



## Need to know

### Kane Center to host presentation

The Council on Aging of Martin County will host a presentation by Certified Elder Law Attorney Nikki Melby entitled "Getting Your Ducks in a Row: Who Does What with What Ya Got, and How" on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2013 from 2 - 3 p.m., at the Kane Center in Stuart. The presentation is a lively, interactive lecture that will explore and explain the documents necessary to properly plan for your future.

Nicola J. Melby, J.D., is certified by the National Elder Law Foundation and the Florida Bar Board of Legal Specialization and has been focused exclusively on the practice of Elder and Special Needs Law since 1995.

Participants are reminded that the hiring of an attorney is an important decision that should not be based solely on advertisement. Before you decide, ask Nikki Melby to provide written information about her qualifications and experience.

The lecture is free and open to the public, but space is limited. Call (772) 223-7807 to reserve a spot.

For information on Council on Aging services, or to learn how you can support the Council and be a part of the Kane Center, call (772) 223-7800 or visit [www.kanecenter.org](http://www.kanecenter.org).

### Local libraries to offer Medicare 101 seminars

Two St. Lucie County libraries will offer free Medicare 101 seminars this November.

- Friday, Nov. 15 at 10 a.m. - Morningside Branch Library, 2410 SE Morning-side Blvd., Port St. Lucie.
- Thursday, Nov. 21 at 1 p.m. - Fort Pierce Branch Library, 101 Melody Lane, Fort Pierce.

Presented by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, these free work-

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### WEEKEND WEATHER



**Friday:** Overcast; high: 79; low: 70; high tide: 6:29 a.m.; low tide: 12:24 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Partly cloudy, chance of thunderstorms; high: 82; low: 68; high tide: 7:13 a.m.; low tide: 1:08 p.m.  
**Sunday:** Partly cloudy; high: 84; low: 68; high tide: 7:55 a.m.; low tide: 1:50 p.m.  
*Weather courtesy of www.weather.com*

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## Congressman reflects on first year, looks ahead

By Alisha McDarris  
For Hometown News

TREASURE COAST — For U.S. Congressman Patrick Murphy it's hard to believe it's already been a year since he was elected.

"It's flown by," Mr. Murphy said, likely because he has been very busy on the Treasure Coast and in Washington D.C. this past year.

The bi-partisan congressman cares about national and local issues and has been working hard

to be the voice of the people in the nation's capital.

Much of the work he has been doing has been advocating for local waterways. He was part of the Water Resources Development Act that benefitted the everglades and has even taken a sample of polluted river water to the



Murphy

House floor to urge action.

The Congressman has also been heavily involved in the country's financial issues, leading the SAVE Act and helping find a way to eliminate wasteful government spending.

Assisting veterans has been a priority, too, as he aims to provide them with more job opportunities.

In between his trips to Washington D.C. he could fre-

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## Mutts go on a march



Deputy Kevin Fritchie, left, Martin County Sheriff William Snyder, getting a kiss from Sarah Palin, Lieutenant Forrest Yingling's dog, to his right, and Deputy Scott Bundy.

Sevin Bullwinkle/staff photographer

*Humane Society of the Treasure Coast's 11th annual Mutt March to benefit animals at the shelter was held Saturday at Memorial Park in downtown Stuart.*



Golden Girls Jill Kidd and Alice Yelenic, both of Stuart, with their dogs Lola, 8, and Bridget, 10, "the Silver Sneakers."

Sevin Bullwinkle  
staff photographer

## Warfield: then and now

### Program to take an inside look at Warfield Elementary

By Alisha McDarris  
For Hometown News

INDIANTOWN — Warfield Elementary is taking students, parents and the whole community on an excursion through the past during the school's 85th anniversary celebration.

On Nov. 21, teachers and students will present a special program commemorating the milestone in which two students, led by their teacher, go back in time to meet key characters in Indiantown's and the school's history.

They will encounter Solomon Davies Warfield, after whom the elementary is named and who is played by Principal Ivy Menken, and Miss Edna, the town's first schoolhouse teacher. They will also learn about residents like Timer Powers, an important early resident, and Stephen Harvey who was contracted to build the first school.

The chorus will sing and audiences will learn along with the students as history comes alive before their eyes.

Teachers Carol Rey and Lynda Swift researched and helped organize the event and Lynda, an art teacher, helped the students make a book called "I is for Indiantown," a copy of which all of the parents will be receiving.

The book, which will also be shown in a slide show presentation, contains photographs and students' artwork of people and places around Indiantown throughout its history.

"They're a labor of love," said Ms. Menken about the books.

The students have enjoyed learning about what it was like in the early days of the schoolhouse and about activities like rodeo club that were popular after school at one time. They've seen photos of barefoot students, dogs in the classroom, and Miss Edna's car stuck in the marsh on the first day of

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## Veterans receive good news from nonprofit

By Alisha McDarris  
For Hometown News

STUART — Veterans have always been welcome at Molly's House in Stuart, but the organization has never promoted that fact, until now.

After the Veteran's Parade on Monday, the gate to the Serenity Garden on Ocean Boulevard was opened, the public was offered hot dogs and drinks, and the proclamation dedicating two rooms for veterans' use was made.

Louise Murtaugh, executive director of Molly's House said the announcement was long overdue.

The organization offers temporary affordable accommodations, some-

times even for free if a family is unable to pay, for patients and their families being treated in hospitals on the Treasure Coast. They have helped over 380 families over the last year, some of which were veterans.

"We never turn anyone away," Ms. Murtaugh said.

But the fact that they were open to everyone, including veterans, had never been widely publicized so Ms. Murtaugh thought Veteran's Day would be the perfect time to invite the community, veterans and their families into the Serenity Garden to hear about their new project.

"On Veteran's Day we thought it would be a nice thing to say welcome to

our veterans," Ms. Murtaugh said.

Ms. Murtaugh announced that two of the 14 rooms in the house have been designated for veteran use, meaning those rooms will be made available to them first.

"We want to make sure they know they have a place to come," Ms. Murtaugh said. "We want to make sure our veterans know they are welcome at Molly's House."

But the announcement was more than offering veterans a place to stay despite whether or not they are able to pay, it was a message of appreciation.

"There's nothing that's adequate enough to thank our veterans," said Kevin

Sharkey, Molly's father, after whom the house is named. "It's more a token of our appreciation than anything else."

Alan Atwood, an Army veteran, was present and spoke briefly about his gratitude for the warm hospitality of Molly's House when he was looking after his brother who was hospitalized in Lawnwood Medical Center in Fort Pierce.

"If it weren't for Molly's House, I wouldn't have been able to help my brother. It's been a big financial help," Mr. Atwood said.

"We look forward to serving our veterans for today, tomorrow and for years to come," Ms. Murtaugh said.

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## Families in need find food, comfort at center

By Anna-Marie Menhenott  
news@hometownnewsol.com

TREASURE COAST — As families struggle each week to make ends meet, the hopes of a Thanksgiving turkey dinner with all the trimmings is usually not very high on their list of necessities.

However, those at Harvest Food & Outreach Center feel that every family deserves to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal. So, with the generosity of the community, several local businesses and Ara-

mark and Southern Commerce Bank, hundreds of local families can rest easy knowing they, too, can celebrate a day of thanks with a hot, nourishing meal.

"There are many families who just don't have the extra money to buy a turkey this year," said Deb Pizzimenti, Community Relations Coordinator at Harvest Food & Outreach Center. "With the recent decrease in food stamp benefits, families who were barely feeding their families are now struggling even more."

So far in the first week of November 2013, there has been a five percent increase in shoppers at the center, however, SNAP (Food Stamp) benefits are not just a "first of the month" program any longer. We have folks receiving their benefit throughout the month, so the increase of traffic at the

center is surely to rise.

The center offers life skill classes to accompany the discounted food offered.

"We have classes that teach residents how to properly pay bills, how to make their food stamps stretch in order to get the most with what they receive and ultimately, a way to get out of the system so they are no longer relying on food stamps to feed their families," Ms. Pizzimenti said. "With the jobs being scarce and the decrease in benefits, it's a tough road, but we let them know that they can do it and that we are a source of encouragement and determination when they feel lost."

Most of the participants in the center's programs are 200 percent below the poverty level. It affects everyone and the center is hoping that those who are

able can help those who are in need.

"Southern Commerce Bank and Aramark have been extremely generous in helping the center give holiday meals to families in need," Ms. Pizzimenti said. "They have both made huge food donations to the center. Dominic's Corner Grill in Fort Pierce has donated vouchers for 400 turkeys which will be given away, along with side dishes, on Sunday, Nov. 24, from 1-3 p.m. at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center. This will be a huge event, which will include bounce houses from All In Fun, face painting, music and a good time for all.

