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St. Ambrose Carnival thrives with its dedicated corps of party givers who just keep on giving

By Judy Wilson

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Deerfield Beach – This time of year at St. Ambrose Church, Father Bryan Dalton's joke is that the

people who stage the annual food fest, midway, rides and entertainment love it so much they will "run off with the carnival." Indeed, the same crew of volunteers have been putting on the event for 19 years with such

dedication that some take their annual vacations so they can devote a week or two to their volunteer duties.

"Our dearest friends and anyone

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Residents remember origins of Martin Luther King Boulevard and its role in local history

By Michael d'Oliveira

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Pompano Beach – As this city undertakes major improvements on Martin Luther King [MLK] Boulevard to attract new development, the street's earliest inhabitants still remember earlier times.

Alfonsa McIntosh remembers when MLK was named Rock Road; a name that came from the road literally being made out of rocks and dirt. "My



father used to bust those big old rocks to fill in pot holes," he said.

Back then, McIntosh said MLK Boulevard was mostly surrounded by farms and labor camps, but one of the few surviving buildings from that era, the Ali Building, is where he used to get haircuts for 75 cents.

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Sarah Corbett sings solo for attendees at the Rock Road Restoration Group's Black History Month Program at the E. Pat Larkins Center on Feb. 17. [Staff photo]

After 66 years, a pioneer business changes direction

DBS clears its decks

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – Deerfield Builders Supply, a business fixture in this city for 66 years, has exited the retail hardware business, closed the rebar manufacturing plant, and will no longer be a lumber yard. Instead, the family-run company will specialize in windows, cabinetry and specialty woods and maintain its export business in the Caribbean.

A two-day auction last week cleared out the store at SE 2 Avenue and Hillsboro Blvd. Already gone was the large truck fleet. Soon to be closed are DBS stores in Sarasota and Tampa.

"This is the first year we were not in the Founders' Days Parade," said company president Ed Dietrich.

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Honey bees welcome; abandoned houses must be registered

By Judy Vik

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Oakland Park – City commissioners on Wednesday unanimously approved an ordinance on second reading to permit honey bee keeping in the downtown district on city-owned properties.

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Now, Rock Road is known by two names: MLK and Hammondville Road, a decision made by city commissioners in 1990 that was not without controversy.

Commissioners chose Hammondville in honor of Hiram F. Hammon, a white pioneer who employed many African Americans on his farms in the area.

Beverly Moody, a community activist who now serves as the director of outreach services for Congressman Alcee Hastings, said many in the African American community were upset with naming the street after Hammon because of the poor wages he paid his workers.

She said residents packed city hall to demand the removal of Hammon's name



Hazel Armbrister, president of the Rock Road Restoration Historical Group, presents Alfonso McIntosh with a Pioneer award at the group's Black History Month Program on Feb. 17. McIntosh helped start Rock Road when it was just an informal group that met at the Mitchell Moore Center. [Staff photo]

but commissioners decided to compromise and choose two names.

Now, 20 years after the name change, commissioners are focused on the street itself.

On Feb. 7, residents and city officials broke ground on the MLK streetscape improvements. The \$11 million project, which also includes Historic Downtown Pompano, is designed to improve sidewalks, lighting and landscaping and add entryway signs and new parking.

Another groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 28 at 5 p.m. at the Ali Building, 353 MLK Blvd. Final plans for the building's future are still being worked-out but the goal is to make it a cultural center. Horatio Danovich, engineer for the Community

Development Agency, said the project has been budgeted to cost about \$1.2 million and should be finished by the end of the year.

Built in 1933, the Ali Building is named after Frank and Florence Ali, the husband and wife who originally owned it. Frank ran the barbershop and Florence ran a beauty salon out of the first floor. They used the second floor as their home.

Asked if she's happy with the city's plans for the Ali Building, Hazel Armbrister, president of the Rock Road Restoration Historical Group [RRHG], said she is waiting until the project is farther along before she makes up her mind.

She said it's important

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Black history

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that the Ali Building “become a museum for our history – blacks, coloreds, negroes. Pompano would not have been Pompano without them.”

To honor some of those who helped Pompano to evolve, the RRRHG, residents and city officials gathered at the E. Pat Larkins Center on Sunday for RRRHG’s Black History Program.

McIntosh was presented with the organization’s Pioneer award.

Armbrister described him as one of the organization’s founding members and credited him with helping to establish RRRHG when it was just an unofficial group that met at the Mitchell Moore Community Center.

Richard Macon was honored for his work as the owner of Freeman-Macon Funeral Home. Macon said he has amassed a stack of unpaid bills from people who couldn’t afford a decent funeral for a loved one.

But Macon said their ability to pay hasn’t been his main concern. “I saw a need

in this community. [Some people] couldn’t afford a decent burial. I decided I could [help them] and I just decided to keep doing it.”

The late John Franklin Lee was honored for opening the first shoe repair shop and teaching many young men, including his grandson, Vincent Johnson, to shine shoes.

Ocie Phillips was honored for opening the city’s first barbershop.

Tom Baker, now deceased, was honored for being one of the first landowners in Pompano. In

particular, Armbrister said he owned vast tracts around Rock Road.

His son-in-law, Julius Bristol Ellington, also deceased, was honored for his generosity and “life of giving.” Accepting the awards were the son of Julius Ellington, Charles Ellington, and Charles’ wife, Emma.

In 2000, the Ellington family kept up Julius’ spirit of giving by donating land to the city for the E. Pat Larkins Center, land that previously housed the Ellington homestead where Charles Ellington was born and Emma

Ellington gave birth to three of their sons.

Emma Ellington said that it’s important to teach the African American residents of Pompano that their forefathers were hard-working, successful people who played an important role in helping to develop the city. “We’re going to rewrite our own history,” she said.

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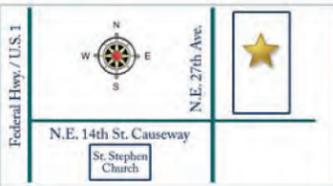
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By Phyllis J. Neuberger
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Honey Bees

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The city recently retained the Urban Farming Institute to provide an urban farm park and offer educational courses at Jaco Pastorius Park. One of the classes will offer instruction on urban and rural beekeeping without the use of chemicals.

Registration with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will be required in order to ensure that the proposed beekeeping activities are certified and properly maintained.

Commissioner Jed Shank suggested the city next look at making the same accommodation for aquaculture.

In other business:

Commissioners unanimously approved on first reading an ordinance to provide for inspection of abandoned property.

With this ordinance,

if a property is vacant or abandoned for 30 days or more, the mortgage holder must inspect the property to confirm it is abandoned and register with the city.

The ordinance is intended to give the city more control over abandoned properties.

In Oakland Park, commission meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at city hall.

Meetings are broadcast live on Comcast, Channel 78, and rebroadcast the following evening at 6:30 p.m. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend any commission meetings.

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Many voters are ignoring the upcoming municipal elections March 12, but we hope we can change their minds. Here's why:

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It is your vote that determines who will make the decisions that impact your life. Think about this:

Shall your city implement the red light cameras that photograph the tail of your car sneaking through a yellow light? It's either pay the fine or start a legal battle.

Shall your city allow signage that turns a sophisticated business community into a replica of Coney Island? Overturning mistakes like that are expensive to the taxpayer.

Shall your city control the colors you can use to paint your house?

Shall your city demand police protection at local schools?

Shall your city support cultural events?

How about the parks in your city? Are they beautiful, well-kept and accessible?

Do you and your children have access to sports and recreation?

Are those people running your government smart enough to keep assessments and taxes low and public funds safe?

Does your city have a sufficient reserve fund?

