



## Up & coming

### Animal advocates conducting summit

Puppy mills, greyhound racing and animal fighting are high among the topics on the Animal Welfare Summit's agenda set for 6 p.m. Feb. 28 in the John F. Armstrong Wing at the Blake Library in Stuart.

The summit is free and open to the public.

The Humane Society of the Treasure Coast is a private, nonprofit humane agency caring for more than 6,500 animals a year

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### WHAT TO DO



Read about all of the fun things to do and see in your area this weekend

### WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday: Partly cloudy; high: 81; low: 68; high tide: 5:54 a.m.; low tide: 11:55 a.m.  
Saturday: Partly cloudy; high: 90; low: 68; high tide: 12:37 p.m.  
Sunday: Partly cloudy; high: 77; low: 66; high tide: 7:20 a.m.; low tide: 1:16 p.m.  
Weather courtesy of www.weather.com

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## Local veterans help each other

By Dawn Krebs  
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MARTIN COUNTY – While in the military, soldiers are trained to help each other when needed.

That training has spilled over for local veterans groups, the Martin County Veteran Services and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter.

They have teamed up with the United Way of Martin County and Workforce Solutions to help veterans living in Martin County find jobs.

The new program, called simply

Martin Veterans, will be developing a database of all businesses in Martin County that would match employer needs with veteran job seekers.

"This initiative is focused on reducing the number of unemployed veterans," said Justin Beard, communications and marketing director for the United Way of Martin County in a press release.

To help with the process, Martin Veterans created a two-minute online survey for business owners to fill out.

"Once this information is plugged into the database, Martin

veterans will create a directory of veteran-owned businesses," Mr. Beard said. "The database will help connect those businesses to local veterans seeking employment."

The program will be paid for using a grant the United Way of Martin County volunteer program received from the Corporation for National and Community Services.

The database can be found at

www.martinveterans.org.

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## Youth of year named for Boys and Girls Club

By Dawn Krebs  
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MARTIN COUNTY — With tears in her eyes, 17-year-old Bria Anderson was all smiles as she was named the Youth of the Year for the Boys & Girls Club of Martin County.

The reception announcing the winner took place Feb. 12 at the Susan H. Johnson Auditorium in the Wolf High Technology Center at Indian River State College Chastain Campus in Stuart in front of a packed room.

"She's a great all-around kid," said David Vaina, communications director for the organization. "She's a real role model."

Ms. Anderson, a junior at Jensen Beach High School, is a member of the Boys & Girls Club of East Stuart. This is the second time she has held this title, having been named Youth of the Year in 2011.

She's been a member of the club for 11 years, and is hoping to attend the University of Florida to pursue a career as an attorney. Over the last year, she has earned 100 volunteer hours in the community, while also helping her family care for her grandparents.

"She's had to overcome quite a bit personally," Mr. Vaina said. He added that Ms. Anderson still finds time at the club to help other children. "She's become a real mentor to the other kids, whether it's showing them how to cook or just playing basketball with them."

She was one of five students in the running for the title. The other nomi-



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Hobe Sound branch Colleen Chan, from left, and Palm City branch Lovely Davlimar look on as Boy's & Girl's Club Executive Director Ann McCormick announces Bria Anderson of South Stuart Branch as the recipient for the '2013 Youth of the Year' at the Indian River State College Chastain Campus on Tuesday, Feb. 12.

nees were Coleen Chan from Hobe Sound, a senior at South Fork High School who received the title of Youth of the Year for 2012; Lovely Davlimar of Palm City, a junior at the Clark Learning Center; Bridget Duignan of Port Salerno, a student at Anderson Middle School; and Kadesha Singleton of Indiantown, a senior at South Fork High School.

"The students had a full day together on the day of the reception," said Mr. Vaina. "They visited a business development board and an art gallery before eating lunch and going to the college campus for the judging."

The next step for Ms. Anderson is to represent her club at the state competition. If selected, she would then move on to

the national competition. The Boys & Girls club of Martin County works to enable all young people to reach their full potential.

"We're just amazed at the diversity of our membership," he said. "They come from all walks of life."

Mr. Vaina said that through volunteers and sponsorships, the club has really helped area children start their future and become productive citizens.

"We're so proud of all of these kids," he said. "It has really helped put their values in place."

For more information on volunteering or being a sponsor for the Boys & Girls Club of Martin County, call (772) 545-1255.



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Carman Anderson, on left, gives her daughter a hug after Boy's & Girl's Club Executive Director Ann McCormick announces Bria Anderson of South Stuart branch as the recipient of the '2013 Youth of the Year' at the Indian River State College Chastain Campus on Tuesday, Feb. 12.

## Martin mansion featured in national magazine

By Dawn Krebs  
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MARTIN COUNTY – The Mansion at Tuckahoe is a well-known estate in Jensen Beach for fundraisers and weddings. Now, thanks to a popular magazine, it has received national attention as well.

The property, overlooking the Indian River, was featured as popular venue for weddings in the January issue of Southern Living Weddings. The magazine can still be found on newsstands.

The article will help the county bring attention to the venue as a wedding destination.

"The article corroborates our efforts to position and promote the

Mansion at Tuckahoe, indeed all of Indian RiverSide Park, as a desirable setting for wedding, as well as other celebrations," said Craig Jon Anderson, marketing coordinator for Martin County Parks and Recreation.

There's a long history associated with the property. The Indian mound, on which the home is built, is estimated to be approximately 4,000 years old. The name Tuckahoe is thought to be a Native American word for "welcome."

In the late 1800s, Charles Racey built a home there and started a pineapple plantation. In 1938, Ann Bates Leach, an heiress to the Coca-Cola fortune, and her husband Willaford, build the mansion on top of the ancient Native American

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Martin County Parks and Recreation

midden now known as Mount Elizabath.

The property was taken over by the Catholic Church in the 1950s and then used as a liberal arts college until 1972, when the Florida Institute of Technology purchased it to be used as a college offering degrees in marine science. The county purchased the property in

1997 and became part of Indian RiverSide Park. After restoration in 2001, it became open to the public.

It is open for weekly tours as well as being rented for events.

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# Hoping for nice weather

Hello, everyone. There's so much going on this week here in Martin County, I am hoping for clear skies and cool days.

I know I am looking forward to the Stuart Art Festival in downtown on Saturday and Sunday. It's so much fun looking at artist's work, and this festival draws in more than 200 participants from all over the country. Better wear my walking shoes for this one.

The week is shaping up to be an informative one, as well. On Tuesday, Dr. Gary Small will be making his only stop in this area to talk about Alzheimer's disease. He's the director of the UCLA Longevity Center, and the author of the book, "The Alzheimer's Prevention Program." So his presentation at the Charles and Rae Kane Center in Stuart should be interesting.

If you want to know all

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DAWN KREBS



of Martin County High School; and Vishalakshi Lakshmann and Emily Sachs of South Fork High School.

These students are just a small representation of the quality schools in Martin County.

Speaking of schools, take a moment on Saturday, Feb. 23 to see the dedication of the newly restored New Monrovia one-room schoolhouse. It's located at 4455 S.E. Murray St. at the Costella Williams Learning Center in New Monrovia Park, and the dedication takes place at 11 a.m. This is one of the first schools built in Martin County, and it's exciting to see historic places like this preserved for future generation.

Do you know of a business that just opened? How about someone who just got promoted? Just let us know, so we can share the information. Send a quick email to me at [dkrebs@hometownnewsol.com](mailto:dkrebs@hometownnewsol.com) or any press releases to [newsfp@hometownnewsol.com](mailto:newsfp@hometownnewsol.com)

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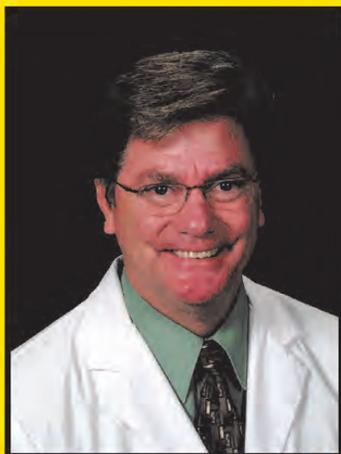
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and relies solely on private donations. It has no affiliation with the Humane Society of the United States.

### Event to benefit oceanographic society

Florida Oceanographic Society will host its signature fundraiser, Oceans Alive: Castaways, at 6 p.m. on Feb. 23 at 890 N.E. Ocean Blvd., on Hutchinson Island in Stuart.

Tickets for the event are limited and priced at \$225 per person, \$175 for members.

To purchase tickets or for more information, visit [www.FloridaOcean.org](http://www.FloridaOcean.org) or

call (772) 225-0505, Ext. 108.

### Annual art show this weekend

Osceola Street in downtown Stuart will host the Downtown Stuart Art Festival.

There's a lot for them to see, as a myriad of original and eclectic works of art from artists near and far.

The show starts at Osceola Street, and then continues on to Denver Street and down to Detroit Street. There will be artwork priced to sell, from as little as \$25 up to \$30,000.

The Downtown Stuart Art Festival will be held on Osceola Street in downtown Stuart on Feb. 23-24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (561) 746-6615.

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# Community members offered free tax service

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TREASURE COAST — Liberty Tax is giving away tax preparation services to those who so selflessly serve, protect, educate, and assist local communities and the Liberty offices that operate within them. For first-time customers, starting February 18, Liberty Tax kicks off a month and a half of "Appreciation Weeks" to thank these invaluable individuals.

Through Feb. 24, Liberty Tax will once again salute veterans, active military and their immediate family members with free tax preparation during "Military and Veterans Appreciation Week."

From Feb. 25 – March 3, Liberty Tax will invite teachers, day care workers, educators and all school staff to bring their tax information into a Liberty Tax Service office during "Educator Appreciation Week."

March 4–10 is "Police and

Firefighter Appreciation Week" and Liberty Tax will honor firefighters, EMT/EMS personnel, police, and law enforcement officers with free tax preparation.

