



Lacrosse champs

The Coral Shores High girls lacrosse team wins its district tournament. Story, 1B



Offensive explosion

Island Christian School's softball team scores 26 runs — and wins its district by one. Story, 1B

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FLORIDA KEYS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

New president chosen Saturday

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The Florida Keys Community College board of trustees is expected to select the small institution's next president on Saturday to take over from President Larry Tyree on July 1.

An 11-person search committee went through an initial pool of 43 candidates. Those 43 were whittled to

three:

- George Bishop, vice president for academic affairs and learning support at Gulf Coast State College in Panama City.

- Jonathon Gueverra, chief executive of the Community College of the District of Columbia in Washington D.C.

- Allen Witt, president of Hillsborough Community College's SouthShore

College brings in three finalists, will interview and make selection

Campus in Ruskin, south of Tampa.

Saturday, trustees will interview each candidate for an hour in the boardroom on the Stock Island campus. Bishop goes at 9 a.m., Gueverra at 11 and Witt at 2 p.m.

Those sessions will be

followed by deliberations of the five-member board, then selection of a president and the start of contract negotiations, college spokeswoman Amber Ernst-Leonard said.

Before the Saturday interviews, on Friday, each finalist will participate in an hour-long town hall meeting

in which Faculty Counsel President Dawn Ellis will pose questions and facilitate questions and answers with faculty, staff and the public.

Ernst-Leonard said trustees would be on hand to see how the candidates think on their feet and to gather feedback and input from those attending.

That takes place in the Tennessee Williams Fine Arts Center; Bishop goes at

9 a.m., Gueverra at 10 and Witt at 11.

The college advertised the presidential position with a salary not to exceed \$180,000 annually, including housing, auto and cell-phone stipends. Before he voluntarily gave up half his salary in the summer of 2011 to help mitigate a budget shortfall, Tyree, who is retiring, earned \$216,000 including the perks.

ELECTION 2012

Whitney files for run at House

Democrat joins two Republicans in race for 120

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A Democrat from Key West has filed to run for the state House, ensuring the race for Ron Saunders' seat won't be decided in the Republican primary on Aug. 14 but rather in the general election on Nov. 6.

Ian Whitney, 32, president of the Key West Innkeepers Association, filed with the Monroe County Supervisor of Elections on Monday for Saunders' District 120 seat. Saunders, also a Democrat, is running for the newly created state Senate District 39 seat.

"I decided to run because I'm convinced that Tallahassee is just broken," Whitney said. "A lot of things people talk about in Washington are accentuated in Tallahassee."

Also running for the House seat are Republicans



WHITNEY

Morgan McPherson, who ran unsuccessfully against Saunders in 2010.

Whitney moved to the Keys from Michigan, where he grew up, about 10 years ago. He's a graduate of the Interlochen (Mich.) Arts Academy.

He says laws regulating campaign spending and lobbyists result in too much influence peddling and need to change.

"It's more about the culture in terms of campaign finance. Our campaign finance laws still allow soft money," or unlimited donations to political parties, which then spend it to help candidates.

• See Whitney, 3A

INDEPENDENCE DAY



Photo by ANDY NEWMAN/FLORIDA KEYS NEWS BUREAU

This seven-foot-round Key lime pie and a re-enactment of the Florida Keys' secession from the United States marked the 30th anniversary of the creation of the Conch Republic late Monday afternoon in Key West. The pie was made from the juice from 1,080 Key limes, 360 eggs, 90 cans of sweetened condensed milk and 20 pounds of dough. Numerous events marking the secession are planned through Sunday.

MONROE COUNTY

County rewriting anchoring law

Commissioners: Draft doesn't address all

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Worried about sinking boats and U.S. Navy explosions, the Monroe County

Commission sent its anchoring ordinance back for a major rewrite April 18.

Meeting in Key West, commissioners faulted the draft ordinance for not doing enough to prevent shoddy boats from sinking, and allowing anchoring too close to Naval Air Station Key West runways and explosives arsenals.

Commissioners asked for

tighter standards on boats that anchor or moor within new managed anchoring zones, and want to require a mandatory sewage pumpout within 10 days of arrival.

"I have concerns that we have not sufficiently addressed derelict vessels," commission Mayor David Rice said. "Let's put some beef in there."

"The day has come when

we need to stop spending a quarter-million dollars of taxpayer money to take care of other people's irresponsibility," Rice said of the cost to remove sunken derelict vessels. "It's not a simple problem but we need to address it."

Commissioner Kim Wigington said adding

• See Anchoring, 2A

OSPREY RESCUE



A young osprey found entangled in fishing line returns to the wild after a rescue that tapped the resources of the Florida Keys Electric Cooperative and the Florida Keys Wild Bird Center. The bird was spotted dangling from its nest off mile marker 111. An FKEC crew and bird-center staff rescued the stricken fish hawk, then returned it to the nest after a few days of rehabilitation earlier this month.

MARATHON

No rescheduling Seven Mile Bridge Run

Rained-out event much too big to try to restage

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Organizers have done everything possible in recent years to streamline the wildly popular annual Seven

Mile Bridge Run.

They've outfitted runners with wireless chips that instantaneously transmit finishing times to a waiting computer; and for the first time, this year eliminated old-fashioned mail-in registration and switched to online sign-ups. The 1,500 spots filled within minutes on Feb. 21.

But there's no accounting for Mother Nature, who, for

the first time in 31 years, had her way with the race. Torrential downpours and nearby lightning Saturday morning forced organizers to cancel the event even as runners were at the start line.

It was scheduled to begin at 7:30 a.m. sharp. Co-organizer Ginger Sayer said it was officially called off at 7:31.

"If it happens once every 31 years, that's not bad. The

correct decision was made. There were some pretty good close cracks of lightning. We can't take the chance," she said.

Sayer said the run will not be rescheduled because it takes too long to organize, secure volunteers and for out-of-town runners to make travel arrangements. But

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Phone stolen? No service

Wireless service companies have agreed to disable cell phones after they're reported stolen in a strategy intended to deter their theft. Story, 7A

Field getting crowded

Another candidate has filed to run for the District 1 seat of the Mosquito Control Board. Story, 3A



KEYS WEATHER

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SAT.	86	76

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BEACH ADVISORIES

The Monroe County Health Department tests Keys beaches twice weekly for the presence of enteric bacteria. There currently are no beaches with health advisories against swimming.

GETTING IT STRAIGHT

Due to a reporting error, a story in the April 18 Keynoter incorrectly stated Maggie Gutierrez's employment situation. The District 1 Florida Keys Mosquito Control Board candidate is a private attorney.



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Disappointed, understanding

From Seven Mile, 1A

being able to close the bridge down is the main reason, she said.

"Permitting is the best reason. [The state Department of Transportation] doesn't give us a rain date," Sayer said.

She said runners won't be refunded their \$65 entry fee because the race still has a lot of outstanding expenses. Additionally, nonprofit groups represented by more than 400 volunteers who turned out to help expect to receive some proceeds.

"Runners can look at it like a donation to youth organizations, which is where all that money goes. We're a not-for-profit so it's not going into anyone's pockets," she said.

Many runners have

posted comments to the race's Facebook page since its cancellation. Most were understanding of the decision.

"Life is too short to be upset and offended. Don't allow circumstances to control your joy. Next year's race will be even more special," Jorge Costero posted.

One runner even channeled actor Charlie Sheen: "Oh well. At least I'm still on vacation. In the Keys. Winning!" Stephanie Singer Arshnt posted.

Many others inquired about having a spot reserved for them in next year's race, even if the entry fee would have to be paid again.

Sayer said no decisions would be made until organizers finish with this year's event.

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FREEMAN

Wallace "Bruce" Freeman, aged 67, passed away suddenly at home in Tennessee on April 19th, 2012. Survived by his wife Norma, children Ronnie and Mike, parents Verb and Lorene, sisters Karen and Sharon. Services to be held at a later date.



GALLAGHER

Dan Gallagher, friend of Marathon, left town permanently on Friday, April 20, 2012 after 23 years in the place that grew to become his favorite spot in the world. Dan "retired" to Marathon after nearly 20 years as a professor at Salisbury University. His highest educational honor was a Ph.D. from Lehigh University. His best educational experiences came from learning about the marine communities in the Florida Keys, where, as a licensed captain, Dan taught youth and adults in the field about the special environment. Over the years Dan was an educator in a number of ways. For several years Dan worked at Seacamp (on Big Pine Key) and with Mote Marine Laboratory at their Summerland Key facility as Education Coordinator. He published several books, notably as the editor of the Florida Keys Environmental Story. He was a charter officer on the Pigeon Key Foundation and was their Education Director at Pigeon Key for six years. In Marathon Dan is primarily remembered as the author of three histories of the community, including Marathon 1906-1960. He also published a major history of the construction of the Flagler railroad, Florida's Great Ocean Railway. Other historical contributions include models and videos now on display at the Key West Arts and Historical Society.

He is survived by his wife, Rita Irwin of Grassy Key, son Jay Gallagher (plus two grandchildren) and daughter Jill Olson (also two grandchildren), both living in Maryland. There will be a celebration for local friends to be announced. Donations in his honor can be Dolphin Research Center or the Marathon Community theater.

HEESCHEN

David Suptin Heesch, 86, died peacefully on April 13, 2012 at his home in Charlottesville, Virginia. He was born in Davenport, Iowa, on March 12, 1926 to Richard George Heesch and Emily Suptin Heesch and was the oldest of three siblings. His beloved wife Eloise, whom he married in 1950, preceded him in death. Dr. Heesch received his Bachelor and Master of Science degrees from University of Illinois in 1949 and 1951, and his Doctor of Philosophy in Astronomy from Harvard University in 1954. After teaching for a year at Wesleyan University, he returned to Harvard in 1955 as a lecturer and research associate. He worked at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) beginning in 1956 and was the Director from 1962 to 1978. Between Heesch's arrival at NRAO and the end of his time as Director, NRAO grew from an idea and plan to a major world center for radio astronomy.

Following his resignation as Director, Heesch served briefly as Assistant Director for

Tucson Operations, Assistant Director for Socorro Operations, and as Acting Project Manager during the initial phases of work on the Green Bank Telescope. He retired from NRAO in December 1991, but continued to pursue his research interests and to advise on NRAO projects. Development of the NRAO into a highly respected observatory serving the needs of hundreds of astronomers around the world, and the development of the VLA, were the two accomplishments of Dr. Heesch's directorship of which he was most proud.

Outside astronomy, Heesch was a sports car enthusiast having raced Austin-Healey Sprites for several years and having owned a number of classic sports and muscle cars. He was also an avid sailor of 30 years and in his Schooner "Delight" made several trips to Bermuda and the Caribbean. In addition, he and his late wife Eloise, were heavily involved as Ham Radio Operators and enjoyed scuba diving for a number of years.

Dr. Heesch was a member of the American Astronomical Society, where he served as President from 1980-1982, a member of the International Astronomical Union, where he served as a Vice President and member of the Executive Committee from 1976-1981, and of the International Scientific Radio Union, the American Philosophical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and the National Academy of Sciences. Dr. Heesch has said he always felt very privileged to have had a career in astronomy and to have been able to associate with and serve so many talented astronomers and engineers throughout his career. His wife Eloise and extended family were a constant source of love and support.

Dr. Heesch lived in Charlottesville/Earlysville VA. For 31 years. In 1996, he and Eloise moved to Marathon, FL. There he was active at St. Columba Church, did volunteer work at Switlik Elementary School and Crane Point Hammock, and was on the Board of Directors of the Florida Keys Land and Sea Trust.

He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Dixon Hammon of York PA. And their children Joshua, Isaac and Leah Hammon, his son and daughter-in-law, David and Eleni Heesch of Charlottesville, VA and their children George and David Heesch and Libby Moore, and his son and daughter-in-law Richard and Linda Heesch of Charlottesville, VA and their children Rachael and Kira Heesch. He is also survived by his sister and her husband Elizabeth and Wayne Raley of Grass Valley, CA and his sister and her husband Catherine and Earl Wear of Rock Island, IL.

A memorial service is being planned for May 21, 2012 in Charlottesville (location to be announced). In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to the American Cancer Society.

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KEY WEST

Planning chief suspended

Action comes after arrest on Saturday

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Following an admittedly "bad decision" by allegedly throwing rocks at a marked police car, Key West City Planner Don Craig has been suspended for 10 days with no pay.

