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BRICKELL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION is comprised of condominium association members and associate members representing some 17,500 residents along the Brickell corridor and on Brickell Key from the Miami River to the Rickenbacker Causeway. The purpose of BHA is to communicate common interests more effectively and mobilize support on important issues relating to the quality of life in our neighborhood.

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Brickell neighborhood to get a park

A lot on the west side of Brickell at 1814 will be the site of a new public park serving the needs of the growing residential community in the area, including many families with children. This new parcel right in the middle of the residential Brickell corridor was an unexpected triumph when Commissioner Marc Sarnoff's staff shared the news with BHA Directors in mid-January. It was probably the single most welcome news in the past two decades, right up there with the announcement of the first Publix to be opened in the area.

"This park is great news for the residents of Brickell and the many families and children we have living here now," BHA President Ernesto Cuesta said. "We have been vocal about needing a park within safe walking distance for a long time, and are thrilled that it is really going to happen."

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Sitting between Immanuel Lutheran Church to the north and a 33-unit condominium building to the south, 1814 Brickell Avenue is .81 acres of land to be converted into a public park.

FDOT addressing Brickell safety concerns

The solution that was supposed to make pedestrian life on Brickell safer has yet to show its promise at 1770 Brickell Avenue where the Florida Department of Transportation's flashing pedestrian beacon at the mid-block crosswalk was installed last year.

The problem is most drivers are not yielding or even slowing down for pedestrians when the beacon is activated. The way it is supposed to work is simple: Pedestrians push a button to activate the flasher. An

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BHA is two decades old, and going strong

BHA marks 20 years since founding this year. We have seen a lot of changes in our neighborhood, including a tripling of residents in two decades. Within our geographic area from the Miami River south to Rickenbacker Causeway, we have welcomed many new neighbors and new amenities.

We have described our vertical density in the past with the illustration that if all the residents of the Brickell area were horizontally situated as single family home lots 60-foot wide rather than stacked as we are now, our homes would stretch from Miami City Hall to West Palm Beach and beyond.

While we have grown, what has not changed is what Brickell neighbors want from their neighborhood.

They seek the highest standards of safety, harmony, beauty. These quality of life measures don't come easily, however. Never have. In this dismal economy, where many businesses, associations, individuals and our own City of Miami are struggling to stay afloat, quality of life is even more susceptible to erosion.

Fortunately, many signs detailed in this *BHA News* tell us this won't happen in our Brickell community:

- New executive officers have taken the helm of BHA (see photo and list opposite). These advocates are carrying on the work of BHA set forth in the past 20 years and have many new ideas and approaches to making life in the Brickell area the best it can be. They seek your involvement

on committees as detailed on page 10. (Joyfully,



I am retiring to Chairman of the Board, a purely advisory position which, according to our bylaws, carries no specific duties or obligations other than to be helpful if called upon.)

- Our Commissioner for District 2, Marc Sarnoff, is fulfilling a key promise to Brickell residents to find a way to add a sorely needed park to our neighborhood. We are grateful for, and a little in awe of, his ability to pull off this major feat for residents. I believe our neighbors stand ready to help bring this space to beautiful fruition.

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- The folks at Florida Department of Transportation—with whom we are frequently at odds given their “highway” perspective of what we regard as our neighborhood’s “Main Street”—are listening to us and our concerns. The cover page article discusses the long-standing problem at 26th and Brickell Avenue that FDOT is revisting, as well as their efforts to make the pedestrian crosswalk at 1770 Brickell safer.
- And finally, the robust Restaurant Listing included in this issue on the last five pages demonstrates the variety and quality of the growing amenities we have in our midst to enjoy.

Your participation, and that of your fellow residents, can make all the difference in seeing positive changes come to fruition, in overcoming long-standing problems and challenges and in making our neighborhood the best in Miami-Dade. •

Board officers elected at Annual Meeting

A new slate of officers was elected for BHA at the Annual Meeting in February. **Ernesto Cuesta**, who has been treasurer for BHA for six years and president and treasurer at his building The Metropolitan, is now president of BHA. Professionally, he is chairman of the Enterprises Group Corporation, a multi-faceted company that is involved in many business lines.

First Vice President remains **Larry Imber**, of The Palace and an oral surgeon/periodontist by profession. **Santiago Echemendia**, a resident of Two Tequesta Point and an attorney with Tew Cardenas LLP where he is partner and chair

of the firm’s Local Government Law Group, is new to the executive committee. He joins as Second Vice President. **Eduardo “Eddy” del Rio** is taking over as BHA Treasurer, after serving as a BHA volunteer. He is a resident of Brickell Townhouse and is a financial advisor with Mass Mutual. BHA Secretary is **Gail Feldman**, a resident of Bristol Tower who was appointed to the office last year when Gloria Konsler left Miami. Gail is VP at Steven J. Feldman, Inc. Real Estate Development. Long-time BHA president **Tory Jacobs** is being kept close at hand as Chairman of the Board, an advisory position. •



BHA Executive Committee: Gail Feldman, Tory Jacobs, Larry Imber, Ernesto Cuesta, Santiago Echemendia and Eddy del Rio.

