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If you have surfed the web for any length of time then I'm sure at some point you've run into the infamous "red X" where a picture or other graphic was supposed to appear.

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You see, every time a web page loads into your web browser there are a ton of things that are

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Homeless man held without bail for murder at Vero Beach McDonald's

By Jessica Creagan
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VERO BEACH — A homeless man is still incarcerated after being charged with the murder of a Connecticut man biking through Vero Beach.

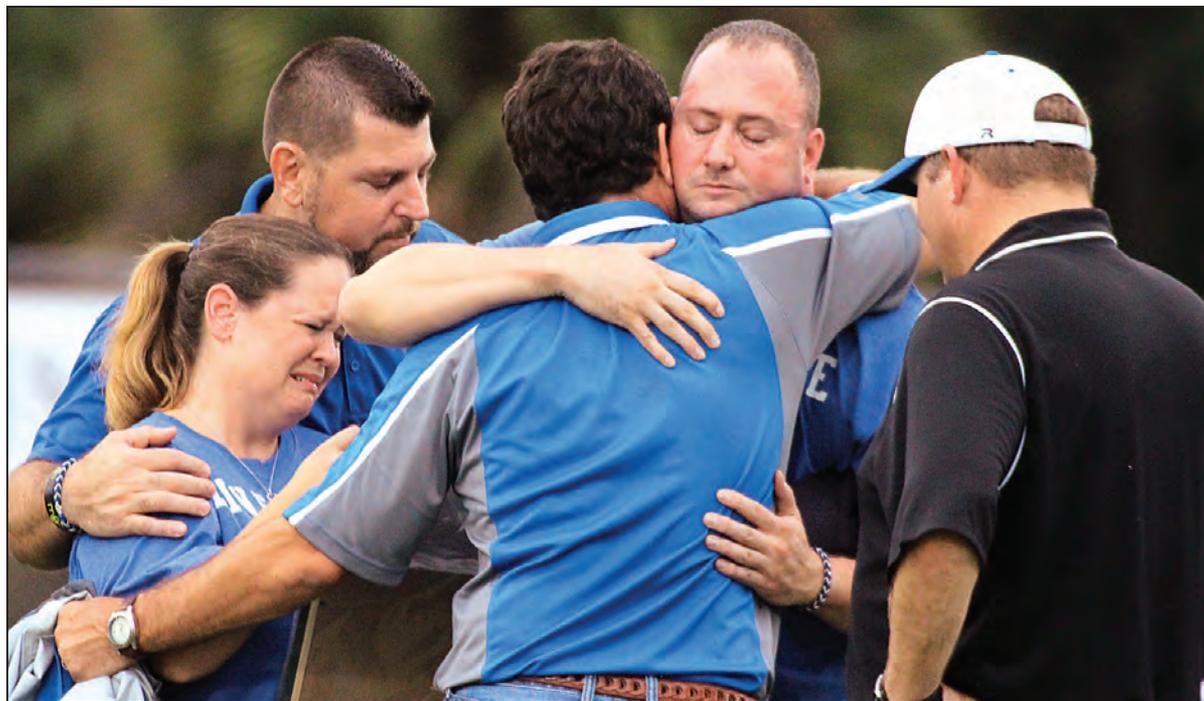
Rene Herrera Cruz, 59, was arrested by the Vero Beach Police Department and charged with the first-degree murder of Kevin Adorno, 28, and is being held at Indian River County Jail without bail.

In a press conference last week, Vero Beach Police Chief David Currey said officers from

the police department responded to the McDonald's fast food restaurant at 1925 U.S. 1, Vero Beach around 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 1 in response to a 911 phone call about a stabbing.

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Sharks retire young player's number



Courtney and William Shogran are comforted by Jim Adams, Sebastian Christian Church's youth pastor, Todd Racine, Sebastian River High School principal and Kevin Pettis, Sebastian River High School head football coach before Friday evening's game. The team retired William Shogran Jr.'s (No. 72) jersey and presented the family with the game ball. See more photos, pages 4, 15.

Cliff Partlow
staff photographer

County chamber hosts free cybersecurity workshop

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — In medieval times, protecting your business assets could be done by hiring a guard, building

strong, tall walls or a moat, but businesses today should take different security steps keep safe and protected.

The Indian River County Chamber of Commerce is offering a free cybercrime and information technology security semi-

nar on Sept. 30 at 9 a.m. for all of their chamber members.

The workshop will take place at the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce in

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WEEKEND WEATHER

Friday: Partly cloudy; high: 88; low: 73; high tide: 11:39 a.m.; low tide: 5:37 p.m.
Saturday: Partly cloudy; high: 88; low: 73; high tide: 12:30 p.m.; low tide: 6:30 p.m.
Sunday: Partly cloudy; high: 90; low: 73; high tide: 12:43 a.m.; low tide: 6:55 a.m.
Weather courtesy of weather.com

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Brothers charged with attempted murder remain jailed

Ethnic hostilities could be behind the attack

By Jessica Creagan

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Two men charged with attempted murder are being held at the Indian River County Jail with a combined bond amount of \$300,000.

Daniel Mendez, 23, and Alexander Mendez, 19, of 4795 38th Circle No. 108, Vero Beach, were arrested on Aug. 31 by

Indian River County Sheriff's Office deputies and were both charged with attempted murder and felony aggravated battery in reference to a non-fatal stabbing incident with two victims on Aug. 30.

Daniel Mendez was also charged with bribery. According to the arrest report, he offered two officers money to release him when he learned of his impending arrest.

The victims, Carlos Guch and his father, Benjamin Guch, both received knife wounds during a confrontation with the Mendez brothers and were treated at Indian River Medical Center and released hours after the stabbing, said Detective John Finnegan.

Carlos Guch received several stab wounds to the back of his head and neck area and was also punched and kicked, while Benjamin Guch suffered a minor

cut to his wrist while attempting to break apart the fight, according to arrests reports.

The father and son both said they believe they were attacked because they are Guatemalan. The Mendez brothers are Mexican and have spoken to the Guch's previously, making statement about how they don't like Guatemalans.

Alexander Mendez lives in the front section of the trailer in which the father and son reside and both victims said there have been statements made in the past indicating they would die, but this is the first altercation from those statements.

Both victims told detectives that they still fear for their lives.

According to the arrest report, Carlos Guch arrived at his residence with a friend. Upon exiting the passenger side of

the pickup truck, Carlos Guch was confronted by Daniel Mendez who was hiding behind a vehicle on the property.

Daniel Mendez began punching Carlos Guch in the face and chest and then Alexander Mendez attacked him from the rear and stabbed him in the back of the neck with a knife.

