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City Offers No Cost Driver's License Replacement for Forrest, Lee & Hood Street Residents

After a long and bumpy road, street signs honoring Confederate war leaders in Hollywood are coming down and new signs started going up last month to replace them.

On June 21, 2017, the City of Hollywood received applications to remove the names of Confederate Generals from the following roadways: Forrest Drive; Forrest, Lee and Hood Streets. On November 15, 2017, the City Commission approved the change of names as follows: Forrest Drive to Freedom Drive, Forrest Street to Freedom Street, Lee Street to Liberty Street and Hood Street to Hope Street.

This follows a few years of contentious meetings, debates and demonstrations. Hollywood activist Benjamin Israel led the effort to change the names of the signs and eventually received help from powerful political leaders and a chorus of concerned citizens.

The City has made arrangements with the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide no-cost driver's license replacements to those living on the impacted streets on the following days and locations:

May 3: City Hall, 2600 Hollywood Boulevard from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

May 5: Driftwood Community Center, 3000 N 69 Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

May 12: Liberia Network Center, 2207 Raleigh Street from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

These sessions are only for residents living on the impacted streets.

Bring all the necessary documents required by the Department of Highway and Motor Vehicle Safety to change your drivers license before coming to one of these special sessions.

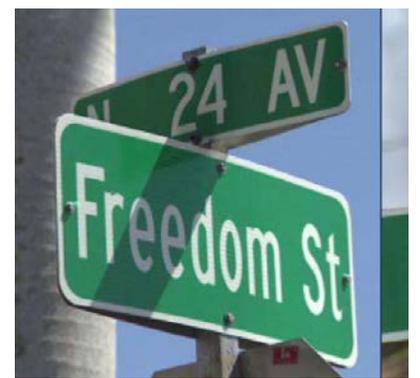
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'Friends of Orangebrook Golf' organize to save the course

BY DAVID VOLZ
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A new grass-roots organization has come together for the purpose of saving the Orangebrook Golf Course from being developed.

Friends of Orangebrook Golf, is working hard to place renovations to the golf course on the city's general obligation bond. They are very concerned that a developer will gain control of the 36 hole golf course and eliminate at least of the 18 hole courses.

Those who came to the first meeting said they believe improvements should be included on the bond.

Claire Garrett has been leading the effort to place Orangebrook on the bond said she believes it important to save the green space offered by the two courses.



Friends of Orangebrook held their first meeting at the Orangebrook Golf Club. The members want to prevent the development of the golf club from developers and want renovations to be place on the general obligation bond.

She said that if improvements are made to the courses, it will be possible to charge more money to use the course and this will generate more money.

Improvement plans call for a championship level course and a par three course for less competitive players.

For more information, follow the group on Facebook at [.facebook.com/FriendsofOrangebrookGolf](https://www.facebook.com/FriendsofOrangebrookGolf).

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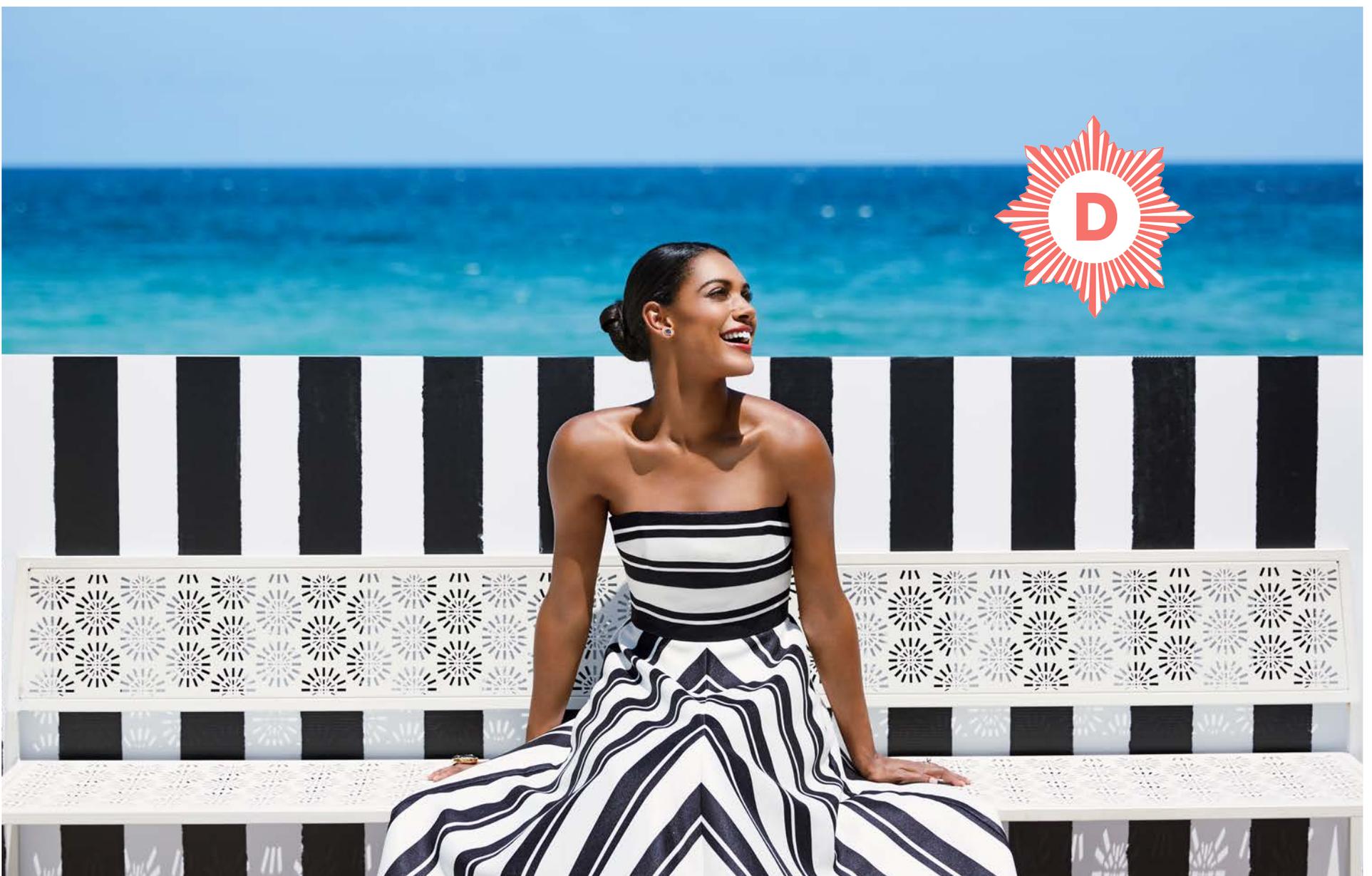
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Greater Hollywood Jaycees at Taste of Hollywood



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Jason Brown, on the left, enjoys Adaptive Sailing at Memorial Healthcare's Adaptive Sports Expo at Markham Park.



Hand Cyclists at the Adaptive Sports Expo at Markham Park who participated in hand cycling at the Memorial Healthcare Adaptive Sports Expo at Markham Park. The Adaptive sports program allows people with disabilities to participate in sports and enjoy competition and physical fitness.



Mayor Levy and his family at Garden Brunch at the 2018 Sunday in the Park and Taste of Hollywood.



Bernadette Evitnot pictured) with her daughter Savannah: "We come to all the special functions that Hollywood offers. It's so close to the beach, we have such great weather, and hollywood is such a nice, clean community. "

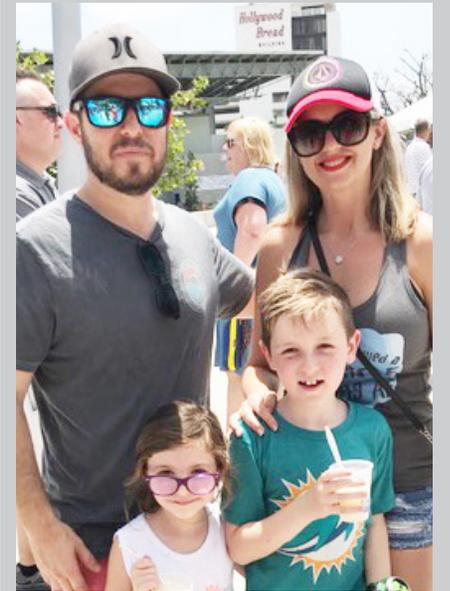
WE ASKED

Hollywood Moms

"What do you love about living in Hollywood?"



Anhuxka Arrieta with her daughter Xuhare and her son Xanet : "We love the weather here and so we're always outdoors – we go to the beach, and we like to come here on Fridays to play in the bouncy house. We also like to go to the YMCA."



Nicole Blum, with daughter Presley and Son Tyler (and her husband, Daddy Donny) : "We always go to the parks. We Love to go to TY Park, and go in the pool – Castaway Island is the best!" "I like to hang out Downtown," added Presley.



