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Leaders foresee congestion on 49th Street when Walmart comes to town, again

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Pompano Beach – Highland’s residents looking for traffic relief on NE 49th Street, the future entrance of a new Walmart store, may have to look to Broward County to ease the situation.

The giant retail chain has received site plan approvals from both the city’s
See WALMART on page 14

Pet store owners promise tiny dogs, and their owners, upscale services

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea –Commissioners here approved a conditional use permit for a pet shop catering to teacup and toy-size dogs last week after three of them trekked to Miami Beach to check out the operation.

The owners of Diamonds and Doggies will have to adhere to a num-

See PET STORE on page 17



Ally Lysengen, 8 puts muscle into the tug-a-war event at Family Day in Lighthouse Point on July 3, sponsored by the city’s Cultural Arts Committee. Ally’s mom, Becky, is head of the Cultural Arts Committee. [Staff photo]

Martial arts, the building tool for confidence and self-esteem, not limited to children with full sight

By Bill Johnson

PELICAN WRITER



John Paul DeSilva, 6, practices martial arts “take down.” Photos by Ryan Pinder

Coconut Creek – They lined up to take their turn at throwing a martial arts instructor to the mat – eight of them learning a simply executed “take down.”

They were blind children on their second visit to the American Top Team Gym. Six-year-old John Paul Desilva, of Pompano Beach, beamed with joy as he jumped up and down and punched the air around him.

“It’s fun,” he said. What did he

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Bel-Air residents unhappy with Intracoastal high rise

By Judy Vik

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Lauderdale-By-The-Sea - Some residents of Bel-Air aren't happy with a development being proposed across the Intracoastal Waterway in Fort Lauderdale. They say it will ruin their view and lower their property values.

Members of the Board of Directors of the Bel-Air Civic Association have asked the Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Town Commission to help them convince the Fort Lauderdale City Commission of the negative impact of the three high rise buildings and parking garage now being planned at Port Royale. The board is asking the town to

protect their property values and the tax base they provide. They say that the "western view and landscape will be forever changed."

David Saindon, president of the civic association, said residents, specifically those on Blue Water Terrace North (formerly 19th Avenue) who face the Intracoastal now enjoy a view of three-story condominiums. He said that view will be replaced by one 15-story and two 8-story buildings and a parking garage, for a total of 555 units.

"When residents of Bel-Air purchased along the Intracoastal, I don't think they anticipated a high rise project

See HIGH RISE on page 15

Ocean Way lighting will be hatchling friendly at the sea side

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach - The city is embarking upon a \$450,000 turtle lighting project that will transform the beach front from a hatchling danger zone to a much friendlier environment.

City staff has been working with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, or FWC, and the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton to modify light sources and educate the public on lighting systems that will not distract the turtles in

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Hurricanes

Hurricane Info— A seminar Aug. 17 from 9 to 11 a.m., presented by David Bernard, WFOR/CBS4 Meteorologist; Chuck Lanza, Broward Emergency Management Director; Chief Oscar Llerena, BSO; Brooke Liddle, American Medical Response; Chief Steve Paine, Volunteer Fire Dept. will focus on the 2011

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1st Annual 31 Days of Dining in Deerfield

August may get a little weighty in Deerfield when the Chamber initiates its 31 Days of Dining in Deerfield Beach.

The promotion is focused on filling local restaurants with diners, but requires chamber member restaurants to participate with a \$35 donation to the chamber and non-chamber restaurants \$45.

Using the social network, Facebook, participating restaurants will receive free advertising on Facebook and the Chamber website with links to the restaurants. Ten percent off coupons will also be available to diners on the chamber website.

Marc Lowe, chamber representative, will dine daily at all 31 restaurants, blog his review and promote the Restaurant of the Day to encourage others to join him on his eating spree.

July 12 is the deadline to enter the 31 Days of Dining. Call 954.889.3210.

Democrats to meet July 20

The Democratic Women's Club of Northeast Broward will hold its regular meeting, July 20 at 7 p.m. at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE 6 St., Pompano Beach. The topic will be "New Voting Laws" passed by the recent state legislature. Call 954-942-8711.

Forums scheduled for District 2 election

Deerfield Beach – Two public forums will give voters in District 2 a chance to see and hear their candidates. The Observer Newspaper will sponsor a debate Monday, July 8, 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Country Club and the Woman's Club will hold a similar event Wednesday, July 13, at the clubhouse on E. Hillsboro Boulevard, just west of the fire station.

The election is Tuesday, July 19 and five candidates are seeking to fill the seat vacated when Sylvia Poitier was suspended by the governor on five counts of falsifying public records.

In the race are the city's first black firefighter Ben Preston, Pastor Anthony Davis, retired government worker Gloria Battle, construction supervisor Andre Samuels and a write-in candidate, civic activist David Cody.

Mad Scientists alert!



"The Mad Scientist Game Show," written and directed by Susan Siren, debuted at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church, Pompano Beach as the grand finale of the 2011 Summer Musical-Theatre Camp. The cast included Daniel Ramsaran, Dharma Ramsaran, Peter Harrigan, Hunter Satawa, Jill Giaquinto, Nya Goberville, Luke McCartney, William Gangler, Alexandra Griffin, Jenna Giaquinto, Graham Hurst, Jacqueline DiGiorgio, McKenna Dekkers, Chrislove St. Pierre and Gabriella Masso

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Congressman West adds his salvo to 'ado' over Deerfield Beach Housing Authority

Asks HUD for full investigation

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – U.S. Cong. Allan West has called for an investigation into the Deerfield Beach Housing Authority two weeks after Mayor Peggy Noland announced she would seek to have the entire board of the agency removed. Cong. West (R. 22nd Dist.)

is asking that the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs conduct a full investigation into the Authority. The congressman's letter to Michael Stevens, acting inspector general of the agency, referred to nepotism, bid rigging, procurement violations and his concern "that there has been a misuse of taxpayers' money."

The Authority's refusal to provide necessary documents to Kessler International, a forensic auditor hired by the commission to review the

Authority's procedures, has sparked both Cong. West's actions and Mayor Noland's concerns.

Mayor Noland told the city commission last month that she intends to hold a hearing and question the Housing Authority Board, but this week said the matter is "on the back burner." The city commission has recessed for the month of July.

Noland said she has received complaints of shoddy workmanship on homes managed by the Authority and is still upset with the Authority's unwillingness to provide

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Free Tree Give-Away, July 16 and 23 in Pompano

Pompano Beach - The most asked about City program of the year is back. It's the City of Pompano Beach Free Tree Giveaway. Back to back Saturday's on July 16th and July 23rd.

The City of Pompano Beach is sponsoring the free tree program by giving out thousands of native trees to the Pompano Beach community. The trees were originally purchased by the city as seedlings and cultivated by Public Works City Nursery employees until they reach two to six feet.

The City of Pompano Beach will give away two trees per residence on a first come, first serve basis. The free tree giveaway will be at the City Nursery at 1000 NE 3 Ave. which is on the corner of NE 3 Avenue and 10 Street.

The City has participated in this very popular tree give-away event for over ten years. To qualify for a free tree you must live within the city limits and provide identification such as a driver's license or water bill to verify your residency.

