

City of Miami Springs

News Bulletin



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APRIL 2013

IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

COUNCIL MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 13, 2013 – 7 P.M.
 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
 CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

MONDAY, MAY 27, 2013 – 7 P.M.
 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY!
 REGULAR MEETING CANCELED!
 CITY HALL WILL BE CLOSED!

CURBSIDE RECYCLING PICK-UP

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1ST
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 15TH
 WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH

The City of Miami Springs Public Works Department

Cordially invites you to attend

Our Annual Arbor Day Celebration

Friday, April 26, 2013

10:00 a.m.

Lake Drive Park

At Lake and Morningside Drives

Light Refreshments Will Be Served
 Please RSVP to 305.805.5170 Ext. 0

SPOTLIGHT ON ... Driver's License Renewal

One of the most popular services available to our residents is the monthly Driver License Renewal and ID Card Service sponsored jointly by the City and the Florida DMV. After a hiatus of several months, this convenient opportunity will again be offered starting Tuesday, April 30th. Please note that no written exams or driving tests are available as part of this service. The detailed schedules and locations for the rest of this year are:

- Tuesday April 30th, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Monday May 20th, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Friday June 14th, Senior Center, 9:30 – 2:30
- Wednesday July 17th, Senior Center, 9:30 – 2:30
- Wednesday August 21st, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Tuesday September 24th, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Tuesday October 22nd, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Tuesday November 26th, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30
- Tuesday December 10th, Game Room, Community Center, 9:30-2:30

The fees are as follows: Drivers License Renewal - \$48; CDL License Renewal - \$75; Late License Renewal - \$63 \$48 renewal fee + \$15 late fee; Replacement License - \$25 (Lost License); Stolen License - no fee if a police report is provided - \$15 with no police report. The DMV will accept payment by Discover, MasterCard, American Express, cash, money order, travelers check, and personal check. No Visa or debit cards are accepted.

Additionally, as of Jan 1, 2010 The State of Florida has implemented strict ID requirements

for each U.S. citizen renewing or applying for a new driver license or identification card. Be sure to bring with you the following documents:

Primary Identification

An original or certified copy of ONE of the following primary identification documents:

- Certified United States birth certificate, including territories and District of Columbia
- Valid United States Passport or Passport Card
- Consular Report of Birth Abroad
- Certificate of Naturalization, Form N-550 or Form N-570
- Certificate of Citizenship, Form N-560 or Form N-561

Note: When necessary, marriage certificates, court orders, or divorce decrees must be provided to tie the name on the primary identification to the name the customer would like to place on the driver license or identification card.

Proof of Social Security Number

An original or certified copy of ONE of the following:

- Social Security Card
- W-2 form
- Pay check
- SSA-1099
- Any 1099

Proofs of Residential Address

TWO of the following documents showing your residential address: (internet print-outs or faxes of these documents are acceptable)

- Deed, mortgage, monthly mortgage statement, mortgage payment booklet or residential rental/lease agreement
- Florida Voter Registration Card

- Florida Vehicle Registration or Title
- Florida Boat Registration or Title (if living on a boat/houseboat)

• A statement from a parent, step-parent or legal guardian of an applicant. The parent or guardian must reside at the same residence address, accompany the applicant and present "Proof of Residence Address"

- A utility hook up or work order dated within 60 days of the application
- Automobile Payment Booklet
- Selective Service Card
- Medical or health card with address listed
- Current homeowner's insurance policy or bill

• Current automobile insurance policy or bill

• Educational institution transcript forms for the current school year

• Unexpired professional license issued by a government agency in the U.S.

• W-2 form or 1099 form

• Form DS2019, Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J-1) status

• A letter from a homeless shelter, transitional service provider, or a half-way house verifying that the customer resides at the shelter address

• Utility bills, not more than two months old

• Mail from financial institutions; including checking, savings, or investment account statements, not more than two months old

• Mail from Federal, State, County or City government agencies (including city and county agencies)

• Transients or Sexual Offender/Predator/Career Offender: - FDLE Registration form completed by local sheriff's department

For any other information about this service, contact the Community Policing Office at 305.888.5286 weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

ELDERLY SERVICES DEPT.

