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Traffic shifts on Orange Avenue

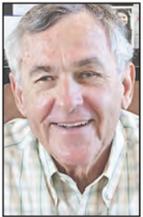
Bridge painting began on the I-95 overpass at Orange Avenue on Jan. 6. This work is anticipated to take three months to complete.

During the bridge painting, traffic shifts will occur on Orange Avenue, starting with the westbound lanes and then moving to the east-

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ENTERTAINMENT B1

LINKS TO THE PAST



Author talks about the effect of WWII to the area

GOLFING B5

GOLF PROMISES



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Friday: Mostly cloudy; high: 77; low: 68; high tide: 3:54 a.m.; low tide: 9:55 a.m.
Saturday: Partly cloudy; high: 82; low: 70; high tide: 4:52 a.m.; low tide: 10:50 a.m.
Sunday: Partly cloudy, chance of storms; high: 82; low: 66; high tide: 5:45 a.m.; low tide: 11:40 a.m.
Weather courtesy of www.weather.com

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Body found in Jupiter is missing Sebastian woman

Homicide investigation continues

By Jessica Creagan
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SEBASTIAN — A wrapped body that washed ashore in Palm Beach County has been identified

as a Sebastian woman missing since before Christmas.

During a press conference on Jan. 5, detectives from the Sebastian Police Department said medical examiners confirmed that the body of Patricia Danna-Harrison, 67, had been found on a beach in Jupiter, and her case has been changed from a missing and endangered person classification to a criminal homicide.

Ms. Danna-Harrison was last seen on Dec. 19 at a Christmas party with friends. Her son, Alfred Geary, 49, who lived with her, reported her missing two days later.

Mr. Geary had several conversations with detectives from the Sebastian Police Department

during the early stages of the
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How many times did it skip?



From left, Adam Magdaleno, 9, Gera Andrade, 8 and Esteban Mojica, 9, simultaneously send shells skipping across the water. See more photos, page A8.

Cliff Partlow
staff photographer

Stamp prices to increase this month

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The cost of sending a postcard or a letter to a pen pal will go up in this new year.

The United States Postal Service will implement a new pricing structure on stamps and other shipping service effective Jan. 26, a press release said.

First-class stamps for letters weighing up to one ounce mailed domestically

will see a 3-cent price increase, from 46 cents to 49 cents, and a one cent increase for the cost to mail additional ounces, from 20 cents to 21 cents.

Customers that have already purchased "Forever" stamps will still be able to use them as full postage, regardless of how much was paid for them at the time of purchase, said Enola C. Rice, spokeswoman for the USPS.

Forever stamps are sold at the same price as a regu-

lar first-class mail stamp, meaning prior to Jan. 26, Forever Stamps will cost 46 cents each, but afterward, they would cost 49 cents each.

"Customers may wish to purchase Forever stamps at the current rate, before rates change," Ms. Rice said.

Under the new prices, mailing typical wedding invitations with multiple sheets of high-quality, thick paper and extra interior envelopes would increase

in price from 66 cents per envelope to 70 cents.

The cost to mail a post card will also increase, from 33 cents to 34 cents.

The stamp prices have stayed consistent with the average annual rate of inflation of 4.2 percent since the postal service was formed in 1971, but in light of a the extreme revenue hit the service took between 2008 and 2011, the Postal Regulatory Commission allowed an increase this year of almost 6 percent overall,

press release from the USPS said.

The postal service requested that the increase be made permanent, but the commission decided the duration of the rate increase above the normal rate of inflation would only be two years.

"The Postal Service will be reimbursed for exigent losses that can be reasonably quantified," said Ruth Y. Goldway, commission

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Chefs prepare to battle for the title

Tickets still available for Vero's Top Chef Qualifier

By Jessica Creagan
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The dinner table is where food and family come together for great memories, but when you have to give up your home, live in the woods, sleep on a friend's couch or pack all your belongings in a car, family meals aren't a priority any more.

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Photo courtesy of Connie Utter

Eleven local chefs will compete for the title of 2014 Vero's Top Chef in a unique fundraiser for the Homeless Family Center in Vero Beach. The chefs, along with three chefs competing in a dessert category, will participate in the Vero's Top Chef Challenge qualifying event at the Vero Beach Elks Lodge on Jan. 27. Tickets are still available. Pictured here, seated: Kim Coveny, Chris Birely and Greg Hepler. From left and standing, Dean Evans, Timothy Blouin, Patrick Hughes, Travis Beckett, Chad Ducatte, Gabriel Gil, Brian Jones, Fernando Pons, Taylor Rye, Joey Fenyak and Jessica Letts. Not pictured, Mike VanBuskirk and Antonio Estremera.

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Family receives house renovations through local nonprofit

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Archie Pound, 68, has lived in his Gifford home for more than 40 years, and today, he shares it with his daughters, Deandra Pound and Angela Pound and his 5-month-old grandson Gervon.

Three years ago, a gangrene infection resulted in Mr. Pound having his left leg amputated, limiting his mobility and rendering him homebound, confined to a hospital bed in his living room much of the time since then. Mr. Pound has been unable to keep up with necessary home repairs, and, combined with past damage from hurricanes, the aging home has begun to deteriorate.

Through the Indian River Habitat for Humanity

Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative, the necessary repairs are being accomplished. Among the volunteers who have made this possible were almost 30 men who gathered for a project they called Real Men Build. They painted the exterior of Mr. Pound's home, repaired the kitchen cabinets, living room and a bedroom, completed bathroom repairs and plumbing, restored windows and tidied up the yard to make it safe for children to play in.

The men are part of The Brotherhood group from Gatherers of the Harvest Church. A group from Christ Cathedral Church in Orlando joined the volunteers and nine members of Mr. Pounds' family also pitched in. Angels' Touch Catering provided food for the workers. Mr. Pound's

daughter Angela was moved to tears and said, "I am so glad that my dad can have a better home, we have never had anything like this done before!"

The work accomplished by this collaborative effort, through Habitat for Humanity, will provide more space and a healthier environment for the family and, ultimately, will help unify Mr. Pound with his children and grandchildren.

Gatherers of the Harvest Church reunited once more to organizing a Men's Conference titled "Breaking Down Walls of Pride and Building Walls of Unity." More than 200 men attended, and Senior Pastor Terry L. Stover emphasized how vital it is for men to know that they are not alone and that support still exists. He stated that the community

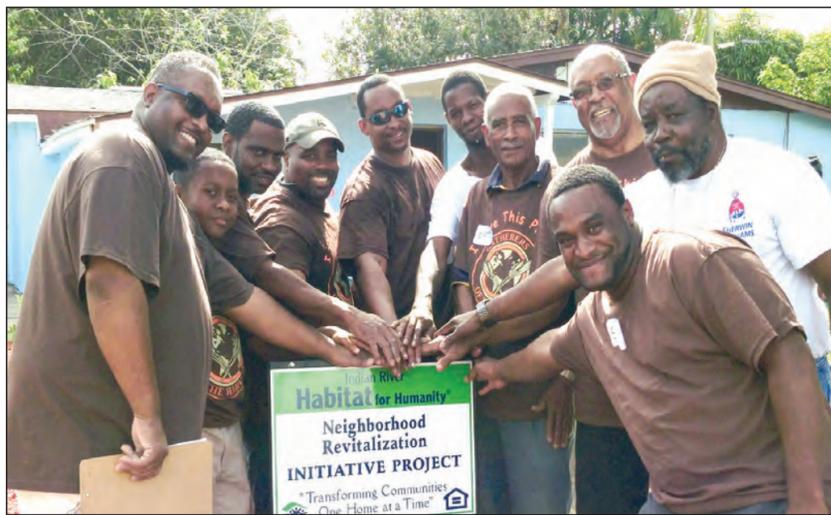


Photo courtesy of Habitat for Humanity

The Brotherhood group from Gatherers of the Harvest Church helped Archie Pound with renovations on his home.

needs more programs like the Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative and that churches play an important

part in making this happen. NRI committee member David Myers said, "I'm inspired by being here today and working alongside other men of color. This is good for the children who helped and good for the Gifford Community. It's important that we as men know that we can build up families by providing back to the community. Instead of men shooting and in crime, we are build-

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Food Bank celebrates 25th anniversary

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Barbara Haber

TREASURE COAST — You may not realize that the meals we eat have a history as rich as their taste.

As the Treasure Coast Food Bank commemorates 25 years of providing sustenance, security and hope to people in need throughout the Treasure Coast, the organization is reflecting on its past while exploring the history of food and the people who have influenced what we eat.

To continue its long tradition of raising awareness of hunger in the community, TCFB is hosting two educational luncheons and presentations in February. The events, titled "An Uncommon History of American Cooks and Meals," feature Barbara Haber. Haber is a notable food historian, author, editor, James Beard Foundation Awards Board Member and colleague of Julia Child.

Ms. Haber, one of America's most respected authorities on the history of food, will put this extraordinary

subject on the table as she views food as a lens through which we can examine our country's history. She'll provide a historical perspective of the people who have taken charge of food in our country and made noble contributions to their communities, whether by collaborating to create community cookbooks for charity or by serving as volunteers in the Civil War to help nourish wounded soldiers.

"Having Barbara Haber educate us as we celebrate our 25 years of community service will set the tone for the years ahead as we move

toward our collective vision of a hunger-free Treasure Coast," said Treasure Coast Food Bank CEO Judith Cruz.

What began with a small group of faith-based volunteers in 1988 has grown to become the region's only food bank and the largest hunger relief organization in the area. As TCFB marks a quarter century of service, it is preparing for the increased need in the future. The food bank took an important step in meeting this increased demand for services by completing the renovation of a new 35,000 square-foot food distribution center in Fort Pierce.

But, there is still more work to be done.

"With more than 100,000 people facing hunger each and every week in our area, it is essential that we combat hunger not only with food but with educational and other hunger assistance programs to help individuals and families gain long term food security," said Ms. Cruz.

"An Uncommon History of American Cooks and Meals" luncheon is one of many

ways TCFB will be celebrating its 25th anniversary. The events are being held in Vero Beach at Holy Cross Catholic Church on Feb. 26 and in Stuart at the Blake Library on Feb. 27. Both luncheons will take place 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person with all proceeds to benefit the food bank. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

Treasure Coast Food Bank is the only food bank and largest hunger relief agency on the Treasure Coast, securing millions of meals and providing them to people facing hunger through a network of more than 200 local food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and other emergency food providers throughout Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee counties. In addition to food distribution, Treasure Coast Food Bank provides numerous programs that not only solve the immediate problems of hunger, but help individuals and families gain long-term food security. As a member of the Feeding America network of food banks, the

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For more information or to register for the luncheon, email rsvp@tcfoodbank.org or call (772) 489-3034 or visit stophunger.org.

