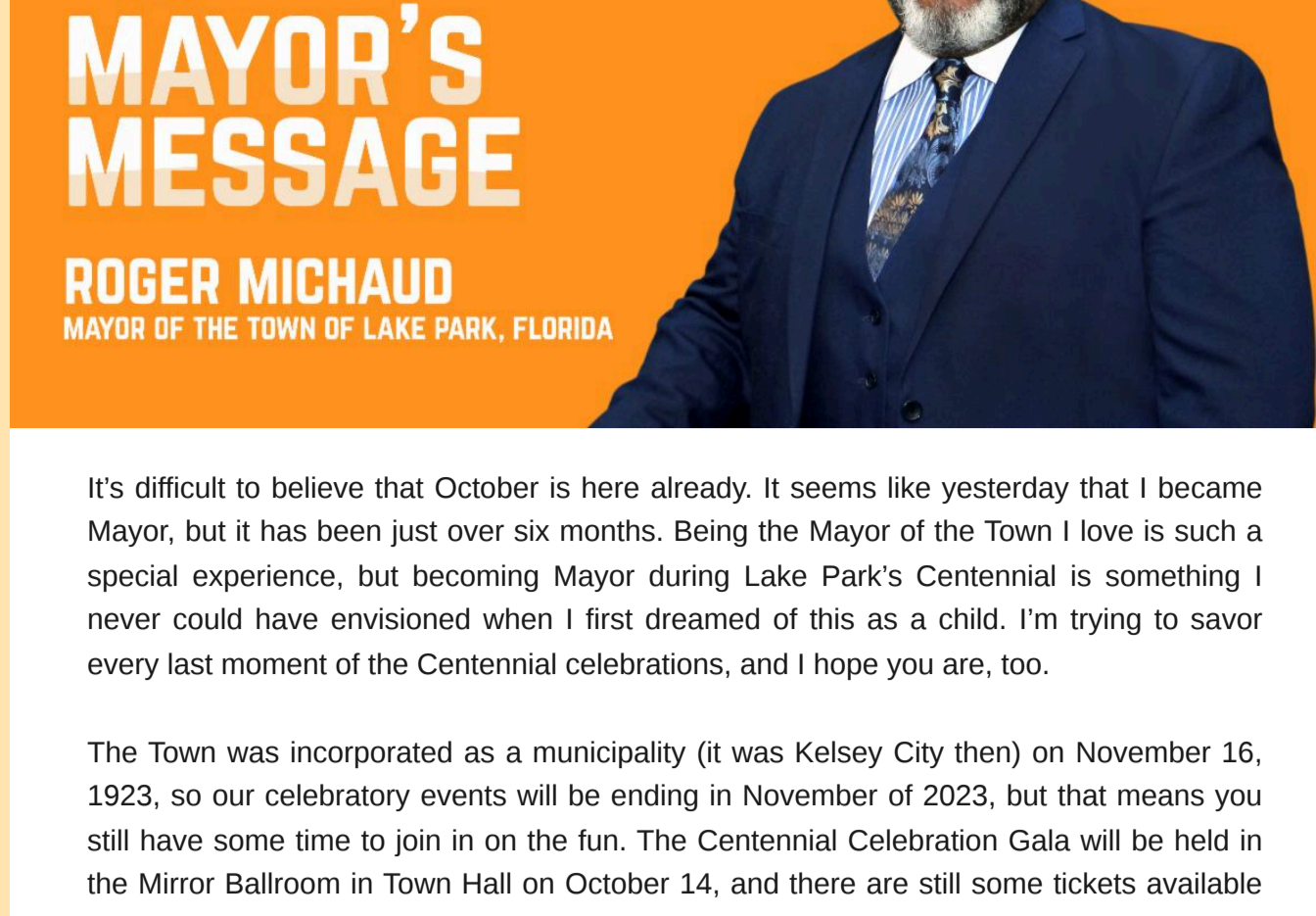


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MAYOR'S MESSAGE
ROGER MICHAUD
 MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF LAKE PARK, FLORIDA

