

VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS HONE THEIR SKILLS

by Katrina Rice

There is nothing more dangerous or frightening to a firefighter than getting trapped inside a burning or smoke-filled building. To help prepare for such an emergency, the LBTS Volunteer Fire Department held a special training session on April 12 with the Ft. Lauderdale Fire Department.

This training, provided by John Molenda, Chief of Operations from Ft. Lauderdale and Jim Campigotto, Battalion Chief from Lauderhills, covered multiple exercises, each one sharing a skill that could save the life of a firefighter in danger. These drills validate the FVD's standard operating procedure.

Chief Molenda discussed the importance of the drills. "Most of this is the basics, stuff they've already learned," he said. "But the basics are important, especially when they can save your life." Molenda mentioned an incident in Denver recently that took two lives. The fire happened in a building that regularly had false alarms, so the firefighters did not bother preparing all of their gear.

When they opened the elevator door, the top floor was full of smoke and poisonous gases. One man died only a few feet from safety. "If these fireman had gone in ready to take on a dangerous situation they would have not died so needlessly," Molenda said. He reminded the firefighters of this fact as he went over the drills. "These drills help you survive. You need awareness of these situations, and once you've done it,

you'll be more prepared."

The first procedure the VFD practiced was called the Denver Drill. The drill came out of the death of Mark Langvardt from the Denver Fire Department, whose fellow firemen were unable to rescue him after he became trapped in a building. The drill involves a wooden prop, made to look like a small room with an average-sized window.



LBTS volunteer firefighters practice their rescue procedures during the recent drill.

The LBTS volunteers built the prop a few months earlier for this training. One fireman acted as a dummy while the others practiced pulling him and all his gear to safety through the window. One firefighter climbed into the "building" and attached a cable to the "down" man. The other firefighters, situated on a ladder outside the window would pull the trapped fireman to freedom, guided by the man inside. This is the way they would perform a rescue in real life.

IT'S A BIRD, IT'S A CHAIR, IT'S THE NEW LBTS TOWN LOGO!

by Katrina Rice

For the first time in many years, the town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea has a new logo. It is a pelican perched on top of an Adiron-dack chair--a colorful scene which replicates the simple beauty of two common sights in town.

Town residents who responded to a survey chose the pelican over several other design concepts, and the town commission approved it on April 10. The town expects to utilize the new logo as part of a marketing strategy to attract more businesses and visitors to LBTS.

Selection of the new logo capped a process which began on March 27, when the town commission first unveiled several design concepts for the town. Previously, the town used a number of logos to represent LBTS, but has lacked a single cohesive design. Tangled Spider Design Group, a graphic art company out of Ft. Lauderdale, was hired to design the logo and brought forward three separate concepts for review.

Andrew Hillier, owner and Andy Royston, creative director from Tangled Spider presented their branding strategy for the town through a short presentation. Hillier said "we like to think of this more as a brand for the town, not just a logo."

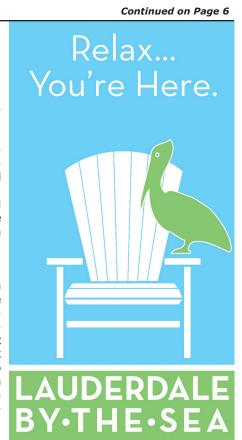
Hillyer and Royston discussed the importance of repetition and

consistency with any design. Each design left room for flexibility, so the logo could be manipulated to fit not only different locations, but also open up opportunities for merchandising.

Tangled Spider used the town itself as inspiration for their designs. They took the time to get to know Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and made sure it was reflected in the logo. First they noted the relaxed atmosphere of the town, so unique to this location. They tried use the colors and styles that can be found in local businesses and residences. Finally, they tried to get to know the "locals." One of these locals became a feature within the design concepts, the Pelican.

While all the design concepts used the town itself for inspiration, each one had a unique flavor. The first design was a classic beach image: the silhouette of an adirondack chair with a pelican. The examples showed the pelican in different places and incorporated a full palette of pastel colors. The second design used similar colors but had LBTS in "blocks." This logo offered the most adaptability. Each example portrayed ways to expand the block concept, by using more colors or even adding more characters to the extra boxes. The final design took a more nostalgic approach to the town. The logo would be a picture postcard, with an ocean view. The Tangled Spider team referred to this concepts as "old-school seaside fun."

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FUTURE PLANS NOW A REALITY

by Michael Arker, Publisher of ByTheSeaFuture

It has been more than a decade since our forward-thinking Master Plan Steering Committee developed a clear vision for the future of the town. We worked tirelessly over many sessions to produce a workable set of plans for a revitalized town center along Commercial Blvd. leading east to where the beach pavilion is now located. Today, a very similar set of plans has been developed, presented and approved by the town commission. We will soon see those ideas become a reality.

The dream began when Laura Ward first provided the vision to the members of the Steering committee. Our chair was Ernie Fontaine. He led the group along with town planner Walter Keller and Town engineer Kevin Hart. We put together a dedicated team. The sitting commissioners sat in at various meetings. If they chose to make comments, only one commissioner would be present and the others would walk out of Jarvis Hall in order to avoid Sunshine law violations.

To present our concepts to the commission and our fellow residents, I engaged the services of a fine illustrator. One of the committee's concepts was to eliminate vehicular traffic from El Mar Drive to the ocean. The illustration shows that concept, which was approved by the Commission TWICE. History is repeating itself as the present Commission is implementing a revised version of the 2004 plan. With guidance from the Town Manager, our mayor and the commission we are doing better. There is hope. We are not there yet. History, ladies and gentlemen. You need to delve into the past and think of the future. What is presented today usually has relevance from

The Pelican was the choice of the team to be the town symbol. With the help of an architect and yours truly a scale model was created. The enclosed drawings will show how the symbol was to be used at the town entrances.

We packed the trailer on many nights to discuss the object of our design. Mayor Minnet was present as were many residents. The design was sent to the commission. It was approved twice. However a different commission did away with any progressive moves. The town wound up with two flag poles as its entryway feature, completely unrelated to our town's culture. The new benches do use the pelican symbol, and it is also being incorporated into the town's new logo and marketing program.









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LODGING ASSOCIATION IS FORMED

We are forming a Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Lodging Association. Please Join Us!

WHEN: Thursday, May 3rd | TIME: 9:00 am | WHERE: Jarvis Hall

The lodging industry in our Town is a critical and crucial component for the economic health of LBTS and yet we have no organized and unified voice to represent our interests. If the ADA pool lift issue taught us anything is that we need to be aware and we need to use the power of numbers. More importantly we need to know each other, help each other and work together to make it easier on ourselves and make LBTS a great vacation destination for our guests.

Our Town Commissioners and Manager are sincerely interested in the lodging industry to speak up and let them know how they can help our business. Unfortunately at most Commission meetings our industry is not represented. We should have something to say at every meeting.

The Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association is huge and they work on a myriad of tourist and lodging industry concerns, including how all that bed tax money you send to Broward County is spent. Yet we don't see much of those dollars here and the main reason is we don't ask. The Regional Director personally told John Boutin that they would love to know LBTS, who we are and what our concerns are and how they could help. Sadly, there is nobody to let them know. That has changed as John recently joined their Association and plans to be very vocal about us here in LBTS but he needs to know all of you.

Our input is critical regarding issues that affect our business environment and we need to be heard. As the Town's largest business Community it is time for us to get more active in making the Lodging industry economically healthier and our Inns more attractive to the ever changing tourist market.

We hope to have participation from accommodation owners large and small and from East to West. Everyone from every part of town must get involved and participate in our own LBTS Lodging Association!

IMPORTANT HOMEWORK TO SAVE TIME: PLEASE STOP BY WINDJAMMER RESORT TO PICK UP A COPY OF A SPECIAL FORM TO PRINT OUT AND TAKE WITH YOU TO THE MEETING WITH YOUR IDEAS.

One more thing. We are not certain that we have the emails of all the transient lodging establishments in LBTS. No one seems to have a complete list so if you know someone who did not get this email and should please let John at Windjammer know. Also if you get this email and you are not part of the lodging industry or would like your name removed then tell John.

Please plan to attend!

