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Imperial Point

PRESENTS

Winter in the Park 2024

Dottie Mancini Park

Friday, December 13, 2024 5PM to 8PM

Park Re Opening Ribbon Cutting 5:30 Sharp!

Welcome all Neighbors!

Come join us and your Imperial Point neighbors for a festive holiday gathering! This year's event is expanded with more fun for Everyone!!

Special Live Visit from Santa!!

THE FESTIVITIES INCLUDE:

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EXHIBITS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Neighbors

This has been an unusual year in so many ways, hasn't it? By the time the December newsletter came out last year, I had a distressing phone call. Our Dottie Mancini Park was closed with immediate effect. This had never happened before and we had our annual Winter in the Park event all planned and advertised. We were fortunate that they agreed to open the park for our event, but it was closed again right afterwards. This caused upset for all our neighbors, but especially for all the children who love the park and use it often as well as members from other neighborhoods and the condos who use it for exercising and meeting friends.

To the joy of all, the park was opened on October 5, 2024, the day after my Birthday. It was amazing to see all the happy faces and hear all the comments. I received so many pictures of happy children and their families. We feel very fortunate that we have our park back and our thanks go to all the people who worked to make this happen.

Speaking of events – there's another one coming up! We are planning Winter in the Park on the evening of December 13th from 5-8 PM in Dottie Mancini Park. It will be a little different this year, but I think you will like it. I hope we will have a good crowd as it is wonderful to have our park back.

We need volunteers and of course student volunteers. It is a lot of fun to do these activities and very rewarding. Give me a call if you wish to volunteer.

We will have our Annual Meeting on January 13th at 6:30pm at Broward Health Imperial Point. This is the time we have election of Officers and Board members. Would you be interested? If so, give me a call. We will invite City and County Officials also and you can hear what plans they have for us.

All the Best for a Safe, Happy and Health Holiday Season!

Cheers, Betty Shelley

Merry Christmas • Happy Hanukkah • Happy Kwanzaa • Happy New Year

JOIN THE BOARD

You can make a difference in our community and be an integral part of the direction of Imperial Point. We have monthly meetings at the Broward Health Imperial Point Hospital. Our agenda is full and current with neighborhood concerns and often with City officials on the panel. Being part of the Board is rewarding, exciting and lots of fun. If you are interested in being a part of the team, please contact Sue Fuhr 954-328-8261. I will also be at our Annual General Membership meeting being held at the Imperial Point hospital January 13, 2025. See you there!

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The membership raffle winners are
December: Gregory & Mary Jane Schweiger
January: Dolores Kaminski
February: Ron and Alice Benjamin
They each won a \$50
Visa Gift Card. Congrats!

**JOIN TODAY FOR YOUR
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All current members are eligible to win!

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Fred & Susan Majava
William & Kristen Masel
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BEYOND AWARD**
From Sue Fuhr

Bill & Kathy Thixton are always there to support our neighborhood and neighbors at a moment's notice. Always with a cheerful smile and a truck! They went through hours of training to be certified for fitting the bicycle helmets that were given away at the Party in the Point. They also stored the helmets in their carport, leaving no room for their vehicles. Bill & Kathy also took down the block long party/Halloween decorations from the median on Imperial Point Drive at the crack of dawn after Halloween. The list goes on and on of their behind-the-scenes activities. I am so lucky to call them my friends. On top of all that they are thoughtful, caring and amazing and we're so grateful for them!

Margaret Matinale, PA

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Farmer's Market
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DEC 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	3 Giving Tuesday	4	5 Farmer's Market Garbage	6	7
8 National Grandparent's Day	9 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	10 Council of Civic Assoc. Candidates Forum District 2	11 Imperial Point Board Meeting 6:30 BHIP	12 Farmer's Market Garbage	13 Light Up Carter Park Winter in the Park, Dottie Mancini Park	14
15	16 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	17	18	19 Farmer's Market Garbage	20	21
22 Autumn Equinox	23 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day Hanukkah begins at Sunset	26 City of Fort Laud Menorah Lighting 6PM Las Olas Garbage BULK TRASH	27 Kwanzaa Celebration 2-6PM Bass Park	28
29	30 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	31 New Years Eve				

JAN 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste		1 New Year's Day	2 Farmer's Market Garbage	3	4
5	6 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	7	8 Imperial Point Board Meeting 6:30 BHIP	9 Farmer's Market Garbage	10	11
12	13 General Meeting 6:30 BHIP Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	14 Council of Civic Asso 6:30	15	16 Farmer's Market Garbage	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	21	22	23 Farmer's Market Garbage BULK TRASH	24	25
26	27 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	28	29	30 Farmer's Market	31	

FEB 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 GroundHog Day	3 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	4	5	6 Farmer's Market Garbage	7	8
9	10 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	11 Council of Civic Assoc. 6:30	12 Imperial Point Board Meeting 6:20 BHIP	13 Farmer's Market Garbage	14 Valentine's Day!	15
16	17 President's Day Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	18	19	20 Farmer's Market Garbage	21	22
23	24 Garbage, Recycle, Yard Waste	25	26	27 Farmer's Market THANKSGIVING Garbage BULK TRASH	28	

In Loving Memory of Jeff Cole 1943-2024

We have planted a tree in the Entrance on the south side for our neighbor, Jeff Cole. Jeff was active with the Butterfly Gardens as soon as they began. He was a Master Gardener and really knew and understood all plants, especially for butterflies. He also had won many awards and had been a teacher and Band Director.



