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**JUNE 2018** 

## In the Spotlight

## EMSTV77

## Introducing 'Alert Miami Springs':

## **An Emergency Response System**

The New Alert Miami Springs is a free service to all Miami Springs residents and business owners.

All landline owners will automatically receive voicerecorded messages with important and/or emergency messages. It is encouraged that all residents and business owners register cell phone numbers to receive calls and/or text messages, email address(es), business phone, and if hearing-impaired devices apply. You can enter up to five numbers to receive these alerts.

Register today!

We also encourage you to download the free Everbridge app to stay tuned with the most recent "Alerts".

Remember, if we can't reach you, we can't alert you!



Sign up here: https://member.everbridge.net/index/453003085618419#/login

# MSPD unveils new Bicyle Unit

Miami Springs Police Department launches a bicycle unit to better serve the community.

"Years ago Miami Springs Police Department had a bike unit and I wanted to bring it back. We got some new officers that we selected to go to the training and they're and good shape"- Chief Armando Guzman.

The goal of this new bicycle unit is to go out there and make contact with the community and address things that are easier to do on a bicycle. The chief expresses the fact that there are a lot of things that can be approached on a bicycle versus a vehicle. For example, if someone is up to something, they may not even notice the officer on the bike approaching the scene.

Officer Lazaro Rodriguez shares his commitment to the bicycle unit by saying "we are going to try and touch base with business owners and residents to let them know that we are here protecting the city. We are also going to be

patrolling areas looking for anything suspicious and really just being visible."

The mountain bikes that were chosen for the MSPD bicycle unit were built to withstand various types of terrain, making it easier for police officers to go navigate through alleyways and the city's swales.

You can anticipate to see this new bicycle unit a few times a month. The unit is divided into two-3 man teams covering the east side and west side of the city and working their way to the center of the city as the day progresses.

Message from the unit: We definitely encourage the community to come and ask us questions - this bike patrol gives us a better feel for a one-on-one that we usually don't have when we are on cars. "If you see something, say something."

Check out the news video: https://youtu.be/FfmnSQDYIV8

# DEPARTMENT Miami Springs Police Chief Armando Guzman (above) unveiled the new bicycle unit to serve the community. The six-man unit will be broken down into two teams of three, one serving the west side of town and the other, the east side.

## IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

City Council Meetings

**City Council Regular Meetings** 

Thursday, July 28, 2018 at 5:01 P.M. at City Hall

Special Dates

**VOICE YOUR VIEWS!** 

Congressman Diaz-Balart's Office Visits to City Hall

Every third Wednesday of every month: 11 A.M. to 12 P.M. • Wed., July 18 at City Hall Question & Answer session for residents!

#### **FREE NOTARY SERVICE**

The Office of the City Clerk offers free notary services to residents of Miami Springs and Virginia Gardens with a valid ID. Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

## Recycling Dates

Wednesday, July 11, 2018 Wednesday, July 25, 2018

City Hall Closures

Wednesday, July 4th - Independence Day





July 05

July 06

July 07

July 08

July 10

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Ryan Arbelo

Robert Barrow

David Martell

James Dean

Ulises Fernandez

Christopher Heid

**Anthony Fernandez** 

Joshua Ag<mark>uirre</mark>

Albert Vargas

Moira Ramos

Jake Norton

Justin Frias

Paul O'Dell

Skyler Odin

Julio Ferreiro

Carlos Blanco

Matthew Castillo

Robert Castillo

Justin Robbins

Yelian Borges

Jorge Capote

Travis Arguelles

Gabriel Calvo

**HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTI** 

CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS CELEBRATES JULY BIRTHDAYS

Police Department

Parks & Recreation

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Planning Department

Golf & Country Club

Finance Department

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Parks & Recreation Golf & Country Club

Police Department

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Happy Birthday and Best Wishes!

**CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS RECOGNIZES** 

THE FOLLOWING JUNE EMPLOYMENT ANNIVERSARY:

• Julio Ferreiro completed 10 years of service

Carlos Nuñez completed 13 years of service

• David Olivas completed 17 years of service.

• Lazaro M. Garaboa completed 18 years of service.