Does your city have the resources to step in after a hurricane?

The people you will elect on March 12 should always be working on these issues. They are your public servants. They essentially determine the quality of life for you and your family.

Before you vote in this election, ask questions of the candidates, call them for position statements, ask them to speak to a gathering of your neighbors. When you cast your vote, do it as an informed citizen.

This week *The Pelican* offers profiles of the candidates running in the cities that we cover. Only Pompano Beach, Deerfield Beach and Oakland Park have commission elections in March.

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Fisher seeks third term; says much work yet to be completed

Lamar Fisher



Pompano Beach

Mayor

Age - 52

Place of birth - Pompano Beach

Career - Owner, Fisher Auction Company, Pompano Beach

Education - Palm Cove High School, A.A. degree Palm Beach State College

Civic organizations - Kiwanis, past distinguished governor, Elks Lodge

Public service - Pompano Beach planning and zoning board, chair of the Broward County Planning Council



Lamar Fisher

Mayor Lamar Fisher was elected mayor in 2007. He says he is seeking re-election to continue the work that

"we and this commission body have already put into motion." He comes to this election with a list of priorities based on fiscal responsibility, job growth and quality of life as he seeks a third term as city-wide mayor.

He is proud that in 2013, the city collects the same "level of taxes" as it did five years ago. The city has one of the lowest fire assessments in the county.

As for job growth, Fisher says that conversations are on-going with developers to invest in the Federal Highway corridor. To that end, city planners and officials are undergoing studies of land-use and zoning to facilitate a mixed-use development. "It would be a perfect fit with the golf and water views along Federal Highway," he says.

One coup already in the works is the proposed Whole Foods Market that will take over the now defunct K-Mart building north of Copans on Federal Highway. Whole Foods and Sports Authority will share the space. The opening of both stores is expected in 2014.

Another Federal Highway project consisting of garden apartments is "moving quickly" says Fisher.

Plans for a boutique hotel and marina have been approved for the old Tails Restaurant, 2635 N. Riverside Drive. It will have 120 rooms in a three to four-story building.

See FISHER on page 14

Baumwald impatient with city's progress, wants hotels, jobs

David Baumwald



Pompano Beach

Mayor

Age - 47

Place of birth, St. Louis. 32 years in Pompano Beach

Career - Construction

Education - One year at Admiral Farragut Academy [1981-82]

Public service - Served three and one-half years on the community appearance committee

Incarceration [1998] Possession of cocaine



David Baumwald

David Baumwald says he has "serious problems" with the amount of time it takes to get things done in the city. Citing the progress on the

proposed regional library/cultural center, he adds that after seven to eight years of planning, "I'd get fired if I took this long to get things done." But he adds that the library itself should be put off for two years until times are better.

This candidate is also anxious to see more action at the city's municipal pier. "It should be done by now. [The city] has been very slow. The pier should be open with live entertainment."

Baumwald strongly supports a hotel, something like a Day's Inn at the beach, for families. He wants the beach to be affordable, family-oriented.

He would like to see the city offer tax incentives to encourage business owners to build in Pompano Beach. "We should give business owners breaks in areas like landscaping and negotiate to get the businesses here." He also

See BAUMWALD on page 14

Burrie seeks re-election to keep city moving in right direction

Charlotte Burrie



Pompano Beach

District 2 Commissioner
Age - 68
Place of birth - New York, 50 years in Pompano Beach
Career - Attorney
Education - St. Thomas University, Juris Doctor.
Public service - Coast Guard Auxiliary, Moose, American Legion, Chairman of Relay for Life, member Cresthaven Homeowners Association, and Highlands Civic Association and South Pompano Civic Association, Elks Lodge exalted ruler.
Elected office- Six years Pompano Beach Commissioner, Dist. 2.



Charlotte Burrie

Charlotte Burrie seeks her fourth term as District 2 commissioner and says she wants to continue helping her district and the city to move in the right direction.

One of her top priorities is the Neighborhood Stabilization Project [NSP], a program that funnels HUD money to repair, refurbish and sell blighted and foreclosed homes to new owners. Proceeds from the sales are recycled for other homes. Burrie says she is expecting more funds to be available for the Highlands only.

In the Highlands, Burrie explains that beautification and traffic calming will begin to take place once the county completes the street paving. "The city will fund the beautification and add welcome signs to the neighborhood." She would also like to see a community center for that neighborhood and has her

See BURRIE on page 12

Put the brakes on spending and subsidizing programs, Terwilliger

Thomas Terwilliger



Pompano Beach

Commissioner, District 2

Age - 67
Birthplace - Mount Clements, MI. How long in Pompano Beach? - 3 years
Career - Former Merchant Marine, investment manager.
Education - MBA finance
Civic involvement - Peace Corps volunteer [1960s], Broward County Election Voting technician, Governor's Hurricane Task Force [2001-2003]



Thomas Terwilliger

Thomas Terwilliger, a resident of Leisureville says he offers the city an

"untainted new view," adding that a little "outside perspective never hurts."

Terwilliger tops his priority of causes with the crime issues in The Highlands. "Safety is the key here," he says. "These residents are facing drug

See Terwilliger on page 12

Crime and illegal dumping concern Dist. 4 candidate Poitier

Woodrow "Woody" Poitier



Pompano Beach

Commissioner, District 4

Age 65
Birthplace - Dade City, lived in Pompano Beach since 1956.
Career - Owner/manager L.C. Poitier Funeral Home; Pompano Beach retired lieutenant, paramedic/ firefighter [23 years]
Education - Moorehouse College; Miami Dade College School of Mortuary A.S. degree, 1970
Civic organizations - NW Kiwanis; Tiger's Roar Club; Mount Calvary Baptist Church Trustee; Pompano Beach Housing Authority past chair and EMS advisory board, past chair.



Woodrow "Woody" Poitier

Public office - In third term as commissioner in Dist. 4.

Woody Poitier has a laundry list of issues that he believes are important in District 4, one of which is the illegal dumping that goes on there. Pompano Beach offers twice a week bulk pick-up that has attracted people who prefer to dump lawn material, bulk carpeting and other items in this community instead of disposing of this waste material legally. He recalls when he was an eye-witness of an illegal dumping that prompted him to follow the culprit, call the police and witness the arrest. He agrees that a solution may lie in fewer bulk pick-up days.

Criminals have stalked this district for many years with drug dealers, theft and break-ins. Poitier keeps his own police scanner on hand to track the numbers. He says that many crimes are avoidable if residents will lock their homes and cars. He also urges neighbors to look out after each other. "Criminals like to brag about their deeds," he says, intimating that listening might be one way to locate criminals.

Major work on Martin Luther King Boulevard, Poitier says, has "boosted his ego." He refers to 731 MLK Boulevard where the CRA has broken ground to build a commercial mixed-used building and to the restoration of the district's historic building, the Ali Building, known as the first black-owned business in Pompano. Poitier says she feels "very good" about the progress being made there.

On Dixie Highway, the transit center is open. "The bus station opened up the whole thing," Poitier says. There is talk of getting a Greyhound Bus at the center. The city also approved a senior center on Blanche Ely Boulevard at the St. Joseph Haitian Center. "It is well-deserved and very needed for our seniors," Poitier added.

Poitier is supportive of the work of the Community Redevelopment Agency. He likes the idea of a new cultural center but is uncertain about a hotel on the pier parking lot.

Of his candidacy he says, "I've gotten the hang of the job. We are accomplishing things in the district. We are getting things done. This is one of the best city commissions in a long time."

[Ed's note: Invitations to be interviewed were extended to Dist. 4 candidates Ed Phillips and Joseph Wells who did not respond after several phone calls.]

