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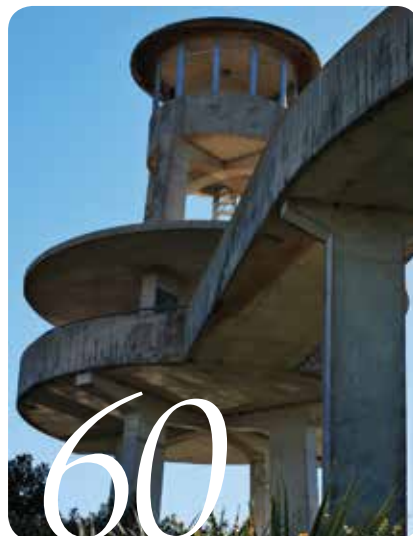
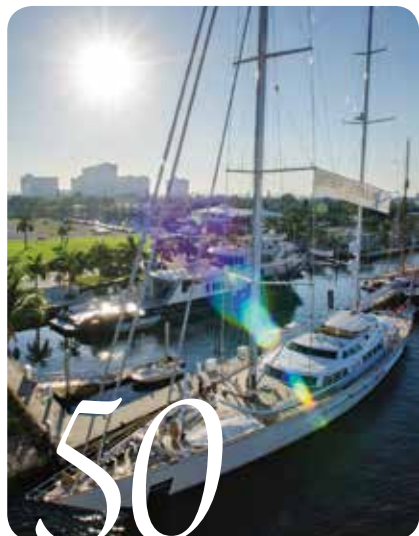


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DESIGNER MODEL WITH VIEWS OF THE NEW RIVER, OCEAN & CITY FROM EVERY ROOM. THIS MODEL FEATURES 3 BEDROOMS, 3.5 BATHS WITH BRAZILIAN CHERRY WOOD FLOORS THROUGHOUT. GOURMET KITCHEN, POGGENPOHL CABINETS, MEILE DISHWASHER, WINE COOLER THERMADORE DOUBLE WALL OVENS, 2 PARKING SPACES & MUCH MORE!

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RIVER, OCEAN & CITY VIEWS FROM THIS IMMACULATE CHAMPAGNE MODEL. 2 BEDROOMS, 2.5 BATHS WITH BUILT-IN OFFICE, MARBLE FLOORS

JUST SOLD CHAMPAGNE

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JUST LISTED BRADFORD - \$850,000

2 BR/2 BATH WITH STUNNING RIVER, OCEAN & CITY VIEWS. LARGE TERRACE FACING THE RIVER, LARGE LAUNDRY ROOM, MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT AND 2 PRIME SIDE BY SIDE PARKING SPACES.



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COLUMBUS - \$999,500

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JUST SOLD COLUMBUS

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3 BEDROOMS, 3 BATHS WITH FORMAL DINING ROOM. 3 BALCONIES AND 2 PARKING SPACES!

2BR/2.5BATH - \$449,000

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UNDER CONTRACT 2BR/2BATH

BRIGHT, AIRY NW CORNER OF THE SOUTH TOWER. WRAP AROUND BALCONY OVERLOOKING THE RIVER, POOL AND GARDEN AREA.

PRICE REDUCED 2BR/2BATH - \$399,000

CORNER UNIT WITH WRAP AROUND BALCONY. SPLIT BEDROOM PLAN, & UPGRADED TILE FLOORS THROUGHOUT. OFFERS RIVER, POOL AND GARDEN VIEWS. 5 STAR BUILDING AMENITIES.

PRICE REDUCED 2BR/2BATH - \$324,900

SPLIT BEDROOM PLAN WITH TILE IN THE LIVING AREA AND WOOD IN THE BEDROOMS. MARBLE BATHS, GOURMET KITCHEN, GRANITE COUNTERTOPS, GARDEN VIEWS AND 5 STAR BUILDING AMENITIES.

JUST LISTED 1BR/1BATH - \$309,000

ASTOUNDING VIEWS OF THE RIVER AND CITY FROM THIS 18TH FLOOR SOUTH TOWER UNIT. LIMESTONE FLOORS IN THE LIVING AREAS, CARPET IN THE BEDROOMS. 5 STAR BUILDING AMENITIES.

JUST LISTED 1BR/1BATH - \$299,500

BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF THE RIVER TO THE EAST & WEST FROM THIS SOUTH FACING LARGER 1 BEDROOM UNIT. UPGRADED LIMESTONE FLOORING IN THE LIVING AREA, LARGER BATH W/SEPARATE TUB.

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SEAVIEW - \$639,000

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PRICE REDUCED MOONGLOW - \$619,000

UPGRADED TURN KEY 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH CORNER UNIT WITH LARGE WRAP AROUND BALCONY. SPLIT BEDROOM PLAN WITH AMAZING VIEWS! CUSTOM LIGHTING AND BUILT-IN SURROUND SOUND.

SEAVIEW - \$599,000

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH WITH VIEWS OF THE OCEAN, RIVER & CITY. SPACIOUS GOURMET KITCHEN, FULL SIZE W/D, 2 LARGE GLASS BALCONIES, TANDEM PARKING SPACE FOR 2 CARS.

PRICE REDUCED SEAVIEW - \$549,000

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH WITH BEAUTIFUL OCEAN & RIVER VIEWS. TANDEM PARKING SPACE FOR 2 CARS AND STORAGE INCLUDED. VERY OPEN AND SPACIOUS KITCHEN WITH GRANITE COUNTERTOPS.

JUST LISTED SKYVIEW - \$485,000

STUNNING SUNSETS FROM THIS HIGH FLOOR 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH. ENJOY VIEWS OF THE RIVER AND VIBRANT LAS OLAS FROM ALL ROOMS OF THIS SPLIT BEDROOM FLOORPLAN. FLOOR TO CEILING GLASS.

JUST LISTED SKYVIEW - \$469,000

LOWEST PRICED 2BR/2BATH UNIT IN THE BUILDING! VIEWS OF THE POOL, RIVER & CITY FROM THE BALCONY. OPEN KITCHEN, WASHER/ DRYER & LARGE PANTRY CLOSET. LUXURY BUILDING AMENITIES.

JUST SOLD SKYVIEW

2BR/2BATH WITH WOOD AND TILE FLOORING OFFERS A SPLIT BEDROOM PLAN, COMES FULLY FURNISHED W/RIVER VIEWS.

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3 BEDROOM/2 BATH - \$485,000

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Ecoboats on the New River



Beat the Heat, Ride Along

Why walk when you can ride? While the rest of the country is looking out for spring temperatures, the summer heat is already here in South Florida. A great way to enjoy Downtown Fort Lauderdale and beat the heat is to take a ride along the New River located in the heart of the Riverwalk District. The Riverwalk Water Trolley will take you from the Broward Center for the Performing Arts to Las Olas and the best part about it is that it is free.

If you are looking for fun outdoor activities, we encourage you to visit Riverwalk Recreation located on the ground floor at Riverfront. If you enjoy water sports, you can rent an Ecoboat, a kayak or a stand up



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Chair



paddleboard. If you don't know how to use a paddleboard, but want to learn, Riverwalk Recreation provides lessons too.

If you prefer to travel on land, Riverwalk Recreation offers fun and unique ways to get around town. You can enjoy a guided tour or rent your own bicycle, etrike, or segway. Another great group activity is Cycle Party – the most fun you can have on wheels.


These are just a few ways Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has been able to grow the activation along the Riverwalk. With the continued support of our sponsors, partners, and the community, we hope to accomplish more. We encourage you all to come out and enjoy the open space in this truly unique and special park! 

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Lulu's BAIT SHACK

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Progressive Planning

The Board of Directors of Riverwalk is looking ahead and itemizing items that are short term and long term needs in the Riverwalk District and along the linear walk. Some of the major items in consideration are:

1 Parking both on the north and south sides of Riverwalk and assessing what is currently available. As our downtown continues to develop, there is a genuine need and concern over availability on the south side during the working day but more importantly in the evenings and weekends.

2 Meaningful way-finding signs that direct both the driving and pedestrian public are sorely lacking and will continue to improve the downtown experience and heighten the use of alternate transportation.

3 We have made tremendous strides with the refurbishing of the lights along Riverwalk and adding the LED lumens to increase the sense of public safety. We do however need to address those pathways that lead to Riverwalk to assure that same sense of safety. Along Third Avenue and Andrews Avenue, we are exploring additional lighting and more lighting under the bridges.

4 The addition of the Security Ambassador Program on behalf of the City and DDA has placed identifiable representatives in the downtown corridor that are a resource for questions as well as security in the district.



BY GENIA
DUNCAN ELLIS
President/CEO,
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Fort Lauderdale



5 Riverwalk has also installed an Information Ambassador Program on Saturday and Sunday to provide information and direction to residents and tourists and to welcome them to our downtown and community.


6 Continuing discussion regarding a Wi-Fi network for the area is in process and will add additional appeal to the district.

7 Completion of the Riverwalk on both the north and south sides will provide the needed connectivity. The north side is anticipated to go into construction this year and we continue to track the same opportunity on the south side.

8 With the completion of Shippey House, activation of Bryan Homes, and future addition of the Levitt Foundation, we anticipate further pedestrian use of the Riverwalk, which will act as a stimulus for local businesses.

9 Retail/commercial space approved as a part of site plans for current buildings on Riverwalk remain unoccupied. It is anticipated that incentives, parking, and uses are being explored to benefit the residential and downtown community.

10 Among a number of other considerations are marketing, maintenance, funding, coordination with both city and county government, and the addition of infrastructural projects, infill upgrades, and activations.

Needless to say, the plate is full, but with the commitment of the Riverwalk Board, City, and County, we are looking forward to more great things to come. 



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The opportunity to be creative and unique is what drew me to B Hotels & Resorts. Also known as the resort's LGBT Wedding Concierge, I organize custom ceremonies and receptions for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender couples. I was recently featured in *The New York Times* for my commitment for everyone to "B Loved."

I am originally from Chicago and now have been a happy resident of South Florida for the past 24 years. My portfolio of luxury brands includes Hilton, Omni, Marriott, exclusive country clubs, and most recently 10 years at the Riverside Hotel on Las Olas Boulevard.

While I have been a part of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale for 10 years, B Ocean Resort joined in 2015. Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has always been very involved with the community leaders of Fort Lauderdale, creating an avenue to help build relationships and generate business for local establishments.



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• I am the Vice President of Corporate Insurance Advisors, a commercial insurance agency

located in Fort Lauderdale. I have earned my CPCU designation, the highest and most prestigious designation available in the insurance industry.

I have worked with business owners for more than 30 years to protect their assets and their income. I assist by managing their risk through the most cost effective insurance placement. I provide a full range of insurance services individually customized to the specific needs of mid to large size businesses. I have managed the insurance programs for many large South Florida businesses including: Bergeron, Carl's Furniture, Eldorado Furniture, Farmer and Irwin Corporation, and US Foundry.

