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## Latest General Obligation Bond Update

*By Terry Cantrell – President*

# HOT TOPICS

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In the March, 2022 Lakes Newsletter, we ran an article on the General Obligation Bond (GOB) which was approved by voters in a March, 2019 referendum and included a number of important projects for the Lakes neighborhood. I serve as Chair of the GOB Advisory Committee. We meet every other month to review the many projects City-wide and make recommendations to City staff. In charge of implementing all these various GOB projects is the City's Design and Construction Management (DCM) Dept. headed by Director Jose Cortes. The GOB referendum passed by roughly a 60 to 40% margin in support so the residents who voted saw the value in the slight increase in property taxes over the next 20 or so years. The goal is to have most if not all of the projects completed by the City's 100 year anniversary in 2025. Here is a current update on the projects in the Lakes neighborhood:

- **Hollywood Beach Golf Club** – This project includes a complete

update and slight modifications to the course layout. The new clubhouse/community center using "Spanish" style architecture based upon the 1924 original design by Martin L. Hampton will include a parking lot in the SW corner of the property at 17th Ave and Polk Street, the original historic location. The project includes a new golf cart building, restroom upgrades, renovation of site landscaping, and irrigation and is in close coordination with renovation and redesign of the golf course which will include site drainage improvements and raising the east side of the golf course to allow faster recovery after rain events. The original GOB Funding for this project was \$12,798,726. However, with post-pandemic inflation and the desire to add more space to accommodate large meetings, the City Commission has ponied up more funding for the club house/community center. The design team consists of Richard Mandell Golf Course Architecture for the course redesign and Bermello Ajamil & Partner, Inc. for the clubhouse led by Lakes resident Scott Bakos. Recently, the golf course reconstruction contractor was selected and will begin work on May 1st. The clubhouse/community center construction bid is on the street as of this writing in early February. See page 24 for the club house/community center renderings.

- **Tidal Flooding Mitigation and Sea Walls** - Flooding mitigation where no current shoreline protection exists on City owned property includes Phase II of Tidal Flooding Mitigation with improvements of existing shoreline protection. See diagram here showing locations of all three Phases of this project. Concept plans are complete for all 22 areas of the project. Two public outreach meetings were held. One on

October 21, 2021 and the second one on August 23rd, 2023. The City was awarded a grant to match the funds voters approved in the GOB referendum which was \$14,091,065.00 so the City now has over \$28 million dollars for sea walls and tidal flooding mitigation.

- **Holland Park and Sailors Point** – The restrooms have been completed as have the parking lot and walkway resurfacing and the pavilions work. The major item left there is the observation tower improvements.

- **Joe Dimaggio Park** – All work has been completed and included replacing playground equipment, safety surfacing, shade system, exercise pieces and replace ancillary park equipment. This park is located on the Southeast corner of Washington St and Three Islands Blvd.

- **John B. Kooser Park** – All work has been completed and included replacing playground equipment, safety surfacing and ancillary park equipment. This park is located on the Northwest corner of Polk St and N 14th Ave.

- **Jefferson Park** – All work has been completed at this park including new playground equipment, new shade structures and walkways. In addition, a non-GOB project to add Pickle Ball courts to the basketball area has been completed and is now one of the most

popular areas of the park.

- **Traffic Calming** - Traffic Improvements include pedestrian safety, signage & swale enhancements. Phase I study is completed. The next step is to perform additional analysis to determine what locations require improvement. There are a number of locations in the Lakes that will be surveyed for traffic calming. A public meeting was held for Lakes residents on October 16th, 2023.

The HLCA Board of Directors is very excited that these Lakes projects were included in the GOB and thanks Lakes residents for voting to approve the funding. The GOB Advisory Committee looks carefully at every project to assure that the City team is doing the best they can and has already seen cost reductions and savings based upon the DCM team's hard work. The City has posted on the City web site a dedicated page that reviews all the projects with current updates and copies of presentations made to the Advisory Committee. For more detailed information, we recommend taking a look at the link below:

<http://www.hollywoodfl.org/1214/General-Obligation-Bond-Projects>

### HLCA FUTURE MEETING DATES Second Tuesday of the Month at 7:00PM

Meeting Location and Presentation are Subject to Change. Please see website for current information.  
[www.hollywoodlakes.com](http://www.hollywoodlakes.com)



**March 12th, 2024**

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**Beach Projects Update**

**April 9th, 2024**

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1301 S. Ocean Drive  
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# The Lakes Home of the Month



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The HLCA has been awarding homes for over 20 years now! That is over 200 homes that have been recognized for their contribution to our amazing neighborhood. The HOM Committee meets quarterly (Dec., March, June, Sept.) and selects 3 homes each meeting to be awarded. The committee strives to award homes that represent the wide range of home types in our neighborhood. You may self-nominate your home or a neighbor's home. Please submit entries or questions to [info@hollywoodlakes.com](mailto:info@hollywoodlakes.com). If a home is chosen, we take pictures of the exterior on the 1st of the month in which the home is being recognized. We do not do interior pictures. We also place a sign in the front yard and pictures of the home will appear on our Facebook page, website and Newsletter. Please note the committee will only contact homes that are being offered awards.

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Important: The Save Our Homes cap begins the year after you receive Homestead Exemption. This cap does not cover new construction or construction that was not taxed before the "Save Our Homes" limit applied to a particular property. When buying/acquiring real estate, do not assume the property taxes will remain the same as the current owner's taxes. Under Florida law, a change in ownership will reset the assessed value of the property to full market value, which could result in higher property taxes. To help property owners better prepare, our office offers a New Homebuyer's Tax Estimator on our website at <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Tax-Estimator>.

**Late Filing Exemption Deadline - September 18, 2024**

Your Homestead Exemption automatically renews each year provided there is no change in the ownership or use of the property. If you are already receiving Homestead Exemption on your current home, you do not need to reapply. If you have not yet applied for your 2024 Homestead Exemption, Low-Income Senior Exemption, or any other exemption, you can still late file until September 18, 2024. To apply for any of these exemptions, please visit <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Homestead>. Once the September statutory "late filing" deadline has closed, we cannot accept any more 2024 exemption applications regardless of any good cause reason for missing the late filing deadline. Property owners who moved to a new home in 2024 can pre-file for tax year 2025 at [https://bcpa.net/homesteadonline\\_with\\_portability/web/index.aspx](https://bcpa.net/homesteadonline_with_portability/web/index.aspx).