Benjamin Guch attempted to break up the fight, but was attacked by Alexander Mendez and received a cut to his wrist.

Benjamin Guch said he fell to the ground and Alexander Mendez pointed the knife at him and said first they were going to kill his son and then they were going to kill him.

For more information about the Indian River County Sheriff's Office, visit www.ircsheriff.org or www.facebook.com/ircsheriff

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Restaurant week begins Sept. 29

For Hometown News
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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Vero Beach Restaurant Week is scheduled Monday, Sept. 29 through Saturday, Oct. 4, 2014 as the first "restaurant week" in Indian River County.

The event, presented by the Vero Beach Alliance, celebrates the Vero Beach community's diverse dining opportunities prior to "season" with a

focus on seasonal products and supporting local restaurant businesses.

The Vero Beach restaurant industry is well-known for its chef-owned restaurants. Restaurants from Vero Beach will participate in the one-week dining event and will showcase some of their finest cuisine in a prix fixe menu. The event will promote both well established and new restaurants in the Vero Beach community.

"This is the perfect opportunity to

discover new local restaurant venues, or to invite your friends to take part in enjoying a night out" said Allison McNeal, the Director of Tourism for the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce.

"As a participating organization in the Vero Beach Alliance, we are excited to help bring forth this new Vero Beach event, stated Barbara Hoffman,

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Business

Company uses dance to instill self-confidence

By Jessica Creagan
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SEBASTIAN — Whether it's fast-paced and perky dance steps or a slower and controlled spin, dancing can improve confidence, self-esteem and a healthy mind and body, a local dance teacher said.

At the Brooke Alise Dance Company, students learn new ways to express themselves through music and dance, and watching their growth through the process is amazing, said Brooke Jendrusik.

The Brooke Alise Dance Company in Sebastian is privately owned by Ms. Jendrusik, an experienced dancer and choreographer with an undergraduate degree in dance performance with a minor in vocal music performance.

"I've danced from a very young age and I always knew I wanted to teach and own my own studio and here I am," Ms. Jendrusik said.

She relocated to the area from Ohio and has truly embraced Sebastian as her new hometown and appreciates the small-town quality the city is known for.

Ms. Jendrusik teaches ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, Broadway and modern dance styles, and also gives Zumba classes for adults.

"Broadway is more of a musical the-

ater style-dance, group numbers and specific to the Broadway show," she said.

While studying at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., Ms. Jendrusik was a member of the university's show choir as a singer, dancer and choreographer.

"I've choreographed for show choirs in Ohio and Indiana for five years and have had my choreography featured on The Today Show, The World Choir Games and across the Midwest," Ms. Jendrusik said.

"I think music is a powerful element and combining it with dance expands it," she said.

Dance teaches discipline, both in body and mind and Ms. Jendrusik teaches students as young as three years old.

"You have to be able to pay attention and remember what you have learned," she said.

Group classes for children are offered for those older than 4 on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and evenings. A ballet and tap combination class is offered for 3- and 4-year-olds on Saturday mornings.

Private lessons are available during the week as well.

Dancing is an incredibly fun outlet and is very enjoyable for many people, Ms. Jendrusik said.



Photo courtesy of Brooke Jendrusik

The students of Brooke Alise Dance Company in Sebastian gather around their instructor, Brooke Jendrusik, after an exciting debut recital. The Brooke Alise Dance Company is accepting new students.

While all of her current students are girls, Ms. Jendrusik said she is opening up a boy's hip-hop class within the next month and is hopeful that some will come out and try it.

Students are accepted at all skill levels, Ms. Jendrusik said.

"As long as they are here, ready to dance and abide by my rules, then they are ready to go," she said.

Adult ballet, tap and jazz classes are taught on Saturdays.

Adult Zumba classes are available on

Monday and Thursday evenings, Ms. Jendrusik said.

"Zumba is a Latin dance class with music that is Latin based and you just dance the whole time. It's very easy to follow and it's fun. You can get cardio in and weight lifting too in a fun atmosphere," she said.

Brooke Alise Dance Company is located at 250 Sebastian Blvd. Suite 7, Sebastian. For more information, call (937) 467-3350 or visit www.badcdance.com or www.facebook.com/badcdance.

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Above: Todd Racine, Sebastian River High School principal, presents Courtney Shogran with Friday's game ball as Jim Adams and William Shogran look on. **Right:** Courtney Shogran is comforted by Michael Stutzke Sebastian River High School athletic director.

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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 Aug. 27 to Sept. 2, 2014

Sebastian Police Department

- Andrew David Blossom, 28, 752 S. Fischer Circle, Sebastian, was charged with felony criminal mischief and a misdemeanor charge of resisting arrest without violence.
- Richard Henry Sanchez, 25, no address given, was charged with possession of oxycodone and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

Vero Beach Police Department

- Reuben Joel Buckner Sr., 31, 1805 40th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with possession of hydrocodone and misdemeanor charges of possession of cannabis and drug paraphernalia.
- Luke Shane Ledford, 38, homeless, was charged with being a fugitive from justice.
- Alfred Laverne Goss, 49, 4345 45th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with armed trespass on property, misdemeanor charges of carrying a concealed weapon and possession of drug paraphernalia and violation of a local ordinance, possession of or consuming alcohol in public.
- Rene Herrera Cruz, 59, no address given, was charged with first-degree murder.

Indian River County Sheriff's Office

- Steven M. Alvarez, 22, 104 Harris Drive, Sebastian, was charged with burglary of a dwelling and third-degree grand theft.
- Paul Michael Deschryver, 44, 8415 103rd Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with violation of

probation. He was on probation for felony petit theft.

- Susan Marie Everest, 48, 8891 96th Court, Vero Beach, was charged with fraudulent use of a credit, obtaining a credit card by fraudulent means, two counts of criminal use of personal identification information, fraudulent use of a credit card and fraud by an authorized person.
- Michael Paul Guin, 35, 965 24th St. Southwest, Vero Beach, was charged with dealing in stolen property.
- Jeremy Sean Jackson, 34, 1813 South 33rd St. Fort Pierce, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for grand theft.
- Autumn Pauleen Manning, 24, 5745 Marina Drive No. 1, Sebastian, was charged with three counts of violation of probation and a misdemeanor charge of shoplifting/retail theft. She was on probation for three counts of criminal use of personal identification information, three counts of third-degree grand theft, four counts of fraudulent use of a credit card, possession of buprenorphine and uttering a forged instrument.
- Robert Jason Robb, 23, 2350 10th Road Southwest No. 163, Vero Beach, was charged with dealing in stolen property and burglary of a dwelling.
- Cristina Delilah Vallejo, 20, 48 N. Oak St., Fellsmere, was charged with third-degree grand theft.
- Anthony Jerome Williams Jr., 19, 4195 46th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation, driving while license suspended, habitual offender and a misdemeanor charge of giving a false name while detained. He was on probation for robbery.
- Darrell Matthew Barton Jr., 31, 3200 S.E. Monte Vista St., Port St. Lucie, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for third-degree grand theft.
- Alicia Hassett Cook, 53, 825 Floraland Ave., Sebastian, was charged with violation of probation.
- Steven Joseph Mackowski, 27, 9100 16th Place Apt. 2, Vero Beach, was charged with

grand theft of an automobile and misdemeanor charges of driving while license suspended, revoked or cancelled and leaving the scene of an accident with property damage.

