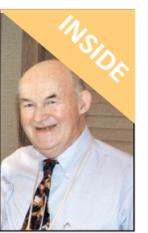


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**HOW WEIRD IS THAT?!**  
SEAN MCCARTHY

Spend any time surfing the Web and you are bound to find stories that are just too bizarre to be true. Here's a sampling, edited for length. Remember, just because it's online doesn't mean it's true!

**From sfgate.com: Police shoot gator twice, then realize it's fake**

Police responding to a rare alligator sighting in suburban Kansas City took quick action to dispatch of the beast, shooting it in the head, as instructed, while it lurked menacingly in the weeds leading down to a pond. It wasn't until a second rifle shot bounced off the reptile's head that the officers realized they had mortally wounded a concrete lawn ornament.

A resident of a subdivision near the pond called police to report that his children spotted the alligator while they were playing in some nearby woods.

After consulting a conservation agent, who told them to kill the gator if they felt it posed a danger, one of the officers shot it twice in the head before realizing something was up, said Tom Gentry, an Independence police spokesman.

"It didn't move," Gentry said. "They inched up closer and closer and discovered it was a mock-up of a real alligator made to look like it was real."

In the officers' defense, it was growing dark when they shot the fake gator and it was partially submerged in the weeds.

The property owner told police that the gator was meant to keep people off his property, Gentry said.

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**Saturday:** Scattered thunderstorms; high: 85; low: 71; high tide: 4:40 a.m.; low tide: 10:57 a.m.  
**Sunday:** Isolated thunderstorms; high: 86; low: 71; high tide: 5:41 a.m.; low tide: 11:55 a.m.

Weather courtesy of www.weather.com

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## Working waterfront pieces coming together

First phase nearly complete, could open in two months

By Jessica Tuggle  
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SEBASTIAN — Indian River Drive in Sebastian is getting more rubberneckers each day as the construction of Fisherman's Landing, a working waterfront project, makes progress.

The property, formerly known as Hurricane Harbor, is nearing renovation and construction completion, said Beth Mitchell, executive director of the Sebastian Area Chamber of

Commerce and a member of the city's working waterfront committee.

"We toured the facility and the city manager pointed out all the renovations and what the buildings would be used for," said Ms. Mitchell.

The outdoor changes to the site have attracted the attention of passers-by with a new boardwalk, landscaping, bench, doggy fountain and a tree-fort area.

A large oak tree preserved on the site is the anchor for the open-air

viewing area on the tree house, lending a rustic feel to the landscape.

The entire waterfront project is about a \$3 million investment, using both grants and city funds, and is being carried out by a local co-op of fishermen, known as Fisherman's Landing Sebastian. It is led by former Indian River County tax collector, Charlie Sembler, whose

family has been in the commercial fishing industry for decades. "There has been a tremendous

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## Sebastian seniors celebrate



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Sebastian River High School senior class sponsor Michelle Funnell, left, gives graduating senior Taylor Lukomski a hug as she leave the stage after last Friday's graduation. See more photos page A3.

## FCAT scores improve overall

By Jessica Tuggle  
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Florida Comprehensive Achievement Test scores have started to roll into Indian River County and preliminary numbers look positive.

According to results released in late May, 1,037 third graders in Indian River County took the FCAT and the number scoring at or above grade level in math increased 5 percent this year, matching the state average of 78 percent.

Ten schools, or 62.5 percent, posted gains in math scores for an average of 10.1 percent. One school remained the same and four schools posted an average decrease in scores of 3.5 percent, a press

See **FCAT A4**

## Boat ramp project still on hold

County plans to mitigate more wetland impact

By Jessica Tuggle  
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The southernmost boat ramp in the county has yet to undergo a proposed dredging and paving, but plans are still in the works for it.

Indian River County staff is still negotiating with environmental agencies to come up with a workable solution to change the land around the Oslo boat ramp to better maintain and update the site for frequent visitors.

The county is waiting for a response from the Army Corps of Engineers and St. John's Water Management District officials about a revised proposal before moving forward with the project, said Mike Nixon, roadway production manager in the county's public works department.

The area surrounding the boat ramp is a large conservation habitat for various species of fish, birds and plant life, including mangroves that are considered

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Nick Correa, front and Mike Sutton, maneuver through the shallow water at the Oslo boat ramp in mid-May. White PVC poles mark the shallow channel out to the Intra-coastal Waterway.

Cliff Partlow  
staff photographer

## District reduces positions to save money

Board approves net loss of three positions

By Jessica Tuggle  
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Combining positions and dividing up tasks is the game plan for incoming Superintendent Fran Adams during these lean budget years.

During their last meeting in May, the Indian River County School Board unanimously approved a district administrative organizational chart that showed a net savings of about \$248,200. It was created by Ms. Adams, to follow Florida statute, but was presented by current Superintendent Harry La Cava.

The chart calls for eliminating the positions of pub-

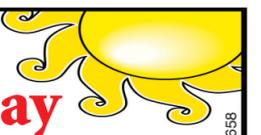
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# Waterfront

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amount of work done by Charlie Sembler and the folks belonging to the not-for-profit and they have done a beautiful job," Ms. Mitchell said.

Inside the facility, members of the committee were shown the large walk-in freezers with glass doors so customers can see the fish they will purchase.

A small area will be sub-leased to Indian River Seafood, a local seafood market, which will provide patrons with the opportunity to try the freshly caught fish in an informal setting.

"There are a number of things still in the works. They anticipate that the historical displays, old photos

and memorabilia from the commercial fishing era will be coming soon," said Ms. Mitchell.

This winter, a touch tank filled with local animal life, fish, crabs and other species will be constructed to add to the visitor's experience.

The second major phase will be the construction and renovation of the adjacent site, known as the Dabrowski parcel, which will be home to a fish house, clam hatchery and ice house, as well as serve as a docking area for the fishermen.

"We are very excited and highly anticipating the grand opening. It will be a focal point in the center of the riverfront and it will be a very unique place that I think visitors will like to wander through," Ms. Mitchell said.



Photo caption of Treasure Coast Food Bank Judy Cruz, Treasure Coast Food Bank executive director, third from left, and Thom Padrick, immediate past board president, third from right, accept a \$90,000 check for the 2010 Publix 'Food for All' campaign from Publix Super Markets representatives.

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# Grocery chain raises thousands for food bank

For Hometown News NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

TREASURE COAST — Publix Super Markets "Food For All" fundraising campaign contributed \$90,000 this year to the Treasure Coast Food Bank.

With customers purchasing \$1, \$3 or \$5 donation coupons at checkout stands, Publix and its shoppers gave enough funds to provide

630,000 meals to people in need on the Treasure Coast.

"We are amazed at the generosity of Publix and their customers," said Judy Cruz, executive director of Treasure Coast Food Bank.

"With almost 100,000 people seeking food assistance every week on the Treasure Coast, this donation will allow us to provide meals for so many people in our community who are

struggling to make ends meet," she said.

The mission of the Treasure Coast Food Bank is to obtain and distribute food and needed products through partner agencies to help alleviate hunger in Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee and St. Lucie counties.

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# Budget

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lic information officer, a managerial secretary, network analyst, deputy superintendent and risk manager. The risk manager position is currently vacant and will not be filled in the upcoming budget year. The elimination of those five positions reduced the budget by approximately \$459,700.

Though some school board members initially questioned the wisdom of

removing the position of public information officer and delegating duties to human resources and other departments, the members felt it was important to support the new superintendent and implement her new ideas in this new budget year.

School board member Carol Johnson thanked Mr. La Cava for stepping aside and allowing Ms. Adams' plan to move forward in the process so the board could see and approve it. It is his right as superintendent to

submit a chart, but at the school board's request, he did not submit his own, and instead, recommended that Ms. Adams' chart be considered.

Ms. Adams' plan calls for a change to the current position of executive director of human resources and school improvement to executive director of human resources. Doing so is expected to save about \$6,000 per year by reassigning duties which automatically changes the payroll level.

The current position of director of staff development and human resources will be changed to director of secondary education and staff development and the position of chief information officer will be replaced with the director of instructional and information technology. Both of those changes will not affect the budget at all, but be a more accurate representation of the duties of those positions.