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 954-357-6830 by email at [martykiar@bcpa.net](mailto:martykiar@bcpa.net).

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# THE LAMP POST LOUNGE / BILLY BOYES ICE CREAM

By Clive Taylor – *President – Hollywood Historical Society*



The Lamp Post Lounge at the corner of Federal Hwy and Arthur Street holds a unique charm boasting a rich history dating back to 1940 when it was known as Billy Boye's Ice Cream. Thousands of people whiz by this cute structure daily, and many may wonder what the story behind this very old building is. Some citizens have even asked; hey, have you ever been in the Lamp Post? It's like some mysterious place they'd like

to visit, but they just aren't sure what to expect once inside the joint.

I became aware of this structure's popularity when a recent FB rumor said the building had been demolished. The FB drama was very intense. People obviously love this quirky little historic relic. Like most old buildings, there is a story to tell. As fate would have it, my old next-door neighbor Ruth Pole, formerly Ruth Boye of the Boye's gas company in Ft. Lauderdale, just so happened to be the daughter of the builder and lived upstairs in the building for a time when it was Billy Boye's Ice Cream.

The Boyes were a pioneering family from Ft Lauderdale who found their way to Hollywood and decided to open an ice cream shop. Originally located in downtown Hollywood, Mr. Boye eventually built this building, now known as the Lamp Post, at 1423 N Federal Highway in 1940. This was next to his ice cream factory and outlet at Cleveland and Federal. This ice cream factory was open to the public, and they were encouraged to visit the factory and watch the ice cream being made on-site.

The building was constructed of poured concrete on the first floor with a second-story wood frame as residential quarters for the owners. Classic old-school design with shopkeepers above their store. Today's building is completely unaltered and original from 1940, including the wood sash windows with the original wood mullions in the glass. Remarkable! My next-door neighbor, Ruth Pole, lived above the ice cream store with her family for many years. According to Ruth's son, Edwin Pole, his father Ted Pole loved ice cream and used to frequent the store quite a bit. Ruth would always give Ted an extra scoop. The old adage a way to a man's heart is through his stomach proved true. This strategy worked well back then. Eventually they would marry and Mr. Boye would retire and the business changed names to the South Pole with Ruth and Ted Pole taking over the business. Years later when the children started coming Ted who was a plasterer along with his father decided it was time for a home with a yard. They built a home at 1508 Grant Street in 1958. At that time, there were not many houses in this section of Hollywood. When I moved in next door many years later, I remember Mr. pole telling me "Son, this all used to be tomato land. During the rainy season I used to canoe here as a child" This explains our flooding issue. If you had told me as an adult and father that one day, I'd live here, I would have said, your nuts, but here I am. Until the 50s almost all the land from Johnson Street North and East of Federal was being farmed by the Danish farmers from Dania. The soil in this area was a marl type and very rich in nutrients. As a history lover, I was very lucky to have lived next door to such a lovely pioneer family.

Mr. Boye's original location was 2011 Hollywood Blvd, next to our recently demolished historic First National Bank Building. At that time, it was said to have one of the largest soda fountains in the area. When the new building on Federal Hwy was constructed, Mr. Boye kept the original location open. Hollywood's first ice cream chain!

During the heyday of Billy Boye's, many residents and children enjoyed the high quality and freshly made specialty flavors. Patty Clempson, a long-term Board member of the Hollywood Historical Society, fondly recalls after hurricanes, every kid in town would get on their bicycles and pedal as fast as they could through mountains of debris straight to Billy Boye's to get all the free ice cream their little bellies could handle before it all melted away. Ah, the good ole days!

Eventually, in the 50s, the Poles sold the business, and new owners changed the name to the Honey Child Drive-in. Quality took a dive at the new "Dive"-in as newspaper reports from the day tell us.

The owner of Honey Child was actually arrested for sanitation violations! Apparently, this was an arrestable offense back in the day. Luckily, they had a short run, and eventually, in 1963, Frances and George Zinkler from the Bavarian Village next door purchased this building, renaming it the Lamp Post Lounge. I'm assuming that's when they had the very cool statue of Lamp Post Charlie placed on top of the concrete eyebrow over the side door. This statue was molded after a drunk Charlie Chaplin hanging on a lamp post and was a popular bar fixture in the 50s.

The Bavarian Village was one of Hollywood's classic dinner houses similar to Moy's, Fowlers, or Tropical Acres. The theme for their restaurant was German, and the festivities around October Fest were not to be missed. The Zinklers were well-heeled restaurateurs. They also owned and operated Marthas Restaurant on Hollywood Beach, where Seaside Village condominiums are now located along the Intracoastal waterway. In the 60s, the Lamp Post was described as a swinging late-night joint with live music by well-known musicians open till 6:00 A.M. God knows where they played as the space is very small. I imagine back in the day, this must have been some cool Beatnik joint, like a late after-hours nightclub in the village. As part of my research for this article, I visited the Lamp Post on the advice of a friend. I was told the fish and chips on Fridays is excellent. Wow! It's very good and very affordable. I ran into more than one local old-school Hollywoodian while there.

The Zinklers and the Poles are long gone, like their famous restaurants Bavarian Village, Martha's, and Billy Boye's, but the historic, cute little Lamp Post Lounge and building still lives on. Today, the Lamp Post stands as a historic relic, a testament to Hollywood's past. With the rapid disappearance of historical landmarks, it's uncertain how long this charming landmark will endure. A visit on Fridays for fish and chips is recommended to experience a slice of history and to savor the unique atmosphere that the Lamp Post Lounge offers.

