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MEET FLPD OFFICERS AT PAM TINDALL'S COMMUNITY EVENT

Join us for a special opportunity to connect with the officers of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department (FLPD) who patrol our neighborhood. Pam Tindall is hosting an FLPD Community Event at her home, 198 Royal Palm Drive, on Saturday, December 14th at noon. This gathering will allow residents to meet the officers, ask questions, and gain insight into their work keeping our community safe.

The event is being held during the FLPD's pre-shift meeting, a time when officers receive their briefings for the upcoming shift, discuss priorities, and prepare for patrol. By hosting this meeting in a neighborhood setting, residents have the chance to interact directly with the officers who serve Fiesta Way, Nurmi Drive, and Royal Palm Drive.

Approximately 14 officers are expected to attend, depending on the shift schedule, and they'll enjoy a thoughtful boxed lunch as a token of appreciation. This year, the Nurmi Isles HOA has opted for a more focused approach, inviting officers who directly serve our community, compared to last year's larger event that included the entire department. This setting encourages more meaningful, one-on-one conversations between residents and the officers.

"This event will be a wonderful opportunity to get to know the officers who look out for us every day," said Pam Tindall. "We want to create an atmosphere where both residents and officers can connect on a personal level, ask questions, and show our appreciation. It will be a pleasure to host them and hear their perspectives."

Sergeant Joshua Reich of the FLPD shared his enthusiasm for the event, stating, "It's not

every day that we have the chance to meet the community we serve in such a warm, welcoming setting. Events like this help us build trust and understanding, and they remind us why we do what we do. We're grateful for the support of Nurmi Isles residents."

Elizabeth Lowsky, Chair of the Nurmi Isles Safety and Security Committee, emphasized the importance of initiatives like this. "Our Safety & Security program is about more than just technology and patrols—it's about creating a culture of trust and partnership. Events like Pam's FLPD Community Event build the kind of personal connections that make our neighborhood stronger and safer. We are so grateful to the residents who will participate and to the officers who protect us."

The event is about more than just lunch—it's about connection. Residents who attend will have the chance to ask questions, share concerns, and thank the officers for their dedication. In turn, the officers will share insights about their work, giving attendees a better understanding of what it takes to keep our neighborhood safe.

This event reflects the goals of the Know Your Neighbor program, which encourages residents to build relationships with each other and those who serve the community. By fostering these connections, we aim to create a network of trust and communication that contributes to a safer neighborhood.

The HOA invites all residents to join us at this special event. Let's come together to show our appreciation and learn more about how we can work together for a safer Nurmi Isles. 🌴



Harry Rozelle
President
Nurmi Isles Home Owners Association, Inc.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Lessons From a Stolen Escalade – Irony Isn’t Lost on Me

In Nurmi Isles, I believe that we take pride in being a community that works together to keep our neighborhood safe and connected. But as your HOA president, let me be the first to say that even the best-laid plans can be tested. Sometimes the irony of life decides to make a point.

On the morning of Wednesday, November 20th, just days before our big Holiday Party, my 2021 Cadillac Escalade was stolen from my home on Nurmi Drive. Yes, you read that right—the president of your HOA, the same guy who constantly talks about “safety and security”, had his car stolen. If it wasn’t so frustrating, it would almost be funny.

This experience gave me a firsthand look at what it feels like to be on the receiving end of a theft, and it was eye-opening. I got to see exactly how our camera and security systems work under real-world conditions. The good news? Our license plate readers and surveillance cameras, along with help from local law enforcement, provided valuable information. The even better news? I get to share some hard-earned lessons with you.

First, let’s talk locks. Like many of you, I had all my home locks keyed the same for convenience. Big mistake. Re-keying all of them after the theft set me back \$4,635—not exactly the gift I wanted to give myself before the holidays. My advice: *Key the doors you use most with one key and the others with a separate key.*

Don’t keep the key to most of your doors on your keychain. This way, if your keys are stolen, you won’t need to re-key everything.

Also, if your car is stolen, don’t forget to cancel your SunPass or other toll transponder immediately. It’s a step that’s easy to overlook in the chaos but can prevent unauthorized charges and help law enforcement track the vehicle.

While the theft was frustrating (and, let’s be honest, embarrassing), what struck me most was how our community rallied afterward. So many of you reached out to check on me, offer support, and share information. It was a reminder that no matter how much technology we use, our greatest strength lies in our connections with each other. This sense of unity is what makes Nurmi Isles such a special place to live.

