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*From left to right:
Irwin Harlem, Deputy Mayor; Joseph Scuotto, Commissioner; Steven Feren, Mayor;
Donald Rosen, Commissioner; and Sheila Alu, Commissioner, celebrate July 4th.*

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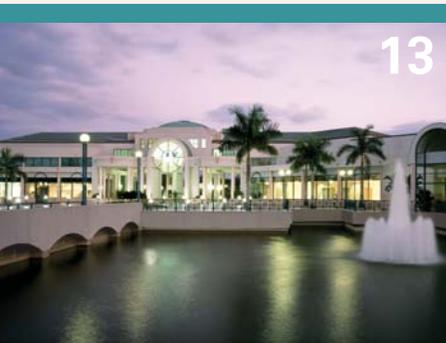
ON THE COVER

Sunrise Celebrates July 4th

Thanks to the patriotism and enthusiasm of Sunrise residents, the City's July 4th events were a huge success.

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YOUR CITY GOVERNMENT

Sunrise operates under a stable Commission-Manager form of government. The City's key leadership includes an elected, non-partisan, five-member City Commission and the Commission-appointed City Manager, who is responsible for directing day-to-day operations.

The City Commission is comprised of a Mayor and four at-large Commissioners who each serve a four-year term. In March of every year, one Commissioner is appointed to serve as Deputy Mayor, while another Commissioner is selected as Assistant Deputy Mayor.

The Commission plays a vital role in establishing City policy. They also adopt the City budget and City ordinances.

Commission meetings are open to the public and are conducted on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are held in the City Commission Chambers on the first floor of City Hall, located at 10770 West Oakland Park Boulevard.

Photo: (Center) Mayor Steven B. Feren, (Left to Right) Commissioners Sheila Alu, Irwin Harlem, Joseph Scuotto and Donald Rosen



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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR

Hurricane season is upon us once again. After enduring the harsh effects of last year's storms, many residents are understandably concerned about what this year may bring. The best way to protect your family and your home is to be prepared. We can all take steps - as individuals and as a community - to help mitigate any challenges we may face.

Even as we prepare for this storm season, we are continuing to help residents facilitate the completion of remaining Hurricane Wilma repairs. Given the high volume of permit requests, the City has authorized 10 additional positions in the Building Department. The office has also added phone lines and staff is working extended hours - including weekends - to help meet demand. In addition, the City has authorized special roofing inspectors, and the number of roof inspections required has been consolidated from three to two. The Building Department is also offering complimentary coffee and donuts to help keep residents comfortable during their waits.

City Building Departments across Broward County are facing an extraordinary workload due to the effects of Hurricane Wilma. We hope residents will keep in mind that delays in permitting and inspections can have a variety of causes, and that some contractors have overcommitted, accepting more jobs than they are able to deal with in a timely manner. The contractor may then postpone their requests for permits or inspections, but place responsibility for the delay on the City. We encourage all of our residents to act as informed consumers, to make sure they hire a licensed, reputable contractor with knowledge of our area's strict building codes. As a City, we are working diligently to uphold these codes, thereby protecting public health and safety.

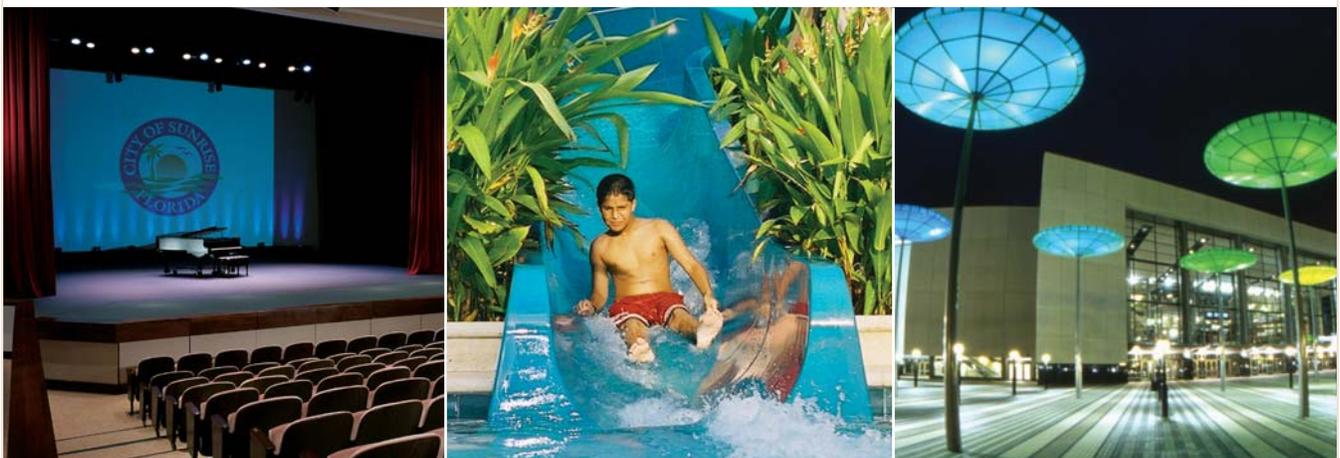
To help keep Sunrise safe in 2006, this issue includes a six-page Hurricane Preparedness Guide with useful information about what to do before, during and after a storm. The guide addresses a variety of topics - from what to stock in your hurricane kit, to how to prepare your swimming pool. I hope you'll take a moment to review this information - and revisit your own family's hurricane plan.

Sunrise magazine also outlines some of the efforts the City has made to enhance its hurricane preparedness. One key step is the recent funding of Sunrise's own Office of Emergency Management. To our knowledge, we are the first municipality in Broward County to take this step with regard to disaster planning and response.

But there's so much to see and do in Sunrise, I urge you to not let your summer be defined by hurricane season. All of our City parks are open, and extended hours are in effect at pools citywide - making this the perfect time to try out the new family pool at the Civic Center. This pool features a curving water slide for school-age children, and a ramp-like "zero entry" slope for toddlers.

If air-conditioned comfort is more your style, visit the Civic Center Theatre and Art Gallery. You'll also find plenty of entertainment options at the BankAtlantic Center; world class shopping at Sawgrass Mills and its recently opened, upscale expansion, The Colonnade; and many wonderful restaurants throughout Sunrise.

On behalf of our great City, I wish you a safe and enjoyable summer.



Photos: (left to right) Civic Center Theatre, Sunrise Civic Center Family Pool and Water Slide and the BankAtlantic Center

UPSCALE DEVELOPMENTS SHAPE CITY'S SKYLINE

Two exciting residential projects are under development in Sunrise - attracting new residents and cementing the City's growing reputation as the heart of western Broward County. These attractive, resort-style communities are cornerstones in the City's polished urban landscape.

"Projects like Tao and Artesia are the culmination of more than a decade of thinking about, planning for, and working toward the goal of creating a suburban downtown that will draw people to our community," said **Commissioner Joseph Scutto**.