March 11- 17, Liberty Tax will offer free tax preparations to all the nurses, doctors, therapists, and all hospital staff, just stop by during "Hospital Appreciation Week."

March 18– 24 is "Healthy Living Appreciation Week," and all gym staff members,

personal trainers, dieticians, and recreational centers staff the opportunity to have their tax return prepared for free.

From March 25- 31, Liberty Tax will give free tax preparation to all nonprofit organizations staff member and all volunteers during "Volunteer and Non-profit Appreciation Week."

Taxpayers can find a local Liberty Tax location by calling (866) 871-1040. Liberty Tax does take appointments but they are not necessary.

# Event to benefit Florida Oceanographic Society

For Hometown News  
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MARTIN COUNTY — Florida Oceanographic Society will host its signature fundraiser, Oceans Alive: Castaways, on Feb. 23 at 6 p.m. at 890 N.E. Ocean Blvd., on Hutchinson Island in Stuart.

As the sun sets on the lagoon, Florida Oceanographic's Coastal Center will transform into a tropical island oasis where guests will enjoy live entertainment by the Reel Ting steel

drum band; cocktails, signature hors d' oeuvres from local restaurants, and a chef-prepared dinner; \$65,000 in merchandise, travel and entertainment up for auction; and much more.

"Oceans Alive is a special evening to celebrate our love of the ocean and our local waterways with our friends and neighbors," said Mark Perry, executive director of Florida Oceanographic Society. "We're thankful to our community partners, sponsors and the donors

who make this event possible and we look forward to a fun-filled evening that will support our conservation, education and research initiatives."

Florida Oceanographic Society is a nonprofit organization founded in 1964 with the mission to inspire environmental stewardship of Florida's coastal ecosystems through education and research. The 57-acre Coastal Center is located on Hutchinson Island in Stuart, situated between the Indian River and the Atlantic

Ocean. As a leading state and nationally recognized environmental organization, Florida Oceanographic offers educational programs for all ages and conducts research and restoration programs that lead to healthy coastal ecosystems.

Tickets for the event are limited and priced at \$225 per person (\$175 for members).

To purchase tickets or for more information, visit [www.FloridaOcean.org](http://www.FloridaOcean.org) or call (772) 225-0505, Ext. 108.

# Community calendar

## ONGOING EVENTS

• Camping at Phipps Park, located along the Okeechobee Waterway. The campground is near the Florida Turnpike and is easily accessible via Interstate-95. Enjoy fresh and/or saltwater fishing. Campers also appreciate the waterfront view that many of our sites provide. For more information, visit the Martin County Parks and Recreation website at [www.martin.fl.us](http://www.martin.fl.us) or call (772) 287-6565.

• Jensen Bookwalk: noon-6 p.m. every Tuesday at Historic Downtown Jensen Beach. Sponsored by Jensen Beach Village Mainstreet and Treasure Coast Writer's Guild.

• Florida Oceanographic Coastal Center nature trail adventures: The daily, 90-minute guided walks start at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the center, 890 N.E. Ocean Blvd., Stuart. Free with paid admission to the center. Admission to the center is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children ages 3 to 12. For information, call (772)

225-0505 or visit [www.floridaoceanographic.org](http://www.floridaoceanographic.org)

• House of Refuge museum is at 301 S.E. MacArthur Blvd., Hutchinson Island, Stuart. Hours are from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Saturday, and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children ages 6-12. For information, call (772) 225-1875.

• Maritime and Yachting Museum features classic and antique boats, ship models, nautical artifacts and tools, paintings and books. The

museum is at 1707 Indian River Drive, Jensen Beach, and is open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on weekdays, and from 1-5 p.m. on Sundays. For information, call (772) 692-1234.

• The Singletarian Society of Martin and St. Lucie counties: Active single, divorced or widowed folks ages 57 to 70 are invited to join. The club meets formally once a month for a buffet lunch and news of upcoming events. For more

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# Business

## The difference is in the tour for airboating business

By Dawn Krebs

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TREASURE COAST — Taking an airboat ride can be a thrilling experience, but learning about nature unfolding around you while you're riding is what makes it a memory.

That how Robert Montuoro, also known as Capt.

Bob, feels every time he takes a group out on one of his airboats.

As owner of Capt. Bob's Airboat Adventures Tours, he makes sure the people that ride on his airboats experience the natural Florida waiting just outside Vero Beach city limits in the Blue Cypress Conservation Area, known to locals as Lake Gar-

cia. "I've always been an outdoorsman," Capt. Bob said. "I make sure that people get to see everything that they can."

His airboat business focuses on making sure the customer has a good time. The large 20-foot-long boats offer stadium seating, so everyone has a clear view. In

addition, he also provides headsets to the riders, so they can ask questions and hear what he says during the tour.

"The headsets really magnify the experience," he said. "I get lots of questions, and it's easy to show people wildlife right away, as it happens."

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Capt. Bob offers airboat tours, showing visitors and locals the natural Florida that exists right outside their door.

boater, Capt. Bob says there's nothing to worry about.

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Safety is a priority as well, and Capt. Bob provides 31 years of experience with the Indian River County Fire Department before his retirement last year with the rank of Lieutenant Emergency Medical Technician.

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# Police report

**Editor's note:** This is a list of arrests, not convictions, and all arrestees are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty in a court of law.

## Stuart Police Department

- Jason John Guba, 31, of 7609 S.E. Hobe Terrace, Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 9 and charged with possession of a controlled substance, possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia and resisting arrest without violence.
- Robert Lowell Hubbard, 24, of 206 S.E. Kitching Circle, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 11 and charged with aggravated assault, battery and two counts of culpable negligence.
- Francisco J. Menendez, 23, of 945 S.E. Forrest Park Drive, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 9 and charged with three counts of burglary to a structure and resisting arrest without violence.

## Martin County Sheriff's Office

- Marie Lynn Becker-Smith, 37, of 2409 Ginger Terrace, Jensen Beach, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Daniel Dorvan Lee, 36, of 4238 S.W. 83rd St., Palm City, was arrested on Feb. 10 and charged with battery.

- Connie Ann Dedman, 49, of 7942 S.E. Skylark Ave., Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 11 and charged with battery.
- Calvin Alonzo Delancy, 26, of 637 Martin Luther King Blvd., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.
- Rudy Deleon, 38, of 3077 Elleandale St., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with operating a motor vehicle without a valid license.
- Kara Ann Deschene, 23, of 16160 Temple Blvd., Loxahatchee, was arrested on Feb. 10 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.
- Ashley Michelle French, 24, of 8681 S.E. Eagle Ave., Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance.
- Wayne Conrad Graham, 34, of 4819 S.E. Ebbtide Ave., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with theft.
- Torey Markeith Grooms, 36, of 208 S.E. Saint Lucie Blvd., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.
- Matthew Ryan Higgins, 19, of 4585 S.E. Manatee Terrace, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Josie Hochheimer, 23, of 4345 S.E. Scotland Cay Way, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 9 and charged with three counts of possession of a

- controlled substance.
- Michael Patrick Hughes, 32, of 11 Placido Lane, Port St. Lucie, was arrested on Feb. 10 and charged with possession of more than 20 grams of marijuana.
- Morgan Jamison, 33, of 4855 E. Arthur St., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana.
- Keara Monique Mack, 21, of 1020 Indian Trace Circle, No. 104, Indiantown, was arrested on Feb. 9 and charged with burglary of a dwelling, criminal mischief and resisting arrest without violence.
- Lorna Jean Michaud, 55, of 8295 S.E. Bridge Road, Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with grand theft and obtaining goods through a fraudulent use of a credit card.
- Derrick Lemar Mike, 32, of 907 E. 9th St., Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with six counts of possession of a controlled substance.
- John Mitchell Jr., of 14551 S.W. Esperanza Court, No. 104, Indiantown, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana.
- Brent Peterson, 48, of 2913 Palm Brook Court, Palm City, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with pos-

- session of a controlled substance.
- Bryan Keith Riggins, 36, of 12750 S.E. Circe Drive, Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 8 and charged with three counts of obtaining a controlled substance by fraud.
- Sarah Ethan Sa, 25, of 4506 S.E. Nimrod Lane, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 11 and charged with battery.
- Kevin John Sheppard, 46, of 4800 N.E. Blue Heron Blvd., Jensen Beach, was arrested on Feb. 10 and charged with fleeing a police officer, resisting arrest without violence, possession of a controlled substance and driving under the influence.
- Donald Shindler, no age or address listed, was arrested on Feb. 9 and charged with sexual battery.
- Daniel James Smith, 23, of 5939 S.E. Mitzi Lane, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 11 and charged with battery.
- Sandra Jean Williams, 49, of 1317 N.W. Charlie Green Drive, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 10 and charged with possession of a blank prescription form.
- Harry Gray Barbour, 28, of 2400 N.E. Rustic Way, Jensen, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with burglary, grand theft and dealing in stolen property.
- Sylvester Davis, 39, of 2604 Sterling Court, Fort Pierce, was arrested on Feb. 12 and charged with sexual battery and false imprison-

- ment.
- Kenneth William Dowl-ing, 56, of 4800 S.E. Federal Highway, No. 88, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 12 and charged with possession of a controlled substance.
- Lazaro Erik Hidalgo-Machado, 25, of 265 E. 7th St., No. 6, Hialeah, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with two counts of criminal use of personal identification information.
- Odell Jamar Lee, 22, of 522 S.E. Ron Rico Terrace, Port St. Lucie, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with two counts of assault on law enforcement officer.
- Donna Rosalee Miller, 31, was arrested on Feb. 12 and charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription.
- Bruce Paralis, 52, of 6024 S.W. Walkers Cay Court, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 12 and charged with threat to do violence.
- Joell Corky Riggins, 30, of 1916 Dixie Lane, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 12 and charged with possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell.
- Robert Stanley Thomas, 56, of 8210 Washington St., Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Christian Omar Feal, 23, of 126 S.W. Evans Ave., Port St. Lucie, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with child abuse.
- Damien Michael Fernald, 38, of 2950 S.E. Ocean

- Blvd, No. 129, Unit 8, was arrested on Feb. 14 and charged with manufacturing or distribution of imitation drugs.
- Robert Garcia-Esquerro, 19, of 2614 W. Tallahassee St., No. 3110, Tallahassee, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with two counts of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Joseph Edward Haas, 47, of 3961 Loni St., Lake Park, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with four counts of murder.
- Lazaro Hidalgo-Machado, 25, of 265 E. 7th St., No. 6, Hialeah, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with two counts of criminal use of personal identification information.
- Taber Howland, 47, of 994 S.W. 35th St., Palm City, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Jamieson Korab, 36, of 74 Jobs Road, Wallingford, Conn., was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with driving under the influence and possession of a controlled substance.
- Stanley Robert Thomas, 56, of 8210 Washington St., Hobe Sound, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Bruce Wayne Watley, 71, of 3692 S.E. Forecastle Court, Stuart, was arrested on Feb. 13 and charged with burglary and assault.