Professionalism and knowledge have helped me to establish close ties with the insurance carrier underwriting teams that I work with on a daily basis. Commercial insurance is negotiable provided you have an expert in your corner, who can manage the process. Having the ability to ensure that specialized and general businesses alike get exactly the coverage they need at a fair market price is the hallmark of my practice whether it is in the US or overseas.

I am an expert networker and currently serve on the Board of Directors of NAWIC Chapter 78 and The Construction Underground. I am interested in preserving the beauty and uniqueness of the downtown area and supporting the efforts of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and its members.

Corporate Philanthropy Works



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RIVERWALK FORT LAUDERDALE
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

Corporate philanthropy is not new. What is new is how corporate giving directly relates to employee productivity and retention. Several months ago I quoted a study showing that employee output increased by as much as 30 percent when productivity was tied to a donation. In addition, other studies have shown that millennials actively seek out employers, who give back to their communities and they tend to stay with those employers longer than with ones who are not philanthropic.

There are a variety of programs that businesses can



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• I am the Director of Investments and Co-chief Investment Officer at GSK

Wealth Advisors. I hold a Master of Arts degree in journalism and public affairs from American University and spent my early career in media including being one of the founders of *USA Today* where I worked in the “money section” for 11 years.

More recently, I was a columnist at the *Sun Sentinel* and *The Miami Herald* and a frequent contributor to *PBS’ Nightly Business Report*, *NPR’s Marketplace Money*, and *Business Week magazine*. I have received three Pulitzer Prize nominations in addition to a multitude of awards for my coverage of business issues.

Today I help manage portfolios and provide a variety of services to my clients at GSK. My specialties include college planning, retirement counseling, estate planning, and customized portfolio management.

Outside of the office, I am a member of the Morningstar Advisory Board, The Florida Bar’s 17th Judicial Circuit Grievance Committee, Trustee member of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, the Financial Planning Association of Greater Fort Lauderdale, and the Broward Women’s Alliance. I have also been active with St. Anthony Catholic Church and School, Children’s Aid Club, and St. Thomas Aquinas High School.

I joined Riverwalk because it’s a natural way for me to give back to the community where I live. This is a beautiful place. I’ve always loved a city with a vibrant downtown and I’m happy to spread the word!

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implement to make a difference in their communities and with their employees. The most common and easiest type of program is the matching gift. In most cases, it is a one-to-one match, which effectively doubles the employee’s donation. Some companies do a certain percentage while others have a cap on what they will match per employee.

A newer type of donation and one

popular with millennials is the volunteer grant program. This program is extremely beneficial for the nonprofit as they are getting a volunteer and money at the same time. For example, for every hour an Apple employee volunteers, the nonprofit receives \$25 from the company. Over at ExxonMobil, the company donates \$500 for every 20 hours an employee volunteers. Yet

other companies pay the employee their regular wage when they volunteer during normal working hours.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and is happy to help you with your corporate giving program. You can learn more about what opportunities are available to you at Riverwalk by calling our office at (954) 468-1541. [GO](#)



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James Campbell at the Street Striping event



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Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale 16th Annual Tribute

PHOTOS BY JASON LEIDY

At one of Riverwalk's biggest events of the year, Doug Eagon was honored for his commitment to the downtown and his support of its activation. Hundreds were on hand to congratulate the honoree while sipping selections provided by Breakthru Beverage and bites from the Riverside Hotel. A silent auction took place during the first part of the evening, which benefited Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale. [@](#)



Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Roberts, Doug Eagon, and Commissioner Rogers



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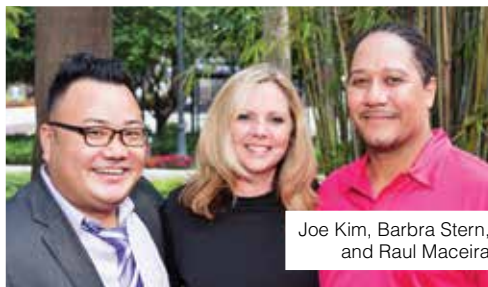
Betsy Cameron, Barry Smith, and Kathy and Robert Hoecherl



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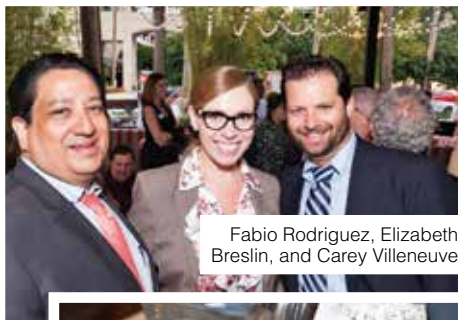
JM Lexus and the patio at YOLO



Chef Phillip C. Kistner from Boatyard presents the crispy goya skin taco



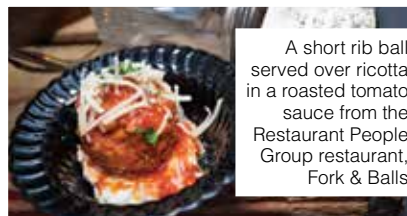
Fabio Rodriguez, Elizabeth Breslin, and Carey Villeneuve



Rebecca Schaffer, Lisa Efir, and Rene Cantu



A short rib ball served over ricotta in a roasted tomato sauce from the Restaurant People Group restaurant, Fork & Balls



Chef Anthony Hunt and Lee Lisker



Debbie Savage and Craig and Debbie Danto



Brittney Jensen from YOLO with Breakthru Beverage featured spirit, ThreeOlives Vodka



Spring Get Downtown

STAFF: CRISTINA HUDSON

PHOTOS BY JASON LEIDY

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On Monday, Apr. 11 Riverwalk members enjoyed a remodeled Spring Get Downtown event at YOLO. This exclusive event was for current Riverwalk members. Hundreds enjoyed delicious bites from four of The Restaurant Group venues while they mingled and sipped on cold cocktails in the heart of Downtown Fort Lauderdale. Sign up to be a Riverwalk member to receive your invitation to the next Get Downtown event. Membership has its privileges! [GO](#)





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2016 Downtowner of the Year

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Community leaders, business owners, and friends gathered at the Downtowner of the Year event on Apr. 7 to honor Courtney Callahan Crush for her commitment to the business community. The Downtown Council of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce hosted the awards program at the Global Event Center at First Baptist Church. [CU](#)



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MODS President/CEO Kim Cavendish with People's Choice Award winner, YOLO Restaurant, and Ellen Jaffe EASY 93.1 on-air personality



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Museum of Discovery and Science's 21st Annual Wine, Spirits, and Culinary Celebration

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The Museum of Discovery and Science's 21st Annual Bank of America Wine, Spirits, and Culinary Celebration, held on Apr. 8, was attended by over 1,500 people. Guests sampled tastings from South Florida restaurants and a vast array of wines and spirits from around the world, courtesy of beverage sponsor Southern Wine and Spirits. There was a wide assortment of craft beers to taste, prizes in the silent auction, and a complimentary Riedel wine glass was provided to every guest. Dancing under the stars with the live band 'PULSE' concluded the evening. 

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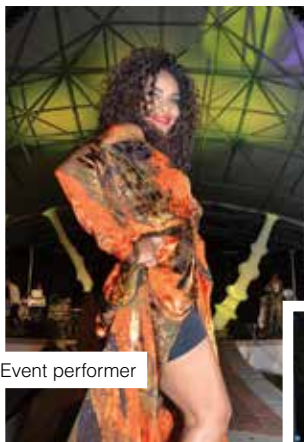
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Chillounge Night

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On April 9, Huizenga Plaza was transformed into a fanciful setting for an evening with live music performances, a fashion show, a colorful Brazilian Samba Troupe, and the AeroSphere aerial balloon performance from Nock Productions, which hovered over the plaza. [@](#)

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Thinking of buying, selling or leasing in Downtown Fort Lauderdale? If the DDA downtown market analysis is any indication, it's a wise move. Preliminary analysis of the Multiple Listing Service data and apartment building surveys from last year and the start of this one reveal that downtown property prices continue to increase, and rental and sales continue to be very active. Here are some of the trends from the last two years.

SEASONAL BUYERS

The bulk of 2015's closings occurred in the first half of the year, which points to the impact of our seasonal population. An average of 28 closings occurred each month for the first six months, which then dropped to single digits for the remaining months, picking back up in December.

PRICE INCREASES

Last year's average condo prices per square foot increased slightly in every quarter except for the second one in comparison to 2014's numbers. The first quarter rose by three percent, the second decreased, the third rose by 10 percent, and the fourth rose by five percent over 2014's numbers.

These increases bode well for downtown, as the moderate growth does not mirror the dramatic increases that led to the last bubble. Also, the time spent on the market was longer in the first half of



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Development
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2015 and much shorter in the latter half. Listings spent an average of 48.9 days on the market in the final quarter, spending less time than in previous quarters.

ACTIVE RENTAL MARKET

Rented condominiums remained consistently active throughout the year, with minimal deviation. Fifty to 60 new rentals were listed each month, while 30 to 50 were rented monthly.

Another clear trend was seen in the rented condominiums' price per square foot. Prices in 2014 increased by 10 cents each quarter, starting at an average of \$1.60 and ending the year at \$1.90 per square foot. In 2015, the increases continued with the first quarter averaging at \$1.90 and ending the year at \$2.03.

Meanwhile, apartment buildings maintained their rates between \$2.00 and \$2.50 and continue to perform well with high occupancy, including those recently constructed.

THE YEAR AHEAD

As the buildings under construction are completed, more units will hit the market in the coming months. This increase in supply will likely have an effect on rates that may benefit buyers and renters.

Another potential trend is that property investors that bought at the bottom of the market and rented them out are likely ready to cash in on those investments, considering the favorable mix of a good market and decent interest rates.

Whether you are looking to buy, sell or rent, the outlook for the 2016 real estate market promises to be a bright one in Downtown Fort Lauderdale.

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Smart entrepreneurs need only great ideas, innovation, a business plan, and Wi-Fi; not a dedicated office to work 40 (or 80!) hours a week. With the emerging trend of smaller home and apartment sizes, combined with coffee shops as the modern day living room, shared workspaces are gaining ground in Fort Lauderdale, providing communal amenities and serving as networking hives.

The Kauffman Foundation reports that new and young companies are the primary source of job creation in the American economy. This is not surprising as millennials, in general, express little loyalty to their current employers and many are planning near-term exits, according to Deloitte's Fifth Annual Millennial Survey of 2016. Excluding salary, work-life balance comes before career progression when evaluating job opportunities.

Enter the co-working market. Places like Axis Space, located on the picturesque Riverwalk since 2011, and General Provision, nestled between warehouses in the eclectic FAT Village, offer fresh, modern, and fully equipped workspaces for their members. Whether you're conceiving a start-up, work as a freelancer, or have a small company with a handful of staff, these facilities and others like them in the region offer members professional workspace to see clients, confer with staff, and develop a "pipeline of conversation," says General Provision founder, Timothy Hasse.

Members generally choose co-working



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"Urbanista"
Contributing Writer




spaces when limited capital and operating budgets preclude a standard office lease. At General Provision, a "commuter" member pays \$50/week for open table seating and \$450/month for dedicated desk space. Private offices at Axis Space go for \$900/month and include limited access to the building's pool and gym. Both places have long waiting lists.