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Jacobs to head South Florida Transportation Authority

Broward County Commissioner Kristin Jacobs has been elected chair of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, or SFRTA, Governing Board. The one-year term begins July 1. She has been a SFRTA board member since 2009.

Jacobs has championed issues to improve and protect Broward County's quality of life since she was elected in 1998 to represent the residents of District 2. She has served as Broward County's mayor and vice mayor. She was recently named chair of President Barack Obama's National Ocean Council's Governance Coordinating Committee.

Jacobs is an advocate of public transportation, light rail development, green buildings and greenways, sustainable growth and eco-tourism.

Jacobs envisions more efficient use of Broward's urban corridors and downtown areas as ingredients for the principles of Smart Growth, affordable housing and easy-to-use transportation.

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Opinion

Safe boating classes should be mandatory

The Coast Guard Auxiliary has a program that probably would have saved those two lives lost in local boating accidents. It's called "Wear It" and it refers to a life jacket.

Two men drowned recently because they were not wearing the flotation devices. One was a 36-year-old father, whose 15-foot boat sank in the Hillsboro Inlet. He drowned as his son, age nine and wearing a life jacket, and friend, also in a jacket, made it to shore.

The other victim, went down a mile off of the Inlet when his boat capsized. He too was without a life jacket and although picked up almost immediately, had already drowned. His friend, also jacketless, got lucky. He was able to cling to the overturned boat.

These simple devices that save lives can be bought for as little as \$5 and if the argument is that the traditional bright orange vest is hot and bulky, they now come as belly bags that inflate in the water, or suspenders that do the same.

The Coast Guard requires a life vest for everyone on the boat, but having these devices aboard does no good unless they are unwrapped, and readily available.

Richard Leys, spokesperson for Coast Guard Flotilla 34 stationed in Pompano Beach, believes every boater should wear a vest at all times, but at the very least whenever there is an issue with the boat, or the weather, the life jacket must go on.

The anglers whose 18-foot Bayliner capsized off the Inlet last week apparently made another serious mistake. When the storm came up, as happens often this time of year, their anchor line was too taut. As the two men tried to free the anchor, the boat pitched over.

Leys said that for every foot of water, 10 feet of line should be let out. "You need plenty of slack," he said. Another mistake that took the lives of four NFL players in the Gulf of Mexico some time back occurred because the men anchored from the stern and their boat was pulled down and under. Leys says, always anchor from the bow.

The Inlet drowning seems especially tragic since, with the incoming tide, had Kenneth Williams Jr. had on a life preserver, it's easy to believe he would have drifted under the bridge and into the Intracoastal Waterway where he could have been easily rescued.

Surprisingly, communication devices are not required equipment on board, but boaters should carry some means of sending a distress signal. Even a hand held VHF radio for about \$80 will do the trick. Your cell phone probably won't.

Inexperienced boaters often make another mistake and that is trying to outrun a storm. Leys' advice is to hunker down and wait it out because an inlet is the worse place to be when the sea kicks up.

In this area, the Boca Inlet is considered the most treacherous and Port Everglades the least, although there small boaters have to contend with fast boats, big yachts and cruise ships.

The Hillsboro Inlet channel was lengthened and deepened a few years ago but is still "not the safest," Leys said. It has a very strong current. "It has been improved, but boaters need local knowledge of the channel and the shoals," he said.

There is one simple and inexpensive way to become a better, safer boater. Attend the next Flotilla 34 class Saturday, August 13 at Imperial Point Medical Center and in one eight-hour session learn all the principles of responsible recreational boating. The cost is \$45 and they throw in lunch.

Anyone born before 1988 and operating a boat has to carry a card showing they have completed the Coast Guard boating safety course.

Attendance for all other boaters oughta be a law!

(Ed's note: To register for the Boating Safety Class, call 954-942-8108 or go to the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 34 website.)



Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce

Calendar of events for the week of July 11 to 15
Thursday, July 14 - BBN Enterprise Group, a Networking Breakfast Group. Bring Business Cards to Galuppi's, 1103 N Federal Hwy, Pompano Beach at 7:30 a.m. Free, participants pay for breakfast. Call 954-295-1320 peter@v3c.com

Friday, July 15 - The Originals" Enterprise Group, Breakfast Networking Group at The Flower Cottage, 300

East Atlantic Blvd., Pompano Beach from 8 to 9 a.m. Cost of breakfast only. Email cob3@bellsouth.net

Upcoming Events

Membership Breakfasts, Thursday, July 21 from 7:45 to 9 a.m. at the Residence Inn Marriott, 1350 N. Ocean Blvd, Pompano Beach. Cost is \$10 for members and their guests who RSVP by 5 p.m. Wednesday, July 20. Call 954 941-2940 or Email: info@PompanoBeachChamber.com

Child drowns in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea

BROWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

A 7-year-old boy was visiting Florida for just a day before he drowned in the Atlantic Ocean as family, friends, lifeguards and firefighters frantically searched the water for him.

Carrington Clarke, 7, had flown into Fort Lauderdale from the Bahamas yesterday with his cousin to visit his uncle, Jameka Ferguson of Fort Lauderdale. The three went with friends to the beach Monday afternoon. The group included three adults and

eight children.

Around 3:27 p.m., four of the children, ages 7, 11, 13 and 14, attempted to swim to a sand bar about 50 yards from shore.

An 11-year-old girl made it, but when she turned around, she noticed the other three struggling in the water about half-way between the shoreline and the sand bar. Adults jumped in to rescue the children, but 7-year-old Carrington slipped underwater, and the adults lost sight of him.

About 10-15 minutes later, the BSO helicopter located

him about 100 yards south of where he was last seen. A Lauderdale-by-the-Sea volunteer firefighter on a wave runner pulled him from the water. American Medical Response, or AMR, workers performed CPR and transported Carrington to Holy Cross Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 4:28 p.m.

The city cancelled a rescue demonstration that was to include a simulated drowning about the same time as the incident.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea does not have lifeguards on its public beach.

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Although his business is leverage buyouts which means buying and selling companies, Ben Smith, 38, the owner of the two Lighthouse Inns, 3305 SE 5 St. and 3208 NE 11 St., Pompano Beach since 2008 says, "These two assisted living facilities are keepers. I'm attached to residents and would feel like I abandoned them if I sold the Inns.

My aunt, Sue Beall, is the very capable administrator of both residences and Suzi Mautner is our director of marketing. These two people are my life savers."

Mautner nods, "He's a terrific boss and a very astute business man, he's also interested in every resident. He listens to their stories including their compliments and complaints. Right now we're renovating the entire facility. Ben will grab a paint brush or a broom if he sees the need."

Mautner, who is a seasoned executive in this field, was asked how these Inns differ from other rental assisted living residences.

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other and have concerns for each other the way family members do for one another."

Continuing, she adds, "Our case manager/social worker applies for financial assistance for new residents wherever it is indicated. Many of our residents are receiving benefits from the government and VA programs. Until they moved in, they never realized they were entitled to them. This assistance helps them relax and forget their worries about being able to maintain themselves financially. A licensed therapist attends to individual and group therapy when the need exists."

Both facilities have activity directors who keep residents busy with walks to the ocean, bingo, card games, jewelry making, painting and other crafts. There's an exercise class every morning.