Ms. Adams does plan to add two positions to the organizational chart, a budget analyst and an administrative position tentatively titled the assistant superintendent/human resources and risk management. Those positions are budgeted for about \$217,700, leaving the district a total estimated savings of \$248,200 after the changes in the organizational chart.

For more information about upcoming Indian River County School Board meetings, visit [www.indianriverschools.com](http://www.indianriverschools.com).

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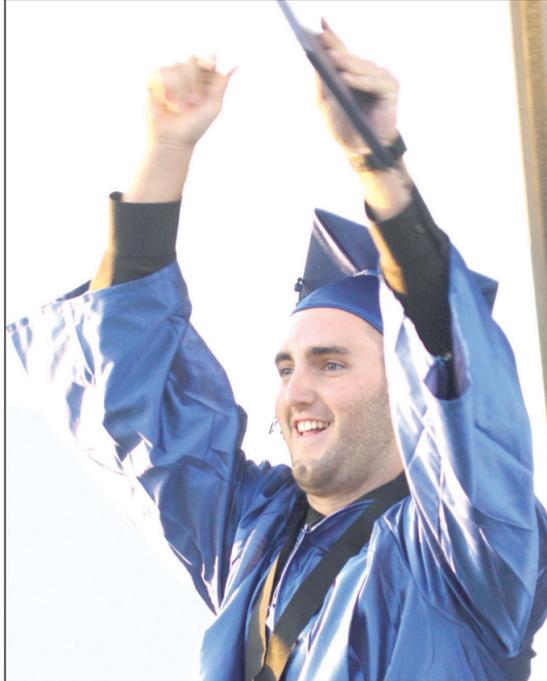
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More than 400 seniors at Sebastian River High School walked across the stage and received their diplomas last Friday evening. Salutatorian Cathryn Bootes, left, and Matthew Colbert, the school's valedictorian, returned to their seats after they addressed the crowd.



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Stephan Clark shows his excitement and diploma to the crowd of nearly 4,000 people who packed Shark Stadium last Friday for the Sebastian River High School graduation.



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Jacob Belanger wasted no time celebrating after receiving his diploma last Friday as he and more than 400 seniors graduated from Sebastian River High School.

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# Weird

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Officers told him a no-trespassing sign would have been wiser.

From *pressenterpriseonline.com*: Student's field trip includes Hooters lunch

For one group of central Pennsylvania eighth-graders, a recent field trip to Baltimore included lunch at Hooters, a restaurant better known for its busy waitresses than its food.

The Berwick Middle School students were visiting the National Aquarium last week. Chaperones took them to

various restaurants for lunch because the group of 100 was too large for a single place.

The *Bloomburg Press Enterprise* reported one group of 15 to 20 students ended up at Hooters.

Superintendent Wayne Brookhart said that while he wished the group's co-ed chaperones had chosen another restaurant, he has not received any complaints from parents.

Hooters spokesman Mike McNeil said the restaurant chain often hosts groups, including sports teams and church organizations with teens and younger children.



Photo courtesy of Homeless Family Center

The spring luncheon to benefit the Homeless Family Center was a sell-out success. From left: D. Lorne Coyle, HFC executive director, Rosemary Hartmann and Pat Dunsmore, event co-chairwomen and author Richard LeMieux.

## Author helps raise money for homeless center

For Hometown News NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

TREASURE COAST — The second annual spring luncheon to benefit the Homeless Family Center was a sell-out success.

One hundred thirty guests attended the luncheon held at Bent Pine Golf Club on April 27 that highlighted Richard LeMieux, author of the best-selling book, "Breakfast at Sally's."

Mr. LeMieux, shared his heartbreaking, inspiring journey, personal struggles

and the people he met when he was homeless.

Homeless for three years, he wrote his book mostly at picnic tables.

The book has inspired people across the country to help the homeless. There are now three homeless shelter programs named after his dog, Willow, called Willow Missions.

Thank you to all the guests and sponsors who made this event possible including co-chairwomen Rosemary Hartmann and Pat Dunsmore.

Event sponsors included Debbie Macomber, The Sheridan's, ABC Printing Company and Laura Larsen of Florida Bloomers.

A special thank you to Mr. LeMieux for sharing his time and inspirational stories in support of HFC's mission: "To provide opportunities for homeless families to end homelessness by achieving self-sufficiency through education, living wages and permanent housing."

The event raised \$11,300 to support the services the center provides for home-

less families.

The center is looking forward to the third annual spring luncheon in 2012.

The Homeless Family Center is a nonprofit organization that provides emergency (short-term) and transitional (long-term) housing for homeless families in Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie and Okeechobee counties.

The center is located at 720 Fourth St., Vero Beach. For more information, visit [www.HomelessFamilyCenter.com](http://www.HomelessFamilyCenter.com).

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### FCAT

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release said.

"Overall, I am pleased with this year's results, and I thank everyone for their dedication and hard work on behalf of our students," Superintendent Harry La Cava said in a press release.

Of the students who took the FCAT, 76 percent scored at grade level or above in reading. That tops the state average by 4 percentage points and is an increase of 2 percent over student performance for last year.

Despite the overall increase, seven schools, or 43.8 percent of elementary schools in the county, saw decreases in their reading scores compared to last year for an average decrease of 4.4 percent.

Mr. La Cava said the test results will continue to be analyzed and staff will investigate how to better meet the students' needs to improve scores in the future.

The FCAT scores for students in the fourth through

10th grades will be released sometime this month.

In a recent school board meeting, Mr. La Cava said the school district once again earned top honors as a district.

The State Board of Education announced Indian River County is one of 13 districts in the state to be designated an academically high-performing school district.

The county has previously earned such a designation, but last year the title was revoked after a slight change in the size of a few classrooms in the district, putting it out of contention.

"We continue on the path of excellence, in spite of many challenges facing public education today," Mr. La Cava said in a press release.

"I am very proud of the hard work and dedication of the faculty and staff throughout this great organization," he said.

For more Indian River County School District news, visit [www.indianriver-schools.com](http://www.indianriver-schools.com).

## Center names new coordinator

For Hometown News NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Michell Washington has been named as the program coordinator for a new youth mentoring program at Hibiscus Children's Center.

Ms. Washington received an Indian River Impact 100 grant to implement a new career training program for youth, ages 15 to 17, who reside at the Hibiscus Village and in foster homes in the county.

This multi-phased mentorship program includes a partnership with seven other businesses and agencies to help prepare youth for independent living and to provide on the job training.

The collaborators are: Indian River State College, PNC Bank, Treasure Coast Builders Association, Indian River Chamber of Commerce, Vero-Indian River Kiwanis Club, Workforce Solutions and the Indian River County Sheriff's Department.

Each participant will be tested in literacy and math skills; asked about their likes and dislikes; interests; strengths and possible career pathways.

This will give these youths a start in gaining self-knowledge and help in future decision-making, planning and interviewing skills.

"We are excited to be implementing this new program to help prepare teens for their futures and to have Michell lead us in this important effort," said Tom Maher, chief executive officer.

"Michell has an extensive background in residential care, most recently as the director of operations at the Hibiscus Village, and is a master's level social worker. She has a great understanding of the needs of our children and we have all confidence in Michell's ability to manage a successful program," he said.

Hibiscus Children's Center, founded in 1985 by LaVaughn Tilton, is a nonprofit organization serving Martin, Indian River, Okeechobee and St. Lucie counties.

It operates a shelter in Jensen Beach and a village of group homes in Vero Beach. Hibiscus addresses the problem of abuse and neglect throughout the Treasure Coast with an expanded foster care program, mental health and substance abuse services, a prevention program to support families in crisis and services to reduce the number of families entering the dependency court system.

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# Police report

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## Sebastian Police Department

- Louis Thomas Pabon, 27, 1022 Forster Road, Sebastian, was charged with failure to appear in court on charges of burglary of an unoccupied dwelling, extortion and third-degree grand theft.
- Christopher William Rogers, 20, 6100 Rivergrove Drive, Micco, was charged with burglary of a dwelling with assault and battery and a misdemeanor charge of bat-

tery domestic violence.