305.805.5160 SENIOR CENTER,
 343 PAYNE DRIVE

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

The Miami Springs Senior Center, located on Prince Field at 343 Payne Drive, offers a variety of activities and services to older residents every Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Current financial and programmatic support comes from: the City of Miami Springs; the Alliance for Aging, Inc. and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs; the Village of Virginia Gardens; the Miami Springs Adult & Community School; participant donations; local organizations, civic groups and countless volunteers. Residents of Miami Springs, age 60 and over, are eligible to participate in a variety of services and activities offered at the City's senior center.

CONGREGATE MEALS: Hot lunch meals are served weekdays from 11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. to assist area seniors in maintaining a nutritionally balanced diet and to provide opportunities to volunteer and socialize with their peers.

NUTRITION EDUCATION: Counseling and nutrition education programs are provided monthly by the program's consulting Registered Dietician and the Project Director.

HEALTH SUPPORT ACTIVITIES:

• **YOGA-STYLE CLASSES** are provided free to local residents, age 60 and over, through a partnership with the Miami Springs Adult & Community School, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:45–10:15 a.m. at the City's Community Center. Class size is limited and participants must complete senior center and school enrollment forms;

• **"GET IN SHAPE" EXERCISE CLASSES**, free to area seniors, are provided every M-W-F from 10:15–11:00 a.m. at the City's Community Center with Instructor Natasha Salmon-Cogno, Certified Personal Trainer. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required;

• **Free CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES** are provided every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:45--11:15 a.m. with Instructor Elizabeth King;

• **Free "YOGA-IN-A-CHAIR" CLASSES** are offered for seniors on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:30–11:00 a.m. at the Community Center. Class size is limited and students must pre-register at the Senior Center office;

• **Free LINE DANCING CLASSES** are offered every Thursday from 9:30–10:45 a.m. by Instructor Denise Gishler.

TRANSPORTATION: Daily pick up, utilizing the city's mini-bus, is provided to older residents with no means of transportation to and from the center. In addition, weekly trips are made to a local grocery store and assistance is given with shopping and carrying packages.



Certified Yoga Instructor Natasha Salmon-Cogno leads a fun chair yoga class for seniors twice a week. Register at the Senior Center. There is no charge for Chair Yoga.

Field trips to area stores and other places of interest are planned each month.

RECREATION: Social and recreational activities planned for May include: Bingo games (5/6, 5/13, 5/20 and 5/28); a Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Senior Citizens' Club business meeting (5/7); a fundraising auction (5/1); a field trip to Wal-Mart (5/3); the monthly birthday and anniversary celebration (5/16); and the annual "Spring Fling," a special evening event featuring dinner, dancing and entertainment (5/23).

HEALTH SUPPORT & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS: Health screenings and educational presentations are scheduled each month through the sponsorship of numerous community service organizations. A mini-Health Fair is scheduled for 5/8 from 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and will offer seniors a free Bone Density Screening, to be provided by the Florida Heart Research Institute and the Alliance for Aging, Inc., and a free Blood Pressure Screening, to be provided by the M-D Health Department. A workshop on PUSH CPR is slated for 5/15 and will demonstrate how to save a life with continuous chest compression CPR. The monthly Crime Watch Program by the City's Community Policing Office is planned for 5/21, a "Nutrition and a Healthy Lifestyle" presentation by American Providers, Inc. is scheduled for 5/22, and the topic "Understanding Hospice Care" by Catholic Hospice is slated for 5/28.

Silver Surfers, a free computer and Internet 5-week training course sponsored by S.T.E.P.S. in the Right Direction, Inc. and the Alliance for Aging, Inc., will be offered for Spanish speakers on Tuesday mornings beginning June 4th. Call to register as class size is limited.