Ivan Lozada has lived at Light-

house Inn South for four years. "I like the staff. They take good care of my room and me. The food is good and always fresh. Ribs, chicken and meat loaf are my favorites. They bake the cakes and pies right here too, but butter pecan ice cream is still my favorite. I often walk the beach with my friends and I like bingo. I wish we played for money."

Cindy Ryan, thinks these Inns as life savers. "My dad lived at Lighthouse Inn, North for six years. I was impressed with the quality of care he received. When my husband needed assisted living, I moved them both to the South Inn. And I, unexpectedly ended up here too. They are very good to us. My husband needs constant attention and it is provided by willing and pleasant staff."

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RMA chosen to redefine Oakland Park's CRA spending

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

Oakland Park – City commissioners, meeting as the board of the city's Community Redevelopment Agency, or CRA, authorized staff to begin negotiations with Redevelopment Management Associates, or RMA, to develop an action-oriented CRA plan for the next five years.

RMA is the firm directing two CRAs for the city of Pompano Beach. The firm also recently worked as con-

sultants reviewing the master plan for Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and writing a financial plan to implement it.

The firm's partners, Kim Breisemeister and Chris Brown, also have experience with CRAs in Delray Beach, Hollywood and West Palm Beach.

In Oakland Park, the city needs to complete a general review of its CRA plan, Downtown Mixed Use District (DMUD) regulations, interim redevelopment plan, and Redevelopment Capital

Program (RCP) and develop a strategic five-year plan.

"We have completed about 90 percent of 22 capital improvement projects," Ray Lubomski, community and economic development director, told commissioners. The county awarded the city \$13 million in Redevelopment Capital Program funds, and \$3 million went for land acquisition. The remaining \$10 million must be spent by June 2012.

While the city recruited some business to the downtown, several proposed

public-private projects never reached fruition due to the economy, Lubomski said.

"Now we feel a general review of our CRA plan is in order. We want a firm that can help us formulate and focus those ideas," Lubomski said.

Fifteen firms responded to the request for firms with expertise in downtown revitalization, redevelopment, marketing, real estate development and successful implementation.

A selection committee of four city officials reviewed

and ranked the proposals. The four, in order of ranking, were RMA, RERC Strategic Advisors, Calvin Giordano and Associates and EDSA.

Now staff will negotiate a contract with RMA. If a contract can't be successfully negotiated with RMA, negotiations will be terminated and staff will negotiate with the second, third and fourth ranked firms as necessary until an agreement is reached.

A special meeting of the

See RMA on page 28

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Insurance Essentials

Long-term care insurance typically covers a range of nursing, social, and rehabilitative services for anyone who needs ongoing assistance due to a chronic illness or disability. Most policies pay a fixed dollar amount toward the cost of daily care, and they may cover a variety of care settings, including nursing homes, home health care, assisted living facilities, and adult day care.

Reading the Fine Print

When shopping for long-term care insurance, compare the features of policies. You may want to pay special attention to the following features.

Coverage parameters — Policies differ in the types of services they support. Does the policy cover nursing home, custodial, or personal care, or a combination of services?

Benefits payout — How much does the policy pay per day for care in a particular setting (e.g., assisted living)? How does the policy pay out services (e.g., a fixed daily amount, as reimbursement for the cost of care up to a daily maximum)? Does the policy have a maximum lifetime limit? If so, does it differ for various settings?

Waiting period — How long must the insured wait before he or she can begin receiving benefits? Typically the longer the period, the lower the cost of the policy.

Eligibility — Does the policy use certain "benefit triggers" to determine when you will be eligible to receive benefits? Such triggers could include assistance with daily living activities, cognitive impairment, or a prerequisite hospital stay for nursing home benefits.

Benefits protection — Consider an inflation adjustment feature to ensure that benefits stay in line with rising care costs. Evaluate the rate of increase, how often it is applied, and how long it applies for.

Tax implications — Most long-term care policies sold today are federally tax-qualified. Additionally, long-term care benefits received are not taxed as income up to certain limits. Consult a tax adviser to learn more about the tax implications of long-term care insurance.

It may benefit you to look into long-term care insurance during your prime earning years rather than later in life. That's because the younger you are when purchasing a policy, the lower the premium you pay during the life of the plan. So start planning today.

For More Information

If you'd like to learn more, please contact me, Lucie Sabella, at (561) 394-8641.

¹Sources: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

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Summer sizzling rib cook-off set for July

The Pompano Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, or CRA, will be hosting a CRA Summer Sizzle Rib and Baked Goods Cook-Off event on Saturday, July 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the E. Pat Larkins Center. Restaurants and amateur

grill masters are invited to enter the rib cook-off competition.

There will be cash prizes and a trophy awarded to the team that has the best ribs.

There will also be a Baked Goods contest for bakers that have the tastiest treats. Cash

prizes and trophies will also be awarded. This free event will also feature live music, children's activities and information on upcoming CRA developments in the Northwest CRA.

Call 954-786-7824 or visit pompanobeachcra.com.

Pompano Beach Clean Up

All interested citizens are invited to gather at Pavilion #2 just north of the Pompano Beach Pier on Saturday, July 9 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a beach clean-up.

Volunteers will be provided with gloves and bags. The Beach Clean Up is sponsored by the City of Pompano Beach Recycling and Solid Waste Advisory Committee

For more information call 954-786-4185

Non-emergency number set to change for LBTS

LBTS – The non-emergency dispatch contact number for Lauderdale-By-The-Sea residents to reach the Broward Sheriff's Office will change to 954-786-4200 effective Aug. 1.

The sheriff's office in LBTS will change communications services from the dispatch center at the BSO Public Safety Building in Fort Lauderdale to the dispatch center in Pompano Beach.

Housing Authority

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Kessler with full access to the records.

Pam Davis, Executive Director of the Authority, said initially the Kessler request was voluminous and would have taken too much time and cost too much money. Later, she said, a modified request was fulfilled, but the Kessler Report, issued last February, questions whether or not the auditors had complete records.

State statutes allow the mayor to remove housing authority board members for inefficiency, neglect of duty or misconduct in office. A hearing is required and board members must receive a copy of the charges at least 10 days before the hearing.

"My responsibility is to make sure we are taking care of people in our community," the mayor said. "I want to get to the bottom of it."

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Team packages, \$150, include six bowlers for three hours of bowling, shoes, large pizza, 20 wings, pitchers of soda, prizes, free bowling coupons, and more. Sponsor Package #2, \$250, includes the bowling package plus a vinyl banner and advertisement of your company throughout the evening. Call Karla at 508-332-0153 or Nona at 954-304-4248. Deadline, July 15.

Florida Humane Society celebrates new shelter, July 9

Pompano Beach - The shelter is for pets, but this event is for humans to celebrate one year of the long-awaited pet shelter in Pompano Beach.

The board of the Florida Humane Society invites the public to see the new building from 1 to 4 p.m. at 3870 N. Powerline Road, Pompano Beach.

Raffles, food, animal CPR, dog agility, K-nine demonstrations and lots of family fun are in store for the day. Call 954-974-6152.

Hurricane Tips for owners of animals

Hurricane season is here and Broward County Animal Care and Adoption reminds all residents to prepare to safeguard their pets and large animals before, during and after a hurricane. For more information regarding pet and large animal preparedness, call 954-359-1010 or visit www.broward.org/animal.

