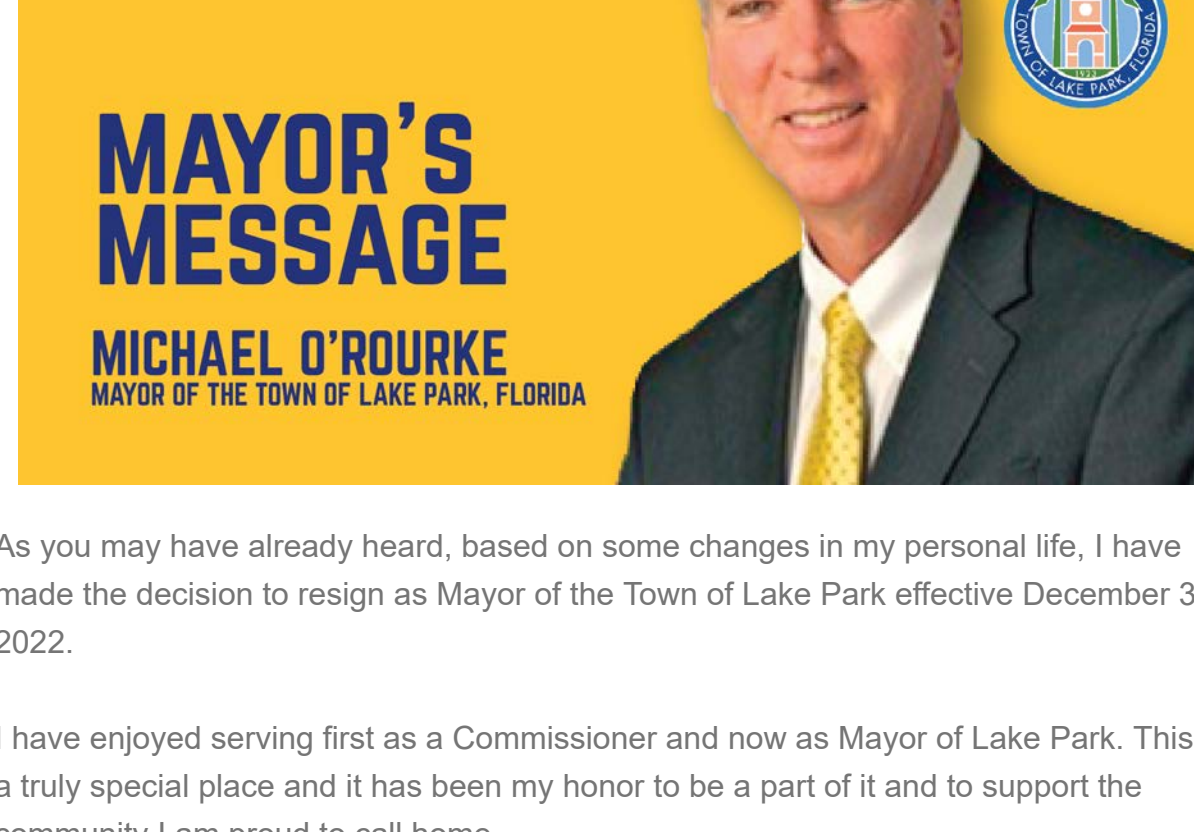




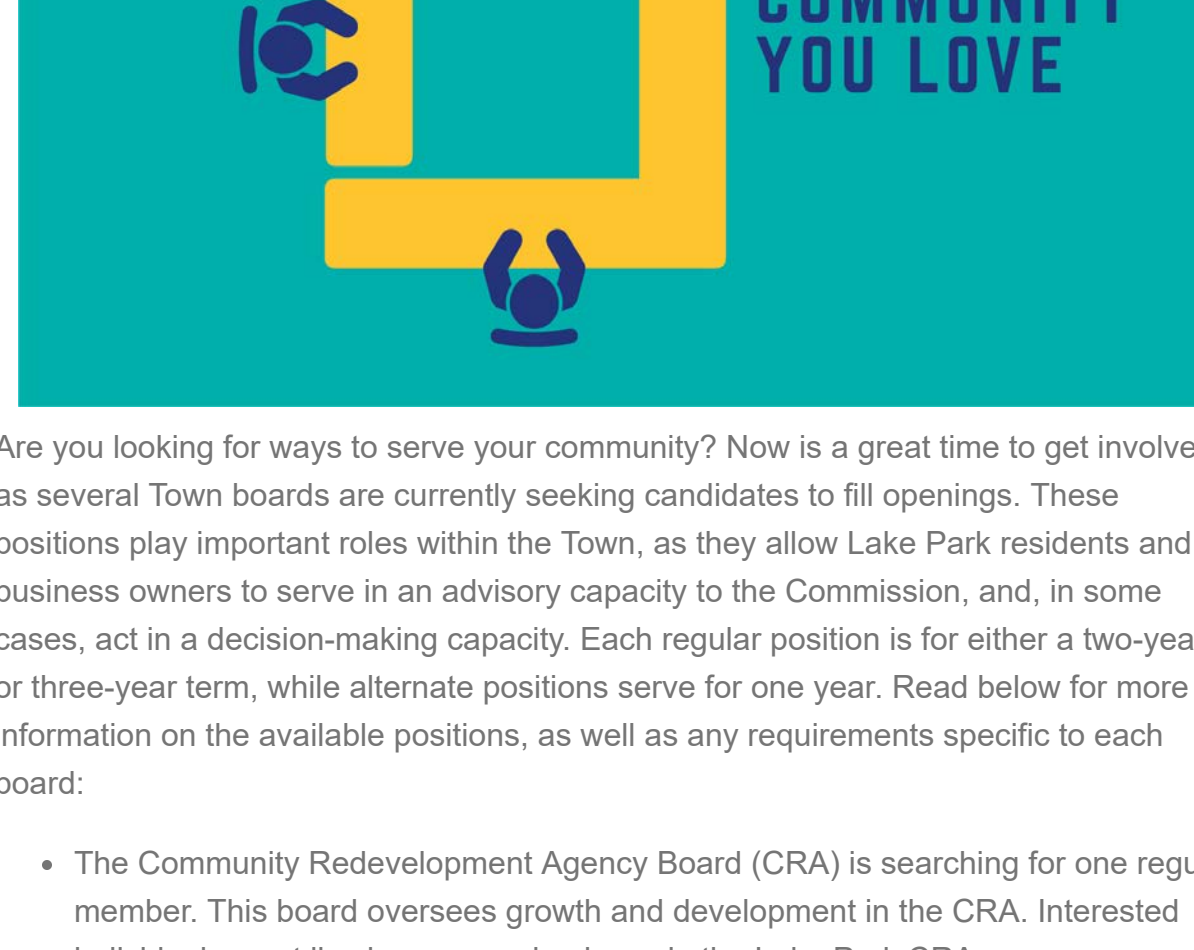
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As you may have already heard, based on some changes in my personal life, I have made the decision to resign as Mayor of the Town of Lake Park effective December 31, 2022.

I have enjoyed serving first as a Commissioner and now as Mayor of Lake Park. This is a truly special place and it has been my honor to be a part of it and to support the community I am proud to call home.