He was the first one who started cleaning the bird baths, which is a requirement for Butterfly Gardens.

I always called Jeff My Garden Angel. We will have his name placed with the tree. He will be missed.

Behold!

And he shall
be their peace.
(Micah 5:5)

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Imperial Point neighbors
at Shepherd of the Coast
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December Weds 7pm
Christmas Eve – 4pm/7pm
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IMPERIAL POINT'S HOME OF THE MONTH **SEPTEMBER**



I purchased my house in 1996 and moved in when my kids were 11 and 12. Back then, a generation had already been raised here so the neighborhood was changing with younger families moving in, and now we're having our grandkids over on weekends! We did some updates to the house in 2019 including adding a jacuzzi to the pool, then my husband started working on the front yard. We love exotic plants and trees so we planted a Saraca tree that's in the median. It grows in the foothills of the Himalayas and has stunning flowers. This neighborhood has grown into such a desirable place to live, and I truly believe the homeowners association and Betty Shelley are the #1 reason. Keep up the good work!!

Kim Jackson
Mark Briesemeister
2031 NE 62nd Ct.



If you would like to nominate someone, contact Jim Weber at jamesweber@imperialpoint.org or 302-545-2259
Full versions of our Home of the Month winners are posted on our website and social media each month.

IMPERIAL POINT'S HOME OF THE MONTH **OCTOBER**



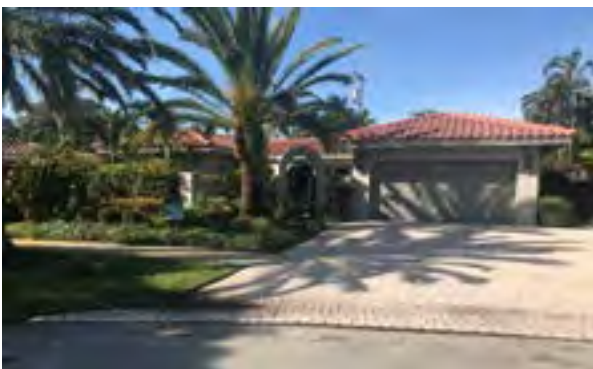
Home Of The Month for November was nominated by a neighbor. If you would like to nominate someone, contact Jim Weber at jweber55@gmail.com or 302-545-2259

I chose to live in Imperial Point because of the neighborhood, the people and its proximity to Boca, Wilton Manors and Downtown. I have found the people to be outgoing and friendly. The house is a midcentury look that has been completely updated.

Greg - 5821 NE 22nd Terrace



IMPERIAL POINT'S HOME OF THE MONTH **NOVEMBER**



Following many years of Condo and Apartment living, we agreed this was our time to locate a home without a pool so that we could enjoy landscaping and gardening. We have watched our Olive tree and three Mango trees: AlPhonso, Glenn, and Nam Doc Mai grow like weeds! Always look forward to pulling a mango from one of our trees and enjoying it immediately! We purchased our 312 home during the Pandemic four years ago. We refreshed the interior and selected a new exterior paint color. This home satisfied our search for a floor plan that offered privacy in the office away from the open areas of the kitchen, dining, family room, and primary suite. This neighborhood is one where you can walk and talk while on your way to dinner, gym, yoga, coffee, and ice cream. Thank you Imperial Point Homeowners Association for recognizing our home.

Sincerely,
Van Tidmore, Carlos Encarnacion
5641 NE 21st Rd

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM IMPERIAL SQUARE

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PANERA BREAD and EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS have many delicious things.

Our restaurant TEEJAY'S THAI SUSHI is a Fort Lauderdale go to and their new concept, SOBA ASIAN NOODLES located next to Panera Bread. Both can help you with your entertainment needs.

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THE FITNESS CENTER, IN SYNC HAIR & BOBY WORKS and VIRGILIUS APPAREL Have been neighborhood favorites for many years at Imperial Square.

CALM MIND & BODY CRYSTAL STORE has so many interesting things in the store for gifting to the whole family. Check out the website at www.calmmindbody.net.

A SHADE BETTER is a very unique store selling custom made lamp shades and many unique lamps. They can also can repair your fixtures and lamps.

RADIO-ACTIVE RECORDS is an absolute must-visit for vinyl collectors in Fort Lauderdale. It is a full-service music shop offering recorded music and a wide variety of genre formats. Visit their website at <https://www.radio-active>.