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# BOARD AT WORK

*By Terry Cantrell – President*

Here are some important issues discussed by the HLCA Board of Directors recently:

- **Partnership in Engaged Neighborhoods:** The PEN program is an initiative that the Hollywood Council of Civic Associations (HCCA) requested a couple of years ago. It was obvious to the HCCA leadership that the City of Hollywood was ignoring (so to speak) civic groups like the HLCA, especially after the 1301 Beach hi-rise debacle. Civic associations in Hollywood are listed on the City's web site but the information posted there was inaccurate and dated, for the most part. The HCCA reached out to the City's Chief Civic Affairs Officer, Alison Saffold, who has experience with this type of program coming from the City of Ft. Lauderdale. Many other Florida cities have similar programs that allow for civic groups to register with their city to be recognized as a functioning and legitimate civic or neighborhood association. Why is this important? Because the City needs to rely on a single voice that represents a given neighborhood or area when it comes to informing residents about important doings or issues that might affect a given area. This is especially important now that the City has the Public Participation Ordinance in place that requires developers to reach out to residents and present development plans within a 500 foot radius of a new project. The HLCA has registered with the PEN program and are now formally recognized by the City.

- **Hollywood Blvd flooding:** The County's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has undertaken a project to make Hollywood Blvd more resilient to climate change that causes excessive flooding along Hollywood Blvd. The Blvd has seen a surge in flooding in recent years during the many so-called "rain bombs" we have experienced like the one that hit us on April 12th last year. The MPO has conducted two public meetings and has collected surveys from Blvd residents that would be most affected by this project. There will be another meeting in March. The plan involves changing the face of the Blvd by altering the bike and parking lanes and creating water storage areas in the median and on the swales. At the Jan 25th meeting, the MPO showed three possible scenarios and asked attendees to comment and vote on each one. The two most popular options are shown on page 17. Let us know what you think of these options.

- **North and South Lake squatters:** The HLCA and a handful of very concerned residents as well as the City's Marine Advisory Board has been complaining to the City and Broward County for many years about the squatter and abandoned vessels that have been littering both North and South Lakes. As we reported a few months ago, the County passed an ordinance that allows Broward cities like Hollywood to create regulations to manage this problem. Those laws went into effect in 2023 and already the number of boats has diminished greatly. With the help of some Federal grants, the City has been able to remove almost all of the sunken vessels in North Lake including the four that caught fire in December, 2022. The HLCA thanks the Broward County Commissioner Furr and our District 1 Commissioner Shuham for all the hard work making this happen. Special thanks to our Marine Officer LaPierre who has personally reached out to every squatter boat as well as helped coordinate the removal of the sunken boats.

- **What is on your mind?** The HLCA Board of Directors spends considerable time early each year planning our well attended General Meetings and special events. There are certain events that we do every year as those are popular, neighborhood or children type events (Sailor's Point Picnic and National Night Out, for example). As for the General Meetings, we try to present timely and important city related presentations that will be informative and will expose Lakes residents to various City departments and personnel. We would like to know what, in particular, HLCA members and Lakes residents want to know about. Let us know by writing to us at [info@hollywoodlakes.com](mailto:info@hollywoodlakes.com)

Let us know if you have any comments or questions about any of the above issues.

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# DISTRICT 1 REPORT

*By Commissioner Caryl Shuham*



I hope everyone fared well throughout our wacky winter weather season! The constant winds kept Public Works busy with nonstop efforts to clear the Broadwalk of sand. The stormy weather led to innovative ideas by City staff to help keep our Broadwalk clear of water as well. One was the recent purchase of Tiger Dams™

used to block access points along the Broadwalk knee wall. Tiger Dams™ are water filled bladders that are easily assembled, then simply drained, and rolled up for easy storage after each deployment. They can be used repeatedly as needed. By installing these reusable dams at the knee wall openings in advance of expected serious storms, Hollywood has an opportunity to be proactive and protect the Broadwalk, which has been impacted time and again recently by tidal flooding.

Also happening at the beach is the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) Broward County Segment III beach renourishment project. The project restarted after turtle season in November, 2023. As of this writing, the USACE contractor is based near Keating Park. Its operations will continue north with an estimated project completion in the beginning of April 2024. For further information see [www.broward.org/Beaches/Pages/Segment3.aspx](http://www.broward.org/Beaches/Pages/Segment3.aspx).

Our Hollywood Police Department (HPD) continues to work hard to keep the Broadwalk safe for everyone, including pedestrians and bicyclists. To supplement the HPD Broadwalk team, the department is experimenting with additional contracted security guards patrolling the Broadwalk. Many of you have seen them out there in bright yellow shirts with the word SECURITY emblazoned on the back. The jury is still out as to whether these security guards can help reduce the most common Broadwalk violations like dogs, skateboards and speeding electric bikes and scooters. Hopefully, this concept will become more effective as time goes on – otherwise, I am confident HPD will come to the Commission with alternative suggestions.

We were gifted an exceptionally gorgeous day on January 31st to celebrate the ribbon cutting at the revitalized Jefferson Park. The \$420,000 project included new playground equipment, surfacing for ages 2-5 and 5-12 and new basketball stanchions, backboards and rims as part of the General Obligation Bond, as well as five pickleball courts and the makeover of the restroom building including new tile, partitions, fixtures, flooring and LED lighting. The park looks great, and the community is enjoying all of the new amenities (but none more than the new pickleball courts!)

Since 2022, I have served as a board member on the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization Board (MPO). The MPO “is responsible for making policy on local transportation issues and deciding how to collaboratively spend federal money on important transportation projects that deliver solutions, help keep Broward County moving, and improve quality of life for all.” (See [www.browardmpo.org](http://www.browardmpo.org).) I took over this position after the end of former Commissioner Dick Blattner’s dedicated service on the board which he chaired for many years with distinction.

Much of the MPO work involves very long-term planning. For example, I recently reported to the City Commission on several important MPO/FDOT projects coming to Hollywood. Ranked 5th on the list of 19 prioritized projects known as Complete Streets and Other Localized Initiatives Program (CSLIP) Cycle 8 Priority List of Projects is the W. Park Road Traffic Calming Project. This project proposes the elimination of one eastbound/westbound lane, new separated bicycle lanes and improved pedestrian facilities including crosswalks, and landscaping from N Park Road to N 56 Avenue at an estimated cost of over \$3.4 million. Near the bottom of the Cycle 8 priorities (at 18) is the Polk Street Traffic Calming Project at N 26 Avenue to N Dixie Highway. This project proposes the elimination of one lane, the creation of a bi-directional buffered bicycle lane, upgraded sidewalks, the installation of crosswalks, and landscaping, at an estimated cost of over \$3.1 million. Based on available funds, MPO is recommending funding of the top 14 projects. The CSLIP priority list will be submitted to FDOT for consideration and assessment of available FDOT funding that will become available in 2028. Though construction of these projects are many years off, it is important that they are ranked in the CSLIP and efforts for funding continue moving forward.

