

City of Fort Lauderdale Civic Packet November 2010

This Civic Packet contains news and information about events and programs available to residents, businesses and visitors in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Regular City Commission meetings are scheduled for
6p, Tuesday, November 2, and Tuesday, November 16, 2010

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Jazz Brunch Set for November 7

The SunTrust Sunday Jazz Brunch is an ideal way to relax and enjoy Fort Lauderdale's scenic Riverwalk. Listen to the soulful sounds of outstanding local jazz artists on four stages from 11a to 2p on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, please call our 24-hour hotline at 954-828-5363 or visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/life.

Bands:

Esplanade - Noreena Downey & the Dizzy Blue Big Band, Connie Hoffmann Frank Hubbell's Swing Quartet
PeckCourtyard - Harvey Nevins Quartet
Las Olas Riverfront - Billy Bones

Landmark Improvements on Sistrunk Boulevard Underway

The City of Fort Lauderdale's Sistrunk Boulevard Infrastructure Project is scheduled to begin Fall 2010. This is a major capital improvement project that will upgrade infrastructure and beautify Sistrunk Boulevard. The project area encompasses Sistrunk Boulevard from Federal Highway to NW 24th Avenue.

The project is estimated to take 14 to 16 months to complete.

The project will reduce portions of Sistrunk Boulevard from four lanes to three lanes, place overhead utilities underground, provide more on-street parking, wider sidewalks, decorative streetlights, median and landscape enhancements as well as new bus shelters.

For up-to-date information, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/sistrunkproject, watch channel 78 or call the information hotline at 954.828.4756.

Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler Invites You to Celebrate the City of Fort Lauderdale's Centennial!

The City of Fort Lauderdale invites citizens to be part of history as we celebrate our 100th Birthday in 2011.

Our Centennial Celebration Committee, a group of volunteers led by former Mayor and U.S. Congressman E. Clay Shaw, has a year's worth of projects and initiatives planned to recognize this historic milestone.

The pageantry and excitement will begin on Saturday, December 11, 2010 when the Centennial officially kicks off at the Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade. This spectacular parade will be led by the Official Centennial Showboat, which is being sponsored by the Clydey Foundation and will feature a full Cirque Show on top!

In partnership with Winterfest, internationally renowned Pop Artist Charles Fazzino is creating a commemorative painting that will depict Fort Lauderdale's rich and diverse 100-year history, while capturing the spirit and energy that symbolize our community.

Many of Fort Lauderdale's signature events will take on a Centennial theme including the popular Downtown Countdown New Year's Eve Celebration on December 31, 2010, the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival on March 12, 2011, the Great American Beach Party on May 28, 2011, and the 4th of July Spectacular.

Be sure to mark your calendar for March 27, 2011. That's when the City will pull out all the stops for a major celebration that will take place along Downtown's Riverwalk. Get ready for a one-of-a-kind event featuring outstanding music, entertainment, and activities for the entire family as we celebrate our 100th Birthday!

In addition to City events, the Centennial Committee invites neighborhood, community and non-profit groups to register their events as part of our yearlong, citywide celebration. No event is too small for consideration. Log on to our website

at www.fortlauderdale.gov/centennial to learn how your event can be part of this historic anniversary.

As part of our Centennial Celebration, we're challenging citizens to complete 100,000 hours of volunteer community service projects. Non-profit, civic, fraternal, religious, school, neighborhood and community groups are all welcome and encouraged to participate. Visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/volunteerchallenge for details about how you can submit your volunteer hours for credit and help us surpass our goal.

The City of Fort Lauderdale is also partnering with Broward County Public Schools to encourage students, teachers, administrators and alumni to participate in the Centennial through history and social studies curriculum, classroom projects, extracurricular activities and special events.

Citizen involvement will be key to the success of our Centennial. Fort Lauderdale is fortunate to have the most talented and involved citizens in the nation. We invite you to participate and share in this once-in-a-lifetime celebration. Together, we will make Fort Lauderdale an even better place to live, work, play and raise a family!

51st Annual International Boat Show Set for October 28 - November 1

Fort Lauderdale, Florida, lives up to its nickname as "Yachting Capital of the World," hosting the 51st Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show on October 28-November 1, 2010. With more than 3 million square feet of space over five locations, the show's transportation network of bus shuttles, water taxis, and riverboats ensures attendees can easily navigate the boat show and its expansive waterways system.

Show exhibits range from yacht builders and designers to exotic cars and brokerage yachts. A wide variety of boats and sea vessels will be on display including runabouts, sportfishers, high performance boats, center consoles, cabin cruisers, flats boats, skiffs, express cruisers, sailing yachts, motor yachts, bowriders, catamarans, ski boats, jet boats, trawlers, inflatables, canoes, and extraordinary superyachts. Added attractions include The Blue Wild Dive Show, IGFA's School of Sportfishing and Hook the Future's Kids Fishing Clinics.

Ticket information is available at http://www.showmanagement.com/fort_lauderdale/event/

November 20: Fort Lauderdale Firefighters Sponsors Bicycle Ride Along the Everglades Levee Benefiting the Firefighters Sick and Injured Fund

A bicycle ride along the Everglades levee to raise funds for the Fort Lauderdale Firefighters Benevolent Sick and Injured Fund is set for 10a on Saturday, November 20, 2010 at Broward County's Markham Park, 16001 W. State Route 84.