Artesia, an upscale community of 1,400 luxury residences, is under construction at the southwest corner of Flamingo Road and West Oakland Park Boulevard. Developed by award-winning Minto Communities, Inc., Artesia will capture the color and character of such iconic resort towns as Portofino, Italy, and Marbella, Spain. A new linear park (details below) will border the property, bringing enjoyment to all area residents.



Tao Condominiums

Tao is comprised of two 26-story condominium towers being constructed along Flamingo Road, just south of Panther Parkway. When completed, Tao - a Chinese term meaning "the way" - will feature nearly 400 residences with sunset views, as well as a fitness center and a comfortable sports/recreation lounge.

In recognition of its excellence, Tao Condominiums was named **Florida's 2006 Luxury Residential High Rise Project of the Year** in May 2006 by the Developers and Builders Alliance (DBA). Selection criteria for this prestigious award included the project's overall impact in the community, technical excellence (building structure, architectural and interior design), and innovative design and construction.

"These high-profile communities complement other development in our City - from the recently completed Colonnade expansion at Sawgrass Mills, to the new branch library and multi-purpose center planned along Sunset Strip in original Sunrise. Collectively, these projects serve to improve the appeal of our City - and the quality of life of all our residents," said **Patrick Salerno, Sunrise City Manager**.

NEW LINEAR PARK UNDER DEVELOPMENT

LANDSCAPED PATHS WILL ENHANCE KEY CITY ENTRANCEWAY

Construction has begun on a new linear park that will beautify one of the City's most traveled entry corridors. The 13+-acre park - located along the southwest corner of Flamingo Road and NW 136th Avenue, adjacent to the new Artesia residential project - is being built by Artesia's developer, Minto Communities, Inc. The new park will be complete by the end of this year.

Plans call for two looped walking paths - one along West Oakland Park Boulevard, and one along Flamingo Road - as well as the construction of gazebos and benches.

"This park will be a wonderful resource for the community and benefit the quality of life for nearby neighborhoods," said **Commissioner Sheila Alu**.

The park's landscaping will complement the median enhancements recently completed along Flamingo Road between NW 136th Avenue and West Oakland Park Boulevard, as well as the extension of West Oakland Park Boulevard between Flamingo Road and the Sawgrass Expressway. These streetscape improvements feature an attractive variety of plant material, including live oaks, royal palms and coconut palms.

Under the terms of its development agreement with the City of Sunrise, Minto is responsible for constructing a passive linear park with a value of at least \$550,000. Minto will also be required to reimburse Sunrise for the ongoing cost of maintaining the park, which is being built on City-owned land.

PROJECT LIFESAVER - WHEN EVERY MOMENT COUNTS

Alzheimer's caregivers in our City will soon have much-needed peace of mind. Project Lifesaver, an innovative, rapid response program designed to help recover wandering patients, is nearing implementation in Sunrise - thanks in large part to a \$10,000 contribution from Sawgrass Mills.

"Alzheimer's is a growing problem among the elder population," said **Deputy Mayor Irwin Harlem**, the catalyst behind both the program's Sunrise rollout and the Sawgrass Mills donation. "With the help of this generous contribution, the City can implement Project Lifesaver, and subsidize the cost of equipment and supplies for Sunrise families who couldn't otherwise afford this safeguard."

Patients enrolled in Project Lifesaver wear a small, personalized wristband that emits a tracking signal. Should these patients roam from their place of residence, the wristband's signal enables them to be more easily located - often reducing search times from days and hours to just minutes.

"Alzheimer's patients are confused and very vulnerable. When they go missing, every minute counts," said **Police Chief David Boyett**. "Project Lifesaver has a proven track record in 39 states. We look forward to implementing the program in Sunrise and providing our officers with the training they need to save time and save lives."

Project Lifesaver teams are specially trained - not only in search and rescue and the use of the program's electronic tracking equipment, but also in the methods necessary to communicate with an Alzheimer's patient. The City's Project Lifesaver team will know how to approach the patient, gain their trust and put them at ease for the trip home.

"We're pleased to have this opportunity to help fund Project Lifesaver in Sunrise," said **Sawgrass Mills General Manager Octavio Ortiz**. "Alzheimer's is a disease that touches so many, and can put a tremendous burden on caregivers. We believe the program will fill a critical need in the community."

Founded in 1999, Project Lifesaver aids patients and families coping with Alzheimer's and related disorders. The program is endorsed by such organizations as the National Sheriff's Association, the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, and the International Society of Crime Prevention Practitioners. To date, Project Lifesaver claims more than 1,000 rescues nationwide and a 100% success rate in patients' quick, safe return.

Applications for the City's Project Lifesaver program are currently being developed. Interested residents are invited to call the Sunrise Police Department at (954) 746-3383 for more information.

FAQ

How does Project Lifesaver work?

Individuals enrolled in the program wear a bracelet on the wrist or ankle that emits a radio signal every second. A local law enforcement response team utilizes tracking equipment that picks up this signal that is specific and personalized for each individual.

Who can utilize the program?

Any person who has the tendency to wander can benefit from the program. Persons with dementia and related disorders are candidates for the bracelets, as well as children with Down's Syndrome, autism, and other related disorders and medical conditions.

Why should someone participate in Project Lifesaver?

Peace of mind for caregivers is a primary reason for enrollment in the program. It alleviates the anxiety associated with wandering habits of loved ones.

What happens when an enrollee wanders?

The caregiver notifies the local law enforcement agency and a search is initiated using trained and certified tracking personnel. Search times are reduced from hours and days to minutes.

Are there other Project Lifesaver programs?

Project Lifesaver was started in Chesapeake, Virginia and is now in 21 states and Canada. Over 1,000 successful searches have been conducted.



SUNRISE INVESTS IN STORM PREPAREDNESS

For the past several years, southeast Florida has endured challenging hurricane seasons. After being brushed by Frances and Jeanne in 2004 - and feeling the powerful impact of Hurricane Wilma in 2005 - residents know they must take storm preparations seriously. The City of Sunrise has also learned from these experiences, and is committed to enhancing its ability to deliver key services before, during and after a hurricane.

Central to the City's plans is the recent creation of an **Office of Emergency Management**, responsible for developing response procedures and training programs; responding to emergencies through the effective use of resources; and coordinating recovery efforts.

Recognizing that conventional communications are often negatively impacted during an emergency, the City is taking steps to safeguard its ability to relay information to residents, staff and outside agencies. These steps include the purchase of a **satellite-based communications system** that will provide telephone and Internet access in the event of an emergency. This system will allow the City to reach out to residents who still have phone service, as well as to other emergency response agencies. Additionally, it will help Sunrise workers keep in contact and dispatch resources where and when they're needed most.

Sunrise has also authorized the purchase of an **AM radio station** that will provide residents with a constant, uninterrupted source of City-specific information in the event of an emergency.

"After Wilma, it became apparent to the City that we needed to be as effective as possible in our efforts to communicate essential information to residents," said **Commissioner Donald Rosen**. "Since, we hope residents have a portable battery-powered radio as part of their hurricane preparation efforts, radio broadcasts are an effective way to disseminate valuable information to them in a timely manner."