Having my car stolen wasn’t the highlight of my year, but it did reinforce the importance of staying involved and proactive. Whether it’s joining the Safety & Security Program, attending community events, or simply getting to know your neighbors, every little action makes a big difference.

As we move into 2025, let’s keep building on the progress we’ve made. If you know someone who isn’t yet a member, talk to them about the benefits of joining. Together, we’ll continue to build a neighborhood where we look out for one another, use technology to our advantage, and make sure everyone feels safe and connected. Here’s to a wonderful new year—and hopefully a 2025 holiday season free of stolen Escalades!

Harry W. Rozelle

Harry Rozelle
President, Nurmi Isles Home Owners Association



WHITE GLOVE ARTWORK INSTALLATION

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Larry Yturralde is a resident of
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Meet Your Neighbor: **Latitude Key**

Latitude Key prioritizes impeccable property care and being a vital part of our community. By elevating the coastal living experience and fostering good neighborly relations, we ensure our shared success.

Devon Miller, the owner of Latitude Key, alongside his wife and two daughters, has wholeheartedly embraced the enchanting Venice of America lifestyle in Fort Lauderdale. After owning property in the area for a few years, in 2018, he became dissatisfied with a property management company and resolved to create a service that embodied his high standards. This was the inspiration for Latitude Key - Curated Vacation Properties.

Latitude Key ensures meticulous property care, welcoming only the finest guests through rigorous guest screening, a minimum age requirement, and mandatory breakage

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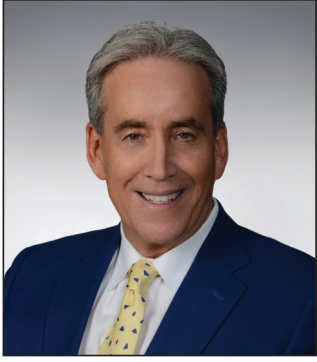


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VICE MAYOR GLASSMAN'S UPDATE



Vice Mayor Steven Glassman

Dear Neighbors,

I cannot tell you how humbled and completely honored I am that you have entrusted me to serve my third and final term as your District 2 Commissioner. Fourteen months ago, I kicked off my reelection campaign. My team worked very hard every day on the job and on the campaign, and on November 5th, our constituents recognized that work with a resounding victory. My office's constituent communications (<https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/city-commissioner/steven-glassman/newsletters>) have detailed the many District 2 and citywide accomplishments over my years in office and I would urge you, if not already receiving our correspondence, to sign up by sending an email to acacicedo@fortlauderdale.gov.

Before becoming your City Commissioner, I served on the City of Fort Lauderdale's Beach Redevelopment Advisory Board and the Planning and Zoning Board and because of my many years in various civic leadership positions, including President and founder of the Broward Trust for Historic Preservation, I understand how vital neighborhood associations are in our City's civic and economic development. Since becoming your District Commissioner in 2018, I have attended countless neighborhood association meetings and not only appreciate, but actively bring forth your input to the City Manager and Commission to address all concerns. In my third and final term, I will continue to tackle our challenges and move us forward as a city.

Infrastructure and homelessness will always be priorities. I will provide real solutions for traffic and continue to demand a responsible approach to smart redevelopment that safeguards our way of life and proactively plans for the future.

During the campaign, I did hear a lot about the homeless crisis and we are addressing it aggressively. Ironically, at a polling place, a couple told me that they did not vote for me because they thought I was too aggressive and not compassionate

enough. Nothing could be further from the truth. We have to make sure the residents' quality of life is not negatively impacted. I will continue to work diligently on these issues and more to ensure that every neighborhood is protected, safe and secure.

Nurmi Isles is a beautiful and special place; you and I will continue to work together to keep it that way. Your neighborhood leadership is outstanding, and I have full faith in our partnership.

Again, I cannot thank you enough for your trust in me to lead our district for another four years. On behalf of myself, Erica and Ashley, we are ready, willing and EXCITED to continue our work and make the next four years our BEST YET. Wishing you all a wondrous holiday season; please stay safe and enjoy the time with friends and loved ones.

Steven



Light up the Beach! with Erica and Ashley



October 16th Groundbreaking Ceremony, International Swimming Hall of Fame



October 18-Ribbon Cutting for D.C. Alexander Park, Fort Lauderdale Beach



October 2, Ribbon Cutting for the Las Olas Isles Undergrounding

Globetrotting with Lily: Discovering Egypt's Wonders



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Egypt—a land of timeless wonders, ancient history, and vibrant culture—is a destination that should be on every traveler's radar. Recently, Lily Scott Coke, a luxury travel planner and Nurmi Isles resident, explored this breathtaking country. Her experiences offer a glimpse into the magic that awaits.