This fun-filled family event will include your choice of 5, 10 and 20-mile courses on the scenic Everglades levee.

Support/first aid stations will be available along the course.

Youth participants and non-participants of the bike ride are invited to a mini "Combat Challenge" and "Cross-Fit Clinic". An antique fire truck will also be on hand.

The registration fee of \$25 Adults/\$10 Children includes food and a drink.

Here's how you can help:

- 1) Buy tickets.
- 2) Make a tax-deductible donation with a check payable to the Fort Lauderdale Benevolent Sick and Injured Fund.
- 3) Donate items to auction at the event.
- 4) Be an Event Sponsor. For \$150.00 and \$300, Event Sponsors receive levels of recognition with logos on event T-shirts, mention in press releases and recognition during the opening and closing events.
- 5) You can also volunteer at the event.

Contact: Eloy Alicea, Driver-Engineer, Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue
Phone: 772-618-3207; Email: EAlicea@fortlauderdale.gov

City of Fort Lauderdale Offers New Pet Waste Signage Program

Pet waste that is not picked up and disposed of properly is not only a nuisance, the waste can lead to environmental issues. In an effort to help keep Fort Lauderdale healthy, clean, and enjoyable for everyone, the City of Fort Lauderdale is launching a uniform pet waste signage program to educate citizens and remind them to pick up after their pets. The following information provides an overview of the new program.

What will the Pet Waste Sign look like?

The pet waste sign is a green and white reflective, aluminum sign measuring 18 inches high by 12 inches wide and will be attached to metal post that is 72 inches high. The message on the sign reads, "Pet Waste Transmits Disease. Leash and clean up after your pet. Please keep this area clean." It also features a picture of a person walking a dog. To view the sign, please visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/neighborhoodservices.

Is this the only sign design available?

Yes. To maintain a uniform look and consistent message, the sign approved for this program is the same one that the City of Fort Lauderdale currently uses in various public locations throughout the city.

How do I request a pet waste sign in my neighborhood?

Fort Lauderdale residents who would like a pet waste sign in their neighborhood may complete a Pet Waste Signage Request Form and submit it to their Homeowners Association (HOA). Request forms are available online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/neighborhoodservices.

The HOA president must sign the request form and, if the proposed sign location is on a property other than the property of the person submitting the request, that property owner must also sign the form.

Once the appropriate signatures are obtained, the HOA president, or a designated HOA representative must mail the form, to the City's Neighborhood Services Section, 100 North Andrews Avenue, 5th Floor, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

What happens after an HOA submits a request form?

After the request form and proposed sign location is reviewed and approved by the City's Engineering staff, Neighborhood Services will contact the HOA president about how to proceed with ordering a sign.

What is the process for ordering a sign?

1. The HOA must order and pay for the sign and the sign post in full, which is approximately \$120, plus any applicable taxes and freight charges.
2. The sign must be delivered to an HOA representative.
3. Once the sign and signpost are delivered, the HOA representative must contact Neighborhood Services to schedule sign installation.
4. The City of Fort Lauderdale's Facilities Maintenance Division will install the sign in the City's public right-of-way at no additional cost to the HOA.

Who is responsible for maintaining the sign?

The HOA is responsible for maintaining, repairing, and/or replacing the sign

Do citizens have to pick up after their pets?

Yes. As per City Code of Ordinances, Sec. 6-4(c), it is unlawful for a person to allow or permit a dog or other pet or domesticated animal with that person's control to deposit animal waste (except for law enforcement animals while on duty) upon any public or private property and to fail to promptly remove the animal's waste from the property.

For additional information about the pet waste signage program, please call 954-828-6656. For more information about properly disposing of pet waste, please visit the Environmental Services section of the City's web site at www.fortlauderdale.gov or contact the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice.

Cease the Grease: Keep Sewer Lines Free From 'FOG' this Holiday Season

Fats, oils, and grease (FOG) include meat fats, dairy products, food scraps, cooking oils, sauces, dressings, sandwich spreads, gravies, marinades, dairy products, shortenings, lard, butter and margarine, and they are a major cause of sewer line backups and breaks.

Overflows and spills from sewer lines can result in raw sewage entering your home, a neighbor's home, local streets and neighborhood parks. Or, it can enter a storm drain, which flows directly into a local waterway. Raw sewage can cause health hazards and harm the aquatic environment because it could contain bacteria, viruses and polluted materials.

Sewer line backups and breaks are expensive to repair and unpleasant to clean up. The following guidelines will assist you with managing household FOG and protecting the environment, as well as the City's infrastructure.

- Never pour fats, oils, grease, food scraps or other cooking or household liquids down a drain or into a toilet.
- Pour FOG into a heat resistant and sturdy non-recyclable container. Once the container is full and has cooled down, throw it out in the garbage.
- Scrape grease and food scraps from dishes, pots, utensils, etc. into the trash before washing or putting them in the dishwasher. Dishwashers do not get rid of grease.
- Use sink strainer baskets to catch food and other waste and empty it into the garbage.
- Never rinse or flush FOG down the drain with hot water and/or dish soap. It does not dissolve grease and may push it further into your sewer lines.
- Never pour FOG into a garbage disposal. A garbage disposal is designed to shred solid materials into smaller pieces. It does not dissolve grease.
- Large quantities of fryer oil, such as that used for deep frying a turkey, can be disposed of at a Broward County Household Hazardous Waste site. For information about drop-off locations, call 954-765-4999 or visit www.broward.org.

