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Catching a wave



The Inaugural Surf Paws: Hang 20 Presented by Dyer Subaru to benefit the Humane Society of St. Lucie County packed the beach and drew a good field of furry contestants. The event took place on Sat. June 16 in the morning at Pepper Park Beach in Fort Pierce. Here, eight year-old Lyla Whitley rides in with Big Wave Bonnie.

Photo courtesy of
MaryAnn Ketcham

It is illegal to fertilize your lawn in the summer

By Mike Winikoff
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TREASURE COAST - From June 1-Sept. 30, it is illegal to fertilize your lawn in St. Lucie and Martin counties. While there are some exemptions for specific businesses like golf courses and farms, and there are a few fertilizers that are safe to use during the summer, the general rule is to simply avoid fertilizing for a few months.

The purpose of the ban is to protect the Indian River Lagoon from the harmful excess nutrients that get washed from your lawn during the rainy season. The law also regulates what types of fertilizer can be used the rest of the year.

St. Lucie County passed its ordinance in 2014. The city of Port St. Lucie has a similar ordinance, as does Fort Pierce. Both were passed in 2014.

Martin County's ordinance took effect in 2011, amended and strengthened in 2014.

While the various ordinances contain some differences regarding exemptions, licensing, and specific fertilizer content, the general principles are the same.

Through the end of September, do not fertilize with any product containing nitrogen or phosphorus. Both of these nutrients are illegal during the rainy season for both turf grass and landscape plants.

St. Lucie County's ordinance allows phosphorus products to be applied only if a soil test indicates a deficiency.

There are "Florida-friendly" yard products containing iron and other micronutrients that you can

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Test scores rise across area

By Mike Winikoff

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TREASURE COAST - The Florida Department of Education released test scores on June 14. In most cases, with a few notable exceptions, Treasure Coast schools showed improvement that mirrored statewide gains.

For the Florida Standards Assessments English Language Arts, the statewide percentage of students achieving a "satisfactory" Level 3 score rose from 53 to 54 percent from 2017 to 2018.

Indian River County remained under the state average but showed a similar one point increase from 51-52 percent. Martin County was above the statewide average but showed a decrease from 59-58 percent. St. Lucie County was below the state average but showed the greatest improvement on the Treasure Coast, from 48-50 percent.

In mathematics, the statewide improvement was one point, from 59-60 percent.

Indian River showed the largest math improvement in the area, rising from 56-59 percent, but still one point below state average. St. Lucie rose two points from 52-54 percent. Martin had the best passing rate by far but the lowest improvement, rising from 66-67 percent.

The statewide improvement was great. See SCORES, page 10

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Community calendar

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• Showdown on the Green Golf

Tournament: Benefit for Heathcote Botanical Gardens, Fort Pierce, moved from June 9 due to weather conditions. Four-member scramble format tournament has a shotgun start at 8 a.m., Fairwinds Golf Course, 4400 Fairwinds Drive, Fort Pierce. \$75 per individual, \$275 per foursome includes continental breakfast, snacks and awards lunch, card and greens fees. Prizes for first, second, third and last place, plus closest to the pin and longest drive. To RSVP, call (772) 464-4672 or visit www.heathcotebotanicalgardens.org/showdown-2018/

• Democratic Women's Club of St

Lucie County: Monthly meeting is the fourth Saturday each month, 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the community room located in the main building of the Garber Buick GMC dealership, 5255 U.S. 1, Fort Pierce. Please park in the rear parking lot of the dealership complex. For more information, please email dwcstlucie@gmail.com

MONDAY, JUNE 25

• League of Women Voters of St. Lucie

County general meeting: 6 p.m., Friendly's, 230 N.W. Peacock Blvd., St. Lucie West. The League of Women Voters of Florida, a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy. For more information visit www.lwvslc.org.

MONDAY, JUNE 25 – FRIDAY, JUNE 29

• **Wesley's Island Eco Camp:** For ages 13-16. 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Meet at Museum Pointe Park, 420 Seaway Drive, Fort Pierce. Take a scientific adventure on Wesley's Island and the Indian River Lagoon. Learn about birds, fish and exotic species and explore the island and lagoon while paddleboarding, kayaking, hiking, seine netting and fishing. Presented by Stella's Eco Stars in partnership with St. Lucie County ERD and the Oxbow Eco-Center. Fee is \$305 per child. Rainy day activities are planned as well. Registration required. (This camp for ages 13-16 is also offered July 16-20.) For more information, visit www.stellamarisenvironmentalresearch.org/eco-camp-2018.html

TUESDAY, JUNE 26

• Society of American Magicians, Local

Assembly 172, meeting: Fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m., St. Lucie Lanes, 6759 US 1, Port St. Lucie. Members include hobbyists, amateurs, part time and professional magicians who all love and enjoy the art of magic. Public is welcome to learn and enjoy the age-old art of magic. Free. For more information, call Dean Devitt at (772) 332-8412 or Matt Musgrave at (772) 519-6048.

• **Weekly Storytime Jam:** Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., Zora Neale Hurston Branch Library, 3008 Avenue D, Fort Pierce. Designed for ages 2-5, this interactive

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Community notes

Tourism Office invites residents to "Share Your St. Lucie"

In today's fast-paced world, many of us are experiencing time poverty – the state of having little time of leisure activities outside of work. The St. Lucie Tourism office wants you to fix that by inviting your friends and family from afar to Visit St. Lucie and take some time to enjoy time with your loved ones. Life is too short, and goes by way too fast to take family and those close to us for granted.

Visit St. Lucie has just launched a campaign encouraging residents to "Share Your St. Lucie" and invite family and friends they haven't seen in a while to vacation here in our little slice of paradise. Residents will begin seeing "Share Your St. Lucie" ads on their social media feeds, on online and on other digital platforms. Once a resident clicks on the ad, they are taken to the www.ShareYourStLucie.com website and are encouraged to submit their information to win weekly prizes that include surf lessons, golf lessons, kayak tours, gift certificates to local restaurants and more. After entering, they can share the "invitation to visit them" on their social media pages, where their social media network will be able to see the customized hotel packages that include exclusive discounts and amenities customized just for the campaign.

"During our first-ever visitor study in 2017, the data indicated that one of the top reasons visitors come to St. Lucie (Fort

Pierce & Port St. Lucie) is to visit family and friends. We wanted to take this data and create an innovative, creative and cost-effective campaign to capitalize on this information, so the Tourism Office launched the "Share Your St. Lucie" campaign," stated Charlotte Bireley, director of Tourism & Marketing for St. Lucie County.

The campaign not only incentivizes residents with great weekly prizes, but it also creates a sense of pride of loving and "sharing" where we live. The campaign also encourages residents to use the hashtags, #LovetheFort and #LovethePort.

For residents looking to participate, they can visit www.ShareYourStLucie.com, register to win prizes and just click the button to share on their social media pages.

Homeowners can join the fight against citrus greening

The UF / IFAS St. Lucie County Extension requests homeowners to join hands in fighting against the destructive citrus disease, huanglongbing (HLB), better known as citrus greening. The office is coordinating with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), Division of Plant Industry for the release of Tamarixia radiata, a wasp known to control the Asian citrus psyllid responsible for citrus greening in Florida.

