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Wilton Manors - A Great Place To Do Business

June 2003

President's Message

The options reflected in the below message, are strictly personal and do not necessary reflect the views of the Wilton Manors Business Association.

As our summer heats up in South Florida, the Wilton Manors Business Association takes a few months off. While this means we won't have 'formal' meetings for July and August, we will still be working hard to make WMBA the leading business group in South Florida.

Some of my summer will be spent developing new and improved ways of using our web site to help your business grow. This month marks the update to our on-line membership directory. Next, we'll be adding timely information from city and state officials, on-line links to business and government web sites, and a feedback form to let us hear from you. Our site attracts visitors from all over the world who come to our area for vacations, homes, or new businesses. As always, please contact me if you have comments or suggestions.

During the last few weeks, WMBA was asked to view several traffic safety options for the Five-Points intersection. The Department of Transportation had made a suggestion to close eastbound traffic on 26th Street at 11th Avenue. One of the other options was increased lane markings and signage. After careful consideration, our board voted for the latter choice and made this recommendation to the City Council.

We welcome the new Executive Director for Wilton Manors Main Street, Mr. Hal Miksch. Hal takes on this great responsibility of overseeing the redevelopment of the Wilton Drive area. He'll also be organizing many volunteers to help maintain the vision and scope of the project. I believe WMBA will have a positive role in the development of Main Street and I look forward to working with Hal and his team.

Join us for our annual luncheon party at Georgie's Alibi on Monday, June 9 beginning at 11:30 AM. George puts on a wonderful buffet and it's a great time to kick back and meet your neighbors.

Coming in September, WMBA and the Realtor's Association will conduct a joint town hall meeting. Watch your email and faxes for details.

Have a safe and prosperous summer.

Bill Mattax,
President

Luncheon Meeting Monday, June 9, 2003 Georgies' Patio Bar 2266 Wilton Drive Wilton Manors, FL

Replaces regularly scheduled evening meeting. \$12 cost, paid at the door for hot luncheon buffet.

Stop by any time between 11:30 and 1:30 PM 2003 "At Your Service" Directories will be available for pick-up.

Members and Guests welcome.

For further information call Virginia Flaherty @ 954-566-8959

Purpose

To Attract and Promote Businesses within Wilton Manors.

GOALS:

- A. Attract new and more customers to existing Wilton Manors area shopping.
- B. Attract new types of business to existing storefronts.
- C. Promote inter-commerce trade between Wilton Manors businesses.
- D. Encourage interaction between city officials and business leaders
- E. Help promote the small town image with advantages of big city surroundings.

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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

DOWNTOWN VISION

A couple of weeks ago, FAU hosted a walkable cities tour (No, Wilton Manors hasn't quite made the list yet!). The tour consisted of Abacoa in Jupiter, City Place in West Palm Beach and Atlantic Avenue in Delray. Former Mayor of West Palm Beach Nancy Graham, gave an incredible tour and described how staff traveled to Italy to help create the finishing details and touches to City Place. Many of these walkable plans took close to a decade to complete and they are always a work in progress.

Wilton Manors is at this stage. Last week, I was in Curitiba Brazil for a wedding. Curitiba is one of the most walkable cities on earth. Why? 20 years ago, the Mayor of Curitiba, an architect, had a vision of the city. He predicted the growth explosion in Brazil and planned for public transportation, downtown green space, unique architectural design and walkable streets. If you visit Curitiba, you'll see how a vision can manifest itself if the everyone works together to make it happen. There is a great feeling in Wilton Manors right now, a positive energy with organizations working together, great long term planning and more importantly trust with each other. If we maintain this pace, within the next 5-10 years, we'll see our vision become a reality!