Report illegal dumping into a storm drain or the sanitary sewer system, clogged storm drains, or overflowing manholes by contacting the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice or 954-828-8000.

Toilet as a Trash Can: A Bad Choice for Your Sanitary Sewer System

The City of Fort Lauderdale's sanitary sewer system consists of 577 miles of underground pipe and 204 wastewater pump stations that transport wastewater to the George T. Lohmeyer (GTL) Wastewater Treatment Plant, where it is treated through various processes and pumped into underground injection wells. The sanitary sewer system is essential to the protection of South Florida's water resources and the efficient transport of wastewater to the treatment plant.

When improper items are flushed down the toilet it creates a variety of problems for both the City and the property owner. Using the toilet to dispose of items other than toilet paper and waste causes sewage backups and overflows, which are not only unsanitary, they are expensive to repair and unpleasant to clean up. It also creates mechanical equipment failures and increases the maintenance and cleaning required at each of the City's sewage pump stations.

If improper items are flushed down the toilet and do make their way into the sewer pipes, they can then cause operational problems at the wastewater treatment plant.

The most common items found in the sewer system that create backups, overflows or mechanical failures are rags, dental floss, dusters, underwear, and feminine hygiene products. These types of items get tangled in the mechanical equipment that operates pump stations that help transport wastewater. As a result the equipment fails, which requires costly repair or complete replacement.

You can help protect the City's sanitary sewer system by never flushing the following items or anything other than toilet paper and waste down the toilet:

- Aquarium gravel
- Disposable wipes, any kind
- Plastic items, any kind
- Bandages
- Feminine hygiene products
- Rags and towels
- Cat litter
- Grease and cooking oil
- Rubber items (i.e., latex gloves)
- Cigarette butts
- Household cleaners
- Sponges
- Cotton balls and swabs
- Insects or pesticides
- Dusters and cloths
- Dental floss
- Leftover food
- Toys
- Diapers
- Mold and mildew remover
- Underwear
- Disposable toilet brushes
- Paints, thinners
- Unused medications

For more information, please contact the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice or 954-828-8000.

2010/2011 Holiday Sanitation Services Schedule

The City of Fort Lauderdale provides sanitation service every day of the year except Christmas Day, December 25. The following information outlines the City's sanitation schedule for the 2010/2011 holiday season.

THANKSGIVING DAY

There will be no changes to any City of Fort Lauderdale sanitation services, (e.g., garbage, bulk trash, yard waste and recycling collection) for Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2010.

CHRISTMAS DAY

GARBAGE

There will be no garbage collection on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25. Garbage collection for residents whose regular pickup schedule is Saturday will receive service on Wednesday, December 29, 2010.

BULK TRASH PICK UP

There will be no changes to the Bulk Trash collection schedule this holiday season.

YARD WASTE COLLECTION

There will be no yard waste collection on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25. Yard waste collection service will resume on the next regularly scheduled pick up date, which is Wednesday, December 29, 2010.

RECYCLING

There will be no recycling collection on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25. Recycling service will resume on the next regularly scheduled pick up date, which is Wednesday, December 29, 2010.

NEW YEAR'S DAY

There will be no changes to any City of Fort Lauderdale sanitation services, (e.g., garbage, bulk trash, yard waste and recycling collection) for New Year's Day, Saturday, January 1, 2011.

For more information about the City of Fort Lauderdale's holiday sanitation schedule, please contact the City of Fort Lauderdale 24-hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice.

City's Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Set for January 23, 2011

City of Fort Lauderdale and Broward County residents are invited to safely dispose of their household hazardous waste and electronics on Sunday, January 23, 2011 at the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Event. The one-day event will take place from 8a to 3p at 101 N. Andrews Avenue, just west of City Hall in Fort Lauderdale.

With proof of residency, residents can drop off hazardous household items and electronics at no charge. Business or government generated waste will not be accepted.

Acceptable items:

Items that will be accepted include: paint, paint thinners and strippers, gas cylinders, pesticides, insecticides, antifreeze, fluorescent light bulbs, automobile, mercury and rechargeable batteries, used motor oil, automotive fluids and gasoline solvents, fire extinguishers, flares, propane tanks, car batteries, lawn and pool chemicals and household cleaners.

Residents may also bring old electronics such as computers with accessories, televisions, fax machines, printers and cell phones for free disposal. To dispose of business-generated electronics, please call 954.577.4160.

Unacceptable items:

Items that are not accepted include: explosive materials, biohazardous (medical) waste, microwaves, stereos or business-generated items will not be accepted at the event.

Safety Precautions for Household Hazards Waste Items:

- Wear protective gloves.
- Do not mix products.
- Keep all items in their original containers with the lids tightly sealed. If the items are not in their original containers, residents should clearly label each item to identify the contents inside.
- Put leaking products in a large plastic container and use a non-flammable absorbent, such as cat litter, to pack around leaking products.
- Do not smoke or place products near sources of heat.

