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Hollywood Beach Marriott Will Organize Pontoon Boat Charters to the Anne Kolb Nature Center

The Nature Center offers a 40-seat pontoon boat tour of the mangrove forests.

Hollywood, Florida, (today’s date) - The Anne Kolb Nature Center, located inside West Lake Park, is 1.3 miles from the Hollywood Beach Marriott.

Journalist Anne Kolb
The Nature Center opened February 10, 1996 and is named after a journalist, who, in 1974, had become the first woman elected to the Broward County Commission. Anne is known for leading the fight for the 1977 Land Use Plan that tightened government control over future developments by placing a building moratorium on 61,000 acres Broward County. She also proposed an Urban Wilderness Park System to preserve endangered species for future generations.

In 1990, the plans for a 1,500 acre coastal West Lake Park received a prestigious Take Pride in America Award that was presented in a ceremony at the George H.W. Bush White House Rose Garden.

Mangroves Are Called “Blue Carbon”
Mangroves grow along coastlines in subtropical and tropical waters storing fifty times more carbon in their soil per square meter than the same amount of Amazon rainforest.

Mangroves contain a complex salt filtration system and complex root system to cope with salt water immersion and wave action. They are also adapted to the low oxygen (anoxic) conditions of waterlogged mud.

Blue carbon is a term used to describe the carbon captured by the world’s oceans and coastal ecosystems comprised of mangroves, salt marshes, and seagrasses.

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