Debate on Affordable Care Act to be held at Riverside Theatre

For Hometown News
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Motion: The Nation Needs the Affordable Care Act. Let the debate begin! And begin it will on Jan. 21 at Riverside Theatre.

Presented by the theatre's Distinguished Lecturer Series and sponsored by Wilmington Trust, the first DLS debate in 2014 is a topic of keen interest to nearly every American adult.

Following a welcome reception at 5 p.m. in the Orchid Lobby, four notable experts will take the stage

in the Stark Mainstage Theatre from 5:30- 7 p.m., two arguing for the motion and two arguing against the motion, along with an audience Q&A.

The attendees will vote via electronic device prior to the debate, and will vote again after the arguments are made, to see if either side of the debate panel swayed the audience vote.

Moderating the debate will be Susan Dentzer, PBS Health Care analyst and a senior policy adviser for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the nation's largest philanthropy focused on health and

health care in the United States.

Arguing for the motion will be Dr. Gary Gottlieb, president and CEO of Partners HealthCare, Professor of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School, and a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies; and Dr. Glenn Steele, president and CEO of Geisinger Health System, an integrated health services organization nationally recognized for its innovative use of the electronic health record and the development and implementation of innovative care models.

Arguing against the motion will be Avik Roy, Senior Fellow at the Manhattan Institute, healthcare columnist for Forbes and National Review Online, and frequent guest on national news shows; and Steven Brill, co-founder/CEO of Journalism Online and author of the seminal article in Time magazine, "Bitter Pill: Why Medical Bills Are Killing Us".

"This debate will afford the audience an opportunity to hear all sides of the Affordable Care Act so they leave more informed than ever about this important,

"This debate will afford the audience an opportunity to hear all sides of the Affordable Care Act so they can leave more informed than ever about this important, yet often confusing, topic."

Don Laurie
DLS Debates committee member

yet often confusing, topic," explained Don Laurie of the DLS Debates committee.

Tickets are \$50 for adults, with a limited number of student tickets available for \$15. More detailed biographical information on the

debaters can be found on the dedicated DLS website at www.riversidelecturerseries.com/debates.

Tickets may also be purchased online or through the Box Office at (772) 231-6990.

Chefs

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The Homeless Family Center provides shelter and a dinner table for up to 20 struggling families at a time without permanent homes year-round, thanks to grants and generous donations from the community.

The next opportunity to support the nonprofit will be both fun and tasty, said Mary Ellen Maguire, executive director for the center.

On Jan. 27, the Vero Beach Elks Lodge No. 1774 will host the sixth annual Vero's Top Chef Challenge qualifying event, where 11 local chefs will prepare delightful dishes for attendees to taste. Guests will be asked to vote for the chef they believe prepared the best culinary creation and the top four vote getters will advance to the Vero's Top Chef Challenge Finale in March, a press release said.

The event and tastings will begin at 6 p.m. Two levels of tickets are available; mix and mingle tickets with no seating are \$45 per person and VIP reserved seating tickets are \$65 per person.

Three dessert chefs will also compete for the dessert champion title at the qualifying event, and the top vote-getter will prepare the dessert for March finale event, Ms. Maguire said.

Chef Mike VanBuskirk of

Cobalt, located inside the Vero Beach Hotel and Spa, will be one of the 11 chefs competing for this year's title.

Although his kitchen has competed in the event in the past few years, they are back and ready to thrill the taste buds of the guests.

"We are very active with charities at the hotel. We are doing what we can for the people in the community and doing what we do best — connecting through food," Chef VanBuskirk said.

Not only does the Homeless Family Center provide needy families with beds, food and a roof over their heads, but the nonprofit also helps the parents of the families find employment and teaches them financial planning, and works to keep the children in their own schools and on top of their academics.

Consistency is a big deal for children, and a lot of change can lead to them feeling overwhelmed and unsafe, Ms. Maguire said.

"If we can keep the kids in their same school, they get the feeling that everything will be good, an 'I can handle this' mentality," she said.

A number of factors in today's can lead to a family being unexpectedly homeless, including job loss and domestic problems.

Many times the families that come to the shelter are single-parents and with an average of three children,

and the programs at the Homeless Family Center are designed to help that family out of homelessness and into a financially stable and emotional place where they can provide for their family once more, Ms. Maguire said.

"We have a great success story to share," she said.

About two years ago, a woman came in with her children after suddenly finding herself with no place to stay. She stuck with the program for two years, working hard and saving 75 percent of her income, as required by the nonprofit.

"Now, two years later, she has gone from homelessness to homeownership and that's because of the structure of our program," Ms. Maguire said.

The challenge finale will be held on March 10 at 6 p.m. in the Quail Valley River Club. Tickets are \$180 per person and include a seated formal dinner consisting of entrees prepared by the four chef finalists and dessert.

Guests will again be able to vote for their favorite chef and crowing a winner as Vero's Top Chef 2014, a press release said.

For more information about the 2014 Vero's Top Chef Challenge, or to purchase tickets, call Connie Utter at (772) 567-5537, Ext. 326 or visit www.homeless-familycenter.com.

House

From page A2

ing families."

The Neighborhood Revitalization Initiative is designed to transform neighborhoods using a holistic approach. Indian River Habitat for Humanity is joining with residents, nonprofits, businesses, local governments and communities of faith to

create and implement a shared vision of revitalization. Skilled volunteers and groups work together to provide repairs for families in need. Some homes need minor repairs, painting and home preservation repairs and others need wheelchair ramps and major roof work. To qualify homeowners must reside in the home, own the home and meet income guidelines.

Homeowners must also partner with IRHFH by completing sweat equity hours and in some cases educational courses to ensure that proper maintenance will be kept on the homes. All families are also required to partner with the affiliate Interested families can contact LaKisha Erwin at Indian River Habitat (772) 562- 9860, Ext. 211 or lerwin@irchabitat.org for more information.

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Curves Clubs are now offering Curves Workouts with Jillian Michaels, cutting-edge total body workouts that feature the

Curves Circuit strength training machines in conjunction with functional bodyweight-based exercises that ramp up metabolism and transform physique.

Jillian Michaels is best known as America's health and wellness expert.

The workouts boost intensity, build strength, burn fat and prevent plateaus.

The new Curves Workouts with Jillian Michaels are designed for women at every fitness level and include simple modifications for each movement.

Metabolic conditioning exercises will be done in between each strength machine within the Curves Circuit, all within a 30-minute class. The

Curves Workouts with Jillian Michaels will be showcased on a large screen TV, set to upbeat music, within each Club and a Curves Coach who has been trained to deliver the moves will be present in every Circuit to ensure

safety and effectiveness. Class times for the Curves Workouts with

Jillian Michaels will vary by location and the workouts will be refreshed frequently with new functional moves introduced each month throughout 2014.

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workouts I've developed with Curves incorporate the most innovative, state-of-the-art fitness techniques to build lean muscle, amp up metabolism and kick start weight loss. Combined with the power of the Curves Circuit with a trained coach, women will get the results they want."

"We are excited to offer our members these new cutting-edge workouts. By amplifying our Curves Circuit with Jillian's innovative workouts, along with a trained Coach for everyone, we are very confident our members will get off to a healthy start in 2014,"

said Katie Mitchell, director of fitness for Curves International.

"We invite women in the area to come by for a free consultation and to learn more about this innovative program to kick start weight loss."

Curves Workouts with Jillian Michaels are available at participating Curves Clubs. Also available at participating Curves Clubs is Curves Complete. With Curves Complete, women have a fully integrated, personalized weight loss and weight management solution that includes the Curves Fitness program

(30 minute Circuit with a Coach), a customizable meal plan and one-on-one coaching and support.

For more information about Curves, please contact one of the following Curves clubs or visit www.curves.com.

Curves of Vero Beach located at 390 - 21st Street, Ste. 100, which can be reached at (772) 562-9119 or 9B2U2I0@curvesmail.com

Curves of Port Saint Lucie located at 8625 S. US Hwy. 1, which can be reached at (772) 336-9633 or curvespslee@aol.com.

Florida Department of Health promotes better health for babies

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TREASURE COAST — The Florida Department of

Health is raising awareness about the important steps families can take to improve the health of babies and decrease the impact of birth

defects.

January is National Birth Defects Prevention Month and the Department is encouraging women who are pregnant or planning a pregnancy to take steps to have a healthy pregnancy.

"With birth defects impacting 1 in every 28 babies born in Florida, it is important that families are aware of this serious matter," said Dr. Celeste Philip, Deputy Secretary for Health and Deputy State Health Officer for Children's Medical Services. "The Department works hand in hand with health care providers, families and researchers to improve disease detection and ensure care."

Birth defects are caused by genetic and environmental factors, or a combination

of both. The majority of birth defects do not have a known cause. Those who are pregnant or planning a pregnancy, the Department recommends:

- Go for a pre-pregnancy checkup and talk with your health care provider about any medical conditions such as diabetes, obesity or seizures.

- Women of child bearing age should take a vitamin with 400 micrograms of folic acid daily.

- Eat a healthy balanced diet; maintain a healthy weight and exercise.

- Avoid cigarettes, alcohol and illegal drugs.

- Avoid exposure to hazardous chemicals.

- Check with a health care provider before taking any medications, including

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Dr. Celeste Philip
Deputy Secretary for Health and Deputy State Health Officer for Children's Medical Services

over-the-counter medications.

- Talk to your health care provider about vaccinations; many are safe and recommended during pregnancy. The right vaccinations at the right time can help keep you and your baby healthy.

- Seek prenatal care as soon as you think you may be pregnant.

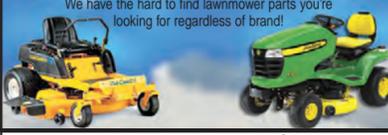
- Discuss your family medical history with your health

care provider and seek advice from a genetic counselor if there is a history of birth defects in your family.

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Missing

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investigation, including interviews and a lie detector test, but on Dec. 29 when detectives appeared his home for a scheduled meeting, Mr. Geary was found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head.

He did not leave a note.

According to police, Mr. Geary showed signs of deception during the lie detector test when questioned about his mother's whereabouts and unusual disappearance, including all of her personal effects and vehicle being at the house.

The late Mr. Geary continues to be a suspect in the homicide investigation, but at

this time detectives are treating him only as a suspect and are not ruling out the possibility that it wasn't him, or if it was, that he acted alone, Detective Todd Finnegan said.

Mr. Geary shared the home with his mother and a live-in girlfriend. He had been Ms. Danna-Harrison' primary caregiver for the past 18 months, detectives said.

Mr. Geary's girlfriend has been cooperating with police and is not a suspect at this time, Detective Finnegan said.

The body was found wrapped inside of a nylon tarp or boat cover that was tied with rope and weighed down by small anchors similar to anchors used for jon boats or kayaks.

Detective Finnegan declined to give the cause of death because the case is still under investigation, but did say the body was found with numerous injuries consistent with trauma and not a gunshot wound.

