



# CITY OF OAKLAND PARK

## OAKLEAF COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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### Free Trees Saturday June 23

Residents and business owners are invited to take advantage of Oakland Park's second Tree Giveaway of the year beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, June 23 at Wimberly Field (4000 NE 3rd Avenue).

Included in the summer tree selection are a wide variety of trees (including several fruit trees) and shrubs. The young trees and shrubs come in 3-gallon, 5-gallon and 7-gallon containers for easy transport and planting.

The free trees are available on a first come, first serve basis with up to 3 free trees per household or business. Proof of Oakland Park residency or business ownership is required.

Information will be available regarding proper placement of your selected trees, as well as planting, watering and maintenance tips.

To ensure this opportunity is enjoyed by all residents, Oakland Park offers a Tree Assistance Program through the City's Community Volunteer Corps to aid residents who require special assistance in the delivery and planting of trees. To learn more about the Tree Assistance Program, please call 954-630-4502.

The section of trees and shrubs at the giveaway tentatively includes:

- Orange Geiger
- Lychee
- Wild Tamarind
- Pink Tabebuia
- Mango
- Dahoon Holly
- Florida Slash Pine
- Simpson's Stopper
- Gold Mound (Dwarf)
- Firebush
- Walter's Viburnum

For more information on the Free Tree Giveaway, please contact City Horticulturist Lyzabeth Fiore at 954-630-4220, or email at LyzabethF@oaklandparkfl.gov

Oakland Park recognizes the importance of trees in our community. The many benefits include enhancing beautification, shade, energy savings, habitat for birds/wildlife, reducing storm-water runoff, increasing property value, and improving air quality.



### Summer Nights in the Park Series to Feature Moonlight Movies & Culinary Arts Showcase

Join your friends & neighbors this summer at Jaco Pastorius Park for the "Summer Nights in the Park" series combining Oakland Park's popular Culinary Arts Showcase with a Moonlight Movie.

On the second Friday of the month, June through September, the free Summer Nights event will begin with a 90-minute culinary

presentation and tasting presented by a local restaurant, along with live music, games, and bounce houses. This fun evening – which runs from 6 to 10 p.m. – will also include a family-friendly movie on a big screen and refreshments.

The movie schedule includes "Despicable Me 3" on Friday, **June 8**. Participating restaurants/chefs and other details will be provided on the City's website. Please call Parks and Leisure Services for more information at **954-630-4500**.

### Summer Food Program to Feed Children at Three Facilities

Program Open to All Area Youth 18 Years of Age & Younger

The Oakland Park City Commission recently authorized the City to participate in the 2018 Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) through the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture.

Free hot and cold lunches will be served Monday through Friday from noon to 1 p.m. along with free snacks provided Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. starting **Monday, June 11th through Friday, August 10th** with the exception of July 4th when City facilities are closed for the Independence Day Holiday.

The Program is open to ALL children ages 18 and younger

For the 2018 SFSP, Oakland Park will serve free lunch and afternoon snacks at:

- **Collins Community Center**  
3900 NE 3rd Avenue
- **North Andrews Gardens Community Center**, 250 NE 56th Court
- **Spiher Recreation Center**  
1246 NE 37th Street

Please note: SFSP rules stipulate lunch and snacks must be eaten on the premises and not available as a "to go" meal. Oakland Park served 9,968 free lunches and 10,527 snacks to local children at the Summer Food Program sites in 2017.

To learn more about Oakland Park's Summer Food Service Program, please call Parks and Leisure Services at **954-630-4500**.



## Mayor and City Commission

City Commission meeting scheduled for **June 6 and 20** at 6:30 p.m. in the City Commission chambers.

Comcast Channel 18  
AT&T U-verse Channel 99

Agendas, backup, livestreaming, minutes and videos of prior meetings at: [www.oaklandparkfl.gov](http://www.oaklandparkfl.gov)



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## 'Proud to Be' Oakland Park Business Awards

The "Proud to Be" Oakland Park Business initiative was created to represent the values of people, progress and pride. Businesses are recognized for marketing/promoting their business location as Oakland Park, as well as invested in community enhancement efforts.