For further information on any of the services, activities, or special programs offered, please contact the Elderly Services Department office at (305) 805-5160.

Art in City Hall



Come enjoy art work by Blessed Trinity students during the month of May!

The May 2013 Art in City Hall Exhibit will feature the work of Blessed Trinity Catholic School art students, grades pre-K through eight. A reception honoring the artists and their teacher Mrs. Natalie Plasencia Calvo will be held on Monday, May 6, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The general public is invited to stop in and meet them.

The exhibit is titled "Art Classes 2012-2013: A Retrospective of What We Learned in One Year", and includes pieces that depict linear quality and its importance in graphic design, imagination versus reality in a still life, the beauty of the Nativity, paper cut outs and other work inspired by Matisse, Renoir, Cassatt, Monet, Van Gogh and other important figures from Art History, facial proportions, banner design, and native birds.

Everyone is invited to stop by and enjoy this art work between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you live or work in Miami Springs and feel you have some special contribution to make for a future exhibit, please contact Barbara Robinson in the City Manager's Office for information about exhibit requirements and scheduling. You may reach Barbara at 305.805.5010.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
305.888.9711

NATIONAL TAKE-BACK INITIATIVE

Saturday, April 27, 2013

Come join the Miami Springs Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in a one day National Take Back Initiative to remove potentially dangerous controlled substances from our nation's medicine cabinets.



For your convenience, a collection site will be established at the Community Policing Office, located at 274 Westward Drive on Saturday, April 27th, from 10:00 am until 2:00pm where you will be able to dispose of any expired, unwanted or unused medications.

All you have to do is bring any of your unwanted prescription or over the counter medicines to the collection site. If leaving medication in their original containers, all personal information must be removed from the label. We also ask that you keep any liquid medicine, such as cough syrup, in the original containers and to make sure the caps are tightly secured to prevent leaks. Intra-venous (IV) solutions, injectables and syringes will not be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood-borne pathogens. Illicit substances such as marijuana or methamphetamines are not part of this initiative.



Community Shred Day

May 2, 2013 from 4pm to 7pm

Don't be a victim of fraud & identity theft!

In an effort to help reduce identity theft, promote recycling and provide a way for residents to dispose of sensitive documents the City of Miami Springs Police Department will be hosting a FREE community document shredding event on Thursday, May 2nd from 4pm to 7pm at the Miami Springs Pool Parking Lot, 1401 Westward Drive. This event is open to Miami Springs Residents and Businesses only. In order to serve everybody efficiently, there will be a maximum of four (4) file size boxes per person, in line. Typical paper products to shred include: phone records, receipts, invoices, checks, old medical claims, bank statements, credit cards statements, and any papers with your personal information. Paper clips and staples DO NOT have to be removed.

If you have any questions in regards to any of the upcoming events, please feel free to contact the Miami Springs Community Policing Office at 305-888-5286 or e-mail us at cpo@mspd.us

A Note from the Ecology Board

This month Miami-Dade County is observing Water Conservation Month. All residents and business owners must remember that we are under water restrictions, and that lawn watering is not allowed between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Residents and businesses with odd-numbered addresses can water on Wednesdays and Saturdays, while those with even-numbered addresses can water on Thursdays and Sundays from midnight to 10 a.m. or from 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.

Some exceptions:

- Restrictions don't apply for car and boat washing, pressure cleaning of paved surfaces, decorative fountains and swimming pools.
- Users of 100 percent reclaimed water are exempt from restrictions, but encouraged to conserve water.
- Low-volume irrigation, including the use of drop and micro jet systems that apply water directly to plant root zones, is not restricted but is encouraged to be reduced.
- Newly-planted gardens and landscaping: New landscaping can be watered during the corresponding hours listed above every day, except Fridays, for the first 90 days it is installed. Save the receipt with the date of purchase.

We can all take additional steps to save water. From free yard evaluations to toilet rebates and much more, Miami-Dade's Water Conservation Program offers valuable programs and tips at www.miamidade.gov/waterconservation/.