• Gary Fetters completed 20 years of service

Thank You For Your Loyal Service to the City of Miami Springs!

ART IN MIAMI SPRINGS

Enjoy exciting new works of art in a variety of mediums at the City of Miami Springs Gallery,

The Hibiscus Fine Arts Guild has been active since 1969 and supports local artists through

This exhibition is made possible by the City of Miami Springs will be on view until July 20th.

If you are a local business that would like to sponsor an upcoming Artist reception or an Artist living or working in Miami Springs looking for exhibition opportunities, contact Tammy Key, Pro-

weekly classes, exhibitions and through annual art awards for area elementary school stu-

dents. To learn more about Guild memberships, classes and upcoming exhibitions email

located in the lobby of City Hall @ 201 Westward Drive. All exhibitions are Free and open to

Our featured artists for June and July are from the Hibiscus Fine Arts Guild

School Crossing Guard

Police Department

**Building and Zoning Department** 



## Promoting safe and responsible use of consumer fireworks

The Miami Springs Police Department shoot them into METAL or GLASS containers. offer these safety tips to ensure your holiday is safe.

- Obey all local laws regarding the use of fireworks.
- Know your fireworks; read the cautionary labels and performance descriptions be-
- A responsible adult SHOULD supervise all firework activities. Never give fireworks to children.
- Alcohol and fireworks do not mix. Save your alcohol for after the show.
- Wear safety glasses when shooting fireworks.
- Light one firework at a time and then quickly move away. • Use fireworks OUTDOORS in a clear
- area; away from buildings and vehicles. • Never relight a "dud" firework. Wait 20
- minutes and then soak it in a bucket of water. • Always have a bucket of water and

charged water hose nearby.

• Never carry fireworks in your POCKET or

- them down and place in a metal trash can away from any building or combustible materials until the next day.
- FAA regulations PROHIBIT the possession and transportation of fireworks in your checked baggage or carry-on luggage.
- Report illegal explosives, like M-80s and quarter sticks, to the fire or police department.

And let's not forget the safety of our pets!

- Don't bring your pets to a fireworks display, even a small one.
- home, put your pet in a safe, interior room to avoid exposure to the sound.
- tag, in case it runs off during a fireworks dis-
- Never shoot fireworks of any kind (con-

## **MIAMI SPRINGS GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB**

650 Curtiss Parkway • 305.805.5180 Monday - Saturday: 6am - 9pm • Sunday: 6am - 6pm

- Do not experiment with homemade
- Dispose of spent fireworks by wetting

- If fireworks are being used near your
- Make sure your pet has an identification
- sumer fireworks, sparklers, fountains, etc.) near pets.

## (Code 1962, § 16-32; Ord. 84, passed 3-

fessional Services Specialist at keyt@miamisprings-fl.gov

the public, Monday-Friday from 8am-4:45pm.

hibiscusart@hotmail.com

#### **Summer Reminders**

Summer is here! Even though we have summer like weather year round in South Florida, now schools out and our children are outdoors playing and enjoying our beau-

As always, our mission is assist you in complying with city code violations that could cause unsafe situations in our streets, sidewalks and swale areas.

However, it is impossible to keep our City of obstructions on the rights-of-way, without the cooperation of our residents and visitors. It is unlawful to block sidewalks, view of oncoming traffic and place non-permanent items on the swale area that could either fall or cause a safety hazard to pedestrians and traffic.

Please take a few moments to read our City Ordinances regarding obstruction of right-of-ways, view of traffic and blocking of

• Sec. 96-07. - Maintenance of City parkway and swale areas.

(A) The City shall retain sole jurisdiction over and maintenance responsibility for, all parkway areas in the City.

(B) It shall be the duty and obligation of all owners of property in the City to maintain all swale areas abutting, adjacent, or contiguous to their property in a good and proper condition. This maintenance duty and obligation for property owners shall include, but not be limited to, sodding, grass cutting, proper landscape maintenance, removal of debris, garbage, or trash, and the elimination of any dangerous conditions or safety hazards in all swale areas.

BUILDING & CODE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT

• Sec. 71-02. - Obstruction of roads.