- Siovhann Marie McMiller, 31, 3950 Lincoln Drive, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation.
- Kerry Nichole Moon, 38, 1935 First Place S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with third-degree grand theft, burglary of an occupied dwelling, violation of probation and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and two counts of battery.
- Jake Ryan Smith, 25, 10 Harbour Isle Drive, Fort Pierce, was charged with robbery of a purse by sudden snatching and a misdemeanor charge of battery.
- Randy Wayne Smith, 19, 301 Keen Terrace No. B, Sebastian, was charged with third-degree grand theft.
- Patricia Christine Thomas, 18, 315 11th Lane S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with grand theft of an automobile.
- Marcus Alexander Williams, 29, 4202 37th Drive, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of a firearm, ammunition or electric device by a convicted felon, resisting arrest with violence, introduction of contraband into a detention facility and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana, driving while license suspended with knowledge and possession of cannabis.
- Andre Levone Williamson, 44, 1246 17th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of cocaine and sale or delivery of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and marijuana.
- Wayne Scott Moore, 58, 202 Rose Drive, Cocoa Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for possession of alprazolam and codeine.
- Jeffrey Darnell Hal, 53, 2440 43rd Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with failure to appear in court.
- Julius Andrew Reason III, 30, 4730 58th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with aggravat-

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ed assault with a deadly weapon, possession of a firearm, ammunition or electric device by a convicted felon and a misdemeanor charge of criminal mischief.

- Krystal Michelle Adkins, 31, 1855 49th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with felony petit theft.
- D Angelo Jerome Hoover, 23, 4225 45th Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with possession of a controlled substance, fleeing and eluding and a misdemeanor charge of driving while license suspended.
- Dennis Jay Hyers, 31, 1313 33rd St., Vero Beach, was charged with resisting arrest with violence, failing to leave information after a crash and misdemeanor charges of no valid driver license and driving under the influence.
- Fabian Furnando Lyn-Cook, 22, 325 Bayharbor Terrace, Sebastian, was charged with possession of marijuana and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Roxanne Pena, 27, 917 19th Place, Vero Beach, was charged with tampering with or destroying evidence and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Emmett Selester Lane III, 29, 4825 38th Circle No. 102, Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation, failure to leave information after a crash and a misdemeanor charge of fleeing and eluding a police officer. He was on probation for failure to redeliver leased property.
- Michael George Wodtke, 48, 1733 26th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with felony

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Out of control

The power of the federal government is out of control. As the state legislators at the recent Mt. Vernon Assembly realized, Washington's abuse of power — instigated by both Republicans and Democrats — must come to an end before it's too late.

Debt is abuse

The \$17 trillion national debt is one example of this abuse. Our children and grandchildren will pay for Washington's spending spree. There will be taxes imposed for spending they never approved and from which they never directly benefited. The cry of that generation will echo that of the founding generation: "Taxation without representation!"

Fortunately, when the national government becomes drunk with power, the states possess the authority to reorganize the government in a manner

that preserves liberty. Article V of the Constitution allows states to call a convention for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution. Using an Article V convention, the states can stop the spending and debt spree, the power grabs of the federal courts, and the forfeiture of American sovereignty to the UN. Citizens for Self-Governance has started the Convention of States Project to urge state legislators to call a Convention of States. To get involved visit our website, conventionofstates.com and our Facebook page, [Facebook.com/conventionofstates](https://www.facebook.com/conventionofstates). You can also contact Florida's COS state leadership at Florida's Leadership's Email.

Don't redefine marriage

We need to rebuild and restore the institution of marriage, not redefine it. Adding same-sex marriage would be the most radical change since the introduction of no-fault divorce, and would prioritize the romantic desires of adults over the needs of children. Defending marriage as a lifelong union of one man and one woman should be a social-justice priority, since fatherlessness is a major source of social dysfunction.

Things are as bad as they seem

We moved to the area back in 2009 and though it was smack in the middle of the recession, we didn't expect things to be as bad as they are. My husband worked for Nasdaq before the new President took over and started massive layoffs in Connecticut. He can't even get a job and all the interviews he's been on, people get intimidated when they see his resume because of his professional background. Sorry folks, you want a professional person, the Stock Market doesn't get much more Elite or Corporate! They don't hire slackers.

There are literally no jobs in this

In need of protection



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer

Galen Thomas, of Vero Beach, loads his kayak up after fishing the sea grass flats near the Oslo Boat Ramp Aug. 30. A fight continues between Indian River County, the Pelican Island Audubon Society and Dr. Grant Gilmore about the county's efforts to deepen the ramp possibly jeopardizing sensitive sea grasses which are a nursery to spotted sea trout, snook, red drum and others. For more information, go to pelicanislandaudubon.org or call (772) 567-3520.

town. Everything is either part-time, seasonal or 'who knows who' and with low wages starting at times lower than \$8 an hour. Can someone tell me how you are going to continue to lure people to move to Vero Beach when \$8 an hour won't even make a dent in a single mortgage payment? How many are dipping into their 401k to cover expenses?

The powers that be must start luring companies here, even the bigger Corporations. With all the large amounts of land available out by I-95 corridor, there's no reason why several Corporate parks can't be built. There's plenty of homes for sale to easily fill people moving here. The wealthy towns of Fairfield County in Connecticut where we came from have had no issues keeping a small town feel while at the same time luring companies in.

I own an antique store and that's the biggest complaint when chatting with customers who are visiting or live here. There's no jobs to support a mortgage, car and a family. I can't say I blame them. I met one woman who was moving back to Miami because the industry in this town is just horrible. You apply for one job and you have 50+ people behind you trying for the same position. Just look at any of the local papers in the job section. How many do you

see?

There's plenty of influence in this town including the folks out at A-1-A with multi-million homes that need to start pitching in. How many of their children live here year around and could afford to live on their own without their parents financial influence?