Kate Rotindo, Master Gardener Coordinator
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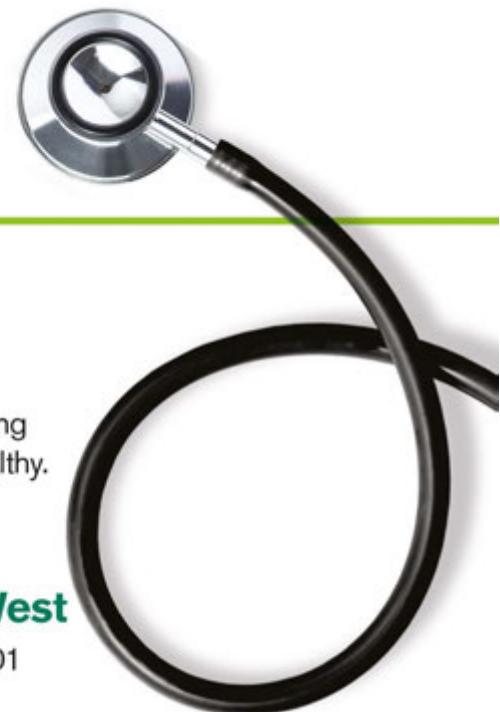
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Car dealers have blocked your right to sue

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ON CARS
EARL STEWART

Did you know that when you bought your last car that you agreed to waive your constitutional right to sue the car dealer who sold you the car and have your complaint heard in a court of law by a jury of your peers?

You probably did not, because an "arbitration clause" was hidden in the fine print of your contract that you signed. Even worse, you also are prohibited from even taking that car dealer to arbitration unless you write a "demand letter" first!

What is "arbitration" anyway?

The average person does not understand what arbitration is, much less know that they agreed to substitute this process for their right to sue when they bought their last car. Arbitration allows individuals that are employed by an arbitration company to decide who is right in a dispute, you or the

car dealer. Professional arbitrators can be retired judges or anyone that the arbitration company decides is qualified. Because car dealers use the arbitration company often and because car dealers determine the compensation to these companies, there is a good chance that the arbitrators are inclined to side with "the hand that feeds it."

You can't even file for arbitration unless you write a "demand letter" to the dealer which must contain specific information as prescribed by Florida statute 501.98. This is a summary of that law:

"Florida Statutes require that, at least 30 days before bringing any claim against a motor vehicle dealer for an unfair or deceptive trade practice, a consumer must provide the dealer with a written demand letter detailing the name, address, and telephone number of the consumer, the

name and address of the dealer; a description of the facts that serve as the basis for the claim; the amount of damages; and copies of any documents in the possession of the consumer which relate to the claim. Such notice must be delivered by the United States Postal Service or by a nationally recognized carrier, return receipt requested, to the address where the subject vehicle was purchased or leased or where the subject transaction occurred, or an address at which the dealer regularly conducts business." If you would like to read the detail of this law, you can access it online at <https://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes/2013/501.98>.

If you hire a lawyer because you believe a car dealer has taken advantage of you, you're not eligible for reimbursement of any legal fees unless you have sent the demand letter exactly as described above. Therefore most lawyers are reluctant to assist you because they know that the fees they would normally be entitled to are at risk...both because of the arbitration requirement and the demand letter.

What I've described is just one more reason why you should be extremely careful



when you buy or lease a car. In the back of our minds most of us believe that when we are doing business with a car dealer, or anybody else, if we are taken advantage of we have the right to sue to force the company to make things right. This is not true with 99.9 percent of car dealers. You should realize this and be even more careful when you purchase a car. Access my blog for articles on every facet of doing business with a car dealer. There are hundreds of articles accessible in the archives of www.EarlStewartOnCars.com. You will learn never to go car shopping alone, get all promises by the salesman in writing, spend at least two weeks researching the purchase of car, and always get at least three competitive bids on the car you're buying, your trade-in, and your financing.

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program will have your young ones clapping, dancing, singing and listening to stories each week. For more information, call (772) 462-2154 or visit <http://library.stlucieco.gov> or

rovitoa@stlucieco.org.

• **Celebrate Recovery:** 7-9:30 p.m., Fairlawn Baptist Church, 3003 Rhode Island Ave., Fort Pierce. A free, Christ-centered recovery program offered every Tuesday evening. For more information, call (772) 461-0814.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

• **City of Fort Pierce to host Sunrise Theatre Community Input Meeting:** 6-8 p.m., Sunrise Theatre, 117 S. Second Street, Fort Pierce. The public is invited to share their desires for the future of the Sunrise Theatre. In preparation for the public

workshop, the City of Fort Pierce launched a community survey to elicit thoughts and opinions about the Sunrise Theatre and arts and culture in general. The survey is available online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/SunriseTheatre. In addition to the

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Be aware of poison dangers during summer

For Hometown News

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STATEWIDE — As the summer temperatures increase across Florida, so do calls to poison control. The Florida/USVI Poison Information Center – Jacksonville is offering some tips to keep Floridians safe this summer.

"The summer season sees the biggest boost in calls to poison control centers, because people are enjoying the outdoors and the kids are out of school," said Dr. Jay L. Schauben, Director of the Florida/USVI Poison Information Center – Jacksonville. "This leads to an increased number of poison exposures, especially for pool chemical accidents, snake, spider, and insect bites, as well as aquatic stings."

The poison control center staff want you to remember these summer safety tips:

Pool Chemical Safety: Calls regarding pool chemicals increase more than 70% in the summer months. - Ensure you are in a well-ventilated area when using pool chemi-

cals. - Follow the product instructions carefully. - Do not store chemicals where flammable items may mix with them (i.e. pool chemicals and fertilizer). - Never mix pool chemicals because it could create a toxic gas. - Always keep pool chemicals stored up and away from children.

Insect Repellent Usage: Calls regarding insect repellent double during summer months. - Read and follow product instructions carefully; some repellents are not meant to be applied to the skin. - Do not apply onto a child's hands, eyes, mouth, or cut/irritated skin; spray repellent onto adult's hands then apply to child's face. Do not spray on children's hands because they tend to rub their eyes or mouths. - Do not use combination sunscreen/insect repellent products. Sunscreen needs to be reapplied every two hours, but repellent should not be reapplied. - DEET should not be used on children younger than two months old. - After returning indoors, wash treated skin with soap and water.

Snakes and Spider Bites: Snake and spi-

der bite calls increase more than 30% over the summer months. - Call the poison control center at 1-800-222-1222 (or 911, if unarousable, convulsing, or stopped breathing) if you believe you have been bitten by one of the six venomous snakes of Florida: coral snake, cottonmouth (water moccasin), Eastern diamondback rattlesnake, copperhead, or canebrake (timber) rattlesnake. - If bitten by a snake, remove jewelry and tight clothes, immobilize the extremity if possible, keep affected area at or below the heart, and wash the area gently. DO NOT feed the victim, make cuts or place ice on the bitten extremity, or apply a tourniquet. - If bitten by a spider, call the poison control center immediately.

Other Outdoor Hazards: - Jellyfish and other aquatic life bite and sting calls spike nearly 40% during summer. At the beach, bring a spray bottle with vinegar in it in case of jellyfish stings. Call the poison control center if you're stung for specific treatment advice. - Treat all wild mushrooms as poisonous unless you are absolutely certain



they are safe to eat. - Initially apply a baking soda paste to any insect stings, including fire ants, bees, wasps, caterpillars. Then call the poison control center for more specific treatment advice.