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Important things remain to be accomplished, Noland says

Peggy Noland 

Deerfield Beach

Mayor

Age - 61
Education - Syracuse Barber School, NY
Career- Former beautician, hostess manager of Cove Restaurant, contractor's expeditor.
Civic involvement - Board member, Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization, Board of Directors for League of Cities, American Legion Post 162, Disabled Veterans of America.
Prior public service- DB City Commission, 1992-97, 1997-2005. Elected mayor in 2009.



Peggy Noland

Peggy Noland is seeking a second term as mayor of Deerfield Beach because she "loves" her position, feels "compassion" for the city and has made the necessary "sacrifices" in the line of duty. Noland sees the most important issues facing the commission in the next few years to be development of Sullivan Park, infrastructure improvements to Cove Gardens and building the athletic fields at Tam 'O Shanter. In this next budget cycle she wants to give city employees the five percent raise they have deferred for the last two years.

Addressing an automatic pay raise the commission will receive in March, Noland said she has no strong feelings one way or another. It was approved by a previous commission of which she was a member so that commissioners would no longer be in a position to give themselves a raise.

See NOLAND on page 13

Berner says her activism will benefit District 3

Caryl Berner 

Deerfield Beach

Commissioner, District 3
Age - 64
Birthplace - The Bronx. Has lived here 12 years.
Career- Assist. Director East Hampton, LI Chamber of Commerce. Sub teacher in Deerfield Beach.
Education - BA from Queen's College
Civic involvement - CVE Relay for Life, former Deerfield Beach Housing Authority Commissioner, on board of CVE Master Management, former DB Planning and Zoning Board member.
Other public office - No, but ran for the same seat four years ago.



Caryl Berner

Caryl Berner says because she has been involved with issues for the past nine years, she has already served her district. She attends most city commission meetings and other district meetings. If elected she will work to "change the culture" at city hall, she said, citing the employee's five percent pay cut because "they did not have an advocate."

Berner was responsible for getting city commission meetings on the cable TV system in Century Village, worked against the utility tax, feels there is a solution to the new beach sticker policy that excludes part time residents, and will hold quarterly District 3 meetings.

Several years ago, she fought for a no-smoking area at the beach, and won. One of her first issues was that a menorah be installed on public property along

See BERNER on page 21

City making decisions that should belong to the voters, Robb says

Jean Robb 

Deerfield Beach

Mayor
Age - 81
Birthplace- Philadelphia. How long in Deerfield Beach - 55 years.
Career- Teacher of journalism and advanced English. Degree from West Chester University; master's work at Villanova.
Education - BS in secondary education, Community Association Management license and manager of Princeton Place.
Civic involvement- DB Historical Society, DB Woman's Club, major donor to the Holocaust Memorial at Temple Beth Israel, chair of a city charter revision committee, former chair planning and zoning board.
Other public office- Mayor 1980 - 1993. Ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 1997 and district 1 commission, 2004.



Jean Robb

See ROBB on page 20

Capobianco is strong in finance and communication skills

Donna Capobianco 

Deerfield Beach

Commissioner, District 3
Age, 62
Birthplace - Boston. How long in Deerfield Beach - 10 years
Career- financial services and business consulting
Education - Communications/ education degree from Bridgewater State
Civic involvement- Director of Oakridge V, headed master management for Century Village East, 2006-2009. Currently is president of the CVE Recreation Committee.
Other public office- none. Ran for seat four years ago.



Donna Capobianco

Donna Capobianco comes to the Dist. 3 city commission campaign with a strong background in business and finance. Following the death of the

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Rosenzweig says his is a moderate voice that will find solutions

Richard Rosenzweig



Deerfield Beach

Commissioner, District 3

Age- 74

Birthplace – Greenbelt, MD. Has lived here fulltime for four years.

Career- Management and ownership positions in retail food industry.

Education – High school degree, college courses.

Civic involvement – Commdr. Jewish War Veterans Post 265, Deerfield Beach Democratic Club, vice president of Temple Beth Israel. In Maryland, active in Democratic Party and Civic Federation.



Richard Rosenzweig

Richard Rosenzweig said he is running because in high school he wrote an essay on the importance of the vote and thought about being in the Maryland legislature. Although he was never a candidate, he worked politics behind the scenes, and now with a new chance at public office does not want to “sit on the sidelines.” Additionally, he was encouraged to run by members of the DB Democrat Club and feels he will a more moderate voice than his opponents.

He criticizes the prevailing lack of district meetings because the “role of a Democracy is to have people involved.”

He is against any zoning change that would allow residences on the Hillsboro Pines Golf Course and says Master Management should evaluate purchasing the golf course and/or investigate other uses for the property such as the cemetery being developed on the old Tam O’Shanter Golf Course. A major question is if the Village can afford to buy the golf course now with another major project underway, replacement of the irrigation system.

He would work to resolve the beach sticker parking problem and would hold a public hearing before making a decision. The current policy is discriminatory

See ROSENZWEIG on page 11

Former commissioner Arnst critical of direction city is taking

Steve Arnst



Oakland Park

Commission Seat 1

Age: 53

Place of birth: Boynton Beach.

How long in the city of Oakland Park: 28 years.

Career: Owner, Arnst Motors in Pompano Beach.

Education: Graduated from Northeast High School in 1977. Attended the University of Florida for one year.

Prior public service: Commissioner, vice mayor and mayor for 16 years.

Civic and professional organizations: None.



Steve Arnst

Steve Arnst wants to return to the Oakland Park City Commission because he doesn’t like the direction the city is headed.

The downtown area once envisioned as a mixed-use district with a combination of commercial and residential, has now changed to a proposed culinary arts district.

“Restaurants are a dime a dozen, and when you have restaurants, you have to have people. If there’s no influx of housing, we won’t have the people to support the restaurants,” he says. “Restaurants pop up, and then they’re gone.” He also criticizes the lack of a parking plan.

Arnst says the city has bought a lot of land downtown with no plan for repaying county loans if sufficient redevelopment doesn’t occur. The loans expire in five years and could burden the city with a 20-year debt.

Pretty new buildings were envisioned before, Arnst says. The former Sears building was supposed to be the hub of the residential area with Gibby’s at the southern end. Instead, the Gibby’s site is still empty, and a brewery and algae farm are in the Sears building (Oakland Park Station).

See ARNST on page 18

Guevrekian says it’s time to put her activism to work

Sara Guevrekian



Oakland Park

Commission Seat 1

Age - 46

Place of birth - East Orange, N.J.

How long in Oakland Park: Since 1987.

Career - Administrator for Commercial Metal Building Services.

Education - Associate degree from Broward College.

Civic and professional organizations - Organizer and officer of Royal Palm Isles Neighborhood Group. Volunteer for Citizens Observer Patrol. Volunteer at city’s Youth Day and Oktoberfest.



Sara Guevrekian

Sara Guevrekian says she didn’t aspire to run for city commission.

But recently she says she’s been “so uncomfortable with city leadership that at some point a switch clicked,” and she decided it was time to take what she has learned through her volunteer work and become part of the solution. She says she is frustrated at the complacency she sees on the dais.

Guevrekian first became involved in city matters in the fall of 2008 when she learned a Value Place Hotel, offering weekly rentals, was proposed at Northwest 38 Street and Powerline Road. She had a hard time getting her calls to commissioners returned or her emails acknowledged.

She and her neighbors were fearful about the element the hotel would attract in an area where there already was a problem with vagrancy.

That was the issue that drove her into community activism. “I was fearful about my home and went into protection mode for my slice of the pie,” she said.

