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## Mayor Fisher's address focus of CEO Roundtable

By Anne Siren

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**Pompano Beach** - Mayor Lamar Fisher will discuss the "State of the City" at the Pompano Beach Chamber's annual CEO Round Table.

Fisher says among other things he will focus on the city budget's rate increase, updates on the Community Redevelopment Agency's, or CRA, progress, the mayor's stimulus package and partnerships.

"We" are moving in the right

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## Planners see culinary arts district in OP's future

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

**Oakland Park** - Consultants hired recently to come up with a five-year plan to get redevelopment started in the city's CRA area are comparing Oakland Park Station to Miami's Design District.

Neil Fritz, with Redevelopment Management Associates, or RMA, said he envisions the building at NE 38 Street and NE 12 Avenue (Main Street) as a culinary arts district with

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Active reading takes on a new dimension at the Wilton Manors Library where more than 60 visitors pack the library on Monday for Storytime. Children get a head start in the thrill of a good story and lots of time to make new friends. [Staff photo] See story on page 3.

## Sheriff gets new contract in LBTS

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

**LBTS** - Town commissioners unanimously approved a \$3.435 million contract with the Broward Sheriff's Office to provide local police services at this week's meeting.

The contract is for a five-year term, but either the town or sheriff can give 90 days notice to terminate the agreement.

The amount is 9 percent higher than the current contract of \$3.157 million.

In the new contract, employees must contribute three percent of their pay to the Florida Retirement System. That results in a \$144,450 reduction in pension costs to the city. One deputy position was eliminated for a savings of \$97,000. The position was vacant for most of the past year due to illness with no negative impact on service level, according to Connie Hoffmann, town manager.

"This is a business decision, but for us it's a partnership," said Sheriff Al Lamberti. "Once the contract is signed, it's about serving the community.

"Our people here are doing a good job," Lamberti added. "When they're assigned here, they don't want to leave. We can't pry anyone out of here once they're assigned. There's a waiting list of people who want to come to Lauderdale-By-The-Sea because of the way the community treats them and the way you treat them," he told commissioners.

## Famed restaurateur bringing Frank and Dino's to town

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

**Deerfield Beach** - Dennis Max, the restaurateur who in the '80s and '90s built an eating empire in South Florida, will open a restaurant here influenced by Hollywood's rat pack, and named appropriately, Frank and Dino's. Max is taking over the former Marcello's at 716 S. Federal Highway and will open October 31 serving higher end Italian-American cuisine.

Partnering with Max is Frank Stampone and a silent investor. Designer Adolfo Galvez is reportedly creating an Italian speakeasy at Frank and Dino's with fixtures from Milan

See *DEERFIELD* on page

## Palm Aire group to add security as option

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

**Pompano Beach** - Boards of directors of associations in Palm Aire United will soon be informed about an electronic security system being offered to members.

A preview was presented last week at a town hall meeting of the umbrella group at the Skolnick Center.

"We haven't had a high incidence of crime. But whatever we can do to stop the bad guys, we will try to do it," board member Lee Corson noted.

The Palm Aire United organization, headed by Dr. Ralph Calatchi, was formed 30 months ago to define,

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# Deerfield

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and Florence, brick, dark woods and leather banquets. The restaurant and patio will seat 120.

At his peak, Max's Unique Restaurant Concepts, operated 17 restaurants in this area including Café Max (now Café Maxx) in Pompano Beach which opened in 1984. The company had Max's Place in North Miami, Maxaluna in Boca Raton, Brasserie Max in Plantation and still operates Max's Grille in Boca Raton's Mizner Park. The initial eatery, opened with Burt Rapoport, was Carlos and Pepe's on the 17th Street Causeway in Fort Lauderdale.

Now back in the business, Max's Restaurant Group, opened Max's Harvest in Del-

ray's Pineapple Grove District in June and will open another Boca restaurant, Assaggio de Forno, in early December in Regency Court. While Frank and Dino's will serve dinner only, Assaggio will be open for lunch also and present a more casual menu.

Each restaurant will strive to serve local produce and meats especially during South Florida's winter growing season.

## Toyota will build huge dealership here

**Deerfield Beach** – Approval was given Tuesday for the rebuild of the Toyota of Deerfield Beach car dealership, almost 80,000 square feet of showroom, service, offices and car wash.

The present building at 1441 S. Federal Highway will be demolished and a 74,322

dealership will be constructed along with 5, 270 square feet of car wash/detailing space. Commissioners allowed two variances in setbacks and landscaping on the nine-acre parcel which includes the former Ramada Inn site.

## No action again on Tam O'Shanter ball-fields/ cemetery

**Deerfield Beach** – Commission action on the 100 acres in Crystal Lake being rezoned for a public park and memorial garden was tabled for the fourth time Tuesday. City officials said an agreement between the city and Old Saybrook LLC, owners of the property, that will ensure an environmental cleanup of the city's acreage, is holding up passage of rezoning and land use ordinances.

The parcel, the former Tam O'Shanter Golf Course, has been divided by the owner. Half is being donated

to the city for ballfields, the other half will be developed as a memorial garden. Plans call for 16 mausoleum buildings, a crematory, maintenance building, two lawn cemeteries, a garden, estate mausoleums and a pet cemetery.

The agenda items first appeared August 1.

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## Roundtable

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direction,” says Fisher, “And I am looking forward to the discussions that always come out of this meeting. And this is a chance to urge residents to take part in our advisory board system. They are a strong attribute to us.”

Ric Green, chamber CEO, says, “This is the best way for everyone to get an inside look at the future of Pompano

Beach. We are urging all local civic organizations and home owner associations to send a representative to this breakfast.”

A question and answer period will follow the address.

The event is open to the public. Cost is \$20, includes breakfast, and takes place Sept. 28 at Galuppi’s on the Green, 1103 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach. Reservations are important. Call 954-941-2940.

## Storytime in Wilton Manors offers parents and children a new attitude about libraries

By Aleese Kopf

PELICAN WRITER

**Wilton Manors** - Puzzles line the tables. Chairs are arranged in circles, and the storytime rug is out for this week’s book, “Just Like Daddy” by Frank Asch.

More than 60 children and parents begin to wander through the doors.

