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Vacation Rental Update

By the HLCA Vacation Rental Team

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Did you know that there are almost 1600 licensed vacation rentals in the City of Hollywood? In our neighborhood alone, there are 354 and these are just the licensed vacation rentals. Airbnb claims that Vacation Rentals are dominated by 'home sharing'. What a farce! Research by our team identified just 32 vacation rentals city-wide that might be run by people who actually live in their home and rent part for extra income. The remaining 1,570, as we all unfortunately know, are private hotels and motels with hired managers and owned by investors from all over the world.

Our goal is not to remove all short term vacation rentals from the City of Hollywood. That would be impossible. However, we believe that short term vacation rental houses are incompatible with single-family home residential neighborhoods (like Hollywood Lakes), unless the neighborhood wants them. Our goal is to remove these hotels from our single-family residential zoned neighborhood, while allowing them in more appropriate areas, such as multi-family zoned areas and corridors. Those who actually live in their homes and rent out a part or rent the guest house in the back would still be able to do this.

Believe it or not, Hollywood needs permission from Tallahassee to accomplish this goal. We recently met one of our Florida legislators, who is our representative in the Florida State Senate. We came away from the meeting feeling optimistic. This Senator understands the issue and the history and is on our side. After the upcoming election, we will next meet with our newly elected Representative in the Florida House. Our goal is to work with our state representatives to remove the preemption, Florida Statute §509.032(7)(b), which prevents local governments from prohibiting short-term vacation rentals. This preemption is centralized government control at its worst and must be removed.

On the home front, our signs are working, but many more are needed. Imagine if signs blanketed the neighborhood, the message would be clear – SHORT TERM VACATION RENTERS NOT WELCOME. Every one reading this can make this happen. Get a sign! Tourist season is upon us. Short term vacation renters need to know that Hollywood Lakes is not a vacation resort, nor is it a venue for their bachelor party, wedding, or other event. Some of the tangible benefits of these signs are:

- ✓ The signs remind renters to behave.
- ✓ The signs discourage investors from buying up even more homes.
- ✓ The signs generate mentions in the online reviews, which discourages future renters from coming to Hollywood.



Here are some examples from recent reviews:

- “The neighbors are jerks. Your (sic) surrounded by signs that say Ban Vacation Rentals”
- “All the neighbors had signs complaining about rentals and that rentals are ruining their neighborhood. Made us uncomfortable”.
- “The neighbors are against vacation rentals. I felt like I was walking on eggshells the whole time.”

If you want the Vacation Rental on your block, or next to you, to be less disruptive, with fewer guests and fewer parties, the signs will help. If you want that house coming up for sale to be sold to a family – well, the signs will help. We need signs everywhere! After input from residents, we revised the message (see photo above).

Please - if you dislike this Vacation Rental situation as much as we do contact us for a sign at **info@hollywoodlakes.com**. Put up a sign or two. The cumulative effect of many will be impactful. (Ed: the HLCA Vacation Rental Team is composed of HLCA Directors and members)



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.
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Happy Holidays, Hollywood!

As always, in the season of "Thanks", we would like to express our gratitude to you, Hollywood, for your years of support of Mager McQueen Group, your Hollywood Compass team. Thank you!

We hope you and your family and friends have a relaxing holiday season. It's been another memorable year in so many ways, so it's a good time to hit pause and reflect.



"Rest when you're weary. Refresh and renew yourself, your body, your mind, your spirit."

– Ralph Marston

The market in Hollywood and South Florida broadly remains active and a desired destination. Don't hesitate to contact us if we can offer advice or assistance with your real estate ambitions. Together, we will develop a plan and make it happen.

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DISTRICT 1 REPORT

By Vice Mayor and District 1 Commissioner Caryl Shuham



Hi everyone – It is so hard to believe we are already on our way to the holiday season. For those who didn't make it, Hollyweird was again an incredible success. The event is divided into two parts- late afternoon/early evening for the kids and evening into the late night for grownups. Great music, food and fun- be sure to come out next year.

It was an absolute thrill to watch our first artificial reef installation on Tuesday November 1st. Hollywood's Community Redevelopment Agency and the City have been working with Broward County to permit the deployment of 20 artificial reef modules created in conjunction with the 1000 Mermaids Project and Ocean Rescue Alliance (ORA). This is the first such deployment in Broward County. The artificial reef installation will also serve as an underwater eco-friendly destination for coral restoration, eco-tourism, and research. The artificial reef sculptures, weighing between 2200-3300 pounds each, come outfitted with the patented "Coral Lok" system allowing coral to be out-planted directly to the artificial reefs. Thanks to ORA's contributions to initiatives accelerating coral restoration efforts in Southeast Florida, this site is designed to become a recipient site for transplanted corals providing a variety of community-based, citizen science and educational opportunities. Of the 20 artificial reef structures being deployed, 5 feature artistic sculptures such as mermaids, a swim up selfie mermaid tail, and an industrial diver suit. The remaining 15 structures have biological bases specifically engineered to support fish habitat and provide coral restoration opportunities. For certified, experienced scuba divers, the reefs site is accessible by vessel about 1 mile offshore in 35-40 ft of water. In the not-too-distant future, we expect a shallow reef installation as well for swimmers and snorkelers to enjoy!

For anyone who sees something of concern in the City, our customer service platform "Hollywood Connect" is a fast, easy and convenient way to report non-emergency issues directly to City Hall. Hollywood Connect is an easy-to-use app that allows you to submit service requests for code violations, potholes, streetlight outages, unsafe conditions and more directly from your mobile device. If enabled, your GPS and location services on your device will help pinpoint the service issue location – or you may enter the location manually. Once received by City staff, service requests are routed to the appropriate department for attention and should be responded to quickly and efficiently. Users can easily track the progress

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In addition to submitting service requests, app users may also pay their water bills (Hollywood utility customers only), view their garbage collection schedule, apply for a building permit, and learn about events and happenings in the City. For additional information, please visit www.HollywoodFL.org/HollywoodConnect.

Here are some stats from staff about the Hollywood connect service:

- Since launch (July 2021), 11,121 service requests have been submitted
- Average Reports Created per Day: 23.36
- Average Reports Closed per Day: 18.60
- Average Time to Close: 26.45 days
- Most Common Request Type: Sidewalk Issues

After you begin using Hollywood connect, please let me know what you think!

Finally, by the time you read this article, I am optimistic that the Broward County Commission will have approved its limited anchoring ordinance. This ordinance will then allow the City to implement some additional tools to keep boats from anchoring indefinitely in North and South Lake. As I previously explained in this column, once these anchoring limitation areas are established by the County, vessels will not be permitted to anchor for more than forty-five consecutive days in a 6-month period (with very limited exceptions). Huge thanks to our amazing County Commissioner Beam Furr for helping us get this done.

