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## A Photographic Legacy

by Di Saggau

It's called the book John James Audubon would have made if he had used a camera. I'm referring to *Waterbirds* by photographer Theodore "Ted" Cross. The 344-page volume is part visual encyclopedia and part memoir of a nearly half-century pursuit of birds. It could well be the most gorgeous book of bird photography in print, with spirited storytelling that spans four decades and four continents in one man's journey of capturing on camera the world's most beautiful birds.

Cross said, "It's a labor of love, designed partly for my children and grandchildren to encourage their love of nature and of these remarkable waterbirds. The birds are extraordinarily beautiful, they do magnificent acrobatics in the air, and they are very courageous in the sense that some of these little guys can fit in a tea cup and migrate 8,000 miles every year from Patagonia to the Arctic. One of these birds is the red knot, which is among the many featured in the book. This bird lives seven years and in that time it flies the distance of the moon, so it's a very impressive little guy."

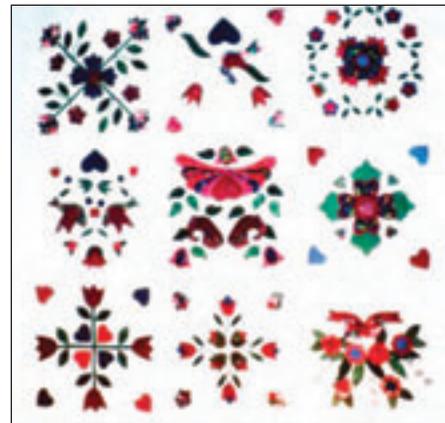
To capture the 179 color photos in the book, Cross traveled to Siberia, Christmas Island in the South Pacific, India and beyond. It's the quality of the photos that makes *Waterbirds* unique. "They show birds at peak action rather than sedentary pictures. The birds are flirtatious, imperial, ill-tempered, courageous, outrageous and even comical. The text is an intimate personal relationship of my feelings about birds. The memories of them help me accept the brevity of the time that lies ahead," he said.

Cross, who is 85, had to fend off KGB agents in 1989. "The pink gull nests in an area of Eastern Siberia, right in the middle of Stalin's death camps. The Russians are very sensitive about having people in that area, especially people with cameras. A KGB agent had to go with me, but a guide said the agent would leave as soon as he saw the gigantic mosquitoes in the area. He was absolutely right. The first sign of the mosquitoes the KGB agent took off."

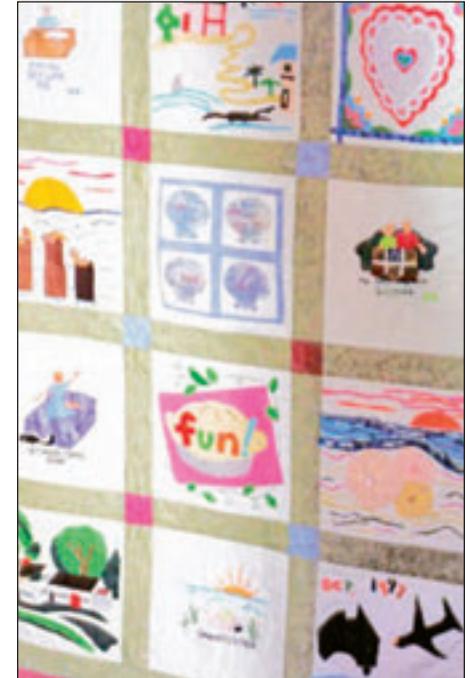
Cross comes to Sanibel every year with his wife and two dogs. He introduced his daughter Amanda and her late husband Torpey to the area.

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## Annual Quilt Show At The Sanibel Historical Museum And Village



A variety of quilts will be on display at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village beginning February 10



One of the most anticipated exhibits at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village, the annual Quilt Show, opens on Wednesday, February 10. Over 60 beautiful quilts, representing all regions of the country and two centuries, will be displayed throughout the museum in the village's seven historic buildings. Stephanie Rahe, a volunteer and coordinator of the show, said, "These quilts were lovingly created by many hands working for many hours. We are happy to display them once a year so our visitors may enjoy them. People loan them to us for the show, and we acquire quilts that have been stored away in family hope chests and are brought to Sanibel and donated to the museum."

During the Quilt Show, the Village Gift Shop will offer a choice of two quilt design posters for \$2 each. Customers may choose from *Grandmother's Fan* or *A Patch of Blue*. The Quilt Show will continue until March 20.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$5 for adults over 18, free for members. For more information call 472-4648.\*

## County Drops Toll Change Plan

A bid by Paul Wingard, deputy director of Lee County Department of Transportation, to eliminate the six-month Sanibel Causeway toll program, has been dropped.