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## Calendar

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information, call (772) 398-2345.

- Stuart Community Band meets every Monday from 7-9 p.m. at the Stuart Middle

School band room.. New members with some musical experience are welcome. For more information, call 772-219-1685, Ext. 225

- Stuart Heritage Museum: The museum, 161 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart is open from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday

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- Sunset cruise: A two-hour sunset cruise through the Indian River Lagoon to Bird Island on Thursdays. Light refreshments are available.

Check-in is at 3:30 p.m. at Finz Waterfront Grille, 4290 S.E. Salerno Road, Stuart. Morning tours are scheduled daily at 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$16 for children. Not recommended for children under 6. For information, call (772) 219-

0148.

- Stuart Green Market is held every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. year-round in front of Stuart's City Hall, 121 S.W. Flagler Avenue, Stuart. Fresh produce, bromeliads, shrubs and small trees, local growers, seafood, baked

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Wikipedia ([www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org)) is an online encyclopedia boasting more than four million articles, all editable by its readers. For a size comparison, the Encyclopedia Britannica has approximately 85,000 entries and Encarta has approximately 63,000 entries. And none of them are changeable.

Wikipedia is a combination of the word "wiki" (which is an editable form of website) and the last part of the word encyclopedia. In essence it's an editable encyclopedia.

The project has grown since its inception in 2001, with more articles posted every day. The beauty of it is the ability to contribute to any article by any reader, so the content of the project grows by leaps and bounds.

When I first stumbled upon the site, I didn't give it much thought; it was interesting and had some good information on what I was looking for but the power of what I was looking at didn't appear to me at the time.

Then, over time, I started to realize that more and more of the searches I would do on Google (or other search engines) were returning results from Wikipedia.

Overall, I found the information returned to be relevant, until one day I found an article that I thought needed a little clarification. After looking at the page for a bit, I found the edit button and read the frequently asked questions (FAQ) on editing a page. Within minutes I was adding my thoughts to that particular entry. Now the article contained the information that it was lacking. For the first time, I had actually contributed to an encyclopedia entry!

OK, I know what you are thinking, "How could an encyclopedia that is edited and modified by any reader possibly be accurate?"

Well, there are some basic rules that appear to be broken here; so what's stopping pranksters or just plain ignorant people from



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SEAN MCCARTHY

posting information on this site that is completely bogus? Just because you read something on the Internet doesn't necessarily make it true. That's always important to keep in mind when surfing the Web.

Well, if you browse the site's FAQs, you will find that they have indeed addressed much of the criticism people have posed regarding the site's validity, and it seems that the checks and balances they have in place to prevent such inaccurate entries again relies on the users themselves. Each edit or new entry gets immediately posted to the "recent changes" page where thousands of Wikipedia devotees proof-read and verify all new entries. So, if someone posts a bogus entry, it's corrected rapidly, usually the same day.

How does one go about using Wikipedia? Type [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org) into your Web browser and then clicking the English link (or whatever language you are most comfortable with). This will bring you to the main page, which changes daily, where you will find some trivia, some random subjects and some news articles from various sources.

On the left-and side of the page, you will see a series of links, and at the top left of the page there is a search dialogue box. Type in whatever you are looking for, click search and that instantly brings you to the most relevant match.

If the results are not what you are looking for, look for a link labeled "other uses." This will bring you to a page that lists all the matched results, rather than the one match that it thinks is most relevant.

After reading up on whatever you are looking for, if you feel you have something to contribute, click the "edit this page" link and have at it. If you have trouble figuring out how to edit the page, click the "editing help" link and learn how.

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## Ball honors 50 years of United Way



Sevin Bullwinkle/staff photographer

John Wilson and Margaret Richebourg of Sail Fish Point, United Way of St. Lucie County's board chair Brad Guffin of Port St. Lucie and chair Tom Epsky from Tradition, smile at the Orange Blossom Ball, United Way of St. Lucie County's formal 50th anniversary celebration. The fundraiser was sponsored jointly by Seacoast National Bank and Florida Power & Light Co. and hosted by Palm City's Harbour Ridge Yacht and Country Club on Saturday, Feb. 16.



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#### Modern-day depression

I've heard my parents talk about the Great Depression. As a child, I never understood why it was called "great." It never seemed that great.

I've heard the stories about food rations. I heard about how it brought communities together. And now I hear that as a country, we are going to pot.

During my childhood, those stories seemed so distant and nothing more than the way things used to be. But now, as I struggle to make ends meet for my own family, I'm reminded of the times in which many of our grandparents were raised.

As we sink into this modern-day depression, I sure wish I would've taken more notice on how my grandparents made ends meet.

There seems to be no light at the end of this tunnel. We are faced with decisions such as a gallon of milk or a gallon of gas; cell phone or cable; electricity or rent.

Employers are struggling to make payroll. And those still fortunate enough to call themselves employees are struggling to live from one paycheck to another.

Because we are all aware that the job market is bleak, we dare not complain about wages that are gone as soon as earned. We know that there is somebody more than willing to take the job we are fortunate enough to have.

So, how does one get ahead? How can we start to feel at ease? When does the comfort in knowing that having a job means having a roof over your family's head return?

I suppose, we, nor anyone else, knows the answer to that question. But we can't, as a community, start turning on each other. We can't start robbing and stealing from someone who is struggling, as well. We have to start doing for each other.

A pinch of kindness and a smile can go a long way.

#### Drivers be careful

Please, drivers, do not take your eyes off the road while you drive.

With everyone in such a hurry or full of stress lately, it only takes a split second for you to accidentally run a light or sign, or someone else not seeing you coming because they reached over to tune the radio or something, and your whole day and possibly your world can change in a moment with an accident.

This happened to me recently and although I was not hurt, my car is now in the shop getting fixed, and all it took was a quick, momentary distraction. Then, I had a big dent in the door.

There are so many ways we can lose our focus with driving: texting, phone conversations, tuning radios, reaching on the floor for something, putting makeup on or even eating.

Be careful out there, everyone, and keep your eyes on the road and hands on the wheel for your own protection. I could have been paralyzed for life.

#### Seatbelt rights

This is about the seatbelt law. We should all make our own choices. If you get hurt while you don't wear it, oh well. We are all adults. But there is a dummy on a motorcycle without a helmet flying down the road, and nobody does anything about that. Why don't they change that law?

#### On food stamps

I see people in stores with nice clothes and fancy cars, yet are buying steaks and lobsters with food stamps. My husband and I are living on \$17,000 a year Social Security. I have bills I can't pay. I'm afraid that my lights or water are going to be turned off. We were turned down for food stamps. People who have fought for this country can't get them, but those who haven't been here long can.

#### Watering the road?

I drive to work every morning on A1A and there are sprinklers that shoot right into the road. Why are we watering the pavement?

#### Health care dilemma

One of the leading advocates of a government takeover of the nation's health care admits that, "We are the world leaders in medical innovation, research, education and advanced technology" and that we provide the best medical care in the world.

However, she then proceeds to argue that we still must assume massive debt in attempt to change it for the better.

If we are already the world leader, this sounds like throwing out the baby with the bath water.

#### What about the victims?

At a time when this nation is experiencing a wave of crime, often committed by illegal immigrants, a far left group called the Sentencing Project has come out with a recommendation to abolish life without parole. These dogooders who have so much sympathy for criminals seem to have little concern for those of us who are law-abiding citizens and who are so often the victims of crime.

#### Revise system

I have a son who's incarcerated in Miami. He was sentenced to 27 years. He had no weapons or drugs. It was a racketeering charge. He has filed motions to have his sentence reduced, but they've done nothing. He doesn't deserve this sentence. But they've done nothing. I'm very disturbed by the system.

#### No kids at the bar

What happened to the state laws on alcohol? Aren't they supposed to be watching what goes on at places that serve alcohol?

I was at a restaurant and there was a child at the bar. They serve food to children while others drink. Where are the MADD mothers?

#### DCF needs to get it together

I have reported abuse to the Department of Families and Children and they are doing nothing about it. They need to do their job and take care of the children. They don't understand the psychological abuse that a child goes through when they are in an abusive home. Nobody seems to care about these innocent children who have to fend for themselves. I hope somebody from the department sees this rant and does something about it.

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# Buyers don't give all the information needed

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**ON CARS**  
EARL STEWART



what deal they got, yet can't produce the invoice.

That said, I love the car business and these people are part and parcel of it. I quickly work them out and eliminate them now."

This comment is just another example of why car salesmen develop a negative attitude toward their customers. It's reminiscent of what soldiers do when they go to war, they demonize the enemy to justify in their minds to do their job to wound, kill or capture them. During WWII, the Japanese were the "Yellow Peril" and we called them Japs. The Japanese referred to us as Yankee Devils. Just like soldiers, car salesmen are often only "following orders" and they demonize their customers when they're ordered to do things that their conscience wouldn't permit them to do to a "good person."

