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## Water Safety Tips

With the summer sun beating down on us, it's a great time of year to get out and enjoy the ocean and pools. The City of Greenacres wants to make sure your children enjoy the water safely, so we've compiled some tips on water safety to help you.



### General

- Learn how to swim!
- Always swim with a buddy
- Learn CPR and first aid
- Inexperienced swimmers should wear Coast Guard approved floatation devices
- Watch for the "Too's" - too tired, too cold, too far from lifeguard, too much sun
- Be aware of the environment you are in and the weather

### Child Safety around Water

- Always supervise children when around water; if possible, enter the water with them
- Enroll your child in a water safety class or swimming lessons
- Don't rely on floaties or other rafts to save your child

### Pools

- Never let children swim unsupervised
- Enclose the pool completely with locking doors or gates with vertical bars
- Keep basic life-saving equipment in pool area



### Ocean

- Swim in designated areas, and within view of the lifeguard
- Always use the buddy system
- Check conditions before leaving the house: tides, weather & beach conditions
- Watch for aquatic life
- If you are caught in a rip tide, do not fight it - gradually swim out of the rip tide by swimming parallel to the beach

**REMEMBER, the most important safety tip is to learn how to swim!**

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## Actions Taken by the Governing Body (January - June, 2006)

- Approved a voluntary annexation of 11.89 acres located at the northeast corner of Haverhill Road and Nash Trail.
- Approved a voluntary annexation of 1.436 acres located near the southeast corner of Lake Worth Road and Jog Road.
- Approved a voluntary annexation of 4.97 acres and the Site and Development Plan for *The Reserve at Summit* which included 72 single family zero lot line homes. The property is located on the west side of Ranchette Road, south of Summit Boulevard.
- Approved the Site and Development Plan for Greenacres Commons to include an Office Building and 23 residential condominiums. The property is located on the west side of Jog Road, approximately 450 feet south of Tenth Avenue North.
- Authorized an Electric Franchise with Florida Power and Light.
- Appointed Councilman Richard C. Radcliffe as Deputy Mayor.
- Appointed Norman W. Rose to the Council District V position that was vacated by Councilman Michael V. Mortimer.
- Awarded six (6) Scholarship Awards to residents: Henry Ray, Malcolm Tyson, Diana Roberts, Danielle Tighe, Robert Nolan & Sebastian Castro.
- Accepted the Comprehensive Annual Finance Report (Audit Process) for FY 2005 through Nowlen, Holt & Miner PA.
- Award presentation - Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Department of Finance.
- Authorized an Agreement for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the Disaster Recovery Initiative for drainage improvements in the original sections.
- Accepted a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Grant for the purchase of law enforcement technology equipment to be used by the Department of Public Safety.



## Greenacres is looking for Historians!

Are you a history buff? The City of Greenacres is looking for residents who would like to serve on a committee to conduct research on "how to" form a historical society specifically for the City of Greenacres. Committee members will then provide a report and recommendation to the City Council. If you are interested in serving, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 642-2006 to obtain a Committee Application.



## Arbor Day Ceremony

On April 28, 2006, the City of Greenacres held its annual Arbor Day ceremony with the planting of a Live Oak tree on the City Hall grounds. As part of the event, 38 pre-school children



from Tiny Tots Day Care center attended and assisted in planting the tree. The Arbor Day ceremony contributes to the City's commitment to enhance the community through the ongoing planting of trees, as well as fulfilling requirements to be a "Tree City USA" of which the City has been certified for 14 consecutive years.

## Great American Cleanup

The City of Greenacres celebrated the Great American Cleanup on Saturday, April 29. Approximately 100 volunteers worked hard in the following areas to improve the city:



- Palm Villas II and Mil-Run Estates communities.
- Collected litter on Empire Way from Lake Worth Rd to Melaleua Rd. and Haverhill Rd from Melaleua to Centurian Rd.
- Painted a home on Centurian Circle as part of the "Paint Your Hear Out" program.
- Placed educational placards on catch basins throughout Palm Villas II.
- Approximately 50 residents picked up debris and litter to beautify their neighborhood.

