission Workshop schedules, please subscribe to our "City of Tamarac - Public Meeting" notifications at www.Tamarac.org/StayConnected, visit www.Tamarac.org/Meetings or call the City Clerk's Office at (954) 597-3505.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

From helping with transportation calls to assisting with special Social Services projects, and everything in between, Mary Ann Weston always brings her upbeat and energetic personality when she helps in various areas of the Parks and Recreation Department. For nearly 12 years, she has dedicated herself to helping those in need. This retired social worker has a heart of gold. Offering a helping hand whenever she can, Mary Ann enjoys assisting with senior program events, stocking shelves and distributing food to those in need at the City's food pantry.



Thank you, Mary Ann, for all you do!

HONOR WALL AT VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK

Located at Veterans' Memorial Park, the Tamarac Veterans' Honor Wall pays homage to past and present residents who served in the United States military. Submit names of living and deceased, honorably discharged servicemen and women by visiting www.Tamarac.me/VetWall.



Tamarac Veterans' Honor Wall

#WORKWITHUS

Do you want to earn a living while making a difference in the community? Explore opportunities to work for the City of Tamarac. From experts in a wide variety of trades to skilled professionals, we offer a range of challenging and rewarding positions and professional development opportunities. Join us in enhancing the lives of residents and businesses who call Tamarac home. We invite you to #WorkWithUs.



Payroll Coordinator, Rizalina Garcia has served in Tamarac's Financial Services Department for three years.



For more information or to apply, visit www.Tamarac.org/Jobs.



FEATURED POSITIONS

- Fleet Mechanic II
- Fleet Mechanic III
- Electrician

Chief Structural Inspector

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The City of Tamarac is currently working on a **Multimodal Transportation Connectivity Master Plan** that aims to improve transportation options and enhance mobility throughout the city.

We are hosting a public meeting in September where you can share your thoughts and feedback on transportation in the community.

We need your input!

Where: Tamarac Community Center
8601 W Commercial Blvd.
Tamarac, FL 33351

When: Thursday, September 21, 2023
At 6:30 p.m.

Have questions? Please contact us at movetamarac@tamarac.org

Together, Let's Shape Our Commutes: Visit and Share your Ideas Today!
MOVETAMARAC.COM

TAMARAC The City For Your Life

60th ANNIVERSARY TAMARAC The City For Your Life 1963 2023

VINTAGE FAMILY FUN DAY

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23

10AM - 1PM
MAINLANDS PARK 4500 MONTEREY DR.

FREE ENTRY

SCAN ME

TAMARAC The City For Your Life

Learn more at www.Tamarac.org/60years or by calling (954) 597-3620. WWW.TAMARAC.ORG

CONSTRUCTION CORNER

Take a look at construction and development projects currently underway or coming soon to Tamarac!

Private Development

- Elite Dialysis, 8201 N. University Dr.
- Dunkin', 7001 N. Pine Island Rd.
- Tamarac Day Care, 7830 N. University Dr.
- Fairfield Inn & Suites, 6800 NW 88th Ave.
- Parkside Memory Care, 7501 NW 76th St.
- The Enclaves at Woodmont, Single-Family Residential Community, Sales Office, 7910 NW 79th Ter.
- Bailey Square Apartments, 6170-6190 Rock Island Rd.
- Eden West Apartments, 8601 & 8701 W. McNab Rd.
- Tamarac Circle, Five Home Development, 5400-5440 NW 57th Ct.
- Lake of Tamarac Townhomes, Six Unit Townhouse Development, 5980 NW 94th Ave.
- Clinica Las Mercedes, 6650-6682 NW 57th St.
- Sonny's The CarWash Factory Office Building, 5601 N. Hiatus Rd.
- Cali Coffee, 7775 W. McNab Rd.
- Culver's Restaurant, 8251 W. Commercial Blvd.
- Savvy Sliders, 2400A W. Commercial Blvd.

Major City Projects

- Sunset Point Park, Sunset Hammock Art Installation, Parking Lot and Restroom Improvements, 11000 W. McNab Rd.



