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The Stranahan House. Photo by Jason Leidy

My Local Bucket List

This Summer, Take Time to Explore Our Backyard

can't believe it is already July! Mentally, I am still in January or so, and coincidentally have been revisiting what I want to accomplish and enjoy in 2013. In fact, this year I resolved to take time to do those things that, as locals, we tend to take for granted — or intend to do "later." Again, I do realize it is July, but this Go Riverwalk issue acts as a wakeup call to me (and perhaps others) who first of all don't understand how time flies and secondly could use this summer to play a bit in our city.

Many of us have created "**bucket lists**" of things we want to do during our lives and most of those lists rightfully include **trips** and **experiences** to exotic places, or include activities that are not run of the mill. Skydiving or a trip to Venice are great goals and, for those so inclined, are important to experience. But what I find and have found everywhere I have lived, is that we tend to take for granted what is in our own **backyard**.

THROUGHOUT THIS ISSUE WE SHARE WHAT OUR READERS LIKE TO DO AND APPRECIATE IN OUR CITY.



CALLAHAN CRUSH CHAIR, RIVERWALK FORT LAUDERDALE For example and I shudder to admit this publically, but ... I cannot remember the last time I was in the historic **Stranahan House**.

I am familiar with its history and I drive or walk by it almost daily and encourage others to visit, go on a ghost tour, or attend an event, but for some reason have never spontaneously walked over and leisurely gone through. And as this issue highlights the **Best of Fort Lauderdale**, I am reminded of how much our city has to offer and how accessible it all is. For example, how easy it is to grab a show at the **Broward Center for the Performing Arts**, start the day with a jog or coffee on Fort Lauderdale Beach or even take a stroll down our beautiful Riverwalk. I am prompted to consider restaurants that are not part of my usual routine or consider how I might use a different mode of transportation to get there. Throughout this issue we share what our readers like to do and appreciate in our city. Whether you are a foodie, a people watcher, or an exercise aficionado, we are sharing what you enjoy in our city.

So if you need prompting what is so great about our city, or if you are like me (even a tiny bit) and could use a "**reminder**" of great Fort Lauderdale places and things, please turn these pages and use them as a **resource** for the rest of the year.

Whatever your plans for the **season**, we at Riverwalk wish you a safe, fun and happy summer. See you on the Riverwalk. (1)

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xpanding technologies allow residents and companies to reach a greater variety of people more easily. As the web-based world collided with the mobile world, the ability to "talk" and share has become tremendous. The business of social media has become a fact of life for nearly everybody and a career for many.

Riverwalk, like many others, has continued to augment our ways to communicate to our members, residents, visitors and businesses not only through our printed magazine and web pages but through Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Pinterest, Reddit, Vine, Instagram, LinkedIn, email marketing, texting, instant messaging and others. These are only a few of the ways to always remain connected. We have taken a particular liking to YouTube and other video sites to see and hear live action along with some of the designated channels that stream information.

While we work very hard at not over communicating, we do work at getting you the best information in a timely fashion. During our recent Burger Battle™ IV, Ashley Turner pumped up the volume on Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale's new Instagram account (riverwalkftl; www.instagram.com/riverwalkftl). Throughout the evening, she posted photos to share the event with followers.

According to Wikipedia, "Social media refers to the means of interactions among people in which they create, share, and exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks."

Our young interns have arrived for the summer and with them comes a new education for us each year on what's current, cool and productive ... it is good to be young and connected for sure!

Here are a few other handy social media shortcuts for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale:



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our organization. Patrice "Pat" S. Demos, Senior Vice President of Northern Trust Bank, is a multi-year board member and member of the Executive Committee that oversees the direction of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale. Through the years Pat has served in a variety of roles consistently offering her expertise to assure that we remain fiscally sound and moving forward in a positive direction.

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She has served as the Secretary and as the Treasurer on the Executive Committee and has been instrumental in the fiscal reforms that have placed Riverwalk on a solid foundation. As we all know, not-for-profits work very hard to raise funds to achieve their mission and support the overhead to get that job done. Pat has assisted in identifying those needs and goals and currently chairs the Fundraising Committee. She recently chaired the Tribute Committee, honoring Gale Butler, and was the leader of the successful team that hosted this honoring ceremony.

Through her community involvement and continued giving back, Pat is a valued member of Riverwalk. 🕲

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Becker and Poliakoff Chooses Downtown

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The firm is currently renovating its new 46,000-square foot space at **1 East Broward**, which recently underwent a dramatic makeover of its own. **Ivy Realty**, a Greenwich-based real estate operating company, purchased the 340,000-square foot building in 2011 and has since completed significant upgrades. New **features** include towering sandstone columns, granite floors, and an "art wall" with a 23-foot wide blown glass mural, among other improvements. A full-service **farmto-table restaurant** is under renovation and a state-of-the-art **fitness center** is being added for complimentary tenant use.

Gary Rosen, managing shareholder of Becker and Poliakoff, took a moment to discuss why his firm chose to call Downtown Fort Lauderdale home.

There are many reasons the firm decided to move to Downtown Fort Lauderdale: urban environment, nightlife, great restaurants, but I think one of the reasons is the forward growth of the city and the Wave is one of those components

BY CHRIS WREN, DDA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, DOWNTOWN FORT LAUDERDALE

courthouses to your firm's day-to-day work? Being closer to the courthouses and other Downtown venues such as the Governmental

Center is a big plus for our attorneys, lobbyists and staff.

• What do you see as key factors for attracting more corporate headquarters here?

Corporate leaders look for office locations that are **accessible** and **desirable** for their clients/ customers and employees. That means easy parking, well-managed traffic patterns, public transportation, green space and enough high quality retail/restaurant locations to make working downtown enjoyable.

We think so too. Welcome to the neighborhood, Becker and Poliakoff! 🚳

LEFT Fort Lauderdale Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler celebrates the ribbon cutting of the 1 East Broward building with Becker and Poliakoff shareholders. Pictured from left are Seiler, Allen Levine, Managing Shareholder Gary Rosen, Jennifer Drake and Steve Lesser. Photo courtesy of Becker and Poliakoff

• What drew Becker Poliakoff to move to Downtown Fort Lauderdale?

Downtown Fort Lauderdale is the **central business district** in Broward County. We are excited to be moving there because it brings many new opportunities for our firm's continued growth and success. The primary rationale for our move, however, was taking advantage of the best real estate market in our lifetimes for commercial tenants. Our lease in Hollywood was running out this year and we are able to build out brand new, state-of-the-art office space in a beautifully renovated building on very favorable financial terms.

• Did urban amenities and transportation factor into your office search?

Yes, we are excited to take advantage of the various amenities in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, including the free shuttle associated with being at 1 East Broward. We are also excited about our proximity to the FEC corridor with future passenger rail, as well as the recently approved Wave project. These amenities will help us in future recruiting efforts and make us even more accessible to our clients. Marcie Oppenheimer Nolan, an attorney at the firm, recently spoke in support of the Wave Streetcar at the June 4 City Commission Meeting. "There are many reasons the firm decided to move to Downtown Fort Lauderdale: urban environment, nightlife, great restaurants, but I think one of the reasons is the forward growth of the city and the Wave is one of those components," she said.

• How important are the federal and county courthouses to your firm's day-to-day work?

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Our **community** combines the best **elements** of what we look for in a place to **live**, **work**, **play**, **raise** a family and **visit**. All our **amenities** create relevance for a community you won't want to leave.

That is what makes **Leadership Fort Lauderdale**, a program produced by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, so critical to our **success**.

Class XX is now forming and you or someone you may know has the unique opportunity to be one of 35 individuals who will get to see

BY KEITH COSTELLO CHAIRMAN OF THE DOWNTOWN COUNCIL OF THE GREATER FORT LAUDERDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND PRESIDENT AND CEO OF BROWARD BANK OF COMMERCE

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places and things most of us never get to experience. From navigating the obstacle course at **Tiger Tale Park** as part of a teambuilding exercise, to a first-hand look at our jail, to learning about the environment at the **Everglades**, Leadership Fort Lauderdale hones your knowledge and skills and positions your time and talents.