Alternative Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Locations:

For residents who are unable to attend the January 23rd event, items may be dropped off free of charge with proof of residency at one of the following Broward County collection sites:

North Area (Pompano)

2780 N. Powerline Road (North of Copans Road on the east side)

Hours of Operation: Every Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Central Area (Davie)

5490 Reese Road (At I-595 and Davie Road, go east on Reese Road)

Hours of Operation: Every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

South Area (West Park)

5601 W. Hallandale Beach Blvd. (West of I-95 on the north side)

Hours of Operation: Every Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, which is co-sponsored by the City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County Waste and Recycling Services and Partner Cities, was created to bring hazardous waste disposal services into the community and to provide an additional drop off location for county residents. By offering alternatives for the safe disposal of HHW, the City of Fort Lauderdale, Broward County and surrounding cities, are taking a pro-active role in protecting the environment and preventing these items from ending up in landfills or contaminating water sources and wastewater treatment plants.

For more information about the HHW Collection Event, please contact the City of Fort Lauderdale's 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954.828.8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice. Additional information is also available by calling Broward County's Hotline at 954.765.4999.

Get Involved! Celebrate America Recycles Day November 15, 2010

Since 1997, communities across the country have come together on November 15th to celebrate America Recycles Day (ARD). This year's ARD theme is, "I recycle," and ARD is more than just a celebration, it is the only nationally recognized day dedicated to the promotion of recycling programs in the United States.

How can you take part in America Recycles Day? If you are new to the City of Fort Lauderdale, or just want to learn more about what and how to recycle, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/recycle.

If you currently recycle, but want to do more, here are some tips to take your recycling to the next level:

- Speak to your local homeowners association about how you can participate in volunteer recycling opportunities for your community through GreenWorks.
- Offer to collect old electronics from your friends and neighbors to drop off for recycling.
- Calculate how your current recycling reduces your carbon footprint using the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Household Emissions Calculator (www.epa.gov/climatechange/emissions/ind_calculator.html)
- Identify one home in your neighborhood that doesn't recycle and offer to help the residents get started.
- Make a difference by donating your unwanted goods to organizations that can provide them to those in need.

Broward County has three permanent drop-off locations:

Pompano Beach: 2780 N. Powerline Road. Open every Friday and Saturday, 8a - 4p.

Sunrise: Achievement and Rehabilitation Centers, Inc. (ARC) – 10250 N.W. 53rd Street (east of Hiatus Road) Open Monday-Friday, 8:30a - 4p.

West Park: 5601 W. Hallandale Beach Blvd. (east of State Road 7/441) Open every Friday and Saturday, 8a - 4p.

26th Community Police Academy Starts February 10

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is offering a 14-week Community Police Academy to residents of the City of Fort Lauderdale as well as civic and government organization members.

The Community Police Academy is designed to foster an active partnership with the community. Well-informed citizens, who have an awareness of the mission, resources, policies and services of their Police Department, are critical to the success of this partnership. Topics addressed in the academy will include: Community Policing, Officer Selection/Recruiting, Drug Enforcement, Special Investigations, Range/Firearms, Communications, and much more. In addition to scheduled classes, an eight-hour "ride along" with our Patrol Officers will be made available to the attendees.

Where: Fort Lauderdale Police Department
1300 West Broward Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

When: February 10, 2011 – May 12, 2011

Time: 6:30p - 9:30p (Thursday evenings)

(NOTE: This course should NOT be confused with the Police Academy to become an Officer.)

All applicants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. Selection preference will focus upon Fort Lauderdale residents and those who work or own a business/property within the City.

This is your opportunity to be involved in a dynamic, rewarding partnership with your Police Department. We need your participation to ensure the success of the Community Police Academy. Don't hesitate! Complete your application today.

Applications are available in the Fort Lauderdale Police Department lobby or by calling the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Training Unit at (954) 828-6428. You may also download a CPA application from the following website address: <http://www.flpd.org>. The application can be found under the following tabs: News or Community. Please remember to attach along with your application a valid, legible copy of your driver's license and/or passport.

Successful graduates of this Community Police Academy (CPA) will have an opportunity to sign up for the Citizens On Patrol (COP) course/program! This CPA course is a pre-requisite to becoming a COP member!

Mail or fax your completed application to:
Fort Lauderdale Police Department
Training Department
1300 W. Broward Boulevard
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
FAX: (954) 828-5891

Learn About Stormwater Pollution Prevention and More on City's New Environmental Services Website

Do you know what stormwater pollution is and how you can help prevent it? Now you can learn more about it by visiting the new Environmental Services section of the City's web site. To access the new Environmental Services web site simply follow these two easy steps:

1. Type www.fortlauderdale.gov into your Internet browser menu bar.
2. Select "Environmental Services" from the "Quick Links" menu on the right side of the City's homepage.

The new Environmental Services web site is designed to educate the public about stormwater pollution and provides up-to-date information on regional environmental issues that impact us on a daily basis.

Whether you're a homeowner, business owner, developer, restaurant manager, or boater, you'll easily find information and best practices to assist you with preventing stormwater pollution.

In addition, the Environmental Services site provides information about Florida-friendly landscaping, pet waste, household grease, flood prevention, and environmental crimes. It also highlights regulatory programs the City manages and enforces, and offers a variety of educational links and downloadable materials.