Sunset Point Park, Sunset Hammock Art Installation

- Veterans' Memorial Park Parking Lot Expansion, 7825 Southgate Blvd.
- Caporella Park Enhancements, 5200 Prospect Rd.
- Emergency Signal at Fire Station 15, 6000 Hiatus Rd.
- NW 77th Street Swale Drainage and Sidewalk Improvement Project, between Nob Hill Rd. and Greenwood Blvd.
- University Drive Median Landscaping Improvement Project, between Southgate Blvd. and NW 78th St.
- Woodland Greens, Water Main Relocation Project, between Commercial Blvd. and NW 58th Pl.
- Citywide Buffer Wall Project Phase 6, Prospect Rd.

Public/Private Partnerships

- Tamarac Village, north side of Commercial Blvd., between Pine Island Rd. and NW 94th Ave.

ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT AVAILABLE ONLINE

Starting July 1, 2023, you can view the 2022 City of Tamarac Annual Water Quality Report online at www.Tamarac.org/2022WaterReportWest, or if you reside east of NW 31st Avenue, www.Tamarac.org/2022WaterReportEast. These reports contain important information about the source and quality of your drinking water. Please call (954) 597-3750 if you would like a paper report delivered to your home.

LET'S MAKE
OUR CITY SHINE!

The City of Tamarac is heightening its code enforcement efforts to improve our neighborhoods.

Common Code Violations

- **Property Maintenance:** Addressing issues such as overgrown yards, abandoned vehicles, graffiti, trash accumulation, and dilapidated structures.
- **Zoning Violations:** Ensuring compliance with land use regulations, setbacks, signage restrictions, and business permits.
- **Noise and Nuisance:** Promoting peaceful neighborhoods by addressing excessive noise, illegal parking, and other disruptive activities.
- **Health and Safety:** Addressing concerns related to building code violations, fire hazards, unsanitary conditions, and pest infestations.

The City is dedicated to preserving the safety, cleanliness, and aesthetic appeal of our community. By working together, we can ensure a vibrant and thriving community for everyone to enjoy.

To report code violations, visit www.tamarac.me/SCF. For questions to our Code Enforcement Division, please call (954) 597-3425.



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The City For Your Life



NEW FAIRFIELD BY MARRIOTT HOTEL CALLS TAMARAC HOME

In the coming months, Fairfield by Marriott is set to open a modern new retreat in Tamarac!

Located at 6800 NW 88th Ave., this new edition brings a highly anticipated finishing touch to Tamarac's Colony West Golf Club complex and a welcomed edition to the local business community.

Featuring pristine views of the recently renovated Colony West Golf Club greens, Tamarac's new Fairfield by Marriott offers 120 guest rooms, including suites. This 62,000-square-foot building stands five stories high and brings an array of

guest amenities, including a swimming pool and outdoor patio, an indoor breakfast area, a full kitchen, a lounge and a fully equipped fitness center. Best of all, it's just steps away from a scenic round of golf, an appetizing meal at The View and a breathtaking meeting or event venue at Colony West.

With great excitement the City of Tamarac is thrilled to welcome the newest edition to its thriving business community. Grand opening plans are in the works and will be announced soon.



Construction of the Fairfield By Marriott in Tamarac is complete. Doors are expected to open soon.

TAMARAC WELCOMES SAFEGUARD IMPACT WINDOWS & DOORS

SafeGuard Impact Windows & Doors, an official dealer for several of the Country's leading impact-resistance window and door manufacturing firms, just opened its corporate headquarters in the heart of Tamarac Commerce Park, at 10424 West McNab Road. With their new location, Tamarac households and businesses can easily access this useful service.

"With service at the core of our company culture, we go above and beyond to ensure our team operates with the highest standards to deliver the highest quality customer service," said Fred Roger, Safeguard Impact Windows & Doors' Chief Operating Officer. "Our mission is to provide the right product, at the right price, with the best possible installation."

Along with their dedication to providing first-rate services to homeowners and large-scale corporations, the SafeGuard team is equally committed to enrolling in grant-based programs that benefit local communities. In fall 2022, the State of Florida launched

the My Safe Florida Home Program, a grant that provides qualified Florida residents opportunities to receive home strengthening improvements including exterior door, garage door and window upgrades.