Lily's adventure began in Cairo, where the bustling markets of Khan el-Khalili provided an authentic introduction to the city's energy. With the scent of spices in the air and the vibrant colors of handcrafted goods, she felt immersed in a different world. Nearby, the iconic pyramids of Giza stood as awe-inspiring testaments to Egypt's ancient civilization.



Continuing her journey south to Luxor, Lily uncovered why this historic city is often hailed as the “world's greatest open-air museum.” From the majestic Karnak Temple to the awe-inspiring Valley of the Kings, each site unveiled a rich chapter of ancient history. As the sun set, Lily found serenity on the Nile aboard ARAX, the first luxury barge of its kind on the river. With just nine bedrooms, including an opulent Owner's Suite, ARAX offers an exclusive experience complete with a swimming pool, a fully equipped gym, and a dedicated crew of 24. Available for private charter, the barge accommodates 3- to 5-night journeys tailored for those seeking unparalleled luxury.

The best time to explore Egypt is between October and April, when the weather is ideal for sightseeing. Whether it's trekking through the desert, cruising the Nile, or diving in the Red Sea, there's something for everyone during these cooler months.

For those seeking unique experiences, Lily recommends a sunrise hot air balloon ride over Luxor for breathtaking views of the temples and city as it awakens. Food enthusiasts will enjoy indulging in traditional Egyptian dishes like koshari or fresh baladi bread paired with tahini and honey—a true culinary delight.



Lily emphasizes the importance of local guides to bring Egypt's rich history to life. Their knowledge and storytelling create a deeper connection to the places you visit. Another pro tip? Plan ahead to ensure access to Egypt's lesser-known hidden gems, which can make your journey even more memorable.



If Egypt has captured your imagination, Lily is here to help. From personalized itineraries to exclusive travel tips, she can craft a luxurious journey tailored to your style. Whether it's exploring the vibrant bazaars of Cairo, sailing down the serene Nile, or marveling at the ancient pyramids, Egypt promises an unforgettable adventure. 🌴

STAY INFORMED: SIGN UP FOR ALERT FTL TODAY!

Want to know if there's a traffic jam, a flooded area, a road blocked for a run or an art show, or any other updates from the City of Fort Lauderdale? Emergencies and unexpected events can happen at any time, and staying informed is a vital part of keeping your family and community safe. The City of Fort Lauderdale's **ALERT FTL** Emergency Alert Program is designed to provide real-time, critical updates directly to you. Whether it's severe weather, unexpected road closures, or neighborhood evacuations, **ALERT FTL** ensures you'll always be in the know.

ALERT FTL is a free service that delivers time-sensitive notifications by phone, email, or text message. You choose how and where you receive alerts—whether it's your mobile phone, home phone, or email. The program also supports TDD/TTY devices for individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing.

When emergencies occur, receiving accurate and timely updates can make a significant difference. **ALERT FTL** keeps you informed with critical information, helping you take the necessary steps to protect yourself, your family, and your property.

This service is especially beneficial during hurricane season or other emergencies that may affect Nurmi Isles. Staying connected through **ALERT FTL** gives you the information you need to make timely decisions for your safety.

How to Register

Signing up is simple and takes only a few minutes:

Visit: fortlauderdale.gov/alertftl to create an **ALERT FTL** account and register.

Add **954-828-8000** to your phone's contact list to ensure alerts bypass privacy filters.

Already registered? It's easy to update your contact information—just log in to your account and update your phone number or email address.

The Safety & Security Committee encourages all Nurmi Isles residents to take advantage of this essential service. **ALERT FTL** is a reliable way to stay informed, prepared, and connected with city updates during emergencies.

For more information, contact the City's Neighbor Service Center at 954-828-8000 or visit fortlauderdale.gov/alertftl.



*We did it!
Thank you Nurmi Isles
for your overwhelming
support and the trust you
have placed in me.
- Steve*

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ROYAL PALM DRIVE



by Elizabeth Lowsky

As the holiday season approaches, Royal Palm Drive is buzzing with excitement and community spirit. From festive gatherings to exciting milestones, our neighborhood continues to shine as a place of connection, celebration, and togetherness.