Craig, 64, was arrested a little after 10 Saturday night, charged with a misdemeanor count of simple assault with intent to do violence. City Manager Jim Scholl suspended him Monday.

According to police reports, at the time of his arrest, Craig had slurred speech, smelled of alcohol and couldn't keep his balance. Police Chief Donie Lee called it "an unfortunate situation."

His absence was conspicuous when the Planning Board convened a special meeting Monday at 6 p.m.; Planner Nicole Malo filled in for Craig at the meeting; no one mentioned his absence.

Craig earns \$125,000 annually and started in the top planning job on an interim basis in December 2010, replacing Amy Kimball-Murley, who abruptly resigned. Jim Scholl hired Craig full-time last May.

According to his report, police officer Brian Leahy was traveling down Olivia Street in Old Town just before 10 p.m. Saturday when he saw Craig walking his dog.

"I saw Craig wind up like a baseball pitcher and hurl multiple, what appeared to be stones, at the front of my patrol vehicle."

When Leahy pulled over, "Craig quickly approached me and started yelling into my passenger window ...

slow down."

From there, Craig apparently realized he was dealing with a cop and, according to Leahy, "had a look of surprise on his face."

Craig admitted to drinking wine with his dinner. His wife volunteered that he had also taken a painkiller for back pain.

Based on comments he made on scene and en route to the Monroe County Detention Center, Craig had grown frustrated with people speeding along Olivia Street, where he lives and walks his dog.

From police reports, Craig said: "I wasn't thinking. People speed down this way all the time. It was a bad decision."

Craig started working for Monroe County as a planner in 1987, eventually becoming Growth Management director. He was an assistant county administrator before leaving in 1990.

LOWER KEYS



Photo by PATRICIA KACHMARIK

A sawfish, large but still a juvenile, swings by snorkeler Ron Kachmarik of Ohio in shallow water off the Lower Keys on April 13. Scientists want to know everything they can about the endangered sawfish.

Rare sawfish comes visiting

Little known about 'biggest inshore fish'

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An Ohio family snorkeling off a Sugarloaf Key pier April 13 was surprised to be joined by one of the Florida Keys' largest and rarest marine residents.

An endangered sawfish, estimated to be nearly 10 feet long, passed within a few feet of Ron Kachmarik while wife Patricia and sons Mike and Nick looked on with awe.

"It was huge!" Patricia said in an e-mail. "Ron was able to look underwater as it was passing him, see the teeth on the blade part of the fish as it moved right by him."

The photograph and the Kachmariks' report was welcomed by staff with the Florida Program for Shark Research, who are compiling the first International Sawfish Encounter Database

in an effort to learn everything possible about the endangered species.

"It was very interesting that the sawfish came out of that kind of seagrass habitat," said George Burgess, a well-known shark researcher at the Florida Museum of Natural History in Gainesville. "Our [sawfish] tagging in the Keys seems to indicate that seagrass beds can be very important for the adult fish."

The sawfish spotted in knee-deep water by the Kachmarik family "probably is a baby," Burgess said. "It wasn't a full-grown adult by any stretch."

"We are really excited about getting the chance to have this sighting," Patricia Kachmarik said. "The boys think it was the highlight of the trip."

Sawfish are not considered adults until they reach 10 feet. They can grow to be 25 feet but 15 feet is more common.

"These are just about the biggest inshore fish anyone is going to see," Burgess said.

"We're working very hard to make people more aware

of these animals and report when they see them," he said. "We want to hear about each and every one."

The smalltooth sawfish has been protected as a federal endangered species since 2003. No harvest is allowed, and no one really knows how many sawfish are left.

"These guys have always been fairly rare because that's the way the marine world works — larger predators are always found in lower numbers because they need more territory," Burgess said.

"As scientists, we never did a good job recording where and when sawfish are found," Burgess said. "Then we discovered they were disappearing on us."

With Southwest Florida and the Keys being a significant habitat, researchers recently tagged eight sawfish off the Flamingo area. Tags being used in research range from the basic dart tag to expensive satellite-tracking tags.

For information, go to www.flmnh.ufl.edu/fish/sharks/sawfish.

Rewrite coming

From Anchoring, 1A

stricter measures to a draft anchoring ordinance that had received general acceptance from the Keys boating community could cause new controversies to flare.

"We're making substantial changes," Wigington said. "There's nothing in this ordinance addressing derelict vessels or we'd have had a lot more people speaking."

Without taking a vote, the board told county Marine Resources administrator Rich Jones and staff to:

- Borrow some standards from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's program to identify vessels deemed at risk of becoming derelict, and use those for enforcement in the managed zones.
- Require a mandatory septic pumpout or proof of pumpout within 10 days of anchoring.
- Redraw maps that would keep anchored boats outside the Navy's "explosive arcs" near its Lower Keys weapons-storage sites, and away from runway crash

zones.

"It's not a good idea to legitimize congregations of liveaboard or boating activity in clear zones [off runways] or in accident-potential zones," said Ron Demes, an executive of NAS Key West. "Planes have a propensity to go down in those areas if everything goes bad."

Anchoring inside the possible blast zone of a storage explosion is "absolutely out of the question," Demes said.

Under a state pilot program approved in 2009, Monroe County is one of five Florida coastal areas allowed to draft new anchoring rules on a test basis to cover stationary vessels outside existing mooring zones.

As proposed, rules for test zones would be approved by the FWC's state board for adoption later this year. The zones would expire in 2014 unless extended by the Florida Legislature.

The program aims to reduce the number of poorly maintained or abandoned boats that sink and turn into navigational or environmental hazards. Among its tenets:

- Designating managed anchoring zones at Sunset Cove off Key Largo, in the Lower Keys at Boca Chica Basin, Cow Key Channel and Key West Harbor; and in Boot Key Harbor and Sister Creek in Marathon.
- Requiring proof of a vessel sewage pumpout within 30 days, with the county working toward providing free or low-cost pumpout facilities.
- Requiring a free vessel-safety check from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Previously the county suggested using the FWC's "at-risk vessel" program as a measure to ban unsafe boats from anchoring in the zones. FWC officials objected, saying the program seeks voluntary compliance and cannot be the basis for regulation.

Additionally, Jones said national directors of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary would not permit its voluntary safety inspections to be used as a mandatory requirement.

Jones will return to the commission with an updated ordinance.

ELECTION 2012

Gutierrez files for Mosquito Control Board

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Maggie Gutierrez, P.L. She's been a full-time resident of the Keys since 2003.

GUTIERREZ

Gutierrez is involved, sitting on the boards of numerous organizations. She also sits on the Key West Historical Architectural Review Commission and Advisory Board on Homelessness.

She's on the board of the Monroe County Bar Association, Rotary Club of Key West and Cancer Foundation of the Florida Keys.

"I'm committed to the community and you have to have experience to have this position. You have to understand how it is to work with the public and I have a lot to offer," she said.

Key West attorney Maggie Gutierrez has filed to run for the District 1 Florida Keys Mosquito Control Board seat.

The 46-year-old joins fellow Republican Jill Cranney-Gage and Green Party candidate Oliver Kofoid in the race for 20-year incumbent Joan Lord Papy's spot on the dais.

It's unclear whether Lord-Papy, a Democrat, plans to seek a sixth four-year term. She has not returned calls for comment in months.

"I believe a successful Mosquito Control is critical for several reasons: Public health, quality of life, tourism and our economy," Gutierrez said. "I have proven leadership to offer to be [residents'] watchdog."

Gutierrez has been a practicing lawyer for 22 years and has her own private practice, the Law Office of Margaret

Gutierrez said she'd stress fiscal responsibility during her campaign. The Mosquito Control District budget has been seen as bloated in recent years, and district staff is looking at bringing it down through a three-year development plan.

"It's been in a shortfall and we should not spend more than we have. There

have been some strides made in the last year, but they're still not there," she said. "They're dipping into reserves to make up for budget shortfalls and that's got to stop."

Gutierrez said she follows Mosquito Control and other county governments closely and thought the time was

right to get involved.

"I moved to District 1 this past year in September and I think it's time to do something for my community and to serve," she said.

Four-term Mosquito Control Board incumbent Steve Smith of Key West, a Democrat, has a pair of challengers for the District 3 seat

in Democrat Timothy Root and Republican Stephen Hammond.

Bill Shaw, a four-term incumbent Republican from Marathon, filed for re-election to his District 4 seat. No one has filed to oppose him.

Primary elections will be held on Aug. 14 and the general election is on Nov. 6.

Education a campaign issue

From Whitney, 1A

Donations to candidates themselves are capped at \$500.

"The parties themselves can receive a lot of money, so it opens the spigot so that not only special interests in Florida have more power, but outside of Florida, as well," Whitney said. "I think a lot of the bad legislation coming out of Tallahassee is because these lobbying groups have disproportionate power."

He's also focused on education and water quality.

"Education, by far, because it's tied into everything. We're losing teachers here in Monroe County.... It's because of the Legislature.... The bottom line when it comes to education is Florida ranks dead last when it comes to how much we spend. It's not just high school education, it's higher education."

"They aren't making higher education accessible. Let's start reinvesting in early childhood education [too]. Let's have vocational training programs, possibly through the School District, and make it less expensive for kids to go to college here."

As for water quality, "There has just been a lot of bad legislation in Tallahassee over the past two years. For example, instead of having a statewide standard for clean

water, we would have local standards. They're trying to overturn statewide standards for water quality, and I'm against that."

He admits that in a legislative body where Republicans far outnumber Democrats, it would be difficult getting much done if he's elected.

"It's an uphill battle to do anything," he said. "I think the ones who have the least power are the Republicans who dare stand up to the leadership. They get punished" by getting stripped of committee assignments and getting the worst-placed offices in the capitol.

Whitney, a statewide Democratic committeeman, says this is his second run for office. "I ran for state house in Michigan when I was 19. I was the sacrificial lamb in a very Republican state."

As for Saunders, he isn't taking sides — Raschein, his longtime aide, or Whitney, the Democrat.

"Generally I stay out of those races," he said. "I never endorse. I run my race."

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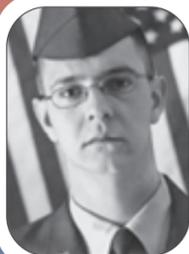
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IN THE COURTS

Leatherwood gets new lawyer in murder case

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Keys native and convicted murderer Larry Leatherwood will spend a bit more time in a Monroe County courtroom than many people thought.

The 46-year-old was successful in having Circuit Court Judge Luis Garcia remove defense attorney

Rayme Suarez from his case at an April 10 hearing in Marathon.

Leatherwood was convicted in 2003 and sentenced by Acting Circuit Court Judge Ruth Becker to life in prison—plus 40 years for being a convicted felon with a weapon—for shooting chef Mark Evans to death on Halloween in 2000 at the Eastwind Apartments on

Sombrero Beach Road in Marathon.

Assistant State Attorney Tanner Demmery said Leatherwood objected to Suarez having represented a witness in his case on “a charge far subsequent to the murder charge.”

Garcia granted Leatherwood’s motion to have Suarez replaced—but refused his request to remove himself as judge in the case.

“He got his new attorney and she asked for a new status date so she could review

the file and properly represent him,” Demmery said.

That attorney is Laurie Hall, with the Office of Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel in Ocala.

A hearing has been scheduled for May 22 at 3 p.m. on Plantation Key with Garcia to consider Leatherwood’s “ineffective assistance of counsel” motion.

“At that time, the judge will set a final date for the evidentiary hearing,” Demmery said.

Leatherwood, who appar-

ently has a habit of filing legal motions on his own behalf, claims there is new evidence in his case and that one of the state’s key witnesses recanted her testimony.

Demmery said that’s not the case and that the witness in question signed an affidavit confirming her testimony. But since it wasn’t attached when Leatherwood’s appeal went to the Third District Court of Appeal, the case was remanded back to the Keys.

Leatherwood shot Evans three times with a .44 caliber

handgun as Evans left a party at the Eastwind complex. Authorities said Leatherwood was courting Evans’ ex-wife and that Leatherwood and Evans exchanged words early in the evening.

As Evans was headed out the door, Leatherwood shot him in the femur, abdomen and head, authorities said. Leatherwood was on the run for eight months following the shooting, eventually arrested in Bibb County, Ga., near Macon.