Jacqueline Grant, with her daughters Sherice and Sherika Burke: "We come every Friday night – we enjoy the movies, the face painting, the bounce house. We also love the arts Downtown. I've lived in Hollywood for 29 years, only 11 of them as a mother, but I couldn't ask for more. I'm never bored in Hollywood!"



Elena Hershey, Greater Hollywood Chamber's Small Businesswoman of the Year 2018 and Proprietor of Billy's Stone Crab, with her sons Robert and Alex: "There are so many fun things, we go to the beach, the parks, and we participate in the beach clean-ups – when we're not working at a great Hollywood event like this one!"



Courtney Ortiz, with her kids, Stella, Charlotte and Owen: "We love to walk to the beach, and we love Eppelman Park, on Tyler and 7th Street by the Intracoastal. It's a fenced playground where we can sit and watch all the boats go by. And we love to eat out, especially Downtown, where we can have a great meal and support our local restaurants.



Jennifer Rosario, with Princess Janeen and Elis: "Snow cones" said Janeen, in between slurps. "Fun Fridays," said her mom, " we love the bounce houses, food trucks and movies – we love all the activities that Hollywood has to offer."

Broward Technical Schools Today — Not the Trade Schools Of the Past



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One look at the courses available at Sheridan Technical High school and College and you may be ready for a new career. From Accounting and Automotive to Surgical Technology and Web Design with about 40 other specialties in between, Broward County Public Schools has a path available for any kid who doesn't necessarily see themselves as University or Military bound.

Although, said Lynn Goldman, Community Relations Coordinator for the Broward Technical Colleges & Technical High Schools, which include Sheridan Tech here in Hollywood, they have a nearly 100% graduation rate and that almost all of the high school graduates do go on to college —and not just any college, she pointed out, but very often Ivy League and other prestigious universities.

And, she continued, when they get there, they're prepared.

"Academics here are taught at a very high level," Goldman explained. "Everything is Honors or Advanced Placement. These kids do plan to go on and get advanced degrees. Most of them know early on that they have this passion, and they're getting their technical education at the same time as they're doing their academics, so if they're planning to be a dentist, they are part of the dental lab program. If they want to be a doctor or a nurse/practitioner, they come out of here as an LPN, so they are able to work in the field with full industry credentials while they're in university.

Programs available at Sheridan Tech are many: cosmetology and massage, business services such as accounting and legal administration, computer and network support systems, a full range of medical services, everything to do with driving and automotive, construction skills from cabinet-making to electricity, plumbing and HVAC, Early Childhood education



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and that staple of South Florida life, Hospitality and Tourism.

Students at Sheridan Technical fall into three categories. Full-time high-school students, part-time "dual-enrolled" high school students from partner schools like McArthur, and adults.

The high school students spend half their day in academics and half their day in tech programs. When they're freshmen and sophomores, they're in stringent career exploration programs where they visit classes and workplaces and shadow workers so that by 10th grade, they can make educated choices about where they want to focus.

Dual-enrolled students go to Sheridan once a week for their electives and receive their technical certifications that way, while adults — the "college" students — choose and pay for their own courses.

"It's a technical education," continued Goldman. "What we do here is about industry certifications, not developed by us but by the industries. We're teaching what industry wants."

Whether they go on to college, work while they're in college or go on to the workforce, all of this is free to them while they are in public school.

"You used to have to choose, vocational or academic," stated Goldman. "Here, we've been able to marry the two. We've changed our name to colleges because we articulate to other

colleges; for example, when you leave here having completed our culinary program, you're only 15 credits short of an AA degree in hospitality management."

She further explained that the adult and the high school technical programs are identical.

"Our high school students, our

adult students, our dual-enrolled students, they're all taking the same programs for the same industry certifications.

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Broward Chooses Not to Arm Teachers; Reallocates Funding for More School Resource Officers

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The education community nationwide is rejecting

efforts to arm teachers in classrooms as a solution to gun violence prevalent today in schools across the country.

Following the tragedy at Marjory Stoneman Douglas (MSD) High School, Florida legislature passed a bill (SB 7026) which would allow school employees, including some teachers, to bring guns to school if they are specially trained and deputized by sheriffs. The legislation allows school districts to decide whether or not to participate in the program.

The so-called Coach Aaron Feis Guardian Program was named in honor of the MSD football coach who died shielding students from gunfire on February 14.

On Tuesday, April 10, the Broward County School Board voted unanimously to decline to participate in the Guardian Program and Superintendent Robert W. Runcie announced the School Board's position to reject arming teachers.

"I have not met one teacher or one student who is in favor of arming teachers in Broward County," said school board member Laurie Rich Levinson.

Of the \$400 million appropriated, \$67 million has been earmarked for the rejected guardian program. Gov. Scott said in a letter to superintendents he plans to redirect any unused money to school resource officers.

"Under no circumstances do I believe that a teacher should have to utilize a weapon in our schools," added school board member Patricia Good.

Instead, Broward is requesting that funding allocated for the rejected program be redirected into the Safe Schools Allocation to provide additional funding for School Resource Officers.

The comprehensive Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act does,



however, hit a lot of sweet spots satisfying gun control advocates.

The legislation ensures full and complete background checks when a firearm is purchased, implements three-day waiting periods, raises the minimum age to 21 to purchase a firearm and bans bump stocks. In the area of mental health, the legislation passed also makes significant changes to keep firearms out of the hands of those suffering from mental illness.

Hollywood Commission encourages private and charter schools to hire school resource officers

During a recent commission meeting, the Hollywood Commission agreed to a resolution to urge all private, non-private and charter schools regulated by the School Board of Broward County to hire full time school resource officers or other appropriate security personnel for the safety and security of their students.

A copy of this resolution will be distributed to all private and charter schools in Hollywood.

This resolution does not establish any requirement that schools hire officers or security personnel. Nor does it provide any money for the hiring of security personnel. Following the shooting incident at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School, there has been heightened concern about school security. 🌐

Space is limited for affordable summer camp options in Broward

Are you a parent who annually wonders what to do with the kids during their summer break from school? If so, we have an answer: Enroll them in the free Summer Recreation Program at one of six participating neighborhood parks: Boulevard Gardens Community Center, Franklin Park, Lafayette Hart Park, Reverend Samuel Delevoe Park, Roosevelt Gardens Park, and Sunview Park, all located in the Broward Municipal Services District.

The program is available on weekdays from June 18th through August 11th, 9AM to 5PM, and registration is now open (space is limited).

As usual, there will be no program on July 4th. Early dropoff is available from 8 to 9AM, and late pickup from 5 to 6PM.

Age groups vary, with Franklin, Lafayette Hart, Delevoe, and Roosevelt Gardens accepting ages 6 to 17. The Boulevard Gardens program is for ages 6 to 10, and at Sunview participants must be between 13 and 17. All campers will receive free lunches and snacks for the first seven weeks of the program.

Participants will experience a variety of indoor and outdoor activities, including arts and crafts, a nutrition program, sports, special events, life skills, and guest speakers. Weekly field trips, which entail a minimal charge, are optional; field trip participants must also purchase a \$5 T-shirt that must be worn on all outings. Possible field trip destinations include area movie theaters and aquatics facilities such as Castaway Island at T.Y. (Topeekeegee Yugnee) Park.

Special-event days scheduled include the long-running Broward Star Time talent showcase, on July 26th, and the traditional End-of-Summer Celebration, on August 10th. The Third Annual Teen League will be on a date to be announced later.

All participants between the ages of 6 and 10 will also have access to two weeks of free water-

safety instruction through the SWIM Central program. Space is limited, however.

For further information, call or visit the park of your choice:

Boulevard Gardens (313 NW 28th Terrace) is accessible via Broward County Transit Routes #9, #22, #40, and #81. **954-357-6867**

Franklin (2501 Franklin Dr.) via Routes #11, #36, and #40. **954-357-7080**

Lafayette Hart (2851 NW Eighth Rd.) via Routes #11 and #40 **954-357-7970**

Delevoe (2520 NW Sixth St.) via Route #40 **954-357-8801**

Roosevelt Gardens (2841 NW 11th St.) via Routes # 11, #36, and #40. **954-357-8700**

Sunview (1500 SW 42nd Ave.) via Routes #18, #30, and 441 Breeze **954-357-6520**

City of Hollywood's Parks, Recreation & Cultural Arts Registration Now Open for Summer Camp 2018

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts is now accepting in-person registration for 2018 Summer Camp (June 7th - August 14th) at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center (2800 Charleston Street), Kay Gaither Community Center (6291 Funston Street), McNicol Community Center (1411 S. 28th Avenue) and Washington Park Community Center (5199 Pembroke Road) Registration for S.E.A., S.T.E.M. and WTU's, S.T.E.A.M.

Camps are now available for online registration.

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Scratch DJ Academy's New Location in Downtown Hollywood Celebrates Grand Opening



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Scratch DJ Academy recently relocated its South Florida center to Downtown Hollywood and recently celebrated its grand opening with guest speakers, performances and more than 100 guests, including DJs and producers from all over the country, Hollywood city officials and members of the local business community.