The chamber takes very seriously its role in **cultivating** leaders. We know that the cornerstone of community is made up of individuals who volunteer to craft more **livable** and exciting spaces, people who understand the **dynamics** of combining architecture, mobility, culture and commerce.

Working with other future leaders through Leadership Fort Lauderdale also provides an opportunity for enrollees to work together on **projects** for the betterment of our area. This servant leadership and stewardship is vital and that is why nearly 1,000 individuals have participated in this award-winning program since its inception.

"The easy thing to do is to let someone else carry the leadership torch while others simply ride along without engaging," said **Dan Lindblade**, president and CEO of the chamber. "Everyone must participate in this community, no matter how small or difficult the task. It doesn't matter where you begin ... just begin."

I ask each of you to review the Leadership Fort Lauderdale curriculum and determine if you are ready to make a commitment to lead by going to www. ftlchamber.com/leadership. Or you can call **Dolores Molina** at the chamber at (954) 462-6000 for more information.

We enjoy this community thanks to those who have led from the beginning and those who carry the **mantle** now. History shows us we can depend on each other to weather storms and build community. Programs like Leadership Fort Lauderdale groom those who will guide our future.





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Riverwalk ™ Burger Battle IV

> Photos by Jason Leidy and Ashley Turner

n May 31, Riverwalk wrapped up National Hamburger Month with the Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Burger Battle[~] IV presented by Publix, Publix Aprons Cooking School and Publix Catering. Sixteen South Florida restaurants duked it out to win over the esteemed judging panel of five and the sold-out carnivorous crowd of more than a thousand.

History was made when the **Bacon Bitty Bang Bang Burger** from **Rosie's' s Bar and Grill** earned both the **Fan Favorite** and **Best Burger** trophies, while achieving the coveted **Burger Nirvana** ... that "perfect bite." Charm City Burger Company returned for a second year and took the title of Best Burger Joint with a close second place. Big City Tavern rounded off the top three as winner of the Best Knife and Fork with its Hogfather Burger.

Fort Lauderdale residents enjoyed an evening of **gourmet burgers**, a specialized **French Fry Bar** presented by **The Capital Grille**, **specialty desserts** by **Susie's Scrumptious Sweets**, cocktails, live music and a local celebrity slider eating contest sponsored by **Krystal**. Those who treated themselves to the VIP experience also indulged in prime rib sliders provided by **Lauderdale Grill**, craft beers and an open bar all night.



5. Gentleman Jack 6. Voss Water 7. Chad Scott, Adrienne Hodgkins, Susie Stallings, Amy Allen and Gregory Walker 8. Burger Zone 9. Jackie Johnson, Doc Reno, Luke Pirozzoli, Kasey Walden and Devon Kerr 10. Rosie's Bar and Grill, winner of Best Burger and Fan Favorite 11. Burger Battle IV Judges, from left, Jack Kane, Wes Bonner, Sef Gonzalez, Jamie Frankel and Marc Gruverman 12. French Fry Bar presented by The Capital Grille

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Most unique event in Fort Lauderdale

Winterfest Boat Parade
 Burger Battle
 Jazz Brunch

WINTERFEST BOAT PARADE

Dec. 14 • New River (954) 767-0686; www.winterfestparade.com WHAT IS IT: Sponsored by the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino and held annually on the New River, the 12-mile water parade showcases decorated and themed floats as scores of onlookers take time to celebrate. This year's parade, scheduled for Dec. 14, pays tribute to Fort Lauderdale with a "Passport to Paradise" theme. <u>WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR</u> <u>PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH:</u> The Winterfest Boat Parade is one of Fort Lauderdale's staple events, an occasion where family and tradition have their day. It's a

celebration that the city shares in

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Don't

together and it's free!

miss out on each year's Winterfest commemorative poster, released a few weeks before the parade. **INSIDER SCOOP:** Want the best seat in the house? The grandstand viewing area offers an experience situated in Birch State Park, including family activities and a front row seat to the parade. Visit www.winterfestparade.com for ticket prices.

— Alexandra Roland

Writer's Choice

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CRISTINA M. HUDSON

T-Mex Cantina 204 S.W. Second St. Fort Lauderdale (954) 463-2003 www.t-mex.net WHAT IS IT: Taco Tuesday at T-Mex Cantina.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: In Fort Lauderdale since 1999, T-Mex Cantina is a staple of the Downtown Himmarshee district. With the original "2-4-1 Taco Tuesday" in Fort Lauderdale, they've been popular with the locals for years. Whether you get crunchy or soft tacos they are always succulent and fresh. Everything is made in house daily with no trans fats. With a full menu of Tex-Mex dishes including options for vegetarians and vegans it is much more than a taco shop. The casual atmosphere, affordable price, full service bar and outdoor (pet-friendly) or indoor seating make T-Mex a Downtown Fort Lauderdale destination for all. You can have a great fresh lunch and spend less than going through a drive-through.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Happy Hour is 2-4-1 on everything. Tuesdays enjoy 2-4-1 tacos and drinks. They offer the same 2-4-1 taco special for lunch Monday through Friday.

INSIDER SCOOP: No bottled hot sauce here; they make them, too. If you can handle it try their trademarked "Stupid" sauce —a relish-like sauce made of habanero peppers. Hot, hot, hot!

• Best place to quench your thirst

Tap 42
Golden Lyon
Royal Pig

TAP 42

1411 S. Andrews Ave. Fort Lauderdale (954) 463-4900 www.Tap42.com WHAT IS IT: Tap 42 Bar and Kitchen is known for having the best craft beer selection in Fort Lauderdale, with 51 beers on tap. It also offers 42 premium rotating bourbons, an extensive craft beer bottle list, handcrafted cocktails and Fort Lauderdale's only craft beer cocktails. Hungry? Their menu focuses on local, sustainably grown ingredients. Many come from Marando Farms, located directly behind the restaurant. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS

TIME AND CASH: Tap 42 brings you the perfect mix of ambience and beverage selection for any enjoyable night out. Whether it's sitting at the outside patio, or at the bar, you'll enjoy the attention to detail in their décor of reclaimed barn wood, re-bar metals, eco-friendly concrete and raw steel.

<u>MUST SEE/DON'T MISS:</u> Their weekly specials! From 4 to 11 p.m. on Mondays, come hungry for its \$5 Prohibition or veggie burgers with fries and purchase of any beverage. And on Saturdays and Sundays, brunch comes with \$15 unlimited mimosas or bloody marys. INSIDER SCOOP: Are you a craft beer nerd? Find out about upcoming Tap Takeovers and see what's going to be tapped next by following their Facebook and Instagram accounts. www.Facebook.com/Tap42@ Tap42Bar

- Ashley Turner



• Writer's Choice

TONY BEALL

We-Got-The-Beats! 2900 N. Dixie Highway, The Trestle Building, Suite 201 **Oakland Park** (954) 671-9482 www.wegotthebeats.biz WHAT IS IT: If you're looking for something that'll make your butt shake and your windows rattle, then there's nothing more satisfying than a visit to We-Got-The-Beats! A local music treasure featuring an incredible selection of vintage vinyl, CD singles and an eclectic offering of new and used CDs.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH:

This place is made for music lovers! I go primarily for the ever-changing selection of used CDs and CD imports from the R&B/Dance genres, but there is truly such an eclectic mix of CD and vinyl that there is something for everyone.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Definitely visit them when you have plenty of time to linger. It's fun to browse the wellorganized shelves/displays, but even more fun (and where the real treasures are found) browsing through the boxes/ crates of CDs and vinyl that line the hallway and the perimeter of the entire store. **INSIDER SCOOP:** The best way to learn about their sales/ specials is to follow We-Got-The-Beats on Facebook. When you do go for a visit, be sure to ask about the Disco Fridge. It, too, is very satisfying.