It shall be unlawful to obstruct any public road or established highway without permission of the proper authorities, or to willfully cause any obstruction to be placed therein, and each day the obstruction is allowed to remain in any highway after being so placed, shall constitute a separate and distinct of-

(Code 1962, § 16-31; Ord. 84, passed 3-10-47)

Cross reference— Penalty, § 10-99.

 Sec. 71-03. - Shrubbery obstructing view of vehicle operator.

It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain or permit shrubbery or any growth to grow upon any parcel of land at the intersection of any highways in the City, so that it will obstruct the view of the driver or operator of any vehicle approaching such intersection from another highway.

#### Water Restrictions

- Watering is not allowed between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
- Hand-watering with one hose fitted with an automatic shut-off nozzle is allowed for 10 minutes per day for landscape stress relief and to prevent plant die-off.
- Restrictions apply to all users of any water resource within Miami-Dade County, whether from publicly or privately-owned water utility sewer systems, private wells or private connections to surface water bodies. Residents and businesses with an ODD-

numbered street address (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, 9):

• Lawn watering is permitted on WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS from 4 p.m. to 10 a.m.

Residents and businesses with an EVENnumbered street address (ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, 8\*), no street address, or who water both even and odd addresses within the same zones, including multi-family units and Homeowner Associations: • Lawn watering is permitted on THURS-

DAYS and SUNDAYS from 4 p.m. to 10 a.m. Residents should choose from one of two

"watering windows" (before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.) on their designated irrigation days. For the most efficient use of water, residents should avoid irrigating during both time periods on the same day.

305.805.5030

To report a water restriction violation, visit the 3-1-1 submit a service request website and select Other under the All tab or call 3-

#### Some exceptions

Restrictions don't apply for car and boat washing, pressure cleaning of paved surfaces, decorative fountains and water-based recreation (e.g. swimming pools, water slides)

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. When unable to water during specific hours, call 3-1-1 to apply for a variance



## MIAMI PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTME

305.805.5075 • Follow us on Twitter @miamispringsrec



### **WELCOME BACK TO SUMMER!!!**

The Community Center is JUMPING into summer with a full SUMMER CAMP! If you missed out this summer ... check back with us in February 2019

#### **Operating 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.

#### Contact Information:

Miami Springs Community Center: 1401 Westward Dr. Miami Springs, FL 33166 www.MiamiSprings-fl.gov/ParksAndRecreation • 305.805.5075

**OPEN GYM BASKETBALL HOURS:** 

Monday - Friday

12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.: 18 & Over - \$4

Monday - Thursday Evenings: 6:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. 18 & Over - \$4

Saturday:

7:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.:

17 & Under - Free; 18 & Over - \$4

#### **FACILITY RENTALS**

305.805.5075

- The Multi-Purpose Room is available for rental
- The 10x10 Pavilions at Prince Field are available for rental
- The 20x20 Pavilion at Stafford Park is available for rental

For More Information Contact: The Miami Springs Community Center at

http://www.miamisprings-fl.gov/parksandrecreation

#### Sunday:

9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.: 17 & under - Free; 18 & over - \$4

**OPEN GYM VOLLEYBALL:** Friday Evening:

6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.:

17 & under - Free; 18 & over - \$4

#### **Fitness Room Memberships**

Adults: 18 yrs. & Over \$150.00 Senior: 60 yrs. & Over \$75.00

Youth: 13 yrs. - 17 yrs., \$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\*

Seniors 60 & Over

Use of the Fitness Room is FREE Monday -Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Jazzercise & Jr. Jazzercise: Visit www.jazzercise.com or call 305.888.7625

#### For Information on Athletics & Fitness Programs

(Basketball, Volleyball, Fitness Room, Jogging Track) **Visit:** www.miamisprings-fl.gov/parksandrecreation





# **AQUATIC CENTER** POOL IS HEATED

## **Operating Hours**

#### Monday-Friday

Lap Swim: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Open Swim:

3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Saturday Open Swim: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Open Swim: 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday

#### WEATHER PERMITTING

#### **Contact Information:**

Miami Springs Aquatic Center • 1401 Westward Dr. • Miami Springs, FL. 33166 305-805-5078 • www.MiamiSprings-fl.gov/

#### Water Aerobics

Water Aerobics is an exercise that is fun for all! It employs the resistance and buoyancy of water to condition your muscles while improving strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness.

