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Incumbents and former mayor take their oaths



Fisher begins his third term as mayor this week as he takes his oath of office. Fisher, home-grown in Pompano Beach, says his win was a mandate to keep redevelopment on the move. Fisher also gained recognition for his "Mayor's Stimulus" package which calls for fast tracking business plans through the city's permitting office. The Rev. Ron Harvey, First Baptist Church, holds the Bible as Fisher takes his oath as friends and family look on. [Photo courtesy of Pompano Beach]

Beach library site tentatively chosen

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

Pompano Beach – A site for the beach library has been proposed and apparently accepted by city commissioners. The new branch will be built on the corner of Riverside Drive and Northeast 2 Street on city-owned land. The library must move from its current site to make room for redevelopment of the pier parking lot.

Goals have been to keep the library in operation and keep it on the barrier island, Nguyen Tran, project manager, said.

Before making its site recommendation, Tran said staff looked at several possibilities,

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Mayor Jean Robb confers with City Manager Burgess Hanson over an agenda item privatizing tree and palm trimming. Robb was sworn in as mayor Tuesday evening and immediately brought forth one of her issues. [Photo courtesy of Deerfield Beach]

Forget outsourcing, Mayor Robb wants to return workers to city hall

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – Mayor Jean Robb made her first move to bring work and wages back to city employees Tuesday night. Soon after being sworn in, Robb pulled a tree-trimming contract from the agenda and said, "These are things our workers used to do . . . it is incumbent on our city manager to look at these people and bring them back."

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Removal of trees an issue as parking lot plan is approved

By Judy Vik

PELICAN STAFF

Oakland Park – City commissioners on Wednesday approved plans for a public parking lot at 1201-1235 E. Oakland Park Blvd, but not before two of them tried to save a live oak tree at the site.

Commissioners Suzanne Boisvenue and Jed Shank tried unsuccessfully to convince the board to change the plan and save the tree.

Of the 44 trees on the property, the 40-foot live oak is not recommended for relocation because of a typically low survival rate and the cost, about \$19,000.

The parking lot is needed to support the establishment of a culinary arts school in the adjacent building at 1299 E. Oakland Park Blvd. and to provide additional public parking

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NOW president, Terry O'Neil, continues to fight for women's issues she knows firsthand

By Anne Siren

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – Getting into law school was fairly easy for Terry O'Neil, but the incentive she had for it was painful.

The scene is New Orleans. O'Neil had a great job at the French Consulate as a translator.

But things weren't so hot at home although it was August in New Orleans, the month when heat is hurtful.

O'Neil was 22.

At breakfast, O'Neil asked her husband for a divorce. They had no children; the relationship had been spiraling downward and they were both young enough to move on.

That's when her husband started whacking away. Her screams went unnoticed. She found herself on the couch trying to protect her head.

And here's the part that is pretty hard to believe. It was time for work. They had one car, and O'Neil was the driver.

They cleaned up and left.

On the way to taking her husband

to work, he apologized.

That's when she reiterated the divorce idea, and that's when the apologetic husband whacked her again.

This week, O'Neil, now president of the National Organization of Women [NOW], a practicing attorney and mother of a daughter, was keynote speaker for Women's History Month, sponsored by a coalition of several groups: Democratic Women's Club of Northeast Broward, Pro-Choice

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Citizens urged to fill board vacancies, mayor to name three for housing authority

By Judy Wilson

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Deerfield Beach – The commission will appoint members to the city’s advisory boards in May and are looking for a few good citizens to volunteer. Many board terms expire while vacancies exist on almost all of them. In particular the Deerfield Beach Housing Authority has three seats to fill after the resignation this week of Joan Maurice,

Mike Weiss and Sally Potter, all appointees of former mayor Peggy Noland. The resignations reduce the seven man board to four members. Those positions will be filled by the mayor with commission approval.

Also in need of new blood is the Cultural Committee which produces the Festival of the Arts in January and concerts throughout the year. Mayor Jean Robb urged commissioners to seek interested residents

within their districts, adding “we need to get young people” on these boards and Commissioner Ben Preston asked his constituents to consider serving.

As for the city’s representation on the Metropolitan Planning Organization and League of Cities [MPO], the mayor withdrew her name and appointed Commissioner Bill Ganz to the MPO and Commissioner Ben Preston to attend League meetings. Former mayor Peggy Noland has been active in both agencies.

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Family, friends raise money for daughter of deceased Lighthouse Point resident

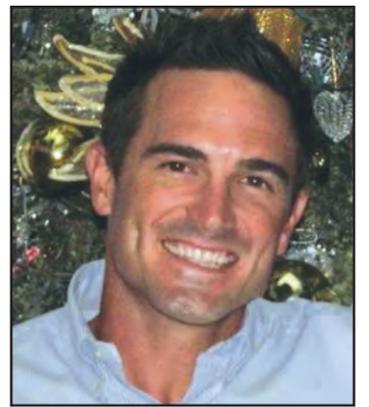
By Michael d’Oliveira

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Lighthouse Point – Tony Grimaldi won’t be able to provide for his three-week-old daughter but the friends and family he left behind are trying to make sure she gets as much as help as possible.

Grimaldi, 31, a Lighthouse Point resident, who worked in the yachting industry, died March 5 during a trip to the Ukraine to bring his fiancé and their daughter back to Florida.

“We really don’t how he died,” said Brandon McCarragher, Grimaldi’s longtime friend who spoke for



GRIMALDI

the family.

To help the family raise enough money to bring Grimaldi’s body home, McCarragher set up an account

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Sharks are number one! They are strong at the plate, give up few runs

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – Seven tournaments after they won the USSSA World Series last August, the Deerfield Beach Sharks are number one – in the U.S. The 12-and-under girls softball team rose to the top through a combination of wins, runs scored and other rating systems used by the USSSA [US Specialty Sports Association] said their general manager Karla Antonio. In the World Series they went



The Best - The Deerfield Beach Sharks, from left, front row- AJ Chang, Mia Veliz. Back row – Chelsea Brown, Taylor Cochrane, Anna Knight, Brooke Antonio, Sami Restrepo, Brandi Antonio, Jorden 'Taco' Griffith, Lindsey Garcia.

undefeated. In their last four games they scored 40 runs against the opponents' three.

Said Antonio, "We thought we shouldn't have allowed those three." For all their games, the team averages seven runs a game while allowing only one run.

Tuesday night, the 10-girl squad was honored by the city commission before a packed house there to witness the installation of the mayor and commissioners.

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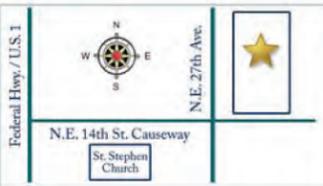
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Art

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story tellers and jewelry designers. 954-462-8190.

3-26 – Art classes Tuesdays through Thursdays at Morais Art Gallery, 418 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach. Classes are from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 2 to 4 p.m. and 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Registration is \$30. Cost is \$25 per session. 954-532-1534.

4-12 – Social Media & The Artists workshop from 7 to 9 p.m. at Art Gallery 21, 600 NE 21 Court. Cost is \$5 donation to the Central Area Neighborhood Association of Wilton Manors. Email PoetC7@aol.com or 954-661-4740.

Auctions & Sales
3-23 – Women’s Club of Coconut Creek hosts a garage sale from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at North Recreation Complex, 4455 Sol Press Blvd., Coconut Creek. Fundraiser to support scholarships for Coconut Creek residents and charitable programs. 954-326-7480.

Auditions & Theater
3-23 – Pilobolus dance troupe performs at 2 and 8 p.m. at Parker Playhouse, 700 NE 8 St., Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are \$36.50 and \$46.50. 954-764-1441.