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REDDIT SAYS IT'S TIME TO CANCEL AIRBNB - and there are some good reasons why

These are the biggest Airbnb problems that frustrate potential travelers

By Shannon Cooper – The Manual

The “Airbnbust” is upon us. After more than a decade as the top choice for vacation rentals losing favor with travelers globally—and the change has hosts asking “what’s going on?” In a now viral screenshot from the Airbnb Superhosts Facebook group, some hosts have complained of a recent drastic decline in bookings that has left them wondering why.

Naturally, the internet has all the answers to their question. From Twitter to Reddit, people are offering up their own reasons why they dislike the platform—and they make a lot of good points. Keep reading to discover some of travelers’ biggest Airbnb problems.

Hidden fees

Hidden fees are among the biggest reason why travelers are turning their backs on Airbnb. As Reddit user ellastory puts it, “sometimes the daily rate won’t seem so bad, until you try to book it and realize there are hundreds of dollars of extra surcharges that are hardly worth a short trip.” According to a personal account from Redditor RockyNobody, “I was going to rent one for two nights with friends in Atlanta recently. The fee was around \$1600 a night for a six-bedroom, four-bath. When I went to pay, they had tacked on over \$2000 in various additional fees.”

Unreasonable expectations

Many on the platform also complained about the unrealistic expectations of hosts. Cleaning rules were some of the most common—and most outrageous—Airbnb problems users mentioned. “One time I got a negative review from a host was because they said I left the place ‘a mess.’ We followed all of their cleaning instructions to the letter, TWO PAGES WORTH. And paid a three-figure cleaning fee. They were mad because there were some ‘crumbs’ and some of the pillows weren’t put back in the right rooms,” shared Redditor Former-Animal3116 who jokes, “Why would I pay to clean someone else’s house on my vacation?”

No amenities

When it comes to amenities, hotels have Airbnbs beat every time. Even basic hotel services can be difficult to find at short-term rentals. In response to the tweet that started it all, Jani Gee perfectly lays bare the differences between hotels and Airbnbs. She writes, “Hotel has a concierge, cleaning lady,

rooftop, bar, restaurant, security, pool, taxi stand, plus room upgrades for loyalty. Airbnb has hidden cameras, a cleaning fee, discriminatory hosts + they ask you to take out the trash, strip your linen, and scrub the tub before you leave lmao.” And with 14.4K retweets and 65.7K likes, it’s clear she’s not the only one who feels this way.

More expensive than hotels

When it first launched, Airbnb was marketed as an inexpensive alternative to hotels. But as its popularity grew, more property owners began to see the platform as an easy way to boost their income—at the expense of travelers. “They used to be cheaper than a hotel. Now they’re more expensive. Owners getting greedy,” says Reddit user cfisch08.

Redditor Suspicious Serve 653 notes, “The only time I found Airbnb to be cheaper than a hotel is when I’m shopping for monthly stays.” And according to a recent analysis of the platform by NerdWallet, they’re right. The June 2022 investigation found that Airbnbs are typically less expensive for longer trips or large groups.

Scams, dirty conditions, and hidden cameras

Stories about fake hosts and guests finding hidden cameras in their rooms are well documented (and have even landed the company in legal trouble). But if you scroll through the Reddit thread, you’ll find even more complaints about last-minute cancellations, filthy properties, and other unsavory situations.

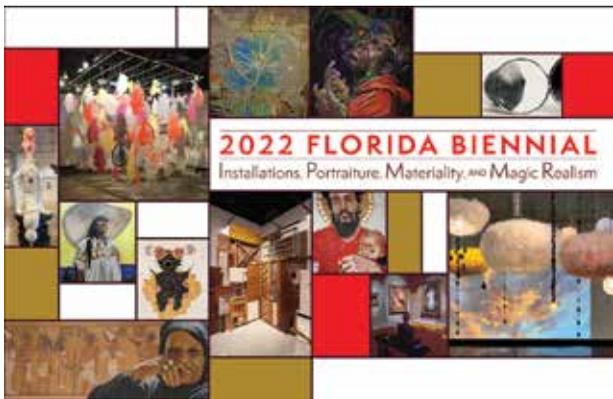


RedditorMyTwoTotorises recounted their partner’s recent nightmare Airbnb experience. When guests arrived at the property, they found “towels were still wet in the washing machine, random food in the fridge, house had bed bugs (they discovered later) and at some point when they were all out someone came by to do... something.”

This may well be the beginning of the end for Airbnb. While there are still some good hosts on the platform and certain types of stays

a home rental is better for, from exorbitant fees to filthy (and sometimes illegal) properties, it’s easy to see why so many travelers are canceling the platform. So do yourself a favor; next time you’re planning a vacation, book a hotel room.

(reprinted from the web site “My Manual”)



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Sophia Lacroix was selected among the 24 artists to receive a solo exhibition in 2023 along with a \$1,000 honorarium.

Carolina Cueva's work is introspective – it is a reflection of the source, materialized, though sacred. Within that reflection, Cueva reveals her own relationship to colonization by way of personal narrative through a transcendental lens. Her indigenous roots inform her art and allow her to draw from lived experiences of displacement, hybridization, and wholeness. The work encourages healing and receptivity, evoking energies that create space to call back fragmented parts of one's self.

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BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONER BEAM FURR



Residents of the Hollywood Lakes have been troubled for many years by the anchoring of boats in North Lake and South Lake. While residents certainly

appreciate the thriving marine industry in Hollywood, they have expressed concern over some boats being left to sit in the water for months on end until they become derelict boats. This is not only an eyesore on the neighborhood – these boats also present a danger to the health and welfare of the water in North and South Lake and the members of the surrounding community. But good news is here – Broward County is teaming up with the City of Hollywood to formally implement an anchoring limitation area in North Lake and South Lake!

For the past year, my office has helped facilitate conversation between Broward County staff and City of Hollywood staff to craft an ordinance that works best for the safety of these lakes while still complying with the law regarding boating activities. An anchoring limitation area allows local governments to restrict the number of days that a boat can be anchored in one place. Under Florida law, anchoring limitation areas can be requested by the County and enforced by a local government. With this new ordinance, boats will be required to move after no more than 45 consecutive days. If a boat is not moved, a law enforcement officer can remove and impound the vessel. By requiring boat owners to move their boats after six weeks, it will prevent derelict boats from being left to sink in the Lakes. This will be a major step in making the area a safer and better place to live.

Though the law is passed at the Broward County level, the City of Hollywood is responsible for enforcement and enactment of this anchoring area. On the October 11th

County Commission agenda, an interlocal agreement was passed and signed that creates the formal agreement to allow for an anchoring limitation area on 162 acres in North Lake and South Lake. A public hearing was set for November 15th to officially designate the area and create the ordinance for enforcement. By the time you read this, that ordinance will likely have passed. That will allow the anchoring limitation area to take effect, and hopefully reduce the number of unsightly and dangerous boats in the Lakes!

Thank you to Broward County staff and attorneys as well as City of Hollywood staff and attorneys for working so hard and so long on this important legislation. District One Commissioner Caryl Shuham was a long-time partner in this process. Many residents, including several board members of the Hollywood Lakes Civic Association, reached out to help us craft this law. All of the insight has proven invaluable. As this law goes into effect, make sure to reach out to your local City of Hollywood law enforcement and elected officials if you see a derelict boat that you reasonably believe has been there longer than 45 days. As always, my office is happy to answer any questions!