Proper Pesticide Use: - Read the entire label and follow product instructions; make sure product is properly stored and disposed of according to label. - Keep all pesticides in their original containers. - Avoid using products that require leaving powder or pellets in areas where children or pets may have access to them.

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dinator and Urban Hort Agent, and Dr. Garima Kakkar, Fruits and Alternative Crops Agent, will be conducting a short educational program before you pick up your wasps (*T. radiata*) provided by FDACS

for release. The program and wasps will be available from the St. Lucie Extension Office, 8400 Picos Road, Fort Pierce.

Asian citrus psyllid and greening were first found in Florida in 1998 and 2005, respectively; and the disease has put the state's citrus industry in serious danger. The psyllid acquires the bacteria when it feeds on bacteria-infected plants, and the disease

spreads when a bacteria-laden psyllid flies to a healthy plant and injects the bacteria into it as it feeds. HLB causes dieback of foliage and roots, stunted growth, discoloration of leaves, distorted and bitter fruit and tree death in as little as five years. There is no known cure. The only way to protect trees and prevent the spread of HLB is by controlling psyllid populations and destroy-

ing infected trees.

If you are interested and would like to be part of the wasps release program, there is a brief online survey available at https://survey.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_55x-eElQCstxCNL

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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.

St. Lucie County Sheriff's Office

Lindsey Barker, 19, of SW Collings Drive, Port St. Lucie, was arrested June 11 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Cory Chnupa, 29, of 1st Lane, Vero Beach, was arrested June 11 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Pondexture Weathers, 32, of N 22nd Street, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 11 and charged with possession of a controlled substance and driving while license suspended.

Kenneth Sandlin, 58, of Winter Garden Parkway, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 11 and charged with possession of marijuana over 20 grams, possession of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Herbert Anderson, 30, of Evergreen Avenue, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 12 and charged with driving while license suspended (habitual offender).



Jonathan Noble, 47, of Avenue Q, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 13 and charged with possession of cocaine and driving with license suspended with knowledge.

Detrayeon Fredrickson, 20, of Anvers Boulevard, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 13 and charged with tampering or fabricating physical evidence, possession of weapon/ammunition by a convicted felon, two counts of possession of methamphetamine 14 grams or over, possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to sell, and resisting officer with out violence.

Robert Slydell, 60, of Citrus Avenue, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 15 and charged with sale of cocaine.

Duncan Langston, 28, of Avenue N, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 16 and charged with battery on a law enforcement officer.

Daniel Dixon, 26, of SE Pineland Drive, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 16 and charged with possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Larry Cates, 49, of Coral Street, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 16 and charged with possession of cocaine, possession of marijuana under 20 grams, and possession of drug equipment/paraphernalia.

Fort Pierce Police Department

Yvences Similien, 35, of N. 14th Street, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 12 and charged with driving while license suspended (3rd subsequent offense).

Dion Hanna, 25, of Avenue K, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 12 and charged with pos-

session of marijuana with intent to sell/manufacture/deliver, and possession of marijuana over 20 grams.

Faga Nettles, 25, N. 22nd Street, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 13 and charged with fleeing or eluding law enforcement with light and sirens active.

Kirk Nimchick, 45, of Oleander Boulevard, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 14 and charged with assault with intent to commit felony and arson in the second degree.

David Dixon, 55, of Garrison Lane, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 14 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill.

Derik West, 35, of NW 65th Street, Miami, was arrested June 17 and charged with sell/manufacture/deliver of synthetic narcotic and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Port St. Lucie Police Department

Janivan Holland, 19, of Lennard Road, Port Saint Lucie, was arrested June 12 and charged with burglary of an unoccupied dwelling unarmed and grand theft larceny over \$300 and less than \$5,000.

Amy Kossin, 41, of SE Aneci Street, Port St. Lucie, was arrested on June 12 and charged with grand theft larceny over \$5,000 and less than \$10,000, false ownership to pawn owner of items \$300 or more, false ownership to pawn owner or items less than \$300, dealing in stolen property, possession of a controlled substance.

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Georges Hyppolite, 71, of SW Bellevue Avenue, Port St. Lucie, was arrested June 13 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill.

Ricardo Marxauch, 23, of SE University Terrace, Port St. Lucie, was arrested June 13 and charged with possession of cocaine and possession of cocaine with intent to distribute.

Tomesia Timothy, 23, of Clay Street, Port St. Lucie, was arrested June 14 and charged with larceny (use of antishoplifting control devise countermeasure) and larceny greater than \$300.

Leej Michaud, 21, of York Avenue, Port St. Lucie, was arrested June 16 and charged with lewd and lascivious behavior to victim age 12 to 16 years of age.

William Gassoway, 66, of Texas Court, Fort Pierce, was arrested June 16 and charged with grand theft larceny over \$300 and less than \$5,000.

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Please limit your submissions to 250 words, so that we can include more entries. Readers are asked to refrain from making slanderous or libelous statements.

Representatives need to do their job

A long time ago an Ann Landers column gave this advice: If you are not part of the solution you are part of the problem. The solution is easy - contact your 'representatives' about your issues of concern.

The current U.S. administration and congress needs to answer to us, their constituents: that is their job: to represent the people who elected them. They need to be accountable to us and to make sure that happens, we have to be part of the solution.

Environmental and consumer protection issues affect all of us. The Consumer Protection Bureau has gone the way of Pruitt's Environmental Protection Agency --- neglecting or forgetting the most important part of the agencies' titles: Protection. They have not been doing their job.

We need to tell them (via phone, fax, mail, email or in person) what we expect of them, ask them: "Will you be a voice and a force for protection for consumers and for our environment? Will you be holding Town Hall Meetings? If so, when, where? If not, why not?" Town Hall Meetings are where representatives actually meet and converse with their constituents. Does your representative do that?

13 State Constitution amendments

The first two times I saw the amendments published in a local newspaper, I read through the article twice – once incredulously – the second more studiously and took notes to try to understand what was being proposed – to no avail.

The June 15, 2018 edition of the Hometown News was the third publication I've seen. There is no understanding or reasoning behind these proposals presented as

they are, other than to confuse, obfuscate, and trick voters into voting for some things / rules no one wants, and no legislator wants to be blamed for. This is an example of government at it's worst.

I STRONGLY urge every voter to vote "NO" on all 13 items. None of these need to be elevated to the level of incorporation into the state's constitution, but should be addressed individually by the legislature, where each elected official must take a public stand for or against each item. Vote "NO" to the process which only serves to benefit, via power and/or money, to a few, and takes rights / power away from the people of the state of Florida.

Why set up even more new homes?

I find it ironic that the City Council of Sebastian just agreed to increase the Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) for double the current rate without any proven statistics to justify that increase. They claim that the infrastructure needs to be repaired, in the near future, then vote to add 500 new homes to these storm drains they claim need repair.

As for the building of new homes in Sebastian I am not aware of any follow up on the inspection or relocation of any Gopher Tortoises in my neighborhood where several new homes have been built. The contractors just came in with their bulldozes and plowed all the foliage and trees down. Now, Sebastian has approved zoning for another 500 new homes. What are they thinking? Drive down most streets in Sebastian and you will find many older homes for sale. Some of these homes have been for sale for months and/or years. Drive around and you will see many vacant areas where developments were started and left unfinished. We have many empty or nearly empty strip malls and Sebastian is allowing new strip

Going for a swim



Photo courtesy of MaryAnn Ketcham

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malls be constructed. From my perspective the only ones who benefit from all this needless construction are the construction companies and the City of Sebastian. Maybe it's time for the people we elected to represent us give us a say in what they seem to think is good for our community.