3-30 – Magician Jason Bishop performs at 8 p.m. the Coral Springs Center for the Arts, 2855 Coral Springs Drive,

Coral Springs. 954-344-5999. Tickets are between \$25 and \$35.

Books & Lectures
3-23 & 24 – Book sale from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Northwest Regional Library, 3151 University Drive, Coral Springs. 954-357-7990.

3-27 – Afternoon Book Club at 3 p.m. at Lighthouse Point Library, 2200 NE 38 St., Lighthouse Point. 954-946-6398.

Business
3-25 – Networking Monday Mixer from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at CRA Business

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New beach chairs offer persons with disabilities swimming, floating rights



Beach Rescue Captain Mike Brown demonstrates the Sea Legs beach buggy that gives persons with disabilities the ability to get into the ocean safely. The buggy is equipped with wheels and pontoons and in the water is in a reclining position. Deerfield Beach and Pompano Beach are the first two cities in the country to be able to provide the floating chairs, at no cost, to beach visitors. They will be available only on green flag days [smooth seas], Brown said. Money to buy the chairs was raised by Dave and Terri Rittenhouse and made possible by donations from the Isle Casino, the Veterans United Foundation and other. [Staff photo]

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Beach Library

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including the second story of the Wells Fargo building, the Sera Martell Martel site at 110 N. Ocean and the Oceanside lot.

The bank site was ruled out because it is half the size of the existing library and would have required extensive renovation. There was no workable parking solution at the Martel location. They also looked at moving the existing building to the recommended site, but the cost was estimated at \$920,000.

The new site is just west of the Wells Fargo building.

“One of our goals is to create a pedestrian connection from the beach [and pier development] through the site to the Intracoastal Waterway to the west,” said planner Natasha Alfonso.

Discussions are under way with Wells Fargo officials to reconfigure some of their parking and to share an entrance off Northeast 2 Street.

The greenway would be enhanced there and expanded to Riverside Drive. The library building would front on a park, enhancing security there. Conceptual drawings are of a 4,000 square foot Florida vernacular style structure with a 1,400-foot veranda wrapping around a corner. About half the building would be used for meetings and storage.



The proposed beach library includes a 4,000 sq. ft. design with a Florida style and is planned for a site just west of the Wells Fargo Bank between Atlantic Boulevard and 14th St. Causeway.

Several residents urged the commission to approve the location, including Jack Rogerson, chair of the East CRA Advisory Board, who said the board voted 6-2 in favor of the site. He said the location has a lot of community support, and is “the only option we have. I think we did it right, finally,” he said.

Phyllis Nackman, a resident of Jamaica House condominium and a nine-year library volunteer, said she has seen the importance of the library, with people using computers, iPads “and still those who treasure a book.” She said the proposed new location would satisfy the needs of the community.

Some residents urged the commission to approve a bigger library, so more programs could be planned for children, and a larger community center area so meetings could take place there.

“If we’re looking for a semi-permanent or permanent solution, we need to do something that satisfies all the residents,” said Sandy Von Staden, vice chair of the East CRA Advisory Board, who voted against the site. She said patrons have been promised programming for families and older residents and were told that a lack of space prevented expanded programming.

Broward County Commissioner Chip LaMarca told commissioners they had a commitment from the county administration to keep operating the library.

Commissioner Rex Hardin asked if the library could be larger, so community meetings could be held there.

Vice Mayor George Brummer was not satisfied with the proposal. “It’s haphazard.” He said it should first be determined what is wanted in the library and then decide the size.

“It’s not practical to start

“The cry is so loud to keep the library this; is where we need to go.” - Fisher

planning a building when you don’t know what will be in it,” he said to audience applause.

Brummer questioned whether there would be a charge for parking at the library. Beach said that wasn’t envisioned. Brummer said if there was no charge, spaces would be available for beachgoers.

The library must be relocated by June 2014. The city recently approved a development agreement between the city and Pompano Pier Associates for redevelopment on the land where the library is now located.

Kim Briesemeister,

co-executive director of the CRA, said the current discussion was aimed at the beach library relocation. “This is about a library, not a community center,” she said. “Do you approve this site for the library? We will discuss other uses later.”

Still Brummer persisted, noting, “It’s wrong to say we’re just discussing a library now. I can’t see a library being built without a community center. We need to know a little more about it. I’m not satisfied with what I’m seeing here.”

Commissioner Barry Dockswell said, “Our priority is to keep the library and move off the pier development area.” He said the proposed plan moves the city in the right direction. “It’s new, bigger and can enhance programming.”

Mayor Lamar Fisher suggested negotiating with Wells Fargo to get their site for a community center and visitor’s center. He said they’ve shut down their drive-through.

“The cry is so loud to keep the library; this is where we need to go,” Fisher said.

The proposed library will cost about \$1.67 million.





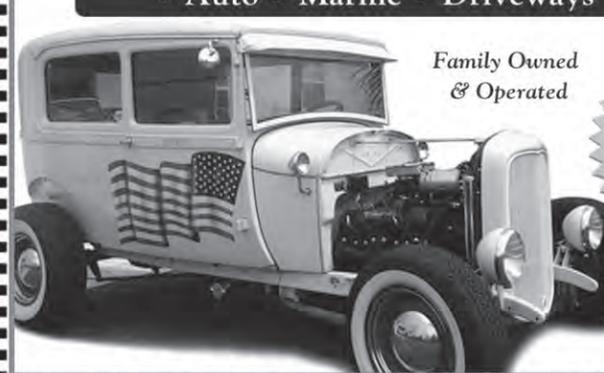
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Anne Siren, publisher

Readers want Pompano Beach to take actions to stop cat suffering

To the editor,

I was at that commission meeting.

There was only one negative person on that council that gave a NO vote. Well, now that the political season is over, maybe Commissioner Dockswell can open his mind, to what the cat situation in Pompano and every city in Broward County is facing and possibly learn something.

We have a population of 1.8 million people in Broward County. We also have a feral/stray/free roaming cat population in Broward County of 300,000 as well.

David Aycock claimed that only 2 percent of free roaming cats are neutered. I don't know where he gets his information from. Stray Aid & Rescue performed over 1800 surgeries on feral cats alone in 2011. If only 2% (of 300,000) were sterilized, that would only be 6,000 in the entire county. Stray Aid and Rescue did 3.3% of the surgeries working 4 days a week. I am sure other spay/neuter clinics such as the Humane Society of Broward County, Cats Exclusive, and Discount Pet Clinic to name just a few could show even greater percentages of feral spay/neuter surgeries that would far exceed 6,000. Pompano does not have more than the norm when it comes to the number of feral cats.

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- In year 10, there will be 80,399,780 cats - YES, 80 MILLION.

I personally made sure that everyone on the Commission received a copy of "The Cat Multiplier" the night of the Commission meeting. Everyone knows that cats continue to have kittens, a lot of them. But when you see it in print, it is truly eye opening.

This is why TNR is so important. No, University of Florida researchers, we CAN'T get them ALL, but we make the effort to get out there to trap, neuter, and return as many cats as we possibly can. Some colonies are small, some are large and contained - meaning that all the cats within the colony have been spayed/neutered. Generally, new cats do not come in. On occasion, someone may dump a cat because they see that someone is feeding. David Aycock makes it sound like a feral colony is full of sickly, suffering cats. These might be isolated cases and I am certain he has seen his fair share. But you can't

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Passover, Festival of Freedom

By Rabbi David Mark

THE JEWISH CENTER AT TEMPLE SHOLOM

Of all Jewish holidays, Passover's theme is the most universal: the message of freedom. 'Way back in 1400 BCE, during the reign of the mighty Pharaoh Ramses II [or perhaps his son, Merneptah], an invisible God reached out of the heavens and into human history. "Let My people go!" ordered Moses, His prophet, and, shocked and demoralized by ten plagues which afflicted his country, his cattle, and his people, Ramses had no choice but to comply, according to the biblical Book of Exodus.