Where does the money go?

How does the government account for the funds paid into Social Security, and the person dies before he/she even collects a Social Security check?

Where does this money go? Should it not be returned to the person's family?

Is Social Security an entitlement? Let's see how entitlement is defined: "Entitlement - Government Program Helping Specific Group: a government program that targets a particular section of the population to receive specific social benefits." Note the word "helping" in the definition. Is the government really helping me? How much money did the government put into Social Security? I put in 7.5 percent of my earnings into Social Security. My employer puts in 7.5 percent into my

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Store celebrates anniversary by giving back to others

By Anna-Marie Menhenott
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PORT ST. LUCIE — For the outdoorsman, Bass Pro Shop in Port St. Lucie offers everything possibly desired.

From fishing, to hunting, to boating and camping, any outdoor expedition isn't complete without a trip to the enormous supercenter. Now, patrons can give back to the community and around the world, as Bass Pro Shop and Operation Christmas Child join forces to give the world's smallest, and neediest humans some of the basic necessities.

"We will have a box in the front of the store where patrons can donate things such as school supplies, non-liquid hygiene items, accessories, a personal note and toys," said Sheri Slayton, special events associate at Bass Pro Shop. "We will culminate the collections on our one-year anniversary on Oct. 4. There will be a full day of activities for the entire family and also we'll be boxing up the items brought in for Operation Christmas Child."

Anniversary events on Oct. 4 will include a blood drive, a free Coast Guard vessel check, special guest speakers, food demonstrations, cake, prizes, and a general party-like atmosphere.

Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts will be on hand to help pack boxes along with the color guard and cheerleaders from Fort Pierce Central.

"We want the kids to learn how to give back to the community," Ms. Slayton

said. "Giving back is a huge part of what Bass Pro Shop is all about. We stress an importance on conservation of the areas around us and giving a helping hand to those who live around us. We have to pull together."

Items that can be brought in for Operation Christmas Child include teddy bears, dolls, soft toys, school supplies, T-shirts, shorts, underwear, caps, beanies, sandals, flip flops, tennis balls, toy cars, jump ropes, marbles, musical instruments, yo-yos, slinky, finger puppets, (no battery operated toys), soap, toothbrush, (no toothpaste), hairbrush, comb, hair-clips and scrunchies, carry bags, sunglasses, bangles, necklaces, craft kits, stickers and a note and photo of yourself.

Items that are not accepted are items that leak or melt including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, play dough and batteries, used or damaged items, breakable items and items that can scare or harm a child such as knives, war-related toys and toy guns. Also, playing cards and play money is not accepted nor anything of a religious, racial or political nature.

Items are being collected at Bass Pro Shop during regular business hours and at the *Hometown News* main office, located at 5059 Turnpike Feeder Road, Fort Pierce.

Bass Pro Shop is located off the I-95 exit at Gatlin Boulevard in Port St. Lucie. For more information, call (772) 785-7600, Ext. 5229.



Sevyn Bullwinkle/staff photographer Andi Nicoletto, Treasure Coast Operation Christmas Child Community Relations, and Area Coordinator Paula Grossmann work out the details for their upcoming event with Bass Pro Shops Event Coordinator Sheri Slayton on Wednesday, September 3. Bass Pro Shop will be collecting toys, school supplies, clothing, and other items from Sept. 4 through Oct. 3 to be packaged in shoe boxes on Saturday, October 4, during their 'First Anniversary Community Celebration' at Bass Pro Shops in St. Lucie West.

Rants

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account. Government puts in nothing. That's 15 percent of your income, before taxes. If you averaged \$30,000 over your working life, your contribution amounts to close to \$220,500.

Let's calculate future earnings. If your vested value of \$4,500 per year (yours and your employer) at a simple rate of 5 percent, after 49 years of working, you would have \$892,919.98. If you took our just 3 percent each year, you would receive \$26,787.60 (twice the amount I receive now.) If you bought an annuity at 4 percent per year, you would have a lifetime income of \$29,760.40 a year.

Clearly, ladies and gentlemen, our government has pulled off a Ponzi scheme bigger than Bernie Madoff. They have the audacity to call Social Security an entitlement. It is our money. It is our right to collect Social Security.

Now that it is time to collect, our government is running out of money, which they stole from you and me. They had no right, nor authority to take this money and use it to pay for other programs.

Several years ago, a presidential candidate suggested that a portion of our Social Security payments be placed in an annuity program. Many of us were against such a proposal. But now, after doing my research, I believe that his proposal was a fundamentally sound idea.

Our contributions to the financial organization, managing these funds

would allow for valid investments, and our funds would continue to grow. Our Social Security checks would be double what we receive now. And, upon our death, the funds would be returned to our families.

Just imagine if we had done this, our government could not have stolen our money for their use; and our money would have been safely tucked away.

I have concluded, and many of my rants dealing with politicians have the same theme, they no longer serve the needs of the people.

American voices needed

I am tired, tired, tired of foreign (individuals), broadcasting our American golf tournaments.

I can't see where an Australian accent adds anything to the game.

They get the big bucks, but they don't add anything that an American pro could do.

They are all good; but they are all here, and we don't need them.

How many people feel the same way we do? Let us know.

Gas prices and taxes

I just read that they want to raise all kinds of taxes and gas prices 6 cents a gallon to fix the roads, because they have lax on doing things.

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Murder

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Witnesses to the homicide said Mr. Adorno entered the McDonald's, possibly to buy food and sat at a table. He later went outside and began to use his cell phone where he was attacked by Mr. Cruz by a long knife. Mr. Cruz then ran away from the McDonald's parking lot and Mr. Adorno made it back into the McDonald's restaurant before collapsing on the floor.

Chief Currey said it took police less than two minutes to respond to the scene from when the 911 call was placed. Emergency services personnel also responded to the scene and attempted to save Mr. Adorno, but the stab wounds were too severe and he succumbed to his injuries.

There were at least two stab wounds created by a knife with about a 12-inch blade, one to the chest and one to the shoulder, Chief Currey said

Police recovered the murder weapon, which Mr. Cruz admitted to throwing into the bushes near McDonald's before running across the street to Burger King, where he was arrested.

According to Mr. Adorno's family, Mr. Adorno was cycling from Maryland to Miami to complete a "bucket list" wish and had planned on arriving in Miami on Thursday, where he planned to propose to his girlfriend, Elyse Fuggetta.

Ms. Fuggetta was on the phone with Mr. Adorno just prior to the attack, the arrest affidavit said.

She said they were having a normal

conversation and that the last thing she heard was the phone drop and then the sound of sirens.