- Timothy Allen Catapano, 21, 2636 105th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with theft.

## Indian River County Sheriff's Office

- Brett Riley Crisel, 27, 1455 90th Ave., Apt. 203, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, Oxycontin, without a prescription.
- Janelle Marie Erwin, 40, 460 13th Lane Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with battery on a law enforcement officer.
- Corey Evan Frey, 36, 491 12th St. Southeast, Vero Beach, was charged with pos-

session of methadone and failure to appear.

- Elvis Aaron Hope, 28, 1406 Southwest 18th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault.

- Johnny Lee Shedrick, 31, 6210 84th St., Vero Beach, was charged with robbery.

- Karl M. Wilson, 39, 1915 17th Ave. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

- Cierra Danielle Jennings, 24, 1385 32nd St., Vero Beach, was charged with scheme to defraud and a misdemeanor charge of shoplifting/retail

theft.

- Arthur Lee McDougald, 41, 4311 25th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine, tampering with or destroying evidence and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest

- Anthony Williams, 47, 1626 West 15th St., West Palm Beach, was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, possession of a firearm, ammunition or electric device by a convicted felon and hindering communication to 911.

- Walid Mohamed Elbanna, 27, Seven Vincent Avenue,

Buffalo, N.Y., was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for possession of a controlled substance.

- Paul Chester Whitfield, 40, 1265 35th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated battery on a pregnant woman, domestic violence.

- Mark Bradley Wright, 33, 901 Royal Palm Blvd., Vero Beach, was charged with tampering with or destroying evidence.

- Thomas Herbert Costa, 27, Four Aero Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for possession of hydrocodone.

- Vincent Michael McKinney, 19, 911 19th Place Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged

with theft and burglary.

- Jennifer Moore, 32, 1236 17th Ave. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated battery domestic violence and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.

- Anthony Musumeci, 43, 79 Blue Island St., Sebastian, was charged with burglary and a misdemeanor charge of petit theft.

## Florida Highway Patrol

- Teah Nannette Turnbaugh, 31, 231 Northwest Pleasant Grove Way, Port St. Lucie, was charged with driving while license suspended, habitual offender.

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## Ramp

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vital to the eco system. The project would call for the removal of some mangroves and the overall construction would impact their growth and success, detractors from the project say.

While the project has been in the conceptual stage for about five years, initial plans were completed and reviewed late last year and rejected by the Army Corps of Engineers and other agencies for being too intrusive and damaging to the environment and conservation lands around the Oslo ramp. County staff is hopeful that revisions will mitigate those concerns.

Local environmentalists and conservationists, such as members of the Pelican Island Audubon Society, have extreme reservations about taking out mangroves and damaging conservation wetlands for the project.

"It's an aquatic preserve adjacent to 440 acres of conservation area. The Oslo Riverfront Conservation

area is probably the finest conservation area in the county," said Richard Baker, president of the society.

Tearing down the mangroves and putting in a parking lot and dredging would not be a good idea at all, he said.

The wetland fill has been reduced to 1.61 acres from more than 3 acres by reducing the size of parking and relocating a storm-water pond offsite, Mr. Nixon said.

The storm-water pond would be in an upland location, instead of onsite, and plans for it have been sent to St. John's River Water Management District for permitting.

Moving the storm-water pond will also address concerns by members of the public who wanted to make sure a man-made ditch was preserved because it acts as a fish hatchery.

The parking area has been changed from more than 40 truck and trailer spaces at the outset, to a maximum of 12 trucks and trailer spaces.

The boat ramp has been in use for at least 60 years and is the only mainland

boat ramps that services south Indian River County.

It is accessible to small motorized boats, canoes, kayaks and wade fishermen, according to documents. There is a marked navigation channel that leads to the Intracoastal Waterway.

The changes to the site would also include a maintenance dredge, which is something that all channels undergo from time to time, Mr. Nixon said.

The depth of the water entry level varies from less than 1 foot to 3 feet at various times of the year. Dredging the area would help boaters get in and out easier, he said.

Oslo Road is unpaved at that area and paving it would increase safety and is currently in the plans, he added.

Deposits of sand and muck have factored into the surrounding sediment, making it extremely difficult to get through sometimes, Mr. Nixon said.

"It's a historical channel and we want to maintain its functionality," Mr. Nixon said.

## Obituaries

### Iris Margaret Beaupre

Iris Margaret Beaupre, 88, died May 20, 2011.

She was born in Dexter, Maine, and lived in Micco for nine years.

She is survived by a daughter, Mary; a sister, Marise; a son-in-law, Danny; and a granddaughter, Rebecca.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert; a daughter, Joy; a sister, Alma and a brother, Chib.

Arrangements by Strunk Funeral Home and Crematory.

### Bessie Lynette 'Nettie' Griffin Farran

Bessie Lynette "Nettie" Griffin Farran, 81, died May 23, 2011.

She was born in Brooks County, Ga.

She was a member of First

Baptist Church of Barefoot Bay.

She is survived by her husband of seven years, Donald; a son, Andy; two daughters, Sharron and Annette; a stepson, Dana; a brother, Jimmy; two sisters, Sue and Charlotte; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Woodrow.

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### Howard George Chickering

Howard George Chickering, 84, of Barefoot Bay, died May 25, 2011.

He was born in Queens, N.Y., and lived in Barefoot Bay for 14 years.

He served in the U.S. Navy.

He is survived by three daughters, Christine, Irene and Diane; three sons, Joseph, Robert and William; six stepchildren, Kathleen,

Charlene, Arthur, Jeanine, Brendan and Thomas; a sister Alice; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carole.

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### Beverly Jane Franklin

Beverly Jane Franklin, 83, of Sebastian, died May 27, 2011.

She was born in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and lived in Sebastian for 27 years.

She is survived by a daughter, Beverly; two sons Harold (Gail) and James (Kay); four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, James; four sisters, Melissa, Pauline, Lorraine and Betty and a brother, Jack.

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## Access all your information with free Web service

We live in an era where it is not uncommon for one person to depend on two or more computers. And it's not just computers! Where once only geeks carried PDAs now we have smart phones that rival some desktop systems in the hands of just about anyone who wants one.

Wouldn't it be nice if there was a way to access all of the "stuff" that you were currently working on no matter what device you were on?

Imagine being able to access the notes you jotted down on your laptop from in front of your desktop system, from your iPhone or even from that computer that they have in hotels near the front desk.

I've been playing around with a free web service this past week called Evernote and Evernote does just that, provides a secure place out there, in the Internet somewhere, (the "cloud") where you can gather together all of the thoughts and ideas that go through your head on any given day with very little effort.

Go to [www.evernote.com](http://www.evernote.com) and click the create an account link. The next page displays the following text along with a brief sign up form and a "captcha" thingy:

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Once you fill out the form and figure out the captcha thing, click the register button and you will be brought to a confirmation code page. There you are instructed to check the e-mail inbox for the e-mail address that you just entered and look for an e-mail from



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Evernote containing a confirmation code.

You should find an e-mail from Evernote with a small, five- to seven-character code. Double click the code to highlight it, right click the highlighted code and then click "copy."

Go back to the Evernote registration webpage and right click the confirmation code field and then click "paste." The confirmation code should appear in the confirmation code box.

Make a note of the username and then click the complete registration button to bring you to the sign in sheet. Verify the username is correct and then enter the password you entered in the initial registration screen and click sign in.

This brings you to the Evernote Web interface. It's kind of a central access point where all of our synchronized items can be accessed without any special software, which is great for checking something from that computer in the hotel lobby.

But how do these notes get in here in the first place? Well, we're not done yet.

The next thing we want to do is something that we do from all of the devices (computers, laptops, smart phones etc.) we have daily access to. At the bottom left of the Evernote home page (the page you get to after you sign in) you should see a download link. Click it and open the downloads page. This page will ask you where you will be using Evernote and gives you options ranging from Mac OSX to Windows to Palm Pre, iPhone, Blackberry and more.