• Best food opportunity

Wild Sea
Grille 401
Food trucks

WILD SEA OYSTER BAR AND GRILLE

Riverside Hotel 620 E. Las Olas Blvd. Fort Lauderdale (954) 467-2555 www.riversidehotel.com WHAT IS IT: A great seafood restaurant in downtown Fort Lauderdale, justifiably voted the best. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: You will experience the juxtaposition of tranquility of the environment together with the excitement of experiencing the gentle flavors that play on you palette. There is nothing on the menu that you have had in this way before.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Starting with a stunning raw bar, Wild Sea sources oysters and clams from the finest purveyors of shellfish in the country. While the raw bar is as good as it gets, the entrées will astonish. The menu items are all delicately seasoned or sauced, highlighting the true fresh flavor of the seafood with a masterful cooking technique. The fish will just melt in your mouth. Try any of their signature cocktails, each one unique

and delicious.

INSIDER SCOOP: When you enter the dining room at Wild Sea, the cool colors and sights captivate your attention. Soft hues and backlit art cover the walls. Everything is softly coordinated to feel as if you are in the sea itself. Candle holders that subtly remind you of sea shells and see a collection of sea creatures covering the walls and glide on the sand colored floors.

— Marci Boland

O Best place to experience art

Museum of Art

FAT Village

8 Broward Center of Performing Arts

MUSEUM OF ART I FORT

1 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale (954) 525-5500 www.moafl.org

WHAT IS IT: The Museum of Art, home to more than 6,000 pieces, hosts numerous exhibitions from every era, special events, wedding receptions and private parties. The museum is located in a building designed by Edward Larrabee Barnes, a Harvard graduate and World War II veteran, in 1958. WHY IS IT WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: The permanent installations rotate pieces in order to keep the room fresh. This gives repeat patrons new experiences. The photography section changes its installations frequently and features local artists. MUST SEE: One of the Museum of Art's most prized possessions is the William Glackens installation. You must see the replica of one of the rooms in his house. Don't miss the next feature exhibition, Against the Grain: Wood in Contemporary Art, Craft and Design.

INSIDER SCOOP: The exterior metal stairs, facing Las Olas, were built solely for the King Tut exhibition. The intent was to have patrons follow a certain route.

– Aaron Paul



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• Best new idea for the area

The Wave
 B-Cycle
 Variety of driving/traffic ideas

THE WAVE

Downtown Fort Lauderdale, December 2015 www.wavestreetcar.com WHAT IS IT: Slated to arrive December 2015, this will be Fort Lauderdale's first streetcar system, a 2.7-mile circulator/distributor service around a Downtown core bounded by Sistrunk Boulevard on the north, Southeast 17th Street on the south, Andrews Avenue on the west, and Southeast Third Avenue on the east.



WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: You can easily get around Downtown without using your car. Streetcars will run along tracks embedded in the street surface.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Users will be able to safely get on and off for quick trips, streetcar locations will be trackable by smartphone apps and the streetcars themselves will be emission-free, climate-controlled, state-of-the-art vehicles with a "low-floor" design for maximum accessibility anticipated. You will only have to wait at a station for a streetcar vehicle to pick you for seven and a half minutes at most during peak periods and 10 minutes during off peak periods. **INSIDER SCOOP:** The \$142.6 million project is firmly on its way, with the project receiving an \$18 million transportation grant last summer. This past June, city commissioners voted to tax city residents to help pay for \$20 million of the project over 25 years.





Writer's Choice

KATIE DRESSLER

Sea Turtle Walks Museum of Discovery and Science 401 S.W. Second St. Fort Lauderdale (954) 467-6637 www.mods.org

WHAT IS IT: Join the Museum of Discovery and Science every June and July to experience one of Fort Lauderdale's most unique offerings – the opportunity to witness a 300-plus pound loggerhead sea turtle nesting along Fort Lauderdale beach.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: According to Programs Coordinator Michael Aguinaga, the Sea Turtle Walks are "the perfect combination of nature, family time and fun all wrapped up into one program."

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Learn all about the different types of sea turtles, which ones are native to Florida, how to differentiate turtle tracks, why sea turtle conservation efforts are important — and you'll even get to meet the museum's resident loggerhead and enjoy some fun photo ops.

INSIDER SCOOP: Visitors begin the evening by arriving at the museum around 9 p.m. for an informational session provided by one of the museum's enthusiastic staff members. Then, guests caravan down to Fort Lauderdale beach in hopes of witnessing nature in its rawest form. After arriving at the beach, staff members head off in opposite directions to scout out potential nesting opportunities while guests get to sit back, relax and patiently await the radio call alerting them that they're about to experience something they'll never forget - an up-close-and-personal viewing experience watching this protected species pick the perfect spot to lay its clutch (nature permitting). Reservations required.



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Beach A1A from South Beach Park through Sunrise Boulevard • www.sunny.org



• Best place to explore our area

On the New River/Water Taxi
 Las Olas

In Along the Riverwalk

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NEW RIVER/WATER TAXI Main office is at 413 S.W. 13th Street in Fort Lauderdale, but the Water Taxi can be boarded just about anyplace along the waterways of Fort Lauderdale and Hollywood. (954) 467-6677 www.watertaxi.com/ fort-lauderdale WHAT IS IT: Water Taxis are "like trolleys on the water." The specially designed boats can hold anywhere from 26 to 200 people, depending on the vessel. They run from 9:30 a.m. for the Hollywood routes and 10 a.m. for Fort Lauderdale and stop at 12:01

a.m. With more than 50 of the hottest restaurants, bars and attractions, you can go as far north as Shooters at Oakland Park to the Broward Convention Center. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: As a tourist or local, the Water Taxi offers a magical and visually stimulating way to experience the tropical beauty of the Venice of America. You can hop on just about anyplace and purchase your tickets with cash or credit card. Sit back and enjoy a leisurely excursion, hop off to get a bite to eat, hop back on and head to Las Olas for some shopping, visit

a museum, watch a sunset during happy hour and all the while learn fun facts from your knowledgeable captains. And oh those incredible mega yachts and mansions that glide past.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS:

Everyone pays the "kids" price of \$13 for the funand-or-romantic "Moonlight Madness" night-on-the-town that starts at 5 p.m. **INSIDER SCOOP:** Plan memorable corporate events, family reunions, weddings, team building programs and private parties.

— Kevin Lane

O Best place to take visitors

Beach
 Las Olas Boulevard
 Riverwalk

BEACH

A1A from South Beach Park through Sunrise Boulevard www.sunny.org WHAT IS IT: It seems like Fort Lauderdale is synonymous with beach living. That's why, whenever I have company visiting from out of state or just around the corner, the waves and the sand end up being a large part of our day. The beach showcases what Fort Lauderdale is all about. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: It sets the stage for sunbathers and swimmers and serves as the most quintessential backdrop for the choice of restaurants and beachfront hotels that dot A1A. Our beach is ideal for a morning brunch, an afternoon dip, or an evening stroll.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Fort Lauderdale's shores have recently become the locale for adventure with kite boarding and paddle sboarding among the latest water sport beach trends. **INSIDER SCOOP:** In addition to adventure, A1A/the beach is host to events such as the Lauderdale Air and Sea Show and Saturday Nite Alive and ArtServe's Brunch on the Beach on certain weekends during the summer. Whether your guests are looking for adventure or relaxation, one thing you can guarantee is that the beach is iconic anytime of year — one of those foolproof, never-fails spots.

