MIAMI LAKES

Growing Beautifully

TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES
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"THE YEAR ROUND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND BEAUTIFUL PARKS ADD TO MIAMI LAKES' HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE!"

EVENTS!

There are shortcuts to happiness, and attending any of our sensational events is one of them! The Town of Miami Lakes hosts over 100 FREE special events per year! Here are just a few of them...

HALLOWEEN (NIGHTMARE ON MONTROSE)
Calling ALL Ghosts & Goblins to the annual Halloween event. Kids of all ages are invited to join us on Halloween night for pumpkin decorating, costume contests, music, food and more frightening activities including the ever-growing scare zone!

CONCERTS AT THE PARK SERIES
Bring your picnic baskets and put on your dancing shoes! The Town of Miami Lakes and its Cultural Affairs Committee host concerts throughout the year- from Jazz to Latin, Country and Classical music- these spectacular concerts will satisfy every music enthusiast. Don't forget your blankets and chairs for a relaxing evening of music under the stars.

MOVIES AT THE PARK SERIES
Movies at the Park has quickly become a tradition amongst Miami Lakes families. Beginning in November, bring the kids and enjoy some of the best movies available on select Friday evenings. Skip the lines and enjoy FREE movies rated G and PG- perfect for the family night out.

VETERANS DAY PARADE
Across the span of thirty plus years, the Town of Miami Lakes has saluted Veterans with the longest running parade in all of Miami-Dade County. Come decked out in red, white and blue, showing support for our military at the parade viewing areas located off Ludlam Road.

HOLIDAY BOOK READING
Don't let your children miss the chance to meet Mrs. Claus as she performs some of her favorite holiday jingles! All attendees will also receive FREE books provided by the Town's Education Advisory Board.

BIKE RODEO & SAFETY DAY
The Bike Rodeo & Safety Day event is one of the Youth Activities Task Force longest running events and is also considered one of the Town's special "Play Days in Miami Lakes" under the prestigious "Playful City USA" designation. Ride your bike over to Picnic Park West for a chance to win a FREE helmet, toys, prizes and even a bike!

SPRING FLING
Ready, Set, Hunt! The Town's annual Spring Fling includes a park-wide Egg Hunt with over 20,000 eggs and includes a petting zoo complete with bunnies, chicks, and other farm animals, pony rides, and a chance to take a picture with the Bunny!

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT INITIATIVE
The Town, in partnership with its Youth Activities Task Force and Economic Development Committee, host Student Job Fairs to connect high school, college, and graduating students with businesses looking to hire seasonal, entry-level and intern positions. The Town encourages the entire local business community to participate in this dynamic event aimed at matching local talent with local businesses.

FOURTH OF JULY CONCERT & FIREWORKS SHOW
The Independence Day celebration is the Town's signature event. This fun-filled event for the whole family features live entertainment, food trucks, and activities for all ages, followed by our spectacular fireworks presentation.

COMMUNITY BIKE RIDES
Bring the family out and participate in the Town's 5 mile family-friendly loop throughout the year held on select Saturdays. Don't worry, we have a shortcut that's perfect for the little ones that also want to join in on the fun!

FARMERS MARKET
Running from October through May, the Town's Farmers Markets offer a variety of fresh produce, natural juices, assorted flowers, cultural foods, and handcrafted accessories every Saturday at Picnic park West.

SUPER SATURDAYS IN THE PARK
Held on select Saturdays, get the family together for our Super Saturdays at Picnic Park West. Start the day off right with the Community Bike Ride, followed by outdoor fitness classes. One will quickly work up an appetite- be sure to grab a healthy snack from the Farmers Market.

For event details, please visit
www.miamilakes-fl.gov/calendar
and be sure to sign up for our newsletter so you never miss out at
www.miamilakes-fl.gov/signup

The Great Outdoors awaits you! The Parks and Open Spaces Department provides the perfect balance of enjoyment and serenity at our superior parks, facilities, and greenspaces for attendees of all ages and abilities.

