



# City Visions

August/September 2010

## City Sprays Canals to Control Nuisance Plants

The City has begun treating canals in an attempt to control nuisance plant growth. These plants include water hyacinth, water lettuce and a variety of other bothersome plants that are widely visible and vigorously reproduce to cover the canal systems. Aquatic spray application operations that began on July 29 will continue during the third week of every month to assist in controlling these plants. The areas of service include Lake Shore Haven, Lake Eden, Chapel Hill, Lazy Lakes, Big Bass Waterway, Venetian Isles and Treasure Isles.

According to the City's Utilities Department, which is overseeing the work being done by a professional contractor, it is not necessary to remove irrigation systems or boats from the canal system during the spray application.

For additional information, call (561) 742-6412.

## Art in Public Places Presents Visioning Plan

### *Public Invited To Attend*

The public is invited to learn about the *Art in Public Places* program, its vision and future goals, at a presentation on Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010, 6:00-8:00 p.m., in the Library Program Room, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. This is also an opportunity for the public to participate and provide feedback about the plan. For more information, call 742-6026.

## 2010-11 Beach Decals Available Mid-September

Beginning in mid-September, annual beach decals for 2010-2011 (October - September) may be purchased at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse and City Hall. Please call (561) 742-6650 for more information.

*Resident Beach Decals for Oceanfront Park* - Purchaser must be a resident or property owner within the corporate city limits. Documentation required: 1) Current vehicle registration for each vehicle. 2) Proof of residency and/or property ownership. 3) Cash, Check (payable to the City of Boynton Beach), Visa or MasterCard for \$40. Available at City Hall or Intracoastal Park Clubhouse.

*Non-Resident Seasonal Beach Decals for Oceanfront Park* (available only at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse). Decals may be purchased for May 1 - November 15 only for \$90. Vehicle registration required.

Daily Parking Fees at Oceanfront Park are as follows: \$10 from November 16 - April 30, and \$5 from May 1 - November 15.

### *Cabana Service Available*

Oceanside Beach Service now offers a cabana service. You can

rent a lounge chair and umbrella to make your experience at the beach even more fun. Prices range from \$3.00 an hour for a single lounger to \$30 a day for a setup, which includes two loungers and an umbrella.

## FREE! Events at Pence

- Saturday, Sept. 25, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

**Concert** featuring Georgean Barger

Bring your lawn chairs. Enjoy hot dog, chips and drink for only \$1!

Info: (561) 742-6569

- Saturday, Oct. 30, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

**Tot Olympics**

For ages 3-5, and moms and dads!

Info: (561) 742-6235

Events take place at Pence Park, 600 SE 4<sup>th</sup> St.

Events will continue in January, March, May and June. Look for flyers and for more information in the Winter/Spring issue of *Funfare!* Magazine. If you haven't registered for a recreation program before and would like to receive a copy with details about all sorts of great activities and events, please call (561) 742-6221.

## Making Home Improvements?

### *Now Is a Good Time*

For homeowners thinking about making some home improvements, there's never been a better time. The economy has slowed and there are many local contractors that would very much appreciate the new work. Plus, bid prices remain low compared to prior years. What better way to get our economy rolling again than to make a much needed, or desired, home improvement that can put many of your local neighbors to work?

City staff remains available to assist homeowners with all facets of construction permitting. Our goal is to see your successful improvements with the least regulatory impediment. Residents who choose to perform improvements themselves are reminded that they are able to place approximately one cubic yard of construction debris at the curb each week, which eliminates the need to purchase commercially available disposal products. The City will collect this material at no additional cost to the homeowner. Homeowners and contractors must contact the City to arrange disposal of larger quantities of construction debris. Please call 742-6200 for more information. Waste Collection Guidelines are available on the City's website at [www.boynton-beach.org](http://www.boynton-beach.org).