In the process, she got to know her neighbors in Royal Palm Isles and then grew protective of her neighborhood. “I was like a mother hen in full protection mode. I didn’t want to be invisible.”

Eventually, after neighbors rallied in protest, plans for the hotel were stymied.

Guevrekian continued to regularly attend city commission meetings and to keep her neighbors informed through a community newsletter. She attended a 13-week Broward Sheriff’s Office Citizens Academy and developed a relationship with BSO employees.

She says she’s very concerned about the crime index in the city. She says raising awareness is important and sharing information is valuable. BSO has divided the city into districts, but she says the western zone was never properly staffed.

When the same people run for office year after year, Guevrekian says things tend to get done on autopilot. She says she would provide the voice of Jane Q. Citizen. In the past, when she first became involved, she says the attitude was that citizens should get out of the way. She believes community participation is very important.

Asked her views about the proposed Culinary Arts District in downtown Oakland Park, Guevrekian said, “It’s a very exciting step in the right direction. Hopefully, (the city) can get it off the ground, and it will eventually happen.” She said she’s pleased with what she’s seen so far from the city’s consultants, Redevelopment Management Associates, and disappointed it has taken so long for something to happen.

She says a culinary school sounds appealing and so does the plan for urban farming.

Guevrekian says the contrast in candidates is “extremely stark” in this election. She believes “new, fresh energy would be a good thing.”

Addressing proposed charter amendments, she said she favors eliminating the numbered seats. “There’s no reason to have them, and it confuses people and makes for contentious races. Without the numbered seats, she says, all the candidates would have to put their best foot forward.

Another amendment calls for moving the city election from March to November. She favors that move, believing it will result in more voter participation.

Guevrekian’s campaign supporters

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Inspired by his daughter's suggestion, Jean says he will put the city first

Ruben Jean

Commission Seat 1

Age - 40

Place of birth - Haiti

Oakland Park resident - 5 years,

Education - masters degree in education and counseling and a bachelors in fire safety management from Madison University

Career - Owner of RJ Taxes Services and works as operation manager at D & S Protection Corporation in Miami. Before moving to Oakland Park, Ruben served as a



Ruben Jean

member of the council of the Village of El Portal in Miami-Dade County from 2006 to 2008.

Jean says he was inspired to run for the commission seat because of his daughter, a student at Oakland Park Elementary School. He has made improving communication, public involvement and input as his main campaign focus.

"I will put our city first by working side by side with our residents and staff to meet the community's needs. My door is always open and

I welcome your opinions. Together, we'll solve problems and make Oakland Park a city of pride. I know we can build a better future and a stronger community."

Jean favors keeping the city's elections in March. "If it's not broke don't fix it." He also favors another status quo: keeping the separate city commission districts instead of

See JEAN on page 13

Walls concerned with staff cuts, community service

Layne Dallett Walls



Oakland Park

Commission Seat 5

Age - 57

Place of birth - Wilkensburg, Pa.

Oakland Park resident - 22 years.

Career - Self-employed at Aerko International, a custom aerosol manufacturer.

Education - Associate degree, Broward College.

Prior public service -

Commissioner from 1993-1997 and 2001-2008 plus appointed for three months in 2010. General Employees Pension Board, Charter Review Board and School Advisory Board.



Layne Dallett Walls

Layne Dallett Walls wants to return to the Oakland Park City

Commission because she doesn't see any strong leadership there now.

She believes the best commissions have a mix of new and older more experienced members. Here, the most senior member could soon be a commissioner with just two and a half years experience. In that case, "the institutional knowledge is gone," she says.

Walls said residents came to her and urged her to run again. She qualified by petition gathering the necessary 228 signatures.

Crime is one major issue in her campaign. She says it seems to be ticking up.

She wants to be sure an adequate number of deputies are on the job, and if more are needed, says the city may need to increase the contract. The city doesn't currently have a police chief, and that position should be filled, she says. And Walls says more firefighters are needed in the city-run Fire Rescue Department.

Another of her concerns is customer service. She says the quality has decreased with cuts in personnel in many departments. She would like employees to have training in providing friendly customer service. The Parks & Leisure Services Department needs some attention she believes. It has no director and rates for some programs have increased dramatically.

Residents need to participate in discussions of redevelopment, she says. In the downtown area along Dixie Highway, the city needs to encourage building owners to get together to assemble parcels for redevelopment.

See WALLS on page 23

Community appearance is a passion for candidate Lonergan

Tim Lonergan



Oakland Park

Commission Seat 5

Age - 51

Place of birth and how long in city: Milwaukee, WI. Moved to Oakland Park in January 2000.

Career - Project manager for United Health Care for 27 years.

Education - Associate degree in human services from Milwaukee Technical College.

Civic and professional organizations - Graduate, Local Government Academy. Member, Oakland Park Kiwanis Club, Oakland Park Garden Club, Oakland Park Volunteer Corps, Corals of Oakland Park Homeowners Association, former member, Oakland Park General Employees Pension Plan Board of Trustees.



Tim Lonergan

Tim Lonergan is passionate about making Oakland Park a nicer place.

"A city is only as nice as its most struggling area. The nicer the city looks, the safer it looks, the more people will want to move here. That will result in a larger pool of taxes so everyone pays less," he says.

Acting upon this concern, Lonergan noticed there were no trash cans at the city's bus stops, and got that rectified. He was disappointed in how the city's thoroughfares looked, and he and a few others gathered up the snipe signs placed illegally in medians and rights of way. Now code enforcement has instituted robocalls to those offenders ordering them to remove their signs. His own yard is a certified Wildlife Habitat.

The city has spent more than \$30 million in efforts to fix up Main Street, and the Oakland Park Main Street Association has done a great job trying to get businesses to move there, Lonergan said, but he is getting mixed feed back on the move to establish a Culinary District there. He says the city is buying up property, but no buildings are going up. He believes at times the city has stopped efforts made by Main Street to bring businesses to town.

He finds the proposed urban farm a good concept.

At the same time other areas of the city also need attention, he says. At a recent commission meeting, numerous business owners complained of vagrants sleeping outside their businesses in the Powerline and Prospect Road

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Rosenzweig

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he said.

As for the utility tax, he believes the city had to enact it in order to keep taxes down and still balance the budget. He calls it a "trade off."

If the new commission

seated in March goes forward with an automatic pay raise approved four years ago, he would not take the additional salary, Rosenzweig said because, as a newcomer, "I haven't earned it."

He believes the current commission has shown its ability to compromise and feels he would be another

"moderate voice" able to reach "reasonable solutions."

Rosenzweig said Crystal Lake residents will have some issues when the athletic fields go in at Tam O'Shanter and he will address those.

In another area outside the Village, The Meadows, Rosenzweig says traffic controls are needed for pedestrian safety.

In Deerfield's future, he sees redevelopment being

the focus and said it will be necessary to have the infrastructure to go with that redevelopment.

Vice Mayor Ganz sets Dist.4 meeting

Deerfield Beach – Vice Mayor Bill Ganz will hold a meeting for residents of Dist. 4 Monday, Feb. 25, 7 p.m. at Constitution Park, 2831 W. Hillsboro Blvd. All are invited. Dist.4 encompasses the neighborhoods west of Military Trail with the exception of Century Village and Crystal Lake.

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Burrie

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eyes on a piece of property.

Burrie agrees that the proposed cultural center at the new library is a good idea and that it will be cheaper to construct it as a second floor to the library, but adds, "We don't need another multi-purpose room... we need acoustics, tiered seating, a stage... we need to do something classy."

Burrie supports the way the city's CRA is moving under its co-directors, Kim Briesemeister and Chris Brown. "I just we could move faster on the beach. But they are doing a great job," she says.