Contact Us

Our District office is conveniently located within the lobby of the Hollywood Branch of the Broward County Public Library at 2600 Hollywood Blvd, next to Hollywood City Hall. My District office staff is available to you from 10 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday. If you plan a visit, please note the library building opens at noon on Mondays and Tuesdays. My staff is also working from my office in Fort Lauderdale and from other locations within our District. The Fort Lauderdale office is open for your convenience Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM. If you would like to schedule an appointment, or have a great idea, suggestion or an issue that may need my attention, feel free to call me at 954-357-7006/-7790 or send me an email at bfurr@broward.org.

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Over-Redevelopment – The Unintended Consequences

By Terry Cantrell - President

When we think of the redevelopment frenzy ongoing in the City of Hollywood and our neighboring cities, we fear the increase traffic and the added strain on our fragile infrastructure among other concerns. Yes, our area needs well managed and careful redevelopment as some areas are older and in need of refreshing. The main concerns are:

- Increase in traffic: While traffic consultants will claim that their client's project will have no adverse effect on local traffic, some of us know better.
- Strain on our infrastructure: The Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant on N. 14th Ave. does have capacity for treating more sewage but as we saw in June, sewage was coming up through the storm water drains which are not supposed to be connected. Don't forget that this plant also accepts and treats sewage from six other local cities that are all undergoing redevelopment. Some of our residential neighborhoods including the Lakes recently had new water lines installed but there are still many neighborhoods with aging water lines under the streets. We are reminded of the terrible water and sewer flooding in some east Ft. Lauderdale neighborhoods recently when those aging pipes ruptured. Ft. Lauderdale is also under going massive redevelopment.
- Lack of housing stock for permanent residents: One of the most disturbing aspects of this intense redevelopment effort is the elimination of single family housing. Single family homes, especially in central Hollywood, are being replaced with low end rental apartment buildings reaching up to five and six stories and 50 to 100 units. This is converting Hollywood into a transient city with renters that come and go after a year or so with no investment in the community or pride of ownership.

One aspect of redevelopment that is rarely considered is access to health care. Memorial Regional Hospital offers excellent, high quality health care. A good thing. But I

recently had a first hand look at the health care at Memorial and what I saw was very disturbing. In early July, I fell and broke some ribs. I went to the Emergency Room at noon that day. While not as serious as it could have been, the ER folks wanted to keep me overnight to observe my injuries. However, there were no available beds or rooms for me that day. As a matter of fact, the hospital was 74 beds short that day! There were 74 of us in the ER that evening that could not be transferred to a room. We all had to stay in the ER. Some of us in the hallway.

In late September, my 98 year old mother fell and broke her hip. She needed surgery but again there were no rooms or beds available for her. The hospital was 91 beds short that September evening. My mother laid in the ER for 36 hours before the operation after which they were able to find her a bed on the 7th floor.

What's the answer to this serious shortage of beds? Build more at Memorial. As this is a regional hospital that serves not just Hollywood but all of south Broward County, expansion is the only answer. With more development and more people coming to live in Hollywood and surrounding cities, we must be able to accommodate this influx of humanity when they need quality health care. The staff at Memorial does an amazing job at juggling this bed shortage but this is a strain on them, as well.

In conclusion, the good news is that the Memorial Health Care System has already began the planning process to expand the hospital within their existing campus. Recently, the hospital added four more floors to the Joe Dimaggio Children's Hospital building which, in theory, could free up some beds in the main hospital that have been designated for children. We urge the City of Hollywood to work with the hospital as they pursue this much needed expansion and also to be cognizant of the unintended consequences of over-redevelopment and the adverse effects on our quality of life.

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The Dredges of Hollywood Lakes, Port Everglades and the C 10 canal

By Clive Taylor

HLCA Director President Hollywood Historical Society



Most people associate Young with the development of Hollywood through the Hollywood "Land and Water" Company. Few people realize that part of this land development included massive dredging projects some of

which were the largest and most important dredging projects ever undertaken at that time.

When Young arrived in the area known as Hollywood it was a narrow ridge of dry land sandwiched between two marshes. The ridge at its highest runs along the Dixie Highway and is around 10 to 12 feet above sea level. Most people are familiar with the east marsh which covered most of the lakes area east of 14 Avenue all the way to the barrier island. This area looked just like West Lake Park. The land was under water at high tide east of 14th Avenue and was a tangle of old growth mangrove roots.

Few people realize that there was also a west marsh that ran from Pembroke Road north all the way to the Dania Cut Off canal. The west marsh area was bounded on the east by 28th Avenue and 32nd Ave on the west and was about a quarter of a mile wide. The west marsh contained some of the most fertile soils in the area which the Dania farmers were utilizing before Young arrived. During heavy rains these marshes would fill up and ruin crops on a regular basis but were dry long enough to harvest some crops.

This marsh included portions of present day OrangeBrook and Sunset Golf Course. OrangeBrook was originally a grove of orange trees. The brook may have been part of the marshy area. The low level areas were utilized all over Hollywood including Young Circle where green beans were grown. Other parts of Hollywood like the little ranches had avocado groves and the Hollywood Beach Country Club was a tomato field as well as was most of the area near the east marsh. Some ancient avocado trees can still be spotted in parts of the Little Ranches neighborhood although nothing else remains of the early farms of Hollywood.

When Young envisioned the exclusive Lakes section he needed to dredge the entire area all the way to the Intracoastal canal. He would hire the Elliot Machine Corporation of Baltimore to build several dredges for this work.

According to the oral history of Tony Mickelson, Hollywood's first surveyor for Joseph Young and father of our head researcher Dr. Joan Mickelson from the Hollywood Historical Society there were several dredges at work in Hollywood. Three dredges worked together to create the land for the Lakes neighborhood. They were named The Broward (see photo), The General and The Hallandale.

At the time of construction, the Broward was the largest shallow water dredge ever used in Florida and the Hallandale broke the world's record for the most material ever moved by one dredge. There was a Broward II constructed after an onboard fire during operation sank the Broward dredge down to the water line. The fire lasted for days and could be seen for miles as there was very little development in the area at the time. The Broward was also the first of its kind to use distillate as a fuel source instead of steam. We were very cutting edge at the time!

According to Tony Mickelson as the two muck dredges got to work on the lakes the goal was to get a sloping elevation from about 4 ½ feet at 14 Ave

down to about 3 to 3 ½ feet at the Intracoastal Waterway. After the muck dredges reached the bedrock layer of the lakes workers discovered they were about a million yards short for the proper grade. Young was not deterred and had new dredges built with specialized cutter heads designed specifically to digest the limestone base of the lakes and with that extra material from the lake bottom they got very close to the desired elevation on which to build upon. Notice I say close as they never got the desired elevation. Don't we know that here in the Lakes!! Side note here: as a resident of the Lakes neighborhood it is well know you better have a pick axe if you plan on digging round these parts as your will find large chunks of rocks mixed with the fill if you have a street elevation lot. Cute little pieces of history scattered just beneath your feet.