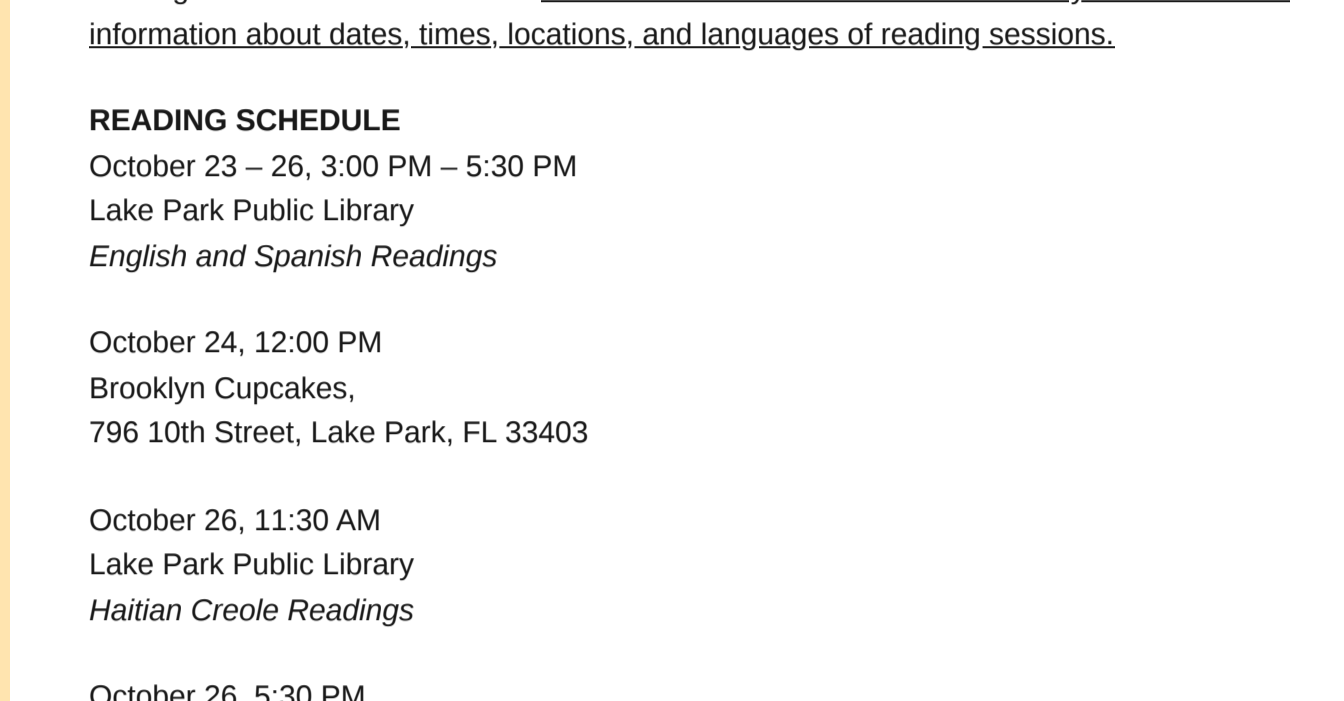
It's difficult to believe that October is here already. It seems like yesterday that I became Mayor, but it has been just over six months. Being the Mayor of the Town I love is such a special experience, but becoming Mayor during Lake Park's Centennial is something I never could have envisioned when I first dreamed of this as a child. I'm trying to savor every last moment of the Centennial celebrations, and I hope you are, too.

The Town was incorporated as a municipality (it was Kelsey City then) on November 16, 1923, so our celebratory events will be ending in November of 2023, but that means you still have some time to join in on the fun. The Centennial Celebration Gala will be held in the Mirror Ballroom in Town Hall on October 14, and there are still some tickets available (please call 561-840-0160 or email specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov for more information or to purchase tickets). The Centennial Celebration Time Capsule Ceremony will be on November 16 and our final event, the Centennial Celebration Festival, will close out our celebration year on Saturday, November 18. I hope to see you there!