For more information, please contact the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice.

Community Appearance Board Announces August 'WOW Award' Winner

The WOW Award for August 2010 was presented to Kathy and Andy Guerke, who are residents of the Coral Ridge neighborhood located in District I.

Kathy and Andy purchased their single-family home in 2009, which is directly across the street from a home they lived in back in 1997. Although they moved away, Kathy and Andy kept their eye on their current home and waited for the perfect opportunity to purchase it.

Kathy and Andy have experience with property renovation and saw great potential in their new home. The original 1,100 square foot cottage style home with a low-pitched roof was built in 1953. It had two bedrooms, two baths, and a carport. It had unsightly window mounted air-conditioning units and was a neighborhood eye sore in desperate need of repair.

After they purchased the home, Kathy and Andy started their renovation project, which included adding a master suite and a den and converting the carport into an enclosed two-car garage. They removed the low-pitched roof and painted the house a timeless white, which is accented by a flagstone driveway and entrance. The outside of the home was re-landscaped with Bamboo trees, palms, and shrubs to create an atmosphere of serenity, simplicity, and understated elegance. When planning the renovation of their home, Kathy and Andy included sustainable design strategies, including the installation of two new energy efficient air-conditioning units, new insulation, dual flush toilets, and new Energy Star approved appliances.

Kathy and Andy's home not only has an immediate visual impact for neighbors, it also enhances the appearance of the entire Coral Ridge neighborhood. Kathy and Andy's neighbors were so happy to have them back; they welcomed them with flowers and a big thank you for transforming the old property into a beautiful home.

The Fort Lauderdale City Commission and the Community Appearance Board proudly presented the August WOW Award to Kathy and Andy and thank them for enhancing their community and the City of Fort Lauderdale.

To view a photo of the Kathy and Andy's home, please visit http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/neighborhoods/wow_awards.htm.

WOW Award Recognizes Stellar Fort Lauderdale Properties

If you see a house that makes you stop and say "WOW," or you think your house has the "WOW" factor, nominate it for a monthly WOW award. The Community Appearance Board recognizes residential properties throughout the City that contribute to the aesthetic appeal of the neighborhood through its WOW Award Program. Board members nominate homes for a WOW award and residents may also nominate their homes or a neighbor's home for an award. Nominations may be for landscaping, renovation, property maintenance, overall exterior beauty and style, and neighborhood enhancement.

If a property is selected as a WOW winner, the homeowner will receive special recognition at a City Commission meeting, a gift certificate from a program sponsor, and a WOW Winner yard sign to display on their property. The owner's home will also be featured on Channel 78, the City's government access cable station, and possibly be featured in local and City publications.

For more information about the WOW Award Program or to nominate a home for an award, please visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/neighborhoods. Nominations can be made online!

Join the Community Appearance Board

The Community Appearance Board recognizes residential properties throughout the City that contribute to the aesthetic appeal of the neighborhood through its monthly WOW Award and annual Community Appearance Awards programs. If you are a Fort Lauderdale resident and would like to become a member of the City's Community Appearance Board, please visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/clerk/boards.htm. Board members are appointed by the City Commission and are charged with presenting educational programs and events that acknowledge excellence in design, landscaping and property management that improves the overall appearance of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

For more information about becoming a Community Appearance Board member, please <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/clerk/boards.htm>.

Preventive Maintenance for Water System Runs November 2 - November 23

The City of Fort Lauderdale is temporarily returning to using free chlorine in its drinking water system. This preventive maintenance procedure will be conducted beginning at 9a on Tuesday, November 2 through 9a on Tuesday, November 23, 2010.

Free chlorination is a common practice for water systems using combined chlorine disinfection. The chlorination period is anticipated to be transparent to our customers; however, some may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water.

This procedure will affect the City of Fort Lauderdale, as well as Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Oakland Park, Port Everglades Authority, Village of Sea Ranch Lakes, Wilton Manors and sections of Davie and Tamarac.

The City of Fort Lauderdale maintains the highest standards to ensure that clean, high quality drinking water is delivered to water customers. The City's drinking water meets federal, state and local drinking water quality standards.

Water customers who receive a utility bill from the City of Fort Lauderdale may contact the City's 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000 or online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice for more information.

Customers who do not receive a utility bill from the City of Fort Lauderdale should call their respective city's customer service phone number for more information.

New Residential Solid Waste Services Guide Now Available

The City of Fort Lauderdale is pleased to offer its customers a new comprehensive Residential Solid Waste Services Guide to assist customers with managing their garbage, yard waste, recycling, and bulk trash.

The guide includes helpful tips and photos that provide a quick snapshot of the City's solid waste services and outline the practices customers should follow when disposing of their waste. The guide also provides additional information about household hazardous waste disposal, hurricane preparedness, holiday scheduling information and where to call for help.

Customers who follow the information in the new guide and initiate simple actions, including recycling, separating yard waste, properly setting out bulk trash items, and safely disposing of household hazardous waste, can play a significant role in making Fort Lauderdale a more beautiful, litter-free, more sustainable City. In addition, they can assist the City with maintaining its goal of reducing solid waste, managing resources, minimizing costs and offering convenient services to our residents in an environmentally friendly and efficient manner.