Collaboration and camaraderie are also compelling reasons why many choose the co-working route. The "social" member at Axis receives a one-day pass per month including access to their member network for \$50/month. Alex Yokana, one of three founders of Axis Space, described how this member network is vital to their operation.

"Members at Axis really appreciate the sense of community co-working fosters. Friendships and connections are cultivated when working side-by-side [with] people with different backgrounds and businesses."

A study by Emergent Research predicts that globally, co-working membership should grow about 40 percent per year to pass one million members by 2018. In a global survey of over 2,700 co-working facilitators, seven out of 10 claimed they couldn't keep up with the demand for desk space.

Hasse is on the search for more room for General Provision, saying they are close to outgrowing their current space. The success of General Provision over the past two years has invited complementary activities like a business incubator program and Wyncode FATVillage, a nine-week accelerated boot camp where students learn to build web applications.

So if you want a break from your home office or need to bounce ideas about your start-up on to someone else, stop in to General Provision or Axis Space and see what all the buzz is about. You may just see me there too! For more info, go to www.axispace.com or www.generalprovision.com. 

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Providing a means for people to replace some of their car trips with walking, biking or transit trips can boost the economy in several ways. The time commuters spend in their cars translates to real costs including the amount of fuel purchased, loss of productivity from time sitting in traffic, and health costs that result from the long-term consequences of less active lifestyles. Reducing these costs would mean having more money to spend in the local economy on things such as housing, restaurants, and entertainment. As an example, some of you may recall my interview with William Robertson, the gentleman who rides B-Cycle to work and saves \$1,200 per year in gas.

Alternative means of transportation can also result in economic benefits for local businesses, especially those located on a street that facilitates travel by foot or bicycle. People who are walking or biking are much more aware of their immediate surroundings and are more likely to pop into a shop than folks driving by in a car. Think about that impulse you've experienced to walk into a store when something in the window catches your eye.

Numerous studies have demonstrated the direct correlation between activity on the street and increased retail sales. For example, Magnolia Street in Fort Worth, TX, experienced a 163 percent increase in retail sales after a bicycle lane and bicycle parking were installed.

Property values are also positively impacted in areas that have access to many options for getting to work and running errands. As access to different modes increases, so does development activity and property values. In fact, the number of residential units within a half mile of the future Wave Streetcar route in the Downtown and South Regional Activity Centers, has increased by 18 percent over the last three years, and has realized an overall eight percent increase in property values. The




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Downtown RAC alone has 37 projects at various stages in the City's Development Review Process within the same half mile radius of the Wave Streetcar route.

When those development projects include a mix of residential and retail uses, people can make shorter trips by walking and biking. These trips, that we now know have great economic benefits, are further increased by designs that make a comfortable and seamless transition between private and public space. This underscores the importance of public/private coordination in the development process.

The numerous economic benefits of safe, livable, connected, and sustainable streets are clear. I hope you will join industry experts, colleagues, businesses, neighbors, and students at the Sixth Annual Transportation Summit on Wednesday, May 18, at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Panel topics will include the City's Vision Zero initiative to realize zero fatalities on our streets, public advocacy, crowd sourcing resources, designs that provide health and resiliency outcomes, the recipe for successful development projects in an urban context, and City improvement projects. Get more information at www.fortlauderdale.gov/tamevents. 



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Downtown Desirability

MAKING FORT LAUDERDALE ATTRACTIVE TO BUSINESSES

The Downtown Council of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce continues to identify and address the needs of the business community in our downtown. With over 450 businesses that are chamber members in this area, the needs are diverse and meaningful. Issues that continue to be brought forward are affordable workforce housing and adequate and connected public transportation. When encouraging a company to locate in our downtown, there are key factors that make it attractive over some of our competition cities in Broward, Dade, and Palm Beach Counties.

Walkability is a plus along with available public transportation to move around in the downtown area. More robust transportation options are expected in the next few years, which will continue to enhance the desirability of Fort Lauderdale.



BY GENIA
DUNCAN ELLIS

Chair, Downtown
Council of the
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We have become a foodie hub – some of the best chefs dishing it up in some of our finest restaurants and hotels that provide practically white glove personal service and are welcoming to both locals and travelers. They continue to make this a “must” destination.

Higher education in our downtown provides opportunities to companies to offer advanced education to their employees as well as the ability to hire well-educated locals. Technical expertise learned in our local colleges is on the rise and this will attract more of the technology companies and other diverse business opportunities in our community.

We continue to support our small businesses through networking opportunities, making introductions to others in need of a service that these small businesses might offer. We find that we like doing business with our locals. Keeping it local boosts our economy on a large number of fronts.

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Latin American & Latino Studies at American University. Additionally, Marielle Barrow, editor-in-chief of *Caribbean InTransit* and Dr. Arlene Dávila, professor of anthropology, social, and cultural analysis, New York University will also attend as panelists.

Exploring Heritage

CUBA HIGHLIGHTS A LATIN AMERICAN AND
CARIBBEAN CULTURAL EXCHANGE

In a fantastically diverse North America, no matter what side of politics you are on, it is becoming clear that Cuba is on our horizon – that is Cuba, Latin America, and the Caribbean. However, the writing is on the wall for this controversial island south of North America with so many connections and history with us. Not to mention, culture. As though in a time capsule, Cuba's Latin American influence, its island flare, its political disposition, and its mystery have created a smoldering treasure in its chest. There are those that are interested in exploring and sharing these heritages. So are we.

As Broward Cultural Division gets ready for its second "Creative and Cultural Industries Symposium: The Future of Latin American, Caribbean & South Florida Economies," on May 20, this developing, socio-economic and cultural relationship between Cuba and the United States seems intriguing. One of the panelist, Hugo Cancio, President of OnCuba (Art OnCuba), will be there to contribute some inside information, while other guests include representatives from Creative Affairs Division Office of External Relations - Inter-American Development Bank; the Garimpo de Soluções (Brazil) and the Cultural Adviser on Entrepreneurship, Office of the Minister, Ministry of Culture and Youth in Costa Rica; as well as a team from the Center for



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The National Endowment for the Arts recommended a \$15,000 award to support the convening of "A Creative and Cultural Industries Symposium" and the division will partner with the University of Florida and Broward College to present the symposium on May 20 during the University of Florida's "Brazilian Music Institute" at Broward College's Central Campus.

The program will build upon the earlier work done by the division in the spring of 2014, continuing to collaborate with the Inter-American Development Bank's (IDB) Cultural, Solidarity and Creativity Affairs Division and the Center for Latin American and Latino Studies at American University, surrounding the IDB report: "The Orange Economy."

"In 2014 this symposium was a phenomenal success in information exchanged," says Broward Cultural Division Director Earl Bosworth. "Through the 2014 panel we gained invaluable knowledge about the creative influence of this Latin and Caribbean demographic. With South Florida's proximity to these areas, as well as its own diversity within, there seems to be a natural partnership to be explored and we are determined to continue moving it forward."

The subject is rich with economic promise and paves the way for an exchange of ideas on the 'import and export' of talent in products in arts and culture and entrepreneurship. Businesses and artists on all sides of this exchange are anxious to get to learn and participate, if they are not already engaged, as is Hugo Cancio. ⁶⁰

Read the article on Hugo Cancio "Entrepreneurs in the New Cuba", The New Yorker, July 2015.

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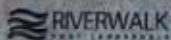
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Securing the Future

SUSTAINING BROWARD'S ECONOMIC IMPACT

Broward County's economic impact is one of the largest in the State of Florida with a labor force of just over one million and an unemployment rate of 4.4 percent. One of every eight jobs created in Florida over the last year was in Broward County. We currently have 27,340 open positions.

The top three areas of employment in the county are: professional and business services (25 percent), trade, transportation, and utilities (22 percent), and education and health services (11 percent), earning average annual wages of \$55,562, \$41,919, and \$47,542 respectively.

One of the areas of concern for our economy has been the relatively low wage scale related to the high cost of living. While we have seen some movement of higher salaries because of a war for talent, cost of living here eats up a higher percentage comparatively.

The highest job growth sectors year over year adding a total of 18,800 positions have been: construction, leisure/hospitality, manufacturing, transportation/warehousing, and professional/business, according to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. When we compare February 2016 to 2015, there have been 30,800 jobs created.



BY DAN LINDBLADE

President/CEO,
Greater Fort
Lauderdale Chamber
of Commerce




Every day 58 people move to Broward County, according to the Florida Demographic Estimating Conference. With future projections of population growth, we will need to create a minimum of 70,823 net new jobs by 2030 to keep our unemployment figures at today's rate.

This will take a combined effort to sustain our local economy from our schools and universities to government and the private sector. The Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance took the lead with adopting the Six Pillars template from the Florida Chamber as a roadmap to securing our future.

The Six Pillars plan is made up of 22 goals, 82 strategies, and 400 tactics covering the following areas: Talent Supply and Education, Innovation and Economic Development, Infrastructure and Growth Leadership, Business Climate and Competitiveness, Civic and Governance Systems, and Quality of Life and Quality Places.

Business leaders are working hard with elected officials to identify other strategies for sustained economic growth. While we lost our request for \$250 million in economic incentive funds for Enterprise Florida at the state level, we are working with local governments to secure funding for transportation and infrastructure enhancements through a penny surtax.

As of this writing, the final plan for the \$12.6 billion, 30-year sales tax was still being drafted. Broward County and its cities would split the funds and it is generally agreed that the Metropolitan Planning Council would manage the process. All monies would be placed in a trust fund and could only be used for projects qualified under state statute. It requires voter approval.

Previously, other important enhancements like new sand for our beaches, deepening and widening of Port Everglades, a new runway and a slew of improvements to our international airport, Brightline train, and the Wave Streetcar have been moving ahead. We still need to secure a new federal courthouse and several other key items, but right now the future continues to look good. 

