



Fall 2003

# Lauderdale Isles

Civic Improvement Association, Inc.  
1300 Riverland Road, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

Nonprofit Organization since 1959

## President's Report

Greetings! I think the first thing you'll notice is that this newsletter is a lot thinner than those you received in the past six months! We don't have very many folks who write articles but hopefully this will change in the coming year. We are back to being a quarterly publication but together and distributed by volunteers and Lauderdale Isles Inc. trustees. Anyone who wishes to write an article is welcome to submit it to [craigcan@gate.net](mailto:craigcan@gate.net) and I'll do my best to get it in the next issue. Most of my articles will simply give updates on issues that affect us in our neighborhood... and... since I am not a prolific writer either; you will notice that some of the wording be the same from previous issues.

1. The airport repaving project is a done deal. The main runway is scheduled to be closed from September 7<sup>th</sup> 2004 till September 21<sup>st</sup>. All airport traffic will be using the diagonal runway which will make it very noisy in the neighborhood for 2 weeks. The repaving of the runway is mandated by the FAA so there is little we can do to prevent overhead flights for a couple of weeks. Plan a vacation, stock up on earplugs or hang out at the beach are my 3 suggestions of the month.....


2. What would an update be without the latest on Airport Expansion? You can view the Ft. Lauderdale Airport Clean Air Report prepared by the Clean Airport Partnership Inc. on Commissioner's Parrish web site at <http://www.broward.org/parrish/cci00600.pdf>. You must have Adobe Acrobat Reader loaded on your computer in order to view the file. It is 76 pages long so if you haven't made the move to Broadband or DSL it will take some time to load. There were some new options that were mentioned such as a new diagonal runway. Please folks, when the recommendations are made public you **must** write or e-mail the County Commission to express your support for an expansion of the south runway only. I also advise you to e-mail the Ft. Lauderdale Commission and urge them to pursue their lawsuit against the County. Fort Lauderdale

wants to halt all construction at the Airport until the 9000 foot south runway is approved. Stay tuned in!!

3. The County swears they are going to build Riverland Woods Park. The winning bid was challenged by another contractor and I believe that contractor was awarded the job. I'm still waiting for the Bulldozer and Bobcats to show up. Hopefully by next summer it will be done.

4. We are at the 98% design phase of the Peele Dixie membrane plant. All is proceeding as scheduled and most of the permits have been awarded. We should be putting the job out to bid in January with construction beginning in April of 2004.

5. The City of Ft. Lauderdale is allocating funds for a consultant to prepare a Master Plan for Davie Blvd. The Request for Proposals (RFP) has been fine-tuned by members of the Southwest Coalition and the City of Ft. Lauderdale. We have asked that emphasis be put on developing a plan to lure mixed-use development along the corridor. The City had wanted to emphasize landscaping but with all the construction set to happen in the next five years (new water lines, sewer lines, and FDOT) our feeling is let FDOT, the City and private parties focus on the landscape issue. The winning bidder will be announced in the next newsletter.



**COMING GENERAL MEETING**  
**November 20th**  
**at the Lauderdale Isles Yacht and Tennis Club at 7:30 PM**

6. The property on the southwest corner of Riverland Road and 441 that was slated for purchase by the County to preserve as greenspace has been purchased by a private party. He will not communicate with the County for 60 days. Because the County Land Preservation group has moved sooooo slow, there is a possibility that the parcel will be held for development. It seems to me that the gentleman who purchased the property simply wants to extort more money from the Count for the parcel.... I will keep you posted.

7. The City of Ft. Lauderdale is in a budget crunch. Over 200 positions are being eliminated or frozen. How this will impact our services only time will tell. If anyone experiences problems with their service please call the pertinent number listed in the "Important Telephone Numbers" section.

8. One of our own Lauderdale Isles residents, Randy Dunlop, is running against John Rodstrum for the Broward County Commission. **It is very important that you get out and vote for Randy in the Democratic primary.** To have a neighborhood guy on the County Commission would be phenomenal.

9. November is the traditional month that the FICIA collect dues. Enclosed with this newsletter is an envelope addressed to our treasurer for that express purpose. I ask that everyone please contribute to the health and vitality of your Civic Association. Dues are only \$20 a year and the envelope is included for easy mailing! Until next time..... Take care!

## Bits and Pieces

by Ray Figueroa, Nassau Lane

This article is about useless but interesting information, observations and questions about our neighborhood. It may make for interesting conversation or controversy. I hope it stirs up some reaction, so here it goes!

There are 13 named lanes that go in alphabetical order from East to West. You knew that! There are 26 letters in the alphabet but there 13 lanes. Question; how did they decide which letters and names to use? They could have used Abaco instead of Andros or West End instead of Whale Harbor. The first four lanes are in A B C D order and then it skips E. What's up with that? They could have used Eleuthera for E. It's a good Bahamian island name. They used mostly names of islands in the Bahamas and some of the Florida Keys but there are a few that don't fit either category, like Gulfstream or Flamingo. Don't know any islands by those names but there is a place called Flamingo in the Everglades National Park. Okeechobee isn't an island it's a lake and a town on the north side of that lake. I got it! These are all good places to fish and boat. Anybody know anything else about this lane naming?