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The parcel is just under an acre at .81 acres, or approximately 35,500 square feet. It was purchased with a \$337,775 grant from the Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program and matching funds from City non-general fund monies for just under \$2.6 million total. Impact fees, collected from developers with the purpose to offset infrastructure costs of new projects in the area, were used for the purchase. Brickell has borne the brunt of the development surge but has not gotten its fair share of impact fees, Commissioner Sarnoff told the BHA Board last April. Long-time developer and BHA Associate member Tibor Hollo helped the purchase with a \$200,000 contribution.

Kids, pets top priorities

Neighbors are envisioning a playground area for children and an

area for dogs in the park. Commissioner Sarnoff has scheduled a joint meeting with the Boards of BHA and Brickell Area Association in the latter half of March to discuss design plans.

The question of funding for the creation of the park has not been ignored. The Commissioner has secured \$240,000 in funds from a number of sources including \$33,000 in fines collected from numerous tree violations documented at 2110 Brickell Avenue and held in the City of Miami Tree Trust Fund, an additional \$172,000 in Safe Neighborhood Park Funds and \$35,000 from developers. The Commissioner said he hopes businesses, residents and others in the area will match that amount for the park build out.

BHA has long been advocating for more parks to better accommodate the high density of residents living in the Brickell area. Many residents include families and pets who have a desire to enjoy the great outdoors outside their doors.

Creative approaches

Commissioner Sarnoff has been a proponent of more green space for Brickell residents and started work on the issue soon after taking office. The Commissioner had a creative plan

with Mr. Hollo who was willing to lend a piece of waterfront land on Brickell Bay Drive for temporary park space until development conditions turned more economically favorable. The deal ultimately could not get worked through legal channels. The Commissioner asked the BHA Board of Directors to “not give up hope” last year, pledging to continue to make Brickell green space a priority.

BHA salutes Commissioner Sarnoff for his diligence on behalf of neighbors, and his ability to make this happen, especially in this tight economic environment.

Follow the BHA website for news of park development at www.brickellhomeowners.com.

More about green space

In other ongoing parks and green space news, the small waterfront green space at the end of 25th Road has been resodded, thanks to Brickell Biscayne and its marina developer that finished their marina restoration project there. Benches have been put in place in the patch of green, but unfortunately, the mahogany tree *BHA News* reported was to be relocated there could not be replanted.

The City of Miami still needs to address the crumbling seawall issue, the state of its own grounds on the half of the lot not restored by the developer, and better lighting at night to prevent bad elements from making the space their home or recreation area (a problem which has been reported by neighbors on 25th Road). And finally, canine courtesy is desperately needed among those who take their dogs to the area.●



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The Sports Club/LA is continuing its Corporate Membership partnership with Brickell Homeowners Association for condominium member residents. BHA residents can get the best corporate rates for the swanky fitness center located at Four Seasons, provided a minimum of five residents purchase club memberships within the next

two months! Many residents are already members, but for those who have thought about it but not yet joined, here's the opportunity with no excuses. (Verification of eligibility must be provided within seven days of joining.) See special insertion in this issue, or for further details, contact Dave Warren, membership director, at 305-533-1199 ext. 7902.

The Adrienne Arsht Center is also reaching out to BHA Members with special promotions. Deals including 30% off The Joffrey Ballet

on March 26; 20% off the matinee performance of The Cleveland Orchestra on March 27; 10% off the March 29 Lang Lang and the Schleswig-Holstein Music Festival; and 10% off the April 1st 8 p.m. and April 3rd 2 p.m. performances of the hit musical, "Mamma Mia." Residents of BHA Member condo associations can receive the discounts by going to the website, www.arshtcenter.org/offer and entering the promo code SPRING-FUN. For information or questions call 786-468-2358. •

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audible message then tells the pedestrian to stand at the curb and wait for traffic to stop before crossing. Drivers are simply supposed to stop, when they can do so safely, when they see the flashing yellow beacon indicating a pedestrian wants to cross.

Tweaks were made to the system in January, but FDOT officials say now it is a matter of driver education and police enforcement to get the system working correctly.

“From an engineering standpoint, we’ve done just about everything we can do. We need to initiate with the police a regular cycle of enforcement,” FDOT engineers and specialists including Alan El-Urfali, Carl Morse, Carlos Perez and Kristof Devastey told the BHA Board of Directors at their January meeting.

FDOT engineers and spokeswoman Alicia Gonzalez said they are launching an active educational outreach campaign and asking

police for enforcement assistance. The bilingual insertion in this issue, paid for by FDOT and its media relations group, carries the educational message about the system.

