

SUNSHINE LINES

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Beautiful News From Bay to Beach



SEWER IMPROVEMENTS TO COME TO SAND KEY

Beginning in late 2019, the city will replace the entire length of the Sand Key Lift Station No. 45 force main. The lift station force main moves wastewater from beach homes and businesses to the city's wastewater treatment plant, located on the mainland and north of downtown Clearwater.

In recent years, there have been multiple failures of this wastewater line, resulting in expensive repairs that caused major inconveniences to Sand Key residents. In response, the city took a proactive approach to find the best solution to fix this problem. Therefore, a full replacement of the main will be constructed.

Construction will begin at Lift Station 45 (by the Coast Guard station) and extend toward the Sand Key Bridge. It is expected to last about seven to eight months. The public is invited to a public meeting on Tuesday, October 1 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Clearwater Community Sailing Center, located at 1001 Gulf Blvd.

The project will use a method called directional drilling to minimize impacts to Sand Key residents, businesses and entrances to properties. There will be no road closures – only lane shifts – to minimize impacts for those living on or passing through the Sand Key area. Contact the city's Engineering Department at (727) 562-4750 with questions.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME

National Night Out is just around the corner. The annual family-friendly event is set for 5 to 8 p.m. Oct. 1 in the parking lot of Super Target at Clearwater Mall, 2747 Gulf to Bay Blvd. The Clearwater Police Department puts on the annual event, which showcases the agency's personnel and equipment. The Clearwater Fire & Rescue Department also participates.

Police K-9s, the police horses, the police boat and the SWAT team will be among the different facets of the department on display. Young and old alike can sit inside a police cruiser, climb on the police boat or take a peek inside a fire truck. A landing by Bayflite is also planned. It's a great event for all ages, with free food and beverages available for everyone.



IS YOUR UTILITY ACCOUNT UP TO DATE?

Clearwater's Utility Customer Service Department has procedures in place to notify customers who may receive a high water bill before the bill comes in the mail. Representatives reach out to those who may have an unusually high water consumption or if their meter is continually running. The goal is to get to the root of the problem quickly and to stop the wasting of water (and money!).

Sometimes, the customer's phone number or email address listed on the account is outdated. When that happens, city representatives can't reach the customer. When staff can't reach a customer by phone or email, they have no choice but to wait until the customer contacts the city, upset that they have received an expensive, unusually high water bill.

Make sure that your mailing address, phone number and email address associated with your Clearwater utilities account is correct and up to date. To update your information, visit myclearwater.com/customerservice or call (727) 562-4600.

Clearwater Happenings

Hooters Clearwater Offshore Nationals Presented by Visit St. Pete/Clearwater

Clearwater is the place to be for adrenaline junkies Sept. 27-29 as the 2019 Hooters Clearwater Offshore Nationals Presented by Visit St. Pete/Clearwater races into town. The event kicks-off with a boat parade through downtown, live entertainment and fireworks on Friday night, and ends with the races on Sunday. Visit clearwaternational.com for more information and to check out the schedule of events.

Achieva Box Car Rally

Be a part of the racing experience that's fun for the whole family. The event is Saturday, Oct. 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Downtown Clearwater. Proceeds benefit local school classroom grants. Visit achievacu.com/Events/BoxCarRally to learn more.

Concierto Herencia Hispana

Each year Clearwater's Coachman Park plays host to the largest celebration of Hispanic culture – the MAXIMA Concierto Herencia Hispana will entertain thousands on Oct. 13. There will be live performances from international artists all day and a smorgasbord of Latin food. Visit 925maxima.com to get your tickets today.

Clearwater Jazz Holiday

The annual Clearwater Jazz Holiday will jam out at Coachman Park Oct. 17-20 with a lineup of legendary artists. Boyz II Men, Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue, Chicago, Alison Krauss and many more will entertain thousands during the four-day festival. Visit clearwaterjazz.com for more information.



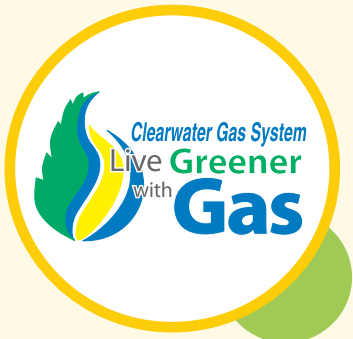
Clearwater Beach Chalk Art Festival

More than 40 talented chalk artists will transform the sidewalks of Beach Walk on Clearwater Beach into spectacular larger-than-life-canvases, starting at 9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20. Catch a rare glimpse into the way art is created. This free event is hosted by the Clearwater Beach Chamber of Commerce and is presented by Hyatt Regency Clearwater Beach Resort & Spa. Visit clearwaterbeachchalkwalk.com to learn more.

GAS INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESSES

If you own or operate a business, energy concerns are a top priority, including the efficiency of the gas equipment. If your commercial equipment has lost its luster, now is the time to upgrade or replace your commercial gas appliances.

Clearwater Gas System offers great incentives when replacing commercial water heaters or pool heaters. For a limited time, you can save up to \$750 when purchasing a commercial water heater or pool heater from Clearwater Gas System. To take advantage of this offer, contact Clearwater Gas System at (727) 562-4980. Certain restrictions may apply.



CONNECTING NEIGHBORS THROUGH ART

The city of Clearwater is excited to announce an artistic program for residents and neighborhoods. It's the Signal Box Art Program, where participants can help inspire and create an artistic design on a Clearwater signal box. For a few years, the Clearwater Arts Alliance has been contracting with local artists to create artwork for the signal boxes. Now the city has opened up the program to residents and neighborhoods.

The program offers an opportunity for neighbors to get to know each other and work together on a fun, artistic project. Participants should consider selecting a theme that speaks to the neighborhood's identity and will serve as a source of neighborhood pride. Applicants are responsible for funding installation and design costs. Contact Juliaha Green, the city's neighborhoods coordinator, at juliaha.green@myclearwater.com or (727) 562-4559 for more information.



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