Community Engagement with Local Law Enforcement

Join us on Saturday, December 14th, at noon at **Pam Tindall's** home, 198 Royal Palm Drive, for an opportunity to connect with the Fort Lauderdale Police Department (FLPD) officers who patrol our neighborhood. This event, held during the FLPD's pre-shift meeting, offers residents a chance to meet the officers, ask questions, and learn about their work. In addition, **Pam** is leading a fundraiser for Voices for Children of Broward County, supporting vulnerable children in our community. Her efforts embody the spirit of giving that defines our neighborhood.

Howl-O-Ween & Cocktails Brought Festive Fun to Royal Palm

On October 31st, Royal Palm Drive residents and their furry friends came together for the much-anticipated Howl-O-Ween & Cocktails party. The festive gathering featured creative costumes for both pets and their humans, delightful treats for the pups, and themed cocktails for the adults. The evening was filled with laughter, photo-worthy moments, and a shared appreciation for our four-legged companions. From spooky outfits to playful themes, everyone brought their best for a night to remember.

Ladies of Royal Palm Enjoy Pizza Night Tradition

This fall, **Terri Cole** hosted the much-loved Royal Palm Ladies Pizza Night, bringing together 15 women for an evening of delicious food, laughter, and camaraderie. This cherished tradition continues to be a cornerstone of connection for the women of Royal Palm Drive. Plans are already underway for the next gathering, promising even more memorable moments.

Welcoming New Neighbors

We are thrilled to welcome Victoria and Greg Clark to Royal Palm Drive! As they settle into our vibrant community, we look forward to seeing them at upcoming events and creating lasting connections.

Exciting Milestones in Our Community

- Jake Rosen, son of Andy Rosen and Dr. Marcelle Abel-Rosen, has started an exciting chapter after graduating from Duke University in May. He now works for Apple in Cupertino, California, and we wish him continued success.
- As we go to press, Ann Burris is eagerly awaiting the arrival of her granddaughter Harper, who is expected to make her debut any day now. The whole community shares in her excitement.
- On a personal note, I am proud to share that I am the President of the Friends of Jack and Jill Children's Center, supporting education for underserved children.

As the holiday season unfolds, Royal Palm Drive reminds us of the joy that comes from shared traditions and togetherness. Here's to a season filled with laughter, connection, and cherished memories!

Any other great news or notables you would like to share? Please email me at: nurminews@nurmihoa.com



Residents and their costumed pups raising a toast to Howl-O-Ween!

NURMI DRIVE

by Harry Rozelle



It's always a pleasure to share the latest updates from our wonderful Nurmi Drive neighbors. Here's what's been happening around the street:

First, I want to acknowledge **Allen Hodge**, who is nearly fully recovered from a torn Achilles tendon. It's been great to see him back in action, and I know

many of you join me in wishing him continued progress.

Our hearts go out to the **Schwartz** family as they mourn the loss of **Randi's** mother, who passed away in September. Please keep them in your thoughts during this difficult time and don't hesitate to offer a kind word or gesture if you can.

In real estate news, the house at 41 Nurmi Drive, originally listed at \$12.9 million, is now under contract. Meanwhile, KMR Construction is working hard to complete 33 Nurmi Drive. After enduring years of construction on both sides of her home, I'm sure **Maria Manta** is thrilled to see one project complete and another nearing the finish line.

We recently welcomed back **Suzanne** and **Salem Habal** after an extended stay in Paris. It's wonderful to have them home again and hear about their adventures abroad.

Big congratulations are in order for **Robert Bremmer** and **Chrystal Bremmer**, who recently tied the knot! On September 21st, they exchanged vows in the beautiful setting of San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, surrounded by their closest friends and family. Their wedding was a stunning celebration of love, and we couldn't be happier for them as they start this exciting new chapter.

I'd also like to recognize my son 11-year-old **Cruz Yturalde** and **Suzee Bailey** for their remarkable work on improving water quality. The duo was recently featured on Channel 10 News Miami's Don't Trash Our Treasure series for their efforts to clean up our waterways. Many of you remember that **Cruz** was hospitalized last year after swimming in a canal contaminated with E. coli and salmonella. His experience has driven him to partner with **Suzee**, affectionately known as the "Water Guru," to advocate for cleaner and safer waterways. Their work is inspiring and deserves all our support.