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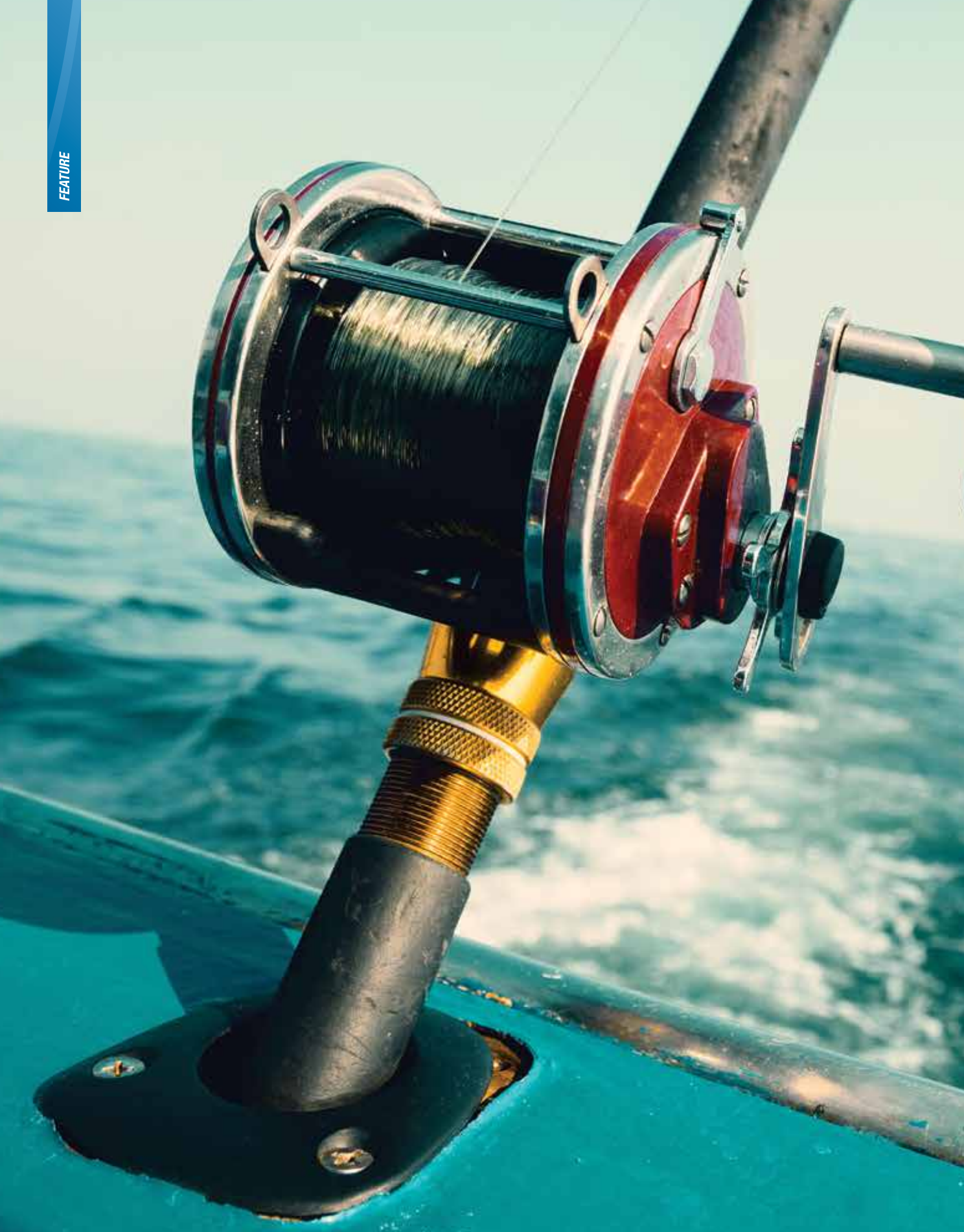
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New River Redux

A CHRONICLE OF SPORT FISHING
BEGINNINGS ON THE BANKS OF NEW
RIVER, WHERE IT'S BACK IN STYLE

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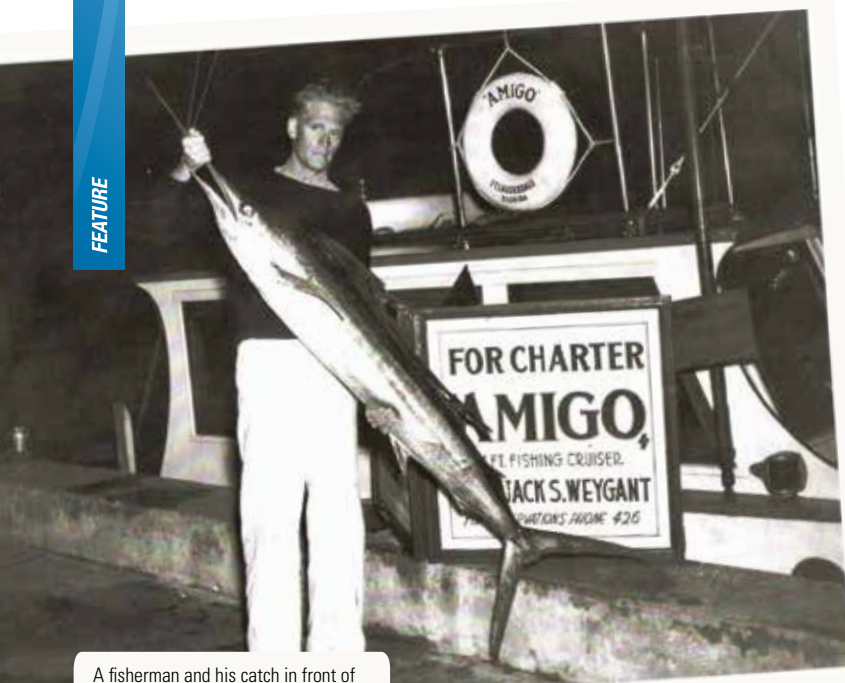


Jack Weygant's *Amigo* back at the dock

Long before Crunch and Des – a fictional captain and mate of a charter boat operation during the 1940s – ever grabbed for an outrigger clip, or a piling was sunk at Bahia Mar, sport fishing thrived on the banks of New River along a stretch that's now Riverwalk.

As far back as the 1880s, Dr. James Henshall, author of *The Book of the Black Bass*, published in 1881 by Robert Clarke & Company, flowed with praise for our “fishy” river: “It is famous for its sharks, regular man-eaters, some of them, and for the immense number and variety of its fishes.” He continued to wax about the river’s surroundings – but back to the fishing.

According to another account attributed to early settler Mrs. Ivy Stranahan, fish in abundance, including huge sharks, could be seen swimming in



A fisherman and his catch in front of Jack Weygant's 35-foot charter, *Amigo*

the depths of the crystal-clear stream. New River currents would eventually darken, as run-off from the Everglades, as well as from Fort Lauderdale's expanding downtown area seeped into the river. But it wasn't enough to obscure the fishing.

Actually, it was following the completion of a canal that linked the New River to Lake Okeechobee that fishing as a business arrived in earnest. Around the turn of the 20th Century, after fish-packing houses were erected near Henry Flagler's railroad, mullet and catfish poured-in from the lake, where they were exchanged for produce grown here in South Florida. This practice continued until the canal silted over. Meanwhile, a sport fishing industry was gaining momentum.

The first sport fishing fleet moored at the old City Docks, adjacent to Andrews Avenue.

In an article that appeared in the *Fort Lauderdale News* on September 22, 1975, pioneer charter boat captain Jack Weygant referred to the fleet as, "the way sport fishing started in Ft. Lauderdale. There were no flying bridges and no outriggers. There were so many fish, we didn't need them."

Back in the 1930s, Weygant, who referred to his cronies as "men behind the boats who made Ft. Lauderdale," paid \$25 per year for dockage and licensing fees for his 35-foot *Amigo*.

Few know the details any better than Captain Carl Ball whose grandfather, Captain Stanley Lowa, docked his charter boat, *Awol*, at today's Riverwalk back in the 1940s, thereby starting a family tradition. Ball, who was born and raised here, carries the name *Awol* – his maternal grandfather's spelled backwards –

forward to his present-day charter business. He specializes in inshore fishing. Now 70 years after his pioneering ancestor, he fishes these waters.

Meanwhile, just so you know: the New River lies entirely within the confines of Broward County, where – according to legend – it appeared overnight after a violent earthquake. Hydrologically-speaking, it helps drain the Everglades, along with two man-made conduits that have become part of the system: the North and South New River Canals. Both are home to a variety of game fish, some non-native.

As for Weygant and his cronies, I recall these guys from my college days, when I worked at Boyd's Tackle in Downtown Fort Lauderdale. One in particular, Captain Buster Hamilton, spun wonderful yarns. He would speak of how he would sail out on the New River past Raccoon Island – an island-turned-spoil bank at the mouth of the New River – before crossing New River Sound, now the Intracoastal, to get to the ocean through what was known as the Coast

Guard Inlet. I remember the old jetties, across from Bahia Mar, before beach sand engulfed them.

Hamilton recalled times during WWII when he couldn't get hooks, since Norway – home of famous hook-maker, O. Mustad and Sons – was blockaded by Nazi U-boats. He and other fishermen had to improvise, so they fashioned their own indestructible lures.



Captain Carl Ball comes from a fishing family. Here is his grandfather, Captain Stanley Lowa (center) with a pair of happy customers. This photo was taken alongside the New River in Downtown Fort Lauderdale on April 17, 1948 by Michael May.



Local captain Carl Ball, who specializes in inshore fishing and runs the website www.awolfishingguide.com

"We'd drill-out a broom handle, or a dowel if we had one, before running a wire through the center and attaching a hook to it," he said. "We'd bevel the front on an angle to make sure it would swim, before painting it up in some crazy color. We'd drop-back our lures as soon as we cleared Raccoon Island, and just keep on chugging past the jetties. We fished mostly for kingfish, which we'd bring to the fish house, where they'd be gutted and iced, and shipped to New York. From there, some went overseas."

Parts of his story were later authenticated by Tom Anglin, Jr. of Anglin's Pier fame. The Anglin family, of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, lived here for decades.

Getting back to Hamilton, he claimed that, over the years, he'd even caught kingfish, an oceanic species, prior to clearing the inlet, specifically, a half-dozen "smokers" of 30-plus pounds, unthinkable today by the most-liberal standards.

Around this time, sailfish became all the rage, as Fort Lauderdale's reputation as a sport fishing center grew. Everyone wanted a "sail," and with the introduction of the "drop-back" system, their wish could be granted

on a regular basis. Still, sport and commercial fishermen kept one thing in common: the ubiquitous king mackerel. Whenever the old-time captains couldn't get charters, they'd troll for kings to take to the market.

In the decades that followed, the New River never lost its luster. Even now, it remains a haven for tarpon. I recall the 250-pounder that was decked near Marina Bay, on the South Fork. Other out-sized catches both proceeded and followed it. I speak from experience, having personally released two 100-plus pounders while fishing from seawalls in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, one across from the old *Ft. Lauderdale News* Building and the other at Sailboat Bend, while passengers on the *Jungle Queen* stood by and cheered.

As far as tomorrow, that's anyone's guess. But with water-quality standards continually tightening, and considering how the familiar New River species seem content with conditions, the future looks bright. Plus, thanks to an influx of exotic species – not all of them welcome – there's always the prospect of meeting new challenges. [GO](#)



Snook catches like this one were once commonplace. Now, since the passage of new bag limit and size restrictions, the fish are rebounding

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Take Back the Avenue

FUTURE ANDREWS AVENUE
IMPROVEMENTS ARE
POISED TO ACCOMMODATE
A PEDESTRIAN PRESENCE
AND STIMULATE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT

WRITER CLARISSA BUCH
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Andrews Avenue has long been unheeded. Though thousands of cars shuffle along the thoroughfare on a given day, bikes and pedestrians have progressively faded.

“Most of Andrews Avenue, particularly the north of downtown area, has been a little neglected over the years,” Peter Gies, of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, said.