## Budget Hearings Set

Following three days of budget workshops, the City Commission approved a tentative tax rate of \$7.2 per \$1,000 of real estate value on July 21. A first reading and public hearing on the fiscal

year 2010-11 budget and tax rate is set for Monday, Sept. 13, 6:30 p.m., in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 100 E. Boynton Beach Blvd. The second reading and public hearing is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 27, 6:30 p.m., also in the Commission Chambers. The City's estimated revenues and expenditures for fiscal year 2010-11 are available for viewing on the City's website at [www.boynton-beach.org](http://www.boynton-beach.org).

## **City Holds City Services Institute Provides Overview of Government In Entertaining Manner**

Enrollments are now being accepted for the Fall semester of the Boynton Beach City Services Institute, which will be held from Oct. 4-Nov. 22, 2010, at various City facilities. This eight-week course, held on consecutive Monday evenings at 6:30, was developed to acquaint residents and business owners with the structure of City government and to provide them with information and tours of City facilities in an entertaining and informative manner that will enable them to become more fully involved in the community.

CSI is an ideal way for citizens to open the doors of City government and discover a wealth of information that will make them real authorities and resources for their neighbors, organizations and clubs. By the end of the course, which includes a graduation ceremony and dinner at the City's Links golf course, participants will have a better understanding of how the City operates. They will have established relationships with department directors and their staffs that will enable them to more easily conduct their business with the City.

There is a limit of 25 participants and a registration fee of \$25 that covers all materials and the dinner. For more information and an application form, log on to [www.boynton-beach.org](http://www.boynton-beach.org) or call 742-6025.

## **Book Donations Needed for The Friends Bookstore Funds Support Library**

The Friends of the Boynton Beach City Library are in need of gently used books, DVDs and CDs to sell in their store. Only items in good condition that are saleable will be accepted. Please bring your book donations to the Delivery Door located on the south side of the building on S.E. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on normal business days. Funds raised by The Friends of the Boynton Beach City Library support your Library.

For more information, call (561) 742-6390

## **BBTV Moves to Channel 95**

Missing your BBTV? The City's television channel has moved to Comcast channel 95. According to a Comcast spokesperson, the cable company has been working to achieve a consistent, more user-friendly channel lineup and provide additional programming for customers by consolidating the Boynton Beach and Boca Raton/Delray Beach channel lineups. In order to do that, Comcast said the company has made technical upgrades to its network necessitating several channel lineup changes, including BBTV.

For more information, visit [www.comcast.com](http://www.comcast.com) or call 1-800-COMCAST(266-2278).

## **City Services Guide Now Available Lists Valuable Information**

The City of Boynton Beach *2010 Guide to City Services* is now available online at [www.boynton-beach.org](http://www.boynton-beach.org). The guide contains a complete list of City offices, facilities and telephone numbers as well as other important information contained in a commonly asked questions section.

## **Art in Public Places Presents Hispanic Heritage, "Portrait," Textures Exhibits**

### **Hispanic Heritage Exhibit Now-September 2010**

An exhibit that showcases artwork that reflects Hispanic artists' culture and heritage. The exhibit will be a highlight in September for the celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Boynton Beach City Library, 2nd floor  
208 S. Seacrest Blvd.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; Friday, closed; Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

### **Sims Center "Portraits" Exhibit Now-January 2011**

The exhibit features portraits as interpreted by the artists. A diverse collection of artworks from painting and photographs to mixed media and tiles are included.

Sims Center  
225 N.W. 12<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Hours: Monday-Friday, Noon-9:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

### **Textures Now-July 2011**

The public is invited to experience artwork that features a tactile quality and celebrates sensory sensations. A diverse collection of artwork that has textural finishes, surfaces, grains, qualities and consistencies is on display in the City's Civic Center. Is the artwork smooth, rough, pitted, soft, hard or squishy? Does it have grooves or gouges; is it smooth or polished or rustic and worn? Visual texture is the illusion of having physical texture.

This exhibit will coordinate with the upcoming *Avenue of the Arts* year long "Textures" outdoor exhibit to be installed late September 2010.

Civic Center  
128 E. Ocean Ave.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.; Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

For more information, call (561) 742-6026.

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