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From Anne Gannon, Constitutional Tax Collector, Serving Palm Beach County

Out With the Old, In With the New

We're ringing in 2016 with major changes. Our existing suburban Lake Worth office permanently closes in January. Days later, we open the new Central Palm Beach Service Center. It's located at 4215 S. Military Trail, just south of Lake Worth Road. For exact opening and closing dates, visit www.pbctax.com/content/update.

Our offices are busy during this transition. Visit www.pbctax.com to avoid the wait. You can renew motor vehicle registrations, make driver license appointment, pay property taxes and more. Be sure to follow us on Twitter and our new Instagram at @TAXPBC.

Upcoming Events—Save the Date

Evening on the Avenue

Friday, February 5 | 6pm – 10pm | Cultural Plaza
414 Lake Avenue | Free

Daddy-Daughter Date Night

Friday, February 5 | 6pm - 10pm | Lake Worth
Casino Ballroom | 10 South Ocean Boulevard

B.E. Easy Music & Art Festival

Saturday, February 6 | Bryant Park

Lake Worth Art League Outdoor Show

Saturday & Sunday, February 6 & 7 | 9am – 4pm
Cultural Plaza | 414 Lake Avenue | Free

Food Truck Invasion

Monday, February 8 | 6pm – 10pm | Cultural Plaza
414 Lake Avenue

Beach Bonfires

Friday, February 12 | 6pm – 9pm | Lake Worth
Beach | 10 South Ocean Boulevard

11th Annual Festival of Trees

Presented by Lake Worth Tree Advisory Board
Saturday, February 13 | Cultural Plaza
414 Lake Avenue | Free

Taste of Lake Worth

Friday, February 19 | 6pm – 10pm
Downtown Lake Worth

Street Painting Festival

Saturday & Sunday, February 20 & 21
Downtown Lake Worth

Beach Bonfires

Friday, February 26 | 6pm – 9pm | Lake Worth Beach
10 South Ocean Boulevard

PBC Firefighter Chili Cook-off

Saturday, February 27 | 3pm – 9pm | Bryant Park

Farmer's Market Waterside

Saturdays | 9am – 1pm | Old Bridge Park
A1A & Lake Avenue

Art Community Together

Art Exhibits | Creative Arts | Theatre | Dance

Arts at St. Andrew's | St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
100 North Palmway | 561.582.6609
SAEpiscopal@aol.org

A Romantic Candlelight Concert & Chocolate Tasting Event
Sunday, February 14 | 7pm | \$25 Advance
\$30 at the Door

Benzaiten Center for Creative Arts | 1105 2nd
Avenue South | www.benzaitencenter.org | 561.508.7315
Tuesday – Friday, 1pm – 4pm | Saturday, 10am – 5pm

Lecture Series | **Tuesday, February 2** | \$10
World Renowned Glass Artist Rob Stern | Opening Exhibit:
Friday, February 26 | \$10
Glass Blowing Demonstrations by Rob Stern
Saturday, February 27 | Free
Save the Date | *Glasstronomique* Annual Fundraiser
Saturday, March 19

Cultural Council of Palm Beach County
601 Lake Avenue | www.PalmBeachCulture.com
Tuesday – Saturday, 10am – 5pm | Exhibits Free & Open
to the Public Unless Denoted

ART IN THE MAIN GALLERY | *Woman Untitled*
January 15 – March 12
Solo Exhibition Artists
JoAnn Nava & Ellen Liman | **January 23 – February 20**
Rabeleh Filsoofi/Sibel Kocabasi | **February 27 – March 26**
Evenings at the Council
Music | **Friday, February 5** | 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Lecture Series | *It's What You See with Monica Kaufmann
of Kaufmann de Suisse* | **Monday, February 29**
11:30am | \$125

Duncan Theatre | 4200 Congress Avenue
www.duncantheatre.org
Laser Spectacular featuring the Music of Pink Floyd
Friday, February 5 | 8pm | \$19
Adam Trent: The Futurist | **Saturday, February 20**
8pm | \$29
BEGINNINGS: The Music of Chicago | **Monday,
February 22** | 8pm | \$27
Irrera Brothers | **Tuesday, February 23** | 2pm | \$29
Paul Taylor Dance Company | **Friday & Saturday,
February 26 & 27** | 8pm | \$45