In a letter to Sanibel Mayor Mick Denham, Wingard said he had received the city's January 12 correspondence opposing the proposal and stating that any such change would violate the interlo-

cal agreement made when the bond was issued to build the new causeway.

"We understand the city's position and appreciate your review and comments. At this point in time, based on your feedback, we will not be pursuing this issue any further," Wingard wrote.

He also scrapped a plan to eliminate the motorcycle discount so that motorcyclists would pay the same as automobiles and other two-axle vehicles.

Denham credited Vice Mayor Kevin Ruane for pressing the city's case and remarked, "I am pleased to see this is off the agenda, at least for now."\*

# HORTOONS



## Date Change For Lefty Kreh Show

Due to unforeseen circumstances the outdoor show with celebrity fly fisherman Lefty Kreh to benefit Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, scheduled for February 13 has been postponed until the fall.

The Royal Shell Companies apologize to all Lefty's fans and will announce the new date soon.\*

## Firefighter Calendars Are Half Price

Sanibel Firefighters have sold over 750 of their 2010 beefcake calendars – and now they've reduced the price to \$5 to try to dispose of the last copies. That's half price.

All proceeds from sales of the 13-month calendar go 50/50 to CROW and March of Dimes.

The photos were shot at various locations around the island by Luis Alfonso, father-in-law of John DeMaria, a firefighter/EMT.

Calendars are available at Fire Station 1 at 2351 Palm Ridge Road.\*

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Sanibel Historical Museum And Village

## Docent Profile: Bill Bachman

by Ray Buck

Docent Bill Bachman's head is filled with so much Sanibel history to share with visitors to the Historical Museum and Village, it's hard to imagine he was in the rough and ready world of business in the years before 1998.

It's not hard to imagine his favorite building on the village campus on Dunlop Road, next to BIG ARTS, is the handsome 1898 island schoolhouse. He says he's fascinated with the one-room schoolhouse and how the one teacher taught (with student help) and how the students were seated from smallest to largest (1st through 8th grades). He recounts the stories that have come down through the years about snakes in the teacher's desk and about the over-active boys assigned the job of keeping the stove going on cool January mornings.

The old Sanibel schoolhouse has the same front blackboard since 1898. For



**Bill Bachman**

a long period after the new integrated Sanibel School was built on Sanibel-Captiva Road, the schoolhouse was a theater, remembered now for its name attached to the playhouse across from The Community House. The school bell, blown off with the belfry in the great

1926 hurricane, was found in the move to the village six years ago, and now sits up there in a new belfry waiting for children to pull the rope and give it a ring.

Bachman enjoys explaining the history of the school and the fact that Sanibel was one of the first school systems in Florida to become integrated.

He's surprised at the number of visitors who attended one-room schools. Few visitors, he says, link Brown vs. Board of Education to integration of schools in the U.S. and how long it took some school systems to comply with the U.S. Supreme Court mandate.

Bachman was 30-plus years with a management consulting firm. Baltimore remains his primary residence, but in the summers you'll also find him up on the Maine coast in South Bristol. Bill and his wife Gail have great coastlines for winter and summer, and in between, three children and eight grandchildren.

He has all that and the pleasures of being a Sanibel Historical Museum and Village docent too. Doesn't get any better than that.\*

## Drilling Protest



The public is invited to join in a statewide Hands Across the Sand gathering on Sanibel and Captiva's beaches on Saturday February 13 at 1 p.m. in opposition of drilling for oil in Florida's coastal waters. For more information, visit [www.handsacrossthesand.org](http://www.handsacrossthesand.org), e-mail Amanda Bryant at [abryant@sccf.org](mailto:abryant@sccf.org), or call Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation at 472-2329.

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## Stages Of Faith

Unitarian Universalists of the Islands will meet on Sunday, February 7 at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way. The public is welcome to attend.

Rev. Allison Farnum, minister of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Myers, will lead the service. Sanibel resident Michael Finley will provide music accompanying the service.

In her sermon, entitled Stages of Faith, Rev. Farnum discusses the concept that religious life is an ever-renewing process of faith development, not a singular event. Unitarian Universalism affirms that revelation is ongoing, that religious adventure is an evolutionary and human project.