I don't claim to be a psychologist, but I have read articles explaining how humans will stereotype other people in a fashion that falsely justifies their negative behavior toward those same people. We also see this with racism. If you make yourself believe that car buyers are out to take advantage of you, "buyers are liars," you can't feel guilty about tricking them into paying a dealer fee. If you trick a "roach" or a "slug" into coming in to buy a car on credit when they probably can't, why should you feel guilty? After all, roaches and slugs don't have feelings.

I'm always amazed by the way car dealers who use deceptive advertising and unethical sales tactics rationalize their behavior by

actually blaming you, their customer. The following is a direct quote from an anonymous car dealer's email I received this morning in response to one of my recent columns in this newspaper:

"I don't think you would make any of these comments if you sold Fords in a non-metro market. How do you expect dealers to change when consumers think they should pay less than dealer cost for a car and then walk into any other form of retail store and pay what they are asking? Your ideas are noble, but there are other dealers who have tried 'your' methods who are no longer in business."

This dealer is saying that his customers are so ruthless and cunning that they won't buy a car unless they can buy it below his cost and his only solution is to trick them into thinking that they are buying it below his cost, like tacking on a "dealer fee" to the price they quoted the customer.

He also goes on to say that my "ideas are noble," but I can't possibly be successful and I will go broke trying. I truly appreciate his concern and I want to assure him, if he is reading this article that my business is doing very nicely.

This attitude is actually a prevailing part of the culture in many car dealerships. Many dealers, dealer managers and sales people don't trust their customers. How paradoxical!

They don't even like their customers. A very common expression among car dealers and their sales staff is "Buyers are liars." This means that a prospective customer will not tell you the truth about the condition of his trade-in, he will lie to you about the price he got from your competitor, and he is likely to remove those new tires that were on his trade-in when the dealer

appraised it when he comes in to pick up his new car.

There are also a lot of dealerships where used car buyers and people with bad credit are held in especially low esteem. They have nicknames for people with bad credit like "slugs" and "roaches."

Apparently dehumanizing these unfortunate members of our society with derogatory labels makes it easier to treat them so shabbily. People with bad credit are targeted with direct mail and newspaper ads making absurd promises that convince prospective customers that they can finance a car no matter how bad their credit.

In some dealerships, applicants are coached on how to falsify credit application and pay records. In some cases, the applicant may not even know he is signing a false credit application, which is a federal offense. In most cases, the credit is refused and the applicants are not even given the courtesy of a return phone call to tell them this.

What these kinds of dealerships don't understand is that you must trust a person first before you can expect her to trust you. You have to treat a person with respect before you can expect that person to respect you. Somebody has got to go first. My experience over the past 40+ years as a car dealer is that 99.9 percent of my customers are good people who I can believe and trust. Those are pretty good odds, and I just assume that every customer I am dealing with is part of that 99.9 percent.

Once in a great while I get burned, but the loss from that one in a thousand that takes advantage is far outweighed by the other 999, who respond positively to my trusting them and treating them with respect.

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## Hospital names vice president, chief philanthropic officer

For Hometown News  
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MARTIN COUNTY — Craig T. Chindemi, CFRE, was named vice president and chief philanthropic officer for Martin Health System.

Mr. Chindemi comes to Martin Health with more than 25 years of experience in fundraising for health care, higher education and national social service agencies. Most recently, he served as vice president for institutional advancement at Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y.

In his capacity at Martin Health, Mr. Chindemi oversees the Martin Health Foundation, including all fundraising and philanthropic endeavors for the nonprofit health system. He assumes the role of vice president and chief philanthropic officer from Arthur M. "Rusty" Brink Jr., who



Craig T. Chindemi

retired after serving in that position since 2005.

"Martin Health has demonstrated through the years that it has a strong partnership with the community, which has helped it deliver on its mission to provide exceptional health care to the patients it serves," said Mr. Chindemi. "We hope to continue building on that partnership and that culture of philanthropy, lay-

ing a foundation for care that will endure for generations."

A member of the Association of Fund Raising Professionals since 1987, Mr. Chindemi has served a wide variety of organizations, including: the Paralyzed Veterans of America; Community Counseling Services, Nova Southeastern University and St. Thomas University in Miami.

He has also led numerous campaigns for health care providers, including the Jackson Memorial Hospital Foundation in Miami, Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia and the National Dialogue on Cancer in New York.

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# Be aware of risks of not investing

You've no doubt heard about the risks associated with investing. "This" investment carries "this" type of risk, while that investment carries another one. And it is certainly true that all investments do involve some form of risk.

But what about not investing? Isn't there some risk associated with that, too?

In fact, by staying on the investment sidelines, or at least by avoiding long-term, growth-oriented investments, you may incur several risks. Here are some to consider:

- You might not keep up with inflation. If you put all your money under the proverbial "mattress," or more realistically, you keep it all in "cash" instruments and very short-term investments, you might think you are "playing it safe." After all, you might reason, your principal is protected, so even if you don't really make any money, you're not losing it, either.

- But that's not strictly true, because if your money is in investment vehicles that don't keep up with inflation, you can lose ground. In fact, even at a relatively mild three percent annual inflation rate, your purchasing power will decline by about half in just 25 years.

- You might outlive your money. For a 65-year-old couple, there's a 50 percent chance that one spouse will live past age 90, according to the Society of Actuaries. This statistic suggests that you may need your investments to help provide enough income to sustain you for two, or even three decades in retirement.

- You might not be able to maintain your financial

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independence. Even if you don't totally run out of money, you could end up scrimping by — or even worse, you could become somewhat dependent on your grown children for financial assistance. For most people, this prospect is unacceptable. Consequently, you'll want to make appropriate financial decisions to help maintain your financial independence.

- You might not be able to retire on your terms. You would probably like to decide when you retire and how you'll retire — that is, what sort of lifestyle you'll pursue during retirement. But both these choices may be taken out of your hands if you haven't invested enough to retire on your own terms.

- You might not be able to leave the type of legacy you

desire. Like most people, you would probably like to be able to leave something behind to your family and to those charitable organizations you support. You can help create this type of legacy through the appropriate legal vehicles — i.e., a will, a living trust and so on — but you'll still need to fund these mechanisms somehow. And that means you'll need to draw on all your financial assets, including your investments.

Work with your financial advisor to determine the mixture of growth and income investments you need during your working years and as you move toward retirement to help you meet your retirement goals.

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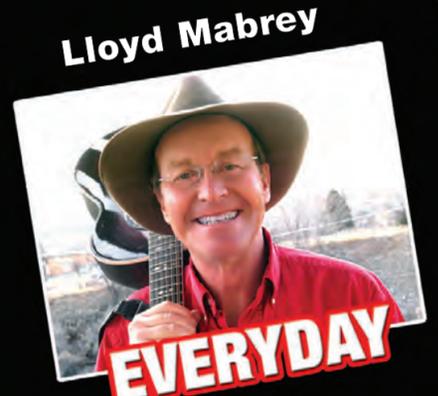


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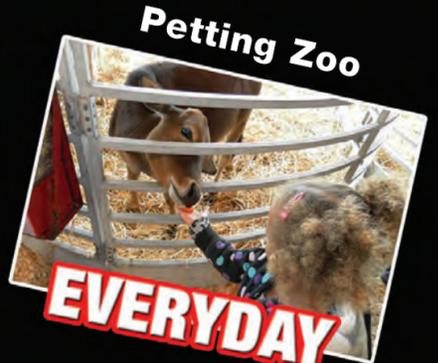
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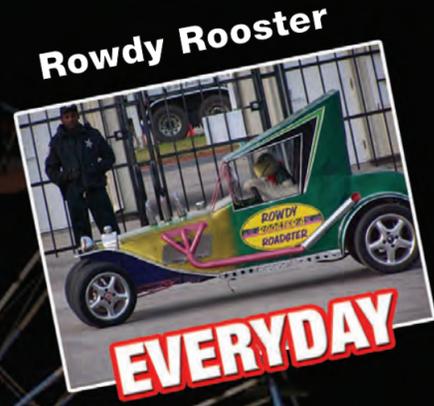
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**SATURDAY, FEB. 23**

• **"Oceans Alive,"** 6-10:30 p.m., Florida Oceanographic Coastal Center, 890 N.E. Ocean Blvd., Stuart. Florida Oceanographic's second annual ocean-inspired event is themed "castaways." A casual evening complete with dinner, live music, auction and lots of surprises. Join us for one of the Treasure Coast's newest and freshest events of the season, benefiting educational programs and research projects at Florida Oceanographic. Admission is \$175 for members, \$225 for non-members. Call (772) 225-0505 for more information and to purchase tickets.

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• **Downtown Stuart art festival,** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Osceola Street. For more information, call (772) 286-2848.

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## Stuart Art Show celebrates 23 years

By Dawn Krebs  
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MARTIN COUNTY — Once again, Osceola Street in downtown Stuart will be transformed into a mecca for artists as the Downtown Stuart Art Festival opens its 23rd year.

"This is one of the bigger shows in the area," said AnaBelle Dweck, publicist for the event. "Every year, approximately 30,000 people come to see all the incredible talent."

There's a lot for them to see, as a myriad of original and eclectic works of art from leading artists from all over the United States will be found.

And because this art show is a juried, gallery-style outdoor showcase, it draws hundreds of artists as well.

"About 250 artists bring their talent to this art festival," said Ms. Dweck. "We have experienced artists coming back year



File photo

The 23rd annual Downtown Stuart Art Festival will feature hundreds of artists using a variety of media, and is expecting thousands of people to visit during the show, taking place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Feb. 23 and 24.

after year."