Once completed these lakes were the largest artificial lakes ever created in Florida. The lakes travel east a distance to about a mile from the intracoastal with a total of 175 acres for each lake. The design of each lake resembling a giant key hole adds to the symmetry of the Hollywood's layout. Viewed from satellite you can see these big landmarks very easily as well as the three circles along the boulevard stretching west with streets curving gracefully ending at the third circle. The real beauty of the two ten acre artificial lakes is the heads of the lakes as you can sit and have a 1 mile unobstructed view and never ending breezes to enjoy. During my research for this article I discovered that each of our three circles are all exactly 10 acres including the heads of the two lakes. If the Lakes continued around to form a complete circle you would have a mirror of the other three circles. This attention to detail does not go unnoticed and adds to the beauty of Hollywood's city beautiful status. We are a city of ten acre circles.

After completing their task in the lakes, the dredges moved on to what would be for South Florida one of the most important dredging project ever. Port Everglades known then as Lake Mable. Hollywood's dredges got to work on this natural shallow water lake which was only separated from the Atlantic ocean by a thin strip of land between where present day Point of Americas in Ft. Lauderdale and Eula B Johnson Evonne D Mitzel Park. Young's vision of a major Port utilizing this natural formation is often overlooked by the present population of the area. In fact the original name for the Port was to be Hollywood Harbor and there are many vintage advertisements in the early 20s touting the new port under construction here in Hollywood. This operation also caused the closing of the New River's natural inlet which was located at the present day Bahia Mar Marina in Ft. Lauderdale but was sealed up and relocated to the present day inlet after the port was created.

The inland waterway Young created known as the C-10 canal runs from the Dania cut off canal south all the way to the Orangebrook Golf course just south of Hollywood Blvd. A distance of over three miles. This canal succeeded in its task and effectively ended the life of the West Marsh for good allowing development to continue west which also allowed for the construction of Orangebrook Golf Course. This waterway is a real treat if you've never navigated its full length. Years ago when I had a much smaller boat my crew and I traveled all the way to 46th Ave just north of Sheridan Street past TY Park and under the gigantic pipe culvert at Park Road. The waterway passed through the a few still undisturbed natural areas some of which are being developed at the time of this writing. I highly recommend exploring the length of this waterway if you've never ventured down the waterway less traveled.

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The Dredges of Hollywood Lakes, Port Everglades and the C 10 canal

In all there were 6 dredges working in Hollywood: The Broward, The General, The Monroe, The Hallandale, The Dania and The Hollywood.

These dredges were also going to continue their work in what is now all of West Lake Park. Young's intention was to continue the dredge and fill operation all the way to the Dania cut off canal East of 14 Avenue. This section was to have canals bridges and ocean access for the platted lots that would be created from swamp land. Today the plots and plating along with the street names are the only reminder of what this area would have become had the disastrous hurricane of 1926 followed by the stock market crash not occurred.

What became of these massive dredges after their work was completed here? Once again oral histories from Tony Mickelson tell us. Tony Mickelson ran into some of our former dredges still at work in other parts of the country many years after creating new land for development here in Hollywood in the 1920's. Newspaper reports show the Hallandale at work all over Florida after finishing projects in Hollywood. In fact, according to Virginia Tenicks History of Hollywood as recently as the early 1960's the Hallandale was called back to Hollywood to relocate the intracoastal waterway at Sheridan street for the new drawbridge under construction at the time. Some of our early pioneers were still alive at that time and waxed poetic about seeing this great machine from Young's Hollywood back to work here once again where it all began.



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Hollywood Women's Club

By Mardi Podesta – HWC President

The Hollywood Women's Club has had quite the year. We survived the 2 years of pandemic while simultaneously managing the final Phase 3 of our clubhouse restoration. We joyfully reopened and celebrated our 100th year of existence with multiple celebrations at our beautiful new clubhouse to thank all those who assisted us in our goal of preserving this piece of Hollywood history for future generations.

We also were able to maintain our community service contributions, which is our primary mission. The children at ChildNet Foster Services received colorful Easter baskets stuffed with goodies, our pizza night the third Thursday of each month at Broward Outreach Center (BOC) is going strong. Students at our adopted elementary schools received books, school supplies, uniforms, gift cards and food. Local senior living centers also received goodies – socks, homemade cookies & sweets, hand written cards and blankets. We donated to the Wildlife Care Center after learning about their mission to care for injured critters. Our members volunteer on a regular basis to help the Community Enhancement Collaboration (CEC) in their worthy causes to provide human services to those most in need. We will continue to be conscious and contributing members of our community.

We got back in the golf cart again with our 9th annual Golf Tournament on 10/8/2022. It was a wonderful day and a huge success. We thank our members for all their hard work; we thank the sponsors for supporting us and the golfers who read 'em, rolled 'em and holed 'em!! We especially thank Erica Rubin, our Fundraising Chair and her right arm assistant Kim Newhouse for making it happen and in such a big way. And Drew Rubin knocked it out of bounds with his secret pulled pork sandwiches recipe. So delish!! Thank you everyone.

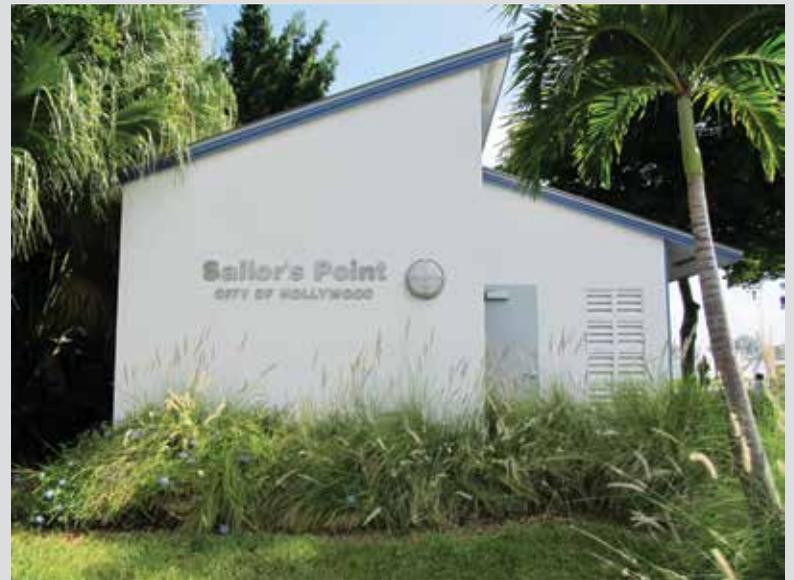
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Our Teenagers Still Need Us

By Elizabeth Suarez Aguerre - Hollywood Resident and SBHS Mother

When my children were little, I was exhausted from all the work: potty training, playdates, homework, bake sales, sleepless nights. I worried about their friendships, their grades, their eating habits, and their manners. There were so many moments I thought: “I can’t wait for them to grow up and go to high school, so I don’t have to worry so much and have so much to do!”