The system was the result of a Brickell Avenue Pedestrian Safety Study that BHA had been advocating for some time. BHA residents have wanted to see vehicular traffic slow down on Brickell Avenue to make it safer for both cars and pedestrians, and have pushed for more traffic signals along the corridor toward that end.

26th Road and Brickell Avenue intersection gets fresh look

In another matter of traffic safety on the southern end of BHA territory, FDOT has agreed to study the 26th Road left turn lane heading

north onto Brickell Avenue. There is one left turn lane but drivers one lane over frequently make an illegal left turn as well, often to the peril of the properly turning car, caught off-guard and often cut-off by the second turning vehicle. The configuration of the lanes at this intersection right before the wide Rickenbacker toll plaza entrance seems to encourage the illegal maneuver.

BHA has been urging attention to this intersection for years to no avail up to now (“Residents’ Request Rejected,” *BHA News*, Spring 2006) save for some added pavement markings which residents say are not particularly effective.

BHA advocate Blanche Back, a resident of Brickell Biscayne on 25th Road, has been among the most per-

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The pavement markings are clear here when there aren't cars covering the arrows, however, residents report countless near-misses at this left turn heading north on Brickell Avenue.



sistent of the voices asking for something to be done at the intersection before a terrible accident leaves someone dead or severely injured. Vowing to “bring it up in every meeting” until action is taken, her pleas, echoed by many neighbors, were heard in


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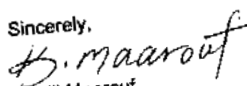
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SUBJECT: Section 87030, State Road 5 / Brickell Avenue at SE 26 Road. Request to evaluate the eastbound left turn movement from the through lane adjacent to the left turn lane. CTP 2010-02-0011

This is in response to your request regarding the subject matter. This location is being reviewed by the Traffic Operations office to determine if geometric improvements are possible. A draft report is expected to be completed on March 15, 2010 and final report on April 5, 2010. Upon completion of our evaluation, a response will be provided to you.

Thanks for your time and concerns. The Department is committed to addressing the community's traffic and highway safety needs. If you have any questions or comments, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Khalil Maarouf
Traffic Operations

cc: Omar Meitin, District Traffic Operations Engineer
Ramon Sierra, Asst. District Traffic Operations Engineer
Judy Solauri, FDOT Senior Project Manager Consultant Management
Alicia Gonzalez, MRG, Principal

U:\TXT\RESPONSE 26 Road at Brickell Ave Blanche acknowledgment

January. In a letter last month FDOT said they would review the intersection to “evaluate the eastbound left turn movement” to see if “geometric improvements are possible.” (See letter reprinted to the left.)

BHA will keep neighbors apprised of the findings of the FDOT’s study and what can be done to improve the intersection.

Advanced Warning System for the Brickell Avenue Bridge complete

In other FDOT/Brickell Avenue news, the department reported successful completion of the system to provide motorists with advanced notification of when the Brickell Avenue Bridge is in the up position. FDOT officials said it’s been operational since July 2009 and have not heard of problems with it.

The BHA extends its gratitude to Alicia Gonzalez for her active participation in hearing Brickell neighbors’ concerns. •

BHA bids farewell and extends thanks to Brickell advocate

Former BHA Secretary Gloria Konsler has moved with husband Gary to Pennsylvania to be near her daughter’s family including four little ones. Gloria and Gary were residents of One Tequesta

Point since 1998 and Gloria was also executive administrator for Brickell Area Association for many years. She also served as the Brickell Neighborhood PAC Treasurer. Gloria was a wealth of knowledge

about Brickell, and was a friendly advocate on behalf of both the residential and business community.

Gloria is missed by her neighbors and BHA friends alike. We wish her well. •

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Southeast 25th Road designated “Tory Jacobs Boulevard” in honor of Brickell advocacy work

The City of Miami bestowed one of its highest honors on BHA’s long-time leader, T. Sinclair (Tory) Jacobs, with the renaming of SE 25th Road to “Tory Jacobs Boulevard.” Since 1990 Tory Jacobs has been advocating and serving the Brickell area as volunteer president, and now Chairman, of Brickell Homeowners Association, and as a board member of Brickell Area Association, tackling quality of life and related concerns for the Brickell residential and business communities.

All five of the City of Miami Commissioners and Mayor Diaz were in attendance at the ceremony October 8 where the City made its presentation and passed

its formal resolution for the renaming. Marking the southern edge of the Brickell corridor, 25th Road is also where Mr. Jacobs resides, having been a Brickell resident for more than 30 years.