Sherry Beckey, or Miss Sherry to her students, welcomes her audience every

Monday morning. She is the librarian in charge of Pre-school Storytime at the Wilton Manors Library.

For more than 20 years she has been singing songs, reading books and playing games with hundreds of kids, from newborns to 5-year-olds. Regardless of the age, Beckey said the goal of the program is simple — have fun.

“We want them to think of learning and fun when they hear the word library and

see it as a really welcoming place,” she adds.

For some kids, the association is working already.

“Every time I say we’re driving to the library [my son] says ‘puzzle,’” says Erin Ashcroft, a storytime mom.

Before Ashcroft joined storytime with 2-year-old son Nicholas, he had a hard time being around other kids. And, she adds the class has not only

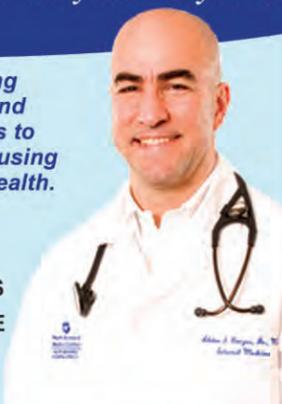
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# One candidate for vacant commission seat withdraws his name

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

**Hillsboro Beach** – Al Shore, one of the residents who interviewed to become a town commissioner here, has withdrawn his resume due to a scheduling conflict. Shore said this week he serves on the Boca Raton Resort Board of Governors and after receiving his new meeting schedule

which calls for him to be out of town, thought it best to withdraw.

Commissioners here must fill a commission vacancy created when Vice Mayor Celinda Sawtelle resigned in July. Two others introduced themselves to the commission last week. They were Deborah Alfaro and Andrew Micelli. Two others willing to serve, Deborah Tarrant and

James Lambert, have yet to be heard. The commission's next regularly scheduled meeting is October 4.

## Recycling program begins here October 4

**Hillsboro Beach** – Home-based recycling begins here October 4. The town's sanitation contractor is providing free bins to those who are interested in participating. At a

meeting August 16, 40 people representing either themselves or condo associations, attended a meeting to learn about the new service.

Waste Management is charging the town 50 cents per living unit for the service, about \$14,000 a year, a number that has been included in the general fund. Commissioner Rhea Weiss, who is in charge of sanitation, said

the town will be reimbursed \$56.30 a ton for its recyclable materials and may save additionally by reducing the tipping fees charged at the landfill.

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# Security

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enhance and help the Palm Aire community.

"We were particularly passionate about the possibility of pooling our numbers to get better deals for the community," Calatchi said in a message to the group.

Along the way, he said the board has overcome many problems and hurdles such as drafting a charter, writing bylaws, incorporating, trade marking the name and generating community involvement.

Today the group includes

19 associations and 5,935 residents. That's 85 percent of the Palm Aire community.

Major item of business at the town hall meeting Sept. 8 was an explanation of an electronic security monitoring system.

The association sought competitive quotations for alarm monitoring, and narrowed the field to two companies. The board selected Protection 1 as the firm that could provide the best service possible, Corson said.

Protection 1 is the second largest security company in the country and the largest multi-family provider.

"We're excited to be part of this process," said Jose Colon, vice president of national accounts for the firm.

Each Palm Aire association will make its own decision on whether to sign up for a bulk rate, which requires at least 50 units to participate.

Sara Wiggs, national account manager, outlined the rates for Palm Aire United members:

The bulk rate for those with an existing alarm system, including taking over the current equipment and maintenance, is \$10.95 per month.

For those upgrading to the

Protection 1 system, which doesn't require a land-line phone: \$11.95 monthly for new equipment and maintenance.

Individual rates: \$19.95 monthly to take over an existing system plus \$8 monthly maintenance. A new system is \$64.95 plus \$19.95 monthly maintenance and \$8 monthly for a service plan.

If an association decides to go for the bulk rate, the association signs the contract for a six-year period. Individual contracts are for three years.

The system covers all accessible doors and windows, including balcony doors on the second or third floor.

In case of an alarm, the resident would be called first.

If no answer, police would be called.

A separate service is a personal emergency response or medical alert program, which can be leased for \$28.95 per month or purchased for \$179 plus a monthly fee of \$18.95.

This is a two-way communicator. "You push a button, and an operator responds," Colon explained.

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

She replied, "We do all of the services one expects. The difference is in the exceptionally caring staff. We're intimate residences with a capacity of 33 in Lighthouse Inn South and 43 in Lighthouse Inn North. We're small enough to give personal attention."

The residents all know each other and have concerns for each other the way family members do for one another."

Continuing, she adds, "Our case manager/social worker



Suzi Mautner director of marketing and Ben Smith, owner.

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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 Lighthouse 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."

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."

These two residences allow small pets. Mautner says, "if the resident can care for them."

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Anne Siren, publisher

## Residents and businesses get incentives to switch to energy efficient appliances

**Broward County** is offering the ENERGY SENSE Appliance Rebate Program to County residents and small to medium-sized businesses to encourage replacement of an old appliance with a new more energy efficient appliance. Up to \$400,000 is available in rebates to eligible participants. The County expects 1,200 to 2,000 rebates to be issued to residents and 100 to 450 rebates to businesses.

The program is part of a \$1.24 million Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant awarded by the State and funded through the United States Department of Energy to help residents and businesses make the transition to more efficient appliances that will reduce overall energy consumption in the County while stimulating the economy and saving participants money on their utility bills.

Eligible ENERGY STAR appliances for residents include:

Residential Refrigerators - Receive \$150 for refrigerators under 20 cubic feet but at least 7.75 cubic feet in volume or \$250 for refrigerators 20 cubic feet or greater in volume. (ENERGY STAR freezers and compact refrigerators are excluded.) Residential Clothes Washer- Receive \$150 for all sizes of washing machines.

Eligible ENERGY STAR appliances for businesses include: Commercial Grade Refrigerator- Receive 20% of equipment cost up to a maximum of \$1,000. Commercial Grade Freezer- Receive 20% of equipment cost up to a maximum of \$1,000.

Interested applicants must pre-register to reserve funds. Pre-registration will open from September 7 to 28 for businesses and from September 26 to October 10 for residents or until all funds are reserved. Rebates will be available on a first come, first served basis. All application packets must be mailed and postmarked by November 4, 2011.