As for a hotel on city land at the beach, Burrie is not for it and would prefer to see a parking garage built there.

As for taxes, Burrie says

the city enjoys one of the lowest rates in the county. "The CRA projects bring property values up, and that helps keep taxes lower."

Burrie campaign contributors

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Total contributions to date . . . \$3,925

Terwilligar

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dealing problems. We have a new sheriff, and we want him to show us some real good results here. If not, we should consider another alternative."

This candidate also cites code problems as a major issue and has concerns with the city interfering in areas that would best be left to the property owner. Examples include allowing the homeowner to complete improvements for non-structural activities. "Many non-structural repairs should be allowed without a permit," he says. "Beautification needs to be simpler."

Terwilliger adds that the proposed cultural library next to city hall will be a money-loser for taxpayers. And it's not the only waste factor. He adds that people in his district, especially the Highlands and

Cresthaven don't realize that their taxes subsidize the city golf course. "Programs should break even," he says. "Don't burden many for the pleasures of a few."

He says he would work hard to improve communications between city hall and the residents so homeowners can know their rights. He plans to have a tough look at all city codes and the code enforcement department.

Terwilliger also believes that the city is headed in the wrong direction by pushing for Pompano Beach to become a tourism destination. "Money has been wasted on the beach. Pompano is a great place to live and have

good times with the family. It should be a bedroom community," he says. "[Residents of] Cresthaven and the Highlands don't go to the beach. People feel disenfranchised and short-changed."

He is adamantly against building a hotel on the fishing pier land owned by the city.

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Noland

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Noland entered politics during her 12 year effort to get an aquatic center in Deerfield Beach. The city's lack of a pool was the issue that got her involved, she says.

She defends the commission's decision two years ago to institute a utility tax here saying it has allowed the city to lower property

taxes by 15 percent. She has also been criticized for the matter in which the lease for the fishing pier restaurant was awarded, but stands behind her decision that the bids had to be reviewed by the commission. The bidder chosen by staff did not adhere to the bid requirements he says making it necessary for the commission to choose another vendor.

On another issue that has become controversial, limits on who can buy beach parking stickers, Noland says it was

approved by the commission without giving much thought to seasonal residents. Now, she says, it can be readdressed.

Among the accomplishments of her last four years, Noland counts refinancing municipal bonds that resulted in a 5 percent savings in the interest rate while the city was able to withdraw \$7 million, money that will be used to repave street. She is also proud of the fact she has kept a proposed

flyover connecting the Sawgrass Expressway with SW 10 Street off the planning charts of the MPO.

She believes part of her job is to appoint young people to city boards because "they are the ones who will invest here in the future. It's their turn."

She is confident she is working with "the best city commission we have had in years . . . we work well together, we discuss. I am proud of what we have accomplished."

Noland's campaign contributors

Jean Robb says she is running because she is unhappy with the direction being taken by the city and because the current commission is not listening to the people. She cites merging the fire/rescue department with BSO and adopting the utility tax as two examples of issues that should have

gone to the voters. The tax she said will discourage large businesses from locating here. "I had more industrial development when I was mayor, Sun Sentinel and the Publix warehouse, than anyone since," she said.

Robb led a petition drive to force the city to place the proposed utility tax on a

Jean

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making every commission seat at large – voters will decide both those issues on March 12.

He also sees crime as a major issue that needs to be tackled. Asked how he would address the problem, Jean said he would do more to encourage and organize neighborhood watch programs.

"I look forward to continue my services to our community and county and put my experience as a former council person, small business owner, father and husband to work for

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Fisher

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By attracting these businesses and others, including Marriot Hotel and the new Publix [Atlantic Boulevard], Fisher see strong promotion of “environmentally-friendly projects, economic strength and job growth” for the city.

Fisher says he is “overthrilled” with the work of the city’s CRA, its advisory committee and other business owners and residents.

The Atlantic Boulevard corridor is now under construction with beautification, sidewalk expansion and buried powerlines.

The Harbor Village Shopping Center is near completion of its revamped parking space, new façade additions and landscaping.

The mayor’s stimulus package, a multi-faceted program of enhancement includes a “walk-through” permitting process that reduces the time developers and builders normally spend in paperwork required prior to starting their projects.

Fisher says he spends a large bulk of his time meeting with people and developers to discuss possibilities for the city’s corridors.

Mayor Fisher rates this commission as the best. “We work cohesively together; we share the vision in strategic plans to move our city forward.”

“I want to continue to see the hard work and strategic plans of this commission come to fruition. I want the positive momentum to continue to make our city the best it can be. It’s what I enjoy most: promoting our city as a great place to live and work and play,” he says.

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Baumwald

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believes the zoning and building codes need an overhaul.

He questions the things the city spends money on such as the municipal golf course and the dog park. “We need jobs here, more retail, gas stations,” he said.

The [Greg Norman] golf course renovations were a good idea, but the time for it was not right, Baumwald says.

In Cresthaven, Baumwald says the streets there should get the same attention as other streets in the city. He suggests adding “yellow lines” to divide the streets would make them safer.

And in reference to traffic, he says synchronizing traffic

lights would smooth out traffic problems.

Baumwald adds that despite his arrest and incarceration for “cocaine possession” in 1998, he has changed and since then has become a good citizen. He adds that he is an example of how people can turn their lives around.

Baumwald campaign contributors

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Total contributions to date . . . \$5,850

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Business

2-28 – Wilton Manors Business Association networking luncheon from 12 to 1 p.m. at Rosie’s Bar & Grill, 2449 Wilton Drive. 954-567-1320.

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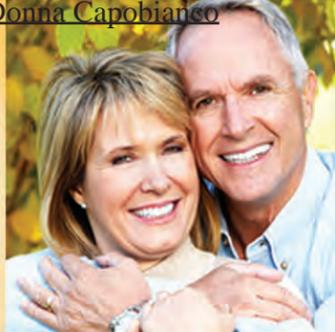
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Capobianco

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Village's longtime political leader Amadeo Trinchitella, Capobianco was elected to the board of master management, the organization that oversees maintenance operation there. Capobianco says that when she came to the volunteer position, the board was \$12 million in debt and within a year she and a new team of directors had attained solvency.

Defeated in her commission attempt four years ago, Capobianco says she is running now because she feels she is well qualified. "I have a business background. Big budgets don't bother me," she said.

Current commissioner Marty Popelsky, who is term limited, failed to hold district meetings during his tenure Capobianco said, and this lack of communication with Villagers will end if she is elected. "People need input,"

she said. "They also need to be listened to and I can listen."

She said she is a believer in management skills. "You create difficulties when you don't follow procedures and policy," she said. She also believes she is a good negotiator who strives to bring forth a "win-win" in any situation.

Capobianco said issues that may need addressing are the Hillsboro Pines Golf Course and the city's revamp

of its zoning code. She noted that one code is being rewritten to protect children when it should also protect the elderly. Another issue that needs a resolution, she said, is parking at the beach and the newly-adopted policy that prevents part time homeowners from purchasing them.

Capobianco said the district has become more diverse with an influx of Canadians and Latinos and she feels she can communicate their concerns.

"I will do the research and

build consensus. I like team play," she said of her interest in serving as a commissioner. "I will get things done."

Capobianco's campaign contributors

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A consistent donor to the community, Dietrich said some of this philanthropy will have to cease with the change in business direction. He did renew his Little League support this year. He is probably the last of the league's initial donors. But DBS's unmatched contribution to keeping the Butler House sound will not continue he said.