"Learning about the program at the end of 2022, our company was eager to serve the community in such a capacity," said Roger. "Not only are we able to deliver on our promise to the grantees, but we also serve the qualified community by waiving all the fees associated with completing each and every project."

With design, delivery and installation professionals in the impact-resistance industry based in Tamarac, this is a great addition to the business ecosystem.

SafeGuard Impact Windows & Doors is open Monday - Friday, from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. To receive a free in-home estimate or to schedule an in-person appointment on Saturday or Sunday, please visit www.SafeGuardImpact.com or call (954) 408-4000.



COOKING SAFETY STARTS WITH YOU

October is Fire Prevention Month, a time dedicated to raising awareness about fire safety and educating the public about how to prepare for and prevent emergencies.

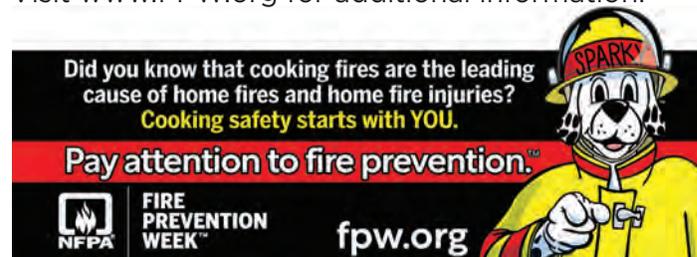
The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recognizes Oct. 8 - 14 as Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme, "Cooking safety starts with YOU! Pay attention to fire prevention," aims to educate the public about emergencies and essential steps to help reduce the risk of fire when cooking at home. It also emphasizes ways to keep yourself and those around you safer.

NFPA reports that cooking is the primary cause of home fires and home fire injuries, with 49% involving cooking equipment. Data also indicates that cooking was the sole major fire cause that resulted in more fires and fire deaths during 2014-2018, compared to 1980-1984.

Below are three safety tips to follow when cooking:

- Keep a close eye on what you're cooking. Set timers for foods with longer cooking, simmering or baking times.
- Remove combustible items and keep anything that can burn, such as dish towels, oven mitts, food packaging and paper towels from the cooking area.
- Turn pot handles away from the stove's front. Keep a pot lid nearby while cooking. If a small grease fire ignites, slide the lid over the pan and turn off the burner promptly to smother the flames.

Visit www.FPW.org for additional information.

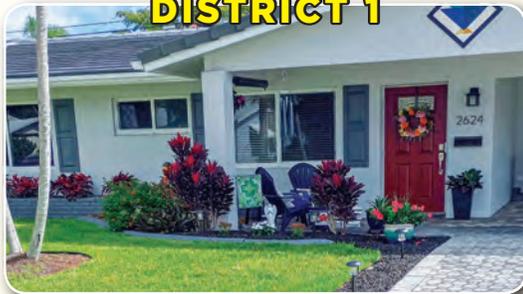


1ST SEMI-ANNUAL NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION WINNERS

The City's Neighborhood Beautification Recognition Program celebrates property owners who take pride in the appearance of their home or business. Congratulations to our most recent award winners for helping to keep Tamarac looking beautiful.

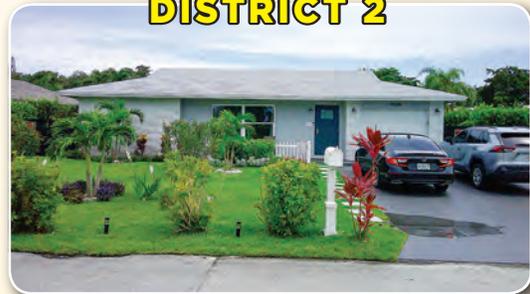
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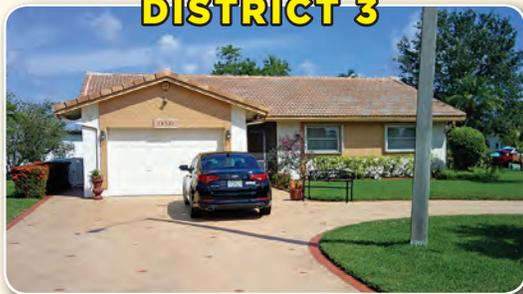
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2624 NW 54th St.