Some local artists expected to be in attendance at the free event include David Berger, Scott Buccina, Sue Dayton and Lori Drucker, offering their talents in the forms of oil paintings, stone sculptures, paintings and

photography.

The show starts at Osceola Street, and then continues on to Denver Street and down to Detroit Street. There will be artwork priced to sell, from as little as \$25 up to \$30,000.

The artists themselves

will have their work judged by an independent panel of expert judges.

*The Downtown Stuart Art Festival will be held on Osceola Street in downtown Stuart on Feb. 23-24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (561) 746-6615.*

## Black Forest unveiled at gala

By Dawn Krebs  
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TREASURE COAST — With a new year of helping families on the Treasure Coast, the nonprofit United for Families unveiled its new location, the Black Forest of Germany.

As part of the annual fundraiser Le Bal Masque, a new exotic location is announced as the theme of the gala, now in its seventh year.

"Our attendance has been growing every year," said Christina Kaiser, director of community relations. "Our first year, we had about 100 attendees. Now we are expecting approximately 250."

The black-tie event will weave Germany's culture throughout the evening. There will be German-themed food and drink, special entertainment from the Swinging Barbarians, and authentic attire.

There will also be a number of items up for

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**Christina Kaiser**  
 Director of community relations

bid at the event, including restaurant gift certificates, fishing excursions and even an acoustic guitar signed by Taylor Swift.

In addition, a number of annual awards will be given, including the 2013 Case Manager of the Year award.

The monies raised at this fundraiser will go towards the Road to Success program, which prepares teenagers for the transition from the foster-care system into living on their own. Skills such as financial planning and budgeting are taught, which enables the students to focus on goals such as pursuing a higher

education.

"More than 60 former foster children in our community are now pursuing post-secondary education and building a future for themselves," she said.

United for Families is the community-based care agency that coordinated and oversees child-welfare services in St. Lucie, Martin, Indian River and Okeechobee counties.

*The Le Bal Masque will be held March 2 at 6:30 p.m. at the Marnier Sands Country Club. Tickets are \$125 per person. For more information, call (772) 528-0362.*

## Fair to celebrate heritage

By Dawn Krebs  
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ST. LUCIE COUNTY — The St. Lucie County Fair has planned 10 days of fun for the whole family.

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Special prices on admissions and rides vary from day to day to make the fair affordable for every budget.

The fair will be open from 4 p.m. to midnight Monday through Thursday, from 4 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Fridays, from noon to 1:30 a.m. Saturdays and from noon until midnight Sundays.

For more information, visit [www.stluciecounty-fair.org](http://www.stluciecounty-fair.org).



Week of 2-22-2013

**ARIES - March 21-Apr 20**

Finding time to get everything done can be challenging, Aries. Fortunately, you have quite a few supporters in your corner who are willing to lend a helping hand.

**TAURUS - April 21-May 21**

Taurus, difficult decisions take time to mull over. Although you want to properly work through all the scenarios, this week you might not have all the time you need.

**GEMINI - May 22-June 21**

Gemini, water rolls off of your back quite easily. However, something tugs at you this week and you may have to give it more thought than you're accustomed to.

**CANCER - June 22-July 22**

Cancer, with such a hectic schedule, you may be feeling the pressure. It is not unreasonable to take some time for yourself and focus on your relationship with a spouse or significant other.

**LEO - July 23-Aug. 23**

Sometimes you have to make a few mistakes before you get things right, Leo. Don't let this worry you because you'll get back on the right path soon enough.

**VIRGO - Aug. 24-Sept. 22**

Virgo, it's important to recognize your way is not always the right way. If you absorb what other people are saying, you might have an easier go of things.

**LIBRA - Sept. 23-Oct. 23**

Libra, keep the lines of communication open with a loved one. There may be messages coming your way, See **SCOPES, B4**

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### DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

## Skateboard competition being held in Jensen Beach

For Hometown News  
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MARTIN COUNTY — SKATE-COMP 2013 takes place on March 2 at Rio-Jensen Skate Park at 2151 N.E. Dixie Highway in Jensen Beach.

Participants in this annual skateboard competition will test their skills on the street course, intermediate and beginner bowls. Come on wheels or on foot for activities that include: a raffle for a complete skateboard, the product toss, Eli Reskow Music and the food concession stand by Bloomster Professional Land Surveyors.

Proceeds are for the construction of a restroom and improvements for the skate park. The Rio Civic Club and Martin County Xtreme Teen Program host this fundraiser.

The competition starts at 1 p.m. Children five years of age and under enter the gate at no charge. The spectator entry fee is \$3 (bring a chair or towel for seating). The \$15 competitor fee includes free entry for one parent. Registration for competitors takes place from 9 to 11 a.m.

A Martin County Parks and Recreation Skate Card is required to compete (\$10.60 for Martin County

resident annual pass, \$21.20 for others) along with hard-shell elbow, knee and helmet gear.

Annual skate cards may be purchased in advance from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Vince Bocchino Community Center in Langford Park.

First through third place trophies and prizes will be presented to winners in the Regular division age groups 9 and under, 10-12, 13-15, 16-18, and 19 and up, as well as the Advanced Division of 14 and under, and 15 and up. A competitor from each division will win the \$50 cash "Best Trick" prizes and trophies.

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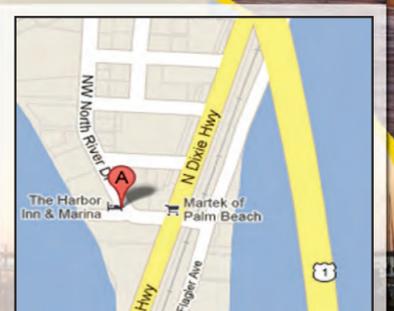
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# Spring football takes the field



Treasure Coast Spartans of Jensen Beach's Tyrese Jackson, No. 2, gets some yardage against the Vero Beach Renegades at the 'Spring Football' game at Port St. Lucie's Sportsman Park on Saturday, Feb. 16. The Spartans won with a score of 50-0.



Sevin Bullwinkle staff photographer

Anthony Centrone, No. 22, of Jensen Beach's Treasure Coast Spartans, takes down Mincey Zion, No. 11, of the Vero Beach Renegades at the Spring Football game at Port St. Lucie's Sportsman's Park on Saturday, Feb. 16. The Spartans won 50-0.

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## Summit to focus on animal welfare

By Dawn Krebs  
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MARTIN COUNTY — Puppy mills, greyhound racing and animal fighting are high among the concerns of animal advocates on the Treasure Coast and throughout Florida. These and other topics are on the Animal Welfare Summit's agenda set for 6 p.m. Feb. 28 in the John F. Armstrong Wing at the Blake Library in Stuart.

Free and open to the public, the Animal Welfare Summit brings together local and state animal advocates to address the welfare of Florida's animals. Sponsored by the Humane Society of the Treasure Coast and cosponsored by six local animal welfare organizations, the summit is a rare local opportunity for Treasure Coast residents to hear from one of the key players in Florida's animal welfare legislation.

Kate MacFall, the Florida State Director for The Humane Society of the United States, will discuss legislative priorities and the bills HSUS is working on for this year's legislative session.

"We are sponsoring the Animal Welfare Summit because our community should have an opportunity to hear about planned legislation impacting animal welfare," said Frank Valente, president and CEO of the Humane Society of the Treasure Coast. "Our humane society and all of the co-sponsoring organizations work every day to provide humane care for animals in need in our area. We are pleased to provide this forum to other concerned groups and individuals along the Treasure Coast."

The Humane Society of the Treasure Coast is a private, nonprofit humane agency caring for more than 6,500 animals a year and relies solely on private donations. It has no affiliation with the Humane Society of the United States.

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# Azaleas are one of the signs of spring

With the Florida spring season in the air, I would talk about a very seasonal plant known as the azalea.

These colorful plants are always a sure sign of spring when they burst into full color. Even though spring is officially still several weeks away, now is the time to start planning where you want to show off these heavy bloomers.

You should consider a location where the plants will only receive filtered light. They do not like full direct sun all day. An area under the eaves of your house or an area that receives filtered sun



**GARDEN NOOK**  
JOE ZELENAK

through pine trees would be an excellent location.

If you want your plants to live a long and healthy life, proper soil is the key. Azaleas like a soil that is acidic, with a pH of around 5.5. Generally, soil that is exposed to pine needles will be naturally acidic in nature and when mixed with a good organic soil, you have an excellent planting medium to give your

plants a good start.

You should also be sure your plants are in a well-drained area so they won't sit in water for long periods. Preparing a raised bed is the best assurance for good drainage.

Once the soil is properly prepared, you want to apply a slow-release fertilizer directly to the soil. Osmocote for acid-loving plants is an excellent choice.

Once you have your azaleas planted and established, the rest is easy. The beauty of these plants is that they require very little maintenance. They are not heavy feeders, and thus do not need to be fertilized on a regular basis. The best time for feeding is after they have finished their bloom cycle in the spring. Always use a slow-release fertilizer, and do not let the fertilizer come in direct contact with the roots.

Okay, you got your plants established, fertilized and your soil is perfect, so what's next?

The next step is to ensure

that your plants bloom year after year.

One of the best ways to insure this is by proper pruning. You always want to prune and shape your plants right after they have finished blooming. Don't wait till the dead of summer to do this, or you risk losing flowers next season.

Even though azaleas have a fairly short bloom cycle, the plants stay healthy and green all year long. Because of this, they are considered evergreens. This is what makes them such a desirable choice for a year-round plant.

Just to summarize, azaleas are heavy bloomers, they are easy to take care of and they do very well in both winter cold and hot summers provided they are in filtered sunlight.

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# The right golf clubs can make the difference

One of the clubs that golfers tend to pay the least attention to is the wedge.

We worry about our driver and how well our putter rolls the ball, but we seldom pay close attention to the clubs we use to truly save us when we miss a green. And if you're like most amateurs, you miss more than you hit in regulation.

