



# The City News

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City of Atlantis  
260 Orange Tree Drive  
Atlantis, FL 33462

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OCTOBER 2010

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## THE MAYOR'S CORNER

Dear Residents,

Congratulations to all who made the Fall Festival another great success. Volunteers, participants, and vendors, combined with perfect weather, made for a great event. Thanks to the committee and staff for their hard work.

Fall brings thoughts of great events to come. First we have to consider our health. Remember our annual flu shot clinic and health fair is October 22. Stop by City Hall and get your forms so you can fill them out at your leisure. This will allow more time to interact with all the professionals who will be there.

Now that we have our health, it's time to party! All the gremlins and goblins will be at the Halloween party before livening up the neighborhoods with their excitement. It's always fun to see some of our residents dress up, decorate and enjoy the event as much as the kids.

I've been told that some of our "winter guests" are beginning to sneak back into the City. Welcome back. For those up north still planning their return, be safe. We look forward to seeing many familiar faces between now and the holidays.

Our City is beginning a new fiscal year this month. Last year was trying but very successful thanks to the efforts and sacrifices of our staff. As a preface to beginning a new fiscal year, a "no increase" budget was adopted at the last council meeting. I have full confidence in our Staff but also am con-

cerned over the fact that they are charged with keeping us safe, protected and content with a budget that has not changed in three years. It has been extremely gratifying to have numerous residents tell me that even though they are on fixed incomes they want to be sure that services are not cut. Trust me, we are not cutting services or personnel. A no increase policy has been adopted again, but our great staff remains committed to making things work. We have put off capital expenditures again, but realize that this can only happen for a finite time. As we did this year, we will have to wait until the end of year to determine what, if any, projects can be completed.

I'm sure everyone has noticed new personnel at our gates. This was not due to our new budget. We did not feel that we were getting the service we expected from the existing company. New quotes were received and the bidders were interviewed and selected by a committee comprised of members of our staff. Their final selection was approved by the Council. I ask you again to please contact our Police Department or City Hall Staff immediately if you have concerns or notice actions of concerns by the gate personnel. Everyone can react better if the information is timely and accurate.

Thanks to all for their help and support.

Mayor Mike Dahlgren



**Happy Halloween**

**October 31**

**Please watch**

**For children!**

**Next City Council Meeting is Wednesday,**

**OCTOBER 20, 2010 at  
7:30 pm.**

**Council Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month in the Council Chambers.**

**GET IT FIRST!**

**OUR NEWSLETTER IS  
AVAILABLE ONLINE.  
[www.atlantisfl.gov](http://www.atlantisfl.gov)**

## SOUTH FLORIDA PGA RELOCATES TO ATLANTIS COUNTRY CLUB

**The South Florida Section of the PGA of America is an association of golf professionals whose mission is to promote interest, participation and enjoyment in the game of golf; establish and maintain professional standards or practice; and enhance the well-being of golf professionals.**

One of 41 PGA Section offices throughout the United States, the South Florida Section is one link in the grass-roots network used to facilitate communication amongst the nation's 25 million amateur golfers and the PGA's 28,000 members. The South Florida Section PGA is comprised of over 1,600 men and women PGA Professionals dedicated to growing participation in the game of golf. These members and apprentices are employed at over 425 facilities in the South Florida region, currently ranking South Florida Section the third largest Section of PGA Professionals.

A primary role of the organization is to **promote participation and interest in golf on a professional and amateur level**. This is accomplished through the efforts put forth by all of the club professionals, teaching professionals and touring professionals that comprise the South Florida Section PGA. In addition to conducting programs and activities for its membership, the South Florida PGA offers programs and activities for amateur golfers in the South Florida community as well.

The South Florida PGA offers programs like the very popular Junior Tour, and the discounted amateur summer golf membership, The PGA GolfPass. The PGA GolfPass provides golfers of ALL ages and skill levels to play at over 230 courses for discounted rates each summer. For more information on the Junior Tour or the PGA GolfPass, please visit the website at [sflorida.pga.com](http://sflorida.pga.com).