Tory Jacobs, along with attorney Henry Taylor, formed the Brickell Homeowners Association in 1990 as an advocacy group to help

residents shape, maintain and improve their neighborhood. During Tory’s two-decade tenure as president he has been successful in leading the charge on quality of life issues including beautification, noise abatement and traffic, as well as launching the Brickell Avenue Streetscape Plan and backing projects like Mary Brickell Village.

He has also been an active board member of the Brickell Area Association, the sister association of BHA made up of Brickell businesses. It was the directors of BAA who conceived of the idea to honor Tory in this lasting way.

Tory was overwhelmed with the designation saying, “This was quite unexpected. I thought one had to be dead to receive this honor. I feel very much alive.”

Tory also told the City Commission in accepting the designation that he began working with the City of Miami on the concerns and rights of neighbors who live vertically rather than horizontally early on when City ordinances and policies weren’t set up to address high-rise living. The City has come a long way since then, he said, in working with high-rise neighborhoods.

The BHA extends its gratitude to Commissioner Sarnoff’s office and Bert Gonzalez for assisting in the street naming process, and its deepest congratulations to Tory on a distinction well deserved. •



Tory Jacobs with the full City of Miami Commission, Mayor and City Manager in October 2009 when SE 25th Road was named “Tory Jacobs Boulevard.” Photo (c) Jorge R. Perez.



Tory Jacobs surrounded by friends and Brickell Area Association Board members after the City Commission passed the road name designation in his honor.



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BHA COMMITTEES

Brickell neighbors need you

BHA is forming several committees and welcomes residents to join who are willing to work on issues and projects. The committees will address issues BHA has been involved in for two decades and which require constant vigilance, as well as new possibilities such as the Community-Neighborhood committee where members will look at the social side of Brickell living. The committee list that follows includes some of the topics that might be tackled under each. These lists are not comprehensive; new issues and challenges are always arising in our dynamic community.

Safety & Security Committee

- Speeding on Brickell
- Sidewalk conditions
- Crosswalks and pedestrian safety
- Collaborative programs with police, among buildings

Quality of Life

- Repaving of Brickell Avenue – FDOT Project
- Canine Courtesy
- Horn honking

Beautification

- Brickell Avenue Streetscape
- Other opportunities for improvement or creating space

Parks/Greenspace

- 1814 Brickell Avenue
- 25th Road – any opportunities?
- Brickell Park – signage

Community-Neighborhood

- Block Party or other event?
- Development of more resident-member benefits

If you are interested in joining a committee, please contact your Board representative (listed on page 2) or BHA Communications Director Natalie Brown via email nbrown@brickellhomeowners.com •

On the Web: brickellhomeowners.com...the latest news, links, listings

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY CONTACTS

The City of Miami NET office is generally residents' first line of contact in resolving neighborhood concerns. The NET office will contact the appropriate City department on your behalf, if it is a City of Miami matter, or direct you to the right resource to resolve your issue.

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News from Neighbors

Dade Heritage Trust invites neighbors to discover their own hidden treasures

Our friends and neighbors at Dade Heritage Trust are inviting BHA residents to their "Antique Show-and-Tell" on Thursday, April 8, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Dade Heritage Trust offices at 190 SE 12 Terrace. They urge residents to:

"Bring your favorite heirloom or garage sale find and tour DHT's historic headquarters for a chance to discuss your treasure with Art and Antique Appraiser Tara Ann Finlay of Anubis Appraisal & Estate Services, Inc." and Antiques Roadshow fame. It's your chance for a mini-roadshow without the lines, if you move quickly. The event is free and will feature the winners of the stu-

dent art and photography competition. For more information call DHT at (305) 358-9572.

First Presbyterian: Old and new

BHA Associate Members at the First Presbyterian Church of Miami announced a new ministry in the community. Their historic Flagler Chapel is open to the community on Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The church invites residents and business people to this beautiful, sacred space for prayer and reflection. A 15-minute service is provided at 12:15 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. during this time to assist those who attend. All are welcome.

The Presbyterian Women also extend an invitation to all to their Annual Sacrificial Breakfast in the

Fellowship Hall behind the church at 609 Brickell Avenue. The breakfast will be on Good Friday, April 2, at 11 a.m.

The First Presbyterian Church of Miami, incorporated in 1896, is the oldest organized church in the Miami area. The original church stood on the corner of Flagler Street and Third Avenue. The congregation outgrew the small church and moved to its current location in 1946. The inspiring Flagler Chapel is a replica, constructed with the original stain glass windows and rich oak wood paneling.

See article about the church's history online in BHA News Winter 2007 issue, "First Presbyterian Church: Miami's Oldest Congregation." •



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In the Neighborhood... Brickell Area Restaurants

Abokado Sushi

900 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-347-3700
www.abokadosushi.com

Lunch: Mon-Fri 12-3 pm

Dinner: Mon-Thurs 5:30-11 pm • Sat 5:30 pm-midnight • Sun 5:30-10 pm

A fusion of Japanese and Latin American delicacies with sushi and ceviche as the star attractions, creates a Japanese Pan-Latin menu.