Use bats and fish against pests

The rain has been good for mosquitoes. But our first line of defense should not be poisoning the environment.

Make sure there is no standing water in the neighborhoods. Ponds can be stocked with fish (e.g., Gambusia) that eat mosquito eggs and larvae.

Put up a bat house. One bat can eat more than 1,000 mosquitoes in one night. Poison should be the last and little used option.

Someone else's life depends on you driving safe

Driving in Florida has added to my peeves.

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As far as MPH signs . . . no one reads them. They drive at what ever speed they want.

I could go but I'll end by saying drive safe . . . someone's life depends on you.

Hometown News keeping it local

Thank you so much for the Hometown News. I look forward to reading it every Friday.

It is wonderful to have a newspaper that addresses our community. Whenever I need or want something to do, I know exactly where to go thanks to the Hometown News.

I only wish you could run more of the calendar so I could make plans further in advance. But that is such a minor issue.

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TUESDAY, JULY 3

- **Free admission to the Aquarium:** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., St. Lucie County Aquarium featuring the Smithsonian Marine Exhibit offers free admission on the first Tuesday of each month. The aquarium is located at 420 Seaway Drive, Fort Pierce. For more information, call (772) 462-3474 or visit <http://www.sms.si.edu/SMEC>

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- **Celebrate Recovery:** 7:30 p.m., Fairlawn Baptist Church, 3003 Rhode Island Ave., Fort Pierce. A free, Christ-centered

recovery program offered every Tuesday evening. For more information, call (772) 461-0814.

MONDAY, JULY 9 – FRIDAY, JULY 13

- **Spirit of Nature Summer Camp:** For ages 9-12. Held July 9-13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oxbow Eco-Center, 5400 N.E. St. James Drive, Port St. Lucie. The excitement of scientific discovery and the fun of creative expression are combined in this new Spirit of Nature camp. Participants will explore the habitats of the Oxbow and use a variety of artistic activities to see nature in new ways. Fee is \$125. Registration required: call (772) 785-5833 or visit www.stlucieco.gov/departments-services/m-q/oxbow-eco-center/summer-camps

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Above: Bob Calhoun, Executive Director for St. Lucie Habitat for Humanity, helps his lab Minx get a headstart.

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The furry contestants all catch a wave as a crowd of beach-goers cheer them in.



Above: For a \$5 donation, spectators could bring their pups to play. Pictured here are Jennifer Ketcham of PSL with Sinatra and Kaitlyn Rivera of FP with Bailey.



Photos courtesy of MaryAnn Ketcham
Above: Trying to catch the early morning elusive waves are Kathy Vogt with Lily followed by Craig Anderson with Lily the Love and Carla Watkins with Cole.

Left: Taking a surfing lesson with instructor Jim Helm is Ketty Lou.

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SATURDAY, JULY 14

• **Friends & Family Volunteer Day:** 9 a.m. to noon, Treasure Coast Food Bank, 401 Angle Road, Fort Pierce. Introduce your friends and family to the food bank as you help at the Distribution Center to sort and pack food for hungry neighbors. Activities are appropriate for children ages 8 and up. Corporate, church and local groups are all welcome! RSVP online at stophunger.org/volunteer. For more information, call (772) 446-1752 or email volunteer@tcfoodbank.org.

MONDAY, JULY 16 – FRIDAY, JULY 20

• **Wesley's Island Eco Camp:** For ages 13-16. 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Meet at Museum Pointe Park, 420 Seaway Drive, Fort Pierce. Take a scientific adventure on Wesley's Island and the Indian River Lagoon. Learn about birds, fish and exotic species and explore the island and lagoon while paddleboarding, kayaking, hiking, seine netting and fishing. Presented by

WEDNESDAY, JULY 18

• **Care for Caregivers support group:** 6:30-8 p.m., third Wednesday each month, Suncoast Mental Health Center, 2814 S. U.S. 1, Suite D4, Fort Pierce. A support group for individuals, family members and others who play the role of caregiver to a person who struggles with a mental illness. The group's facilitator is volunteer mental health advocate Diego Gonzalez. For more information, contact Diego Gonzalez at (772) 577-4024, dgonz17820@aol.com, or visit <http://suncoastmentalhealth.org>

MONDAY, JULY 23 – FRIDAY, JULY 27

• **Junior Oxbow Scientist Summer Camp:** For ages 6-9. Held July 23-27 from 2:30-5:30 p.m., Oxbow Eco-Center, 5400 N.E. St. James Drive, Port St. Lucie. Explore the fascinating world of science,

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Scores

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est in grade 5 science, rising from 51-55 percent. Each Treasure Coast district showed similar gains. Indian River rose from 48-54 percent. Martin rose from 50-54 percent. St. Lucie rose from 43-50 percent.

For grade 8 science, the statewide gain was two points, from 50-52 percent.

Indian River tripled that improvement, rising from 47-53 percent. Martin rose from 54-57 percent. St. Lucie rose from 46-49 percent.

The social studies numbers were less consistent. In civics, the statewide scores improved from 69-71 percent. But Indian River showed a five point drop, from 70-65 percent. Martin showed an above average increase, from 71-79 percent. St. Lucie increased two points from 69-71 percent.

In U.S. history, the statewide scores improved from 67-68, but Martin dropped

one point from 75-74 percent, still far above the state average. Indian River increased from 69-70, and St. Lucie increased one point also, from 62-63.

"We applaud the work of our teachers and students," said Indian River County Superintendent Dr. Mark Rendell. "A year's worth of teaching and learning are not necessarily represented in these test scores, but they are the measure that the state uses. We do have reason to celebrate several areas of accomplishment. Overall, as a district, our scores improved in English Language Arts, Math, and Science. Some of the increases were significant. For example, both 5th Grade and 8th Grade Science saw increases of six points. Probably the most impressive was a 14-point increase in Algebra 1, which put us above the state average. Our Curriculum and Instruction Department focused on some of these areas and it has paid off."

In St. Lucie County, Superintendent E. Wayne Gent attributed the growth to the individualized support students receive. "I

commend our teachers, administrators, and staff," Superintendent Gent said. "Overall, the vast majority of our students are making gains, and we are continuing our positive trends which is a credit to our outstanding staff."

The Florida Department of Education analyzed the achievement gap between African American, Hispanic, and white students. Commissioner Pam Stewart said that in grades 3-10, the percentage of African American students passing the English Language Arts assessment increased by one percentage point, while the percentage of Hispanic students passing increased by two percentage points. Both groups, Commissioner Stewart said, narrowed the achievement gap with their white counterparts.

Commissioner Stewart said the percentage of economically disadvantaged students in grades 3-8 passing the Mathematics assessments increased by two percentage points, while African American students, Hispanic students, and students with dis-

abilities each increased performance by one percentage point.

In Algebra 1, Hispanic students increased the percentage of students passing the assessment by two percentage points. Economically disadvantaged students increased their performance by two percentage points, and African American students and students with disabilities increased their performance by one percentage point.

