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


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Neil Kodsi, President Greater Miami Shores Chamber of Commerce



Anniversaries are often something we celebrate. This month, although many of us might be reluctant to "celebrate" the one year anniversary of when we began closing our businesses due to the Pandemic, please allow me to spin it as something we should celebrate. I recently watched one of my favorite movies, "Apollo 13," (for the 20th . . . maybe 30th time) and I was thinking about how we have just managed to make it through our own Apollo 13. We have taken what could have been a devastating disaster and, in many ways, united as a community to make it one of our finest hours.

Sure, business has been better, but downtown is still in business after the incredibly challenging year we've had. You, our Miami Shores Chamber Members, residents, and neighbors have helped our businesses survive while many others surrounding us have not. How have we done that? We did it by coming together as a community. We ordered food delivered or picked up curbside. When it became possible, we dined or sipped al fresco. We stayed aware of each businesses' new hours and adherence to guidelines. We also kept our neighborhoods safe, being cautious with our families and close friends.

No one is thrilled about the events of the past year, and I am certainly not saying I want another year just like it, but I'd like to congratulate us as a community for hanging in there, fighting the good fight for survival, and keeping our heads up and our community spirit alive.

As we move forward into March, I want to encourage all of you to continue supporting our local businesses and our community.

I also would like to take this opportunity to welcome our two newest Board members to the Chamber – Bernadine Douglas, the Vice President for Institutional Advancement at Barry University, and Dr. Edwin Acevedo, the new Executive Director at Doctors Charter School. I would also like to welcome Doctors Charter School as our newest Trustee Member, and I encourage all of you to go to our website at MiamiShores.com to see some very important things the school is doing for its Senior Class, including the school's efforts to solicit sponsorships for a Senior Prom. For as little as \$40, you can sponsor a Doctors Charter School Senior to attend a COVID-safe prom.

Finally, I want to remind everyone that we will be holding Elections in April in Miami Shores and that the Chamber will be working with the candidates to schedule a candidate's forum on Zoom on a date convenient for all candidates. At this forum, we will provide members of the community a chance to meet the candidates and ask them questions. Because the candidate list was not complete at the time of printing, I am not able to put the date of the forum here, but by the time you are reading this, the date of the forum and the Zoom link should be available on our website – MiamiShores.com. We hope to see you there.

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# INTERIOR DESIGN HACKS

## 6 WAYS TO BETTER YOUR HOME IN 2021



As we continue to spend more time at home, I would argue the way we view and experience our space has forever changed. Our needs and expectations have evolved and now more than ever, we have to make the changes necessary to yield the most joy, the most fun, the most beauty and the most functionality. Alas, here are six ways you can enhance your home so that it can serve you better in this next season.

**purge.** Read the Marie Kondo book if you have to but whatever you do, push yourself to purge. I know you have at least 10 things – if not 50 – that bring you absolutely no joy. That crystal frame you got from Aunt Mary for your wedding in 2002? Time to go. Unwanted and unused items are distracting. And thus, they add stress. We do not need stress from a crystal picture frame.

**define.** Intentionally define each space in your home and write its job description. Your living room shouldn't also be a dining room, your home office and the indoor soccer field. Once you've defined the roles of each space, **STICK TO THEM!** Communicate to your spouse, your kids, whoever lives with you. This will immensely help each room bring about a better purpose, ultimately serving you and your family in a better way.



family pro tip - your kid's items (toys, sports gear, clothes, books, any and all of it) shouldn't occupy more than two rooms in your house. Condense their belongings into two spaces and two spaces only (and one of those is their bedroom).

**paint.** I have a client in the Shores where amidst the project I recommended painting the whole house and the client recently said, "I think painting was the best decision we made..." Meanwhile we did so much more than paint but it proves the impact fresh paint can have in your home.

**rearrange.** Never underestimate the power of rethinking your space. In the rearranging births what will feel like a new space once you're done and that will create new energy and more often than not, more productivity and joy.

**create cohesion.** Cohesion, by definition, is forming a united whole, agreeable, matched. Each room should play off of each other so there is synergy and flow. This applies to color, patterns, the metals and materials throughout your home, type of artwork and so on. Less is more and cohesion must be your friend.

**style.** Head over to Home Crush or Pebble and Vine and give your space some extra TLC. From a new coffee table book, beautiful dish towels for your kitchen or an indoor tree for your living room, the details matter and will most certainly spark joy!

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**11350 NE 8th Ct. \$699,000**

Welcome to the MOST CHARMING home in Biscayne Park! This 1920's Mission Style masterpiece has 4 beds & 3 baths (main house is a 4/2 & studio is 1/1 w/ separate entrance)



**780 NE 69th St. #1009 \$325,000**

STUNNING VIEWS of the Bay and Downtown Miami Skyline from this charming CORNER UNIT! This spacious 2 beds & 2 baths features a 30' wrap around balcony.



**8900 SW 115th Ter. \$999,500**

Rare to market, this pool home is located on a huge 36,111 sf corner lot with a 2,758 sf main home that has 4 BD and 3 BA, plus a 658 sf 1/1 in-law suite for a total of 3,394 sf of living space all on one level.



**1445 NE 142nd St. \$365,000**

WELL-KEPT Ranch style home on a great block! With almost 2,100 sq. ft under air, this 4 beds & 3 baths property features a very spacious & open floor plan.