Bone marrow transplant survivor, Jonathan Seguine, Troop 512, earns Eagle Scout Court of Honor



Jonathan Seguine, Eagle Scout, is shown with members of Troop 512. L to R: Tristan Stettner, Jonathan Seguine, Troop Leader Dorothy Pezzi, Michael Simon, Mother, Cathy Seguine, and Raymond Jiampetti. The carts, pictured, were designed and built for Broward General Hospital Hematology/Oncology departments by Jonathan.

By Phyllis J. Neuberger

PELICAN STAFF

Jonathan Seguine recently achieved the highest honor there is in scouting. "I became an Eagle Scout for several reasons," he says. "I wanted to be spending time with my two good friends who are Eagle Scouts and I like the leadership role I will have as an Assistant Scout Master. My goal is to motivate troop members to follow in our footsteps."

He started as a Cub Scout and moved through the ranks to become a Life Scout. While actively fulfilling the six-month leadership requirement for Eagle Scout, Jonathan Seguine was stopped in his tracks.

He became desperately ill with HLH, a life threatening condition that

only can be reversed by a successful bone marrow transplant.

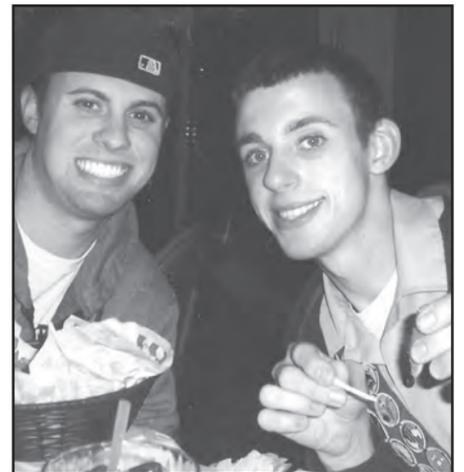
Jonathan explains the syndrome HLH in layman terms. "The red and white blood cells are suddenly at war which ruins one's immune system and if not stopped will destroy all of one's organs. I was lucky because my brother, Joseph who was also a Boy Scout, was a match and was willing to make the sacrifice for me."

Before the transplant Jonathan had chemo treatments for 11 months, followed by an intense chemo treatment to kill the immune system and clear the way for the transplant.

Roy, Jonathan's dad, picked up on the story. "Jonathan spent four months in All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg. My wife stayed with him and I stayed in Pompano Beach

Making a Difference

Phyllis J. Neuberger wants your suggestions about people who are making a difference. Call 954-783-8700.



Blood brothers, Joseph, left, and Jonathan Seguine. Joseph donated a bone marrow transplant to Jonathan in 2009. It's been a long, tough road, but Jonathan is now 99 percent donor. Jonathan recently attained a postponed goal when he officially earned his Eagle Scout Court of Honor, the highest office in scouting, at the Elks Lodge in Pompano Beach where Troop 512 meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

to prepare our house for Jonathan's return and his need for a germ free environment. I painted the entire interior, cleaned the windows, air conditioner and removed all possible harmful items. I couldn't have done it without help from family and friends. When Jonathan returned home he became a prisoner inside for eight months. He couldn't step out of our house. If friends came, he wore a face mask and those visitors had to do a whole routine to sanitized themselves."

Jonathan leaned forward, eager to continue relating his experience. "The actual transplant is done like a blood transfusion. All of this took place in 2009. I am now considered 99 percent donor, thanks to my brother. While I was in hibernation, I kept up on my studies, but I did lose a year of high school which I made up. I graduated,

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Eagle Scout

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at 19, this June with the graduating class at Deerfield Beach High School.”

He was still determined to become an Eagle Scout. To meet the service project requirement, he built two large push carts, designed to hold a flat screen television, X-Box as well as other games, magazines and books. He donated the professional looking carts to

the Hematology/Oncology department of Broward General Hospital in Fort Lauderdale. “Before I began to build the carts, I asked a Child Life Specialist from the hospital what they needed. Several TVs had been stolen from the existing carts so I designed my carts so that petty thieves could not remove the television or X-Box without stealing the cart itself.” (See carts in photo)

Jonathan had to fill out countless pages, describing the project and everything

that went into it. The South Florida Council must approve the project and the candidate for Eagle Scout after a personal interview by the Board of Directors.

He smiles and says, “I finally had earned my badge and I’m now a full fledged Eagle Scout and proud to be one.”

Dorothy Pezzi, Jonathan’s Scout Master, describes Jonathan as “a kid who can take anything apart to see how it works, and the good part is he can put it back together again. He has not only earned the rank of Eagle; he exemplifies its meaning. I’ve known him since he was a toddler, and now he’s my Assistant. He’s

a fine leader with the younger boys.”

Flushing with pleasure at the praise, Jonathan shares the rest of his story. “Joseph is three years older than me, but we are now truly blood brothers.” With a laugh, he admits, “One of my chores is to clean my brother’s room for the rest of his life.”

I hope to attend Palm Beach Community College this fall. I’d like to work in the medical field, having seen the challenges and miracles that happen in a hospital. I’m mechanically minded, so maybe I could learn to service some of the sophisticated machinery used in hospitals now and in the future.

Joseph is sure his brother

will succeed, saying, “Jonathan is the only guy I know who takes things apart to see how they work. After he’s figured it out, he can fix it, or make it from scratch.”

Best friend Leo Pezzi says, “Jonathan is my best friend. We’ve been pals since before kindergarten. He’s a lot of fun and very brave. It’s sort of amazing, but he never thinks about himself. Other people always come first.”

Jonathan still returns to Broward General Hospital every two months for treatment to improve his immune system. He sees two doctors who have become friends. He smiles and says, “It’s been a long hard road, but it was worth it. The restrictions were tough—no fast food, no salads, no outside, no school or stores. But my mom, dad, brother and friends kept me going through this life experience. I’m luckier than some I met along the way!”

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Memorial for Fisherman's Wharf



Pompano Beach - Back in the day they were known as the Skids. They came from every part of the nation and prided themselves as having "No real family in South Florida." Now they are planning the final rites for Fisherman's Wharf Restaurant, demolished five years ago to make way for new development at the beach. The party begins at 8 a.m. July 8 at the Pompano Beach Fishing Pier and will run all day. Old Skids are asked to bring their Wharf tee shirts, something to grill or share and a few memories.

Jeff Grave, local photographer will bring "a corner of the outside bar, known as Skid's Corner," where the group can gather again for old times sake.

Free trees

Pompano Beach residents are encouraged to show up July 8 and 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the city nursery, 1000 NE 3 Ave. for the annual tree-give-away. The native trees come with planting instructions. Limit two per person. Local identification will be required.

Hideaway Marina offers dry storage, service, parts and access to the Intracoastal Waterway



By Phyllis J. Neuberger

PELICAN STAFF

Pompano Beach - Hideaway Marina at 599 S. Federal Hwy. has been a safe haven for boats for 20 years. Located on a canal just five minutes from the Intracoastal, there's plenty of parking and docking. The dockside Tiki hut offers boaters shade, free ice and a vending machine for soft drinks.