Please come to Imperial Square and support these businesses along with My Title Guys, Fred Astaire Dance Studio, Brickell Chiropractic, Hearing USA, Dr. G's Pharmacy & Urgent Care, Meltini Kitchen & Bath, Stretch Zone, Lamacchia Realty, State Farm Insurance, Gainza Law Group, Tod Weston Law, and USA Dry Cleaners.

Have a Great Fall and support all the businesses at Imperial Square!

Happy Holidays from Imperial Square

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- Crystal Shop
- A Shade Better
- Soba Asian Noodle
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NEWS AND EVENTS FOR THE IMPERIAL POINT BRANCH LIBRARY

News and Events for the Imperial Point Branch Library
5985 N FEDERAL HIGHWAY, FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308
954-357-6530. MON., THU., FRI. & SAT., 10:00AM-6:00PM.
TUE. & WED., 12:00-8:00PM. SUN.: CLOSED.

A message from the Community Library Manager Salena Collier:

Thanks so much for your support and donations over the years. We need the communities continued support and are seeking new volunteers for the Friends of the Imperial Point Brach Library Board. We need new adult volunteers to be President, Treasurer, and other positions. The Friends of the Library help to advocate for the branch, to raise money, to plan new events, and to provide us with feedback and new ideas. We also need chess club volunteer's teen 15+ and adult to help us on Tuesday nights from 4:30-7:30pm (1-3-hour shifts). If you want to learn more, then please visit a Library Volunteer Open House event, or contact the branch at 954-357-6530 and ask for Salena (adult & teen), Nate (adult), or Stefano (Ages 15-17).

HOLIDAY LIBRARY CLOSURES: CHRISTMAS DAY, WED., DEC. 25, 2024; NEW YEAR'S DAY, WED., JAN. 1, 2025; DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY, MON., JAN. 20, 2025; AND PRESIDENTS' DAY, MON., FEB. 17, 2025

YOUTH & FAMILY EVENTS:

- **PRESCHOOL STORYTIME (AGES 3-5 & CAREGIVERS)**, WEEKLY ON MONDAYS, FROM 10:30-11:30AM.
- **NEA BIG READ 2025 CHILDREN'S STORYTIME - THE NIAN MONSTER ADVENTURE WITH BCL STAFF (AGES 3-5)**, MON., JAN. 27, FROM 10:30-11:30AM.
- **CHESS CLUB (AGES 5 TO ADULT)**, WEEKLY ON TUESDAYS, FROM 4:30-7:30PM (NO MEETINGS: 12/24/24 & 12/31/2024).
- **ARTS AND CRAFTS FOR EVERYONE**, DEC. 5, 12 & 19; JAN. 2, 9, 16 & 30; AND FEB. 6, 13 & 20, FROM 3:00-4:00PM
- **FINGER PAINTING, COLORING OR SKETCHING**, THU., DEC. 26; JAN. 23; AND FEB. 27, FROM 4:30-7:30PM, FROM 3:00-4:00PM
- **GRAB-N-GO: TAKE AND MAKE**, WEEKLY ON FRIDAYS, 10:00AM-6:00PM. THIS GRAB-N-GO KIT INCLUDES INSTRUCTIONS AND SUPPLIES TO CREATE YOUR CRAFT IN THE COMFORT OF YOUR HOME.
- **KIDS LEARN TECH - PRESENTED BY TECH 4 NOW**, FRI. DEC. 13 & 27; JAN. 10 & 24; AND FEB. 14 & 28. FROM 4:30-5:30PM. REGISTRATION REQUIRED. THE CLASS IS FOR AGES 8-12 YEARS. LEARN ESSENTIAL SKILLS IN CODING, COMPUTER NAVIGATION, INTERNET SAFETY AND HOW TO CONDUCT RESEARCH. PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LAPTOP OR TABLET.

EVENTS FOR ADULTS:

- **Library Volunteer Open House: Special Holiday Celebration with Live Violin Music!** Wed., Dec. 18, 5:30pm - 6:15pm. Learn about library volunteer opportunities and Friends of the Library Membership. Attend a library tour, share your ideas, and discover different ways you can help the local community.
- **Coffee and Conversation:** Local Community Resources, Tue., Dec. 3 & 17; Jan. 7 & 21; and Feb. 4 & 18, from 3:00-4:00pm. Come join an informal discussion on government and non-profit services available to the public.
- **Issues of Aging Discussion Group**, Weekly on Fridays, from 10:30am-12:00pm. This small discussion group will focus on challenges of aging in a supportive environment, led by licensed social worker Tana Hacken. Limited seating. Registration at the Reference Desk or call 954-357-6530.
- **Smartphone Photography with Marion Fass**, Wed., Dec. 11, from 1:00-2:00pm
- Please bring your smartphone fully charged. Online registration recommended.
- **Imperial Point Book Club:**
 - Ask for staff to reserve a copy of the book.
 - Tue., Dec. 17, from 1:00-2:00pm.: To be announced.
 - Tue., Jan. 21, from 1:00-2:00pm:
NEA Big Read 2025 Book - To Live by Yu Hua.
 - Tue., Feb. 18, from 1:00-2:00pm.: To be announced.
- **English Café Intermediate**, Weekly on Wednesdays, from 6:30-7:30pm. No classes: Dec. 25 & Jan. 1. Practice and improve your English conversation skills. Classes will focus on vocabulary, pronunciation, and grammar.
- **Working with Computers and Devices: How to Get Started**, Thu., Dec. 12; and Thu. Feb. 13, from 10:30am-12:30pm. Explore the fundamentals of working with operating systems and applications, as well as how to keep your computer secure. Please bring your personal laptop, tablet, or smartphone for hands-on exercises.
- **Introduction to Gmail**, Thu., Jan. 9, from 10:30am-12:30pm. In Introduction to Gmail, you will learn how to begin using your Gmail account to its fullest and maximize the cloud-based software's features. Please bring your personal laptop, tablet, or smartphone.
- **Basic Smartphone Skills with Marion Fass**, Wed., Jan. 22, from 1:00-2:00pm
- Please bring your smartphone fully charged. Online registration recommended.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

If you are not sure of the correct city department, call the main number at 954.828.5000

Animal Care and Adoption	954.359.1313
Beekeeper	954.344.1493
Building Services	954.828.6520
Cable Tv (Comcast)	954.252.1937
City Commissioners	954.828.5004
City Hall (General Info)	954.828.5000
Code Violations (see Hotline)	954.828.5207
Community Resource Officers	954-828-6038
Dead Animal (Road Kill)	954.828.8000
Aircraft Noise Reporting Line - www.fortlauderdale.gov/departments	954.828.6666
Federal Aviation Administration - (FAA) Safety Complaints	866.835.5322
Fire Department (non-emergency)	954.828.6800
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ASK THE DOCTOR: HEALTHY AGING

Denise Cohen, D.O., an internal medicine specialist at Broward Health, shares her perspective on ways to be healthy every day of your life.

Q. Why is keeping up with preventive healthcare important for healthy aging?

Your primary care provider is your top ally in fighting aging. Getting a head start is key to preventing disease and detecting health conditions early on when they are more easily treated. Women should keep up with their regular scheduled cancer screenings, such as Pap tests for cervical cancer (starting at 21) and mammograms for breast cancer (starting at 40), and everyone needs colonoscopies for colon cancer (starting at 45). Vaccines to prevent conditions like flu and shingles are also recommended, along with regular blood pressure, blood sugar and cholesterol screenings.



Q. How much exercise is ideal for healthy aging?

Regular exercise benefits your mental health and may also slow the aging process in your brain. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that people get at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise weekly. Walk, bike or even mow the lawn to get your heart rate up three to five times weekly. The CDC also recommends strength training at least twice a week. This helps to increase or maintain lean muscle mass, strengthening your bones and protecting your joints from injury. As you age, this will improve your quality of life and ability to do everyday activities.

Q. If you know you have a family history of health conditions such as heart disease, what lifestyle choices promote healthy aging?

Even though you may have a family history of conditions such as cancer, heart disease or diabetes, numerous studies have shown that people who are fitter have better outcomes if they do get sick. Additionally, if you are in better overall health, you will have a stronger immune system.

Q. What is the best diet or eating plan for healthy aging?

A heart-healthy diet, such as the Mediterranean diet, is your best bet for healthy aging. Eating less red meat, sugar and saturated fats, while having more fruits, vegetables, whole grains, lean protein and olive oil will protect your heart health and can help you maintain a healthy weight.

Q. What advice for healthy aging do you follow yourself?

They say a joyful heart is the best medicine. Laughter and a happy heart are good medicine, and a joyful mind works toward healing. Find something every day that makes you laugh.

Q. Why is Broward Health a great partner on your journey to healthy aging?

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A MESSAGE FROM SARAH LEONARDI, SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER, DISTRICT 3



Sarah Leonardi

Greetings Imperial Point!

I've been spending the first and second quarters visiting District 3 elementary schools. School visits allow me a different venue to hear from school staff to learn about challenges they're facing, best practices they're implementing, and potential policy solutions to problems in our system. These visits also provide me with the opportunity to connect school staff with district staff who can help them with day-to-day issues. Some common themes I heard were about the struggles of implementing FOCUS and the need for facilities improvements. These are challenges I continue to bring to the superintendent and to the board along with remedies to those challenges. I routinely heard from leadership at our schools how proud they are of the academic success our teachers fostered last year that resulted in an A rating for BCPS for the first time in over ten years. I could feel the genuine excitement at our schools around improving on those successes. I want to again congratulate:

- Oakland Park Elementary for improving from a C to a B
- Riverland Elementary for improving from a C to a B
- Stranahan High School for improving from a C to a B
- Croissant Park Elementary for improving from a C to an A
- North Andrews Gardens Elementary for improving from a C to a B
- Westwood Heights Elementary for improving from a D in 2022 to a B this year
- Stephen Foster for improving from a C to an A
- Northeast High School for improving from a C to a B

The board continues to review the implementation of the new cell phone policy this year. A few important aspects of the rule to note:

- o Students are allowed to use their cell phones at the direction of their teacher
- o Cell phones are required to be turned off or on airplane mode during the school day
- o Students who require academic or medical accommodations to allow for the use of their cell phones are entitled to those accommodations

Anecdotally, I've heard from students and parents a mix of positive feedback and some opportunities for improvement. I continue to review research on this topic as well as feedback from all stakeholders.

October 13th through 17th was National School Lunch Week and it was a pleasure to visit Floranada Elementary School to spend lunchtime with a group of 5th grade students. Balanced nutrition throughout the day contributes to student success in and out of the classroom. The Food and Nutrition Services team at BCPS does an incredible job every single day making sure our students have access to healthy meals and I could not be more grateful for the work they do. To learn more visit browardschools.com/food-service.

As always, I am here to serve you and if there are any questions or concerns you may have about Broward County Public Schools, please contact my office at 954-412-9188 or at sarah.leonardi@browardschools.com.

With gratitude,

Sarah Leonardi,
School Board Member, District 3

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BRENDA FORMAN - SERVICES UPDATE

Seasons greetings! It's so hard to believe that the holiday season is upon us and we've almost reached the end of 2024. There has been a lot going on and there is so much more to look forward to in the coming months of 2025.

On December 10, 2024, we will be hosting a driver license clinic. This is an event that provides an opportunity for those that have a suspended driver license to come in to resolve any outstanding issues that have been preventing them from getting their license reinstated. In collaboration with the judiciary and a number of other agencies, this one stop event has helped hundreds of customers. We encourage those in need of this service to visit www.browardclerk.org for more information.

Looking ahead to 2025 and February 14th, we will be hosting our annual mass wedding ceremony. This event consists of a single ceremony that will unite 30 or more couples in marriage. Pre-registration is required and the deadline for obtaining a marriage license is February 9th. Couples will receive a special "Certificate of Marriage" commemorating their special day. Please check our website at www.browardclerk.org for more details in the coming weeks.

Don't forget! If you need a new passport or need to renew your existing passport, we have a passport office at all four of the Broward County courthouses. For addresses and hours of operation, please visit the "Passports" tab on our website at www.browardclerk.org.

Please have a happy holiday season and continue to stay safe!
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Volunteerism: The Spirit of Fort Lauderdale

A huge THANK YOU to all who came out to celebrate our eleventh annual **Fort Lauderdale Make A Difference Day** on Oct 26. At least 283 volunteers participated all over the city to complete thirty service projects and donated over 700 volunteer

hours. It is amazing what small groups of volunteers can achieve in such a short time. Soon the Holidays are upon us and it is a special time when we celebrate family, friends and loved ones; and spread goodwill with open and generous hearts. It will be a busy time to connect with loved ones and I wish you the best of times. If you still have time, please join us for our other regularly scheduled service opportunities:

NOTE:

1. If you cannot find an opportunity that suits your needs, please go to <https://www.volunteerflorida.org/> or <https://www.handsonbroward.org/> for more volunteer opportunities.
2. All service opportunities are open to all organizations, students and court ordered volunteers; and are eligible to receive service hours. Please make sure to bring your required paperwork.

Dec 7 8:30 am – 10:00 am, Lauderdale Beach Cleanup at Vista Park | No RSVP required

Please join us for a second monthly beach cleanup for our friends in North Fort Lauderdale. It will be held every first Saturday of the month. Beach lovers will meet at Vista Park, 2851 N Atlantic Boulevard Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308. Unfortunately, the city cannot provide free parking at this time. It is recommended all volunteers wear a hat, sunscreen, and insect repellent, plus bring their own water and snacks. Stay hydrated! For more information contact team leader John Spear at seafll@mac.com

Dec 7 9:00 am – 11:30 am, Sailboat Bend Preserve Cleanup | RSVP required

Help Sailboat Bend volunteers to maintain a tropical paradise just minutes west of downtown Fort Lauderdale. There is plenty of free parking around the preserve at 411 SW 14th Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. Proper attire is closed toed shoes, a t-shirt and comfortable clothing - things you do not mind getting dirty! Long pants are suggested. It is recommended all volunteers wear a hat, sunscreen, and insect repellent, plus bring their own water and snacks. Stay hydrated! For more information contact team leader Dr. Ruth Clarke at ruthclarke222@bellsouth.net.

