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The West End April Newsletter

A big thank you to Kendale Lakes Park staff and everyone who came to last week's West End movie night. We had a blast!



Over 50 dogs and cats were spayed and neutered at our pet event at West Kendall District Dog Park on April 5 and 6.

**Miami-Dade Commissioner
Juan C. Zapata
West Kendall/West Dade**

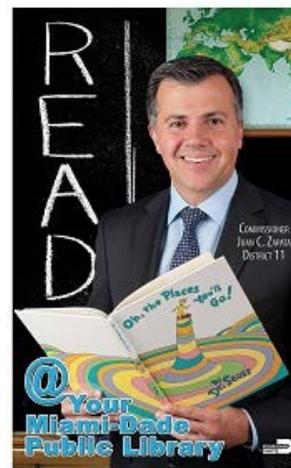
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Read Campaign



**Let's encourage our
children to read.**



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Events

Long Range Transportation Plan Meeting



Making a Difference Foundation

THIS MONTH'S CHARITY:

Rebuilding Together

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Business of the Mon



WHEN:
 Tuesday, May 6
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

WHERE:
 West Kendall Regional Library
[10201 Hammocks Blvd](#)

For more information, call 305-375-4507.

"Roots of My Tree" Planting and Dedication



Commissioner Zapata is teaming up with Million Trees Miami, a community-wide effort to plant 1 million trees by 2020, and invites you to join your neighbors in celebrating mothers this Mother's Day Weekend with the planting of 25 shady trees.

WHEN:
 Saturday, May 10
 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

WHERE:
 Wild Lime Park
[14751 Hammocks Boulevard](#)

**For more information, call Ingrid at 305-375-5511.
 To learn more about Million Trees Miami click [here!](#)**

CoderDojo Computer Coding Club for Ages 8-17



Elite Basketball Acaden

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Health & Fitness

**Stanford Study Find:
 Walking Improves**



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ve your child a competitive edge in the economy of tomorrow by exposing them to computer coding. Sign your child up for this free coding club for kids!

WHEN:

Saturday, May 10
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

WHERE:

Kendale Lakes Library
[15205 SW 88 Street](#)

For more information, call Alvaro at 305-375-5511 or [register here!](#)

Creativity



Stanford researchers four that walking boosts creati inspiration. They examine creativity levels of people while they walked versu: while they sat. A person' creative output increased an average of 60 percent when walking.

To learn more, [click here!](#)

Quick Links

- [Register Now](#)
- [More About Us](#)
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Get Involved!

Fashion for Charity 3rd Annual Tea Party



WHEN:

Saturday, May 10
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

WHERE:

Miccosukee Golf and Country Club
[6401 Kendale Lakes Drive](#)

For more information, call 786-556-2653.

West End Movie Night



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WHEN:

Friday, May 16
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

WHERE:

Country Walk

Featuring [KittyLuv's Purrfect Faces](#) & [Food Truck Invasion](#) Food Trucks

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Military Family Appreciation Dinner



WHEN:

Wednesday, May 28
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM



Do you need volunteer hours?

Email Ingrid at ingrid@miamidade.gov for more information!

WHERE:

West Kendall Baptist Hospital - Bamboo Cafe
[955 SW 162 Avenue](#)

To RSVP, call 786-467-3404, or email AnnaDi@BaptistHealth.net.

May is National Physical Fitness & Sports Month

Making the West End a Healthier Community



Did you know that fewer than 1 in 3 adults eat the recommended amount of fruits and vegetables a day?

Did you also know that 1 in 3 children is overweight or obese?

These are alarming trends! That's why we are working to make the West End a destination for health & fitness by increasing bike paths, and creating greater connectivity between parks for families to get out more and enjoy the outdoors. We are working on bringing a farmer's market to the area, and more fitness programs to our parks.

We've recently been named a Healthy Weight Champion by Florida's Surgeon General. As part of the [West Kendall Baptist Hospital's Healthy West Kendall Coalition](#), we are working to bring healthier lifestyles to the West End.

To learn more about what we are doing in the West End to promote physical fitness and nutrition, [click here!](#)

I hope you'll join me in taking those small steps that create momentum for big change!

Join our effort in spreading literacy among the youth of the West End and donate a brand new book to one of our local libraries by visiting our Amazon page [here!](#)



Summer Activities

Fit2play, Green-it-up Summer Camp



Registration begins **May 1st**.
Click [here](#), or call 3-1-1 for more information.