For pricing and availability, please visit
www.miamilakes-fl.gov/parks

or contact the
Parks & Open Spaces Department at
305.364.6100 or at
parks@miamilakes-fl.gov

PARKS + FACILITIES

ROYAL OAKS PARK & ROBERTO ALONSO COMMUNITY CENTER
16500 NW 87th Avenue
Encompassing 18 acres, Royal Oaks Park includes the newly constructed 6,000 SF Roberto Alonso Community Center. Bring your family to run, jump, play and swing at our delightful playground areas. We know all of this fun works up an appetite, so pack a picnic and sit under our shady pavilions. Royal Oaks Park includes a ¾ mile exercise and bike trail with fitness stations, a ½ basketball court, and open play field areas for your pick-up games.

PICNIC PARK EAST & YOUTH CENTER
6075 Miami Lakes Drive East
Our ultra-hip Miami Lakes Youth Center is located at Miami Lakes Picnic Park East! Aimed at providing a fun, safe, and positive environment for the youth of our town, "The Spot" was constructed in November 2015. This state of the art 4,000 SF facility consists of multiuse activity rooms, classrooms for after school programs, and active play areas. Additional amenities include a ½ basketball court, central outdoor courtyard, and newly designed playground.

MIAMI LAKES PICNIC PARK WEST & MARY COLLINS COMMUNITY CENTER
15151 NW 82nd Avenue
With over 10 acres of lush green space, two recently updated pavilions, a ½ basketball court, lighted walking path, and ENERGI and Lifetrail Fitness Systems, Picnic Park West is the perfect place for the whole family to enjoy. The park includes the Mary Collins Community Center which offers a variety of programs for residents of all ages and skill levels from ballet, jazz, martial arts for kids to painting, computers, yoga and tai chi for adults and seniors.

MIAMI LAKES OPTIMIST PARK & OPTIMIST CLUBHOUSE
6411 NW 162nd Street
Reconstructed in May of 2017, the Optimist Clubhouse is a 4,300 SF multipurpose facility and includes the Miami Lakes Sports Hall of Fame whose inaugural class includes legends like former Miami Dolphins coach Don Shula, former Miami Dolphins player and broadcaster Jim Mandich, former Major League Baseball player Alex Ochoa, and longtime Miami Lakes Optimist Club member Jack McCall. Miami Lakes Optimist Park is our largest park and includes 4 baseball fields, 1 softball field, 2 soccer fields, 2 flag football fields, 4 outdoor basketball courts, 4 outdoor tennis courts, ¼ mile lighted walking path, 3 picnic pavilions, and 3 batting cages with lighting. Home of the Optimist Club of Miami Lake, a volunteer-based organization offering youth recreation programs including baseball, basketball, flag football and softball.

RESERVE YOUR PARTY TODAY!
Hosting a party at one of our facilities is easy! Our online registration and party packages will quickly make you the "Hostess with the Mostess". With five pavilions, three indoor facilities, and multiple athletic fields for rental throughout the year, the Town's parks and facilities offer numerous opportunities to create lasting memories with family and friends.

ROBERTO ALONSO COMMUNITY CENTER
16500 NW 87th Avenue
The Roberto Alonso Community Center includes 3 rooms that can accommodate up to 130 guests. With a catering setup room and furniture available for rent, we can satisfy all your special event and party planning needs.
Large Room (130 people) | Medium Room (90 people) | Small Room (50 people)

YOUTH CENTER
6075 Miami Lakes Drive East
Our center is fully equipped with a billiard table, foosball, table tennis, indoor basketball shootout game and an air hockey table. Our pavilions, patio and game room are the perfect "spot" for your next event! With furniture available for rent, "The Spot" can accommodate up to 80 people.
Game Room + 2 Pavilions (90 people)

OPTIMIST CLUBHOUSE
6411 NW 162nd Street
The newly constructed Miami Lakes Optimist Clubhouse is a 4,300 SF multipurpose facility that includes one large room that is available for rent along with the option of including 2 pavilions and a fishing marina for up to 100 people!