Forensic investigations are continuing on items from the home and the family vehicles and two canoes that were on the outside of the home.

The police department is also continuing to follow up on leads from the Treasure Coast Crime Stoppers hotline.

On Dec. 28, while the case was still classified as a missing person case, law enforcement officers, federal agents and the Brevard County Sheriff's Office cadaver canine unit searched numerous locations throughout Sebastian and the surrounding areas that did not produce any leads to Ms. Danna-Harrison's location.

Ms. Danna-Harrison's extended family were notified of her death and were devastated to hear the news and of Mr. Geary's possible involvement, Detective Finnegan said.

The Sebastian Police Department requests anyone with information, or who has observed any suspicious activity involving Mr. Geary, contact the Sebastian Police Department at (772) 589-5233 or by email at spd@cityofsebastian.org.

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Police report

Editor's note: This is a list of arrests, not convictions, and all arrestees are presumed innocent unless or until proven guilty in a court of law.

Arrests listed were made from Dec. 25 to Dec. 31, 2013

Sebastian Police Department

- Charles Lee Goodpasture, 49, 157 Main St., Sebastian, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for lewd or lascivious acts with a minor.
- Darien Derosia, 21, 225 Watercrest St., Sebastian, was charged with possession of marijuana and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Holly Madeline Dubois, 57, 118 B. Ormond Court, Apt. 270, Sebastian, was charged with domestic violence battery by strangulation and a misdemeanor charge of domestic violence battery.
- Paul Yates, 22, 8949 100th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of marijuana and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Fellsmere Police Department

- April Marie Kirouac, 38, homeless, Vero Beach, was charged with felony grand theft.

Vero Beach Police Department

- Suave Antione West Screen, 25, 1875 39th St., Vero Beach, was charged with burglary.

Indian River County Sheriff's Office

- Richard Michael Brutell, 58, 1912 25th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with organized fraud.
- Chadd Eugene Fowler, 35, 781 24th Square, Vero Beach, was charged felony battery with a prior conviction and a misdemeanor charge of criminal mischief.
- Donald Ray Hart, 26, 4295 45th Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with fleeing and eluding.
- Zureya G. McLaughlin, 38, 1076 54th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with child abuse and a

misdemeanor charge of domestic violence battery.

- Delray Antonio Montaque, 25, 3487 44th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with tampering with or destroying evidence and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and two counts of resisting arrest without violence.
- James Wesley Sneed, 36, 4645 31st Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine, a misdemeanor charge of possession of cannabis and a violation of a local ordinance for possession of or consuming alcohol in public.
- Ricky William Thompson, 43, 3606 12th St., Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license suspended, habitual offender and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.
- D'Montay Deon Whigham, 21, 4875 34th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated battery, armed robbery with a deadly weapon and possession of a firearm, ammunition and electric device by a convicted felon.
- Brandon Allen Cooper, 24, 936 18th Place Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with five counts of violation of probation. He was on probation for fraudulent use of a credit card, burglary of a conveyance and third-degree

grand theft.

- Frank John Gallina, 28, 24 21st St., Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with cultivation of marijuana.
- Michale Marin, 21, 3525 Second Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with tampering with or destroying evidence, possession of cocaine and a misdemeanor charge of possession of cannabis.
- James Edward Mcelhaney, 48, 1380 32nd Ave. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with burglary of a dwelling, fleeing and eluding and misdemeanor charges of driving under the influence impairment and refusal to submit to testing.
- Craig Vincent Taylor, 29, 3000 49th St., Apt. C, Vero Beach, was charged with unlawful sex with a person 16 or 17 years old and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.
- Andrew Tyler Westover, 19, 1545 Wyn Cove Drive, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated battery.
- Steven Patrick Arce, 51, 3128 Ashford Square, Vero Beach, was charged with aggravated battery on a pregnant woman.
- Erica Michelle White, 27, 4202 37th Drive, Vero Beach, was charged with felony failure to appear on charges of driving while

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• Brandon Damon Ross, 27, 4816 28th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with felony burglary.

Christian ministries receive funds from business group

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Helping to pay utility bills, cribs and high chairs for new moms, tutoring, sports outreach to at-risk youth, classroom supplies, and counseling are just some of the ways the recent donations from the Vero Beach Christian Business Association will be used in the local community.

Since 2004, VBCBA has donated more than \$118,000 to local Christian ministries. On Dec. 19, the annual "Celebration of Giving" luncheon spotlighted 15 ministries receiving funds, each sharing how the funds would be put into use as they received their checks. Sunshine Laundries also provided \$250 in laundry certificates for selected agencies to use for their

clients.

The luncheon was the culmination of months of outreach efforts by the Christian business nonprofit. Other outreaches included a school supply drive for Feed the Lambs Enrichment Program in July and August; items were collected in October for Lauren's Way to help fill shoeboxes with practical essentials for the homeless served by The Source; in November, nonperishable food items were collected for Harvest Food & Outreach Center; VBCBA also sponsored a red kettle for the Salvation Army and rang the bell; and in December toys and "new home start up" items were collected for Breath of Heaven Ministries.

Ministries receiving donations in December were: Breath of Heaven,

CareNet, CrossLife Counseling, Epic Missions, Feed the Lambs, Habitat for Humanity, Master's Academy, Risk Takers for Christ, Salvation Army, Shining Light Garden Foundation, The Source, St. Vincent de Paul, Victory Kids, Women's Care Center, and The Women's Refuge.

A nonprofit organization, VBCBA is an equipping and networking ministry for Christian businesspeople. The organization holds monthly luncheon meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month at The Plaza, 884 17th Street, Vero Beach. Luncheon attendance is not a requirement of membership and they are open to both members and non-members.

For more information about the Vero Beach Christian Business Association, visit www.vbcba.org.



Photo courtesy of Vero Beach Christian Business Association

Vero Beach Christian Business Association Treasurer Dixie Powell, right, with several of the agencies receiving funds, including Pastor Jerney Gable with The Source, Donna Robart with Women's Refuge, Gerald Rott and John Murphy with Women's Care Center.

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.

• Exchange Club of Indian River meets Wednesdays from noon-1 p.m. at Culinary Capers, 737 22nd Street, 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, email bluewateropen@gmail.com, or visit www.exchangeclubofindianriver.org and 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 Asso-

ciation 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 email downeast_ggo@bellsouth.net.

• 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.sebastian-rotaryclub.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.

• COPE Support Group: The Indian River County Council on Aging with the Visiting Nurse Association

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vary by size, so pricing information can be found at the local post office.

Domestic priority mail users will have a new delivery option in 2014, Ms. Rice said.

"The new delivery service option will allow customers to send domestic priority mail express packages to most locations in the U.S. by 10:30 a.m. for an extra \$5 fee," she said in an email.

"Domestic priority mail express is a fast, reliable service which offers day-specific delivery information, up to \$100 free insurance and free package tracking," Ms. Rice said.

The postal service relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund operations. Despite revenue growth in the fiscal 2012-13 year driven mainly by growth in shipping and packages, the postal service ended the year with a net loss of \$5 billion.

It was the seventh year in a row for the service to post a net loss.

The new 2014 prices are expected to generate \$2 billion in new revenue, a press release said.

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chairwoman in a press release.

"We have determined that amount to be \$2.8 billion to cover the 25.3 billion pieces of volume lost between 2008 and 2011. The funds will come from a rate surcharge that will last just long enough to recover the loss," she said.

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Desktop or laptop?

When someone is in the market for a new computer and they come to me looking for advice, sometimes they are surprised to find out that a laptop can be just as powerful as a desktop. I don't know if it's the size of the machine that throws people, but just because a laptop is a lot smaller than a desktop doesn't mean it's any less capable.

There are several reasons why I would recommend a laptop over a desktop and the power of the machine (to me anyways) has little to do with it. If you had two machines side by side, a desktop and a laptop, and they both had the same processor, memory and hard drive space I would choose the laptop every time and not just because a laptop is portable.

I know what most of the usual objections are, I hear them all the time. "I don't take my machine anywhere so I don't need a laptop" is one common objection, "I like to use my full size monitor" is another and "I'll need something much more powerful than that" is probably the most often heard reason for choosing a desktop that I hear.

Well, we've already covered power – laptops are capable of doing everything a similarly equipped desktop can do so we won't spend any more time on that one so let's go over some of the other reasons I lean toward the laptop.

One of the main reasons I choose the laptop is that everything that someone would need is already included without having to buy anything else. When you buy a laptop it's going to come standard with parts that often get forgotten when buying a similar machine in desktop form. Keyboard, mouse, monitor, Wi-Fi, webcam and battery are all standard parts in even the cheapest of today's laptops. Not so with a desktop. I don't know how many times I've gotten a call from someone with a new machine (desktop) and they are surprised when they cannot connect to their wireless service because they didn't get a wireless adapter. Same thing with the webcam – they get the desktop home and go to connect with Skype and have to run back



COMPUTE THIS
SEAN MCCARTHY

out to get a webcam (or both webcam and network adapter). But probably my biggest reason for choosing the laptop over the desktop is the battery. You see a laptop, with its built in battery, already has its own UPS (Uninterruptable Power Supply). I don't know of any desktop that comes with a battery backup as standard equipment and a UPS is one of those parts that can really save the day when the power is dropping in and out as it often does here in Florida.

"I can't type on that tiny keyboard" or "I hate using that touchpad, I need a regular mouse" and "I want to use my full size monitor" are three pretty reasonable objections and often people are surprised to learn that a laptop can easily be plugged into your existing keyboard, mouse and monitor effectively turning it into a desktop machine and eliminating the need to rely on a smaller screen, finicky touch pad or tiny keyboard. Just plug your monitor into the back, plug your mouse and keyboard into ports on the side and you can't even tell that you're using a laptop instead of a desktop. It really is that easy and now, if you do need to go somewhere, you can quickly unplug four wires and be on your way.

Perhaps the most common complaint that I hear about laptops is the touchpad at the bottom of the keyboard. If you're switching from a mouse to a laptop's touch pad it can be a pain to get the hang of it. And to make matters worse when typing on a laptop's keyboard sometimes the mouse will jump all over the place as you type causing you to quickly lose track of where you're typing. What's happening is the touch pad is sensing your hand as you type and it thinks you want to move the cursor when you actually don't want to move the mouse at all. Add a regular "normal" mouse to the system and it gets even

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A beautiful masterpiece



Photo courtesy of Sebastian River Art Club

The oil painting 'Sebastian Park,' by Kathy Costa, is one of the many fine art pieces that will be on display for the Sebastian River Art Club's monthly Art Show and Sale Saturday, Jan. 11, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Riverview Park in Sebastian. A portion of the proceeds benefits the Club's Rosalee Taylor Hume Scholarship program. Ample parking is available. Rain date is Sunday, Jan.12. Call (772) 581-8281 for more information.