Businesses are also collecting food for the pantry to help families during the holidays. Those locations

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## Warfield

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school.

"They just want to know more," Ms. Menken said.

That's what it's all about for her: helping her students understand their history so they might be able to imagine what's in store for the future.

"History is important," Ms. Menken said. "They're making history right now."

Indiantown, she explained, has a rich history to share.

"We wanted our kids to know what our town was about and our history," she said. "We want to leave them with an understanding of that history."

She's looking forward to the comprehensive look at Indiantown's past to its present that Indiantown Non-Profit Housing, the Indiantown Education Coalition and Indiantown Chamber of Commerce helped make possible.

The program starts at 6 p.m. in the elementary school cafeteria and following will be a reception in the courtyard of the original building that sits next door to Warfield Elementary.

The entire community is invited to come out, enjoy, and learn about how far Warfield Elementary has come in its 85 years.

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# Car dealers' latest dirty little secret, the 'electronic filing fee'

Florida Sen. Joe Negron is leading an effort to roll back about \$12 of the cost of registering a car in Florida. He says this will save Floridians about \$230 million a year. This is to bring back the tag registration cost back to where it was about four years ago, when the legislature raised it because of the bad economy.

What Sen. Negron and, apparently, the rest of the Florida legislature either doesn't know (or care) about is that, at about the same time, car dealers began passing along and marking up an expense to car buyers. This is increasing their profits far more than the \$230 million a year that reducing tag registration fees will save.

This increased profit to car dealers is generally called the "Electronic Filing Fee or E-Filing Fee," but there are other names that dealers use, just as they do for the infamous "dealer fee" like "dealer services." Car dealers used to process the tag and registration required on new and used cars themselves.

About four years ago they began outsourcing this to companies that can do this work cheaper than they can themselves. The typical cost of this outside service is only \$10 or \$12. So, not only did the car dealers reduce their expense, they passed along the reduced expense to you, the car buyer! But wait, there's more! Car dealers are also marking up this reduced expense up and passing this along to you too!

I've seen Electronic Filing Fees marked up to \$598... that's a 5,980 percent markup!

At my dealership I began using a registration service company named Title Tech in 2009 and they charge me \$10 to prepare the tag, registration, and title work for each new customer. This saves me considerable time

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and money from doing it myself. In the past always absorbed the higher expense and I don't pass along the reduced cost to my customers either. It's adding "insult to injury" to mark up this cost and pass it along to you.

The word "fee" is almost always used by dealers when they are trying to disguise additional profit or to pass along an expense to you (which is the same thing as additional profit). When car buyers are lucky enough to even notice the Electronic Filing Fee, they usually assume it's a tax or fee charged by the state, federal, or local governments. They do the same thing with the dealer fee under its various other names like documentary fee.

Florida law considers the Electronic Filing Fee to be the same thing as a Dealer Fee and requires that it be disclosed and used by car dealers as such. The language Florida requires for disclosure is "This charge represents costs and profit to the dealer for items such as inspecting, cleaning, and adjusting vehicles and preparing documents related to the sale." The law also requires that the Electronic Filing Fee be included in all advertised prices.

Unfortunately most dealers are ignoring this law just as they do with the additional profit they make with the Dealer Fee.

Dealers almost never include their Dealer Fees or Electronic Filing Fees in their advertised price which is a flagrant violation of Florida law. If they even

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Trade Allowance and/or Discount	3500.00
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Tire and Battery State Fee	6.50
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mention that they have a dealer fee, they will say in the fine print something like "prices plus tax, tag, and fees."

A few dealers will disclose in the fine print, "plus tax, tag, and \$999.95 dealer fee."

The Florida Senate says "The law requires that the fee be included rather than "specifically delineated" in the advertised price." Most car dealers' advertising is done on TV and the fine print disclosure is literally unreadable.

The other loophole permitted by Florida law is to allow the dealers to offer only one car with the dealer fee included in the price. That would not be so bad if the dealer clearly communicated this to the buyer. But dealers use something I call "the old stock number trick."

Every car in a dealer's inventory is assigned a stock number for accounting purposes. A typical stock number is something like "A25771." Dealers will put

their stock number for that particular advertised car in the fine print at the bottom of the ad or elsewhere. Even if a customer sees the stock number, they have no way of knowing what it means.

When the prospective buyer responds to the advertisement, the salesman tells him that the advertised car was sold but, "not to worry," he has several more "just like it."

Yes, he does have several more identical cars in terms of model, accessories, and MSRP. But, because they have different stock numbers, the law now permits him to add his extra profit to the advertised prices disguised as Dealer Fee and Electronic Filing Fee.

It's an affront to the car buyers of Florida that their Attorney General and their legislature allow this to continue. Car dealers have powerful lobbying groups and they clearly communicate to Pam Bondi, the AG,

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## Mini-grants fund character initiatives for local students

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MARTIN COUNTY — Schools and nonprofit agencies will be implementing numerous character-building initiatives for students thanks to United Way of Martin County's CHARACTERS COUNTS! distributed \$10,000 in mini-grants during National CHARACTERS COUNTS! Week from Oct. See CHARACTERS, A8

## Sheriff invites residents to a shoot-out

By **Alisha McDarris**  
For Hometown News

### Event to raise funds for breast cancer research

MARTIN COUNTY —It's not often that regular citizens get to fire a gun next to the sheriff, but that's exactly what Lotus Gunworks is offering this weekend.

The Jensen Beach gun range is hosting Shoot with the Sheriff on Saturday to benefit breast cancer research.

The fundraiser takes place during Lotus Gunworks' second anniversary weekend. For two years they have been selling a full line of firearms, ammunition and archery supplies. But it's more than a retail shop; Lotus Gunworks also offers training, conceal and carry courses, and shooting ranges.

Their two-story gun range is where residents will be able to test their aim against

Martin County's Sheriff William Snyder. Before they do, participants will be able to brush up on their shooting skills with a bit of instruction.

"Shoot against him and see how you stand up," said Lotus manager Brandon Abell.

If they do manage to outshoot the sheriff in the bulls-eye competition, prizes and Lotus swag await. There will also be a raffle for a handgun giveaway.

"It should be a really fun day," Mr. Abell said.

He said his dad, Robbie Abell, owner of Lotus Gunworks, came up with the idea of doing a fundraising shoot-out while in the range with Sheriff Snyder.

"Why not throw something together that's a little bit different?" Mr. Abell said.

The company participates in many community and fundraising events, but liked the idea of supporting breast cancer research in

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St. Vero Beach and Sunshine Kids, 1001 Roseland Road, Sebastian.

Harvest Food and Outreach Center will also receive 100 percent of the proceeds from the sixth annual Thanksgiving Day 5K Trot Against Hunger, which will include a sweet potato pancake breakfast.

For more information on the race, visit [www.trotagainsthunger.org](http://www.trotagainsthunger.org). For more information on donating food for families in need this holiday season, call Deb Pizzimenti at (772) 532-5007.

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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.

Arrests listed were made Nov. 1 through Nov. 8

## Stuart Police Department

- Christopher Ryan Mason, 35, of 3230 S.E. Aster Lane Apt 122, Stuart, was charged with resisting officer with violence.
- Andrew Padula, 49, of 8390 S.E. Sanctuary Drive, Hobe Sound, was charged with aggravated assault, with aggravated battery, and with reckless driving.

## Martin County Sheriff's Office

- Evelyn J. Hicks, 29, of 7060 S.E. Salerno Road, Stuart, was charged with aggravated assault.
- Zackary Wendell Houston, 58, of 840 S.E. Highland Road, Stuart, was charged with introduction/removal of contraband into county detention facility, with battery, and with possession of cannabis under 20 grams.
- Christina Sheri Jadusingsh, 26, of 9006 S.E. Parkway Drive, Hobe Sound, was charged with possession of controlled substance with

intent to sell/deliver, and with possession of controlled substance.