Taught in our heated pool, this course is

- Swimmers & non-swimmers alike
- Losing or maintaining weight
- Low impact exercise
- Sufferers of arthritis
- Socialization

#### **POOL AREA RENTALS**

The Miami Springs Aquatic Facility offers public and private rentals for residents & non-residents.

- The Multi-Purpose room is available for rental
- 12x12 umbrella rental or 16x16 shaded areas

For More Information Contact: The Miami Springs Aquatic Center at 305.805.5078 http://www.miamispringsfl.gov/parksandrecreation/aquatic-facilityrental-information

#### For Information on Aquatic Programs

(Swimming Lessons, Swim Fit, and Water Aerobics) Visit: www.miamisprings-fl.gov/parksandrecreation

#### **Summer Class Times:**

Mondays & Wednesdays: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays: 6:15-7:15 p.m.

Fall/Winter Class Times: Mondays & Wednesdays: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Tuesdays & Thursdays: 6 -7 p.m. 8 Classes 16 Classes

Resident \$80 \$60 \$100 Non-Resident \*Classes can be completed at your leisure, and do not expire until used

#### **POOL MEMBERSHIPS:**

Residents

Adults: 18 & over \$90.00 **Senior:** 60 & over \$50.00 Youth: 17 & under \$50.00 Family of 4: \$250.00 Non-Residents

Adults: 18 & over \$150.00 Child: 17 & under \$100.00 Senior: 60 & over \$100.00 Family of 4: \$350.00 Seniors 60 & Over

FREE: Monday - Friday, 9:00a.m. - 12:00p.m

## Special Events

## **Annual 4th of July** Celebration!!!

★★ Celebration Begins Tues., July 3 ★★ **Car Show** 

on the circle, 6pm - 10pm **Baby Contest** 

for babies from Birth to 3 years Registration begins at 6:30pm. Contest at 7:00pm \*NEW LOCATION\*

Aquatic Center- Multi Purpose Room

★★ Celebration Continues Wed., July 4 ★★

Parade, at 10am starting at the intersection of Westward & Esplanade, heading East on Westward and turning South on Curtiss

#### Fireworks at Dusk

At the Miami Springs Golf & Country Club

Would you or your organization like to ride or walk in this year's parade?

Contact Patti Bradley to pre-register no later than Thursday, June 28th

at 305-805-5075 or bradleyp@miamisprings-fl.gov \*\*NO ONE will be allowed to join the parade if not previously registered\*\*





## **ELDERLY SERVICES DEPARTMENT** 305,805,5160

The Miami Springs Senior Center offers a variety of FREE activities and services to older residents of Miami Springs and Virginia Gardens, age 60 and over. Current financial and programmatic support comes from: the City of Miami Springs, the Alliance for Aging, Inc., the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, the Village of Virginia Gardens, participant donations, local business organizations, civic groups and countless volunteers.

#### **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.

#### TRANSPORTATION:

Daily pick up, utilizing the Hialeah-MS Rotary Charitable Foundation bus, is provided to older residents with no means of transportation to and from the center.

- Weekly trips to grocery stores, assistance with shopping and carrying packages is provided.
- Field trips to malls and other places of interest are scheduled each month.
- Trips currently scheduled for July: Walmart (7/5), Publix (7/13). Fresco y Mas (7/20) and , Sabor (7/26).

#### **RECREATION ACTIVITIES:**

Recreational and social events are planned each month at the senior center. The following activities are currently planned for July: participation in the Independence Day Parade (7/4); celebration of July birthdays and anniversaries (7/18); weekly Bingo games (7/2, 7/9, 7/16, 7/23 and 7/30); and shopping trips to Walmart, Publix, Fresco y Mas and Sabor.

Additionally, local seniors will participate in Little Revolt's "Midsummer

ShakesFestival", a free theatrical event for all ages, to be held on July 22 at the Curtiss Mansion. We are seeking seniors to perform in a few short "Shake Scenes" at the event. (Memorization is optional and actors may read their lines during the performance.) Rehearsals will be held in July at the Senior Center. If you'd like to be a part of the fun, please call 305.805.5160 to sign up with Karen or Betty. Additional July activities will be announced as scheduled.