John Boutin, General Manager, Windjammer Resort, 954-776-4232

POLYSTYRENE IN OUR ENVIRONMENT

In honor of Earth Week, I ask for your help. In 2009, I brought up the subject of styrofoam and would like to bring it up again and ask you to help Green our Town by limiting the amount of polystyrene in our environment. In reply to my email back in 2009, the Town Commission simply sent a "letter" to restaurants asking them to stop using styrofoam, but as I figured, the letter went as far as the garbage can because most, not all, still use styrofoam.

Many cities around the country have adopted a Polystyrene Foam (Styrofoam) Ban. The ban prohibits the use of polystyrene foam take-out food containers at all food service facilities. As I mentioned back in 2009, Polystyrene is commonly used for disposable food service containers such as cups, plates and "clam-shell" boxes.

The useful life of these containers is typically very short, however polystyrene continues to exist in the environment for years afterward, and there is currently not a meaningful recycling process for polystyrene. Polystyrene foam breaks down into smaller, non-biodegradable pieces that are ingested by marine life and other wildlife, thereby harming or killing them.

Additionally, there is evidence suggesting that a component of polystyrene foam, styrene, which is a carcinogen and neurotoxin, may leach from polystyrene containers into food and drink, posing a potential health risk to people. I envision a Lauderdale-By-The-Sea that has a ban which requires food service facilities to use eco-friendly food serviceware that is either biodegradable, compostable, or recyclable. What is required for the Town to institute such a ban?

Liliana Pomareda, North Tradewinds, LBTS

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT

Dear Editor:

I was not planning to write a letter regarding my termination of employment from the LBTS Chamber of Commerce. However, in view of the recent letter published in the Chamber newsletter which did not fully explain my termination, I feel compelled to set the record straight.

The Chamber can spin it anyway they want; I did not retire, or step down. After 10 years of dedication, hard work, no reprimands, receiving a lot of praise for the job I was doing, a number of plagues for outstanding service, I was fired. Their only comment was the "Chamber is going in a new direction."

I have received numerous telephone calls from Chamber members regarding this matter, and I was deeply touched to hear the kind words they had to say, and I thank them all for their support.

Sincerely,

Judy Swaggerty, Former Executive Director, LBTS Chamber of Commerce

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LBTS TOWN COMMISSION APPROVES NEW MARKETING LOGO

CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE - by Katrina Rice

Along with the logos, the design team offered a new tagline for the town. The previous slogan was "For the Rest of Your Life," which some people felt was too somber. The tagline proposed by Tangled Spider kept in the spirit of the beachside getaway: "Relax... You're Here!'

The town placed a survey on its website to receive feedback from residents. The survey asked which design respondents liked best, and second best, with plenty of room for comments. At the request of Commissioner Mark Brown, the survey also asked respondents to offer suggestions and feedback on the tagline. The final question on the survey requested that respondents identify themselves as a visitor, resident, business owner or both an owner and resident.

By the next commission meeting on April 10, 96 people had responded to the survey, with 58% favoring the pelican and "Addy" chair design. Another 29% had the colored blocks as their first choice and only 13% liked the postcard the best. However, the town administration noted that many of the respondents picked the pelican logo first but wrote in the comments that they also liked elements of the blocks

design. Fifteen people surveyed gave alternate tagline ideas, and at least 20 more were submitted directly to the town commission. During the meeting, the town commissioners received a list of all the responses in the survey. This document is available on the town website.

In response to some of this feedback, Tangled Spider provided a few extra designs for the commission to review. A number of residents suggested including the pier in a



"Blocks" Version of Logo Concept for Branding Purposes

design, since it plays such as an integral role in our town. The design team provided four examples of a town logo using the pier. However, during their remarks, they cautioned the town against using the pier design, saying it was hard to recognize and lacked simplicity. The pier design creates a very specific image of the town, instead of something open-ended where people can create their own

The purpose of the second meeting in April was for the Commission to give specific direction to Tangled Spider on moving forward. The suggestion from staff was to pick one of the three logos but keep the tagline open-ended, since it had created so much discussion. Once the commission picked a logo, it would narrow down choices for the slogan. The commissioners did offer up some suggestions given to them by residents, these included adding palm trees, changing some of the colors and how the pier might fit into the design. However, the commission mostly agreed with the survey responses. They decided to pick the pelican and "addy" chair logo, but use some elements of the blocks design, to retain its versatility. This way the pelican would be the primary logo but would still allow the blocks

for marketing and other outlets. LBTS owns all of the presented design concepts and has rights to license them.

Now that the commission presented Tangled Spider with a direction, the design team will review the tagline suggestions and bring back a few new ideas. If you have an idea for the town's new slogan, be sure to contact Town Hall or one of your commissioners who will be happy to include it for consideration.

LEANING UP THE A1A CORR

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization will host a corridor clean-up along A1A in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea on May 17. Volunteers will be asked to spread out along the road to pick up trash.

This is part of an effort to promote the scenic highway designation which has been granted along A1A. The clean-up will take place from 9-10 a.m., with volunteers asked to meet at Jarvis Hall. From 10-11:30 a.m., the MPO will host an informative cities presentation and special exhibit in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea town hall. For more information about this important event and to sign up as a volunteer, please contact Linda Connors at 954-640-4200.

POA TO HOST HURRICANE SEM

The LBTS Property Owners Association will host a hurricane seminar for town residents and businesses on May 17. The event will take place at Jarvis Hall, beginning at 7 p.m. Information will be provided on how to prepare for a hurricane, what to do during the storm and how to recover and repair afterwards. There will be a host of speakers, including representatives of the Broward Sheriff's Office, Volunteer Fire Department and American Medical Response. There will be plenty of handouts and munchies. The event is open to the public and free of charge. For more information, call Cindy Geesey at 954-776-5974.



COMMISSION MEETING REPORT - APRIL 24, 2012

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea will soon be sporting a new look for drivers who enter the town via the Commercial Boulevard bridge. On April 24, the LBTS town commission approved a plan to redesign the two western blocks of Commercial Boulevard, from the bridge to Seagrape Drive. The plan will include a new entryway feature, landscaping, artwork, 20-foot sidewalks in front of the businesses and redesigned parking lots.

The town has budgeted \$1 million for the project and hopes to get it underway later this year, once

hopes to get it underway later this year, once the design plans are finalized and all of the necessary permits are received. The goal of the project is to give the town entryway a more distinctive look and give people a better sense that they have entered LBTS once they cross the bridge. It is also expected to help stimulate more business and pedestrian activity along the western end of Commercial Boulevard.

The town held three public meetings to review the design proposals and solicit public input prior to the vote. Initially, there were two plans on the table. The first proposed to change the existing parking pattern so that cars would park facing Commercial, rather than facing the storefronts, and traffic would circulate through the parking lots in the opposite direction than

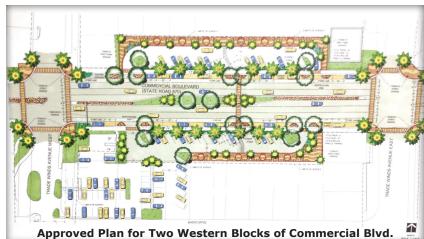
now. The sidewalks would be widened to 20 feet, to allow room for outdoor cafes or display areas. New landscaping would be installed and the existing parallel parking spaces along Commercial would be retained. This plan drew strong support from the business owners who spoke out at the public meetings, since it preserved all of the existing parking spaces.

The second plan proposed to allow angled parking along Commercial Boulevard, with a nine-foot recovery zone to allow drivers to back out without actually entering Commercial. This plan was later modified to eliminate the back-out parking feature. This plan also garnered strong public support, but it would have eliminated 24 existing parking spaces, which upset many of the business owners.

In the end, the commission voted 4-1 in favor of the first option. Vice Mayor Scot Sasser voted no, saying

the second option would have a more dramatic impact and would do more to help slow down traffic on Commercial.

Commercial Boulevard isn't the only local roadway that will be getting a new look. The commission also voted on April 24 to move forward with a drainage improvement and streetscape project along Bougainvilla Drive. The immediate goal of this project is to improve drainage along Bougainvilla, which floods every time it rains.