The following businesses recently received **"Proud to Be" Oakland Park Business** awards from the Mayor and City Commission:

- **German Bread Haus**  
311 E. Commercial Blvd.,  
(954) 491-4464, [germanbreadhaus.com](http://germanbreadhaus.com)
- **Kingdom Workshop Graphic & Printing**  
3161 NW 31st Street,  
(754) 214-1757,  
f KINGDOMWORKSHOPGRAPHICS
- **PDQ**  
3359 N. Federal Highway  
(954) 874-8528 [eatpdq.com](http://eatpdq.com)
- **Spine and Joint Center**  
410 E. Prospect Road  
(954) 561-4700,  
[spineandjointcenterfortlauderdale.com](http://spineandjointcenterfortlauderdale.com)
- **The King's Barbershop**  
1256 NE 38th Street  
(954) 347-8557,  
f TheOfficialKingsBarbershop



Businesses receive a storefront award decal, an award logo to use on the company's communications & websites and announcements in City publications. Call **954-630-4251** to learn more about the "Proud to Be" Oakland Park (P2bOP) business awards.

## BSO Asks Everyone to Help Put the Brakes on Vehicle Theft

In the time it takes to read this paragraph, a vehicle will be stolen in America. Vehicle theft is driven by money and greed – it is a dangerous business that victimizes everyone.

Thieves can steal a car in a matter of seconds, but you can make your vehicle less of a target by following these tips from the National Insurance Crime Bureau:

### Always Use Common Sense

- Carry your keys/key fob whenever you exit the vehicle – even to pump gas
- Lock your doors
- Remove your keys from the ignition
- Close your windows completely
- Park in well-lit areas

### Use a Visible or Audible Device

- Audible alarms
- Steering column collars
- Steering wheel/brake pedal lock
- Brake locks
- Wheel locks
- Theft deterrent decals
- Identification markers in or on vehicle
- Window etching
- Micro Dot marking

### Install a Vehicle Immobilizer

- Smart keys
- Fuse cut-offs
- Kill switches
- Starter, ignition and fuel disablers
- Wireless, ignition authentication



### Invest in a Tracking System

Put your vehicle on the radar screen by installing a tracking system that emits a signal to the police or monitoring service when the vehicle is reported stolen. Some systems employ "telematics" which combine GPS and wireless technologies to allow remote monitoring of a vehicle. If the vehicle is moved, the system will alert the owner and the vehicle can be tracked by computer.

## PARKS and LEISURE NEWS & NOTES

### Youth Sports Camp

A series of weeklong sports camps for children grades 2-4 are structured as a 3-hour day with fun workshops teaching basic athletic skills of various sports. The camps are designed for aspiring athletes of all levels. Drop off as early as 8:30 a.m. with camp finishing at noon. The camp fee is \$55 per week for residents and \$70 for non-residents. Extended hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. are available for an additional \$25. If a child is already registered in the City's Summer Camp, the sports camp can be added for a \$25 fee. To learn more, please call Parks and Leisure Services at **954-630-4500**.

June 18-22: Soccer

June 25-29: Basketball

July 9-13: Soccer

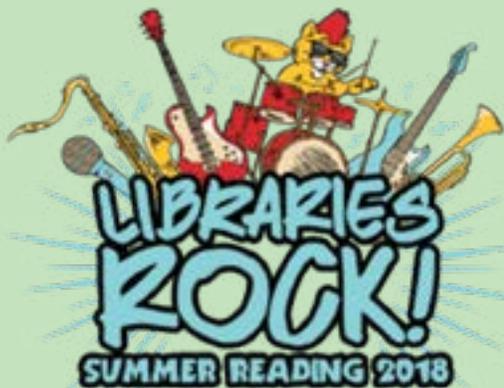
Fee: \$55 (resident) and \$100 (non-resident)

### Summer Fun for Children at the Library

Children can become a "Rockin' Reader" at the Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library Summer Reading Program from June 11 to August 3. Highlights of the summer schedule include an interactive performance with **Tampa Taiko Traditional Japanese Drums** on June 19 at 6 p.m.; **Puppet Shows** on June 25 and July 11 at 11 a.m.; **John Storm's World of Reptiles** July 21 at 2 p.m.; and **Cooking with Short Chef** on August 1 at 2 p.m. There will be afternoon movies, Lego League, and much more. More details will be posted on the library's online calendar on the City's website.

Location: Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library,  
1298 NE 37 Street  
Call: 954-630-4372

The 46th Annual Illustrate-a-Book Contest awards ceremony was recently held at Jaco Pastorius Park Community Center. The contest is presented by The Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library and featured over 250 submissions from local students. Participating schools included: Floranada Elementary, Lloyd Estates Elementary, McNabb Elementary, North Andrews Gardens Elementary, Oakland Park Elementary, and St. Mark's School. Prizes were awarded in three age divisions and honorable mentions were awarded for each grade. Best in Show was won by Gianna who attends St. Mark's School. The awards presentation was followed by a performance of The Bucky and Gigi Show. The event was sponsored by The Friends of The Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library and The Oakland Park Kiwanis Club.