Free YouthSpark Summer Camps with Microsoft



Classes are from June 2 - August 29.
Click [here](#) to register now.

Camp Rejoice at Archbishop Coleman F. Carroll Sr. High School



Early registration rate ends **May 1st**.
Register now [here](#), or email info@camprejoice.com.

Villa Lyan Summer Camp for Children with Varying Abilities



Registration is required by **May 5th**.
For more information, call **305-752-0220**.

Assistance Programs

Our office is now offering FREE Immigration Services



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- > PERMISOS DE VIAJE
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- > TPS

- > CUBAN ADJUSTMENT
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WHEN:

Wednesdays
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

WHERE:

Office of Commissioner Zapata
[8785 SW 165 Avenue](#)
Suite 203

Citizenship Drive & Legal Clinic



WHEN:

1st Saturday of every month
10:00AM - 2:00PM

WHERE:

Kendale Lakes Branch Library
[15205 SW 88th Street](#)

Call 305-416-7902 to make an appointment for assistance filing immigration paperwork.
Call 305-375-5511 or click [here](#) to make an appointment for assistance with legal issues.

No Roof Left Behind



If you or someone you know is in need of a new roof nominate them or yourself for a chance to receive a **FREE** roof from T & S Roofing Systems.

You can [click here](#) for more information and to nominate someone!

FREE Tai Chi Classes for Adults 55+



WHEN:

Wednesdays
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

WHERE:

Westwind Lakes Park

[6805 SW 152 Avenue](#)

For more information, call 305-388-4771.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff at 305-375-5511.

Honored to Serve,



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Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners
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"There are no traffic jams along the extra mile." - **Roger Staubach**

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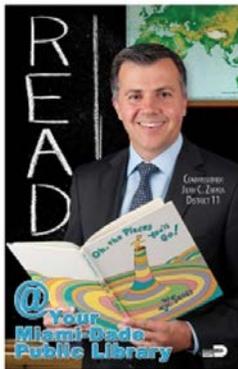


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Health & Fitness

Staying Active in Hot Weather



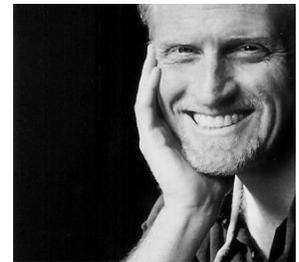
Don't let the rising temperature keep you indoors, stay fit in the hot Miami weather!



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Citizen Spotlight

The Pulitzer Prize is one of those real-deal brass ring honors in the literary world. Writers dream of it from the moment they first pick up the pen, to the last drop of ink they drain.



The award is presented every year in a range of categories. A committee of writers and literary aficionados parse through every prescient work in the sea of submissions, which must be published since the prize was bestowed. Really, there's no understating the importance of being a "Pulitzer Prize Winner."

This year, one of the committee readers who decided to win in the field of poetry was respected poet and FIU professor C. McGrath.



For information, [click here!](#)

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Hurricane Season Is Upon Us:



From June 1 to November 30th of every year, thousands of South Florida families prepare for the hurricane season and inclement weather. Making a hurricane plan ahead of time and stocking up on supplies will go a long way towards ensuring you and your family are prepared to handle weather.

My office will periodically share tips, but for more in-depth information please visit [Miami-Dade County's Hurricane webpage.](#)

SPECIAL EVENT:

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Come learn more about how to safeguard your home and better prepare your family for the season.

[Home Depot](#) is located at 15750 SW 88 Street.

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Please consider supporting the great work of Ms. Escobar Veterinary program at Varela Senior High School by fostering or adopting one of their amazing pets.



See the full Local 10 report and learn more [here](#) or Escobar at 305-283-7118.

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[10201 Hamm](#)

Facebook event [here!](#)



Foreclosure Workshop

Hosted by the Spanish American League Against Discrimination & Commissioner Juan C. Zapata.



Thursday, May 29
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Islas Canarias Restaurant
[13695 Southwest 26 Street](#)

Meet with the State Attorney's Office

Representatives from the State Attorney's office will visit the library to discuss topics of interest and provide resources.