To view or download a copy of the new Residential Solid Waste Services Guide, visit the Public Works Department's section of the City's web site at www.fortlauderdale.gov.

For more information about Fort Lauderdale's solid waste services, please contact the 24-Hour Customer Service Center online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice or call 954-828-8000.

Join the City for the 4th Annual Light Up Sistrunk Celebration

Mark your calendars for Thursday, December 2, 2010

The City of Fort Lauderdale is hitting the ground running this holiday season with the 4th Annual Light up Sistrunk Celebration, December 2, 2010 at 5:30p. Join our elected officials, local talent from our area schools and the City of Fort Lauderdale community as we light up Sistrunk Boulevard to usher in the 2010 holiday season.

What:

Light Up Sistrunk 2010

Where:

914 Sistrunk Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

When:

Thursday, December 2, 2010
5:30 pm

The Great VISIT FLORIDA Beach Walk set for Saturday, November 6

Coming soon to a beach near you: The Great VISIT FLORIDA Beach Walk. After a summer of weather and oil scares, it's time to show the world that Florida's beaches are as wonderful as ever!

Join beach-lovers across the state Saturday, Nov. 6 for the Great VISIT FLORIDA Beach Walk. The one-day, mile-by-mile beach walk will cover all of Florida's 825 miles of beautiful beaches. Each mile will be photographed and uploaded to the internet and one lucky volunteer will win \$5,000 and a Mazda Miata.

How can you get involved?

- 1) Sign up as a volunteer to walk the beach
- 2) Spread the word to others by inviting friends, family, colleagues and guests
- 3) If your location is beach-side, offer it as a hub for volunteers to gather before or after their walk – or even host a sand castle contest or beach party of your own on Beach Walk Day

For more information and to sign-up, visit: www.visitflorida.com/beachwalk/



If you are receiving a **print** edition of the Civic Packet, but would prefer to only receive the **electronic** version, please let us know via email.

Matt Little, PIO
City of Fort Lauderdale

mlittle@fortlauderdale.gov

Thank you!

Citizen Recognition Awards Call for Nominations



CITY OF
FORT LAUDERDALE

October 1, 2010

Dear Citizen(s):

The City of Fort Lauderdale Citizens' Committee of Recognition will meet in January 2011 to select nominees for the 2011 Citizen Recognition Awards, who will be recommended to the City Commission for approval. The Citizens' Committee of Recognition consists of the former Mayors of the City of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations (or designee).

- The **Distinguished Citizen** award recognizes the citizen who has contributed to the development of the community over a number of years (i.e., a pioneer).
- The **Citizen of the Year** award recognizes a local citizen who, in the opinion of the Committee and the City Commission, has made the greatest contribution to the community during the past year (2010). The Citizen of the Year must be a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.
- The **Honored Founder** award recognizes a courageous citizen who prepared the way for future growth and harmony in the City of Fort Lauderdale. This person may be deceased.
- The **Exemplary Former City Employee** recognizes a former City employee who has served the citizens of Fort Lauderdale for a significant number of years and whose service has made a notable impact on the development and quality of life for the community. This person may be retired, deceased or separated from the City.

If you would like to nominate an individual for an award, please complete the nomination forms and return the information by **December 3, 2010 by 5 p.m.** to:

Petula Burks, Staff Liaison to the Citizens' Committee of Recognition
Public Information Office
101 NE 3rd Avenue, Ste. 1400
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301.

Forms may also be faxed to (954) 828-4745 or emailed to petulab@fortlauderdale.gov. Nominations and background materials submitted after **Friday, December 3, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.** will not be accepted.

If you have any questions, please call (954) 828-4742.

Sincerely,
Petula C. Burks
Petula Burks
Public Information Specialist
Staff Liaison to the Citizen's Committee of Recognition

CITIZEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Fort Lauderdale initiated the Citizen Recognition Program in 1972. The purpose of the program is to give public recognition to citizens who contributed in significant ways to the development of this community.

Honorees are selected by the Citizens' Committee of Recognition, which consists of all former Mayors of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations. The Committee's recommendations are forwarded to the City Commission for approval. Members of the Citizens' Committee of Recognition include:

Robert O. Cox

Congressman E. Clay Shaw, Jr.

Robert Dressler, Chair

James Naugle

E. Birch Willey

Genia Ellis

In 1983, the Citizens' Committee of Recognition recommended that effective in 1984, the Citizen Recognition Program would be revised to include a Citizen of the Year and a Distinguished Citizen honoree. The program was again amended in 1989 to include an Honored Founder category effective in 1990. In 1997, the category of Exemplary Former City Employee was added.