Town staff had also proposed an ambitious plan to change the parking layout along the roadway and install a significant amount of new landscaping to beautify the two blocks of Bougainvilla from the municipal park to Pine Avenue, including a roundabout at the intersection of Washingtonia. However, local residents objected to that part of the plan, insisting that they not lose any parking spaces in front of their properties. That forced the town to scale back the landscaping plans considerably. However, the commission did vote to move forward with the roundabout, and the town will also investigate the possibility of providing a pedestrian walkway leading into Publix, so people won't have to walk in the road

The commission also approved another improvement project in town, but this one will be done by subtraction rather than addition. It voted to remove the pergola

and four support columns located on the beach side of the pavilion on Commercial Boulevard. Municipal Services Director Don Prince said the pergola was not holding up to the weather conditions and was in constant need of maintenance. He added that removal of the four support columns will open up the vista to the ocean for people seated in the pavilion.

In other news, the commission gave the go-ahead to stage this year's Fourth of July fireworks program from

a site on land adjacent to El Prado park, rather than from the fishing pier. Commissioner Chris Vincent, who is chairing the event, said the town can save about \$15,000 by staging the fireworks from land while still putting on a fast-paced, entertaining show.

The commission adopted a new branding tag line for the town: "Relax...You're Here." This will go along with the new logo which the commission approved and will become a regular feature in the town's upgraded marketing plan. The new town logo is a pelican perched atop an Adirondack chair. It is one of several designs which the town plans to utilize in banners and other materials to help identify and market the town.

The commission debated, but did not reach a final decision, on whether or not to participate in a major beach renourishment plan which Broward County hopes to carry out next year from Pompano Beach to Port Everglades. The commissioners asked the county to provide more specific information about the cost of the project, the staging area for the sand, how long the project will take to complete and potential environmental impacts in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea

A proposal to contract out the town's parking enforcement department was given final approval, as was a contract with a realtor to try to lease out part of the warehouse which the town owns along Dixie Highway.

Commissioner Stuart Dodd was reappointed as the town's representative on the Hillsboro Inlet Committee, while Mayor Roseann Minnet was reappointed as the town's representative to the Broward League of Cities organization.

HOW THEY VOTED - LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA TOWN COMMISSION

The following votes were cast at the Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Town Commission meetings on April 10 and April 24, 2012.

Item Voted On:	Minnet	Sasser	Dodd	Vincent	Brown
approve a new town logo of a pelican perched atop an Adirondack chair	Υ	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
approve a new branding design tag line: "RelaxYou're Here."	Υ	Υ	Y	N	Υ
contract out the town's parking enforcement services	abstain	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
approve conceptual design of west Commercial Boulevard streetscape project	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
approve drainage and streetscape project along Bougainvilla Drive	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
stage this year's Fourth of July fireworks program from land, rather than the pier	Y	N	Y	Υ	Υ
remove the pergola and four support columns from the east front of the pavilion	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ
hire an additional part-time worker in the municipal services department	Y	Υ	N	Υ	Υ
allow alcoholic beverages to be sold within 500 feet of a church	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	Υ
go out to bid on a new banking services contract	Y	Υ	Y	Υ	Y

HOW YOU VOTED - RESULTS FROM LAST MONTH'S OPINION POLL

Most people who responded to the poll question in the March issue of ByTheSeaFuture said they are in favor of having the U.S. Postal Service consolidate the entire town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea under a single zip code of 33308. Here is a sampling of the comments we received:

YES: It just makes sense to have one zip code for such a small town. -- Mike

NO: There is no reason to "consolidate" Lauderdale-By-The-Sea into one zip code, and several reasons not to do so. Zip codes are used for delivering mail, they hold no other significance, and are not political boundaries. Anyone affected by a zip code change would endure the trouble and expense of changing all of their stationery and advertising. Anyone who has gone to the trouble to build a personal database (for birthday, holiday and other cards) would find their information obsolete and may find it very difficult to update it. If there were further changes to LBTS boundaries this would only cause a resurfacing of this idea. — Bill

YES: I am so tired of giving 33062 as LBTS and they change it to Pompano! -- Guy

NO: The current postal service is excellent. if it isn't broken, why try to fix it? -- Dan

YES: This should have been done by the U.S. Postal Service years ago when we first tried to get it changed. The way it has been is very confusing to many and has caused a lot of problems as to where people actually are living. I hope you get enough response and have success. -- Shirley

NO: To do so would require numerous address changes, ID changes, et. al for those of us in the northern part of town. -- Andrew

YES: It's about time for the U.S. Postal Service to get real. We don't live in Pompano Beach. -- Duane

YES: Being from out of town, I always thought it was one zip code. Seems like one zip code would be easier. -- Ethel

 $\textbf{YES:} \ \textbf{Actually, the greatest little city in Florida SHOULD have its very own zip code! -- Kathie}$

YES: Two different U.S. postal zip codes are confusing to credit card companies, state of Florida, U.S. passports, IRS, voter registration, GPS, 911, etc. My zip code is 33062, which to almost everyone is Pompano Beach. I'm proud to live in and be a resident and taxpayer of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, not Pompano. -- Lloyd

YES: You would think with all of the technology that this would not be a big deal to give all of LBTS a single zip code. However, you have to realize who you are dealing with, and to be honest, I doubt that this will ever become a reality. -- Ron

YES: Right now we are dealing with having four addresses--the old street number with Pompano and with Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and the new street name with Pompano and LBTS. It would make the most sense for the entire town to be uniform. It would also clear up a lot of confusion when having packages delivered. -- Julie

NEW OPINION POLL - Cast Your Vote at ByTheSeaFuture.com

The Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Town Commission has selected an Adirondack chair with a pelican perched on it as the town's new marketing/branding logo. Do you like this logo? Let us know what you think by voting!

Visit **ByTheSeaFuture.com** to cast your vote. If you wish to add a personal comment, please do so, as we will be happy to print the best responses in our next issue. This is purely an unscientific poll but will provide valuable feedback to our elected officials.



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FORGET THE CAR, SEE LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA BY BIKE

Nothing beats a bike ride on a sunny day, and now you can take a ride around Lauderdale-by-The-Sea without ever having to buy your own bicycle. On March 1, B-Cycle opened a bike-sharing station in LBTS as one of its first 25 locations in Broward County. These bicycles are available to visitors and residents. The station can be found in the northeast corner of the municipal parking lot on A1A.

B-cycle, a collaboration initiative from Humana, Trek Bicycle and Crispin Porter and Bogusky, first launched on Earth Day in 2010. They opened 40 docking stations with 4,000 bikes in Denver. Within just one month over 3,000 people had used the stations. They now have more than 10 cities involved in the program. Broward County provided \$300,000 from a public transportation grant to pay for the service. In December, Broward opened its first locations. The goal is to have 40 of these locations around the county by the end of 2012. Currently the county has about 300 bikes in service.

The way it works is simple. Go to a station, or to the Broward B-Cycle website (www.broward.bicycle.com) and purchase a membership. Options are for just 24 hours, 7 days or an entire year. To keep the bike for a single day costs only \$5, plus fifty cents for the first half hour.



Every following thirty minutes costs \$3. These prices are reduced if you purchase a longer membership. Those with memberships will receive a "B-card" which can be read at

Once you've paid for the bicycle, just go to any station to use it. The website offers full instructions about the exact options. If you have received a B-card, all you need to do is swipe it, or use the solar-powered kiosk to select your

bike. Once selected, the bike will unlock and the docking station will beep. The bike can then be ridden anywhere around the county. When finished, the bike can be returned either to the same dock or any other ones in Broward County (a list of locations is included on the website but they include Hollywood, Pompano and Ft. Lauderdale). Each bike comes with a basket, bell, chain guard, lock and GPS unit. The local docking station holds up to 10 bikes.

B-Cycle offers a few statistics on what changes would occur in a community if just 10% of residents use B-Cycle for 30 miles. This would reduce carbon emissions by 41 tons and save 4,240 gallons of gas. Traffic would be reduced by 2,855 cars and save \$62,825. The bike also keeps track of how many calories you burn while riding. B-Cycle says LBTS residents would lose 1,150 lbs, at 0.4 lbs per cyclist. These statistics are based on just the population around the LBTS area, estimating around 30,000 people.