Acqua

1435 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-358-3535

www.fourseasons.com/miami/dining.html

Mon-Thurs 6:30 am-4 pm • Fri & Sat 6:30 am-10:30 pm • Sunday 6:30 am-3 pm

Global cuisine with Asian influence. Sunday brunch. French pastry chef. Favorite menu item, garlic rosemary leg of lamb. Breakfast, lunch and dinner. Outdoor seating. \$\$\$\$

Archie's Gourmet Pizza

50 SW 10 Street, Suite 46
Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-371-9980

www.archiespizza.com

Mon-Sun noon – 11 pm

All fresh ingredients. Crisp thin crust pizza vs. Chicago deep dish pizza. Located in Oakwood World Wide Corporate building. Take-out available. \$\$

Area 31 at the Epic Hotel

270 Biscayne Blvd.

16th Floor

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-424-5234

www.area31restaurant.com

Mon-Sat Breakfast 7-10:30 am • Lunch 11:30 am-3 pm • Sunday Dinner 6-11 pm

Notable executive chef John Critchley creates menus that feature sustainable fish and fresh local produce. Restaurant ranked among the nation's best. \$\$\$

Atrio at Conrad

1395 Brickell Avenue

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-503-6529

http://conradhotels1.hilton.com/

Mon-Fri 6:30 am-10:30 pm • Sat-Sun 6:30 am-11 pm

Upmarket Spanish Asian influenced contemporary flavors with a tapas inspired menu.

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Azul at Mandarin Oriental Hotel

500 Brickell Key Drive

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-913-8254

www.mandarinoriental.com

Dinner: Mon-Sat 7-11 pm

Contemporary. Where global fusion deserves a Golden Globe. Top 100 restaurants in Miami. Ginger crusted crispy snapper or signature short ribs braised with Asian spices.

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Baja Fresh Mexican Grill

1010 South Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-523-2393

www.bajafresh.com

Sun-Wed 11 am-9:30 pm • Thur-Sat 11 am-10:30 pm

Mexican. Fast, clean, fresh. Charbroiled meat and fresh salsas. Low carb plates. Mexicali fresh good. \$

Balans Restaurant

Mary Brickell Village-901 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-534-9191

www.balans.co.uk

Breakfast Daily: 8 am – 5 pm • Brunch: Sat &

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www.mandarinoriental.com

Sun 8 am – 5 pm • Lunch Daily 11 am – 5 pm • Dinner Sun - Thurs 5 pm - midnight
Fri - Sat: 5 pm – 3 am
Modern brasserie café-style menu with an international flair. \$\$\$

Brasserie Brickell Key

605 Brickell Key Drive
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-577-0907
Lunch: Mon-Fri 11:30 am-3 pm
Dinner Mon-Thur 6-11 pm; Fri-Sat 6-11:30 pm; Sun 6-10:30 pm
Italian, Mediterranean fine food. Continental, on Brickell Key. Takeout available. \$\$\$

The Brickell Irish Pub

1451 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-381-6651
www.brickellirishpub.com
Mon-Thur & Sun noon-2 am • Fri-Sat noon-3 am
Catch a favorite sporting event while noshing on sliders, wings and potato skins or more serious fare including baby back ribs and NY strip steak. \$\$

Cafe Sambal at Mandarin Oriental

500 Brickell Key Drive
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-913-8251
www.mandarinoriental.com
Mon-Wed and Sun 7 am-10 pm • Thur, Fri and Sat 7 am-11 pm
Contemporary, stylish, Asian-inspired cuisine with great view at Mandarin Oriental on Brickell Key. Takeout available. \$\$\$

Capital Grille

444 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-374-4500
www.thecapitalgrille.com
Lunch: Mon-Fri 11:30 am-3:00 pm
Dinner: Mon-Thur 5-10 pm; Fri 5-11 pm; Sat 6-11 pm; Sun 5-10pm
Steakhouse and American cuisine. Takeout available. \$\$\$\$

Deli Lane Café

1401 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-377-8811
www.delilane.com
Mon-Fri 7 am-7 pm • Sat-Sun 8 am-4 pm.
Oversized, generous sandwiches. Voted best breakfast in 2003. Vegan friendly dishes on menu. Takeout and delivery. \$\$

Dolores But You Can Call Me Lolita Restaurant & Lounge

1000 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-403-3103
www.doloreslolita.com
Mon-Thurs 11:30 am-midnight • Fri 11:30 am- 1am • Sat noon-1 am; Sun noon-11 pm
Unique menu featuring veal dishes, BBQ lamb ribs, tuna tartar, veal lasagna and mahi, mahi scampi. Extensive wine list to complement the menu. \$\$

Drake's Bar at JW Marriott

Mon-Sat 4 pm - midnight

Bar reminiscent of an Irish pub where Brickell professionals meet to unwind. Specialty drinks and appetizers. (See JW Marriott listing for address and telephone.)