Scratch DJ Academy, a leader in DJ and music production education, opened its South Florida learning center 14 years ago in Miami. Founded in 2002 in New York City by the late Jam Master Jay of Run DMC, Scratch has taught more than 500,000 aspiring DJs and producers worldwide. Other Scratch academies are in Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Chicago and Atlanta.

The move north to a more central location was prompted by increasing interest from Broward and Palm Beach County residents.

"Scratch has been a major part of the culture here in South Florida for 14 years," said Jamie Keogh, Scratch Hollywood's academy director and an academy instructor who's professionally known as DJ Immortal. "Some of the best DJs in town have started at Scratch."

The new Downtown Hollywood location at 2017 Harrison St., which opened its doors in November, celebrated its grand opening in conjunction with the 13th annual Scratch Summit, a networking event



Amaris Esteves, Academy Manager; Anne Hotte, CEO/Executive Director of the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce; Hollywood City Commissioner Kevin Biederman; Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy; Jame Keogh, Academy Director

featuring guest speakers and performers.

"We had some of the best DJs in the world perform, including DJ Brace, DJ Ease and Buck Rodgers," Keogh said. "Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy and City Commissioner Kevin Biederman also were both here celebrating with us. Mayor Levy even jumped on the turntables and dropped some beats."

Scratch DJ Academy offers a variety of options for aspiring DJs and DJ producers. The Accelerated Program, for beginner students who want to become a working DJ producer in a condensed timeframe, meets three times a week for 15 weeks. The

Part-Time Program includes training in a variety of mixing, scratching and music production techniques and meets twice a week for an average of six months.

"It's like a real school, with hands-on instruction, assignments and graduations," Keogh said.

Scratch's other offerings are the Level 1 course, which teaches the fundamentals of DJing; private lessons for beginner enthusiasts to experienced DJs; and for youngsters ages 10 and older, a twice-weekly after school class and interactive five-day summer camps.

Scratch Hollywood utilizes state-of-

the-art gear and instructors who are well-established professional DJs, including John Gregory (DJ SomeJerk), Joseph Luis Vargas (DJ Bounce), Phil Carafello (DJ Fielo), JuanCarlos Noguera (DJ Kace) and Scott Koltun (DJ Knockers).

Those looking to book a skilled DJ can do so through Scratch's website.

"We're the only DJ service with our own in-house training," Keogh said. "A lot of our students end up working for Scratch events when they graduate."

The Downtown Hollywood center hosts Scratch events at the 1,100-square-foot facility, which is also available for birthday parties, workshops and other private events.

Keogh said Downtown Hollywood's designation as an arts, music and entertainment district certainly factored into the decision to relocate Scratch's South Florida academy there.

"Our business goes hand in hand with art and music. There's a lot going on here," Keogh said, citing the downtown art galleries, outdoor murals and events. "Downtown Hollywood's cool. We like the vibes here. We like the neighborhood here. It's the creative environment that we were looking for."

For more information on Scratch DJ Academy, call 754-757-0015 or visit www.scratch.com.

Chaminade Madonna football team honored for winning state championship



The Chaminade Madonna football team was honored during a special ceremony on April 17 for winning the 2017 Florida high school football championship.

Athletic Director Andre Torres said he was proud of the team's many accomplishments. The players and coaches received rings for winning the championship. The ceremony took place under the school's new, long-awaited stadium lights. -D.V.



Hollywood STARS

photos by David Volz



Catherine Uden and her husband Neil Uden of the Surfriders Foundation 'surfing' on artwork made from trash collected during beach cleanups.



Members of Conserving Our Reefs at Artificial Levels, club at South Broward High School that is working to restore coral reefs off the coast of South Florida.



The Hollywood Hills High School Girls Flag football team has been very successful and has a winning record. Top players include Holly Neher, Dejonice Parri and Ramiah Cooper. Coach Brandon Graham said he is proud of the team.



Naresh Aggarwal (center), International President of the Lions Club visited the Hollywood Lions Club at the Carpenter House.



Student leaders at Hollywood Hills High School sell candy to raise money for the American Cancer Society at Relay for Life at South Broward High School.

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Kent Wallace's 'B-Scene'



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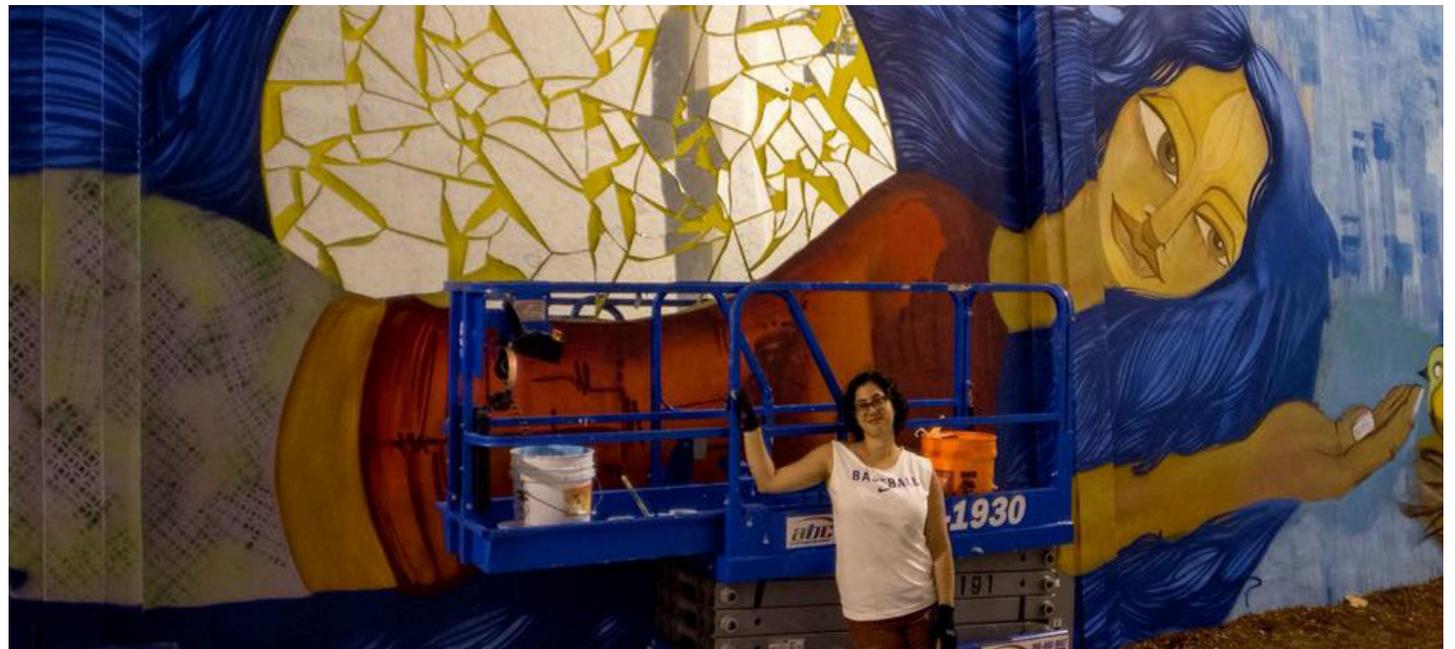
As the heat creeps the beach beckons.

We seek relief; fortunately the Hip Hamlet of Hollywood offers the solace of the sea. Our Broadwalk is the best of the bunch and the Hollywood trolley (\$1 each way) runs daily. No need to drive and fight for parking spots folks. Like Satchmo said, "Hello Trolley!"

Local artists Philo and Clay Munton have embarked on an extraordinary art project, "Palm Art Fest." It's something of a manufactured take on

Arborglyphs—encompassing people's desire to carve a message on trees. In this case, the duo creates the palms. Participants then write their message and art is created with the words included, and then mounted on the fabricated trees.

These palms are for home, business-



Alice Mizrachi in front of her DHMP mural on April 21. Photo by Barry Stock Graphic Design

es, parks—you name it. I think it's a stunning concept by a few of my favorite folks. To learn more and to help launch this awesome idea go to: www.palmartfest.com

Speaking of forward thinking artists, I'd sure like to see pop-up purveyors Alissa Alfonso and Troy Giorgio mind-meld. Imagine the results of that meet up.

Mural, mural on the wall, Hollywood is fairest of them all. Jill Weisberg gets the kudos. Take the tour, each and every 3rd Saturday Art Walk. I recently ran into muralist Alice Mizrachi while she was creating her masterpiece in the alley at 2032 Hollywood Blvd. Wow!

Sadly, the Hollywood Meet Up art group is floundering. Even with the generosity of Nancy from G's Place (she provided the space, food and beverages), traction just ain't happening. I'm hopeful that local artists will make an effort to BSCENE...

