

Lauderdale Isles Civic Improvement Association, Inc.



Greetings Neighbors!



By Audrey Edwards

The recent statement from the FWC (for residents to kill iguanas) sure has sparked quite a lot of interest from everyone, not only in south Florida, but nationwide. Anyone who has any concerns or questions should attend the next Lauderdale Isles Civic Association

General meeting on August 15th, City Attorney Alain Boileau will be attending our meeting to answer all your legal questions on the subject of iguana removal/extermination. I have personally not eaten iguana, but they can be eaten, and their skins can be tanned and used for shoes, wallets, purses, etc. (I have also heard they make good bait to put in your crab traps.)

The water main break on July 18th caused us to have a good “dry run” early in the hurricane season. The City acted very quickly to obtain pallets of bottled water that were shipped down from Tallahassee; distribution locations were set up and cars moved swiftly through them. The City has provided Hurricane Preparedness Kits for folks that might need a little help once in a while. Perhaps you have a neighbor that is in need and can use one? Please call your lane representative and we will get one to their house right away.

Have you seen the bright pink stakes along the sidewalk of the Riverland Preserve? The City is (finally) planning on widening and elevating the sidewalk in front of the park due to the heavy flooding in the area. For years, children going to and from school have had to walk into the roadway because of the flooded sidewalks. This upgrade to the sidewalk has nothing to do with the Riverland Road Improvement Project (TIGER grant). The most recent information that we received (a month ago at the Department of Transportation and Mobility) was that the City has contacted the County to add a couple of stop signs on Riverland Road, one on Sugarloaf and one on Gulfstream Lane/35th. This is not in concrete until the City gets approval from the County. Keep your fingers crossed folks, something needs to be done about the speeding and cut-through traffic we now have on Riverland Road. (Traffic accidents have multiplied on Riverland Road over the past few years, as everyone who has a traffic app on his or her phone is aware.)

Please remind your lawn service not to let their clippings fall into our canals, or blow them out onto the street. Everything that goes into the canal affects our water quality one way or another, and it all winds up in the ocean. All those pieces of plastic you see on the ground, whether it is a straw or plastic

wrapper from a pack of cigarettes, are not biodegradable and wind up going down the storm drain on their way out to sea. Make it a mission every day to pick up at least one piece of plastic and properly dispose of it. On my daily walk from the courthouse to the parking garage I pick up at least one item and throw it out. (I actually do it most everywhere.)

Hope everyone keeps cool over the summer and you get to enjoy some Friday nights listening to the music at Holiday Park!



We are happy to announce that we will be having three speakers at our August General Meeting this month.

City Attorney Alain Boileau, along with Juan Saavedra - Assistant to Commissioner Ben Sorensen, District 4, will be attending to discuss iguanas and legal methods for eliminating them.

Larry Teich, the Environmental Compliance Supervisor, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs, Sustainability Division, Public Works Department, City of Fort Lauderdale will be attending to discuss Algae in our canals. Representatives from the State of Florida, Southeast District representative have also been invited to attend.

Wendy Shaw, Stormwater Division Manager, Allstate Resource Management, Inc. will be making a presentation about, “Cured In Place Pipe Repair”. Old house? Old pipes? A new tech solution for old pipes.

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AGENDA

Note New Location
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LICIA General Meeting
Thursday, August 15th, 7:00pm
Abiding Savior/Grace Alone Church
1900 SW 35th Avenue

Regarding LICIA Meetings: - Audio recordings of all meetings are made for the purpose of creating minutes. All attendees at LICIA General Meetings must sign in at the front desk. **Effective February, 2018, all General Meetings are now held at Grace Alone Church.** Board of Directors /Committee meetings are held at Grace Alone Church.

- Pre-meeting: Sign In & Dues Payment-
1. Opening Statement President/Vice President
 2. FLPD Report
 3. Code Enforcement
 4. Iguana Invasion
 5. Algae in the canals
 6. Cured In Place Pipe Repair
 7. Airport Noise
 8. September Waterway Cleanup
 9. LIWMD
 10. Old Business
 11. New Business
 12. Drawing – Members in Good Standing
 13. Adjournment

Note: Previous meetings minutes and treasurer's reports are approved at the monthly Board of Directors Meetings.
General Meetings are held four times per year, on the third Thursday of the months of February, May, August, and November

From the Editors Desk

By Bob Franks

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**PLEASE NOTE - Aug 15th
GENERAL MEETING
LOCATION:
GRACE ALONE CHURCH
1900 SW 35th AVENUE**



I WANT YOUR DUES!

It's that time of the year

Association dues are due

Our fiscal year runs from November through October. With the new fiscal year comes the need for all members to contribute their annual dues of \$20. Your contribution helps LICIA in our efforts to improve and protect our neighborhood. Why not take a minute right now to write a check and mail it to our PO Box. Plus, by paying your dues, you'll be a **Member in Good Standing**, meaning you may serve on LICIA Committees & you can vote in the November Election.