Today, this message continues to resonate in oppressed nations worldwide, where uncounted millions of human beings yearn for the very freedoms which we Americans take for granted: freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, freedom from want, and freedom from fear.

What do Jews do during Passover, Pesach in Hebrew? For the seven-day [eight, outside of Israel] period of the holiday, observant Jews refrain from eating leavened foods, and instead eat foods consisting of matzah, the grain of which (usually wheat) has been mixed with water and baked before eighteen minutes have passed, in remembrance of the speed in which the Israelites departed Egypt during the Exodus.

Passover is a home-based holiday, and it may be the single festival most responsible for "keeping Jews Jewish." Many Jews attend temple services on the High Holy Days, but it is estimated that a full 80 percent will attend a seder [Hebrew, "order"] meal, the special feast which this year falls on Monday and Tuesday evenings, March 25 and 26. It is a dinner full of ritual, in which the participants partake of four cups of wine, to represent the four promises God made to our ancestors: "I took you out of Egypt; I saved you from Pharaoh's wrath; I liberated you from slavery; I took you to be My special people."

It is a repast full of symbolism: while singing and chanting prayers and songs from a special book called the Hagadah, [Hebrew, "the Telling"], we eat white horseradish, the "bitter herb" which reminds us of the bitterness of slavery, and dip green parsley, the symbol of springtime, into salt water, to recall the bitter tears of slavery, while reclining at the table in the attitude of free people. Indeed, the seder represents the earliest audio-visual learning experience known to humankind, and everything we do there is meant to provoke questions and discussion.

Outside of mono-seasonal Florida, Passover marks the beginning of the spring harvest season. Accordingly, the temple service during the holiday includes a prayer for dew, representing both God's visible grace upon the earth, and the gentle rain which sustains the standing barley. May Passover 2013 bring blessings of peace and freedom for all!

Get together for the cats

To the editor

As the owner of one rescued feral cat, (2 others lived their remaining lives with me), I would encourage both sides to work together to find a compromise. No one wants animals to suffer, nor does anyone want to force neighbors to deal with animals that they don't want. I believe, the moratorium will enable Pompano Beach, the citizen advocates/activists, and Pompano Beach Animal Control to have some dialogue. For now, the rhetoric appears to be inflammatory.

I applaud Mayor Lamar Fisher and the Pompano Beach City Commission for attempting to resolve the matter in a manner that is equitable to the City, its residents, and the cats. I hope that everyone with a stake in the outcome will offer their input to those trying to make things better.

Name withheld

Take me home . . .



Rollie/Velcro is three months old and paralyzed in the back hind-quarters. She was found at Quiet Waters Park. To pay for a mobility cart and surgery, The Florida Humane Society is raising money. To donate, visit www.floridahumanesociety.org or call 954-974-6152. The Florida Humane Society, a non-profit/no-kill organization, is located at 3870 N. Powerline Rd., Pompano Beach., has dogs and cats available for adoption. [Photo courtesy of the Florida Humane Society]

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League of cities takes on hunger issues in South Florida

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Lauderhill Vice Mayor Ken Thurston, Pembroke Park Mayor Ashira Mohammed, Hollywood Commissioner Patricia Asseff, Fort Lauderdale Commissioner Bobby DuBose, Hollywood Commissioner Kevin Biederman, Margate Commissioner Joanne Simone, Wilton Manors Commissioner Tom Green. [Photo courtesy of The Broward League of Cities]

nutritious food for low-income children.

During his tenure as president of the League, Fort Lauderdale City Commissioner Bobby DuBose is highlighting the power of volunteerism by adopting "Together We Serve" as his platform and issuing a Million-Hour Volunteer Challenge to the local communities. The Feeding South Florida service project kicks off a series of community events being planned this spring as part of DuBose's "Together We Serve" platform. During the

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Resource Center, 501 NE 1 St., Pompano Beach, 954-586-1111.

3-28 – Wilton Manors Business Association meets for lunch networking from 12 to 1 p.m. at Lotus Chinese Kitchen, 1434 NE 26 St., Wilton Manors. Visit wiltonmanorsbusinessassociation.com.

Children & Family 3-23 – Easter Bunny from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Pompano Beach Community Park, 820 NE 8 Ave. Free games, face painting egg hunts, arts and crafts and more. 954-786-4111.

3-29 – "Madagascar 3" plays at sundown at Jaco Pastorius Park, 4000 N. Dixie Hwy., Oakland Park. Bring lawn chairs and blankets. Event is free. 954-360-4507.

3-30 – Easter Bunny visits Pompano Citi Centre, corner of Federal Highway and Copans Road, from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Photos, food, arts and crafts, egg hunt and other kids activities. 954-943-4683.

Clubs & Charity 3-22 – Pompano Beach Rotary Club meets Fridays at 12:15 p.m. at Galuppi's, 1103 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach. 954-786-3274.

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SPECIAL TO THE PELICAN

The Broward League of Cities, a non-profit organization representing the

31 municipal governments and more than 80 associate government, non-profit and business organizations within Broward County, recently

hosted a service project at Feeding South Florida with more than 40 elected officials, city staff and associate members sorting and packing

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Business matters

The Pelican takes a look at local business owners. You can tell your story here because business matters. 954-783-8700.

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Bicycle Rodeo

Pompano Beach – The City of Pompano Beach, in conjunction with Florida Bicycle Month, will hold its Bicycle Rodeo on Saturday, April 6 from 8 to 1 p.m. at McNair Park, 951 NW 27 Ave. There will be bicycle safety information, food and more for families and children of all ages. The event is free. Call 954-786-7882.

Healthy Aging workshop

Pompano Beach – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the City of Pompano Beach are hosting a workshop that focuses on using urban planning to improve neighborhoods for elderly residents. The workshop will be held on Wednesday, April 3 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the E. Pat Larkins Center, 520 Martin Luther King Blvd.

The neighborhoods discussed will be Leisureville, Kendall Green and Loch Lomond. Register for this free event by April 1 by calling Kevin Gurley, Pompano's neighborhood planner, at 954-786-7921.

Dinner Under the Stars

Lighthouse Point – The 8th Annual Dinner Under the Stars will be held Saturday, April 6 from 5 to 9:30 p.m. at Frank McDonough Park, 3500 NE 27 Ave. There will be live music, dancing and dining with prizes awarded to participants who have the best decorated table. The event, which sold out last year, has limited seating. Table reservations must be made by March 29. Cost is \$10 per table. Each table seats 10. To RSVP, call John Trudel at 954-784-3439.



Richard DeMaio keeps busy in one of his many warehouses where he stores janitorial supplies for local businesses. [Photo courtesy of R.N. DeMaio]

R.N. DeMaio, distributor from Florida to Maine, delivers wholesale janitorial supplies locally

By Phyllis J. Neuberger

PELICAN STAFF

Richard N. DeMaio, president and owner of his maintenance supply company, says he's been working the East Coast for 24 years.

He knows his customers' needs well. "Because I have local warehouses up and down the coast, I can offer many financial advantages to large consumers of janitorial supplies," he explains. "Right now in Pompano Beach and the tri-county area, I sell large quantities of supplies to housing authorities, schools, sewer plants, public works and more. Working with volume from locations near my customers gives me an edge

over competition. I can deliver large quantities quickly to accommodate my clients, and I can keep prices very competitive because of the volume of business I do."

Both his grandfather and his father were in the plumbing and supply business, so DeMaio was raised around the business and as in all families, he helped out from childhood and became familiar with the supply side of the business.