- Lori Michelle Lambert, 27, of 10725 S. Ocean Drive Lot 142, Jensen Beach, was charged with felony violation of probation.
- Josh Lewis Mayes, 30, of 4775 28th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of controlled substance with intent to sell/deliver.
- Donna Rosalee Miller, 32, of 8237 S.E. Swan Ave., Hobe Sound, was charged with felony violation of probation.
- Kelly Marie Rotkowitz, 29, of 889 Crystal Lake Drive, Deerfield Beach, was charged with aggravated battery.
- Diego Sanchez-Perez, 35, of 150th Street, Indiantown, was charged with unarmed robbery.
- Pierre Richard Soriano, 34, of 2024 N.W. First Street Apt 4, Miami, was charged with grand theft of motor vehicle, with petit theft first offense, and with driving while license suspended with knowledge.
- Gentrus Peran Thomas, 36, of 5725 39th Street, Vero Beach, was charged with trafficking in cocaine.
- Lashaun Marie Brown, 27, of 2606 N.E. Hickory Ave., Jensen Beach, was charged with possession, sale, manufacture or delivery of controlled substance - schedule II or III or IV, and with delivery of methamphetamine.
- Lorenzo Cordola, 37, of 1019 N.W. 15th Street, Stuart, was charged with felony violation of

- probation.
- Rebecca Jean Jenkins, 53, of 2398 S.E. Monroe Street, Stuart, was charged with grand theft, with dealing in stolen property, and with providing false ownership information to second-hand property dealer.
- Tommy Johnson, 45, homeless, was charged with felony violation of probation.
- Charnay Tatiyana Myers, 21, of 2606 N.E. Hickory Ave., Jensen Beach, was charged with possession, sale, manufacture or delivery of controlled substance - schedule II or III or IV, with delivery of methamphetamine, with possession of controlled substance without valid prescription, and with two counts of possession of cannabis under 20 grams.
- Patricia Lynette Vance, 35, of 902 E. 13th Street, Stuart, was charged with grand theft.
- Timothy James Fritschle, 42, of 934 N.W. Spruce Ridge Drive, Stuart, was charged with felony violation of probation.
- William McKenzie Gibson, 50, of 4901 Oleander Ave. #A, Fort Pierce, was charged with lewd/lascivious exhibition in presence of elderly person or disabled person.
- Carrie Ann Krupa, 24, of 1843 S.E. College Street, Stuart, was

charged with felony violation of probation.

- Gabriel Galarza, 18, of 11500 S.W. Kanner Highway #30, Indiantown, was charged burglary, and with grand theft of property valued \$300-\$5,000.
- William McKenzie Gibson, 50, of 4901 Oleander Ave. #A, Fort Pierce, was charged with burglary of conveyance, with criminal mischief - \$200 or less subsequent offense, and with theft.
- Robert Martin Laurendeau, 40, of 2330 N.E. Rustic Way, Jensen Beach, was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs - third violation.
- Felix Pablo Lias, 27, of 4 Birch Street, Hollywood, was charged with obtaining goods through fraudulent use of credit card and with felony failure to appear.
- Michael Joseph Messina, 62, of 800 N.W. Fork Road Apt B6, Stuart, was charged with possession, sale, manufacture or delivery of controlled substance and with possession of cannabis under 20 grams.
- Pamela Louise Odum, 56, of 418 Tejon Street, Stuart, was charged with Nov 7 and charged with possession of controlled substance without valid prescription.
- Dalton William Sloan, 21, of 10230 S.E. Federal Highway #10,

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Hobe Sound, was charged with burglary of conveyance and with grand theft.

- Michael James White, 32, of 19105 S.E. Mayo Drive, Tequesta, was charged with battery - second or subsequent offense.

## Florida Department of Financial Services

- Antonio Gonzalez, 35, of 14946 S.W. Martin Luther King Drive, Indiantown, was charged with fraud - use of false identification for workers' compensation claim less than \$20k.
- Cesar Guerrero, 29, of 11090 S.E. Federal Highway Lot 90, Hobe Sound, was charged with fraud - use of false identification for workers' compensation claim less than \$20k.
- Mateo Lopez-Lopez, 52, of

7550 Chanel Street, Port Salerno, was charged with fraud - use of false identification for workers' compensation claim less than \$20k.

- Sergio Garcia Rodriguez, 38, of 15780 S.W. 753rd Lot 2, Indiantown, was charged with fraud - use of false identification for workers' compensation claim less than \$20k.

## Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

- Ryan Respeto-Hardy, 20, of 4955 S.W. Honey Terrace, Palm City, was charged with use of false/fictitious name/address or statement required in vessel application or affidavit, and with supply of blank/forged/counterfeit bill of sale/etc. for vessel.

**If you have information about a crime, call Treasure Coast Crimestoppers at (800) 273-TIPS.**

## Sheriff

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honor of October's breast cancer awareness month and to get women into shooting.

"They're a big part of the shooting community now," Mr. Abell said.

The shoot-out takes place Nov. 16, from 1-3 p.m., but as part of the anniversary weekend there will be a cookout beforehand from 11a.m.-2 p.m. and good deals inside the store.

The shoot, ammunition and training are all free, but \$5 donations are requested to participate.

"Come meet your local sheriff and support a great cause," Mr. Abell said.

## Nonprofit celebrates national adoption month

For Hometown News NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

TREASURE COAST — All children need security, trust, encouragement and someone to love them unconditionally. At any given time in St. Lucie, Martin, Indian River and Okeechobee counties, there are approximately 125 to 175 local children in foster care hoping to be adopted into a "forever home."

In 1995, President Clinton established the month of November as National Adoption Month in order to build awareness of the needs of these children. The Heart Gallery of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast is one program that is helping children in foster care find permanent, loving homes with families locally and throughout the nation.

"All too often, people think of cute, cuddly babies when they think of adoption," said Frank Avilla, adoption marketing specialist for Children's Home Society of Florida. "In truth,

there are many older children in foster care who need nurturing and loving homes. These aren't bad kids. Most of the children are intelligent, funny, outgoing, and full of character. They are brave and full of hopes and dreams for a brighter future that includes a family that loves them."

There is a stigma that children in the foster care system are troublesome. "It's just not always the case," explained Avilla. "Unfortunately, the kids who are removed from their homes were exposed to some sort of trauma including abandonment, neglect or abuse, whether emotional, sexual, or physical. These children may not have had a great beginning, but they can have a bright future with an adoptive family."

Kathy Basile, former executive director of the Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County, brought the Heart Gallery idea to the Treasure Coast after seeing the concept in Hillsborough County in the early 2000s. Struck by the photos and biographies

of the children participating in the Heart Gallery, she knew this was something that could benefit children in foster care on the Treasure Coast. The vision became a reality with the launch of the Heart Gallery of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast through the support of the Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County, Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers and Children's Home Society of Florida.

The Heart Gallery of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast continues to be a collaborative effort of numerous organizations dedicated to increasing the number of adoptive families, as well as to heighten the awareness of the many children needing families in the community. Children eight-years-old up to 17-years-old in the foster care system are asked if they would like to participate in the program. A photographer from Scripps Treasure Coast Newspapers takes a professional photograph of the children and a short biography is written to describe each participant. The photo and bio-

graphy are then added to the Heart Gallery display that is exhibited year-long throughout the Treasure Coast at local businesses. The profiles are also added to smaller "mini" Heart Galleries, adoption recruitment books and various statewide and national adoption websites.

"Currently, there are about 34 local kids participating in the Heart Gallery program," said Mr. Avilla. "At one point last year, we just had 11. The increase in the number of kids participating is both good and bad. It's unfortunate to see so many children needing a "forever home," but it's good that they are positive about wanting to participate in the Heart Gallery which then allows us to recruit additional adoptive families. Since inception in 2005, we have had between 60 and 70 adoptions take place because of this program."

The Heart Gallery of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast is partially funded

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## Higher and lower priority updates

If there is one computer issue I can name that annoys both Windows users and Mac users alike, it would have to be "automatic updates."

If you've used a computer for any length of time you've experienced annoying messages that pop up telling you that one program or another needs to update and usually the message is worded in such a way as to make you believe that if you ignore the message horrible things will happen. One of the worst offenders has got to be Adobe with their "Flash" and "Adobe Reader" update messages popping up on an almost daily basis.

What gives? Why is it that you can hardly make it through a week without some program interrupting your workflow nagging you about an update and insisting that you need it? Does ignoring update messages lead down the path of doom or are these constant messages just noise that can safely be ignored?

First, I like to categorize updates into two slots – the first being "important updates that are dangerous to ignore" and the second slot for "updates that are trivial and safe to ignore (until actually needed)."

Let's talk about the first category; why ignoring them can lead down the road to peril and what you should do about them. I categorize things like operating system updates and antivirus updates as important – don't ignore. When you see a message telling you that Windows has "x amount of updates available" or (if you are running a Mac) "important operating system updates are available," set aside some time to apply these updates because the operating system is the one central part of the computer that governs everything.

Quite often these updates are "patches" that correct known bugs and often plug "security holes" that viruses and malware can take advantage of to infect your system. Ignoring these operating system updates can leave you vulnerable to malware or other problems that the updates just may fix. And the fact of the matter is if your computer is up and running, you are using the operating system so it's not like it's an update for a program you never use.



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Antivirus updates are in the same category – they are important and ignoring them can leave your system open to attack from viruses that you may encounter as you surf the 'net. Think of it this way – every day new viruses are released into the wild and it takes the antivirus companies a while to come up with a definition for these new threats. It's these definitions that are included in the antivirus updates and applying these updates is the only way your antivirus program can recognize (and block) new threats as you encounter them online. Sure we're all vulnerable to the new threats that haven't been defined yet but ignoring the antivirus updates leaves you vulnerable to threats that have already been discovered. If your antivirus software doesn't update itself automatically ignoring the update messages is just asking for an infection.