Peyton Lacaria is the general manager and Kina Naydenova is the operations manager and controller of the Hideaway. As a visitor looks around at the neatly stacked inventory of boats, secured in storage, Peyton says, "Some of our boats look brand new even though they're 10 years

old. They have been maintained and protected from the elements. It pays to get the boats out of the water."

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The safety program takes place Thursday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at NE Focal Point Senior Center, 227 N.W. 2nd Street, Deerfield Beach. Cost is \$14. Call 954-480-4447.

Events

Book Fair Wilton Manors Friends of the Library will host Book Fair on Saturday, July 9th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. indoors in Hagen Park Community Center behind City Hall at rear of 2020 Wilton Drive. Admission and parking are free. Call 954-566-9019.

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Walmart

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Architectural Review Board and the Planning and Zoning Board, neither of which could address the traffic problems. The street is owned by the county.

Walmart will pay \$70,000 in impact fees, money which goes to the county, and City Commissioner Charlotte Burrie hopes some of those dollars will come back into her district.

Wednesday, she emailed County Commissioner Kristin Jacobs asking if the money can be used to alleviate what is anticipated to be heavy traffic on NE 49 Street. "Some of those residents will have trouble backing out of their driveways," Burrie said this week. "I am hopeful the county will put in speed bumps or something."

According to Burrie, Walmart has been negotiat-

ing secretly since January to purchase four parcels of land west of Federal Highway between NE 49th and 50th streets. "I understand the need for secrecy, but I didn't know about it until the planning and zoning agenda," she said.

Jeff Torrey, President of the Highlands Improvement Civic Association, said Walmart did not contact anybody in his neighborhood about their plans. His concern is also 49th Street. "I would prefer the store face onto Federal Highway," Torrey said.

Kimley-Horn, traffic consultants for Walmart, project 80 percent of the store's customers will enter from Federal Highway, two percent from 51st Street and 15 percent via 49th Street. Torrey questions those figures since 49th Street has been under construction since April and limited to local traffic.

Torrey said 49th Street is residential all the way to Dixie Highway except for the first

block west of US 1. "We are not against Walmart, we are opposed to the building facing 49th Street," he said.

Walmart reps have promised to erect a "no right turn" sign in their parking lot to keep traffic from moving west on 49th Street, but Torrey says the sign will have no legal status.

Torrey is also on the Pompano Beach Planning and Zoning Board that unanimously approved the Walmart site plan June 20. He voted for the project after making his concerns public at that meeting, before the Architectural Review Board and with

Walmart's attorney, Susan Motley.

"Walmart is a well-oiled machine," Torrey said of the firm's presentation before the boards.

The property carries B-3 zoning, so no commission approvals are needed. According to Motley, the properties now pay \$50,957 in property taxes, \$22,549 comes back to the city. When the new store is completed, taxes on the property will come to \$240,000, \$110,192 of which will be city revenue.

Walmart will build a 92,000 square-foot store with

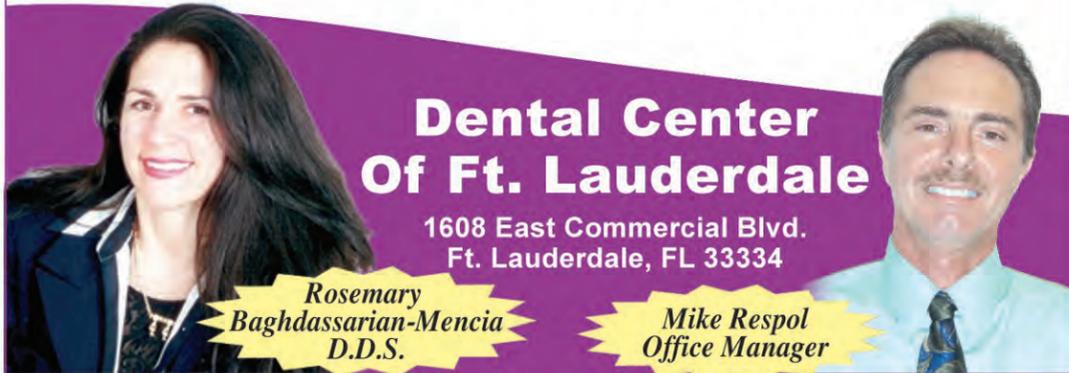
full retail and full grocery centers, but no garden store or auto repair shop. Company representatives say it will employ 350 people. Purchase of the land was contingent on the company getting site approvals.

The four parcels were purchased from EF Tire, Coral Cadillac, Premier Auto Body and a church. Four buildings and a billboard will be demolished to make way for the retailer.

Jay Lighter, owner of EF Auto said his company will move within a mile of its present location. "We need more space," he said.

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High-rise

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with 555 sets of binoculars staring down at the patios in Bel-Air," Saindon said. "Their view will be reduced, and home values will continue to plummet. The project will block sunset hours, and there will be 36 months of construction dust and noise, never mind the marine issues."

Saindon said he approached the LBTS commission "to see if you can get involved to soften the blow so it doesn't have the significant impact it's going to have on residents."

Karen Castorina, a resident across the Intracoastal in the Tower of Port Royale, said residents gathered 200 signatures against the proposed development and presented it to the Fort Lauderdale Plan-

ning & Zoning Board which approved the project unanimously on June 15.

Castorina said her neighbors have concerns about traffic and the additional burden on police and fire rescue. She said a proposed marina with docks and yacht club will increase noise and floating debris in the Intracoastal Waterway and during construction will create a tremendous impact on the waterway.

Since the project is on a waterway, the P&Z approval is subject to a 30-day call-up period. That means a Fort Lauderdale city commissioner has until July 15 to "call up" the project for a public hearing, if other commissioners agree. The site plan could be amended at that time.

Commissioners voted to write to the Fort Lauderdale Commission asking them to review the project in light of

the impacts on Bel -Air and rejected the idea of hiring a planning consultant to represent them before that commission.

Vice Mayor Stuart Dodd asked if the residents had a legal argument on the view issue and Town Attorney Dan Abbott responded that it was "unlikely the community has a common law right to vista across that distance," nor to file a successful condemnation action.

Dodd said that while he has great sympathy for the people affected, "I don't see anything that gives us legal grounds to do anything."

Mayor Roseanne Minnet agreed the commission should not spend taxpayer money on the matter and suggested instead that commissioners lobby Fort Lauderdale commissioners to take a deeper look at the project.

"The real argument is the

impact on the Intracoastal Waterway and that will affect all of us," Minnet said. "My concern is the added café and marina and how that will choke the waterway and impact the neighboring community. We can all pick up the phone and call commissioners. That's within our realm, and that's my two cents on that." She noted that Bruce Roberts is the Fort Lauderdale elected official who represents the Port Royale area.

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Photo Exhibit Shows Civil Rights Era in Broward County

"Visible," a collection of photos depicting Fort Lauderdale's black community during the Civil Rights era of the 1950s and 1960s, is now on display through July at the African-American Research Library and Cultural Center (AARLCC), 2650 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale.

The collection is from Fort Lauderdale's Historical Society's Gene Hyde Collection and is part of "Our History is American History: Blacks in Broward 1900 to 2000." In August, the exhibit travels to Northwest Regional Library, 3151 University Drive, Coral Springs; in September, West Regional Library, 8601 W. Broward Blvd., Plantation; and at Main Library, 100 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale, in October and November. For more information contact Tanya Simmons-Oparah, 954-357-7514, tsimons@browardlibrary.org.