The emergency radio station - to be located at **1610 on the AM dial** - will broadcast 24-hours a day, seven days a week. The station will be equipped with a backup power system, enabling it to continue to operate even if power is lost. While the radio station's primary purpose will be to deliver instructions and other important

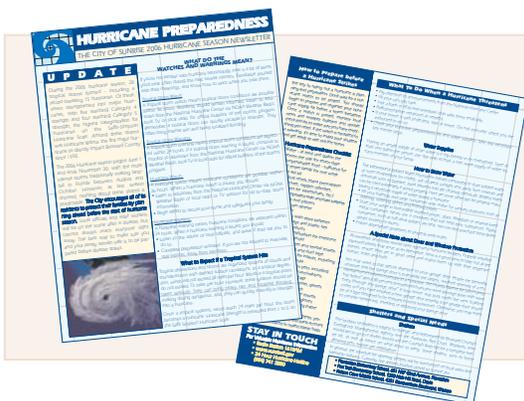
information in the event of an emergency, during normal operations the City will use the channel to inform residents about upcoming events and programs in Sunrise. The station is expected to be operational by late summer.

Another significant communication source developed by the City is its **Hurricane Information Line** - (954) 741-2580. The Line, which will be staffed only immediately prior to, during and after a storm, will provide callers with details regarding City services and facilities, as well as emergency relief efforts. Comprehensive information will also be available online at www.sunrisefl.gov.

The City has also made upgrades to **The Communicator** - a high-speed notification system designed to alert utility customers to water utility outages and other emergencies. Using this system, the City can rapidly contact utility customers by telephone to issue precautionary boil water orders or other important information.

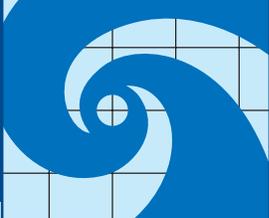
The loss of FPL power in the wake of a storm - and the operational difficulties it poses - is being addressed in Sunrise. In order to help maintain the proper flow of wastewater throughout its utilities service area, the City has purchased 18 new **emergency generators** - more than doubling its supply. These mobile generators can be rotated among the Utilities Department's lift station pumps, enhancing Sunrise's ability to respond to power outages similar to or more extensive than those caused by Hurricane Wilma.

Sunrise also authorized the purchase of a **diesel fuel supply truck** with a 2,700-gallon capacity. This enables the City to deliver fuel directly to generators in the field, supporting its efforts to provide continuous service. The City of Sunrise is the first utility in Broward County with this important fuel-delivery capability.



The facing six-page insert includes valuable information regarding hurricane preparation and recovery.

Keep this pull-out section with your emergency supplies and refer to it before, during and after a storm.



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

THE CITY OF SUNRISE 2006 HURRICANE SEASON NEWSLETTER

UPDATE

During the 2005 hurricane season, 28 tropical storms formed - including a record-breaking 15 hurricanes. Of these, seven strengthened into major hurricanes, with five reaching Category 4 strength and four reaching Category 5 strength, the highest categorization for hurricanes on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Scale. Among these storms was Hurricane Wilma, the first major hurricane to directly impact Broward County since 1950.

The 2006 Hurricane season began June 1 and ends November 30, with the more intense storms traditionally making land-fall in Florida between August and October. However, as last season showed, nothing about these storms is predictable. **The City encourages all of its residents to protect their families by planning ahead before a storm threatens.** Local officials and relief workers will be on the scene after a disaster, but cannot always reach everyone right away. The best way to make sure you and your family remain safe is to be prepared before disaster strikes.



WHAT DO THE WATCHES AND WARNINGS MEAN?

If you're not familiar with hurricane terminology, here is a list of terms you'll hear often during the next several months. Familiarize yourself with their meanings, and know how to react when you hear them.

Tropical Storm Watch

A tropical storm watch means tropical storm conditions are possible within 36 hours. Residents should remain informed. Listen to advisories from the National Hurricane Center via NOAA Weather Radio, local TV or local radio for official bulletins of the storm's progress. Remember a tropical storm can quickly escalate in strength. They often bring intense rain and heavy localized flooding.

Tropical Storm Warning

A tropical storm warning means tropical storm conditions are expected within 24 hours. If a tropical storm warning is issued, continue to monitor to advisories from the National Hurricane Center via NOAA Weather Radio, local TV or local radio for official bulletins of the storm's progress.

Hurricane Watch

A hurricane watch means hurricane conditions are possible within 36 hours. When a hurricane watch is issued, you should:

- Listen to advisories from the National Hurricane Center via NOAA Weather Radio or local radio or TV stations for up-to-date storm information.
- Begin efforts to secure your home and safeguard your family.

Hurricane Warning

A hurricane warning means hurricane conditions are expected within 24 hours. When a hurricane warning is issued, you should:

- Listen to the advice of local officials, and leave if they tell you to do so.
- Complete preparation activities. If you are not advised to evacuate, stay indoors, away from windows.

What to Expect if a Tropical System Hits

Tropical depressions and storms are organized systems of clouds and thunderstorms with defined surface circulations. In a tropical depression, winds will not exceed 38 miles per hour. Winds in a tropical storm do not exceed 73 miles per hour. However, these systems should be taken seriously. They can bring heavy rain and localized flooding, making driving dangerous. Also, they can quickly intensify in strength into a hurricane.

Once a tropical system's winds reach 74 miles per hour, the storm becomes a hurricane. Hurricane Strength is measured from 1 to 5 on the Saffir Simpson Hurricane Scale.

How to Prepare before a Hurricane Strikes

The key to riding out a hurricane is planning and preparation. Don't wait for a hurricane watch to be posted. You should begin to prepare and organize your hurricane supply kit before a storm threatens. Once a watch is posted, monitor local news and weather bulletins and double check this list to make sure you have everything you need. If the watch is escalated to a warning, it's time to install your shutters and get ready to ride out the storm.

Hurricane Preparedness Checklist

- Water - at least one gallon per person per day for seven days
- Nonperishable food - sufficient for the entire family for one week
- First aid kit
- Medical needs (extra prescription medicines, oxygen cylinders, batteries for wheelchairs, etc.)
- Battery-operated radio and extra batteries
- Blankets and pillows
- Manual can opener
- Extra cash
- Flashlights with extra batteries
- Garbage bags and plastic ties
- Hygiene products.
- Personal identification for everyone in your household
- Moist towelettes and several towels
- Plastic sheeting and duct tape
- Special supplies for infants, including diapers and formula
- Special supplies for pets, including pet food, proof of vaccinations, collars and animal tags
- Crayons, coloring books, games and small toys for kids
- Toilet paper and paper towels
- Utility knife and work gloves
- Pens, pencils and writing paper
- Photos of valuables
- Copies of insurance documents, personal ID, credit card and bank account numbers placed in sealed plastic bags

STAY IN TOUCH

For Valuable Hurricane Information

- Radio Station 1610AM
- www.sunrisefl.gov
- 24-Hour Hurricane Hotline-(954) 741-2580

What To Do When a Hurricane Threatens

- Pay attention to announcements from the National Hurricane Center.
- Fill your car's gas tank.
- Visit a bank or ATM and withdraw cash with some small bills.
- Refill prescription medicines as needed.
- If your home is well protected, stay at home. Do not evacuate unless you are instructed to do so.
- Check your hurricane preparedness kit and water supplies. Take any necessary last minute steps.