You may have heard Eddy Balzola (jazz guitar genius) playing solo or with a combo in front of

Cuenca Cigars (1928 Harrison Street) during Art Walk. Well, Eddy is busy (he's non-stop I tell youse). In May you'll find him gigging all over SoFlo (for the May schedule log onto: www.orienteband.com). I've caught him locally at the aforementioned Cuenca, as well as the Riptide Tiki Bar (Hollywood Beach every Wednesday Noon-4pm) and on Saturdays at the Yellow Green Farmers Market...

The Art and Culture Center/Hollywood is calling all artists to submit work (paintings, drawings, prints, sculpture, photography, video, computer-generated images, performance or site-specific installations) for the 2018 Florida Biennial.

Submissions will be accepted through June 1st (for more information: www.artandculturecenter.org/biennial-2018)

Big shout out to local artist Nancy Botta. Her works are unreal and always evolving. What a gem...

I must give props to American Legion Post 92 aka the Friendly Post

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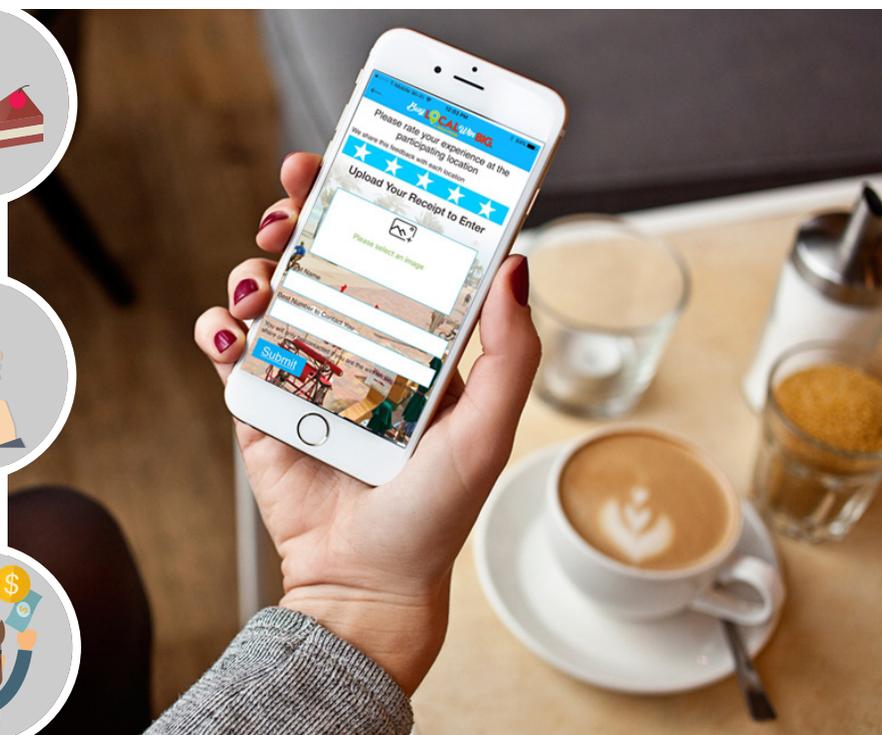
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CIRC Hotel and Residences Opens on Young Circle



BY ROBIN KERR DRULARD
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When you look to the northeast from Young Circle, at the tall new white towers risen like a phoenix from the ashes of the eyesore 'Townhouse' tenement, you almost can't remember what it looked like before the implosion.

Now, with traffic from the new Publix bustling and the anticipation of the new hotel, apartments and restaurants, it's likely that this multi-use property will do for downtown what Margaritaville did for Hollywood Beach.

And that's not all, said **Chip Abel**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Gold Coast Florida Regional Center, LLC, the parent company of Hollywood Circle, owner of the property.

"Downtown Hollywood has experienced tremendous progress over the past few years. Hollywood Circle reinforces our commitment to the City's growth today, and into the future. We anticipate being a major contributor to Hollywood as an in-demand destination for years to come."

Gold Coast is indeed committed to the city's growth. The company began assembling the development site in 2001, and bought 24 parcels to assemble the site, including the old Greyhound Bus terminal, four small apartment buildings, two gas stations, a drive-in pizza shop, a vacant lot, a parking lot, and the 12-story Townhouse Apartments.

In addition, the company has purchased the long-vacant Great Southern Hotel on the Southwest corner of the circle. Currently called the Block 40 project, it will eventually be a 19-story, mixed-use property with a Hilton Garden Inn, residential units and nearly 10,000 square feet of retail and office space in the historic site.

"To preserve its historic significance," he continued, "we will incorporate the Great Southern's façade and an interior portion of the hotel into our finished product. We believe it will attract locals and visitors alike and play a major role in Downtown Hollywood's continued resurgence."

The CIRC Hotel, Residences, and restaurants are all set to open in the first week of May, according to hotel General

Manager **Kara Lundgren**.

A grand circular entryway on Polk St. just east of Federal welcomes guests to the residences and hotel, with a covered walkway uniting the two.

The 111 room hotel and 386 unit apartment building each offer beautifully-appointed dwellings of varied sizes for both residents and visitors. The hotel and restaurant offer state-of-the-art kitchen facilities and meeting and convention rooms to accommodate groups of all sizes. But it's the bar and restaurants that are destined to enchant the locals along with the tourists.

When you enter Olivia, the 5,000 square-foot eatery with several doors directly onto the street as well as from the hotel lobby, you'll be whisked away to Sicily, with a distinctly Americano twist. The restaurant offers a huge Mozarella bar, with seemingly limitless antipasti combinations, a wine cellar with an impeccably curated wine list, private rooms and menus to take you from breakfast to late night. The hotel also features Presto Coffee House, a takeaway coffee bar right off the Circle. The decor is, in a word, spectacular.

The pièce de résistance, though, is



the roof deck restaurant and bar, The Muse Rooftop Lounge. The menu of little bites, sushi and desserts entices, and complements a full bar.

But it all pales next to the main attraction (sorry, chef)-- the view.

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The CIRC is set to open in the beginning of May. It's located at 1780 Polk St. Hollywood 33020. For information, contact the hotel at 844-700-CIRC, 954 500 1780 or info@circhotel.com.



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A Little Bit of 'Lucky' Goes A Long Way

Lucky St. Is a Big Win For Hollywood Singles

By Chris Celeste

There's more than one reason singles are flocking to Lucky St., Hollywood Florida's new restaurant and lounge. The **first** is the food. "Our menu is unique in that we take American comfort food and put a global twist on it," explains Executive Chef **Mike Mulcahy**.

He isn't kidding. A couple of the fan favorites are their Duck Fat Fries (\$5) served with their signature Fancy Sauce and their Tempura Rock Shrimp with Togarashi Mayo and Curry Aioli (\$9). Their pizzas are also top rate, especially the Meat Lovers Pizza with sopressata, pepperoni, and sausage (\$10).



Second reason: the drinks. Tuesdays are \$5 margarita nights, attracting friendly singles looking to enjoy a silly night out with new friends. They can also enjoy \$2 chicken and short rib tacos and \$3 rock shrimp tacos.

On Wednesdays, Lucky St. caters to whiskey lovers. Its half off whiskey all day long and ladies, you know what they say about the whiskey man. He's captivating, worldly and exudes sex appeal.

Thursdays are for Tequila drinkers with half off all tequila all day long. Women who prefer their men

loud, boisterous and over-the-top will want to make Thursday their night out.

The week ends with Frozen Fridays at Lucky St., half off rum based Blue Hawaiian drinks and raspberry, strawberry or mango Frozen Margaritas. Men, this nights for you as Friday brings in a slew of rowdy single ladies looking for a rollicking good time.

If late nights are not your thing, try Lucky St.'s happy hour, which they refer to as Lucky Hour (of course). They offer a great food and beverage menu at fantastic prices. Even better, while most happy hours in Hollywood end by 6pm or 7pm, Lucky Hour is from 4pm-8pm, so even the most laborious suit and tie singles can catch the great prices after a hard day at work.



Third reason: the entertainment. Lucky St. features spectacular live shows Wednesday through Saturday. On Wednesday, Lucky St. holds a Jam session at 8:30pm. Its like karaoke for bands. Pair that with whisky night and how could it not be fun? On Thursdays, a DJ gets the party started and Fri-

days and Saturdays are band nights with a variety of acts, ranging from alternative to Latin to top 40, taking the Lucky St. stage.