Formerly located in The PGA of America's national headquarters in Palm Beach Gardens, the South Florida PGA has history of moving. SFPGA spent twenty-five years at the Country Club of Coral Springs, two years at Parkland Golf and Country Club, and two years in Palm Beach Gardens. Purchasing a building for the section and settling into a permanent location is exciting for the membership and staff of the South Florida PGA.

PGA Director of Golf, Todd Leckrone, said, "We at Atlantis welcome the South Florida PGA. We started Atlantis as a golfing community over 50 years ago and this gives us a rededication to our original concept. With two golf courses within the city; one open to the public and the other a private equity club owned by the members, we give prospective golfers many options. Atlantis and the SFPGA both have a passion to introduce golf to the beginner and grow the game. We look forward to a long and successful relationship with the South Florida PGA."

Contact us at South Florida PGA; 186 Atlantis Boulevard. Our phone is 561-729-0544, or visit us on our website at [www.sflorida.pga.com](http://www.sflorida.pga.com).

*Written by: Corrie Edwards, Communications & Marketing Manager  
South Florida PGA*



(L to R) Brian Peaper, Vice President of the SFPGA; Jim Kintz, President of Atlantis Enterprises; Stephen Cox, President of the SFPGA



(Front Row, L to R): Stephen Cox, President of the SFPGA Board of Directors; Brian Peaper, PGA; Geoff Lofstead, Executive Director of the SFPGA. Also pictured: Mayor Pro-Tem Catherine Higgins; Councilmember Manny Fernandez; Councilmember Fred Furtado; Mo Thornton, City Manager of Atlantis; Todd Leckrone, Director of Golf at Atlantis Country Club; and the rest of the South Florida PGA Board members.

Manager's Notes, OCTOBER 2010

Dear Residents:

I hope you were able to join us this past Saturday for the Fall Festival. What a wonderful time we had! I am already looking ahead to the end of the month for the Halloween Party and on to December for the Second Annual Home Decorating Contest and the 18th Annual Holiday on Wheels. This year we will time the judging of the homes to coincide with the Golf Cart Parade. Winners will be announced at the close of the Golf Cart Parade on Monday evening December 13, 2010.

As you are cleaning out the cupboards at the end of hurricane season, please consider donating usable items to the local food pantry. Just bring the items here to City Hall and we will make sure they go to a worthy organization. We will again be collecting food donations at the Golf Cart Parade.

Each year Atlantis participates with the Literacy Coalition in the "Read for the Record" literacy event. This year I will be reading "The Snowy Day" by Ezra Jack Keats to the children at the JFK Child Care Center. Literacy is so important to the education of our young people, and instilling a love for reading starts with the very young. The Literacy Coalition is in need of books for children from birth through five years old. So this year, in addition to the food drive, we will be collecting books for the Literacy Coalition. They need new books for children from birth through five years old. Everyone who donates to this worthwhile cause will be entered into a drawing for a special prize.

Mo Thornton

City Manager

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**FALL FESTIVAL**

The fall festival was a huge success, but it would not be possible without the help of staff, volunteers and sponsors. We'd like to thank Chair Keller Lanahan and Green Market Coordinator Colene Walter for coordinating the event and contacting the vendors, and Richard Brown for organizing the bike route. Registration went smoothly, thanks to the help of Sue Dahlgren, Richard & Jutta McInnes and Joanne Evans. Many thanks to Chief Mangold and his staff, for being sure that our bikers had a fun, safe ride through the city. Special thanks to Steve Mazuk & Matt Wood for setting up, tearing down and doing whatever else was necessary to make the festival run smoothly. Thanks to Pat Matulis for volunteering to sell city souvenirs and to Lionel Velez for being on hand to offer helmets and other biking safety supplies. We also had a lot of help from our teenage volunteers, directed by Isa Moraguez and Diana Fernandez.