Now, the traffic-heavy, car-filled strip is getting its long-awaited revival, with the hopes of igniting economic development, slowing traffic, and creating a friendlier atmosphere for bikers and pedestrians.

“Years back, the road was widened, making it great for drivers,” Gies said. “The area is still mostly residential, but the streets don’t match that context now, which is a crucial piece of solving this puzzle.” According to Gies, about 35 years ago when many of Fort Lauderdale’s roads, including Andrews Avenue, were expanded,



Andrews Avenue improvements are geared towards making sure the main thoroughfare is safe and accessible for bikers and pedestrians

it marked a time of automobile dominance, where combatting delays and traffic took priority over alternate modes of transportation, like biking and walking. “At that time, no delay was acceptable for an automobile,” he said. “Traffic engineers thought it made sense to expand the roads to give freedom to the automobile, and one of them was Andrews Avenue.”

But, as Fort Lauderdale gradually became more urban and densely-populated, its road designs needed to serve different purposes, like accessibility, safety, and comfort. “I know I would like to walk downtown,” he said. “There are a lot of destinations that are within walking distance but difficult to reach. The idea of moving people without delay isn’t necessarily the mindset anymore. It’s great for drivers, but no one else.”



Through provisions in the South Andrews Master Plan, which was originally accepted by the City Commission in 2004, roadway improvements and pedestrian amenities are among a bevy of elements to be implemented in the next 10 years. Through bike lanes, wider sidewalks, trees, and landscaped medians, the avenue will no longer cater to just vehicles. “It’s time to take back the streets for the people,” Gies said. “We need to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists.”

But the area’s take-back-the-streets initiative isn’t without its critics. “Whether it’s on Andrews Avenue or another local street, there’s always someone who says ‘I need to get where I need to go as quickly as possible,’” he said. “But a majority of people seem really open to the idea of slowing down traffic and making it more pedestrian- and bike-friendly.”

With Andrews Avenue’s renovations, new construction projects are likely to follow, which, according to Gies, is crucial. “As government, we can make many investments into public roadways, but it’s really up to the market to make the remaining investment into the neighborhoods. If there’s no investment, it won’t happen, but the market looks great right now, so we’ll see.”

Renovations of Andrews Avenue are expected to take years, with initial changes expected in 2019. “When you talk about this kind of plan, it’s important to remember that it’s an evolving process,” he said. “It took years to get to the way it is now, and it will take years to progress and change. The improvements will come in sections.” [@](#)

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The Business of Attracting Business

THE GREATER FORT LAUDERDALE ALLIANCE (GFLA) HAS UNDERGONE MORE THAN A FEW NAME CHANGES IN ITS HISTORY. THE PURPOSE, HOWEVER, HAS ALWAYS REMAINED THE SAME – MAKE FORT LAUDERDALE GREAT WITH GOOD JOBS FOR ITS CITIZENS.

WRITER JAMION KRIES
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AutoNation is an anchor in the Fort Lauderdale skyline and industry

A fiery sun breaks the horizon in Fort Lauderdale. The light shines on businesses that Wayne Huizenga founded, like AutoNation and Dr. William Heinicke's Heico Corporation, both residing in Broward County. These two companies are akin to forces that have searched out new grounds to sustain life. Smaller companies can then provide services to them, creating mutually beneficial partnerships. The Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance (GFLA) is the link that encourages businesses such as AutoNation and the Heico Corporation to remain and expand in Broward County.

The GFLA attracts high-tech manufacturing in the fields of generic pharmaceutical production and aviation mechanization. The large capital investments that high-tech manufacturing companies are able to make in their employees and their production are the essential components of what the GFLA looks for in a company. These attributes are important for, "creating high paying jobs for Broward County residents," said Bob Swindell, GFLA President and CEO. Once these goliaths of industry are in place, attracting additional companies is of greater ease, added Swindell.

"The fourth most attractive tax climate in the country helps bring these specific industries to Fort Lauderdale," said Swindell. A diverse and well-educated workforce that trains locally at Broward College North Campus is what helps keep a business here in Fort Lauderdale, according to Swindell. Fort Lauderdale also has great access through Port Everglades to Central and South America imports. These two regions pump the largest percentage of their production straight through Fort Lauderdale's port for dispersal throughout the United States.

The GFLA develops a prospectus for potential companies looking to relocate to or expand in Fort Lauderdale. This prospectus shows a potential company the operating costs associated with moving their business to Fort Lauderdale. Demographics, utilities, transportation, and communications are



Central and South America pump the largest percentage of their production straight through Fort Lauderdale's port for dispersal throughout the United States.



some of the data components GFLA will provide.

The incentives GFLA offers to a prospective company considering a move to Fort Lauderdale is funded 80 percent by the state and 20 percent by the county. An incoming company will be able to give its new employees additional training through this assistance, improving the company and community simultaneously. "The talent of a workforce will make a company more profitable at the end of the day," said Swindell.

GFLA utilizes the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show to showcase Fort Lauderdale to companies considering a move to our city. "Understanding the culture in a specific country is important to business," said Swindell. There are over 40 different languages in our local workforce according to GFLA, and the boat show helps exemplify how the local community facilitates the ability for such an event to take place.

GFLA has a track record of over 50 years of helping to create and retain jobs in South Florida. Global Response, Great Healthworks, and Prolexic Technologies are just a few of the over two dozen success stories aided by the GFLA. The three aforementioned companies account for over 650 new jobs created with the help of GFLA, an alliance integral to the future success of Fort Lauderdale's economy. ⁶⁰



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Above: UA Brands CEO Susan Masimore and COO John Janenda reviewing office construction plans and sample finishes
Right: View from Tower 101 Building in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, which is soon to be UA Brands' new home. With two full floors and an additional two half floors, the new offices offer unobstructed views in every direction.

Movin' on Up

UNIFORM ADVANTAGE STARTED AS A SINGLE STORE IN 1985 AND HAS SINCE EXPANDED EXPONENTIALLY. NOW, CEO SUSAN MASIMORE IS MOVING THE COMPANY TO DOWNTOWN FORT LAUDERDALE TO ACCOMMODATE ITS GROWTH AND SPUR A COMMUNITY PRESENCE.

WRITER PETE STEVENSON | PHOTOGRAPHY JASON LEIDY

Susan Masimore, founder and CEO of Uniform Advantage (UA) Brands, is moving her company from Plantation to Downtown Fort Lauderdale, where it will occupy several top floors of the Tower 101 Building. What is Uniform Advantage? It's a company that manufactures and sells innovative, high-quality uniforms across the entire service industry.

Initially, UA started out specializing in providing healthcare uniforms for nurses, doctors, CNAs, and a variety of other healthcare professionals. But like all successful companies, UA soon leveraged their experience and infrastructure to expand into areas beyond healthcare. www.ChefUniforms.com was a natural out-growth. The website provides an entire range of work attire for any employee in the restaurant industry; from chef to line cook, bistro to bar staff. Then came www.UniformDifference.com, a division of UA that provides apparel for hotels, resorts, spas, and security.

"Throughout our journey, we've built a lot of expertise in personalization and customization of uniforms. Most of those specialization requests have come from our customers. That yielded an organic expansion into www.InkEasy.com, which will focus exclusively [on] customized apparel. So we, and our customers, are excited about www.InkEasy.com, which will launch any day," said Masimore.

She reflects on the company's growth. "It's hard to believe it was actually over 30 years ago [that] I was looking to start my own business and decided to purchase a small independent uniform store in Lauderhill called Discount

Uniforms," she said. "Little did I know then what that single store would become. The customer need was there, our timing was right, and we were fortunate to have employees who shared our dedication and customer service spirit to help us blossom. From the start, I knew we wanted to stand for more than just low prices, so we eventually changed our name to the broader Uniform Advantage, so that we could emphasize our bigger selections and better quality."

Masimore also took advantage of the diverse South Florida population to help build the company and develop popular





Left: The creative process of store branding and catalog production at the UA Brands Plantation location. Above: View from Tower 101 Building in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, which is soon to be UA Brands' new home. With two full floors and an additional two half floors, the new offices offer unobstructed views in every direction.


designs for their products. UA has tapped into the area's diverse culture and demographics. "We have hired people from many places with lots of different backgrounds and we like to get their input and passions on styles and designs," she said.

Uniform Advantage is also passionate about community involvement, which makes sense based on the customers they serve within the healthcare and hospitality industries. "We've enjoyed supporting organizations that further healthcare and educational needs in particular. But we don't necessarily have a hard and fast rule as to which partners we choose. We evaluate the objectives, reputation, past results, and operational approach of each cause, then make that informed decision as a team," Masimore explained.

Uniform Advantage has supported a variety of causes. For example, UA will design a nurse's uniform to support a cause such as breast cancer or autism awareness. Not only does the design bring attention to the cause, but a part of the purchase proceeds will go directly to a charity that supports it. Masimore explained that many customers get more joy out of wearing those prints than any others they own. "Our customers make it their life's work to care for others in both the best and worst of times. They care for sick patients and tirelessly serve guests. But I never realized how much our customers

would inspire me and our employees in return," said Masimore.

Masimore and her employees are excited about the move to their new downtown offices. She points out that moving to Downtown Fort Lauderdale offers them three key benefits. "First it reflects how far we've progressed as a company," she said. "We have evolved into a successful, multi-national organization. Second, it modernizes and expands our space, offering our employees a truly beautiful setting and gorgeous views, plus upgrades in furnishings and technology. Last, but definitely not least, the downtown area offers so many wonderful conveniences within walking distance: great restaurants, shops, daycare facilities, plus all the fun after-hours events and activities downtown area employees get to enjoy. It's also more accessible for us to participate in important community causes and events."

In keeping with their innovative designs of specialty uniforms, the company is creating a very original and modern work environment. There are bright colors used throughout their new office space, high ceilings, amazing views, and beautiful common and meeting spaces designed to connect people and facilitate creativity. They have thought about every design detail, which you would expect from a company that creates uniforms that make people happy and comfortable, even during a 12-hour shift. This space is like a beautifully designed uniform that will clothe Uniform Advantage employees in comfort and style. 

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Let's face it, networking is the most direct way to reach both your business and personal goals. And when I say "face it," I mean that quite literally. You need to get your face in front of other people's faces. Six degrees of separation really does define our modern

world, and there is no better way to influence this reality than by making personal connections and reducing that six degrees to one. What follows are some new ways to network, beyond the digital, along with some old ones that have transformed in recent years.