— Alexandra Roland

• Writer's Choice

RENÉE K. QUINN

WHAT IS IT: Breakfast at 0-B House Old Fort Lauderdale Breakfast House 333 Himmarshee St., Fort Lauderdale (954) 530-7520

www.o-bhouse.com

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: 0-B House is a bit unique. You might get the feeling that you're at a bed and breakfast. It's small, charming and delightful. The food speaks for itself. This breakfast house uses farm-fresh ingredients (minimally processed, organic, healthy and wholesome) and cooks them to perfection resulting in a palate pleasing meal. The menu includes a variety of unique offerings sure to please the most particular breakfast connoisseurs. The staff is attentive and clearly focused on delivering a high level of service. A "must-visit" Downtown Fort Lauderdale destination.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: This breakfast tastes homemade. The bacon is thick and crispy; the cast-iron baked buttermilk pancakes are crisp on the outside and moist on the inside (with real Vermont maple syrup); and the orange juice is always fresh squeezed.

INSIDER SCOOP: Pet friendly; sit outside in their covered patio. Early morning breakfast is peaceful. Ask to sit along the front windows for a view of Esplanade Park. Remember to take home a fresh baked muffin for later!







Best example of local character

Riverside Hotel
 Stranahan House
 Southport Raw Bar

RIVERSIDE HOTEL

620 E. Las Olas Blvd. Fort Lauderdale (954) 467-0671 www.riversidehotel.com WHAT IS IT: Timeless hospitality, international charm and oldworld ambiance, the pet-friendly Riverside Hotel was built in the 1930s, but is as up-to-date as the most modern resort. In addition to the original three-story, 80room building, there is the newer 12-story tower that features 214 guestrooms, inclusive of six suites, all of which are accentuated by Tommy Bahama-styled design

elements, vintage décor and sweeping views of the city skyline, Atlantic Ocean and New River. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: One of the best reasons to stay at the Riverside is its location. Situated in the heart of one of the world's great shopping and dining boulevards, you can walk outside almost any time of the day or night and discover a wonderful, amazing world of restaurants, art galleries, specialty retailers and boutiques that are absolutely unique. Several museums are in walking distance and the beach is a few minutes

away by bus or cab. <u>MUST SEE/DON'T MISS:</u> Hotel amenities include a heated, outdoor swimming pool; a fitness room; complimentary wireless internet; a marina with boat dockage space and several dining options including the Golden Lyon Vintage Pub, Indigo, with dining inside or al fresco and the newly opened Wild Sea Oyster Bar and Grille.

INSIDER SCOOP: Indoor banquet and meeting facilities and outdoor catering venues. Locals can partake of pool club memberships. — Kevin Lane





• Writer's Choice

PETE STEVENSON

Chill Wine Lounge 1828 Sunrise Blvd. Fort Lauderdale (954)-514-7399 www.chillwinelounge.com WHAT IS IT: Chill Wine Lounge is just that – Chill. This lounge has a relaxing vibe, an inviting staff and a general sense of elegant comfort to it.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH:

This unpretentious wine bar offers an atmosphere conducive for conversation, while at the same time helping you learn the "language of wine." I usually choose a wine based on what I've ordered before. what I can afford or what I can pronounce. But what I love about Chill is that the staff really works with you to understand your tastes, while exploring new ones. That's why Chill makes every level of wine available by the glass as opposed to a few and everything else is by the bottle.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: They have a great calendar of events from wine tastings to live performances. INSIDER SCOOP: If you are hungry, Chill provides a superior menu to most wine lounges along with a large selection of craft beers. But the real scoop is that you can purchase bottles of wines to go, with prices equal to or better than retail.

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MAGGIE GUNTHER **FLIFF AND CINEMA** PARADISO

503 S.E. Sixth St. Fort Lauderdale (954) 525-3456 www.fliff.com WHAT IS IT: The Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival (FLIFF) is an annual event featuring top independent films, which are shown at special screenings in October and November. FLIFF's home is Cinema Paradiso, Fort Lauderdale's art house theater, with a second location coming soon to Hollywood.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR **PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH:** FLIFF and Cinema Paradiso provide an opportunity to see films that you might only see in New York or Los Angeles. It's a tremendous asset to have in our backyard and definitely worth supporting as part of our greater Fort Lauderdale arts community. **MUST SEE/DON'T MISS:** Films selected by FLIFF are hand picked by festival organizers. FLIFF features exclusive screenings; for example, in 2012, FLIFF hosted the Southeastern premiere of "Silver Linings Playbook" and offers other excellent films before they are released nationwide. **INSIDER SCOOP:** Festival members receive discounts on FLIFF's other films yearround at Cinema Paradiso, as well as invitations to special events.





• Best place to meet people

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Preston's at Riverside Hotel Section 2018 Las Olas Boulevard

YOLO

333 E. Las Olas Blvd. Fort Lauderdale (954) 523-1000 www.yolorestaurant.com WHAT IS IT: YOLO is a restaurant and lounge on Las Olas that follows a simple recipe for success — a stellar address paired with great food and drinks. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH:

YOLO is "worth it" because it's super convenient to Downtown office buildings, has a delicious menu that changes based on what foods are in season and the décor is stylish, yet cozy. It offers a nice blend of the indoor and outdoor, plus they keep you cool or warm with heaters and outdoor A/C, so you can truly enjoy South Florida any time of the year.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Aside

from some of the best people watching in Fort Lauderdale, YOLO has a legendary ladies' night -Wednesdays.

INSIDER SCOOP: YOLO is perfect for both a guiet business lunch and a night out on the town. The fire pit area provides a comfy, yet upscale area to take out-of-town guests to grab some drinks and relax.

Maggie Gunther

• Best way to find out what's going on

Ø Go Riverwalk Magazine events calendar, website and weekly email

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GO RIVERWALK MAGAZINE EVENTS CALENDAR, WEBSITE AND WEEKLY EMAIL

(954) 468-1541: www.goriverwalk.com

WHAT IS IT: It's almost time for the weekend and staying in just won't do. The cure-all? According to Fort Lauderdale residents, Go Riverwalk Magazine events calendar, website and weekly email are the most central ways to check the social pulse of the city. Event Connections serves as the monthly calendar in each issue of the magazine, while the

weekly email and www.goriverwalk. com website give readers the low down on upcoming Fort Lauderdale happenings.

WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: Whether it be a theater performance at Broward Center for the Performing Arts, a new exhibit at the Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale, or a Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale fundraising affair, the calendar encompasses a smorgasbord of events, kid approved, charity conscious, and singles friendly.

MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: If you're the type to plan early, check out the season preview in the September issue. The feature showcases what is in store for the city September 2013 to September 2014.

INSIDER SCOOP: Flip through the calendar during the first few days of the month and sign up for weekly emails. That way, you stay in the loop and your social calendar won't miss out on the goods Fort Lauderdale has to offer.

- Alexandra Roland







• Annual Survey Yields Off-the-Wall, Cute and Snarky Comments

WRITER LYNN PEITHMAN STOCK

We admit it, going through thousands of line entries gets **MONOTONOUS**. But it has to be done to deliver this, our yearly **BEST OF FORT LAUDERDALE** issue. Besides, hundreds of you took the time to **PONDER** our categories and **ANSWER** our survey.

So we are so thankful for those few of you who break up our **DOLDRUMS** and make us laugh out loud. Presented here, in no particular order, are those entries that gave fresh ideas ... or made us shake our heads in disbelief.

BEST EXAMPLE OF LOCAL CHARACTER:

from the sweet — "houses on the New River, especially at Christmas" to the out of left field — "Mike Weymouth. He is local and quite a character."

MOST UNIQUE EVENT IN FORT LAUDERDALE:

A couple of newer events got mentions. One, the Color Run: "I know this won't win, but <3 it!" and "Since it's done all downtown." The other, Play Our City, the artsy pianos scattered around town for anyone to play:

"Never seen anything like it. Unique!"

BEST NEW IDEA FOR THE AREA:

thoughts on improving driving conditions came in third in this category, everything from speed bumps to "control crazy drivers" to "get rid of terrible drivers" (no suggestions on how to accomplish that one). A smattering of other ideas:

• a weekly invasion of food trucks on the Riverwalk

- cake/sweets café
- more live music
- beach volleyball league
- similar to kickball league

• a summertime boat parade

- mom and me workouts
- in Downtown parks
- outdoor movie theater on
- the sandy beach
- a shared kitchen space and pop up restaurant
 and honesty wins the day: "Don't tell anyone ... like it as it is."