Eos Restaurant at the Viceroy

485 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-503-0373
www.viceroyhotel.com
Lunch Mon-Fri 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. • Dinner Mon-Thur 6-10 pm; Fri-Sat 6-11 pm
Chef Michael Psilakis creates a Mediterranean-inspired menu of small plates. Chef Psilakis was named Best New Chef by *Food & Wine Magazine* and Chef of the Year by *Bon Appetit Magazine*. \$\$\$

Finnegan's River

401 SE 3 Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-285-3030
www.finnegansriver.com
Daily 11 am-LATE
Bar and restaurant along the Miami River with city views and sports TVs.

Fresco California Bistro

1744 SW 3 Avenue
Miami, FL 33129
Tel: 305-858-0608
Mon-Thur Lunch 11:30 am-3:30 pm; Dinner 5-10:30 pm • Lunch Fri 11 am-3:30 pm; Dinner Fri 5-11 pm • Sat noon-11 pm. Closed Sun
Contemporary and American. Patio/sidewalk dining. Takeout available. \$\$

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Conrad Miami Executive Chef Jonathan McCann brings more than 25 years of Michelin-starred restaurant and luxury hotel experience to the sleek, downtown hotel. With an ingredient-driven menu themed “taste above all else,” this chic, sophisticated restaurant is poised to take its rightful place in Miami’s culinary scene. The Wine Room invites diners to elevate their nose for wine, while The Bar boasts happy hours daily as stunning vistas of Biscayne Bay unfold below.



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Garcia's Seafood Grille & Fish Market

398 NW North River Drive
Miami, FL 33128
Tel: 305-375-0765
www.garciaseafood.com
Mon-Sun 11 am-9 pm
Rustic waterfront outdoor dining on the gritty but charming Miami River. City's best kept secret for seafood. Lunch and dinner. Takeout available. \$

Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant

1201 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 786-425-1130
Mon-Wed 11:30 am-10:00 pm • Thur-Sun 11:30 am-midnight
Brewery and pub fare. Home-brewed lager beers. Weekend brunch. Great happy hour. \$\$\$

Graziano's

177 SW 7th Street
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-860-1426
Mon-Fri 8 am-10:30 pm • Sat & Sun 9 am-10 pm
Argentinian and Italian fare, baked goods and a wide selection of beers. \$

Grimpa Steakhouse

Mary Brickell Village
901 S. Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-455-4757
www.grimpa.com
Lunch Mon-Fri 11:30 am to 3:00 pm
Dinner: Mon-Thurs 5:30-10 pm; Friday 5:30-11 pm; Saturday: 1-11 pm • Sundays: 12-5 pm
Prime cuts of meat at this Brazilian steakhouse with traditional rodizio and an executive lunch. \$\$\$

Indochine

638 South Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-379-1525
www.indochinebistro.com
Mon-Thurs 11:30 am-12 am • Sat 1 pm-1 am • Sun 5 pm-12 am
Asian. Variety of asian delicacies with inside and outside dining. Takeout available. \$\$

Isabela's at JW Marriott

Mon-Fri 6:30-11:00 am, Sat & Sun until noon (and holidays)
All-American breakfast fare, buffet or a la carte. Open for breakfast only. (See *JW Marriott listing for contact details.*)

JW Marriott Hotel

1109 Brickell Ave
Miami, FL 33131
www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/miajw-jw-marriott-hotel-miami/
Tel: 305-329-3500
Featuring these four establishments listed separately: Drakes, Isabela's, La Terraza and The Trapiche Room.

JB Kitchen & Bar

1250 S Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-415-0070
www.jbkitchenandbar.com
Sun-Wed 11 am – midnight
Thurs-Sat 11-2 am
American classics with some Latin influence. Fried yuca, rock shrimp tempura, ceviche, churrasco steak created with flair by chefs Frederick Kelly and Jeremy Fernandez. \$\$

La Baguette

427 SW 8 Street
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 786-270-1757
www.labaguettemiami.com
Open 24 hours, seven days a week
Fresh veggie juices, smoothies and shakes with healthy additives, sandwiches, salads. \$

La Provence Artisanal Bakery & Café

1064 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 786-425-9003
www.laprovincemiami.com
Mon-Sun 7 am-8 pm
Signature salads, quiches, brioches, sandwiches, croissants, pastries, specialty breads. \$

La Terraza Cafe & Bar at JW Marriott

Seven days a week, 11 am - 11 pm
Casual fare served at lunch and dinner, good spot to catch sports action on one of their many Plasma screens. (See *JW Marriott listing for contact details.*)