The engagement ring Mr. Adorno was to present to her was on his person at the time of his death and none of his personal belongings were missing, Chief Currey said.

Mr. Adorno was a pencil artist and graphic designer. His business website gave an example of how he took a portrait photograph and created a realistic pencil drawing of the likeness.

The arrest affidavit said Mr. Cruz stated he had never met Mr. Adorno before, had never spoken to him and didn't believe Mr. Adorno had a weapon.

When officers questioned Mr. Cruz after the fatal stabbing, he confessed to the act.

Mr. Cruz said the reason for his attack was because he believed Mr. Adorno was "directing the people to go after him." He also said he suspected people were watching him from inside the McDonald's and perhaps taking pictures of him.

Chief Currey said they had received a call from Mr. Cruz on the evening Aug. 31 saying people were trying to injure him at the Burger King on 1928 U.S. 1. When police responded to the call, officers said Mr. Cruz seemed coherent and acting normal and did not seem mentally ill.

Chief Currey said Mr. Cruz has previously been arrested on a variety of charges throughout the 1990s, including but not limited to aggravated battery and kidnapping, public disorder and cocaine possession.

For more information, visit www.vbpd.org.

Workshop

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downtown Vero Beach and will be directed by First United Bank, a chamber member.

"Even though we live in a relatively small community, the risks of cybercrime are still a threat to our businesses," said Penny Chandler, president of the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce.

"A seminar on this topic raises awareness and will advise on the best practices and precautions that ever the small business owner without an in-house information technology department can use to protect their business information and bottom line," she said.

Cybercrime is simply defined as crime conducted using a computer network or the Internet. Some examples of cybercrime against businesses are hacking, where a computer is accessed, usually without the owner's knowledge, from a remote location and personal or sensitive information is searched for and collected.

Identity theft is another example, especially found when people use the Internet for banking services or purchase transactions. An identity thief can use the Internet in some cases to learn Social Security numbers, not to mention access a person's bank account, credit cards and their sensitive and private information, siphoning money slowly from an account or quickly making large purchases, caus-

ing major financial losses and potentially harming the victim's credit history.

"In a business world dominated by web-based applications, it makes sense to provide education and information that can help protect our business people and their companies from risk," Ms. Chandler said.

Tom Garcia, president and CEO of InfoSight, an information technology, managed security and consulting service, said providing security awareness training to bank customers is a new mandate for his company, due to the rising level of online fraud.

"Recent news headlining incidents such as Home Depot, Chase and Target (data breaches) underscore the importance of being vigilant on all levels of information security and e-commerce," Mr. Garcia said.

When people hear about cybercrime, they often think that it only happens to other people or large organizations, they never expect it to happen to them.

The seminar agenda includes a brief overview of current laws and regulations, a review of cyber threats its evolving landscape, a review of cybercriminal tools and types of attacks, information on how a security breach could harm a business, how First United Bank's security solutions are protecting customers, and how business owners can protect their businesses.

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Compute

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going on in the background that you don't actually see. What you see are the results of all of this behind the scenes "markup" either working properly or not (as in the case of the red X). When you go to a website that has pictures (or any other content that isn't raw text for that matter) there is a line of code embedded behind the scenes on that page that points to the location of whatever the page is trying to display.

Most of the time the images that the web page is pointing to are right where the web page thinks it is and it displays fine but sometimes the picture isn't where the page thinks it is and that's when your browser displays the little red X as a place holder where the image is supposed to be on the page.

But how can this be? Don't web designers check their work to make sure that the pages display properly? Well, not always! One thing to remember is that these days just about anybody can throw together a website and that means some web designers just don't know how to check their work properly.

For instance, back when I was first learning how to design websites, I set up a page, uploaded it to the web and then checked it with my browser to make sure it looked OK. I was pleased – everything appeared just as I had designed it. Then when I had a friend look at the page he told me there was a problem; none of the pictures would load, just a bunch of little red X's. I took a look at the page's source code (the behind the scenes code that tells the browser where to put everything) and found that for each of my pictures the page was looking for them on the browser's local C: drive

and not the images folder I had uploaded when I created the site. And since the images were indeed in my C: drive where the page was looking for them they displayed just fine when I looked at the page in my browser. Since no one else had the images on their C: drive they failed to load. In that example, even though I checked the page and all seemed well, it took someone else to discover the problem.

Another reason images may fail to load is sometimes a page is pointing to an image on another website altogether and if that image gets taken down or moved there will be nothing there when the page goes looking for it.

Sometimes images may fail to load because of heavy traffic. If the site you are accessing is too busy or has a ton of graphics the images may time out when loading and you may have to refresh the page to get all the pictures to display.

Now keep in mind that these are just a few of the most common reasons why an image may fail to load when surfing the web and you may even see the same symptoms in your email. With email however, the problem may be resulting from you security settings being set too high. If you are using Outlook or Windows Live Mail for instance and you find that you never see images load in your email messages but you are seeing a ton of red X place holders check your security settings. Click Tools, Options then Security and make sure that the "Block images and external content..." checkbox is not checked. If it is, uncheck it and you should then be able to see your email the way it was composed.

Sean McCarthy fixes computers. He can be reached at (888) 752-9049 or help@ComputeThisOnline.com.

T2T Run a success



Nearly 400 runners and walkers were on hand for the 3rd annual Tunnel to Towers Run/Walk Saturday in Riverside Park. Vero Beach resident Erik Blosser was first to finish the 3.43-mile race crossing the finish line with a time of 19.49. For more information about the Stepher Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation go to tunnel2towers.org. See more photos on page 11.

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Child Summit taking place Sept. 17-18

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TREASURE COAST — The third annual Treasure Coast Guardians for New Futures Child Summit will be held September 17 and 18 at Indian River State College. This 2-day event is FREE and open to professionals as well as the public. The host, Guardians for New Futures (GFNF), is a small but mighty volunteer non-profit serving the Treasure Coast and Okeechobee. GFNF's mission is to support the needs of abused and neglected children while increasing community awareness to recognize and report maltreatment of children. GFNF has become known for their comprehensive free Child Summits and educational workshops; they inform the public of the many issues threatening the safety of our children.

GFNF's training opportunities reach across disciplines and involve many of the key players like law enforcement, educators, social workers, mental health professionals, parents and interested community members. These informative educational sessions are based on current issues threatening that safety of our children such as human trafficking, adolescent/teen suicide, and current drug trends. There is no issue that GFNF backs away from.