To mail your dues, use the handy coupon found later in this newsletter

You may also pay your dues at the Feb. General Meeting

LICIA encourages you to submit articles for the newsletter. Letters & articles may be submitted by email to: bfranks@gate.net

All submitted materials will become the property of the association and may be printed in this newsletter or reprinted by any other interested publication. Deadline for submission: 25th of month prior to publication.
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Vice President's Corner



Bob Franks
Vice President's Message:

Hello everyone,

Hurricane season is here. In this issue we have several articles about hurricane prep. Many of us in the Isles have been through more hurricanes than we would like to remember. For newcomers to the area, it pays to be smart about hurricane preparation and give yourself options of whether you hunker down in your home, stay with a friend or at a local hotel or depart to area outside of the hurricane zone. Everyone has to make smart decisions based on the information you have on hand. Dirk Lowry, past President of the LICIA has provided some information for the newsletter and encourages you to do what you need to do to prepare for a worst case scenario.

As a long time boat captain in the Isles, I am always concerned about what to do with boats. Make sure your boat is fueled up as needed. Check that your batteries are fully charged to run bilge pumps. Make sure you have plenty of line. I like 1/2" double braided nylon with a breaking strength of 8000 lbs, which allows for some stretch and is fairly chaff resistant. For chaffing, you can use towels, duct tape, rags or whatever you can get. As the dock lines get loaded from the wind stresses, all contact points will suffer expedited wear and tear, i.e. chaffing. One of the best chafing materials is used fire hose.



The photo above gives you a good example of how to "spider web" multiple lines in many directions to whatever you can tie up to. In this photo there are actually 14 lines going in various directions. The idea is to keep the boat several feet off of the dock and allow for some play in the lines. The water may come up several more feet than normal. The key to doing this correctly is to wait for all of the boats to stop moving in the canal, then string your lines across. Get this done before the squall lines start moving in and you will be in good shape.

Have a particular boating or dock issue you would like to see an article about? Let me know I will be happy to address it. Fair winds and following seas,

Capt. Bob



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HURRICANE PREPARATIONS: ITEMIZED



By Dirk Lowry

Climate Prediction Center predicts a likely range of 9 to 15 named storms (winds of 39 mph or higher), of which 4 to 8 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph or higher), including 2 to 4 major hurricanes (category 3, 4 or 5; with winds of 111 mph or higher). NOAA provides these ranges with a 70% confidence.

FOOD AND WATER

25 gallons of water
25 cans or jars of tuna, chicken, ham, soup, stew, chili or beans
13 cans of fruit (get the ones packed in juice, not in syrup)
13 cans of vegetables
Powdered, evaporated or UHT boxed milk
Instant coffee, tea and cocoa
Peanut butter, jelly and/or honey
Powdered drink mixes, fruit juices, vegetable juices, soft drinks
Bouillon cubes
Non-perishable pudding and gelatin
Cookies, crackers, chips
Small boxes of dry cereal
Bread, muffins, bagels
Condiments, including ketchup, mustard, onions, garlic, oil and vinegar. Virtually any condiment can spice up canned vegetables
Gum
Hard candy
10 pounds of dry dog food or 20 cans of wet dog food.

SUPPLIES

25 gallon-size freezer bags (for freezing water before the storm and keeping items dry)
2 gallons household bleach (without lemon scent). For cleaning and purifying water.
1 hand-operated can opener
75 sets of plastic cutlery (fork/spoon/knife)
125 paper plates
30 contractor cleanup trash bags, at least 3 mil thickness, 42-gallon or larger
4 rolls of toilet paper
9 flashlights with extra batteries (1 per person, 1 per vehicle and two in the house)
1 battery-operated lantern with extra batteries
Battery-powered radio or digital television, with extra batteries
Fire extinguisher
Matches: Wooden kitchen matches are best. Keep them dry in a plastic bag or a plastic film container
1 old-fashioned clothesline with clothespins
2 gas cans
Cash
Copies of important documents: Homeowners insurance, deed, life insurance, Social Security cards, driver's license, bank statements, and your will.
Tools: Hammer, nails, tarp, ax, crowbar, screwdrivers, battery-



powered drill with screwdriver bits; knife, handsaw.

FIRST AID KIT

Keep all items in a waterproof container:
1 First-aid manual.
1 box of sterile adhesive bandages in assorted sizes.
Sterile gauze pads and roller bandages in a variety of sizes.
1 roll hypoallergenic adhesive tape.
Scissors and tweezers.
Needle, for sewing and removing splinters.
2 bars of soap in their own plastic bags or waterproof containers.
100 moist towelettes.
Antiseptic spray.
1 bottle hydrogen peroxide.
1 bottle rubbing alcohol.
1 bottle iodine.
1 thermometer.
1 jar petroleum jelly to relieve itching.
1 tube ointments for burns and cuts.
Various sizes of safety pins.
1 box latex gloves.
Aspirin, acetaminophen and antacid tablets.