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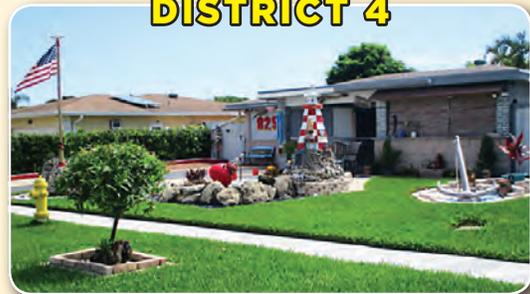
Matthew Santiago & Xaymara Acevedo
9608 NW 66th St.

DISTRICT 3



William Miller
10501 NW 70th St.

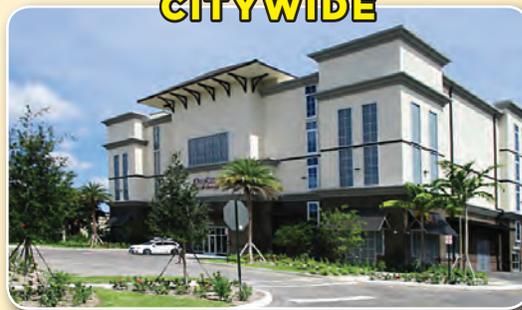
DISTRICT 4



Pedro Silva
8250 NW 68th Ave.

2023 1st Semi-Annual Commercial Property Winner

CITYWIDE



Tamarac SS Associates LLC
8251 W. McNab Rd.

Would you like to nominate a property for a beautification award?
Forms are available at www.Tamarac.org/951!

BSO'S IMPORTANT HALLOWEEN SAFETY REMINDERS

As the weather becomes cooler and days become shorter, it's clear that Halloween is just around the corner. Whether you're chaperoning trick-or-treaters or passing out delicious treats from your front door step, it's important to prioritize safety when celebrating the holiday.

For Adults:

- 🎃 Ensure an adult accompanies children as they trick-or-treat.
- 🎃 Make efforts to go trick-or-treating before dark.
- 🎃 Inspect all treats before anything is eaten.

For Children:

- 🎃 Never enter the home of a stranger.
- 🎃 Utilize crosswalks to safely cross the road.
- 🎃 Avoid pranks that can damage property or cause harm to yourself or others.



Remember, as you prepare for an enjoyable Halloween, be mindful of your surroundings and keep safety at the forefront of your mind. For non-emergencies, call (954) 764-HELP (4537). For an emergencies, please dial 911.

FALL INTO SPOOKTACULAR FUN !

Whether you're looking to dive into fall with a big splash or embark on a non-poolside adventure, the City of Tamarac is hosting two fall-themed events for the entire family!

Indulge in carnival games, arts and crafts, face painting and tasty treats during **Halloween Hoopla**. This free family-friendly event will occur Friday, Oct. 20, at Tamarac Park, 7501 N. University Drive, from 6 - 8 p.m. This year's event also features inflatables, prizes and music. Plus, the first 500 children to arrive will receive a free bag of treats.

Following Halloween Hoopla, on Saturday, Oct. 21, neighbors, families and friends can expect a "gourd" time at **The Great Pumpkin Splash**. Held at Caporella Aquatic Complex, 9300 NW 58th St., festivities begin at 10 a.m. Kids will enjoy poolside pumpkin picking, pumpkin decorating and fall themed contests.

For additional event details, please visit www.Tamarac.org/SpecialEvents or call (954) 597-3620.



DISCOVERY

CAPORELLA AQUATIC COMPLEX AND FITNESS CENTER

Caporella Aquatic Complex amenities include a 25-meter heated swimming pool, with zero-depth entry, a slide and a children's water sprayground. The complex also offers a 3,000-square-foot fitness center, locker rooms and outdoor picnic tables. Call (954) 597-3660 for more information.

As part of our current safety procedure the pool opens in sessions to allow social distancing and time to sanitize between sessions.

POOL HOURS

Monday - Saturday: Session I 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Session II 2:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: Session I 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Session II 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

SPRAYGROUND AND SLIDE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Saturday: Session I 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Session II 2:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: Session I 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Session II 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PROACTIVE ARTHRITIS WATER AEROBICS CLASS

Proactive Arthritis Water Aerobics classes are held every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. The hours are 10 - 11 a.m. These classes are free to Senior Program members.