Thankfully, other MPO efforts move faster! We were very happy to see the MPO approve several amendments to the 2024-28 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) including two important, upcoming FDOT drainage projects along A1A roughly north of Sheridan and south of Dania Beach Boulevard. With enhanced and more detailed drainage design, these projects will now receive an additional \$10 million in grant funding that would become available in 2024. We look forward to FDOT’s installation of these improvements to reduce what is becoming frequent, hazardous flooding in the area. For more information about the difficult and fascinating work of the Broward MPO, please visit [www.browardmpo.org](http://www.browardmpo.org).

Wishing all of you a lovely spring in our wonderful city! As always, please feel free to reach out with any concerns or questions to [CShuham@hollywoodfl.org](mailto:CShuham@hollywoodfl.org).



## Special Neighbors – Behind the Scenes

The HLCA Board of Directors is very lucky to have Lakes residents who volunteer their time to help the HLCA do the good work we do. Here are a couple of these Special Neighbors:



Penny Johns is a long time Lakes resident and has served on the Board of Directors in the past. Penny has been a tireless supporter of the HLCA and brings wonderful baked goods to our General Meetings and social events every year. Penny and her husband, Karl (also a former Director) live on Tyler Street



Roger Lohse is the HLCA web master and a past Director on the HLCA Board. A former TV news correspondent and currently a local realtor, Roger created a beautiful web site for the HLCA a few years ago. Roger and his wife Raelin live on the Blvd. Check out the HLCA web site Roger created at [www.hollywoodlakes.com](http://www.hollywoodlakes.com)

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... or add a fresh squeeze of lemon to fish, green beans, shrimp, whip up some lemon curd, lemon cupcakes, lemon cheesecake, lemon cookies, lemon chicken, limoncello, lemon meringue pie. The tart and tangy possibilities are endless.

Growing up one of our family favorites was lemon sponge pie. My grandmother's sister, my Aunt Ruth, was the pie (and pie crust queen). She ran the lunch counter at a local drugstore in our hometown and her baked from scratch pies were legendary. It was family lore that a pie crust company was once interested in purchasing, marketing and selling her pie crust recipe. I don't think that ever happened because once the lunch counter closed (sign of the times) she went to work as a toll booth operator for the PA turnpike which leads me to believe there was no pie crust purchase windfall deal made. But she continued to be the pie maker for all family and friends' functions, events, and holidays. I now make her lemon sponge pie for many holiday gatherings even though I start with a store bought frozen pie crust. Raise your hand if pie crust is also not your forte. There are so many other things to be "queen (or king) of" (wink) so be not concerned, no one will notice when this delicious tart and tangy pie is served.

## Aunt Ruth's Lemon Sponge Pie

### Ingredients and Directions:

(from my mother's memory handwritten so it's step by step as you would do it from start to finish)

1 cup sugar	Add juice and finely grated zest
3 T butter	of 1 lemon rind (I use more)
2 egg yolks	3 T flour added to above
Beat together	

Beat 2 egg whites to stiff peaks and gently (very gently to keep it airy) fold 1 cup of milk and the stiffly beaten egg whites to above mixture. Pour into pie crust and bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees.

I often tense up at the folding in of milk and beaten egg whites stage but if you go slow and easy with the folding in this pie will be lemon spongy tart, airy, sweet and tangy perfection.

If the Lemon Sponge Pie recipe seems too complicated (though it's not once you dive into it) or you are in the mood for a grab and go lemony item perhaps this tart twist for short bread cookies will hit the spot.

## Lemon Short Bread Cookies

### Ingredients

½ cup softened butter	1 cup all-purpose flour
1/3 cup sugar	2 T and 1 t cornstarch
4 teaspoons grated lemon zest	¼ teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract	1/8 teaspoon salt

### Drizzle

½ cup confectioners sugar  
2 to 3 teaspoons lemon juice

Preheat oven to 350°. Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in lemon zest and vanilla. Combine the flour, cornstarch, nutmeg, and salt; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well. Dough will be crumbly. Shape into a big ball then press dough to 1/2-in. thickness on a lightly floured surface. Cut with a floured 1-in. round cookie cutter or something round you have handy; place 1 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Prick dough with a fork. Reroll scraps if desired. Bake until firm, 12-15 minutes. Let cool.

For the glaze combine confectioners' sugar and lemon juice; drizzle over cookies. Enjoy the depth of lemon flavor and the buttery sweetness. Puckers optional.

## Layered Lemonade

And if pie or other baked goods are simply not your thing here's a sparkly spritzzy rich pink and yellow layered take on lemonade to add a refreshing splash to the mix as the weather heats up and the days stay lighter longer to allow for more decadent sipping and gathering time South Florida style.

### Ingredients

2/3 cup sugar	Ice
½ cup fresh lemon juice	12 ounces seltzer
½ teaspoon turmeric	Basil sprigs, lemon wheels or flowers as garnish
1 cup blackberries	

Bring 1/3 cup of the sugar and 1/3 cup of water to a boil, stirring to dissolve the sugar to make simple syrup. Refrigerate until cold. Add the lemon juice, turmeric and 1 cup of water. Cover and shake to combine. Chill. In another small saucepan simmer the blackberries with the remaining 1/3 cup of sugar and 1/2 cup of water for 10 minutes or so pressing on the berries to break them up. Strain the blackberry syrup over a small pitcher or measuring cup. Cover and refrigerate until cold.