AS THE STORM APPROACHES

Check prescriptions and other medical supplies. If you don't have enough, go to the pharmacy now.

Top off your food supplies. You should need only perishable goods to complement your staples and canned goods. If you don't have your staples, get them right away.

Stock your safe place - the strongest, inside room of your house - with a first-aid kit, small supply of food and water, flashlight, games for the kids, blankets and a mattress.

Fill clean containers with water.

Turn your refrigerator and freezer to the coldest settings. Start freezing plastic gallon-size freezer bags and/or 2-liter soda bottles filled with water. Don't open the refrigerator unless you absolutely must. A portable ice chest can be used to keep extra food and beverages cool.

Identify where to shut off electricity, water and gas.

LIWMD UPDATE

It has started already



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WATER MANAGEMENT
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www.liwmd.org

**SEPTEMBER
WATERWAY
CLEANUP
POSTPONED
SEE BELOW**



Algae, Cobia Canal

This picture is from the Cobia Canal on July 20th and that's the first sighting of blue green algae in the canal this year. The canal water temperature was 90.4 degrees. We received calls from neighbors on several of the other canals that morning; they spotted it in their canals, too. This is two months earlier than last year, when the algae in our area bloomed in late September. In other parts of the City they had it all summer and it looked like thick green pea soup. That may be what's in store for us this year.

As you read in our article in the May newsletter, recent studies now indicate that lawn and plant debris may be the largest source of nutrients that cause the algae to grow in our canals. The state Dept. of Environmental Protection has allocated significant funds to study the problem and hopefully come up with a solution to control it. In the meantime, we'll just have to endure its presence. See the flyer from the City in this newsletter for more info. By the way, it's best to avoid contact with the algae, so don't swim in it. Ingesting it could be harmful. Interestingly, the algae blooms that occur throughout the City disappear every year right before the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show.

So far this summer, there's been no report of duckweed in the canals.

SEPTEMBER WATERWAY CLEANUP POSTPONED UNTIL NOV. 16TH

Just as this newsletter was going to press, LIWMD determined to postpone the September Waterway Cleanup due to the blue green algae situation in our waterways. At this point, there is no way of predicting what the algae bloom will be like on September 21st. We are confident (hopeful) that the bloom will dissipate by Saturday November 16. Plus the weather should be cooler. We'll see you then!

Don't forget: the Cleanup is free, but you MUST pre-register on our [website www.liwmd.org](http://www.liwmd.org)

The Blue Crab Study

On June 12th, we finally trapped the number of blue crabs needed for the long awaited blue crab study. We caught

some very nice ones in the Albacore, Dolphin and Turtle Canals. We delivered them to Larry Teich, Manager of the City's Environmental Services Dept. He took the required flesh samples from each crab, packaged them and delivered them to the Broward County Environmental Lab. They will be analyzing the samples and will hopefully have the results for us in August.



A couple of the crabs caught for the study, iced down, being readied for the lab. (We thought more than once about steaming them for lunch, accompanied by a cold six pack.)

Iguanas

Since the FWC declared the iguanas as an invasive species, there are a lot of folks buying pellet rifles to eradicate these critters running rampant in our yards (even though the City Code says it's illegal to shoot air rifles/bb guns within the City limits of Fort Lauderdale). The problem is that many of the dispatched iguanas end up in the canals. Besides the wicked smell, the dead iguana will contribute nutrients to the water - which helps fuel the algae. Dead iguanas should go into a plastic garbage bag and into the trash, not into our waterways.

We'll see you at the Waterway Cleanup!

Geoff Rames & Ken Stauch, LIWMD

Where are these guys, now that we need them more than ever?

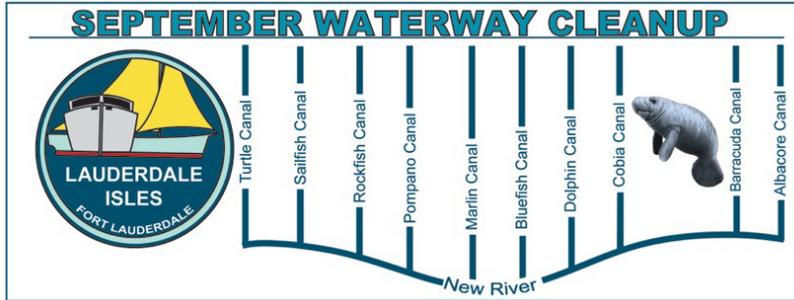


This is our FIFTH Cleanup!