There is one lane in our neighborhood that does not have one single solitary tri-level on the whole street. There is a two story that is an addition made to a single story but no tri-level. No, I'm not going to tell you which lane it is at this time. Those of you who live on that lane probably know.

Did you know that Lauderdale Isles was an orange grove before it was developed? I got this tidbit from an original owner who still lives in the Isles. Speaking of original owners, I wonder how many are still here? I would like to do a count and maybe we should do something to honor our "pioneers". Could the lane trustees help me with this?

There is one lane in our neighborhood that is unique. It has a beautiful bald cypress in the middle of the street almost at the end of the lane near the cul de sac. Some of the residents of this lane, Cat Cay, saved this tree from a near death. A strangler fig and a palmetto were choking the tree. They removed the nuisance trees and saved the cypress and planted some ornamentals around the tree. They are to be commended. I wish I knew who they are. Again, maybe the trustee for this lane could find out.

About this airport expansion, I kept hearing this buzz word "flawed". The plan for expansion that was drawn up and approved ten years ago is "flawed". You know what? There has never been a document of a legal or governmental nature that isn't flawed. Look at our Constitution. When it was written it recognized slavery and the census counted slaves as 3/5 of a person. We didn't scrap the Constitution. We shouldn't scrap an agreement that all concerned parties agreed to because one group doesn't want the noise that we have been living with for years. No matter what the County Commission comes up with, someone is going to say it's flawed. Suck it up Commissioners, you can't please everybody. Do what's right for the whole county.

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**Community Telephone Numbers**

Airport Complaint Line - Day	954- 359-6181
Airport Complaint Line - Night	954-591-1200
Animal Control	954-359-1313
Consumer Protection	954-765-5555
Convention Center	954- 765-4445
Dept. of Natural Resource Protection	954-519-1400
DNRP Pollution Complaint Hotline	954-519- 499
<b>LICIA Web Site</b>	<b>WWW.LICIA.CRG</b>

**Your Community Newsletter**

News, events, politics, questions, problems, and wedding dates are all welcome subjects in this community newsletter. The LICIA Newsletter is published quarterly and distributed to all residents of Lauderdale Isles. Residents are invited to submit community interest articles prior to each issue deadline which is the 15th of the month prior to the issue month.

**The newsletter depends on your input.**

**We need articles, complaints, gripes whatever you have to say is important so say it HERE!**

**Send articles to:craigcanning@gate.net**

**IMPORTANT TELEPHONE  
NUMBERS**

Animal Care & Regulation	954- 359-1313
Beach Patrol	954-468-1595
Building/Construction Services- Permitting & Inspections	954-828-5191
City Clerk	954-828-5002
City Hall	954-828-5000
City Manager	954-828-5013
Code Enforcement	954-828-5207
Economic Developmen	954-828-4515
Police non-emergency	954-828-5700
Fire non-emergency	954-828-5320
Licenses—Occupational	954-828-5196
Parking Passes, Fines & Info	954-828-3700
Planning & Zoning info	954-828-5191
Special Events Hotline	954-828-5363
Streets & Medians	954-828-8000
(call for street lights, damaged sidewalks-signs-fences potholes-vandalism)	
Damaged street signs	954-484-9600
Damaged trees/landscaping in median/right of way	954-328-5714
Severely trimmed trees	954-828-5200
Dead animal	954-765-5124
Traffic signal out	954-484-9600
Building (abandoned/damaged/delict structure, work without permits)	954-828-5207
Drug Sales/Usage	954-828-5661
Trash & Debris	954-828-8000
(in yards, alleys, overflowing dumpster, illegal dumping, overgrown vacant property, Trash in swale or street, neglected swale)	
Trash	954-828-8000
(Recycling, bulk trash, trash carts, etc.)	
Water & Sewage	954-828-8000
(broken sprinkler, hydrant, water main, sewer line)	
Water Billing	954-828-8000
Vehicles	954-828-5207
(abandoned, parked in right of way)	
War Memorial Shows	954-828-5381
Public Info. Office	954-828-4746
Broward Co. Mass. Transit	954-357-8400
<b>The Mayor and all City Commissioners may be contacted at:</b>	
100 N. Andrews Ave.	
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301	
954-828-5004	
954-828-5667 (fax)	

# JOIN LICIA

Lauderdale Isles  
Civic Improvement  
Membership Application  
Annual Dues \$20  
(Covers January to December)

Name-----

Address-----

City----- State----- Zip-----

Telephone Fax-----

Your membership makes our neighborhood stronger. If you would like to join, please place your payment in the enclosed envelope and mail to:

LICIA  
1300 Riverland Road  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

# LICIA MEETINGS

Regular civic-association meetings are held every month, except for December. A general meeting is held every third month while trustee meetings are held every month except when there is a general meeting. When: All meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month, except for December when there is no meeting.

Time: Meetings start at 7:30 PM and usually run 1 to 2 hours for general meetings and about the same for trustee meetings.

Where: Unless otherwise announced, we meet in the large room at the Lauderdale Isles Yacht and Tennis Club, which is on the river at the end of White Harbor Lane.

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