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Shorten the time on death row

Time on death row should be much shorter. I know some lives have been saved by DNA reports and such, but the others should not have the right to take away the rights of their victims. The predators of children should not be allowed to roam the streets. They can never be cured of some depraved need for children. Keep them in prison. That would solve a lot of problems. The money spent on their imprisonment can be saved by putting to death the inmates who are condemned to death anyway, just make the time shorter. Much shorter. This makes common sense. A lot of liberals who are so called do-gooders may be insulted in some way, but that is just too bad. Maybe the deputy that was shot to death by a man stopped for a traffic violation would have been saved also. This country is being run by people who never use good sense. Of course, I could be wrong. God didn't wait too long to punish the sinners, why should we?

Raising morons

I have been reading so much about the young people learning to live off of my tax dollars in the way of government assistance and they don't even think it is wrong. Case in point: My 20 year old granddaughter has gotten government money to attend college because she can't afford to go, even though she is capable of working and has worked before. So the government sends her money. She takes two or three courses in a city college.

One weekend I find out that she went to Disney for a couple days and I ask her where she got the money and she tells me that whatever is left over from the college money is hers to spend as she wants to. I could not believe my ears. I questioned her on this and she saw absolutely nothing wrong. She is a very smart young lady, yet she truly felt in her heart that it was OK to do this. There were no second thoughts. I told her that it was wrong and she quickly disagreed with me that there was nothing wrong with what she did. All her friends seem to do the same thing. Our government is training a group of morons to run this country someday, and it is a sad state. These kids have no sense of responsibility, or ethics or sense of morality or faith in anything except what they want to do.

Another thing that bothers me is unemployment checks. When my husband was laid off work in the 70s we received a total of 90 days of unemployment or less. After that we had to either get a job, go to family for help or go to our local church for assistance. There was no more extension after extension after free money after more free money... which is not really free... it's my tax dollars from all the working I did before I retired and others are doing now!!! Oh God, help us!

Regarding Seven50

I'm not sure if the Seven50 plan is either good or bad; I am not a participant. I do know that poor long-range planning or lack thereof makes for poor results. I also know that the Seven50 plan presents only a suggested strategy and not a plan whose adoption would have been require by its participants. The premise of the plan was for its participants to arrive at a smarter path forward in urban development and avoid future congestion from future population growth. It certainly isn't a tool for Big Brother to usurp local governments.

I know that some of the anti-Seven50 groups used a situation in Westchester County, N.Y., as an example of

a Federal Government takeover attempt. In this instance HUD actually came to the aide of Westchester County after it was sued by the Anti-Discrimination Center for its failures to comply with a residential desegregation court order. When any branch of the Federal Government misspends taxpayer's money we should demand proper accounting and repayment. Should we expect any less when local municipalities misspend federal funding? I think not. The reason various Counties dropped out of the Seven50 planning process was not its content, but because of the anti-Seven50 groups made the process so painful for the commissioners.

It is a shame that the atmosphere of distrust created by the White House has made it possible for fringe groups to use fear, to derail this attempt at providing a better future residents.

Sad state in downtown

I was in our local downtown area the Saturday before Christmas enjoying the Farmers Market and the library. I wanted to try out one of the restaurants for lunch but was extremely disappointed that both the Thai and Italian restaurants were closed. I met up with a friend and we were both distraught that we had to get into our cars and drive elsewhere to enjoy a nice lunch. I think these closed restaurants could have had a nice revenue if they had been opened the Saturday before Christmas as it was packed in downtown. Please don't tell me I could have gone to one of the seafood restaurants because I'm allergic to seafood and won't even walk into the place. What is wrong with the restaurant owners? They want to make money but they weren't open. What a shame.

Keep criminals where they belong

How many times have we heard similar stories before? A man wearing an electronic ankle bracelet fatally shoots a neighbor and then walks outside and shoots and kills a police officer arriving at the scene. Questions. Why was this criminal not in prison? Will the person or persons responsible for allowing him to be free be held accountable? And, does anyone care more about the victims of crime more than they do about the rights of the criminals?

About illegal immigration

When discussing the many problems associated with illegal immigration, liberals often use such deceptive terms as "temporary guest-worker programs" and "pathway to citizenship" when they really advocate amnesty for people who have come here by breaking our laws. Despite what they say, there is no effective way for ensuring that law breakers will return to their native countries. Anyone who comes here "temporarily" is very likely to stay here permanently.

Racism or not?

I work with the public. I work behind the counter and use a register. It is absolutely appalling how rude, condescending and aggressive people are toward a person in my position. Looking at those people, you would never guess it. They are clean, up-to-date and while perhaps not completely rich, no doubt not hurting. Okay, middle-class white. When I look at the anger in these peoples faces and in their voices (for offenses that come from their perceptions) I have to wonder how they treat people of other color and even more so, I have to wonder how their forefathers treated slaves. I believe we can't even imagine the depths of their cruelty. These are clearly (so called) Christian people. I have met so many white Christian people of this sort that I am beginning to wonder if our white people's Jesus Christ is really Satan in disguise?

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Above: Site manager Dann Jacobus, left, watches as volunteers with OVIASC help unload supplies for archeologists to begin excavation of the Old Vero Man site. **Right:** Site manager Dann Jacobus, left, watches as volunteers with OVIASC help unload supplies for archeologists to begin excavation of the Old Vero Man site.



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For more information visit OVIASC.org.

Valentine Genealogy Seminar taking place Feb. 8

For Hometown News
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Indian River Genealogical Society, with the Brevard Genealogical Society, the Genealogical Society of South Brevard and the Treasure Coast Genealogical Society, will host the popular, annual Valentine Genealogy Seminar Saturday, Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Richardson Center of the Indian River State College Mueller Campus, Vero Beach.

The speaker, Dr. John Colletta, of Washington DC, is

one of America's most entertaining, knowledgeable and experienced genealogy lecturers. The author of numerous articles and two manuals, Dr. Colletta has worked at the Library of Congress and taught workshops at the National Archives. He is on the faculties of the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University, the Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy and Boston University's Certificate in Family History Program. Topics for the day-long seminar are:

- US Naturalization Records 1790-1930: Sources & Strategies for Challenging

Cases

- How to Prepare for Successful Research in European Records

- Turning Biographical Facts into Real Life Events: How to Build Historical Context

- Hacker, Hookers and Putting Up Pickles: Snare of Yesteryear's English

The registration fee of \$35 includes lunch. Seating is limited to 140 participants. The fee increases to \$40 after Jan. 21. The seminar flyer and registration form may be downloaded at www.irgs.org.

For more information call (772) 321-2692.

Compute

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all over the place? Well the answer to that one is easy but most people don't realize you can turn the touchpad off when typing and sometimes that's all it takes to cure the "wander-

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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.

- **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 follows 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 Jerry Morrison and Michele 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.

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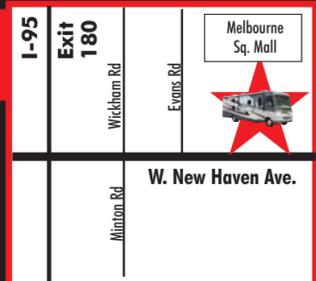
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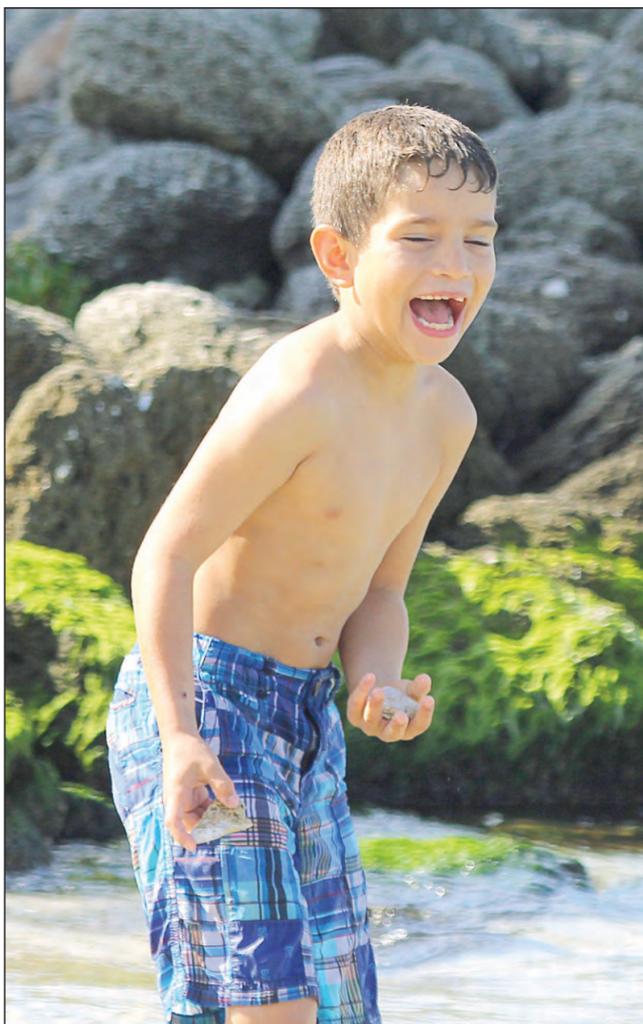


Winter break done in the Florida style



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer
 Nine-year-olds Adam Magdaleno and Esteban Mojica find a water fight is just as fun as skipping shells.

With the holidays winding down and a blast of warm weather blanketing Indian River County, several family members from Fellsmere gathered for a picnic on Wabasso Causeway Thursday, Jan. 2. The multi-use park benches and camp stoves make spending a day on the Indian river Lagoon special.



Gera Andrade, 8 knew a water fight was coming and avoided the situation completely.

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After lunch, the boys invited the seagulls in for a treat.

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• **Sebastian Senior Center:** The Sebastian Senior Center is located at 815 Davis St., Sebastian. Live music Tuesday through Friday from 9-11 a.m. Refreshments will be served. Classes of interest: Mondays: nutrition bingo meets at 10 a.m.; Mahjong classes meet at 12:30 p.m.; art class meets at 1 p.m.; Weight Watchers meets at 5 p.m.; Tuesday: mindful breathing meets at 1 p.m.; lectures on wellness meets at 1 p.m.; Wednesday: chi-kung meets at 11 a.m.; cribbage and pinochle meets at 12:30 p.m.; Friday: TOPS meeting at 8 a.m.;

Weight Watchers meets at 9 a.m.; sing-a-longs with Bill and Jane at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call (772) 469-2062.

• **Kashi Ashram** is located at 11155 Roseland Road, Sebastian. For more information, (772) 589-1403, (800) 226-1008, or visit the website www.kashi.org.

Kali Natha yoga: Based on yoga's ancient roots, this type of yoga is for everyone. Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6 p.m., Thursdays at 8:30 a.m., Fridays at 8 a.m., Saturdays at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., and Sundays at 9 a.m.