MONROE COUNTY

County starts moving on Cudjoe system

By RYAN MCCARTHY
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As expected, Monroe County took the first steps last week toward constructing its estimated \$156 million Cudjoe Regional wastewater system.

Meeting April 19 in Key West, the County Commission voiced unanimous support for the project as it dealt with seven separate agenda items that move the construction forward. They’re aimed at fulfilling a

promise to the state to be under contract to build the system by March 1, 2013.

Gov. Rick Scott approved a \$70 billion state budget last Tuesday that included what many thought was a long-shot line item: a \$50 million bond for Keys sewer projects.

Monroe County is slated to receive \$30 million of the money, while Islamorada would receive the other \$20 million to get its \$100 million village-wide system underway.

A lack of state or federal funding had prevented the

county from moving forward on the Cudjoe system, which will cover roughly 7,000 parcels from Cudjoe Key through Big Pine Key.

The county plans to finance one-third of the work with outside grant money, another third through a one-penny infrastructure sales tax, and the last portion with a \$5,700-per-homeowner sewer fee.

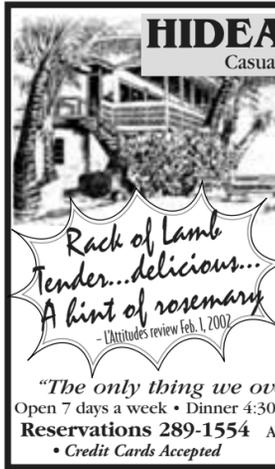
The commission also approved public hearings to extend the infrastructure sales tax beyond its 2018

sunset. The county plans to put a referendum on the November ballot to do so.

“The referendum is a very tricky subject. We’re dealing with one-third of the money right now like we have all three pieces,” Commissioner Kim Wigington said.

This year’s \$50 million bond is part of the \$200 million so-called Mayfield grant in 2009. The funding was authorized but not allocated prior to the 2012 Legislative session.

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MONROE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Programs likely to combine

Thursday session looks at ACE, Keys Center

By SEAN KINNEY
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A major overhaul of alternative education in Key West is expected to save the cash-strapped Monroe County School District a projected \$700,000 in the fiscal year beginning July 1.

Superintendent Jesus Jara made that projection after analyzing money that could be saved if the Academic Connections for Excellence alternative school were combined with the all-girls Keys Center Academy.

Jara will shop the idea with parents and community members at a town-hall meeting set for Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Key West High School auditorium.

Enrollment at the two schools is projected at between 40 and 50 for the next school year; Jara said the current budget for the Keys Center and ACE is \$1.15 million, which he said he can cut down to \$450,000.

"We're combining all the overhead for the facilities," he said. "We're duplicating expenses right now. We've got administrative costs in both programs and we're not going to have that anymore."

ACE is in the May Sands School on United Street and the Keys Center leases space from Florida Keys Community College on the Stock Island campus.

Jara said some of students in the schools would be moved from the alternative education program and into adult education, giving the example of an 18-year-old in ninth grade and expected to graduate at age 22.

"We can't save everything," Jara said, alluding to the larger need to cut \$7

million in year-over-year expenses. "Everybody is pretty much suffering. There's going to be some tough decisions that we have to make but we can't continue to operate how we are doing it."

Students are referred to ACE for a number of reasons, including being chronically truant or disruptive; transitioning back to school from substance abuse, mental health, or court-ordered facilities; trouble transitioning from middle to high school; or in lieu of expulsion.

Keys Center students have the same general problems and are all female. The school's website describes the mission: "To be proactive and intervene to prevent school withdrawal, juvenile delinquency, teen pregnancy, substance abuse and welfare dependency by providing a safe and nurturing environment."

Including the alternative education shakeup, Jara has put together an austerity plan that cuts around \$6.7 million. Other cuts include firing 40 teachers to save nearly \$3 million; saving \$1.7 million by adjusting the employee health-care benefits plan; another \$1.2 million by continuing a seven-day furlough program; and \$600,000 by outsourcing the transportation department.

The current budget is \$82.3 million; for the 2012-13 fiscal year, Jara projects \$78 million in revenue and \$83 million in expenses.

He has continued to describe the cuts, particularly the 40 teaching jobs, as needed to "right-size" the district. He said five years ago there were 65 administrators but now are 40, while the number of teachers has hovered at slightly more than 600.

"We haven't right-sized in the schools," he said.

KEY WEST

Waterfront plan starting to gel

Commission getting down to specifics

By SEAN KINNEY
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With some major design features now approved by the Key West City Commission, designers can start planning a long-awaited 33-acre park at the Truman Waterfront.

City Planner Don Craig said an initial meeting between city staff and designers Bermello Ajamil and Partners Inc. of Miami yielded five points requiring direction.

"Those five design issues had some conflicting parts that would have been, if we moved ahead with no clarification, either prevented or lengthened the process," Craig said. "We decided it was best to go back to the two boards most directly affected by the waterfront design."

That resulted in a March meeting of the Truman Waterfront Advisory Board and Bahama Village Redevelopment Advisory Committee that produced recommendations presented to commissioners on April 16. Points with which the commission agrees:

- Constructing a multi-use recreational field large enough to accommodate adult soccer matches at 110 yards long by 65 yards wide.

- Relocating the U.S. Coast Guard cutter Ingham, operated as a museum, perpendicular to the East Quay Wall to minimize the impact on a planned private marina in the same space.

- Demolishing the former U.S. Navy mess hall and building a community center once funding has been identified.

- Accommodating events like powerboat and sailboat races while allowing parking only on hard surfaces to protect play fields.

- Constructing an amphitheater with 250 seats and a lawn that could accommodate additional seating or other recreational uses.

Commissioner Jimmy Weekley, questioning Craig on the timeline, made clear, "You're looking at a year away before any construction."

Comments both from the dais and from speakers pointed out the significance of the commission vote.

"Your support will signal that we are finally on our way to transforming this waterfront gift," said Richard Tallmadge, a member of the Truman Waterfront Advisory Board.

"This action also sends a positive message that we are finally under way in the transformation of scarified land into a spectacular waterfront park."

Margaret Domanski, another Truman Waterfront Advisory Board member, praised the process resulting in the park scheme: "Over the past three years, all of these elements have been thoroughly debated and vetted."

Commissioner Teri Johnston, with an eye to the future, mentioned the need for a maintenance plan so the proposed park doesn't end up like the unusable soccer field now on the parcel.

"We can put whatever we want down at the Truman Waterfront but unless we maintain it, it's going to wind up just like that rock-hard field we've got down there right now. It's not a conversation for tonight but certainly we will want to look into our ongoing sustainable maintenance plans."

MARATHON

Snead looking for a third term

By RYAN McCARTHY
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One of two eligible incumbents is back in the running for Marathon City Council in November.

Councilwoman Ginger Snead, a two-time mayor in her four years on the dais, filed to run on April 17. If elected, it would be her third consecutive two-year term.

"I still feel there are things that need to be finished and I'd like to be there to help finish them," she said.

Snead joins former city employee C.J. Geotis and two-time council candidate Larry Shaffer in the running for three open council seats.

Vice Mayor Dick Ramsay has said he's undecided about seeking a third term, while Mayor Pete Worthington has served three straight terms and is term-limited out.

In Marathon, voting is at large. For this election, it means the top three voters are elected.

Snead was the top voter in her runs for coun-



SNEAD

cil in 2008 and 2010, while Shaffer lost bids in 2004 and 2010 to join the board. Geotis has never run

for political office.

Snead owns a fitness and rehabilitation center, while Geotis is a former deputy city manager and ports manager of four years for the city of Marathon. He worked with the city from February 2005 through January 2009, when then-City Manager Clyde Burnett eliminated his job.

Shaffer was a longtime member of the city's advisory Planning Commission and owns the Marathon Journal, an online publication.

The general election is Nov. 6. The official candidate qualifying period is the week of Aug. 7 if paying the \$720 qualifying fee; the deadline for candidates choosing to get on the ballot via the petition method is July 10.

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BP Oil Spill Settlement Announced

The Plaintiffs' Steering Committee (PSC) spearheading the litigation surrounding the 2010 BP Gulf Oil Spill recently announced that a settlement in principle has been reached with BP that will fully compensate hundreds of thousands of victims of the tragedy. The settlement is to be fully funded by BP, with no cap on the amount BP will pay. BP is obligated to fully satisfy all eligible claims under the terms of the Court supervised settlement, irrespective of the funds previously set aside.

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EDITORIAL

Voter 'reform' is mere fallacy

The purported reason was to help the disenfranchised, but numbers show result is just the opposite

Last year, after lawmakers crafted cynical legislation masquerading as election reform, critics predicted Gov. Rick Scott's pending signature would send Florida hurtling back to the age of poll taxes.

The Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law, for one, warned should House Bill 1355 become law, "Florida will rise to the head of the class when it comes to penalizing civic engagement."

An outcome aimed at minorities and young collegians who typically tilt Democratic.

Of course, even Rapture prophet Harold Camping could've foreseen the fallout of slashing the early-voting period, junking Election Day address updates, and scaring voter-registration groups with steep fines for tardy registrations.

Indeed, a recent *New York Times* analysis of registration data — while not providing an undeniable connection — suggests Florida's regressive "reforms" have left behind many voters. Since May, when the law kicked in, nearly 82,000 fewer voters have registered, compared with the same stretch during the 2008 presidential campaign.

Lest cynics solely pin the erosion on withered political enthusiasm or shifting demographics and the void of a viable Democratic primary this year, the *Times* cited appreciable dips in areas enjoying upticks in citizens of voting-age. In Orange County, registrations dropped more than 20 percent; Miami's tally plunged 39 percent.

Casual link or not, Ann McFall, supervisor of elections in Volusia, where new registrations fell nearly 20 percent, fingered the law: "The drop-off is our League of Women Voters, our five universities in Volusia County, none of which are making a concentrated effort this year," she said.

In fact, the League of Women Voters, cowed by the oppressive fines, bailed out early. And Rock the Vote opted to skip the Sunshine State on its national barnstorming to sign up young voters.

That the GOP-backed law has delivered the desired effect is bad enough. But the law gives the disenfranchised an extra poke in the eye.

Research by Daniel Smith, a University of Florida political scientist, suggests the law purportedly needed to stem voter fraud has created more. In December 2007, he found, nearly 91 percent of the 77,299 applications the Division of Elections processed were valid. Last December, only 89.6 percent of the 45,026 applications were deemed valid.

— Orlando Sentinel

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank the volunteers

To celebrate National Volunteer Week, I want to recognize the group of nearly 300 volunteer ombudsmen who give so much of their time and energy advocating for more than 160,000 Floridians living in nursing homes, assisted-living facilities and adult family-care homes.

Residents in long-term care facilities represent our friends and family members who often need an extra voice to ensure that their right to age with dignity, choice and autonomy is respected.

Volunteer ombudsmen of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program seek to protect the health, safety, welfare and rights of Florida's most vulnerable population. During this week when we celebrate the work of all volunteers, the Ombudsman Program would like to specifically honor the accomplishments of our committed volunteers.

Last year, volunteer ombudsmen traveled a total of 365,412 miles across Florida's 67 counties and gave more than 70,000 service hours to meet with residents, conduct annual facility assessments, train facility staff and residents and investigate complaints, attempting to resolve any complaints to the residents' satisfaction.

Nine districtwide resident council meetings were hosted around the state by ombudsmen volunteers and staff, where residents from multiple area

facilities gathered with their caregivers and family members to discuss issues, share ideas and encourage residents to understand and advocate for their rights.

The Ombudsman Program is proud to boast in the work of its dedicated and passionate volunteers and we are always looking for more individuals to join our team. If you would like to work with us to better the lives of long-term care facility residents, call (888) 831-0404 or visit www.ombudsman.myflorida.com to find out how you can volunteer.

Jim Crochet
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Poor use of land

If you look at the city of Marathon's website, the master plan for the city marina shows a designer's rendering of lush landscaping and boardwalks that meander in and out of the mangroves along the shore of Boot Key Harbor.

Instead, we have just erected a large chain-link fence enclosure to house a gravel pit. This is a wonderful piece of harborfront property and could be put to much better use.

Access is through the city park. Will there be an influx of heavy equipment? Whose idea was this and what

was their thought process?

Curt Clark
Tina Hammond
Marathon

City's decision appalling

It is appalling to learn that the discount given by the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority will not be honored by the city of Marathon.