GFNF's core mission is based on a sense of responsibility of the entire community to advocate for and protect children. Their unique and com-

prehensive training model begins with the assumption that all community members are stewards for children. Their free training and educational opportunities do not just extend to those working directly with children but any person who is ready for the challenge of not looking the other way. The Child Summit partners with dozens of other organizations such as Indian River State College, Sandy Pines, and the Children's Services Council. The Summit pulls in roughly 400 participants representing more than 180 different child focused organizations. This collaboration between stakeholders is truly astounding.

This year's program will include topics such as signs of addiction, human trafficking, substance abuse and suicide prevention. The impressive lineup of speakers include: Tom Gillan, Director of The National Institute for Human Trafficking Research & Training; Dr. Brandi Rials, Palm Beach Behavioral Health & Wellness; Sheldon J. Burkett, Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Department of Justice; Jackie Rosen, Executive Director/CEO, Florida Initiative for Suicide Prevention, Inc.; Dr. Tracy Crawford, OARS; Chief Judge Steven Levin; Dr. Donald Wood, Medical Director, Martin Memorial Health Systems, Former State Representative Adam Fetterman, county Sheriff's and Attorney General Pam Bondi.

For information and registration, visit www.gfnf4kids.org/events.asp.

Restaurant

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Cultural Council of Indian River County.

Vero Beach Restaurant Week is patterned after hundreds of similar restaurant week events already in existence nationwide. The special prix fixe pricing structure allows diners to engage in a variety of dining experiences. And, "foodies" can explore a variety of cuisine with a local flair.

To learn more about how a restaurant can participate in Vero Beach Restaurant Week please call 772-567-3491, Ext 124 or call the Cultural

Council at (772) 770-4857. Email info@verobeachrestaurantweek.com

A complete list of participating restaurants is available at: www.verobeachrestaurantweek.com. To make a reservation, call the restaurant directly. Or, find Vero Beach Restaurant Week on Facebook.

The Vero Beach Alliance is the partnership of Main Street Vero Beach, Cultural Council of Indian River County, Oceanside Business Association, Historical Society of Indian River County, and the Indian River County Chamber of Commerce. The five organizations have a 150 year combined history of promoting Vero Beach.

Police

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battery on an emergency medical care provider.

- Alexander Mendez, 19, 4795 38th Circle No. 108, Vero Beach, was charged with attempted murder and felony aggravated battery.

- Daniel Mendwz, 23, no address given, was charged with attempted murder, felony aggravated battery and bribery.

- Adam James Amundsen, 44, 2315 27th Drive S.W., Vero Beach, was charged with criminal violation of an injunction for protection.

- Tiffany Renee Moore, 34, 1735 38th Lane, Vero Beach, was charged with possession and sale of hydrocodone and possession of

alprazolam.

- Veronica Rose Santucci, 24, 1955 18th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with lewd solicitation of a child by computer and transmitting an image, information or data that is harmful to minors.

- Vonkease Jermaine Thomas, 31, 4265 31st Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with driving while license suspended with knowledge and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

- Travese Lashuane Woolfork, 37, 4355 27th Ave., Vero Beach, was charged with violation of probation. He was on probation for sale of cocaine.

Florida Highway Patrol

- Yabel Concepcion, 38, 1221 Sharar Ave., Opa Locka, was charged with criminal violation of an injunction for protection.

Dining & Entertainment

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Running in memory of so many



Cliff Partlow/staff photographer
Jessica Lawson of Vero Beach was the first female runner to cross the finish line with a time of 25.42.



Runners of all ages start the 3.43-mile race to honor the 343 firefighters killed when the Twin Towers came down.
Cliff Partlow
staff photographer

The Indian River Fire Rescue's Ladder One and the Indian River Shores Public Safety Quint 102 honored those with the display of a 15-by-30 foot American flag over the course.

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Horoscopes



ARIES - March 21/April 20

Aries, though you are usually up for a conversation with someone you don't know, this week you could be in a more conservative mood. You'll have future chances to chat.

TAURUS - April 21/May 21

You have been on a shopping binge of late, Taurus. If you have unlimited funds, this would not be so problematic. But finances are tight, and you should be more cautious.

GEMINI - May 22/June 21

Gemini, you are often an entertaining and fun person to have around. This is probably why you get so many invitations to parties and other social occasions. Enjoy your fanfare.

CANCER - June 22/July 22

Surround yourself with children this week, Cancer. They'll provide the unedited, honest information you desire right now. It can certainly be eye-opening.

LEO - July 23/Aug. 23

Spend some quality time with a romantic partner this week, Leo. He or she can provide more of what you need, such as true affection and companionship, than what's offered by friends.

VIRGO - Aug. 24/Sept. 22

Virgo, you deserve credit at the office. If you're patient, some meas-

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Out & about

THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

• **'Funny Money':** Farce by Ray Cooney will be presented by Pineapple Playhouse, 700 W. Weatherbee Road, Fort Pierce. Two men, one dead. Two briefcases, one full of money. Two detectives, hot on the trail of a mild mannered C.P.A. as he tries to cash out on his good fortune. Shows are Thursday through Saturday at 8 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. Individual tickets are \$18. Student, group prices and season tickets available. For tickets, call (772) 465-0366 or visit pineappleplayhouse.com.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 17

• **'An Excellent Business Plan':** 9:30-11:30 a.m., Indian River County Chamber, 1216 21st Street, Vero Beach. Free workshop offering information on turning your business idea into a plan on paper, outlining every critical aspect of its operation. For more information, call (888) 283-1177 or visit www.treasurecoast.score.org.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 18 - SUNDAY, SEPT. 28

• **'No Sex Please, We're British':** Popular English farce will be performed by the Vero Beach Theatre Guild, 2020 San Juan Ave. Show times are 7 p.m. on Sept. 18, Sept. 24, and Sept. 25; 8 p.m. on Sept. 19, Sept. 26, and Sept. 27; and 2 p.m. on Sept. 20, Sept. 21, and Sept. 28. Tickets are \$22 and \$24; half-price for 18 and younger. Tickets may be purchased online or by visiting or calling the box office at (772) 562-8300. For

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Top-rated restaurant does not disappoint

Maison Martinique's new chef brings new entrees to the table

By Jessica Creagan
jcreagan@hometownnewsol.com

VERO BEACH — Soft music, warm candlelight, an incredible array of French-Caribbean cuisine and attentive staff are a winning dining combination every time.

Maison Martinique, a casually elegant restaurant located on the Caribbean Court Boutique Resort property beachside in Vero Beach, exudes refinement and hospitality and is one of the top-rated restaurants in Vero Beach.

Rave reviews of the restaurant quality and service are prolific on TripAdvisor, an online travel site where users can rate places they have visited, and the restaurant and hotel have won several awards from the travel site.