Water Supplies

Having an ample supply of clean water is a top priority in an emergency. Store at least one gallon per person, per day with at least a one-week supply of water for each member of your family.

How to Store Water

The International Bottled Water Association advises consumers to store bottled water at room temperature (or cooler), out of direct sunlight and away from solvents and chemicals such as gasoline, paint thinners and dry cleaning chemicals. Bottled water can be used indefinitely if stored properly. Here are some other tips for properly maintaining a necessary supply of water during a hurricane:

- Fill your bathtub and large containers with water for sanitary purposes such as bathing, washing dishes and flushing toilets.
- Store your water in thoroughly washed plastic, glass, fiberglass or enamel-lined metal containers. Never use a container that has held toxic substances. Plastic containers, such as soft drink bottles, are best. You can also purchase food-grade plastic buckets or drums.
- Follow appropriate guidelines to properly treat water.

A Special Note about Door and Window Protection

All windows and doors should have approved hurricane shutters. Properly installed plywood panels may serve as an alternative. Now is a good time to take out all the panels, ensure they are in good order and match them up with their respective screws, holes and bolts.

You may want to pay special attention to your garage door. People are generally unaware that the garage door is potentially the largest, weakest opening of a residential home's exterior envelope to a hurricane. The Florida Alliance for Safe Homes has stated "about 80 percent of residential hurricane wind damage starts with wind entry through the garage door." If your home was built under the new building codes or if you have installed a new garage door recently, your garage door should be of a type designed to be resistant to most hurricanes. Otherwise, you may want to consider reinforcing, shielding or replacing your garage door.

Shelters and Special Needs

Shelters

The location of shelters is subject to change, and determined by Broward County's Emergency Management Agency and the American Red Cross. Residents who would like to go to a shelter should visit the County's Web site for a complete shelter list, as well as advice on what items to bring. Some shelters, such as those allowing pets, require pre-registration.

In general, the schedule for opening shelters will be announced on local radio and television stations. Currently, the shelters located closest to Sunrise are:

- Plantation Elementary School, 651 NW 42nd Avenue, Plantation
- Fox Trail Elementary School, 1250 Nob Hill Road, Davie
- Falcon Cove Middle School, 4251 Bonaventure Boulevard, Weston

Special Needs

Broward County operates a Special Needs Shelter Program for qualified residents in an evacuation area in the event of a hurricane. Special needs residents are defined as persons with health-related problems who do not qualify for admission to a public shelter operated by the American Red Cross due to the nature of their health care needs. If you feel you qualify for a special needs shelter: **YOU MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE, BEFORE A STORM THREAT.** Call Broward County Elderly and Veterans Services Division at 954-537-2888 or TDY 954-537-2882.

Special Advice for Senior & Special Needs Residents

Advance preparation is essential for senior citizens. Shelters should be a last resort in your evacuation plans because many cannot accommodate people with special needs or provide the attention you may require. Here are some things to consider:

- Plan on taking care of yourself without electricity. If someone assists in your care, they may not be available right before and directly after the storm. Make other arrangements beforehand or go stay with a friend or relative.

- During a power outage, elevators will not work. If you live on an upper floor of a condominium or apartment building, consider asking if you can stay with a friend on a lower floor.
- During the high winds associated with a hurricane or tropical storm, there may come a time when public safety and other emergency vehicles can no longer remain on the road. Should the City suspend public safety operations to protect the well being of emergency personnel, we would not be able to assist you.
- If you are elderly, frail, or a person with disabilities and have friends or relatives who can help you with your property, housing and welfare, contact them now so that they can factor your needs into their hurricane planning.
- Make a list of prescribed medications, and make sure you have one month's supply on hand. You should also make copies of the prescriptions. Your pharmacy's records may not be available right away.
- If you normally require a special diet, make sure you have at least three day's supply of it in containers that will be easy to open. If you are staying with a friend or relative, make sure you bring food with you.
- Transfer to a manual wheelchair if you are in a battery operated one. You may not be able to recharge the batteries in a power outage.
- Make sure family members know your hurricane plan and how to reach you after the storm.
- If you have medical aids such as wheelchairs, walkers, canes, toilet seats, etc., label them with your name, address and phone number. This will be helpful in the event you need to be evacuated to a facility where many people are using similar medical supplies.
- With the approach of an oncoming storm, the City of Sunrise's Utilities Department will begin using free chlorine in its drinking water treatment system to provide additional protection. This free chlorination could cause problem for patients on kidney dialysis whose equipment may be impacted by the change in water treatment. The Utilities Department maintains a list of patients within our water service area who would need to be notified in the event of free chlorination. If you have special medical needs and must register with the Utilities Department, please call (954) 888-6065 or (954) 888-6072.



	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4	Category 5
Amount of Expected Damage	Minimal. Damage to shrubs, trees and mobile homes. Little or no building damage. May see some coastal flooding.	Moderate. Some damage to roofs, windows and doors. Downed trees and signs. Considerable damage to vegetation and mobile homes.	Extensive. Some structural damage to residences and buildings. Major damage to mobile homes, trees, vegetation and signage. Coastal flooding.	Extreme. Major damage to some buildings. Mobile homes destroyed. Inland flooding possible.	Catastrophic. Major roof and structure failures on many residences. Some complete building failures. Major flooding.
Barometric Pressure	28.94 inches	28.50 to 28.93 inches	27.91 to 28.49 inches	27.17 to 27.90 inches	Less than 27.17 inches
Winds	74 to 95 miles per hour	96 to 110 miles per hour	111 to 130 miles per hour	131 to 155 miles per hour	In excess of 155 miles per hour.
Expected Storm Surge	6 to 8 feet	6 to 8 feet	9 to 12 feet	13 to 18 feet	Higher than 18 feet

What to Do During a Storm

The first and most important rule to follow during a hurricane is **don't go outside!** Be aware that the calm "eye" is deceptive; the storm is not over. The worst part of the storm will happen once the eye passes over and the winds blow from the opposite direction. Hurricanes can also spawn dangerous unexpected tornadoes.

Use the phone for emergencies only. Monitoring local television or radio reports can provide the latest storm information. Do not call 911 for information -- only call to report an emergency. **For information on City services, Sunrise residents can call (954) 741-2580. This number will be staffed 24 hours per day during and after the storm.**

During the high winds associated with a hurricane or tropical storm, emergency responders have to make the tough decision about when it is no longer safe for public safety and other emergency vehicles to remain on the road. Wind speeds that exceed tropical storm force make it difficult to control high profile vehicles, posing a danger to the safety of emergency personnel. At some point during a hurricane, the City may have to suspend public safety operations to protect the well being of emergency personnel. We would not be able to assist you during this time period. For your safety, please remain indoors.