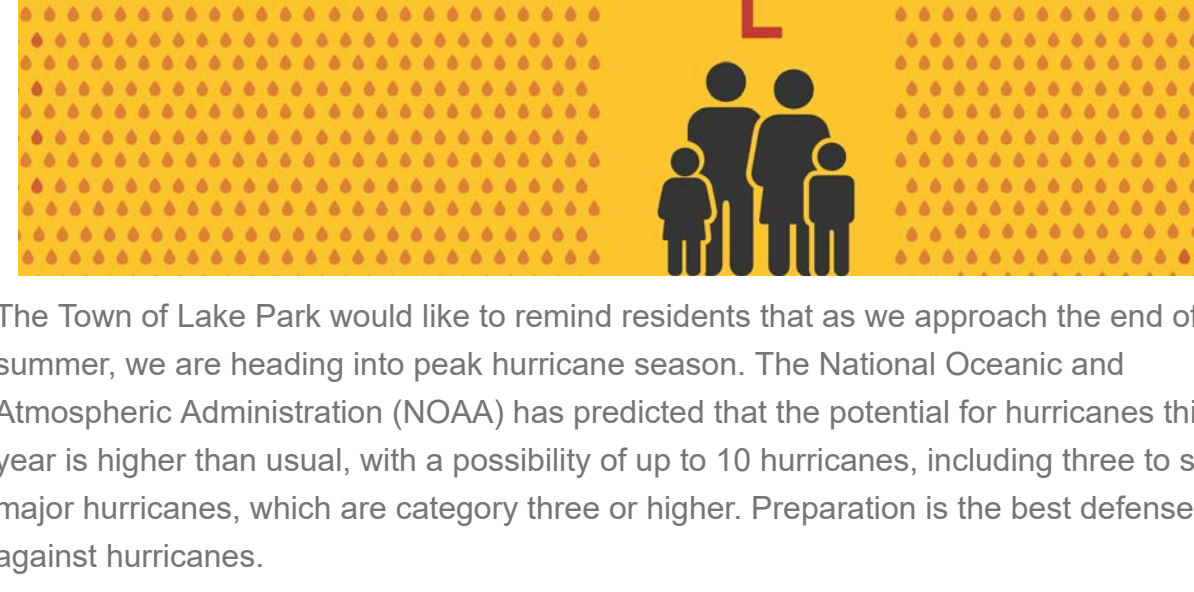
Michael O'Rourke
MAYOR



Are you looking for ways to serve your community? Now is a great time to get involved, as several Town boards are currently seeking candidates to fill openings. These positions play important roles within the Town, as they allow Lake Park residents and business owners to serve in an advisory capacity to the Commission, and, in some cases, act in a decision-making capacity. Each regular position is for either a two-year or three-year term, while alternate positions serve for one year. Read below for more information on the available positions, as well as any requirements specific to each board:

- The Community Redevelopment Agency Board (CRA) is searching for one regular member. This board oversees growth and development in the CRA. Interested individuals must live in or own a business in the Lake Park CRA.
- The Library Advisory Board is in need of two regular and two alternate members. This board is non-administrative and ensures that the views and ideas of citizen taxpayers are represented, relative to the function and operation of the Lake Park Public Library.
- The Planning & Zoning Board has openings for one regular member and two alternate positions. This board is responsible for making recommendations to the Town Commission regarding development plans within the Town, zoning issues, preservation guidelines, and more. Board membership is open to residents and non-resident business owners.
- The Tree Board has one regular and two alternate positions available. This board works with staff to provide recommendations on the development of a tree survey of all park trees on public property in the Town. The board also focuses on the preservation and planting and/or removal of trees in the Town, when appropriate.

TIPS FOR HURRICANE SAFETY



The Town of Lake Park would like to remind residents that as we approach the end of summer, we are heading into peak hurricane season. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has predicted that the potential for hurricanes this year is higher than usual, with a possibility of up to 10 hurricanes, including three to six major hurricanes, which are category three or higher. Preparation is the best defense against hurricanes.