The disabled veterans, low-income senior citizens and those who were granted the discount will no longer be eligible if you live in Marathon.

The decision was made at a city budget meeting. Upon calling the city and asking for explanation, I was told that it was decided that everyone should pay his or her fair share. Yet they could give a \$15,000 raise to an individual for doing a good job, which he was hired to do.

It is sad that with all the cuts and the economy as it is that a group can decide to not honor something that is in place throughout the Keys. Thank you to the FCAA for giving the previous discount; it was appreciated by those who were eligible and to all those still receiving the discount.

Perhaps the elderly and disabled should move out of Marathon and let the city have some additional vacated properties.

Bonnie Williams
Marathon



The county bought the Hickory House in 2006 for use as public waterfront. However, it's sat dormant since then and the county has tried several times to sell or rent it.

Public vote on Hickory

Once again, our Monroe County commissioners are considering creating an assault on the Sunshine Law by holding private meetings out of the public eye to sell off public oceanfront land purchased for passive-park

purposes using taxpayer money.

The infamous Hickory House property on Stock Island, purchased for \$3 million, will probably be sold for one third of that amount, sticking the county taxpayers for a \$2 million loss and it will be a windfall for some private business.

Beware of politicians

Freedom is preeminent — the singular issue that trumps partisan politics. It is vastly more important than and inherently transcendent of any other agenda; it is the reason for our very existence. It is the basis of our nation's creation and best articulated in the founding documents — the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights and the Constitution. All Americans share the heritage of freedom and liberty. It is our common bond.

It is apparent that all political parties, particularly the Democrats and Republicans, should be able to agree upon this basic tenet. While both would argue to that effect, their actions speak louder than their words.

Republicans and Democrats alike

have been guilty of using power to violate the Constitution — the law of the land. Despite presumably good intentions, power does corrupt and it is yet another reason to be skeptical of politicians no matter their stripe.

Political parties are famous for divide and conquer. They know they need not garner 51 percent of the eligible vote because voter turnout reduces that number significantly. They target voter blocs like men, women, Latinos, business owners, income levels, blacks, union members, Wall Street, etc.

Further, special interests or single-issue voters are targeted — pro-abortion, pro-life, jobs, entitlements, lower taxes, etc. Further, they target key states and counties. They arguably work against the

basic instincts of the electorate. Too often, they act like we work for them rather than they serve at our discretion.

"We the people are Americans, individuals not monoliths, united in one true cause of freedom and liberty. I have voted for Democrats, Republicans, independents and libertarians. I have been registered with all one time or another. In full disclosure, today I am a registered Republican.

A friend once told me that if you get people angry enough, they will crawl over broken glass to vote against a candidate. I am so angry at the Obama administration's road to serfdom, I am voting against President Obama in the 2012 election. I hope you will, too.

Jim Pettorini
Key Colony Beach

Letters to the Editor

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IN THE COURTS

FDLE agent not in clear

By SEAN KINNEY
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WEINER

Although he avoided having a criminal record by entering into a plea agreement on Monday, whether suspended state law enforcement agent Vince Weiner will keep his police certification is still very much an open question.

Weiner, on extended leave from his job as a Keys-based agent for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, pleaded no contest to petit theft and paid \$223 in court costs, \$75 in prosecutorial fees and \$40 to the FDLE in investigative fees; presiding Circuit Court Judge Mark Jones withheld adjudication.

Weiner, 47, was charged last Aug. 17 with felony grand theft and misdemeanor homestead-exemption fraud.

Here's what prosecutors allege: Weiner bought a Big Pine Key house in 2005, then got assigned to Fort Myers in 2006. While living

in South Florida, Weiner rented his Keys house while still claiming the homestead exemption from 2007-10.

Florida homeowners are allowed one homestead exemption, which allows for a property-tax break on their permanent residence. It can be claimed only when the owner lives in the house.

"I think the matter was resolved fairly," Assistant State Attorney Mark Wilson said.

"Despite his status as a senior law enforcement official, Weiner was properly held to account for having lied to the [Monroe County] Property Appraiser's Office."

Before his Monday court date, Weiner had already paid the back taxes, \$5,918.58, plus a 50 percent civil penalty

and 15 percent interest rate.

"The status of his law enforcement certification is an open question," Wilson said.

With the resolution of the criminal case, the next step is review by the FDLE Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, a 19-person panel that will decide if Weiner keeps his police certification.

FDLE spokeswoman Gretl Plessinger distinguished between the commission decision on Weiner's certification and his continued employment, noting one isn't contingent on the other.

"The commission will receive the court documents and then there's an internal investigation that's not yet complete," Plessinger said.

In other words, Weiner could be fired even if he keeps his certification.

Weiner has been an FDLE agent since 1993. Before that, he was a Florida Highway Patrol trooper.

FISHERY MANAGEMENT

Hearing on Biscayne reserve

By KEVIN WADLOW

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A dispute over proposals to create a 16-square-mile marine reserve in Biscayne National Park brings South Florida congressional representatives and Biscayne National Park managers together at a Washington, D.C., hearing Friday.

South Florida U.S. Reps. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, David Rivera and Mario Diaz-Balart requested the hearing in Washington, which carries the description: "Access Denied: Turning Away Visitors to National Parks."

"Fishing is an important economic activity that draws tourists and provides locals with an excellent outdoor recreational opportunity," says a meeting brief from the House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

A large closure could "disrupt visitation to other areas

of the park," the notice says.

Those three South Florida representatives also were scheduled to meet with Biscayne National Park Superintendent Mark Lewis on Monday in Miami.

The proposal to halt fishing to protect a marine ecosystem covering 10,522 acres, about six miles from Angelfish Creek on North Key Largo, has drawn fire from both commercial and recreational fishing groups.

On Dec. 30, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation filed its formal opposition to the closure, saying it's too extreme without trying less restrictive measures first. "To not allow fishing at all is a last-effort kind of action, not something to use while there are other options left," FWC spokeswoman Amanda Nalley said.

The FWC also contends the agency was not given an effective opportunity to craft the national park's plan,

which includes state waters.

A coalition of environmental groups strongly backs the park's planned marine reserve as part of Alternative 4, the National Park Service's preferred alternative for the first major update of the Biscayne management plan in three decades.

"This is a reasonable action given the extensive loss of fish, coral and other species," said John Adornato, regional director of the National Parks Conservation Association.

"Marine reserves, including those in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, are a scientifically proven tool," Adornato said.

"Given the resource degradation the park has experienced in the last 20 to 30 years, there is some concern the reserve might not be quite large enough," he said. "This is a place to start and let's see what the impacts are."

For more on this story, go to www.KeysNet.com.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Wireless providers to disable stolen phones

Increasingly, they're eyed in robberies

Associated Press



Major wireless service companies have agreed to disable cell phones after they are reported stolen under a strategy intended to deter the theft and resale of wireless devices.

The new system relies on a centralized database that will enable providers to recognize when a phone has been reported as stolen and prevent it from being used again.

"We're sending a message to consumers that we've got your back and a message to criminals that we're cracking down," Federal Communications Commission Chairman Julius Genachowski said in announcing the new strategy with several big-city police chiefs and a wireless industry representative.

Major U.S. cities have been reporting increases in smartphone thefts as criminals steal devices to resell — sometimes overseas — as part of sophisticated black-market operations.

Officials say that cell phones are now taken in 38 percent of robberies in Washington, and more than 40 percent of robberies in New York City involve phones. Many of the thefts are violent, resulting in either serious injury or sometimes death, police say.

D.C. Police Chief Cathy Lanier said her department had devoted considerable resources in recent months to the problem. That included a weeks-long investigation that was announced last month and that resulted in hundreds of recovered cell phones and multiple arrests. But Lanier said "that's just not enough, not in a crime as complex as this one is."

Major cell phone carriers covering roughly 90 percent

of U.S. subscribers are participating, said Chris Guttman-McCabe of CTIA-The Wireless Association, an organization representing the wireless communications industry. Participating carriers include AT&T Inc., T-Mobile, Verizon, Sprint Nextel Corp. and Nex-Tech.

More are likely to join as implementation continues, he said.

"We moved very quickly and we tried to set a really aggressive time frame. Different carriers have different resources," he said.

Sprint said in a statement that it has already taken several steps to deal with the problem, including restricting further voice, text and data use on a phone when a customer reports it stolen. It said the FCC's industry-wide initiative is consistent with the company's mission.

The database behind the effort will record unique identifying numbers of stolen cell phones. Carriers that receive a report of a stolen device would be able to use the database to shut the device down before it can be reactivated by a thief or other user. Officials hope the database will be running within six months, and that the system will be rolled out globally over 18 months.

The goal is to render stolen cell phones useless, drying up the market for

them and removing the incentive to steal them.

"What we're announcing here today will make a stolen cell phone about as worthless as an empty wallet," said Sen. Charles Schumer, who called smartphones "catnip for criminals" because they're valuable, exposed and easy to steal.

Schumer (D-N.Y.) is sponsoring legislation that would make it a federal crime to tamper with smartphones' unique identifying numbers.

Still, the FCC says smartphone users need to be careful too.

Some tips:
• Consumers should never leave devices unattended in a public place.

• They should write down the phone's make and model, serial number and unique identification number in case it's stolen. These may be on the device itself, possibly under the battery, or stored digitally on the phone.

• Consumers can also protect data on a phone by creating a password.

• Consumers can consider displaying contact information on the screen that shows up when a phone is idle and locked. That way, someone

finding a lost phone can reach its owner.

New York Police Commissioner Ray Kelly said cell phone thefts have been a persistent problem in the city even as other crime has dropped in the last decade. In December, his department announced the arrests of more than 140 people in a sting operation against small merchants who buy stolen iPhones and iPads.

Kelly likened the new approach to "draining the swamp to fight malaria."

The FCC said smartphone manufacturers will also implement automatic prompts that encourage users to lock their devices with a password. The industry has also agreed to create a campaign educating consumers about how to protect their cell phones and to release quarterly updates on their progress.

Officials wouldn't say how much the initiative would cost.

"It certainly won't be without costs, but we don't think about cost in this context," said Guttman-McCabe.

"This is about safety and security," he added.

Do-not-call cost shifts to companies

The fee for getting on Florida's Do Not Call list is no longer being charged.

A bill (HB 749) passed by lawmakers in the recent legislative session removed the \$10 subscription fee and \$5 renewal charge.

The state collects about \$530,000 in fees for the system that will go away, but much of that is expected to be offset by a new ability under the law to collect higher fines from the companies that violate the law by calling people on the list. Officials say the increase in fine collections enables the state to eliminate the fee on the front end.

"Last year, we heard complaints from nearly 20,000 consumers about telemarketing," said state Agriculture and Consumer Services Secretary Adam Putnam. "Now, we're able to offer protection from unsolicited calls to Floridians at no cost."

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Surf shop opening this coming weekend

Sunset Watersports of Key West plans to open its new Hammerhead Surf Shop Saturday at 201 William St. at the city's historic seaport.

The shop will feature high-end apparel, accessories and long boards. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. During the grand opening, you can enter a contest to name the store's hammerhead shark for a chance to win a long board.

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ISLAND CHRISTIAN SOFTBALL

Lady Eagles win crown in a wild one

They outduel Colonial in 26-25 victory

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A championship game that saw 51 runs scored in a series of dizzying lead changes came down to the bottom of the last inning Friday, when Island Christian School's Lady Eagles rallied to grab the softball District 16-2A title.

25-25.

"The top of our order was coming up in the seventh so I felt pretty positive about being able to put something together," Loy said. "With 26 runs, we had a lot of offense."

"Our lineup is pretty solid overall," said the coach, "but the awesome thing about this game is that people who'd never hit anything big before were doing big things."

"People like Sara Delong, an eighth-grader, came up with a big



Photo by PETER IHRIG

Carrying the state District 16-2A championship trophy back to Island Christian School are Lady Eagles (from left) assistant coach Nicki Mann, Sarah Delong and Amanda Ihrig; (standing) Jade Basilius, Jasmine Theodousiou, Kaylyn Wyatt, Ileana Garcia, Kirsten Tangen, Betsy Estevez, Jazmin Rivera, Andrea Scott, Christy Cano, and head coach Katie Loy (not pictured: assistant coach Jim Roper).

"It was nerve-wracking, exciting and a great way to win a big game," Eagle head coach Katie Loy said after the 26-25 victory over Colonial Christian in Miami.