We even had help from people outside the city. Child Find was on hand again this year to provide identification cards for children, FDOT delivered free helmets and biking supplies, and Tracey Kouf and her Future Educator's Club offered face painting.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors: **Southern Waste Systems, J. Shelhamer Landscape, IT-Smarts.com, Inc., Stormwater J Engineering and An Old Family Recipe.**

Thanks to all for making our fall festival such a memorable event!

**City News.....**

The City of Atlantis Final Budget Hearing was held at 7:00 pm on September 15, 2010.

Resolution Number 10-21 and 10-22 passed 4-0, setting the millage rate at 7.1639 for 2010-2011, which is necessary to fund the budget. The percentage change is 0% and no services will be cut.

The City of Atlantis Council Meeting followed at 7:30 p.m.

Resolution number 10-23, authorizing the mayor to sign an agreement with JFK Medical Center for Emergency Room Services by our police department, passed 4-0.

It was reported by Vice Mayor David Kintz that council has hired a new guard service company for the security at the three gates as of October 1, 2010.

It was also reported that Atlantis Police will be replacing one of their police vehicles, as the old one requires too many costly repairs.

**William Mitchell**

(official minutes available online at [www.atlantisfl.gov](http://www.atlantisfl.gov))

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**The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office will be accepting Homestead Exemption applications from residents. (All Palm Beach County residents are welcome)**

**Where:** City Council Chambers at 260 Orange Tree Drive.

**When:** The 4th Wednesday of each month, now through December 29, 2010. Time: 11:00 am to noon.

**A copy of your deed and proof of residency is required.**

For further information log on to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's website at: [www.pbcgov.com/PAPA](http://www.pbcgov.com/PAPA), call them at 561-355-2866 or the City Clerk at City Hall 561-965-1744

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**Minimum Property Standards**

Just a reminder, October starts our annual property review for Minimum Property Standards. Look at your property now and see if things need to be straightened up and cleaned up. The following list includes items that will be reviewed.

**Roof** – Clean and in good repair

**House** – Clean and not showing signs of weathering and deterioration. Are there rust stains from the irrigation system? These can be removed by using Rust-Aid or similar products available at the hardware store. Is the garage door painted and in good repair? Is the trim painted and in good condition?

**Driveway** – Is it clean and free of pothole and weeds? Paver brick driveways are susceptible to weed growth. Weeds can be sprayed with Round-up or similar products available at the hardware store.

**Yard** – Are the grass and shrubs adequately maintained? Have the trees been trimmed to present a neat and orderly appearance? Has adequate irrigation been provided? Regardless of water restrictions, it is expected that lawns be kept green and neatly mowed. Is there dead or dying landscape material? Dead landscape material must be replaced within 30 days.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS.....By Chief Robert G. Mangold**

**Traffic Enforcement:** The police department has received several complaints regarding motorists failing to stop for stop signs. Officers have been directed to give extra attention to this violation and take appropriate enforcement action. Please drive safely and obey all traffic control devices.

**Golf Carts and Trespassing:** The police department has also received reports about golf carts being driven across residents' yards thereby trespassing on private property. Please respect other people's property rights and only use golf carts where they are intended to be used. If you are a victim of trespassing, contact the police immediately and report the incident.

**Internet Scams:** Fraudulent scams, facilitated by use of the internet, are on the rise. Many of these scams are directed at persons desperate for a job or the elderly who are unfamiliar with this type of crime.

One of the more common scams involves job offers as "shoppers" or personal assistants for a "busy professional". Scammers obtain e-mail addresses from information brokers. The brokers obtain information about people from a variety of sources and categorize the name lists they sell according to age, economic status, and other factors.