Kirtan (devotional chanting): Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Donations accepted. Meditation: Wednesdays

at 7 p.m. with Swami Moksha Ram.

Interfaith service: Saturdays at 6 p.m. with May Jaya. Vegetarian meal follows at 8 p.m.

• **Pilates classes, body sculpting, basic and beyond:** Held every Wednesday from 9 to 10 a.m. All ages and levels welcome. The class fee is \$5. Classes are held at the Brevard South Mainland Library, 79411 Ron Beatty Blvd., Micco. For more information call (772) 228-3040.

• **Taekwondo:** Mondays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Jaya Sports Center, 11101 Roseland Road.

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Dinner theatre moves operation

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VERO BEACH — Theatre-Go-Round rings in 2014 by moving its entire operation to the Quilted Giraffe Restaurant at 500 South U.S. 1 in Vero Beach.

The professional dinner theatre company began presenting table side productions at the award winning restaurant in October of last year and was alternating performances every other Sunday with the 14th Avenue Steakhouse. However the 4:30 p.m. dinner and 6 p.m. twilight show at the Quilted Giraffe was widely favored by the majority of patrons over the lunch and matinee times previously presented at the downtown location.

Artistic producer Jon Putzke announced the decision to join Giraffe owner Patrick Tomassi and his staff at the preview performances of their all new production "Milestones & Memories."

"Milestones & Memories" was given two preview performances on New Year's Eve at the Steakhouse and played to sold-out capacity. The revue highlighting 50 years of musical hits from the 1940s through the 1980s will celebrate its official opening at the Quilted Giraffe on Sunday, Jan. 12 and continue on Jan. 26, Feb. 9, 23, March 9, 23 and April 6.

The show features 40 pop standards including Boogie, Woogie Bugle Boy, Apple Blossom Time, Three Coins in a Fountain, All Shook Up, Welcome to the Sixties, Joy to the World, YMCA and Total Eclipse of the Heart. Many are sung in tight four part harmony by veteran performers Eleanor Dixon, Beth McKenzie-Shestak, Shamara Turner and Patty Carreau. The decades of musical memories are linked together by dialogue featuring world changing events as well as lots of fun trivia from those golden years.

"Disco Divas" will open on Sunday, Jan. 19 and continue Feb. 2, 16, March 2, 16 and 30 in repertory with "Milestones & Memories." This high energy revue celebrates

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A mariners paradise



A light rain slowed but didn't stop those attending the Fourth Annual Indian River Marine Flea Market and Outdoor Show Saturday and Sunday at the Indian River County Fairgrounds. One of the highlights of the show was a modified U. S. Navy Willard with all of the bells and whistles to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Sea Tow. John Donaldson of Sea Tow Sebastian, left, talks with Sean Murphy about the unique vessel. For more information about the boat go to boatbuild.seatow.com.

Cliff Partlow
staff photographer

Local author shares ties between World War II U-boats, Vero Beach

By Jessica Creagan
jcreagan@hometownnewsol.com

VERO BEACH — Vero Beach is often cast as a simple, small-town paradise because of the tropical weather and beautiful Florida landscapes, but the area's history is long and contains pirates, shipwrecks and even World War II skirmishes.

On Jan. 23, local author and journalist Rody Johnson will give a presentation about German U-boats in the waters off Vero Beach's sandy shores during World War II.

The free lecture will be held at the Emerson Cen-

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Author and journalist Rody Johnson of Vero Beach will be the featured speaker this month for the Florida Humanities Series hosted at The Emerson Center in Vero Beach. Mr. Johnson will speak about the German U-boats off of Vero Beach's coast during World War II and war's impact on the area.

Photo courtesy of Paris Productions

Out & about

THROUGH FEB. 4

• **Film studies course,** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. or 7 p.m. Topic to be discussed is "Inside/Outside: Films from and about Cuba." \$50 for museum members, \$70 for non-members. Website: www.verobeach-museum.org.

THROUGH JAN. 10

• **Holiday Art Extravaganza at the Backus Museum:**

The show features home and garden furnishings, photography, Florida-inspired pottery, handcrafted jewelry, fused glass, watercolors, collages, textiles, paintings, more. The museum, located at 500 N. Indian River Drive, Fort Pierce, is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call (772) 465-0630.

FRIDAY, JAN. 10

• **Concerts in the Park:** St.

John's Wood performs, 5:30-8 p.m., Riverview Park in Sebastian. This concert series features local bands playing bluegrass and oldies, rock and jazz, plus food and refreshments for sale, chances to win giveaways from local businesses, and more. Free admission, family-friendly. For more information, visit www.sebastian-chamber.com.

• **"Sleeping Beauty,"** Sunrise Theatre, Fort Pierce, 8 p.m. The timeless fairytale comes to life with the unparalleled art of Russian

ballet. Cost: \$20 for children 12 and younger, \$45 or \$55 for adults. Website: www.sunrisetheatre.com.

FRIDAY, JAN. 10 – SUNDAY, JAN. 12

• **Antique show and sale,** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach. The annual antiques show and sale returns for the 22nd year. Featuring 18th and 19th century Americana including furniture, jewelry, art, See OUT, B2



Week of 1-10-2014

ARIES - March 21/April 20

Aries, your tendency to say what you feel can come across as being impolite. Many, however, appreciate your honesty and unwillingness to mince words.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

A loved one needs some help, Taurus. This week you will have to figure out a way to assist this person and still tend to your own pressing affairs.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, focus your energy on someone important. This may be a friend, family member or even a romantic partner. Brush up on your relationship skills in the meantime.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

You have a natural charm that immediately puts others at ease, Cancer. If you are wooing a client, they will be putty in your hands. Just open your mouth, and you will win them over.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

Leo, your stubbornness comes into play this week, and it could cause a rift with friends or colleagues. Try to see their point of view, and put off any serious disputes for another time.

VIRGO - Aug. 24/Sept. 22

Virgo, spend a little time this week plotting your next getaway. You tend to be happiest when you're on the move and exploring. Everyone needs an escape now and then.

LIBRA - Sept. 23/Oct. 23

Enjoy some local culture this week, Libra. Take in a concert, an art show or a theater performance. Just enjoy anything that will educate and entertain at the same time.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Scorpio, you may find that someone you thought was weak is much stronger than they appeared. This person may not need as much of

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A night of comedy with Paula Poundstone

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FORT PIERCE — Ready for an evening of improv and non-stop laughter? See Paula Poundstone at the Sunrise Theatre on Sunday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. Her ability to create humor on the spot is legendary; she is masterful at improvising with the crowd through her casual air, impeccable timing and razor-sharp wit.

While there is no doubt that Ms. Poundstone is funny, the thing that probably separates her from the pack of comics working today and that has made her a legend among comics and audiences alike is her ability to be spontaneous with a crowd. She is a popular panelist on NPR's Wait Wait Don't Tell Me, has published her first book, 'There's Nothing In This Book That I Meant To Say' and released her first comedy CD: 'HEART JOKES: Paula Tells Them In Maine in 2009'.

An Emmy Award winner, she is also the first woman to receive the CableACE for Best Standup Comedy Special. As one critic stated: "Poundstone has a rare talent. A refreshing anti-celebrity: warm, gracious, genuine. If you like intelligent, philosophical comedy you'll love Paula Poundstone."

The Sunrise Theatre for the Performing Arts is an intimate venue, offering the best entertainment and state-of-the-art sound on the Treasure Coast. The Sunrise Theatre presents a diverse schedule of national touring Broadway shows, musical and comedy acts, ballet and opera companies with full orchestras, country stars and classic rock icons.

The Sunrise Theatre is located at 117 South Second Street, Fort Pierce, Florida.

Tickets are priced at \$39 and \$29 and are available at the Box Office at (772) 461-4775 or visit www.SunriseTheatre.com.

Movie series to benefit youth center

For Hometown News
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — The Majestic 11 Theatre is hosting a "Best Motion Picture" movie series to benefit Gifford Youth Activity Center.

Each month a special showing of an award winning movie will be available to movie goers with proceeds

donated to programs at GYAC. This is a unique opportunity to see these classic films on the big screen. African Queen on Jan. 15 is the first in the series. Tickets can be purchased at the Majestic box office or the website www.MajesticVero.com. Individual tickets are \$10 or buy tickets in advance for all

four movies and pay \$30. Chariots of Fire will be shown Feb. 12 and The Graduate on March 12. The series wraps up with Dr. Zhivago on April 16.

Films start at 4:30 p.m. The Majestic Theatre is a luxury movie theatre located at 940 14th Lane in Vero Beach.

GYAC is located at 4875

43rd Avenue in Gifford. It is a 501 (3) (c) organization and a United Way Agency. For additional information, please contact Nathan Bruckner at Gifford Youth Activity Center, (772) 794-1005, Ext. 224 or nbruckner@gyac.net.

To contact the Majestic Theatre Box Office, call (772) 770-0773.

Benefit for nonprofit taking place Jan. 24

For Hometown News
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SEBASTIAN — Get ready to roll the dice at the third annual Casino Magnifique to benefit SunUp ARC on Friday, Jan. 24 at the Elks Lodge, 1350 26th Street, Vero Beach.

Everyone's a winner at this magical evening because the proceeds will help provide services to the special needs individuals in

Indian River County. Our Mission Statement: SunUp ARC supports and empowers individuals with special needs to achieve their life goals. Our Vision: SunUp ARC will advocate for full acceptance of individuals with special needs as valued members of the community. The organization operate son three campuses, two in Vero Beach and one in Sebastian, providing much needed services to

more than 180 special needs individuals.

The evening features: professional gaming tables, awesome silent auction items, registration for Black Jack and Texas Hold 'Em, raffles, balloon pops and music. As everyone knows, cooking with salt blocks is the latest trend on the culinary scene, so be prepared to give your taste buds a treat with our salt block finger foods. This year the

silent auction not only has an exciting array of items (from jewelry to boat trips) donated by business in the community, but also will have an Orlando Getaway package with passes to theme parks and a weekend stay at Grand Lakes Resort. Tickets cost \$50 per person.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call (772) 562-6854 Ext. 225. Limited Sponsorships are still available.

Theatre

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celebrating the sounds of the 1970s packed the former Joey's Bistro on the Miracle Mile during the summer of 2012 and returns this winter by popular demand. Beth McKenzie-Shestak, Shamara Turner and

Eleanor Dixon perform the biggest hits recorded by such divas as Donna Summer, Tina Turner, Cher, Bette Midler and the dance craze group Abba.

All performances will have a 4:30 p.m. seating for dinner with the show at 6 o'clock.

Carved tenderloin of beef headlines Chef Kurt

Runge's dinner theatre menu and seafood alternatives are available. All entrees include a mixed green salad, bread, butter, chef's potatoes or rice pilaf, vanilla bean pudding soufflé and a choice of coffee or tea. A la carte beer, wine and cocktails are served throughout the evening.