Lake Worth Art League
604 Lucerne Avenue | www.lwartleague.org
561.586.8666 | Tuesday – Saturday, 10am – 4pm
Creative Art | Reception: **Sunday, February 14**
Shows through March 6

Lake Worth Playhouse
713 Lake Avenue | www.lakeworthplayhouse.org
561.586.6410
Inherit the Wind | **February 25 – March 13**
A Taste for the Arts, Wine Tasting/Fundraising
February 6 | 5pm
Date Night with Mary Grace & Michael Cartwright
February 12 & 13 | 8pm

Stonzek Theatre
713 Lake Avenue | www.lakeworthplayhouse.org
561.296.9382 | Showing Indie & Foreign
Films Daily | General Admission \$9 | Matinee Mondays
\$7 Meeting Room



Lake Worth Taking the Lead

The City of Lake Worth has a long tradition of environmental responsibility, water conservation, power efficiency and customer concern. As part of that tradition, the City is working to improve the safety, reliability, efficiency and environmental sensitivity of City infrastructure. The City competitively selected Siemens Environmental and Energy Services to evaluate numerous Water and Energy Conservation Measures (ECM) within the City and utility service areas. These measures provide an opportunity for the City to recognize additional operational and energy savings to help reach the City's long term goals.

Solar Energy

This Energy Conservation Measure involves the design and installation of a 2 megawatt (MW) photovoltaic solar system on unusable land at the capped Lake Worth landfill. Operated by the City Electric Utility, the solar array will produce approximately 2900 MWh per year of clean green electric energy, which is enough to supply 240 homes. This will make Lake Worth a leader in the "green" energy field in Florida.

Street Lighting Upgrades

This Energy Conservation Measure includes the replacement of city owned streetlights with efficient and environmentally sensitive LED street light fixtures. The new lighting design will incorporate the latest LED technology advancements to allow for current lighting levels to be maintained, while substantially reducing energy costs, improving safety considerations and reducing light pollution caused by older street lights. The street lights are located throughout Lake Worth city limits with the exception of lighting fixtures being replaced by the CRA and street lighting along the beach - which already has been upgraded.

Advanced Metering Infrastructure

Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) is an innovative technology that allows utilities to automatically read the same types of meters remotely, instead of manually. This will eliminate the need of sending a person to every property each month to read meters and increase

efficiency in manpower. This automated technology uses fixed antennas or data collectors that receive very low power radio transmissions from all water and electric meters in the service area. The data is then sent to a centralized location within the City where it can be used for billing, analysis, and resolving customer service issues. The system collects all meter readings daily. Additionally, each customer will have access via the internet to monitor their water and electricity usage.

City Facility Infrastructure Upgrades

These Water and Energy Conservation Measures will replace various existing facility equipment, resulting in increased reliability, efficiency, water savings and energy savings. The Infrastructure upgrades are located in various city facilities, and include:

- Replacement of air conditioning equipment at the Department of Community Sustainability.
- Water Conservation improvements, including installation of highly efficient plumbing products and controls at multiple city facilities. The use of these devices will provide for durable, long-term use with minimal maintenance and improved hygiene.
- Facility lighting upgrades involves replacing existing inefficient interior and exterior facility lighting with the new technology fluorescent and LED lighting systems. LED technology brings a host of benefits not realized in CFL and Incandescent lights. These benefits include longer life, greater energy efficiency, ecologically friendly, durability, light focus and instant on. The proposed retrofit takes advantage of lower wattage LED technology capable of replacing existing incandescent and compact fluorescent fixtures.
- Swimming Pool Light upgrades involve replacing the existing incandescent lamps used to light the swimming pool with new LED lighting.

Captain's Corner

Greetings,

Today I would like to speak to you about identity theft, particularly the filing of false tax returns. Identity theft reaches record levels each year and South Florida is known as an epicenter for this activity. Once a return is falsely filed in your name it can take years to sort out and going forward filing becomes more difficult.

Therefore, I strongly recommend filing as early as possible. Even if you owe money, it is better to file early than to have your identity stolen. Once I receive my documents and my last pay stub of the year, I meet with my accountant. As soon as the W2's come in, my return is e-filed. This is the best way to prevent becoming a victim. For more information, you can go to www.irs.gov and click on identity theft.

Yours in Service, have a safe 2016!
Captain Todd Baer

District Commander | District 14 | City of Lake Worth | Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office