Farnum is a graduate of Meadville Lombard Theological School and received her Bachelor of Science in speech at Northwestern University. She is on the steering committee for the UU Legislative Ministry of Florida and also on the board of Interfaith Action of Southwest Florida, in partnership with the Coalition of Immokalee Workers.

Finley, a Karma Yoga, is a musician of broad talents and interests. He is a "one-man band" operating his own digital recording studio and playing locally as a one-man jazz quartet.

Fellowship and refreshments will follow the service.\*



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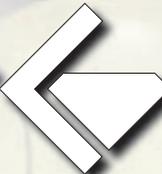
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# INSIDE CITY HALL

## Council Begins Process To Help Aging Resorts

by Anne Mitchell

How to encourage the renewal of Sanibel's mostly old and outdated resort housing and hotels was the question before the city council on Tuesday as its members took the first steps towards getting the process under way. The problem is that most of the properties were built before the city was chartered and before it set strict development rules, so they do not conform to current codes.

One fear voiced by several council members was the possibility that Sanibel could lose short-term accommodations – crucial to keep the island's economy and its businesses healthy – if owners opt to replace hotels and small rental units with residential condos, which can prove more profitable.

However, it was generally agreed that council's task was to set broad parameters – to be honed and expanded by the planning commission – rather than to concern itself with specific properties.

One particular property came up several times in discussion – Bert Jenks' Waterside Inn, which has 27 units but under current codes is entitled to just 13. The city has to come up with incentives for people like Jenks to renovate – something that currently would cause him to lose 14 units. As Councilman Peter Pappas noted, with 200 feet of gulf-front property on 2.5 acres, it might be more economically viable “to replicate what

was done at Sedgemoor” at 2549 West Gulf Drive, which was to build 12 units 3,500 square feet in size. One sold last June, according to Pappas, for more than \$3 million.

On either side, we have a terrible reality,” Pappas said. “We must do something because nobody can do anything with these old properties and get their investment back unless they move in the direction of Sedgemoor.

Mayor Mick Denham agreed with Pappas, adding that his concern was the supply of short-term occupancy “which is an advantage to businesses.” Larger condos tend to have owners who live in them part-time, whereas smaller units accommodate vacationers year-round, adding up to more business for restaurants and stores.

Density kept coming up, even though Denham said that was not the only issue, others being height, setback, impermeable coverage and footprint. Councilman Marty Harity said Sanibel became a city because its citizens didn't want Lee County to allow 90,000 units on the island. However, flexibility was in order. “We used to have a 35-foot height limit. In fairness to the condo people we went to 45 feet (when council passed the buildback amendment some years ago). That allows condos destroyed by a storm to rebuild the same number of units as before. However, flood regulations call for building in flood zones to be elevated, hence the extra 10 feet in height council approved.

Resident Herb Rubin asked about the legal ramifications and Denham said City Attorney Ken Cuyler was already working on that. Sonja Smith, representing CASI (Condominiums Association of the Island)

said she had met with several associations this week and “their goal was modernization.” Smith added, “I know at least 78 percent of the resort housing stock is in condos and they will not rebuild.” However, she said, “We ask that you also think about land development and special issues of non-conforming properties. That means greening up, more energy-efficient operating systems, and if a state or federal agency says you must do (something) the city can't say it doesn't fit code.”

Denham said he expects council to have at least two more meetings to set criteria before handing the issue off to the planning commission for more detailed scrutiny. He acknowledged that such far-reaching amendments might require citizen approval. “There may be parts of this on which we have to have a referendum,” Denham said.✱

## City Receives Lee TDC Funds

by Anne Mitchell

Sanibel City Council on Tuesday formally accepted grants totaling \$1.078 million from the Lee County Tourist Development Council. The money comes from hotel bed taxes and is used for projects that enhance tourism around the county.

Sanibel will use the funding as follows:

- \$925,300 for facility and beach maintenance;
- \$40,000 for beach erosion monitoring; and
- \$113,300 for dune walkover replacement.✱

## Manager Asks City Employees For Savings Ideas

by Anne Mitchell

Sanibel City Manager Judie Zimomra gave the city council a warning Tuesday that revenues from property taxes are likely to drop even more.

“There is no doubt that we have yet to travel through the lowest ebb of the current economic downturn,” she wrote in a memo. “Our ability to sustain through this downturn has been due to our collective efforts to constrict our costs and operate our government within our means.”

Zimomra added that each director and the police chief are currently preparing a list of prioritized budget reductions. She said each employee has received a note in their paycheck seeking suggestions and recommendations to save money.