Power Outages

During a storm, power outages are very common. Residents who are fortunate enough to not lose power during a storm are encouraged to follow energy conservation measures to keep the use of electricity as low as possible. This can help avoid creating an overwhelming demand on the system, and prevent the need for rolling blackouts.

Top Safety Tips for a Blackout

- Use a flashlight or a lantern for emergency lighting.
- Turn off electrical equipment you were using when the power went out. When power comes back on, it may come back with momentary "surges" or "spikes" that can damage equipment such as computers and motors in appliances like the air conditioner, refrigerator, washer or furnace. Leave one light turned on so you'll know when your power returns.
- Avoid opening the refrigerator and freezer in order to keep your food as fresh as possible. If you must eat food that was refrigerated or frozen, check it carefully for signs of spoilage.
- Do not run a generator inside a home or garage.
- Due to the extreme risk of fire, do not use candles during a power outage.

Keeping Food at Safe Temperatures

Power outages also create concerns regarding the safety of refrigerated foods. As a general guideline, perishable foods should not be held above 40 degrees for more than two hours. By planning ahead, you can save your perishables.

What You'll Need

- One or more coolers. Inexpensive styro-foam coolers are fine.

- Stock enough food for at least three to seven days. It is important to include shelf-stable foods, such as canned goods and powdered or boxed milk. Your supply should also include special foods for infants or elderly household members.
- A digital quick-response thermometer. With these thermometers, you can quickly check the internal temperatures of food for doneness and safety.
- A non-electric can opener.
- Cooking tools and fuel.
- Paper plates and plastic utensils.

What To Do

- Do not open the refrigerator or freezer. According to the American Red Cross, an unopened refrigerator should keep foods cold enough for several hours. A freezer that is half full will hold for up to 24 hours and a full freezer for 48 hours.
- If you have space in your refrigerator or freezer, consider filling plastic containers with water, leaving about an inch of space inside each one. (Water expands as it freezes, so it is important to leave room in the container for the expanded water.) Place the containers in the refrigerator and freezer. This chilled or frozen water will help keep food cold if the power goes out.
- If you use medication that requires refrigeration, most can be kept in a closed refrigerator for several hours without a problem. If you are unsure, check with your physician or pharmacist before the storm.
- If it looks like the power outage will be for more than four hours, pack refrigerated medications, dairy products, meats, fish, poultry, eggs and leftovers into a cooler surrounded by ice or freezer packs.
- If it looks like the power outage will be prolonged, prepare a cooler with ice for your freezer items.

FAQ

What should be discarded after a power outage?

As soon as the power returns, check the internal temperature of the food in your refrigerator with your quick-response thermometer. If the food in the freezer has ice crystals and is not above 40 degrees, you should be able to refreeze it. Perishable foods in the refrigerator should not be above 40 degrees for more than two hours. If the internal temperature is above 40 degrees, it's best to throw it out.

After the Storm

There are steps that you can take to protect the safety of you and your family after the storm. Here are a few:

- Stay inside, if possible. Downed power lines and flooded streets are just two dangers posed after a hurricane strikes. Don't let your curiosity override your safety!
- Eliminate unnecessary travel, especially by car. Gas may be difficult to find after a storm and traffic signals may be damaged. Traffic signals may also fail during a power outage, creating traffic congestion.
- Follow guidelines to keep food at safe temperatures.
- If it is hot outside, take steps to remain cool. Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing. To avoid dehydration, drink plenty of water, even if you do not feel thirsty.
- Never burn charcoal or use a barbecue grill for cooking indoors.
- Exercise caution when using a generator. Never use a generator inside a home or garage.

Two Ways to Treat Water

As the result of an emergency such as a hurricane, water can become contaminated with microorganisms, such as bacteria, sewage, agricultural or industrial waste, chemicals and other substances that can cause illness. **Listen to and follow public announcements that will let you know if your tap water is safe to drink or to use for cooking or bathing.** You should treat all water of uncertain purity before using it for drinking, food preparation or hygiene. There are many ways to treat water, however, often the best solution is a combination of methods.

Boiling Water

Boiling water, when practical, is the preferred way to kill harmful bacteria and parasites. Bring water to a rolling boil for three to five minutes, keeping in mind that some water will evaporate. Let the water cool before drinking. Boiled water will taste better if you put oxygen back into it by pouring the water back and forth between two clean containers. This will also improve the taste of stored water.

During a natural disaster, however, boiling water may not be possible due to a lack of power (although City of Sunrise natural gas customers may enjoy uninterrupted use of their appliances). If a boil water is issued but you are unable to do so, the Broward County Health Department recommends that you disinfect your drinking water.



Chemical Disinfection

Tap water can be disinfected by adding eight drops of unscented household bleach to each gallon of water, then mixing the water and allowing it to stand for a minimum period of 30 minutes. Use only regular household liquid bleach that contains 5.25 percent sodium hypochlorite. Do not use scented bleaches, colorsafe bleaches or bleaches with added cleaners. To disinfect cloudy water, add 16 drops of bleach per gallon of water, stir and let stand for 60 minutes. If the water does not have a slight bleach odor, repeat the dosage and let stand another 15 minutes. The Health Department also recommends the use of approved chemical disinfectants available at stores that sell camping and hiking supplies.

A Hurricane's Effect on Trees

When hurricanes strike land, along with damage to property such as buildings, cars, fences and power lines, they also cause damage to trees in the urban forest. During Hurricane Wilma, Broward County lost an estimated 30 percent of its tree canopy. Surprisingly, fallen trees were frequently seen side-by-side with trees that appeared unaffected by the winds. According to studies conducted by the University of Florida (UF), this varied wind resistance by different trees may have been due to many factors such as tree age, size, health, location and species.

When trees are damaged during a hurricane, they are usually uprooted, broken at the trunk or exhibit significant damage to the crown, which is defined as having greater than 50 percent

of the branches broken. Many trees experience de-leafing, where leaves are literally blown away by a hurricane's fast moving wind. The good news is that most trees that experience de-leafing will send up a new generation of leaves within a short period of time.

Generally, trees that have been damaged in past hurricanes exhibited one or more of the following characteristics:

- They were non-native trees unsuited by nature to withstand strong winds.
- They were installed in the wrong place.
- They were planted improperly or had poor structure.