The right wedge will have a wonderful feel to it. It will have a sole that allows you to play it from different lies and increase or decrease loft as needed. Having a wedge in your bag that you are comfortable with is essential.

Many pros change their wedges every few weeks as course conditions dictate and to keep wedges with fresh, sharp grooves in their bag. Being able to put spin on the ball is important to players who want to control the ball around the greens.

Tour Edge Exotics ([www.touredgegolf.com](http://www.touredgegolf.com)) Tour Prototype Wedge combines a thin, stainless-steel face backed with a thermal elastomer gel that provides a soft feel and feedback not available in traditional steel wedges. The sole is ground to eliminate turf interaction at the heel and toe, minimizing drag and the potential for the clubface to twist, allowing for superior shot versatility.

Tour Edge's Triple Grind Sole lineup is available for men and women. This wedge features a traditional



**GOLF JAMES STAMMER**

pear-shaped head design, and a Tour-inspired triple grind sole eliminates bounce from the heel and toe. This allows players to open and close the club when creating shots without the fear of the club digging or grabbing the turf. The CNC-milled grooves deliver precise control.

Some of the most beautiful clubs I saw at the show came from Edel Golf ([www.edelgolf.com](http://www.edelgolf.com)). The company has an inline fitting system designed to put the perfect wedge for your unique swing into your hands.

To help your wedge game, Edel has moved the sweet spot toward the toe and shortened the hosel to move unwanted weight from the heel to the true center of the clubface. A rounded leading edge allows the club to sit close to the ground and maintain a square look no matter whether the club is set open, closed or square.

Edel offers eight different sole grinds and 18 different wedge shaft options. Using the website's online fitting page you can choose from several options, even down to the way the wedge is stamped and paint-filled to create your own personal work of art.

Not all manufacturers pay pros to play their equip-

ment. One of the Tour's most popular wedges, and one that pros are not paid to play, comes from Fourteen ([www.fourteengolf.com](http://www.fourteengolf.com)). This Japanese company forges some of the sweetest feeling clubs in the business.

The company makes three lines of wedges, the RM-12, RM-11 and the J Spec IV.

The new RM-12 line comes in nine lofts, two finishes and has been named to Golf Digest's 2013 Hot List. The RM-11 features grooves that are 15 percent larger for better spin and control. The J Spec IV is made from the softest forged metal available to provide great feel and touch.

Wilson Golf ([www.wilson.com](http://www.wilson.com)) has been around for many decades and is known for its iron technology, including the new FG Tour TC Wedge and the next generation of wedges featuring Traction Control technology.

Aggressive Tour-Y grooves are milled for consistency and to enhance spin on full swings. Between the grooves are laser-etched micro-spin enhancers that help produce greater spin on partial shots. Two sole options and nine different loft/bounce combinations offer a choice of 54 unique combinations to find the right wedge for your needs.

Finally, we have the Polara Golf Wedge ([www.polaragolf.com](http://www.polaragolf.com)) that will hit stores this spring. The wedges feature a

corrugated grooved plate behind the face that will create 35 percent more backspin. The result is better spin on short shots without having to perfectly pinch the ball or play a very soft golf ball.

I hit several shots with these and was amazed at how easily they produced spin. I was able to put the brakes on chip shots, and spin full shots back when they landed or have them simply stick and stop. While the wedge isn't USGA approved, it will make your short game more enjoyable.

At the PGA Merchandise Show I picked up a few trinkets, and I would like to share the wealth with you, my readers.

The Grand Prize is a Tour Edge Exotics fairway wood of your choice. The winner will get to select the loft and shaft they wish from the company's website and have it shipped directly to them. I also have golf balls, sunglasses, caps and more to give away. To have your name put into the pot for the drawing I will hold in a few weeks, drop me an email at [stammegolf@yahoo.com](mailto:stammegolf@yahoo.com), or send me a post card at PO Box 2012, Palm City, FL 34991. Thanks for reading and good luck to all!

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## Paul L. Buccheri

Paul L. Buccheri, 97, of Stuart, died Feb. 4, 2013. He was born in Roxbury, Mass., and lived in Hobe Sound and Stuart for 33 years. He served in the U.S. Army.

He is survived by a son, Ronald; two daughters, Donna and Sharon; a brother, John; three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

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## David L. Hopkins

David L. Hopkins, 68, of Stuart, died Feb. 6, 2013. He was born in Greenbay,

Wis., and lived in Stuart for eight years.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Lynn; three daughters, Rachel, Sarah and Carrie; a son, Christopher; a brother, Todd and four grandchildren.

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## Paul James Dulin

Paul James Dulin, 51, of

Hobe Sound and Colorado Springs, Colo., died Jan. 29, 2013.

He was born in Mansfield, Ohio.

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Since I was little, I loved to travel. Each trip, whether it was a school trip in fourth grade or a family trip to North Carolina, it has been all about visiting new places and seeing new things.

Each trip, by plane, land or sea, stays near to my heart when I am thinking of a 'happy thought.'

Some vacations don't require a ticket; some only need a tank of gas and a little imagination.

Setting a day aside and taking off in your car can be liberating.

There are several places all over the Space and Treasure Coast that you might have never known before.

This issue of Forever Young will highlight some of the best day trips for you and your family.

We've talked to mechanics in each market about what you need to do with your car before heading to the



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open road.

And, just in case your sights for travel are headed a little farther than the East Coast, we've talked to travel agents on what the best tricks and tips are for traveling on a budget. One of my favorite day trips was with my family. We drove to Orlando for the day and instead of going to the usual theme parks, we went off the beaten path and on a train.

We had looked in the newspaper and saw a train station had been remodeled, so the Celebration Station train took us on a round-trip tour of Central Florida.

The impromptu trip still stays highlighted in my mind. In the morning we started out in a direction, and by that night we had a memory.

So, take a day, grab a friend and head out and see this beautiful state that people travel from all over the world to see.

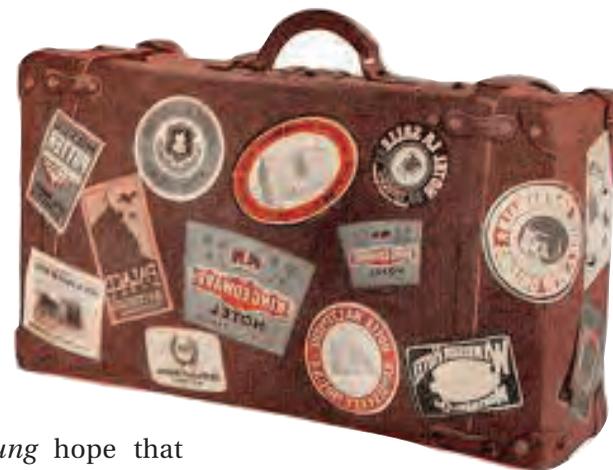
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# DAY TRIPS

## Getting away for the day



**Sevin Bullwinkle**/staff photographer

Executive director Cynthia Warren sits next to a water feature in Heathcote Botanical Gardens. The water feature was built in memory of one of the founders, Gloria Moore, who died in 2011.

**By Brittany Llorente**  
Writer/production coordinator

One of the best things to do on a weekend is to get out of town and explore. Here are some ideas of places to go alone, with a friend or spouse, or with the whole family.

### Heathcote Botanical Garden

Heathcote Botanical Garden in Fort Pierce offers unique charm with an herb garden and a whole different and new assortment of plants.

As one of its greatest attractions, Heathcote is also home to the largest tropical bonsai collection in the United States with more than 100 bonsai trees on display.

The gardens also have events during the week and weekends, includ-

ing Pioneer Family Days in March, where visitors can enjoy workshops and hands-on pioneer life experiences and music.

The gardens are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The gardens are closed Monday.

Cost is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and \$2 for children ages six to 12. Children younger than six and veterans with identification are free.

Heathcote Botanical Gardens is located at 210 Savannah Road, Fort Pierce.

*For more information, call (772) 464-0323 or visit [www.heathcotebotanicalgardens.org](http://www.heathcotebotanicalgardens.org).*

### Jupiter Inlet lighthouse

The Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse in Jupiter was built in 1860 on an Indian shell mound. The history of the lighthouse and the inlet stems to the Civil War and World War II.

The lighthouse workers would even interact with the Seminole Indians, buying food from them. Through hurricanes, the lighthouse keeper would stay in the lighthouse to help oncoming ships.

The stories and history are presented at the lighthouse's museum, a Naval housing quarters building, restored for the exhibits.

Outside exhibits include the Light-

**Heathcote Botanical Garden's James J. Smith Bonsai Gallery is the largest tropical bonsai collection in the United States with more than 100 plants on display.**

house Keeper's workshop, Tindall Pioneer Homestead and Indian exhibitions from the Seminole and Chickee.

The Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse and museum is located at 500 Captain Armour's Way, Jupiter.

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### Lion Country Safari

This is no ordinary trip to the zoo. The drive-thru safari in Loxahatchee is a chance to encounter ostriches, rhinos, giraffes and other exotic ani-

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# ROAD TRIPS

## Getting your car ready for the drive

By **Brittany Llorente**  
Writer/production coordinator

When heading out on the open road, whether it is for an afternoon or a few days, the vehicle you are taking is the deciding factor on whether you make it to your destination or not.

So before you head out, there are some things you need to do.

Anthony Greco is the owner of A Greco's Automotive in Stuart, and he has seen his fair share of cars either rolled or towed into his shop.

"The first thing you need to check is if the oil needs to be changed," Mr. Greco said. "I would also check all five tires, your regular four and then the spare tire. People seem to forget about that tire before it's too late. They end up with a flat tire and when they go to change the tire, they find

their other tire is flat."

Other checks would consist of front, rear and brake lights and fluid levels.

Another suggestion from Mr. Greco was to have the car diagnosed. In the computer age, a small device is connected to your car to analyze any problems.

"There can be small things like a spark plug or a vacuum hose. We find the cause of the problem and we go from there," Mr. Greco

said.