In 2011, B-Cycle was named the fifth most innovative company in transportation. Other cities incorporating this project have seen great success. So go and try the new B-Cycle system in town: it's healthy for you, green for our town and a great alternative transportation option for those visiting without a car.

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BSO BAGS BEDROOM BURGLAR IN LBTS

A violent criminal with a long history of bad behavior is finally behind bars, thanks to the conscientious work of a Crime Scene Investigative Aide in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. As a result of his efforts, CSIA Faisal Moreno was named BSO employee of the month for February.

The incident began several months ago, when Moreno responded to the scene of a burglary in Silver Shores. The criminal had broken into a house through the front door and rummaged through a bedroom. According to the police report, Moreno meticulously searched the scene and discovered a partial palm print on the door. He developed the evidence and turned it in to the BSO's crime lab. Further investigation revealed that the print belonged to a known, violent, habitual felon who was wanted for questioning by several other law enforcement agencies for his suspected involvement in similar crimes.

With the palm print positively linking the suspect to the crime scene, detectives were able to obtain a warrant for his arrest. The evidence also allowed investigators from other agencies to tie him to other crimes. As a result, the suspect was apprehended and his bond was set in excess of \$1 million, due to the number and severity of crimes he committed.

"Due to CSIA Moreno's technical expertise in processing crime scenes, along with his dedication to duty, he was able to develop a critical piece of evidence, which facilitated the capture of this suspect. CSIA Moreno's continued exceptional performance highlights his dedication to the safety of the residents of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea," said LBTS Police Chief Oscar Llerena.

There were several other notable incidents and arrests in LBTS during the month of February. On February 4, LBTS deputies responded to a report of a chain snatching. The victim was walking along El Mar Drive when the suspect ran up to him and grabbed his gold chain. The suspect was believed to have fled the area in a vehicle driven by an accomplice. Deputies canvassed the area looking for the vehicle but did not locate it, in part because the victim waited before calling the police. The case is still under investigation and is believed to be related to several similar incidents throughout the county.

On February 11, LBTS deputies responded to the report of a burglary in an occupied hotel room on El Mar Drive. The victim said he woke up to find a man attempting to climb through his window. Deputies set up a perimeter and brought in both their aviation and canine units. They found the suspect hiding in a shed that he had broken into. He was taken into custody and further investigation showed that he has an extensive criminal record.

On February 22, a shoplifting was reported at Walgreen's. LBTS deputies pulled over the suspects' vehicle and detained them. It was discovered that they are part of a large, organized multi-jurisdictional shoplifting ring. The investigation is still ongoing.

There were two incidents on February 23. In the first, deputies responded to a report of a woman yelling for help on Bougainvilla Drive. They arrested a suspect who was attempting to strangle her over a domestic dispute. The suspect and victim knew each other. The woman was not seriously injured. Deputies also responded to the report of a disturbance on the beach. Two people got into an argument and one pulled out a knife and threatened to stab the other. The suspect was later arrested at his home.

LBTS BSO ARREST LOG - MARCH 2012 (



The following information was provided by the Broward Sheriff's Office as a public document detailing the arrests made in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea in March 2012.

03/02/12 B/M arrested at 4400 North Ocean Drive for Driving While License Suspended.

03/03/12 W/M arrested at 1540 Galt Ocean Drive for felony arrest warrants.

03/04/12 W/M arrested at 100 Washingtonia Avenue for warrants reference Violation of Probation.

03/04/12 W/M arrested at 200 block of Commercial Boulevard for Possession of Cannabis.

03/04/12 W/M arrested at 4341 Bougainvillea Drive for warrant reference Trespassing.

03/07/12 W/F arrested at 2600 East Commercial Boulevard for Felony Narcotics.

03/09/12 W/M arrested at 4228 North Ocean Drive for Child Pornography.

03/11/12 W/M arrested at 4500 block of Bougainvillea Drive on warrant for Ordinance Violation.

03/11/12 W/M arrested at 4525 Bougainvillea Drive for warrant reference Possession of Cannabis.

03/12/12 W/M arrested at 4700 block of North Ocean Drive for Possession of Cannabis.

03/15/12 W/M arrested at 4245 North Ocean Drive for Felony Narcotics.

03/17/12 W/F arrested at 4129 El Mar Drive for Possession of Cannabis.

 $03/17/12 \quad \text{W/M was arrested at 3900 North Ocean Drive for Writ of Arrest-Child Support, DWLS, Expired Tag} \\$

and No Proof of Insurance.

03/19/12 W/M arrested at 4208 North Ocean Drive for warrant reference Failure to Pay Child Support.

03/21/12 W/M arrested at 4301 North Ocean Drive for Felony Criminal Mischief.

03/22/12 W/M arrested at 4725 North Ocean Drive for Domestic Battery.

03/23/12 W/F arrested at 101 Commercial Boulevard for warrant reference Criminal Mischief.

03/23/12 W/F arrested at 4245 Bougainvillea Drive for Felony Narcotics.

03/28/12 W/F arrested at 4245 North Ocean Drive for warrant reference Trespass.

03/29/12 W/M arrested at 4324 North Ocean Drive for warrant reference Violation of Felony Probation.

03/31/12 B/M arrested at 3900 North Ocean Boulevard for Possession of Cannabis.

03/31/12 B/M arrested at 3900 North Ocean Boulevard for warrants reference Violation of Probation/Robbery

and Violation of Probation/Aggravated Battery.

LBTS VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS HONE THEIR IMPRESSIVE SKILLS

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Each time, Molenda varied the drill slightly by either changing the position of the "dummy" or changing-up the tools the volunteers used to rescue their colleague. The final drill involved the smallest volunteer, Kristina Bolanos inside the building, pushing one of the biggest men in the department to safety. Bolanos said she "asked to be the rescuer in that drill. I wanted to try the hardest thing to prove I could do it." And Bolanos did prove she could do it, just as well or better than any of the boys.

The next drills consisted of basics involving the SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus) worn by each firefighter. Volunteers practiced sharing air with each other, using a special cloth over their face to simulate the darkness and oppressive heat caused by smoke, to make the exercises seem more real. The firefighters also practiced a more serious drill, how to change out their air tank when running low on oxygen. This requires a firefighter to completely disconnect from one air tank and move to another. During the time period between the two tanks, they cannot take even one breath because the air could be toxic.

Molenda told the volunteers "the last thing you want is to be doing this for the first time when it's for real." Unscrewing the air hose and then reconnecting it to a different tank may sound simple, but almost everyone practicing the drill "died" by taking a breath or two. Molenda pointed out "it's okay, almost everyone 'dies' the first time. Remember, this is in a safe environment, but you're doing it without gloves, without the adrenaline rush."

Molenda encouraged the volunteers to become efficient even during more intense situations like after running for ten minutes or while lying down. "One you can do it on your belly," he said, "then you can call yourself proficient." Lieutenant Chris Maddock called the SCBA drills "a reality check." He said "this really showed us that we all need to practice holding our breath. We've all done training like this before, just not to this extent, but its great and I hope we do more training like this. Everybody here wants to be better and is willing to learn." Campigotto agreed with the statement, calling the group of volunteers, "tight-knit, a good team and really willing to help each other."

Chief Molenda referred to the final drill as the "two minute death trap." The instructors used a long wooden box shaped like a tunnel, wood on three sides and open at the top as the space for this exercise. Holes were drilled into each side of the box, and loose hanging wires spanned the tunnel space. The box simulated what happens when a ceiling collapses and firefighters become entangled in wires. The firefighters put the same cloth over their heads from the previous drill, then put on the rest of their gear, including their masks.

Then the instructor gave the fireman only the basic tool kit they would usually carry with them. Each firefighter had to crawl through the tunnel, completely blind, and cut through any obstacles. Campigotto and the other volunteers watched from above the tunnel. Campigotto talked each firefighter through the drill, reminding them, "this is why we carry tools" and advising everyone to practice zipping and unzipping their tool bag while wearing gloves, in the dark. Adam Reeneisen became so frustrated during his first attempt that he ripped his mask off. He had to do the drill over again, this time with additional pieces of drywall to break through. "You're supposed to remain calm and confident during that drill and not panic. You have so many things going through your mind." Reeneisen completed the drill during his second attempt, even with the extra barriers. "I learned a lot," he said. "It would be really great to have Chief Molenda come again."