Since the inception of the Citizen Recognition Program, 105 outstanding citizens have received such honors.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
A. V. Moniger	1972
Annie Beck	1975
I. A. (Pop) Sterling	1976
H. D. (Pop) Leavitt	1977
William J. Eastman	1978
Susie C. Holly	1979
August Burghard	1979
Lewis Moore	1980
Byron Snyder	1981
N. B. Cheaney	1982
James Evert	1983
George W. English	1984
Virginia S. Young	1985
Evelyn F. Bartlett	1986
William Forrest (Buck) Dawson	1987
Lewis W. Parker	1988
John H. Monahan	1988
Gene A. Whiddon	1989
John H. Payne, III	1990
E. Clay Shaw, Jr.	1991
Evelyn Lewis	1992
Rev. Dr. O. S. Hawkins	1993
Robert O. Cox	1994
Jack Nelson	1995
Birch Willey	1996
Carl Mayhew	1997
Jan Charbonnet Crocker	1998
Kaye Pearson	1999
Ralph Marrison	2000
Commissioner Jim Scott	2001
The Honorable W. Herbert Moriarty and The Honorable Estella Moriarty	2002
Samuel F. Morrison	2003
Robert Lochrie, Jr.	2004
Laura Ward	2005
Douglas P. Eagon	2006
Robert Dressler	2007
John E. Aurelius	2008
Frederic E. Stresau	2009
Peter Feldman (awarded posthumously)	2010

Citizen Recognition Program Background Information
October 2010

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

- The Citizen of the Year award is for that person who, in the opinion of the Committee and the City Commission, has made the greatest contribution to the community in the current year. The Citizen of the Year must be a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Joan Mikus	1984
Benjamin Williams	1985
Sandra S. Casteel	1986
Joyce E. Qunby	1987
Ina Lee	1988
Dr. Nathan Fragen	1989
Welcom H. Watson, Sr.	1990
Linda L. Gill	1991
Raymond F. Letts	1991
William Lindsey	1992
Michael S. Egan	1993
Tommy Mercer	1994
Tom Andrew	1995
Earl Lifsbey	1996
Johnny Alexander	1997
H. Wayne Huizenga	1998
Terry Sules	1999
Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly	2000
Bill Keith	2001
Tim Schiavone	2002
Ray Ferrero, Jr.	2003
William G. Crawford, Jr.	2004
Eugenia "Genia" Duncan Ellis	2005
Alan Hooper	2006
Frank Herhold	2007
Courtney Crush	2008
Essie "Big Mama" Reid	2009
James Theodore "Ted" Fling	2010

HONORED FOUNDER

- ♦ The **Honored Founder** award is for a courageous citizen who prepared the way for future growth and harmony in Fort Lauderdale. This person may be deceased.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Grace E. Vanderhorst Mizel	1990
Ivy (Julia) Cromartie Stranahan	1991
Floyd Hull	1992
Julian E. Ross, Sr.	1993
Philip Dressler	1994
J. H. Philpott	1994
Mary J. Wilson	1995
John V. Russell	1996
Edgar L. Patterson	1997
Barbara B. Payne	1998
Porter Reynolds	1999
William F. Bigoney	2000
George Gill	2001
Andrew DeGraffenreidt	2002
Richard A. Mills, Jr.	2003
W. George Allen	2004
Marjorie A. Davis	2005
Robert L. Elmore	2006
Thomas Wells <i>and</i>	2007
Richard Wells	2007
Robert E. Cox	2008
Ted E. Drum	2009
Rev. Robert P. Kelley (awarded posthumously)	2010

EXEMPLARY FORMER CITY EMPLOYEE

- The Exemplary Former City Employee category was initiated in 1997. The award recognizes a former City employee who has served the citizens of Fort Lauderdale for a significant number of years and whose service has made a significant impact on the development and quality of life for the community. This person may be retired, deceased or separated from the City.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Robert H. Bubier	1997
Connie Hoffmann	1998
James O. Hill	1999
George L. Hanbury	2000
Thomas L. Tapp	2001
Charles H. Ritchie	2002
Dennis E. Lyles	2003
Lucy Kisela	2004
Hector D. Castro	2005
Scott Russell	2006
Cecelia Ward	2007
Ron Cochran	2008
Michael Pursell	2009
John Hoelzle	2010

In 1999, a one-time special award for Distinguished Service was given posthumously to Ron Cochran.



City of Fort Lauderdale
Citizens' Committee of Recognition
2010-2011 Annual Awards

Citizen of the Year Nomination Form

- ◆ The **Citizen of the Year** award is for that person who, in the opinion of the Committee and the City Commission, has made the greatest contribution to the community in the **current year (2010)**. The Citizen of the Year must be a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community. Examples include civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other categories.

2. Why is the nominee deserving of this award?

3. Please provide a brief biography, resume or any other background information about the nominee including contact information.

Submitted by: _____

Please feel free to attach additional sheets or e-mail the nomination answering the questions above.

Background material such as nominee biography, resume, media copy, etc. is highly recommended however not mandatory for consideration by Committee (see #3 above).

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Nomination Form for Distinguished Citizen

- ♦ The **Distinguished Citizen** award is given to that resident of the community who has contributed to the development of the community over a number of years (i.e., a pioneer).

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

1. Please describe the nominee's accomplishments or contributions to the community. Examples include civic responsibility, financial contributions, volunteer service, projects accomplished, or other categories.

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Exemplary Former Employee Nomination Form

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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Honored Founder Nomination Form

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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**BRING THE KIDS ON NOVEMBER 27TH TO
EXPERIENCE PNC BANK'S
MOBILE LEARNING ADVENTURE!
3:00 PM - 8:00 PM | DC ALEXANDER PARK**



Quality learning in a child's early years is essential for their long-term success. That's why PNC Bank developed Grow Up Great, a 10-year, \$100 million investment in school readiness to help prepare children from birth to age five for success in school and life. Founded by The PNC Financial Services Group, Grow Up Great is considered to be one of the most comprehensive corporate-based school readiness programs in the nation. The program provides leadership, advocacy, resources and volunteers to assist parents, caregivers and communities in their efforts to increase the potential for young children to succeed.