Marinero Restaurant

The Mark Yacht Club-1155 Brickell Bay Drive
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-377-4442
Lunch Mon-Sat 11:30 am-11:30 pm • Sun – 11:30 am-9 pm
Casual, elegant dining from breathtaking terraces on Biscayne Bay. \$\$

Moe's Southwest Grill

229 SW 8 Street
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-854-4797
www.moes.com
Mon-Sat 11 am-9 pm • Sat-Sun noon-9 pm.
Mexican. Southwest cuisine with humor. Tasty marinated grilled meats and tofu. Takeout and dine in. \$

Morton's, The Steakhouse

1200 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-400-9990
Mon-Fri 11:30 am-11 pm • Sat 5:30 pm-11 pm • Sun 5 pm-10 pm
Steakhouse. Classic and superb steaks as well as Bar 12*21 serving "bar bites" and drinks for an after-work power hour. \$\$\$\$

Novecento

1414 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-403-0900
www.novecentogroup.com
Mon-Fri Noon-midnight • Sat and Sun 10:30 am-midnight
Steakhouse and South American Argentinian fare. Takeout available. \$\$

Oceanaire Seafood Room

Mary Brickell Village
900 South Miami Avenue, #111
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-372-8862
www.oceanaire.com
Lunch Mon-Fri 11:30 am-5 pm • Dinner Mon-Thur 5-10 pm; Fri & Sat 5-11 pm; Sun 5-9 pm
Chef-inspired daily seafood creations. \$\$\$

P.F. Chang's

Mary Brickell Village
901 South Miami Avenue, #104
Miami, FL 33130
Tel: 305-358-0732
http://www.pfchangs.com
Sun-Thur 11:30 am-11pm • Fri & Sat 11:30 a.m.-midnight
Chinese and Asian. Vegan friendly. Takeout available. \$\$\$

Pasha's

3801 N. Miami Avenue
Miami, FL 33170
1414 Brickell Avenue
Miami, FL 33129
Tel: 305-416-5116
http://www.pashas.com
Mon-Fri 7:30 am-11 pm • Sat & Sun 8 am-11 pm
Health/Vegetarian and Greek/Mediterranean
Takeout and Delivery. Fresh squeezed juices daily. \$

Perricone's Marketplace and Café

15 SE 10 Street
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-374-9449
www.perricones.com
Sun-Mon 7 am-10 pm • Tues-Thur 7 am-11 pm • Fri-Sat 7 am-11:30 pm
Italian takeout and gourmet dining under a banyan tree. Dine in a renovated New England barn for a Sunday Brunch. Take home goodies from the Italian Marketplace. Indoor/outdoor dining for groups and events. \$\$

Rio's Churrascaria

801 Brickell Bay Drive
Miami, FL 33131
Tel: 305-373-2777
www.riosus.com
Mon-Wed 12-5 pm • Thur-Sun 12-4 p.m. • 6-10 pm • Executive Lunch Mon-Fri 12 pm-5 pm
South American, family restaurant. \$\$\$

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The River Seafood & Oyster Bar

650 South Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-530-1915

www.therivermiami.com

Mon-Fri 11:30 am-5 pm; Mon-Thur 6-10:30 pm • Fri 6 pm-midnight • Sat 5:30 pm-midnight. Seafood. Freshly shucked, fried, fire-roasted and flavorful oysters from around the globe. \$\$\$

Riverwalk Café – Hyatt Regency

400 SE 2 Avenue

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-679-3108

www.hyattregencymiami.com

Mon-Fri 6:30 am – 11:30 pm • Sat & Sun 6:30 am - midnight

Overlooks lush tropical vegetation. Breakfast buffet. Power lunches. Take out deli. \$\$\$

Rosa Mexicano

Mary Brickell Village–901 S. Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 786-425-1001

www.rosamexicano.com

Brunch Sat & Sun: 11:30 am-4 pm

Lunch Mon - Fri: 11:30 am-4 pm

Dinner Sun & Mon: 4-10 pm; Tues & Wed: 4 –

11 pm; Thur - Sat: 4 pm – midnight

Guacamole prepared fresh tableside plus authentic Mexican fare and pomegranate margaritas. \$\$

Rosinella's

1040 South Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-372-5756

Sun-Thur 11:30 am-11 p.m. • Fri-Sat 11:30 am-midnight

Italian. Melt-in-your-mouth pasta. Rosinella straight from Italy. Crisp thin pizza. Takeout available. \$\$

Salad Creations

900 S. Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

786-464-0033

www.saladcreations.net

Mon-Fri 11 am-8 pm; Sat-Sun noon-5 pm

Billed as “fresh and fabulous” freshly prepared salads, smoothies, wraps and soups are served, perfect for the health-conscious. \$