The County anticipates funds will be reserved quickly due to a large interest in energy conserving appliances. Interested businesses should begin exploring ENERGY STAR options and vendors as soon as possible and gather the required information before pre-registration begins. Residents should review program guidelines and consider their Energy Star options.

Because the rebate program is directed toward replacement appliances, old appliances will need to be recycled or disposed of according to federal, state and local laws and regulations. Proper removal and disposal of appliances will alleviate emissions and ozone depleting substances and greenhouse gases from refrigerators.

The Broward County Energy and Sustainability Program will hold numerous information sessions throughout the County in preparation for the launch of the programs. For more information on the ENERGY SENSE Appliance Rebate Program or other rebates, visit [www.broward.org/gogreen](http://www.broward.org/gogreen) and click REBATE PROGRAMS or call 954-357-REB8 (7328) or email [ENERGYSENSE@broward.org](mailto:ENERGYSENSE@broward.org).

## Grand Re-Opening Celebration of East Atlantic Boulevard

The Pompano Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) will celebrate the grand re-opening of East Atlantic Boulevard and the ground breaking of Pompano Beach Boulevard today from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Beach Block of East Atlantic Boulevard between A1A and Pompano Beach Boulevard. The celebration will feature live music by Billy Bones and a festive, fun, celebration of progress.

Local shops and restaurants will participate with sidewalk displays and sampling. Food and beverages may be purchased at the Beach Block restaurants and enjoyed outdoors on sidewalk cafe tables and street-side banquet tables.

The East Atlantic Boulevard streetscape improvement project is the first in a series of improvements being made in the East CRA district. This project features reconfigured street lanes, wider sidewalks for outdoor dining and enhanced landscaping.

The Pompano Beach Boulevard project will feature pedestrian improvements such as new sea turtle-friendly lighting and furnishings, dune restoration, landscape beautification, the installation of beach front parking and a beach plaza which will contain an interactive water feature for visitors to enjoy.

This project is expected to be completed in approximately one year. Call 954-786-4531.

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## Briefs

### Chamber weekly meetings

**CEO Round Table, Sept. 28** - Meet with the chamber and Pompano Beach Mayor Lamar Fisher who will present a State of the City address at 7:45 a.m. at Galuppi's Restaurant, 1103 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach. Cost is \$20. Call 954-941-2940.

**Sept. 30**, the Enterprise group will meet at Offerdahl's Cafe, 2400 N. Federal Hwy., Lighthouse Point at 8 a.m. Call 954-941-2940.

### Street fair, food trucks

**Oakland Park** - A Commercial Village Street Fair is set from 3 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at 331 E. Commercial Blvd., a half mile east of I-95. The event, featuring Miami gourmet food trucks and sidewalk sales, is sponsored by the Oakland Park Business Partnership and the Oakland Park Historical Society. Call 754-816-9137.

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## Sixth Grader, Rachel Wheeler, is an amazing fundraiser for Haiti, and now there's a village named in her honor

### Making a Difference



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

By Phyllis J. Neuberger

PELICAN STAFF

Two years ago, nine year old Rachel Wheeler, Lighthouse Point, became aware of the extreme poverty of boys, girls and their families in Haiti. "I wanted to help. I know that you can't just sit around and hope that others will do something to help. You have to get going and do it yourself," she says.

And indeed she did get going, inspiring so many others to donate that there now is a tiny town named Rachel's Village in Haiti. It has 27 brand new, hurricane proof two-room homes made of solid concrete with zinc roofs. Every house has a lock



Rachel Wheeler receives an award from the Prudential Spirit of Community at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, DC. [Photos courtesy of the Wheeler family.]

with a key, flushing toilets, well water and solar lighting. Total cost, \$175,000, was raised either by, or because of Rachel, who is now 11 and a 6th grader at Zion Lutheran Christian School. Having succeeded in building a village did not satisfy this young girl. She wants a school for the children of her village and she's actively raising funds once again to make it happen. She says, "There are very few free public schools in Haiti. I want the children in my village to be able to go to school so that they can be educated, get jobs, teach

others and have a good life. The school, like others built by Food For The Poor, will handle 660 students from kindergarten through high school."

### How did she, a mere child, raise funds for the Village?

She says, "My school, my friends and I have had bake sales and lemonade stands to help, but I needed much more to build that first house which was all I set out to do. I went to a Lighthouse Point Chamber of Commerce Meeting, stood on a chair and told an

audience of almost 200 business people what I was trying to do. I asked for a \$200 donation from each business and received at least 13 checks which paid for my first, one room house in Haiti."

She kept going to the meetings and hyping her cause. At one of these meetings, Rachel met Robin Mahfood from Food For The Poor, or FFTP, who was also fund raising for Haiti. His presentation showed photos of starving children as they looked and then the same children two years later after eating a nutritional diet. Rachel was very moved by these pictures so when he approached her, suggesting that they work together, she told him about her project to build houses. Mahfood and Food For The Poor helped her choose the site of her Village in Kay Piti, Leogane, and then with the construction of the two-room homes.

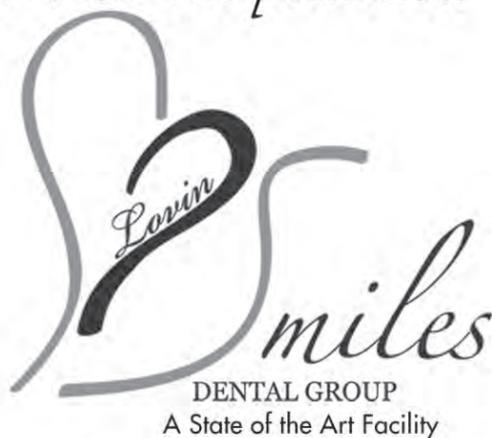
In April of 2009, the earthquake turned Haiti into an island of rubble, a nation of hungry and homeless people in need of everything. FFTP sent out a press release, nation wide, about Rachel's fund raising efforts. Donations arrived from all around the country. A farmer in Washington State who chooses to remain anonymous,

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### Smarten up your dog in Pompano

Florida Humane Society will be hosting Dog Smarts, a free one hour seminar presented by Dawn Hanna, Certified Professional Dog Trainer and owner of Oh Behave.