OK, let's talk about the second category – updates that are safe to ignore. I have a theory about this. On every computer there are hundreds of programs installed. Some programs are used daily and some hardly ever get used at all but all programs have one thing in common – they are all written by people and most of them are working 9 to 5 at their programming job. When they write a program and then distribute their program to the masses it's not over for them. What happens is after they release a program, when they show up for work the next day, they keep working on the program that they've already released and push "adjustments" out as automatic updates.

I adopt the attitude of "if it's not broke, don't fix it" and ignore the update messages that all the "other" programs on my machine make. I only apply "non-operating system" or "non-antivirus" updates when I'm having problems with that particular program. It's a philosophy that has yet to let me down.

Sean McCarthy fixes computers. He can be reached at (888) 752-9049 or help@ComputeThisOnline.com (no hyphens).

## I Pledge Allegiance...



Sevin Bullwinkle/staff photographer

Kindergarteners Bailey Walker, Raven Turner, Kaylia Brown and Nate Reaver recite the 'Pledge of Allegiance' during the Veteran's Day assembly. The assembly featured guest speakers representing four branches of the armed services and was held at Felix Williams Elementary in Stuart on Thursday, Nov. 7. See more photos, A10



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### Regarding grammar

To the person who is sick and tired of the poor grammar from today's youth, I agree with you. However you can also look at our federal government who supports some of this. Some of these kids come from impoverished households with parents who got onto the welfare wagon, which is abundant in Fort Pierce.

These individuals have kids, at least three of them, that the government gives them money to support these kids. The parents get into Sec. 8 housing where the government covers some of the rent as well. Some of these women have no education other than how to use the system, so if they dropped out of school and don't want to better themselves, but have kids, how are they supposed to help the kids with proper grammar or any language skill? But if you ask them if they know the words to the rap that they listen to, they have that down pat. How can you fix this terrible epidemic across the board conservative and tell Washington to quit with the free handouts so the youth coming from poverty will be contributing part of the community, and by contributing I don't mean having more kids so they can get that government mighty money. Welfare as far as I'm concerned just breeds more poverty, which leads to crime. Some people on welfare don't want to better themselves they just want a free paycheck courtesy of the tax payer and the democratic "socialist" party. Yes, its very aggravating isn't it?

### Return of the birds

About the snowbirds' return, you really didn't have to advertise that you were back, unless you think we southerners are too stupid to notice.

Oh yeah we see the difference in the traffic, we see the arrogant, rude, unfriendly, pushy, unsmiling faces in the grocery stores.

As far as the places that went under. Were those some of the places that were owned by some of the "birds" when they were here last winter and when they left and flew North last summer, the places they left went under.

Oh I know since you came back this winter you probably found a cheaper "nest" less than what you owed on the one that went under. That's what it sounds like happened when you said you came back too late to save some of the places that went under and you will pour your money into others.

Also you make yourselves disliked and why should we celebrate your return? Do you think of yourselves as special and we should be standing at the Georgia -Florida state line with banners shouting, "welcome back?" Dream on!

### Counties should help

Why is it that local counties refuse to create work, affordable housing and eliminate homelessness?

How come it so hard for both counties to create work and affordable housing?

There are people out of work or about to lose their jobs and be put out on the street and become homeless. By creating work and affordable housing the counties can all but eliminate homelessness.

These same people want to work, even keep their jobs, and also want affordable housing not only for themselves, but for their families. Why is it they look the other way and

not solve the problem?

This is the reason why we have a bad reputation nationwide; they blame everyone else for their own ignorance.

### Concerned about school safety

My daughter is currently a freshman at a local high school. In the last month, there have been a number of security issues at that school.

A student was detained for assaulting a faculty member with a box cutter. On another occasion, there was a huge fight at a football game. I received a phone call from another parent, who urged me to pick my child up from school immediately, because a student had threatened to bring a gun to school.

Last week, the school was on "lock down" because officials thought there was a criminal on school grounds.

I know that school officials and the sheriff's department are doing all they can to keep my child safe, but I have to wonder if she is truly safe.

I paid property taxes just like every home owner. I do not understand why there is not more security on the campuses. If we can afford metal detectors to protect our court houses, why can we not afford to protect our children?

### Don't forget about the little guy

In the day and age of Internet shopping, let's try to remember to patronize our mom and pop businesses in order to keep them alive during this bad time. Small restaurants also need our help. This area has almost no atmosphere and we do need to hang onto any of the neat, small restaurants we've got. Please eat an extra meal, if you can, at your favorite little hang-out.

### Grow up

I had written a very similar letter a couple of years ago and I guess some people don't get it. Halloween is for kids and the more these adolescent six-foot teens go out doing what was supposed to be for kids the less people will be giving out candy on Halloween. Who will this hurt? The real kids who should not be punished by these supposedly grown up teens. The letter writer asks at the end. When will they grow up? I ask the same and wonder also about the parents of these "grown up?" kids.

### Be careful when checking out

I just want everyone to be aware of the mistakes that cashiers and/or the computers are making lately in our local stores.

The other day, if I didn't notice it, I would have been charged twice for the same item at the grocery store because the cashier ran it through two times. Last week, I checked my slip when I got home and was not charged the sale price and had to go all the way back to the store for my refund.

Sometimes they put in the wrong code and I am charged more for an item. Bottom line here folks: check your slips. Economy is tight enough.

### Drain the ditches

When is the city going to grade the ditches and clean the storm drains? Water has been standing for several days in the ditches. Water has been standing for so long a time that I am becoming concerned that a health hazard is just around the corner. The city has ample equipment and employees to resolve the problem.

I would ask that city officials take a drive around town and look at the water problem that has persisted for far too long.

### No toy donations

I will gladly contribute shoes, clothes, school supplies and whatever else children might need, but don't ask me to contribute to Toys For Tots or any other age group. That's like asking me to contribute to bonuses for the CEOs of Mattel and Fisher-Price, among others, while the Chinese who produce the toys make 10 cents an hour.

Americans have got to get smart, become aware of the total picture and get their priorities in order.

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# Business

## Spa offers luxury services without luxury prices



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The newly renovated B-Nails Spa provides a luxurious setting for clients.

By Anna-Marie Menhenott  
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MARTIN COUNTY — While studying for her Master of Business Administration degree from Florida Atlantic University, Ann Le did nails to earn money.

Once graduated, Ms. Le decided she would rather own her own business rather than work for someone else. Her passion for nails, skin care and beauty meshed with her desire to own a business and soon, B-Nails Spa was born.

"The spa has been open for 11 years," said Ms. Le. "We recently underwent a renovation and expanded the entire spa."

The new building is exquisite, offering areas for pedicures, manicures, facials, waxing, a full service salon,

and areas where groups can enjoy services together.

"Sometimes we have parties of two or more people, like bachelorette parties, where the guests would like to enjoy their services together," Ms. Le said. "We can accommodate groups. They get their beauty treatments together, being able to interact with each other and enjoy a complimentary bottle of champagne."

Other special services offered include a private spa session for couples who would like to enjoy privacy while receiving spa treatments.

The spa also has several services that include a complimentary glass of wine or beer.

For example, the hot stone super pedicure, which begins with a menthol sea

rock salt foot soak, and includes various organic oils or sugar scrubs massaged into the legs to exfoliate and remove dead skin cells, a hot stone massage on legs and feet to relieve tension and muscle aches, and is followed by a hot towel wrap treatments, a paraffin foot bath treatment to condition skin, a moisturizing massage and a nail color of one's choice, includes the complimentary beverage.

Although that service includes the beverage, wine and beer are available with any service for an additional cost.

The spa also offers full body waxing, permanent make-up, and eyelash extensions.

"This is a complete, full-service salon," Ms. Le said. "We offer beauty treatments

from top to bottom. We want our customers to know that they are in a safe, sterile environment and that we are the only salon in the area to use pedicure bowl liners as a free service to our clients."

It's obvious by the cleanliness of the salon that sanitation is something that Ms. Le and her staff takes very seriously. The immaculate facility gives a feel of a luxury spa. The environment is friendly and the well worth the trip for a day of self-indulgence and beautification.

The spa is open Monday through Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. and on Sunday, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. It is located at 2266 S.E. Federal Highway in Stuart.

For more information, call (772) 288-7004.

## Stewart

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and the legislature that they better not mess with their Dealer Fees and Electronic Filing Fees.