Calling All Lauderdale Isles Neighbors

It's time for you to pitch in again and help enhance our waterways

Join us Saturday, September 21st, for the Fifth Annual



Our September Cleanup last year was the biggest and best one yet. This year's will be even greater. We'll have the big-top tent set up for another fantastic cookout after the cleanup. If you were there last year, then you know that everyone had a blast with all the raffles for prizes. Lots of fun and people answering interesting questions about the neighborhood - did you know we have eleven canals, how many in Lauderdale Isles? Besides doing a great job cleaning our waterways, neighbors get to meet new friends from the Isles. And the best part is: it's all free and everyone who lives in Lauderdale Isles will want to go. You don't want to miss it! More details will be provided at the August 15th LICIA General Meeting. **Site Location: Riverland Woods Boat Ramp. You must pre-register for this event—see below.**



OUR T-SHIRTS ARE COLLECTOR'S ITEMS

9:00am to 11:00am - Waterway Cleanup
 Waterway Cleanup t-shirt for all participants
 Free breakfast, snacks, coffee, bottled water & soda
 Prizes for the messiest, oddest, and ugliest items brought in
 You can keep what you find



You do not need a boat to participate—we need lots of help on the dock

11:00am to 1:00pm - Cookout under the Big-Top
 Free cookout for all attendees - Lots of raffles and prizes
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PRIZES!

T-SHIRTS - PRIZES - RAFFLES - GIVEAWAYS - BOATER GOODIE BAGS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **You must pre-register for this event.** Do so by going to www.liwmd.org and click on the Waterway Cleanup Registration page. You can pre-register through September 15th. Pre-registration is necessary so we can plan properly for the number of participants.
- Smaller boats are better - leave your yacht home and bring your dinghy. Max boat size is 23 ft.
- This cleanup is only for the ten canals and the New River within Lauderdale Isles, and is only open to Lauderdale Isles residents. Residency will be verified. **You must pre-register for this event.**

ATTENTION Kayakers, Canoeists, and Paddle boarders: Experience has shown that your crafts are perfectly suited for cleaning debris out of the rocks on the south side of the river. So grab your paddle and be there!

You can also register for the Cleanup at the August 15th LICIA General Meeting. Neighbors who sign up then may be in for some great surprises.



This is the neighborhood event of the year and it's FREE!



Sea Level Rise, Flood Zones & Sea Walls

By Bob Franks

For the past 40 years there has been a great deal of talk about Global Warming, Global Cooling, Climate Change, and Sea Level Rise. Between the climate change fanatics and climate change deniers, how do you make sense of it? What do you believe and what do you do about it? How does it affect me and how do you mitigate it? Many open questions. Beyond the demagoguery, let's take a look at a few facts.

Sea level rises and falls over geologic times in natural cycles due to changing climates, including warming and cooling of the world's oceans. 10,000 years ago the sea was 100' below current sea level. 5000 years ago, it was 15' below the current level. Hundreds of thousands of years ago the beach used to be along Federal Hwy, also known geologically as the Biscayne Ridge. Sea level rise and fall is a natural phenomenon. The degree of predicted rise and fall is the question. One of the best sources of "official" predictions comes from the Southeast Florida Climate Compact Org. By 2030, they are projecting sea level to rise **6 to 10 inches above the** 1992 sea level. By 2060 they predict the sea level to be 14 to 34 inches above the 1992 level. All of these projections are based upon variables with unproven computer models. So, just an educated guess, like hurricane forecasting. None the less, you always want to prepare for the worst and hope for the best.

On July 10th, the Miami Herald had a headline, "2018 Brought Record Breaking High Tides, NOAA Says 2019 will soak South Florida with more". What they are referring to is the high tide flood days tied to King Tides, when the moon is closer to the earth. This July 28 to Aug 4 is the first King Tide period for this year. Additional King Tide periods are 9/29-10/3, 10/25-10/31, & 11/24-11/28. NOAA predicts an increasing number of high tide events per year, looking toward 2060.

The greatest danger of flooding in our area is a combination of water saturated soil, a high rain event, combined with high tides. This scenario would involve high water coming in from the ocean, and large amounts of rain trying to wash out to the sea. Even if you are not a designated flood zone between the Everglades and the sea, you may be in a place the water has no place to go. Think Houston in Hurricane Harvey.

So should I worry about flooding any time soon? To provide an assessment of your risk factor for flooding, FEMA has created neighborhood flood zone maps showing the likelihood of flooding, based on a 100 year event. Go to: <http://bcgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/OnePane/basicviewer/index.html?appid=0b1b5ffc6f8440f9ab23d688bb79f063>.

Find your house on the map and click on it to get your flood zone designation. My house is shown in "New Flood Zone: X - Below 500 year Flood Plan". So no flood insurance required. When I click in the area of where my dock is, it shows: "New Flood Zone AE". AE means you have a 1% annual chance of flooding of 1 to 3 feet. Houses in Flood Zone AE are required

to have flood insurance for federally backed mortgages. Many of us in the neighborhood live on the water and the subject of seawall height and condition, related to flooding, comes to mind. What is required and what do we do to fix it? In 2016 the City of Fort Lauderdale passed a resolution requiring seawalls to meet the 3.9' NAVD88 standard. Go to: <https://gyr.fortlauderdale.gov/greener-government/climate-resiliency/seawall-maintenance>.