BEST PLACE TO MEET PEOPLE:

Clearly, this poor soul has not found a single place for this category. The answer — "Why? People are overrated."

"CREATE YOUR

OWN BEST OF FORT

— AND ANSWER IT" HAD SEVERAL DIFFERENT RESPONSES:

• Best concert venue: Revolution Live

- Best date night: Cheese Culture
- Best park: Huizenga "So many great events going on."
- Best place to relax:
- Cooley Hammock Park • Best place to drink with a friend: America's Backvard
- Favorite day: "WHEN NO TOURISTS ARE HERE." (Yes, they wrote that in all caps.)
 And our personal favorite: "We already have the head the head in

the best of the best." We couldn't have said it any better.



ALEXANDRA ROLAND

The Fresh Market 424 N. Federal Highway Fort Lauderdale (954) 763-1250 www.thefreshmarket.com WHAT IS IT: The lunchtime hustle can leave you at a decision crossroad. Sacrifice quality for quickness? That is where The Fresh Market comes in. Opened just last February, the store offers an answer to lunch hour predicaments: a delectably appealing buffet of quality ready-to-go food items. WHY IT'S WORTH YOUR PRECIOUS TIME AND CASH: Fresh Market steps up its grocery store game and makes my list of preferred lunch spots. But, don't rule out breakfast or dinner. Grab a muffin or a bagel from the bakery case or choose from its selection of prepared meats and entrées right opposite the breads. Shopping here won't obliterate your wallet either. Plus, usually, the patron chooses the quantity

desired. **MUST SEE/DON'T MISS: Nuts** and trail mix concoctions are stocked in self-serve tubs available for the snacking type while the seafood and chicken wing bar hand you the reigns in selecting portions of prepared sides sold by weight. The soup station is a savory complement to the bakery section of cornbread, baguettes and rolls. Fresh baked bakery items come assorted in boxes or sold separately for those in need of a midday sugar pick me up.

INSIDER SCOOP: This location also includes outside seating on the south end of the building making Fresh Market the perfect place for a quick quality bite.



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LEFT Members of the Symphony of the Americas surprise guests in Downtown Fort Lauderdale last February with a casual performance. Photo provided by the Symphony of the Americas

ABOVE Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese

SUMMERFEST ITALIAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA JOINS SYMPHONY OF THE AMERICAS FOR SUMMER CONCERTS

Fort Lauderdale's **Symphony of the Americas** will host the **I Musici Chamber Orchestra of Italy** for Summerfest, sponsored by American Airlines, under the baton of the symphony's Artistic Director, **Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese**. Musicians of the Symphony of the Americas will join the chamber group in cultural exchange, for a tour of concerts in Europe, Florida, and Central America. Concert programs will feature the music of Dvorak, Telemann, Purcell, Verdi, and the legendary Argentine composer, Piazzolla.

These concerts will also feature the Florida premiere of an original composition, "Remembering Naples," by composer Guido Galterio and a world premiere "Suite for String Orchestra" commissioned for **Summerfest 2013** by Italian composer and soloist, **Lorenzo Turchi-Floris**, Summerfest composer in residence. Performances are highlighted by the symphony's principal flutist, **Marilyn Maingart**, Summerfest concertmaster **Orlando Forte** and violinist **Svetlana Forte** and will be presented in two alternating programs, which will enable audiences to attend more than one performance.

The piece, "**Remembering Naples**" for piano and string orchestra, was written to pay tribute to the Napolitano culture whose government controlled all of Italy in the 19th century. There are folk songs and famous melodies such as "Funiculi, Funicula" that originated in Naples and composer **Guido Galterio** has repurposed these melodies to create this memorable work. Galterio recently arranged the popular Italian work for piano and string orchestra specifically to premiere in South Florida for this year's Summerfest.

I Musici Estensi, a professional ensemble formed in 2004 by Association ImmaginArte of Milano, has numerous performances in Italy and abroad, receiving notable critical acclaim. Founding coordinator **Carlo Taffuri** and musical director **Lorenzo Turchi Floris** have inspired the ensemble's growth through nearly 200 performances in prestigious concert halls throughout Europe, the United States and Africa — all well received by both audiences and critics.

The **Tour of Summerfest** will continue from Italy to America July 6 with nearly 20 performances in **Florida** as well as a week of cultural exchange concerts and master classes in **Panama**. Having just completed its **25th anniversary** concert season, Symphony of the Americas is a designated **Major Cultural Institution** in Broward County and the Broward Center for the Performing Arts is its performance home. ^(G)

THE TOUR OF SUMMERFEST WILL CONTINUE FROM ITALY TO AMERICA JULY 6 WITH NEARLY 20 PERFORMANCES IN FLORIDA



JULY 12: Sunshine Cathedral, Fort Lauderdale; (954) 462-2004; www. sunshinecathedral.org

JULY 13: Miami Lakes Methodist Church; (305) 364-6100; www. miamilakes-fl.gov

JULY 14: Trinity Lutheran Church, Fort Lauderdale; (954) 987-5481

JULY 17: Susan B. Katz Theater, Pembroke Pines; www.ppines.com/ river/index.html

JULY 18: Temple Dor Dorim, Weston Philharmonic Society, Weston; (954) 849-8374; www. westonphilharmonic.com

JULY 19: Pompano Beach Civic Center, Pompano Beach; (954) 786-4111; www. mypompanobeach.org

JULY 20: First

Congregational Church, Fort Lauderdale; (954) 563-4271; www.uccftl. org

JULY 30: Christ by the Sea, United Methodist Church, Vero Beach; (772) 770-4857; cultural-council.org

AUG. 2: Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Amaturo Theater, Fort Lauderdale; (954) 462-0222; www. browardcenter.org

AUG. 3: The Historic Crest Theatre; Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square; (561) 243-7922; www. delraycenterforthearts. org

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C SEVEN STEPS TO BURGER NIRVANA

Creating the winning burger was a collaboration between Rosie's Bar and Grill owners John Zieba and Cliff Mulcahy, and the management team, including their two chefs Kris Chochrek and CJ Jeantinord. Weeks of planning and taste testing were under way at their Wilton Manors bar and grill to create Rosie's Bacon Bitty **Bang Bang Burger** for Riverwalk's Fourth Annual Burger Battle[™].





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WRITER RENEÉ K. QUINN

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CHUCK BURGER which was, according to the Burger BattleTM judges, perfectly seasoned and grilled to perfection.



TOASTED BRIOCHE BUN

buttered and toasted: The perfect texture to sandwich this multi-layered taste sensation.

The first bang: THE CHIPOTLE BANG BANG AIOLI adds some kick. JOHN ZIEBA & CLIFF MULCAHY

AND THE WINNER IS...

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WRITER ASHLEY TURNER

Rosie's Bar and Grill made history at The Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Burger Battle™ IV by bringing home both trophies: Best Burger, which was decided by a chef-driven judges panel, and Fan Favorite, which was determined by how event goers voted with the chip they were given upon entering the event.

The name of Rosie's burger is as colorful as its restaurant: **Bacon Bitty Bang Bang.** "Up, down, all around ... Bacon Bitty Bang Bang, we love you!" The juicy **Angus** chuck burger is cooked to the temperature of your choice then complimented with a toasted Brioche roll, Rosie's Chipotle Bang Bang Aioli, grilled creamy brie, roasted plum tomato, Rosie's Bourbon Bacon Jam and homemade kettlecooked potato chips. Creating the Bacon Bitty Bang Bang was a collaborative effort between owners **Cliff Mulcahy** and **John Zieba**, and chefs **Kris Chochrek** and **CJ Jeantinord**, managers and even the staff. It all started with their **Bourbon Bacon Jam** and the accompaniments came next. After experimenting with several blends of beef, they settled on their traditional chuck burger that they use in all of their creations.