Joke’s on me.

The potty training has been swapped with nagging about keeping their bathroom clean. The playdates have turned into epic teenage hangout sessions. I’m still worrying about their eating habits, grades, manners, and I won’t even get into the fretting about friendships. The sleepless nights I spent rocking, changing, or feeding are now replaced with checking their locations on my phone, hoping they are making good choices, and waiting up for them to get home safely.

The reality is: our teenagers need us. Maybe not in the same ways they did when they were babies or toddlers or school age, but perhaps even more so.

A wise friend (who obviously had grown children) once looked at me when I was complaining about how hard it was to raise little kids. He chuckled and said: “Little kids, little problems. Big kids, big problems.” Parenting a teenager is scary, but if we are going to be fair, being a teenager is scary, too. Kids nowadays have a lot more on their plate than we did: academic and athletic pressures, navigating college admissions, and the infamous game changer with which we didn’t have to contend: social media. The rate of depression, anxiety, and suicide among teenagers is staggering. Despite what they may think, our high schoolers need us to be involved, maybe now more than ever before.

I know, as parents, we are tired—really tired. And let’s be honest, half the time, most of us would not even begin to know how to help with that geometry homework, but these are not the years to take a step back. So, here are some things we can do at this stage of the parenting game:

- Talk to your teen. A lot and often and about everything. I know...they don’t always seem like they’re paying attention, but they are—more than we realize.
- Listen. Listen even more than you talk. Do so without turning every situation into an interrogation or a lecture. Try very hard to not react. If you’re doing it right, you will probably start hearing some things that will make you want to gasp and lock them in their rooms until they are 30. However, doing this will guarantee that your teens will stop communicating with you as openly as you need them to.
- Ask questions. If you are sitting there, thinking: “My child never tells me anything,” strategically posed questions can help nudge them to share more. For example, instead of asking “How was your day?” try “Tell me about the best and worst part of your day.” Plus, asking questions about what’s important to them will show that you care about those things. “What do you like about your new friend, so-and-so?” or “How did your team feel about that game loss/win?” or “Which video game/book/movie/Netflix series is that?” When there are empty spaces in the conversation, don’t rush to fill them. Often, once we can get them to start talking, they realize they have a lot to say—especially if you are truly listening (see previous bullet!).
- Get involved in school. Even if your schedule is too full to volunteer for events, joining the PTSA is essential. Not only does that help the school (read: your kid!), but it will keep you in-the-know on all things school. Check their grades—often. Ask about assignments, teachers, fieldtrips. Join the school’s social media page. Go to open house! (Yes, you should still go to high school Open House!) Attend anything and everything you can.

- Get to know their friends. Consider being the parent taxi for events. You’d be amazed by the tidbits of information you can collect while they talk in the backseat. Encourage your teen to invite friends over to the house. Yes, I know what kind of noise and chaos a group of teens can make in a house. Trust me: I have two teenaged boys. The long-term payoff will be worth the short-term mess left in your kitchen.

- Talk to other parents. Our kids didn’t come with instruction manuals. We can all learn from each other, and there’s nothing more validating and relieving than hearing another parent has gone through the same thing. We should be each other’s greatest allies.

- Respect your teen. I can’t take credit for this tip. After reading this article to my 17-year-old, I asked him if he could think of anything else, from a teen’s perspective, that a parent could do in order to be more involved and connected at this stage. He tilted his head for a minute after listening to me, and with almost no hesitation, replied: “If parents really want to know how to win over their kids, it’s by giving them respect. Kids won’t listen to their parents or care what they think if they don’t respect them. If we feel like we are being respected, we will give that back.” Out of the mouths of babes.

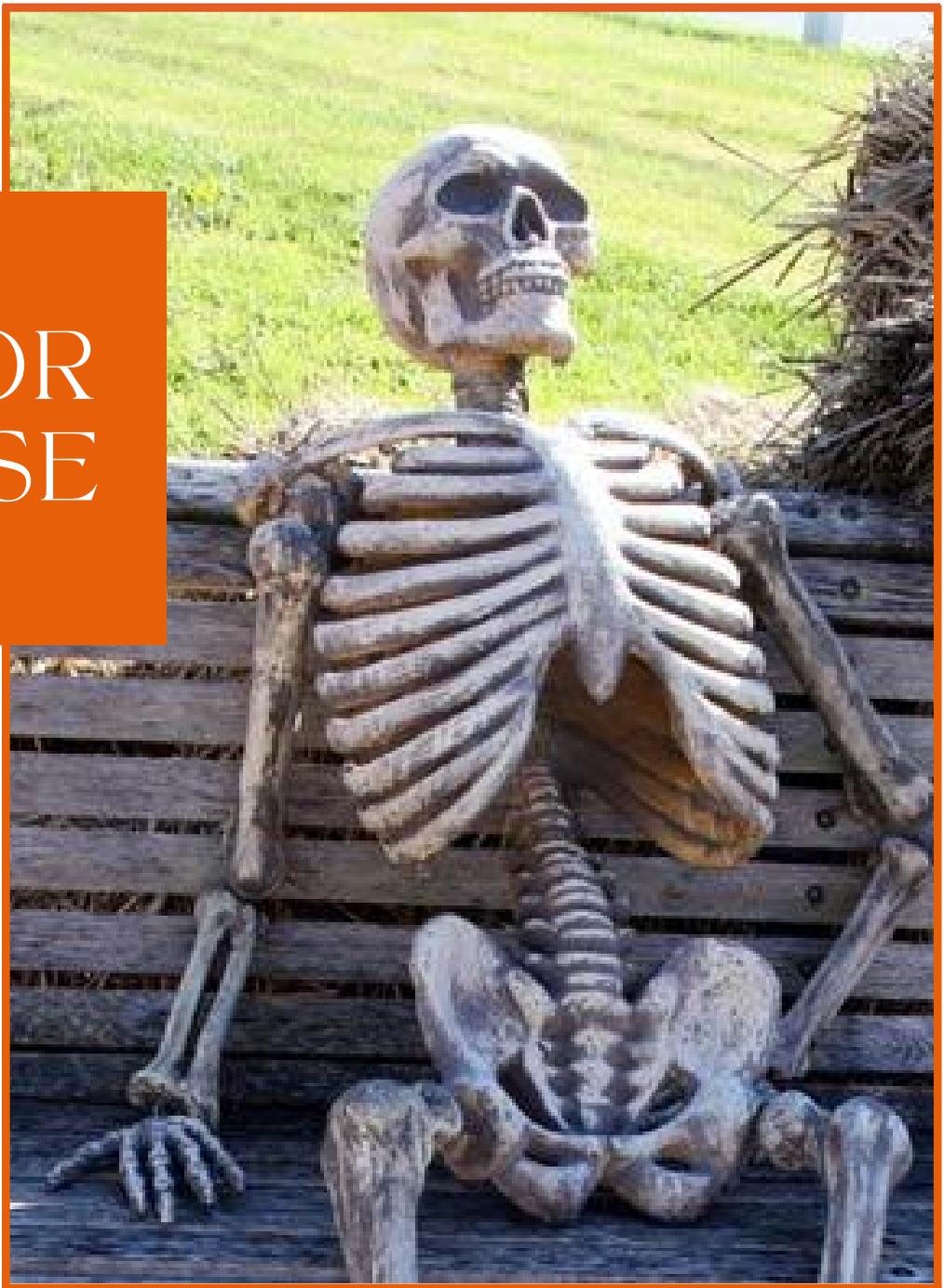
- Seek help. Sometimes, no matter what we do as parents, we need more help. Talk to a school counselor, a therapist, or search for community organizations that can help. Getting through the teen years is ridiculously hard (for everyone); there is no shame in asking for help.