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Volunteer Fire Department Fire Administrator Lieutenant Danny Chavez, who organized the training session, said there will be more drills like this in the future, "We'll have different instructors from different departments come and help us practice like this. We hope to have one again within six months." Chief Molenda said, "A lot of times it is boring, but it is still important." He pointed out that more than 100 firefighters die on the job each year in the United States. Just a week before the training, two firefighters lost their lives to a collapsed wall in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It is poignant reminders like this one which highlight the importance of these firefighter drills: to keep safe the dedicated men and women who protect us in LBTS every day.







BURGLARY RING SMASHED IN LBTS

The Broward Sheriff's Office has broken up a major burglary ring which has been operating in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and other nearby seashore communities for more than a year. On April 26, BSO officers arrested four suspects in the 1700 block of S. Ocean Boulevard in LBTS. No shots were fired but police had to smash open the windows of the car to get the suspects out.

According to LBTS Police Chief Oscar Llerena, members of a BSO task force were tailing the suspects in an undercover car. The suspects apparently realized that they were being followed and they rammed the police vehicle. "We did a takedown on them," Llerena said. "We were watching them. We're on to them. It was pretty dramatic."

Llerena said the gang members have been tied to three burglaries in LBTS and are suspected in two more in town, plus many more across the beach area. He said the ringleader of the gang was arrested earlier this year and is currently being held on a million dollar bond, but that hasn't stopped the other members from committing more crimes.

TWO ARRESTS MADE IN HYPERBARIC OXYGEN FACILITY EXPLOSION IN LBTS

Three years ago, a horrific explosion rocked the hyperbaric chamber clinic in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, killing a four year-old boy and his 62-year old grandmother. Now, two employees of the clinic are under arrest and charged with manslaughter as a result of the incident.

A lengthy investigation by the Broward Sheriff's Office and other law enforcement agencies uncovered numerous safety violations at the clinic, including burned wiring and equipment which was held together by electrical tape. The BSO also found that standard operating and emergency procedures were not followed properly, leading to the incident and causing the victims to suffer prolonged exposure to the fire.

The 62-year old victim, Vicenza Pesce, died the following day, while her four-year old grandson, Francesco Marti, died a month later on June 10, 2009. With the investigation finally complete, the BSO moved this week to arrest Lance Bark, 51, the chief safety technician at the hyperbaric clinic. He was charged with manslaughter. Also under arrest is Dr. George Daviglus, 81, who runs the clinic. He is charged with aggravated manslaughter.

Ocean Hyperbaric Center was one of about a half-dozen such clinics in South Florida. The center treats patients with severe head injuries, neurological disorders and other serious problems. Patients are placed in hyperbaric chambers which are filled with 100% oxygen to help infuse oxygen into their cells. Mrs. Pesce was reportedly holding her grandson's hand while he was lying in the chamber at the time of the explosion. A tube attached to an oxygen chamber which the boy was lying in became dislodged, causing an explosion and flash fire in the chamber, which was filled with 100% pure oxygen at the time.



BSO officers examine the severely damaged vehicle driven by gang/robbery suspects as they fled through Lauderdale-By-The-Sea on April 26, 2012.



BSO tows away the suspects' vehicle from the 1700 block of S. Ocean Blvd. (A1A) after apprehending them and conducting an investigation at the scene.

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<u>ByTheSeaFuture</u>

The LBTS Chamber of Commerce held a business-to-business social event at Flip Flops restaurant on April 18. Local business people gathered for a relaxed evening, filled with food, great company and a fabulous view of the intracoastal waterway. The event gave local business people an opportunity to network with each other by sharing cards and drinks. The LBTS Chamber regularly offers happy hour events like this to give new and old businesses an opportunity to meet one another. Attendees included newly elected Commissioner Mark Brown, Chamber President Mark Silver and recently appointed Chamber Director Malcolm McClintock. The LBTS Chamber hopes to promote all local businesses and their events by welcoming them to events likes this one.



Loads of fun and superior networking were enjoyed by Chamber members.



Chamber Director Mindy Correa, Interim Executive Director Malcolm McClintock having a ball at Flip-Flops with Carroll Bowers, Manager of the Sea Spray Inn.



Yolanda Bernadini, Chamber Director Edward White of Croton Arms Resort and Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Town Commissioner Mark Brown enjoy the event.

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SEASIDE BUSINESS

by Mark Silver, LBTS Chamber President

During this time of the year the same question pops up in my mind; Do storms loom in my horizon? Living in South Florida is wonderful and we love living and working in LBTS but it is not too early in the year to think about windstorms, rotating storms and the threats they can pose to our businesses.

The prospect of an impending storm can raise many difficult questions for a business owner especially being so close to the ocean. Should I evacuate or stay put? How do I secure inventory, the business premises and business assets? Which of any data or documents

Now is a good time before the hurricane season is in full swing to familiarize yourself with checklists for your business-continuity plan, guide to document damages for an insurance claim and any other documents and guides that pertains to your business...lets just call this 'catastrophe preparedness". Please contact your insurance company's web site for "Security and Safety" information.

On another note... I hope you find a moment to visit the Lauderdale By The Sea Chamber of Commerce web site at LBTS.com. I am sure you will find it informative, useful, wellorganized and easy to navigate. It's great for all businesses to see so many visitors already using our site. We have witnessed over 113,82 visits and 530,498 hits in March 2012. Our innovative and creative webmaster James Fletcher works diligently keeping it so enlightening and appealing - a Big Thank You!

If you want to promote your business in the Chamber's monthly publication, The Sea Breeze please contact Malcolm McClintock at 954 776-0244. He is also the person to contact regarding general membership and if you need to make changes in your contact information for the Chamber database. Of course, you can email me anytime with any thoughts, ideas, concerns or suggestions.

Thank you for all that you do for the LBTS Chamber of Commerce and the Town.

With Gratitude,

Mark Silver, President

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VIDEO SURVEILLANCE FOR SECURITY

by Kurt Weiss, Coastal Computer Systems

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Kurt Weiss is the owner of Coastal Computer Systems which is located in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and has been providing fast, on-site service and convenient drop-off service in the Fort Lauderdale area for the past 16 years.



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LBTS CHAMBER CHAT

should I pack up?

SUNNY AROUND TOWN



EASTER BY THE SEA 2012

by Sunny Eckhardt

It's great to be a kid at Easter in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea! Naturally the weather was perfect and with 6,000 stuffed eggs and bags of extra goodies to be had, you can be sure that everyone got all they could grab and more.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea is all about children and families. This year was no exception in that the Easter egg hunt was another huge success. Mayor Roseann Minnet chaired this year's event. The guys from Interior Digs, Wayne Dillistin and Ken Brenner, along with Marie Chiarello, did a terrific job in decorating Jarvis Hall and outside town hall. With so many skilled volunteers, 6,000 eggs with goodies were stuffed in just one and a half hours! There were many, many hours in preparation for the two-hour event.

Numerous volunteers helped with the hunts, laying eggs in front of town hall, with Town Manager Connie Hoffman helping. Taking my life in my hands I was in the middle of the hunt to get some action shots. I didn't get knocked down once. Incredible how quickly the front lawn of town hall can get cleaned up. We could use some of these guys for the beach clean-up. After three hunts for three age groups, we had the annual Easter bonnet contest. Winners for the children's category were 1st place, Sofia Frye (17 months) 2nd place, Evangeline Hoff (3) and 3rd place, Sloane Berry (9). Adult category 1st place, Jen Berry, 2nd place Stephen Courtney and 3rd place Erika GoLoff--no ages given! Congratulations! Glad I didn't have to be a judge!

Our Volunteer Fire Department arrived at that point with Mr. & Mrs. Easter Bunny, along with Sparky! The VFD can always be counted on, along with the Sheriff's Department and the COP's volunteers to help direct traffic.

With Mr. & Mrs. Easter Bunny (Vince and Connie Ragusa) greeting everyone on their arrival, they proceeded into Jarvis Hall to have their photos taken with all the kids and giving out more treats. Outside on the portico refreshments were given out.