This month is also Halloween, which is always a fun time in Lake Park, but it's also important to make it a safe time. I encourage you to review the Halloween Safety Tips in this newsletter and keep them in mind not just on October 31, but during any Halloween festivities you and your family attend (although I can assure you that all the treats available at this month's Sunset Celebration Fall Festival are safe!). When you are out trick-or-treating, you may even see a certain Mayor riding around Town in his Halloween costume handing out candy. Please make sure to stop me to say hello (and get some treats) if you see me!

Roger Michaud
 MAYOR

WE'RE READY TO READ FOR THE RECORD



The Town of Lake Park is excited to once again participate in Jumpstart's *Read for the Record*, the world's largest shared reading experience. This event celebrates and supports children's early language and social-emotional development. The 2023 *Read for the Record* book is *With Lots of Love*, a beautiful story about family, finding ways to stay connected, and sharing love, even when your loved ones are far away.

The Town of Lake Park's leaders support early literacy and family literacy, and understand that developing a joy of reading helps create a foundation for success in life. In order to bring this special event to as many people as possible, the Lake Park Public Library coordinated with local partners such as Brooklyn Cupcakes and BRIDGES at Lake Park to assist with reading sessions. We are also excited to announce that Lake Park staff will be reading to all interested individuals during the last week of October, and Vice Mayor Kim Glas-Castro and Commissioner John Landen will be reading to families on October 28. In order to help bridge language barriers, the Lake Park Public Library will offer readings of the book in English, Spanish, and Creole.

You can help the Town of Lake Park *Read for the Record* by attending one or more of the reading sessions listed below. [Contact the Lake Park Public Library for additional information about dates, times, locations, and languages of reading sessions.](#)

READING SCHEDULE
 October 23 – 26, 3:00 PM – 5:30 PM
 Lake Park Public Library
 English and Spanish Readings

October 24, 12:00 PM
 Brooklyn Cupcakes,
 796 10th Street, Lake Park, FL 33403

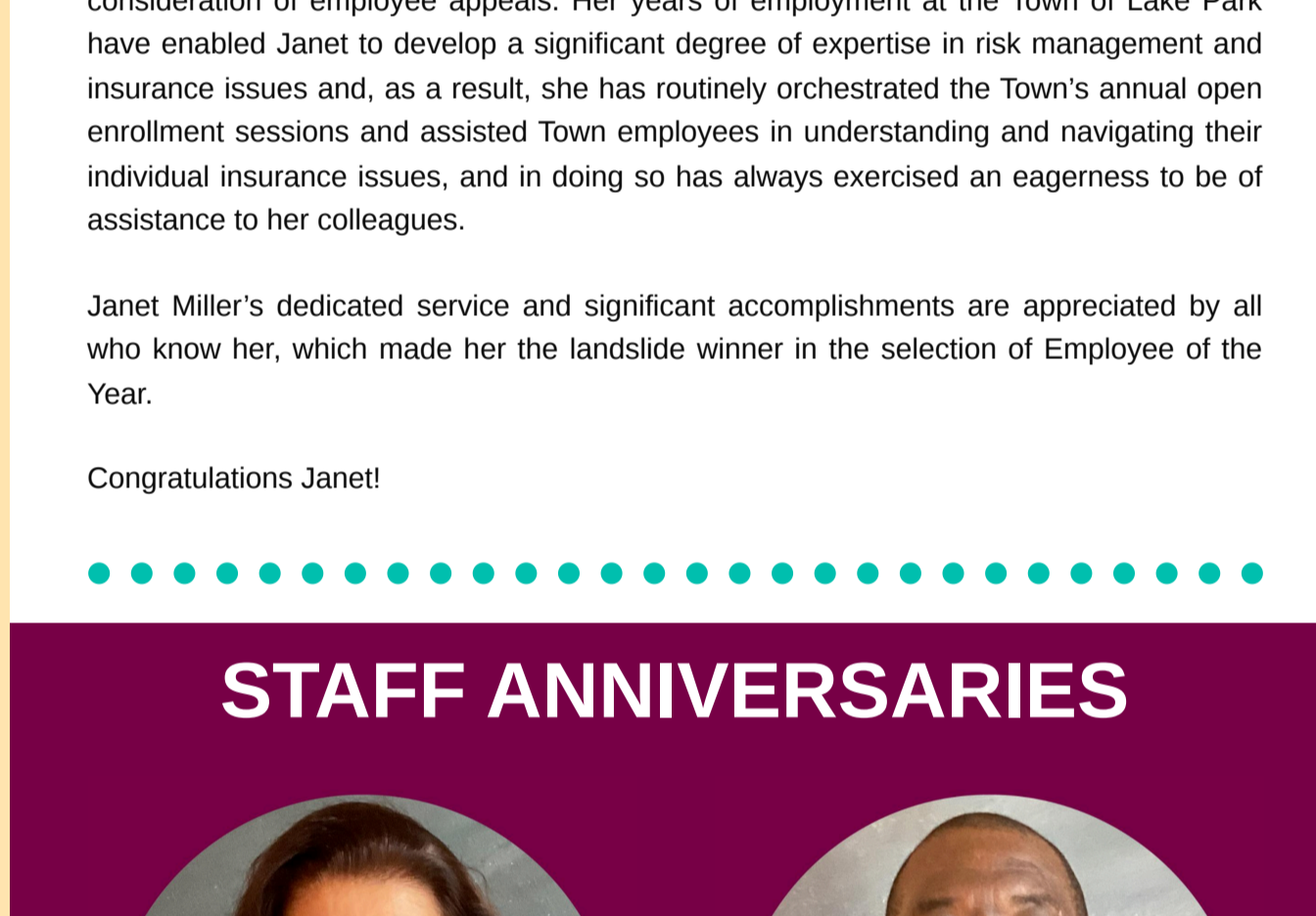
October 26, 11:30 AM
 Lake Park Public Library
 Haitian Creole Readings

