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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Gladys Coia, President, Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce



As of January 1, I accepted the reigns as the new President of the Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce. When I looked at the back wall of the Chamber's offices and saw the photos and names of some of the 53 leaders who came before me, I was a little awed. Past Mayors, university leaders, very successful businesspeople. Many are household names in our community.

It also isn't lost on me that I have big shoes to fill, succeeding Jonathan Meltz. He stepped up and served a second term, and has overseen great growth at the Chamber, including our efforts to really represent our neighbor communities, Biscayne Park, El Portal, and North Bay Village. And through his tenure he has been a tireless supporter of our downtown, and the end game of restaurants, once the water and sewer project is complete. I learned a lot watching him as his Vice President, and knowing that he is just a phone call away as our new Past President is comforting.

As a mother of three girls, I'm also aware that I am just the eleventh woman to lead the Chamber out of 54 all-time Presidents! I hope to be a credible role model to my kids, and to all women, in greater Miami Shores, who want to be all that they can be in business. So with your support, I embark on this new adventure in my life, and look forward to working with you in 2017 to grow our Chamber even more, and make this the best place in Miami-Dade County in which to operate a business and raise a family.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

**The Kiwanis Club of Miami Shores and North Miami** will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, January 5th, at 12:00 pm at the Miami Shores Country Club. The guest speaker is Jesse Walters, Executive Director of the Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce. Guests are welcome to attend and luncheon is ordered from the menu and paid for individually. For more details, contact President Sam Michel at 757-5599.

**Brockway Memorial Library** presents a Film Lecture Series. Film critic and professor Dan Hudak from *Hudak on Hollywood* uses clips from classic films to discuss how and why movies are so memorable. Thursday evenings 6-7:30 p.m., January 5th: "Those Fancy Movie Tricks" and Thursday, January 19th: "Movie Essentials You Often Overlook". Please register: 305-758-8107. Cost per participant/per session: \$5.

Learn how credit cards work and the security issues surrounding them such as, how credit card chips protect you and what they do not protect against. Free workshop with Martin Medina, president of EFM Consulting. Tuesday, January 17th: 6:30-7:30 pm. Please register at 305-758-8107.

"Whales, Magic and Cheese... Oh My!" is Fantasy Theater Factory's newest literacy incentive and bully prevention show. The story stars Jojo, a great kid who loves to read ... that is until some kids in the lunchroom start calling him names like "bookworm." To avoid the bullying, Jojo goes to Mendel's Magical Book Shop, hoping that he can sell his books and use the money to buy video games, so he'll fit in with the other kids. Once in the Magic Book Shop though, things take an unexpected turn as the stories in his books magically start to jump to life all around him! This show encourages reading and celebrates diversity. Free. Thursday, January 26th at 6:30 pm. Registration required by contacting Brockway Memorial Library.

**Miami Shores Friendly Villager's Club** will hold a Luncheon Meeting Tuesday, January 3rd, at 11:30 a.m., at Miami Shores Country Club. \$24 includes lunch An RSVP is requested. Health experts will share ideas for a healthy lifestyle. Agi Long will demonstrate seated yoga, and Denise Ede Aloise will help you identify and remove toxins. For reservations, call Kathy Dzwonkiewicz at 786 236 6481.

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**The Heidi Hewes Chapter of the Woman's Cancer Association of the University of Miami**, based in Miami Shores, is dedicated to increasing wellness in the community through raising funds for cancer research, support, education, and service. Heidi Hewes will be meeting Wednesday, January 4th at 7:00 p.m. For more information, please e-mail heidiheweswca@gmail.com.

Heidi Hewes is collecting donations for the Bargain Box. Located at 1350 West Flagler, the Bargain Box is a resale thrift shop open 6-days a week offering outstanding values to the community while profiting the Woman's Cancer Association of the University of Miami. Everyone is invited to shop at the Bargain Box and to make tax-deductible donations of items they can no longer use. Please visit the WCA Thrift store, open Monday -Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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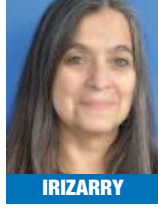
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The Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that **Gladys Coia**, owner of the Coia Law Group, has been selected as our 54th. President! Gladys is a mother of three and very visible and active in our community. Her term as President began January 1. She succeeds Jonathan Meltz who served two terms as our President. Jonathan will stay on our board and Executive Committee as Past President. Please join us in wishing Gladys a wonderful year!