Another reason you don't hear much about this atrocity on consumers is that the media has assumed their "hear no evil, see no evil, speak no evil" stance. The TV, newspapers, and radio are deathly afraid of losing

car dealers' advertising. Car dealers are the largest local advertisers. Some of you may know that my wife, Nancy, and I were recently fired from our weekly consumer advice radio show on Seaview radio which we had done for almost seven years. This was because of dealer threats to cancel their advertising. When I reported this attack on free speech to the Palm Beach Post, they refused to run the story or even allow me to purchase

an advertisement that states the truth.

What can you and I do about this when we have such powerful institutions as the media, Attorney General, and Florida Legislature siding with the car dealers against you, the consumers? The answer is MAKE SOME NOISE! "We, the people" support, not only the media, but the politicians. Without our viewing, listening and readership the media can't sell advertising and without

our dollars and votes, politicians can't get elected. Call, write, or email your local newspaper, radio and TV station, and local senator and representative. Tell them you're tired of them kowtowing to the car dealers and the Florida Automobile Dealers Association. Demand that the laws on the Electronic Filing Fee and the Dealer Fee be enforced. Tell them "We're mad as hell and we won't put up with it anymore!"

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## Plan for long-term care costs

November is Long-term Care Awareness Month. And when it comes to long-term care — such as a stay in a nursing home or the services provided by a home health aide — you'll want to plan for the potential costs involved.

Of course, you might think that you'll always be able to live independently, without requiring any assistance — and perhaps you will.

However, the odds aren't necessarily in your favor: About 70 percent of Americans who reach the age of 65 will need some form of long-term care in their lives for an average of three years, according to estimates from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

And every type of long-term care is expensive.

Consider these numbers, taken from the 2013 Cost of Care Survey produced by Genworth, a financial security company:

- The national average rate for a private room in a nursing home is \$83,950 — a jump of 24 percent over the past five years. And it's not much cheaper for a semi-private room in a nursing home — the average cost is \$75,405 per year, up 23 percent from five years ago.

- A full-time home health aide costs, on average, \$44,479 per year.

If you had to spend more than \$80,000 per year for a nursing home, and you needed to stay in that nursing home for several years, what would it do to your savings? How would it affect all your financial goals?

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Many people think Medicare will pay for long-term care expenses, but that's just not the case. In reality, Medicare only covers a small percentage of long-term care costs, which means it's typically up to the individual to foot the bills.

You've worked hard to position yourself for an enjoyable retirement, so it's important to protect your income and assets from potentially huge long-term care costs. How can you deal with these expenses?

Essentially, you have a

couple of options. First, you could "self-insure" by incorporating long-term costs into your future budget — but, as the above numbers indicate, that could be pretty expensive. Your second choice is to "transfer the risk" of incurring long-term care costs to an insurance company. A financial professional can assist you in choosing the right solution for your individual needs.

However, as important as it is to address costs, and ways of meeting them, it's also necessary to look at some of the other factors that may be connected with the need for long-term care services. To illustrate: If you were to enter a nursing home, you might be suffering from a physical or

mental disability that could keep you from handling your own affairs. So you may want to consult with your legal advisor to discuss a durable power of attorney, which would allow you to delegate your financial decisions to a relative, close friend or anyone else you might choose.

Preparing for the unexpected, including long-term care, takes time and careful planning. So why not observe Long-term Care Awareness Month by getting started on your plans? It can be time well spent.

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## Character

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20 to 27. The funds will support projects that promote, implement and enrich CHARACTER COUNTS! character education programs.

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Jim Vojcsik, executive director of United Way of Martin County, presents Michelle Chevalier, left, and Kathy Derringer, right, with a mini-grant check for a character-building program at Helping People Succeed.

Child Resource Center; Kathleen Snore, Florida Arts & Dance Company; Kathy Derringer, Helping People Succeed; Michelle McCree, Hobe Sound Elementary School; Alli Newman, Hope Rural School; William Sapienza, J D Parker School of Science, Math & Technology; Jennifer Borowicz, Safe-

Space; Heather DeSimone, SeaWind Elementary School; Stacey Ayers and Sara Barner, Stuart Middle School; Jeff Shearer, Tykes and Teens; and Jennifer Goddard and Lisa Knapp, Warfield Elementary School.

Although highly identified with schools, CHARACTER COUNTS!, a program of

United Way of Martin County, is an initiative for people of all ages and walks of life. The program is embraced by government, law enforcement and businesses in Martin County.

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TREASURE COAST — The Treasure Coast region is now home to the newest member of the Active Release Technique cadre of instructors.

Dr. Daniel A. Rukeyser, D.C. is the only ART instructor serving Martin, St. Lucie, Okeechobee, and Indian River counties. Dr. Rukeyser and VITAL Wellness Center serve as the only ART providers as well.

ART providers are trained to palpate and treat more than 300 muscular injuries and more than 100 nerve entrapments which often cause numbness and tingling. ART has proven to be successful in treating professional and amateur athletes, people injured in automobile accidents or those who simply work rigorously on a daily basis. Dr. Rukeyser most recently put his skills to use during the Kona 2013 Ironman event in Hawaii.

"I believe in being fit and well. I work on many local runners, cyclists, triathletes, and many other athletes," said Dr. Rukeyser. "It's important that residents of the Treasure Coast know the same level of care that was made available to world class athletes during the Ironman World Championship is available right here on the Treasure Coast."

Dr. Rukeyser has studied extensively to become a Certified Provider of the Active Release Technique and a member of the Ironman Provider Network. That training recently culminated with Dr. Rukeyser being accepted as Certified ART Instructor.

"Instead of mashing muscles through the range of motion, a Certified ART Provider locates target tissue and separates it from the others by putting the

tissue through their particular range of motion. This method causes less irritation and provides for greater success in normalizing function and reducing pain because of its specificity of diagnoses and treatment for the professional as well as amateur athlete. With my Instructor certification, I look forward to helping others become well versed in these techniques so we can contribute to a healthier lifestyle with less pain and more personal athletic accomplishments," said Dr. Rukeyser.

Dr. Rukeyser and his staff also treat patients with cases such as tennis elbow, carpal tunnel, wrist sprain, shoulder tendonitis, plantar fasciitis and sciatica, herniated discs. Often he helps people avoid surgery with less invasive measures.

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Rukeyser

## Year

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quently be found at fundraisers, Chamber luncheons and hundreds of other local events as he immersed himself in the district he represents.

All of which he has done while attempting to reduce negative partisan attitudes in Washington.

"I think we waste too much time in government pointing fingers and attributing blame," Mr. Murphy said. "We have to find a solution."

So instead of celebrating his first year in Congress, he's looking ahead.

"We've got a lot more to do before we can cele-

brate," Mr. Murphy said.

He plans to keep fighting for the Indian River and hopes to get representatives from government agencies like the Department of Wildlife and the Army Corps of Engineers down to witness the issues first hand.

"Continuing to advocate for our local waterways is key," Mr. Murphy said.

Making sure veterans have jobs and helping find solutions to recover from and prevent another national financial crisis are also on the top of his to-do list.

"I'm proud of my team for getting a lot done but we still have a lot to fight for," Mr. Murphy said.

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TREASURE COAST —People do business with people they like. It's a long held belief of many successful entrepreneurs and business leaders. This is never more important than in dealing with the personal business of real estate.

"A person's home is one of their largest financial investments," said Jim Kirvin CEO of Platinum Properties. "When buying or selling, you are looking at the process not only as an investment but one of the most personal aspects of your life. It's where you comfort and protect your family, gather with friends, and live life."

Platinum Properties recently hired several new agents in the Port St. Lucie office and its two other South Florida locations. The additional hires will help the company as it continues to grow and expand.

"I am very excited about helping the company continue strong growth by winning on the client services arena. We get real estate but more than that, we get our clients and are committed to providing results," said Mr. Kirvin.

Platinum Properties focuses on hiring the best people to help their clients. "What sets us apart from other firms is that we strategically hire the best agents and we do not subscribe to the current trend of real estate business model which is having a high agent count. That type of model hopes that each agent will do one or two deals each year and pay additional fees to cover overhead. Agencies utilizing this type of model have many inexperienced agents that are unable to provide a high level of service. We strive for quality over quantity, people who want to deliver results for our clients and as a result this approach we provide more opportunity for each agent."

The firm has quickly become one of the fastest-growing real estate firms in Northern Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie counties. Sales for the trailing twelve months topped \$120 million. The company has offices in Port St. Lucie, Jupiter, Juno Beach and Stuart. Thousands of home buyers and sellers have turned to Platinum Properties Realty, Inc. to be their trusted partner. They recently

expanded their corporate office in Jupiter from 3,000 - 5,100- square feet.

"If you want to keep growing you have to keep hiring," said Mr. Kirvin who emphasizes it is not a job for just anyone. "For us, it's about finding great people, inspiring them and giving them the resources to be successful."

The result - Platinum Properties has grown sales over each previous year, even during the economic downturn, according to Mr. Kirvin. "We have achieved this by strategically adding the right agents and by increasing our current agents business."

