

*For Your Information*  
*Weekly*  
FROM THE CITY MANAGER & STAFF  
May 19, 2017

**Clewiston Recreation Summer Camp registrations for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> sessions are now being accepted. Please visit [www.clewistonrecreation.com](http://www.clewistonrecreation.com) or call the Youth Center at 863-983-1492 for registration information.**

**Dates to Remember**

May 25, 2017 – Hendry-Clewiston Recreation Advisory Board Meeting

May 29, 2017 – Memorial Day Holiday – City Offices Closed

June 5, 2017 – Planning and Zoning Board Meeting

June 12, 2017 – Library Advisory Board Meeting

June 15, 2017 – Golf Course Advisory Board Meeting

June 15, 2017 – Clewiston City Commission Workshop

June 19, 2017 – Clewiston City Commission Meeting

June 28, 2017 – Special Magistrate Hearing

**Staff Reports**

**Sr. Library Aide Shirley Reynolds reports:**

- Introduction to Gardening class will be held Thursday, May 25, 2017 from 6:15 to 7:15 pm. Please contact the library for more information.
- Summer School registration has begun. Please contact the library for more information.
- Remember you can get your e-books free at [www.hendrylibraries.org](http://www.hendrylibraries.org).
- **For information regarding any of our programs, please call the library at (863) 983-1493 and remember to visit [www.hendrylibraries.org](http://www.hendrylibraries.org). Like us at [www.facebook.com/clewistonpubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/clewistonpubliclibrary).**

**Golf Course Director Robbie Rush Reports:**

- **Get all Clewiston Golf Course news by signing up on Constant Contact.** Go to the City of Clewiston website, and sign up on Constant Contact. You will be automatically put on the golf course e-mail. The Clewiston Golf Course also has a Facebook page with pictures and all golf course information.
- Clewiston Golf Course Junior Golf Camp information is now available on Clewiston Golf Course Facebook and in the golf shop. The Junior Golf Camps are scheduled for June 12-16, 2017 and July 24-28, 2017.
- Summer memberships are now available.
- Summer rates are now in effect at the golf course.
- **Upcoming Events**

- June 10, 2017 Clewiston Elks Lodge Tournament (9:00am)
- **For more information call golf shop 863-983-1448**

**Recreation Director Lance Ramer reports:**

- Clewiston Baseball & Softball regular season and awards ceremonies were completed this week. All Star teams are being formed in several different age groups and will practice at Sugarland Sports Complex before competing in District, Regional & State tournaments throughout the summer. District Championships will be played in Cape Coral June 9-11<sup>th</sup>.
- Clewiston Recreation Summer Camp 2017 is right around the corner..! Registrations are now being accepted for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> session. 1<sup>st</sup> session start date is scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup> and the 2<sup>nd</sup> session will begin July 10<sup>th</sup>. Go to [www.clewistonrecreation.com](http://www.clewistonrecreation.com) to sign your child up and pay on-line for Summer Camp(s) and Swimming Lessons...
- Lifeguards completed their training and/or re-certifications at C.S. Mott Pool this week. Some Summer Lifeguarding positions were offered late last week and have proceeded to background, physicals and drug screening processes. More positions will be offered this week.
- C.S. Mott Pool is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend for public swim.
- Activity plans/schedules for Summer Camp 2017 have been finalized. A detailed schedule regarding daily activities and times, field trips, lunch menus, swimming lesson schedule and other important dates will be e-mailed to registered campers' parents and available on our FB page and website as soon as possible.
- Recreation Staff has been busy this week assisting Hendry County School Board and CHS with graduation week activities.
- Ballfield staff has been cleaning, staging equipment, supplies and developing schedules to begin athletic turf PM and repairs on ALL game surfaces at Sugarland Sports Complex, as soon as all scheduled activities are completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June.
- Clewiston Recreation along with Clewiston AYSO will be hosting a "British Soccer Camp" at Sugarland Sports Complex July 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow...
- The Splash Pad will continue to be open on Tuesdays from 3-5pm, Thursdays from 10am-Noon and Saturdays/Sundays from 9am-7pm.
- UPCOMING Weekly highlights for Clewiston Recreation:
  - May 19<sup>th</sup> – CHS Graduation 8 pm Cane Field
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – Sweet 15 Party 4pm-1am John Boy Auditorium
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – Graduation Party 6pm-Midnight Youth Center
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – Birthday Party 1-5pm STP #3
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – Birthday Party 10am-6pm STP #4 w/ bounce house
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – CMS Mentoring Club Swim Party 10am-2pm C.S. Mott Pool
  - May 20<sup>th</sup> – Cougar Football & Cheerleaders Quarter Auction 3-6pm Central Elem. School
  - May 21<sup>st</sup> – Birthday Party 1-4pm Splash Pad Pavilion
  - May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Central Elem. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Swim Party 10am-2pm C.S. Mott Pool
  - May 25<sup>th</sup> – USSC Service Awards 7am-5pm John Boy Auditorium
  - May 25<sup>th</sup> – CPAC Recital Ticket Sale 5-7pm Youth Center
- Go to [www.clewistonrecreation.com](http://www.clewistonrecreation.com) to check us out and get information regarding all your recreational needs.