The \$55 per person din-

ner theatre package includes the 3 course dinner, show ticket, tax and gratuity. Reservations are required with Visa, MasterCard or Discover by phoning the box office at (772) 252-9341.

For complete information, visit theatreground-dinnertheatre.com.

Author

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ter at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Vero Beach as part of the center's Florida Humanities speaker series and is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

During World War II, dwellers along the east coast of the U.S., particularly in Florida, were very much aware that German U-boats had a presence just off-shore, but today it

comes as a shock to many people, Mr. Johnson said.

"I was 8 years old at the time, but I remember the war and the boats. My father was a volunteer in the Coast Guard Auxiliary and he was active in rescuing people whose ships were sunk by the U-boats," Mr. Johnson said.

Mr. Johnson's memories, those of his father, Kit Johnson, survivors of the U-boat attacks and those of the commander of the U-boats stationed off of Vero Beach are documented in Mr. Johnson's book, "Different Battles: The Search for a World War II Hero."

The book was published in 1999 and is now out-of-print, but there are still paper copies circulating on sites such as Amazon.com, but e-book copies are also available, Mr. Johnson said.

Mr. Johnson's father, Kit Johnson, was just one of many volunteers that would patrol the coastline in small boats, keeping an

eye out for U-boats and also for people that may have survived their ship being torpedoed, and in 1942, he and his fishing boat crew pulled 22 crewman from a tanker ship out of the water and into safety.

While researching for the book, Mr. Johnson was able to meet the commander of the German U-boat that torpedoed the very tanker his father responded to so many years ago, providing him with a new point of view for the story.

Mr. Johnson's presentation at the Emerson Center will include many photographs from the World War II era and there will be a time for questions.

"I really hope people will come and learn a lot about Vero Beach and the war, because that's why we're doing this," Mr. Johnson said.

The Florida Humanities Series will continue on Feb. 13 with "The Unconquered Seminole People

and their Traditions" featuring Willie Johns, the Brighton Seminole Indian Reservation historian; on March 6 with "Sea Cows, Seaweed and Spanish Moss: How Floridians Coped When Times Were Hard" featuring Janie Gould, journalist and public radio personality; and on April 3 with "St. Augustine's Unseen Heritage: The Archaeology of Early Colonial Life in America's Oldest European Community" featuring Carl Halbirt, city archaeologist for St. Augustine.

Programs in the Florida Humanities Series are always free to the public and all begin at 7 p.m.

The Emerson Center is located at 1590 27th Ave., Vero Beach. For tickets or more information about any of the events at the Emerson Center, call (772) 778-5249 or visit www.theemersoncenter.org.

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Helping your plants survive the cooler weather

With the heart of our Florida winter coming into play, cold snaps and possible freezing temperatures will be possible for the next several weeks, even though our temperatures have been above normal so far this season. Many of our Florida plants will withstand the cold temperatures with grace while others will struggle and wilt at the first sign of a chill. Since many of us do some serious planting during the cooler winter months, the cold weather may pose some serious challenges for our precious plants.

One of the best ways to offer protection for the root base of your plants is to use mulching material around the base of your plants. You can recycle many of the

products you already have around your home. You can use bark from trees you might have cut down or bark that has come loose from your pine trees. Straw also can make an excellent mulching material. If you live in a rural area straw may be available from some local farmers that are in your area. Sawdust can also be used as mulching material. If you are a wood worker or do a lot of remodeling, save that sawdust you vacuum up and recycle it in your yard! Peat moss also makes a great mulching material that is readily available at most lawn and garden centers. If you have oak trees or live in a heavily wooded area, you can use leaves as a protective barrier around the base of



GARDEN NOOK
JOE ZELENAK

your plants. You can even use your old grass clippings as a mulching material around your plants. By using the mentioned materials for protecting your plants, you are helping to recycle our natural resources and you are saving more and more cypress trees that are rapidly being depleted by the widespread use of commercial products such as cypress mulch. In addition, all the above named materials will slowly degrade in the soil and add natural nutrients that will

be beneficial to the plants. In order for the mulching material to be effective in the event of a low temperature or freeze scenario, the material should be at least 2 – 3 inches thick but you should keep a margin of about an inch from the main part of the plant trunk. There are some exceptions to this rule such as citrus trees. You should never mulch around citrus plants as this can actually cause harm to the tree. Be sure that the areas that are heavily mulched. It is extremely important that your garden be moist prior to a cold snap. The combination of dry soil and cold temperatures can cause serious damage to tender plants.

If our area should come under a freeze watch or

warning, you will need to take some extra precautions to minimize the damage to your plants. Covering your plants will be the next step you need to take. Be sure to use cloth and not plastic when protecting your plants. Plastic can act like a greenhouse and when the sun comes up, the drastic temperature change can be fatal to your plants. Even when using cloth, be sure to use stakes if possible so that the material does not come in direct contact with the plant. After the cold weather of freeze event is over, be sure to remove the covering material promptly.

Fortunately, Florida enjoys seasonal temperature through most of the winter and mild freezes do not happen all that often. In fact this year so far to date

has been unseasonably warm. It is important to remember that many of our tropical plants can start to have cold damage with temperatures as low as 39 degrees. Hibiscus plants can wilt and shiver at around 35 as well as many flowering annuals. Orchids along with some other specialty plants do not like temperatures much below 45 or 50. The main thing is to be ready if a cold snap or freeze heads our way and you will reap the rewards of healthy plants throughout the winter.

Joe Zelenak has more than 30 years experience in gardening and landscape. Send e-mails to hometowngarden@gmail.com or visit his website, www.hometowngarden.com.

This first fishing trip of the year

It's been a couple of weeks since I've been out looking for those weary green fish, the Florida bass.

Last year was not an outstanding year, but a good one. I did not catch a really big one, the biggest was seven and a quarter pounds, and that was the only one more than five-pounds.

My New Year's resolution is to keep a more intense ledger. It seems like I always say that and really do it for a few weeks then it just fizzles out, but not this year.

My first trip this year was with a good fishing buddy from up in the key stone state of Pennsylvania, Denny Reichard. Denny is



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an excellent Small Mouth Bass fisherman, and a great Largemouth Bass Fisherman. He fishes Lake Erie a lot and their local streams for smallmouth. We decided that on our first trip we would fish Lake Garcia so, on News Years Day we headed out Route 60 to our destination.

The weather was calling for light showers, becoming heavier in the afternoon, and it did exactly as pre-

dicted. We started fishing a little after first light which was around 7:30 a.m. Our first fish was caught a little after 8 a.m. on a Gold Spinner Bait. The bite got better as the morning progressed.

By 10:30 a.m. we had caught probably a dozen bass and several pike; those pike do love those spinner baits. We had lost several fish that could have been bigger than what we were catching (that's fishing).

By about noon we had about all the fun we could stand. I got lucky right before we were ready to leave and caught one that was six-and-a-half pounds, and Denny on his last cast

caught a large pike that really gave him a fight.

I believe on our next trip we will be heading to Okeechobee.

One thing we did learn and will pass on to those who don't know is that the retrieve on bait should be much slower. The water is cooling down and the fish are slower to react, when you think your slowing down, try going slower.

Stay safe, have fun and go catch a big'un!

Joe Kubik is a tournament fisherman and former Charter Captain. Joe can be reached at j.kubik@comcast.net.

Music school adds to faculty

For Hometown News
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VERO BEACH — The Academy for the Performing Arts, Vero's non-profit music school, announced that Joyce Deschamps has joined its staff and will teach piano beginning in January.

A newcomer to Vero Beach, Ms. Deschamps comes from Connecticut, where she was both a teacher and performer. Ms. Deschamps studied piano at the Hartt School of Music, the University of Connecticut, and at The George Washington University, as well as with private instructors. She began playing in public and teaching when she was in college in Washington D.C.

As many as forty students per year have learned the basics of music as well as how to improvise, how to use music charts and chords.

Ms. Deschamps's philosophy about music and the piano:

"Music is a gift one gives to oneself, a gift of expression, relaxation, stress-relief and beauty. If the musician understands the meaning of the song, and plays it with that idea foremost in their mind, then the listeners will also understand, and hear more

than a pleasant tune." Mrs. Deschamps enjoys teaching students of all ages and abilities. One of her current students, a beginner, just celebrated his 83rd birthday. Ms. Deschamps loves playing at parties, weddings, musical theater and for choirs.

New Music Students are now being accepted in studios at The Academy for the Performing Arts – Vero's Community Music School. A local nonprofit in their 19th year of instruction.

The school offers instruction by professional faculty for beginning to advanced students of all ages in piano, jazz piano, guitar, brass/woods, and percussion (including timpani and marimba)

Performing opportunities are available for all students.

Registration is now open for new students for 2014 Spring Semester. Weekly instrumental and voice lessons begin Jan. 13- May 23rd and are available, private or group. Studios fill quickly.

For more information, call (772)562-7265, email at info@AcademyInVero.org, or visit www.AcademyInVero.org.

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Ocean Drive, Vero Beach. Author, advocate and anthropologist Barbara Cuthbertson will address members and guests. The event is open to the public but reservations are required; email DemLunch@aol.com.

• Humanists at Barefoot Bay: Meeting begins at noon, South Mainland Library, 7921 Ron Beatty Blvd., Micco. Continue watching Penn and Teller's "Bull****" or another select DVD of common interest. Free. *For more information, call (772) 567-3416 or email erikabab@hotmail.com.*

• Life and Death at Window: 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., River House, 305 Acacia Road, Vero Beach. Indian River County Historical Society presents a luncheon, lecture and book signing by Dr. Rachel Wentz. Tickets for luncheon and lecture are \$20. Raffle tickets also available. *For more information, call (772) 778-3435 or visit the IRCHS office, Train Depot, 2336 14th Ave., Vero Beach.*

• The Great American Songbook concert: 7 p.m., Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center. The Space Coast Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Orchestra

will present "The Great American Songbook," with selections by famous American composers. The concert will also include superstar entertainer Jeff Shadley. Cost: \$20. *Website:* www.spacecoastsymphony.org.

• Haiti clinic 5k run/walk, South Beach Park, Vero Beach, 6:30 a.m. Cost: \$25 per person in advance, \$30 on race day. *Website:* www.runnersdepotvb.com.

• Star party, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 6:15 p.m. The Indian River Astronomy Society will host a stargazing party at the day use area 0.5 miles south of the bridge, weather and clouds permitting. Telescopes will be provided, or bring your own. Cost: Park entry fees apply. *Website:* <http://www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/evnts.cfm>.