TAMARAC SWIM TEAM

TS Aquatics offers a competitive swim program for children, ages 5 - 18, at the Caporella Aquatic Complex. Free tryouts are held Monday - Thursday, 5 - 7 p.m.



FITNESS CENTER

The Tamarac Fitness Center offers a friendly, non-competitive workout environment with a variety of free weights, machines, treadmills, elliptical cross trainers, recumbent lifecycles, stationary bikes and more. Our qualified staff will show you around on your first visit to help you get familiar with the equipment. For more information, contact the fitness center at (954) 597-3661 or visit www.Tamarac.org/Parks.

ANNUAL FITNESS CENTER MEMBERSHIP FEES

Adults:	\$150
Seniors/Active Military/Veterans:	\$135
Teens (Ages 16 - 17):	\$95
Teens (Ages 13 - 15):	\$65

Three-month and six-month membership options are also available for adults, seniors, active duty military and veterans.



WEEKLY YOUTH CLASSES

For additional information or to register online, visit www.Tamarac.me/Webtrac. Classes and schedules are subject to change.

TAMARAC RECREATION CENTER CLASSES

BALLET, TAP AND JAZZ

Saturday | 10 a.m.
\$60 Residents; \$70 Non-Residents

CHEERLEADING AND HIP-HOP

Saturday | 11 a.m.
\$60 Residents; \$70 Non-Residents

TAEKWONDO

Tuesday & Thursday | 4:45 - 7:30 p.m.
\$80 Residents; \$90 Non-Residents

GYMNASTICS

Saturday | 11 a.m. and 11:50 a.m.
\$60 Residents; \$70 Non-Residents

READING

Saturday | 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.
\$60 Residents; \$70 Non-Residents

FAST TRACK AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Monday - Friday | 3 - 6 p.m.
\$150 Residents; \$185 Non-Residents

YOUTH VOLLEYBALL *Ages 9-15*

Monday - Thursday | 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Monthly Fee: Residents: \$150; Non-Residents: \$160

OPEN VOLLEYBALL

Saturday | 1:30 - 4 p.m.
Residents: \$7; Non-Residents: \$8

WEEKLY ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

Classes are held in-person. For additional information, online registration or costs, visit www.Tamarac.me/Webtrac. Classes and schedules are subject to change. Classes are held at Tamarac Community Center, 8601 W. Commercial Blvd.

TAMARAC COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSES

BOOTY BARRE WITH CAROL

Monday | 6 p.m.

CYCLING WITH CAROL

Monday | 7:15 p.m.

TRANSFORM 60 WITH MIKE

Tuesday | 6 p.m.

YOGA WITH CAROL

Tuesday | 6 p.m.

CYCLING WITH CAROL

Tuesday | 7:15 p.m.

STRENGTH AND BALANCE WITH GAZELLE

Wednesday | 6 p.m.

BEAT BURNERS WITH VINCENT

Wednesday & Friday | 7 p.m.
Saturday | 8:30 a.m.

POWER SCULPTING WITH GISELLE

Thursday | 6 p.m.

CYCLING WITH VINCENT

Thursday | 7 p.m.

YOGA WITH BETH

Thursday | 7 p.m.

BODY SCULPTING WITH MIKE

Friday | 6 p.m.

CYCLING WITH VINCENT

Saturday | 9:30 a.m.

20/20/20 WITH PAULA

Saturday | 10:30 a.m.

WEEKLY ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

TAMARAC RECREATION CENTER CLASSES

ZUMBA WITH MARIA

Monday | 6:30 p.m.

ZUMBA WITH MARIA

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday | 9:30 a.m.

ZUMBA FITNESS WITH KARLENE

Tuesday | 7 p.m.

ZUMBA TONING WITH PAULA

Thursday | 6 p.m.

CARIBBEAN DANCE WITH KARLENE

Thursday | 7 p.m.

BARRE FITNESS WITH MARIA

Saturday | 10:35 a.m.

20/20/20 WITH PAULA

Monday | 11:00 a.m.

PINKBERRY BOOST FUSION WITH WENDY

Monday | 7:30 p.m.