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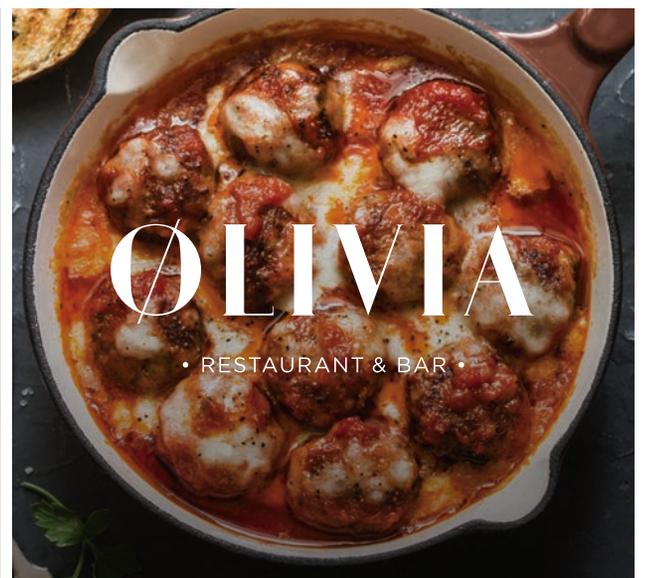
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Margaritaville Resort on Hollywood Beach Sells for \$190 Million

BY DAVID VOLZ
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KSL Capital Partners, LLC (KSL), a Denver-based private

equity firm specializing in travel and leisure investments, has acquired the Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort, for \$126.5 million according to county property records.

Characterized as a fairly complex deal, the sale closed on April 16 and was announced at the April 18 commission meeting.

During the meeting, city leadership stated that the sale price was about \$190 million according to the closing statement and SEC filings. No further information was provided on what that \$190 million includes or how the additional \$63.5 factored into the sale price. According to the *South Florida Business Journal*, a statement from KSL Capital said the full price was \$190 million, adding that it was likely for the non-real estate assets of the business.

Commissioner Traci Callari said she was disappointed in the deal and Commissioner Peter Hernandez also

indicated he believed the city did not benefit from the new arrangement.

The deal has drawn concern from residents concerned about the sudden announcement of the sale and limited details.

"The resort that cost an estimated \$190 million to build sold for 97 million. Why did the new owners and Lon not want to discuss this in a public forum? They filed the sale of the property through the county at \$97 million which drops taxable value," said Jack Izzo, candidate for Hollywood Commissioner. "There is an issue here and only Peter Hernandez brought it up. The rest will blame the old attorney because they failed the city."

The five-acre site between Johnson and Michigan streets where Margaritaville stands is owned by the City and was leased in 2013 for \$20,000 a month, with a 15 percent increase every five years.



At the time, the city projected that Hollywood will receive \$1.9 billion from the resort over the span of the 99-year lease. According to Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy, the new holding company will assume all the obligations of the lease.

Davidson Hotels & Resorts has been named to manage the resort and has worked side-by-side with KSL through the acquisition process.

"We have confidence that Davidson's team culture, brand knowledge, and unmatched support services are

the key ingredients to driving investment value and improving operational performance," said Bernard Siegel, a partner at KSL. "Further, we are thrilled to be in business with Margaritaville, a true lifestyle hospitality brand, delivering an authentic and unique resort experience."

"The acquisition of Margaritaville, and the strong sales price that it commanded, reflects the continuing success of Hollywood Beach as one of the top-10 beach destinations in the country. The hotel's initial investment group did very well with their investment, and as a city, we will continue to benefit from the millions of dollars per year that the hotel pays to us in annual rent and taxes. The hotel is leasing the land from the City, and under the terms of the lease, the better the hotel does, the more participation rent the City earns, above and beyond the base rent," added Josh Levy.

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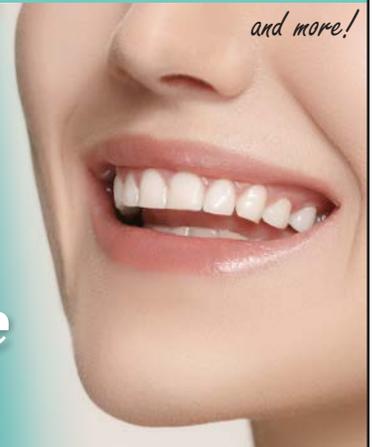
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Exceptional Theater Company Says 'Howdy' to Hollywood

Wild Wild West Show Set for June 2 Featuring Special Guests Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida



BY ROBIN KERR DRULARD
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Howdy pardners, it's almost time for the Exceptional Theater Company's "Hollywood Stars Wild, Wild West" Show!

For the fourth year in a row, members of the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Hollywood program will produce the annual musical.

The show is set for Saturday, June 2 at The Hollywood Central Performing Arts Center, 1770 Monroe Street, Hollywood 33020.

The Exceptional Theater Company (ETC) is a 27-year-old Hollywood born and bred organization, using theater to develop and promote independence, dignity, and self-respect for children and adults with disabilities.



The annual show, one of its major fundraisers, showcases the most talented and spirited cast of characters this side of the Mississippi. The performers choose their own topics and songs for the production.

This year the group will feature the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida, who will share the stage for a few songs with the ETC actors.

"The arts are near and dear to our hearts, and vital to our community," said Lee Aloni, chair of the show production committee.

For more information on the show or sponsorship, contact Aloni at LeadershipETC@gmail.com or 754-244-3352.

Doors open at 6 pm and the show starts at 7. Presale tickets are \$10 and \$15 at the door. Email LeadershipETC@gmail.com for ticket info. 🌐

ETC is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization which has enriched the lives of the special needs performers for twenty-seven years. For information on ETC contact Daniela Roeder-Levy at (954) 699-4096 or <https://exceptionaltheatercompany.org>.



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Trash Treasure Hunt to Clean Hollywood Beach Set for May 20

On May 20th, concerned citizens will come together on Hollywood Beach for a day of conservation, clean-up and community activism.

The second annual Trash Treasure Hunt at the Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort is one of four annual events organized by the youth-led group Saving Ocean Life (SOL) to keep local beaches clean and educate youth about the problems facing our oceans and marine life.

Founded by Joey Goldstein in 2015, SOL's mission is to prevent pollution through organized beach clean-ups and by spreading awareness.

"My parents have always encouraged me to give back to the community and I wanted to do something to help," said Goldstein. "Being at the beach is my happy place. It's a comforting place for me to hang out. I've always loved the water and swimming."

Kids of all ages are invited to

participate in the treasure hunt while cleaning up the beach. Check-in and registration start at 9 am on May 20th and the treasure hunt and clean-up begin at 10.

"Last year we had over 100 volunteers attend our Trash Treasure Hunt," Goldstein says. "Kids really get excited to win prizes, but more importantly they are happy to help us clean our coast." By educating young people, SOL hopes to decrease the amount of trash on our beaches in the future.

Participants can sign up at eventbrite.com/o/sol-saving-ocean-life-16709304064 and the event is free.

Sponsorship opportunities are available, with 100% of the proceeds going towards ocean conservation. For more information, email saving-oceanlife@gmail.com or follow on Facebook (SOL Saving Ocean Life) and Instagram. 



Joey Goldstein started the group in December 2015 when she first learned about the problems facing our oceans.

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South Broward High School Student Art Featured at Artspark at Young Circle Gallery

The ArtsPark at Young Circle Gallery will feature a unique exhibition of artists from the National Art Honor Society and the Photography Club at South Broward High School. The "Arts Park Art" exhibit will run from April 30th to May 10th and feature over 40 drawings, paintings and photographs created by the art students based on the theme "ArtsPark."

The art students attended a field trip and followed a scavenger hunt through the ArtsPark to help inspire their works. Since South Broward High School is located in east Hollywood near the ArtsPark at Young Circle, the students regularly use the park with their family and friends where they find inspiration in the open green space, water features and historic landscaping.



An Artist Reception is planned for Thursday, May 3rd from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. for family and friends featuring the South Broward Jazz Ensemble and Drama students performing.

All are invited to attend the "Arts Park Art Exhibition" at the ArtsPark at Young Circle Gallery, One Young Circle in downtown Hollywood Monday to Saturday from noon to 6:00 pm.

For more information regarding the Gallery hours of operation, call 954.921.3500. [📞](#)

2018 Florida Biennial Open Call to Artists Deadline is June 1



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The 2018 Florida Biennial presented by the Art and Culture Center/Hollywood is open to artists residing in the state of Florida working in any medium.

This ninth edition focuses on exploring multicultural identities, discussing ecological issues, and imagining a robust cultural climate for Florida within the global economy. The exhibition opens September 14 and will run through Oct. 21, 2018.

Participating artists will be announced June 25th.

Artists will be competing for a

Jurors Pick prize of \$1000 and Honorable Mention prize of \$500.

For the first time in the center's history, all selected artists will be awarded a stipend to refund their submission fee to defray exhibition costs, as well as a Friend-level membership. The membership is part of the North American Reciprocal Program, providing free admission to nearly 1,000 art and culture institutions.

For more information, call the Art and Culture Center/Hollywood 954. 921. 3274 or visit artandculturecenter.org/biennial-2018

Hollywood Hills High School has much to celebrate

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The Entrepreneur and Leadership Military

Academy held its annual awards ceremony on April 12 at the school's auditorium. About 150 awards were given to the cadets for various accomplishments. A number of community leaders from various civic and veterans' organizations handed out the awards to the students. The students who participated in the ceremony were very enthusiastic. The Military Academy is a school within a school. Students participated in rigorous academic, leadership and military academies.



