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Dates to Remember

- April 2 World Autism Awareness Day
- April 7 World Health Day
- April 8 Passover
- April 10 Good Friday
- April 10 National Hug Your Dog Day
- April 12 Easter
- April 15 Tax Day (Extended)
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President's Message

Patrice Gillespie-Smith

President, Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce

While we are practicing social distancing, remote working and self-quarantining, it's hard to think how we are working together and yet, that is the only way we are going to make it through these turbulent times. On our Facebook Page and Website, the Chamber will share federal, state and local resources -- as they are announced. We are pleased that the Village of Miami Shores reached out proactively to learn how it can help our businesses. Together, we will

advocate for our members' needs. Because of our strong relationship with the Village, I am sharing this space with Mayor Crystal Wagar who has many helpful tips below. Remember, no matter how far apart you may feel, stay connected with your family, staff, neighbors, friends and us – don't let this virus isolate you from our amazing community. Working together, we can build a new beginning!

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Miami Shores Village

A Message from

Mayor Crystal Wagar

“high touch” areas and covering your mouth with your elbow when coughing and sneezing. I strongly encourage everyone to remain home if possible.

I hope that you will consider ordering food and meal delivery locally in a show of support for our local establishments. Many of our businesses, including restaurants and retail establishments are providing unique offerings to our residents during this time.

Individuals who believe they may have been exposed to COVID-19 should call the Florida Department of Health at 305-324-2400. For questions regarding COVID-19 please call 1-866-779-6121.

Please go to our newly implemented and updated website (www.msvfl.gov) for continuous updated information.

On a personal note, I know how challenging this is for all of us. Please remember that we are in this together, we will endure together and we will get through this together.

As Mayor of Miami Shores Village, together with unanimous approval of the Village Council, we declared a state of emergency for Miami Shores Village on Tuesday March 17th.

The Village is working diligently to follow current updates, recommendations and guidance from the CDC, World Health Organization, County, State and Federal governments regarding preventative measures for COVID-19. It is important for residents to be assured that collectively we are working to make the best decisions for our seniors, our youth, and our overall community in these unprecedented and challenging times. We are committed to you, our community.

Please continue to practice social distancing and continue to follow suggested protocols with regard to washing your hands, disinfecting

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Needing a little sunshine?

Van Gogh's

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Departing for a FREE trip A-round the World of Culture: Musee d'Orsay, Paris; Uffizi Gallery, Florence; Museo Sorolla, Madrid; Museo Dolores Olmedo, Mexico City; Mauritshuis, Den Haag; The State Hermitage, St. Petersburg and many many more.

<https://www.mentalfloss.com/article/75809/12-world-class-museums-you-can-visit-online>

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While it's hard to beat the experience of seeing a seminal piece of fine art or important historical artifact with your own two eyes, you could easily spend a lifetime traveling the world in search of all of them. Fortunately, the digital age has made it possible—easy, even—to visit some of the world's most famous museums from the comfort of your own home.

The Louvre



The museum offers online tours of some of its most important and popular exhibits, such as its Egyptian Antiquities and works from Michelangelo. Take a 360-degree look at the museum and click around the rare artifacts to get additional information on their histories.

The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum



While the architecture of the Guggenheim's building itself, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, is quite impressive, you don't have to visit the Big Apple to get an up-close view of some of the priceless pieces of artwork inside. The museum has made some of its collections and exhibits available online for guests wanting a glimpse of what the museum offers, including works from Franz Marc, Piet Mondrian, Pablo Picasso, and Jeff Koons.

Smithsonian National Gallery of Art

Founded in 1937, the National Gallery of Art is free and open to the general public. When not in DC, guests can still visit with the virtual tours of its gallery and exhibits. You can view its current exhibitions and listen to audio and video recordings of past lectures online.

The British Museum

With a collection totaling more than 8 million objects, London's British



Museum has made some of its pieces viewable online. The museum has also teamed up with the Google Cultural Institute to offer virtual tours using

Google Street View technology.

Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History

A virtual tour of the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History lets you experience its exhibits and natural wonders.

It is by far, one of the most-visited museums in the world, offering a peek at its wonderful treasures with an online virtual tour of the entire grounds. Viewers are welcomed into its rotunda and are greeted with a comprehensive room-by-room, 360-degree walking tour of all its exceptional exhibits, including the Hall of Mammals, Insect Zoo, Dinosaurs and Hall of Paleobiology

The Metropolitan Museum of Art

The Met is home to over 2 million works of fine art! The institution's website features an

online collection and virtual tours of some of its most impressive pieces, including works from Vincent van Gogh, Jackson Pollock, and



Giotto di Bondone. In addition, The Met also works with the Google Cultural Institute to make even more artwork (that's not featured in its own online collection) available for view.

The Dalí Theatre-Museum

Located in the town of Figueres in Catalonia, Spain, the Dalí Theatre-Museum is completely dedicated to the artwork of Salvador Dalí.

It features many rooms and exhibits surrounding every era of Dalí's life and career, and the artist himself is buried here. The museum offers virtual tours of the grounds and a few exhibits.

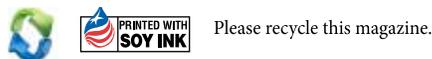
The Vatican Museum



The Vatican Museums feature an extensive collection of important art and classical sculptures curated by the Popes over many centuries. Take a virtual tour of the museum grounds and iconic exhibits, including Michelangelo's ceiling in the Sistine Chapel.