This website will give you all the information you need, to know about seawalls in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Basically, it sets a minimum sea wall height to 3.9' NAVD88. If your seawall is below the 3.9' height and does not allow flooding onto someone else's property, you are fine. If your seawall is in disrepair then you need to rebuild to the 3.9' height. If you need to rebuild your seawall you can build up to 5' NAVD88. If you rebuild only to 3.9', then you are encouraged to rebuild the sea wall in such a way that a later addition of a higher cap will be structurally sound.

Keep in mind that some proponents for increased sea wall height wanted the city to mandate all new seawalls and those needing repair to be at a higher height than 3.9'. This would put an unfair burden on waterfront homeowners, who live on fixed incomes, to be able to come into compliance with higher seawalls. The compromise was the requirement to heighten properties sea wall only if in disrepair or causing flooding on an adjacent property.

On a larger scale, Broward County has been busy working on new sea wall regulations. I spoke with Dr. Jennifer Jurado, Chief Resilience Officer and Director of the Environmental Planning and Community Resilience Division. She explained that the county would be introducing new seawall regulations to the municipalities in Broward County. In many ways the new county ordinance will mirror those currently in place. Mandated sea wall height increases will be required when flooding occurs from one property to another or substantial sea wall repairs are needed. The new proposed recommendation will be sea wall heights of 4' NAVD by 2035 and a 5' NAVD recommendation by 2050.

As part of a general conversation, Dr. Jurado said that Broward County was using an estimate of 2' sea rise by 2060 as a basis for planning. I was extremely impressed with the planning and all of the considerations taking place in consideration of flooding and possible future events. The county is working on a coastal wave flood study to map areas of concern. More high resolution maps are being created to show on a property to property basis the potential for flooding. Considerations of where to locate flood pumps, where to set base elevations for new constructions, etc. all serve to mitigate the current and future flood events. This allows for a better response to potential economic losses and reduces insurance increases, which affects the real estate market. To learn more about Broward County's environmental programs go to: <http://www.broward.org/CLIMATE/Pages/default.aspx>.

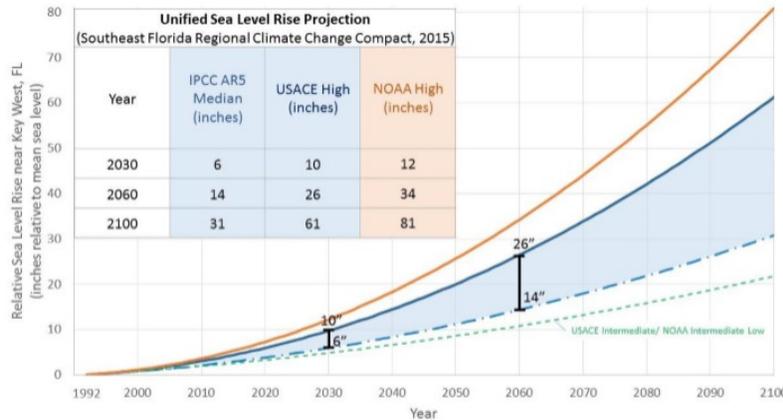
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Ok, you now have a better understanding of some of the seawall requirements. How do I find out the height and condition of my seawall? You can go online and find a company like Florida Inspections Unlimited. Companies like these can perform property surveys, seawall surveys, and elevation surveys. Expect a cost of around \$400 for a property survey, around \$500 for a seawall survey, and around \$150 for an elevation survey. Call for quotes. This will give you a baseline for knowing the height of your seawall and its condition.

Ready to do some work on your seawall? Like any good project, do your due diligence and hire the proper company to get the job done right. In researching good companies online with a lot of good reviews, I came across Sea Me Dive Inc. One of Sea Me Dive's specialties is installing a jet filter system which allows excess water to flow from the landward side of a property to the outside of the sea wall to maintain sea wall integrity. Along, of Sea Me Dive has been in the business a long time, performed jobs in our neighborhood and shared some good advice.

Four contractors will give you four different opinions of how to do the job. Be cautious about the low bidders. Your job will have low priority to the contractor. Good contractors already have plenty of work doing the better paid commercial jobs. Always get references when hiring a company. Don't pay the full amount until the job is done. A general rule of thumb is that seawall repair will cost around \$200/linear foot. Expect a new sea wall to cost around \$800/linear foot.



Make sure in your contact that the contractor will take care of all of the required permits and inspections. To see a list of items required by the City of Fort Lauderdale Building Dept. go to: <http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/Home/ShowDocument?id=19425>.

In the short term a 4' NAVD height will meet the current and proposed regulations. Make sure your seawall will be structurally sound to allow for a 1' cap bringing it to 5' NAVD by 2050.

Capt. Bob



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What Airport Noise?



By Dick Cahoon

Residents may be enjoying the peace and quiet from a lack of airport noise this summer. They may hear occasional noise from a distant plane, and even an overflight from time to time, especially if planes taking off to the west are routed to the north to avoid severe weather.