PNC's Grow Up Great offers a myriad of resources that are deployed into the communities PNC Bank serves. One of these is called The Mobile Learning Adventure or "MLA", which is a traveling exhibit that provides families an opportunity to learn about the importance of early childhood education while engaging in fun experiences together.

Aside from a wide variety of fun activities designed for children and families, PNC's Mobile Learning Adventure includes the "When I Grow Up" photo station, where children can dress up as what they want to be when they grow up. Parents can also receive activity books and learning kits that demonstrate how to take everyday moments and turn them into learning opportunities. There's no limit to the fun!

You'll be able to enjoy everything PNC's Mobile Learning Adventure has to offer on Saturday, November 27th! Join the fun at the City of Fort Lauderdale's Cinema by the Sea, presented by PNC Bank. The PNC Mobile Learning Adventure will be onsite the last Saturday in November only with activities, experiences, and lots of goodies for kids and families to enjoy! Be sure to stop by at DC Alexander Park, just a few blocks from the movie site from 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!



PNC BANK

PRESENTS THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE'S



**JOIN US FOR FREE
MOVIES ON THE BEACH!**

**Saturday Nights
6:45 PM
Oct. 23 - Nov. 27, 2010**

FORT LAUDERDALE BEACH
Just South of Las Olas Blvd.

FOR DETAILS:

(954) 828-5363 OR WWW.FORTLAUDERDALE.GOV



PNC BANK'S MOBILE LEARNING ADVENTURE

CINEMA BY THE SEA

1 OCEANSIDE LOT (South of Elbo Room) 400 Seabreeze (A1A & E. Las Olas Blvd.)

2 SE 5 STREET LOT Across from Swimming Hall of Fame

3 FORT LAUDERDALE BEACH PARK (Formerly South Beach Lot) 400 Seabreeze

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ELBO ROOM
LAS OLAS BLVD.
SEABREEZE BLVD./A1A
SWIMMING HALL OF FAME
BAHIA MAR

OCTOBER 23
DATE NIGHT (2010)
.....
Phil and Claire Foster are a couple who have been married for several years. Their days consists of them taking care of their children and going to work and coming home and going to bed. When another couple they know announce that they're separating because they're in a rut, Phil feels that he and Claire could be too. So when date night comes Phil decides to do something different.

OCTOBER 30
LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS (1986)
.....
Seymour Krelborn is a nerdy orphan working at Mushnik's, a flower shop in urban Skid Row. He harbors a crush on fellow co-worker Audrey Fulquard, and is berated by Mr. Mushnik daily. One day as Seymour is seeking a new mysterious plant, he finds a very mysterious unidentified plant which he calls Audrey II. Will Audrey II take over the world or will Seymour and Audrey defeat it?

NOVEMBER 6
OCEAN'S ELEVEN (2001)
.....
Danny Ocean wants to score the biggest heist in history. He combines an eleven team member, including Frank Catton, Rusty Ryan and Linus Caldwell. Their target? The Bellagio, the Mirage and the MGM Grand. All casinos owned by Terry Benedict. It's not going to be easy, as they plan to get in secretly and out with \$150 million.

NOVEMBER 13
ACE VENTURA: PET DETECTIVE (1994)
.....
To be a Pet Detective, you have to understand both the criminals and animals. Ace Ventura goes even further... He behaves like a criminal animal. When a football team's mascot (a dolphin) is stolen just before the Superbowl, Ace Ventura is put on the case. Now, who would want to steal a dolphin, and why?

NOVEMBER 20
BEST IN SHOW (2000)
.....
The owners (and handlers) of five show dogs head for the Mayflower Kennel Club Dog Show. A film crew interviews them as they prepare for the trip, arrive at Philly's Taft Hotel, and compete. Who will be best in show?

NOVEMBER 27
BABY'S DAY OUT (1994)
.....
Baby Bink couldn't ask for more; he has adoring (if somewhat sickly-sweet) parents, he lives in a huge mansion, and he's just about to appear in the social pages of the paper. Unfortunately, not everyone in the world is as nice as Baby Bink's parents; especially the three enterprising kidnapers who pretend to be photographers from the newspaper.

SAVE THE DATE

Light Up Sistrunk

DECEMBER 2, 2010





SISTRUNK BOULEVARD INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT

CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN FALL 2010



WHAT THE PROJECT IS

- A major capital improvement project to upgrade infrastructure and beautify Sistrunk Boulevard.
- The project area encompasses Sistrunk Boulevard from Federal Highway to N.W. 24 Avenue.
- The project is estimated to take 14 - 16 months to complete.
- Expect intermittent lane closures and traffic delays during construction.

WHAT THE PROJECT DOES

- Reducing portions of Sistrunk Boulevard from four lanes to three lanes
- Placing overhead utilities under ground
- More on-street parking
- Wider sidewalks
- Decorative streetlights
- Median and landscape enhancements
- New bus shelters

For up-to-date information, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/sistrunkproject, watch Channel 78 or call (954) 828-4756.



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