CORE SCULPT WITH WENDY

Tuesday | 6 p.m.

ADJUSTABLE BENCH WORKOUT WITH MICHAEL

Wednesday | 6:15 p.m.

CARDIO BLAST WITH WENDY

Wednesday | 7:15 p.m.

POWER CIRCUIT WITH WENDY

Saturday | 9:30 a.m.

WEEKLY SENIOR CLASSES

TAMARAC COMMUNITY CENTER CLASSES

Tamarac's Weekly Senior Classes are open only to pre-registered Senior Program members, ages 55 and older. No walk-ins. Classes are held Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m., at the Tamarac Community Center, unless otherwise noted. For full class descriptions, the monthly class schedule and fees, please visit www.Tamarac.org/100, visit the Tamarac Community Center, located at 8601 W. Commercial Blvd., or call (954) 597-3620.

AEROBICS

Water Aerobics | Kickboxing Lite | Sit & Fit
Cardio Gold | Stretch | Core: 20/20/20

DANCE FITNESS

Jazzercise | Line Dance (Beginner, Intermediate & Multi-Level Classes) | Zumba

GET SOCIAL

Walking Club | Bingo | Mah Jong
Tamarac Social Club | Spanish on Zoom | Senior Dance | Golden Girls | Men's Forum | Travel Club

CREATIVE ARTS

Happy Hookers | Creative Writing | Painting
Beading | Drawing | Clay Workshop
Advanced Rubber Stamping | Sewing and Quilting

MIND BODY WELLNESS

Tai Chi/Qigong | Yoga | Mind Body Balance
Chair Yoga

ATHLETICS

Pickleball (Beginner & Intermediate Level Days)
Ping Pong



SOCIAL SERVICES

Call our information and referral line at (954) 597-3642 to learn more about these and other social service programs available in Broward County.

INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

Free limited counseling sessions are available only for Tamarac residents. To make an appointment, call Lakshmi at (954) 655-7040. Please leave a message with your name and phone number. Calls are returned within 24 hours.

FREE HEARING SCREENING

Hear for Good, Inc. provides free hearing tests with a board-certified doctor of audiology and discounted hearing aids through its nonprofit foundation. Pricing of hearing aids is based on income. Please call (954) 597-3642 to make an appointment.

SHINE COUNSELOR

Under a grant from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, the SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) Program is a free and confidential counseling service to assist current and prospective Medicare beneficiaries, their families and caregivers. A network of trained volunteers is available to assist with Medicare, Medicare Savings Plans, Medicare Advantage Plans, Medicare Supplemental Insurance, Financial Assistance, Prescription Drug Plans and more. Call (954) 745-9779 for more information.



SENIOR SOCIAL

Senior Social events are available to residents and non-residents, ages 55 and older. Events are held on the third Tuesday of every month, at 11 a.m., at Tamarac Community Center. Programs include educational lectures and light refreshments. For more information, contact Michelle Sendik at (954) 597-3626.

LOUD, CLEAR AND FREE AMPLIFIED PHONES

Florida residents with hearing loss are eligible to receive FREE telephone amplifiers from Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc. Existing landline or cell phone service is required. Limited to one per resident. Call (954) 597-3642 for more information.

DEPRESSION BIPOLAR SUPPORT ALLIANCE GROUP (DBSA)

DBSA offers hope, support and education to improve the lives of people who live with mood disorders. Meetings are every Thursday, from 6 - 8 p.m. Please call (954) 597-3642 for more information.

CIRCLE OF SUPPORT

Led by a licensed mental health therapist, guests will learn strategies to cope with life changes. Sessions are held every Monday, from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m., at Tamarac Community Center. For more information or to sign up, call (954) 597-3642.

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Door-to-door paratransit service is available to residents with disabilities and those over age 60, with no other transportation. For additional information, please call (954) 597-3649. Tamarac also offers two free community bus routes to locations across the City. They are the Red and Red Extension Transit Routes. Schedules are available at www.Tamarac.org/439 and at City facilities.

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS REGISTRY

In the event of a hurricane or a natural disaster, Tamarac residents who are at risk due to a disability, frailty or health issues and elect to stay at home, may pre-register for important services. For more details, please call (954) 597-3642, (954) 831-3940 (TTY) or visit www.Broward.org/AtRisk.