In Geometry, Hispanic students increased the percentage passing by four points. Economically disadvantaged students increased their performance by four percentage points, and African American students increased the percentage passing by three percentage points.

For more information from the state about the test results, visit www.fldoe.org/accountability/assessments/k-12-student-assessment/results/2018.shtml. For Martin County, visit www.martinschools.org. For St. Lucie County, visit www.stlucie.k12.fl.us.

Fertilizer

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use, and you can compost. To be in compliance, the fertilizer must contain no phosphorous. The fertilizer content is listed on each label as three numbers. This corresponds to the percentage of nitrogen, phosphorous, and potash, respectively, or N-P-K.

Another general rule is that fertilizer should never be applied within 10 feet of any wetland or water body, or from the top of a seawall. Spreader deflector shields are required when fertilizing using rotary spreaders.

Martin County's ordinance is even stronger, requiring a 25-foot fertilizer-free buffer from all water bodies.

Fertilizer may not be applied, spilled, or otherwise deposited on any impervious surfaces. Fertilizer must be kept out of stormwater drains, ditches, and all water bodies. Grass clippings, vegetative material or debris must also be kept out of stormwater drains, ditches, water bodies, wetlands, sidewalks and roadways.

Commercial fertilizer applicators are required to carry in their possession evidence that they have completed a training program in the "Florida-friendly Best Management Practices for Protection of Water Resources by the Green Industries" offered by the Florida Department of

Environmental Protection through the University of Florida Extension "Florida-Friendly Landscapes" program, or an approved equivalent.

Even outside the ban period, you should never fertilize before a rain. Rain does not set in fertilizer, it just washes it away. And you should only use fertilizers that contain at least 50 percent slow release nitrogen and that contain no phosphorous. Florida soils are naturally rich in phosphorous.

Stormwater officials recommend fertilizing only twice a year, in October near the end of the growing season, and in April at the start of the growing season. Better yet, replace grass and exotic plants with Florida native plants that require little or no fertilizing.



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SATURDAY, JULY 28

Treasure Coast Waterway Cleanup: 11th annual cleanup will be held from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Teams will be cleaning up 125 miles of waterways in Martin, St. Lucie & Indian River counties. Participants and sponsors welcome! Since 2008, more than 8,500 volunteers and more than 2,500 boats removed 77 tons of trash from the waters of the Treasure Coast. This event is for all ages and perfect for individuals, students, service clubs, yacht clubs or anyone who wants to be part of the solution to pollution. All registered volunteers will receive an event T-shirt; watercraft will receive a commemorative burgee to fly, which indicates that they are part of the event. All volunteers will be invited to an appreciation BBQ in August (date TBA). For more information, visit www.tcwaterwaycleanup.com/

ONGOING EVENTS

Babies 2 Teens Kids Club: 9:30-10:30 a.m., every Saturday, at 4830 U.S. 1, Fort Pierce. All age groups for children. Free sign up, free snacks, free books to check out. Call (772) 242-1909 for more information.

Free Meditation Classes: Non duality and self inquiry: Who am I? How to chatter

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Restless Leg Syndrome support group: There is new updated information to share regarding this debilitating disease, as well as free brochures. For more information, call Mary at (423) 390-1187.

The Treasure Coast Woodcarvers meet on Tuesdays and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to noon at the Walton Community Center, 11090 Ridge Ave., Fort Pierce, (near the Walton Road and Lake Shore Drive intersection.) All persons age 16 and above are welcome. No experience necessary. For more information, visit www.tcwoodcarvers.com.

New group for tech savvy seniors: Meets from 10-11:30 a.m., first and third Thursday each month, starting May 1, at the Zora Neale Hurston Branch Library, 3008 Avenue D, Fort Pierce. Free program is designed to provide hands-on computer instruction, including the basics of computing, keeping in touch with family and friends, and saving money on grocery bills with couponing websites. For more information, visit <http://library.stlucieco.gov>.

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The USGA took a mulligan

In the world of golf, a mulligan is a way to get a "do over" without accepting the consequences of the first shot. It is by no means legal, and most golf purists frown on the use of such a thing. This past weekend, the United States Golf Association took one, and we should be thankful for it.

The U.S. Open was held this past week out on Long Island at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club. In typical USGA fashion, the course was difficult and penal to those who strayed from the fairways, found bunkers or missed the greens. In typical USGA fashion, there were also some ridiculous things done to the course all in the name of "protecting par."

Saturday's round began rather benignly for those playing early. The breeze was light, the air was cool and there was not a cloud in the sky. Then lunchtime came and it all went to hell.

The winds picked up and the course began to dry out. Balls hit down the fairways were getting too much roll and winding up in the rough. And if you know U.S. Open rough, you know what that does to scoring.

Worse still, the greens began to dry out and get "crusty" as some players put it. The grass began to turn brown and putts began to roll and roll and some even rolled off the greens.

As the afternoon rolled on, things continued to get worse. In an event where par is considered a good score, just carding a bogey on some holes became the quest.

Tony Finau and Daniel Berger started the day 11 shots behind the leaders and were

GOLF
JAMES STAMMER



fortunate to have made the cut. The pair each shot 66 and at day's end were atop the leaderboard and playing in the final pairing on Sunday.

How difficult was the afternoon? Rickie Fowler shot 84. Dustin Johnson, the leader by four shots entering the weekend bogeyed six of his first eight holes. Even Phil Mickelson was not immune to the severity of the playing conditions, putting a moving ball to keep it from rolling off the green. Lefty wound up with a 10 on that hole, and his round of 81 is his worst at the U.S. Open. By day's end, the entire field was over par.

By design, the U.S. Open is intent on being the toughest test in golf, both mentally and physically. The USGA loves to test the mental stability of the field by setting up a course that will make you grind out pars and bogeys, and even make you angry. It has always been a test like no other.

Many players complained about some of the pin positions. As the day wore on, you could tell that the USGA had made a mess of a few holes with where the holes were cut. The greens at Shinnecock Hills were designed at a time when no one thought of making them play this hard and roll this

fast.

After the round however, the USGA did something surprising. They listened and didn't just sit back and laugh at the players struggling to play a game close to golf as we know it come Sunday. Usually this is where they really put the screws to everyone, sit back and toast a glass to the carnage.

Instead the USGA watered the course. They watered the greens to keep them from truly becoming "browns." The course wasn't allowed to turn into cement. They set pins in places where, if the winds picked up again, you could still hope to keep a putt on the green. They made the course manageable.

Sunday rolled around and the course was still tough, but it was manageable. It bit those who hit loose shots or missed greens and fairways. Thankfully, it rewarded good shots and players had chances to hold greens, make putts and move up the leaderboard instead of waiting for some to fall.

It was a great final round. Tommy Fleetwood just missed a birdie at the last that was for a round of 62. No one has ever gone so low at a U.S. Open. Patrick Reed



charged up the leaderboard, making five birdies in his first seven holes.

In the end we saw history. West Palm Beach's Brooks Koepka became only the seventh player to successfully defend his U.S. Open title. His round of 68 came thanks to a hot putter that saved his several times on the back nine.

Let's hope that the USGA has learned something from its mulligan. While we want to see players tested, we don't want the entire thing to fall apart into something not even resembling golf.

James Stammer has been an avid golfer and golf enthusiast for nearly 40 years. He hosts the Thursday Night Golf Show on WSTU 1450-AM. Contact him at stammer-golf@yahoo.com.