## Ribbon Cut for Stunson Nature Trail Adjacent to Royal Palm Park

The new Stunson Nature Trail and native wetlands restoration project named in honor of Oakland Park's late City Manager Mr. John Stunson is now open.

The City's administration worked together with Royal Palm neighborhood leaders and the Broward County School Board to secure the lease to preserve this 5-acre parcel of natural wetlands habitat for a nature trail.

This native wetland preserve was planned with five eco zones carefully nature-scaped with a variety of plant species native to Florida that will provide a safe haven for wildlife and a breeding habitat for birds.



Pictured with Shelley Stunson & her family are (left to right): City Commissioner John Adornato, County Commissioner Chip LaMarca, former Mayor Shari McCartney, Mayor Tim Lonergan and Commissioner Michael Carn.

Several grants totaling nearly a quarter of a million dollars helped fund this project:

- **\$200,000 from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection/Recreational Trails Program**
- **A \$30,000 Florida Sea Grant/University of Florida**
- **And a \$15,000 Florida Urban Community Forestry Grant/Florida Department of Agriculture**

When you visit, it is important to note this landscaped trail is far from a finished product. Nature moves at her own pace and the variety of flora planted will bloom & blossom during the different seasons of the year.

## Annual Father's Day Weekend Fishing Tournament at Royal Palm Park June 16

Get your fishing poles ready and get hooked on this free "catch and release" tournament open to anglers of all ages and genders. The first line goes in the water at Royal Palm Park at 7 a.m. on Saturday, June 16.

The catch totals will be tabulated with trophies awarded for the biggest fish caught, most fish caught and the casting contest winners at 10 a.m.

Royal Palm Park is located at 1701 NW 38 Street/Park Lane West. Refreshments will be available. For more information, please call 954-630-4500.



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**City of Oakland Park Event & Activities June 2018**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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<b>Coming Attractions! Summer Nights in the Park Culinary Showcase &amp; Moonlight Movie</b> at Jaco Pastorius Park, 6 to 10 p.m. July 13, Aug. 10 & Sept. 14						
3	4	5 Property Tax Exemption Assistance, City Hall, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	6 General Employee Pension Board, City Hall, 9 a.m. City Commission Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	7	8 Summer Nights in the Park, Jaco Pastorius Park, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.	9
10	11 Planning & Zoning Board, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	12 Civil Service Board, City Hall, 6 p.m.	13	14 Code Enforcement Board, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	15	16 Father's Day Fishing Tournament, Royal Palm Park, 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.
17	18	19 Special Magistrate Meeting, City Hall, 3 p.m.	20 City Commission Meeting, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	21	22	23 Free Tree Giveaway, Wimberly Field, 8 a.m.
24	25 Historic Preservation Board, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	26 Board of Adjustment, City Hall, 6:30 p.m.	27	28 Beautification Advisory Board, City Hall, 5 p.m. Art & Culture Board, City Hall, 6 p.m.	29	30

**City Events & Activities June 2018** *(subject to change)*

- June 5: **Property Tax Exemption Assistance**, Oakland Park City Hall, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- June 6: **General Employee Pension Board**, City Hall, 9 a.m.
- June 6: **City Commission Meeting**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 8: **Summer Nights in the Park**, Jaco Pastorius Park, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.
- June 11: **Planning & Zoning Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 12: **Civil Service Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6 p.m.
- June 14: **Code Enforcement Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 16: **Father's Day Fishing Tournament**, Royal Palm Park, 7 a.m. to 10 a.m.
- June 19: **Special Magistrate Meeting**, Oakland Park City Hall, 3 p.m.
- June 18-22: **City Commission Election Qualifying**, Call 954-630-4300
- June 20: **City Commission Meeting**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 23: **Free Tree Giveaway**, Wimberly Field, 8 a.m.
- June 25: **Historic Preservation Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 26: **Board of Adjustment**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- June 28: **Beautification Advisory Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 5 p.m.
- June 28: **Art & Culture Board**, Oakland Park City Hall, 6 p.m.

**Addresses:**

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3650 NE 12 Avenue
- Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library  
1298 NE 37 Street
- Jaco Pastorius Park  
4000 N. Dixie Highway

**Telephone Numbers:**

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954-630-4500
- Ethel M. Gordon Oakland Park Library:  
954-630-4370
- Oakland Park City Hall:  
954-630-4200