As evidence of further loss of revenue, Zimomra pointed to the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors multiple listing service records showing that between 2008 and 2009, the average sell price for Sanibel residential properties (not including condominiums) has decreased by 21 percent, in addition to the 10.5 percent drop from 2006 to 2007, and the 6.5 percent decline in 2007-08.

She also attached a report tracking foreclosed, pre-foreclosed and homes sold through foreclosure auctions on Sanibel. “Most noteworthy on this chart is the long-term upward trend,” she added.

Records show that as of January 4, there were 43 properties in pre-foreclosure, seven up for auction and 11 in bank-owned foreclosure.✱



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## Zonta Presents Mayor With Check



The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva presented a \$5,200 check Tuesday to Sanibel Mayor Mick Denham. The money, from the proceeds of the club's 2009 Peek at the Unique, will provide financial assistance for the city's after-school program. A group of Zontians attended the Sanibel City Council meeting. They are, from left, Nola Theiss, Barbara Cooley, Sue Denham, Karen Storjohann and, front, Carolyn Gray, Zonta president.✧

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## A Photographic Legacy



Theodore Cross

Cross always visits "Ding" Darling. "I go every morning if the weather is decent. It's a magnificent institution, a thrilling place to spend time, I love it, with or without my camera."

The Florida launch of *Waterbirds* will be Thursday, February 11, 1 p.m. at the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge, where Cross will speak about the book. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information call 472-1100 ext. 241 or log on to [www.dingdarlingsociety.org](http://www.dingdarlingsociety.org).✧

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### HAPPY Hour Fitness

8 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Happy Hour stands for an Hour of Aerobics and Positions of Pilates & Yoga. The class begins with a joke from one of the participants to put you in the right frame of mind and ends with a positive thought for the day. Find your strength, balance and flexibility with simple yoga poses and a great core with the dynamics of pilates. Strengthen, lengthen and gain flexibility.

### Power Hour Fitness

8 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday

Gain strength in all muscles. Hand weights, stretch cords and stability balls and mats will be used to strengthen and lengthen muscles. Improve core strength and balance.

### Essential Total Fitness

9:30 a.m. Monday through Friday

Cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. No floor mat work is involved.

### Gentle Yoga

11 a.m. Monday and Wednesday

Stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flexibility, proper alignment and circulation. Exercises make use of chairs and mats to meet the needs of

varying experience levels. Participants are encouraged to bring a towel.

### Bridge for Fun

1 p.m. Monday and Wednesday

### Mah Johngg

1 p.m. Thursday

Prizes for both games are awarded.

Materials and supplies included. Cost is \$2.50 for Island Seniors, Inc. members, \$5 for non-members.

### Meditation with Karl & Ann

8:30 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday

One half-hour to relax the soul and relieve stress. This has become a popular concept in America for all faiths and philosophical backgrounds. While this is primarily intended for those who are seeking a group with which to meditate, those with no experience are equally welcome.

### Kayak Launching

Tuesdays

This non-competitive outing is perfect for people who enjoy the world around them. There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and unlimited space for those with their own kayaks. Each outing has two leaders who determine the location.

All participants must meet at the center. Kayaks, paddles and required life jackets provided.

Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members per trip. Island Seniors Inc. members are given first priority. Come by the center or call to sign up.

### Coping with Life Series

• Friday, February 12, 1:30 p.m.

Alzheimer's Disease - How Can I Prevent it? Presented by: Dottie St.

Amand, executive director of the Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center.

Get insightful tips on using memory aids and strategies for healthy lifestyle choices. Topics will include normal aging and how memory is affected, managing your memory, strategies for healthy lifestyle choices and resources for persons with memory loss and their caregivers. Information on how diet, exercise and lifestyle choices influence overall health and memory will be provided with a definition of normal aging and age-related changes that affect memory.

Information about local resources for persons concerned about memory or who are coping with memory impairment will also be presented.

• Friday, February 19, 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Andy Oakes-Lottridge, MD of Personalized Health Care, is the only physician exclusively making house and hospital calls in Southwest Florida with pediatric and adult hospital privileges. It is "Dr. Andy's" sole primary practice. He comes to the patient's home with everything you would find in a primary physician's office including being equipped to take blood. He writes *House Calls with Dr. Andy for The Fort Myers News-Press*. He will speak on what a concierge physician is and what to expect when you have an appointment with your physician.

• Friday, February 26, 1:30 p.m.

