

# Talk Around the Terrace

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## Temple Terrace Arts Festival Has Moved to a Great New Location

The Temple Terrace Arts Festival has a new home - beautiful, historic Woodmont Park!

The 43rd annual festival will be Nov. 12-13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be artists from around the country featuring fine art, imaginative crafts and holiday gifts. Food trucks, live music, a children's art exhibit and other activities are all part of the fun.

While you're there, don't forget to stop in next door at the Woodmont Clubhouse for "Around and About Temple Terrace," a flower, plant and photography show hosted by the Temple Terrace Garden Club. It is from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Woodmont Park is at 407 Woodmont Ave. Parking and admission are free for both events.

## Trot Thru the Terrace

Slip on your running shoes for the 5th annual Trot Thru the Terrace, sponsored by the GFWC Temple Terrace Junior Woman's Club. The popular foot races are Nov. 12, starting at 8 a.m. Choose to run a chip-

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timed 5K, 10K race, or bring your family and pets to run/walk in a 1 mile Fun Run.

It all begins and finishes at scenic Riverhills Park along the Hillsborough River. Register today online at [Runsignup.com](http://Runsignup.com). For the race course map, visit [www.ttjuniors.org](http://www.ttjuniors.org). Proceeds from the race benefit the Temple Terrace St. Vincent de Paul food pantry among other local charities. For more information, email [Terrace Trot](mailto:Terrace Trot)

## **Public Input Sought for City-Owned Property South of Chicago Avenue**

During the month of November, the Temple Terrace Redevelopment Department and the University of South Florida will be seeking public input on how to best develop City-owned property from Chicago Avenue south to the Hillsborough River.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page ([Facebook.com/cityoftempleterrace](https://Facebook.com/cityoftempleterrace)), where we will post questions about the subject property.

Then on Thursday, Nov. 17, we will hold a Public Workshop to accept additional input and share what we have learned from the responses. The workshop will be 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Temple Terrace City Hall. For more information, contact Redevelopment Director Marty Hudson at (813) 506-6484.

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## **"Down on the Bayou" Fall Festival**

The Family Recreation Complex will be flooded with spooky swamp critters enjoying carnival games, dancing, hayrides and more at this year's fall festival.

The "Down on the Bayou" fall fest is Saturday, Oct. 29 from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Family Recreation Complex. There will be indoor trick-or-treat activities, with lots of candy and others treats, along with a scary maze for those who dare! And don't forget our costume contests for kids and adults.

Admission is \$5 per child (adult admission free with a paid child). More info, call (813) 506-6600.

## **News From the Temple Terrace Public Library**

Puppeteer and storyteller Katie Adams will weave together the tale of Johnny Appleseed during her amazing puppet show on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Temple Terrace Public Library.

Puppets crafted like old-fashioned toys, a story quilt and traditional music are all part of the show. This event is for children 3 to 12 years old with their caregiver.

And, don't forget our fantastic Book Sale Nov. 16-19. There will be a terrific selection of books and other materials for adults, teens and children.

Join the Friends of the Temple Terrace Public Library and get in early for the best selection on Nov. 16. Or join the Friends anytime and support your favorite library.

Regular Book Sale hours are 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 17, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Nov. 18-19. For more information, call the library at (813) 506-6770.

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## **Fire Department to Host Statewide Competition**

Temple Terrace Professional Firefighters (Local 3582) have partnered with the city to host an Advanced Life Support Competition on Nov. 7-8, drawing firefighters and paramedics from throughout Florida.

Firefighters and paramedics will compete in various fire-rescue scenarios at venues in and around the City of Temple Terrace. Fourteen fire departments from throughout the state, representing more than 50 fire professionals, will be competing.

This year's competition will focus on intense medical scenarios design to be as realistic as possible. Fire-rescue personnel will be graded on well they respond and perform under pressure.

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## **Holiday Safety Tips from the Police Department**

### **If you are traveling:**

- \* Get an automatic timer for home lights
- \* Ask a neighbor to watch your home and park their vehicle in your driveway from time to time.
- \* Don't forget to have your mail and newspaper delivery stopped.
- \* Ask the Temple Terrace Police Department for a "Vacation Watch" of your property by calling (813) 989-7110.

### **If you're out for the evening:**

- \* Turn on the lights and radio or TV so it looks like someone is home.
- \* Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave, even if it's only for a few minutes.
- \* Don't display gifts where they can be seen from the outside.

### **If you are shopping:**

- \* Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.
- \* Park in well-lighted areas. Hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk of your vehicle. Do not leave valuables in plain view.
- \* Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay with check or credit card instead.
- \* Deter pickpockets and purse snatchers by not overburdening yourself with packages. Be extra careful with purses and wallets. Carry your purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Don't leave a purse

unattended in a shopping cart, not even for a moment.

*For additional holiday safety information, contact Crime Prevention Officer Stefanie Huertas at (813) 506-6500.*

## Temple Terrace Citizen Board Vacancies

Citizen boards serve as a vital link to the City of Temple Terrace and its elected officials. You can be the voice that contributes to positive, meaningful changes in our community.

Members of all Temple Terrace boards must be residents of the city and remain residents of the city during their term in office. In addition to city boards, residents may be appointed by the City Council to serve as the city's representative on numerous intergovernmental boards and committees.

If you're interested in learning more about serving on a local board or committee, please visit our [Board Vacancies Web Page](#) or call the City Clerk's office at (813) 506-6440.

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## City Holiday Closings

Temple Terrace City Hall and other government offices will be closed Nov. 24-25 for Thanksgiving, Dec. 26 in celebration of Christmas, and Jan. 2 in recognition of New Year's Day (because of the weekend holidays).

There will be no residential trash collection or curbside recycling on those days. The after-hours, holiday and emergency number for Public Works is (813) 506-6590.

The Temple Terrace Public Library, Family Recreation Complex and Omar K. Lightfoot Recreation Center will be operating on a holiday schedule. Please call (813) 506-6600 for recreation holiday hours and (813) 506-6770 for library holiday hours.

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