## City Board Vacancies

The City has the following service vacancies on quasi-judicial and advisory boards. Interested parties need to complete an application.

Board or Committe	Available Positions
Civil Service Board	3 Positions
Code Enforcement Board	1 Alternate Position
Construction Board of Adjustment & Appeals	2 Positions 1 Alternate Position
Historical Society Committee	5 Positions
Planning Commission	1 Alternate Position
Retirement Plan-Board of Trustees	1 Position
Zoning Board of Adjustment & Appeals	2 Positions

To inquire about these positions, please call the City Clerk at 642-2006.

## Presidential Volunteer Service Awards Program

Mayor Ferreri and the City Council are proud to announce the 2005 Presidential Volunteer Service Award Winners who offer their time, talent and expertise to "make a difference" for the City of Greenacres!

Congratulations to the following 2005 winners for their commitment to volunteer their time and talents!

Nat Snitkin	390 hours
Bernie Stuffer	272 hours
Norman Rose	113 hours

### Presidential Service Awards:

Each award winner receives an Official President's Volunteer Service Pin; a personalized Certificate of Achievement; and a note of congratulations from the President.

If you are interested in volunteering your time and talents, Mayor Ferreri and the City Council encourage you to call Human Resources (642-2001) to obtain a volunteer application.

## Public Safety Honored

On Monday, April 24, PSO Joseph "Mitch" Rubin was honored in Tallahassee during the Madd (Mothers Against Drunk Driving) Florida Legislative Weekend event for DUI arrests in 2005. Congratulations to Officer Rubin who made 115 arrests which contributed to keeping Greenacres a safe community.

## Cool Zone Participants Receive a "Lifetime Opportunity"

The Kravis Center, *Primetime* and the International Institute from the Netherlands (ISH) joined forces to offer a unique instructional training opportunity to middle school students. ISH was founded by Marco Gerris, who developed a show comprised of non-traditional disciplines in the theatre - video art, a live mix by a DJ, acrobatic stunts, dance in inline skates, bungee jumping, rap, street dance/break dancing, beat box and the like.

Cool Zone is one of four selected youth programs invited to participate in a two-week intensive training camp where international artists will guide the 50 local youths in creating and performing their own show.

## Play Activities For Learning and Socialization (P.A.L.S.)

### New Pals for Me

#### Lemore Brown

Now in our 15th year of educating young children and preparing them for their future schooling, P.A.L.S. combines aspects of Montessori, Waldorf and traditional early childhood education. The program operates from September to May. Activities include: Music, Art, Literacy Development, math readiness, and creative play. For more information call 439-8711.

- Ages 3-5 years old
- Tuesday and Thursdays
- 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- September 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 26, 28 7 classes \$119

### P.A.L.S. Plus

This class is a supplement to New P.A.L.S. for Me including many of the same activities, plus additional enrichment activities and great emphasis on academic readiness skills.

- Ages 4-5 years old
- Wednesday
- 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- October 4, 11, 18, 25 4 classes \$68.00
- November 1, 8, 15, 29 4 classes \$68.00

## Youth Flag Football League

Children will be divided into the following age groups: 7-9 years old, 10-12 years old, and 13-16 years old. The League's sanctioned age is the child's age as of September 1. Registration for the league begins August. Registration fees include a uniform T-shirt, awards, and awards banquet.

- Weekdays, evenings and Saturdays
- August - November
- \$50 Residents/\$55 Non-Residents
- Greenacres Community Center



## Cheerleading Program

Cheerleaders cheer for the members of the flag football teams at Saturdays games. They learn cheers from the coaches and a trained cheerleading instructor. Cheerleading is open to children ages 6 to 13. The League's sanctioned age is the child's age as of September 1. Registration fee include a T-shirt, skirt, pom-poms, and awards banquet.

- Weekday, evenings and Saturdays
- August - November
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**If you are interested in coaching a cheerleading squad or a flag football team, call the Leisure Services Department at 642-2181. One child's registration fee is free for the coaching parent.**



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