Guests can dine at tables draped with crisp white tablecloths set with a dramat-

ic folded napkin, shiny cutlery and spotless glasses indoors within the Shell or Bamboo dining rooms, or outdoors on the patio underneath twinkling lights.

The restaurant's new chef, Marcelo Stopyra, has been getting his bearings during the summer months and is ready for an influx of customers to try their old favorites and some of the new dishes he will be introducing in the coming weeks.

One of the new entrees on the menu is a macadamia nut encrusted grouper with a vanilla bean beurre blanc sauce. Chef Stopyra's twist on the sauce is to use coconut milk instead of the traditional butter and wine.

"It gives the dish a nice flavor, not a sweet taste because vanilla bean is not naturally sweet, but a savory taste and it complements the richness of the nuts," Chef Stopyra said.

The grouper was incredibly tender and moist and the mix of flavors made every bite as tasty as the first.

The tastefully presented entrée was further complemented by a restaurant standard sweet potato mash and rainbow Swiss chard.

The texture of the sweet potato mash with the fish was very pleasant and the rainbow Swiss chard brought a slightly tangier and exotic flavor to the meal.

The dining atmosphere definitely caters to a more mature crowd, but children are certainly welcomed and the chef



Staff photo by Jessica Creagan Phillip K., head waiter at Maison Martinique Restaurant in Vero Beach, serves his guests with confidence and a smile. Wine pairings are his forte.

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THURSDAY, SEPT. 18

- **Vero Beach Elks Lodge sends cookies to soldiers:** Homemade or store-bought cookies may be dropped off at 10 a.m. on the third Thursday of every month. Money donations for shipping costs are also appreciated. Bring cookies to Vero Beach Elks Lodge 1774, 1350 26th St. Vero Beach.
- **Third Thursday dances:** 7-10 p.m. on the third Thursday each month, all year, at Vero's Heritage Center, 2140 14th Ave. Sponsored by USA Dance. General fee is \$10 per person. Singles,

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Scopes

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ure of recognition will come your way this week. It's a start to getting what you need.

LIBRA - Sept. 23/Oct. 23

Few people will accuse you of being uncommunicative, Libra. In fact, you're usually downright chatty. It's one of the traits people will admire most in you this week.

SCORPIO - Oct. 24/Nov. 22

Scorpio, a new person comes into your life and your attraction to this person catches you off guard. It's okay to flirt, but if you're already attached to someone, leave it at that.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov. 23/Dec. 21

Sagittarius, you're often the one to

take the lead in conversations in your group of friends, but this week someone else takes the lead. You're content to sit back and simply listen.

CAPRICORN - Dec. 22/Jan. 20

Capricorn, once you have gained enough confidence in a special interest, you may be able to turn it into a career instead of just a hobby. Keep working toward that goal.

AQUARIUS - Jan. 21/Feb. 18

It's time to tie up some loose ends, Aquarius. Rustle up some energy to take care of all those little things that need to be wrapped up. You'll feel a weight lift afterward.

PISCES - Feb. 19/March 20

Pisces, increase your level of activity this week. Exercise can do you a world of good, especially if you've felt sluggish of late.

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Maison

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can prepare a meal especially for them, wait staff said.

Adults will also enjoy the focus on high-quality wines in the wine cellar and the focus on wine from different countries. The wine tour changes weekly and the head waiter, Phillip K., is always at the ready to make suggestions about wine pairings.

Unlike some upscale restaurants, Maison Martinique's portions are excellent and filling, but customers would miss out on a delicious dessert if they ate too much for dinner.

The restaurant's full-time pastry chef creates delectable desserts including key lime pie, bananas foster, chocolate cake and most recently debuted a mouthwatering Dutch apple pie with a crumb topping, a scoop of homemade vanilla ice cream and a caramel and rock salt sauce.

The cool ice cream contrasted with the hot pie heightened the flavors packed in the pie.

Maison Martinique opens at 5 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Reservations are recommended. The restaurant is available for private parties by appointment. Maison Martinique is located on property with The Caribbean Court Boutique Resort at 1603 S. Ocean Drive, Vero Beach. For more information, call (772) 231-7299 or visit www.thecaribbean-court.com.

Musical Mayhem

Edited by Linda and Charles Preston

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- Slurp
- Crow
- Repeat
- Understanding words
- Divert
- Studio sign
- Shifting mechanism
- Musical side dish?
- Streisand film?
- Unaggressive merchandising
- Early video game giant
- Damp
- To be, in Toulon
- Seasonal Santa
- Inge's "___ Stop"
- Runner's speed-setter, e.g.
- Counts calories
- Nipped by Jack?
- Ice cream brand name
- Supported
- Unending, poetically
- "Wheel of Fortune" request
- CD-___
- Rhone tributary
- Facility
- Aldrich's "The Story of ___ Boy"
- Wanes
- Wood sizes?
- "Funny Girl" composer
- Julie
- Enthusiasm
- Artist Max
- Thin fog clouds
- Slipper or thumb plant
- Prepare Parmesan, e.g.
- "Three Coins" fountain
- Basil-based concoction
- Historic Cuban hero
- Shared redacting duties
- More like Reynard
- High-toned monuments?
- "Witches of Eastwick" star
- Droning sounds
- Pickle pick
- Small barracudas
- "___ tu . . .": Verdi aria
- Fuss
- Muhammed follower: old spelling
- Secy. Lahood's post: abbr.
- Er ___: Morocco range
- Left
- Devoid of color
- Black ink item
- Sea eagle: var.
- Grant ___: subsidy
- Certain
- Embrace
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- Sensational headline
- Certain revolver?
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Left: Adam Hmamly, 6, is helped aboard Greta by certified instructor Dar Dennis, right and Denise Jiruska Saturday. Adam has been in the program for a few years and began to speak more clearly after one of his therapeutic rides. **Right:** Ellen Jacquelin, 8, has become quite the cowgirl thanks to certified instructor Tiffany McLaughlin.



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couples, all levels of dance ability welcome, with dressy/casual attire. Different popular ballroom dance style and theme each month. Group class with a professional instructor starts at 7 p.m.; social dancing follows. For more information, visit www.verodance.org.

• **Roseland Jam Session:** 1:30-3:30 p.m., Roseland Community Center, 12973 Bay Street, Sebastian. Held every Thursday, featuring acoustic country and bluegrass music. For more information, call Jackie at (772) 913-2182.

Riverside Theatre's driveway loop on Comedy Zone weekends. On Friday, the Minglewood will perform; on Saturday, Blue Cypress Bluegrass (bluegrass) will perform. No ticket required. No food, drinks or coolers allowed. Free. Food and full bar and beer available for purchase. For more information, call guest services at (772) 231-6990.