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By Malcolm McClintock

PELICAN WRITER

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Turtle lights

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their march to the sea.

Assistant to the Director of Environmental Services Director Chad Grecsek said 3,500 lineal feet along Ocean Way from the north pavilion to SE 9 Street will be refitted with 225 energy efficient amber LED bollards that direct the light downward. EC Eagle Construction, Inc. of Pompano Beach has been awarded the contract and will begin dismantling the old lighting fixtures next week. Under the provision of the grant, they must complete the project by the end of September.

The city has already installed the LED bollards on Ocean Way from SE 9 to SE 10 Street as part of a drainage

project in that block of Ocean Way.

Beachfront property owners can do their part by complying with the city's code of ordinances, Chapter 34, Article V, Sec. 34-96 which outlines the outdoor lighting restrictions.

Deerfield's beach is regularly monitored by a 'turtle patrol,' volunteers trained at Gumbo Limbo to spot lighting that attracts the young turtles. They also walk the beach at night to redirect turtles that are heading the wrong way, toward developed areas and away from the water.

The city's efforts to further 'green-up' its beachfront will continue when the poles and lighting at the main beach parking lot are replaced with the amber LED fixtures and

when the fishing pier is redeveloped and that parking lot is improved. Funds for these projects will come from the Community Redevelopment Agency.

Pet store

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ber of conditions including controlling odors and sounds, a 12-pound weight limit on the dogs, a limit of 15 dogs on site at any one time, daily cleaning of the cages and sound proof sleep rooms.

Vice Mayor Stuart Dodd said he and his wife went to the facility and arranged a meeting with the owners, Dominique and Dominick Casale. Mrs. Dodd also contacted the owners' veterinarian.

"We were both extremely impressed with their depth of knowledge, care and consideration of the animals in their care," Dodd said of the Casales. "I don't think any applicant has ever been vetted more. I wish them every success."

Commissioner Chris Vincent said he visited the store with his wife and daughter and they also were extremely impressed. "The young woman running the store was extremely cordial, and it was fantastic. With an operation like that, I welcome you," Vincent said.

Mayor Roseanne Minnett also went to the store and gave it her okay as did staff members who recommended approval of the application. The Casales have operated for 30 years in Miami Beach.

"All the puppies are part of our family and will be treated as such," Dominick Casale told the commission.

"Pass it now please," resident Bob Fleishman urged. "We want this doggie store."

The town's Planning & Zoning Board approved the application by a 3 to 2 vote May 18. The shop is scheduled to open Aug. 1 on Commercial Boulevard.

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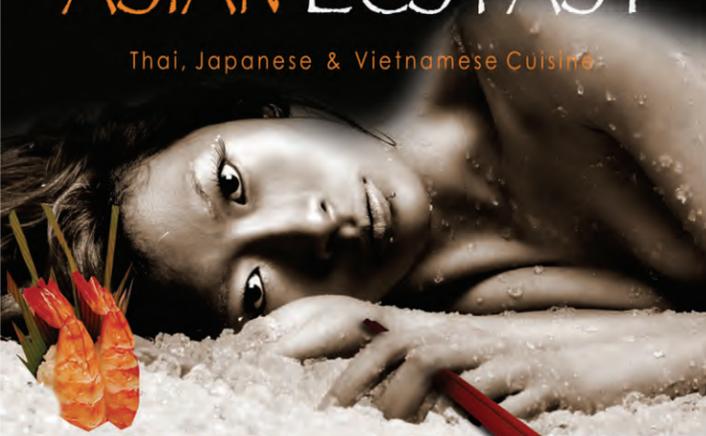
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Cafe Mineiro

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traditional plates.

Lastly, one can opt to order "à la carte". Some of the most popular dishes are the Picanha, an enormous grilled sirloin steak topped with sautéed onions and peppers and the Muqueca Baiana, a bubbling cauldron full of fresh King fish and large shrimp sautéed in lemon juice, coconut milk, onions, peppers and tomatoes served with rice and Yuca flour sauce.

While trying to figure out where to start a culinary voyage to South America, many patrons order a refreshing Caipirinha, Brazil's signature drink made of wedged limes, sugar and sugar-cane alcohol known as cachaça.

Conveniently, Café Min-



Owners Neida and Daniel Arantes have enjoyed such success in Deerfield Beach that they recently opened another Cafe Mineiro in Orlando.

eiro is open everyday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 a.m. It turns into a lively dance hall after 10 p.m. but food continues to be served until 1 a.m. There is ample free parking and all major credit cards are accepted.

As is the case in many Latin American cultures, there is no urgency to eat early. Families typically arrive at 9

p.m. for a night of good food, good cheer and unabashed merriment.

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2012 Toyota Prius v: Being "green" in a station wagon

By Ric Green

PELICAN WRITER

With the price of gas having most of us seeing red, it might be time to make some changes. June 16, 2011 was designated as national "Dump the Pump" day, by the American Public Transportation Association to encourage people to try mass transit, walking, or bicycling to their daily destinations. But what about an alternative to 21 MPG, (Miles per Gallon) automobiles? One is the new 2012 Prius v which Toyota will have in U.S. showrooms this fall.

The 2012 Prius v, with the "v" expressing the vehicle's versatility, is the newest entrant in an expanding Prius family of hybrid vehicles



having the same attributes traditionally found in Prius DNA including aero dynamics and a focus on lightweight materials and safety. The "v" is demonstrates the evolution in Toyota's hybrid vehicles with excellent cargo space

while capitalizing on Prius' heritage of environmental performance and fuel economy with a projected 42 MPG combined. Translation: In the Prius "v" Toyota has created a hybrid that is a roomy multipurpose wagon

with the cargo and payload capacity of a crossover sport utility vehicle.

The "v" is a new evolution in hybrid vehicles with excellent cargo space and Prius' heritage of environmental performance and fuel economy with a projected 42 MPG combined. With the Prius v, you won't dump the pump, but you will certainly see it less often than your average four-door auto.

The Hybrid Synergy Drive system in the Prius v is essentially the same as the current

Prius, which is the third generation of the car that changed the industry. The system uses two high-output motors, one 60kw (80 hp)

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Crockett Foundation Life Skills Clinic and Football Camp

NFL fans will get an up close look at some famous players who hail from Pompano Beach on Saturday.

The the players are more interested in local youth for the Crockett Life skills Clinic from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Four Fields, 1700 NE 8 St., Pompano Beach.

The Foundation, founded by former NFL football players and brothers Henri and Zack Crockett, annually unites hundreds of local youth with dozens of NFL players from around the country as a part of its Life Skills Clinic and Football Camp. The camp provides mentoring with football, educational opportunities, health and awareness and encourages today's youth to overcome social limitations and realize their full potential.

The camp is free and will include free food, t-shirts and customized football mouth pieces provided by TAPOUT.