Click the icon representing what kind of machine you are installing on and then click the "get Evernote" button.

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## Trek raises much-needed funds



Bill Penney, president and CEO of Marine Bank, made his way through MacWilliam Park area last Saturday on his way to completing his 'Bill Skate 55' to raise money for the American Red Cross. This year, Mr. Penney turns 55 and he chose that to be his new milestone by riding from South Beach to Sebastian Inlet on a 55-mile course. He raised \$7,000 for the American Red Cross and additional \$500 for the United Way and \$100 for the American Cancer Society.

**Cliff Partlow**  
staff photographer

## Rants & raves

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### Take your blinders off

Reading some of the rants in *Hometown News* very often leaves me wondering if the writers really believe the stuff their spewing.

Some blame everything that is wrong with the world on Obama. Seriously? How can people be so uneducated? Uninformed? I'm not sure what their problem may be, but wow, take those blinders off, please.

### Rant on drivers

I have a rant. I would like to know why drivers in this city are so rude. It doesn't matter if the driver is a man, woman, young adult or teenager. It also doesn't matter if it is out on the street or in a gated community. Drivers will cut in front of you, cut you off, or cut you out. They tailgate, drive too fast or drive too slow, make left turns from the right lane, or right turns from the middle lane, pull out of a driveway without looking, back out of a parking space without looking, or try to pass you in a no passing zone.

In gated communities where the posted speed is 17 or 25 mph, you can find people driving 40 to 45 mph and higher, obviously in a hurry to either get in or get out of the community with little regard for others.

Residents have a bad attitude about driving. No, the road does not belong to you! If you left earlier for your destination you could drive like a normal person and not like a jerk.

### About Rick Scott

Simply stated, Rick Scott is the biggest mistake Florida voters have ever made. The only thing he is doing is lining his pockets. What a bunch of idiots who elected this fool into office. When he starts taking from you, then you'll see the error of your ways.

### Flawed candidates

Leftist critics say that each of the Republican candidates have flaws. We recall Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton. He came from a small, poor southern state. He had absolutely no foreign affairs experience.

Of course, he had lots of experience with ladies who were not his wife. Talk about flawed candidates.

### Destroying education

A 2009 poll found that even in the worst performing public schools, less than 1 percent of teachers were deemed unsatisfactory by administrators.

It is no wonder that half of the students can't read or write up to grade level. The last in, first out seniority policy is destroying America's competitive edge.

Granting tenure makes it almost impossible to get rid of poor teachers who are vigorously protected by the teachers unions. Apparently some teachers are just going through the motions. It is time for change.

### Don't force unions

Without exception, right-to-work states do better than states which are dominated by labor unions.

When a man is forced to join a union he is far less motivated to do an excellent job than when he is totally free.

Volkswagen has just opened a nonunion plant near Chattanooga, Tenn., where workers will earn wages and salaries averaging \$27 per hour. The move ratchets up the competitive pressure on Detroit's "Big Three" auto makers, where union workers get an average of \$52 per hour. The state of Tennessee and the workers there benefit. Michigan and the workers there are the losers. Florida should learn from this experience.

### Lesson from New Jersey

Under the guidance of Gov. Chris Christie, New Jersey is making a bit of progress. Business leaders just surveyed say the state is becoming a friendlier place to do business, but still fares worse than most other states.

Three-quarters of CEOs report that the state, thanks to Christie, is becoming more responsive to companies' needs. The survey was conducted by Rutgers University and the New Jersey Business and Industry Association.

Republican leadership does make a difference.

### Waste of sand

How incredibly hypocritical to pump sand onto America's beaches only to witness it to being swept out to sea with the first storm. This charade happens year after year. But do politicians learn? Of course, not because they get campaign contributions from those who benefit. Last year we spent more than \$100 million on such waste.

President Obama learned nothing from the futility of this adventure, because he now wants to spend \$148 million in the next budget year.

Florida coastal activists hit the nail on the head when he said, "It's just a bailout for the rich who build homes in dumb places."

### Housing pay-off

So-called Section 8 housing is a payoff. It is a payoff to the politicians who pander to the Section 8 recipients. It is a payoff to the Section 8 recipients who then support these politicians.

Welfare is a problem. Food stamps are a problem. Medical cards are a problem. But Section 8 housing is the frosting on the cake, a very expensive frosting. How does your Congressman stand on these giveaways?

### Shady dealings

It really is irritating what some businesses will do to get our money. Be very thoughtful before you accept a free sample offer online. The hooker is that you have to pay the shipping and handling and they need your credit card number for that.

Later on, you discover that you have somehow agreed to further automatic shipments of the greatly overpriced product, and it is very difficult to get out of this "contract." "Caveat emptor" (buyer beware) seems to be the motto of such companies.

### On healthcare

When President Obama first proposed his government takeover of the nation's health care, opponents warned his plan would lead to rationing.

These people were characterized as obstructionist and negative.

Now, however, the government has announced plans to set up Medicare spending per beneficiary, which is the first step before saying that we're spending too much on grandma.

No matter how they try to spin the truth, they cannot have it both ways.

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## Organization adds to board

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TREASURE COAST — Robin Blanton has been selected as the new board chairman of the Visiting Nurse Association of the Treasure Coast.

"I am honored to work with an experienced corps of civic volunteers dedicated to VNA's mission of providing the highest quality health care services to the residents of Indian River County," Mr. Blanton said.

Prior to receiving this designation, Mr. Blanton served as vice chairman of the VNA of the Treasure Coast board and as board chairman of the VNA of Indian River County

board. The VNA of the Treasure Coast provides home healthcare services, including Medicare-reimbursed and private-duty nursing; home health aides; physical, speech and occupational therapy; in-home companions and personal transportation throughout the Treasure Coast.

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Robin Blanton



Bill Schell, a lightning-corrosion weather technician for Erdman Video Systems, makes repairs to the web cam on the north jetty of the Sebastian Inlet State Park last Thursday. Erdman Video Systems operates 250 web cameras world wide, and a dozen or so along the southeast. Go to [Sebastianinletcam.com](http://Sebastianinletcam.com) to view images of the jetty, inlet and surfing area.

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# Administrator elected to national board

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TREASURE COAST — Ann Hubbard of Indian River State College has been elected as a distinguished practitioner-member of the National Academies of Practice.

Dr. Hubbard was installed at a gala membership banquet on March 26, in Arlington, Va., where the National Academies of Practice inducted new members from 10 healthcare professions.

Dr. Hubbard currently serves as administrative director of nursing in the Health Science Division at IRSC.

The National Academies of Practice was founded in 1981 in recognition of the need for interdisciplinary collaboration in healthcare.

It is comprised of distinguished practitioners and scholars from all of the primary health professions now including 10 disciplines: dentistry,



Ann Hubbard

nursing, optometry, osteopathic medicine, medicine, psychology, podiatric medicine, social work, veterinary medicine and pharmacy.

Only 150 distinguished members can be elected to membership, so selection is indeed an honor.

Each year, the NAP sponsors a forum on public policy issues. This year's meeting focused on achieving interdisciplinary care.

For more information about the NAP, visit [www.NAPpractice.org](http://www.NAPpractice.org).

# Students get a break at the inlet



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

About 40 students from Storm Grove Middle School, Sebastian River middle and high schools, spent a day in the tide pool at Sebastian Inlet State Park last Thursday. The students take part in the community based instruction several times a month. Becca Roan of Storm Grove Middle School spent some of her time building sand castles.

## Compute

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any other software (and yes, it's safe, it checks out just fine) and do the same for each machine you use regularly. This way, no matter what machine you are using, if something strikes your fancy and you want to remember it, you can just "clip it" right to Evernote and then all of your machines will have access.

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Sean McCarthy fixes computers. He can be reached at (772) 408-0680 or [help@ComputeThisOnline.com](mailto:help@ComputeThisOnline.com) (no hyphens).

Abbey Stadelman, an assistant in at Storm Grove Middle School, gives Cynthia Taylor a piggyback ride back to the shore during an outing at Sebastian Inlet State Park last Thursday. She and about 40 others took part in a program for individuals with autism at Storm Grove Middle and Sebastian River middle and high schools.