Winning pitcher Amanda Ihrig started the winning rally by outracing an infield hit, then sprinted home to score the winning run with no outs in the bottom of the seventh inning.

As district champions, the Lady Eagles (8-9) were scheduled to host a Tuesday regional tournament game in Islamorada, against District 15 runner-up Westwood Christian. Results were pending at press time.

The Eagles found themselves deep in a 12-run hole early in the Colonial game, but battled back to hold a seven-run lead going into the final inning.

Colonial's Patriots then mounted their own comeback on their home field to tie the score at

triple," Loy said. "Our regular hitters like Kaylyn Wyatt, Amanda Scott and Ileana Garcia were hitting like crazy."

Garcia delivered the final RBI when she tapped a dribbler back toward the mound that Colonial scrambled to field as Ihrig charged home to beat the throw.

Ihrig, one of the fastest Lady Eagles, stole second and third in the seventh. "Our girls have been good about learning to bunt and to run bases," Loy said. "We take pride in making things happen on the bases."

When ICS starter Jenn Zimmel went down with a leg injury in midseason, the Lady Eagles were left without a senior on the roster.

"All the girls are playing different positions because we don't have a lot of players," Loy said. But at the end of Friday's game, the grinning Lady Eagles hoisted a state district championship trophy.

CORAL SHORES LACROSSE



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Kaitlyn O'Leary (37) and Emily Albury celebrate Coral Shores' District 25 lacrosse championship Friday after beating Palmer Trinity, 13-10.

Lady Canes are champs

Lacrosse team staves off stubborn Palmer

By KEVIN WADLOW
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A second-half surge by Palmer Trinity made it a one-goal lacrosse dogfight but with a district championship at stake, Coral Shores High's Lady Canes dug in.

Coral Shores (12-3) shut down Palmer's Falcons for the final 12 minutes of the title game Friday, pulling away to a 13-10 victory.

"When it got to be 10-9, we stepped it up," senior defender Cami Lopez said.

The Lady Canes joyously hosted their first Florida High School Athletic

Association district trophy for the home fans at George M. Barley Jr. Stadium after winning club-league district crowns the past two seasons.

"This one validates the other two district championships," head coach Mark Hall said. "Now it's the FHSAA."

"Nobody can say we're just club team. We've proven that," Hall said. "We went up against some of the state's toughest teams and did very well."

In their first year of FHSAA lacrosse, the Lady Canes advance as District 25 champions to Friday's regional game.

The weekend's storm delayed several other district championships, so Coral Shores was still waiting Tuesday to see where they will travel for the regional.

The game likely will be played in Broward County.

"Our girls are ready," Hall said. "They're playing good lacrosse and now have won seven straight games."

The District 25 title game looked like a blowout early.

Coral Shores stunned the Falcons by scoring three goals within the first three minutes and held a 7-2 lead midway in the opening half.

Senior attacker Jenn Doyle scored twice within 20 seconds, once on a Julia Lozano assist, to give the Canes a 9-2 edge.

Palmer scored on penalty shot to make it 9-3 at half-time. But the seemingly comfortable lead vanished in the first 12 minutes of the second half; Palmer came out of the break to score three goals in less than four minutes.

Coral Shores went nearly nine minutes without scoring before Lozano scooped a low shot by the Falcon net-minder. Palmer roared back, scoring three times in less than three minutes to make it a nail-biting 10-9 game with 12:33 left.

"That's lacrosse. It goes in runs," Hall said. "Our girls maintained their cool and focused on the job at hand."

Raisa Santiesteban charged the Falcon goal and delivered a perfect assist to Lozano, appearing from behind the goal for a score at 11:32. Sarah Blackwell made it 12-9 with 7:21 left.

Any chance for Palmer to regain momentum died with 3:06 left when Cane goalkeeper Elizabeth Roa netted

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Captain's Column



Chris Johnson

sively on their way to their spawning grounds that it makes no difference what bait you use. While live bait increases your odds of a catch, many

dolphin fishermen have been pleasantly surprised while trolling naked ballyhoo.

If you have any influence with Mother Nature, you may want to put in a request for her to bring the winds down.

Still, on these windy days, there is good fishing for mangrove snapper and sea trout on the banks in Florida Bay. Another excellent windy-day alternative is catch-and-

release fishing for sharks in the bay. These shallow-water areas hold massive numbers of lemon, blacktip, nurse, bonnet head and other species of shark.

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Girls are champs but boys fall to Palmetto

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a short range, one-on-one penalty shot.

"You have no idea how difficult that is to do," Hall said.

Roa (11 saves) and the Hurricane defense blanked Palmer for more than 12 minutes, until a harmless score with eight seconds left. "We've learned how to play transition defense," Hall said.

Doyle led the Hurricane scoring with five goals and an assist. Lozano, the team scoring leader, scored four times with a pair of assists.

Kaitlyn O'Leary, Blackwell and Santiesteban each scored once as Coral Shores collected 13 goals on just 23 shots at the net.

Lopez forced three turnovers and Samantha Hickory forced one. Amber

Hanson and Katherine Hamer each intercepted a Palmer pass.

Boys fall in final

Coral Shores' boys lacrosse team ended its season Thursday with a loss to Palmetto in the District 30 championship game.

Palmetto's second-seed Panthers (9-6) scored a 13-7 upset over the top-seed Hurricanes (12-3), who suffered their first defeat to a district foe.

In Florida prep lacrosse, unlike many other sports, only the district champion advances to regional round of the state playoffs.

Coral Shores finished the season with the program's highest-ever win total, and ranked No. 22 among the 70 boys prep lacrosse teams in South Florida by LaxPower.com



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Coral Shores' Lady Hurricanes are all smiles after claiming their first-ever FHSAA district championship with Friday's 13-10 win over Palmer Trinity. The Canes advance to this week's regional state round.

All kinds are biting

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per.

And the day we've all been waiting for is just around the corner — May 1 is the opening of grouper season. I will be on the reef and wrecks with my charter, and I hope to see all of you out there.

There are still plenty of permit providing great rod-bending action on the wrecks and artificial reefs. These fish average 25 to 30 pounds.

The tarpon population at the bridges and in Key West Harbor increases everyday. Good news for the many tarpon tournaments coming up.

The week's best

Capt. Jim Griffith, of Angler Management Charters out of the Island Fish Co. in Marathon, put Bill White, from Lewes, Del., on a sailfish using trolled ballyhoo.

Capt. T.J. Yzenas, of Island Lure Charters out of Captain Hook's Marina in Marathon, says there's no need to venture far out for some great fishing. Bill and Tom, from Ohio, caught 18 nice-size yellowtails, then trolled up a couple of blackfin tuna and five dolphin and then dropped on a wreck and caught almaco jacks and large jack crevalle — all in less than 200 feet of water.

The *Pip's 36*, at Captain Pip's Marina and Hideaway in Marathon, was busy this week.

The father-daughter team of Scott and Shannon Stainken from Ridgefield, Conn., scored a nice catch of a half dozen dolphin while fishing with Capt. Bob Kidwell and mate Neil Apley.

Fishing with Capt. Howard Kelley and Apley, DeLynn Montez and her friends, Bill Duckett and Debra Reed from Page, Ariz., caught dolphin and bonita. DeLynn caught and released her first sailfish, too. She's a five-star marine mechanic with Shelter Bay in Marathon.

Capt. Jeff Shelar, of Catch-Em-All Charters at



DeLynn Montez and Neil Apley show her sailfish aboard the 'Pip's 36' before it was released.

Captain Pip's Marina, tells us that while the tarpon bite was a tad slow, he managed to put Marc Riley, from Chicago, on a 130-pounder at the Seven Mile Bridge.

Capt. Bob Brown of Sundance Sportfishing at the 7 Mile Marina took Charlie Hostetler and family tarpon fishing at the Bahia Honda Bridge. They had three anglers catch and release their first silver king. On another outing, the Hostetler crew chose to battle the big waves on the edge of the Gulf Stream.

They caught several dolphin and released a sailfish. On their final outing, they started with six hook-ups on tarpon and finished the day with more dolphin and sailfish at the color change off Bahia Honda.

Sam Swickard and his gang from Indianapolis fished two days with Brown and also had success with dolphin catches and sailfish releases.

The *SeaSquared* did two tarpon trips to Bahia Honda with multiple hook-ups and releases for anglers from New York and Georgia, and we fished several groups in Florida Bay for tasty mangrove snapper and sea trout dinners.

Capt. Moe Mottice, of Moe's Custom Charters in

Key West, spent the week fishing for tarpon in Key West Harbor, where it took a lot of moving around and re-anchoring to get them to eat. The cero and Spanish mackerel, on the other hand, bit well in the tarpon areas.

The yellowtails ate quite well in the Northwest Channel, with plenty of mangroves and throw-back grouper mixed in. Mottice managed to get offshore for some dolphin and put five schoolies in the boat using trolled ballyhoo.

Casting Contest

Capt. Spider's Casting for Charity takes place Thursday at Salty's Waterfront Grill, located at the 7 Mile Marina, mile marker 47.5 bayside in Marathon. The fun contest runs from 6 to 8 p.m. and will benefit the Marathon High School Maritime Scholarship.

Capt. Chris Johnson is a member of the Yamaha National Fishing Team and specializes in offshore, gulfbay, reefwreck, shark and tarpon fishing with SeaSquared Charters out of the 7 Mile Marina in Marathon. You can reach him at 743-5305, SeaSquared@bellsouth.net and www.SeaSquared-Charter.com.

CORAL SHORES BASEBALL

Hurricanes enter tourney with a win

Championship game played on Thursday

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Coral Shores High School's baseball Hurricanes claimed their 14th win in Friday's regular-season finale, a 10-1 decision over LaSalle.

The Hurricanes carried a 14-10-1 record into the District 16-4A Tournament, being played at Founders Park in Tavernier.

Coral Shores was slated to face district top seed St. Brendan (17-6) in Tuesday's semifinals. Key

West High School (9-13) took on Gulliver Prep in the other contest. Results were pending at press time.

Winners of the semifinals advance to Thursday's 7 p.m. championship game at Founders and qualify for the regional tournament.

The Canes jumped on LaSalle with a six-run first inning Friday. On Senior Night, senior Hunter O'Connor tagged a two-run single to spark the rally.

Danny Wallangk and Jordan Izaguirre each had two hits and two RBI as part of the Canes' 12-hit offense. Brandon Joyce homered in the fourth inning to pad the lead.

Wallangk, the mound starter, got the decision. The pitching staff for the

game, which included four relievers, limited LaSalle to six hits.

"Erick Enriquez, David Bogue and Josh Sands were a big part of a great defense," assistant coach Jeff Meyers said.

Coral Shores coaches have started planning for the Hurricane summer camps to be held in June. Sessions take place from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Key Largo Community Park.

A one-week skills camp for players ages 5 and 6 will be June 11 to 15. A two-week session for players ages 7 to 12 is slated June 11 to 15 and June 18 to 22.

For costs and registration, call head coach Pat Meyers at 393-5231, or 852-9852.

SAILING



Sailboats crowd each other during a past Wrecker's Cup race. The final race of the season is on Sunday.

Wrecker's series winds down

Final race to Sand Key is on Sunday

The final race in the 2012 Schooner Wharf Bar Wrecker's Cup Race Series hits Key West waters Sunday.

That day at 1 p.m., boats in seven classes will reenact the times in Key West history when wreckers would

race to a disabled ship, rescue the crew and then lay claim to the cargo. Their destination is Sand Key, seven miles off Key West.

Categories are classic, schooner, multihull, monohull over 40 feet, monohull 30 to 39 feet, monohull 25 to 30 feet and monohull 24 feet and under.

Entry fee is \$30, which includes free rum punch and hors d'oeuvres at the captains' meeting on

Saturday at 7 p.m. on the upper deck at the Schooner Wharf, 202 William St., Key West.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in each division. Winners receive ceramic flasks with Pusser's rum and a souvenir rum mug, along with trophies, Schooner Wharf bar tabs and race T-shirts.

For more information, call 292-3302.

KEY WEST FISHING

Sandman wins World Sailfish

Team Sandman, skippered by Capt. Scott Leon of Fort Lauderdale, released 34 sailfish to win a weather-shortened World Sailfish Championship in Key West on Sunday.

Saturday's thunderstorm concerns forced officials to call lines-out after just 42 minutes of angling, prematurely ending what was to be the final fishing day.