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Youth Free Programs - Youth programs are provided for all ages and abilities; children will be placed according to age and skill level.

BALLET

Our programming provides high-quality, affordable dance education in a fun and interactive format that builds community, positive self-awareness, rhythmic interpretation of music, as well as physical, social, emotional and cognitive development. With four different levels, your child is guaranteed to grow as a dancer and person. **Ages 5-16; program runs August-May.**

JAZZ

The Town of Miami Lakes strives to create a positive, upbeat, and inspiring learning environment where students can express themselves, be creative, and fall in love with the amazing art of dance! With four different levels, each child can enhance their skills in this style.
Ages 5-16; program runs August-May.

JUST RUN® MIAMI LAKES PROGRAM

The Just Run® Miami Lakes Program, is a free, fun program that promotes fitness, healthy eating, good citizenship, and pride in accomplishment.
Ages 5-14; program runs September-May.

MARTIAL ARTS

Our program teaches respect, mental focus, character building, skill, leadership development and discipline all in a fun, friendly and social environment. With four different levels, your child will continuously learn, improve, and grow in the program. **Ages 6-16 program runs August-May.**

PRETEEN FITNESS CLASS

Preteen Fitness Program in an 8-week program aimed at combating childhood obesity while instilling healthy and active lifestyle habits. Available for children ages 10 – 14, the program includes on field activities such as jumping drills, obstacle courses, and plyometrics to enhance speed and agility to ensure a solid foundation for physical activity.
Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

The following programs are provided by the Town of Miami Lakes Recreation Program Team.

Equipment is provided for these programs and a $20 registration fee is required. Registration is available on a first come, first served basis and can be done entirely online at **www.miamilakes-fl.gov/parkres.**

ARCHERY

Bring out your child's inner Katniss Everdeen! Our Youth Archery program is an 8 week program available for children 7-15 years of age.
Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

HOOK A KID ON GOLF

Fore! Are you ready to get hooked on golf? Hook A Kid On Golf is a 8 week program developed by the National Alliance for Youth Sports that aims at introducing the basics of golf, while teaching the etiquette of the game to children between 7-12 years old.
Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

START SMART

The Start Smart Sports Development Program, created by the National Alliance for Youth Sports, aims to help prepare children ages 3-5 years old for organized youth sports by using safe and fun equipment while developing basic motor skills.
Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

More information and schedules can be found at
www.iheartmiamilakes.com
Tel: 305.819.7768
Email: recprograms@miamilakes-fl.gov

Youth Pay for Play Programs

The following programs are provided by partnerships with outside providers and are subject to minimum enrollment numbers. Please contact our Youth Center to confirm schedules.

BRICKS4KIDS ROBOTICS CLASSES ($)

Bricks 4 Kidz classes provide an extraordinary atmosphere for children where they learn, build, and play with LEGO bricks and build model plans, designed by engineers and architects, with exciting themes such as space, exploring the everglades, forces of nature, and sports. Ages 5-12.

Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

CODE EXPLORERS ($)

Available for children ages 3-17, this program intends to empower children to compete in a global economy while learning through the use of mobile technology.

Session 1: August-December
Session 2: January-May

GROUP KEYBOARD CLASS ($)

Learn music basic theory, how to read music, scales and chords. Keyboards are provided. Ages 10-17.

Session 1: September-November
Session 2: January-March

HIP HOP KIDZ ($)

We disguise exercise as fun! While combining the best beats in Hip Hop and the freshest dance moves, the Hip Hop Kidz® Program boasts a great total body workout for boys & girls of all ages and abilities. Ages 5-17.