"Every ingredient we added paired well with another ingredient, so we knew in the end that the whole combination would work well. ... Each bite starts out sweet on the tongue, then ends with a mild heat in your throat. Each bite is creamy and crunchy at the same time!" Zieba said. The Bacon Bitty Bang Bang made its debut on Rosie's **menu** June 5 and has

For texture, HOMEMADE KETTLE CHIPS layered in among the toppings.

Not just any tomato would do, so they settled on an earthy *ROASTED PLUM TOMATO*.



quickly become a best seller. They suggest pairing it with their sweet potato waffle fries, which add to the sweet hints in the burger. Guests also continue to enjoy their winning burger from Burger Battle[™] III as well, the **Anita Mojito** burger which took home the award for **Best Bar** and Grill Burger.

Rosie's, in business for the past seven years, stays true to its motto, "Rosie's is where the locals go for vacation,' with a tropical landscaped patio, indoor/outdoor bar, engaging staff and consistently fresh food. They have created an experience for the guest like no other. When asked about winning both awards owner, Zieba said, "It felt ... feels amazing We really strive to put forth our best efforts whether in the restaurant or at an event and it is wonderful to be recognized for it. There were some great burgers there and we enjoyed the competition and the camaraderie. We are very proud of the burger we created and look forward to everyone coming in to try it."



The second bang ... their signature **BOURBON BACON JAM**

This heavenly concoction takes eight hours to marinate and includes bourbon steeped bacon, chipotle and coffee flavors to enhance the smokiness.

SECOND PLACE OVERALL

Charm City Burger Best Burger Joint The Wizz Burger Description: brisket blend burger, baconcheese "fondue," crispy onions, pickled tomato and spicycharm sauce



THIRD PLACE OVERALL

Big City Tavern Best Knife and Fork Burger The Hogfather Burger Description: Angus beef, braised pork belly, aged Vermont cheddar, fried egg and truffle mayo.



Held along the New River at Huizenga

Plaza, the **Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale**

Burger Battle™ IV was an evening of

burgers, cocktails and entertainment.

In its fourth year, the event raises funds

to support Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale.

Billed as a "rain or shine" event, Mother

Nature couldn't deter the more than

1,200 attendees (and their umbrellas)

Local meat lovers lined up to try each

competing for this year's Best Burger

from enjoying the sold-out event.

beefy bite from the 16 contenders

It was a night of firsts in Burger

Battle[™] history, as **Rosie's Bar and**

Grill's Bitty Bang Bang Burger took

home both the chef-driven judges

Burger Battle[™] guests chose it as Fan

Additional awards given at the end of

the evening: Charm City Burger Co.'s

The Wizz Burger won Best Burger

Joint. Big City Tavern's Hogfather

Burger won Best Knife and Fork

Burger. John Haley from Haley

Engineering chowed down and

panel award for Best Burger and

and Fan Favorite trophies.

WRITER ASHLEY TURNER

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swallowed up the win in the **Krystal Slider Eating Contest**. While the event is all about the beef,

while the event is all about the beer, there were some other tempting distractions. From **The Capital Grille's French Fry Bar** to the decedent creations prepared **by Susie's Scrumptious Sweets**, participants were able to satisfy virtually every craving. VIP ticket holders noshed on the prime rib sliders of **Lauderdale Grill**.

And a night out wouldn't be complete without an accompanying beverage. Barefoot Wine and Bubbly, Jack Daniel's Gentleman Jack, Goose Island Craft Beer, Medalla Light, Bud Black Crown, Becks Sapphire and Bud Light Platinum were on hand to serve event goers under the stars. VIP attendees were fortunate enough to sample offerings from Ommegang Brewery and Duvel.

Fort Lauderdale cover band **Sweet 903** entertained the crowd, occasionally inbetween raindrops, performing classic and modern rock songs.

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Favorite.

Ashley Turner is a Fort Lauderdale native and social media strategist. She is the creator of DowntownFTL.net and you can follow her daily Downtown living on Instagram @DowntownFTL.

Cool and creamy

BRIE CHEESE brings all the elements together and binds the burger. This was actually the last component added after trying cheddar, Swiss, Provolone and others.

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B lue Moon Fish Co is the standard for fine seafood dining on the water in Fort Lauderdale. In the same location for more than 17 years, they have continued to entice us with their fresh seafood and unique Cajun-influenced flavors. Recipient of numerous awards for culinary excellence, as well as being named Best Waterfront Dining in Fort Lauderdale by Zagat and OpenTable, Blue Moon Fish Co. delivers excellence in each aspect of the culinary experience. **Dinner**

Located in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, this picturesque waterfront restaurant provides guests with an unforgettable experience from the moment they walk in the place. Start the night off with one of their new signature cocktails. We tried the **VeeV Skinny Super Fruit Mojito**, which is a light and refreshing blend of VeeV Acai Spirit, agave nectar, fresh blueberries and lime, providing a great low-calorie alternative with an antioxidant boost. We also tried the **Top Gun**, a subtle blend of American Harvest Vodka, Pavan liqueur, fresh lemon juice and a splash of club soda. We were thrilled with both specialty cocktails. We began our seafood adventure with their **local fish ceviche**, which this night was a magnificent blend of shrimp and mahi, with a variety of citrus juices, Fresno chiles, pickled red onion and fresh grated ginger, all served in a stunning martini style glass and accompanied with Cassava crackers. Complete perfection.

Speaking of perfection, have you ever had their **Macadamia Crusted Chilean Sea Bass**? If not, go immediately to Blue Moon Fish Co, because you are missing out on one of the great gastronomic experiences of South Florida. If







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you have had it, you know exactly what I am talking about. My husband never needs a menu when we go here, because he is certain to order this dish, no question. Served with julienne vegetables, baby bok choy with sweet cilantro soy sauce, it is a perennial favorite.

I know of no other restaurant in South Florida that serves a dessert soufflé. But Blue Moon does and we ordered the Grand Marnier Soufflé from a selection that also includes chocolate and raspberry options. It arrived in top form, while the experienced waiter served the soufflé onto our plates. Soufflés are for sharing, of course. Light, lovely and just enough sweetness to satisfy your craving. Keep in mind that to enjoy a soufflé for dessert, one must order it at the beginning of the meal.

Lunch

Sit outside on the deck or on the dock, to enjoy the Florida sunshine and waterways.

Watch the boats go by. Of course there is available seating inside as well. Select from a menu of lighter fare and select entrees including peel and eat shrimp, calamari, assorted salads, Maine lobster roll, swordfish sandwich, pastas and soups. Brunch

Brunch! Yes! Please just look at their brunch menu — I have and I am planning to go on my next available Sunday. It has everything! Champagne, bloody marys, a breakfast bar, carving stations, soups, seafood, pasta, salad and charcuterie and of course, Chef Maria's Sweet Shop. I plan to go to the Sweet Shop first and work my way backward, but that is just me.

Every time is a delight when dining at Blue Moon Fish Co. I have celebrated many an occasion there over the years. After 17 years of a winning program, chef owners, Bryce Statham and Baron Skorish might just have the secret after all.

Live deliciously!

Marci Boland was the chef and owner of L'Hermitage Catering, an award winning catering and events company in Fort Lauderdale. Currently, she is the director of social catering at Trump International Beach Resort in Sunny Isles.

Pairing

Macadamia nut crusted Chilean sea bass served with julienne vegetables, baby bok choy and a sweet cilantro soy sauce.



