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'GREASE' STAR BRINGS BUSINESS TO PBC

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Judy Brooks, Olivia Newton-John and Roy Walkenhorst

One of Palm Beach County's (PBC) most famous residents, **Olivia Newton-John** (*Grease*, *Glee*) is bringing business to town! She is one of the hosts of the PBS TV Show, *Healing Quest*, and when she moved to Florida, the show followed. The crew recently shot segments for seven upcoming episodes over a two day period in Jupiter. Currently, in its eighth season, the show is the only weekly national TV series focused entirely on integrative health and natural approaches to total well-being.

The show is co-hosted by its creators **Roy Walkenhorst** and **Judy Brooks**. "Nature is a central element in *Healing Quest*, so having beautiful outdoor settings for our story intros and tags with Olivia is critical. The Jupiter area provides everything we could ask for in that regard, plus first-rate accommodations and restaurants. It's a great working environment," said Roy Walkenhorst. "I was very pleased to find top-quality crew. Jim Robertson's **All Ways Entertainment** has done an excellent job of coordinating and producing our on-camera sequences with Olivia. We shoot on-location around the U.S. and overseas, and the talent pool in PBC is as good as we've found anywhere in the world," said Judy Brooks. *Healing Quest* airs all over the country on PBS stations, but does not air in PBC. The show hopes to be on the air locally soon. The group was accommodated at the Jupiter Beach Resort. For info visit healingquest.tv.



STOP, COLLABORATE AND LISTEN!



Rob Van Winkle

90's rapper **Vanilla Ice**, aka the "Ice Ice Baby" hit maker, has traded in his microphone for a hammer. The Grammy nominee is the star of a new TV Show on the **DIY Network**, *The Vanilla Ice Project*. Vanilla Ice also known as Rob Van Winkle and a team of handymen renovate a six-bedroom, 7,000 square foot home in the Versailles community in **Wellington** for the reality series. "Between the weather, lush landscaping and scenic homes, PBC provided an excellent backdrop for the show. The series was born out of a discussion between DIY Network and the producers, who had worked with Rob before and knew he was working on houses in Florida. We are considering a second season, but haven't committed yet," said **Andy Singer**, General Manager of DIY Network.

The crew also shot at locations such as Clematis Street and Flagler Drive. Producers were accommodated at **Hampton Inn** in **Wellington**. The show debuts on Thursday, October 14 at 9pm and will air every Thursday at 9p/8c on DIY. For more info visit diynetwork.com.



PBC GOES HOLLYWOOD!



Harvey Oyer

Harvey E. Oyer III, local author and historian, announced today that Hollywood filmmakers are planning an upcoming production of the feature film *Hypoluxo*, to be shot in and around Palm Beach County (PBC). The independently produced film is an adapted work based on the popular children's book *The Adventures of Charlie Pierce: The American Jungle* written by Oyer. Oyer, a fifth generation native of PBC, has penned two novels in a children's book series based on the real life exploits of his family, who were some of the first non-Native Americans to settle in South Florida.



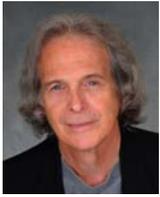
Judd Cherry

In addition to Oyer, the production team includes writers/producers **Judd Cherry** and **Ned Adams**. Cherry and Adams collectively have nearly two decades of industry experience hallmarked by crucial roles such as co-writing *Spider-Man 2*, producing *Night at the Museum*, and developing many successful films at Imagine Entertainment. Cast/crew opportunities will be released as they become available. For info call Mr. Oyer at 561.650.8517.



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ACTORS/SCREENWRITERS WORKSHOP



Alyn Darnay

Accomplished screenplay writer and industry insider **Alyn Darnay** is teaching a professional acting and scriptwriting workshop. For actors, this is a rare opportunity to discover a new synergistic methodology that will push your performance level to places you never imagined you could reach. For screenwriters, here's a singular chance to gain invaluable insight into the depths of your scene writing ability by working in tandem with talented actors to create that elusive bridge between page, film, and reality.