**Public Works Director Sean Scheffler reports:**

- Road Reconstruction: Started May 11<sup>th</sup> and was completed in two days.
- Boat Basin Paving: The paving portion of the Boat Basin Overlay has been completed. The striper will be in after the asphalt has had some time to cure.
- Mosquito Control: Mosquito trap counts on Sunday night: Harlem: <25; Golf Course: <25; Okeechobee Blvd: <25. Landing rates averaged 20 mosquitoes at three different sites. The first control mission was scheduled for May 18 and was cancelled because of high winds. Staff will perform ground control measures just before CHS Graduation.
- Street Division: (1) Staff trimmed up a large hanging tree over Trinidad this week. During a heavy rain event the branches are weighted down into the travel area. (2) Drainage system maintenance is still ongoing. Staff is clearing inlet tops and culvert openings. The vac-truck is following cleaning out the inlet sump. (3) Staff is repairing sidewalk on East Royal Palm and Del Monte. East Pasadena and East Arcade are scheduled next.
- Facility Maintenance Division: (1) The AC in the JBA Lobby is in and working. (2) A new vandal proof light fixture was installed in the Gazebo in the park.

**Police Chief Aaron Angell reports:**

- During the early morning hours of May 16<sup>th</sup> Clewiston Police Department Officers were approached by a citizen in regards to a suspicious person who had been observed attempting to gain entry into several parked vehicles. According to the complainant he was sitting in his vehicle when he observed the suspect attempt to gain entry to his neighbor's vehicle. The suspect was unsuccessful and moved on to the next vehicle, which happened to be the vehicle the complainant was sitting in. The complainant confronted the would-be burglar who became nervous and immediately fled the area. The complainant was able to provide a description of the suspect and officers immediately began canvassing the area in an attempt to locate him. While doing so another citizen approached officers and informed them a person had been seen running in between residences only a short distance away from where the attempted crimes took place. With the help of this citizen officers were able to locate the suspect who was subsequently arrested and charged with several crimes.
- On Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, Clewiston Police Department Officers will be participating in the "Final Leg" of the Florida Law Enforcement Torch Run to open the State Summer Games at Disney ESPN Wide World of Sports in Lake Buena Vista, FL. This is the culmination of the Flame of Hope's journey, and the entrance of the torch carried by the Guardians of the Flame is the highlight of the Opening Ceremony.

**Utilities Director Williams reports:**

- Electric Activities
  - Put in 500' of underground at the Lake for parking lot lights and added 10 lights.
  - Pulled new three phase on Harlem Academy & 10<sup>th</sup> St.
  - Repaired street lights.
- Water Sewer Activities
  - Assisted South Shore Water Association in repairing water break on US27 at Sky Valley.
  - Repaired lift stations.
  - Raised meter box.

- Located water/sewer lines on El Paso.
- Flushed hydrants on North side of town.
- Please remember to register with CodeRed (Reverse 911). This system allows us to contact you in case of an emergency or with other informational announcements. You may register by clicking on the CodeRed link at the bottom of the City's website page [www.clewiston-fl.gov](http://www.clewiston-fl.gov). You may update your information at any time through the same link.
- If you are considering replacing your air conditioner or insulation, remember the City offers a rebate program for those items. Most local contractors participate in the program and can give you information. You can also visit our website at [www.clewiston-fl.gov](http://www.clewiston-fl.gov) or call our office.
- DON'T FORGET TO SIGN UP FOR YOUR METER BASED SURGE PROTECTION! Visit our office today.
- ONLINE BILL PAY IS AVAILABLE on our web site at [www.clewiston-fl.gov](http://www.clewiston-fl.gov) or [www.municipalonlinepayments.com/clewistonfl](http://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/clewistonfl).

**PLEASE BE AWARE OF UTILITY PAYMENT SCAMS: Scam artists are calling Utility customers posing as employees of Clewiston Utilities and threatening disconnection of services if payment is not made immediately. Please be aware:**

- 1) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER request you to purchase money cards or gift cards to pay your account over the phone.
- 2) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER contact our customers on the weekend and threaten disconnection of services.
- 3) Clewiston Utilities will NEVER speak to our customers in a threatening tone.

**If you feel you have been a victim of this scam, please contact Clewiston Utilities to verify the call or the Clewiston Police Department and file a report.**