BUILDING & CODE COMPLIANCE DEPT.
305.805.5030

SIGNS! SIGNS! SIGNS!

We have noticed a lot of signs springing up around the Community advertising properties for sale. Some of these signs have been placed in swale areas and blocks away from the house that is up for sale. Please be aware that residential real estate For Sale signs are only allowed on the property where the house is being offered for sale. One sign is allowed per property, up to 144 Square inches in total size.

Open House signs are allowed ONLY on the day and during the time that an Open House is being held.

Open House signs are allowed on specific streets as follows:

- 1) Westward Drive, from Flamingo Circle to Hammond Drive;
- 2) Ludlam Drive, from Lafayette Drive to Crane Avenue;
- 3) Crane Avenue from Thrush Avenue to North Royal Poinciana Boulevard;
- 4) North Royal Poinciana Boulevard, from Albatross Street to Ludlam Drive;
- 5) Morningside Drive in the area where there is a Parkway, from Palmetto Drive to Minola Drive;

- 6) The Parkway triangle located at South Royal Poinciana Blvd. and Ragan Drive;
- 7) The circles on South Drive, DeSoto Drive and Glendale Drive;
- 8) The triangle on Morningside Drive and Lake Drive;
- 9) The triangle at Lenape Drive and Corydon Drive;
- 10) The triangle at Hunting Lodge Drive and North Melrose Drive;
- 11) North and South Melrose Drive on the canal side only.

Please make sure that you do not post any Open House signs or residential For Sale signs in any other than the allowed locations.

GARAGE SALE REMINDER! All Garage Sales need to have permission from the City to be conducted! If you wish to hold a Garage Sale, please stop by City Hall and fill out a brief request form (only for sales during the current week). We no longer can accept permit applications by phone. All approved Garage Sales are advertised each week on our website. Go to miamisprings-fl.gov and click on the Garage Sales link. You will then see a list of the approved sales for the week. By clicking on any of the addresses, you can also get a MapQuest guide to that address.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.
305.805.5075/76 1401 WESTWARD DRIVE

FACILITY RENTAL:

The Multi-Purpose Room is available for rentals.

The 10x10 Pavilions at Prince Field are available for rentals.

Contact the main office at the Community Center for availability & pricing. 305.805.5075

GYMNASIUM:

Open Gym Basketball Hours: Monday - Friday 2:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. 17 & under ONLY, Tuesday & Wednesday evenings 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. open play, 17 & under Free 18 & over \$4

Effective June 10th - August 16th
Open Gym Basketball: Monday - Friday: The courts will not open until 6pm due to Summer Camp

Open Gym Volleyball: is offered every Friday night from 6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. 18 & over \$4.00, 17 & under are free.

Walking Club: Register Now! Members will be rewarded for miles completed. We'll not only walk on the Indoor Jogging/Walking Track in our Gymnasium, we'll also do different trails located throughout the Miami Springs area. For additional information, contact Caitlin Smith.

FITNESS:

Fitness Room & Jogging Track Hours: Monday - Friday 6:00 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Fitness Room Memberships are NOW AVAILABLE:

- Adults: 18 & over \$150.00
- Senior: 60 & over \$75.00
- Youth: 13 - 17, \$150.00 (must be accompanied by a PARENT)
- Family of 2: \$188.00
- Family of 3: \$263.00
- Additional family members \$75.00*
- *Immediate Family Members ONLY

YOGA: The current YOGA session is FULL. YOGA is held Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7:15pm- 8:15pm and Saturday mornings at 8:45 a.m. The cost is \$95.00 for an 8 week session. Please call the Community Center for details. The next YOGA registration will be held on May 13th at 6:45pm at the Miami Springs Community Center

We are now offering a Saturday drop in YOGA class. The cost per class is \$5.00 and starts at 8:45 a.m.