On the political front, I want to commend **Charlotte Rodstrom** for her campaign in the recent City Commissioner election. While she did not win, she finished as a strong second-place candidate and sent an important message to city officials about the need for fiscal accountability. Her voice remains a vital part of our community's advocacy for responsible governance.

Finally, congratulations to **Carole Nugent**, President of The Royal Dames of Cancer Research Inc., for organizing an outstanding event on November 23, 2024, at The Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach Resort. The evening was a true success, with guests celebrating progress in the fight against cancer while reflecting on the work still ahead. Thank you, **Carole**, for your leadership and dedication.

It's also great to have **Joe Ando** and **Lenny Rock** back with us for the winter after their summer in Rhode Island and Provincetown. Their return always brings a bit of extra warmth to Nurmi Drive.

These moments—whether joyful, poignant, or inspiring—remind me of how special our community is. If you have news or updates, you'd like to share in the next edition, please don't hesitate to let me know.

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Robert & Chrystal Bremmer

FIESTA WAY



by Laurie Ledford

Fiesta Way is always buzzing with activity, and it's great to see neighbors returning from their summer adventures and reconnecting with each other. Our street keeps evolving, with beautiful new homes popping up

and welcoming wonderful new residents. It's the people who make Fiesta Way such a special place, and I'm grateful to be part of it.

Michael Schneider, former Vice President of the Nurmi HOA and a long-time board member, has decided to step down after years of service. **Michael's** contributions to the board have always been thoughtful and focused on what's best for our neighborhood. He and his husband, **Oscar**, recently made a big move to Paris, fulfilling a dream they've had for years. We'll miss their presence, but we wish them all the best as they start this exciting new chapter. If you're interested in stepping up to represent Fiesta Way on the HOA board, give me a call at 646-334-1348.

It was fantastic to see so many Fiesta Way residents at the HOA's Annual Holiday Party! The evening was full of laughter, great food, and lots of festive cheer. It's events like these that remind us of how close-knit our community really is.

Mark your calendar for the next community meeting on January 15, 2025, at 7:00 PM at the Las Olas Community Center. We'll be talking about beautification projects, security updates, and other neighborhood news. Your input makes a difference, so I hope to see you there.

A quick heads-up about our cameras: they were down for a few days recently, but the good news is they're back up and running smoothly. Thanks for your patience while we got everything sorted out.

On December 3, 2024, the **Fratarcangeli** family hosted the PAWS Holiday Shopping Bazaar at their home on 201 Fiesta Way. The event was a huge success, benefiting the Humane Society of Broward County. It included pop-up shops, delicious food, and even a cuddle lounge with adorable adoptable pets. A big thank-you to the **Fratarcangeli** family for hosting such a wonderful event for a great cause.

On a personal note, **Patrick** and I are thrilled to finally be in our new home at 144 Fiesta Way. We moved in this November, and we're excited to get to know everyone better. We're planning to host an open house in the new year—details to come soon!

Before I wrap up, a quick cautionary tale: I recently almost fell victim to a phone scam involving people pretending to be from the Broward County Sheriff's Office. They claimed I had missed a court appearance, and for a moment, I believed them. Thankfully, I realized it was a scam before any harm was done. Let this be a reminder: don't answer calls from unfamiliar numbers, don't click on links you don't recognize, and never send money to strangers. Stay vigilant—it can happen to anyone!

As the year winds down, I just want to say how lucky I feel to be part of such a generous and supportive community. Wishing you all Happy Holidays and a bright, exciting start to 2025! Here's to another great year on Fiesta Way.

Any other great news or notables you would like to share? Please email me at: nurminews@nurmihoa.com



Fratarcangeli Family PAWS Holiday Shopping Bazaar



DELICIOUS HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NURMI ISLES HOLIDAY PARTY!

This year's holiday party wasn't just about celebrating—it was also a showcase of incredible culinary creations from our talented residents. From nostalgic Southern comfort to smoky indulgence and whimsical appetizers, these recipes were the stars of the table!

A TASTE OF TRADITION

Stacy Scott's Southern Deviled Eggs

Stacy Scott brought a beloved family tradition to the party with her mother's timeless deviled egg recipe. Packed with Southern charm and flavor, these eggs are a must-have for any festive gathering.