These days, I have many moments when I think: “I wish I could go back to when they were little and it was so much easier!” But then I look over at my teens, in their nearly-adult bodies, who think they know it all, and I catch glimpses of those two little boys who kept me so busy all day and night. So, I know I have to continue putting in the hard, exhausting work that they need at this age. And when I’m lying awake, worrying and checking their locations on my phone, I tell myself: “Hey, at least I’m not changing diapers...”





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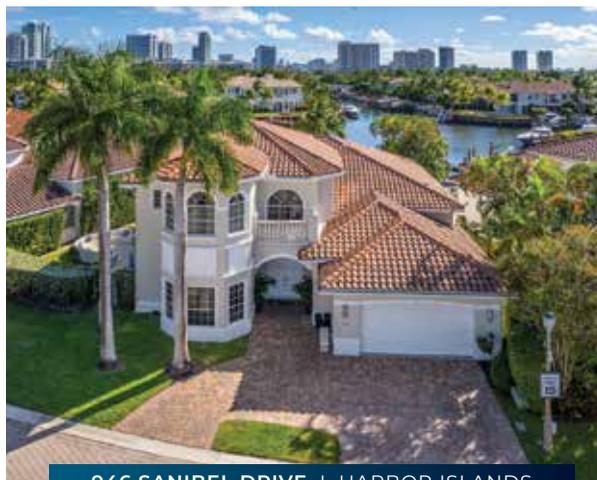
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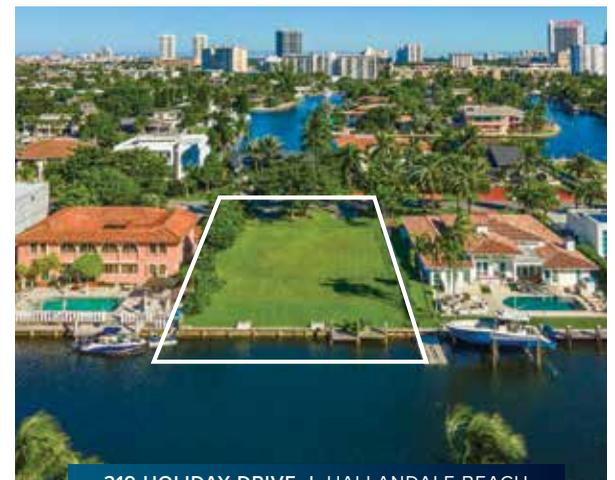
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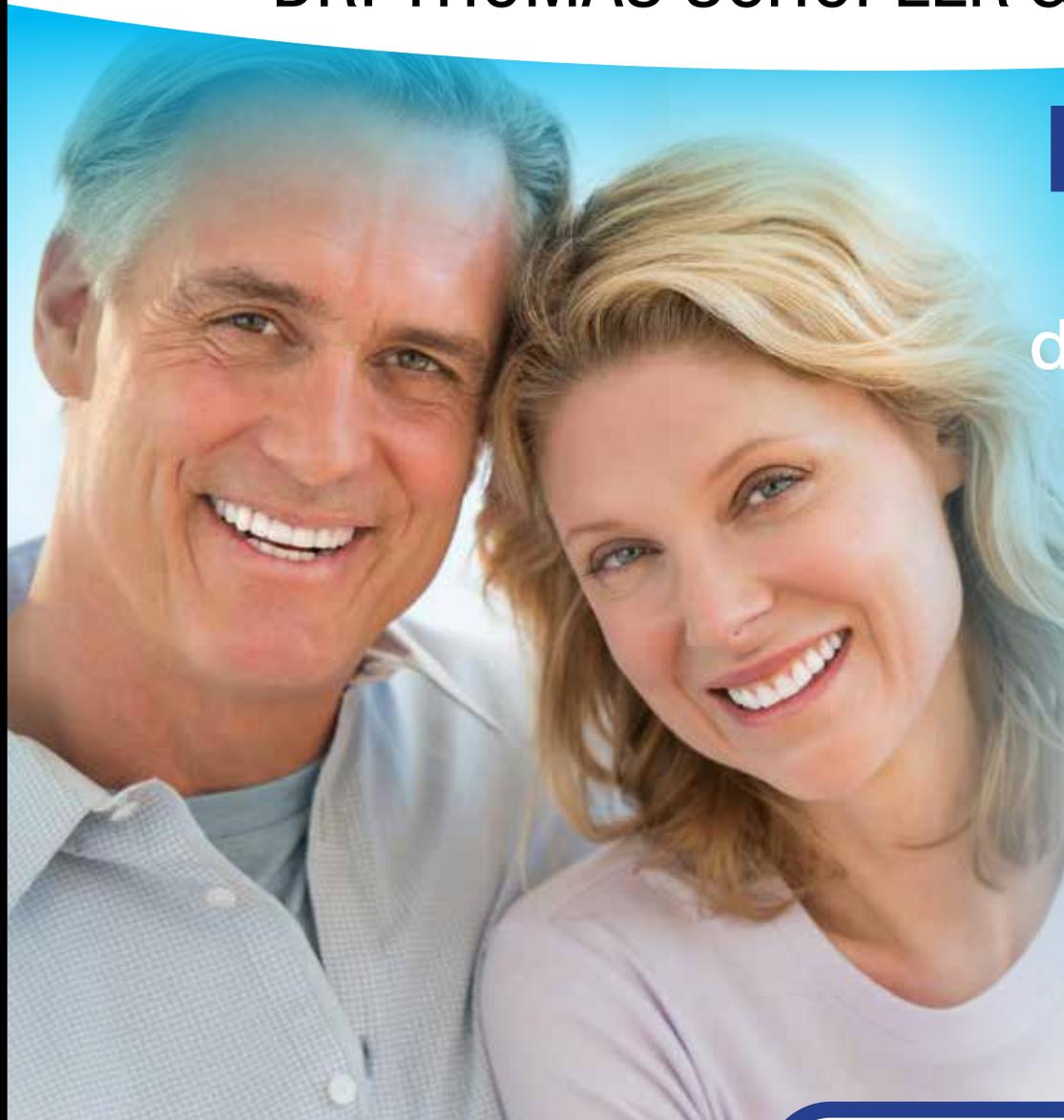
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Good Eatin' in the Lakes