The event will take place at 3870 N. Powerline Road, Pompano Beach on Oct. 5 at 6 p.m.. This program will cover the basics of what dogs need to thrive and be a well behaved family member.

Solutions for common problems experienced by adult dog owners and puppy owners will be discussed. A question and answer session will follow the seminar. The seminar is for humans only. 954. 587.2711.

### Aquamarina Hidden Harbor, near Hillsboro Inlet, offers safe storage and keeps boating simple and fun



[Above] the crew from left to right is: Pete Rytel (equipment operator), Ricardo McQueen (equipment operator), Ryan Pogue (dockhand), James Lightbourne (dockhand), Diana Carrasco (Marina Administrator), Gilbert Corrador (equipment operator), Jake Granatir (dockhand), Keith Ott (marina manager). [Not pictured is Rick Boehm (assistant marina manager). [Right] Front of the facility.



By Phyllis J. Neuberger

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Just three years old, this state-of-the-art marina, located at 2315 NE 15 Street in Pompano Beach became the closest to the ocean boat storage marina around. "Our easy access to the Hillsboro Inlet means we save all of our captains, a lot of time and aggravation," says General Manager

of Aquamarina Hidden Harbor, Keith Ott. "The very idea of boating is to keep it simple and fun, but often there are many steps to make it complicated. We take care of the complications."

This marina offers a hurricane

resistant, protected safe haven for 384 boats up to 43-feet. Built to withstand a category 4 hurricane, this marina has every conceivable amenity. Ott says, "A phone call to us will put your

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## Planners

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food, wine and kitchen businesses. "You have to develop a niche or it's not going to happen," Fritz said of redevelopment plans.

His feelings were echoed by another RMA consultant Sharon McCormick who said, "As I drove around Oakland Park, something kept telling me kitchens."

The city has \$10.2 million remaining in Broward Redevelopment Capital Program (RCP), funds that must be used by next June.

McCormick suggested an open dining area on a city parcel at NE 38th Street. She showed slides of farmers' markets in other areas as another possibility.

In the central area, Fritz suggested working to rehab the existing Sykes and Squires Jewelry buildings and finding tenants.

At the south gateway area to Main Street at Oakland Park Boulevard, Fritz proposed a high profile restaurant

or urban hotel or a mixed-use building with retail and restaurant.

"Dixie Highway is key to pulling it together," Fritz said. He said the area needs to be "pedestrianized" with a focus on intersections and creating wider sidewalks on the west side of Dixie.

Retailers will probably be more successful on Dixie Highway, but sidewalks must be widened, RMA partner Chris Brown said. "You can't do a restaurant today in South Florida unless you have a sidewalk café. You broaden the market when you allow eating outside."

Another area RMA looked at was on Northeast 12 Terrace where a proposed resort near the city boat ramp is moving through the development process. Here the consultants proposed streetscape improvements. They said new landscaping could be done now. And they suggested preserving the Southeast Packing House smokestack as an icon in an arts/entertainment district.

Fritz pointed to the potential of Eastside Village, a 12-1/2-acre site north of downtown proposed for multi-family residential.

"For redevelopment you need people living downtown," Brown said. "This is an excellent site for mid- to high-end rental. People love to live downtown. They're

bored to death with suburbia," he said. Brown said there is now a big boom in rental apartments.

Fritz said RMA is working with the property owner of shopping centers on Prospect Road to rehab them as neighborhood centers.

McCormick discussed the importance of branding, or defining who you are and who you want to be. She said she worked on the successful revival of Northwood Village, an area two miles north of West Palm Beach.

Resident Jack Doren said the concepts discussed are "very exciting."

Mitch Stollberg applauded the CRA's efforts. He mentioned a Las Olas restaurant that held popular cooking classes.

McCormick said, "How cool would it be if people came to Oakland Park for cooking classes." A restaurant owner said the city may need to find ways to subsidize businesses to help them re-locate.

"I'm terribly excited about what I've heard tonight," said Seigi Constantine, executive director of Oakland Park Main Street.

Vice Mayor Anne Sallee said she loved the culinary idea. "I hope we can bring it to fruition."

The RMA consultants will present their findings to the city commission in October.



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# Hidden Harbor

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Ott points out the advantage of storing over trailoring a boat. “People who trail their boats have to make three and four time-consuming stops before hitting the water, while our clients enjoy being on the water, and maybe fishing, for hours.”

James Conti says, “Even though I live in Plantation, I signed on when Hidden Harbor opened and it has been a great experience. I chose Aquamarina Hidden Harbor because it’s so well kept and it’s so near the ocean. The staff is wonderful. I just call them and my boat is in the water, ready to go when I get there. I try to fish during the week at least once every week.”

Another client, Barry Schellin, says he loves the place, adding “We’ve been customers since the beginning. It’s close to the ocean and it’s a state of the art, hurricane proof facility. That means my boat is safe and I don’t need to worry about the weather. Keith is great. He’s fair, honest and he has a great crew. The lift operators handle boats with care. They really know their stuff and they are careful. I appreciate that.”

Pleased with the words of

satisfied clients, Ott lists more advantages to dry storage saying, “Boats stored in dry stack, such as ours, require much less maintenance and retain a higher retail value. Sun and salt are very destructive on boats kept in the water. Our goal is to offer the customer every convenience and we achieve it by being a one stop shop from service to snacks.”

Aquamarina Hidden Harbor is one of nine marinas owned and operated by Aqua Marine Partners, a group headed by CEO, Andrew Sturner. Ott says the benefit of being part of this group is reciprocal privileges

and sharing staff experience and knowledge.

This campus includes on-site Fastboats Marine Group which specializes in selling and servicing new and used performance and luxury boats. Sun Dance Marine operates the boat yard, handles the large boats up to 75-feet and services cruisers and sport fishing boats. Two fork lifts, one massive, makes this marina unique in its ability to lift and store a 43-foot express cruiser with no effort. Ott says, “Our customers really appreciate the availability of these two resources.”

And then, there’s Carefree Boating Club, a unique organiza-

nization for boaters without a boat. It offers club memberships which entitles members access to its fleet of boats from 19 to 34 feet, whenever desired. Members reserve by phone or on line. Business is good because the club removes the complication of ownership and leaves all of the energy involved in boating for pure fun.