NFL football players that will be an attendance include retired Minnesota Viking Linebacker Henri Crockett, retired Oakland Raider Fullback Zack Crockett, retired Oakland Raider Tight End OJ Santiago, Green Bay Packer Cornerback Al Harris, Oakland Raider Cornerback Walt McFadden, Miami Dolphins Linebacker Channing Crowder, Minnesota Viking Linebacker EJ Henderson, Indianapolis Colt Linebacker Clint Session, New England Patriots Running Back Fred Taylor, Free Safety Tyrone Carter, retired Baltimore Raven Cornerback's Duane Starks and Samari Rolle, retired Miami Dolphin Tight End Troy Drayton and retired Chicago Bear Running back Autry Denson. Player's appearances are subject to their individual schedules.

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Scoreboard . . .

Pompano Beach Men's Golf Assn., July 6
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 2nd - Jim McCarthy, Scott

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 Closest to Pin, Pines, #7, Bob Dann

Pompano Beach Woman's Golf Assn July 5
 Summer luncheon golf event
TWO BEST BALLS OF FOURSOME 1ST -

Kathy Stewart, Jan Ruck, Kim Heath, Jackie Peck 125
 2ND - Georgie Wright, Janet Stuart, Patty Davis, Pat Hamburger 129
 Closest to the pin on #11
 Class A - Jan Ruck
 Class B - Shirley O'Neill
 Class D - Elaine Schoengood

Pompano Beach Nine Holers, July 5
 Winning foursome with a score of 62 - Metevier Carol, Jackson Gwen, Haag Pat, Price Joanne
 Closest to the line on Hole #7: Susana Rust

Angler drowns off Pompano Beach

An afternoon storm surprised two fishermen in a small boat Thursday, catapulting the men into the turbulent Atlantic Ocean. Neither was wearing a life jacket, nor could they swim well, and one of men drowned. The men had been fishing together about 1 1/2 mile off the Hillsboro Inlet.

The surviving man, Mercedes Solivan, 63, of Plantation, was able to hang onto the side of the capsized, partially-submerged 13-foot skiff until a passing boat noticed him and pulled him to safety just after 3:30 p.m. It's unclear exactly when the boat capsized or how long he clung to it before he was rescued. His fishing buddy, Jose Torres, 51, of Fort Lauderdale, was unable to grab onto the boat and eventually sank beneath the surface. Torres' body was found 35 to 40 minutes later by other boaters just north of the inlet.

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Sightings

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of your company throughout the evening. Call Karla at 508-332-0153 or Nona at 954-304-4248. Deadline, July 15.

Leisure

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 142 has Bingo on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Post, 171 SW 2 St., Pompano Beach. Food is available from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Call 954-942-2448.

The NE Focal Point Alzheimer's Day Care Center, located at 301 N.W. 2nd Avenue in Deerfield Beach, offers a weekly Caregiver's Support Group every Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Clubs

Zonta International meets on the third Tuesday of the month at Duffy's Diner, 401 N. Federal Hwy., Deerfield Beach at 11:15 a.m. Zonta International is a classified service organization of executives and professionals working together to advance the status of women locally and worldwide through service and advocacy. Call 561-392-2223.

The Greater Pompano Beach Senior Citizens Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month at the Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE 6 St., Pompano Beach at 10 a.m. Activities focus on the

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Martial arts

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like best? "Pushing them down. I never pushed anyone down before, but now I have."

Building confidence is one of the many benefits of practicing martial arts – which embody discipline, self-esteem perseverance, self-respect and respect for others.

That's why the blind children were brought here by The Lighthouse of Broward, a non-profit organization that provides services and training to people who are blind or visually impaired. A



Grappling Champ, Felipe Rodriguez demonstrates grappling hold

impressive story. Rodriguez began training here seven months ago, and in May he rose to Florida State Champion of the North American Grappling Association. He won it while competing against an opponent who can see.

Grappling is a form of wrestling that is done entirely on the mat as opposed to standing and moving around. Rodriguez's early training in judo was an obvious advantage. As a boy, he taught judo before losing his eyesight in 2004.

Rodriguez praises the environment and culture of the American Top Ten Gym. "Everyone respects you here, and you don't get any sense of discrimination," he says.

And there are intangible benefits as well. "You understand that concentration helps your movement," he said. And he enjoys the overall attitude that's embedded in the training. "You learn to respect people, and they respect you."

"Respect" is a word that's heard often in the gym. It's evident in the language and demeanor of Ricardo Liborio and his instructors.

For two years now Liborio has provided this training. Students kids The Lighthouse plan to be back for additional sessions. "They are my inspiration," said Liborio, a world champion in Jiu-Jitsu, whose life has been touched by blindness and is driven to help those who cannot see.

weekly visit exposing them to martial arts is part of a daily six-week summer camp that includes such things as cooking, swimming and mobility. The martial arts sessions are designed to teach them a few self-defense moves and boost their confidence.

The gym's co-owner and head coach, Richard Liborio, has opened the doors of the immaculate gym to any blind person who wants training without charge. "It's my mission to help them," he said. It's a mission he adopted after

his daughter lost her sight at age four. After watching blind people train here, he has seen changes in their lives. "One of them stayed at home doing nothing. Now he comes every day," Liborio explained. One was so motivated that he rode buses from Lauderdale three days a week. They are active now. They're improving their fitness and developing skills.

Among the blind martial arts students who help instruct others is 21-year-old Felipe Rodriguez, of Oakland Park -- a young man with an



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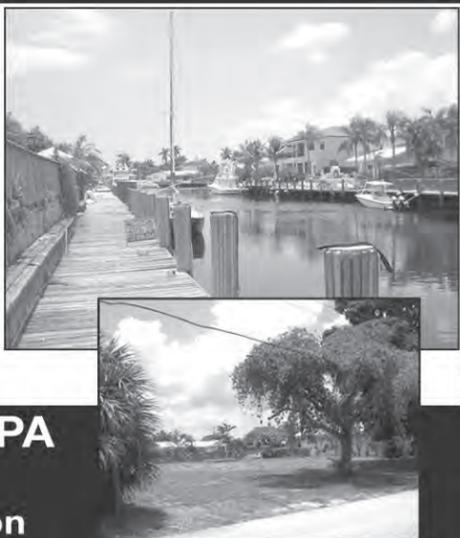
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Prius

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unit that works to power the compact, lightweight transaxle and another smaller motor that works as the electric power source.

The Prius v emphasizes overall proportion with spaciousness and flexibility which is perfect for the for the active South Florida family. There is an impressive amount of space for passengers front and rear. A low, wide-opening rear hatch reveals 34.3 cubic feet of cargo space behind the rear seats, making it the most spacious dedicated hybrid vehicle on the market.

No one is going to confuse the 2012 Prius v for a racecar. It gets from 0-60 mph in 10.4 seconds, which is a bit slower than its sister's time of 9.5 thanks partially to its

increased interior space that contributes to a weight gain of 230 pounds. Top speed for the "v" is 103 miles an hour. When cruising around town it is certainly on the quiet side. Ramp up to speed to get on an interstate like I-95 and you can clearly hear the gas engine working its little heart out.

Making for a smoother ride the Prius "v" is equipped with new anti-oscillation technology, to keep the car from bouncing up and down when going over recurring bumps. Wheel sensors detect when the suspension starts to oscillate in reaction to something like evenly spaced freeway expansion joints. The drive computer then applies a little bit of torque from the hybrid system's electric motor that cancels out the bouncing motion.

Pretty cool!