"The concept of the old line lumber yard is ancient history," Dietrich said this week. "We were the last one to sell nails, by the pound, out of a bin, but there are 25 big box stores within a radius of a few miles and there is a paint store on every corner. To survive now, you have to be a low cost, low margin operator."

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Maintaining the family's structure in the business, Ed's daughters Gretchen and Jessica now help manage the company. Another family member and manager, Brad Wanzenberg, has left the company to become a territory manager for Dixie Plywood.

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Loneragan

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areas. "We have to find solutions," Lonergan said, noting he doesn't have all the

answers. "We have to find solutions," Lonergan said, noting he doesn't have all the answers.

At two shopping centers at Prospect Road and Andrews

Avenue, the city owns the parking lots and sidewalks. The sidewalks have been in disrepair for years, and there are no lights in the parking lots. "Some of the newly

incorporated areas were promised lights and sidewalks. We need to deliver on those promises," Lonergan said.

Loneragan says the commission has made good progress in the past couple years and has been listening to residents and their concerns. Now they need to focus more actively on the rest of the city.

The upcoming city election includes several possible charter amendments, including one to move the city election from March to November. Lonergan said he is "absolutely" in favor of that move. He says the super voters will always vote and a November election brings out other voters ensuring a good turnout.

He says the sitting commission has done a good job trimming the city budget but if he is elected, will do more research to be sure the money is going into the right efforts.

Loneragan is not a huge supporter of the Wal-Mart

proposed for the Kmart site. "We already have to wait for three stoplights to get through that area. Traffic is already a

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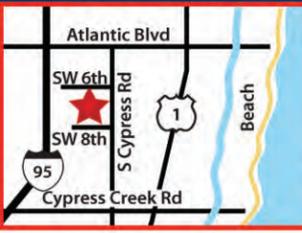
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Arnst

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“A culinary district is very people intensive, and if they’re not busy on the week-days, they won’t make it,” Arnst says. He doesn’t believe the entire downtown should be a culinary arts district.

He says the city needs to market itself so builders are interested in coming to Oakland Park. He would like to see Dixie Highway involved, as originally planned.

Arnst maintains that one problem with the current commission is that none of the commissioners know what it is to run a business. He says the city has to be run like a business, and he would bring that skill to the dais.

He says the city has spent a lot of money on their consultants, Redevelopment Management Associates, “and they’re no further ahead than they were a year ago.” In coming up with the idea for the culinary arts district, he says, “RMA threw a dart on the wall, and that one stuck.”

Arnst says the city needs to get someone to beat the bushes, call on developers and get someone to assemble land and build. He says the cultural arts district is a hard sell.

In the area of public safety, Arnst says the city needs a police chief. [A new chief has yet to be named since Chief John Bukata retired.] The city has had recent issues with burglaries in the North Andrews area and problems with vagrants on Powerline Road.

Regarding break-ins, Arnst says residents need to get to know their neighbors so they know who belongs on their street. And they need to alert

the Broward Sheriff’s Office of anything suspicious. He takes down license plate numbers of anyone unknown on his street and suggests that others do the same.

Some zoning issues will be coming up, including a variance for adult entertainment bars on Federal Highway. They were previously allowed to stay until 2014.

Arnst said he won’t be accepting campaign donations

from anyone doing business in the city.

He says voters can expect that he will do his home-

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Robb

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Jean Robb says she is running because she is unhappy with the direction being taken by the city and because the current commission is not listening to the people. She cites merging the fire 30e/rescue department with BSO and adopting the utility tax as two examples of issues that should have gone to the voters. The tax she said will discourage large businesses from locating here. "I had more industrial development when I was mayor, Sun Sentinel and the Publix warehouse, than anyone since," she said.

Robb led a petition drive to force the city to place the proposed utility tax on a ballot, but the effort failed due to misinformation on some of the petitions. Although the fire merger with BSO happened two years ago, Robb still contends that it goes against the city charter which prohibits relinquishing city property without a vote. She argues that contract should have prevented retiring firefighters from staying on with BSO enabling them to double-dip pension funds.

Robb believes that city funds are spent on the wrong things. She questions the salaries of recreation administrators when fees to play Little League have risen to \$120 per player. She would eliminate pensions and health insurance for the mayor and commissioners, and revisit the utility tax.

She cites the commission's handling of the pier restaurant lease as an example of poor

performance.

As a former chair of a charter review committee, Robb said she would favor a new review of the document and urge that the recall process be simplified, moving city elections to November, and revoke the condition

of term limits that allow a commissioner, after serving an eight-year term, to run for mayor.

"The city is moving in the wrong direction," Robb said. "This is not our Deerfield Beach."

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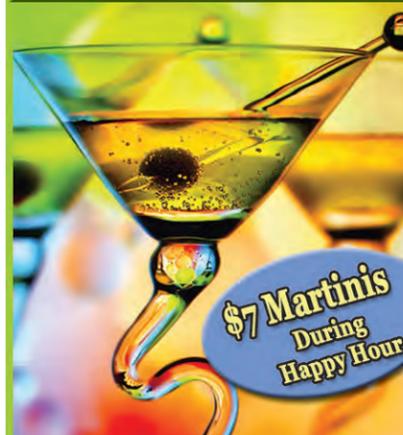
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Berner

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with symbols of Christmas.

An issue within the Village that concerns her is the possible sale of the Hillsboro Pines Golf Club which could result in residential units being built there.

The charge that Century Village residents do not pay their fair share of the ad valorem taxes is not accurate she said. Many do not claim homestead exemption and her building of 80 units pays more than the tax on 20 homes in a nearby neighborhood. Century Village residents also contribute heavily to fire/rescue ambulance fees because of their high usage.

She also brings up the situation now occurring in the Village where a state statute is being enforced that costs residents with Dish TV a \$200 per-unit permit fee. The Dish is favored by French Canadians who want their programming in French.

She served almost two years on the Deerfield Beach Housing Authority but was removed by the commission after other board members complained about her behavior.

She credits the current city commission with being more civil to one another than they have been in the past and rates the city a "3" out of five points for the way it is being run.

"I am the most diverse candidate, a Jewish woman. And it's time a more estrogen on the commission," she said.

Berner's campaign contributors

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Sightings

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Children & Family

2-26 – Jump rope program from 5:30 to 5:45 p.m. at Northwest Branch Library, 1580 NW 3 Ave., Pompano Beach. Event runs until March 28. 954-357-6599.

2-26 – **Free Pirate adventures** from 12 to 3 p.m. at Pompano Citi Centre, corner of Copans Road and Federal Highway. Music, games, treasure hunt, pirate bounce house, costume contest and arts and crafts. 954-943-4685.

2-27 – **Bookworms Storytime** and Craft from 10 to 10:30 a.m. at Percy White Library, 837 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach. 954-357-7680.

2-28 – **Story Time** from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at Northwest Branch Library, 1580 NW 3 Ave., Pompano Beach. 954-357-6599.

Clubs, Charity & Civic Organizations

2-25 – Retired Educators meeting at 12 p.m. at Stratford Court, 6343 Via de Sonrisa del Sur, Boca Raton

Speaker is attorney Jeffrey Devore. He will talk about immigration and naturalization. Meeting is free. New members welcome. 954-255-6360 or 561-483-5445.

2-27 – Kiwanis Club of Oakland Park meets at 7:30 a.m. at Peter Pan Diner, 1216 E. Oakland Park Boulevard. 954-566-9957.

2-27 – Kiwanis Club of Pompano Beach meets at 12 p.m. at Sea Side Grill, 1406 N. Ocean Blvd. Food served. 954-783-4999.

2-27 – Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors meets at 6:30 p.m. at 2749 NE 14 Ave. 954-560-7813.