Ott says having all of these resources in one place means that boaters will find every available way to get on the water. “All of these resources, plus our marine store, make boating a serene experience for our clients. Our crew members are friendly, accommodating and understanding.

They know that their job is to get the boater out on the water as quickly as possible and they are so good at doing this, we often have customers stop to chat even when they’re not taking their boat out.”

Asked who their customers are, Ott says, “They’re both local and snowbirds. What is surprising is that over 20 percent of our clients who store their boats actually have spaces in front of their property. They still choose to store because of the services and safety of our marina.”

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# With faith in the future, research park CEO markets Deerfield Beach site

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

**Deerfield Beach** – At this point in his career, Andrew Duffell has to be visionary. Faced with reviving the hopes of local city officials and their partners at Florida Atlantic University, the 34-year-old Duffell is promising them that the nearly vacant Research Park of FAU on SW 11 Terrace has a great future.



Andrew Duffell, president and CEO, FAU Research and Development Authority.

the university link would give it instant credibility.

Duffell became president and CEO of the Research and Development Park in December. By February he had proposed an action plan and was gathering his forces.

“I have met with the commissioners. They want action. They want us to make it happen and I understand that they are disappointed in the progress to date. But we are poised for success. Within five years, I see significant activity here. We have an experienced developer, good leasing team and the space to build. I am optimistic something will happen shortly,” Duffell said.

A few months ago, the development authority secured another 10-year lease on the site which is 14 acres in two parcels separated by Deerfield Mitigation Operations Center. One 40,000 square foot building built in 2004 and visible from I-95, was occupied by HomeBanc but today has only one tenant in 10,000 square

feet, Simmons, a consumer behavior research firm and a division of Experian. The other parcel at the corner of SW 10 Street and SW 11 Terrace, four acres, is also visible from, and bordering, the I-95 exit. That property was recently cleared of scrub and noxious growth. All together there is enough land to build another 250,000 square feet of office and research space.

The requirement for any company locating in the park is a link to FAU. Simmons employs college interns from the school of business and the research potential that the university offers should be a powerful incentive for pro-

spective tenants, Duffell said.

He is marketing Deerfield’s park with the existing research park at FAU, which is 350,000 square feet of space plus 17 acres. It contains 28 high tech, high wage companies and is located just north of the university. More than 700 people work at the FAU location with average salaries in the \$86,000 range, well above that of other workplaces.

The agency to develop the park was created in 1985 but it wasn’t until 2003 when it turned its attention to the vacant land alongside I-95 in Deerfield Beach. Now, he

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“Deerfield Beach is right in the middle of the life sciences corridor that is being developed from Miami to Jupiter. We are talking now to two entities in the health-care field, both in the arena of research into more effective methods of delivering care. The FAU medical school, approved this year, will need

research facilities and UM/Sylvester is nearby,” Duffell said.

Two years ago, a proton therapy center was being proposed for the park but it failed when financing could not be obtained. According to Duffell such a venture would take “huge capital” but the demographic warrants it and

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# Storytime

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 been a great way for her son to meet friends, but it's been good for her, too.

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"Part of the reason we have so many coming in is a reflection of the economy," said Ric Sterling, library director.

Sterling said the extra visitors liven up the place. "It puts aside the notion that libraries are quiet places where everyone tiptoes around."

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numbers are big for this class.

Florence Friedberg, whose 2-year-old relative goes to the class, likes the fact that children can play here and make noise.

Monique Santiago's 13-month-old daughter Elina enjoys interacting with mixed ages.

"She loves older kids," Santiago said. "She's always following them around."

Eugene Smiley has been bringing his son Max for more than a year.

"Our alternative is going to the park," Smiley said. "Here he enjoys the songs and stories and has a chance to

socialize."

Beckey says she couldn't think of anything better to do.

"Every day it's like a gift to come in. The smiles, the laughter, the parents — everything about it is so rewarding."

## Blessing of Animals

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, **Christ Lutheran Church** will host its annual Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, Oct. 2 at 4 p.m., in the West parking lot of the church, 1955

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Animal companions of every species are welcome. Each will receive an individual blessing from Pastor Schweinler and will be issued a personal certificate of blessing. Call 954-564-7673.

**St. Martin Episcopal Church** will bless animals on Oct. 16 with a pet parade at 9:30 a.m.

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Pecaro, Rector of St. Martin's, will lead the procession on horseback into the church where all pets and owners will be invited to come to the altar for a blessing. Following the Service, a food court will be offered in the Parish Hall and children's games, a bounce house, face paintings and the much-loved petting zoo will be available to ensure that there is something for everyone to enjoy.. Call 954-941-4843.

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### Art

Our Art By The Sea will meet Oct. 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Lauderdale By The Sea Community Church, 4433 Bougainvillea Drive, Lauderdale By The Sea. This month's speaker is water colorist John Bowen. Call 954-523-0443.

### Salute!



David Dodson was named Officer of the Quarter by his peers in the Wilton Manors Police Department.

### Auditions

Got Talent? Auditions for the South Florida's Kids Got Talent competition take place Oct. 1 at the South Florida Tri-Rail Station, 800 NW 33 St., Pompano Beach. The competition is open to individuals or groups that sing and/or dance. All participants must be South Florida residents between the ages of five and 15. Call 954-703-7934.

### Events

**Oct. 1** at 7 p.m. Danielle Knox of Lifetime television

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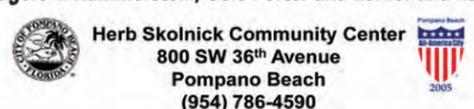
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# DB budget passes despite protests from opponents of utility tax

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

## Deerfield Beach

Commissioners remained firm this week and approved a \$73.8 million operating budget for 2011-12 that includes revenues from a 10 percent tax on utilities and a one mil decrease in the ad valorem tax rate.

Opponents of the new tax fired parting salvos with the

co-chair of a petition drive urging the tax be rescinded saying the money raised by the tax could come from other sources. "You are not allowing us the privilege of telling you what we want," Jean Robb told commissioners. "No matter, we will go to referendum. It is so stupid to spend \$102,000 (the cost of a special election)." At the end of her remarks, Robb said the

commission could repeal and then add the tax next year.