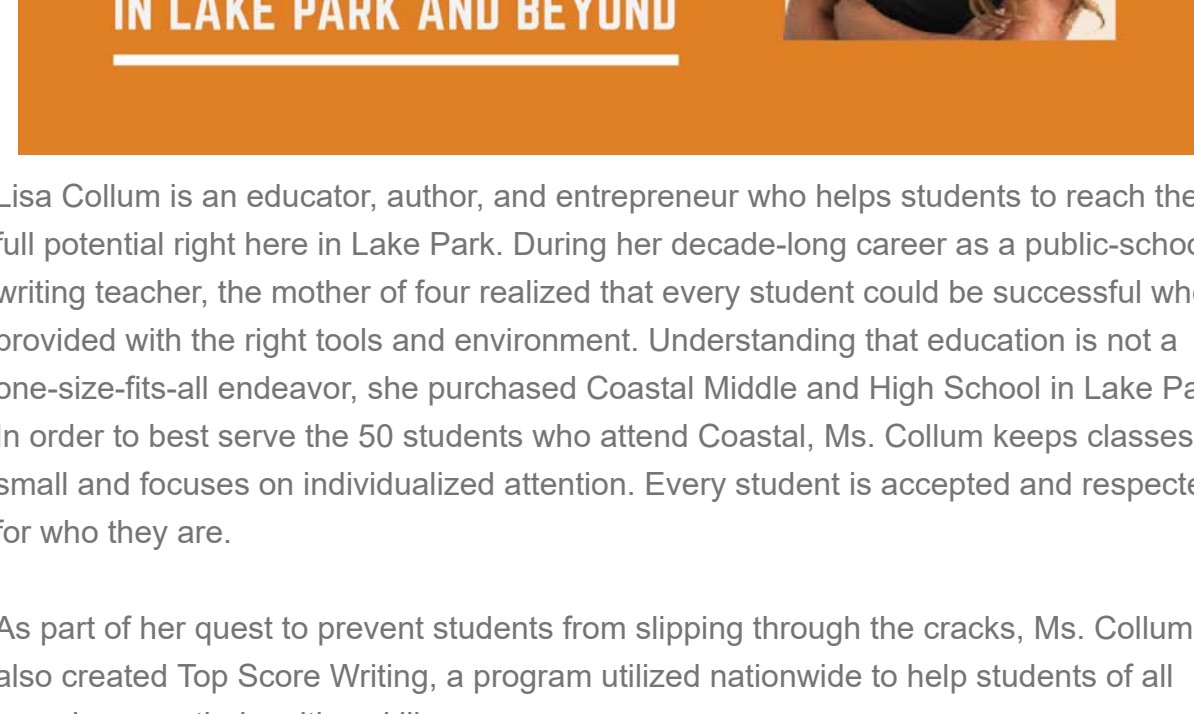
- Residents are encouraged to do the following:
- Ensure your home is properly secured and stocked with water (one gallon per person, per day, for several days, and water for any pets); enough non-perishable food to last several days, including baby food/formula and pet food, along with a manual can opener; battery-powered or hand-crank radio; battery-powered flashlight and extra batteries; first aid kit; moist towelettes and plastic trash bags for personal sanitation; cell phones with chargers; prescription medications; and cash.
 - Remove or tie down any loose items and debris around the house, including hanging branches and vegetation, de-clutter drains and gutters and bring in outside furniture.
 - Attach storm shutters or board up windows.
 - Create an evacuation plan and know your evacuation zone.
 - Prepare an evacuation kit containing, at a minimum, water (one gallon per person per day for several days, plus water for any pets); enough non-perishable food to last several days, including baby food/formula and pet food, along with a manual can opener; battery-powered or hand-crank radio; battery-powered flashlight and extra batteries; first aid kit; moist towelettes and plastic trash bags for personal sanitation; cell phones with chargers; prescription medications; and cash.
 - Familiarize yourself with evacuation routes and the locations of nearby hurricane shelters.
 - Pay close attention to local media sources as they provide regular weather updates.
 - Register for AlertPBC, which is Palm Beach County's Emergency Notification System.
 - Review information available at ready.gov.
 - Visit the Town's [website](http://www.lakeparkflorida.gov) for more information.



SATURDAY STORY TIME AT THE LAKE PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Have you been taking your kids to the Saturday Story Time at the Lake Park Public Library? If not, they're missing out on a great time! On Saturday mornings from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM, children can visit the library to enjoy hearing a story and taking part in a fun craft activity!