SATURDAY, JAN. 11 – SUNDAY, JAN. 12

• Riverside Children's Theatre Schoolical Production presents "Disney's Jungle Book Kids," Annie Morton Theatre, Riverside Children's Theatre, Vero Beach, 1:30 p.m. Mowgli, Baloo, King Louis and the gang swing their way through madcap adventures and thwart the ferocious tiger, Shere Khan. Cost: \$8. *Website:* www.riversidetheatre.com.

SUNDAY, JAN. 12

• Welcome the New Year: 2 p.m., Main Library, 1600 21st Street, Vero Beach. Featuring Edden Family Impact (EFI), with family-friendly singing, dancing, acting, comedy skits, more. All ages welcome. Bring cookies, brownies or similar sweets to share. Donations appreciated. *For more information, call (772) 770-5060, Ext. 4121.*

• Art in the park, Humiston Park, Vero Beach, 10 a.m. A monthly fine arts and crafts show by Vero Beach Art Club members. Cost: Free. *Website:* www.verobeachartclub.org.

• Cavalleria Rusticana, The Vero Beach High School Performing Arts Center, Vero Beach, 3 p.m. Marcello Giordani stars in this opera. Cost: \$30, \$40, \$50 or \$100 per person. *Website:* www.verobeachopera.org.

• Theatre-Go-Round presents "Milestones and Memories," 14th Avenue Steakhouse, Vero Beach, 12:30 p.m. A matinee dinner theater production encompassing 50 years of musical hits from the 1940s through the 1980s. Cost: \$45. *Website:* www.theatregorounddinnertheatre.com.

• Meet a State Senate candidate: State Senate candidate Bruno Moore will

announce his candidacy for State Senate District 32 and answer questions at 1 p.m. at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center fountain.

• Paula Poundstone, Sunrise Theatre, Fort Pierce, 7 p.m. A night of comedy with Paula Poundstone. Cost: \$29 or \$39 per person. *Website:* www.sunrisetheatre.com.

MONDAY, JAN. 13

• Quarter Auction: Doors open for guests at 6 p.m. American Legion, 807 Louisiana Ave., Sebastian. Supporting American Legion Post 189. 50/50 raffle, free door prize, vendors with cash and carry specials. Lots of goodies will be auctioned off for quarters. Bring a roll or two of quarters and \$2 for an auction paddle. Must be 18 or older to attend. *For more information, call or email Mori Serpa at (772) 633-9914 (mori44@aol.com) or Daisy Williams at (772) 882-7352 (avondaisy44@aol.com).*

TUESDAY, JAN. 14

• Indian River Genealogical Society general meeting: Donna Moughty will speak about 'Getting the most out of Ancestry.com' at 9:30 a.m.,

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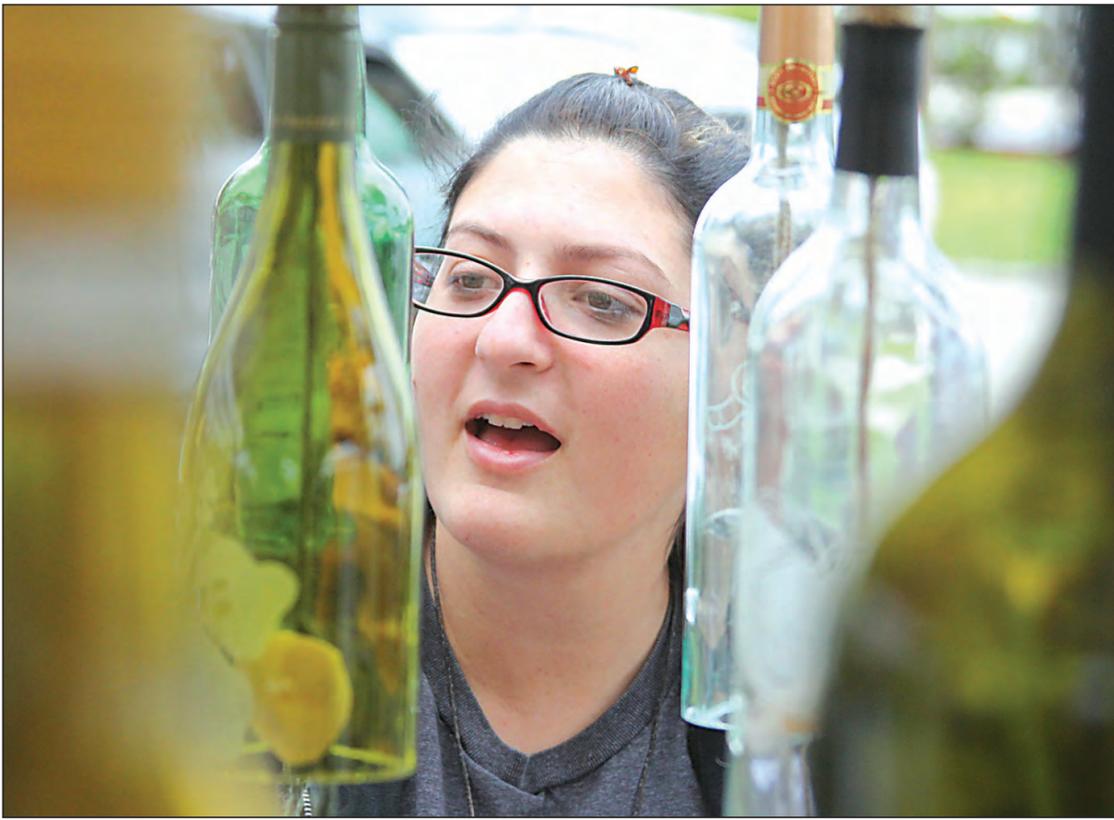
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Members of the Sebastian Craft Club gathered at Riverview Park Saturday for their monthly craft show and sale. Jessica Greenblatt, with Southern Chimes searches for a bottle with the perfect clapper for a customer. The club has their show and sale on the first Saturday of the month from Oct. to May.

Kaye Andrews, left, of Barefoot Bay, admires the glassworks of Karen Lehner of Expressions In Glass during the Sebastian Craft Club's show and sale Saturday at Riverview Park.



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There's nothing quite like turning waste into wonderful art for Holly Volles of Black Horse Productions. Ms. Volles is an equestrian and finds used horseshoes at many of her riding events. As a member of the Sebastian Craft Club, she recycles the shoes and makes useful items from them. Visit handpaintedhorseshoes.com or call (321) 266-5706 for more information.

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Main Library, 1600 21st Street, Vero Beach. For more information, call (772) 321-2692 or visit www.irgs.org.

Doctors Club: The group meets every second Tuesday of the month at the Vero Beach Yacht Club until May. Retired, semi-retired physicians and spouses are welcome, whether Treasure Coast residents or visitors. Social hour starts at noon; luncheon is served at 12:45 p.m. Luncheon is \$20 per person. For more information, call Billie at (772) 257-6249.

"Godspell," Sunrise Theatre, Fort Pierce, 7 p.m. The National Touring Company will bring the Stephen Schwartz musical, "Godspell" to the stage. Cost: \$50 or \$60 per person. Website: www.sunrisetheatre.com.

TUESDAY, JAN. 14 – SUNDAY, FEB. 2

Riverside Theatre presents "Miss Saigon," Stark Stage, Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, times vary. A classic love story of love and loss in the turmoil of war. The musical follows the tale of an American soldier and a Vietnamese girl who fall in love. Cost: \$45-\$70 per person. Website: www.riversidetheatre.com.

TUESDAY, JAN. 14 – MARCH 11

Library art exhibit, Indian River County Main Library, Vero Beach, times vary. Vero Beach Art Club members display art. Theme: "Heat." Free. Website: www.verobeachartclub.org

TUESDAY, JAN. 14 – MARCH 24

Museum art school classes, Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, times vary. Winter term classes. Registration fees vary. Website: www.verobeachmuseum.org.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 15

Lagoon-Friendly Landscaping Overview: First of a series of classes presented by Master Gardeners from noon to 1 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month, January through March. (Feb. 19 class will be 'Getting Started on your Lagoon-Friendly Landscape,' March 19 class will be 'Lagoon-Friendly Fertilizing.') Classes are held at the Indian River County Administration Building B, room B-501. Register by phone at (772) 226-3094 (leave message with name, contact info and the class you'd like to attend), or email ircmg1@gmail.com.

Life at Blue Cypress Conservation Area' lecture: 7:30 p.m., North Indian River County Library, 1001 Sebastian Blvd. (CR 512), Sebastian. Presented by Steve Hayes, certified master naturalist of Florida. Free admission, refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kathy McDonald, Sebastian Area Historical Society, at (772) 202-7488.

How to Start a Small Business: 9:30 a.m. to noon, Indian River County Chamber, 1216 21st Street, Vero Beach. Free workshop offering information on startup fundamentals, marketing, business planning, financing, licenses, employee issues, business structures, and taxation and regulation. For more information, call (888) 283-1177 or visit www.treasurecoast.score.org.

Behind the Baton, Indian River State College Mueller Campus, Vero Beach, 9:30 a.m. Cultivate a greater understand and appreciation of classical music with Stewart Robertson, artistic director and conductor of the Atlantic Classical Orchestra, as part of the Fielden Institute for Lifelong Learning. Cost: \$80 for Atlantic Classical Orchestra subscribers, \$135 for non-subscribers. Website: atlanticclassicalorchestra.com.

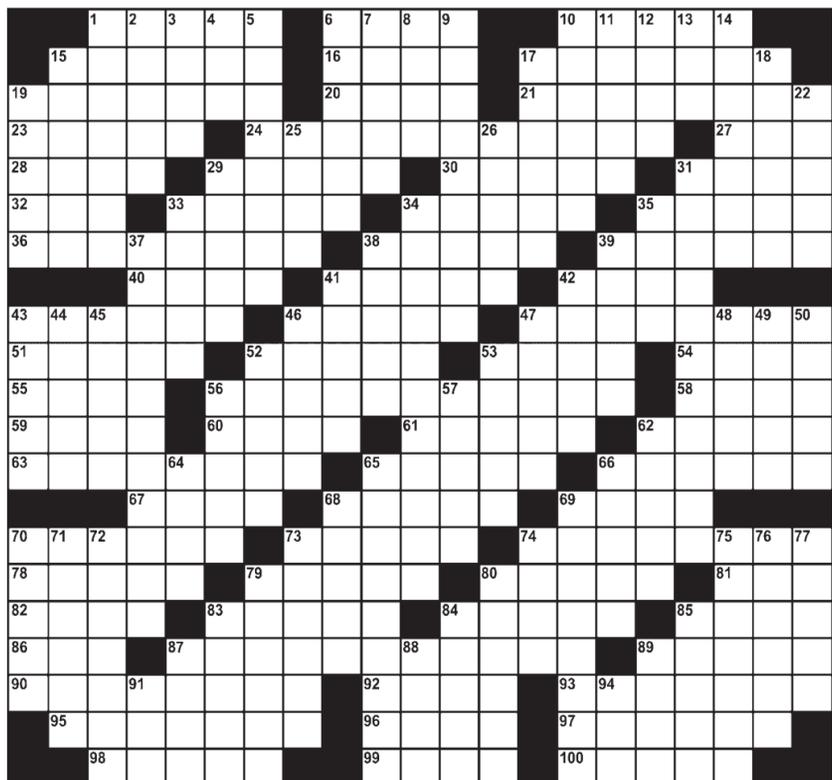
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your assistance as you initially thought.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Sagittarius, analyze any problems you may have by breaking them down into smaller tasks. Then you can tackle one thing at a time and come to a happy resolution.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Capricorn, your children or the youngsters in your life

will be the center of your universe this week. Make the most of this time and enjoy kids' carefree natures.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

This week may be a little boring, Aquarius. Make the most of your down time, as you could use a few slow days to recharge your batteries and plan your next move.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

You are bubbling with energy, Pisces. Make the most of this energy by exercising, partying or taking a day trip.