"It's the wrong tax and the wrong time," she said quoting the rallying cry of the tax protesters.

Robb and her supporters obtained the signatures of 6,200 registered voters asking that the tax be rescinded. Those signatures await certification by the county elections office. The city charter requires a referendum

be held if the requisite number of signatures are valid, in this case about 4,200.

A compromise suggested two weeks ago by Commissioner Joe Miller did not enter Tuesday's discussion. Favoring a compromise, Miller had asked the administration to consider removing the utility tax from water bills. This week Finance Director Hugh Dunkley said that would amount to \$1.2 million less in this year's budget, but Miller did not pursue it.

"I realized there was no room for compromise. It was repeal or nothing. Compromise wasn't what they had signed up for," Miller said.

On the record as opposing the utility tax initially, he admitted to a change of heart. "I believe in the wisdom of more than one income stream," he said. "My district pays 41 percent of the ad valorem taxes and people in 4,000 living units pay no property taxes."

The new millage rate is 5.7688.

## Sightings

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joins Tamara Grant of 97.3 FM to host "Women of Jam" at the Broward Center of the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. The event benefits the Lillian S. Wells Women's Health center at Broward General Medical Center and the Seventh Avenue Health Center. Call 954-462-0222.

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# Checker's Old Munchen spruces up in time for Oktoberfest

By Anne Siren

PELICAN STAFF

If you saw the "before" at Checkers Old Munchen, 2209 E. Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, it's time to see the "after."

This 28-year German tradition in town has taken on a new look and stepped on board the renovation train that

is taking over East Atlantic Boulevard.

As part of the Community Redevelopment Agency, or CRA, owner Mathew Moore, partnered with the agency and the new Bavarian look was revealed last week.

Leesa Conley, Conley Design Studio, wanted to brighten up the place. With funding through the



Kim Briesemeister, co-chair of the CRA, Mathew Moore, Checker's owner, Ric Green, Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce CEO and Pompano Beach Mayor Lamar Fisher



Claudia DuBois, Commissioner Barry Dockswell and Leesa Conley

CRA Merchant Assistance Program, Moore agreed.

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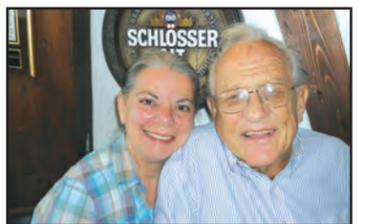
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# Wheeler

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contacted Rachel, saying, "I always donate the money I get from my first crop of cherries to a good cause. This year my employees and I chose your cause."

Rachel still can't believe that the farmer had the biggest first crop in his history and his donation was \$42,000. "I was thrilled, as were all of the kids and adults who have been helping me raise money. Now, with guidance from FFTP, we began to build the village of two-room homes. Every time a story or press release was sent out about our cause, money came in."

Continuing, she adds, "After a brief television interview and one on WLRN public radio, I received more donations and several exciting phone calls. John Baker, catcher for the Marlins, happened to hear the radio interview. He was so inspired that he and the team went to Haiti and saw what Food For The Poor was doing. They were so moved, they wrote a check to pay for an entire new village and named it, "Inspiration Village". They honored me and invited my whole family to a game. I got a special Marlin shirt which I wore to throw out the opening pitch of the game. And I have a signed photo, taken with John Baker and me."

And that's not all! A Baptist church in Miami with a large number of Haitian parishioners, also heard the WLRN interview with Rachel. They voted to give their entire charitable funds, \$25,000, to Rachel's Village.

And that's how this miraculous story about a determined child with a goal ended up as Rachel's Village with homes for 27 families, averaging eight in a each household. These extended family units include everyone from orphaned children to aged seniors.

## Rachel receives a heroine's welcome in her village

The Wheeler family visited Rachel's Village and Rachel says, "That was the cherry on the ice cream. They hoisted me in the air and surrounded me with love, hugs and cries of "Merci Rachel, Merci Rachel." They were so loving and so happy, it made me feel like this is what I want to do. I want to help people. An old man with no teeth insisted that we go inside his house to see his prized possession. It was a small radio which he held up with pride. It made me think of my Dad's prize possession,



[Above] Students at Ti Aiyti, in Cite Soleil, energized Rachel Wheeler. In May, 11-year-old Rachel Wheeler traveled to Haiti to dedicate the village she fundraised for two years to build with the nonprofit Food For The Poor. Determined to make a difference, Rachel's new goal is to build a school. [Below] Rachel Wheeler, 11, is greeted like a star by residents of a village named for her efforts, "Rachel's Village." Rachel raised more than \$175,000 to build 27 new concrete block homes for poor families in Leogane, Haiti.

a 70-inch flat screen television. What a difference in our cultures."

Her scrapbook contains letters from the President of the United States, senators,

and congressman. She's been honored by the National Black Caucus and Congressman Alcee Hastings has entered her story in the Congressional Record. She has been selected

as one of the top 10 youth volunteers in the nation. She will soon received an award from the National Volunteer Fundraisers Association and the Greater Pompano Beach Chamber of Commerce is naming her one of the Shining Stars in the community. Her Shining Star will be presented at the Chamber's Annual award luncheon on October 20.

Asked how it feels to be a celebrity, she answers, "I'm not a celebrity. I'm just a girl who wanted to help and so many generous people helped me do it. I'm a regular 11-year-old-girl. I go to LaValle's Karate Studio three times a week and I'm just one belt away from my black belt. I run two miles the other two days. On the weekend, I hang out with friends."

Julie, Rachel's mom, says "I'm constantly in motion keeping track of all of the activities Rachel, her two brothers Trey and Michael, are involved in. My husband, Captain Eddie Wheeler is a private boat captain. We have a great time together and have traveled much of the world as a family."

Thank you, Rachel, for your outstanding contributions to those in need.

To donate to Rachel's school, visit [www.foodforthepoor.org/rachel](http://www.foodforthepoor.org/rachel)

### The Weekly Crossword by Margie E. Burke

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66 Asking price													
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69 Nabisco classic													
70 2004 Brad Pitt film													
71 Pooch from Wales													
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11 Register for class													
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13 Treatment that works													
22 Use elbow grease													
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38 Wedding site													
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42 Hankering													
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59 Not fooled by													
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Difficulty - Medium Edited by Margie E. Burke

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**HOW TO SOLVE:**  
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(Answer appears elsewhere in this issue)

# Deerfield Beach Chamber Gala beats all expectations

By Anne Siren

PELICAN STAFF

Getting an edge on the winter season, the newly reorganized Deerfield Beach Chamber of Commerce hosted a gala this month at the Deerfield/Boca Hilton Hotel.