Dec 7 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Flagler Village Giving Garden | RSVP required

Help the Flagler Village Civic Association create an idyllic oasis in downtown Fort Lauderdale. The team will be pruning trees and work on the butterfly garden. The location is an empty lot. For GPS purposes use 601 NE 3 Ave as the address. For more information text team leader Shawn Williams at 954.268.8860

Dec 14 8:00 am – 11:00 am, Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep | No RSVP required

Each year thousands of beach lovers collect over 80,000 cigarette butts, thousands of plastic straws, and several tons of trash. Our Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep team needs your help to maintain our pristine beaches and will welcome you every second Saturday of the month at the LOOP, 300 S. Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd, aka. the intersection where Las Olas Blvd meets the beach. Parking enforcement is suspended ON THE 3RD FLOOR ONLY of the Las Olas Garage at 200 Las Olas Circle until noon. For more information contact team leader Barry Levy at blevy@levypension.com.

Yours in City Service,

Jorg Hruschka | Chief Service Officer

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JOHN C. HERBST - CITY COMMISSIONER



John C Herbst, City Commissioner

Greetings, District 1 Neighbors!

Fort Lauderdale's parks are a cornerstone of the community, offering residents and visitors a variety of recreational opportunities in beautifully maintained natural spaces. From expansive athletic fields and tranquil waterfronts to pet-friendly areas and playgrounds, the City of Fort Lauderdale continues to enhance its parks to serve the diverse needs of its population. Ongoing projects, such as upgrades to Lockhart Park and the reopening of Dottie Mancini Park, alongside updated regulations for park usage, reflect the City's commitment to providing high-quality public spaces that promote outdoor activities, environmental stewardship, and community engagement. These efforts ensure that Fort Lauderdale's parks remain vibrant, accessible, and enjoyable for everyone. Here are a quick update on what we've achieved so far.

Dottie Mancini Park Update:

In October, the City Commission approved a lease agreement between Broward Health Hospital District and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Dottie Mancini Park, lo-

cated at 6520 NE 22nd Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308. The lease has an initial term of 30 days, which automatically transitions into a month-to-month agreement with a rent of \$17,000 per month for the first year, after which it switches to a dollar a year for the remainder of the 30 year lease period. The lease will continue until either party provides a non-renewal notice 15 days before the end of any month or until the conditions for an Extended Term are met. The park officially reopened in October, with a grand-opening event planned for December.

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SOARING INTO OPPORTUNITIES: 2024 AVIATION DAY

Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) is gearing up to inspire the next generation of aviation professionals at the **7th Annual Aviation Day on Saturday, December 7, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. This signature event, hosted in collaboration with Houghton Media Management and the Civil Air Patrol, promises to be a dynamic blend of career exploration and educational engagement.

Aviation Day: More than a Job Fair

Aviation Day is more than a job fair— it is a comprehensive educational forum designed to illuminate the breadth of opportunities within aviation. From aspiring pilots and aircraft maintenance technicians to air traffic controllers and drone operators, attendees will have access to an array of career paths.

In previous years, this event has successfully connected participants with leading educational institutions and industry leaders across South Florida. This year, the lineup is equally impressive, featuring exhibitors such as the Broward Sheriff's Office, Everglades University, Civil Air Patrol, Air & Space Forces Association, L3Harris Flight Academy, Pro Flight Trainers, OSM Aviation Academy, Brunner, SimFab, and many others. Additionally, there will be guest speakers from the Civil Air Patrol and the Federal Aviation Administration.

Who Should Attend?

High school and college students, as well as job seekers, are encouraged to attend. Whether you are beginning to explore the field or actively pursuing an aviation career, Aviation Day provides an unparalleled opportunity to connect with leading institutions, educators, and industry professionals.

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WINTER WELLNESS TIPS FOR PETS IN SOUTH FLORIDA FROM SEILER ANIMAL HOSPITAL

As the holiday season unfolds and a new year begins, it's an ideal time to check in on your pet's health and wellness. Here at Seiler Animal Hospital, we want to help you keep your pets safe, healthy, and happy through the festive season and into the new year. Although South Florida doesn't experience typical winter weather, there are still plenty of seasonal considerations for pet owners. Here are some tips and reminders to help you provide top-notch care for your pets over the next few months.

December: Holiday Safety Tips

The holidays bring joy and excitement, but they can also present hidden dangers for pets. Seasonal decorations, festive foods, and increased visitors in the home can all impact pet safety. Here are a few tips to keep in mind:

- **Mind the Decorations:** Curious pets, especially cats, may be attracted to shiny ornaments, lights, and Christmas tree tinsel. Avoid breakable ornaments and ensure that strings of lights are out of reach to prevent accidents.
- **Watch What They Eat:** Many common holiday foods, like chocolate, grapes, and certain nuts, can be toxic to pets. Holiday plants like poinsettias and lilies are also best kept out of reach. Share treats responsibly by opting for pet-safe treats only!
- **Create a Quiet Space:** If you're hosting gatherings, remember that some pets can feel overwhelmed by the noise and activity. Set up a quiet, comfortable area for them to relax away from the action, especially if they're prone to stress or anxiety.