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## Adoption orientation slated for June 30

For Hometown News  
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TREASURE COAST — Children's Home Society of Florida, Treasure Coast Division, is hosting an adoption orientation session at 5:30 p.m. on June 30 at the Early Learning Coalition of St. Lucie County office, located at 804 S. Sixth

St., in Fort Pierce. This informative, casual and free open house-style orientation will provide an overview of foster care, adoption and answer all questions related to adoption and CHS' adoption process.

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Cathy Farrington and her fiancée, Benny O'Carroll, enjoy a drink at the bar with Sid Heininger as Martin Hammill, co-owner of the Pig and Whistle Pub in Sebastian, serves them. Mr. Hammill served in the British Merchant Marines for 20 years and decided to bring the jovial and relaxed British pub atmosphere to the Treasure Coast, first in Fort Pierce, then to Sebastian.

Staff photo by Jessica Tuggle



**STAR SCOPES**  
James Tucker  
Week of 6-10-2011

**Aries-March 21-April 19**  
You have a full plate in life. You could say this is a feast in your honor. Everyone knows how responsible you are. Just be careful you don't get indigestion by taking on more than you can digest. Everyone has limits. Choice comes from instincts. Be open to listening and everything will work out well.

**Taurus-April 20-May 20**  
Recent insight and learning has given ideas about how to make life work more smoothly. You are a tireless worker. You can always be counted on. You are always there for your friends. You have a good heart and spirit. These are the main tools for happiness. Just be sure to take care of your own emotional needs as well.

**Gemini-May 21-June 21**  
Gemini is an air sign. Air represents the mind and communications. You were born to reach out and influence other's lives. The key to a sharp clear mind is an open, loving heart. Kind-minded Gemini's keep these channels open. The heart is the motivator to action. When you achieve positive results it's because you are open and flowing.

**Cancer-June 22-July 22**  
A moon child is a water sign. Water represents the heart and emotions. You were born with a great heart and you know how to use it. It is like radar monitoring the energy of those around you. You are sensitive to this energy. This strong nature makes you a star in service and help to family and friends. No one does it better.

**Leo-July 23-Aug. 22**  
Get focused, stay on the edge and take care of details. The big things are made up of many little things. Touch all the bases on your journey. You have a double set of skills. You work well as an individual but you also are an excellent team player. This dual leadership is a great asset when starting, managing and finishing prime projects.

**Virgo-Aug. 23-Sept. 22**  
You have a strong belief in doing things right. This is a major factor in your person- See SCOPES, B3

## Sebastian pub known as place for authentic fish 'n chips

By Jessica Tuggle  
jtuggle@hometownnewsol.com

SEBASTIAN — What do swine and a whistle have to do with a fun time? Look no further for the answer than the Pig and Whistle Pub in Sebastian's River Walk Plaza. The Pig and Whistle Pub offers a relaxed and intimate bar and dining experience that captures the essence of traditional English pubs right here in Indian River County. "We're the only British pub on the Treasure

Coast," said Eileen Hammill, who owns the business with her husband, Martin. Bangers and mash, fish and chips, scotch eggs and sarneys may sound like secret code to many first-time pub visitors, but the taste of the British food is anything but secret. Delicate, flaky cod cooked in a homemade beer batter recipe and served with "chips," or French fries, on a wax newsprint replica is the favorite of most patrons

and attracts newcomers weekly. "It's mostly word-of-mouth. People always say we have the best fish and chips in town. People ask me about the recipe for the batter and I always tell them, 'If I told you, I'd have to kill you,'" said Mrs. Hammill with a laugh. The Hammills have their roles in the business worked out, with Mr. Hammill regaling customers with stories and running the bar and Mrs. Hammill working hard in

the kitchen to prepare all the meals. "This is a true mom and pop place, because mom and pop are always here," said Lorraine Snyder, a longtime employee. Specialties of the house include British foods and appetizers such as cottage pie and pig in a sty, but there is something for everyone on the menu, even grilled cheese for the kids. "There is a variety of food here, from salads to burgers to fried fish. Even if you're on a diet you can

eat here," said Ms. Hammill. The walls are adorned with soccer or futbol scarves, gifted to the Hammills from patrons who come to the pub to watch their teams play on the four flat screen TVs around the bar. "This is where the locals come to meet and eat. If you don't know anyone at the bar when you come in, by the time you leave, you know everyone," said Ms. Snyder.

See PUB, B2

## Out & about

### SATURDAY, JUNE 11

- **Free seminar to focus on veterans benefits** at Isles of Vero Beach retirement community at 1:30 p.m. The seminar, led by Duane Levesque from American Association of Wartime Veterans, will shed light on the little-known Department of Veterans Affairs' Aid and Attendance benefit program, which provides veterans and surviving spouses up to \$1,949 per month, tax-free. Thousands of veterans and surviving spouses are eligible, but many are unaware these benefits exist. Isles of Vero Beach, located at 1700 Waterford Drive in Vero Beach.
- **The Humanists at Barefoot Bay** will meet in the South Mainland Library, 7921 Ron Beatty Blvd., Micco, at noon, for a viewing of the second hour of Richard Dawkins' "Root of All Evil."

There is no charge for this public service of Humanists at Barefoot Bay. For more information, call (772) 567-3416 or e-mail erikabab@hotmail.com.

- **"Vegas meets Branson"** in comedy and song featuring Pat Capuzzi, a Las Vegas comedian for more than 20 years, and Trey Dees, winner of Bransons' 2010 CD of the Year, will be together for an exciting show at St. Sebastian Church, Sebastian. For ticket information, call (772) 589-5790 or visit www.stsebastian.com.
- The annual **Dance Space Spectacular show** will be held at the Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Dance styles performed will include jazz, ballet, lyrical, modern, tap and hip hop. Tickets are \$20 and are on sale at the VBHS box office and will be available at the door. All

seating is reserved. To purchase tickets, call (772) 564-5537. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. Visit [www.dancespacevero.com](http://www.dancespacevero.com) for more information. The Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center is located at 1707 16th St., Vero Beach.

- **Beach blanket sock hop:** The Oceanside Business Association sunset Saturday night concert series presents a beach blanket sock hop with music by the Beach Cruisers, from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Humiston Park on Ocean Drive in Vero Beach. Featured charity is Youth Guidance. For more information, visit [www.VeroBeachOBA.com](http://www.VeroBeachOBA.com).

### THURSDAY, JUNE 16

- **Vero Beach Orchid Society** will host a meeting at 7 p.m. Speakers, raffle, show and tell. Garden Club of IRC, 2526 17th Ave., Vero Beach.

For more information, call (772) 713-5165.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 17

- **Join Fred Mazza, the "Fossil Guy,"** at the North Indian River County Library from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Mazza is the founder and president of Paleo Discoveries, which is dedicated to educating young people about Florida's rich and varied fossil history. Admission is free and open to children ages 3 and up. Tickets are required and may be obtained at the children's service desk. For more information, call (772) 589-1355. The library is located at 1001 Sebastian Blvd.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 18

- **The Democratic Women's Club of Indian River County** will hold a potluck luncheon on at the Indian River County

Main Library in the multi-purpose room. The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. and featured guest speaker will be the Rev. Denny Hart of the Indian River NAACP. For more information, call (772) 234-3473 or e-mail [linmacd@gmail.com](mailto:linmacd@gmail.com).

- **An evening at the ballet** begins at 7 p.m. Admission cost: \$8 students/seniors, \$12 adults. Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center, 1707 16th St. The performance will include excerpts from "Sleeping Beauty," "Giselle" and original choreography to Gershwin's three piano preludes. The performers will include professional dancers Barry and Amy Trammell, as well as students from the Vero Classical Ballet. To order tickets, visit [www.veroclassicalballet.com](http://www.veroclassicalballet.com).

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## Pub

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"It's very much like a 'Cheers' bar," said Mrs. Hammill, referring to the television sitcom popular in the 1980s.

Mr. Hammill keeps the drinks moving and the chatter going from his place behind the bar, charming patrons with his stories, British accent and British-size pints of Guinness and other imported or domestic beers.