How has the LICIA Airport Noise Committee achieved such a reduction in airport noise, you may ask. With the help of residents filing thousands of noise complaints on the airport noise app, along with attending and commenting at the various FAA Airport Noise Workshops, there is another small factor contributing to the relative quiet. The Fort Lauderdale Airport, FLL, is working on a major overhaul of the airport's north runway, and has shut down the runway for a 4 month period.

All flights now use the south runway, which is almost a mile further away from Lauderdale Isles than the north runway. Because we are northwest of the airport, we are not affected by take offs and landings from the east. Planes land from the west only when the overall wind direction is from an easterly direction. The result of using only the south runway for landings is even less noise on landings from the west, which is usually not disruptive.

Planes taking off from the south runway into westerly winds is typically much quieter than from the north runway, which is much closer to our neighborhood. There is typically some noise from south runway departures that are given the 290 heading that cause us so much noise from the north runway. Usually, the south departures fly further west than Lauderdale Isles, and are at a much higher altitude by the time they reach our neighborhood, resulting in less noise.

There will be sometimes be planes overhead, and we need to let the airport and the FAA know that it is not ok by filing noise complaints.

Enjoy the quiet while you can. The FAA plans to resume airplane noise assaults on Lauderdale Isles as soon as the contractor completes work on the north runway. The contractor faces stiff penalties for daily delays but can earn a substantial bonus for every day he finishes ahead of schedule. In the meantime, the city is still working to hire an airport consultant to help the law firm they have hired to help us with the FAA, and to sue them if necessary.

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Beauty in the Isles



By Gina Garcia

Welcome neighbors to the Third Edition, 2019, of "Beauty in Our Isles". With more than 600 homes in Lauderdale Isles, we continue to recognize our neighbors that have taken great pride, expense, and personal effort to improve their homes and our neighborhood.

I had the opportunity to meet Andrew Blanco, one of our new residents on Whale Harbor that shared some really interesting historical information about our neighborhood. Andrew did some research and found that Charles McKirahan the Architect/designer of most of the homes in Lauderdale Isles was also the Architect for one of Ft. Lauderdale's most famous restaurants, The Mai Kai Polynesian Restaurant, built and opened in 1956, and is still a great restaurant/show for tourist and locals.

This Edition in our Newsletter will recognize 3 homes in Lauderdale Isles, one each on Andros Lane, Whale Harbor Lane, and Tortugas Lane. Please note that in all 3 Lanes there were many homes that could have made the Newsletter. Congratulations to the three homes selected and being recognized. (Any residents that would like to join the "Beauty in Our Isles" committee please call me. It is fun to view all the homes and talk to our Neighbors. Listed by Lane:



2497 Andros Lane: This home is the traditional rancher that has added brick columns to the carport, along with a circular driveway and street side island with a big Sabal Palm. The landscape is simple with a shaped/sculptured bush on the left, an antique light pole and of course the two dolphin mailbox. Beautiful.



2418 Whale Harbor Lane: This tri-level has tropical landscaping with a variety of palms, and a huge, tall "Royal Poinciana" as a focal point in the front of the house. Look closely and

you will see large stones and a giant Stag Horn under the tree. A two car garage and American flag compliments this beautiful home.



2518 Tortugas Lane: This large tri-level was completely re-done, on what appears to be a

double lot. It has a tropical trellis overhang above the front entrance and over the right side extension. A tiered garden wraps around the left front of the house and the white stone driveway beautifully accents the tropical blue color of the house.

Thank you and look for your home in our next Newsletter.

ELECTRONIC WASTE

By Dick Cahoon

Commonly known as e-waste, this category of waste has grown the fastest over recent years. E-waste includes, but is not limited to: batteries, light bulbs, cell phones and other telephones, computers, tablets, audio components, video game systems, televisions and monitors, cameras, ink cartridges, printers and copiers, digital clocks, radios and transmitters, power tools, certain small appliances and all cords. Household controls such as old thermostat and alarm keypads are e-waste when their use is discontinued. Some hospital or home healthcare equipment is also considered e-waste. E-waste needs to be kept out of our landfills, funneled to authorized processors, safely disassembled, and the individual components recycled or destroyed as appropriate.

This is because the individual parts that make up electronics, and especially batteries, monitors and thermostats, may contain dangerous chemicals that can contaminate soil and water, or produce health problems for humans if handled improperly. This includes materials like lead potentially found in solder and circuit boards; cadmium and other toxins in batteries; and, mercury in the fluorescent backlights in many flat panel displays. However, even some of these can be recycled and the "cleaned" material reused to reduce the chance that these toxins are released to the environment. The key is to get your e-waste in the hands of the right people. Unwanted electronics may not be valuable to you, but broken down to the various components they can be very valuable to others for recovery and reuse of materials such as copper, steel and glass. That is why it is also important to be choosy about where you take your e-waste. Recycling is becoming more convenient. Some businesses will even buy unwanted electronics from you. But before you drop, check to make sure that your e-waste will be handled according to local, State and Federal guidelines and regulations. The highest standard for disposal is ISO140001. The easiest way to know whether you are disposing of your e-waste at a reputable location is to explore the information in this section. In general, the City of Fort Lauderdale accepts all e-waste at our Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Events. We also recommend Fort Lauderdale based ARC Broward Electronics Recycling Services.