January: New Year, New Health Goals for Your Pet

A new year is the perfect opportunity to assess your pet's overall health and set wellness goals. Regular veterinary visits, balanced nutrition, and exercise are all key components of a healthy life for your pet.

- **Schedule Wellness Exams:** We recommend annual check-ups as they are essential for early detection and prevention of health issues. January is a great time to schedule your pet's next exam if they haven't had one recently.
- **Diet and Weight Management:** Keeping your pet at a healthy weight can prevent issues like arthritis, diabetes, and other conditions. If you'd like assistance setting up a healthy meal plan, our team is here to help with personalized nutritional advice.
- **Prioritize Exercise:** In Florida, we're lucky to have warm weather year-round, so you can enjoy walks and outdoor play no matter the season. Keep your pet active with daily exercise routines tailored to their breed and age.

February: Celebrate Dental Health Month

Did you know that February is National Pet Dental Health Month? Dental care is essential to your pet's overall health, as dental disease can lead to more serious health issues over time. Fortunately, there are easy ways to protect your pet's smile:

- **At-Home Care:** Brushing your pet's teeth a few times a week, or using dental treats and toys, can go a long way in keeping their teeth clean and gums healthy.
- **Professional Cleanings:** For deeper dental care, we offer professional dental cleanings that can help prevent plaque buildup and other dental issues. Our veterinary team is here to answer any questions you may have about your pet's dental health.

As we move through the holiday season and into a new year, our team at Seiler Animal Hospital is here to support you and your pets. Whether it's for a wellness exam, dental care, or advice on holiday safety, we're just a call away. Wishing you and your pets a wonderful season filled with health and happiness!

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LAMAR P. FISHER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER



LAMAR FISHER

Dear Imperial Point Neighbors,
The south Florida winter season is here, and what a wonderful time of the year! As the days get shorter and the nights become longer, I'm hopeful everyone is enjoying the weather, while taking time to enjoy the holiday season and beyond. This is a great opportunity to check in with your family, friends and neighbors, especially those who may be lonely this time of year.

Homelessness

The Board of County Commissioners recently held a workshop to discuss homelessness and provide direction to County Administration in response to Florida House Bill 1365. HB 1365 went into effect on October 1, 2024. It prohibits overnight camping or sleeping in public spaces. As I've reported before, the County takes a housing first approach to homelessness. We fund about \$26 million through our General Fund which provides for the county's shelters, permanent supportive housing, rapid rehousing and transitional housing. This funding also supports the outreach efforts which include, the street outreach team, airport and transit teams, medical respite, mobile sanitation, case management and more. Additionally, the County receives about \$18 million in grant funding that also supports the program described above.

Broward County also funds a homeless prevention services funding through the Family Success Division of about \$36 million from the General Fund. These funds assist with crisis assistance such as rent, mortgage, utilities and/or security deposits, financial capability programs, case management, eviction and foreclosure prevention and more. An additional \$32 million is received through grants for the support of the programs described above.

Conversations continue for the best path forward. Administration and the Board recently had a lengthy discussion regarding Pallet Shelter Villages and the possibility to create the first ever village in Broward County. The most difficult decision is location. After much deliberation, unfortunately the commission could not come to a consensus. I believe we should continue with our short-term goals at this moment. This includes, restoring and increasing shelter bed capacity at the North and Central Homeless Assistance Centers and the Salvation Army. The County should also continue using best practices that already exist in the continuum of care, that assist in serving the unhoused individuals and families through the existing network of services. To learn more about the services provided by the county to residents in our community, either on the brink of homelessness or already there, please visit, Broward.org/Homeless.

If you or anyone you know are experiencing homelessness, call the Homeless Helpline at 954-563-4357, 8AM to 7PM daily.

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As always, I am truly thankful to serve you and Commission District 4. If I can ever be of assistance, please contact me at 954-357-7004 or LFisher@broward.org. Also, follow me @LamarPFisher on X (Twitter) and on Facebook.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Lamar P. Fisher'.

Lamar P. Fisher
Broward County Commissioner
District 4

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- Parks: Broward.org/Parks
- Business Assistance: Broward.org/EconDev
- Broward's Official Hurricane Site: Broward.org/Hurricane
- Mosquito Control Services: Broward.org/Mosquito
- Fort Lauderdale International Airport: Broward.org/Airport
- Port Everglades: PortEverglades.net

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LAMAR FISHER

All qualified Florida residents are eligible to receive a Homestead Exemption on their homes, condominiums, co-op apartments, and certain mobile home lots. To qualify for Homestead Exemption, you must own and make the property your permanent residence on January 1 of the year for which you are applying for this valuable exemption. Pursuant to Florida law, all assessments and exemptions are based upon the status of the property on January 1. If you acquired the property as your permanent residence in 2024 and have not applied for Homestead Exemption, you can apply for 2025 exemptions at any time – there is no need to wait until 2025 to file your exemption application. You can easily apply online at <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/HomesteadExemption>

The timely deadline to file for all 2025 exemptions is March 3, 2025. You must make the property your permanent residence by January 1, 2025 to qualify; however, you have until March 3 to timely file your application with the our office. The late filing deadline for all 2025 exemptions is September 17, 2025.