While there is no magical, "hurricane proof" tree, healthy, well-maintained trees have a much better chance at surviving tropi-

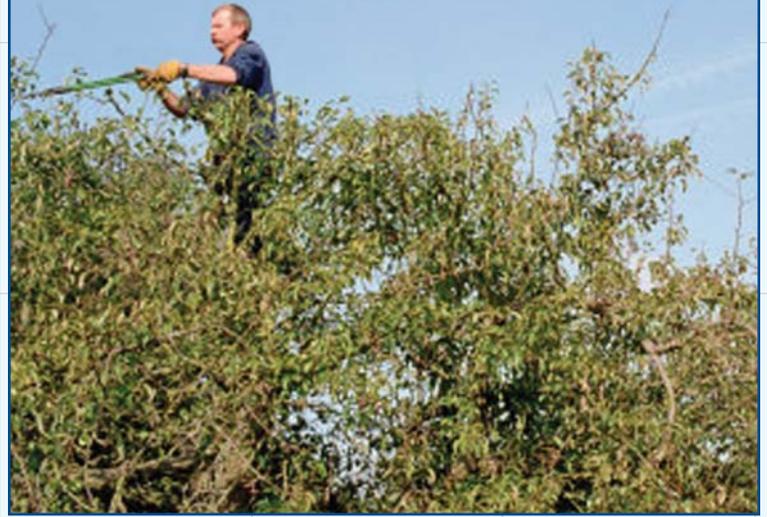
cal winds. Additionally, studies by major universities such as UF and Louisiana State University have suggested that several species have survived well during past storms. The UF study indicates that live oaks have performed well, surviving the devastating winds of Hurricanes Camille in 1969 and Andrew in 1992. Sabal palms also withstood Camille and Andrew and - according to the study - was the only tree "immune to hurricane-force winds" of Hugo in South Carolina in 1989.

Experts seem to agree that native species - particularly those with wide spreading branches, low centers of gravity, strong deep penetrating root systems and small leaf size - seem to hold up better in tropical storms.

Tips to Prepare Trees for Hurricane Season

- Remove weak and diseased trees.
- Prune and thin trees to give them a lower center of gravity and to lessen leaf mass.
- Plant trees in groups and add shrubs around to trees deflect wind upwards.

Prune and thin trees to prepare for hurricane season.



Prepare and Protect Your Pool

According to the Associated Swimming Pool Industries of Florida, a local group of swimming pool builders, service companies, wholesale distributors and manufacturers, you should take the following steps to protect your pool in the event of a hurricane:

Before the Storm

- There is no need to lower your pool's water level. The pool may overflow if there is an excess of rainfall. However, it should not create a threat to your home. A patio or grassy area would probably create the same level of flooding. Never completely drain your pool! If you do lower the water level, be sure to close your skimmer valve to prevent damage to the pump when the power is turned on.
- Turn off all electrical power to the swimming pool. This includes power to the pump, motor, lighting, chlorinators, etc.
- If your filter pump is in an unsheltered area, have the motor removed and stored or wrap it with a waterproof membrane or plastic bag and tie it securely in place to prevent debris and driving water from entering the motor. Tie down the pump box lid, if present.
- Remove all loose items from the pool area. It is not advisable to throw patio furniture or accessories into the pool. Furniture may chip and damage the pool finish and the chemicals in the water will have an adverse effect on the furniture.
- Add extra chlorine to the pool to prevent contamination. The water in your pool can provide a handy source of water for washing and flushing if your house water supply fails.
- Remove and store any removable child safety fences. Install the fence deck caps.

After the Storm

- Replace any child safety fences. Store the deck caps for future use.
- Do not empty the pool. High ground water can cause structural damage to an empty pool by causing it to pop (float) out of the ground.
- Superchlorinate the pool water. Remove as much of the organic debris (leaves, etc.) with a rake and skimmer as soon as possible as it rapidly consumes chlorine. When the chlorine residual returns to normal, test the water for proper balance. Heavy rain upsets mineral balance needed for the protection of your equipment and pool finish.
- Remove all debris from pool with a rake and skimmer **before** re-starting the system to prevent clogged lines.
- Some chemical feeders require special care before starting the pump motor.
- Remove any wrapping around the pump motor. If the motor has been submerged, it should be removed for professional cleaning and drying out. If the pump has remained dry, turn on the electricity.
- Check to make certain the pump is operating normally and that the water is circulating in the pool. Reset time clocks to show the correct time of day.
- Run the filter until water is crystal clear and resume normal pool operation.

MONTHLY BULK TRASH COLLECTION

Since April 2006, Sunrise residents have benefited from improvements to the City's curbside garbage and recycling collection service. One of the most significant enhancements is the increased frequency of bulk trash pick-up - which now takes place every month (12 times per year) rather than every other month (six times per year).

Please consult the map on this page for information regarding your neighborhood's regular collection week. Guidelines for bulk trash pick-up are as follows:

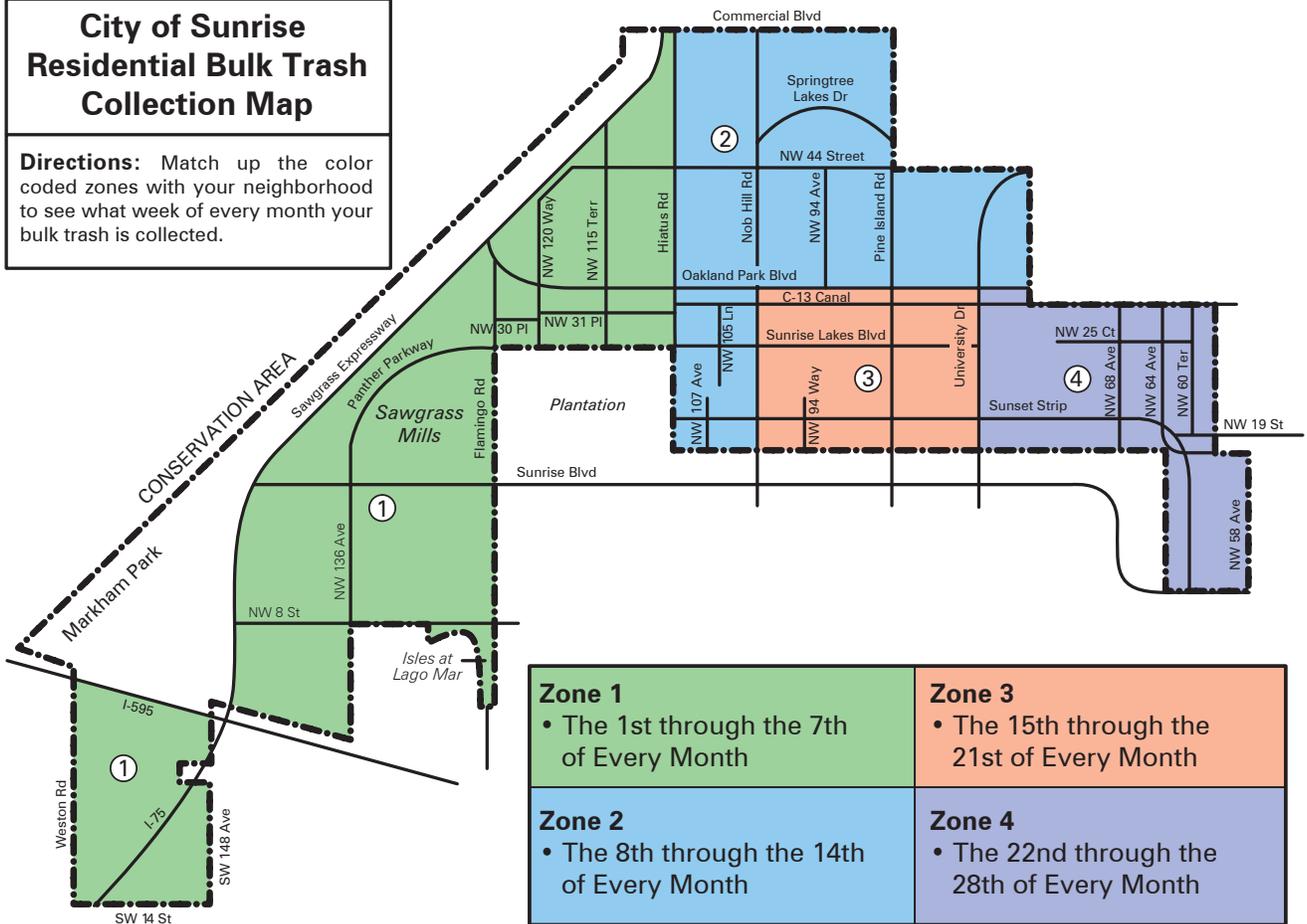
- Bulk trash is defined as such household items as couches, chairs, mattresses, tables, appliances, carpeting, fencing and large yard waste.
- For health, regulatory and safety reasons, the City will not accept the following for collection: construction, remodeling or demolition debris, including all concrete materials and bricks or brickwork; automobile bodies, engines, transmissions, batteries or other parts; horticultural materials from commercial lawn/yard services or other commercial operations; loose items, including unbundled trimmings, tree branches, lumber, etc.
- Hazardous materials will not be accepted. Additionally, collection crews will not move hazardous items out of the way in order to pick up acceptable items.