The workshop will be taught every Thursday for six weeks beginning **October 14** at Art Serve, 1350 E. Sunrise Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, FL. The cost is \$205 for the six weekly sessions. There are 18 spots available. For more information please call 888.436.2168 or email quietontheset@usa.com.

NEW DOC STARS PBC LOCALES



Turtle: The Incredible Journey is a new epic adventure by award-winning director **Nick Stringer** (*Saved by Dolphins*, *National Geographic Explorer*). The crew shot in the County in 2007 at locations such as Gumbo Limbo Nature Center and beaches in Boca Raton and Juno Beach. A local screening of the film will be held on **Tuesday, November 9, 2010** at the **Crest Theatre at Old School Square** in **Delray Beach**. The cocktail reception begins at 6:30pm, and the screening begins at 8:00pm. The screening is being presented by the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science at **Florida Atlantic University**, and will benefit the FAU Sea Turtle Research Program.

The film is about a loggerhead turtle who takes one of the most extraordinary journeys in the natural world. For more info call 561.297.0007.



Old School Square

WESTERN PBC HOSTS 'CLASSIC' EVENT



Over 2,500 spectators are expected to venture to the western part of Palm Beach County (PBC) for an event that could generate a projected \$500,000 in economic impact. **The Palm Beach County Sports Commission (PBCSC)** is partnering with the Treasure Coast Boat Racing Association to host the **Gator Classic at Lake Okeechobee Outpost** in the **City of Pahokee, October 23-24, 2010**.

The Gator Classic is an inboard boat race featuring Hydroplanes, Flat Bottoms, Jersey Speed Skiffs and Vintage racing boats that run four to five inches off the water, reaching speeds of 80-160 mph. Currently, 150 boat teams are committed to race in the classic and vintage divisions. Another component of the event is a vintage boat show taking place at the Loggerhead Club and Marina—Lake Okeechobee, which was rebuilt and opened in 2009. "Hosting the Gator Classic at Lake Okeechobee Outpost is a true measure of the vast sports tourism opportunities available throughout PBC," said **Patty Dent**, President of PBCSC. For more info visit gatorclassic.com.



Racing Boat

LOCAL MAG RECEIVES MAJOR AWARD!



art&culture of Palm Beach County, the official magazine of the **Palm Beach County Cultural Council**, recently received two coveted Charlie Awards from the Florida Magazine Association. Bronze awards were won in the Best Overall Design category and in the Best Illustration category. *art&culture* has now earned a total of seven awards in its first four years of the magazine's inception.

art&culture is published and produced in collaboration with **Passport Publications & Media Corporation** and is the only magazine solely dedicated to covering art and culture in Palm Beach County.



BOCA MAKES A CAMEO IN TLC TV SHOW



The production team from the **TLC TV show, *Hoarding: Buried Alive***, came to **Boca Raton** to film an episode for their second season. The crew shot mostly inside a private home and lensed some beauty footage of Boca Raton at area beaches and parks including **Silver Palm Park** and **South Beach Park**.



Hoarding goes inside the homes of extreme hoarders to explore the psychology behind their compulsion to accumulate and store large quantities of non-essential things. With the help of expert therapists & organizers, the hoarders will attempt to unlock the key to their obsessions in hope of reclaiming their lives. "Our local crew were terrific additions to the Discovery Studios production team. The Hilton Garden Inn was lovely and Rocco's Tacos quickly became a crew favorite," said **Amy Doyle**, Supervising Producer. The episode will air in the early spring of 2011. The crew was accommodated at the Hilton Garden Inn in Boca Raton. Produced by **Discovery Studios**, the show airs Sundays at 9p/8c on TLC. For more info visit tlc.discovery.com/tv/hoarding-buried-alive/.



SOLVE A CRIME OF FASHION!