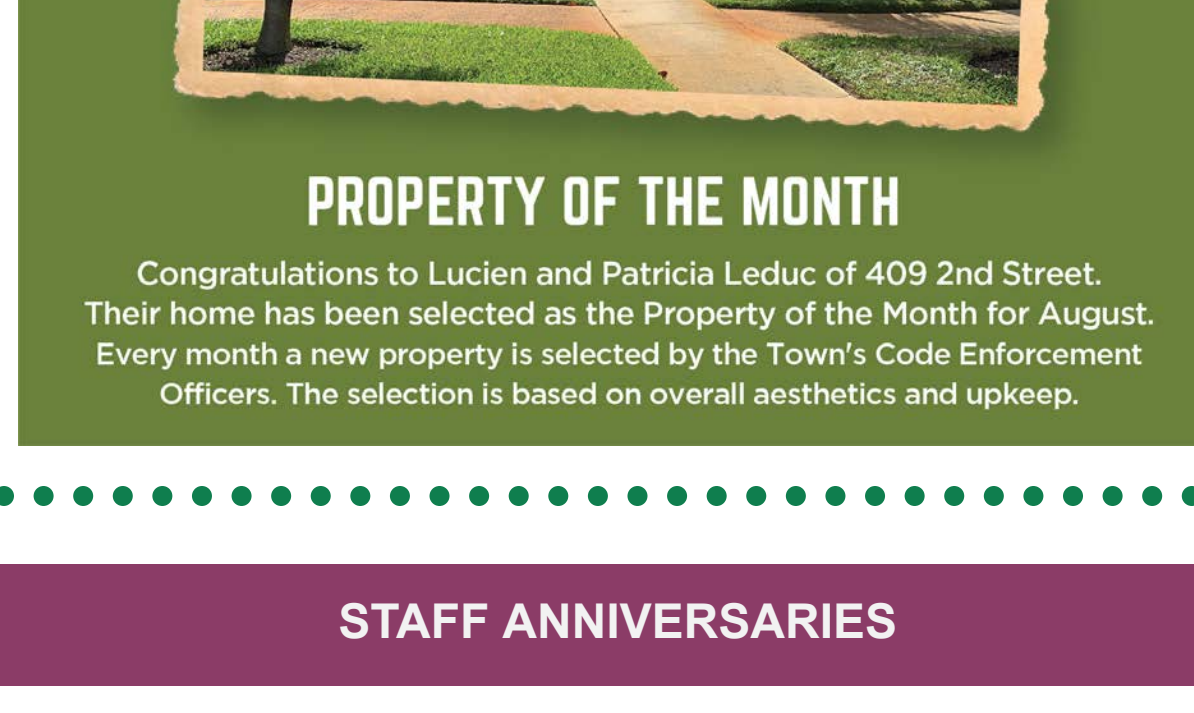
For more information, please contact the Lake Park Public Library at 561-881-3330. (Please note there will be no Story Time on August 6 due to the Back to School Extravaganza.)



Lisa Collum is an educator, author, and entrepreneur who helps students to reach their full potential right here in Lake Park. During her decade-long career as a public-school writing teacher, the mother of four realized that every student could be successful when provided with the right tools and environment. Understanding that education is not a one-size-fits-all endeavor, she purchased Coastal Middle and High School in Lake Park. In order to best serve the 50 students who attend Coastal, Ms. Collum keeps classes small and focuses on individualized attention. Every student is accepted and respected for who they are.

As part of her quest to prevent students from slipping through the cracks, Ms. Collum also created Top Score Writing, a program utilized nationwide to help students of all ages improve their writing skills.

The Town of Lake Park is proud to be the home of Lisa Collum's forward-thinking Coastal Middle and High School, and appreciates the inspiration and motivation she provides to students both locally and across the country. If you would like to learn more about Coastal Middle and High School, please click [here](http://www.lakeparkflorida.gov).



Congratulations to Lucien and Patricia Leduc of 409 2nd Street. Their home has been selected as the Property of the Month for August. Every month a new property is selected by the Town's Code Enforcement Officers. The selection is based on overall aesthetics and upkeep.

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES



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