ACTION IN THE ISLES

Early in the morning on July 23rd, this nice Pursuit sportfisherman on the Dolphin Canal sank at the dock. It was refloated later that day by a local salvage company. There was no impact to the environment.



“ THE CODE IS THE CODE ”

Despite what you may hear from neighbors, City officials, FLPD officers - including statements like, “It’s OK to shoot an iguana as long as it’s on your property,” - here is the actual excerpt from the City of Fort Lauderdale Code of Ordinances:

Sec. 16-52. - Discharging firearms.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any kind of firearms, including air rifles and air pistols (commonly known as BB guns) within the corporate limits of the city except as permitted under F.S. § 790.25(3) and F.S. § 790.33.

Sec. 1-6. - Penalty for violations.

[c] Except as otherwise provided herein, a person convicted of a violation of this Code, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment for a term not to exceed sixty (60) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.



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LATE BREAKING NEWS: This sign was posted at the Riverland Woods Boat Ramp July 29th



LATE ADDITION TO THE AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST 15 LICIA GENERAL MEETING

Right at press time for this newsletter, when the sign shown to the left was discovered at the boat ramp, LIWMD requested that Larry Teich of the City's Environmental Services Department attend the August 15th General Meeting. Environmental Services monitors the algae blooms throughout the City and is in constant contact with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. Larry will give an overview of the situation, including what we can expect as the summer progresses. He will also answer any questions you may have. .

It was also requested that officials from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection attend the meeting. FDEP is the lead agency for the algae situation throughout the state. As the newsletter went to press, we did not yet have confirmation as to whether FDEP officials would be there.

This is going to be a very informative General Meeting - you should plan to attend.

Note: The Rockfish Canal was visited on July 24 by DEP & an algae sample was taken. You can see the results by going to the DEP website at: <https://floridadep.gov/algabloom> . Then click on FIELD AND LAB DETAILS, and then locate the Rockfish Canal on the map.

Pollution in our Canals and Waterways:



By Gina Garcia

Please remember that our canals and waterways make our neighborhood so very special. There are some areas that we, as residents, need to do a better job in order to keep our canals clean. Since this happens from the back of our houses, some homeowners may not be aware or realize that it is occurring. If you can, talk to your neighbor and/or the Lawn service working there. In some cases, the workers did not know not to blow the grass clippings into our canals. These are the two common canal Pollutions: Coconuts / Palm Fronds: If you have coconut trees near your sea walls, it is your responsibility to trim your trees, to prevent coconuts from falling into our canals. This is pollution and it is unsightly, can damage boat propellers and hamper marine navigation.

*Call City of Ft. Lauderdale Code Enforcement and they will follow up (anonymously if you desire) with a Homeowner.

Grass Clippings: Many residents have Lawn Service and most of them use "Blowers" to clear the grass clippings from the driveways, porches and back decks. Any clearing of the grass cuttings should be blown BACK onto the homeowner's property. Blowing the clippings into the canals is illegal and pollutes our canals. Please inform your Lawn service company NOT to blow clippings into our canals or streets.

*Violations can be reported by calling the City of Ft. Lauderdale, non-emergency, Police number, when you see it happening. Commissioner Sorensen has even offered to help us, by sending/calling his office with the name of the Lawn Service and/or phone #, so he can have city staff follow up and formally advise/warn them.

Thank you and please contact me if I can assist in any way. Let's keep our Isles Beautiful!

New Riverland Preserve Sign

A big thank you to Commissioner Ben Sorenson and all of our neighbors who worked hard to make this come true!



What is your Ride?

By Bob Franks

In today's urban world we have more choices of modes of transportation. More people in compacted areas require creative solutions to our transportation needs. Every year you see more bicycle lanes on streets. Riverland Road will soon have bike lanes which will connect to other parts of the city. So how is this going to help our transportation needs? You may not start using a traditional bicycle, but you may take advantage of the new technology out today.

We have gone from the basic bicycle to the electric bicycle. Scooters are now powered to take us around the city. Taken even further we now have electric skateboards and unicycles. Let's take a look at some of the new technology.



Electric Bicycle: Not your grandfathers bicycle, these are electric powered, have a range of 30 miles and can go up to 20 mph. Battery runs out, just start pedaling. Generally these start at around \$500, with a better rated bike at \$1000. This one has fat tires to take on rough surfaces. Safety wise, this is one of the better options for urban transportation.

Electric Scooter: Battery powered, with speeds normally of 15-20 mph. The nominal range is 20 miles for the entry level scooter for around \$300+. The \$1000 scooters will go as fast as 25 mph with a 30 mile range. With small wheels and less braking power than a larger wheel, you want to operate these with caution. Wear protective gear in anticipation of a crash. A helmet is a must. Also recommended are gloves. For the speedsters, knee and elbow pads.