Sonoma Cutrer **Russian River Ranches** Chardonnay

Pretty aromas of jasmine and rose petal give way to tropical fruits such as pineapple and mango. Mediumweight and clean with a wonderful acid backbone, the wine expands in the glass, offering up grapefruit, lemon, pear and kumquat with subtle vanilla SONOMA=CUTRER bean and herbal mushroom. RUSSIAN RIVER RANCHES

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WRITER ALEXANDRA ROLAND

Ravaged by polio at an early age, by the time she was 17, **Elizabeth King** had undergone 32 surgeries and spent countless months in hospitals. Still nothing, including her **health**, seemed to debilitate her. King progressively became an educator, social worker, administrator and child advocate.

In 1996 she faced another setback. King fractured her hip while on the job, requiring a hip replacement at the age of 36. Four years later, the replaced hip essentially fell apart, sending King in for her **34th surgery**.

"Things were starting to really take a toll on my body," she said. It "started to get weaker and (I) had a lot more pain. But **nothing** was stopping me. I was still climbing up the ladder."

Still there was more to come. At 45, she fell coming off the elevator at work. "That really was the **last straw**," she said. A torn meniscus sent her already fragile body spiraling down a two-year path of immobility and

WE ARE ALL TRYING TO DO TOO MUCH AND IT'S TAKING A TOLL ON OUR EXISTENCE debilitating pain. "I didn't think that I could ever get my health back. In fact the doctors were telling me basically I was never going to walk again. I was wheelchair bound," she said. Fast forward to 2008. King became CEO and founder

of International Holistic Center, a multi-faceted holistic wellness clinic. Going from almost crippled to fully functioning is something that King attributes to holistic medicine. After four months of treatment, she was walking again, relatively pain free. She hungered for more information, delving into the world of holistic practice.

Desperate to help others, King's career now centers on sharing the **solution** to her health history via book, radio and, recently, conferences. **Suits, Stilettos and Lipstick** — The Second Annual The Balancing Act, a full day conference for women on "**health**, **business and inspiration**," is King's way of throwing a life line to people in her situation: professional women who are trying to do it all. King's past and present have motivated her to address what she says is an ignored but crucial element of today's woman's life. King saw a **trend** with her female patients. "I see more

and more women coming to the center falling apart, emotionally and physically," she said. "We are all trying to do **too much** and it's taking a toll on our existence."

Panic attacks, insomnia, depression, anxiety and relationship issues are evidence of internalizing **stressors**. According to King, women are bad at "putting the oxygen mask on first" so to speak and self slips from priority lists.

The July 12 conference, now in its second year, is a place where women can be heard, pampered and inspired. Several seminars will focus on helping women to concentrate on their health, as well as their personal, family and professional lives and to create a support system in order for them to do so. King stresses that success is achievable if women learn to pay attention to their bodies and minds.



SUITS, STILETTOS AND LIPSTICK

The Second Annual The Balancing Act Conference July 12 • 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Ritz Carlton Fort Lauderdale www.SuitsStilettosandlipstick. com www.IHChealthfusion.com \$150-\$225

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DAILY EVENTS

O SUMMER STAGE SHOW CAMP

Through July 6 July 8-Aug. 2 Campers work with professional instructors in acting, music, dance and design to mount a full-scale production at the end of each fourweek session. Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre in The Galleria Mall (954) 763-6882



MAN OF STEEL AN IMAX 3D EXPERIENCE Through July 11 Museum of Discovery and Science AutoNation IMAX Theater (954) 463-IMAX (4629)

VIVA FLORIDA 500 BEST IN SHOW SERIES

First Exhibition: through July 21 Second Exhibition: July 25-Aug. 25 Gallery 928 (954) 703-2614

8 STARLIGHT MUSICALS

Fridays, through Aug. 1 • 7-10 p.m. Each summer, Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department presents the Starlight Musicals concert series. For 35 years, these free outdoor concerts have provided a way to enjoy the summer with family and friends. The series features a line up of bands covering pop, country, rhythm and blues, tropical rock and more. Holiday Park (954) 828-5363 www.fortlauderdale.gov/parks

TONY HAWK: RAD SCIENCE Through Sept. 2

What does Sir Isaac Newton have to do with skateboarding? Find out when you explore the 25 interactive exhibits that demonstrate force, momentum, acceleration, velocity and inertia in the new traveling exhibit, Tony Hawk: RAD Science. Museum of Discovery and Science

Museum of Discovery and Science (954) 713-0930

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WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE Through Sept. 15 Maurice Sendak in His Own Words and Pictures Young At Art Museum (954) 424-0085 www.YoungAtArtMuseum.org

BUMMER SAVINGS PASS Through Sept. 31

At \$55 plus tax, per adult, and \$45 plus tax, per child (3-12), this pass grants unlimited admission to Lion Country Safari, Miami Seaquarium, Museum of Discovery and Science and Zoo Miami. www.summersavingspass.com

SEA TURTLE WALKS July 1-3, 8-10, 15, 16

July 1–5, 8–10, 15, 16 Nature permitting, participants will have a chance to watch a 300-pound loggerhead sea turtle venture out of the ocean to lay her eggs. A female loggerhead sea turtle may travel thousands of miles to return to the beach where she hatched as a baby to lay her own eggs as an adult. Begins at Museum of Discovery and Science

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July 2-Sept. 22 Fort Lauderdale Historical Society (954) 463-4431

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(954) 525-5500 EXCISION AND KREWELLA July 5

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COOL SATURDAYS July 6 and 20

Summer special at Bonnet House: \$10 for adults, free for kids 12 and under. A variety of food trucks will also be on property from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bonnet House Museum and Gardens (954) 563-5393



REDEYE 2013

Exhibit: July 6-27 Event: July 20 Multimedia underground art. Street art collides with gallery art. The event includes visual art, installations, live graffiti, short films, dance, DJs and fashion. ArtServe www.artserve.org

STARS, STRIPES

July 6-7 Museum of Discovery and Science (954) 713-0930

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War Memorial Auditorium (954) 828-5380 www.repticon.com

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July 7, 14, 21, 28 Downtown Jewish Educational Center (954) 667-8000 www.DowntownJewish.com

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BROWARD CHESS SUMMER CAMP July 8-Aug. 16

Campers are taught rules of the game, pawn structures, development, endgame technique, attack and capture material, combinations and check mating patterns. Broward Chess Club www.Browardchessclub.com

FORT LAUDERDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SPEAKER SERIES: BIRCH WILLEY July 8

Birch Willey on his personal history of Fort Lauderdale's progress through the years. Fort Lauderdale Historical Society (954) 463-4431

STORYBOOK ADVENTURES July 8, 15, 22

Campers set off on a different themebased adventure each week as they unleash the imagination through theater games, story drama and movement, culminating in a showcase for family and friends. Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre in The Galleria Mall (954) 763-6882

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July 9 BB&T Center (800) 745-3000

MONTHLY ART ROUNDTABLE WOMEN'S WORK: ART AND FASHION

July 9 A study of Sonia Delaunay with Professor M. Kathleen Colussy, M.F.A. Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale (954) 262-0221

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July 10 Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale (954) 262-0227

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July 11-14 Broward County Convention Center (954) 765-5900

KATHY GRIFFIN

July 11 Hard Rock Live (954) 797-5531

GROUNDBREAKING READS: ROMAN MYSTERIES

July 11 Discuss mysteries set in the Roman Empire. Broward County Main Library (954) 357-7443

Sports 🚱 Family

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Kid's Theater

🖰 HERO 5K/RUN WALK FOR KIDS IN DISTRESS July 11

Huizenga Plaza www.walkforkid.org

ODISNEY'S THE LITTLE MERMAID July 11-13

Broward Center's Summer Theatre Camp Young Professionals perform a musical adaptation of Disney's classic, The Little Mermaid, featuring songs including the Oscar-winning "Under the Sea. Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.BrowardCenter.org

O THE B.E.S.T. SOCIAL MIXER July 12

Big-ticket raffles, free drink to first 50 guests, complimentary appetizers, more drink specials, live music and discounted valet. CHIMA Brazilian Steakhouse (754) 422-7638