"We serve a true British pint here, a 20-ounce pint, not the American 16-ounce pint and we have 10 beers on tap, seven are imported," Mrs. Hammill said.

Benny O'Carroll, a world traveler, musician and regular customer at the Pig and Whistle, enjoys spending time talking to people and drinking Guinness at the bar.

The beer, which is not known for traveling well, is not carried by too many bars in the area, but of all of them, the taste at the Pig and Whistle is the most comparable to it back home, he said.

"From an Irishman, I can tell you truly it's the best pint in Sebastian," said Mr. O'Carroll.

The Hammills moved their restaurant to the River Walk Plaza last October and have enjoyed being in an area where international cuisine is celebrated.

"Where can you go from America to England to the West Indies to Italy, America again and then China all in 5 minutes? In the River Walk Plaza, love," said Mr. Hammill.

*The Pig and Whistle Pub is located at 13409 U.S. 1, Sebastian, inside the River Walk Plaza. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call (772) 581-5740.*

## They came to learn to row



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

The Indian River Rowing Club increased their membership to nearly 100 last Saturday during the 10th annual national Learn How to Row Day at MacWilliam Park. The club brought eight- and 10-man sweep boats and anyone who wanted to learn, got to go for a ride. For more information call, (772) 539-1752.

## Center seeking men's items

For Hometown News  
NewsFP@hometownnewsol.com

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Source, a Christian outreach center for the homeless and families at-risk, is in desperate need of men's shorts, sizes 30-36; men's jeans, sizes 30-40; men's underwear, sizes small, medium and large and men's T-shirts sizes large and up.

The current economic crisis has affected many in the community. Those

who once gave to the center are now clients.

The doors are open six days a week to provide people in need with nourishment for the body and soul.

The ministry offers daily hot meals, an emergency food pantry, clothing, showers, counseling, support groups and a host of other services.

The Source is located at 1015 Commerce Ave., in Vero Beach.

For more information, call (772) 564-0202.

Lois Bowne of Vero Beach was one of 100 or so participants who took free rowing lessons at the 10th annual national Learn How to Row Day Saturday at MacWilliam Park. This is the Indian River Rowing Club's third year of sponsoring the event. For more information go to [indianriverrowingclub.com](http://indianriverrowingclub.com)



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# Girls receive award for food project



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Members of Girl Scout Troop 2010 received the prestigious Bronze Award at Liberty Magnet Elementary School. Front row, from left: Anna Katherine Goodin, Sara Fontaine, Skylar Carstairs, Delaney Adkins, Alysa Kormanec, Zoe Nevins and Sammie Schulman. Back row, from left: Emma Grotke, Abigail Weiss, Paris Pageau, Lynnsey Haywood and Heather Nevins.

**For Hometown News**  
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SEBASTIAN — Members of Girl Scout Troop 2010 will receive the prestigious Bronze Award at Liberty Magnet Elementary School in Wabasso on June 3.

This is the highest service honor available to scouts in their age group.

All members of Girl Scout Troop 2010 are in the fourth grade at Liberty Magnet.

At the beginning of the school year, Principal Dale

Klaus informed all students that several Liberty families had fallen on hard times and the school would collect canned food donations for them.

The Girl Scouts wanted to help these families, as well as many others in Indian River County. They started with a canned food drive. Then, remembering the importance of eating fresh fruits and vegetables as they learned in school, the girls were inspired to do more.

The Troop approached

Hale Groves, whose Wabasso store manager, Mara Marsocci, agreed to help. Hale's generously provided 16 weekly donations of fruit.

The Girl Scouts delivered these donations to Treasure Coast Elementary School, for their "Backpack Buddies" program, which provides food to 39 families in need on a weekly basis.

Troop 2010 also delivered fruit to Redlands Christian Migrant Association Child Care Center in Wabasso.

RCMA cares for the chil-

dren of 32 migrant farm worker families.

In addition to Hale Grove's weekly donations, fresh produce was also provided by Countryside Citrus and Osceola Organics.

For their Bronze Award, the Girl Scouts were also required to earn six merit badges relating to their project. This included studying such topics as community service, values, nutrition, the history tradition and the global reach of girl scouting.

## Scopes

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al, professional and social success. When you get that "right" feeling nothing can slow you down or stop you from victory over life. Your large reservoir of love, patience and understanding is icing on the cake. A sweet life is on the way.

**Libra-Sept. 23-Oct. 22**  
Live life like there is no tomorrow. True, you have to plan for tomorrow, but stay focused on doing what you love today. Staying centered and following your heart is the key to happiness. Your passion for life is another of your special gifts. If your heart isn't in it, don't do it. Life is going your way. Nothing can stop you now.

**Scorpio-Oct. 23-Nov. 21**  
Keep striving for spiritual balance. Stay active and keep moving. Focus on fun things and laugh a lot. If it doesn't bring joy, don't do it. Resist acting until you feel inspiration. Then bring your visions into realities. When you live this way you honor the ancient universal law of be fruitful and multiply.

**Sagittarius-Nov. 22-Dec. 21**  
Courage in the face of adversity is one of your greatest virtues. When the chips are down, you keep an eye on the goal and keep on keeping on. You make a good captain of the ship. You always bring it safely through the storm.

Be sure to take a break after meeting great challenges. This recharge time gives you the vision and energy for the next journey.

**Capricorn-Dec. 22-Jan. 19**  
When you choose to let your higher nature and purpose guide you, you find patience and wiser decisions are made. The lower nature ruled by the ego wants it all now. Separate positive ideas from the negatives and work on the most important positives first. Your inner guidance will tell you when to act. This is a winning formula.

**Aquarius-Jan. 20-Feb. 18**  
Strong attention to details continues to bring positive results to your life. Another reason is the good heartedness and nurturing you give others. Life, adventure and nature are your true domains. You calculate the odds and then take action. These three virtues separate you from the masses and make you a champion in all you try.

**Pisces-Feb. 19-March 20**  
Pisces is the omega of the zodiac family. Your strong, sensitive inner nature and guidance is the fuel for your spirit. You refuse to let the world or negative people pull you too far away from your center. Give thanks daily for this greatest of universal blessings. It is the light and power to keep you going no matter what challenge is facing you.

— James Tucker

## Out

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TUESDAY, JUNE 28

• **The Buggy Bunch**, a nonprofit moms' group comprised of more than 800 members, will host a leadership recruitment dessert from 8-9:30 p.m. at Frosting Cupcakes, in Vero Beach. Visit [www.thebuggybunch.com](http://www.thebuggybunch.com) where members can post pictures, chat instantly and

have access to a calendar of events. Members are encouraged to attend the recruitment dessert and learn more about volunteering in the areas of: event planning, fundraising, social networking, correspondence, education, website management, marriage, church and ministry, newsletter and more. Cupcakes, coffee and cookies will be provided. *RSVP by going online to [www.thebuggybunch.com](http://www.thebuggybunch.com) events or call (772) 766-2015.*

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

• **Musicians United for Haiti**, 7 p.m. at Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center, 1707 16th St., Vero Beach. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased at [www.MusiciansUnitedforHaiti.com](http://www.MusiciansUnitedforHaiti.com). Tickets will also be sold at the door the night of the performance for \$35. The concert will feature solos and collaborations between various performers, including both instrumental music and songs. For more information, visit [www.MusiciansUnitedforHaiti.com](http://www.MusiciansUnitedforHaiti.com).

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ONGOING EVENTS

• **Sunset Saturday night concerts:** The Oceanside Business Association of Vero Beach's Sunset Saturday night concerts moves to Humiston Park and Ocean Drive April 9 through November. The Idol Gossip Swing/Big Band will perform from 6:30-9:30 p.m. It's free, bring your friends and family. For more information, visit [www.VeroBeachOBA.com](http://www.VeroBeachOBA.com).

• **Sunset at the plaza** sponsored by Mulligan's Beach House will have arts, crafts, live music, kids eat free and more every Thursday from 5-8 p.m. at the Vero Beach Mulligan's, 1025 Beachland Blvd., Vero Beach.