John Lombardi, this year's chamber chair, had nothing but praise for the organizers and the attendance.

"We had about 120 guests and members at the event, and I call that a success," he said.

This chamber did not quite dodge the economic bullet that swept so many businesses and families into debt,



John Lombardi and Kristen Obst



Ted Smith, marketing director, Deerfield Toyota, with his wife, MaryLou



Commissioner Ben Preston and wife, Debbie

but Lombardi says that is all behind them now.

"We had our 'Pig-Out' earlier this year and paid off debt. This gala will finish that debt,

and we are looking forward to our upcoming golf tournament Oct. 14 at the Deerfield Country Club.

With a giant step behind them, the chamber has already hired a full-time staff member and board members are looking for ways to help members find new clients.

"First of all," says Lombardi, "when you join the chamber, you meet the people in your business community. You get involved in civic and community events. And you build relationships.

You can't put a price tag on relationships."

While the final number is still out for the gala, guests got their money's worth and more with the lavish "International" menu, the music and the silent auction.

This year's gala committee included Kristen Obst, Karen Bartell, Gordon Vatch, Larry Rodkin, Ted Frangos, Carmen Garcia, Gemma Pressinger and Kiku Martinson.

For more information about the upcoming golf tournament, call 954-427-1050.

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# Research

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says, it is one park with two addresses. His job, as he put it is "to build the brand."

At one point before the current economic bust, the spaces in Boca Raton were fully leased. One of the most successful projects to come out of that center was the development of a high definition film product which is used by both Hollywood and NASA.

While the emphasis in sell-

ing both research parks may be on life sciences, Duffell has an idea for using much of the space in the former HomeBanc building without spending much money.

He would like to sell it as a "soft landing center," a facility that would lease offices to foreign companies trying to get established in South Florida and provide them with support services while they get up and running. The leases would be for short terms with the understanding

that the companies would move to permanent quarters either within the park, or within the area.

Target customers for this concept are Mexico and Canada and South American countries, although England, Germany and Spain have, according to Duffell, "an affinity for South Florida."

Duffell is just one of the new faces at the FAU Research and Development Authority. Headed for years by Deerfield Beach resident Scott Ellington who died last year, it is now under the direction of HDG Mansur from Indianapolis. Flagler Real Estate is the leasing agent.

"We are hoping to create an image Deerfield Beach can be proud of," Duffell said. "Our vision is to be the pre-eminent research and development park in the state."

# ENA leader wants to revoke PUD on church property

By Anne Siren

PELICAN STAFF

**Wilton Manors** - John Fiore likes his neighborhood in Wilton Manors. And he doesn't take it for granted. His property abuts the Religious Science Church at 1550 NE 26 Street where a proposed land sale may change his surroundings.

And Fiore is not accepting the change. As chair of the East Neighborhood Association, ENA, Fiore wants to revoke the property's Planned Urban Development, or PUD zoning, a change the city made more than a year ago when another company, G-Resorts, attempted and failed

to buy the land for a gay-friendly hotel and resort.

Now, developers Urban Dynamics Communities, are seeking to purchase the land for a "luxury rental community," according to Fort Lauderdale attorney Dick Coker.

That's not what Fiore or his ENA members want.

"We want a park," he says. "And we want the city to establish a special taxing district to raise funds to buy the church [property]. We have asked the city manager to allow us to have a referendum to create the district."

Fiore adds that the city

*See ENA on page 22*

**Solution to Crossword:**

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**Solution to Sudoku**

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# Father Geoff Evans, Episcopal priest, was strong supporter of Children's Center

Funeral services for the Rev. Geoffrey Evans, a retired Episcopalian priest, are set for 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church, 1400 Riverside Drive, Coral Springs. He died Sunday.

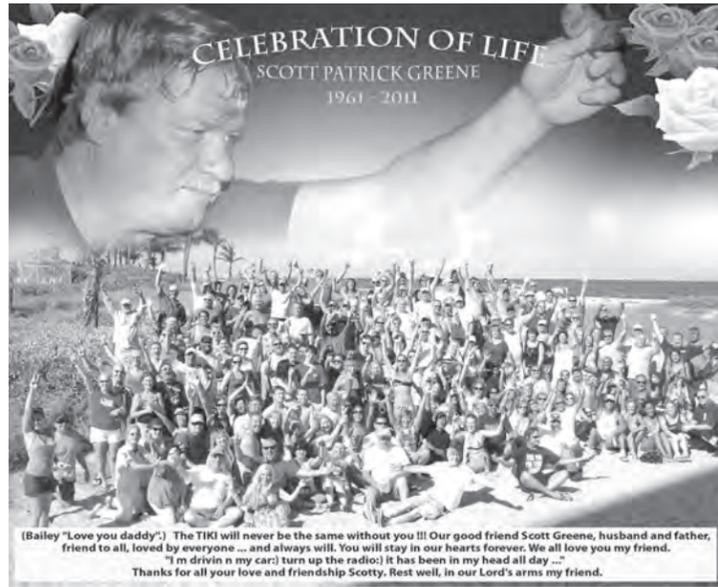
Evans served as the third rector at St. Martin's in the Fields Episcopal Church in Pompano Beach from 1983 to 1987. He had served as an assistant pastor at St. Mary Magdalene.

He served as Dean of the Episcopal Broward Deanery and served as priest for the Episcopal Cursillo of Southeast Florida.

He was a resident of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea and active in the Citizens Initiative Committee.

Evans is survived by his wife Marjorie, chief executive director of the Broward Children's Center. He was a strong supporter of the center.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to the St. Mary Magdalene seminarian scholarships. 954-753-1400



# Services planned for Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur

Chabad Jewish Center, 4081 N. Federal Highway, Pompano Beach will host Rosh Hashana Services, Thursday, Sept. 29 at 10 a.m. with morning prayer' 11 a.m. with Shofar Blowing and 7:30 p.m. Evening Prayer.