He says, "When I graduated from college, I went to work for a company, but soon decided I wanted to be my own boss. I took the risk, and it has worked out well, partly because I began a business selling products I

understood."

He expanded his business from the north east into the Tri-counties of southern Florida and Pompano Beach in 2005, and spends most of his time here. "I want to be available in-person to my newer accounts to build relationships with them," he says. "My long time accounts in the northeast do not require in-person contact. I handle much of that business on the phone."

Most of his clients buy large quantities of product in five-gallon pails, 30 or 55 gallon drums because it is both efficient and cost effective.

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Sharks

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Said Jose Antonio, "These are the 10 most talented softball players in Florida, maybe the country."

This weekend, the Sharks are playing in Georgia but the start of the spring season and bigger tournaments are just ahead. They will return to the World Series in July already eyeing their stiffest competition, Jacksonville, Orlando and Pembroke Pines.

The Shark's success has attracted players from Boynton Beach to Davie. One of their best is Chelsea Brown, a 6th grader who

is the starting shortstop at Westminster Academy.

Brown is a "very strong hitter" as are Griffith and Restrepo who was the MVP at the World Series.

Sharing mound duties are Taylor Cochrane who also plays outfield and Brandi Antonio often on first base. The two were named Co-MVPs of the Series. Contributing speed to the game are "really fast runners" Brooke Antonio, Mia Veliz and Lindsey Garcia. Defensive standouts Anna Knight and AJ Chang add versatility, playing several positions and hitting both left and right handed.

Each girl on the small

squad gets lots of playing time which, according to Karla Antonio, is the way they like it. Despite their young ages, four of them also play high school ball.

The Sharks received public acclaim two years ago when they were fifth in the nation in the 10-and-under division. Now they are eyeing the 14-and-under competition. And the Antonios will move along with them. The local couple started the team four seasons ago emphasizing stress conditioning, speed and agility. They also have given the girls the advantage of working out with softball coaches at Lynn University and Nova SE University.

Sightings

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3-26 – Pompano Beach-Lighthouse Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 7:30 a.m. at Galuppi's, 1103 N. Federal Hwy., Pompano Beach. 954-972-7178.

3-26 – Deerfield Beach Rotary Club meets Tuesdays at 12:15 p.m. at Deer Creek Country Club, 2801 Country Blvd., Deerfield Beach. 866-976-8279

3-26 – Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale/Cypress Creek meets Tuesdays at 12

p.m. at Westin Cypress Creek Hotel, 400 Corporate Drive. 954-492-8254.

3-27 – Kiwanis Club of Oakland Park meets Wednesdays at 7:30 a.m. at Peter Pan Diner, 1216 E. Oakland Park Blvd., Oakland Park. 954-566-9957.

3-27 – Kiwanis Club of Pompano Beach meets every Wednesday at 12 p.m. at Sea Side Grill, 1406 N. Ocean Blvd., Pompano Beach. 954-783-4999.

3-27 – Kiwanis Club of Wilton Manors meets Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at

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Pasta dinner to benefit Boy Scouts

Deerfield Beach - The annual pasta dinner night for Troop 119, Lighthouse District is planned for March 23 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at St. Ambrose Catholic Church Rectory Social Hall, 380 S. Federal Highway, Deerfield Beach. Price of the dinner is \$5 and includes salad, dessert, and beverage. Children under five are free. Tickets are available at the door. The evening also includes raffles with items donated from local businesses.

This troop has been in existence for over 50 years. Monies raised from this dinner will help scouts attend campouts, jamborees, and summer camp. Call 954 675-5683.

Threads of Love

Pompano Beach – Every Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. the women of the Threads of Love quilting group come together to make quilts at St. Stephen Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2500 NE 14 St. Causeway.

The group, consisting of about 18 members, has made over 16,500 quilts since it was founded over 25 years ago. This past year, they made 431 quilts. Once completed, the quilts are donated to local charities and organizations such as Women In Distress, John Knox Village, the Pompano Rehab Center and Community Church at Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. To join, call Lynn Vatrál at 954-782-9967.

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By Phyllis J. Neuberger

PELICAN STAFF

The Pelican sat down with Yvonne Womack, a dedicated volunteer and team leader of the Blessings Food Pantry, located on the Christ Church campus at 210 NE 3 St. in Pompano Beach. Cynthia Metzger Phipps, church communications director, sat in on this interview.

“I responded to an ad for volunteers in this pantry for three-hours a week,” says Yvonne who now volunteers at the pantry the equal of a regular work week. “This place is a passion for me and it’s a wonderful, gratifying way to spend my week. I’m also a mentor at Bennett Elementary School which is a two-hour weekly commitment for me. I’m from Michigan where I worked for an architectural firm as office manager. Although we came to Florida to retire, my husband works and I volunteer full time.”

She offers a brief tour of the space provided by the church which shows well organized boxes of clothing and shoes in one area, hygiene items in another. A room with refrigerated produce is filled with box after box of bagged groceries ready to go.

“We treat our clients with dignity and respect,” Yvonne says referring to the homeless and hungry families in Broward County. We understand and we tell them that we are just like them—a pay check away from needing the same kind of help. We started this pantry in the church



Dedicated volunteer, Yvonne Womack, team leader of Blessings Pantry on the campus of Christ Church 210 NE 3rd St. stands in front of a wall of pictures of the 40 volunteers who assist her in running the pantry. With smiles and caring hearts they have distributed food to 10,500 homeless and hungry Broward residents in 2012. Womack says, “We tell them that we are one paycheck away from being in their shoes. They may be homeless and or hungry, but they deserve our respect and their own dignity.”

kitchen in 2007, feeding 10 people on a busy day. This space feels like a mansion by comparison, and we need it because we feed well over 200 people each week.”

Cynthia chimes in with a few statistics. “This food pantry served 10,500 people in 2012. That’s an increase of 7.5 percent over 2011. We have over 40 volunteers who keep the pantry operating by conducting food drives, transporting and distributing food, meeting with clients, creating and maintaining client records. At the end of last year, we became part of the United Way of Broward’s Project

Lifeline so we now receive fresh fruits and vegetables twice a month to give to the county’s hungry.”

The homeless are welcomed twice a month to pick up packed non-perishable foods with pop top tabs and clean clothing. Hungry families send a family representative once a month to receive their food. The size of the family determines the number of bags handed to them.

Asked how these clients hear about Blessings Pantry, Yvonne says,

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“They hear about us from one another. Some are referred by case workers, hospitals and other pantries and then there is the Broward Hot Line, 211. Those who no longer need us, thrill us when they stop by to say, “I’ve got a job and will now provide for my own family.” Sometimes we get a postcard from families who have moved away. We’re always happy to hear good news.”

Cynthia adds, “No one in America should go hungry. We want the children who come with a parent to remember this as a happy time so we always have juice, cookies and a toy on hand for all who visit.”

Yvonne explains that a system has been devised in order to provide properly. “We have a greeting room so when clients comes in, volunteers pull their files. We visit with them, trying to make it a personal experience. The vast majority would

prefer to be shopping at Publix like we do and they are usually embarrassed and grateful. We try to treat them with the same courtesy we would want and respond in kind. Next, we hand them their food and all of the information we have on other pantries and agencies which may be of help. We wish we could give them enough food for the month but we just don’t have it.”

A number of generous businesses and local groups keep the pantry stocked. Cynthia ticks off a list of major supporters including Winn Dixie Foundation, Whole Foods, Gordon Food Service, Farm Share, a USDA distributor, Oakland Park Kiwanis, Christ Church School PTO, Christ Church, The Spice Quarter, Templeton Funds Fort Lauderdale, Bishop Gallagher High School, Zion Lutheran Christian School, Curves of Lighthouse Point, Upward Soccer and Upward Basketball.