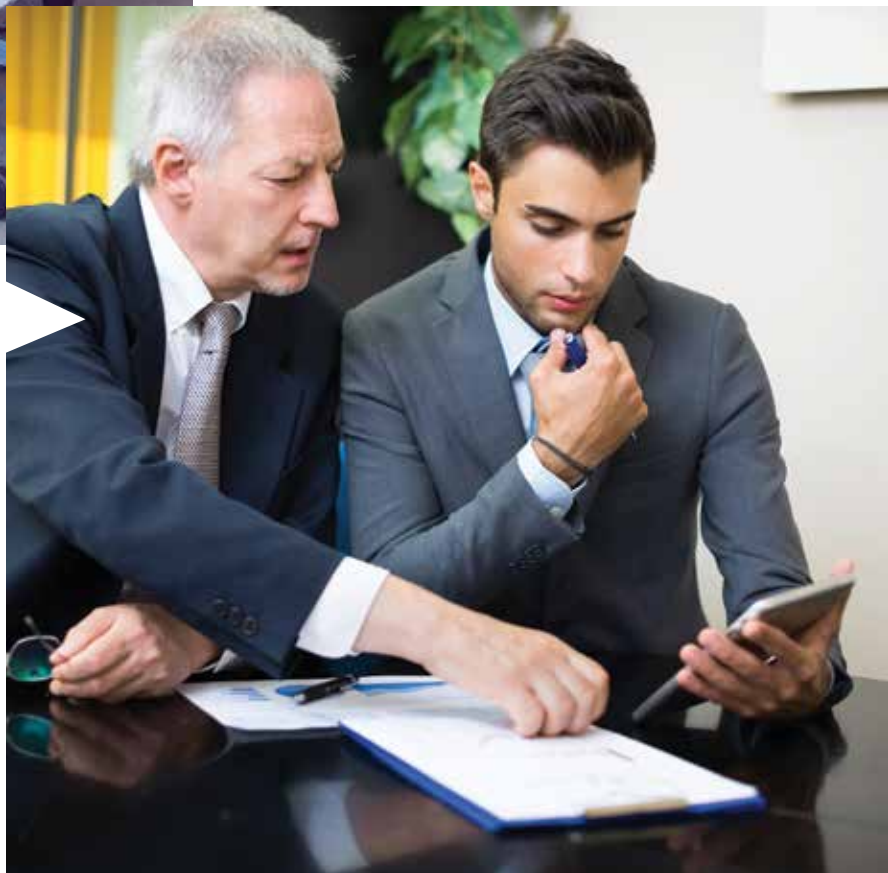


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Axis Space Coworking located on the New River

Seek A Mentor

If you are new to the working world or you have recently switched career paths, one of the fastest ways to reach your goals is to seek out a mentor. Identify several individuals in your field who you respect and approach them to mentor you. Do not worry about rejection. If you are respectful and approach your potential mentor in a professional manner, through a formal letter, personal introduction or thoughtful email, most individuals will be flattered. Be sure to carefully explain your goal to your potential mentor and do not make the request too overwhelming at first. I have found that if my potential mentor did not have the time or felt they were not the right person, they gave me the name of another person who was a better fit.



Co-working Spaces

As more people are telecommuting, working from home or experiencing non-traditional employment environments, it makes it harder to network with co-workers or other business professionals. A fast growing niche market is developing called co-working spaces. This business model has developed throughout the country, including Fort Lauderdale, and provides a modern, open, work space with all the necessities and comforts of a traditional office. Instead of working from your local coffee shop with all the distractions, or home with all the temptations, you are in an environment with other like-minded individuals.

You join almost as if you would a fitness club and are provided with different levels of service based on price and what you need in order to conduct business. It's an open plan office that provides everything from desk space, Wi-Fi, private conference rooms, secure phone areas, kitchens, bathrooms, private offices, a mailing address, and even nap rooms. However, the biggest benefit may be the connections and collaborations you may make with other working individuals. Check out www.axisspace.com for more information.



Join Something You Enjoy

As we all know, some of the best personal connections are made when we meet individuals outside our normal life routine. If you haven't already, join a sports league or club where you get a chance to spend longer amounts of quality time with a variety of people. Keep in mind that some clubs or leagues provide a better chance to interact than others. For example, many sports leagues allow you to get to know your team but not the other individuals in the league. If you choose a sports league, choose one that will permit time to meet and talk with other players. In a bowling league, for example, your team rotates to play other teams at a slower pace and in settings that allow you to meet everyone in the league. The same could be said for many card-playing clubs.

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Online to Offline

You may be able to network with individuals online through Facebook or LinkedIn. However, to take a connection to the next level, you need to eventually have face-to-face interaction. With recent improvements in these online applications, you can actually see which events the individuals you want to meet are attending. Fort Lauderdale has a vast array of networking opportunities:

- Network After Work is exactly what the title suggests, a networking group that will meet after work monthly in different locations around Fort Lauderdale. www.networkafterwork.com
- Women's Prosperity Network is an example of a more specific networking group based on a particular demographic. www.wpnglobal.com
- Biz to Biz Networking is a business networking group that focuses on the larger geographic footprint of South Florida. It will cost you \$10 for an event or get an annual VIP Membership for \$199. www.biztobiznetworking.com
- Meet Up is a great clearinghouse website to search all the available networking opportunities in Fort Lauderdale. If you do a search for all the professional meet ups for the area it will return a wide variety of networking groups, ranging from Christian Professionals, Newcomers Network, and LGBT Business Networks, to a vast array of area specific networking prospects. www.meetup.com
- Riverwalk Get Downtown events offer an opportunity for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale members to mingle with other local professionals in Yolo Plaza usually twice a year. It's \$100 to join Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, a non-profit, and \$500 to also gain access to quarterly Power Mixer events. www.goriverwalk.com 

Weekend Runaways

WEEKENDS ARE USUALLY TOO SHORT, BUT WITH THESE GETAWAYS SO CLOSE BY, THAT WON'T MATTER. HERE ARE SIX DESTINATIONS WITHIN 65 MILES OF DOWNTOWN

WRITER ALEXANDRA ROLAND | PHOTOGRAPHY JASON LEIDY



View of the Everglades from the Shark Valley bike path



Outside seating at one of the North Beach Village hotel restaurants

Local Rediscovery

FOUR MILES FROM DOWNTOWN

Start the weekend Friday night with dinner at Coconuts on the Intracoastal. Order whatever kind of seafood you like, but make sure to try the house made coconut cheesecake, garnished with a berry sauce and toasted coconut flakes. Instead of going home, check into one of the North Beach Village hotels, a small enclave of lodging options characterized by Mid Century Modern décor. On Saturday, have breakfast at one of the local beach cafés and peruse the North Beach Village art gallery. Rest up for a Moonlight Sea Turtle walk with the Museum of Discovery and Science (the series takes place in June and July). Check out of your hotel on Sunday morning.

www.coconutsfortlauderdale.com

www.northbeachvillageresort.com

www.mods.org



Take Back the Night

EIGHT MILES FROM DOWNTOWN

Buy tickets to a Saturday Hard Rock Live concert or comedy show in advance. When the date rolls around, make a weekend of it. Check into the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino and feast on contemporary Japanese fare at the onsite restaurant, Kuro. After the show, get a nightcap and take in views of the resort at the Sky Lounge inside Bongo's Cuban Café. Crash in your hotel room and sleep in. Then make the next day a lazy Sunday and travel back home at your leisure.

www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com



Under the Sea

WITHIN 10 MILES OF DOWNTOWN

Explore a different part of “home” by signing up for a diving or snorkel excursion off Fort Lauderdale Beach. Catch sights of shallow reefs and resident sea life and survey wrecks, both artificial and natural. Lauderdale Diver, Sea Experience, and Deep Blue Divers offer dive courses, excursion packages, and necessary gear.

www.lauderdalediver.com

www.seaxp.com

www.deepbluedivers.net



Not So Lazy Sunday

TWENTY-NINE MILES FROM DOWNTOWN

Make reservations at the Sundy House – a former home, church, bank, and now Victorian B&B in Delray Beach – for their Savor Sunday Brunch. Mimosas and Bloody Mary’s are included in the \$58 per person brunch price, along with a buffet style menu and access to chef-manned stations. This is their most attended event of the week, so it comes with a two and a half hour maximum seating time. But that’s no problem, because directly after brunch, you’ll be quickly traveling a little over seven miles to the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens for a peaceful afternoon of perusing current exhibits and landscape collections. The grounds close at 5 p.m. on Sunday, so be sure to give yourself enough time to sightsee.

www.sundyhouse.com

www.morikami.org



Morikami Museum and Gardens in Delray Beach

Up North History

FORTY-EIGHT MILES FROM DOWNTOWN

Travel up to West Palm Beach for a taste of the Gilded Age at Florida’s first museum. The Henry Morrison Flagler Museum was the vacation home for the entrepreneur of the same name, and was built on Coconut Row in 1902. From Thanksgiving to Easter, the onsite Café des Beaux-Arts serves afternoon tea next to the train car that sits in honor of Flagler’s Florida East Coast Rail, which, at his direction spanned from Jacksonville to Key West. If you go in the summer though, when the café is closed, after your museum tour, drive or walk (approximately five minutes) to The Breakers Hotel, Flagler’s second Florida hotel built six years before his nearby home, for lunch or dinner at one of eight onsite restaurants. Aristocrats like Andrew Carnegie and J.P. Morgan frequented the resort and if you’re feeling like a big spender, you can too. Rates range from \$450 - \$1,650 per night for Saturdays in June.

www.flaglermuseum.us

www.thebreakers.com



The Shark Valley bike path off Tamiami Trail

Down South Bike Tour

SIXTY-TWO MILES FROM DOWNTOWN

This isn’t a two-day getaway, but after this workout you won’t want to do anything other than sleep. Shark Valley, 25 miles west of the Turnpike on Tamiami Trail, features a 15-mile, paved path bordered by Everglades flora and fauna, including the occasional gator. Rent bikes at the visitors’ center or bring your own. Guided tram tours are also available. At the halfway point of the paved loop, climb up the 65-foot observation tower and enjoy sweeping views of the Shark River Slough. Take out a light lunch and nibble before your 7.5-mile bike back to the parking lot. Make sure to pack a camera, sunblock, a hat, some shades, and hydration.

www.nps.gov/ever/planyourvisit/shark-valley-trails



Georgia on My Mind

THE GEORGIA PIG PHILOSOPHY IS
SIMPLE: MAKE GREAT FOOD AND
TREAT PEOPLE LIKE FAMILY

WRITER CRISTINA HUDSON | **PHOTOGRAPHY** JASON LEIDY



Real woodsmoke BBQ is prepped to order on site. The famous Georgia Pig BBQ sandwiches are chopped, not pulled or shredded



Dan Fitzgerald, also known as "Pitman Dan"

CHEF EXCLUSIVE

How long have you been at the Georgia Pig?

Six years

What's your favorite dish on the menu?

It's gotta be the pork sandwich.

As the pitman, what's your 'must have' cooking utensil?

The knife. You've got to have a sharp knife to chop with.

If you go:

Georgia Pig

1285 South State Road 7 (441)

(954) 587-4420

Hours:

Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.;

Friday 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.;

Saturday 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.;

Breakfast served 7 - 11 a.m.

Cash Only - ATM on site

In a little, unassuming building on State Road 7 you'll find one of Fort Lauderdale's best kept secrets, the Georgia Pig. Customers line up everyday to get their fill of Southern favorites and open pit barbecue.