Gardens Mall

Legendary actor **Burt Reynolds** has masterminded a unique and unforgettable evening at **Saks Fifth Avenue** at **The Gardens Mall** in **Palm Beach Gardens** to solve a crime...a crime of fashion! On **November 6, 2010**, from 6pm-9pm, you are invited to a fashionable interactive murder mystery event!

Tickets are \$40 per person and the event will benefit The Burt Reynolds Institute for Film and Theatre (BRIFT). The evening will also honor **Joe Farish**, who recently passed away. Mr. Farish was enthusiastic about his support for BRIFT and was looking forward to co-chairing this event with his wife, **Loreen Farish**. For more info call 561.743.9955.



DISABILITY ADVOCATE REACHES OUT TO PRODUCTION COMMUNITY AND SCHOOLS



Gov. Crist and
Rose Lee Archer

Rose Lee Archer, an award-winning TV Producer and Host of the *Rose Lee Archer Show* on the **ION Media Network**, continues to be a passionate advocate for people with disabilities. October is National Disability Awareness Month, and Archer's foundation, the **Archer Disability Foundation (ADF)** is looking to recruit local production companies to serve as mentors for people with disabilities. "Students with disabilities are often underestimated in their abilities. Having a chance to interact with business professionals gives these students an opportunity to show prospective employers what they can do," said Archer. Each year Disability Mentoring and Career Exploration continues to grow. ADF already has a successful relationship with the Palm Beach County School District, and is now reaching out to the Broward and Martin County School Districts. Palm Beach State College President, **Dr. Dennis Gallon** offered Archer office space to grow ADF's mission to help families who have students or older children with disabilities. ADF recently received two proclamations...one from the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners for Disability Employment Awareness Month, and the other from the City of Boca Raton for the Annual Disability Mentoring Kick-Off. Archer was also appointed by **Governor Crist** to the Florida Independent Living Council and presently serves as the voted President of the FILC council, a federally mandated council through the U.S. Department of Education. For more info call 561.241.7987.



Rose Lee Archer receiving
proclamation from Boca Raton



Mentoring a student at NASA TV

PALM BEACH ROX KEEPS ROCKING!



The Palm Beach Gardens based TV Show, *Palm Beach Rox* is launching a new IPTV website, **RoxWorld.TV!** **RoxWorld.TV** will allow *Palm Beach Rox* to reach a world-wide audience and the international marketplace, featuring one of the hottest categories on the Internet: celebrities. Users all over the world will be exposed to hundreds of companies and thousands of products— along with their favorite celebrities— in a social, interactive environment.

Hosted by **Roxanna Cella**, *Palm Beach Rox* is celebrating its seventh year on the air, can be seen on Saturdays at 11:30pm on **The CW West Palm Beach** & Sundays at 2:30am on **NBC**. According to *Palm Beach Rox*, several networks have expressed interest in syndicating the show. The show features stories on celebrities, nightlife, shopping, equestrian events, resorts and more. Cella has interviewed over 400 celebrities since the show began. *Palm Beach Rox* is also still celebrating their win of the 2009 Film, Recording and Entertainment Council Award for Best Entertainment News Magazine/TV in Florida! For more info visit palmbeachrox.com or call 561.776.0277.



Roxanna Cella

CALL FOR ENTRIES



Author Vera Ripp Hirschhorn out of Boca Raton, is proud to announce **The 10th annual American's Young Heroes Contest**: A multimedia competition to promote respect and prevent bullying. The contest invites students in Grades 6-12 to make a film about bullying experiences with an emphasis on positive thoughts, words, and the positive action taken to resolve them.

The film must be submitted on DVD and must be five minutes in length or less. All entries must be postmarked by November 10, 2010. Winners will be notified in December 2010 by phone or email. For more information and a complete list of contest rules, please email ameryoungheroes@aol.com or call 561.241.1169.