In addition to Project Lifeline, two community

gardens, The Need to Feed on Christ Church campus and The Fruitful Field in Pompano Beach, donate fresh produce. When it arrives, the fresh produce is spread out attractively on tables and clients pick and choose just like they would do at Whole Foods.

Blessings Pantry is totally volunteer driven. No one is paid. The 40 volunteers work in shifts. Team meetings keep the pantry functioning smoothly. Volunteer Cynthia Buehl says, “It’s a delight to work here because everyone is grateful to be helping others. I work in the storage area where we pack the food in bags and receive donations for our clients. It’s heartwarming to know how many people care and donate.”

Another volunteer, Christina Abrams, is a retired executive who finds this volunteer job a “wonderful way to give back to the community”.

The pantry is open 52 weeks a year from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Mon. through Fri. Pastor Fawn Mikel

is available once a week to provide spiritual help, and occasional financial assistance.

Yvonne wraps up the interview saying, “We have clients who have lost their homes and live in their cars if they are lucky enough to still have a car. The work we do may sound depressing but it is also gratifying because we are helping. We have to accept the idea that we are doing the best we can. The need seems to grow and we all wish there were more resources for them and ways to help them to get jobs and regain their self respect.”

Thank you Yvonne Womack and your team of 40 volunteers for your generous hearts and hands that keep Blessings Pantry open for those in need.

To donate, bring nonperishable foods that have not expired with pull tab tops if possible. Hygiene items are also welcome.

To volunteer or donate, call 954-943-0404, ext. 207

Plenty of egg hunts planned

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea – Three Easter egg hunts for children of various ages, a bonnet contest and visit by the Easter bunny are planned during Easter-By-The-Sea from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 30, on the grounds of Town Hall, 4501 N. Ocean Drive.

Volunteers are needed to help stuff Easter eggs from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in Jarvis Hall, next to Town Hall, on Friday, March 22, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Call 954-254-1743



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Robb

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Two years ago the city laid off 106 employees, most of them maintenance workers, citing budget constraints. Re-assigning the work to city crews will cost \$250,000, City Manager Burgess Hanson said, while the pending contract with Complete Property Services is for \$93,000. Hanson reminded the commission they had made the decision to privatize some services.

The contract is for tree trimming on Powerline Road which Hanson said could be dangerous work for the employees and raises workman's comp issues. "Some of these trees have not been cut in five years . . . It is more efficient to get it done now," the manager said.

The mayor countered saying, "It is important to take care of our own . . . it is a small price to pay for our residents to work here."

Commissioner Bill Ganz said the function was privatized at a "tremendous savings . . . we need to spend taxpayer's dollars wisely . . . right now we need to be responsible."

Commissioner Ben Preston said the commission should look at "transitioning and restoring jobs as finances improve, and Vice Mayor Joe Miller pointed out the trees must be trimmed before hurricane season. "I wouldn't

want anyone other than an arborist out there," he added.

A motion to approve the contract with Complete Property Services was passed 3-2 with Preston and the mayor casting the 'no' votes and urging Hanson to come to the next meeting with a progress report on reinstating the workers.

Earlier in the meeting, Robb, who won a very tight election race, took the gavel saying she was "humbled" to have been chosen to serve. She also brought to the podium her special guests, former vice mayor Don Thomas, former mayor Oren Woodward and former mayor

and county commissioner Sylvia Poitier, all of whom provided brief glimpses of the city's political history.

Woodward retired his position 33 years ago when Robb was first elected mayor. Thomas was vice mayor at the time and Robb ran against him. Tuesday, Thomas was still the graceful loser saying "I think the best person won . . . Jean belongs to the City of Deerfield Beach."

Poitier, who served on the commission before and after Robb's terms in the 90s spoke of her as "a loving friend." She also pointed out that with 5,000 voters, District 2 can now elect a mayor. "We have

the mayor now," Poitier said "Century Village has to give it up."

Also installed Tuesday were District 4 Commissioner Bill Ganz who ran unopposed and District 3 Commissioner

Richard Rosenzweig, who lead a field of three candidates for the job.

In the rotation that selects the vice mayor, Joe Miller will serve this year; Ben Preston, next.

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League feed

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service project, the Broward League of Cities team packed more than 1,300 meals that will be delivered to low-income children to nourish them on weekends when other food might not be available to them.

“Studies have shown that poor performance, behavioral problems, and health problems are all part of the effects of hunger,” said Feeding South Florida CEO Paco Vélez. “Thanks to the commitment of volunteer groups like the Broward League of Cities, we can help fill the void between Friday’s school lunch and Monday’s

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Grimaldi

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with FundRazr.com to solicit donations. The effort raised enough to bring Grimaldi’s body home and now the excess will be used to help his daughter. His family, along with dozens of his friends, gathered at Galuppi’s in Pompano Beach on March 14 to reminisce about their lost loved-one and help raise more funds.

“Our families grew up together,” said McCarraher, who added that he started the fundraiser so the family could focus on grieving and not worry about how they were going to get their son home.

“Tony was your typical guy that everybody loved. Everyone knew Tony by his smile,” said McCarraher. “He always wanted to give and never wanted anything back.”

It was that smile, joked friend Brendan Ferrelli, that could be dangerous to guys who brought their girlfriends around him. “The ladies loved him. Those dimples. No way was I going to bring a girlfriend around those dimples.”

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Cathy Giroux, Joan Gould, Joan Fink, Terry Murchie, Bill Giroux, Nancy Smith, Liz McGill. Not pictured: Richard Sales and Irving & Rhea Weiss. [Photo courtesy of The City of Deerfield Beach]

By Judy Wilson

PELICAN STAFF

Deerfield Beach – For the first time in its 13-year history, the Cuisine of the Region, an extravaganza of food and wine tasting, will be held beachside, at the stately Hillsboro Club on the Hillsboro Mile. The larger venue is expected to draw a crowd of up to 300, according to Donna DeFronzo, executive director of the N.E. Focal Point which benefits from the event.

The party is hosted by the N.E. Focal Point CASA, Inc, a group of highly dedicated people who believe in the services offered by DeFronzo and her staff that include day care for Alzheimer's patients, a senior center with daily social activities, health and wellness programs, transportation and lunch, and a preschool for children ages two to five.

Said Terry Murchie, who along with most of the committee members, was an

original CASA member and party planner, "It is Donna who keeps us going. She keeps us coming back because of the charity and the 'family' we work with both at the Focal Point and in CASA.

Co-chairs for this year's Cuisine which will be held April 17, 5:30 to 9 p.m. are Joan Gould, Bill Giroux and Richard Sales.

Among the chefs new to the event is Laurent Fabrice who will serve a Le Val de Loire favorite, beef stew and country pate. Another joining the Cuisine for the first time is Angelo Morinelli from Angelo's Station House who will tempt palates with his homemade snowflake pasta filled with cheese and sweet pear. And Seema Singh from Punjab Palace, an icon of Indian food since 1981, also makes his first appearance at Cuisine.

Along with food and wine, CASA members assemble grand displays of silent and live auction items that include weekend getaways, airline

tickets, baskets of cheer and gift certificates to restaurants and attractions.

At the serving stations will be representatives from Casa Maya Grill, Darrel & Oliver's Café Maxx, Edible



Chefs left to right -Oceans 234, Victor Franco; The Cake Lady, Luisia Viviani-Ganin; Hillsboro Club, Jacques Noel; Le Val de Loire, Laurent Fabrice; Gourmet Adventures Catering, Joni Goldberg; Punjab Restaurant Cuisine of India, Ramjit Singh, Seema Singh; Angelo's Station House Grille, Angelo Morinelli and JB's on the Beach, Mike Hrabovsky.