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July 12: Sunshine Cathedral July 14: Trinity Lutheran Church July 20: First Congregational Church Aug. 2: Broward Center for the Performing Arts I Musici Estensi Chamber Orchestra of Italy joined by musicians of the Symphony of the Americas. www.symphonyoftheamericas.org

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July 12-13

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Julv 12

The conference focuses on giving women the tools and resources to achieve a healthy work-life balance by providing a day of personal and professional development, inspiration and networking. Ritz-Carlton, Fort Lauderdale

www.SuitsStilettosandLipstick.com

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For adults who are blind or visually impaired. Free. Lighthouse of Broward, Fort Lauderdale (954) 357-8170

TSUNAMI BOOK DISCUSSION July 16

Alex Watson and Dr. Robert Watson will discuss their book "Tsunami" as well as their writing contest for children and families. Broward County Main Library (954) 357-7443

UNUTRITION PROGRAM July 16

For ages 6 to 17. Roosevelt Gardens Park (954) 327-3888

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July 18 Hard Rock Live (954) 797-5531

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AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY RELAY RALLY

July 18 Blue Martini Fort Lauderdale (954) 609-9344



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CHILDREN'S CHESS DAY July 20

Kids learn the rules of the game, chess strategy and history and play friendly matches in a social setting. Broward Chess Club www.Browardchessclub.com

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Art 🖉

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Broward County Convention Center (954) 765-5900

THE ART OF WINE **AND FOOD SERIES** July 25

Everyday Wines: Learn the secrets to selecting the best wine values from around the globe, \$20 and under, hosted by Stephanie Miskew, certified sommelier and wine educator. Museum of Art | Fort Lauderdale (954) 262-0249



IN A PICKLE PUBLIX COOKING CLASS July 27

This class explores the increasingly popular culinary trend of chefs pickling, preserving and brining ingredients to elevate their dishes to new levels. Plantation Publix Cooking School (954) 577-4264

BUCKLER CRAFT AND HOME SHOW July 27-28

The Craft and Home Show includes demonstrations and seminars, as well as exhibits inside and outside. War Memorial Auditorium (954) 828-5380 www.bucklercraftfair.com

RAD SCIENCE STEM CHALLENGE

July 27 and 28 The Museum of Discovery and Science is committed to STEM education focusing on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Museum of Discovery and Science (954) 713-0930

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July 31-Aug. 4 BB&T Center (800) 745-3000

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Movies

🖪 Health

Aug. 1-9 Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.BrowardCenter.org

MAD DECENT BLOCK PARTY

Aug. 3 Returning for its sixth installment this summer, the traveling showcase promises sets from Diplo and Major . Lazer and more. **Revolution Live Outdoors** (954) 449-1025 www.jointherevolution.net

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BABY LOVE AND FAMILY EXPO Aug. 3-4

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Aug. 3-4 War Memorial Auditorium (954) 828-5380 www.southfloridabikeexpo.com

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Aug. 3 ArtServe www.apaiart.com

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🖰 PINION GOES TO HAWAII, **HILTON STYLE** Aug. 23

Hawaiian-luau-themed party on the beachfront pool deck at the Hilton Fort Lauderdale Beach Resort (indoor ballroom in case of inclement weather.) The event supports the Special Olympics of Broward County. Cocktails. Tropical/casual evening attire is suggested. (954) 336-2250

BUS LOOP

Aug. 24 • 6 p.m. The Fort Lauderdale Bus Loop returns with the beach route. You may purchase tickets for \$20 before Aug. 17; \$30 after Aug. 17 until noon; or for \$35 at the door. www.busloop.org

ONGOING EVENTS

a RIVERWALK

 Cardio Mix with Josh Hecht 6:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays Esplanade Park (954) 790-4953 Times and dates subject to change depending on weather restrictions. For more information, call (954) 468-1541 or visit www. GoRiverwalk.com





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CELEBRATING ITS 35TH SUMMER, THE FORT LAUDERDALE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN SPREADING THE JOY OF MUSIC WITH ITS EVENT, STARLIGHT MUSICALS.

At Starlight Musicals, the city welcomes performers of all types of music, from pop to country, rhythm and blues to tropical rock. The performances happen on a stage set up at the **Holiday Park** football field. Guests are encouraged to bring blankets, lawn chairs, picnic baskets, and coolers to enjoy for the evening.

Starlight Musicals started off in George English Park. There, they would schedule performances rotating between the beach and the park. The park provided a pleasant atmosphere, and people would even come up in their boats to enjoy the beach performances, but the rotation schedule created problems for people who didn't remember which week it was. With this confusion and the crowd outgrowing George English, the concerts were then moved to Holiday Park.

The park atmosphere creates a **family-friendly** environment to its guests.

"You will see everything from a couple with chairs and a pizza to large groups with full blown parties with tables of food," said **Debbie Bylica**, coordinator of special events at the Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department. "Families love it because it's a **safe environment** where the kids have fun, too." The event offers a tent-free zone, for people with chairs, as well as tent areas along the back and sides for groups to have a tailgate experiences while enjoying shelter if it starts raining. There is also a no smoking zone to accommodate more guests.

So why has this event lasted so long? Bylica gives credit to the event's low cost and its **community**. "The best part is it's free. Once you attend for the first time you're hooked. We have people who have been coming for 15 to 20 years. ... We have die-hard fans who come out rain or shine."

During July, Starlight Musicals will welcome the following performances:

• July 5: Valerie Tyson Band, Motown to rhythm and blues, from Margate, Fla.

• July 12: Shadow Creek, country.

• July 19: Brass Evolution, a show band from South Florida.

• July 26: Jimmy Stowe and the Stowaways, a tropical rock/Jimmy Buffet cover band from South Florida.

• Aug. 2: The Weedline, classic rock.

So bring your family and friends to Holiday Park to enjoy a free night of "music under the stars." **①**



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PETER ANDERSON, MBA



Wealth Adviser, United Capital Financial Advisers



• I am a wealth adviser with United Capital Financial

Advisers and I believe that Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale greatly impacts the health and vibrancy of our Downtown area. I am proud to be a former board member and continued supporter.

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As a South Florida native, I like to stay active in my community. I have been a longtime supporter of United Way of Broward County, the FAU Foundation, and am a current member of the board of directors of the Broward Health Foundation, Junior Achievement of South Florida, as well as the Financial Planning Association of Broward.

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Lauderdale, I have plans for Marina Lofts, a mixed-use complex consisting of residential buildings, retail boutiques, restaurants and a marina. That project is designed by visionary Bjarke Ingels, whom the Wall Street Journal recently named Innovator of the Year.

Marina Lofts will connect and activate the Riverwalk in a vibrant and compelling way. Marina Lofts' intent is to be the center of the Riverwalk upon its completion.

I have been named by the South Florida Business Journal as a Heavy Hitter in Construction and Real Estate Development, a Top 100 Power Leader, and as one of 2013's People to Watch. I have also appeared on the front page of the Wall Street Journal.

I am a graduate of Vassar College and the UCLA School of Law. I am an experienced real estate and business attorney licensed to practice law in New York, New Jersey, and Washington D.C., and am a licensed general contractor in the State of Florida.

GREGORY ORAM



Membership Director, Tower Club



• For the past 27 years, I have been proud to call Fort

Lauderdale my home. While visiting in the early 1980s, I fell in love with what was then a small, wonderful beachside town, with its meandering river and incredible waterways. I decided to make this special place my home and to get involved. I took a position with the Tower Club, Fort Lauderdale's only private business club. As a part of ClubCorp, we own 140 properties worldwide have more than 800 affiliations. Celebrating its 40th anniversary next year, we opened when Downtown's first high rise was built and Fort Lauderdale's skyline was predominately palm trees.

I believe that giving back is so important. After being involved with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale for a few years, I was asked to serve on the board and it has launched one of the most wonderful experiences of my life. Currently, I serve as Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale's vice chair and am proud to work with my fellow board members, volunteers and staff, in helping create and activate many of the events that so many of you enjoy through out the year.

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