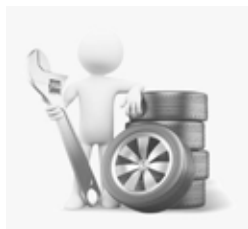
To serve, fill 4 collins glasses with ice. Shake the turmeric lemonade and divide among the glasses. Whisk the seltzer into the blackberry syrup and pour over the lemonade. Do not mix to allow for colorful layers. Garnish with lemon wheels, fresh flowers and/or basil, if desired; serve immediately. Though the turmeric lemonade and blackberry syrup can be refrigerated separately for up to 2 weeks and then put together day of. You can swap out strawberries or raspberries and add a "spirit" of choice to taste to fit the occasion/crowd as desired.

*As a side note:* This lemon themed article was inspired by Lakes neighbor-made limoncello that has often been dropped off at my door at Christmas and a recent post by Lakes neighbor/friend, HLCA board member and newsletter committee member who posted a picture of a huge plump juicy lemon gifted to her by a neighbor/friend right from her own lemon tree in her backyard.... how's that for neighborly ways to turn lemons into lemonade... the rest of us sans friend with lemon tree, see you all in our local grocery store picking out the perfect lemon in the produce section.



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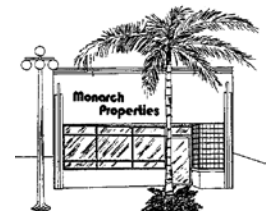


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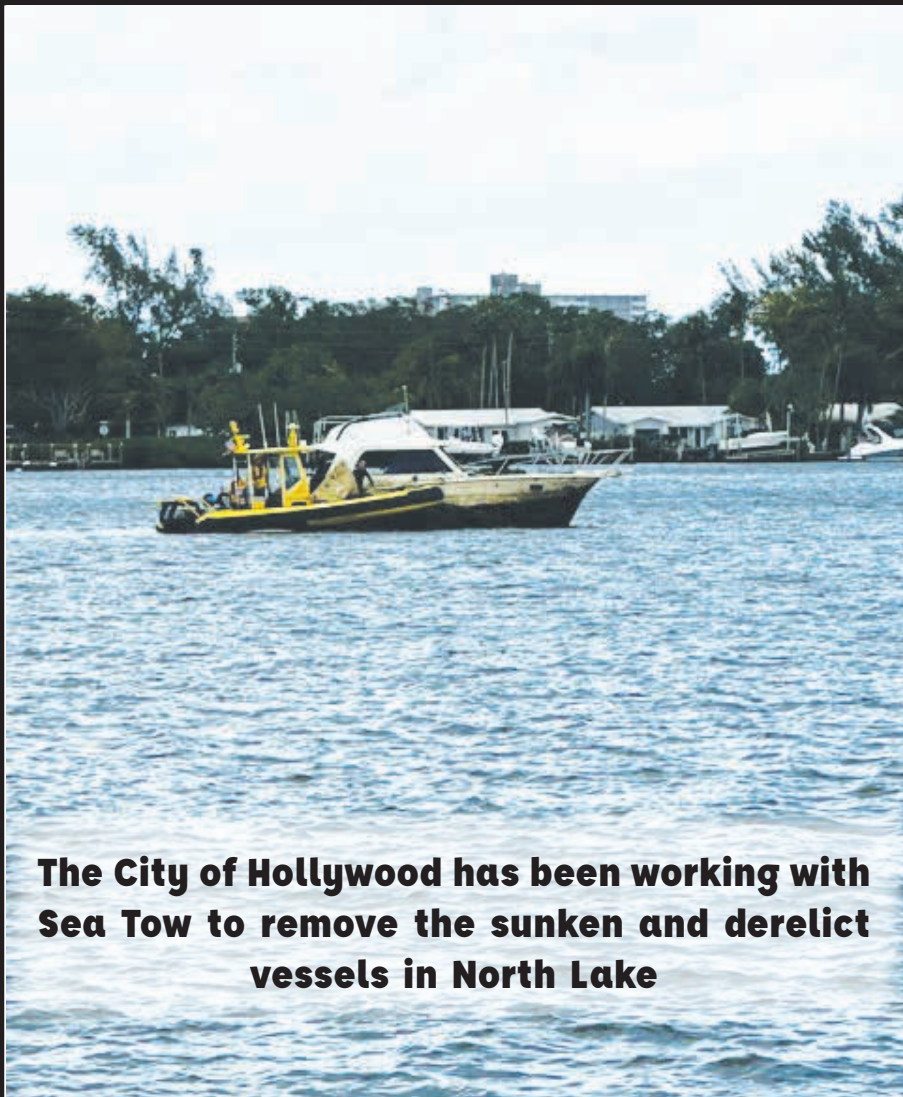
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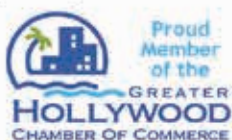


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Jennifer arrives as Joy Satterlee resigned in December after 21 dedicated years leading the Center. Jennifer was fortunate to transition with Joy and is charged with stewarding the Center's contemporary gallery exhibitions, theater operations, education programs and Open Dialogues film series. With the construction of the new Arts Education Wing that is projected to open in 2025, there will be a natural catalyst to expand cultural arts programming for youth and adults alike.

"It has been an eventful three months connecting with our team, stakeholders, community partners and benefactors," Jennifer says. "Everyone has been welcoming and their love of the Center is present. I have passion for all we do and spend personal time visiting galleries and taking in theater productions both locally and abroad. I am a documentary film enthusiast and youth programming is highly valued as I come from a long line of educators, my sister being an art teacher. Most of all I believe in helping to connect people to each other and the community. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy said 'The arts help us build a foundation for engaged, integrated, and connected lives and that has everything to do with health. Let's remind ourselves of how essential the arts are to our well-being and to our shared sense of humanity.' I agree the arts bring joy, inclusion, introspection, and inspiration into our lives and allows for mediums to express thoughts and feelings in inventive ways. Our Center team looks forward to elevating existing partnerships and forging new collaborations to serve the community."

Our current exhibits include Environmental Futures III: South Florida Women Artists, along with AdrienneRose Gionta: Somewhere I Belong. Environmental Futures III brings together master and emerging women and non-binary artists, highlighting the concepts of environmental, social and mental ecology, as referenced by Felix Guattari's book *The Three Ecologies*. The exhibition is curated by Aldeide Delgado, Founder and Director of the Women Photographers International Archive (WOPHA), and Meaghan Kent, the Center's Curator of Exhibitions. Aldeide has a connected history to the Center. When she arrived from Cuba in 2016, her initial foray into the South Florida arts community began with an internship at the Center. It is a full circle moment having Aldeide collaborate on the design of this transcendent show.