2-28 – Cocktails for a Cause from 7 to 10 p.m. at American Social, 721 E. Las Olas Blvd., Fort Lauderdale. Event benefits Broward Children's Center. Appetizers, cocktails, door prizes and giveaways. Cost is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door.

3-2 – **Anime Club** meets from 2 to 3 p.m. at Pompano Beach Library, 1213 E. Atlantic Blvd.. 954-357-7595.

3-8 – **Pompano Quilter** group meets from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Pompano Beach Library, 1213 E. Atlantic Blvd. 954-357-7595.

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2-23 – African & African-American Stories with Sista Idya from 2 to 2:45 p.m. at Beach Branch Library, 221 Pompano Beach Blvd. Sista Idya will highlight the many aspects of Black History

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2-25 – **Hail to the Chiefs** business networking mixer from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Business Resource Center, 501 NE 1 St., Pompano Beach. Learn

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2-27 – **QuickBooks** for Starters and Startups at 5:30 p.m. at ITT Technical Institute, 700 W. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach. Sign-in at 5

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Family Fun Day and Car Show

Pompano Beach – In honor of BSO Deputy Christopher Schaub, there will be a Family Fun Day and Car Show on Saturday, March 2 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the corner of West Atlantic Boulevard and Cypress Road, just east of Pompano Beach City Hall, 100 W. Atlantic Blvd. Vendor space is available at 954-786-4223.

GreenMarket classes

Pompano Beach – The Pompano Beach GreenMarket on Saturday, Feb. 23 will include special seminars and demonstrations related to gardening, aquaponics, permaculture, hydroponics, soil making and more. Attendees can also learn how to make smoothies, dehydrate fresh veggies and ferment foods into tasty treats. Classes start at 10 a.m. The GreenMarket runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the corner of West Atlantic Boulevard and Cypress Road. Call 954-292-8040.

Galt Food & Wine Fest

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Sightings

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Park, 4500 El Mar Drive, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. Local restaurants serve food and beverages. Live entertainment and silent auction. Tickets are \$30. 954-776-1000.

2-28 – Groundbreaking ceremony at 5 p.m. at Pompano Beach’s Ali Building, 353 Martin Luther King Boulevard. Ali Building will become an arts and cultural center. 954-786-5535.

3-2 – Family Fun Day and Car Show in honor of BSO Deputy Christopher Schaub from 2 to 6 p.m. at the corner of West Atlantic Boulevard and Cypress Road, Pompano Beach. Vendor space available. 954-786-4223.

3-3 – Bingo at St. Henry’s Catholic Church, 1500 S. Andrews Ave., Pompano Beach. Doors open at 12 p.m. Bingo begins at 1 p.m. Regular games plus three-part jackpot game. Door prizes and refreshments. 954-785-2450.

2-2 – Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Garden Club’s Annual Flower Show and Tea “Vacation in South Florida” from 1 to 4 p.m. at Jarvis Hall, 4505 Ocean Drive on A1A, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. Free admission but donations accepted. 954-941-8748.

Health & Fitness

2-25 – Spinal Stenosis - A Healthy Spine Series from 4 to 5 p.m. at Broward Health North, 201 E Sample Rd, Deerfield Beach. 954-759-7400.

2-28 – Alzheimer’s Prevention Program with author Dr. Gary Small from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Broward

Health North, 201 E Sample Rd, Deerfield Beach. 954-759-7400.

2-28 – Girls Night In health screenings for women from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Broward Health Medical Center, 1600 S Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale. 954-759-7400.

2-26 – Support group for family and friends of people with mental illness from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Broward Health Imperial Point, 6401 N Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale. 954-739-1888.

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3-5 – Support group for caregivers from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Broward Health Imperial Point, 6401 N Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale. 954-776-8961.

Music

2-26 – Symphony of the Americas at 8:15 p.m. at Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW Fifth Ave., Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are

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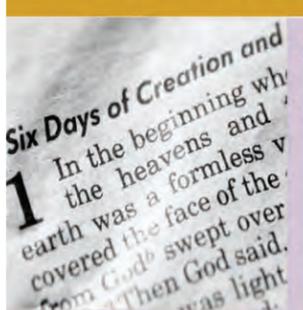
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Healing Center

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CranioSacral Therapy (CST)

A printed brochure describes CST as a light touch therapy that can create dramatic improvements in one's life. It releases tensions deep in the body to relieve pain and dysfunction. The end result is an improved whole-body health and performance. This therapy claims to help a full

spectrum of pain, illness and dysfunction including migraines, neck and back pain, motor coordination impairments, infant and childhood disorders, brain and spinal cord injuries, chronic fatigue, Fibromyalgia, TMJ syndrome, scoliosis, central nervous system, learning disabilities, post traumatic disorders, orthopedic problems and more.

Trained at the Upledger Institute in Palm Beach Gardens, Lisa says, "We use a gentle touch starting with about the weight of a nickel, a practitioner evaluates the client's internal environment,

and using light touch techniques releases any restrictions she finds. It's effective for all ages from newborns to elders and clients say one treatment leaves them feeling energetic and life changing. Some people are helped with one session. Others do regular follow ups until relief is experienced."

This therapy is said to have benefited mentally and physically challenged children. Newborns, treated shortly after birth get a lifetime benefit as the tiny body is gently aligned for optimum growth

Lymphatic Drainage

A very mild massage promotes lymphatic flow and proper body function. Ideal for pre and post surgery, this

massage is frequently requested by people getting cosmetic surgeries and mastectomies.

Lisa describes Reflexology as a massage of the feet or hands that opens up the energy channels to the body. Reiki is a system of enlightenment and the hands on healing is passed from master to student. Aura readings claim to help areas of personal and spiritual growth.

Lisa concludes with "We are not medical doctors. We are practicing and using proven healing techniques to help clients feel better for long term health. A plan is developed to bring a client to his or her optimal health."

Healing Center staff

Giovanna Perpignano is an acupuncture physician,

researcher, licensed massage therapist, yoga instructor and women's health speaker who has been involved in healing techniques since 1973. She earned her National Acupuncture Certification in 1994 from the Community School of Traditional Chinese Medicine in Miami, FL.

Allene Graham is an animal communicator, channeler, licensed massage therapist, spiritual minister, guidance counselor, life coach, Reiki master, LaHoChi practitioner and chair yoga instructor. She has over 30 years of experience as a senior veterinary technician working with domestic exotic animals.

Lesley Vanvurst is a licensed massage therapist and Reiki practitioner.

She gravitates to the fields of medical and sports massage and her goal is to teach clients how to move in a health way to prevent injury and chronic pain. She creates customized treatment for each client.

Here's what a few clients have to say

Alice Smith, Fort Lauderdale, says, "We were lucky enough to find Lisa. She's amazing at finding just the right therapeutic massage technique to bring relief to aching muscles—especially if you have medical issues. My husband and I couldn't be happier."

Lorraine S. Pompano Beach, says, "I spent the winter in Pompano Beach and was fortunate to find Lisa Smith who came to my apartment weekly. I was so impressed by how much she was helping me, that I booked appointments for my husband who was equally pleased. Lisa does whatever it takes to help the body heal and make you feel better. I highly recommend Lisa to those who understand the importance of therapeutic massage for wellness, as well as for specific problems."

Jenny Spencer says, "Lisa explains what she's doing and why. She went that extra mile to pay attention to my special needs as a stroke survivor. She did what no other massage therapist has done for me in the past three years—relaxed my spastic arm so that it lay straight out to the side. She also found a knot just below my knee that allowed my foot, which turned inward to become straight. She's better than the best."