"We canceled the tournament [Sunday] for the safety of the anglers," tournament founder Chris King

said. "The winds were 25 knots and seas expected to go seven to nine feet. We declared a one-hour delay [Sunday], checked with the Coast Guard and it would have been unsafe for anglers to be out."

Defending champion Sandman maintained a lead established Thursday, the second fishing day, and earned \$316,917 for the win.

The team consisted of boat owner Sandra MacMillan of Fort Lauderdale, who scored 12

releases and was named the tournament's top female angler; Domie Adames of Miami; Kyle Sherman of Fort Lauderdale; and Robby Waddick, Cory Ryan and Wes Stevens, all of Pompano Beach.

Team Advanced Roofing also released 34 sails, but ended the tournament in second place based on time and took home \$112,838.

Saturday's 42 minutes of fishing clinched third place for team 4 Aces, skippered by Capt. John Dudas of Miami.



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Living

ESSAY WINNER



Melissa Helphrey accepts the top award among Island Christian School's middle-school grades in the Veteran of Foreign War's Patriot Pen contest. Helphrey's essay on the significance of the pledge of allegiance took second in her age group for the region that includes Monroe and Miami-Dade counties. She is joined by mom Jennifer Miller. Abbey Lindholm (not pictured) was the Island Christian winner of the VFW's high-school speech competition.

KEY WEST

City called among the best small towns

Smithsonian: It ranks No. 16 in the nation

Keynoter Staff

When it comes to small towns, Key West is among the best in the country.

So says the latest edition of Smithsonian Magazine, which created a list of the 20 best small towns in America for its May issue.

Key West came in at No. 16, just behind No. 15 Menomonee, Wis., and just ahead of No. 17 Laguna Beach, Calif. No. 1 is Great Barrington, Mass.

"To help create our list," the magazine wrote, we asked the geographic information systems company Esri to search its databases for high concentrations of museums, historic sites, botanic gardens, resident orchestras, art galleries and other cultural assets common to big cities.

"But we focused on



Photo by ANDY NEWMAN/FLORIDA KEYS NEWS BUREAU

The annual dachshund walk down Duval Street is just one of the unique events held annually in Key West

towns with populations less than 25,000 so travelers could experience what might be called enlightened good times in an unhurried, charming setting. We also tried to select towns rang-

ing across the lower 48." Key West just qualified; the 2010 census showed the city has 24,649 residents.

"Key West attracts plenty of northern tourists with its tropical breezes and

beaches, but the island has long been a haven for creativity," Smithsonian wrote. "Hippies, artists, writers and chefs have sustained a vibrant, kitschy art scene for decades."

NEW OFFICERS



Marathon Women of the Moose Chapter 1027 installed its 2012-13 officers on April 13. They are senior regent Sharon Wagner, junior regent Rebecca Kleindorfer, secretary/treasurer Maureen Holland, chaplain Jeannette Wingate, recorder Jeanne Witter, guide Patricia Farrell, assistant guide Christine Locassio and musician Beulah Lallathin. Committee chairs are membership Judi Naklicki, publicity Judi Ahearn, youth involvement Maryellen Magiske, academy Debbie Morelli, mooseheart Lynn Sullivan, community service Louise Schwenke, educational advancement Roseanne Remillard, family involvement Marian Armitage, charities Sandra Kroschel and health awareness Mary Ann Zimmer.

KEY WEST

Songwriters bringing their talents south

Fest includes numerous performances

The writers behind some of America's hottest contemporary hits are to perform in casual island settings May 2 through 6 during the 17th annual Key West Songwriters Festival.

More than 100 performing songwriters are to take the stage for 30-plus shows during the five-day event.

Among those scheduled to showcase their talents are Dallas Davidson, winner of the 2012 Academy of Country Music songwriter of the year; Matraca Berg, co-writer

of Kenny Chesney's chart-topping duet "You and Tequila;" rockabilly legend Billy Burnette, a former Fleetwood Mac band member; Jeff Hanna, founding member of the iconic Nitty Gritty Dirt Band; Bob DiPiero, whose hits include Tim McGraw's "Southern Voice;" Luke Laird, co-writer of "So Small" and "Last Name" for Carrie Underwood; and Chuck Cannon, who co-wrote "How Do You Like Me Now?" with Toby Keith.

Most shows feature a rotating group of writer/performers and many have no admission charge. Venues include popular Key West bars, restaurants, resort beaches and poolsides, an arts com-

plex and the Fury Catamaran during musical sunset cruises.

At 7 p.m. May 5, a free show starring singer/songwriter Jeffrey Steele and his band is scheduled in the 200 block of Duval Street. Steele, a festival veteran, has penned hits including "What Hurts the Most" for Rascal Flatts and "The Cowboy in Me" for Tim McGraw.

Other anticipated festival highlights include group shows at the San Carlos Institute, a Cuban cultural center at 516 Duval St., and Tropic Cinema, a boutique cinema and theater at 416 Eaton St.

For specifics, go to www.kswf.com.

LIVING BRIEFS

Skating event is on Saturday

The Marathon Church of God and the Education Coalition of Monroe County are hosting a youth skateboarding and music event called the Radical Life Festival set for this Saturday at the Marathon Community Park. Hours are noon to 4 p.m., and admission is free. There will be a demonstration by the BC Surf and Sport Skate Team. Set to perform are Miami rap and hip-hop band Irrelevant, and the band Frontline. Guest speaker is Buddy Hagen. There will be refreshments.

For more information, contact Pastor Nick Vaughn at 743-6307.

Seniors' driving course offered

The next AARP driver safety class in the Middle Keys is set for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. May 5 at Key Colony Beach City Hall.

The program for drivers 50 and older provides driving strategies that help take into account the changes experienced as we age and the most common crash situations. The class includes videos, self-assessment and a student workbook. Most insurance

companies offer a discount on automobile insurance for completing the course.

Cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for others. Registration is required. Call Dee at 289-9658.

Grants for nonprofits become available

The Key Largo Chamber of Commerce is inviting nonprofit organizations to apply for grants made possible by the chamber's recent Art in Key Largo auction. There's about \$6,000 available.

The Art in Key Largo project, in which businesses sponsored hand-painted aluminum angelfish created by area artists, was designed to promote Key Largo as an art destination.

To apply for a grant, nonprofits should provide the name of the organization, contact person, address, phone number, copy of the IRS 501(c)3 paperwork, the organization's mission statement and a brief statement of need. Information should be submitted electronically to Robert Stoky at grants@keylargo.com no later than May 11.

For more information, call 451-1414.

Team OCEAN looking for on-water help

The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary seeks volunteers for its Team OCEAN program in the Upper and Lower Keys.

Team OCEAN volunteers visit busy reefs throughout the Keys to educate boaters about the sanctuary, its zones and resources; and provide basic boating safety tips. Those interested should be comfortable speaking with and engaging the public, be able to spend up to six hours on the water in a 23- to 25-foot boat and be available at least once or twice a month. Training will be provided by sanctuary staff.

If interested, send an e-mail to Carmen.Alex@noaa.gov in the Upper Keys or Todd.Hitchins@noaa.gov in the Lower Keys.

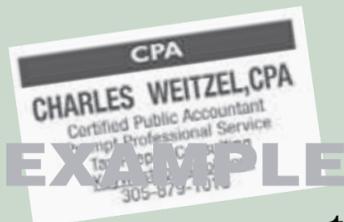
Donations needed for church sale

Unity of the Keys of Key West has a yard sale set for 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday at Unity, 1011 Virginia St., and is looking for donations. They can be dropped off 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Unity.

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OUR PETS

Aging pets: Dogs (and cats) are having their day

More specialize in helping pets in older age

McClatchy-Tribune

First came diet foods and treatment plans for fat cats and dumpy dogs, as veterinarians warned about a pet obesity epidemic.

Now there are pet hospices, practices specializing in animal cancer and heart conditions, and products like magnetic dog collars to ease arthritis. There are psychologists and bereavement groups specializing in pet loss. It's all because the pet population is aging, just like the human one, due to a companion-animal longevity boom.

Surveys periodically conducted by the American Veterinary Medical Association show about 31 percent of pet-owning households had dogs and cats age 11 or older in 2006, the most current year available. That was a 25 percent increase over 1987.

The association guidelines suggest pet "seniorhood" starts at age 7, although life spans can vary greatly among dog breeds and individual animals. Under that standard, almost half of the nation's 154 million dogs and cats qualify for AARP cards.

Credit modern medical technology, better medications, more pet food tailored to medical conditions — and the fact that more "pet parents," as marketers sometimes call them, view their animals as family members.

As Randi and Craig Burger of Davie in Broward County watched their very elderly 13-year-old great Dane Marmaduke struggle daily with severe arthritis, their discussions could have been about any aging relative: Would advanced treatments give her a better quality of life? Was she comfortable? When would they know it was "time"?

Sometimes, Craig would circle Marmaduke's bed late at night, to check if she still was breathing. "We love her. We want to treat her the way we would want someone to treat us when we get older," he said.

Pet hospice

The Burgers decided to try a new care alternative when they couldn't get Marmaduke, weighing 130 pounds, into the car to go for a needed check-up because she wasn't strong enough to walk. They called in Lap of Love, a veterinary hospice started by vet Dr. Mary Gardner and a colleague in 2010.

A hospice call is \$150, with extra for nights and weekends — about twice the price of a standard vet office visit, Gardner said. But demand has been so high that the practice now has consulting vets in six states.

Pet hospice works pretty much like human hospice. The care focuses on

keeping the animals comfortable at home with medications, nutritional supplements and pain management vs. lots of trips to the vet.

The hospice staff also teaches pet owners home modification tricks. With Marmaduke, it involved creating a path of throw rugs so she could keep her footing on the floor as she walked to the door, substituting a waterproof baby mattress on the floor for her dog bed, and hooking a towel under her back-end to gently help her rise.

Lap of Love also helps owners prepare for the inevitable — and when it comes, can euthanize their beloved pets at home. Or any number of places. Gardner has eased creatures into the beyond at the beach, in a car overlooking a dog's favorite lake.

"One woman told me her cat loved to be out in her front yard. So I said, 'Let's do it there,'" Gardner said. "I never have felt more appreciated."

Dr. Stephanie Correa, a veterinary medical oncologist working in South Florida, said the average lifespan of a large-breed dog 40 years ago was about 7.5 years. Now it's about 11.5 years, she said, close to 75 in human terms.

Correa and her husband opened their first Animal Cancer Care Clinic eight years ago, and now operate six across three counties. The main facility in Fort Lauderdale features some of the same advanced medical testing and services used on people: A CT scanner, a linear accelerator for radiation treatments, human chemotherapy drugs.

More veterinarians are opening specialty practices where their animal patients are likely to be older, geared toward oncology, cardiology and internal medicine. "It mirrors what is going on with people," Correa said. "Our field is changing dramatically."

There's no senior discount when Fido or Fluffy hits 65, and some goods and services catering to their age group can be expensive. Correa said a treatment course, depending on the type of cancer and if surgery is required, can range from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

More of her clients now have pet insurance, she said, purchased when they were kittens or puppies.

Lee Schrage, vice president of corporate communications for Southern Wine & Spirits, finally gave up trying to get his pet insurance to pay for melanoma cancer surgeries and treatments for his 14-year-old French briard, Spencer. But Schrage has no regrets about the \$10,000 it cost him.

"Spencer has been such a great pet and a great friend. And fortunately, I was in the position that I could do it," said Schrage, of Miami. "I wouldn't want him thinking I didn't do the right thing."

A growing number of veterinarians now special-

ize in at-home euthanasia. Pet-Loss.net, a state-by-state resource directory, lists four in South Florida, along with loss counselors, pet cemeteries and crematoriums, and bereavement groups.

Maryland author and editor Moira Allen said the number of veterinary in-home euthanasia services have grown tremendously since she started publishing the directory 10 years ago, and expects hospice will follow.

Senior products

Senior products are appearing on South Florida pet store shelves, as well.

Last year, Quaker Pet Group unveiled its Silver Tails line, carried at Petco stores. Items include: magnetic therapy collars for arthritis and muscle pain (\$5.99 to \$7.99), infrared hand-held massager (\$39.99), holistic bamboo charcoal mats to improve circulation (up to \$49.99) and softer senior-friendly dog chew toys (up to \$14.99).