When you walk inside, you feel like you've stepped back in time with the original barbecue pit, classic terrazzo floors, booths, and counter seating you seldom see these days. The walls are adorned with old photos, knick-knacks, and mounted newspaper and magazine articles that have been written about the Georgia Pig over the years. In the front of the store is a penny scale from the 1930s, which still tells your (pretty close to) accurate weight and gives you your fortune for just a penny. The space where the kitchen is situated was originally

nearly three years ago. Luke Moorman started working at the Georgia Pig when he was 14 and attended school with the previous owner's son. This family owned business has changed very little over the years. Their concept is simple: make great food and treat people like family.

With the parking behind the building, most people walk in through the back door and the staff knows its customers. Most of them sit in the same seats and order the same thing each time they visit. Regular customers like Sergeant Wilbur Spangler, a WWII veteran who stormed the beaches of Normandy, is just one of the regulars who gives this place such wonderful character. It's always refreshing to come back to a restaurant where you and your server recognize each other. People



Pearl Reynolds and Joanne Daniels are long-term employees and well known by the regulars

a butcher shop built in the 1940s, a time when things were built to last. The first walk-in cooler was installed in 1942 and just needed to be replaced last year. The vintage cash register takes cash only, so make sure to bring some bills.

The Moorman family took over the restaurant from the Anderson family

feel at home and create relationships when they have the same servers for decades, like Terri, who has been a server at the Georgia Pig for nearly 27 years.

The barbecue style at the Georgia Pig is an open pit, fast cooking style. Seasoned pitman Dan Fitzgerald uses evergreen live oak in the open



pit. The battens in the chimney direct the smoke up while "Pitman Dan," as he is called, cooks an average of 200 pounds of meat in the pit each day. Meats are topped with their North Carolina-style barbecue sauce, which is made in-house. This vinegar-based sauce is on each table for guests to use as they like.

The signature dish at the Georgia Pig is the chopped pork sandwich. It starts with a full bone-in pork shoulder, aka pork butt, which is cut in half. After cooking in the open pit for two to five hours (depending on the size), the boneless half is chopped, not pulled, and served on a classic hamburger bun with a pickle spear. There is nothing complicated about this sandwich. The smoke and natural meat juices give this sandwich its delectable flavor. Top it with some of the house made barbecue sauce and you've achieved pork nirvana.

There is a "Home Cooked Special Every Day" for \$8.50, with Friday being the most popular, fried



Friday's Home Cooked Special is the fried chicken plate



Chopped BBQ Pork Sandwich Deluxe

Ingredients:

Full bone-in pork shoulder
(aka pork butt)
BBQ sauce
Seasonings of your choice
Classic hamburger bun
Pickle spear

Method:

Cut the full bone-in pork shoulder, aka pork butt in half. Add BBQ sauce and seasonings while cooking in the open pit for two to five hours (depending on the size). Chop the boneless half and serve on a classic hamburger bun with a pickle spear.

chicken day. The chicken comes from local market Delaware Chicken Farms and like all of their meats, is never frozen. After a bath in buttermilk, each piece of chicken is dredged in their secretly seasoned flour and fried to order. With a choice of white or dark meat, each quarter chicken serving is accompanied with a side of rice topped with creamy chicken gravy and black eyed peas. If you have any room left after this colossal plate, you can order Friday's dessert du jour, homemade banana pudding.

Moorman describes the Georgia Pig as "a diner that specializes in a chopped pork sandwich." You can enjoy southern comfort foods at this diner for breakfast, lunch, and dinner six days a week. With a menu filled with items like the chopped pork sandwich, barbecued ribs, grilled cheese, spicy Brunswick stew, homemade sausage, biscuits, and gravy, a host of southern comfort side dishes, and an assortment of desserts, it's impossible to leave the Georgia Pig hungry and without a big smile on your face. 🍷



JUNE 11th • 11am-5pm

ESPLANADE PARK

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO WWW.GORIVERWALK.COM OR CALL
RIVERWALK FORT LAUDERDALE (954) 468-1541**



It's Derby Season

ROSES, BOURBON, AND HOT BROWN SANDWICHES

WRITER RENÉE K. QUINN

Kentucky Derby parties abound the first weekend of May. That means gathering friends and family and serving up two Louisville favorites, Hot Browns and ice-cold mint juleps. The classic Hot Brown sandwich was created at the Brown Hotel in the 1920s. It's a tasty, hot, open-faced sandwich, piled high with fresh baked turkey and crispy bacon. Louisville is the urban hub of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail, so it's no surprise that bourbon balls covered in rich dark chocolate and nuts are the perfect complement to your julep. Check with your local chocolatier for their version of these tasty treats.

WHY THIS DERBY IS CALLED "THE RUN FOR THE ROSES": THE RED ROSE IS THE OFFICIAL FLOWER OF THE KENTUCKY DERBY. AFTER WINNING, THE VICTORIOUS DERBY HORSE IS DRAPED WITH A GARLAND OF RED ROSES SYMBOLIZING A WINNING CROWN.

MIXOLOGY SPOTLIGHT

Shake up a Mint Julep

A MINT JULEP IS THE TRADITIONAL DERBY DAY COCKTAIL, AND A SOUTHERN RITUAL CRAFTED FROM BOURBON, SIMPLE SYRUP, AND MINT.

Ingredients:
2 oz. Woodford Reserve
1/2 oz. simple syrup
3 fresh mint leaves
Crushed ice

Method: Express the essential oils in the mint (slap them!) and rub them inside the glass. To the same glass, add simple syrup, bourbon, and crushed ice. Stir. Garnish with more ice and fresh mint.





RENÉE K. QUINN - MIXING UP THE LATEST IN CULINARY EXPERIENCES, CRAFT COCKTAILS, AND CRAFT BEERS. CONNECTING WITH SPIRITED FRIENDS TO SHARE IDEAS, STORIES, AND LIFE! GET SOCIAL, TAG @MYMIXOLOGISTA IN YOUR TWEETS AND INSTAGRAM FINDS.

Fruitful Variations

PEACH MINT JULEP

Peaches and bourbon are a match made in heaven (and my favorite)

STRAWBERRY MINT JULEP

Strawberries are in-season and pair perfectly with both mint and bourbon

PINEAPPLE MINT JULEP

For that tropical touch, soak pineapple in bourbon for a real treat

CLEMENTINE MINT JULEP

Add clementine for a sweet, citrus flavor, perfectly accenting the bourbon



Get Yours

Stop by one of these downtown restaurants and bars for a classic cocktail:

APOTHECARY 330

330 SW Himmarshee St. • www.apothecary330.com

STACHE 1920'S DRINKING DEN & COFFEE BAR

109 SW Second Ave. (Moffat) • www.stacheftl.com

THE RIVERSIDE HOTEL

Wild Sea Oyster Bar & Grille,
Golden Lyon Pub or Preston's Bar
620 E. Las Olas Blvd. • www.wildsealolas.com

EVENT SPOTLIGHT

Burger Battle VII

PRESENTED BY THE PILGRAM GROUP

FRIDAY, MAY 13, 7-10 P.M.
HUIZENGA PLAZA

It's National Hamburger Month and that means we get to sample a plethora of burgers from South Florida's best purveyors. Riverwalk's own burger competition challenges 16 contenders to create the best burger bite, with one deserving restaurant taking home the unique trophy. The battle brings together South Florida burger aficionados for an evening of gourmet burger creations, cocktails, beers, and fun, while raising funds to support Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale's mission of building and nurturing a vibrant community connected by the New River. Keep up to date on all the trash talk at www.facebook.com/BurgerBattleFTL.



Check out www.goriverwalk.com for more spirited **#BITES+SIPS** and recipes. Join Renée's **#conSPIRITors** by following her on Twitter and Instagram (@MyMixologista) and like her Facebook page, Spirited

South Florida. Remember to **#DrinkResponsibly**
#GetSpiritedSouthFlorida



For additional events, check the Greater Fort Lauderdale events calendar:
www.goriverwalk.com/events/greater-fort-lauderdale-event-calendar



Mindbender Mansion
 Through May 1
 Museum of Discovery and Science
 (954) 467-6637



MUSE - The Art of Valadimir Prodanovich
 Through May 8
 New River Fine Art
 (954) 524-2100
www.newriverfineart.com

ArtServe Presents "Inside/OUT: Art as Healing Therapy"
 Through May 13
 Members of more than a dozen local non-profit organizations, as well as local artists, veterans, and ArtServe members will exhibit art that expresses their emotions, grief, pain, hopes, fears, and rejuvenation.
 ArtServe
 (954) 462-8190
www.artserve.org

Earth and Space Weekend
 May 1
 Museum of Discovery and Science
 (954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Flora & Fauna Classes - Gardening for Butterflies and Birds
 May 1
 Bonnet House Museum and Gardens
 (954) 563-1554
www.bonnethouse.org/calendar



Junie B's Essential Survival Guide to School
 May 1
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

V for Victory: World War II Home Front and Military Memories
 May 2 - Sept. 30
 Broward County Main Library
 (954) 357-8243
www.broward.org/library

Pirate School: The Science of Pirates
 May 3
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Cypress Hill with Jelly Roll
 May 3
 Revolution Live
 (954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net

Photography and 3D Sculpture Exhibit
 May 4 - 19
 Broward Art Guild
 (954) 537-3370
www.browardartguild.org

Captain America: Civil War: The IMAX Experience®
 May 5 - 26
 Museum of Discovery and Science
 AutoNation IMAX Theater
 (954) 463-IMAX (4629)

Bill Burr
 May 6
 Hard Rock Live
www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com

2016 Leadership Summit: Aspiring to Peak Performance
 May 6
 Signature Grand
 (954) 767-8666
www.leadershipbroward.org

Making Real Connections Breakfast
 May 6
 Signature Grand
www.211-broward.org

Destination Fridays - Haiti
 May 6
 The African-American Research Library and Cultural Center
 (954) 357-6210
www.broward.org/library

First Friday Jazz Jams
 May 6
 ArtServe
 (954) 524-0805
www.goldcoastjazz.org

Fringe Fort Lauderdale Festival
 May 6 and 7
 Theater, spoken word, family events, live music, visual arts, comedy, and dance.
 Willis Holcombe Center
www.fortlauderdalefringe.com

Kentucky Derby Event with Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club and Parks & Recreation
 May 7
 History Museum Fort Lauderdale
 (954) 463-4431
www.flhc.com



Sunflowers Mother's Day Champagne Brunch
 May 7
 Brunch benefitting Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center
 Lauderdale Yacht Club
 (954) 728-1040
www.sunflowercircle.org

Broward Education Foundation Black and White Gala
 May 7
 Children Services Council, Community Foundation of Broward, Founders of the Broward Education Foundation, Gunster, and Wells Fargo will be honored for their contributions to the community.
 Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six
 (754) 321-2030
www.browardedfoundation.org

Impractical Jokers "Where's Larry Tour" Starring The Tenderloins
 May 7
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

The Arts Radio Network and The Broward Center Present: "Little Women"
 May 7
 Come see the golden age of radio brought back to glorious life on stage, featuring some of South Florida's finest actors.
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