Shoppers are offered upwards of \$75 per hour to go to stores in the area where they live, make a purchase, then bring the item(s) back for a refund a week later. They are given a form to fill out in which they rate the customer service representative based on courtesy, job knowledge, length of time waiting for assistance, and other factors. Along with the rating forms and other job related literature, a letter is sent to the victim telling them they will get an advance in pay of \$750 or more. In actuality, they will be sent a check for \$1,300 or so. They will be notified by the "company" that a mistake was made, and they should send back the difference between the \$750 advance and the amount of the check they actually received. It is this amount, if sent by the victim, that the scammer profits from.

The "busy professional" scam involves an ad to hire someone to pick up their laundry from the dry cleaners, take their car in for service, shop for gifts, mail packages, etc. In this case, the victim is told they will be paid a minimum weekly salary, even if there is nothing for them to do for the week. This victim will also be sent an advance pay check totaling far more than the minimum the busy professional is willing to pay. The victim will be told to deposit the check they were sent, but to send the difference back immediately so as to keep the "books straight."

These are only two of many scams floating around the internet. Many of these scams have been out on the net for months or even years. Sometimes, you can find others who were duped, or nearly duped, by searching the web site Ripoffreport.com. A lot of these so called employers use the same business or personal names over and over again.

If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

If you have any questions about Internet Fraud, contact the police department for assistance.

**TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT**  
September 2010

<b>TOTAL ENFORCEMENT :</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>CITATIONS:</b>	<b>68</b>
<b>WRITTEN WARNINGS:</b>	<b>04</b>
<b>PARKING CITATIONS:</b>	<b>07</b>

**CRIME STATISTICS**  
August 2010

<b>MAJOR CRIMES:</b>	<b>Residential</b>	<b>Commercial</b>
<b>Burglary :</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>(Structures &amp; Vehicles)</b>		
<b>Theft: (Grand &amp; Petit)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Battery</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

# Mature Driving Class

The state of Florida mandates an insurance discount for licensed drivers 55 or older who complete a state approved driver improvement course. **“Coaching the Mature Driver”** qualifies for this discount.

This six hour classroom course has been developed especially for the senior experienced driver. It reviews basic driving techniques and introduces techniques to help offset the effects of having a crash while driving. **“Coaching the Mature Driver”** combines lecture with discussion and video in a lively and informative format. Reaction time, hearing and vision are often significantly affected by the aging process. Florida also has its particular problems - this **course presents alternatives that will help you avoid a crash!**

**Hosted by:** The City of Atlantis

**Instructed by:** Safety Council of The Palm Beaches

**Cost:** \$10.00 per Person

**Location:** City of Atlantis Council Chambers, 260 Orange Tree Drive, Atlantis Florida 33462.

**Dates:** Jan. 13-14 (You must attend both sessions to get a certificate)

**Times:** 9 am- 12 pm both days

**YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER:**

Complete the sign up sheet below and mail it, along with check or money order to:

Safety Council of The Palm Beaches

4152 West Blue Heron Blvd. Suite # 110

Riviera Beach Florida, 33404

**OR** for your convenience, mail or drop off at City Hall, 260 Orange Tree Drive. Attn: Jude

We must receive your pre-registration before December 30, 2010.

\*\*\*\*\***Detach and Enclose with check**\*\*\*\*\*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Driver's License number \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Atlantis Halloween Costume Contest



Sunday , October 31, 2010

5 PM at Kintz Park

In case of rain, contest will be held at the Atlantis Country Club.

Pizza and Soda will be available.

*\*All participants need to sign up by 5:45 the day of the contest.*

***Prize Categories: Scariest, Most Original , Cutest, Funniest***

***Age Categories: 0-3, 4-7 , 8-11, and 12 and up.***



***Questions?***

***Call Leslie Leckrone at 969-1590 or Jennifer Kintz at 357-9390***

**We hope to see you there!**



## Flu and Pneumococcal Shots Clinic & City Of Atlantis Annual Health Fair

Come join us and have your health  
care questions answered.