When Michael Delema took over Animal House, an independent pet store in Fort Lauderdale, six years ago, "there was very little for senior pets," he said. Now he carries nutritional and calming gels for older animals, plus several varieties of senior or weight-loss pet food — although not all brands offer a geriatric selection.

"I've seen a growth in what's available," Delema said. "But every product today should have a senior version."

EARTH DAY CLEANUP



Mariners Hospital employees held their annual community cleanup April 14 as part of the Tavernier hospital's Earth Day celebration, collecting 1,000 gallons of trash from the highway, parking lot and water near the Tea Table Relief Bridge. Members of the cleanup team are (rear from left) Gabe Coneybeare, Phil Blaida, Michael Siik and Peggy Siik; and (front) Molly Vlach, Becky Jaworski, Debbie Stanger, Becky Dunlap, Jake Dunlap and Lorena Soltes. Not pictured are Sheila Konczewski and Leslie Roy.

LOVE CONNECTION

Five telling questions to ask on a first date

These will give you an idea if compatible

There are a lot of things we wish we could ask on a first date, but never really would. Here are some (slightly) milder questions that will still give you the information you want without sounding crazy.

• Where do you usually hang out on weekends?

The hottest club in town? Coffee shops? In the backyard barbecuing with friends? With family? The answer will tell you a lot about what's important to your date.

• If you could move to any other place, where would you go?

Her choice can reveal a lot

about her likes and dislikes, but it also tells you where she's at in this phase of her life. This first-date question will allow you to find out if she would be daring enough to relocate to a new city without hesitation or if stability is more of a priority."

This question is great for girls and guys: Does your date also see himself leaving the big city for the country eventually? If so, you obviously have the same priorities.

• How often do you get to see your family?

Whether the answer is "not that often" or "every day!" the answer will tell you a lot about your date's attitude toward family. Is he or she really close to the family, or more of a lone ranger? Always good information to know.

• What's the best part of your job?

If you ask someone on a first date whether they like their job, the answer will probably be a vague "Yeah, sure, I guess." To really see how they feel about their chosen career, see with how much enthusiasm they answer this question.

• What's the best joke you've ever heard?

This is a playful, goofy question, and your date will probably just think you're trying to break the ice. But what you're really asking is: Does your sense of humor mesh with mine?" Do they easily come up with a joke, or refuse to play along? Is their joke corny or dirty or lame? Does it actually make you laugh? Nothing ignites a spark like making your companion laugh.

Observer crossword puzzle

"Namesakes" - Solution in the April 28 Keynoter

ACROSS

- 1 Summit
- 5 Comprehension
- 10 Come in second
- 14 Separate
- 19 Angelico and Filippo Lippi
- 20 Recipe direction
- 21 Ernie's wife
- 22 "___ Diva": "Norma" aria
- 23 1950 Nobel laureate
- 26 Member of the wedding
- 27 ___ ball: arcade game
- 28 Barcelona aunt
- 29 Try
- 30 Goes out with
- 31 Very, in Versailles
- 32 Fashion
- 34 "And ___ bed."
- 35 Conscription org.
- 37 UN affiliate
- 39 Cheap way to travel
- 43 Univ. awards
- 45 "Growing Up" author
- 50 To laugh, in Lyons
- 51 Commercials, for short
- 52 Ancient Hebrew vestment
- 53 Birdlike
- 54 Khartoum's land

- 55 Adolescent years
- 57 Tax org.
- 58 NY summer time
- 59 Analyzes
- 60 Lady Liberty's island
- 61 Springtime singer
- 64 Pub quaffs
- 65 Cur's cry
- 66 Basketball great
- 69 Wodehouse expletive
- 73 O'Casey or Connery
- 75 Constructs
- 76 Tony, Selma or Linda
- 77 Turnpike lodgings
- 80 6th sense
- 82 One ___ time (singly)
- 83 Similar
- 84 Approves
- 85 Puff up
- 87 Spud
- 89 Piano part
- 90 Obscure
- 91 "Educating Rita" author
- 93 MD's colleagues
- 94 Soak
- 96 Make a lap
- 97 Mystery writer Sheridan Le ___
- 99 Teed off
- 100 Boston staple
- 104 Snack
- 106 Mexican money

- 108 Julie Christie role
- 111 Bottom line
- 112 Patient potion
- 113 Basque cap
- 114 "Wonderful Town" star
- 118 "Swan Lake" temptress
- 119 Hill builders
- 120 Ranch visitors
- 121 Fitzgerald of scat
- 122 Surrender
- 123 Mound
- 124 Cabbage salads
- 125 Snail's pace

DOWN

- 1 Mil. installation
- 2 Top
- 3 Political satirist
- 4 Value
- 5 Brownies' org.
- 6 Sounds off
- 7 Accountant's task
- 8 Meander
- 9 ___ de chose (trifling matter)
- 10 ___ majesty
- 11 Wordsworth works
- 12 Delta deposit
- 13 Slippery aquarian
- 14 Sharpened
- 15 Jehovah's Witnesses founder
- 16 Court figure
- 17 Ways to go: Abbr.
- 18 Salt
- 24 Accent anew

- 25 "___ by Starlight"
- 30 Achiever
- 33 ___ Abner
- 34 British gun
- 36 Have a late meal
- 38 Coins "heads"
- 39 Card game for three
- 40 Amonasro's daughter
- 41 "Elegy" poet
- 42 Poetic evenings
- 43 Companionable, in Soho
- 44 Fred's dancing sister
- 46 "The way of a ___ midst of the sea..."
- 47 City on the St. Lawrence
- 48 One of the Fords
- 49 Assist
- 54 ESE plus 45
- 56 Improvisational comedian
- 59 Utterly
- 62 Antes up in advance
- 63 Ger.'s cont.
- 64 Where Strasbourg is
- 66 ___ relief sculpture
- 67 Wound souvenirs
- 68 Miss Kett et al.
- 70 "The Uninvited" actress
- 71 "Idol" star Clay
- 72 Bottom of the barrel
- 74 Chicago transports
- 76 South Dakota attraction
- 77 Unruly crowds
- 78 Neighbor of La.
- 79 Under tension
- 80 Fashion magazine
- 81 Impresario Hurok
- 85 Dentist's command
- 86 Describing some rites
- 88 Sprite
- 91 Conflicts
- 92 Western Indian
- 95 Firmly implanted
- 98 Lasso loops
- 101 Invalidate
- 102 Canio's wife in "Pagliacci"
- 103 Scatter
- 105 Greeting to Dolly
- 106 Prefix for cab or cure
- 107 City, lake or Indian
- 108 Solitary
- 109 Hammett pooch
- 110 Grate
- 113 ___ George
- 114 Stadium shout
- 115 Psychiatrist's concerns
- 116 Nautical monogram
- 117 Legislative act

Crossword solution
Solution to the April 21 puzzle.

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SAILORS HELP OUT



Dozens of sailors from the 'USS Fort McHenry' volunteered at the Florida Keys Outreach Coalition in Key West during their three days of liberty in Key West last week. The 610-foot ship docked in the Southernmost City before deploying to the Baltic Sea. These are some of the sailors who did exterior and interior painting at the coalition's Neece Center for Homeless Recovery.

MASTER GARDENERS



Photo by BILL WARNER

The Monroe County Cooperative Extension Service has graduated 20 people from its most recent nine-week master-gardener class. They are (front from left) Donna Froelich, Mary LaDue, Rita Rivenbark, instructor Kim Gabel, Janie Byland, Marilyn Rogers, Linda Marshall and Karen Quist; and (rear) Susanna Gatz, Jennifer Brewster, Donna Jo Church, Linda Ward, Mark Knez, Duke Martin and Tom Petersen. Graduates not shown are Jessica Bauser, Cynthia Francisco, Celia Hitchins, Yanett Langley, Bernhard Rasch and Susie Reutling.

APRIL SPLASH



Keynoter photo by KEVIN WADLOW

A balmy Florida Keys evening lets residents and visitors enjoy the sand and water at the Founders Park bayside beach in Islamorada.

WHAT WE EAT

FDA: Gulf seafood safe despite oil spill concerns

Fishermen must follow strict rules

Associated Press

Photos of fish with sores may raise concern about long-term environmental effects of the massive BP oil spill — but federal health officials say the Gulf seafood that's on the market is safe to eat.

After all, diseased fish aren't allowed to be sold, said Dr. Robert W. Dickey, who heads the Food and Drug Administration's Gulf Coast Seafood Laboratory.

"It's important to emphasize that we're talking about a low percentage of fish," Dickey stressed. "It doesn't represent a seafood safety hazard."

Two years after the oil spill, scientists cite lesions and other deformities in some Gulf fish as a sign of lingering environmental damage. They can't say for sure what's causing the fish ailments or if there really are more sick fish

today than in the past.

As marine biologists study the threats to the fish, here are some questions and answers about the safety of seafood:

Q: What keeps sick fish off the market?

A: Every wholesaler and seafood processor must follow longstanding FDA rules on what constitutes a safe and usable catch. Fish with lesions or signs of parasites or other disease aren't allowed, Dickey said.

Q: What about oil contamination that's not visible?

A: Federal and state laboratories tested more than 10,000 fish, shrimp and other animals for traces of certain chemicals in oil to be sure they were far below levels that could make anyone sick before commercial fishing ever was allowed to resume. Gulf Coast states are continuing that testing today as a precaution.

Some species clear oil contaminants from their bodies more rapidly than others, the reason that fishing resumed before the oyster harvest. The FDA

says that someone could eat 9 pounds of fish or 5 pounds of oyster meat a day for five years and still not reach the levels of concern for a key set of chemicals.

Q: But what about the oil compounds that scientists have reported finding in the bile of some fish?

A: Bile shows what a fish recently ate, but the fish's digestive system goes on to process and eliminate contaminants so they don't build up in edible tissue, Dickey said.

Q: Are there other reasons to pay attention to seafood safety?

A: Definitely. A California company recently recalled some yellowfin tuna used to make sushi because it was linked to an outbreak of salmonella food poisoning. And every year, health officials warn people with certain health conditions to avoid eating raw oysters — they may be contaminated with the *Vibrio vulnificus* bacteria that typically is found in warm coastal waters between April and October.

TO YOUR HEALTH

Poor eyesight among toughest aspects of aging

Cloud vision is early sign of cataracts

McClatchy-Tribune

The moment usually occurs before your 50th birthday and signals that you've crossed a life Rubicon. Alas, body parts are aging.

For most of us, the body part first sending that message is our eyes.

A new survey by Bausch + Lomb — a health-care company best known for contact lenses and lens-care products plus other ophthalmic pharmaceuticals — says that 61 percent of people consider coping with poor eyesight one of the most difficult outcomes of aging.

That seems a no-brainer.

More interesting is their conclusion that poor eyesight is more difficult to deal with than poor hearing. And guess which capability they would save first?

So we asked Michael Pier, O.D., director of professional relations for North American Vision Care, part of Bausch + Lomb:

Q: What's the most common symptom of aging eye problems?

A: Blurry near vision. It's a natural phenomenon of the loss of focus power of the eye, a condition where the eye loses some flexibility. We may first notice it with a blurring of small details and things that are close to us.

Here's where those magnifiers sold in drug stores are an acceptable eyeglass option for many people. There's no reason to overmedicate if it's not necessary.

But if the problem is not fixed this way, it's time to see the doctor. Inability to see up close (presbyopia) may be one of the first signs your eyes are aging and this can be

corrected with eyeglasses or contact lenses — in particular multifocal contact lenses.

Q: Then you say the next concern is cloudy vision?

A: If your vision is cloudy, especially in one eye more than another, it is definitely time to see the doctor. It is most often an early sign of cataracts.

If you already have had cataract surgery, there is a membrane left in the eye that maybe can become cloudy in 18 to 20 percent of patients. It's an easy procedure to go in with a laser and clean it off.

Q: But you know that most people, particularly those old enough to be on Medicare, may not have health insurance to cover these ophthalmic visits

A: I agree with you, but this is no time for self-diagnosis. Go to the doctor right away.

There are two common reasons for uncommon loss of peripheral vision — undiagnosed glaucoma or peripheral retina detachment. In both cases, don't dally with that.

Q: What about prob-

lems with nighttime vision?

A: When daylight savings time ends, it seems as if they suddenly took away the light and you may have bigger awareness of halos and glare. This is particularly caused by pupils opening to get more light in and not focusing all the light at one point on the retina.