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Theater announces confirmed shows for 2018-19 season



For Hometown News

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FORT PIERCE — Interim Executive Director, Sharon Engle announced the Sunrise Theatre's 2018-19 Season of shows that have been confirmed to date.

"We're thrilled to offer an array of sizzling attractions this year!" said Ms. Engle. "The Sunrise Theatre continues to expand and enhance our programming with highly

sought after and celebrated national touring artists and we will be continuing to add more throughout the summer into our 13th season."

Artists booked to date, include

Paul Anka Sings Sinatra, The Beach Boys, The Midtown Men – Holiday Hits 4 Original stars from Broadway's Jersey Boys, Darlene Love, Dave Koz & Friends Christmas Tour 2018 – Mindi Abair, Jonathan Butler & Keiko Matsui, The Kingston Trio,

and The Righteous Brothers.

Rock N' Roll and tribute artists include Chris MacDonalds' Memories of Elvis "Rockin Birthday Bash," ABBA Mania Tribute Concert, Rumours – Fleetwood Mac Tribute, The Australian Bee Gees, and One Night of Queen.

Family offerings include

The State Ballet Theatre of Russia The

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Out & about

THROUGH FRIDAY, JUNE 22

• **'Just Four Fun:'** Four Florida artists will be presenting an exhibit full of surprises from May 4 to June 22 at the A.E. Backus Museum & Gallery, 500 N. Indian River Drive, Fort Pierce. Call (772) 465-0630 for more information or visit www.backusmuseum.com/services.html.

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

• **Movie Matinee:** Showing 'Black Panther' at 2 p.m., Zora Neale Hurston Branch Library, 3008 Avenue D, Fort Pierce.

Rated PG-13, 134 minutes. Anyone younger than thirteen who would like to attend a film rated PG-13 must have a permission slip signed by a parent or guardian. Permission slips will be available at the front desk. For more information, contact Gabe Gresham at (772) 462-2154 or email greshamg@stlucieco.org

• **Movie Matinee:** Showing 'Spider-man: Homecoming' at 2 p.m., Lewis Library, 2950 S.W. Rosser Blvd., Port St. Lucie. Featuring Tom Holland, Robert Downey Jr. and Michael Keaton, Peter Parker balances his life as an ordinary high school student in Queens with his super-hero alter-ego Spider-Man, and

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• **Movie Matinee:** Showing 'Grease' at 2

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Horoscopes



ARIES - March 21/April 20

Aries, others appreciate all that you do for them. But sometimes they must take matters into their own hands so they can get a learning experience to build upon.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

Taurus, all of your plans may turn entirely in a different direction at the last minute. You'll need to roll with the punches to get through everything unscathed.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

You may have an inkling of what is around the corner, but you aren't sure of the finer details, Gemini. Patience will be rewarded with a worthwhile surprise.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Make health a priority this week, Cancer. If you haven't already done so, make a list of your health goals and then schedule a consult with your doctor.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

Leo, responsibilities do not magically disappear, even if you hide beneath the proverbial covers. Tackle this week with ferocity and you'll sail through all of your tasks.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 26

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Theatre

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Other shows include Legally Blonde The Musical, Benise Fuego!, Murphy's Celtic Legacy, Howie Mandel, and more.

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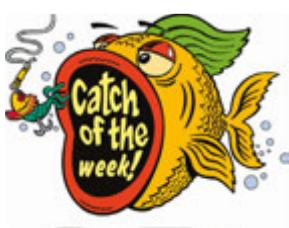
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• **Jazz Jams at the Gardens:** Presented by the Fort Pierce Jazz & Blues Society. 6:30-9:30 p.m., Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens, 2410 S.E. Westmoreland Blvd., Port St. Lucie. All are welcome. \$6 donation, \$5 for members. For more information, call (772) 337-1959 or visit www.psibg.org.

• **Family Fun Night:** Entertainment by AJ the DJ, plus bingo, prizes, and pop-quiz trivia, every Wednesday from 5-8 p.m.,

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SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Mull over your opportunities for travel, Sagittarius. You will unwind as long as you are escaping the daily grind. Make an effort to find something you'll enjoy doing.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Something may be irking you this week and you absolutely need to get to the bottom of it, Capricorn. Do your research and work out an acceptable resolution.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

Take some time off for yourself, Aquarius. Sometimes change can do a body good, and you have earned some time for rest and relaxation. Enjoy the solitude.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

Pisces, perfection may require a few rough drafts. Don't let a failed first attempt derail you from trying again. Persistence pays off.

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Sebastian: For lovers of the coast

Sometimes, the small places are easiest to overlook, particularly when they're off the beaten path or more than a few minutes off the interstate. My wife Gloria and I had only once or twice driven up U.S. 1 from Sebastian to Melbourne and only vaguely remembered the highway skirting the eastern edge of the Indian River and being able to see across to the barrier island. Something told me the area held a special charm, and we finally got to experience that when we spent a recent weekend at Capt. Hirams Resort nestled along the western shore of the Indian River Lagoon.

Although there are other places to lodge in Sebastian, Capt. Hirams is one of only a very few that actually have rooms overlooking the enchanting waterway, where we enjoyed awesome sunrises on both mornings from our balcony. Our room lay just a minute's walk from the Sandbar Beach Club, a little bit of the Bahamas and a slice of the Caribbean wedged in the northeast corner of Indian River County. This open-air tropical complex is one massive beach party for those who love the coast, and it takes on a whole new sizzle in the evenings with its nightly entertainment. There are even a couple of tables and stools down in the shallow part of the Lagoon for those who just can't seem to drag themselves out of the water long enough for a drink or snack. It was there at Capt. Hirams Adventure Center that we checked out our tandem kayak for a short paddle in the river our first morning (included with the resort's \$5 per person, per night resort fee, along with bicycles and paddleboards). The fascinating thing about kayaking off the coast of Sebastian is that kayakers can actually choose a destination. This part of the Indian River Lagoon is dotted with numerous sandy islands perfect for a picnic or overnight camping. Although Gloria is not much of a kayaker (I introduced her to the sport in Miami many years ago), we did manage to make it to the closest islet, locally referred to as Shipwreck Island, probably due to at least one of the derelict vessels we noticed cast upon the glittering white sand. We briefly stepped ashore for photographs before making the short paddle back to the resort.

The most charming part of the Sebastian waterfront is its extreme walkability. This is one of the very few non-urban places where we've been able to park the car for the weekend and forget it. Most of Sebastian's downtown area attractions are within easy walking distance. Early the first morning after photographing the sunrise, I headed out walking on Indian River Drive in both directions to see what was within easy reach of the resort. Of course I passed several waterside restaurants featuring massive decks overlooking the tranquil waterfront, a handful of public piers and decks extending out over the water and some very unique sculptures and monuments around Riverview Park. Mel Fisher's Treasures Museum & Gift Shop lay only a few blocks away, a small but fascinating tribute to the man who helped put the treasure in Treasure Coast. I also passed by Earl's Hideaway Lounge & Tiki Bar, a hugely popular open-air spot with the motorcycle crowd, seemingly day and night.