Last month due to space limitations, we were unable to run the photos of six board members who were recently re-elected for three-year terms. In addition to new President **Gladys Coia**, they are **John Hornbuckle** of Compass Claims Adjusters, **Elaiza Irizarry** of the Miami Theater Center, **Jeffery Miller** of Miller Family Therapy, **Marc E. O'Connor**, CPA, PA, and **Mark Piper** of Mark Piper/Northwestern.

## DOWNTOWN MIAMI SHORES VILLAGE GALLERY NIGHT

### Artists Opening Reception

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#### ANDREA NHUCH

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#### MARY LARSEN

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# AROUND THE VILLAGES

Turn to this page each month for a photo collage of area residents, community events, and Chamber activities. You can wait for our roving photographer to take some snaps or you can send us a selfie!

## LUCIO COFFEE TO WINE



Lucio Coffee to Wine, an upscale international grocery and delicatessen, at 9802 NE 2nd Avenue recently held its grand opening and is now open to welcome residents to check out their unique selection of wines, small farm domestic cheeses, charcuterie, gifts, and fresh pastries from Zak the Baker. Above, owner Lucio Bueno and customer Sheryl Piper.

## BARRY BASKETBALL MIXER



The Chamber recently hosted a meet-and-greet at the home of Jesse Walters and David Traupman with Barry University Men's Basketball Coach Butch Estes as the Buccaneers were kicking off their 2016-17 season. Above L-R: Chamber President Jonathan Meltz, Coach Estes, and Scott F. Smith, Vice President, Student Affairs.

## CUSHMAN FOOD DRIVE



Cushman SGA students led a school wide effort to collect supplies and donations to send to Haiti as part of the relief effort following Hurricane Matthew.

## MIAMI SHORES PEOPLE OF COLOR UNITY 360 RACE DIALOGUES



Miami Shores People of Color (MSPoC), whose mission is to build a coalition to increase participation and influence of People of Color in Miami Shores, recently offered a monthly series of community discussions about the ways in which race and racism shape our society and impact our daily interactions. Held at the Brockway Memorial Library, these gatherings presented a safe space to explore a difficult topic.



# GREATER MIAMI SHORES SCHOOLS REPORT



The Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce welcomes submissions for this column by all schools that are members of the Chamber, whether public or private. To find out about submitting information on behalf of your favorite school, please contact Jesse Walters at the Chamber at 305-754-5466.

## Miami Shores Community Church School (MSCCS)

hopes everyone had a restful and fun holiday season. In January, MSCCS has a few great events planned to kick off the new year! First, MSCCS students will participate in the Jump Rope for Heart assembly to raise money for the American Heart Association. Students will also have an awesome time playing sports, hanging out, and having a great time during their annual Field Day. Miami Shores Community Church School is excited to invite parents throughout the month of January to have an assembly with elementary students and teach them about their careers. This allows students to gain knowledge of the vast opportunities out there, and tailor their education to fit their future.

## Miami Shores Elementary School (MSES)

is excited to announce that the **Miami Shores Community Alliance (MSCA)** has generously awarded the MSES PTA a \$4,000 grant toward purchasing 25 new laptops. MSES greatly appreciates MSCA's generosity and outstanding commitment to education.

MSES is also pleased to announce the annual school Science Fair winners. MSES students worked hard to create innovative and informative presentations – and that hard work paid off for the top-scoring students. The top three winners for grades 3-5 are: Third Grade: 1st S. Webb, 2nd A. Aloa and 3rd S. Pallot;

Fourth Grade: 1st H. St. Hilaire, 2nd M. Walsh and 3rd (Tie) R. Joseph & L. Orquera; and Fifth Grade: 1st Yazid Guelida, 2nd M. Nguyen and 3rd (Tie) V. Elo & K. Milton. MSES congratulates these young scientists and wishes the best of luck to any students participating in additional MDCPS science fair competitions.




Congratulations to **The Cushman School's** boys varsity basketball team. After competing in the recent Miami Country Day Classic Middle School Basketball Tournament, they remain undefeated this season entering 2017.