Somewhere I Belong is a transformative art installation showcasing the convergence of avatars from the Metaverse, Snapchat, and The Sims 4 within a mesmerizing, multi-dimensional AI-generated landscape. The installation becomes an expansive altar, inviting viewers to step into a larger-than-life, techno-spiritual experience. This manifestation serves as a celebration and a challenge, urging society to embrace a wider spectrum of body types and identities while prompting contemplation on the interconnectedness of virtual and real worlds. Gionta will offer an interactive photoshoot where guests can become avatars on March 16 from 5-8 pm.

The Center's Summer Arts Camp will offer a full-day immersion in the visual and performing arts for kids from ages 5-16. Those beginning their lifelong love of the arts can enroll in Artistic Adventurers, introducing ages 5-7 to the wide world of art through music, movement, artmaking, and group games. Young Actors and Young Artists camp is driven by a specific theme and powered by creativity for ages 8-10. Each camp day will move campers through various activities in the visual and performing arts. These two camps run from June 17 to Aug. 9 and are available in four unique two-week sessions.

Campers who are 9 and above take center stage with two unique four-week sessions of Broadway Actors. Campers will participate in all facets of staging a full-length musical production for a live audience at the Hollywood Central Performing Arts Center. This year's productions are *Footloose Youth Edition*, and *Spongebob the Musical Youth Edition* with closing shows scheduled for July 12-13 and August 9-10, respectively.

The Center's Open Dialogues documentary film-shorts series has a full schedule in the coming months, with screenings and discussions at universities, film festivals, and libraries. Produced by the Center, Open Dialogues captures the personal narratives and performances of South Florida residents who have been marginalized based on race and/or gender. Each film is directed, edited, and photographed in black-and-white by Freddy Rodriguez of Miami-based 66 Films.

Our Regional Emmy Award-winning film, *Black Voices | Black Stories*, was shown in February at Stetson University in Deland, the second of four screenings at Stetson that began in January with *Stories From the LGBTQ Community* and continues with *Queer Allies March 23* and *Gen QueerZ April 13*.

On April 4, the Center will present a free screening and discussion of *Black Voices | Black Stories* from 6-8 p.m. at the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center (AARLC) in Fort Lauderdale. This event is in partnership with the Community Foundation of Broward. This is the first Center event held at AARLCC and illustrates the power of Open Dialogues to build collaborative networks among artists, community and government agencies seeking to address discriminatory practices and social injustice.

Our fourth and most recent film, *Gen QueerZ*, is an Official Selection of the 2024 OUTshine LGBTQ+ Film Festival being held April 18-28 in Miami. *Gen QueerZ* captures the LGBTQ+ narratives of South Florida students who are part of Generation Z. Among the schools represented are Broward College, Florida Atlantic University, Florida International, Miami Dade College, and Jose Marti Mast 6-12 Academy in Miami. Some students have since moved on to attend Florida State University, the University of Central Florida, and Boston University.

Stay tuned for potential dates for *Queer Allies* in April at the Miami Film Festival and on South Florida PBS. Open Dialogues films can be viewed in the Center's Community Gallery.

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# Broward Commissioner Beam Furr

Happy New Year! 2024 is shaping up to be a critically important year for both our county and our country. We face a major presidential election that will have generational ramifications for our democracy. On the local level, Broward County faces critical decisions on issues ranging from commuter rail to solid waste to environmental resiliency to public safety and much, much more. Add it all up, and 2024 looks like it could be a major inflection point. As we face such a monumental year, I am so grateful to the Hollywood Lakes Civic Association and all the residents of the Lakes for their continued leadership and tireless advocacy.

Even in trying times, our home is great because of the diversity and history of our wonderful neighborhoods throughout District Six. The Hollywood Lakes neighborhood is a shining example of how a neighborhood can combine the past and the present to create a brighter future for us all. Whether advocating for stronger flood protections or hosting social events that bring residents closer together, the Hollywood Lakes show us how neighbors work together to turn a collection of houses into a home. The Hollywood Lakes Civic Association has been at the forefront of important issues that have impacted not just the neighborhood, but all of Broward County. Our community benefits so much from the contribution of civic associations. I would like to congratulate the board on their 2024 swearing-in and thank them for the time they spend helping to bring the community together. I look forward to seeing you all at the Lakes Civic Association meeting in May, which is the annual Taste of Hollywood event. As always, never hesitate to reach out to my office!

## PREMO Plan

One issue that Lakes residents frequently contact my office about is public transit. While the Lakes are very drivable and walkable, the neighborhood is located near major public transit arterials like Federal Highway and the FEC rail tracks. Over the past several months, Broward County has been rolling out our Premium Mobility (PREMO) program. The PREMO program uses penny surtax funds to create a world-class transportation network and is a prime example of how this surtax will pay major dividends to Broward County. This program of projects includes commuter rail, light rail, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), and significantly increased and improved bus options. PREMO will also incorporate new technologies and will evolve to fit our changing needs. Overall, this plan contains over 200 miles of premium service that expects to have 23 million riders a year, and it is expected to play a major role in reducing congestion and giving residents more mobility options. One element of the PREMO plan is upgrading our fleet with new electric buses. This January, Broward County Transit celebrated the opening of the first BCT Electric Express Coach bus, which transports 54 passengers per ride and can go up to 230 miles on one charge! Lakes residents will be glad to know that the PREMO plan will provide plentiful options originating near major Hollywood landmarks. In particular, a transit network will develop from the new commuter rail in downtown Hollywood, which will provide many more options for Lakes residents to go both north to south and east to west! Stay tuned for more information.