Making Spirits Bright

By Kim Ottaviani – HLCA Director

I am not a huge fan of “Zoom.” But when we were in the throes of isolation quarantine style it was a saving grace in ways big and small even though there was a big learning curve and a modicum (or at times), a lot of resistance involved. When our Yoga One studio (we are open now) went virtual I set up a make shift studio space in my living room, banished my husband and new pup to the backyard well out of view, set up my cell phone, fingers crossed everyone could see and hear well enough to follow along, and led my first practice online. Little did I know that three quarters of the way through the practice my cell phone had died and I was leading a practice of one. When I began a new school year zoom style from home I was a bit more prepared in the how to stay connected department but exhausted from dancing as fast as I could on screen to hold the attention and reimagine delivering instruction with 20 seven year olds, a husband who just had knee surgery and the still overly active pup (who thankfully became the class mascot) in the house. So when one of my oldest and dearest childhood friends suggested we zoom weekly to shore each other up I balked a bit. But zoom we did, because when we are asked/invited to show up for/with one another, show up we do, this time each and every week on Thursday at seven, Santa Monica, Chapel Hill, Pittsburgh and sundry guest zoomers tossed into the mix from time to time from other locales to help lessen the angst, provide a much needed safe place to land, and level up the experience. Despite my love/hate relationship with zoom the moments we shared across the miles to lessen the feeling of isolation and deepen the bonds of friendship provide many of my favorite memories of those years that left so many struggling with feeling connected. Around the holidays the gourmets among us suggested cocktails to make and sip as we aired our frustrations, shared/talked through news and events of the day, discussed mask wearing (until we mutually agreed to ban that topic), reminisced about the past, talked over one another as we delved deeper into the situations at hand, delivered advice and suggested ways to begin to expand our reach more up close and personal safely (Pickle Ball, anyone) and kept “spirits” bright as the ebb and flow of life swept us along...together from afar. Somehow we always found a way to “cheers” each other on, even if/when one of us is a reluctant participant. Below are two of the “spirited” drinks we shared, the Fireside and the Mistletoe Martini, along with another sweet offering, The Pumpkin Spice White Russian, that I’m going to share (though I am not the gourmet among us) the next time we have the chance to gather. Here’s wishing you many “cheers-ful” moments and opportunities to raise a glass with those you love in any way, shape and form you can manage it this holiday season and well into the coming new year.

FIRESIDE

4 oz vodka
1 oz maple syrup
1 sprig rosemary
5 oz pink grapefruit juice
1 pinch of salt

Crush the rosemary leaves into the maple syrup and salt. Fill glass with ice and add the vodka. Top with pink grapefruit juice and stir well. Garnish with an extra sprig of rosemary.

MISTLETOE MARTINI

1 1/2 ounce vodka
1/2 ounce elderflower liqueur
1 1/2 ounce cranberry juice (or more to taste)
1/2 ounce simple syrup
Cranberries and mint leaves

Fill a cocktail shaker with ice. Pour in the vodka, elderflower liqueur, cranberry juice and simple syrup. Shake then strain into a martini glass. Garnish with a few cranberries and floating mint leaves on top (crushed to add a more minty flavor). This is also festive on the rocks with a splash of club soda to sparkling it up along with a sugar rim to add a touch more sweetness.

PUMPKIN SPICE WHITE RUSSIAN

For the rim: 1/4 cup pumpkin pie spice, 1/2 cup crushed graham crackers (maybe give cinnamon graham a try and if you aren't into the taste/texture of graham simply do the sugar pie spice mix...aren't options well, grahamd (wink) and/or 1/4 cup sugar (dip rim in honey to make the mixture stick)

2 ounces vodka
1 ounce Kahlua
Splash of heavy cream or pumpkin spice coffee creamer

Pour over ice and shake or stir. Add a cinnamon stick for an added spicy element.

And because there should be a dip with the sip...gourmet enough, right?!

CRANBERRY BAKED BRIE

1/4 cup honey
1/4 cup cranberries
1/4 tsp pepper
2 strips orange peel
2 sprigs fresh thyme
1 - 8 ounce wheel Brie or Camembert
3 Tbs. Chopped roasted almonds

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Combine honey, cranberries, pepper, orange peel and sprig of thyme and bring to a simmer on the stove. Lightly smash cranberries until softened and syrup thickens slightly (2-3 min.). Discard orange peel and thyme. Let cool. Place Brie in oven safe dish/pan. Spoon syrup on top and bake until cheese is soft (7-10 min). Top with chopped almonds, additional thyme and orange zest. Serve with crackers or sliced baguettes.



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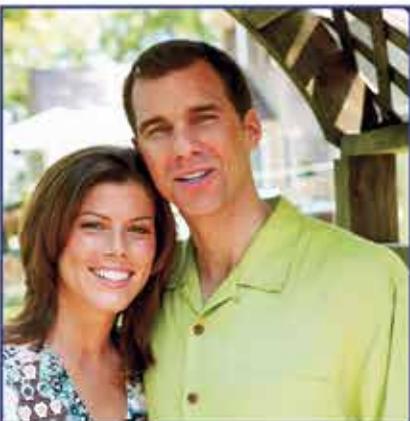
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BOARD AT WORK

By Terry Cantrell – President

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- **Lakes Limited Anchoring Zones:** The City of Hollywood has been requesting Broward County create a special ordinance that would designate both North and South Lakes as Limited Anchoring Zones in an effort to eliminate the “squatting” problems that have gotten worse over the years. Many inoperable vessels are permanently anchored in the Lakes. Many have been completely abandoned by the owners with registration numbers removed. Some have sunk which costs the City thousands of dollars to remove. This designation would allow the city to place restrictions on the length of stay and would require these vessels to vacate the lakes for a certain period of time before they could return. The HLCA would like to thank our Broward County Commissioner, Beam Furr, for introducing this important legislation and ushering it through the process. For more details, see Commissioner Furr’s article on page 9.

- **Bike Path Greenways:** The City is conjuring up a plan to create bike paths or “greenways” through various residential areas that would make certain neighborhoods sightseeing destinations. Both North and South Lakes Drives would be included in this sightseeing route. The City has hired a traffic consultant to come up with a plan that would include posting “way finding” signage all over the neighborhood directing bikers to various scenic locations where they could view the lakes, etc. The original intent, we are told, is to come up with a safe route for bicyclists to get from the western suburbs to the beach without having to go on any major roadways. It appears that this idea has now morphed into a sightseeing route through our residential neighborhood. The HLCA is very skeptical of this idea as the last thing we would want are sightseeing bike routes through our quiet Lakes neighborhood. We already have enough of this type of intrusion with vacation rentals.

