



Lenora “Lee” Felice Schuldes was presented a proclamation in thank you for 20 years volunteering as a reading mentor for the Village of Palm Springs. Mayor Bev Smith expressed the Villages heartfelt thanks to Lee.



Mayor Bev Smith proclaimed June 27 as National HIV Testing Day in the Village of Palm Springs. Vicky Rossie-Woodley accepted on behalf of Found Care, Inc.



Joseph Adornetto accepts his Village's Property improvement Program Matching Grant Award for the improvements to his property.



Retiring Village Master Electrition, Les Hudson was presented a proclamation for his 20 years of service to the Village.

LW NAPC Holds 17th July 4th Raft Race

LAKE WORTH – For the 17th year in a row, residents in Lake Worth will celebrate the July Fourth holiday with a parade down Lake Avenue starting at 11:30 am, followed by the Great American Raft Race at Bryant Park, all encompassing this year’s theme, “RACE TO THE ZOO.”

Originated 17 years ago by Herman Robinson, and the Bryant Park Neighborhood Association, this annual Maritime Fun Fest, a parade, show, and race, continue to surprise, inspire, and entertain all. The parade will feature homemade floats from the local neighborhood associations that make up the Lake Worth Neighborhood Association Presidents Council (NAPC), along with local businesses and other organizations.

The parade begins at 11:30 am at the intersection of Lake Avenue and J Street. It will head east to Bryant Park, where participants will then get ready for the Great American Raft Race at 1 pm.

What makes the Lake Worth NAPC Great American Raft Race so unique is that it’s “a race with no rules,” or at least almost none. No manufactured hulls or engines. You have to wait to start, go around the marked course, and

cross a finish line. Of course, jumping out, falling out, or sinking are just part of the fun. Don’t be shocked if there is an attack of pirated kayaks with super soakers that appear, or a sinking Port-O-Let, or the City Commission losses their steering and crashes into competitors (two years). Anything, and everything, can, and usually does.

Before racing begins, many of the participating racing crews and parade participants will show off their own unique performances that shouldn’t be missed along the dock.

During the raft race, representatives from each neighborhood and the city will compete in their own unique creation, home-made rafts to see which vessel comes in first. Besides the winners trophy, known as The Grundle Cup, trophies are also awarded for Crowd Pleaser, Most Decorated, Run Aground, among others.

The parade and raft race aims to bring members of the Lake Worth community together. Each year, the events attract more and more people, as the NAPC aims to show the solidarity and excitement of the city.

“July Fourth is a day when we celebrate America and we want to celebrate

the great city where we live as well,” says the president of the NAPC, Jon Faust. “With so much going on in our world, the raft race gives us a chance to have

fun and remember it’s the people and all of their different personalities that make up our country!”

For more information, visit NAPC on Facebook.



Pineapple Beach NA resident Ellie proudly displays her entry in the 17th Annual Great American Raft Race poster contest. Ellie's entry was the winning entry and will be displayed throughout the city promoting the event.

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