The boutique firm retains a small and friendly feel, offers a comprehensive range of services, and thorough knowledge of the market. Part of the company's regional expansion plans include more strategically planned hires.

"We are looking for agents who care, listen, and know what is needed to get the job done because they love what they do," said Mr. Kirvin. "They approach buying and selling a home as if it was their own."

Many people ask if an agent is necessary today with web sites open 24/7. Mr. Kirvin believes they do, now more than ever.

"Home buying and selling is a complicated process with a lot at stake. An agent can bring an objective perspective and look out for your best interests," he said. "Good agents know how to best leverage pricing negotiations, market your home, and navigate the complicated process of closing."

Mr. Kirvin points out the downside to the do-it-yourself home buyer can include old information that wastes a buyer's time and gives them false hope. "Many website listings are out of date. Agents are often aware of properties that come on the market and sell before anyone has time to list them online."

The company's management team believes in leveraging technology and takes a high-tech, high touch approach by making major investments in technology. This technology supports efficiencies and client support for agents and enables clients the best online tools. For buyers and sellers the web is important to find a home or

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"We help clients reach their real estate goals and as a result they stay with us for future moves," said Mr. Kirvin. "It can be challenging to maintain an ongoing relationship because most people are not moving every year. So from the start, the relationship has to be cemented in integrity, commitment and experience. Our goal is to make our clients so happy they will continue to come back to us or refer us."

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by the Children's Services Council of St. Lucie County, a local agency that helps the community by helping ensure every baby is a healthy baby, keeping kids off the streets, preventing child abuse, keeping kids off drugs and alcohol, and keeping them in school. Without the collaboration of professionals and numerous organizations, the Heart Gallery would not be able to assist children in foster care find permanent, nurturing homes.

"Before the Heart Gallery of Okeechobee & the Treasure Coast launched, pictures and profiles of children in foster care were only in a book on a shelf where few people saw them," said Mr. Avilla. "Because of the Heart Gallery, we can educate the community about the children up for adoption. We have a great need for families who are willing to consider adopting children who have experienced some sort of trauma. Adoption isn't for everyone, but for those interested, please think of the children participating in the Heart Gallery program."

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## Grammy winning rock group takes stage

For Hometown News  
NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

America, the Grammy award winning rock group, takes the Sunrise Theatre stage, on Friday, Nov. 22 at 8 p.m.

The year 2010 marked the 40th anniversary of this classic-rock favorite. And for one night only you can experience a walk down memory lane with songs like: I Need You, Ventura Highway, Don't Cross The River, Tin Man, Lonely People, and Sister Golden Hair.

Founding members, Gerry Beckley and Dewey Bunnell, along with former band mate Dan Peek, met in the late 1960s and quickly harmonized their way to the top of the charts on the strength of their signature song, A Horse With No Name.

America became a global household name and paved the way with an impressive string of hits following the success of their first #1 single. Forty years later, these friends are still making music together, touring the world and thrilling audiences with their ageless sound.

The 40th anniversary show features songs reflecting some of their song-writing inspirations. In addition, it will showcase their first album America with an acoustic set featuring standards such as: I Need You and Three Roses, along with some never-before-performed deep cuts.

From anonymous horses to fast-moving trains, America's extraordinary four-decade musical legacy of consummately crafted pop/rock songs, trademark lush harmonies and evocative lyrical landscapes will never go out of style. Get ready for an incredible evening with the timeless music of America.

The Sunrise Theatre is located at 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce. For tickets, priced at \$59/49, call the Box Office at (772) or visit www.SunriseTheatre.com

## Race has special purpose to local residents

By Alisha McDarris  
For Hometown News

MARTIN COUNTY — For several Martin County residents, the upcoming Beach 2 Bar 5k, a fundraiser for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, hits close to home.

The race will raise both money and awareness for

the disease and athletes like 15-year-old Ben Madden who has Cystic Fibrosis and race founder Amy Brandon, whose 4-year-old son was diagnosed with the disease.

Ms. Brandon has always been a runner and triathlete, but when her son was diagnosed four years ago, she had one more reason

to organize a 5k in Stuart.

She partnered with Carson's Tavern to launch the race that runs from the beach to the bar and this year she hopes the fourth annual race will raise at least \$20,000 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The foundation will then use nearly 90 percent of the money raised for

research and development of new drugs that are saving and prolonging lives.

"It's changing the face of the disease," Ms. Brandon said.

But she's not the only one personally invested. Ben, a 10th grade student at Jensen Beach High School, will be participating in the race. See **RACE, B6**



Week of 11-15-2013

**ARIES - March 21/April 20**

It's never too late to get healthy, Aries. Find time for some exercise and replace some calorie-laden foods with fruits and vegetables. You will appreciate having an extra hop in your step.

**TAURUS - April 21/May 21**

Taurus, a week of passion and romance awaits you and your special someone. Everything you do draws the attention of others. So make it work to your advantage.

**GEMINI - May 22/June 21**

Gemini, it can be challenging to get your head wrapped around certain tasks. Somehow you will manage to pull everything together and get everything accomplished.

**CANCER - June 22/July 22**

Cancer, maintain your focus in the coming week no matter how difficult that proves to be. Personal concerns may have you reeling, but your heightened focus will serve you well.

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

Leo, you may have something on your mind, but now is not the time to share such concerns. Do your best to solve a problem on your own, but rely on the advice of others if need be.

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

Virgo, do your best to avoid being let down by the negative attitudes of others. Friends or coworkers may just be in a bad mood, but that does not mean you need to be.

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

Libra, a little extra concentration will find you tackling See **SCOPE5, B5**

## Up in the air at Pineapple Festival



Madelyn Garrod, 6, of Jensen Beach, jumps high with the Euro Bungee.

The 26th annual Pineapple Festival was held in downtown Jensen Beach on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 8-10, with proceeds to benefit the Jensen Beach Chamber of Commerce, the Entrepreneurship Foundation and the History Museum of Jensen Beach.

Sevin Bullwinkle  
staff photographer

## Out & about

FRIDAY, NOV. 15

• **'Catsablanca...Here's Looking For You, Kitty.'** 6-10 p.m., Mariner Sands Country Club, Stuart. Mystery dinner theater and silent auction to benefit Domino's Cat Rescue League. The club will be transformed into Rick's American Café in late 1941. It's the site of a mysterious catnapping, and the cat in question is wearing a very valuable piece of jewelry. Attendees will be the detectives who solve the mystery while enjoying cocktails, a sumptuous buffet, and other mysterious surprises. All proceeds will go directly to the sheltering, adoption, and community education activities of Domino's House. For more

information, visit [www.dominoshouse.org](http://www.dominoshouse.org)

FRIDAY, NOV. 15 – SUNDAY, NOV. 17

• **'Drowsy Chaperone.'** Musical performed by StarStruck TeenStars. The story begins when a die-hard musical-theater fan plays his favorite cast album on his turntable, and the musical literally bursts to life in his living room, telling the rambunctious tale of a brazen Broadway starlet trying to find, and keep, her true love. Shows are at 7 p.m., Nov. 15-16, and at 2 p.m., Nov. 16-17. Tickets start at \$19.99. StarStruck Theatre is located at 2101 S. Kanner Highway, Stuart. For tickets, call the box office at (772) 283-7787 or visit [starstruckfl.com](http://starstruckfl.com).

SATURDAY, NOV. 16 – SUNDAY, NOV. 17

• **Stuart Seafood Festival:** New event, held in Memorial Park, Stuart. Fresh seafood, nautical vendors, live music, family activities. Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 17. Adult admission is \$5 each day for advance tickets (\$7 at the door); children 12 and under admitted free. Free parking. Visit [www.stuartseafoodfestival.com](http://www.stuartseafoodfestival.com).

THROUGH SUNDAY, NOV. 24

• **'Pin Curls' by Gale Baker:** The Barn See **OUT, B2**

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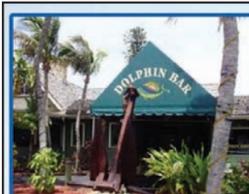
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# Council prepares to break ground

For Hometown News  
NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

MARTIN COUNTY — The Boy Scouts of America, Gulf Stream Council will host an official ground breaking ceremony on Nov. 15 at 5 p.m., at Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation, for the Lassiter Camp Headquarters building made possible by The W.G. Lassiter and Batchelor Foundations.

They will celebrate The W.G. Lassiter and Batchelor Foundations who have underwritten the cost of this new building on the Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation. This new building will include a health clinic, conference room, trading post and a training center.