• Riverside Theatre presents "The Comedy Zone," Waxlax Stage, Riverside Theatre, Vero Beach, 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Featuring live music and comedians Ron Feingold and James Yon. Cost: \$16. For more information, visit www.riversidetheatre.com.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19 – SATURDAY, SEPT. 20

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Sharks win home opener



Left: Sebastian River High School Sharks' running back Emmanuel Reed (No. 6) put on the moves last Friday against the Fort Pierce Westwood Panthers in Sebastian. The Sharks won 39-12. **Above:** Two-year-old Aubrey Throm sits on her friend Morgan Ellis' shoulders as she looks for her uncle Matthew Fling (No. 99) playing for the Sharks.
Cliff Partlow
staff photographer

Out

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• **'Doing Science for Kids:'** Saint Edward's School, Vero Beach. John Nelson, president of Audubon of Martin County, will be the keynote speaker after a morning of 'doing science' activities for children. The afternoon talk is free and open to the public. Morning science sessions for children are free, but space is limited. Event is a prelude to the Indian River Lagoon Science Festival, to be held Sept. 27 in Museum Pointe Park in Fort Pierce. *For more information or to reserve a seat, call (772) 231-4136.*

SATURDAY, SEPT. 20 – SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

• **Regular Joe Surf Festival,** Sebastian Inlet State Park, Sebastian, 8 a.m. Watch regular Joes and Janes surf Sebastian Inlet's famous first peak in this benefit surf festival. The location is first to third peak, north of the North Jetty. Back up dates are Sept. 26-Sept. 28. Park entry fees apply. *For more information, visit www.floridastateparks.org/sebastianinlet/events.cfm.*

• **Fort Pierce Jetty Jam:** Begins at 2 p.m. both days at the Fort Pierce Inlet, 110 S. Ocean Drive, Fort Pierce. All ages, free, public event featuring live music and DJs, more than 200 vendors and a \$2,500 volleyball tournament. \$30 VIP tickets include free beer for both days, primary stage seating, and other giveaways from sponsors. *For more information, visit www.fortpiercejetty.com.*

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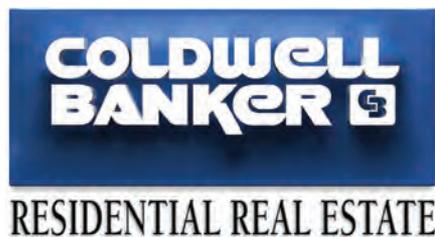
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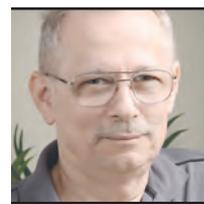
Today with all the negative talk of using insecticides and garden chemicals, it is more important than ever to use natural defenses as a first option and only use chemical methods if all other methods fail. One of the methods I recommend is actually using beneficial bugs to eat other bugs that you want to get rid of. In Florida, one of the most beneficial bugs that exists is the lady bug.

The lady bug, or lady beetle, is probably one of the most colorful and best-known insects that you actually welcome to your garden. These delightful insects prey and eat such insects as scale, mealy bugs, and mites along with other varieties of insect pests. In Ohio, the lady bug has become the official state insect.

Adult lady beetles are dome-shaped and they often have a shiny appearance to their bodies. The most common color is the distinctive red with the black markings. They also can be seen with colorings anywhere from dark reddish orange to a pale yellow with black markings.

The life cycle of the lady beetle can vary depending on the time of year but the average life cycle is around 5 weeks. Lady beetles can lay eggs on plants, often where aphids are present, and the larvae will begin to eat the insects as soon as they hatch. One larva can consume up to 400 aphids! They are amazing eaters.

Lady beetles can be purchased in bulk on the Internet. They are very inexpensive and can provide some beneficial results. Sometimes when the insects are purchased in this manner, they may fly away from the area that you want them to flock to, especially if there is a lack of food. I often see lady beetles on plants that I purchase from local nurseries. Often,



GARDEN NOOK
 JOE ZELENAK

the nurseries themselves will use this method to help keep insects in check.

In short, this could be a fun way to experiment to see how well this method may actually work for you. It could also be a great science project for your kids at school!

Another great insect to have the garden is the praying mantis. These unique insects can blend in very well with their surroundings and are often never seen because of this reason. Like the lady beetle, they eat all types of insects and are very effective at controlling insects on your plants. These insects can grow very large, often more than two inches in length. I have on occasion seen them in my own gardens around the house. They are the state insect of Connecticut and they are protected in that state.

If you spot any of these beneficial insects in your yard or garden, take care not to kill or disturb them. Remember, they are your friends and will help to eat many of the insects that you have to normally kill with chemical pesticides.

If you want more information on natural ways to control insects in gardens, you can refer to my article about insecticides at my website. Simply go to the "All About Insecticides" link.

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

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SUNDAY, SEPT. 21

• **'Heatwave, A Tribute to the Legendary Ladies of Motown':** Presented by Theatre-Go-Round Dinner Theatre in the Quilted Giraffe Restaurant, 500 U.S. 1, Vero Beach. Three-course dinner begins at 4:30 p.m., with the performance following at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$55. For more information, call the box office at (772) 252-9341 or visit www.theatre-grounddinnertheatre.com.

• **Breakfast for Brunch:** Offered by the Sebastian Elks Lodge 2714, 731 S. Fleming Street, Sebastian on first and third Sunday each month. Doors open at 11 a.m. All items available a la carte for 50 cents to \$3; menu includes eggs to order, pancakes with blueberries, sausage biscuits and gravy, fruit bowl, bacon, sausage links, ham and home fried potatoes. Public is welcome. Proceeds go to Elks charities, such as Children's Therapy Services, the youth camp in Umatilla, local scholarships and

other youth activities. For more information, call (772) 589-1516.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 24

• **Senior Health Expo:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Indian River Mall, 6200 20th Street, Vero Beach. Enjoy bridge, an a capella group, free flu shots, a fashion show and more.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 25
– SUNDAY, SEPT. 28

• **Treasure Coast Bike Rally:** Four days of music, food, beer and entertainment. On Saturday, there will be The Seven Card Run, a poker run with stops at seven restaurants and bars from Fort Pierce to Port Salerno; registration is \$15 and the poker run benefits the Humane Societies of Martin and St. Lucie counties and Dogs and Cats Forever. On Sunday, there will be a motorcycle parade down U.S. 1, from Fort Pierce down through Stuart. For more information, visit www.treasurecoastbikerally.com.

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