- **BCT Shuttle Route Planned for Lakes Neighborhood:** If the above mentioned bike sightseeing route is not bad enough, the City and Broward County Transit (BCT) is planning on creating a shuttle bus service with three routes – one of which would have had shuttle bus vehicles traveling deep in our residential neighborhood. BCT wanted to make Jefferson Park a “transit hub”.....that’s right, a hub for shuttle buses to stop every half hour. Crazy! Why would the City and BCT think that running a bus service deep into our quiet residential neighborhood is a good idea? We understand the merits of some form of transportation

from the western suburbs to downtown and the beach. But this should not include our purely residential Lakes neighborhood. However, thanks to the efforts of Vice Mayor Shuham, the City and BCT realized the error of their ways and revised the route to completely eliminate any BCT shuttle buses driving through the neighborhood. Thank you, Vice Mayor!

- **Code Compliance Issues:** The City is trying hard to retain and add Code Officers but that has been challenging, to say the least. Turn-over rate is high as this is truly a thankless job. The Code personnel we have in place do an outstanding job but there are just not enough of them. The HLCA urged the City a few years ago to contract or out-source with a third party some of the code compliance work. A few other Broward County cities have totally out-sourced their code compliance work. Granted, the HLCA is not a big fan of out-sourcing city functions after the Waste Pro sanitation experience of the last 13 years. However, until the city can stabilize their employment issues, this might be the best course of action.

- **1301 High Rise Project Update:** The undesirable 30 story hi-rise project approved by the Commission in March is slowly winding its way through the process. The City’s Planning and Development Dept. has been reviewing the plans that will eventually be presented to the Broward County Planning Commission for their approval then the County Commission will vote on this project. Still to go will be approvals from the Florida Dept. of Environmental Protection which oversees Harry Berry Park across the street. We are looking at years of approvals and planning still to come.

The HLCA Board of Directors is interested in your comments and concerns about these and any other issues here in the Lakes neighborhood. Write to us at info@hollywoodlakes.com or call us at 954 923 1940.



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Art and Cultural Center of Hollywood

Making an impact through Open Dialogues documentaries

The Art and Culture Center has been making an impact with its documentary film series Open Dialogues. The first film short, Open Dialogues: Stories from the LGBTQ Community, was featured in several film festivals including the Miami Film Festival, Orlando Film Festival, and Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival, where it was awarded Best Broward Documentary. It also was named Best Short – Runner-up at the 2021 OUTShine LGBTQ+ Film Festival. In October, Stories From the LGBTQ Community aired on BECON-TV as part of LGBTQ History Month.

The Center's second Open Dialogues film, Black Voices | Black Stories, was an Official Selection in 2022 at the Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival, New York Long Island Film Festival and Orlando Film Festival where it won the BEST SHORT Incite Award. In November, Black Voices | Black Stories made its broadcast television premiere on South Florida PBS, available to 6.2 households from the Keys to the Treasure Coast.

This past June, Black Voices was awarded the Biggest Social Impact Award at the FLOW Film Festival held at Cinema Paradiso in downtown Hollywood. The Center is currently in production for a third Open Dialogues film, this one based on allyship for BIPOC and LGBTQ individuals. For this production, the Center is partnering with the Hollywood LGBTQ+ Council with a targeted release in the winter 2023. All three films were supported by grants from the Community Foundation of Broward.

“The Center is thrilled to build upon the success of our Open Dialogues films with the continued support of the Community Foundation of Broward,” said Joy Satterlee, the Center's Executive Director. “Our third film, based on allyship, comes at such a critical time as we continue the important work of building a more inclusive and just community.”

Florida Biennial features 24 Florida artists

Don't miss the *2022 Florida Biennial: Installations, Portraiture, Materiality, and Magic Realism* featuring 24 artists representing eight Florida counties through February 5. The 11th version of this exhibition was juried by Ylva Rouse, Senior Curator at MOCA Jacksonville, who reviewed over 1,000 submitted works from 349 artists from throughout Florida. During the exhibition's opening reception on Oct. 15th, the Center announced that Sophia Lacroix was awarded the Biennial Select solo exhibition in 2023, along with a \$1,000 honorarium.

As the title implies, the multi-media approach in this Biennial is revealed in the practices of artmaking by the participating artists. From traditional portraiture to recycled materials, the exhibition seeks to reveal a rawness that evokes our current times and experiences.

The memory that transforms into a place

The Center is also presenting, in Gallery 2, a solo exhibition by Miami-based artist Carolina Cueva: *The memory that transforms into a place*. This exhibition is the fourth in our Oolite Collaborations series with Oolite Arts based in Miami Beach. Cueva's multi-media practice includes sculpture, 2D works, and performance, often referencing ancestry and her heritage through symbols of Andean cosmology. Cueva's work is introspective – it is a reflection of the source, materialized, though sacred.

Center Offers Teen Program, Arts Aspire

The Art and Culture Center/Hollywood offers a wonderful opportunity for teens and young adults to gain leadership experience, make friends, and explore careers related to the arts through its two-tier Arts Aspire program. Participants in this program can gain community service hours as Arts Ambassadors and/or stipends as Arts Associates. Arts Ambassadors ages 14-18 gain leadership experience and professional skills during the School-Year Session through monthly meetings, weekend workshops, and volunteering at Center events and programs. Teens can then apply for the Summer Session (May-August), to put into action the skills they gained during the school year at our Summer Arts Camp.

Young adults ages 18-25 seeking internship opportunities may apply for one of our three intern positions and become an Arts Apprentice. Arts Apprentice interns gain on-site experience working alongside members of the Art and Culture Center staff as they plan, prepare, and execute education programs, gallery exhibitions, art-making activities, and fundraisers. In the summer, Arts Apprentices gain work experience and engage directly with the fast pace of the Summer Arts Camp while exploring interest areas connected to their future careers.

For more information about the Arts Aspire program, email education@artandculturecenter.org, or call 954-921-3274 and ask for education department.

Art and Culture Center's after-school programs

Art-loving students ages 6-16 have three fabulous after-school options to choose from in the spring of 2023: ARTastic Artists, Stage Kids, and ENCORE. ARTastic Artists is an 8-session class for ages 6-10 that will tap into each child's creativity through the visual art lens with project-based activities mixed with good ol' fashioned fun! ARTastic Artists! concludes with an art show and reception where friends and family can see the exciting, new creations of these young artists.

Stage Kids, for ages 8-13, is a weekly after-school program that allows students to gain a better understanding of music and basic choreography, then combine these techniques in preparation for a show-stopping finale showcase featuring a medley of Broadway and pop hits. For our more experienced performers ages 12-16, ENCORE is a vocal ensemble group that helps students develop a greater sense of musicianship and enhance their vocal technique while gaining dance skills and stage presence along the way. ENCORE will conclude with a show-stopping Broadway-Pop medley full of hits that is sure to leave a lasting impression. Interested participants must audition or be invited for ENCORE.

For more information or to register for our after-school programs visit artandculturecenter.org/education or call 954-921-3274 and ask for the education department. Come see our Finale Showcase on December 16th, at 7 pm featuring our Stage Kids, Encore and Private Lessons students as they perform a medley of Broadway songs in our 500-seat theater, the Hollywood Central Performing Arts Center. 1770 Monroe Street, Hollywood.

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