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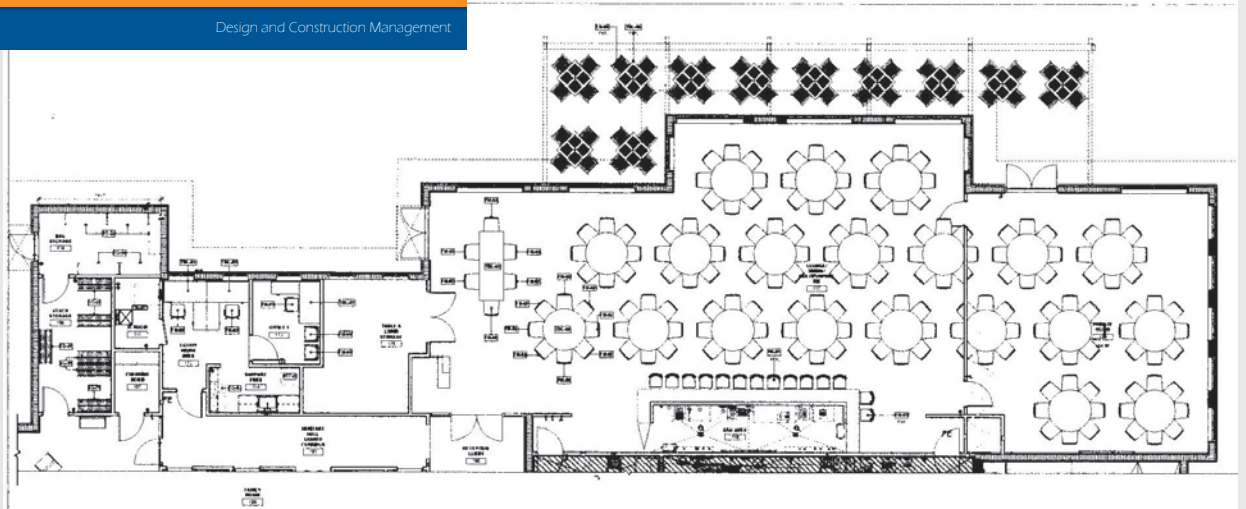
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# Vacation Rentals – Danger Lurks!

## By HLCA Vacation Rental Team

More and more we are learning of violent crimes taking place at vacation rentals not just here in Florida but all over country. Aside from the complaints about excessive fees for cleaning and unkempt houses and hidden cameras, more violent crimes are being reported as short term or vacation rentals are used by criminals and drug dealers as a base for their unlawful activities. Here in the Hollywood, we have had three gang related shooting incidents in the last couple of years. In November, a gang style shooting took place in the 1100 block of Jefferson Street at 1am in the morning. Also, back on December 26, 2023 there was a drive by shooting at a vacation rental in the 1400 block of Dewey Street that left one person injured. As the City of Hollywood and many other municipalities continue to deal with this vacation rental nightmare and the problems that this commercial intrusion causes, we also have to fight off the Florida Legislature continual attempt to pre-empt local regulations. The vacation rental and Airbnb lobby floods the coffers of some Legislators in Tallahassee every campaign season. For now, our strict ordinance remains in effect.

Since 2019, there have been roughly 400 shooting incidents nationwide. Here is a list of all the vacation rental shooting incidents in Florida by location since 2019:

6/26/19	Brandon	4/24/21	Cape Coral	3/5/23	Davenport
7/13/19	Brandon	4/24/21	Miami	3/6/23	Davenport
8/15/19	Miami	5/2/21	Lakewood Ranch	3/14/23	Brandenton
8/31/19	Clearwater	11/1/21	Jacksonville	4/27/23	Fort Lauderdale
4/18/20	Tampa	11/12/21	Miramar	7/24/23	Sarasota
6/16/20	Miami	1/29/22	St Augustine	9/10/23	Wilton Manors
5/26/20	Orlando	5/20/22	North Miami Beach	9/10/23	Davenport
6/15/20	Miami	4/13/22	Davenport	9/17/23	Hollywood
7/5/20	Miami Beach	6/28/22	Plantation	11/20/23	Hollywood
7/2/20	Osceola County	6/25/22	Jacksonville Beach	12/3/23	Miami
10/11/20	Kissimmee	12/26/22	Hollywood	12/12/23	North Miami-Dade
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# DISHING THE DIRT 2024

By Siobhan McLaughlin – HLCA Financial Secretary



Well spring is “finally” here in South Florida but when do we actually not have lovely, wonderful weather? (Let’s concede the muggy days of July and August heat...) Those crisp few days in February where we can break out our sweaters and scarves? Or those few very breezy days in March that give rise to the adage comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb?

Another way to tell that spring is upon us is the proliferation of pansies, pentas, wave petunias and the gorgeous but water guzzling, impatiens at nurseries and garden shops. The urge to get outside, breathe fresh air, to clean, spruce up the yard and walkways, to display those hanging baskets bursting with color, just make this a wonderful and hopeful season. The counties set out a flush of new growth for those who note more subtle signs of spring. (I will save the never-ending warnings to get yards and trees in shape for the upcoming hurricane season for the next issue.)

But before looking at spring plantings, a few things to consider first... In the winter newsletter, I raved about the holiday wow of poinsettias.

For those who did keep them and wish to transfer to yard or in pots, March, June and September are the months to cut the plants back. As anyone who has been in my yard will attest, I do not cut back much or at all, unless forced to at clipper point. However, the general rule of thumb is trim no more than a third of the plant. Cut at an angle and close to the point where the leaf comes out.

Another holiday plant I should have featured is the amazing Christmas Cactus (*Schlumbergera x buckleyi*). As noted in [MarthaStewart.com](http://MarthaStewart.com), it has become a welcome addition during the holiday season. Though cacti are often associated with arid, desert-like conditions, the Christmas cactus originated in the tropical rainforests of Southeastern Brazil, and prefers more humid environments than other cacti. With the correct conditions and care, you can keep this for many years. It doesn’t typically require pruning, unless you want to keep your plant smaller. “To prune, just twist off or clip off where two stem segments connect,” says Justin Hancock of Costa Farms. “The best time to do this is right after the plant finishes blooming, usually January or February.”

I was lucky to have three or four plants rebloom in abundance and added great color to decorating for the holidays. The rules are like those for poinsettias come fall to encourage blooms. Those tips will be in the fall newsletter. The Spruce and Southern Living have more information on their websites to learn about Easter Cactus (cacti?) for their care and subtle differences.

