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TOP STORY



Hurricane Season is Here! Are You Ready?

It is now officially hurricane season. While the peak of the season is months away, this is when you should make sure your property and family are ready.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website at www.ready.gov is the source for information on how to make a family plan to discuss (1) how you will receive emergency alerts and warnings, (2) your shelter plan (if needed), (3) your evacuation route (if needed) and, (4) your family/household communication plan.

Prior to a storm threatening our area, the Town of Lake Park will publish on its website at www.lakeparkflorida.gov the 2019 Supplement to the Town of Lake Park Emergency Management Plan which will contain updated information on:

- Gas stations powered with generators
- The locations of risk shelters
- Home Depot stores powered by generators
- Lowe's stores powered by generators
- Publix stores powered by generators
- Information regarding Special Needs Shelters and how to register for them

OTHER TOWN NEWS

Vice-Mayor Honored as Home Rule Hero



The Florida League of Cities has recognized Town of Lake Park Vice-Mayor Kimberly Glas-Castro with a 2019 Home Rule Hero Award.

Vice-Mayor Glas-Castro earned this prestigious award for her tireless

efforts to protect the Home Rule powers of Florida's municipalities and advance the League's legislative agenda during the 2019 legislative session. Home Rule is the ability for a municipality to address local problems with local solutions with minimal state interference.

"We are proud of Vice-Mayor Kim Glas-Castro and the work she does with our town. She is truly a hero to Lake Park and all municipalities as an advocate for Home Rule. The Vice-Mayor's dedication to our community and her advocacy for our residents exemplifies the strength of local government as a force closest to the people. It is an honor to serve with her," said Michael O'Rourke, Mayor of the Town of Lake Park.



Town can help you pay for required code compliance repairs

Are you struggling to find the money needed to fix code violations? If so, you are not alone. The Town has a grant program to help pay for those specific repairs. Funds are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

Town officials are encouraging homeowners to have their homes inspected to determine what repairs are needed, and then take advantage of the grant money.

The goal is to improve neighborhoods one home at a time. For information on the program, you may contact the Town's Community Development department at 561- 881-3318.

Town Clerk achieves Master status

Kudos to Town of Lake Park Clerk Vivian Mendez! Vivian has earned the designation of Master Municipal Clerk (MMC) from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Ms. Mendez was honored at the May 15, 2019 Commission meeting.



"We believe in training and providing opportunities for employees to reach the highest achievements possible," said Town Manager John D'Agostino. "That achievement carries forward in their everyday work."

The MMC program is an advanced continuing education program that prepares participants to perform complex municipal duties. The program has an extensive and rigorous educational component and a professional contribution component.

Important marina visioning planned

June 26th - 6:00 p.m. - Town Commission Chambers - 535 Park Avenue, Lake Park

The Lake Park Harbor Marina is one of the jewels in the crown for the "Jewel of the Palm Beaches."

(How many of you knew that Lake Park has been called the Jewel of the Palm Beaches?)

On June 26th at 6:00 pm, the Town Commission will hold an important visioning session focused on the future of the marina. The revitalization of the marina is a significant part of the Town's overall redevelopment plan for the U.S. 1 corridor. The future vision of the Town Harbor Marina could include the development of a public-private partnership. Rest assured, however, that any plan would ensure it remains open to the public and remains a venue for public events.

The visioning session will be held in the Town Commission chambers.