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1800 NE 114th St. #1804 \$499,000

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Sight, touch and fragrance nurture our sensory pleasures. Many of the toys have harmonious colors while the craft items feature textures both smooth or with a bit of nap providing the depth to play and pleasing smells increase the fun.

Happy Monkey's the newest toy store in the neighborhood, just down NE Second Ave at 82nd Street in the Ebb and Flow Shopping Center.

Owners Nicole Candusso and Eric Larkee met in the wine business, working with small, independently owned wineries. That entrepreneurial spirit sparked their imagination, like the toys they select for their shop. The toymakers, many of them multi-generational family businesses, use well-sourced, responsible materials. These practices include food-grade dyes and paints, with eco-friendly manufacturing designed to minimize the use of plastic in the packaging.

Responsible sourcing continues with the first and only European organic modeling clay from the Netherlands.

There's also a special, educational toy collection based on the teaching principles of both the Montessori and Waldorf methodologies. Parents can select from a wide variety of Activity Kits which provide the tools and direction for explorative play. So far, no buttons have been pushed, or volumes increased. Just imaginations excited.

And, there's also a 'not a toy' guitar with a system that actually teaches either children or adults how to play.

The store's not 'all about toys' with other children's items including a raincoat that changes colors when wet and a practical backpack made from recycled plastic bottles. Speaking locally, there's a South Florida sourced children's Health and Wellness supplement brand.



A lot of the store is about décor contemporary, imaginative and eye-catchingly provocative. Both kids and their parents will love the additions to their homes.

Birthday Parties needing a bit of inspiration? A great way to avoid the duplication of gifts is a gift registry, which includes a discount for purchases and free gift wrapping!

Plus, if the child wants a large, expensive item, several friends can chip in to pay for it together. The staff keeps track of the payments!

Happy Monkey, 8201 NE Second Ave., Little River. During these challenging times Happy Monkey is operating with curbside pickup and free delivery within 10 miles of the store. Order online at happymonkeyshop.com. Call 786-615-3512 with any questions or email at hello@happymonkeyshop.com.

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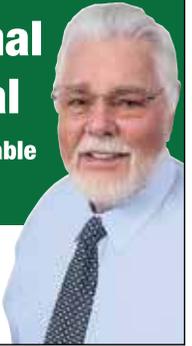


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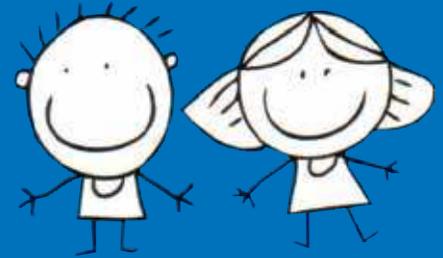
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At Miami Shores Presbyterian Church School we are so proud of our students! We were able to participate in a Peace Run Rally. Students from MSPCS were recognized for their wonderful contributions - from artwork to poems and stories. Students were able to pass the actual torch used to run across the United States!

Many of our families also participated in park clean-up, native plant planting and much more during the Lent season. What a great way to give back to our community. We always want to keep the Shores shining! Thanks to all who were able to participate in the events! You made a huge difference!

For more information about events or our wonderful school, dedicated, hardworking and talented staff, please contact us or visit our website at <http://www.mspsc.net/>

MIAMI COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

Congratulations to the Miami Country Day School Silver Knight Nominees: Hannah Amoils (English); Sabrina Cabarcos (World Languages); Paul Clifford (Science); Ellie Cohen (Social Science); Alicia Rodriguez (Speech). The Miami Country Day community congratulates you and thanks you for representing our Core Values of Honor, Respect, Wisdom, and Compassion.

Middle School science students recently competed in the Fairchild Challenge at the Fairchild Botanical Gardens. Students were tasked with creating an international dish that was nutrient-rich, easy to prepare in space, and tasty! Country Day is proud to announce

that our students, Tyler S, Mackenzie B, and Azaryah C, won first place for their "Mighty Martian Macarons!"

Summer is around the corner! Visit <https://mcdscamps.com/> to check out a variety of summer offerings for your children at Miami Country Day School!

ST. ROSE OF LIMA

With many students adjusting to the new norm of virtual learning, St. Rose of Lima Catholic School is making the best of these trying times.

SRL's launch of their distance learning platform has done a tremendous job in making this transition as easy as possible for their faculty, students, and parents. Each student from PreK-3 thru 8th grade is connecting with their teachers who provide detailed instruction for each class via Google classroom. This includes specific instruction regarding daily work expectations, instructional videos, and links to selected resources. The teachers are also communicating with their students through various chat groups and remote conferences. Every morning the students receive a message from school principal, Dr. Stephen Brown, as well as morning announcements presented by SRL students from their homes. The school has also created an electronic album with photos of students' home workspaces to share with all SRL School families.

Although circumstances have not been ideal, St. Rose of Lima Catholic School continues to provide excellent Catholic education for all their students with the love and support of their amazing school families.

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Citizen of the Year honoring Doug Romanik





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Country Day alumni **Brian Nasajon '04** and **Ben Potts '02** of Wynwood’s Beaker & Gray and The Sylvester have won numerous awards and competitions at the South Beach Food and Wine Festival, including the award for the Best Restaurant Bar. Miami Country Day School’s dedication to every student empowered Ben and Brian to pursue their passions.

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