And speaking of subtle differences: I know the roundabouts on 13th Ave. at Harrison/Tyler Streets look no/little different than when we planted them. We are going to mulch soon and the city has planned to power wash the concrete, so it will be a bit more engaging. It is a work in progress, to be sure.

Yes, the locustberries are (VERY) slow growers...BUT, every plant has lived and is now firmly established. As native plants, they will not need (much if any) maintenance, nor fertilizer. It is an ongoing learning process for the HLCA, the city and us everyday gardeners. For the 15th Av roundabout, Alex Bruno, the HLCA Director who donated the plants for the first two, has agreed to purchase the next ones. He also agrees we should plant a few more to achieve a fuller look. Thank you, Alex!

Over the spring, the HLCA hopes to have not only the 15th and Harrison Street roundabout complete, but also start on plans for the long medians on 17th Ave. This will be a multiyear project for sure. We welcome ideas and help to bring this about.

I was very pleased to hear from a Lakes resident, Pat, who called to tell me about the pollinators in her yard. Unfortunately, she was having the roof replaced at the house when I stopped by, so I will go by at another time to see her yard. After we spoke, I was thrilled to notice a hummingbird in my yard at the (hot pink) Firespike and Painted buntings at the feeder. The bees seem to like the rotten carambola that has fallen to the ground. Mother Nature hard at work...

So, you can begin planting warm-season vegetables like tomatoes, peppers, and cucumbers. Remember that our growing season for vegetables is different than Northern plantings: no threat of frost, and our temperatures heat up quickly. It’s also time to add bright annuals like petunias and marigolds to your garden. For a touch of native Florida, try planting wildflowers such as Black-eyed Susans and Coreopsis.

In closing, a big shout out to Claire Garrett, a resident of Hollywood and First Place winner at the prestigious Tamiami Orchid Show. Absolutely magnificent specimen!!!! and an incredibly engaged civic leader for our city. Congratulations!



(Ed: Claire is a Master Orchid grower and Director on the Park East Civic Assn. board)



## Hollywood Women's Club

By Mardi Podesta - President

Hollywood Women's Club members were busy little elves this past holiday season with toy collections, tree decorating, donations of presents, food goods, sweet treats, cards, cookies, warm socks and some hot cheer to our elementary schools, senior living facilities and homeless shelters. We got into the holiday spirit by sharing our time, talents and treasures together while Living the Volunteer Spirit.

This year is going to be one of challenges and changes for the HWC. Changes – as our new President Brandy Creed, along with her extremely talented team, are sworn in. They're raring to go and are totally dedicated to carrying on the community service programs that are the primary focus of our organization. Challenges - because the HWC's premier and largest fundraising event, our 11th Annual Golf Tournament, will not be able to be held at our "home" location of The Hollywood Beach Golf Course. The exciting and much anticipated improvements funded by the 2019 GOB initiative will begin this year and means the course will be closing soon for the duration of this year until completion of the project. While we search for an alternative location, we remain busy planning a calendar of enjoyable FUNdraising events that we hope will become "must attend" evenings. We are confident that our dedication and commitment to the preservation of our historically designated 1927 clubhouse along with our support for the needy in our community will continue to draw to us what we need, when we need it.

Meanwhile, we have something for everyone. You can volunteer at our once-a-month BINGO nights at The Caring Place for both parents and children. They enjoy playing, eating the snacks and winning prizes, and we love seeing all the smiles. We have opportunities for you to sign up to help out at the JDCH Food Pantry, or distribute food for the CEC, stuff some baskets with holiday goodies for our seniors or create art with the residents of Henderson Clinic. Each general meeting provides a chance to donate items for our various projects be it books for students,

diapers for babies of moms in recovery, towels and/or sheets for animal shelters; the list changes and we adapt.

Of course, you can come out and have a really fun time at our ever-popular 5th Thursday of the month BINGO nights. New games, new prizes, new food – be there or be square. Look for us marching in the Saint Patrick's Day Parade. We will be resplendent in flamingo pink, leprechaun green and glittering gold. We are still flocking folks. Plant some pink flamingoes as a fun surprise to celebrate a special event. Call our flocking hotline at 954-476-7866 to order some guaranteed smiles. Our Garden Gals keep our butterfly garden beautiful and attractive for us and our winged visitors as well. The Book Club meets, eats and has lively discussions on current best sellers or favorite classics. We offer many varied activities to commune with like minded women with a commitment to service. Friendships are made while giving back. Come and join us. If you have an upcoming event, please contact us for all the information about gently renting our venue at 954-925-9394, or email Tina at rentals@hollywoodwomensclub.org. You can visit our website at www.hollywoodwomensclub.org or you can email us at info@hollywoodwomensclub.org for more information on what the Hollywood Women's Club is all about.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to personally thank everyone for all the love and support I have received from this club and my community these last 5 years as President. There were certainly many challenges, but looking back at them in the rearview mirror, they were always met collectively and handled with intelligence, politeness, practicality, respect, and grace. There was never a moment where I felt alone because I knew that there was an entire village of loving, supportive and kind sisters I could turn to and who I could call on. I am humbled by the trust shown, the accomplishments achieved and so very grateful for the friendships made. Living the Volunteer Spirit will continue to be a joy.

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**927 N 14TH AVE**  
3 Bed / 2 Bath / Carport  
Fully Remodeled Home



**1633 ADAMS STREET**  
2 Bed / 1 Bath / Room for a Pool



**922 WASHINGTON STREET**  
5 Bed / 4.5 Bath / Pool  
Ocean Access / No Fixed Bridges



**1206 ADAMS STREET**  
4 Bed / 4 Bath / Pool  
Large Corner Lot



**1535 HOLLYWOOD BLVD**  
3 Bed / 2 Bath / Beautiful Pool



**1507 VAN BUREN STREET**  
2 Bed / 1 Bath / 1 Car Garage



**1651 WASHINGTON STREET**  
3 Bed / 2 Bath / Over 2,000 Sq ft



**932 N NORTHLAKE DRIVE**  
5 Bed / 4.5 Bath / Pool  
Ocean Access/ No Fixed Bridges



**1254 BUCHANAN STREET**  
3 Bed / 3 Bath / Pool / 1 Car Garage  
Corner Lot

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