INGREDIENTS:

18 large eggs

3 Claussen Pickle Spears

6 tablespoons Duke's Mayonnaise

Tony Chachere's Creole Seasoning - to taste

Fresh Dill or Rosemary for garnish

DIRECTIONS:

- Boil the eggs in hot water for 13 minutes. Immediately place them in a cold ice bath to cool.
- Once cooled, peel the eggs and cut them lengthwise
- Remove the yolks and place them in a mixing bowl
- Dice the pickle spears and add them to the yolks. Mix in the mayonnaise until smooth.
- Season with Tony Chachere's to taste
- Spoon or pipe the mixture back into the egg whites
- Sprinkle additional seasoning on top and garnish with dill or rosemary





SMOKY PERFECTION

Joshua Greenman's Pork Belly Burnt Ends

If you're looking for bold, smoky flavor, Joshua Greenman's pork belly burnt ends deliver in every bite. Made with premium ingredients and a flawless technique, these bites are the ultimate crowd-pleaser

INGREDIENTS:

Pork belly, cut into 1-inch squares

Meat Church Honey Hog rub (or your favorite rub)

Butter

Brown sugar

50/50 mix of Sweet Baby Ray's BBQ sauce and honey

DIRECTIONS:

- Cut pork belly into 1-inch squares and coat with rub
- Place on wire racks in a smoker set to 225°F. Smoke for 2–3 hours until the internal temperature reaches 195–202°F
- Move the meat to a covered grill pan and top with butter and brown sugar. Increase smoker temperature to 275°F and cook for 30–60 minutes.
- Transfer to an uncovered grill pan and coat with the BBQ sauce and honey mix. Cook for 15 minutes to set the glaze

Pro Tip

Using high-quality pork belly, like from Snake River Farms, elevates this dish to the next level!





PLAYFUL PENGUINS

Chrystal Bremmer's Prosciutto-Wrapped Bites

Chrystal Bremmer stole the spotlight with her delightful penguin-inspired bites. Perfect for entertaining, these charming appetizers combine creativity, flavor, and a touch of holiday fun.

INGREDIENTS:

1 125g package of mozzarella pearls

32 pitted black olives

1 carrot

Prosciutto (or blanced chives for vegetarian option)

Toothpicks

DIRECTIONS:

- Drain and pat dry mozzarella pearls. Slice 16 olives vertically for wings.
- Cut 16 carrot slices about 5mm thick; trim a triangle from each to create beaks and shape the feet.
- Insert a carrot triangle into the pitted end of each whole olive to form the head and beak.
- Hold half-olive wings on either side of a mozzarella pearl (body) and place it on a carrot disc (feet). Secure with a toothpick.
- Wrap a strip of prosciutto (or chives) around each penguin as a scarf.



From Southern comfort to smoky indulgence and creative flair, these recipes brought warmth and joy to the Nurmi Isles Holiday Party.

Try them out—you'll be the talk of your next gathering!

Why Getting to Know Your Neighbors Matters

When it comes to making Nurmi Isles safer, there's one simple, yet powerful strategy: getting to know your neighbors. Building relationships with those who live nearby fosters a sense of belonging, increases safety, and enhances quality of life. But don't just take our word for it—research and expert opinions agree.

Studies show that neighborhoods where residents know and trust each other experience lower crime rates. A report from the National Crime Prevention Council found that communities with strong social connections see up to a 26% reduction in crime. Similarly, research published in the Journal of Urban Affairs revealed that neighborhoods with higher social cohesion reported fewer burglaries and incidents of vandalism.

“Strong relationships among neighbors act as an informal surveillance network,” explains community safety expert Dr. Rachel Benson. “When people know each other, they're more likely to notice unusual activity and report it promptly.”

The benefits of neighborly connections go beyond crime prevention. According to a 2020 study by Harvard's School of Public Health, individuals with strong social ties are 50% more likely to feel happy and secure. Knowing your neighbors can also mean having someone to lean on in times of need, whether it's borrowing a tool, keeping an eye on your house while you're away, or simply sharing a friendly wave.

The Nurmi Isles Home Owners Association Safety & Security Committee is proud to champion initiatives like the “Know Your Neighbor” program. This program, encourages residents to introduce themselves to new neighbors, participate in community events, and stay informed through our quarterly Home Safe & Sound newsletter.