Warmest Regards,
Jim Stork
Mayor of Wilton Manors

May 12 Meeting

Many members and guests were introduced to the proposed Wilton Station Project on the Wm Thies property off 26th street at our May 12 meeting at Independence Hall. We enjoyed the hospitality shown by the staff at Independence Hall and appreciated the informative presentation by the Wilton Station Group. Members and guests who attended included Bill Mattax and M E DePalma, DePalma-Mattax Enterprises; Gloria Lovens, Dynamic Ceramics; King Wilkinson, Island City Realty; Steve Shire, Shires Photography; Len Dato, SunTrust; Sandra Mahado, WoodTrends; Gus Medosky, LifeSource Chiropractic & Massage; Richard Pfund, BankUnited; Beth Nielson and Roland Thoela, Broward Townhouses; Virginia Flaherty, About Town Lock & Safe; Dennis Bellehumeur, ReMax Realty; Lynda Brown, Ceil Brown Realty; Jose Rodriguez, Mike Sands and Vernon Pierce, Pierce Architectural; Sherry & Rick Miller, Barton & Miller Cleaners; Brett Nein, Carter & Burgess Inc.; Virginia Howard, Psychotherapist; Barbara West, Coordinating Consultants Consortium; Michele Tusi, Marrinson Group; Ed Kalis, Kalis Funeral Home; Vice-Mayor Scott Newton, Scott's Auto Trim; Celeste Ellich, First Service Realty; David Ellich, Ft Lauderdale High School; Councilmember Ted Galatis, Attorney; Jerry Jordan, Jerry Jordan Construction; Audrey Ar buckle, Realtor; Bill Thies and George Galluzo, Wilton Station. Ilene Schnall, Attorney; Richard Schultz, Realtor; Michael James, Field of Vision Media ; Mike Sobiek, Lightning Auto; Mark Eagle, Russotto Realty and Brad Vogelbach.



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No Summer Meetings

WMBA does not hold their regular monthly meetings during the summer months of July and August. We hope to see you at our luncheon on June 9th at Georgie's and again in September at our special Real Estate Forum at the Board of Realtors on September 8.

If any city items come up through the summer that we feel WMBA members should have a voice in, we will notify you through e-mail or fax if we need to schedule an emergency meeting. Enjoy your summer.

SPOTLIGHT

TANI'S HAIR DESIGN

2390 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL, 33305

Tel: 954-568-4717

Tani's Hair Design is a full service salon specializing in: Hair cuts, perms, relaxers, colors, highlights, and much more. We are located at 2390 Wilton Drive.

THD has been in business since September of 1994. With 2,000+ clients and counting, our clients come from as far south as Cutler Ridge in Dade County, to as far as Boynton Beach in Palm Beach County. Our clientele is as diverse as the communities in which we live. This is a rarity in the industry.

We are opened Monday to Saturday. We provide affordable hair care. We at Tani's Hair Design believe that 'every' client should be treated with professionalism and effective customer service. Our number is 954-568-4717.

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ADVERTISING ADVISORS

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Directory Update

2003 "At Your Service Directories" will be distributed with the Town Crier delivery, the week-end of May 31. If you did not receive one or would like quantities of directories for distribution through your business, please contact Virginia Flaherty at 954-566-8957.

Directories will be available at our June 9th luncheon and also at Wilton Manors City Hall and the Wilton Manors Library. WMBA really appreciates the hard work of Tara Coiro and Fran Doice coordinating the advertisements and the publication of this new directory printed. Bill Mattax, Webmaster will also have the website updated for any further WMBA information. Check www.wiltonmanorsbusinessassociation.com

Greeting from Wilton Manors Main Street!

As most of you know, Wilton Manors and Wilton Drive stakeholders, under the leadership of Mayor Jim Stork and Diane Cline, President of Wilton Manors Main Street (WMMS), Inc., have spent the past several months seeking community input, raising money and establishing WMMS as a non-profit corporation to oversee the enhancement of Wilton Drive and, ultimately, other commercial streets in Wilton Manors. Their first order of business has been to hire an Executive Director and that is where I come in.

My name is Hal Miksch. I have a background in retailing and turning around troubled older urban commercial districts. As of May 19th, my mission in life is to make Wilton Drive the best it can be - economically, socially and culturally. But I cannot do

it alone. We are looking for volunteers to assist us in the areas of marketing, design, economic development and organization. We will also need your financial assistance if we are to achieve our objectives.

To learn more about WMMS and how you and your organization can contribute to our efforts, I encourage you to attend our Grand Opening Reception at our new offices at 2205 Wilton Drive on Wednesday, June 18th from 5:30 to 7:00PM. In the meantime, you can reach me by telephone at (954) 600-5232 or by email at mikschh@bellsouth.net. I look forward to working with the Wilton Manors Business Association in this important endeavor and to meeting with each of you individually as time permits.

Food Taste

Oakland Park/ Wilton Manors Chamber of Commerce is once again sponsoring a gourmet food tasting on Monday, July 21st. This enjoyable evening will feature foods from many gourmet restaurants

and will also feature a scholarship fundraising silent auction. This event will be held at the Lake Emerald Community Center at NW 39th Street off NW 21st Ave. from 6 - 9 PM. Tickets are

\$50/person available in advance only and many sponsorship packages are also available. For further information contact Mike Levy at 954-568-7755 or Siegi Constantine at 954-428-1136.



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