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- 16 Tied, as a score
- 17 Little bit
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- 31 Early comic strip "Happy _____"
- 35 Iridescent gem
- 36 James Dean's final film
- 38 Fiddle with a fiddle
- 39 Regretful
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- 42 Neuter a horse
- 43 Biker's wear, often
- 45 Dried coconut
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- 59 Playful water animal
- 60 Wild about
- 61 Mice, to owls
- 62 Flashy flower
- 63 Kitten's cry
- 64 Biker's wear, often
- 65 Dried coconut
- 66 Big chill of long ago
- 67 Out in the sticks
- 68 Social level
- 69 Urban transit
- 70 Situated on
- 71 Male attendant
- 72 Fly swatter material
- 73 Require
- 74 In plain sight
- 75 Stressed
- 76 Computer key
- 77 Running total
- 78 Lobster serving
- 79 Fancy lettering
- 80 Hit the mall
- 81 Drink like a fish
- 82 Enthusiasm
- 83 Go bad
- 84 Stetson product
- 85 Overdo the praise
- 86 Start the pot
- 87 Within reach
- 88 Hair product
- 89 Point to
- 90 Bluish-green
- 91 Cell phone precursor
- 92 Diminish
- 93 Diner or bistro
- 94 Swimmer's bane
- 95 TV classic, "The _____ Limits"
- 96 Novel or essay
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- 100 Put away
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Mark and Kathy Hamilton

from the boat *Nauti Girl* and Captain Triston Hunt from *Timeless* and *Scored One* have spent tons of time over the last few years chasing yellowfin.

They have learned all of the little nuances that turn these fish on. Every year, I am approached by a number of people that struggle to catch tuna. Tuna can be extremely finicky and at times you must be totally dialed-in order to catch them. The seminar will start at 7 p.m. but you're going to want to get there at 6:15 p.m. to eat, drink, and meet the crews. The event will

be catered by Lauderdale-By-The-Sea's Blue Moon Fish Co. We only have room for 85 people so you must call to reserve your spot. This event will sell out quickly! The cost is \$25. Call us at RJ Boyle Studio 954-420-5001

Broward in between a big sailfish week

As for the fishing this weekend, sailfish have been numerous off Miami and Palm Beach.

Sails have been caught here

and there, right out front. Lots of nice dolphin were also caught this week, all inside 300 feet of water. The kingfish bite has finally been

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else that loves us, knows they have to do this," said Gail Kammerer, chairperson from the beginning when she had kids at St. Ambrose School. "Some have been at the same work station for the 19 years."

Many of the 750 volunteers see people at carnival they don't see all year. When it's over, she, said, "We have carnival withdrawal."

This massive fundraiser will be held Feb. 28 through March 3 on the school grounds at 380 S. Federal Highway. Hildebrand Rides, Inc. will again supply the thrills, on Saturday at 7 p.m.

Father Dalton will be arrested and fair goers will pay to either get him out of jail, or keep him in, a new Tiki bar will open opposite the food court, raffles worth \$1,500 and \$2,500 will be held, and the music begins Thursday at 6 p.m and goes to Sunday at 9 p.m.

Kammerer's goal is to raise \$100,000. She almost made it last year.

That money is 10 percent of the school's budget said Music Minister Bob Colasanti who is also general manager of the parish. Some of the money raised is being designated for a large pavilion to be used for school activities and the carnival's food

court. With a projected cost of \$600,000, that promise is still several years away, Colasanti said.

Fran Bannon, sales and catering manager at the Bridge Hotel, has been chair of the food court since the carnival was conceived. At the time, her children were very young and enrolled in St. Ambrose School but she has stayed with the job ever since. Why? "I have to support the school. My children were afforded an incredible education. They [the school staff] were my partners in raising my children to be wonderful people," she said.

Bannon normally takes a two-week vacation to oversee

preparation of all the food that is served at the carnival. There are no vendors here. Menu items are cooked in the school kitchen or on grills and griddles at the food stations. "We have willing weekend warriors and teams of the same people on the food line every year," she said.

Without the support of St. Ambrose parishioners, the carnival could not be accomplished. They donate all manner of things necessary to bring off the event from catsup to cooking equipment, to knives and forks. "Our school is very small," Bannon said. "Parishioners support the carnival whether they have kids in the school, or not. We

could not do it without them." What more keeps Bannon heading up this vital component of the carnival? "Well, Father Dalton," she said. "He's our rock star... an amazing human being."

This is a special year for all the parishioners at St. Ambrose. It marks the half century of the church and school. Father Dalton has been there 44 of those years. A 50th anniversary album is being assembled with photos of all the parish members. The big event will be a dinner dance this spring.

Things to know about St. Ambrose Carnival

- Carnival wristbands are \$15 on Thursday [with coupon], \$20 on Friday, \$30 on Saturday and \$25 on Sunday.
- Buy one by Feb. 27, and a \$20 band is good for any day.
- Entertainment Thursday – 6 to 10 p.m., Friday- 5:30 to 11 p.m., Saturday, 1 to 11 p.m., Sunday, 1 to 9 p.m.
- For details, search St. Ambrose Carnival. Also online is a wish list of items to be donated, a complete list of the carnival rides, and the names of the carnival major

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2-27 – Tony Bennett at 8 p.m. at Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW Fifth Ave., Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are between \$76 and \$151. 954-522-5334.

3-1 – Nat King Cole Gen-

eration Hope Generations Concert at 7 p.m. at Keith C. & Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center at Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Tickets are between \$75 and \$350. 561-237-9000.

3-2 – ABBACADABRA – Music of ABBA at 7:30 p.m. at Keith C. & Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center

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3-2 – The Capitol Steps at 2 p.m. at Coral Springs Center for the Arts, 2855 Coral Springs Drive. Tickets are \$35 and \$45. 954-344-5999.

3-3 – “In the Spotlight” featuring Pianist Jose Menor at 4 p.m. at Steinway Piano

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Politics & Government
2-28 – Greater Pompano Beach Democratic Club meets at 7 p.m. at E. Pat Larkins Center, 520 Martin Luther King Blvd., Pompano Beach. 954-867-8629 or 954-971-1062.

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popping portion size. This hearty dish is a real treat for seafood lovers.

For those with serious appetites, the Bandeja Montañera is another noteworthy signature dish. It features a large cut of melt-in-your-mouth seasoned grilled skirt steak topped with an egg and served with a cornmeal arepa, a bowl of soul-warming beans and a bedazzling strip of fried pork skin akin to the most decadent slab of bacon imaginable. "This is a typical Colombian dish that was specifically designed by the mountain people to provide them the energy they would need to work throughout the day."

On the poultry front, "our grilled chicken with passion fruit sauce is truly delicious," says Fernando. "It has a won-

derfully exotic and tropical taste to it."

With regards to fresh fish, "people come from all over especially for our Mojarra Frita [whole fried Red Snapper]," insists the gregarious restaurateur. "The fish is flaky and tender with a wonderfully crispy exterior."

Indeed, customers seem to enter Las Orquideas with a purpose, as if already knowing exactly what specialty they are eager to devour. This quaint establishment prides itself on making everything fresh in-house, including the special Colombian spicy sauce which patrons should slather liberally over just about every dish.

For an authentic culinary voyage to Colombia, Las Orquideas is truly one of the best options in Broward. And to slake one's thirst, a bevy of juices, Colombian beers and international wines are offered at wallet-friendly prices.



The "Mojarra Frita" or whole fried Red Snapper is a customer favorite.

This cozy, unpretentious restaurant serves complete South American breakfast dishes that all come with cheese and chocolate. Fresh breads and baked goods are also available. For lunch or dinner, most large entrées are priced around \$10. Daily meal

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