Ride Sharing Electric Scooters: Where these scooter shine is when you need to go 1/2 mile to a few miles. You don't have to worry about parking your car or the scooter. Just leave it at the location where you finish using it. They normally cost \$1.50 to start, and \$0.15/min of use. An hour of use comes out to \$10/hr. Fun to use, but this \$10/hr does start to add up over time. Consider buying one for your own use. The Lime and Bolt scooters will go 15-17 mph and have a range of 20 miles.



Electric Skateboard: This battery powered skateboard sells for around \$240. Max speed is up to 10 mph. This would be a lot of fun for skateboarders, but not for any distance commuters. Still waiting on that "Back To The Future" skateboard.

So how do we improve on the skateboard? See the next invention below.

We have the "One Wheel" Pretty cool! This goes up to 16 mph with a range of 15 miles. This will work very well for a short urban commute. This uses a gyro, like in a Segway to stay level. Want to forward, just lean forward and off you go. If you are a skateboarder, there is a relatively short learning curve to feel comfortable riding this. This particular model runs around \$1000.



The Editors Choice—The Electric Unicycle: This is one sweet wheel. The Kingsong 16S. This bad boy will go up to 22 mph and has a range of 40 miles. It will recharge to 80% in about 4 hours. This is great for the urban commute. The 16" wheel allows you to have smooth transitions over bumps. This is what is considered a mid range wheel costing around \$1200. Entry level wheels start at around \$500. You will outgrow these quickly. They are slower with less range.



The **Electric Unicycle** is not for everyone. It requires skill and a pretty steep learning curve. Yes, as you are learning you will crash again and again until you get the balance and techniques down. This wheel uses a gyro like a Segway. It wants to maintain a vertical stability. When you lean forward, the wheel will start running forward to stay under you. Want to slow down? Simply, lean back and you will slow down, or even go backwards. A very fun ride. Safety? Wear wrist guard gloves and a helmet is recommended. If you are going to ride more than 15 mph, a full face helmet with elbow and knee guards are recommended. I use this for quick rides or running through downtown, the beach, Markham Park or a run to Publix.

Folks, times are a changing. Grab your favorite mode of transportation and have some fun!

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ALGAE BLOOMS: DID YOU KNOW?

- Not all algae blooms are bad; some form the beginning of the marine food web supporting an environment we all love!
- Algae blooms may deplete the water of oxygen and block light harming the marine environment.
- Less than one percent of algae blooms actually produce toxins that may be harmful to people and the marine environment.

Algal Bloom Prevention: How You Can Help

1. Lawn fertilizers are a big contributor to algae blooms. Leave at least a 10 foot buffer when dispensing fertilizer near a waterway. Fertilizer in the street will wash into the storm drains.
2. Never blow or dispose of trash and lawn clippings into our streets, storm drains, or waterways. They are loaded with nutrients and when they decay, they feed the algae blooms. All storm drains lead to the waterways.
3. Make sure your landscaping company is not polluting the streets and waterways.
4. Report algal blooms to the FDEP by calling 855-305-3903 or by visiting <https://floridadep.gov/AlgalBloom>.



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Fort Lauderdale Customer Svc. (24 hrs)	954-828-8000
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City Hall	954-828-5004
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Animal Control (Broward County)	954-359-1313
Broward County Mass Transit	954-357-8400
Comcast <i>Good luck!</i>	800-266-2278
Nuisance Alligators: FWC	866-392-4286
Crimestoppers	954-493-TIPS
Mosquito Control (Broward County)	954-765-4062
FPL Power Outages	800-4OUTAGE

** Airport Noise Complaints should be filed using the new app.*

WATERWAY ISSUES - Who to call:

- **Alligators (& Crocodiles) Problems**
 FWC Nuisance Alligators: 1-866-FWC-GATOR
- **Pollution/ Oil Spills within the City of Fort Lauderdale:**
 7:30 –5:00 Ft. Laud. Customer Service:954-828-8000
 Evenings/Weekends: FLPD 954-764-HELP
- **Pollution Complaints outside the City of Ft. Lauderdale:**
 County Environmental 24 hrs: 954-519-1499
- **Large Debris/Dead Animals in the water:**
 Ft. Laud. Customer Service 954-828-8000
- **Injured Manatees**
 FWC: 1-888-404-FWCC
- **Sinking or Sunk Boats**
 FLPD 954-764-HELP or 911 for emergencies
- **Unightly or Derelict Boats/ Boats too wide for canal:**
 Ft. Laud. Code Enforcement: 954-828-5207
- **Lawn Service Firms disposing debris in canal:**
 FLPD 954-764-HELP
- **Illegal Dock Construction/Pilings/Dredging**
 Code Enforcement: 954-828-5207



Filing noise complaints is quick & easy using the new mobile web app!

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MEMBER DUES for Nov. 2018 – Oct. 2019: BE A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING

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