Silber

Also Rona Silber won the Outstanding Student Volunteer of the Year for the Broward County School District. A senior at Hollywood Hills High School, she has been involved in leadership activities since her elementary school years. She also received the Outstanding Student volunteer at Hollywood Hills

High School.

Silber is very modest about her service and academic accomplishments. She has been a leader with Kidz4ACure where she would pick up unsold bread and pastries from Publix and Panera Bread and bring these items to school for hungry students and teachers. Silber would also take some of the food items to

a homeless shelter. She is a leader in the National Honor Society. "If I can make one person smile day I am happy," she said. Hollywood Hills High School recently celebrated the refurbishment of the school's weight room.

The school invested \$121,000 to install new equipment and to renovate the interior. Kevin Perry, the athletic director and a former strength and conditioning coach at the University of Michigan is very excited about the new weight room. He believes it will help the athletic program become more successful. [📍](#)



Hollywood Hills High School Military Academy Awards Ceremony.



Hollywood Hills High School Football Coach Brandon Graham and Athletic Director Kevin Perry in the newly renovated weight room. Hollywood Hills spent about \$121,000 to buy new equipment and renovate the weight room. Perry was the strength and conditioning coach for the University of Michigan football team before coming to Hollywood Hills.

Patti Clempson -- A Hollywood Original Tells the Tales of Hollywood's Kinder and Gentler Past



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Sometimes it seems like everyone we meet in South Florida is a transplant, who came to Florida for either the weather, the business opportunities or the international allure of beaches and people. But this month we bring you Ms. Patti Clempson, a Hollywood native who, although she still emits the energy of a teenager, actually just turned 80, and has some wonderful stories to tell about coming of age of the city we call home.

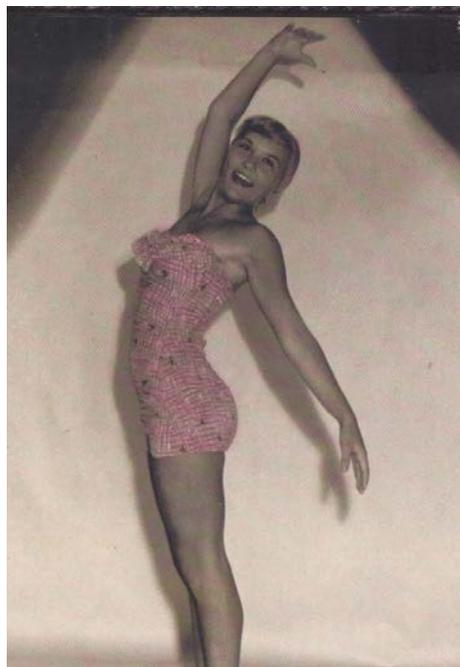
"Hollywood had beautiful parades on all the holidays," recalled the South Broward High School graduate, class of '55. "They'd start up at Hollywood Blvd. at 24th Ave. by City Hall. Everything would be draped with crepe paper and all the floats were handmade. They'd set off the old cannons from the VFW hall, with old trains. And if you had animals, you went into the parade too, with wagons or tricycles or carrying them. It was so nice. CB Smith, who was a local businessman, was usually, but not always, the grand marshal. He had three daughters, and they each had coral rock houses on Taylor Street between 24th and 26th. I'm not sure if they're still there," she mused. "We can look."

Patti is now the Hollywood Historical Society in-house historian and one of the chief storytellers. Although she is quick to point out that she's not a trained or educated historian, she is surely one of the best in the city.

"There were tons of tomato fields," she recalls. "The Sunset Golf course on Johnson St. was one of them. A huge tomato field, until the salt water intruded, and one by one they all went. I remember, I think it was 1949, the Dania Tomato Day Festival and Parade. There was a big carnival over where the Dania City Hall is today. The plaza was filled with merry go rounds, Ferris wheels, and we walked down to Dania. It was nothing to walk in those days. They had a big parade down the Federal Highway-- and there were tons of tomatoes-- and you know how they get, kind of soft and rotted. The Junior and Senior boys and girls got into a big tomato fight. Life was so simple then... I don't remember any more parades down the Federal Highway much after that."

Patti's father, Donald Joseph Mailloux, came to Florida from Fowler, Indiana in 1924 with his brother, (Patti's uncle Willard), and his father, Patti's Grandpa.

They lived in tents off Federal Hwy.



Patti Clempson as a Bathing Beauty, Circa 1953



1949 Dania Tomato Day Parade

around Taft St. until they got settled, and then her Grandmother came with the rest of the family. Their last three children were born here. He later met Patti's mother Helena Trueblood, also from Indiana, married in Hollywood and had seven girls, who gave them 15 grandsons and two granddaughters. Most of the family stayed in and around Hollywood until they retired.

Many of them went to school here -- Little Flower and South Broward and McArthur. Mr. Mailloux drove Patti and some of the other older kids to the historic St. Anthony's in Fort Lauderdale to go to Catholic School until Little Flower opened in 1949.

Patti's father and uncle owned an auto repair shop across the street from Dowdy Field on Dixie Highway, which was at that time lined with small businesses, mom and pop markets and residential homes. Her grandfather owned a gas station on Federal Hwy. on the way to the Port. Patti loved to go by the shops to see her family and help out.

"It was the 1940s, and everyone dressed nice to go to work, even to pump gas," she recalled. "I loved to go and visit my grandfather and aunt -- it was our family business for a long time."

Patti's father rented and eventually bought the building where they ran a successful business with a varied clientele until

one day, Patti found her dad, midday, lazing under a Linden tree in their backyard.

"Why aren't you at work?" she asked him. "I quit," he replied.

He hadn't asked or told anyone. He just sold the building back to the original owner. And that, as they say, was that. "That was my dad," she quipped.

The family bought a house on 26th Ave. between Pierce and Lincoln. There was, she said, nothing around them. "Just dirt. And trees. And animals."

There were pine trees, oaks, palmettos, rabbits, turtles, wildcats and raccoons. There were birds that are not around today, like meadowlarks. People hunted and fished to eat and everyone shared. They ate deer, frogs, rabbit, squirrel and doves. "Down the street, the owner of the *Sun-Tattler* raised pigeon and called it squab, and people ate that too!"

For fun, she said, they'd "relocate" people's animals, and swim in beautiful turquoise rock pits. There was an old empty house and it was their playhouse. She recalled that there was a man who had a big piece of land over on Taft St. near what would become I-95, who would rent horses for the kids to ride for the at-that-time hefty sum of \$1 per hour.

Patti, a bit of a tomboy and even at that early age a little bit of a renegade, eschewed girlish classes and took shop, where she learned carpentry. She told of a girlfriend, Nellie, a daughter of CB Smith, who could fish, skin cats, and was eventually one of the first women to own a property in her own name.

Patti's grandson on the wooden giraffe she made in shop class.

"She was independent," said Patti. "She was the son her father never had. He told her that!"

She also recalled a beautiful woman, a Mrs. Davison, who lived in a house near the site of the present Memorial Hospital.

"The house was in a park, and when it rained, it would flood, and she had to stay in," she remembered. There was very little built any further west than there.

"All the houses in Hollywood even then were built to withstand the storms, after the great hurricane of 1926," she recalled. "After that, all the door jambs were built in one piece to resist the winds."

She told of Hollywood's first nursing home, Doc Aspy's Rest Home, on the corner of Polk St. and 26th Ave. facing City Hall, and a beautiful large home on the corner of 24th and Hollywood Boulevard with a big, wraparound deck, where people would sit rocking, and watch the world go by. It was, she said, a simpler, easier, time.

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"They built a section at a time, first on the south side between Pembroke Road and Hollywood Boulevard, building houses for veterans a few at a time. In 1955, they started Hollywood Hills. Memorial opened in '52. The Lakes houses were built first, she noted, but those were really mostly winter homes, that's why so many of them are not so big. "But people that worked lived west, and they still do."

As the city grew, so did its many dedicated inhabitants.

"City Hall had a tree for every state around city hall park, and there was one man, a Mr. Bridgen, who tended the flower circle," she said. "He would walk there and care for the park. One man. And his son in law took care of Orangebrook. And there was another man who did the same around Young Circle. These people had no money, but they loved the city.

"There were two other people who worked tirelessly for the city but never got a paycheck. One was Bob Anderson, the husband of Cathy Anderson, He loved this city until the day he died. The other is Tommy Wohl, who built the Home Tower and Home Federal Savings. He lives in central Florida now but he was always a champion for Hollywood.

"We had a good life," she said, "but these days, things have changed. The world is a different place and here in Hollywood, there are so many transients, no sense of ownership. Not like it has been, and I worry about what will happen when the people who are here now are gone.

"Everyone is welcome to visit us at the Hollywood Historical Society, and we invite them all," she declared. "When people come in I want them to see everything. There are lessons to be learned from the past. We had a good life here and we have to keep that respect for the past."

