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when the greatest catch isn't all it's

cracked up

to be



>>inside:
True grit and pride
are part of the job.
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When buyers aren't biting, stone crabbers feel the pinch

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You'd think they were getting rich. After all, their industry produces the most sought-after treasure of the seafood aficionado: Florida stone crab claws, the black and

orange booty of the Gulf's warm waters. As far away as Las Vegas — and maybe farther — Collier County claws are sold and eaten fresh, within about 24 to 48 hours of coming off the boat. Even just a few short miles from their native

SEE CRABS, A8 ▶

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Michael Kelley pulls a handful of the day's haul from a vat of cooling water at Ernest Hamilton's Stone Crabs processing plant in Everglades City.

New site links parents to Juvenile Assessment Center

The David Lawrence Center and its community partners have launched www.collierjac.org to raise awareness of the Collier County Juvenile Assessment Center and its services for at-risk or troubled youths and teens and their parents. The JAC is a clearinghouse for information about free mental health and substance abuse assessments, prevention, intervention, referral and treatment services available in Collier County for juveniles ages 7-17 who are at-risk for various reasons.

As a mass communication tool, the new Web site greatly enhances the JAC's ability to provide information quickly and easily.

At "Parent Information" on www.collierjac.org,

parents can find a list of warning signs to watch for that could indicate their children are at-risk. There's also a link to the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice with an overview of the process involved when a juvenile is arrested and detained. At "Resources" on the site, there are links to numerous agencies and publications to assist parents in educating themselves ("A Parent's Guide to Internet Slang," for example) and their children about alcohol, drugs, gangs, peer pressure, sexual predators and Internet safety. Once available only for youth detained in



the Collier County Juvenile Detention Center, the JAC has expanded under management by the David Lawrence Center so that all youth in Collier County and their families have access to JAC services. The goal of the expanded program is to prevent at-risk youth from becoming delinquent, committing crimes and getting involved in the juvenile justice system.

For more information about JAC programs and services, call 774-3927 or e-mail info@collierjac.org. ■

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In the groove

At the Steinway Physicians Talent Show and on opening night at The Sugden. **C18 & 20** ▶



The Motley Fool

The "Fool" tells the truth about investing and hopes you'll laugh all the way to the bank. **B6** ▶



Just enough accent

Learning a brogue is part of the role for actors in "The Women of Lockerbie." **C1** ▶



Hunting for haunts

Undercover Historian Tracy Jones suggests spots that spooks should haunt. **A12** ▶

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