**When: October 22, 2010 From 9 am until 4 pm**

**Where: The Council Chambers at 260 Orange Tree Drive**

**A-Plus will be administering the Flu and Pneumococcal Shots.** The Flu vaccine is available to anyone older than 6 months and the pneumococcal vaccine to anyone older than 13 years of age.

**IMPORTANT Billing Information:**

**Anyone receiving a vaccine must present a valid form of identification.**

**Medicare Recipients must provide their Medicare ID**

**A-Plus will bill Medicare directly**, with no co payment or deductible. Medicare ***MUST*** be your primary insurance company; they will not pay if you have another insurance company. You must pay A-Plus and then submit a receipt to your insurance company to get reimbursed.

**Non-Medicare recipients will be charged \$25.00 for Flu and \$45.00 for Pneumococcal vaccines.**

**A-Plus is unable to bill any other insurance companies.**

First come first serve, from 9 AM—3:00 PM

**Forms are available at City Hall** for anyone who wishes to fill them out prior to the clinic.

Please contact City Hall at 561-965-1744 with any questions.

**The following businesses will be on hand with valuable information for our residents:**

**H2U** and representatives from **JFK Medical Center** will be here providing information to residents.

**Atlantis Police Department** will be on hand to enter emergency contact information into the DHSMV data files, answer questions, and provide crime tips.

**Slossberg Chiropractic & Wellness** will be here giving complimentary chair massages.

# Atlantis Country Club

190 Atlantis Boulevard

561-965-5788

## Welcome Neighbors

*You're invited to an*

## Open House

*"For Those Who Know Us and Those Who Have Never Been"*

Monday, November 1, 2010 • 6 to 8 p.m.

### Atlantis Country Club

190 Atlantis Boulevard, Atlantis FL

**Complimentary Food and Beverage\***

***Sample our delicious new and current menu items, including steaks, chicken, shrimp, salads and desserts***

***Special Menu Goodies for the Kids***

***Bring your calendars to record our Spectacular Event and Holiday Line-Up for the 2010-2011 season.***

**Live Music Featuring Fred Ferrese**

**RSVP: 561-965-5788 or e-mail [atlmarti@aol.com](mailto:atlmarti@aol.com)**

***Now accepting reservations for Thanksgiving Day Dinner, Thursday, November 25.***

***\$24.95 plus tax and gratuities.***

***Dinner will be served from 12 noon to 7:00 p.m.***

**Visit us at [atlantisdine.com](http://atlantisdine.com) for hours and upcoming events.**

*\*Complimentary beverages include well brand liquor, house wine, domestic beer and soda.*

**Come join us "Under the Sea".**

**Trinity Christian Academy's 5th Annual Dinner Auction.**

**Saturday, October 23rd Doors open at 6:30pm. \$40pp / \$70 p/couple.**

**Great items being auctioned off including 6 night cabin in TN and even a golf membership at Atlantis Country Club. Call Kellie @ 561-613-1481 for tickets!**



# Community Activities



**TENNIS CLASSES-** contact **COACH Sherwin Anderson** USPTA PRO at 561-588-4557.

**After school Junior program on Thursdays starting September 9th.**

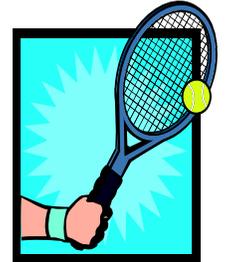
4:30-5PM Mighty Mites Ages 4-7 years old

5-6pm Lil Lobbers 6+ Beginner –Intermediates 6-7 pm Intermediate-Advanced Ages 7+

**Adult Tennis Fun, Healthy, and Instructive**

Wednesdays 7-8pm Beginner –Intermediate Adults

Thursdays Every Week 7pm- Intermediate-Advanced Clinic and Round Robin



**SENIOR TENNIS** – Contact: **Betty Ann Badger** at **561-434-4145** Monday 9-11 am and Thursday 5-7pm

**THE LITERARY SOCIETY** Will resume in November. Contact **PAT** at **561-966-7600** for further information.

**THE GREAT BOOK CLUB OF ATLANTIS-** Will resume in October. Interested persons should contact **Dr. Bennett Miller** at **561-968-2675** for further information.