It has been the "Season of Service" at **Miami Country Day School**. Students from all three divisions, Lower School, Middle School, and Upper School have participated in numerous service projects and activities on and off campus during November and December. iPads for Soldiers is an organization that Lower School students have participated in for

the past several years. Students collected money to donate iPads for the soldiers so they are able to communicate with their families. Additionally, Lower School students also participated in a food drive for the school's maintenance staff. Students and their families prepared bags full of food, cards, gifts, and a Publix gift certificate for the 24 maintenance staff and their families.

The entire school came together to support a blood drive on December 7 to honor 8th grade student, Jack Lombardo, who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Classmates hung "We got your back, Jack" posters around campus. Although the donations were not needed for Jack, the school honored his battle with donations from students (of age), faculty, and staff. Get well soon, Jack!





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This month, we feature cutie-pup India, who resides with her mommies Iliana and Marta on 86th Street in El Portal.





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7601 East Treasure Drive, Unit #PH120 . . . . .	\$475,000
7928 East Drive, Unit #401 . . . . .	\$360,000
7601 East Treasure Drive, Unit #1607 . . . . .	\$330,000
7901 Hispanola Avenue, Unit #1909 . . . . .	\$320,000
7900 Harbor Island Drive, Unit #1224 . . . . .	\$280,000
7601 East Treasure Drive, Unit #1622 . . . . .	\$252,000
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**4:30 P.M.**

*Executive Committee meets at the Chamber of Commerce office*

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**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 11**  
**7:30 P.M.**

*Join Chamber members and residents at "Miami Shores Night" at Barry University men's basketball.*



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This month marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of the original format of this publication. The inaugural issue of the Chamber's publication was printed in January 1956, the month before Executive Director, Jesse Walters, was born.

Shown here is the oldest known existing copy of what was then known simply as our *Newsletter*, from April 1963, as well as the edition from November 1989 celebrating Barry University's 50th anniversary. Re-christened *News and Views* shortly thereafter, it was re-branded as the *Egret* magazine in November 2011, and the first cover of the new, full color format is shown here, announcing Lance Harke as "Citizen of the Year".

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# HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Throughout December, our community had an abundance of events, parties, and kids activities to get everyone in the holiday spirit! Shown here are just a sampling of the many ways area residents celebrated.

## EL PORTAL HOLIDAY FOOD TRUCK NIGHT WITH SANTA CLAUS



El Portal Mayor Claudia Cubillos, Council, and Village Staff and Police welcomed residents to a festive, and filling, evening on December 16th. Attendees enjoyed delicious samplings from food trucks and also brought toys for the Village's toy drive and helped decorate the Village's Christmas tree.

## MIAMI THEATER CENTER HOLIDAY BAZAAR



Miami Theater Center hosted their 2nd annual Holiday Bazaar on December 10th, featuring delicious snacks and refreshments, face painting for the kids, a fun photo booth, and of course a variety of local vendors that helped attendees make progress on their holiday shopping lists!

## MIAMI GAY MEN'S CHORUS HOLIDAY CONCERT



Miami Shores Community Church hosted the Miami Gay Men's Chorus on December 17th as they presented their "Pop Goes the Season" holiday concert featuring seasonal classics and contemporary hits.

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## BARRY UNIVERSITY HOLDS DECEMBER GRADUATION AT KNIGHT CENTER



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# ? HISTORY CORNER



Each month, we feature a question or a photograph here from our Archives. The randomly drawn winner receives a \$25 gift certificate to an area Chamber member restaurant or retail establishment. The winner is drawn on the 15th of the month.

We neglected to mention our randomly drawn winner in November, but it was Stephanie M. Kelley of Miami Shores who won a \$25 gift certificate to Lucio Coffee to Wine in downtown Miami Shores, now open next door to the Miami Theater Center.

*This month we feature a photo from 1991. Tell us who the individual is and what town he served as their mayor!*

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# “” LAST WORD

## Quote of the Month:

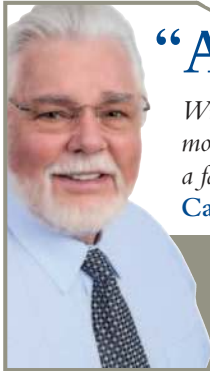
*“Husbands are like fires. They go out when unattended.”*

Zsa Zsa Gabor

## To Wit:

*I never get any respect from my old man. I said, “Nobody likes me.” He said, “Don’t say that. Everybody hasn’t met you yet.*

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