Most people notice it more with the time change and, by January, they will be more used to it and it won't seem so extreme.

But there are ways a doctor can help. They have created a technique in eyeglasses called "high definition optics" and those lenses actually do decrease and almost eliminate halos and provide a better focal point for peripheral rays.

And, by the way, this nighttime problem can occur before age 40.

Q: What age group is the largest user of contact lenses, by the way?

A: The largest users of contact lenses are people 13 to 16 years old. The second-largest user group is 40 and older.

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NOTICE

The Monroe County Supervisor of Elections, Harry L. Sawyer, Jr, will conduct a candidate seminar explaining Florida Election and Campaign Laws.

When: Saturday, May 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

Where: Marathon Government Center, 2798 Overseas Highway, EOC Room on 2nd Floor, Marathon, Fl

Who should attend: Anyone interested in running for office, campaign treasurers, political party treasurers, representatives of organizations, or individuals (independent expenditure) planning to endorse or oppose candidates or issues, and anyone interested in the election process are welcome to attend.

AVISO

Harry L. Sawyer, hijo, Supervisor de Elecciones del Condado de Monroe, celebrará un seminario para candidatos con el fin de explicar las leyes sobre elecciones y campañas electorales de la Florida.

Cuándo: el sábado 5 de mayo del 2012, a las 9:30 a.m.

Dónde: Marathon Government Center, 2798 Overseas Highway, EOC Room on 2nd Floor, Marathon, Fl

Quiénes deben asistir: Se insta para que asista toda persona interesada en postularse para un cargo público, los tesoreros de campañas electorales, los tesoreros de partidos políticos, los representantes de organizaciones y las personas (por cuenta independiente) que proyecten respaldar u oponerse a algún candidato o propuesta así como cualquier persona que esté interesada en el proceso electoral.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 16th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No: 12-DR-000356-K

Julio Juarez Petitioner and Diana Gonzalez Verdecia Respondent.

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

To: Diana Gonzalez Verdecia Address Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Julio Juarez whose address is PO Box 4901, Key West, FL, 33041 on or before May 8th, 2012, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 500 Whitehead St., Key West, FL 33040 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: March 29th, 2012.

DANNY L. KOLHAGE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Marislady Lopez Deputy Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

POSEIDON MARINE TOWING AND SALVAGE gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on **05/12/2012 09:00 am at 89170 OVERSEAS HWY, TAVERNIER, FL 33070-2025**, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. POSEIDON MARINE TOWING AND SALVAGE reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

CASE No. 44-2012-CA-000167K

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP,

PLAINTIFF,

VS.

MICHELLE CATES DEAL, ET AL.

DEFENDANT(S)

NOTICE OF ACTION

To: Michelle Cates Deal & Unknown Spouse of Michelle Cates Deal RESIDENCE: UNKNOWN LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 326 Barbara Circle, Belleair, FL 33756

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property located in Monroe County, Florida:

RESIDENTIAL LOT 27(SOMETIMES KNOWN AS LOT 2627) OF THE ROOSEVELT ANNEX, PRIVATE WATERFRONT HOMES ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS OF THE ROOSEVELT ANNEX, PRIVATE WATERFRONT

HOMES, AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 1531, AT PAGE 1615 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, AS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED ON THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF THE ISLAND OF KEY WEST, MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD (U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 1), SAID POINT ELSE BEING THE SOUTHEASTERLY CORNER OF "HILTON HAVEN", ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, AT PAGE 108, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE N 47° 46' 01" E ALONG THE SAID NORTHWESTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID NORTH ROOSEVELT BOULEVARD FOR 781.03 FEET; THENCE N 87° 13' 59" W FOR 84.85 FEET; THENCE N 42° 13' 59" W FOR 288.83 FEET; THENCE N 05° 21' 11" W, A DISTANCE OF 179.54 FEET; THENCE N 55° 34' 16" E, A DISTANCE OF 30.81 FEET; THENCE N 31° 40' 59" W, A DISTANCE OF 91.60 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE N 31° 40' 59" W, A DISTANCE OF 132.48 FEET TO THE MEAN HIGH WATER LINE OF THE BAY OF FLORIDA, AS LOCATED BY TASK ENGINEERS, ON SEPTEMBER 7, 1985; THENCE N 61° 18' 59" E, AND ALONG THE SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE A DISTANCE OF 37.17 FEET; THENCE S 31° 40' 59" E, AND LEAVING THE SAID MEAN HIGH WATER LINE A DISTANCE OF 132.93 FEET; THENCE S 62° 00' 52" W, A DISTANCE OF 37.19 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Florida Keys Keynoter.

DATED: April 10, 2012

Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Riella Lynn Sims Deputy Clerk of the Court

Copies furnished to: Gladstone Law Group, P.A. 1499 W. Palmetto Park Rd, Suite 300, Boca Raton, FL 33486

"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Ms. Judy Greene at 502 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL 33040; telephone number 305-295-3127 two (2) working days of your receipt of this notice; if you are hearing impaired, call the Florida Relay Services at 1-800-955-8771 (TTY); if you are voice impaired, call the Florida Relay Services at 1-800-955-8770."

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Ad# 8214700 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA KEY WEST DIVISION "IN ADMIRALTY"

CASE NO. 12-10025-CIV-MOORE/TORRES

In the matter of the Complaint of Michael Sander, as owner of a 2006 21' Fast Cat motor vessel, bearing Hull Identification No. FKQC2051E606, for Exoneration from or Limitation of Liability

Petitioner.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS OF COMPLAINT FOR EXONERATION FROM OR LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

Notice is given that the above named Petitioner has filed a Complaint, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. Sec. 30501 et seq., for exoneration from or limitation of liability for all claims for any damages or injuries, arising out of or occurring as a result of a collision in the navigable waters near Key West, Florida with a 1997 25' center console-style open motorboat, bearing Hull Identification Number OSB00290H697 on or about May 8, 2011, as more fully described in the Complaint.

All persons having such claims must file their respective claims, as provided in Supplemental Rule F of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, with the Clerk of this Court at the **United States Courthouse, 301 Simonton Street, Key West, Florida** and must serve a copy thereof on attorneys for Petitioner on or before the **28th day of May, 2012** or be defaulted.

If any claimant desires to contest either the right to Exoneration From or the right to Limitation of Liability he shall file and serve on the attorneys for Petitioner an answer to the Complaint on or before the aforesaid date unless his claim has included an answer, so designated, or be defaulted.

DATED this 18th day of April, 2012.

Steven M. Larimore Clerk of Court

Crystal Barnes-Butler Deputy Clerk

cc: Richard J. McAlpin, Esq. Craig P. Liszt, Esq.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF COUNTY ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN that the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, at 3:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as may be heard, on:

MAY 16, 2012 at the Murray E. Nelson Government Center, 102050 Overseas Highway, Mile Marker 102, Key Largo, Monroe County, Florida;

JUNE 20, 2012 at the Marathon Government Center, 2798 Overseas Highway, Marathon, Monroe County, Florida; and

JULY 18, 2012 at the Harvey Government Center, 1200 Truman Avenue, Key West, Monroe County, Florida;

intends to consider the adoption of the following County ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA EXTENDING THE ONE CENT INFRASTRUCTURE SALES TAX, OTHERWISE DUE TO EXPIRE IN 2018, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2033; PROVIDING LIMITS ON THE USE OF THE FUNDS AFTER 2018 UNLESS WASTEWATER PROJECTS ARE IN PROGRESS AND FULLY FUNDED; PROVIDING THAT SUCH EXTENSION IS ONLY EFFECTIVE IF APPROVED BY THE COUNTY ELECTORATE VOTING IN THE NOVEMBER 6, 2012 GENERAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR NOTIFICATION OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IF THE TAX IS APPROVED BY THE ELECTORATE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE MONROE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, notice is given that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such hearings or meetings, he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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Dated at Key West, Florida, this 18th day of April, 2012.

DANNY L. KOLHAGE, Clerk of the Circuit Court and ex officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida

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The Heron House, 67 Coco Plum Dr. is having a Yard Sale Fri, 8 am - 2pm. All proceeds go to the Heron House. Donations accepted, and needed!!

590
Miscellaneous

TWO LATHES FOR SALE
Grizley woodturning lathe, \$300. Woodchuck w/8 ft. centers, copies patterns, \$600.
Call 305-852-0525.

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700
REAL ESTATE RENTALS

710
Homes for Rent

CHARMING CONCH HOUSE
2/1 with W/D, Fireplace, C/Air 2 1/2 lots. Cats & Birds OK \$1100 F/L/S Pirates Cove Key Largo 305-394-1367

MARATHON newly renovated 5/4 on lrg fen lot. Storage/work shop, tropical lndscp. Mother in law apt or extra BR. \$2500/mo. Avail 5/1. Call 561-212-3045

MM102 UPSTAIRS 3BR/2BA
Incl. elec. & water. No smoking or pets. \$1650/mo., 1st & security. Call 305-904-8866 or 305-970-4344.

PLANTATION KEY Clean/Cozy - 2 BR, 1 BA mobile home. Florida room. Large lot, Furn or unfurn. \$1050/mo + util. First + sec. 412-889-5807

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Homes for Rent

2BR/2BA HOME MM102.5 OCEANSIDE Ground level, unfurnished. \$1400 monthly. F/L/S. Call Wendy. 305-394-1376

712 • Mobile Homes for Rent

HAMMERPOINT BEAUTY 3 BR/1.5 bath, fully furnished with breathtaking view of the bay. 786-258-3438

MARATHON 3 BR PREFAB Mobile Home. C/A, lrg fenced in yard, quiet neighborhood, close to Ocean! Pets negotiable. W/D hkup. 305-797-9132

725 • Apt - Condo - Duplex for Rent

A MOVE IN NOW from \$275 week. MARATHON. Weekly or monthly. Fully furnished. All utilities, cable & free WI FI included. 305-289-0800

CONCH KEY MM 63. 1 BR, 1BA, grd level, fully furn. Kitchen, LR, boat slip avail. Directly on the Bay, must see! \$1200/mo. 305-743-3478

KCB Golf Club Condo, unfurn 1/1, in beautiful Key Colony Bch! Backside of Par 3 golf course, walk to beach, restaurants & shopping. Upgraded kit/ba. \$980/mo. 315-523-1284

KCB yearly rental, 1 bedroom 1 bath, ground level half duplex, fully furnished, tile floors, wooden deck area. F/L/S. Call 305-395-0439

LIVE ABOARD BOAT Marathon, \$650 includes util & cable. Will trade rent, part or all, for work. Capable handyman only. See at 2525 O/S Highway

MARATHON 1/1, SPACIOUS, Waterfront! Full kitchen, screen porch, laundry room, tiled, walk in closets, covered parking. Long term, F/L/S. 289-0064

MARATHON - 26th ST. Small efficiency. Water incl. \$575 mo. First / Last / \$400 sec. 305-394-3923

MARATHON Apt. studio, efficiency, NEW, no pets, fully furnished. Utilities, cable, wifi incl. First, Last and Security \$850 A MONTH. 305-289-9884

MARATHON half duplex, 2/1 \$1100. F/L/S. Fenced in, tile flrs, remodeled. No pets. Call Lela 395-0814 or email lela@coldwellbanker.com

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1 BR SUMMER RENTAL Furnished, MM 99, Oceanside. 1000 sf, oceanfront dockage. Ground Floor, \$1200/mo F/L/S. 305-942-3055.

740 • Roommates - Rooms for Rent

KEY LARGO MM 101 O/S Beautiful Room \$160 WK, Move in \$480. Scrn porch. No Pets, No Smoking. Private entrance with everything. 305-453-0803 Leave msg.

750
Vacation Rentals

KEY LARGO MM96. Ocean side. Direct ocean access w/Ocean views! Furn, 3br, 2ba / 2br, 2ba. Seasonal or annual. Call 786-258-3127

KEY LARGO VACATION Free kayaks, sailing, snorkeling, fishing, toys & sunset cruise w/cottage rental. \$199/nt. 305-451-3438.

790 • Business Property for Rent

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RETAIL / OFFICE SPACE MM 31 Big Pine Key 600 SQFT Fronts US 1 Call Marty 305-394-3563

795
Miscellaneous

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800
REAL ESTATE SALES

810
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Miscellaneous

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WATERFRONT



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MARINE

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Dock Rentals/Sales

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Miscellaneous

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