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CITY TO CELEBRATE FLORIDA ARBOR DAY

TEMPLE TERRACE, FL. – (12/28/15) – Temple Terrace will celebrate *Florida Arbor Day* with a special program Saturday, Jan. 16, 2016 at Riverhills Park, 329 S. Riverhills Drive. The free event is 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Parks Planner Dana Carver of the Temple Terrace Parks and Recreation Division will talk about the proper care and planting of trees, as well as the importance of planting native trees. Carver, a certified arborist, will be happy to answer your questions. You do not have to be a Temple Terrace resident to attend.

Will Moriarty, president of T.R.E.E. Inc., also will be on hand, and as part of the program the City will be giving away native potted and bare-root seedlings (courtesy of T.R.E.E. Inc.). Potted seedlings will include red bud, Southern red cedar, chickasaw plum, sycamore and winged elm.

Free copies of the *Temple Terrace Tree Guide* will be available. The full-color brochures provide a wealth of information on identifying, planting and caring for native trees, including tips for pruning and trimming, as well as advice for selecting the “right tree for the right place.”

Carver also will talk about the City’s popular *Adopt-a-Tree Program*. Under the program, the City provides free trees for homeowners to plant in their yards. Homeowners will receive assistance and friendly advice on the care and planting of the trees. Requirements and restrictions apply. For more information, call (813) 506-6600.

Trees are an important part of Temple Terrace’s heritage. Since 2008, the community has been recognized as a *Tree City USA*, a designation sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service.

Temple Terrace’s Florida Arbor Day event is a great way to learn about native trees, how to plant them and how to help preserve the City’s environmental heritage. For more information about the event, contact the Temple Terrace Parks and Recreation Division at (813) 506-6600.

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