On Friday, Sept. 30, services continue with morning prayer at 10 a.m. and evening prayer at 7:30.

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# Red Bull spiked finals on the sand

By Cynthia Thuma

PELICAN WRITER

It was a format no hungry beach volleyball player could resist: an opportunity to play against Olympic gold medalists and top-ranked beach pros.

The Red Bull Spiked Finals on Deerfield Beach on Sept. 17 gave winners of four regional tournaments and hungry local players the chance to compete for the chance to knock off top-ranked pro players.

The day before the tournament, the stars -- 2008 Olympic gold medalists Phil Dalhausser and Todd Rogers, pro Casey Jennings and Brazilian pros Maria Clara and Carolina Salgado visited



Photo courtesy of Jamie Frumusa

the Indoor Sports Complex, where they gave a clinic, answered questions and signed autographs for more than 150 young volleyball players at the Matrix Volleyball Academy. Questions ranged from

technique to strategy. Youngsters asked how it felt to represent one's country in the Olympics.

Parents had questions, too. Mostly they asked which

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# Wahoo Season is almost here, no wait

By RJ Boyle

ANGLER

Believe it or not wahoo season is around the corner. I am pleased to tell you that wahoo season is actually early this year.

Wahoos are already biting. Over the last full moon we had tons of reports from happy fishermen. Some anglers caught multiple wahoos ranging from 15-45 pounds.

This size fish is normal for early in the season. The successful anglers were both live baiting and fast trolling. Most of the fish were caught between 200 and 325 feet of water. Blue Runners and Goggle Eyes were the live baits of choice fished on #7 wire with two hooks, one in the lip and one in the back. The guys trolling were using double hooked ballyhoo trolled a little faster than normal at around 9 knots.

The guys trolling artificials were trolling around 12 knots. The best of the fishing started around 3 days prior to the full moon until 3 days after the full moon.

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<b>Saturday, Sept. 24</b> High 6:03 AM Low 12:14 PM High 6:35 PM	<b>Tuesday, Sept. 27</b> Low 2:18 AM High 8:44 AM Low 2:46 PM High 9:00 PM	This Week's Tide Tables should not be used for navigational purposes. Boaters should confirm tables with the Coast Guard Weather Station Information taken from www.saltwatertides.com
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# ENA

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has the right to “take” the property though eminent domain for a public use.

Fiore says he has had no response from the city.

City Commissioner Julie Carson says that the city manager sent the commission copies of Fiore’s request about two months ago.

“Some of John’s suggestions were very good,” says Carson. “But at the time we were studying the PUD issue and a question of a moratorium on PUDs in the city.”

The commission was also deep into budget workshops.

Coker says his clients have already met with city planners where the main message was that the area was “sensitive. But to say anything about the height or looks is so premature,” he adds. “It is way too preliminary for judgments on density or height. There will be no low income rentals. It is all high end. Wilton Manors is ready for that.”

Meanwhile, Fiore will meet with the city’s planning and zoning board on October 17 to reiterate the neighborhood’s desire for a park.

Coker is waiting for that decision before he can move forward.

Carson, who is a member of the ENA, says she is “committed to the residential integrity of the neighborhood so people can live and raise families and relax. I am also committed to the economic future of our city and in bringing in interesting and exciting people to our city.”

City Manager Joseph Gallegos says the property could be sold for commercial use in the future, and there are a number of businesses that could make use of it.

“Some uses may not please the neighborhood,” said Gallegos.

Declaring the site a PUD as opposed to a single zoning allows the city commission more input into the final concept.

Two immediate things remain before the sale can move forward, Coker says. First the city must make sure the property will remain a PUD. Then preliminary drawings will be sent to the city for comments.

“Then we will call John,” says Coker. “We will meet with him, his leaders or his association.”

# Final budget hearing for LHP is Monday

*Also on agenda, approval of raises for firefighters*

**By Judy Wilson**

PELICAN STAFF

## Lighthouse Point

—Commissioners are due to approve a \$12 million operating and debt service budget Sept. 26, balanced with a millage rate of 3.86023, a slight decrease from the current year. Most homeowners will not see a savings however. Finance director Terry Sharp said home values are up about one percent which may offset the lower tax rate.

Largest increase in the new fiscal year is in the police department which will cost an additional \$257,483 due to union contracts which call for a three percent cost

of living raise for the 42 employees of the department. Other departments are taking budget cuts due in some cases to capital projects being completed this year. For instance, the recreation budget is \$85,000 less than the current year because major work on the ball fields was budgeted in 2010-11.

The city will add \$19,000 to the tennis fund which stands at \$159,400. Other special funds, garbage, the sinking fund and the stormwater fund remain virtually unchanged.

Also on the agenda for Monday is commission ratification of a three-year contract with Metro Broward Firefighters Local 3080 which calls for three percent of base pay raises for each year of the three - year contract. The current contract expires September 30.

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type of volleyball, 6-player, or beach, was better for their child's development in the sport. Rogers told them that in his case, playing beach made him a better, more well-rounded player indoors and out.

At the clinic, Dallhauser, at 6-9, worked with the boys on net play. Jennings, Rogers and the Salgado sisters worked with the girls on all aspects of their game.

The sun was out early on tournament day, but rain chased the players off the courts before long. After the rain abated and the humidity

cleared, the sun came out for a glorious -- if scorching -- day on the beach. From the start, it was clear that the top teams would need to prove themselves masters of the elements as well as tough, focused players.

"There's a lot of talent on the court today," Rogers said as he watched play. "The top four teams were all at a level that could play professionally."

All four finalists had volleyball ties to South Florida. Facing the Salgado sisters in the women's championship were former University of Miami outside hitter Marcela Gamarra and Gainesville native and former

University of North Florida player Claire Yonutas.

Taking on Dallhauser and Jennings, who stood in for Rogers, who was rehabbing from an injury, were Drew Mallin, of Deerfield Beach and former St. Thomas Aquinas player Carlos "C.J." Macias. The challengers all lost, to the pros, but getting to the finals and earning a shot was a big part of the fun. They'll be back, they say.

"Having the chance to play with these girls and compete with such great athletes gives us something to work toward some day," Gamarra said. "It's very encouraging."

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