So Patti is happy to hear that there are many young people who are moving up and taking part in the City, the Chamber, the committees and more.

"We have to keep building, but we also have to keep caring about the preservation of the past," she believes. "It all stems from how we are about our own neighborhoods. We work hard at keeping things nice, taking care of the character... It's good to know that there are young people in place to take over, fighting for green space preservation and keeping our city beautiful."

"Joseph Young gave everything to build his Hollywood. We owe it to him and his city to keep it the "Friendliest Little City in South Florida. Or something like that. Whatever that sign said. I'll have to find that picture," said Patti.

Patti Clempson believes she's the Luckiest Old Lady in the World. "I have friends of every kind and color, and I've had a great life" she said. We think we're lucky to have met Patti Clempson. 🌈

Do you have a story to tell about the fascinating history of Hollywood? Email robin@hollywoodgazette.com

• Broward County's Port Everglades has a new sister. The Port has

entered a Memorandum of Understanding with the Port of Limon, Costa Rica, as part of its International Sister Seaport Program. Costa Rica is the Port's eighth largest trading program by volume. After the signing, Port Everglades and representatives from Costa Rica discussed opportunities for information sharing and took a tour.

• The Broward County Commission is continuing to hope for a transportation sales tax. The Commission discussed it on April 10 and provided the County Attorney with some suggestions as to what they would like to see on the ballot.

The Broward Commission wants a one percent charter county and regional transportation system sales surtax earmarked for transportation and transit projects countywide. If approved by the Commission, voters will have the opportunity to vote on the transportation sales tax increase on November 6, 2018. The transportation sales surtax has the potential to generate an estimated \$16 billion over thirty years.

• The City of Hollywood is considering a major multi-year project to expand the city's septic system and to replace its water main. City leaders participated in a workshop and have been presented with two scenarios, one that would take ten years to implement and would cost about \$710 million; the other would take twenty years to complete and cost about \$832 million. Under the ten year plan, there would be full expansion of sewer lines throughout the city at a cost of \$384 million, continuation of the water main replacement at a cost of \$162 million, closure of the Ocean Outfall at \$113 million and other general CIP projects at \$51 million. Under the twenty year plan, there would be full expansion of the sewer lines throughout the city for \$439 million, continuation of the water main replacement at \$187 million, closure of the Ocean Outfall at \$113 million and other general CIP projects at \$93 million.

• During a recent meeting, the Hollywood Commission approved an ordinance to amend the code of ordinances involving noise and property owners. The new ordinance will make property owners responsible for noise violations.

There will no requirement for a warning prior to a violation being issued. There will be the establishment of quiet hours citywide in residentially zoned areas. There will be fine structure with escalating fees for violators and sound limitations for public property.

• During a recent meeting, the Hollywood Commission agreed to a resolution to allow city leaders to execute a LED lighting agreement with Florida Power & Light for the conversion of 5,788 FPL owned and maintained street lights to LED lighting.

• The City of Hollywood is beginning to address the 2019 fiscal year budget. The Commission recently held a budget workshop. Right now, the goal is to maintain the current millage rate of 7.4479. Preliminary figures show \$265,613,000 in revenue and \$279,048,000 in expenditures. This means a deficit of \$13,434,000. Under Florida law, the budget must be balanced. Some ways to accomplish this might include raising the millage rate by .10 mil to bring in \$1.2 million. The City could eliminate vacant positions and eliminate some programs. It could reduce 2018 budget enhancements.

• The Hollywood Commission approved a number of major transportation contracts. It passed a resolution to approve an agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for construction of a traffic signal along Sheridan Street east of U.S. within the West Lake Commons Plat. It passed a resolution to allow city leaders to execute a railroad reimbursement agreement with Florida Department of Transportation Authority for Reconstruction of the Johnson Street Railroad Grade Crossing and maintenance of traffic control devices in the amount of \$359,786.

For the Department of Public Utilities, it approved a resolution to allow city leaders to execute a contract with Therma Seal Roofing Systems for construction services related to the Meter Shop Roof Replacement Project located at 1715 North 21st Avenue in the amount of \$131,210.

• More work is taking place on the septic-to-sewer conversion project. An important goal is to connect more residents to the sewer lines. During a recent meeting, the Hollywood Commission agreed to a resolution to allow city leaders to execute a work order with Craven

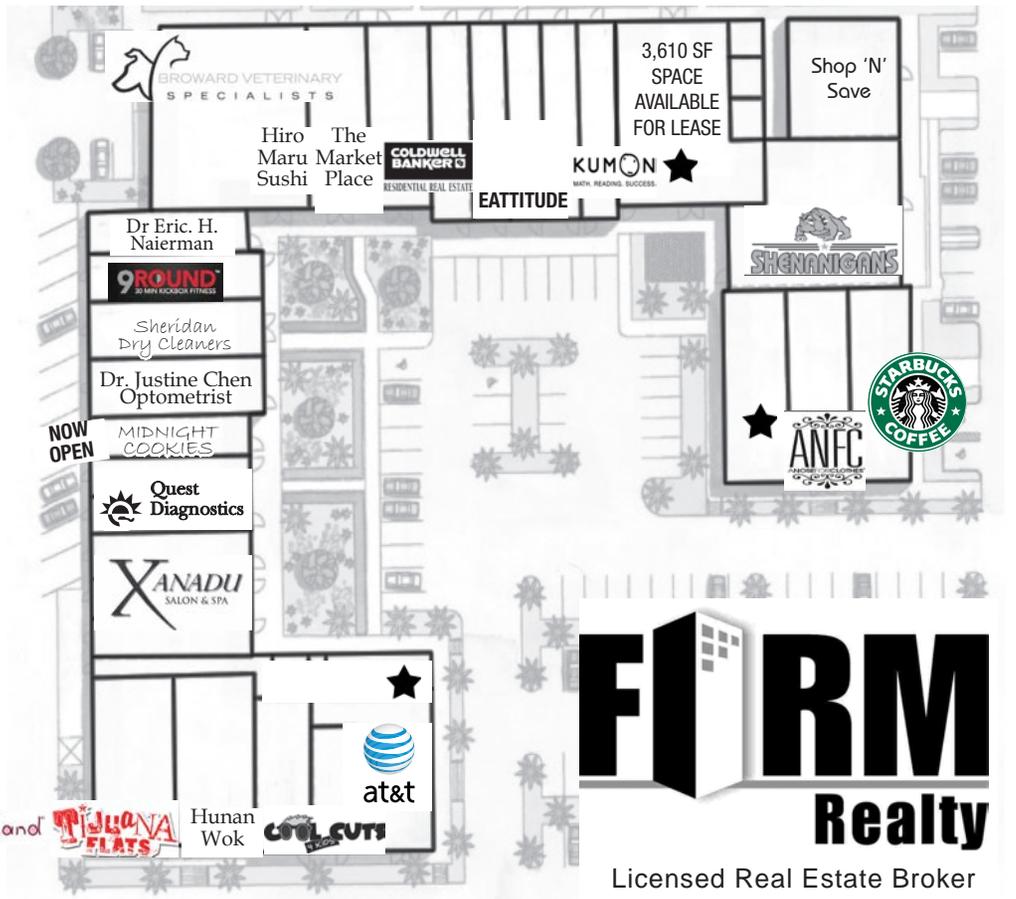
Thompson and Associates to provide professional engineering services for the Driftwood Septic-to-Sewer Conversion Phase II in the amount of \$972,358. The Commission agreed to a resolution to allow city leaders to execute a work order with EAC Consulting, Inc. to provide professional engineering services for the 441 Corridor Septic-to-Sewer Conversion in the amount of \$550,822. It agreed to a resolution to allow city leaders to execute an amendment to an agreement with Envirowaste Services Group for the Gravity Sewer System Condition Assessment, Renewal and Replacement Program. This involves excavated point repairs for evaluation and potential repair work of additional sewer basins in the amount of \$1,166,705.

• A new school building will soon be erected in Hollywood. During a recent meeting, the Hollywood Commission approved a resolution granting site plan approval for the construction of a 15,300 square foot elementary school building and renovations to an existing place of worship. The elementary school is called Alpha International Academy and the place of worship is Faith and Life Fellowship Ministries. It is located at 121 South 24th Avenue. The Academy is a charter school and has students in grades K-12. The new building will be two stories and have a multicolored exterior. During the meeting, residents spoke about the importance and value of the school to the community. A group of supporters of the school attended the meeting to show support.

"This will be great for Hollywood," said the Academy's principal Wayne Neunie. "We will have a new and large building and we will be able to reach more children."

• Governor Rick Scott signed SB 7028 and HB 7099, which makes permanent the emergency rules requiring every nursing home and assisted living facility (ALF) in Florida to have emergency generators to keep residents safe. Governor Scott directed the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DEA) to issue the emergency rules immediately following the tragedy at the Rehabilitation Center at Hollywood Hills during Hurricane Irma last year. Florida is one of the first states in the nation to require emergency generators at nursing homes and ALFs.