After freshening up from our morning exploration, we headed back to the Adventure Center to pick up our tickets for Capt. Hirams River King Dolphin Watch Cruise. Now you really can't force wildlife to appear on command, but this tour of the Indian River and the Sebastian Inlet lived up to its name and more. Not only did we see



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multiple pods of dolphins and a sea turtle, but we actually came upon a herd of manatees (shockingly in mid-June!) frolicking and cavorting near one of the islands. The tour took us within site of the Sebastian Inlet State Park where we saw motorhomes and camping trailers parked on the shores of the Lagoon, and close enough to the A1A Bridge over the inlet to take pictures. Although it was a mid-day cruise, the wind blowing through the covered vessel kept us comfortably cool, and we both agreed the two-hour River King was one of the longest such water tours we have experienced.

One of the most amazing things for us in Sebastian was the variety of water views in almost every direction. We had breakfast every morning at the resort's Blackfins Riverfront Grill, where we gazed out at the harbor and Shipwreck Island in the background. The restaurant is open for three meals a day, and meals are also served in the afternoons and evenings at the Sandbar Beach Club.

Our first evening in Sebastian we dined at the Mo-Bay Grill, a little piece of Jamaica plopped down into the heart of Sebastian. Owner Wesley Campbell cut his culinary teeth on the island of his birth before making a name for himself in Washington D.C. for his personal take on Jamaican cuisine. Named after his hometown of Montego Bay, the restaurant offers a wide variety of cuisine, both Jamaican and otherwise, all accompanied by views of the river through massive windows. We started off with Green Herb Steamed Mussels as an appetizer, whose tomato and garlic broth was so savory we dipped the garlic toast in it. While Gloria ordered one of our favorites, Oxtail Stew, I ordered the Jerk Stuffed Chicken Breast, filled with sautéed mushrooms and spinach. Mr. Campbell's recipe finally helped me overcome my fear of the Scotch bonnet peppers and allspice that give jerk spice its kick. Mo-Bay's take on the popular brown sauce was truly tasty, and the sweet heat only served to compliment the poultry. Both dishes were served with a unique combination of sautéed broccoli, cabbage, carrots and green beans. For dessert, we shared one of the best slices of coconut pie I've had outside of the Deep South.

The next afternoon after our cruise, we walked down to Squid Lips Overwater Grill for a late lunch. I had noticed this unique eatery during my early morning walk, perched between two piers on pilings above the river. What makes it even more special is that it's open on three sides to the elements, so when we sat down at the table, we looked over the wall of the restaurant and saw catfish swimming below. Even though we saw no way to really air condition the place, the ceiling fans and cross breezes from the north, south and east kept us comfortably cool. Here we started out with the savory Smoked Fish Dip, accompanied by the restaurant's own yummy Pineapple Coconut Bimini Bread (our server Anita offered us more, but I knew better or I'd never finish my flounder stuffed with lobster/crab meat dressing. Gloria opted for the healthy

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Sunrise over Sebastian



The Sandbar at Captain Hirams

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sounding Grilled Grouper glazed with honey-lime sauce that had the tantalizing taste of the grill in every bite. For dessert we shared a piece of Mike's Key Lime Pie, probably the most decadent form of this dessert I've ever eaten.

For lunch the next day, we headed just a few steps away to The Crab Stop, a new spot on the river that's an outgrowth of a Downtown Vero Beach restaurant of the same name.

Here we dined on the shady, open-air deck overlooking the water, beginning our experience with Fried Snow Crab, a steaming chunk of the Alaskan crustacean that is breaded and deep-fried before serving. For an entrée, Gloria opted for the Scallop Snack Pack, a savory bowl of steamed scallops, shrimp and boiled red-skin potatoes, which we found to be absolutely scrumptious. I ordered the

unique Caribbean Seafood Rice, the owner's take on a Cajun jambalaya with a similar kick, a mixture of shrimp, sausage and crab meat served in a grilled pineapple. I also sampled one of the restaurant's famed garlic crabs and now know why they're one of the most popular dishes. For dessert, we munched on corn fritters topped with powdered sugar, which were very similar to beignets, another of my New Orleans favorites.

Of course, you can't leave Sebastian without seeing the relics pulled off the nearby sea floor by one of the world's most famous shipwreck salvagers, Mel Fisher. Now run by his granddaughter, this small but very interesting museum is dedicated to his life's work of uncovering the treasure and relics from Spanish vessels on the bottom of the ocean. Here you can actually see gold and silver coins and relics from the 1715 Fleet that sank during a hurricane off the Sebastian Inlet. You'll also find Colombian emeralds and gold and silver coins minted during the time of the Conquest, with some

relics even available for purchase. Be sure and watch the 20-minute introductory video that describes the treasure hunter's early life and his success in raising up the treasure from Nuestra Señora de Atocha, his most famous discovery of a vessel that sank in 1622 west of the Florida Keys.

Shortly before leaving town our final day, we hopped in the car and drove to the Village Square, a unique shopping and dining complex on the west side of U.S. 1 near Main Street. Here Gloria browsed the unique jewelry and clothing at Addicted 2 Stuff, where she found bought a blouse and a handmade bracelet, both at very reasonable prices.

Weekend Wanderer is written by award-winning travel and feature writer Donald Rodrigue. Prior to moving to the Treasure Coast in 2007, Mr. Rodrigue worked for a custom-publishing division of the Miami Herald and wrote travel articles on destinations up and down the western hemisphere, ranging from San Francisco to Cusco, Peru and almost everywhere in-between.

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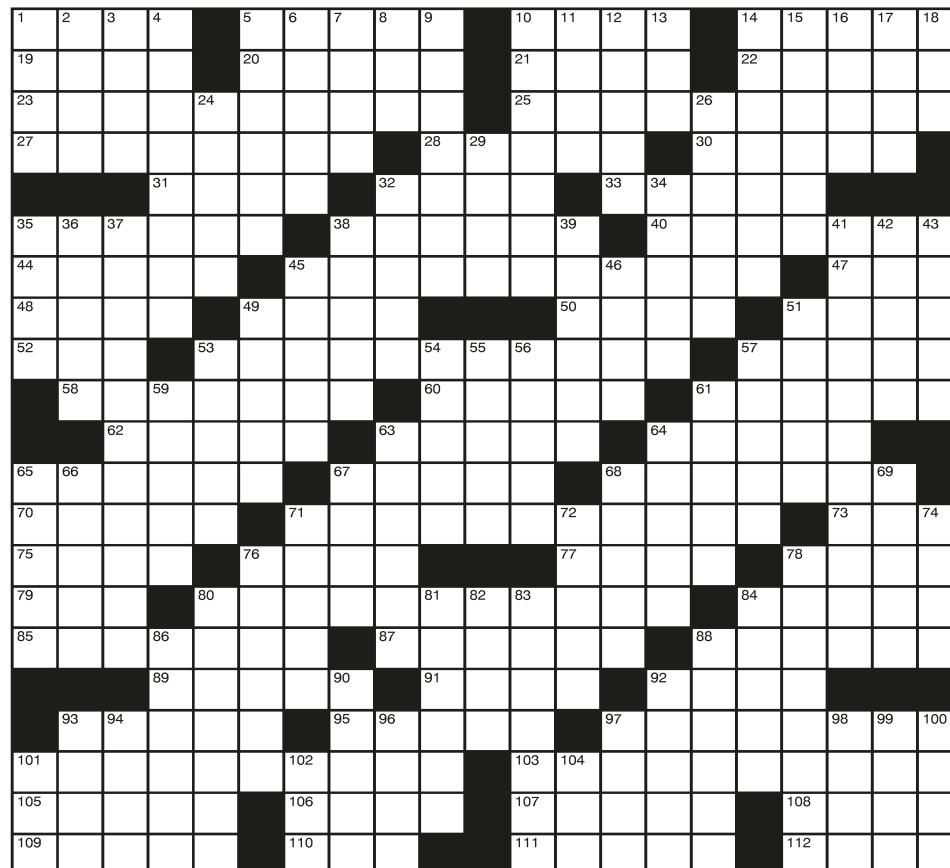
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Squirrels and raccoon can be a common sight in most gardens. These cute but sometimes mischievous critters can be fun to watch but they can also be a menace if you keep your trash outdoors.