- Rugs, carpets, padding and fencing must be rolled and securely tied.
- Trimmings, tree branches, lumber and metal poles must be cut into sections no longer than four feet and tied into bundles no heavier than 50 pounds.
- Bulk items must be placed curbside no later than 6:00 a.m. on the first bulk trash pick-up day, but no earlier than 7:00 p.m. the previous evening.
- Bulk items may not be placed on, near or against mailboxes, utility poles or fences.

For more information regarding the City's enhanced garbage service, please call All Service Refuse at (954) 583-1830, or visit the Sunrise Web site online at www.sunrisefl.gov.

City of Sunrise Residential Bulk Trash Collection Map

Directions: Match up the color coded zones with your neighborhood to see what week of every month your bulk trash is collected.



To ensure that your bulk trash is collected, all bulk trash items must be placed at curbside for collection no later than 6:00 a.m. on the first collection day for your zone.

SUNRISE HONORS THE MEMORY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

CEREMONY AND FILM SCREENING MARK ANNUAL OBSERVANCE

The City of Sunrise invites all residents to attend an early morning Remembrance Ceremony on Monday, September 11 - the fifth anniversary of the infamous terrorist attacks on America. The ceremony is scheduled for 8:00 a.m. at the Sunrise Civic Center Amphitheatre, located at 10610 West Oakland Park Boulevard. "It's important that our community have a special means of commemorating the tragic events of September 11, 2001," said **Commissioner Joseph Scutto**.



In 2005, the City held a twilight ceremony and lit candles in honor of the victims and heroes of September 11. This year, the solemn occasion will be marked by the singing of the national anthem, the presentation of colors and remarks by distinguished speakers. The ceremony is free and open to the public.

On Saturday, September 16, the City will present a special showing of "**Underground Zero.**" This thought-provoking movie about September 11 is culled from the contributions of more than 100 experimental and documentary filmmakers. Their collective work is surprising, touching and real. The screening will be held at 8:00 p.m. at the Sunrise Civic Center Theater, located at 10610 West Oakland Park Boulevard. General admission tickets are just \$5.00. For ticket information, please call (954) 747-4646.

CIVIC CENTER THEATRE COMING ATTRACTIONS

Who says culture has to be costly? You can enjoy quality entertainment at an affordable price at the Sunrise Civic Center Theatre, located at 10610 West Oakland Park Boulevard. To purchase tickets or learn more about other upcoming events, please contact the Theatre Box Office at (954) 747-4646 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



NEW SOUNDS SERIES

THE JAMES MCCOY BAND

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5 AT 8 P.M.

TICKETS: \$12 ADULT, \$10 STUDENT,

\$10 SERIES SUBSCRIPTION, \$7 CHILD - RESERVED SEATING

This versatile trio plus vocals has an electric presence and a smooth, soaring sound. Don't miss their renditions of jazz, soul and gospel favorites.

MARC ELIOT IN CONCERT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, AT 8:00 P.M.

TICKETS: \$12 ADULT, \$10 STUDENT,

\$10 SERIES SUBSCRIPTION, \$7 CHILD - RESERVED SEATING

Join us for a congenial evening of great music in good

company! Marc Eliot and his trio - popular figures on the South Florida circuit - deliver Broadway favorites along with the standards of Sinatra and Jolson.

BRAZILIAN VOICES

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, AT 8:00 P.M.

TICKETS: \$12 ADULT, \$10 STUDENT,

\$10 SERIES SUBSCRIPTION, \$7 CHILD - RESERVED SEATING

This outstanding female choral group sings together to promote mutual understanding and cultural exchange. Their rhythmic sounds incorporate samba, sultry Brazilian and American jazz, and popular music.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

On Tuesday, August 1, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the City of Sunrise Police Department will host its annual crime-prevention awareness observance - National Night Out Against Crime. Join your neighbors at this year's event, which will be held at the Village Civic Center, 6800 Sunset Strip.

National Night Out will feature displays highlighting crime prevention information. Child fingerprinting, free car clubs and gunlocks will also be available. Home Depot will sponsor a Kids Clinic and the Police Department will present a K-9 demonstration. For the enjoyment of Sunrise's smallest citizens, there will be a bounce house, clown face painting and an appearance by McGruff the Crime Dog. Free food and refreshments will be served and there will be a live band.

Under a program initiated by **Deputy Mayor Irwin Harlem** in 2005, parents will also have the opportunity to pick up a free **DNA LifePrint Kit**, which allows parents to obtain and secure a sample of their child's DNA.

National Night Out is observed annually in communities throughout the country. The event helps raise crime prevention awareness, as well as strengthen relationships between neighborhoods and the police. Programs like National Night Out reflect the Department's year-round commitment to curbing crime and improving the quality of life in Sunrise. For more information, call (954) 746-3384.



Successful Community Policing and Crime Prevention Efforts Make Sunrise One of Florida's Safest Cities With a Population Over 75,000

The Police Department's community policing and crime prevention efforts are meeting with success: According to the most recent "America's Safest Cities" list, Sunrise is the fifth-safest Florida municipality. The only cities in the state to achieve higher ratings are Coral Springs, Port St. Lucie, Pembroke Pines and Cape Coral. The list is based on data released by the FBI.