Golf promises to make to improve your game in the New Year

Finally, all the madness and mayhem of the holidays is over. Now all we have to look forward to is six-page credit card statements and those dreaded New Year's resolutions that so many of us never keep.

With that in mind, there is no moment like the present to spend a moment reflecting on the past and dreaming of a future with fewer shots and more enjoyment on the golf course.

I believe that we need to find ways to protect the spirit of our game and its traditions. We should reward players who use skill over those who use technology, but we should embrace the technology that makes the game easier and more enjoyable for those who aren't playing it for a living.

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this New Year, we need to make a few promises to ourselves and to our beloved game. Now if you will please place your left hand on the Rules of Golf, raise your right hand and repeat after me, "In 2014, I promise to ...

"Arrive at the course early and on-time." Give yourself a chance to stretch, hit a few balls and try out the practice green. By stretching and warming up, you reduce your risk of injury and your muscles are ready for action when you hit the first tee. Arriving early also puts your partners at ease. How often have you been on the range or on your

way to the first tee and wondered if your playing partner was going to show or decided instead to sleep in?

"Always leave the course in better shape than I find it." It takes but a moment to repair that nasty ball mark that your ball left on the green, and doing so helps the green heal faster. When you take a divot, use your foot to push in the sides and then fill the hole with the sand provided. This action will make it more difficult for another ball to stop in the divot and helps the grass grow back sooner.

"Play ready golf." If you arrive at your ball first, grab a couple of clubs and send your cart partner to his or her ball. Save your socializing for when you're riding in the cart between shots or holes. I realize proper etiquette calls for letting

the person farthest from the hole play first, but most of my friends and I ignore this if that person isn't ready to hit and someone else is. With just a little common sense we could cut down the time required to play considerably.

"Learn the rules." How often have you hit your ball into a hazard and not been sure where to drop your ball? Having an understanding of the rules is quite handy when you play in a tournament and suddenly realize that you may cost yourself more shots by not knowing what the rules allow you to do.

"Play in a charity tournament." It's a great way to support a cause important to you. It's also a great way to play courses that you otherwise may need to be the guest of a member to get on.

"Play from the forward

tees." When you're struggling with your game, playing on an unfamiliar course, or the rest of your group plays from the white tees, join them. Take the opportunity to hit a fairway wood or an iron off the tee. You'll swing easier, since distance is no longer a prerequisite, and probably find your game again.

"Start an exercise regimen." This is the hardest one for me and probably for most recreational golfers. There are at least 32 major muscles involved in the golf swing. The better we learn to strengthen and properly stretch then, the better and longer our golf careers will be.

"Introduce someone new to golf." There are a lot of people who would love to try golf, but they either don't have clubs or anyone to play with. Invite one of those people, maybe even

your spouse, to join you one day even if it's only to go to the practice range. You may find a new playing partner for life.

And finally and most importantly, "Play without keeping score." Play just for the pure love, relaxation and enjoyment of the game. Without the pressure and tension to make par or birdie to break 80, 90 or 100, you may be pleasantly surprised at how well you hit the ball. Golf is first and foremost a game and most of us do not play it for financial gain. Enjoy the fresh air, sunshine and a little time spent with family or friends.

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 stammorgolf@yahoo.com.

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• **"An Evening with Garrison Keillor,"** Sunrise Theatre, Fort Pierce, 7 p.m. Humorist and celebrity speaker Garrison Keillor will speak. Cost: \$49 or \$59 per person. *Website:* www.sunrisetheatre.com.

THURSDAY, JAN. 16

• **McKee Botanical Book Club,** McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach, 11 a.m. The book club will review "The Everglades: River of Grass" by Marjory Stoneman-Douglas. Cost: \$5 suggested donation. *Website:* www.mckee.org.

• **Social dance,** The Heritage Center, Vero Beach, 7 p.m. USA Dance hosts an open dance night with an introductory dance lesson at the beginning. Cost: \$8 for USA Dance members, \$10 for non-members. *Website:* www.vero-dance.org.

THURSDAY, JAN. 16 – SUNDAY, JAN. 26

• **"Harvey,"** Presented by the Vero Beach Theatre Guild. Times vary. A Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy about a man who pals around with an invisible six-foot three-inch rabbit named Harvey. Cost: \$22 or \$24 per person, season

tickets available. *Website:* www.verobeachtheatreguild.com.

FRIDAY, JAN. 17

• **Night sounds at Sebastian Inlet concert series,** Coconut Point, Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 7 p.m. Featuring Atlantic Bluegrass. Park entry fees apply. *Website:* http://www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/events.cfm.

• **"Chris MacDonald's: Memories of Elvis Rockin' Birthday Bash,"** Sunrise Theatre, Fort Pierce, 8 p.m. A Las Vegas style show with a full-production eight-piece band, dancers and singers. Cost: \$25, \$35 or \$40 per person. *Website:* www.sunrisetheatre.com.

• **Seward Johnson Twilight Night,** McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach, 6 p.m. Enjoy live music and view the "J. Seward Johnson Jr., Sculpture Exhibition," at night. Garden admission fees apply. *Website:* www.mckee.org.

FRIDAY, JAN. 17 – MONDAY, JAN. 20

• **Fellsmere Frog Leg Festival,** downtown Fellsmere, times vary. Event will include live music, various craft and vendor booths and hundreds of pounds of frog legs and other food. Free admission. *Website:*

www.froglegfestival.com.

SATURDAY, JAN. 18

• **Boating safety course:** 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Vero Beach Power Squadron Building, 301 Acacia Road, Vero Beach. Learn about navigation rules, boat handling, trailering and life-saving equipment. Get an operator's license if you were born after Jan. 1, 1988; also, many insurance companies offer discounts if you've taken a boating safety course. \$35. *To make a reservation, contact Larry Lott at (772) 532-6893, email lblott@gmx.com, or visit www.verobeachpowersquadron.com.*

• **Chili Dinner:** Hosted by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 189, 5-7 p.m., American Legion, 807 Louisiana Ave., Sebastian. All you can eat chili, two types of corn bread, an array of apple desserts, more. Tickets are \$10. 50/50 raffle will be held. All are welcome. *For more information, call (772) 581-3662.*

• **Celebrated Speaker Series lecture,** The Emerson Center, Vero Beach, 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Featuring Admiral Mike Mullen, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 2007-11. Cost: To be announced. *Website:* www.theemersoncenter.org.

• **Raffle drawing,** Sebastian Elks Lodge, Sebastian, time to be announced. The Sebastian El-DOEs present the "Dining

Around Town" raffle drawing. Cost: To be announced.

Contact phone number: (772) 589-1516.

• **Turtle Tours program,** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, 11 a.m. Young visitors can explore an exhibition then create their own mini masterpieces. Featured exhibition includes sculptures from the museum's permanent collection." Free for members, \$5 for each non-member child. Registration is required. *Website:* www.verobeachmuseum.org.

• **Bark in the Park,** Riverside Park, Vero Beach, time to be announced. An outdoor doggy-friendly event with games, booths and exhibits. Cost: To be announced. *Website:* www.hsvb.org.

SATURDAY, JAN. 18 – SUNDAY, JAN. 19

• **Sebastian River Fine Arts and Music Festival,** Riverview Park, Sebastian, time to be announced. More than 100 local professional artist and craftsmen and musicians will be showcasing their talents.

Free admission. *Website:* www.sebastianartshow.com.

• **Riverside Children's Theatre- RCT On the Go presents "Cows Don't Fly,"** Annie Morton Theatre, Riverside Children's Theatre, Vero Beach, 1:30 p.m. Based on the popular children's book series "The Cow Who Wouldn't Come Down," "The Pig Who Ran a Red Light," and "The Goose Who Went Off in a Huff," this play captures the vision of a world where extraordinary things happen on a regular basis. Cost: \$6. *Website:* www.riversidetheatre.com.

SUNDAY, JAN. 19

• **Jungle Day,** McKee Botanical Garden, Vero Beach, noon. Celebrate the history and heritage of one of Florida's earliest attractions, Jungle Gardens, and learn how McKee Botanical Garden came to be. Cost: To be announced. *Website:* www.mckee.org.

• **Theatre-Go-Round presents "Disco Divas,"** The Quilted Giraffe Restaurant,

Vero Beach, 4:30 p.m. A musical dinner theatre production celebrating the sounds of the 1970s. Cost: \$55. *Website:* www.theatregorounddinnertheatre.com.

• **The Atlantic Classical Orchestra presents "Beethoven and Schubert Strings,"** Vero Beach Museum of Art, Vero Beach, 3 p.m. Featuring the Atlantic Classical Orchestra chamber musicians. The concert is followed by a wine and cheese reception. Cost: \$5 for students or children, \$30 for museum members, \$40 for non-members. *Website:* atlanticclassicalorchestra.com.

• **Outdoor Flea and Crafts Market:** Monthly event on the third Sunday, hosted by the Sebastian Elks Lodge, 731 S. Fleming Street and County Road 512. Vendors will be able to set up their wares at 8 a.m. and the 'doors' will open to the public at 9 a.m. and close at 1 p.m. There will be a continental breakfast, light lunch, and beverages available for purchase throughout the

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New visitors invade McKee Botanical Garden



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Although the sculpture is in bronze, Lee Ingham has to feel the texture of the sweater on 'Far Out' by J. Seward Johnson.



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An empty chair next to J. Seward Johnson's 'Best Seller' was all the invitation Carl Moody, left needed.

The McKee Botanical Garden opened a new exhibit of bronze statues by J. Seward Johnson last weekend. Twenty life-sized human sculptures adorn the garden's walkways as if they were out for a stroll. Whether the sculptures are dancing, painting or just walking in the rain, many of the works seem to interact with each other as they go about business. The Seward Johnson Sculpture Exhibition will be open through April 27, 2014. For information visit mckeearden.org or call (772) 794-0601.

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