How You Can Get Involved

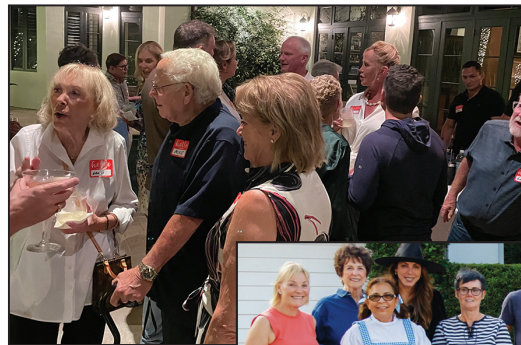
Here are a few ways to strengthen connections in our community:

- Join a community event: Attend HOA meetings, block parties, or social gatherings.
- Participate in the ‘Know Your Neighbor’ program: Get to know at least one new family on your street this month.
- Stay informed: Subscribe to our text alerts and read our newsletter to stay updated on community news and safety initiatives.

- Reach out: Extend a warm welcome to new residents and share your contact information.

Together, we can ensure Nurmi Isles remains not just a beautiful place to live, but a strong, connected, and secure community. After all, as the saying goes, “Good neighbors make great neighborhoods!”

If you'd like to share ideas for fostering connections or would like more information about the “Know Your Neighbor” program, email us at security@nurmihoa.com



Nurmi Isles Holiday Party was a night to remember!



This year's Annual Holiday Potluck Party was a night to remember! Hosted by Harry Rozelle and Larry Yturralde, the event welcomed a large turnout of neighbors who enjoyed a delightful array of dishes and festive cheer. Adding to the celebration, we were honored by the presence of newly re-elected Mayor Dean Trantalis and Vice Mayor Steve Glassman, who joined us in celebrating the strong sense of community that makes Nurmi Isles so special. Thank you to everyone who participated and made this gathering such a success!





IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF A CRIME —

Members of the Nurmi Isles Safety & Security Program Can Request Security Camera Footage and Automobile Identification from Our License Plate Readers by Following These Steps:

- 1 CALL THE POLICE AND REPORT THE CRIME IMMEDIATELY**
If you witness a crime or suspicious activity, immediately call the police to report the crime.
- 2 OBTAIN A CASE NUMBER**
Once you've reported the crime, obtain a case number from the police.
- 3 CONTACT YOUR HOA**
Email your HOA at admin@nurmihoa.com with your case number. In your email, please request a call from the HOA to discuss the details of your request.
- 4 HOA REVIEW:**
After receiving your request, the HOA will evaluate it and direct and request the necessary footage from our surveillance systems and license plate readers.
- 5 COOPERATION WITH AUTHORITIES:**
The HOA will work in collaboration with Flock Safety and Regions Security to ensure that the relevant footage and automobile identification are delivered to law enforcement as needed.



Members of the Nurmi Isles Safety & Security program are those residents who have contributed financially to support the program's initiatives. Their contributions help fund various security measures, including nighttime security patrols, security cameras, license plate readers, and other safety-related projects.

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HOLIDAY HAZARDS FOR PETS:

What Every Owner Needs to Know to Keep Furry Family Members Safe

As the holiday season moves forward, veterinarians and pet experts are urging families to be cautious with beloved pets amid festivities. Holiday pet emergencies spike each year, with three leading causes: ingestion of harmful foods or decorations, increased stress from noise and visitors, and the ever-present risk of escape.

According to recent data from pet health professionals, about 37% of holiday pet emergencies are due to toxic foods or dangerous decorations. From poinsettias to holiday chocolates and tinsel, pets are drawn to holiday trappings that pose hidden threats.

Keep Harmful Items Out of Reach: Foods like chocolate, alcohol, and even some fruits are toxic to pets. “Keep holiday treats up high and away from curious paws,” advises Dr. Samantha Hill, a local veterinarian.

Contact Information at the Ready: Dr. Hill also recommends having your veterinarian and an emergency clinic’s number accessible in case of ingestion accidents.



Behavioral data reveals that 42% of pets face stress and anxiety over the holidays, particularly from increased noise, crowds, and unusual activity. For animals used to quiet, stable environments, holiday gatherings can become overwhelming, leading to behavioral issues and even health complications.

Create a “Quiet Zone”: A quiet retreat stocked with a cozy bed and familiar toys can make a big difference. “Having a safe space where pets can retreat helps them manage their stress,” suggests animal behaviorist Jennifer Morris.

Stick to Routine: Routine brings comfort to pets. Maintaining regular feeding and play schedules can mitigate the chaos of the holiday season.

Open Doors and Escape Risks: Leads to 21% of Lost



Pet Incidents. For some families, the holiday season has a tragic twist as pets slip out of open doors and into unfamiliar territory. Open doors for guests provide ample opportunity for curious pets to escape, with around 21% of holiday incidents involving lost pets.