Session 1: September-October
Session 2: November-December

MIAMI INTERNATIONAL MUSIC ACADEMY: GUITAR AND VIOLIN ($)

Students will have the opportunity to work with experienced instructors and performers. This group program is for ages 7-12 who want to experience music through learning how to read music, along with learning how to play guitar and/or violin.

Session 1: August-December
Session 2: January-May

PHOTOGRAPHY ($)

A hands-on introduction to photography for ages 13-17 aimed at teaching the different aspects of taking a great picture. Each class will be dedicated to different skills in photography including lighting, composition, framing , technique and portfolio building.

Session 1: August-December
Session 2: January-May

Youth Afterschool Care & Camps

Wondering what to do with the kids on those days when school is off? Wonder no more! The Town, in partnership with the YMCA, offer camps for children ages 5-15 years old. Young campers will enjoy a wide spectrum of events including drama, singing, art, outdoor activities, project-based learning, book clubs, weekly field trips and much more!

Afterschool care activities include daily homework help and academic curriculum; and project based learning including STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) and book buddies; enrichment options; sports; health and wellness programs; arts and crafts; and recreational activities. Transportation provided from Miami Lakes schools.For more information, please contact the **YMCA at 305.357.4000**

We Love Our Volunteers!

One of the greatest gifts you can give is your time to those in need! The Town of Miami Lakes Leisure Service Department provides a variety of volunteer opportunities through its programs and special events. Get involved in your community and meet new friends! Apply today and become part of our volunteer family. **For current opportunities please visit miamilakes-fl.com/volunteer**

"The Spot"

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YOUTH CENTER

The Miami Lakes Youth Center "The Spot" is aimed at providing a fun, safe and positive environment for the youth of our town to interact amongst themselves and the community. All Middle and High School Students are welcome!

OPEN HANG NIGHTS

Open Hang Nights are designed to allow the youth of our community to gather in a social setting, in a safe and constructive manner. Recreational activities such as board games, table tennis, and educational video games are readily available, as well as an open study area for homework and book club meetings.

FIELD TRIPS

Oh, The Places We Will Go! Once a month, participants of the Youth Center will go on field trips to different venues that are both educational and fun. Community service activities are also included, aimed to enrich participants with the opportunity to have a positive effect in their community.

LIFE SKILLS SEMINARS & WORKSHOPS

It's not just fun and games; the Youth Center aims to positively influence its participants in many aspects of their lives. In hopes to create more well-rounded youth, the youth center will host seminars designed to educate our youth in everyday activities such as banking, budgeting, nutrition, and job preparation skills.

YOUTH CENTER COUNCIL

The Youth Council is comprised of "The Spot" participants who wish to help "govern" the Youth Center internally. The Youth Council will provide participants with opportunities to assume leadership roles while building valuable skills for the future. The Youth Council meets monthly to discuss the overall progress of the Youth Center from the participant's perspective, and discuss ideas for Open Hang night themes, field trip locations and future programming.

For details on programs and events, please visit
www.miamilakes-fl.gov/thespot
Tel: 305.819.SPOT
Emal: email thespot@miamilakes-fl.gov

ADULT PROGRAMS

Our adult programs are for any individuals over 18 years of age. Great results never came from comfort zones, so come out and discover new fitness options. All levels of experience are welcome to join us. Schedules vary, please visit **www.miamilakes-fl.gov/recprograms** for more details.

ARCHERY ($)

Come out and shoot with us. Yes, that's right! Real bow and arrows. We will teach you how a bow works, mechanics of the bow and how to shoot the bow correctly!

BOOT CAMP PROVIDED BY FIT LIKE ME MIAMI ($)

Eat Clean, Get Lean! New outdoor fitness camp! Bring your towel, workout mat, and water bottle and get ready to sweat! Join us for an intense workout, prizes, and giveaways!

LINE DANCING

Enjoy a fabulous mind and body workout while dancing your way to better health! Perfect for strengthening bones without hurting your joints, while developing better balance and releasing stress so you can feel great!