Sci Sci Restaurant

1053 Brickell Avenue

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-381-4420

Mon-Wed 11:30 am-midnight; Thur & Fri

11:30 am-2 am; Sat 5 pm – 2 am

Italian menu and selection of fine wines. \$\$\$

Segafredo

1421 South Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33130

Tel: 305-577-9809

www.sze-miami.com

Thur-Sat noon-4 am; Sun & Mon noon-1 am;

Tues noon-2 am; Wed noon – 3 am

Brickell hotspot known for coffee and much more including happy hour and late night dining. \$\$\$

Sushi Siam Japanese & Thai

Plaza on Brickell–931 Brickell Avenue

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 786-220-7677

www.sushisiam.com

Mon-Fri 11:30 am – 11 pm

Wide variety of sushi rolls, thai specialty soups and curry favorites in hot, medium or mild. \$\$

Tobacco Road

626 South Miami Avenue

Miami, FL 33131

Tel: 305-374-1198

www.tobacco-road.com/

Bar open til 5 am 7 days a week. Kitchen open late: Mon-Thur 11:30 am-2:00 am • Fri-Sat 11:30 am-4:00 am • Sun 11:30 am-12:00 p.m. American. Miami's oldest bar, restaurant and cabaret is still alive and hopping! Al Capone hung out here when it was a speakeasy! Dinner specials vary Tues-Thur Great live entertainment. \$\$

Tony Chan's Water Club

1717 N. Bayshore Drive, Ste 131

Miami, FL 33132

Tel: 305-374-8888

www.tonychans.com

Mon-Thur 11:30 am-11 pm • Fri 11:30 am- mid-

night • Sat noon-midnight • Sun noon-11 pm

Great waterviews and authentic Asian cuisine featuring peking duck, a la carte sushi, designer Japanese rolls, rice and noodles. \$\$

Transit Lounge

729 First Avenue

Miami, FL

Tel: 305-377-4628

www.transitlounge.us

Mon-Fri 5 pm-5 am;

Sat- Sun 8 pm-5 am.

Restaurant is open

Tues-Sat during bar

hours. Bar fare

including quesadillas,

burgers and sand-

wiches. Happy hour

Mon-Fri 5-8 pm 2 for

1 drinks.

The Trapiche

Room

at JW Marriott

Mon open for lunch

only 12-2:30 pm;

Tues-Fri 12-2 pm; 6:30

pm-1 am; Sat 6:30-10

pm; closed Sun. Fine

dining featuring wine

inspired Mediter-

ranean cuisine. (See

JW Marriott listing

for contact details.)

Tutto Pasta

1751 SW 3 Avenue

Miami, FL 33129

Tel: 305-857-0709

www.tuttopasta.com

Mon-Thur 11:30 am-10:30 pm

Fri & Sat 11:30 am-11 pm

Pasta made fresh on premises along with a variety of traditional Italian meat and seafood entrees as well as antipasto, bruschetta, carpaccio and calamari included in appetizer selection. \$\$

Tutto Pizza

1753 SW 3 Avenue

Miami, FL 33129

Tel: 305-858-0909

305-858-2525

www.tuttopizza.org

Mon-Thur 11:30 am-10:30 pm

Fri-Sat 11:30 am-11:30 pm

Sun 2 pm-10:30 pm

Authentic brick oven pizza. Thin crisp crusts. Takeout available. \$

Zuccherio Ristorante

2525 SW 3 Avenue


Miami, FL 33129

Tel: 305-858-2525

www.zuccheromiami.com

Mon-Sat – 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Italian favorites like hot and cold antipasto, fresh-made pizzas and pastas and traditional desserts. Daily specials. \$\$



“The Best Chinese this side of Shanghai” **ZAGAT RATED**



Tony Chan's Water Club is the upscale Downtown Chinese favorite with romantic waterfront views where delicious Peking duck and other dishes are as fresh as home cooking. Watch chefs through the kitchen's floor-to-ceiling windows or at the sushi bar. Full-service bar, extensive wine list.

Located in the Grand DoubleTree Hotel
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Tutto Pizza is a gourmet take on a traditional pizzeria, offering the freshest and finest ingredients on regular or whole wheat crusts, baked in a wood oven. Also available are exotic salads, Paninis, and delicious desserts. Tutto Pizza is Zagat Rated as "the best pizza in town".

Chef Joao Oliveira has created a gourmet haven offering the finest in Italian cuisine and style. Set in a sleek and sophisticated ambience, Zuccherò welcomes you with its ample bar, complete with a selection of fine international wines and draft beers. From the best appetizers, entrees and desserts, Zuccherò is sure to please the most discriminating palate.

This original Trattoria located on Coral Way has drawn a following of loyal customers for over 15 years. The Miami Herald named Tutto Pasta one of the best in Dade County and Zagat calls it a "rare gem". The cuisine is an exquisite combination that proves to be unlike any other, offering authentic Italian cuisine with a Brazilian flair.

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Any changes or substitutions will be an additional charge.

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