2016 Fort Lauderdale Air Show
 May 7 and 8
 Fort Lauderdale will be the first civilian air show in history to feature an F-35 flight performance.
 Fort Lauderdale Beach
 (877) 377-8499
www.FortLauderdaleAirShow.com

Super Heroes Weekend
 May 7 and 8
 Museum of Discovery and Science
 (954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Gundecha Brothers - Vocal Masters
 May 8
 Cosmic Sound of Drupad
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Historic Preservation - Process or Privilege
 May 9
 This presentation explores the



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DANCE



MUSIC



THEATER



RIVERWALK



CHARITY



CULTURAL



ART



LITERATURE



MOVIES



EDUCATION



FESTIVAL



OPERA



significant local architectural styles and current efforts to preserve local buildings that best represent those styles.
History Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 463-4431
www.flhc.com

Lung Force Luncheon

May 10
Huizenga Pavilion at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 524-4657
www.lung.org

The Front Bottoms with Brick & Mortar, Diet Cig

May 10
Revolution Live
(954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net



Broadway Across America: Beautiful - The Carole King Musical

May 10 - 22
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Flatbush Zombies with Remy Banks, ASap Twelvyy

May 11
Revolution Live
(954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net

Gold Coast Jazz Society: Giacomo Gates & Gold Coast Jazz Society Band Trio

May 11
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

RuPaul's Drag Race

May 11
Parker Playhouse
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Care for Kids Luncheon

May 13
Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six
www.childnet.us

Chopin for All

May 14
Broward County Main Library
(954) 357-7443
www.broward.org/library



Riverwalk Burger Battle VII

May 13
Burgers galore are in store at this culinary contest. Over 15 restaurants will pit their burger skills against the competition for several titles. And you can be a judge! This sizzling event draws crowds of 1,000+ and always sells out so get your tickets now! Huizenga Plaza
(954) 468-1541 ext. 205
www.goriverwalk.com

Center for Independent Living of Broward 25th Anniversary

May 14
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Spring is in the Air Auction & Reception

May 14
ArtServe
(954) 440-4560
www.masterchoraleofsouthflorida.org



Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration

May 14 and 15
(954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org



Arts Ballet Theatre: Spring Gala

May 15
Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida concludes the season with the "Spring Ballet Gala" with a combined program of the most challenging classical repertoire. Broward Center for the Performing Arts
www.browardcenter.org
(954) 462-0222

Stranahan Stories

May 16
Historic Stranahan House Museum
(954) 524-4736
www.stranahanhouse.org

Trash 2 Treasure

May 16 - 27
ArtServe
(954) 462-8190
www.artserve.org

17th Annual Salute to Leadership Gala: Gimme Shelter

May 20
Signature Grand
(954) 779-3990
www.bphi.org

Pink Talking Fish with The Heavy Pets

May 20
Revolution Live
(954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net

Millencolin with Success

May 21
Revolution Live
(954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net

"Tracy Morgan: Picking Up the Pieces" Tour

May 21
Hard Rock Live
www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com



Seventh Annual Covenant House Florida 5K on A1A

May 21
World Famous Parrot Lounge
www.5kona1a.com

Seafarer's House International Golden Compass Award

May 21
Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six
(954) 734-1580

Second Annual Waterway Soirée

May 21
Bahia Mar Resort & Yachting Center
(954) 728-1040
www.waterwaysoiree.com

Paintings by Gallagher Assao

May 21 - 27
Assao works in acrylics, oil, and mixed media.
Broward Art Guild
(954) 53703370
www.browardartguild.org

Wildlife Rescue

May 21 - Sept. 5
Museum of Discovery and Science
(954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Sixth Annual Hospice Regatta

May 21
Lauderdale Yacht Club, Coral Ridge Yacht Club, and other venues
www.hobcf.org/regatta

STEM Home School Classes-Everything Everglades

May 23
Museum of Discovery and Science
(954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Magnolia Luncheon

May 25
Hyatt Regency Pier Sixty-Six
(954) 453-3744



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HISTORY



LECTURE



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KID'S THEATER



TRADE SHOW



PETS



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**Drawing Workshop**

May 26 and 27
Bonnet House Museum and Gardens
(954) 703-2606
www.bonnethouse.org

FAT Village Arts District Artwalk

May 28
Flagler Village
(954) 760-5900
www.fatvillage.com

Young the Giant, The Strumbellas, Jr Jr, Joywave, Bear Hands

May 29
Revolution Live
(954) 449-1025
www.JoinTheRevolution.net

ArtServe Presents "DBA: Doing Business as Artist Entrepreneurs"

June 1 - 24
ArtServe
(954) 462-8190
www.artserve.org

South Florida Pride Wind Ensemble: Leaving on a Jet Plane

June 3
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

First Friday Jazz Jams

June 3
ArtServe
(954) 524-0805
www.goldcoastjazz.org

Bellissima: Italy and High Fashion 1945-1968

Through June 5
NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 525-0245
www.nsuartmuseum.org

Seminole Theatre Studio

June 6
History Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 463-4431
www.fortlauderdalehistoricalsociety.org

Slow Burn Theatre: "Heathers the Musical"

June 9 - 26
Based on the classic 1989 film, this hilarious, heartfelt, and homicidal new musical relives the greatest teen comedy of all time.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

**Tanzania**

June 10 - 21
Experience luxury under canvas on safari to Tanzania, the animal kingdom's Garden of Eden. Quintessential African landscapes with incredible wildlife spotting and cultural explorations. Museum of Discovery and Science (954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Outre Theatre Company: Rooms - A Rock Romance

June 10 - 26
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

**Fourth Annual Smoke on the Water BBQ Feast**

June 11
Join us for some smoky BBQ on the New River! A great day for the whole family. Esplanade Park (954) 468-1541, ext. 205
www.goriverwalk.com

Broward Schools Centennial - From Ivy Cromartie to Kathleen Wright

June 13
A lecture highlighting the important educators of Broward County. History Museum Fort Lauderdale (954) 463-4431
www.flhc.com

"Your Take on History" Contest & Exhibit

Through June 15
History Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 463-4431
www.fortlauderdalehistoricalsociety.org

**Disney's Beauty and the Beast**

June 15 - 19
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Covered in Time and History: The Films of Ana Mendieta

Through July 3
NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 525-5000
www.moafil.org

William Glackens: A Modernist in the Making

Through Aug. 7
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Through Sept. 30
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AutoNation IMAX Theater
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ONGOING

**Riverwalk Water Trolley**

Ongoing
Seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. The Riverwalk Water Trolley travels along the New River from the Broward Center for the Performing Arts to Stranahan House. There are four stops on the north side of the river and four on the south side. Passengers ride for free. (954) 761-3543
www.riverwalkwatertrolley.com

Full Moon Mangrove Tours

The night of the full moon
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park
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JM Lexus Sunday Jazz Brunch

First Sunday of the month
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Riverwalk Park
(954) 828-5363

River Ghost Tours

Sunday night
Historic Stranahan House Museum
(954) 524-4736
www.stranahanhouse.org

Las Olas Sunday Market

Sundays • 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Come to the Las Olas Farmers Market on Sunday. Bring your dogs and stroll among the varied culinary delights and talented artisans. Listen to the talented students from School of Rock. Plaza at YOLO (954) 214-9933
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Living Well Program - Tai Chi and QiGong Sessions

Tuesdays
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English Café

Tuesdays
Learn to speak English in a friendly environment.
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Open Mic Tuesdays

Fourth Tuesday of the Month
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Broward Means Business

Second Wednesday of the month
Business networking event with presentations on local business topics.
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Live Animal Shows

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Second and fourth Wednesday of the month
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www.bonnethouse.org/hours-fees/

Free First Thursday Starry Nights

Thursdays
This is a free event.
NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 262-0245

Ranger Guided Walks

Fridays
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park
(954) 546-4521

First Fridays: Book Event and Pickers Sale

First Friday of the month
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Food in Motion Flagler Green Market

Second Friday of the month
Feldman Park
(754) 800-9765

Historic Bike Tours

Saturdays and Mondays
A narrated exploration of Fort Lauderdale's Riverwalk, where the city was born, including the Sailboat Bend historic district.
History Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 463-4431
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Historic Segway Tours

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Yoga by Donation

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STORYBOOK ADVENTURES CAMP

Session 1: Week of June 13
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Session 4: Week of July 11
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Session 6: Week of July 25
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June 13 – Aug. 19
This program is designed for students ages five through 16 and is an exploration of performing arts. All students participate in classes and activities in music, dance, and theatre.

DANCE INTENSIVE

Aug. 1 – 12
This program is designed for students ages 12 – 18. Students will receive in depth training by professional dancers and choreographers in all major forms of dance.

MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE

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MAKERS STUDIO

June 13-17
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Dive in to investigate animals that live in extreme depths and their unusual adaptations.

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Session 1: June 20 – 24
Session 2: July 18 – 22
Session 3: Aug. 8 – 12
Campers will spend two days at the museum and three days at FAU's SeaTech in Dania Beach exploring coastal marine and coral reef ecosystems.

THE SCIENCE OF ART

July 4 - 8
Why is the sky blue and why is grass green? Combine your love of chemistry with art to make, paint, and weave your own textiles with materials from nature.

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July 11-15
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Aug. 1-5
Create high-tech spy gadgets and master CSI techniques to solve mysteries.

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Ages 6-9

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Janie Casoria

TITLE OF WORK: "BATHING BEAUTY"

WRITER ALEXANDRA ROLAND



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When 10-year-old Janie Casoria moved to South Florida from Boston, she lived three doors up from the bridge in East Hollywood. She remembers getting to know the bridge tenders and them letting her wind the bridge open. "As a kid...to actually see a palm tree and hear about alligators – it was like a whole other world," she says.

She has always been inspired by her surroundings and imagination but finds the greatest joy when what she creates inspires another human being. She didn't discover this right away, though. "Art has always been in my heart," she says. As a teen, she was hired to paint murals in an old motel on the beach and in nursing homes to spruce up the walls. "But you never know where life is going to lead you. I've always been in survival mode, just surviving and working, taking care of myself and four kids."

A medical tech for 15 years, she got tired of starting her day at 4:30 a.m., so she went into real estate, which was an easy transition alongside her real estate attorney husband. "Selling these old homes and trying to inspire people...and helping them create an atmosphere in the home without having major renovations – it fell into place with design and painting and making it a happy place."

Casoria was never formally trained. Her creations come from her do-it-yourself nature and that was before Pinterest, *Home and Gardens*, and Lowe's. Casoria says you just had to figure it out, which she still does. It keeps her busy.

On a day-to-day basis, she has two to four projects going – from painting or adhering glass mosaics to repurposed furniture to constructing and decorating sculptures like the one of the book character Eloise, which currently sits in her herb garden. TV appearances and DIY seminars have also joined her repertoire.

Some of her creations – a refinished grandmother's desk, a decorated urn – have been in families for generations. Other pieces are on sale at local galleries like the North Beach Art Gallery in North Beach Village, and many she has donated to charities.

For more information about Casoria and her art, visit www.justjanie.net.

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