NEW FEATURE FILM SHOOTS IN PBC



Shooting in Palm Beach Country for five weeks starting in November is a teen comedy/horror feature from **Spy Film Group** and **Bongiovi Entertainment** (*Step Up* soundtrack). **Aaron Wells** of **Silver Beach Productions** (*Rock and a Hard Place: Another Night at the Agora* - a Palm Beach International Film Festival selection featuring Johnny Depp) and **Michael A. Hoffman** (*ROT: Reunion of Terror; Spring Break Massacre*) are set to co-direct. The director of photography is **George Barnes** of **Take 2 Productions**. The film will utilize many area locations and local talent.



The plot follows Rebecca, who is home from college on spring break. She decides to reunite with her old high-school cheerleading friends and throw a party at the rental house they're occupying. Unfortunately, things don't go according to plan - as an uninvited guest shows up with a medieval war-hammer and battle-axe; with the intention of literally cutting through the guest list. For more info call 561.233.1000, check upcoming newsletters for more info about this film, and visit pbfilm.com for casting/crew opportunities.



EVENT SCARES UP EXPOSURE



The **X-Scream Halloween** haunted house at the **G-Star School of the Arts** in **Palm Springs** has grown into an eagerly anticipated annual event. It has been featured on *Travel Channel's "13 Scariest Haunted Attractions in America"* and is making a **Guinness World Record** attempt; "largest Halloween haunt in the world." X-Scream Halloween takes place on October 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31. Gates open at 6:45pm and close at midnight. Admission is \$13 for adults and \$10 for children under 12. A special children's tour is conducted nightly from 7pm to 8pm. Admission is \$5. X-Scream has attracted over 10,000 people since it began. For more info visit xscreamlalloween.com.



LOCATION SPOTLIGHT: JUPITER LIGHTHOUSE



Jupiter Lighthouse

As the oldest structure in Palm Beach County (PBC), the **Jupiter Lighthouse**, which was first illuminated in 1860, has always been in the spotlight. Located on the northern bank of the Loxahatchee River in Jupiter, this 108 ft. red tower has a circular stairway that leads from the base of the tower to the lantern room at the top. The Lighthouse stands on a natural prehistoric Indian hill constructed of shell and marine sand about 41 feet high with submerged reefs and sandbars in the inlet below. The stairway ascends into the Watch room which is the heart of the lighthouse, through a small hatch in the floor. Actors can be

filmed taking in the breath taking views of the beautiful Loxahatchee River as it flows through the inlet into the Atlantic Ocean or act as lighthouse keepers, cleaning the lens and surrounding glass, trimming the lamp wicks, polishing the brass, and winding the turning mechanism weights. The Lighthouse has a first order flashing Fresnel lens, resembling a beehive as it is composed of many sections of glass set into a frame work that looks like a single piece. In the dark of night the light is visible from 18 to 25 miles at sea.



Dubois Park

The waterfront Museum in the newly restored WWII Barracks building offers indoor and outdoor history exhibits, such as the Tindall Pioneer Homestead where lighthouse keepers and their families have lived, the Pennock Plantation Bell and the Oil House Exhibit. Also available is a World War II themed snack shop, The Station J Café. Large banyan trees planted in the 1930's dot the property near the remaining dwellings giving visitors and crew members shade from the Florida sun. Walking trails, wooden overlooks and informational signs have also been added in recent years throughout the property.

Located moments from the Lighthouse are **Dubois Park** and the **Dubois Pioneer Home**. Dubois Park features over 1,200 feet of beach frontage along with picnic areas, a playground and a spectacular view of the Lighthouse. The historic Pioneer Home stands on an ancient Indian shell mound and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Jupiter Lighthouse is a unique and memorable location that has been utilized by many publications such as **Men's Journal** and **Palm Beach Illustrated**. Dubois Park has also hosted many productions including a **Celine Dion** music video. For more info call 561.233.1000.



Dubois Pioneer Home

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