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Oaks

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at the southern end of downtown. Using every inch of the property, the lot will contain 83 parking spaces.

The city is working with the property owner and Broward College to establish the school at the site as recommended in a five-year strategic plan prepared by the city's consultant Redevelopment Management Associates.

Justin Proffitt, senior planner, said a consultant evaluated each tree on the site. Ten will be preserved, 21 removed and 13 relocated. The site contains live oaks, slash pines, gumbo limbos, ficus, sea grape, a variety of palm species and wild tamarind. The two largest trees targeted for preserving are two laurel oaks, 38 and 35-feet high.

A significant amount of new canopy is proposed. The

city will donate \$24,544 to a city Tree Preservation and Replacement Trust Fund.

Vice Mayor John Adornato said this was a tough decision. "By day, I'm a paid tree hugger. I work to protect the environment."

He asked about the long-term goal for the property. "Are we paving paradise to put up a parking lot? Is our long-term goal not a parking lot?"

Ray Lubomski, community and economic development director said, "It's a significant piece of property to be developed. It's the gateway into the downtown."

Shank said he understands the parking lot is needed to attract a culinary school. He said he's not a paid tree hugger, but he's a conservationist. He was troubled by the removal of the 40-foot oak tree and a couple of the slash pines. "Could we build a parking lot and keep the oak tree?" He asked if the design could be changed up a

little.

Commissioner Shari McCartney said it was time for the commission to take action on what they've set in motion (the proposed culinary arts district.) She agreed it was "very disconcerting to take away a tree of that age and beauty."

McCartney said the commission needs to be careful not to thwart their goal. She noted the site will have significantly more foliage than normally required. "Our ultimate goal is for it to be a building or entryway. Calling it "an untenable but necessary decision," she moved to approve the site plan as presented.

Boisvenue argued there was no reason to remove the oak tree. "There's no contract" (with a school), she said. "We're going through all this and what if they don't sign?"

Amos Chess, the property owner, urged the commission

to move ahead and approve the site plan. "What are you waiting for?" he asked, adding

that if they approved the plan, he would donate the funds for the Tree Preservation Fund.

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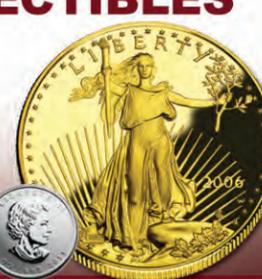
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Newly elected commissioner Sara Guevrekian takes the oath of office and says she's enthusiastic about working with this team.



Newly elected commissioner Tim Lonergan is sworn in with his partner and campaign manager Floyd Adams at his side. Lonergan thanked his supporters and said he will prove their efforts were well invested.



City Clerk Renee ShROUT swears in Shari McCartney as new vice mayor of Oakland Park, as Shari's daughter, Sloan, looks on.



City Clerk Renee ShROUT applauds Commissioner Jed Shank, who was re-elected without opposition.



John Adornato received flowers from his mother, Barbara Adornato, after his swearing-in as new mayor of Oakland Park by City Clerk Renee ShROUT on Wednesday. The position of mayor rotates annually in the city and goes to the top vote getter in a previous election. Adornato said it was 'a special moment' for him and bittersweet, since his father, who had attended ceremonies when he became a commissioner and vice mayor, died late last year. [Staff photos by Judy Vik]

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Cats

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feral colonies into the same pot. Most well maintained colonies you wouldn't be able to tell that these weren't someone's pets as the cats are "fat and happy" because of the care they receive. Maybe it isn't the ideal location for a colony, maybe it isn't in the cleanest area, but just because the cats are outside doesn't mean that they are unhealthy, unhappy, and suffering. These locations are their homes. Many cats were born into these colonies - they don't know what it is like to live inside. Where the suffering comes into play is when someone takes a domesticated cat and "cuts them loose" (to borrow a phrase from David Aycock) or dumps them into a colony. Those are the ones that are used to being taken care of and now are left to the harsh conditions outside - dogs, cars, etc.

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Thank goodness for Mayor Fisher and the rest of the Commissioners who are willing to make a positive difference in the lives of feral cats and potentially set the standard for other cities to follow.

Cheryl Knudsen
Secretary, Trapper
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O'Neil

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Coalition, Broward County Women's Hall of Fame, American Association of University Women, Broward Teachers' Union and several NOW groups.

Prior to the event, O'Neil recounted how her life led her to NOW. Holding a second cup of coffee, she remembers how terms like "battered" and "victim" were no longer part of her vocabulary.

"I was ashamed. It's like saying, 'Hey, I married a loser who hits.'"

Now, her life as an advocate for women, as an attorney and blogger for Huffington Post, is a happy one.

Happy because she calls herself a workaholic, and her efforts to bring the "War Against Women" up front



Sara Brown, former president of the North Broward Democratic club, listens to NOW president, Terry O'Neil [right], at a brunch hosted by a coalition of local clubs. A photo of the late "Battling Bella" Abzug [Center] served as inspiration to this room of activists.

requires a workaholic.

Here are some of NOW's issues:

Pay for women – Women work a lifetime of unequal pay, she says, citing the 77 cents on the dollar that their male counterparts earn.

"When we get to retirement, we have smaller savings.

Two-thirds of minimum wage earners are women. Women of color are extremely lower in their net worth."

Not enough women elected to offices – "Research has shown that when 35 percent of decision makers are women, more money is spent on resources for health care,



Ken Evans, State chair of clubs and caucuses; Congresswoman Lois Franel [District 22] and Maggie Davidson, State Committee Woman and president of the Democratic Women's Club of Northeast Broward. [Staff photos]

social services and education. Less money is spent on weapons, alcohol and tobacco," O'Neil said. Today, women make up 18 percent of Congress. "Running a country is not rocket science. Women can look at the whole picture," she said.

NOW is a strong force in

supporting Planned Parenthood. "Many Catholic women support NOW because they care about teenage girls; they will not impose their religion on others."

O'Neil wants to see fully-funded, comprehensive sex education programs in public schools.

She wants statistics out in the open: One in five women are sexually molested [But she notes that not one in five men are molesters. She wants the population to know that "rape is a serial crime."] She adds that one in 70 men is sexually molested. "Government agencies are now tracking this information," she said.

The "Woman" question, a phrase coined by O'Neil, is the question legislators are not asking.

The "Woman" question can only be answered by women. And that question is "What do you need?"

Says O'Neil, "Women who make it to agencies for help have already shown resilience and competence. Don't treat them as victims. Ask them what they need. They must be in the driver's seat."

While the applause, cheering and energy of O'Neil's presence rallied the female-dominated audience at the Doubletree Hilton, O'Neil had some fun with the next round of facts.

What she related to this audience is really happening in state legislators. Women are presenting bills that put prohibitions on men seeking Viagra and/or similar prescriptions. In Ohio, one bill required men to undergo a psychological assessment and a cardiac stress tests 90 days prior to receiving the prescription.

In Virginia, Sen. Janet Howell's bill requiring rectal exams for men on erectile dysfunction meds, failed by two votes.

There wasn't a dry eye in the house from uninhibited laughter.



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Big tips at the Big House benefit museum

By Anne Siren

PELICAN STAFF

Pompano Beach - These elected officials were not in danger of violating the county ethics code when they collected big tips for their "waiting" skills. Rather they were praised for their volunteer service to raise funds for the city's Sample-McDougald House museum.

"Breakfast at the Big House" took place March 1 at John Knox Village where local celebrity waiters served guests classic breakfast meals, prepared by the staff at John Knox.

Celebrities such as Broward County Mayor Krisitn Jacobs, Mayor Lamar Fisher, Commissioners Rex Hardin, Woody Poitier and Barry Dockswell donned aprons for the event as well.