The common raccoon is the all too familiar masked bandit that can be found throughout most of the U.S. Raccoon can be found almost anywhere water and food is located and their range extends almost anywhere in the United States. These furry



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mammals are about the size of a medium sized dog and as the mask implies, they love to borrow stuff from your yard. Like man, raccoon have five toes and it uses the whole sole of their feet to walk, just like us. Their hands are remarkably agile and they can perform many of the same tasks as we do like opening a zipper or even removing a shoestring from a shoe.

Raccoon are survivors and warriors. They can live and adjust when their woods are cut down for development or they will adapt if you fill in their favorite watering hole. These cute creatures love garbage cans and will almost without a doubt get your trash before the trash man does. Your best defense is to keep your trash in the garage or build a special locking (and I mean locking) structure to store the cans in.

One of the most enjoyable sights to see is a family of newborn raccoon playing in your yard. These cute fuzzy balls are just like kids in the fact that they want to touch and explore everything. The raccoon mates once a season and can produce a litter of anywhere from two to seven cubs in a litter. The male raccoon only stays around about a week and then he is off to find another mate. The female raises the litter and if you watch the behavior, you will soon see that they are actually very good mothers.

Raccoon have a life expectancy of about five years in the wild and can live as long as 20 years in captivity. Many people rescue orphaned baby raccoon and keep them as pets until they are able to be again released into the wild.

Squirrels are another common sight in most yards throughout Florida. This animal is very special in that it has well adapted to being around man. They can live on both natural foods and handouts. Feeding these cute creatures is an enjoyable pastime for many people while others curse their presence because they love to raid your bird feeder. The best defense is to feed the

squirrels separately while also purchasing a squirrel-proof bird feeder.

What makes these fuzzy animals so famous is their ability to put the most trained gymnast to shame. This animal can amaze and entertain us with its ability to walk the tightrope and jump from tree to tree with amazing accuracy and agility. They are very smart creatures as they usually figure out how to override the mechanism of most squirrel proof bird feeders over a period of time.

The squirrels diet is varied and can include anything from nuts (their favorite) all the way to pizza. These amazing creatures have adapted well to our own eating habits.

The most common death for a squirrel is not predators or old age; it's being hit by a car. If a squirrel survives his first year he will probably live about another five years before he dies. Squirrels in captivity can live as long as 20 years.

Joe Zelenak has more than 30 years experience in gardening and landscape. Send e-mails to hometwgarden@gmail.com or visit his website hometwgarden.com.

Out

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Wing-Stop, 2575 S. U.S. 1, Fort Pierce. One child eats free with purchase of one adult entree. For more information, call (772) 242-1064.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSANN PEARSON, Deceased. File No.: 2018CP647

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Rosann Pearson, deceased, whose date of death was November 20, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for St. Lucie County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 250 NW Country Club Drive, Port St. Lucie Florida 34986. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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Personal Representative: Suzanne Ward, 318 SE Innes Avenue, Port St. Lucie, FL 34984

Attorney for Personal Representative: Virginia-Deann D'Orsi 2 Sedgewick Park Woburn, Massachusetts 01801-3109 Attorney for Personal Representative: Eric S. Kane, Esquire Florida Bar No. 0847941 Eric S. Kane, PL 20900 NE 30th Avenue, Suite 403 Aventura, Florida 33180. Pubs: 6/15/18 & 6/22/18

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF MICHAEL F. WARD, Deceased. Case No.: 2018CP000534

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Suzanne Ward, deceased, whose date of death is November 23, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for St. Lucie County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1028 Vero Beach, The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF ETHEL A. GARDNER, Deceased. File No.: 2018CP000418

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Ethel A. Gardner, deceased, whose date of death was October 13, 2017, is pending in the Circuit Court for St. Lucie County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 700, Fort Pierce, Florida 34954. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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Personal Representative: Frances Pentino Cohn, 1118 9th Square, Vero Beach, FL 32960

Attorney for Personal Representative: Darryl J. Jacobs, Esq., 1935 32nd Ave., Vero Beach, FL 32960, Phone: 772-562-7979, Florida Bar No. 0874401

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF DOROTHY AGNES DUNKLEY, Deceased. File No.: 2018CP000730

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Dorothy Agnes Dunkley, deceased, date of death March 16, 2018, in the Circuit Court for St. Lucie County, Florida, Probate Division File No. 562018CP000720, the address of which is P.O. Box 700, Fort Pierce, FL 34950. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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publication of this notice is June 15, 2018. Personal Representative: Mary O'Donnell, 707 Walnut Avenue, Bohemia, New York 11716

Attorney for Personal Representative: Robert J. Kulas, Attorney, Florida Bar Number: 398195, Kulas Law Group, 2100 SE Hillmorn Drive, Suite 105, Port St. Lucie, Florida 34952 52, Telephone: 772-398-0720, Fax: 772-398-9331, E-Mail: information@kulasklaw.com, Secondary E-Mail: kristin@kulasklaw.com

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ST. LUCIE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: ESTATE OF ETHEL A. GARDNER, Deceased. File No.: 2018CP000418

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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5060 Notice of Sale

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TOW BOYS INC. gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 7/4/2018 & 7/6/2018, 09:00 am at 6900 HERITAGE DR PORT ST LUCIE, FL 34952-8201, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TOW BOYS INC. reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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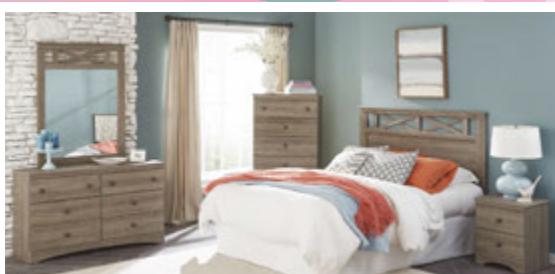
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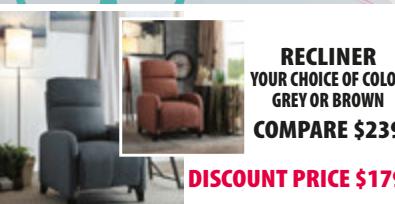
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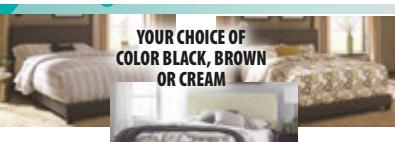
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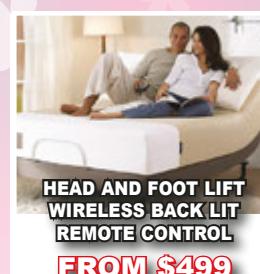
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