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## TIP OF THE MONTH

"When is the best time to sell my home?" The answer to this important question is "whenever you have a need for the cash locked up in the house". If you are planning to move to a new city, or need a smaller or larger house or condo, then now is the time to sell your current home. Never try to time the market. Even experts in the industry cannot see into the future to know if your home will be worth, more or less, 12 months from today.

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

Welcome to the MOST DESIRABLE corner line at The Cricket Club! This 2 beds & 3 baths Rotunda features a spacious floor plan.



**2691 SW 110th Way \$1,049,000**

Breathtaking Lake views from this custom architectural masterpiece built on a 48,822 sf premium lot! Rare to market, this home features 5 beds & 3 baths.



**1079 NE 104th St. \$1,049,000**

ATTENTION BOATERS! Stunning remodeled MIMO masterpiece 3/3, 2100 sq. ft. pool home on the water in Miami Shores. The split bedroom plan features polished terrazzo, wood and Cuban tile floors.



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**9073 Froude Ave. \$749,000**

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**1852 SW Palm City Rd. #201 \$227,500**

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**1868 SW Palm City Rd. #204 \$347,500**

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**7841 NW 197th St. \$435,000**

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**PALM CITY**

**1864 SW Palm City Rd #203 \$267,500**

Handsomely updated 2/2 with deeded ocean access dock. Enjoy serene river and canal views from impact glassed lanai.



**1701 NE 115th St. #29A \$229,000**

Charming and updated 2 story Townhouse in highly sought after, Northgate Community. This 2 bed & 2 1/2 bath unit features a spacious floor plan.



**780 NE 69th St. #1105 \$265,000**

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## Home Crush

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**Behind the pink door, you will find a space of comfort & intrigue, each shelf & table has something for you and your home.**

Inspired from her travels to the North Carolina mountains, owner Amy Zibelli wanted to replicate the feeling of some of her favorite stores she frequents in the summer. With a touch of rustic furniture as the backdrop for her finds, you will feel welcomed taking in the scent of her latest candle burning as you browse the current choices of accessories, thoughtfully curated for every need and budget. This inviting space pulls gifts & décor from the popular lines of Park Hill Collection, Mud Pie, Napa Home & Garden, Capri Blue, Thymes and many more.

**You'll never see a "Please don't touch" sign!**

This one-stop shop is unpretentious. It is a welcoming experience, providing a broad range of gifts for babies, women, kitchen and home. Volcano candles from the Capri Blue line are the most popular purchased candle and the Zodax porcelain floral diffusers are the perfect gift and a top seller for that special someone. Sugar Boo & Company has become quite trendy offering uplifting home goods and sentimental messages and jewelry that appeal to every age.

**Come Back to See What's New!**

Amy's store reflects her passion for her own home. She's constantly 'on the hunt' for new and different decorating accessories and simple pieces to share. Her formula is looking for things that complement existing accoutrements, such as a pillow or a pillar, casual and refined and most importantly, affordable.

Your next trip will be exciting each time as the collection changes constantly. Consider Amy's store her avocation rather than her occupation. More passion than profession!

A Shores' resident with fond memories of biking to the Five & Dime, Howard Johnsons and The Lychee Tree, she wanted her new endeavor to be here, where she's always been at home.

Home Crush opened on Green Day, 2019. Many new friends stopped by to meet Amy and her new store which has sustained her throughout 2020. As we quarantined, she delivered candles to homes, or her customers visited, always safely, calling for an appointment when necessary!

**Stop by soon! This small but plentiful boutique is a gem.**

Home Crush, 212 NE 98th St., downtown Miami Shores. Tuesday-Saturday 11-2. 305-200-3711. [homecrushstore@gmail.com](mailto:homecrushstore@gmail.com); [www.homecrushstore.com](http://www.homecrushstore.com), follow on instagram, @homecrushstore. Accepting cash, credit, Apple Pay and Venmo.







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## BROCKWAY MEMORIAL

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11am-6pm – Open to all Residents and Brockway Library Cardholders  
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## DOCTORS CHARTER SCHOOL

(DCS) Our Food Relief Program was a great success! Members of our Brother to Brother and Sister to Sister organizations, in partnership with the Miami Dolphins Foundation, distributed 300 hot meals on Saturday, February 6. Thank you to our students, Dr. Acevedo, Mr. Washington, and all the teachers for their service to our community.

The DCS PTSA created some wonderful opportunities for students to step away from their screens and into our community. DCS Hawks helped clean up our campus, remove debris from Haulover Park, and write beautiful letters to senior citizens and hospital patients. Thank you to Ms. Lois Gramley, Dr. Acevedo and Mr. Corredor for organizing such a valuable experience for our students.

Support Doctors Charter School of Miami Shores on Saturday, March 6, when visiting Amaranthine Bistro, Homecrush, GG Salon & Spa, Mima Market, Pebble and Vines, and Tinta Y Café. Please mention DCS and a portion of your purchase will be donated to our school. #SupportDCS #ShopLocal #WeLoveMSV  
**IT'S GREAT TO BE A HAWK! GO HAWKS!**

## MIAMI SHORES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SCHOOL (MSPCS)

Thanks to the Miami Shores Police for helping us cross safely! We enjoyed a day of our Boosterthon Fun Run! Our students ran over 30 laps each – most of the classes reached their pledge goal and were able to dress up their teacher, who ran in whatever the students dressed them as! Thanks to our PA (for providing snack and lunch), our community, families and our amazing students for making this even such a success!  
MSPCS finished it's winter MAP testing and showed great progress!! Such outstanding students – you rock.

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