Dan Hobby referred to the breakfast as one of the favorite fund-raisers of the year.

Kirk DeJong, president of the Sample-McDougald House Preservation Society, traditionally chooses the Champion of the BIG House award. This year that award was to go to Bill Gallo, whose companies have supported the house since it arrived in the city.



Dan Hobby, Commissioner Woody Poitier, Justen Shiff, Commissioner Rex Hardin and Tony Spadaccia, Waste Management.



John Sobol, Dirk DeJong and Michael Browdy.



Gene Pridemore, Neal Murry and Jeff Gillespie.



Ralp Johnsen, Oakie Rhinehart and Claudia DuBois.



Dev Motwani, Mak Olson and Commissioner Barry Dockswell.



Society president Dirk DeJong thanks Rick Carr, Carr Builders, LLC, for construction of the House public bathrooms.



Dirk DeJong accepts the award from Dodie Keith-Lazowick, president of Keith and Associates, for Big House Champion.

So it was a big surprise to DeJong when Breakfast Hostess Dodie Keith-Lazowick, Keith and Associates, turned the tables and surprised

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Big House

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DeJong with The Champion award. Gallo was in on the surprise.

Rick Carr, president of Carr Builders, was also honored for his donation of the construction of the public bathroom facilities.

DeJong said he looked back on that day as a wonderful event that continued to "bring the community together."

The Sample-McDougald House is now open for tours; docent training is on-going and local school children are getting some first-hand history as they tour the house.

For more information about the Sample-McDougald House or membership in its Society, call 954-292-8040.

DeMaio

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His biggest sellers are compactor room odor kill, hospital quality floor finish, floor finish remover/strip- per, vehicle hand or pressure wash, all purpose degreaser and sewer drain maintainer.

Asked if the products have changed over the years, he says, "Oh yes. They are all less harsh and many are certified green which make us all pleased to see that our available products are geared to protecting the environment."

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Sightings

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4-4 – Sierra Club Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Fern Forest Nature Center, 201 S. Lyons Road, Coconut Creek. 954-357-5198.

Education & Self Development 3-27 – Property tax exemption filing assistance workshop at 11:30 a.m. at Pompano Beach City Hall, 100 W Atlantic Blvd. 954-357-5579.

3-26 – iPad workshop at 10 a.m. at Lighthouse Point Library, 2200 NE 38 St., Lighthouse Point. 954-946-6398.

Events & Activities 3-22 – Fish Fry from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Coleman's Parish Hall, 1200 S. Federal Hwy. Tickets are \$8. . 954-270-2501.

3-28 – Bingo at 1 p.m. at Lighthouse Point Library, 2200 NE 38 St., Lighthouse Point. 954-946-6398.

3-29 – Chess Club meets Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pompano Beach Branch Library, 1213 E. Atlantic Blvd. 954-786-2181.

4-6 – Bike Rodeo from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at McNair Park, 951 NW 27 Ave., Pompano Beach. Bicycle safety education and food. All ages welcome. 954-786-7882.

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4-9 – GFWC Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach instillation luncheon at 12 p.m. at Wyndham Hotel Resort, 4011 N. Ocean Blvd., Deerfield Beach. Cost is \$30. Public welcome. 954-421-4700.

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(Answer appears elsewhere in this issue)

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The Weekly Crossword

by Margie E. Burke

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- Be laid up with
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- Unconscious state
- Golf club
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| 41 Yours, in old days | 70 Between soprano and tenor | 10 Battle trophy, in old times | 35 Pairs |
| 43 Buddhist monk | 71 Florida basketball team | 11 Exploding star | 37 Encountered |
| 44 Missile type | 46 Nobel Prize creator | 12 Prayer ending | 39 Christmas helper |
| 48 Poke one's nose in | 49 Fertilizer | 13 Peel with a knife | 45 Aware of |
| 49 Fertilizer | 51 TV spots | 21 Memory method | 47 Metallic element |
| 51 TV spots | 52 Cut into glass | 23 Breathe rapidly | 50 Fit for cultivation |
| 52 Cut into glass | 53 Peruse | 25 Producing electricity | 52 Wading bird |
| 53 Peruse | 55 Mature insect | 27 Optimistic | 54 Iranian money |
| 55 Mature insect | 58 Historical period | 28 News summary | 55 Hankering |
| 58 Historical period | 60 Backless couch | 29 Walking _____ happy | 56 Wry face |
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| 64 Concert series | 65 Monetary offer | 32 Gather cloth into rows | 59 Violent disturbance |
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Pier will be mended by the Fourth engineer says

Deerfield Beach - The International Fishing Pier, the last 100-foot severely damaged in Tropical Storm Sandy will be repaired by July 4, Charlie DeBrusco, director of environmental services told the commission Tuesday. "We are trying to make it a state-of-the-art pier," DeBrusco said adding he would welcome ideas from the fishermen who use the facility. Among the new concepts is underwater lighting. The cost of rebuilding is \$250,000 to \$300,000 and is covered by the city's insurance.

Residents may apply for GED tuition and get a "2nd Chance"

Deerfield Beach - District 2 Commissioner Ben Preston needs 30 students to enroll by the end of March to bring the GED program Project 2nd Chance here. Preston is urging that residents make this opportunity known to young people who are in need of a high school diploma. When the course work is completed, Preston said he will stage a graduation ceremony complete with cap and gown so these students can experience a "proud moment." Community Development Block Grant funds are available for Deerfield Beach residents. Interested persons should call 954-480-4480.

An information session will be held Wednesday, April 3, 6 p.m. at the Central Campus, 401 SW 4 Street.

A1A and "S" curve topic of workshop Thursday

Deerfield Beach - A public workshop to update residents on the redesign of the "S" curve on A1A will be held Thursday, Mar. 28, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Central City Campus, 401 SW 4 Street.

The engineering design for the area between SE 3 Street and NE 7 Street began last June following federal approval of plans to replace the road and add bike lanes, curb, gutter and sidewalk system, intersection improvements at A1A and Hillsboro Boulevard and at A1A and NE 20 Terrace behind the Wyndham Resort.

Construction of the improvements will not be scheduled until funding at the federal level is approved.

Egg hunts will keep youngsters hopping

Deerfield Beach - Events here for Easter weekend include three egg hunts at locations around the city. The first provides additional challenges because it is held in the dark and hunters, children ages 7 to 14, come equipped with flashlights. It begins at 8 p.m. at Constitution Park, 2841 W. Hillsboro Boulevard.

On Friday, March 29, Egg-Stravaganza will be held at Westside Park, 4445 SW 2 Street, starting at 6 p.m. This hunt is for children ages 10 and younger.

The Annual Easter Egg Run will be held Saturday,

March 30, 10 a.m. at the Athletic Complex, 501 SE 6 Avenue. Children ages 10 and under are invited.

For more information on any of these events, call Constitution Park, 954-480-4495.

Summer camps scheduled

Deerfield Beach - The city offers a variety of day camps for children of all ages beginning in June 12 and ending August 2. Venues are Deerfield Beach Middle School, Constitution Park and Westside Park and include teen travel opportunities and a drama camp. To learn more, call 954-480-4495. Fees are charged.

Easter egg hunt

Oakland Park - The Easter Bunny will arrive at Royal Palm Park, 1701 NE 38 St., on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. There will be free ice cream, hot dogs and thousands of Easter eggs filled with candy waiting to be picked-up. Call 954-630-4500.