To keep your wallet from getting too light on the trip from frequent visits to the gas station, Mr. Greco recommends for drivers to stay the speed limit.

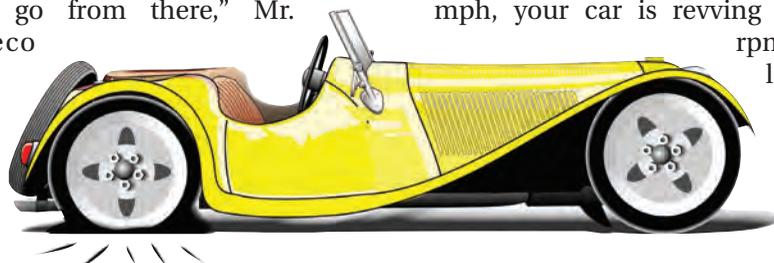
"As long as your car is in tune and running good and your tire pressure is good, you wouldn't believe what driving the speed limit can do for your gas tank," Mr. Greco said. "When you're driving your car at 70 mph, your car is revving at 1,900

rpm. At a lower speed, your car is revving at 1,200 rpm and you're using a lot less gasoline. You really swallow gas at high speeds."

For a road trip, he recommends that you have water in your car for yourself and for the car, in case of overheating, as well as jumper cables and a cellphone in case of emergencies. He also suggests having a AAA card for roadside service.

"The AAA card is very inexpensive and it would cover you in all the different states," Mr. Greco said. "I have a AAA card myself because I don't always run around with my tow truck."

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# TRAVELING

## Tips for traveling on a budget

By **Brittany Llorente**  
Writer/production coordinator

When sitting at home on the weekends becomes a regular habit, it might be time to get out and explore.

With an unlimited amount of destinations, usually, the only hindrance is money.

John Burson, owner of Indian River Travel, has sent many a happy traveler on their vacation.

For those thinking ahead, planning ahead is critical.

"The broad selection of availability, whether it is a cruise or flying, the earlier you plan, the better," Mr. Burson said. "The days of waiting until the last minute to get the deal is going away, people are traveling again."

When sitting down to plan your

vacation, large or not, Mr. Burson said that establishing a budget is important.

"If you plan through a travel consultant, make sure you disclose the budget to the consultant and what you want to do or go for the trip," he said. "The agent can help you design a trip with the budget you have planned in advance."

When shopping online, there is a distinct difference between price and value.

"You may have a great deal or what you think is a great deal on a hotel room, but what you might not realize is what you are not getting is as

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## Sebastian Inlet

With the swimming cove reopened and a new gift shop and restaurant on the grounds, lots of nature tours and plenty of rangers on hand to answer any questions, the Sebastian Inlet in Indian River County is a great place to spend outside and enjoying the beauty of the Florida coast.

The McLarty Treasure Museum and the Sebastian Fishing Museum tells the history of the area.

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The Sebastian Inlet State Park is located at 9700 S. State Road A1A, Melbourne Beach.

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# DINING

## Fresh catch distinguishes restaurant



Photo courtesy Tin Fish

Tin Fish owners Eric and Jocelyn Olson are pictured with their sons, Drew and Parker, in front of the Stuart restaurant.

By **Samantha Joseph**  
For Forever Young

STUART — There's nothing like living on tropical islands to develop a taste for the best, freshest seafood in the world. So it was a most pleasant surprise to discover Tin Fish in Stuart, tucked away on Indian Street, between U.S. 1 and Willoughby.

This beautiful restaurant does seafood like no other, serving dishes with incredible flavors that never overpower the main attraction, the fish itself.

Take the aptly named "kaboom" shrimp, bursting with sweet and spicy undertones, thanks to its lovely cream sauce, which by the way, is available for other dishes. This restaurant has mastered the art of adding dollops of interest to the delicate natural flavor of its plump

shrimp without drowning the seafood.

This is never more apparent than in its signature tacos, where each ingredient augments the next, and fresh homemade salsa meets a squiggle of hot sauce, ranch dressing, cheddar cheese and shredded cabbages all served on a Baja California soft flour tortilla. Offered grilled or fried, depending on the type of fish, mine arrived with a beautiful cut of fried flounder, the fish of the day.

The secret to all the winning entrées is the straight-from-the-water seafood, brought in from St. Augustine by a friend of owner Eric Olson, who some diners might remember as one of the former own-

ers of Bono's Bar-B-Q and Grill in Stuart.

Sunshine Johnson is Tin Fish's marketing manager. Her daughter, Jocelyn Olson, owns the restaurant with husband Eric. They said guests have noticed the food's freshness.

"We get compliments all the time on the fish," Ms. Olson said. "Nothing overpowers the flavor, so you can tell it's really good and tender fish."

Its menu also includes choices, such as several chicken entrées and giant burgers.

But whatever it serves, Tin Fish places a premium on freshness, and that's clear even in the cocktail sauce, made daily with grated horse-

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## The Singles Scene From March Madness To Gladness

By Kelly Leary, M.S., V.P. and Director of Precision Dating

*"It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. And when you've got it...you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!"*

- Mark Twain

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Happy March! We are still in the first quarter of 2013, so let's stay on top of things and make sure we are making the most of our lives and love(s). March Madness is a phenomenon that grips the nation on different levels; time to reset your feelings and energy level to accommodate this perky time of year. This blossoming can occur from the first week of March through the first week of April.

I've composed a list of **six sure-fire ways to renew your spirit** — and your heart — **single or not.**

### 1. Read *The Power* by Rhonda Byrne (also the author of *The Secret*)

This book touts that "when you're feeling joyful, you are giving joy, and you'll receive back joyful experiences, joyful situations, and joyful people, wherever you go. From the smallest experience of your favorite song playing on the radio to bigger experiences of receiving a pay raise — all of the circumstances you experience are the law of attraction responding to your feeling of joy." Life is supposed to be fun! When you're having fun, you will feel better and you will receive great things!

**2. Don a new look.** Book an appointment at a trendy salon and change your hair color or cut (good for men or women). Search through magazines to find a look that "wows" you. The better you look and feel, the more admirers you will attract. If you have had the same hair style for more than five years, you need a new look — male or female.

**3. Call today for our exclusive Singles Event Party.** You must be a single, divorced, or widowed, adult from ages 40 to 85 to apply. Everyone must wear something green to this A-List singles party, and we prefer that you dress in cocktail attire. Get intoxicated with love on this lucky Irish night! Surely your Spring Season 2013 will be guaranteed to kick off with a special someone. Please call today as seating is limited.

**4. Pick up some new moves in a local dance class or zumba class.** These classes promote overall mind/body well-being by incorporating flexibility, self confidence and increased self-esteem

**5. Launch a new shade of lipstick for you.** I enjoy this pastime whenever the seasons change. New colors abound. If you are feeling particularly racy, enjoy the matching liner and lip gloss. I must have all three to feel satisfied, personally. For the more daring, book an appointment at your favorite make up counter (Chanel, Mac, or Lancôme, for example), and have the pros show you the way!

**6. I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! (Even you gentlemen will love this).** The weather is warmer and it's the perfect time to visit your local frozen yogurt or ice cream parlor and order away — toppings and all! No holds barred! This is especially fun to do on a date ... or even solo. Combine with a movie date so you can enjoy some chit chat over ice cream. Feel and see your spirits lift. I think it's impossible to have a negative thought in an ice cream parlor!

March is definitely a time to be exuberant, courageous, playful and full of heart. Break free of whatever is holding you back. By doing so you will nourish your heart and love will follow you wherever you go. This spring, abandon the ordinary dull routines of your life that are not working for you and access a deeper wisdom through some bold and positive action. Fly free from the chains that bind you, and find your own love link. Two is always better than one.

I look forward to seeing you soon!

*Much love and luck to you and yours,  
Kelly xoxo*

*Kelly Leary has 20 years in the dating industry and a Master's Degree in Psychology.*

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# ROSE'S ROOM

## Something happened on the way to the runway

While traveling recently, I experienced a short delay in boarding. Not a 'hold the presses' revelation, but the reason for the delay is a new one on me.

A lovely young lady appeared from behind the closed doors to announce to us already-lined-up passengers that there had been a minor 'incident' and our plane had been bumped. It appeared the only damage was a dent in the skin, but the airline didn't want to take chances and were sending a crew to check the dent to make sure it would not affect the plane's performance.

We all quietly took our seats, still clutching our carry-on bags.

I could not stop the questions bouncing around inside my head.

How does one 'bump' an airplane? This is not a short compact car that



**ROSE'S ROOM**

ROSE PADRICK

you accidentally tap trying to parallel park; this is a huge, shiny, metal object, complete with large print and pictures. Not to mention the uncountable decibel level of noise coming from all those engines. Ray Charles would know it was there!

Planes are also very tall, which means the only thing that could have dented the skin would have been another plane. I just don't get a warm, fuzzy feeling knowing there is a person driving in the same sky-space as we are that could not avoid such a monster object while on the ground.

I also have to wonder how they found out there was a bump and consequential dent. Did one pilot get out of his plane and leave a note containing his license number and insurance company information? Did a sky cap witness the incident and call someone in the control tower?

Does the pilot, who did the bumping, have to take a two-hour course to keep the points off his license?

Other than that, we had a mostly uneventful trip, and considering what a big flight-baby I am, I must say, breaking only two fingernails, while disengaging them from the armrests and having only one person stumble over me when I kneeled to kiss the tarmac is perhaps my personal best post-flight behavior to date.

## Traveling

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important as what you're getting," Mr. Burson said.

For example, a hotel that offers breakfast for a few dollars more than one who doesn't would be a better value, even though it is a little higher in price.

For travel agents, this is a day-to-day decision that they use when measuring up hotels, along with other amenities.

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# BOATING

## Staying afloat: tips for beginners

For Hometown News

Learning to boat or sail is similar to learning to drive an automobile. Neither one happens overnight. Learning to get around on the water can be exciting, but it can also be intimidating to take over the reins of a boat for the first time.