**JEWELRY CLASS** - Held TUESDAYS, 6-8 PM in the Council Chambers. For information and dates, call **Marie Claude** at **561-736-5609** or **561-271-8967** or email her at [CLVERT@AOL.COM](mailto:CLVERT@AOL.COM)

**WATER COLOR CLASSES:** Resume in November. Wednesdays from 1-4pm in the Council Chambers. Call Joan Tiberi at 561-547-5123.

**ATLANTIS PERSONAL TRAINING-** Customized training for all needs from young to old. Improve your golf game, core strength, balance, muscle tone, flexibility and achieve weight loss. Improve your overall quality of life. **Carene Kengeter-** American Council of Exercise- Certified Personal Trainer Call: 561-313-4026

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKE WORTH :** Has moved its meeting location to the Atlantis Golf Club. The Lake Worth Club's membership includes nine residents from the City of Atlantis. It meets every Wednesday at noon for lunch, fellowship, and interesting guest speakers. Rotary is the leading international civic organization with the motto " Service Above Self ". It has a diverse membership of active and retired business and professional men and women. Anyone interested should contact Atlantis Residents Peggy Vrane (561) 868-5807 Richard Beiter (561) 965-4282 or Ron Leeds (561) 969-9600. *" Correction: The phone numbers published last month were incorrect"*

## **WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS:**

Alice Jiggins 340 A-2 Orange Tree Drive.

Daniel Lishansky 391 Glenbrook Drive.

## **OUR CONDOLENCES ON THE DEATHS OF :**

Richard Madison

David Burton

Sheldon Chance

Coleman Hogan

Georgia Wagner

Dan Holefca



**October 23**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**2 SESSIONS OF GREEN IDEAS**

- Water Conservation/Landscaping -10:30
  - \* Bush Wildlife Show - Noon
- Energy Efficiency & Conservation - 1:00



**FREE FAMILY**

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Rod MacDonald



**&**

**FREE FOOD**

Town Hall  
 500 Greynolds Circle Lantana  
[www.lantana.org](http://www.lantana.org) for info.



**Partner Cities: Atlantis; Haverhill; Ocean Ridge; Palm Beach Shores**

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by Sandy Thompson (313-1060)

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS:**

**EMERGENCY (Fire, Police, Ambulance) 911**

Police and Fire (Non Emergency)	561-965-1700
J F K Medical Center	561-965-7300
Atlantis City Hall	561-965-1744
Building Department	561-965-1796
Police (Administration)	561-965-1711
Utilities Department	561-965-1744
Garbage Collection	561-965-2627
Atlantis Country Club	561-965-7700
Atlantis Golf Club	561-966-7600
Atlantis Realty	561-965-7900

**KINTZ PARK SPLASH PAD HOURS:**

Monday through Thursday 11am to 4 pm  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday 11am to 8pm

- During periods of heavy rain, the splash pad hours may be suspended.

**GARBAGE INFORMATION:**

**BACKDOOR PICKUP**

- \* MONDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE
- \* THURSDAY – HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE & RECYCLE

**CURBSIDE PICKUP**

- \*MONDAY ONLY – YARD WASTE AND BULK ITEMS

Please place all material for collection by **7:00 am** on the day of service.

Curbside items may only be placed at the curb after 5:00 pm on the day before collection. \*Exception, on the first Sunday of each month items may be placed at the curb after noon for Monday pickup.

Please use your underground containers. Liners may be obtained at Ace Hardware. Recycle containers may be obtained at City Hall. For repairs and replacement contact Jim Shumacher at 561-718-5888.

Landscape debris generated by a paid landscape maintenance company must be removed on the day of generation by the maintenance company. (City of Atlantis Code of Ordinances 8.3-9)

Questions, Call City Hall at 965-1744.