However to a certain market extra cubic feet of cargo space and the anti-oscillation technology is not as appealing as Toyota's new Entune system which is coupled with new navigation and audio head units plus lower-priced flash-memory-based unit. Working with your mobile phone Entune will bring apps such as Pandora, iHeartRadio, OpenTable, MovieTickets.com, and Bing into the car. Additional apps are in the near future. This technology makes me wonder about the future of XM radio.

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Hideaway

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been in and out many times and they are wonderful about that. I've talked with others who have their boats here and they, too, are so pleased with the service. Oh, and I'm grateful for the shade of the Tiki hut and free ice."

A number of the boats are in storage for the summer season. "These people don't want to worry about possible hurricanes or bad storms which can severely damage and even destroy a boat," Kina says. "We do offer a hurricane special for \$750. Those who take advantage of our offer pay \$375 to reserve a spot. They bring their boats in when warnings are issued and we will keep their boats dry for up to 24

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Service Manager, Joseph Pasuit, has been with Hideaway Marina for 18 years. "I'm proud of my team and its excellent reputation in the boating community," he says.

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Pasuit started his career as a boat washer. He ended up going to factory schools where he trained and still re-trains as a certified technician. He holds a Master's certification with Mercury and calls that a plus because, he says, "there aren't too many around with a Master's."

Pasuit adds, "I'm a boater myself and I cannot stress enough the importance of keeping a boat in shape. Follow the recommended service interval schedules and repair any problem as soon as you discover it. Boaters who wait too long usually end up with complicated repairs. Be sure

your safety equipment is up to date and don't drink and drive. Spring and Fall are the best seasons for boaters and fisherman. Summer is pretty hot and winter often brings rough seas."

Paul Laya, owner of a 31-foot Sonic Performance Boat, has high praise for Pasuit, saying, "Joe does superior work and is very fair. He is well recognized in the marine industry. We've been using Hideaway Marina since 2006, and we continue to be impressed with their capable office staff and service department."

The retail parts manager

is Patti Wirtz who has been in the marine industry since 1987 and with Hideaway Marine for seven years.

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Even though we may have unstable weather doesn't mean that the fishing is going to be bad.

We are still getting daily

reports from the charter boats and some of the hardcore fishermen that the dolphin bite has been consistent and the wahoos are starting to really chew.

At some point this weekend you will see some nice wahoos caught because the bonitos have shown up again over the last three days.

With these storms around you need to make sure all of your safety gear on the boat is up to date and ready to go just in case.

Take a look at your lifejackets, vhf radio and your backup hand held radio, along with your raft or any

other flotation devices and make sure they are in working order.

Most of the storms don't last too long but things can go bad quickly if you are not prepared.

If you are wondering about your gear and you really want to get out fishing think about chartering a local charter boat.

They are equipped to handle anything and can give you the peace of mind to enjoy a day of fishing without the worry of dealing with your own boat issues.

I have already had a few boat owners put together charters on charter boats this weekend for this very reason. It is actually very inexpensive for 4-6 guys or gals to charter a boat and split the expenses. In the end you will catch some nice fish, have no worries, do much less work, and probably spend less than you would on your own boat.

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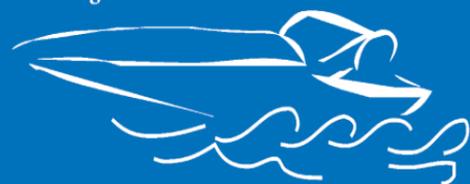
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Anglers haul in \$20,000 for family retreat program

Lighthouse Point – Deliver the Dream, a South Florida-based nonprofit that organizes retreats for families experiencing a serious illness or crisis raised \$20,000 at its Dream family fishing tournament this month.

The tournament kicked off with a Captain's Party at the Lighthouse Point Yacht and Racquet Club that featured a silent auction. Boats fished all morning and returned to the yacht club with dolphin, kingfish and tuna. The winning boat was Saultydog with Cutnail in second place and Family Circus in third. Top male angler went to Jeff Scott from Cutnail, top female angler winner was Lorraine Whetstone from Saultydog and top pee wee angler was Ben Stone. After the weigh in, a post-tournament BBQ and pool party took place.

Tournament sponsors included Citrix Systems, Inc. and City National Bank.

Proceeds from the tournament will go directly to Deliver the Dream's Family Retreat Program, which helps families who have a child or a parent living with an illness or going through a crisis. Deliver the Dream retreats take place every month for up to 15 families, free of charge.

More About Deliver the Dream

Deliver the Dream, Inc. is a non-profit respite and retreat program that serves families facing serious illness or crisis. Retreats are provided at no cost. More than 4,800 family members throughout the Southeast have attended a Deliver the Dream weekend since retreats began in the Fall of 2002.

For more information, visit www.DeliverTheDream.org.



Saultydog crew



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Jacob Bedwell & Ben Stone



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Sightings

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whole family can participate in an evening of discovery while uncovering the natural history and myths of sea turtles at the Museum of Discovery and Science in Fort Lauderdale. During July, the museum hosts Moonlight, Sea Turtles and You!, a program providing participants the chance to watch a 400-pound Loggerhead sea turtle venture out of the ocean to lay her eggs, nature permitting. Turtle Walks run from 9 p.m. to approximately

1 a.m., and participation cost is \$19 for non-members. Additional information and reservations are available at 954-713-0930; www.mods.org.

Detective Story Camp

- Fern Forest's summer day camp - Fern Forest Nature Center in Coconut Creek continues its Nature Detectives, a weeklong summer day camp for ages 8 to 11. Spaces are still available for the July and August sessions, which run Mondays through Fridays, July 18-22 and August 1-5. Each day of the camp fo-

cuses on a different theme, as participants explore the nature center's inhabitants through hands-on experiences, crafts, and other activities. The fee is \$75 per camper per week. Call 954-357-5198.

Theater

Sol Children's Theater presents Summer Theater Festival 2011 July 15, 16, 17 at 2 and 7 p.m. at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Call 561-447-8829, email solchildtroupe@aol.com

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RMA

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commission/CRA Board may be called to expedite the process. The CRA area is 1,000 acres, and there are a lot of alternatives and thoughts, ity Manager John Stunson said.

"Kim Breisemeister is intimately familiar with our CRA and with successful CRAs in Broward County and Palm Beach County," Vice Mayor Anne Sallee said. "We have a complex plan that needs to be reviewed and a tight deadline. It's to our benefit to work with them. They have worked closely with (Oakland Park) Main Street," Sallee said, adding she is very supportive of staff's recommendation to choose RMA.

Stunson said that by Aug. 31 staff wants to have some preliminary findings. "We hope we will be on the way in October with a plan consensus and the first steps of an action plan" in order to go before the county," he said.

Commissioner John Adornato asked if the consultant would work with the Oakland Park Main Street organization. Stunson said "Yes, that is the understanding we had with the commission and the understanding we have going forward."

Mayor Suzanne Boisvenue expressed concerns about the cost and whether RMA would do more than just tell the city what they need to do or could they work on marketing. Stunson said they were ranked high because they can do implementation, as well.



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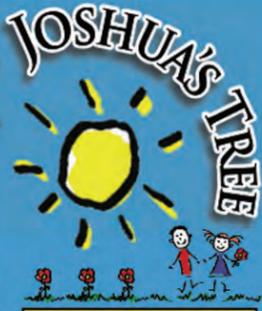


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