Additional sponsors and contributions were made possibly by Mason Development & Construction – contractor; John M. Ahern – architect; Bayview Construction – owners’ representative; Land Design South – land planners / landscape architects; Schaeffer, Fagan & Associates – engineer; Kamm Consulting – MEP engineers; Coastal Land Development – site work contractor; Nutting Engineers of Florida – geot-

technical engineer; Caulfield & Wheeler – surveyor; and additional thanks to Land Design South and Atlantic Land Realty.

The Boy Scouts of America is one of the largest youth organizations in the U.S., with 2.7 million youth members and more than 1 million adult volunteers. The Gulf Stream Council, chartered in 1914, currently serves more than 7,250 Scouts and 2,500 adult volunteers in a seven county area including Palm Beach, Martin, St Lucie, Indian River, Okeechobee and Hendry counties in south-east Florida.

Scouting is a year-round educational program designed to accomplish the aims of character development, citizenship training, and personal fitness through fun, adventure, service, achievement and leadership training.

Tanah Keeta Scout Reservation is located at 8501 Boy Scout Road, Tequesta.

For more information or to RSVP, contact Mandy Frantz at (561) 694-8585, Ext. 238 or email Mandy.Frantz@scouting.org

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**SATURDAY, NOV. 16**

• **'Night at the Apollo'** First Apollo School art auction will be held at the school site, 9141 S.E. Apollo Street, Hobe Sound. Begins at 6:30 p.m. Local artists put their own creative touches on historic windows removed from the building during the rehabilitation process, and these windows will be auctioned off. The building will be open for attendees to see the rehabilitation that's been in process since the start of the year. Join your friends for an evening of wine, music and art. Tickets

are \$25 per person and tickets are available for purchase online or by contacting the Apollo School Foundation at [apolloschoolfoundation@aol.com](mailto:apolloschoolfoundation@aol.com). Credit cards will be accepted the evening of the auction. For more information, visit <http://apolloschool.org/events>

• **Veterans Memorial Bridge dedication:** 9:30 a.m., public dedication ceremony on the west side of the new bridge in Palm City (Butler Avenue area). Includes the results from the art contest to design the bridge logo, plus a car parade over the new bridge and a boat parade in the Okeechobee Waterway surrounding the bridge. A 5K run, organized by MCM Timing and Results LLC, will precede the ceremony.

• **Saint Joseph Fall Festival:** 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. behind St. Joseph Catholic School, at 1200 E. Tenth Street, Stuart. Live music, food booths, cold beer and wine, food, bounce houses, rock wall, bungee, more than 15 carnival games for children's prizes. Prize raffle and auction for adults, plus 50/50 raffle and a Mystery Wall

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# Travel through time at gala

**For Hometown News**  
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MARTIN COUNTY — House of Hope's first-ever fundraising gala promises to make history as the agency kicks off its 30th anniversary year.

The "Hope for the Future" Gala will be held 6-11 p.m. Jan. 11, 2014, at Willoughby Golf Club, Stuart.

Guests are encouraged to come dressed in the attire of their favorite era as they "travel through time" during the evening's festivities.

The time travel theme is designed to celebrate House of Hope's past while looking to the future.

Over the past 30 years, the agency has served tens of thousands of local families with life's basic necessities — including food for about three million meals and more than \$2 million in financial assistance to help Martin County residents stay safe in their homes, with electricity, water and needed medicine.

Participants in the gala will be investing in efforts that

elevate the quality of life for all county residents. The gala will raise funds to make sure House of Hope can respond to growing demands for food and operate Project HOPE services that empower local families, individuals, seniors and veterans to overcome hardship and strive toward self-sufficiency.

The Hope for the Future gala will feature cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, a photo booth, dinner, dancing to the music of Private Stock, and the opening of a time capsule. A Pick-Your-Prize spe-

cial drawing will feature golf, travel and gourmet dinner experiences plus custom jewelry.

The event co-chairwomen are volunteers Pat Bartlett and Deb Lovequist, and the grand benefactor is Elisabeth Lahti. Further sponsorships are sought.

Reservations are \$250 per person and can be made by contacting House of Hope resource coordinator Terri May at [terri@hohmartin.org](mailto:terri@hohmartin.org) or (772) 286-4673, Ext. 1011, or visit [www.hohmartin.org/gala](http://www.hohmartin.org/gala).

## Out

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of Wine. For more information, call Michele Mackey at (646) 320-4233 or Kelli Smith at (772) 285-4770, or visit [www.sjcfloida.org](http://www.sjcfloida.org).

• **Fall Festival:** 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Children's Museum of the Treasure Coast, 1707 N.E. Indian River Drive, Jensen

Beach. Petting zoo, pony rides, carnival games, scavenger hunt, bounce house, more for all ages. General admission is \$6 for ages 3 and older; \$2 for age 1-2 years.

For more information, call (772) 225-7575 or visit [www.childrensmuseumtc.org](http://www.childrensmuseumtc.org).

• **Treasure Coast Classical Guitar Society concert:** 3 p.m., Hobe Sound Public Library, 10595 S.E. Federal Highway, Hobe Sound. Free, no tickets required. For

more information on the Guitar Society, visit [www.tccgs.org](http://www.tccgs.org). For more information on the concert series, call (772) 221-1403 or visit [www.library.martin.fl.us](http://www.library.martin.fl.us).

• **Cab Calloway Orchestra and the Lyric's Birthday Benefit Gala** at the Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. The Roarin' 20s style event starts at 6 p.m. with an interactive performance by the

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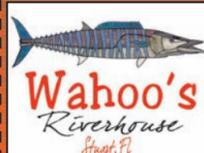
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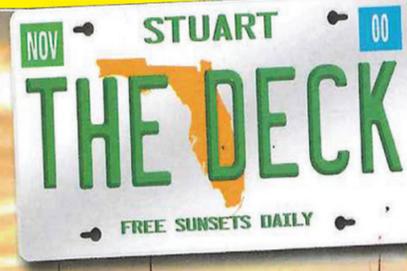
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Emma, 4, comes down the Fun Slide holding Ella Cunningham, 2, with her dad Frank Smith.

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Kaitlin Heid, 14, Karley Allen, 13, both of Jensen Beach and Kaitlin Burke, 13, of Stuart, ride the Sizzler.

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# Mums for the fall season

With Thanksgiving and the Christmas holidays in the air, fall Mums come to mind. Garden Mums come in many colors and styles. Garden Mums are a staple to the fall season and represent the end of summer and the onset of cooler days and evenings. Mums are actually fairly easy to grow and can withstand both low and high humidity situations. Mums can actually mimic the look of other flowers such as the smaller flower of a daisy (Daisy Mums) or the larger and fancier varieties that can almost look like Roses. You can get Chrysanthemum plants in almost every color but blue.

The first batch of garden Mums should be arriving in your garden center very shortly so be sure to check frequently or ask an employee when they expect their first shipment.

Mums have been around for a long time and I am sure that many of you have helped your parents or grandparents display these colorful gems during the holidays. Most of the varieties that we use here in North America are simply known as Garden Mums with the botanical classification of *Dendranthema grandiflorum*.

About 80 percent of all garden Mums are sold during the fall and early winter. The reason that these colorful plants burst into bloom in fall is because the shorter days, cooler temperatures and longer nights all contribute to the triggering mechanism that causes these plants to burst into color.

Many people simply buy their Mums in the fall already in bloom from retailers while still others like to plant their own plants and watch them mature and bloom in their own gardens. If you decide to try planting your own, do so in the spring so the root



**GARDEN NOOK**  
JOE ZELENAK

server their useful life as a holiday decoration, many people just choose to throw them away and plan on buying new next year and many people will choose to plant them and enjoy their color again next season. If you decide to plant your gems for next year, simply choose a well-drained area that has some protection from the hot summer sun. Dig a hole about twice the size of the plants existing root ball. Place the plant slightly below the original soil level of the pot. Fill in with good quality topsoil or a soil mixture with organic compounds mixed in. Water the plant in. You are now on the road to enjoy your plants again next season.

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systems can have a chance to get well established to ensure a happy healthy plant. Mums should be planted in a location that will get only a half-day of sun or slightly less. This is especially true in the areas south of Vero Beach. The areas north of Vero Beach will probably have better results with growing Mums in your garden as the harsh effects of the sun are slightly lessened. You can ensure you will get more flowers in the fall if you pinch back the top inch or so of growth about every three weeks until about mid-July. This process will help to promote heavy flowering in the fall. Please note you only do the above process if you plan on growing and maintaining your garden Mums on a year round basis.

Mums will grow in a variety of soils as long as it is well drained. Mums do not require a lot of fertilizer but will appreciate a light feeding about once a month with a water-soluble fertilizer such as Miracle Gro. It will also help if you stake your plants, as this will help them to support themselves and keep the heavy Florida rains from knocking them over.