October 26, 5:30 PM
 Lake Park Public Library
 Sponsored by BRIDGES at Lake Park

October 27, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM
 During Sunset Celebration at Lake Park Harbor Marina,
 105 Lake Shore Drive, Lake Park, FL 33403
 English and Spanish

October 28, 10:30 AM – 3:30 PM
 Lake Park Public Library
 Special Guests: Vice Mayor Kim Glas-Castro at 12:00 PM and Commissioner John Landen at 3:00 PM

For more information:
 Lake Park Public Library | 529 Park Avenue, Lake Park, FL 33403 | (561) 881-3330 | lakeparkflorida.gov/library



For many, Halloween is a special time of year, filled with spooky fun and tasty treats. Yet, ensuring the safety of you and your loved ones is important. Below, you'll find tips to guarantee a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

Treat Safety Tips

- Eat only factory-wrapped treats, and never eat anything homemade from strangers.
- Examine all candy for choking hazards and tampering.
- Always check Halloween candy for unpackage items and suspicious packaging to ensure your child (or you) did not receive candy-colored pills.
- Be aware of products containing THC, CBD or other cannabis-related products that may resemble gummies or chocolate.
- Remember: if in doubt, throw it out!

Neighborhood Safety Tips

- Trick-or-treat in groups if possible.
- Never allow small children to visit a door without a trusted adult.
- Teach children not to approach vehicles.
- Children under the age of 12 should not be alone at night without adult supervision. Kids who are mature enough to be out without supervision should stick to well-lit and familiar areas.
- Only approach well-lit homes where porch or exterior lights are on.
- Watch for vehicles. Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- Avoid shortcuts through back yards, alleys or parks.

General Safety Tips

- Keep doors locked, even if you are in front of your home handing out candy.
- A great way to ensure the safety of trick-or-treaters is to attend public, organized events such as the Sunset Celebration Fall Festival and Halloween festivities at malls, churches or local businesses.
- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- Report suspicious activity to law enforcement.

Thanks to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Florida Department of Health, Florida Sheriffs Association and Safe Kids Worldwide for these valuable safety tips.