ART GALLERIES

• **Artists Guild Gallery**, 1974 14th Ave., Vero Beach. Call (772) 299-1234 or visit [www.artistsguildgalleryverobeach.com](http://www.artistsguildgalleryverobeach.com).

• **The Gallery at Windsor**, 10680 Belvedere Square, Vero Beach. By appointment only. (772) 388-4071.

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Jared 'JC' Ford, a student at Indian River Charter High School, earned first place in the Florida State Yo-Yo Contest, earning him the title of best 5a yo-yo-er in the state.



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Indian River State College students were honored as members of the 2011 All-Florida Academic Team representing the best college students in the state. From left: Katrina Linares, Terry Gott, Brett Bailey, Sheryl Wells, Edwin Massey, IRSC president, Shanna Furphy, Dillan Spaulding, Lisa Coleman and Brad Petri.

## Students honored for making academic team

For Hometown News  
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TREASURE COAST — Ten Indian River State College students were honored as members of the IRSC's 2011 All-Florida Academic Team representing the best college students in the state.

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The IRSC 2011 All-Florida Academic Team members enrolled in the IRSC associ-

ate's degree program are: Terry Gott, of Stuart, majoring in business administration; Katrina Linares, 19, of Stuart, majoring in radiography technology; Bradley Petri, 43, of Vero Beach, majoring in business administration; Dillan Spaulding, 18, of Port St. Lucie, majoring in musical studies; and Laura Walko, 49, of Satellite Beach, majoring in marketing management.

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# With a little work, eggplant can be delicious

**H**ello, smart shoppers. Eggplant is the dinner of the day. Everyone is familiar with eggplant Parmesan. It's served in every Italian restaurant and always high in fat. I will give you a variation of both the regular and a virtually fat-free choice.

A while ago, I made two small casseroles, one regular and one low fat (when using grated Italian cheese it is impossible to make a totally fat-free dish). When my husband looked at his plate he questioned the two separate portions.

"They are made differently, one the regular way and one is low fat. Your job is to tell me which is which and better," I said.

How he hates it when I do that. He didn't think it was fair to put him on the spot. Believe it or not, he said it was impossible to tell the difference.

Eggplant is a vegetable that needs a lot of help to make it palatable. It contains a lot of iron and can be bitter. When it's fried it absorbs oil like nothing you've ever cooked before. If eggplant is salted it removes the bitterness and changes its oil-absorbing properties. This extra step takes a little



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time but I think it's well worth it. The end result is a better tasting and lower-fat meal.

Then, enjoy an eggplant recipe from my granddaughter. Enjoy, see you next week!

## EGGPLANT PARMESAN Serves 4

- 3 medium eggplant
- Salt
- 2 eggs or egg whites or equivalent amount of egg substitute
- 1/2-cup water
- 1 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon parsley flakes
- Grated Italian cheese
- 1/4-teaspoon black pepper
- Canola oil
- Two 8-ounce cans tomato sauce
- 1 large clove garlic, peeled and chopped
- 1/4-teaspoon oregano
- Dash of salt and pepper
- 8 ounces mozzarella, regular or low-fat

Peel eggplant, slice in 1/4-inch rounds. Layer eggplant in a large colander and sprinkle each layer with salt. Place colander on a dish or in the sink. Put a plate on top of the eggplant and top it with a pot full of water to weight it down. Let sit for one to two hours. A brown liquid will drip out of the colander. When the time is up, rinse several slices of eggplant at a time and squeeze. They will feel like a wet rag.

There are many different ways of preparing eggplant. I do not use bread crumbs, they absorb too much oil. A flour then eggwash process will minimize the oil needed.

Beat the eggs and water together. On a plate mix flour, pepper and parsley. Dredge slices in flour mixture, then in egg wash. Fry in a small amount of canola oil until golden on each side. Drain on paper towels.

Place a little sauce in an ovenproof casserole. Layer eggplant with a sprinkling of grated cheese, slices of mozzarella and some sauce. Continue layering, ending with sauce. Bake at 350 for 20 to 30 minutes until heated through. Any kind of

tomato sauce can be used. When making your own, use a little oil from the fried eggplant, it enhances the flavor.

Saute garlic in oil. Add tomato sauce and equal amount of water. Add seasonings, let cook for about 10 minutes.

## LOW-FAT EGGPLANT PARMESAN

Prepare eggplant as in original recipe, but do not fry. Generously treat a cookie sheet with cooking spray. Place eggplant on sheet in single file, spray tops generously. Bake at 425 for 15 minutes until browned.

Prepare sauce without using oil, substitute cooking spray. Prepare casserole and bake as per regular recipe.

## BAKED EGGPLANT SANDWICHES (NIB) Serves 4

My granddaughter, Christy, is a vegetarian and sent me this recipe; it's one of her favorites.

- Extra virgin olive oil, 2 tablespoons or enough to coat pans

- 2 cups Italian bread crumbs
- Dash salt and pepper
- 1 cup flour
- 1 egg
- 1/4-cup water
- 1 large eggplant, cut crosswise in 1/3-inch slices (peeled or unpeeled, your choice)
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/4-cup finely chopped onion
- 3 cloves peeled and minced garlic
- 8 ounces goat cheese
- 1 cup finely shredded provolone cheese
- 2 tablespoons each fresh parsley and basil, chopped
- Black pepper
- 1 avocado, peeled and sliced
- 1/2 cucumber, sliced

Preheat oven to 450. Coat 2 large baking sheets with olive oil. Use 3 bowls, one for breadcrumbs mixed with salt and pepper, one for beaten egg with water, one for flour. Coat each slice of eggplant with flour, dip in egg wash, then coat with breadcrumbs. Place on sheets.

Bake for 12 minutes on each side until golden brown. Remove from oven, cool slightly, leaving oven on.

Meanwhile, in a skillet over medium heat, add 1 tablespoon oil. Add the onion, cook until almost tender then add the garlic. Cook for about 1 minute.

Remove from heat, stir in the cheeses, parsley and basil. Sprinkle with pepper. Divide the cheese mixture among 8 eggplant slices (half of them). Spread to cover; top with remaining slices, pressing to compact. Return to baking sheets; bake until eggplant is crisp, about 15 minutes.

After removing from oven, open each sandwich and add avocado and cucumber.

*When a recipe is not in my cookbook it will have (NIB) next to the title.*

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# Clubs & classes

## CLUBS

• **The GFWC Treasure Coast Women** meet the first Monday of each month at the Community Center, 2266 14th Ave., at 7 p.m. Women over 18 are welcome. This is a community service volunteer organization and that promotes fellowship among women. For more information, visit [www.gfwctreasurecoast-women.org](http://www.gfwctreasurecoast-women.org)

• **Exchange Club of Indian River** meets Wednesdays from noon-1 p.m. at Culinary Capers, 737 22nd St., Vero Beach. This civic club is a group of men and women working together to make the community a better place to live. For more information, call (772) 532-4398, e-mail to [bluewateropen@gmail.com](mailto:bluewateropen@gmail.com), or visit, [www.exchangeclubofindianriver.org](http://www.exchangeclubofindianriver.org) and [www.bluewateropen.org](http://www.bluewateropen.org).

• **The Sebastian Fishin' Chic's** meet the last Thursday of the month, at the Sebastian Entertainment Center. For more information, call Michelle Barkley, at (772) 473-9462, Kristen Beck, at (772) 794-9900, or Karen Herndon, at (772) 633-2043.

• **The Mental Health Association in Indian River County** bipolar support

group will meet at the Mental Health Association offices at 777 37th St., Suite D-105, Vero Beach, on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Family members and loved ones are also welcome to attend. For more information, call (772) 569-9788.

• **Treasure Coast Archeological Society for Treasure Hunting and Metal Detecting** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the North County Indian River Library on County Road 512 in Sebastian. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information, call (321) 388-9047.

• **Humanists at Barefoot Bay** meets the second Saturday of every month at the South Mainland Library, 7921 Ron Beatty Blvd., Micco, at 2 p.m. All compassionate and critical thinkers are invited. For more information, call (772) 664-0170, or e-mail [downeast\\_ggo@bellsouth.net](mailto:downeast_ggo@bellsouth.net) et.