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2:00PM - 5:00PM



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Saturday,
9:00AM - 12:00PM



G. Holmes Bradshaw School
[3601 SW 14th St](#)

ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



CIMA Immigration Assistance

Free immigration services are now available at my office. A representative



Citizenship Drive & Legal Clinic



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from the Center for Immigrant Advancement will offer services such as asylum, citizenship, and residence petitions.



EVERY Wednesday
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM



[8785 Southwest 165 Avenue](#)

Call 305-316-7902 or 786-317-3967 to schedule an appointment.



1st Saturday of **EVERY** month
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

NEXT EVENT: June 7



Kendale Lakes Branch Library
[15205 SW 88th Street](#)



Attorney's office will visit to discuss topics of interest. Resource

Wednesday
2:00PM -

West Kendall Resource



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Our final Family Movie Night of the season held at Count lake was a hit with families! We look forward to bringing family fun come autumn!



THIS MONTH'S CHARITY:

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[In Remembrance](#)

**Maya Angelou
1928-2014**



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This week we mourn the loss of

a poet, an activist, a humanitarian, and a beautiful soul. RIP Maya Angelou. The world will miss your uplifting words of beauty and resiliency.

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Community Survey



Miami HEAT Contract Extensions

The County and the Miami HEAT reached a tentative agreement regarding the extension of contracts. Read the agreement [here!](#)



1. Hammocks Community Park is undergoing an environmental remediation project beginning May 28. The contractor is finishing two of the three baseball fields this week, and partial closure of the park is expected until the end of December 2014.

2. Public Works and Waste Management (PWWM) will start a sidewalk improvement project on May 27, 2014 and is expected to be completed in June 2014 (weather-permitting). Construction will take place at SW 84 Street from SW 137 Avenue to SW 137 Avenue. PWWM will remove and replace damaged sidewalks, construct new sidewalks and make any necessary improvements.

3. There is another resurfacing and re-pavement project taking place at SW 157th Avenue from SW 72nd Street to SW 72nd Street.

-Detour: Motorists are advised to seek an alternate route.

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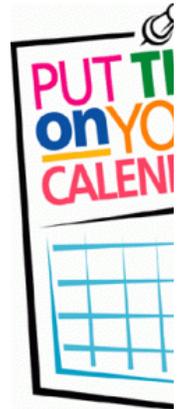
Learn more about this study that will determine whether incorporation of our community is feasible and desired. Listen to presentations by various County departments on what the implications of incorporation would be, and have your voice heard.

The next of the monthly meetings will be held:

June 18 @ 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Kendale Lakes Library
15205 SW 88 Street**

Read the Miami Herald article [here!](#)



Citizen Spotlight:

We are proud to announce Talia A. of Green Glade Elementary and Samuel T. of Wesley Matthews Elementary as the 2014 Rising Star Award recipients for their hard work and commitment this year! Congratulations to these inspiring students!



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Tax-Free Sales Start Saturday!



A nine day sales-tax holiday is meant to encourage Floridians early for a hurricane. Learn what is and isn't included in this Mia article [here!](#)

Hurricane TIPS: Pet Safety

Whatever plans you make, remember to include your pets. If you're unable to bring your pets to the location you'll be seeking shelter at, remember that Miami-Dade County offers Pet-Friendly Evacuation Centers for residents living in qualified evacuation zones, unsafe structures or mobile



- * Make sure all vaccines are up-to-date.
- * Make sure your pet's collar includes their I.D. and license
- * Make sure your pet's prescriptions are filled.
- * Have your pet microchipped to ensure reunification if lost.

To register a pet, please call 311, or visit the **Animal Services Department** for more information.

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Home Depot in West Kendall
[15750 SW 88 ST](#)



11:00 AM -



Kendall Regional
[11750 SW 4](#)



West Kendall Corridor Charrette Planning Study

Results from the public workshop held in March will be presented. The study is located along Kendall Drive from SW 137th Avenue to Krome Avenue.



Wednesday, June 11
7:00 PM



West Kendall Regional Library
[10201 Hammocks Boulevard](#)



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Pass by and receive up to two (non-citrus) fruit or native shade trees for your home or business. (While supplies last.)



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Braddock Senior High School
[3601 SW 147 Avenue](#)



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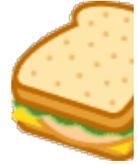
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SUMMER GUIDE FOR FAMILIES



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