SUNRISE SCHOOLS MAKE THE GRADE

Eight of the ten public schools in Sunrise received an "A" grade, based on student performance on the 2006 Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). Top performers in 2006 included: Banyan Elementary School; Horizon Elementary School; Nob Hill Elementary School; Sandpiper Elementary School; Sawgrass Elementary School; Welleby Elementary School; Westpine Elementary School; and Bair Middle School.

"I can't emphasize enough how important strong schools are to the quality of a community," said **Commissioner Sheila Alu**. "Congratulations to all of our Sunrise students and teachers for their hard work! Their efforts were phenomenal."

**DON'T FORGET -
SCHOOL STARTS
AUGUST 14!**

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

SUNRISE BOASTS AN IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF RECREATION OPTIONS

Looking for a great spot to take your kids, take your lunch, take a dip - or just take a break? The City of Sunrise offers a wide variety of parks, pools and sports venues. "We're proud of our range of recreation amenities," said **Commissioner Donald Rosen**. "There's something for residents of all ages and activity levels."

To help you plan your next outdoor excursion, here's a sampling of Leisure Services facilities citywide:

Civic Center Aquatics Complex. The Sunrise Civic Center is home to an Olympic-size competition pool, a children's wading pool with a raindrop waterfall, and the City's newest aquatics addition - an \$1.9 million family-oriented pool with a curving, 23-foot-tall water slide. This new pool is ideal for use by families, and has enabled the City to expand its instructional water safety programming. Extended summer hours are in effect through August 13. 10610 West Oakland Park Boulevard.

Sawgrass Sanctuary. This award-winning 20-acre park and learning center preserves and protects our area's ecological diversity. It features an observation platform, a fishing pier and fishing bank, a 200-foot boardwalk, a hiking/bicycling trail, and interpretive displays identifying the park's native ecosystems. Additional amenities include two picnic pavilions, a concert platform and restrooms. 237 North New River Circle.

Springtree Golf Club. A South Florida favorite for more than 30 years, this 67-acre, par 61 executive golf club boasts a \$4 million Clubhouse, constructed in 2004. The 7,000-square-foot facility features spacious locker rooms, a modern pro shop and a course-view terrace with a dining area. 8150 Springtree Drive.

Sunrise Tennis Club Park. The City's award-winning tennis facility offers 10 Hydrocourt clay courts, four asphalt-based cushioned courts and one Hydrocourt tournament court - as well as lighting and sheltered spectator areas. The Tennis Club also features a clubhouse with a pro shop, players' lounge and locker rooms. The City has funded an expansion which will be used to create a park-like setting - featuring a children's play area and picnic pavilions. 9605 West Oakland Park Boulevard.

Welleby Park. Offering nearly 29 acres of green space, this is the largest City-maintained park in Sunrise. Welleby Park features ten picnic pavilions, a restroom facility and a walking path, as well as an expansive children's playground atop a rubberized safety surface. 11100 NW 44th Street.

A comprehensive list of recreation facilities is available online at www.sunrisefl.gov. For additional information, please call the Leisure Services Department at (954) 747-4600.



Photos: (Clockwise from top left) Civic Center Family Pool, Sunrise Golf Club, Sunrise Tennis Club, Welleby Park and Sawgrass Sanctuary

MORE FULL-SERVICE DINING CHOICES IN SUNRISE

In large part, due to the City's ongoing efforts to attract high-quality amenities, Sunrise's impressive list of full-service restaurants continues to grow: **PF Chang's** has announced its plan to open in Sunrise later this year. This stylish, high-energy bistro, known for its unique Chinese cuisine, will be located in **The Colonnade** - Sawgrass Mills' new upscale expansion.



PF Chang's will join **Grand Lux Café**, already open in The Colonnade. From its marble entry to its richly appointed dining room, the Grand Lux Café is reminiscent of elegant Old World eateries. The restaurant's eclectic menu delivers extraordinary variety, ranging from Caribbean and Asian specialties to American and European favorites.

The Colonnade will also be the site of **Vilaggio**, which promises a refined atmosphere, alfresco dining and wonderful selection of authentic Italian specialties.

ROADWAY ENHANCEMENT PROJECTS

The City of Sunrise has been selected to receive more than \$1 million in funding from the State of Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) for two high-profile streetscape improvement projects. The work will enhance two significant portions of the City's original thoroughfare - Sunset Strip.

The DOT awarded Sunrise more than \$500,000 for the first project segment – Sunset Strip from NW 68th Avenue to University Drive. These funds will be supplemented with a \$170,000 contribution from the City. The scope of the project is expected to include new irrigation and decorative street lighting, landscaping, sidewalk improvements at intersections, and the installation of intersection header curbs.

The second project segment – Sunset Strip from University Drive to Pine Island Road – will be constructed with \$500,000 in DOT funds, combined with \$280,000 from the City. These dollars will be invested in swale landscaping, irrigation, decorative street lighting and an additional shaded shelter for pedestrians and bus passengers.

Combined, these projects represent a \$1.45 million investment in our community. Sunrise is currently moving ahead with plans to select an engineering firm for the design of the enhancements.

"We're looking forward to further enhancing the appearance and function of our original 'main street'," said **Mayor Steven Feren**. "These improvements will not only make traveling the roadway more enjoyable, they will also increase property values for homes in the neighborhoods along Sunset Strip."

In addition to the two new projects, the City has invested approximately \$5.6 million in significant improvements to Sunset Strip in recent years. These enhancements included the reconstruction of nearly 2.5 miles of roadway between University Drive and Hiatus Road, which included roadway surface reconstruction, swale reconfiguration, new median curbing and other improvements.

The City also upgraded the appearance of more than 1.5 miles of right-of-way along Sunset Strip from NW 64th Avenue to Sunrise Boulevard. Over the course of this project, new sod and irrigation were installed, header curbs were constructed at intersections, concrete sidewalks were extended, and swales and driveway aprons were reconstructed. The area also received decorative street lighting, attractive new bus benches and an extensive array of trees.

SUNRISE CELEBRATES THE FOURTH OF JULY

The City's July 4th events were a huge success, thanks to the enthusiasm and patriotism of the residents of Sunrise. Hundreds attended the holiday's traditional kick-off, City Park Fun Night - enjoying rides and refreshments, and cheering as the City of Sunrise defeated the Chamber of Commerce softball team.

The following morning, the annual Fourth of July Parade wound its way through the City, featuring decorated floats, costumed characters, marching bands and representatives from a variety of civic organizations. Participants and spectators alike sported red, white and blue in celebration of the event's theme - "Sparkling Spirit of Sunrise."



That night, residents of all ages gathered at Welleby Park for the City's free concert and fireworks spectacular, featuring musical headliners The Guess Who. "The City of Sunrise is happy to bring a welcome break to the busy lives of our residents with our July 4th events," said **Mayor Steven Feren**. "It's great to see thousands of residents coming together to have a good time."

Steven B. Feren, Mayor

Irwin Harlem, Deputy Mayor; Commissioners Sheila D. Alu, Donald K. Rosen and Joseph A. Scutto


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