If you plan on only using your Mums as a potted decoration for the holidays, many of the same rules will apply. Keep the plant in a bright, well-lit area of the house and do not let the plant get too dry between watering cycles. Remember that potted plants will dry out much faster than plants that are placed in the ground. A/C will also have an impact on your plants moisture level.

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# Battle the wind for a good time on the water

This week was another week that has fallen victim to the weatherman's scorn. Just because he cannot get off work he wants to make sure that that we do not get his share of the fish.

North and north east wind has kept any anglers tied to the dock. Most days being 15 miles per hour and seas as high eight-feet have limited the ability to go near the water.

As usual Captains VJ Bell and Pat Price are quick to point out it is all in the size of the boat.

So, yes VJ and Sea Check did fish two days this week and as chief mate Nick was quick to point out how close the dolphin and sails action started, roughly 125-feet.

Several nice weed lines

**FISHING**  
HENRY CAIMATTO



and rips held plenty of dolphin and in the mix were wandering cobia and triple tail. So, we were home and they were there.

There's plenty of Spanish mackerels south of the inlet but not a word on bottom fish. Four foot seas and that north wind made gave me plenty of time to get caught up on the repairs I have been putting off. I'm still trying to fit that bigger boat in the drive.

Surf has been questionable changing from day to day and hour to hour. Yes, it is blue fish weather and

the cool mornings put plenty of macs in the mix.

Anglers needed a weight in each pocket to keep from blowing away, but those who braved the weather found fish on cut baits. Whiting's hunt with their nose and the cut bait puts out the scent that they are looking for.

I heard about whiting and croaker and a few small pompano but to be honest not too many anglers showed at the surf's edge. Maybe this week will differ.

East wind gave anglers the excuse they wanted to fish the North Fork and South Fork on the St Lucie rivers. It's always a go-to get away from the wind with its curves and treed shore lines and reds and snook to

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## Out

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Driving tour to see Florida's shore birds and migratory species. Participants must stay in the convoy and respect the birding leader. \$5 donation to Audubon of Martin County. For more information, call (772) 905-2473 or email [lakeside-tours@audubonmartincounty.org](mailto:lakeside-tours@audubonmartincounty.org).

**Treasure Coast Beer Fest:** Sixth annual event, 1-5 p.m., Port St. Lucie Civic Center on U.S. 1. Variety of American and international craft beers, plus the work of local breweries and home brewing clubs. This year's event benefits Fort Pierce Jazz & Blues Society, Hope Flight, and the Sgt. Gary Morales Family Fund. Tickets are \$30 online and \$35 at the gate. This is a 21 and older only event. For more information or tickets, visit [treasurecoastbeerfest.com](http://treasurecoastbeerfest.com).

### MONDAY, NOV. 18

**'Chicken with Plums' art cinema presentation:** Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. Showings at 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. French. 1 hour, 30 minutes. Rated PG-13. For more information, call

the box office at (772) 286-7827 or visit [lyrictheatre.com](http://lyrictheatre.com).

### TUESDAY, NOV. 19

**Craig Ferguson** at the Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$65. For more information, call the box office at (772) 286-7827.

### WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20

**Home Again for the Holidays Starring Lorrianna Colozzo** at the Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$37. Call the box office at (772) 286-7827.

### THURSDAY, NOV. 21

**Treasure Coast Macintosh Users Group meeting:** 5 p.m., Children's Services Council, 101 S.E. Central Parkway, Stuart. 5-6:45 p.m., one-on-one help sessions with club members, making sure computers are working properly. At 7 p.m., discussion by Bob Jorritsma of new gear from Apple and why or why not to upgrade from what you own now. For more information, call club president Chris at (772) 283-5646 or email [president@tcmug.net](mailto:president@tcmug.net).

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## Scopes

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your workload with time to spare. Commit your time now and enjoy the time to take things slow later in the week.

### SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Scorpio, significant changes are afoot and you are not quite sure how to prioritize your goals. Enjoy the change, but make use of down time to reestablish your priorities.

### SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Sagittarius, though a pressing issue in your relationship may seem like it needs immediate attention, you have a lot of time to work through any issues.

### CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Capricorn, your normally conservative approach won't work this week. You have to take a couple of chances, or you won't accomplish much of anything.

### AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

Aquarius, you have only a few days to learn some new procedures at work. It is natural to feel nervous, but put aside those feelings and concentrate on the tasks at hand.

### PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

Pisces, don't worry too much about an upcoming change around the office. You're in position to benefit from some restructuring.

## An Understanding Understudy

Edited by Linda and Charles Preston

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# Race

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School, will also be participating. "Without the foundation and the people who support it we would not have the medications that keep Ben so healthy," said Marguerite Madden, Ben's mom.

Ben is on the swim, cross country and diving team at Jensen Beach and keeps busy despite his Cystic Fibrosis.

"The more sports I do the better it is for me," Ben said. Activity helps move and unclog the mucus that settles in his lungs.

Many of his teammates, friends, and his older sister, Emma and twin brother, Alexander will be running, too, and his parents will be cheering them all on from the sidelines.

The Nov. 30 race starts at 4:30 p.m. at Stuart Beach, continues over the bridges and ends at Carson's Tavern where the after-party begins. There will be BBQ, a kid zone, award ceremony and a large outdoor screen playing the football

game. "I'm excited. This is going to be a good year," Ms. Brandon said.

"I'm very appreciative of Carson's and everyone who supports the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation," Ben said.

To register in advance, go to [www.Beach2bar5k.org](http://www.Beach2bar5k.org). Race-day registration will be at Carson's Tavern at 2883 S.E. Ocean Blvd., until 3:30 p.m. Shuttles will transport runners and spectators between the restaurant and the beach. Only those who register by Nov. 15 are guaranteed a T-shirt that Ben can't wait to get his hands on. Adult registration fees are \$35 until Nov. 17 when the price rises to \$45.

# Out

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• **Three Eras of Elvis** at the Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. 7 p.m. Tickets are \$35. Call the box office at (772) 286-7827.

FRIDAY, NOV. 22

• **Dance for Food performance:** 7 p.m., South Fork High School, 10205 S.W. Pratt Whitney Road, Stuart. Sponsored by Schmitt, Cambron & Reynolds, PL. An hour-long performance by the Preston Contemporary Dance Theater as well as Artists for a Cause Club students from South Fork, Dreyfoos School of the Arts, and the Pine School. Dance for Food brings together many of South Florida's finest contemporary dancers to showcase their talents in front of an audience whose only admission fee is a bag of

nonperishable goods. Visit [www.a4ac.org](http://www.a4ac.org).

• **Kenny Vance and the Planotones** at the Lyric Theatre, 59 S.W. Flagler Ave., Stuart. 7 p.m. Tickets start at \$35. Call the box office at (772) 286-7827.

SATURDAY, NOV. 23

• **DECA Holiday Bazaar:** 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., IRSC Main Campus, 3209 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce. Hundreds of craft and gift items including holiday decorations, toys, fabric, books, haircuts, car wash, more. Call (866) 792-4772, Ext. 7660.

SATURDAY, NOV. 23  
- SUNDAY, NOV. 24

• **Treasure Coast Community Singers classical concert:** Two performances: one at 7 p.m., Nov. 23, and one at 3 p.m., Nov. 24, at North Stuart Baptist Church, 1950 N. Federal Highway, Stuart.

Theme is 'Favorite Classical Anthems.' Adult tickets are \$20, available through the church or online at [tccsingers.org](http://tccsingers.org).

THURSDAY, NOV. 28

• **Palm City Turkey Trot:** Annual 5K event organized by Palm City Presbyterian Church. 7:30 a.m. start. Course is a flat fast loop beginning/ending at the church, located at 2700 S.W. Martin Highway, Palm City. There will also be a kids fun run after the 5K, with distances for two age groups. Canned goods or other nonperishable food donations will be collected for House of Hope near the start of the race. The 5K is capped at 500 participants, so registering early is strongly suggested. Advance 5K registration is \$30, or \$40 if available on race day. Kids fun run is \$5 in advance, \$10 on race day. To register, visit <http://beta.active.com/palm-city-fl/running/3rd-annual-palm-city-turkey-trot-2013>.

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# Fishing

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the south and more reds and snook to the north. Watching for mullet was the key.

There have been plenty of Spanish macs south of the 10 cent bridge and trout in Willoughby Creek. Sorry, no

pompano at Hells Gate but Mother Nature is back in control, so this could be the week.

The eastern shore of the Indian River has been home to many including blues, macs and jacks and lots of short snook on just about anything you wanted to cast.

Bridges continue to be the place if you don't mind the

wind and those big and bigger snook bending your rod and all those anglers at the Roosevelt Bridge, it is black drum a plenty.

So many you had better know the limits... I bet the Game Warden does.

Henry Caimatto is the owner of the Snook Nook Bait and Tackle shop in Jensen Beach.

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