TAMARAC PET PANTRY

Income-qualified Tamarac pet owners experiencing financial hardship may be eligible for free donated dog and cat food through the Tamarac Pet Pantry. Food pick-up can be scheduled on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday and Thursday of each month, between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. Appointments are required. Supplies are limited. For eligibility screenings and appointments, please call (954) 597-3642.



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 Desplácese hacia abajo hasta la parte inferior de la página. Haga un clic en "Herramientas del sitio" y luego seleccione el idioma deseado en la parte superior de la pantalla.

SPECIAL EVENTS



VINTAGE FAMILY FUN DAY

Join us for an old fashioned family fun day with games, bounce houses, a magic show, food vendors, face painting, arts & crafts and more at Tamarac's final 60th Anniversary event.

When: Saturday, September 23
Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Where: Mainlands Park



COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

Are you searching for new treasures? Do you need to clear the closet or clean the garage? Vendor registration is available for Tamarac's Community Garage Sale. Visit Tamarac Park or Tamarac Community Center for vendor rules and registration.

When: Saturday, October 7
Time: 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Where: Tamarac Park



HALLOWEEN HOOPLA

Enjoy a FREE Halloween event for all ages, with music, arts & crafts, bounce houses, face painting, carnival games, prizes, candy and much more.

When: Friday, October 20
Time: 6 - 8 p.m.
Where: Tamarac Park

GREAT PUMPKIN SPLASH

Come join us for spooky water fun, pumpkin picking and pumpkin decorating.

When: Saturday, October 21
Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Where: Caporella Aquatic Center
Fee: \$5

LEAGUES

The following sports leagues are offered in the City of Tamarac. Registration is available at the Tamarac Community Center.

YOUTH SOCCER

Practice sessions begin in December. Games start in January. The season concludes in March. Space is limited. Volunteer coaches are needed.

Practice sessions and games will be held at either the Tamarac Sports Complex or at Tamarac Park.

Residents: \$90; Non-Residents: \$110

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The recreational youth basketball league for children, ages 13-17 meets every Tuesday, from 6:30 - 8:15 p.m. All games will be played at Tamarac Park.

Residents: \$10; Non-Residents: \$20

MEN'S 30 AND OVER BASKETBALL

Recreational basketball league for men, ages 30 and older. All games will be played at the Tamarac Community Center.

Residents: \$95; Non-Residents: \$105

CO-ED ADULT SOFTBALL

Recreational softball league for adults, ages 18 and older. Registration for the fall season will begin in September. Games will begin in October. All games will be played at the Tamarac Park.

Fee: \$425 Per Team

For more information about programs and activities listed in the Discovery Section of Tamarac A-Gram, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at (954) 597-3620. Times and locations are subject to change without notice.

FACILITY LOCATIONS

Caporella Aquatic Complex and Fitness Center

9300 NW 58th St.

Caporella Park

5200 Prospect Rd.

Colony West Golf Club

6800 NW 88th Ave.

Gary B Jones Park for People and Pups

8101 Southgate Blvd.

Mainlands Park

4500 Monterey Dr.

Sunset Point Park

11000 W. McNab Rd.

Swim Central Annex Park

5800 NW 98th Ave.

Tamarac Community Center

8601 W. Commercial Blvd.

Tamarac Multi-Purpose Center

7531 N. University Dr.

Tamarac Park Recreation Center

7501 N. University Dr.

Tamarac Sports Complex

9901 NW 77th St.

Tephford Park

10003 Southgate Blvd.

Veterans' Memorial Park

7825 Southgate Blvd.

Waters Edge Park

7508 NW 61st St.



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Visit www.Tamarac.org and click the "Emergency Services" button.

- or -

Text TamaracCodeRED to 99411

- or -

Call 954-597-3800 if you need assistance setting up your account.

Get notified by phone calls, emails and/or text messages during critical events.



FAMILY DINNER NIGHT

WEDNESDAYS FROM 5PM-8PM

One Free Child Entrée with Purchase of an Adult Entrée.

**Valid for children age 8 or under. Free entrée must come from Kid's Menu.*

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