• **TOPS 641:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Chapter No. 641 meets every Thursday at the Roseland Fire Department, located on 129th Court, off Roseland Road in Sebastian. Weigh-in is from 7:45 to 8:30 a.m. and

the meeting starts at 8:30 a.m. For information call (772)-589-8445.

• **TOPS 470:** Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Micco Chapter No. 470 meets every Friday at 10:30 a.m. at the South Mainland Library, 7921 Ron Beatty Blvd., Micco, next to Barefoot Bay. New members are always welcome. For more information, call (772) 388-3984.

• **Rotary Club of Sebastian** meets at 12:15 p.m. every Thursday at Sebastian River Medical Center, 13695 U.S. 1, Sebastian. For more information, call (772) 360-5837 or visit [www.sebastianrotaryclub.org](http://www.sebastianrotaryclub.org).

• **Quilting bee:** Join the ladies of Christ the King Lutheran Church for quilting the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Christ the King is located at 1301 Sebastian Blvd., Sebastian. For more information, call (772) 589-7117.

• **Personal Computer Users Club** meets at 7 p.m. the second Wednesday of each month at the North County Library, 1001 County Road 512, Sebastian. For more information, call (772) 388-5248.

• **COPE Support Group:** The Indian River County Council on Aging with the

Visiting Nurse Association offers a support group to help caregivers cope with the day-to-day care of a loved one. The group meets the third Thursday of every month from 10 to 11 a.m. in the Presbyterian Church, 1405 Louisiana Ave., Sebastian. For more information, call (772) 569-0760.

• **Democratic Club of Barefoot Bay:** Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. in Building D-E at the Golf Course in Barefoot Bay. For more information, call (772) 664-3895.

• **Asthmatics meets on Mondays** at 4:30 p.m., in the South mainland community center, 3700 Allen Ave., Micco. Cost is \$5 per class.

• **Chess Club** meets the first and third Monday each month from 4 to 6 p.m. at the North Indian River County Library, 1001 Sebastian Blvd., Sebastian. Open

to all ages.

• **American Cancer Society,** North Indian River, board of directors meeting is held on the third Thursday of the month at noon at Seacoast National Bank, U. S. 1, Sebastian.

• **Man-to-Man North Indian River, prostate cancer support group,** meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Sebastian River Medical Center dining room, 13695 U.S. 1, Sebastian

## CLASSES

• **The Sebastian Community Center,** located at 1805 N. Central Ave. in Sebastian will have the following dance lessons:

Swing dance lessons will be held at on the second Saturday of each month, taught by instructors Jerry Morrison and Michele Holm at 7 p.m. For all levels of dancers. Open dance fol-

lows the lesson at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10, and includes entry to the dance that follows. Snacks will be provided and water is available for purchase.

Swing dance lessons for beginners will be held every Wednesday night, taught by instructors Morrison and Holm at 7:30 p.m. Intermediate class at 8:30 p.m. No partners necessary. The class is \$10 per class or \$16 for both. The Sebastian Community Center is located at 1805 N. Central Ave., Sebastian.

For more information call (772) 532-2800.

• **Yoga classes** will be offered at the North Indian River County Library on the third Wednesday of each month from 4-5 p.m., with instructor Babaji Spina from the Kashi School of Yoga. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, call (772) 589-1355.

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- **Earl's Hideaway Lounge and Tiki Bar,** 1405 Indian River Drive, Sebastian. Live Delta Blues music Tuesday nights by Ernie Southern. (772) 589-5700, (772) 388-2597 or [www.earlshideaway.com](http://www.earlshideaway.com).
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# Swim team forming

For Hometown News  
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Gifford Aquatic Center will offer a summer recreation swim team.

This is a great way for children to be introduced to the sport of swimming in a low-key competitive setting.

Participants will work on stroke improvement and team building. Space limited to 30 swimmers.

The program runs from June 13 – Aug. 6 with practice schedule as Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 7:30-9 a.m.

Total cost is \$45 per swimmer for the season.

Bring swim goggles, towel, water bottle, and swim suits to practices.

For more information, call (772) 770-5312.

# Orlando resort offers home away from home

Most people, when they travel, eventually look forward to the moment they arrive back home, back to the comfort of their own bed, favorite recliner and television remote. My family is one of the exceptions.

When we travel to Orlando, we stay at our "home away from home," the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort ([www.rosenshinglecreek.com](http://www.rosenshinglecreek.com)), and dread the day we have to load up the van for the short trip home.

Located just a short drive from Universal Studios, Sea World and Disney World, as well as being a few blocks from the Orange County Convention Center, the Rosen Shingle Creek sits in the heart of the world's No. 1 vacation and convention destination, yet just far enough away to avoid the traffic and bustle.

This premier Rosen property boasts exemplary service and luxury accommodations in a 1,500-room hotel, a meeting and convention center, luxury day spa, fine dining and lounges, four pools, tennis courts and, of course, a great golf course.



GOLF JAMES STAMMER

I've learned over the years that if I wish to get away during the summer, I had best find a place that the entire family will enjoy. At the Rosen Shingle Creek, I found just that.

Over the years the staff there has gotten to know us and while at the resort, we feel as if we've come home to see old friends or relatives.

Over the course of our weekend here, my wife and kids enjoyed the pool, spa and other amenities while my son and I explored the golf course. My wife and I even got to enjoy some time together without the kids on our last visit as we ventured into downtown Orlando to see a Bon Jovi concert.

Shingle Creek Golf Club was completed in 2004 and given time to mature and grow in before construction began on the hotel and other amenities. The result is a fine layout with

near-perfect greens, perfectly groomed fairways, large trees and flowering plants on every hole.

Designer David Harman's objective for the course was to make it play fair, while keeping it a unique and extraordinary test of golf. Assisting this effort are five sets of tees, which enable players to select their own degree of difficulty.

The course takes its name from the creek which traverses the property.

Early pioneers who first settled Central Florida in the 1800s were drawn by the splendor of this pristine creek. They used it for fishing, trapping and logging cypress trees, which were floated to a nearby mill then eventually made into shingles for their homes, thus the name Shingle Creek.

The course features undulating fairways and interconnected waterways, bordered by a natural backdrop of dense oaks and pines. It's easy to forget that you're in the middle of the largest tourist destination in the world. Shingle Creek is well

thought out with a large variety of holes. There is a par-5 that is very reachable in two for golfers of all abilities.

The par-4's vary in distance and force you to hit draws and fades as well as straight tee shots. The par-3's will test your short and long irons. You won't bully this course, so remember to bring your mental game with you, as well.

Shingle Creek Golf Club is also home to the Brad Brewer Golf Academy. Should you wish to work on your game before playing or fix what you discovered wrong while on the course, Brad will have a plan for you.

My son and I certainly worked up an appetite playing golf. When we returned to our spacious suite, we found the rest of the family was famished, as well. Fortunately, there is a plethora of dining choices on the property.

Dining choices range from steak and seafood, to sushi, Italian, flatbreads, to sandwiches and light fare, to a market with quick snacks and such. After dining there is ice

cream, coffee or cocktails if you choose. And if you find yourself craving something late at night, room service is available 24 hours a day.

Being VIPs we enjoyed the resort's concierge lounge each day.

The lounge provides breakfast, early evening hors d'oeuvres and coffee and sweets in the late evening. We even watched the Space Shuttle launch from the balcony. My friends, the lounge staff, even provided me with great directions and parking tips for when my wife and I went to the concert.

In all it made for the perfect weekend. The entire family had the fun and relaxation they desired. When the time came to head back to our home, we left reluctantly, but vowing to return again to our favorite "home away from home" in Orlando.

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

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The six-week classes are available to the general public for \$35.

Attendees have their choice of registering for Wednesday, Thursday or Saturday classes. Dog owners attending with canines adopted from the Humane Society will receive refunds if training is completed.

Morning classes from 11a.m.-noon begin June 22, evening classes from 7-8

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Skills taught include sit, stay, down, walking on the leash without pulling and walking on the leash at the heel position.

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