#### HEALTH SUPPORT PROGRAMS AND EDUCATIONAL PRESEN-TATIONS:

- Educational presentations are scheduled each month through the sponsorship of numerous individuals, community service organizations and businesses. The following topics are scheduled for July:
- Miami-Dade Public Library System's TECHNOBUS -- The library's mobile technology innovation lab will visit the senior center on July 17th and 31st from 10:00—11:30 a.m. The bus brings digital services and devices directly to the center and provides seniors with instruction and activities on how to use smart phones, laptops, iPads, MacBook Airs, and Microsoft Surface Pro tablets, Those interested in learning more about technology are encouraged to stop by and visit.
- "Library Happenings" A representative of the Miami Springs Branch Library, will present information about library services and upcoming events on July 10th at 12:15 p.m.
- "Hurricane Preparedness" On July 11th at 12:15 p.m., representatives from the Disaster Prevention Department of the American Red Cross of South Florida will present valuable information on what to do before, during and after a storm. Import phone num-

bers, websites and social media contacts will be provided, and a disaster kit checklist will be available to help you gather the supplies you need.

- "Balance and Fall Prevention Workshop" On July 12th at 12:15 p.m., Margaret Perez, OTR/L, FWEC, a Senior Occupational Therapist with St. Catherine's West Rehabilitation Hospital/ Villa Maria West Skilled Nursing Facility, will facilitate a workshop on how falls occur, modifications that can be made to one's home and strengthening exercises that should be done to improve one's balance and help prevent falling.
- "Crime Watch" Program -- Officers Jorge Capote and Janice Simon, from the MSPD's Community Policing Office, will present the monthly crime watch program on July 18th at 12:15 p.m. The Officers will inform attendees about current crimes being committed in the City

and will provide tips on how to avoid becoming a victim.

- FREE Blood Pressure Screening -- Mercedes Blanco, RN, from the Miami-Dade Health Department, will provide free testing for hypertension and individual counseling at the senior center on July 24th from 10—11:30 a.m.
- "Healthcare Surrogates and Proxies" -- On July 25th at 12:15 p.m., Dr. Fernanda Mercade, a Miami Springs physician specializing in Internal Medicine and Geriatric Care, will present information on what a Healthcare Surrogate and a Proxy are, how they work and the importance of designating an agent and executing this legal instrument.

For more information on any of the services, activities, or special programs offered, or to volunteer your time, talent or expertise, please contact us at (305) 805.5160.

#### **HEALTH SUPPORT ACTIVITIES**

The following Health Support activities require registration, and are offered to seniors enrolled in the Miami Springs Senior Center activities.

## CHAIR YOGA & HANDWEIGHT EXCERSISES

Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Instructor: Natasha Salmon-Cogno Classes meet at the Senior Center.

#### **FLOOR YOGA CLASSES**

Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Instructor: Natasha Salmon-Cogno Classes meet at the Curtiss Mansion.

#### TAI CHI for ARTHRITIS

Tuesdays & Thursdays from 12:30 —1:30 p.m. Instructor: Judd Zisquit

Classes meet at the Aquatic Center.

## "LET'S DANCE" EXERCISE CLASSES

Mondays & Wednesdays from 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Instructor: Natasha Salmon-Cogno Classes meet at Senior Center.

#### **CHAIR EXERCISE CLASSES**

Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10:30 —11:00 a.m. Instructor: Elizabeth King Classes meet at Senior Center.

#### "CELEBRATION WORKOUT"

Fridays from 9:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. Instructor: Natasha Salmon-Cogno Class meets at the Senior Center.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Baby Contest at 6:30 p.m. @Aquatic Center	4INDEPENDENCE DAY! CITY HALL CLOSED!	5	6	7
		Car Show 6p.m10p.m. @Circle	Parade at 10 a.m. Fireworks at Dusk			
8	9	10	11 CURBSIDE RECYCLING	12	13	14 FREE CPR Course 9a.m.,10a.m.,11a.m. @Aquatic Center
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 CURBSIDE RECYCLING	26 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MTG: 5:01 P.M.	27	28
29	30	31				