Block Off Entrances: Pet gates or barriers near doors can prevent escapes, and guests can be gently reminded to watch for sneaky pets at the door.

Identification is Key: Ensuring pets have collars with ID tags and updated microchip information can make all the difference if they do escape.

With some thoughtful planning, pet owners can keep their furry friends safe and stress-free through the holiday season. “The holidays are about family, and for many of us, that includes our pets,” says Dr. Hill. “By being aware of the risks and taking a few extra precautions, everyone – pets included – can have a joyful and safe holiday.”

For further tips, or in case of emergency, reach out to your local vet or emergency clinic. Here’s to a safe, pet-friendly holiday for all!



THE SKY AND I

We are thrilled to share with you the exciting latest release from artist Lucio Carvalho. Entitled “The Sky and I,” this artwork marks a significant addition to Carvalho’s renowned Rebirth Collection, drawing inspiration from the iconic masterpiece “Birth of Venus” by Sandro Botticelli.

In “The Sky and I,” Carvalho masterfully captures the essence of Botticelli’s timeless work while infusing it with his own unique vision and style. This piece serves as a captivating exploration of beauty, femininity, and the eternal connection between humanity and the natural world.

It unveils a stunning connection of classical elegance and contemporary allure. The central figure mirrors the infinite expanse of the sky, exudes a modern sensibility while retaining an air of timeless sophistication. “Her confident stance and intriguing gaze pull you into a story line full of mystery and excitement intrigue. As she holds onto this stunning white peacock, almost like something out of a dream, it’s like the painting is saying, “Hey, forget what you think you know!” Mixing classic beauty with a modern twist, it’s like the artwork is playing with our ideas of what’s real and what’s not. It’s like a cool remix of the past and the present, making us think about how tradition and new ideas can dance together in the art world and beyond.

For more information about “The Sky and I” and other works by Lucio Carvalho, please contact ip@chic-art.net.



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1. A volunteer web developer to help us update our website.
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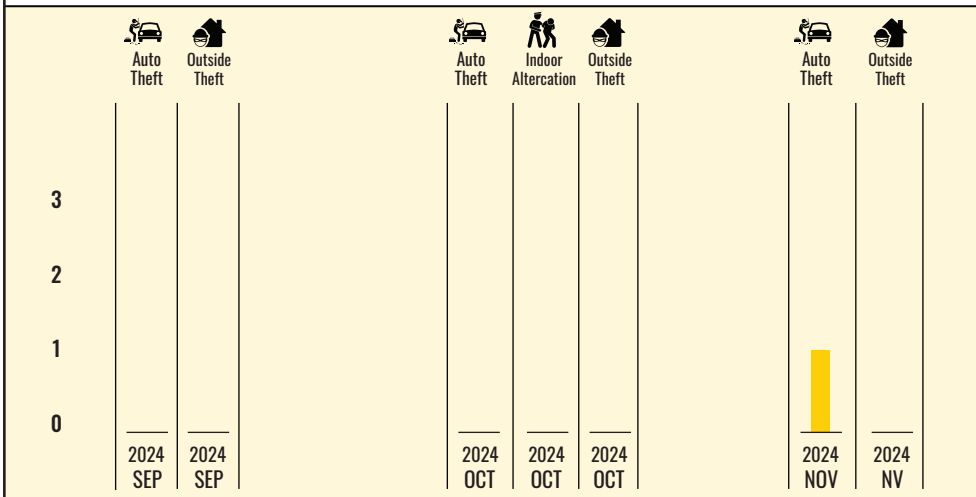
RECENT HOME SALES FOR NURMI ISLES

DATE	ADDRESS	BED	BATH	SQ. FT.	YEAR BUILT	PRICE SQ. FT.	ORIGINAL PRICE	LIST PRICE	SOLD PRICE
N/A	No Sales	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$	\$	\$	\$

Home Sales Data Courtesy of Matt Bertanzetti - Florida Luxurious Properties

CRIME STATISTICS September, October, November 2024

September 2024	October 2024	November 2024
Fiesta Way: 0 Crime	Fiesta Way: 0 Crime	Fiesta Way: 0 Crime
Nurmi Drive: 0 Crime	Nurmi Drive: 0 Crime	Nurmi Drive: 1 Crime
Royal Palm Drive: 0 Crime	Royal Palm Drive: 0 Crime	Royal Palm Drive: 0 Crime



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