As I said before, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea is very family and children friendly. July 4th coming up! Kids don't forget to decorate your bikes and join the parade.

As we wrap up another Easter in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, all that can be said is, just another perfect day in paradise!







THANKS TO THE EASTER VOLUNTEERS

Easter By The Sea, on April 7, was an outstanding success, largely due to the incredible volunteerism from the town's residents and businesses. This year the event was coordinated by Interior Digs. The creative talent of Wayne Dillistin, Ken Brenner and Marie Chiarello transformed Jarvis Hall into a bouquet of spring decorations with flying butterflys, Easter bunnies and colored eggs.

The festivities started on April 2 when over 40 people gathered to stuff 6,000 plastic Easter eggs with candy. By the end of the week, the hall was ready for the children. Thankfully we awoke to a glorious Saturday morning, a slight breeze and the sun shining. Thanks to everyone who helped, you know who you are! Members of the Citizens On Patrol (COP program) kept the participants safe as they crossed A1A. The Volunteer Fire Department arranged for the music and speaker system, along with transportation for Mr. and Mrs. Easter bunny (Vince and Connie Ragusa).

The countless volunteers (the Easter patrol) seeded the front of town hall three times for the egg hunts. It didn't take long for the eggs to be scooped up and in the hands of awaiting boys and girls. The bonnet contest immediately followed and soon after the Easter bunny arrived on the fire engine. Cookies and juice were served on the portico, and inside Jarvis Hall parents could take pictures of their children with the Easter bunny. The day was a great success and we were finished and cleaned up by 11:45 a.m. Thank you again to the many volunteers who made Easter 2012 a success!

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Mayor Roseann Minnet

MEANINGLESS FACTS

by Bill Johansen

Watching a football game on TV the other day, the announcer proclaimed the following fact: "When this team is leading by 42 points in the fourth quarter, they have never lost!"

In a world of easily accessible numbers, we seem to be driven to prove our point with facts and figures, regardless of relevancy. Because we are currently in an elevated election cycle (why are there only two people on the ballot for President, but fifty for Miss America?), my phone has been ringing off the hook with pollsters, seeking facts and figures. Have you been called by a pollster? I always feel like asking them to hold while I turn down the TV... never to return until I hear the receiver emitting 'wak-wak' sounds. But, that's just me.

These pollsters come up with many, many statistics in a single call. They then seem to pick and choose among them, spin them, and even report on them, making them the story itself. They can certainly produce meaningless facts from reliable figures.

Massaging the facts is done in various ways. Ranking always works well. It forces good and bad, valuable and worthless. To arm you, here are some facts for your next call: The most money ever paid for a cow in an auction was \$1.3 million. Yet, with that cow or any cow, you can lead it up stairs, but you cannot lead it down stairs. American car horns beep in the tone of F. On average, there are 178 sesame seeds on a Big Mac bun. On the \$100 bill, the time on the clock tower of Independence Hall is 4:10. Twenty-one percent of people reading this just looked for a \$100 bill to check it out

The average person blinks their eyes 6,205,000 times a year, you will breathe 23,040 times in a 24 hour period, your heart beats over 100,000 times a day, and a sneeze travels out of your mouth at over 100 mph. Our eyes are always the same size from birth, your foot is the same length as the distance from your elbow to your wrist, our ears and nose never stop growing, and it is physically impossible to lick your elbow. You just tried to lick your elbow.

Caesar and Cleo were the early stage names of Sonny and Cher Bono and February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon. Maine is the only state whose name is just one syllable, and the earth weighs 6,588,000,000,000,000,000,000,000,000 tons. There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar and chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying.

You may now talk to the next pollster with confidence. It's a lot to remember, but I've found you're never too old to learn something stupid.

Col. William Johansen is a Lauderdale-By-The-Sea resident, frequent contributor to ByTheSeaFuture newspaper and a participant in the town's special BSO Citizen Observer Patrol program.

For information about the COP program, please visit Sheriff.org or stop by BSO headquarters.



FLORIDA HOUSING PRICES UP, INVENTORY DOWN

by Shevaun Steward-Kuhn, LBTS Resident and Realtor

According to Florida Realtors' latest housing data, Florida's housing market had increased pending sales, higher median prices and a reduced inventory of homes for sale

"With the continued steep decline of inventory, historically low interest rates and buyers no longer willing to wait on the sidelines, Florida's real estate market continues on its road to recovery," says 2012 Florida Realtors President Summer Greene, regional manager of Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Florida 1st in Fort Lauderdale. "The latest numbers show that pending sales are up almost 30 percent for single-family homes and almost 20 percent for townhomes and condos." (April 19, 2012 Florida Realtors.Org).

Pending sales refer to contracts that are signed but not yet completed or closed; closed sales typically occur 30 to 90 days after sales contracts are written.

Those numbers are exciting, but how do they compare with our local stats? Well, for starters, Broward county saw a 10% increase in the number of properties that went under contract. That's great! But what's even better news; in our area pending homes sales were more than DOUBLE for that same time frame. I've included a graph so you can see the numbers and stats for yourself.

Now, wonder what's been selling? Oceanfront! We had 14 closed sales in the last 30 days and 10 of those were Oceanfront. Prices ranged from \$114,000 to \$1,475,000! What did someone get for \$114,000? Unit 1706 in the Caribe! While this was a fixerupper, the views from one of the top floors at the RIGHT price of this ocean front co-op made this an excellent value for the buyer. Aquazul unit 2101 sold for \$1,475,000 cash. That was a 3 bedroom 4 ½ bathroom luxury condo with over 3100 square feet and spectacular ocean views.

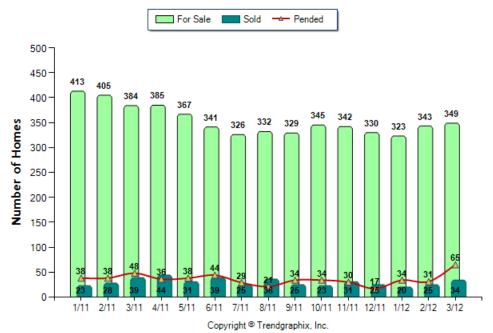
The good news for buyers is that whatever your price ranges, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea has it, but don't wait too long, or you could miss the property you've been hoping for. Just last week I was working with out of town buyers. They were seriously interested

in a property that has been on the market for several years. While thinking about it over night, the property went under contract! What does that tell you? If you see something you like, don't wait!

Sellers, if you've been wondering if now is the right time to put your home on the market, give me a call. I will give you a free and confidential home evaluation with no strings attached. This way you can make an informed decision about what's best for you.

Realtor Shevaun Steward-Kuhn can be reached at 954-817-0606 or Shevaun@bellsouth.net.

REAL ESTATE TRENDS - LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA, SEA RANCH and Neighboring Areas



	Curnt vs. Prev Month			Curnt vs. Same Month 1 Yr Ago			Curnt vs. Same Qtr 1 Yr Ago		
	Mar. 12	Feb. 12	% Change	Mar. 12	Mar. 11	% Change	Jan. 12 to Mar. 12	Jan. 11 to Mar. 11	% Change
For Sale	349	343	1.7% 📥	349	384	-9.1% V	338	401	-15.7% V
Sold	34	25	36% 📥	34	39	-12.8% V	26	30	-13.3% V
Pended	65	31	109.7% 📤	65	48	35.4% 📤	43	41	4.9% 📤

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FARM TO TABLE--CULINARY HEAVEN

by Doc Lawrence

TALLAHASSEE, FL-Florida's capital city has come into its own as a food destination, a showcase of fine dining, organic wineries, regal Tupelo honey, featuring an acclaimed country store operated with little change in a hundred years. Original Florida is well represented here, and when you factor in the impressive quality of life considerations, it is arguably the Florida of tomorrow.

Old and new are juxtaposed. Mayhaw berries are transformed into artisan jelly. Spanish Moss-draped Live Oaks that witnessed the migration of Spanish settlers, British invaders, Apalachee and Seminole Indians harvesting fruit and vegetables and the marching armies of the Civil War provide much of the astonishingly beautiful landscape.