The Town of Lake Park is pleased to announce that Janet Miller has been named the 2022 Employee of the Year. Janet joined the Town on May 13, 2009 as a part-time Administrative Secretary in the Human Resources Department and became a full-time Administrative Secretary on October 1, 2012. During this time she not only became knowledgeable in all aspects of human resource management, but also provided significant assistance to the Town's Recreation Department. Not long thereafter, in March of 2014, Janet completed the Florida Employment Law Seminar, which covered employment laws and regulations such as Federal and State Equal Employment Laws, Federal and State Wage and Hour Laws, Wrongful Discharge, Sexual Harassment, Conducting Effective Reference Checks, and How to Discipline and Discharge Employees Legally. As a result, she was able to significantly enhance her job knowledge and become highly effective in her role in the Human Resources Department, leading to her promotion to the position of Administrative Assistant in October of 2014 (the position was later reclassified to Executive Assistant to the Human Resources Director). During her tenure, Ms. Miller has assisted in several high-level undertakings, including the planning and execution of Town Manager searches on three separate occasions, and has served as the Chair of the Employee Complaint Review Committee where she worked directly with the Town Attorney and exercised leadership in guiding committee members during their consideration of employee appeals. Her years of employment at the Town of Lake Park have enabled Janet to develop a significant degree of expertise in risk management and insurance issues and, as a result, she has routinely orchestrated the Town's annual open enrollment sessions and assisted Town employees in understanding and navigating their individual insurance issues, and in doing so has always exercised an eagerness to be of assistance to her colleagues.

Janet Miller's dedicated service and significant accomplishments are appreciated by all who know her, which made her the landslide winner in the selection of Employee of the Year.

Congratulations Janet!



Janet Perry
 Personnel Assistant
 October 31, 2005

Dwayne Bell, Sr.
 Cemetery Director
 October 30, 2006

Fensley (Sam) Wisdom
 Social Media Specialist
 October 22, 2007

Cynthia Oziris
 Information Specialist
 October 14, 2013

Elizabeth Jimenez-Granberry
 Community Development
 October 5, 2016

Paul McGuinness
 Information Specialist
 October 20, 2021

Wallace Daley
 Dock Attendant
 October 21, 2022



CENTENNIAL KICKOFF CONCERT
 FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 2023

CENTENNIAL BATTLE OF THE BADGES
 SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

HISTORICAL HOME TOUR & HARRY KELSEY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION
 SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023

CENTENNIAL EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA
 SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023

CENTENNIAL ARBOR DAY CEREMONY
 FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

CENTENNIAL EXHIBIT RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY
 SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023

CENTENNIAL CHILI COOK-OFF
 SATURDAY, JULY 29, 2023

CENTENNIAL ART & MUSIC FESTIVAL
 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION GALA
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION TIME CAPSULE CEREMONY
 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION FESTIVAL
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 561-840-0160 OR EMAIL [SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV](mailto:specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov) WWW.LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV

TOWN OF LAKE PARK CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION Gala
 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14
 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM
 MIRROR BALLROOM
 535 PARK AVENUE
 LAKE PARK, FL 33403

TICKETS \$100.00 PER PERSON
 SEMI-FORMAL ATTIRE
 DINNER, DANCING
 AND LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

TO PURCHASE TICKETS VISIT WWW.LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV, CALL 561-840-0160 OR EMAIL [SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV](mailto:specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023
 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 LAKE PARK HARBOR MARINA
 105 LAKE SHORE DRIVE
 LAKE PARK, FL 33403

JOIN US FOR A FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT WITH LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD VENDORS, ART & CRAFT VENDORS, TRICK OR TREATING AND A COSTUME CONTEST. ADMISSION & PARKING ARE FREE.
 FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE SPECIAL EVENTS DEPARTMENT AT 561-840-0160 OR [SPECIALEVENTS@LAKEPARKFLORIDA.GOV](mailto:specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov).

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023
 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
 TOWN HALL
 535 PARK AVENUE
 LAKE PARK, FL 33403

The Centennial Celebration Committee and the Lake Park Historical Society invite you to join us as we unveil the Town's 75TH Anniversary Time Capsule that was buried at the Clock Tower on Park Avenue in 1998. The contents of the time capsule will be displayed in the Commission Chamber located in Town Hall. The Centennial Committee will reveal the items that will be placed in the new time capsule to be buried this year as part of the Town's anniversary. Please contact the Special Events Department at 561-840-0160 or specialevents@lakeparkflorida.gov for more information.

Visit our website for more Town of Lake Park news, events, and resources.
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