Once approved, your Homestead Exemption automatically renews each year provided there is no change in the ownership or use of the property. If you have already applied and been approved for Homestead Exemption at your current property, you do not need to reapply for this exemption. You will receive a Homestead Exemption renewal card next month to keep for your records.

While Homestead Exemption is the most common exemption, there are additional exemptions available to qualified applicants. Here is the link the all the additional exemptions for your review: <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Homestead>

If you have any questions about Homestead Exemption or any other exemptions, please call 954.357.6830 or email me at martykiar@bcpa.net.

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"Caring For Those Who Care For Us"

Camille Burns, a resident of Imperial Point, was one of the event sponsors. Betty Shelly, President of Imperial Point, and Kevin Reynolds were also in attendance.

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Thank you to all who helped make this event a success!

This was something we hadn't done before and since the park was closed it seemed a great option. It all went really well and we had lots of neighbors attending – even some who don't usually attend events.

Special thanks to Bonnie Posh who brought fresh ideas and new sponsors for the event, especially the free bicycle helmets for adults and children. Thanks also to those who attending the training for fitting the helmets.

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As usual, we had our giant slide and Little Critters petting zoo set up on the street.

We had good food from some local restaurants, including Carraba's, who recently celebrated their Anniversary, Casa Frieda, who has been supporting us a long time, and Jet's Pizza who served bite size pizza. It was all excellent.

Our City Forrester, Laura Tooley, brought a selection of trees and shrubs to be planted in our neighborhood. Thanks to Terry Delaney who arranged this.

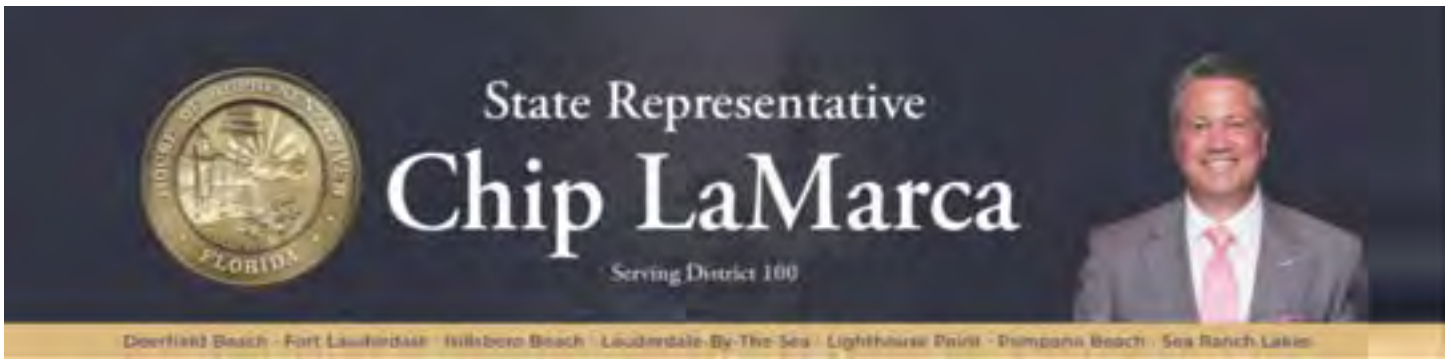
Our Sponsors were FXE Airport; Ryan Critch, Realtor; I Love Kickboxing; United Realty, Jassamine Redington; Bonnet House; and Broward Health Imperial Point. There were many raffles with exciting prizes, too.

A big thank you for all who helped make this a great affair!

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The election is over and I am happy to say that I have been reelected to a fourth term in the Florida House of Representatives. With that said I will be headed back up to Tallahassee to work on important issues for all of us in District 100, as well as the state of Florida. My goals for the next two years continue to be lowering taxes, balancing our budget, enhancing infrastructure, and strengthening public safety. I look forward to going back up to Tallahassee to work with other legislators to make Florida and district 100 the best place to live for all.

As we wind down to the end of hurricane season on November 30th, please make sure you know your evacuation route. To prepare for the hurricane season, monitor your local TV and radio for updates. You can also visit: www.nhc.noaa.gov to stay up-to-date on the most recent positions of storms. As always, be sure to follow the instructions of local and county officials regarding evacuation and other updates.

In other news, the My Safe Florida Home Condo Pilot Program update, which appropriated \$30 million for condominium associations is finally open, so please check out the Condo Program here: mysafecondo.com You can also contact my office and we can answer any questions about the program. This is an important program that the legislature funded last session and I look forward to seeing the positive results.

As always, it is an honor to serve you as your State Representative.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chip LaMarca".

Chip LaMarca
State Representative

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