Though beginners might be apprehensive when they first start to boat or sail, there are some tips that can make it a little easier for those new to captaining their own ship.

**Start small.** Much like teenagers learning to drive are often more comfortable learning behind the wheel of a compact car, boating beginners might be more comfortable learning to sail on a small boat. Smaller boats are easier to maneuver, making even the most nervous novice a little more comfortable.

**Choose calm waters in which to**

**practice.** According to the United States Coast Guard, in 2010, there were more than 4,600 recreational boating accidents that involved 672 deaths. Beginners should always practice in calm waters that don't boast big waves or lots of fellow boaters. This gives beginners the chance to learn the feel of the boat without the added pressure of handling choppy waters or traffic.

**Read the weather reports.** Veteran boaters struggle with inclement weather from time to time, so beginners should expect to struggle with adverse conditions, as well. But don't be caught off guard by bad weather. Always check the weather reports before going out, and be sure to bring along appropriate attire and gear.

**Don't go it alone.** Boating and sailing come with their own terminology,



A group of boaters at the Sebastian Inlet State Park.

Cliff Partlow  
staff photographer

which beginners are typically unfamiliar with. Before heading out on the water, learn as much of this terminology as possible – be it by studying manuals or books or even asking experienced friends for help.

**Respect other boaters.** Boating is a hobby enjoyed by millions, and

boaters should always respect that there are other people on the water, as well. Whether you're out in the middle of the ocean or relaxing at the pier on your docked boat, respect the other boaters by keeping the music down and always discarding of trash in a responsible way.

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## Dining

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radish.

The New England clam chowder is loaded with shellfish, diced potatoes and still-crunchy vegetables. Every spoonful is delicious.

That day's soup — shrimp and corn chowder — had fresh kernels that burst on the tongue.

The wild-caught salmon was also a treat, as were the homemade hush puppies and conch fritters. The shellfish is served "garlicky" or spicy, and the fish fingers are fresh and lightly breaded. The menu includes a variety of fish, including wahoo, flounder, grouper and red snapper, all caught off the Florida coast.

Tin Fish does it right. Located in a 7,000-square-foot, contemporary-style building with a small garden and plenty of outdoor seating under a large awning, this restaurant hits all the right notes.

I caught a peek of staffer Eduardo Lopez chopping beautiful leaves of romaine lettuce for the day's Caesar's salads.

The water in the cappuccino machine is purified through an on-site double filtration system; and near each bar stool are tiny hooks for patrons to hang pocketbooks or coats.

The price is also right, with everything on the menu ranging from \$3.95 to \$18.95.

This family-run business is a great addition to Stuart's dining scene.

Its outdoor patios transforms on weekends, with live music and dancing on Fridays and Saturdays, from 6 p.m.

The bar serves two-for-one beers, well cocktails and house wines every day during happy hour, from 3-7 p.m.

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# GOLF

## Tips for newcomers to golf

**F**ew hobbies can be as enjoyable one moment and as frustrating the next as golf. Golfers know a great putt can be quickly followed by a bad tee shot, and maintaining their composure through the highs and lows of the game is a key to success on the links.

Maintaining composure isn't always easy, even for the professionals. It's even more difficult for beginners, who quickly learn golf involves more than just spending sunny weekend afternoons on pristine golf courses. In fact, golf can be quite demanding and beginners would be wise to heed a few tips before hitting the course.

Don't commit to an expensive set of clubs right off the bat. Golf clubs can be very expensive, so beginners



### GOLF

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PGA, DIRECTOR  
OF INSTRUCTION

should buy an affordable second-hand set of clubs so they can get the hang of what they like before spending a lot of money. Visit a pro shop and explain that you are a beginner. The shop will likely make some valuable suggestions and might even let you try out some clubs. In addition, many driving ranges allow customers to rent clubs and this can be a great and inexpensive way to find the right clubs for you.

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# GENEALOGY

## Genealogy keeps your mind sharp

**M**y genealogy research has suffered lately due to the holidays and life in general.

I finally made an appointment to have some long-needed outpatient surgery. The day came, and of course, genealogy was the last thing on my mind. As I lay on the surgery table, I was patted and reassured by the nurses that everything would be fine. I would only be asleep for a few minutes, and when I woke up, everything would be over. Then the nurse slipped the needle into my arm, (almost painlessly).

A few minutes later, I was instantly awake.

There were two nurses standing



### GENEALOGY

BRENDA K. SMITH

above my head, just out of sight, having a conversation. It concerned the sister of one grandmother being related to someone else in the family, and they were wondering what relationship that made these people to each other.

I was right there with them. I remember saying "Oh, are you talking about genealogy?" I'm sure they must have been pretty surprised, and maybe annoyed, to have the patient join in on their private conversation. They answered back and agreed that, yes, they were discussing genealogy. I told them I was a genealogist and if I had my computer with me, I could give them their answer immediately. Of all times not to have my computer with

me, just when I needed it! Why didn't I think to take it to the surgery room?? Genealogy Lesson No. 1: Always have your data close at hand.

A few minutes later, as a nice nurse was slipping the needle out of my arm, I asked her who was asking the genealogy question.

"Oh that was the surgery nurses," she said, "You are now in recovery."

We agreed that I must have taken another little nap after my conversation. I remember telling her that they had my information, and if they needed my help, they knew where to find me. I guess those drugs caused my ego to inflate dramatically!

After leaving the facility, I began to think about this with skepticism, and suspect that it was a dream, but it seemed so real. I didn't have any names or faces to put with this incident, and I didn't want to make any bigger fool of myself by going back and asking everyone if it really happened. So how was I ever going to

know if it was real or a dream?

On my next visit, I asked how long I had been asleep. Then I asked if it was possible to wake up in the surgery room. "Why?" said the doctor. "Did you want to?"

I explained that I thought that maybe I had, but wasn't sure if it was real or a dream.

The nurse chimed in at this point. "Yes, you woke up and joined right in on the conversation!"

I was both embarrassed to have intruded on someone's conversation, and elated that the mere subject of genealogy could actually bring me back to consciousness.

So with this thought in mind, to my family and friends, if I ever become unconscious, slip into a coma, or suffer from dementia (which runs in my family), just start talking to me about genealogy. I will instantly regain consciousness or sanity for at least a few minutes, and you can ask what you need to know before I leave you again.

### SUDOKU PUZZLE ANSWER

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## Golf

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Take lessons. Even the very best at self-teaching might find it extremely

difficult to become a self-taught golfer. When first trying your hand at golf, take some lessons and don't expect to be playing 18 holes any time soon. Before hitting the course — where you might be discouraged and you might frustrate those golfing behind you — learn the fundamentals by taking a few lessons at the driving range. Learn from a professional, who won't offer you any hidden secrets to golfing glory (there aren't any) but will offer sound advice on the game's fundamentals.

Take the game home with you. Beginners can even take advantage of golf's vast popularity by taking the game home with them. This doesn't mean building a putting green in your backyard. Rather, purchase some instructional DVDs to learn the game during your down time throughout the week. Many golfers don't have time to hit the links during the week, but they do have time to watch some DVDs when they get

home from work. Such instructional DVDs can help you master your grip and stance, which you can then take with you to the course over the weekend.

Have fun. Golf is a fun game; it just takes time to hone your skills. But even if you aren't ready for the professional tour after your first few rounds, you can still have fun. Don't let some beginner's frustration, which every golfer experiences, ruin the fun of the game. Take note of your surroundings when you hit the links, and appreciate the time you're spending with your group. If the game becomes more a source of frustration than fun, then take a break and put in some more work away from the course, be it at the driving range or studying at home.

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# TRAVEL

When I think of history in Florida, my mind automatically goes to St. Augustine.

There is something about the Castillo De San Marco looming out over the water and the shops on and around St. George Street that brings out the adventurer in me.

The shops along St. George Street are part of the history itself. The various current souvenir shops were mortuaries, shops that housed the soldiers and the town folk from centuries.

Seek out the Oldest House, close to the City Gates on St. George Street. The small wooden school house was built over 200 years ago when Florida was controlled by Spain.

Walk further down St. George Street and see the water wheel and a little further down, keep your eyes peeled for a small sign leading to the Old Spanish Bakery.



## TRAVEL

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The building, one of the first on St. George Street, is used to cook delicious Spanish foods like empanadas and fresh bread that fills the surrounding area. The old hearth and is still used for bread making.

Bring your cash though, because as old as the building is, the bakery is not able to get a phone line.

The downtown area offers a plethora of dining experiences that can only be found there. My favorites are the Columbia Restaurant, Scarlett O'Hara's and to satisfy my craving for wine, Sangrias.

After shopping to your heart's content, head to the Castillo De San

Marco.

Building of the fort began in 1672 to defend Florida against pirates hunting the Spanish treasure ships.

The history of the fort includes Spanish, Seminole and Apache Indian, French and British history. The tour through the fort will bring you through the soldier's quarters, through the gunpowder room (you have to crawl through the small area), the cathedral and up along the battlements where live reenactments of cannon fire are done.

The battlement also gives you the most gorgeous view of the Matanzas Bay, the ships and the light house.

I have been to St. Augustine many times, but I didn't fully get an appreciation for the city until I went on a ghost tour.

Whether or not you believe whether ghosts exist or not, the amount of

historical knowledge that the guides have is immense. There are a number of ghost tours through St. Augustine but I chose 'A Ghostly Experience' located at 2 St. George Street, near the city gates. The tour was featured on the Travel Channel and the Discovery Channel.

Walking with the period dressed guide around the city was a real eye opener to the life that was lived centuries before.

The stories continue to each landmark, then through the Tolomato and Huguenot Cemeteries.

There are lots of other things to do in St. Augustine, including the quest for the Fountain of Youth, touring the light house or going to Ripley's Believe It or Not!

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