PAINTING

Are you ready to bring your imagination to life? Our painting class welcomes all levels of experience. Come to a relaxing environment and let the art flow. Supplies are not provided.

PHOTOGRAPHY ($)

A hands-on introduction to photography aimed at teaching the different aspects of taking a great picture. Each class will be dedicated to different skills in photography including lighting, composition, framing, technique and portfolio building.

SPANISH

¿No hablas Español? !No problema! Come learn the foundations of Spanish in a highly participatory and welcoming class! Intermediate and Advanced Levels available.

YOGA

This class will explore the awakening of the body, mind and spirit by linking breath and movement to invigorate and tone the body and soothe the mind. Each class will offer instruction in alignment, breathing and meditation practice to enhance the understanding of yoga and improve overall well-being. Free and pay for play classes available.

SATURDAY YOGA IN THE PARK
PROVIDED BY 305 YOGA

Classes are vinyasa-based and feature a flowing energetic style, including breath work, meditation and relaxation. Please bring your own yoga mat, water, and towel to class.

SENIOR PROGRAMS

SENIOR PROGRAMS 55YRS +

Offered from August through June, all of our fun and amazing Senior Programs are FREE and provided by Miami Dade County Public Schools.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Come out and socialize while you take on different arts and craft projects throughout the year. Bring your creativity and have fun!

COMPUTERS

Miami-Dade County Public Schools will show you how to use different applications on computers to help you feel more at ease using technology. Classes are offered in English and in Spanish.

KNITTING/CROCHETING

Come out and enjoy making some great designs and items with fellow participants in a fun, social environment.

SEWING

Want to learn how to sew, or just want to sew to show your creativity? We hope to see you here!

TAI CHI

Tai Chi is a noncompetitive, self-paced system of gentle physical exercise and stretching. Each posture flows into the next without pause, ensuring that your body is in constant motion.

CLUBS

Stop in at any one of our clubs that meet on a regular basis at our Community Centers, including Bunco, Dominoes, Duplicate Bridge, and the Garden Club.

EVENTS

Throughout the year the Town, through its Elderly Affairs Committee hosts a variety of events and programs serving the elderly, such as forums, socials, excursions, field trips, and more to provide the Town's senior citizens an opportunity to get together for fellowship and fun.

More information can be found at
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OPTIMIST CLUB PROGRAMS

Optimist Clubs are serious about "Bringing Out the Best in Kids" and do their part through community service programs. A volunteer-based organization, the Optimist Club of Miami Lakes Club in partnership with the Town, has assisted in the development of our youth through quality sports and educational programs since 1969; fostering a foundation of strong, civic-minded citizenry within our community.

Recreational Baseball and Softball
Baseball Ages 5-18
Softball Ages 5-16
Fall and Spring Seasons

Recreational Flag Football
Ages 5-13
Fall and Spring Seasons

Recreational Basketball
Ages 7-18
Registration: April
Season: June-July

More information can be found at
www.miamilakesoptimist.org

MIAMI LAKES UNITED SOCCER CLUB PROGRAM

Miami Lakes United Soccer Club (MLUSC) is a non-profit organization, and is amongst one of the oldest clubs in the Florida Youth Soccer Association with the objective of teaching and training soccer players the fundamentals of the game, while developing leadership qualities, and promoting good sportsmanship among players, coaches, parents and spectators. Young players are provided the opportunity to participate in a soccer experience where they can develop positive self-esteem and build character by learning the virtues of hard work, respect, honesty, self-control, teamwork and sportsmanship.

Recreational Soccer
Miami Lakes United Soccer Club
Ages 4-11

Travel Soccer
Miami Lakes United Soccer Club
Ages 7-19

Fall Season registration opens in August.
Season begins in September.

Spring Season registration begins in November.
Season begins in January.

More information can be found at
www.miamilakesunitedsoccerclub.com

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