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Bradley's Country Store is an exemplar of farm to table. Just outside Tallahassee, the store sells their own country sausage (hot and mild), cracklings for authentic cornbread, liver pudding, hogshead cheese and coarse ground country milled grits much of which is shipped to Chef Art Smith's Chicago restaurant operation and the Seminole Tribe of Florida. Managed by Jan Bradley Parker, known to locals as "Miss Jan," Bradley's sells over 150,00 pounds of its century-old secret recipe sausage each year.

Georgia's Thomasville is culturally connected to it's Florida kin, Monticello and Tallahassee. Thomasville is home to many fabled plantations and is a properous Deep South city boasting one of the world's most heralded cheesemakers, Sweet Grass Dairy. The handcrafted products garners national acclaim, prompting owners Jessica and Jeremy Little to open a wine and cheese tasting room packed daily with locals and vistors enjoying delights like Thomasville Tome, Asher Blue and Georgia Gouda paired with superior wines. Acclaimed Liam's is a gourmet experience rivaled by only the best restuarants in Fort Lauderdale and At-



Artisan handcrafted cheeses by Sweet Grass Dairy are paired with wines daily at the tasting room in downtown Thomasville, Georgia, adding to the area's appeal as a culinary destination.

Monticello is Florida's Mayberry. Lovely Victorian homes, a stunning courhouse (I always look for an Andy Griffith look-alike on the courthouse steps), venerable well-maintained churches and pedestrian friendly sidewalks. Tupelo's, a terrific downtown restaurant served a memorable lamb stew made from locally-sourced lamb. Full Moon Farm and Apiary is a major honey producer and Golden Acres Ranch is alive with goats, lamb, guineas and lots of love, perfect places to learn what "local grown" really means. You can walk with the ghosts of Spanish explorers on on the remnants of the unpaved Spanish Trace near Ted Turner's 14,000 acre plantation. The city is on the move, hosting an important conference this October to discuss scientific discoveries establishing the area's connection to the earliest North Americans.

Tallahassee is Old South propelled by a new V-8 engine. The luxury Duval Hotel's Level 8 Lounge has South Beach energy and the nearby hotel Aloft is hip and comfotable. But, it's the epicurean shrines like Avenue Eat & Drink and Cypress that attract gourmets. Llmost on cue, Avenue transforms amuse bouche: chef samplers are like previews of a new musical about elevated dining, complete with wine and food harmony. Cypress has long been the dinner hangout for Hollywood stars and national politicians. Elizabeth and David Gywnn's creamy Gulf Coast oysters and biscuits were a harbinger of outstanding food and wine long remembered.

Situated in the Red Hills bioregion just outside Monticello, Dr. Cynthia Connelly's Monticello Vineyards & Winery is part a 50-acre farm featuring wines made from native organic Muscadine grapes. Dr. Connelly is an engaging conservationist and one of Florida's most effective advocates of better living through organic farming. A visit is a glimpse of Eden. The grounds are beautifully maintained and the wines are delicious.



Goats roam in a non-stressed environment at Golden Acres Ranch near Monticello. An ebullient Bobbie Golden says this "adds up to a naturally flavorful and healthy product." Her Tennessee Fainting Goats and Mini-Myotonics Goats, she adds, are "perfect pets and control

Farm-to-table products, organic and sustainable farming procedures are important parts of prevailing popular winds, and few places anywhere perform these as well. With the ancient Spanish Trace going right through it, this fertile niche of America connects Tallahassee, Monticello and Thomasville on imaginary lines like an isosceles triangle, displaying some of the best food of the Southeast.

Photo at left - Food writers gather (with "Miss Jan" in front) at historic Bradley's to begin a Deep South culinary adventure into old and new cuisine, artisinal products and constantly evolving cooking traditions.

Veteran journalist Doc Lawrence, a familiar face in South Florida, enjoys a national reputation as a top travel, wine and food, arts and lifestyles columnist. The Atlanta resident has close ties to the Sunshine State, writing regularly about Florida's diverse culture from Pensacola to Key West. Doc's popular syndicated radio show, "Southern Ways," debuted last spring.

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MAY'S BIRTHSTONE IS THE EMERALD

by Mark Silver of Argenti Designer Jewelers, LBTS

The green of the emerald is the color of life and springtime, so fitting to be the birthstone for the month of May. Talking with other jewelry designers we always remark about the magnificent green of the emerald, how the color conveys harmony and the love of nature. I for one can never see enough of this unique green color.

Emerald is one of the most expensive and valuable gems in the world, and has been a part of the legacy in various Royal families throughout history. Emerald has been said to lift depression, insomnia and encourage peaceful



14K Yellow & White Gold with a Round Brilliant Cut Diamond and Emeralds created by Mark Silver of Argenti Designer Jewelers in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea

dreams. Emerald is useful during transitional times in your life. It assists in understanding changes of new directions and is said to calm, balance and nourish the soul through emotional upsets.

Emerald is associated with the constellation of Taurus, the "Bull" and this shiny green stone is a symbol of true goodness and good luck for the bull individuals. The word Emerald is derived from the old French word "Esmeralde" and really just means green gemstone. But, it has also for centuries been the color of beauty and of constant love.

Emeralds have been held in high esteem since ancient times. For that reason, some of the most famous emeralds are to be seen in museums and collections. Emerald is commonly referred to as the "Travelers Protection Stone." Ancient mythology teaches us that the emerald was associated with Mercury, who was known to be the messenger of the gods and of travel. Additionally, Emerald is associated with the Greek goddess Venus, the goddess of "Love" and "Beauty."

If the heart was loyal, the gem would glow in a beautiful green color, but if the heart went astray, it would turn a different, lifeless color. What a great gem to have protecting lovers from unfaithfulness. This is truly the "Gemstone of Successful Love!"

Recognized as the 20th anniversary and a 55th anniversary gemstone, I have designed many rings using this gemstone and it continues to be a symbol of eternal love, making it perfect for engagement rings.

I hope you enjoy the information here, and I welcome any comments you may have which can be sent to: argenti722@aol.com.

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ASK DR. G - PHARMACOLOGY CORNER by Geneen Graber Maxwell, PharmD, CEO, Dr. G's Pharmacy By The Sea

Why do I need to take a whole course of antibiotics if I start to feel better after a few days?

Antibiotics are medications that are used to treat bacterial infections. They typically work by either stopping the growth of the bacteria that is making you sick or killing the bacteria directly.

It is very common practice these days for physicians to aggressively prescribe antibiotics to try to get rid of bacterial infections as soon as possible. Often times, in just a few short days, a patient who is taking antibiotics will start to feel better. However, it is critical to remember that even though you are starting to feel better, this does not mean that the infection making you feel badly is gone yet. It simply means it is starting to work and you are on your way to getting better soon. If you stop taking the medication too soon, your infection may not go away completely or it may even come back in a more severe form than the one you originally had. It is important to let the antibiotics do their job in getting rid of an infection completely before you discontinue treatment.

One of the biggest challenges with antibiotics occurs when they are over used or not used correctly, it gives the bacteria a chance to figure out how to work against the antibiotic and develop a resistance which may make that antibiotic not work the next time you might need it. If that happens on an ongoing basis, it could limit the number of antibiotics that you can use to treat future infections and ultimately this could lead to a dangerous situation for you.

The best thing to do is to always follow the exact instructions from you physician and pharmacist in order to assist the medication in working the best way possible. And always discuss, with your health care professionals, potential side effects and any other precautions you might have to take when taking medications. The communication between you and your health care professionals can make a difference between good health care and great health care. It is available to you. Be sure to take advantage of it!

Please send your future pharmaceutical questions for Dr. G to her via email directly to grgraber@aol.com or just stop in to her pharmacy which is located conveniently at 234 Commercial Blvd. right here in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea (2 Blocks West of A1A). Call 954-938-0005 for filling your prescriptions and for more information.

DON'T LET SPRING CLEANING BE A

by Your Local Chiropractor, Dr. Joe Angelini

Before you clean out that garage or start your spring cleaning you have been putting off, follow some simple rules to help clean your house and not hurt your back.