JAZZERCISE:

Burn up to 600 calories in one fun and powerfully effective 60-minute total body workout. Every Jazzercise group fitness class combines dance-based cardio with strength training and stretching to sculpt tone and lengthen muscles for maximum fat burn.

- Tuesday & Thursday Mornings: 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Monday through Thursday: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday & Thursday: 7:05 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday: 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Jr. Jazzercise:

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.



Participants in the Miami Springs Rec Teen Program met Miami Heat player Juwan Howard and attended the Miami Heat vs Celtics game.

For information visit jazzercise.com or call 305-888-7625

AQUATICS:

Pool Hours

Monday-Friday: Lap Swimming 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., Open Swim 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday: Open Swim 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 1:00p.m. - 5:00 p.m., weather permitting

Swimming Lessons: With certified American Red Cross Instructors, and an outstanding facility, the Miami Springs Aquatic Center welcomes all children, ages six months and up, to join our American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program.

Sessions run every two weeks and swim classes are offered year round. Our prices are \$45.00 per session and we offer various types of classes.

Class Times: 6:00p.m., 7:00p.m.
SUMMER SWIMMING LESSONS BEGIN on Monday June 10th

Registration is going on now for summer classes

Class Times: Morning Classes: 9:00a.m., 10:00a.m., 11:00a.m.

Evening Classes: 4:00p.m., 5:00p.m., 6:00p.m., 7:00p.m.

Water Aerobics: Monday, Wednesday & Friday 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$40.00 for 8 classes, per participant

Pool Memberships are NOW AVAILABLE:

- Adults: 18 & over \$80.00
- Child: 17 & under \$40.00
- Senior: 60 & over \$40.00

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting Story Time, at the Miami Springs Community Center. Children and parents will enjoy stories and activities that will encourage the JOY of reading.


Story Time will be held on Thursday, May 16th, 11am - 12pm for children ages 2 - 4.

Mark your calendars so you do not miss out on the July 4th festivities! The parade is set for Thursday, July 4th at 10am; if you are interested in participating in the parade please call Patricia Bradley at 305-805-5075 to reserve your spot. All participants MUST pre-register for the event no later than Wednesday, June 26th.

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPT. 305.805.5009

MAY BIRTHDAYS:

Happy Birthday and Best Wishes to the following City employees:

	5/1	Raymond Buckner	5/20	Jorge Irizarry
	5/8	Charlene Navarro	5/22	Tom Cummings
	5/11	Gonzalo Garcia	5/24	James Holland
	5/12	Katherine Anderson	5/31	Randall Walker
	5/25	Terri Schuh		

Recognizing long term employees:

The following employees had their anniversary date in April

Randall Walker	completed 34 years of service
Moira Ramos & Carlos Sánchez	completed 32 years of service
Barbara Robinson	completed 28 years of service
Steven Griffin	completed 22 years of service
Jimmy Deal	completed 19 years of service
Grace Vazquez	completed 12 years of service

Thank you for your loyal service to the City of Miami Springs.

MAY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS	CITY CLERK'S OFFICE		1 ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BD: 7:00 P.M. / <i>Curbside Recycling</i>	2	3	4
5	6 BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT/ ZONING: 7:00 P.M.	7 CODE ENFORCEMENT: 7:00 P.M.	8 GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB: 7:00 P.M .	9 BOARD OF PARKS AND PARKWAYS: 7:00 P.M.	10	11
12	13 CITY COUNCIL MEETING: 7:00 P.M.	14 RECREATION COMMISSION: 7:00 P.M.	15 <i>Curbside Recycling</i>	16 HISTORIC PRESERVATION: 7:00 P.M.	17	18
19	20 REVITALIZATION & REDEVELOPMENT 7:00 P.M.	21 EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD: 6:30 P.M.	22	23 CODE REVIEW BOARD: 7:00 P.M.	24	25
26	27 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY: CITY HALL CLOSED!	28 ECOLOGY BOARD: 7:00 P.M.	29 <i>Curbside Recycling</i>	30	31	