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SPARK HOLLYWOOD HOSTS START-UP COMPETITION FOR TECH INNOVATORS AND ENTREPRENEURS

March 14th, 2017 - Hollywood, FL - Spark Hollywood, a coalition of local organizations focused on growing and supporting the technology sector and entrepreneurs in Hollywood, Florida, announced that its hosting its annual 'start-up competition', Spark Hollywood, on May 17th, 2018.

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Spark Hollywood is an event that promotes innovation and entrepreneurship for local inventors, entrepreneurs and small businesses. The event will feature a 'quick pitch' competition where entrepreneurs and start-up businesses vie for cash and in-kind prizes. The event will be held on Thursday, May 17th, 2018 at CIRC Hotel, 1780 Polk St Hollywood, FL 33020.

Spark Hollywood has three main objectives: (1) provide a quick-pitch competition for selected contestants to pitch their idea or invention to a panel of judges to win prizes; (2) provide an opportunity for start-ups to showcase their ideas, inventions and products during a "trade show" open to the public; and (3) provide an opportunity for early-stage entrepreneurs to learn about resources available in the City of Hollywood and South Florida while networking with potential investors and experts who may help grow their venture.



The quick-pitch competition will feature entrepreneurs and start-up ventures competing for cash and in-kind prizes by giving a three-minute presentation of their innovative idea/business to a panel of judges comprised of local investors and business professionals.



In addition, our keynote speaker will be Scott Joseph. Mr. Joseph is an entrepreneur in the Hollywood area. He is the founder and president of Healthy Tribe, a \$15 million-dollar company and author

of "The Chimp Diet." He will share his experience on investing in and growing a food service business focused on Nutritional Biology.

Spark Hollywood is sponsored by the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, the City of Hollywood, Jim Moran Institute for Global Entrepreneurship of FSU, Nova Southeastern University, Hollywood Restoration, The Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, Gold Coast/Hollywood Circle and Leadership Hollywood XLII. For more information please visit www.SparkHollywoodFL.com.

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12:00pm - 1:15pm</p> <p>MAY 10TH Good Morning Hollywood Breakfast
Leona's Palace, 2029 Harrison Street, Hollywood FL
7:30am - 9:00am</p> <p>MAY 11TH 2018 Small Business Person of the Year: Carlos Zuluaga, Lion Fuse Digital Media
Renaissance in Plantation
1230 S Pine Island Rd, Plantation, FL
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CIRC Hotel
1780 Polk Street, Hollywood, FL
6:00pm - 8:00pm</p> | <p>MAY 19TH Computer Science (CS) Fair-Leadership Hollywood Community Project
Sheridan Technical College Student Union, 5400 Sheridan Street, Hollywood, FL
9:00am - 12:00pm</p> <p>MAY 23RD Business After Hours
CIRC Hotel, 1780 Polk St, Hollywood, FL
5-7:00 pm</p> <p>MAY 25TH Membership Orientation
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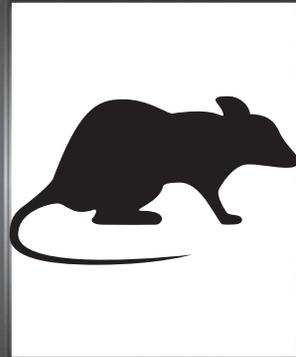
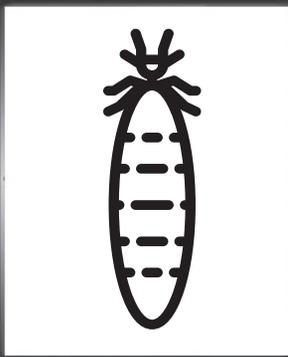
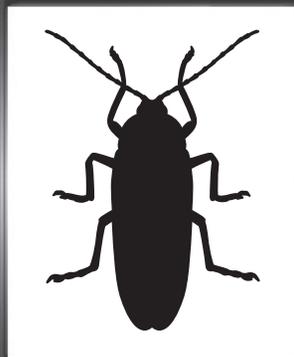
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Hollywood Resident Daphne Dilbert Receives President's Volunteer Service Award

For April's National Volunteer Month, more than 50 South Florida AT&T employees were awarded the prestigious United States President's Volunteer Service Award, or PVSA, for their commitment to volunteerism.

Local Hollywood resident **Daphne Dilbert** is among those who received the award, in recognition of the work she does right here in our own community.

"I believe whole-heartedly in the saying, 'Go the extra mile, it's never crowded,'" said Daphne. "The joy I feel when helping others is immeasurable. There's no greater mark to leave in life than making a difference in another's life. I'm just grateful I work for a company that not only supports my volunteer efforts but also encourages me to do even more."

Daphne was honored with the Silver PVSA for donating more 250 hours of her time in 2017. Through her involvement with the AT&T Pioneers, an employee resource group, Daphne volunteers her time with the Antioch Community Development Corp., helping feed and clothe those in need; mentoring young girls through Black Girls CODE and STEM programs supported through the AT&T Aspire program; and participating in numerous community projects, such as building a playground and contributing to annual backpack and blood drives.

Daphne also volunteers as a board member for Liberia Economic Social



(LES), which provides affordable housing. She also partners with LES to sponsor the City of Hollywood's annual African-American Poetry Slam contest.

As a PVSA winner, Daphne will receive a congratulatory letter from the president of the United States, a personalized PVSA certificate and an official PVSA pin, medallion or coin.

For additional information on the PVSA or the AT&T Pioneers, contact Kelly Layne Starling at 561 301 1414 or kelly.starling@att.com.



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Baby OF THE MONTH

Eleyson Manuel Maldonado-Pagan Jr.
7 months

Eleyson likes to play with his Pitbull, Thor. He has an older brother and sister who are 18 and 17 and parents who can't get enough of him. He doesn't sleep very much except for his power naps of 20 min. And he loves watching The Secret Life Of Pets with his big sister Eleyzanis.

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Things are heating up in Hollywood, both literally and figuratively. Temperatures may be starting to soar but the departure of the snowbirds is giving us year 'round residents more room to play, and at the same time, the growth of the city is giving up more things to do. Just take a look around downtown!

The northeast corner of Young Circle, once the eyesore of the reviving city, now is home to the beautiful new CIRC Hotel and Residences and its two dining/drinking hotspots, **Olivia** right off the circle and **Muse** up on the roof, which offers a view of South Florida that no one's ever seen before, perfect for those long, lazy summer days and nights.

The City is stepping up too, with a variety

of events beyond the usual -- SPARK, Hollywood's own Shark Tank-like experience; #BrowardCODES, a Computer Science Fair for our brilliant kids; Wild, Wild Hollywood, a special show put on by the Exceptional Theater Company (our cover models!) Hollywood's own special needs stars (and featuring special guest artists the Gay Men's Chorus of Broward!) -- all produced by Leadership Hollywood Class 42 and designed to bring excitement, joy and pride to our community, and remind us why we live here.

This month our Hollywood History page visits with Patti Clempson, a Hollywood native who talks a bit about the good old days of our fair city. We're also bringing back one of our most popular features, the Baby of the Month (p. 37) so please send us yours!

And in honor of Mother's Day, we talked with some moms and their kids about their favorite things to do together in Hollywood. (No surprise, the beach was #1, but we did find a few hidden gems in the mix!)

Stay cool, and Happy Mother's Day to All!



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Amy DePreker, Vice President of Sales & Marketing, answered some questions about the new Memory Care Assisted Living Community.



Describe the community. The community will be comprised of four neighborhoods designed to

create an intimate environment with familiar living spaces. Each level of the community will include a central core, known as the "Town Center," flanked by four distinct "neighborhoods" that will serve as intimate living spaces. The Town Centers will feature a host of amenities, including a neighborhood center for community gatherings and a studio for activities, as well as a health center, beauty and barber shop.

How do you tailor each person's living experience? Artis Senior Living of Davie strives to make sure that its residents and their families have a say in how they live. Our philosophy centers around empowerment, pride and fulfillment for all our residents. Instead of a one-size-fits-all philosophy, the experience is tailored specifically to each person to ensure independence, dignity and quality of life.

Describe some of the design features. Influenced and refined by 20 years of operational experience, the new residence is thoughtfully designed to enhance residents' cognition and quality of life by creating a home environment that is both nurturing and comfortable. Design features include

smaller scale spaces, residential finishes, and the use of themes for wayfinding and location recognition.

What is "The Artis Way?" We follow what we call "The Artis Way." Each letter of the word Artis stands for a tenet of the organization.

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- ▲ "R" is about respecting and maintaining relationships. We're like family here, because we're so in tune with our residents' likes and dislikes.
- ▲ "T" stands for treasuring each person's uniqueness.
- ▲ "I" is for integrity. We promote dignity and respect, including those who work with and for Artis.
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