When you set out to do any physical activity treat it as exercise. A proper warm-up is essential to prevent injuries. This only requires about three to five minutes but will save you days of discomfort. Before you start your busy day of activity take a few minutes and lay flat on you back and pull your knees up to your chest one at a time and hold them for 20 seconds for two to three sets. Then stand with your feet a shoulder distance apart and slowly lean over your right leg and then your left leg to stretch the back of your legs or the hamstring group of muscles. Then stand with one hand on the wall and the other grapping your toe to stretch the quadriceps or front of your thigh. This brief stretching routine will help prepare your body for the active day ahead.

A primary concern when doing work around the house is lifting. Make sure you use your legs to lift. Try to stay balanced when lifting keeping your knees bent not to over use your back. Unfortunately there are many circumstances where balance and positioning is difficult. A great example of this is rotating a mattress or moving furniture. If it is at all possible get help to do these activities or wear a back support when lifting extremely heavy and awkward objects.

One of the worst positions and activity a person can put there body in is the bent over position when vacuuming and mopping. When doing these activities take a break after several minutes and straighten up. This break only has to be brief but it will enable you to last longer with less pain and decrease the chance of injury.

Always remember that we live in Florida! You must stay hydrated by drinking plenty of water. Yes water, not ice tea, coffee, soda or beer but water to nourish the cells in the muscles so they can work correctly. A well hydrated body is less likely to get injured that one that has even a slight case of dehydration. So drink up, it is important and your body craves extra hydration during any activity.

In case you do hurt yourself or you are feeling stiff and sore do not use a heating pad or put "Ben-gay on it." Use an ice pack on the affected area for 20 to 40 minutes. Make sure that you cover the skin with a thin layer of paper towel or cloth to prevent skin exposure and damage from the ice. Ice packs

can be purchased in you local pharmacy or use a family size bag of frozen peas, they work great. If the pain persists then visit your Chiropractor for an evaluation.

Dr. Angelini has been practicing Chiropractic for over 27 years and is celebrating his 25 years of practice in Florida. His office is equipped with state of the art equipment including Spinal Decompression Therapy, Cold Laser Therapy and the WellWave for Acoustic Compression Therapy. His practice is located at 5400 N. Federal Highway in Fort Lauderdale, and he can be reached at 954-202-9709 or drjoeangelini@comcast.net. Website: www.drjoeangelini.com.





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PROPERTIES ON THE INTRACOASTAL

by Jocelyn Blaylock, LBTS Resident and Realtor

This month's Jocelyn's real estate corner will focus on an update from last month's article on Intracoastal property in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea.

Well if you thought the real estate market was slowing down think again. During the month of April, and this article was written 4/16/12, the Intracoastal property advertised for \$699,000.00 is under contract. The property next door is now on the market for \$725,000.00 and has been totally remodeled. It has already been shown 5 times since going on the market 4/11/12. The property purchased for \$750,000.00 is back on the market for \$1,250,000.00.

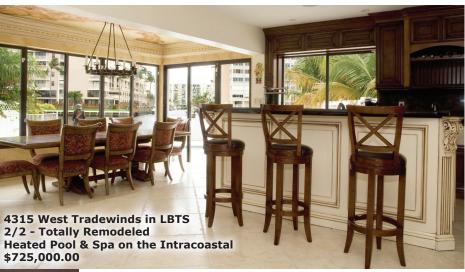
What does all this mean... Well business in Lauderdale By The Sea is on fire. Everything on the Intracoastal priced right is selling and selling fast.

Current Single Family Homes Lauderdale By The Sea Inventory

The current inventory in LBTS is 37 single family homes. Lowest priced Intracoastal property in LBTS is 1749 N. Blue Water Terrace, 2/2, 2021 sq.ft., foreclosure asking \$415,000.00. Sure this will not last long, the land value alone is worth \$412,500.00 and the home which is next to a point lot is a bonus. The lowest priced waterfront property, not on the Intracoastal, is 1937 SE 19th St, 3/2, 2150 sq.ft., asking \$559,350.00. The lowest priced non-waterfront home is located in Palm Cub Co-Op, 2/2.5 asking \$385,000.00.

Now is the time to invest in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea real estate. In approximately five years, you'll be very glad you did.

If you have any questions please feel free to give me a call. I hear from several of you every month and enjoy talking to you. Email: Jocelyn@JBGsold.com website: www.LBTSRE.com, 954-646-2282. I live here and I work here. This website was designed just for Lauderdale By The Sea, www.LBTSRE.com. My other website is www.1BGsold.com.





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Tasty Musings to Delight the Palate



by Lenore Nolan-Ryan, Renowned Chef and Lecturer

MAY IS FOR MOTHER'S DAY

For the love and beauty of all mothers loved by us near or far...

Here is a piece that was written by Audrey Hepburn ...

"For attractive lips, speak words of kindness. For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people. For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry. For beautiful hair, let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day. For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone. People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed, and redeemed; never throw out anyone. Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you will find one at the end of each of your arms. As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands; one for helping yourself, and the other for helping others."

Here is my favorite recipe of my mother's when I was growing up. I thought it was so elegant. Come to realize how effortless it was for her because she loved us, loved to cook and loved to entertain. She always made sure the main ingredient was present everyday in every way. ...a smile on her face and love in her heart. I am so proud to share her name, Lenore.

LENORE'S SHRIMP DIVAN (remember this was the 50's)

2 lbs. cooked Shrimp (21-25 count) 1 can cheddar cheese soup, Campbell's of course! Olive oil, just a little

- 1c. milk 1 c. chopped yellow onions, tiny dice
- 1 T. chopped garlic
- 2 8 oz. packages frozen broccoli spears, steamed till hot, certainly fresh is great
- 1 c. frozen garden peas, steamed until hot
- 4 c. favorite white rice (not brown)

Saute the onions and garlic in a few tablespoons of olive oil (my mother never measured) until translucent. Add in the Campbell's soup and milk. Stir to incorporate to a smooth creamy texture. Add in the shrimp and gently stir together until hot. Place a cup of rice on each plate. Ladle a spoonful of shrimp and sauce over the rice. Brighten the plate with broccoli spears and garden peas. Enjoy with a lovely glass of chardonnay, my mother's favorite!





FROM THE BENCH

by Pamela J. Rossi, Graduate Gemologist and Accredited Jewelry Professional

REMEMBERING MOM ON MOTHER'S DAY

Remember Mom's favorite ring...her diamonds she received on her wedding day? How about grandma's bracelet, the one gramdpa gave her so many years ago. Chances are you have those coveted sentimental pieces of jewelry now, but you're not wearing them. They are not your style, or not your size. Instead of them sitting in a vault or in a drawer, why not make them into something you will wear? All of these photos of beautiful jewelry were made from exactly that! No kidding...this is what I do!



This was made from a pile (literally) of jewelry, removed all the diamonds and sapphires and designed, cast and set this beauty!



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Pamela J. Rossi, G.G., A.J.P., G.P. (G.I.A.)

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SEASIDE HAPPENINGS

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 3, Thursday: The new LBTS Lodging Industry Association to meet at Jarvis Hall, 9 a.m. Contact: John Boutin at 954-776-4232 and see page 2 of this issue for additional information.

May 5, Saturday: Join your friends and neighbors for the monthly beach cleanup in front of the pavilion on Commercial Boulevard, 9 a.m.

May 8, Tuesday: LBTS town commission holds its regular bi-monthly meeting at Jarvis Hall, 7 p.m.

May 13, Sunday: The LBTS Chamber of Commerce hosts a free Mother's Day jazz concert at the beach in El Prado park, 1-4 p.m.

May 17, Thursday: Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization hosts an A1A corridor clean-up, volunteers to meet at Jarvis Hall, 9-10 a.m., followed by a cities presentation and exhibit in town hall, 10-11:30 a.m.

May 17, Thursday: LBTS Property Owners Association hosts a seminar on hurricane preparation, Jarvis Hall, 7 p.m. Contact: Cindy Geesey at 954-776-5974.

May 22, Tuesday: LBTS Town Commission holds its regular bi-monthly meeting, Jarvis Hall, 7 p.m.

May 28, Monday: Aruba Beach Cafe sponsors its annual Memorial Day beach blast, 12 noon - 6 p.m. on the beach by the pavilion.

June 2, Saturday: Monthly beach cleanup, meet at the beach pavilion on Commercial Boulevard, 9 a.m.

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