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 <p style="font-weight: bold;">ST. COLEMAN</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Roman Catholic Church 1200 S. Federal Hwy. Pompano Beach</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Saturday Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm • 6:00 pm</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Sunday Mass Schedule: 7:30am • 9:00 am • 11:00 am 12:30 pm • 6:00 pm</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Weekdays: 7:00 am • 8:00 am</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">954-942-3533</p>	 <p style="font-weight: bold;">ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Sat. Evening Vigil: 4:30 pm (Eng.) • 6:30 pm (Span.) Sun. Mass Schedule: 7:00 am (Creole) • 9 am (Eng) 10:30 am (Eng) • 12:00 (Creole) Weekdays: Monday - Saturday 8:00 am Monday, Wednesday & Friday 5:30 pm (Eng. only) Monday & Wednesday 7:00 pm (Creole)</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">3331 N.E. 10th Terrace Pompano Beach</p> <p style="font-weight: bold;">954-941-8117</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.2em;">Unitarian Universalist Church</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em;">of Fort Lauderdale</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Open Hearts</div>  <div style="text-align: center;">Open Minds</div> </div> <p style="font-weight: bold;">A Center for Liberal Religious Values and Social Action in Fort Lauderdale</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Services & RE classes Sunday at 11:00am 3970 NW 21st Avenue, Fort Lauderdale 954.484.6734 • www.uucfl.org</p>

Help with electric bill offered by Focal Point

Deerfield Beach - Low income seniors can now receive financial help from the N.E. Focal Point to pay electric bills. Assistance is only by appointment with Shauna Monahan, information and referral coordinator, at 954-480-4449. Applicants should bring

proof of age [at least 60 years old], have a written notice from FPL that a bill is past due or have a final, disconnect notice, show a photo ID, show social security numbers for all family members, proof of income for all family members and meet certain income requirements.

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Good Friday March 29: 9 a.m.

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Lighthouse Point Chamber members network at new Bank United



Bank United employees Linda Washington, left, Lucille Pignataro, center, and Carmen Turner at the Lighthouse Point Chamber of Commerce's networking event at Bank United.



Michael McLain of Summit Brokerage Services and president of the Lighthouse Point Chamber of Commerce, hands Darlene Pearson, of Body & Soul Retreat, a check for \$1,500 for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Deerfield Beach, Lighthouse Point, & Hillsboro Beach. Pearson is the Relay team captain for the Lighthouse Point Chamber of Commerce's team.



Dr. Jay Marienthal, left, of Marienthal Chiropractic Health & Wellness Center, and Brian Rask of Comprehensive Dentistry.

Lighthouse Point
 – Members of the Lighthouse Point Chamber of Commerce gathered Tuesday at the Bank United branch at 2500 N. Federal Hwy. Previously, the branch was located in the Shoppes of Beacon Light but opened its new stand alone location three months ago. “We’re happy to be on the street where everyone can see us,” said Lucille Pignataro, branch manager and past president of the Chamber. In addition to networking and enjoying refreshments, Lighthouse Point Chamber members also donated \$1,500 to the American Cancer Society’s Relay For Life of Deerfield Beach, Lighthouse Point, & Hillsboro Beach. The Relay starts on Saturday, April 13 at 4 p.m. at Quiet Waters Park, 401 S. Powerline Road, and goes until Sunday, April 14 at 9 a.m. Visit www.relayforlife.org/dblpfl for more information.

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By Michael d'Oliveira

PELICAN STAFF

Lighthouse Point – If fishing has been a little light so far for some anglers Jeff Walls, manager at RJ Boyle's, said springtime fishing should be coming soon and things should improve.

"Springtime fishing should be getting better here soon," he said.

But until then, Walls says there's still some catches to be made.

"There's been a very good Wahoo bite from 100 ft. to 300 ft. of water." If you do go for some wahoo, Walls suggests using bonita strips as bait and trolling at six knots.

"And there's been some scattered dolphin and a few kings mixed-in."

For those looking for swords this weekend, things may not be as great as last time. "Daytime sword fishing was pretty good last weekend but the weather doesn't look good for it this weekend," said Walls.

Sailfish may be biting again with the front moving in this weekend. Expect some rain and some breeze

Saturday and Sunday. But Walls says the prime time to catch sailfish will be over with once spring arrives. "You're going to catch a few but not as many."

Fortunately, he added, tuna, grouper, dolphin and "everything else in general" should be getting better.

For tips or more information, call RJ Boyle's at 954-420-5001.

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3-29 – Good Friday services at 7 p.m. at St. Stephen Evangelical Church, 2500 NE 14 St. Causeway, Pompano Beach. 954-942-4473.

3-30 – Release of butterflies and Easter egg hunt at 5 p.m. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 140 SE 28 Ave., Pompano Beach. 954-941-4843.

3-31 – Easter Sunday services at 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 140 SE 28 Ave., Pompano Beach. 954-

941-4843.

3-31 – Easter services at Assumption Catholic Church, 2001 S. Ocean Blvd., Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, at 6:45 a.m., 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Espanol mass at 12:15 p.m. 954-941-7647.

3-31 – Easter Sunday services at 10 a.m. at St. Stephen Evangelical Church, 2500 NE 14 St. Causeway, Pompano

Beach. 954-942-4473.

3-31 – Easter sunrise services held by Community Church at 7 a.m. at the pavilion at the east end of Commercial Boulevard in Lauderdale-By-The-Sea There will also be a 10 a.m. service at the church, 4433 Bougainvillea Drive, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea. 954-776-5530.

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<p>Saturday, March 23</p> <p>High 6:09 AM Low 12:20 PM High 6:29 PM</p>	<p>Tuesday, March 26</p> <p>Low 2:08 AM High 8:25 AM Low 2:27 PM High 8:51 PM</p>	<p>This Week's Tide Tables should not be used for navigational purposes.</p> <p>Boaters should confirm tables with the Coast Guard Weather Station Information taken from www.saltwatertides.com</p>
<p>Sunday, March 24</p> <p>Low 12:41 AM High 6:57 AM Low 1:04 PM High 7:19 PM</p>	<p>Wednesday, March 27</p> <p>Low 2:51 AM High 9:07 AM Low 3:08 PM High 9:36 PM</p>	

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A private reception at the Sample-McDougald House takes place March 22 at the House. Patrons and guests can meet the artists and enjoy food, drinks and entertainment. Tickets are \$50 per person. Call 954-292-8040.

Sightings

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3-31- Easter sunrise services held by Fort Lauderdale Business and Professional Women's Club on the beach across from Bahia Mar, 801 Seabreeze Blvd., Fort Lauderdale. 954-566-4165.

Health & Safety 3-23 - Meditation class from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lisa's Healing Center, 4301 N. Federal Hwy., Suite 4, Pompano Beach. Learn the art of meditation. Cost is \$50. RSVP at 954-782-6564.

3-27 - Protecting Your Family on the Worst Day of Their Lives seminars at 2 p.m. at Panera Bread, 5975 N., Federal Hwy., Fort Lauderdale. RSVP at 954-781-9661.

3-29 - Yoga class at 9 a.m. at Lighthouse Point Library, 2200 NE 38 St., Lighthouse Point. 954-946-6398.

3-23 - Meditation class from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Lisa's Healing Center, 4301 N. Federal Hwy., Suite 4, Pompano Beach. Cost is \$50. RSVP at 954-782-6564.

3-23 - Reiki II class from 1 to 5 p.m. at Lisa's Healing Center, 4301 N. Federal Hwy., Suite 4, Pompano Beach. Cost is \$100. RSVP at 954-782-6564.

Music 3-23 - Indie band Passion Pit performs at 8 p.m. at Lynn University, 3601 North Military Trail, Boca Raton. Tickets are \$50 and \$75. 561-237-9000

3-24 - Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese and Symphony of the Americas perform at 2 p.m. at Broward Center for the Performing Arts, 201 SW Fifth Ave., Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are between \$25 and \$75. 954-522-5334.

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