Dr. Mabel Lopez is director for mental health services at Florida Spine & Brain & chief of psychiatry & psychology for Lee Memorial Health systems. She will speak on How to Keep our Brains Healthy.

### Dessert & Discussion Book Group

As in other book groups, you do not need to read the book to attend. Discussion is held every second Tuesday at 2 p.m. February 9, *Olive Kittredge* by Elizabeth Strout, facilitated by Francesca Joyce

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### Discovering Florida Day Trips

Miami History Tour - Thursday, March 4

Join Suzanne from CI Travel. The day includes a guided tour of the Vizcaya Museum & Gardens. Vizcaya was the winter home of industrialist James Deering from Christmas 1916 until his death in 1925. Deering was vice president of the International Harvester Company, which produced agricultural equipment for a worldwide market. Lunch will be at the historic La Palma Restaurant, originally the Merrick Hotel in Coral Gables. There will also be a tour of the Biltmore in Coral Gables. Cost is \$89 and includes lunch, round trip transportation and an all-day Miami guide.

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#### **Sanibel Island Senior Center Book Fair**

Saturday, March 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donate your previously read books. Drop them off at the Senior Center on Library Way any time Monday through Friday until 5 p.m.

Call the center for further details on programs and classes, 472-5743.\*

## ABWA Evening Of Relaxation

**T**he Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is offering an evening of relaxation and fun at its February 9 meeting. The program will focus on businesses on the island that offer us opportunities to pamper, exercise as well as glamorize ourselves. You may find an opportunity for a massage, a manicure or even a makeover.

The meeting will be held at the Community House. There will be net-working at 5:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 6 p.m..

A buffet of "amusements for your palate" will be served and there will be a cash bar. The cost for the evening is \$20.

All local businesswomen are welcome. To secure your reservation, RSVPto Gayle Dehaan-Garland (gayle.k.dehaan-garland@ampf.com) by Friday, February 5.

The ABWA meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Community House. Its mission is to bring together women of diverse professional and business occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, network-ing, support and national recognition.

For more information about joining, contact Membership Chair Barbara Boulton at 482-2929.\*

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## Rotary Takes Action

submitted by Shirley Jewell

In response to the earthquake in Haiti, the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva held an emergency special joint meeting of its club board of directors and the board of trustees of its charitable foundation on January 15 (three days after the earthquake hit Haiti). At the direction of both boards, the club has sent \$5,000 to ShelterBoxUSA (\$2,000 from the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva, \$3,000 from generous donors) and another \$1,000 to Rotary District #6960 designated to the Haiti Earthquake Fund set up by Rotary International. We will be giving \$1,000 in the near future for medical supplies and as soon as we have, a definite location of safe medical facilities supplies will be sent to our Rotary operative for distribution.

Although the club's budget for this year's donations has been somewhat depleted, our upcoming Rotary Arts & Crafts Fair on February 13 and 14 hopefully will provide additional funding to continue to help the people in Haiti. Beyond the initial donation, the club also set forth a long-term plan for assistance. Tony Gropp, the immediate past president and trustee chair, said, "The need will be greatest after many other organizations have packed up and gone home." To that end, the club will designate part of its trust be set aside for Haitian relief and is accepting donations from the public for this giving. These funds will go to groups of volunteers sponsored by

Rotary, which will provide much needed help directly to those who need it most.

Rotary ShelterBox has already established three separate operational centers in and around Haiti to help distribute assistance to the estimated one million people left homeless by this devastating earthquake.

The ShelterBox Response Team (SRT) in Haiti has set up an operations base in the capital, Port au Prince, with the assistance of local Rotarians to coordinate the delivery of aid in the country. They are working with the French aid agency ACTED to determine the areas in most need of assistance and are training personnel to put up tents ahead of their arrival into the devastated country. The Haiti operation is being supported by logistical hubs set up in Miami and the Dominican Republic capital, Santa Domingo. ShelterBoxes have been flown to both cities for onward transportation to Haiti.

ShelterBox head of operations, John Leach said, "This is the largest, quickest and most complex deployment in our history. We are now very well organized across four countries to get ShelterBoxes to the people of Haiti quickly. We are now set up to channel aid to those in need efficiently and effectively in the days and weeks to come. This is a long-term commitment from ShelterBox and we have to sustain our initial push."

Warehouse volunteers continue to pack ShelterBoxes day and night. More than 3,300 ShelterBoxes have been committed so far, enough to help up to 33,000 people. Given the enormity of the disaster, more boxes are being packed, ready to be sent to the Caribbean country. Hundreds of ShelterBox tents are providing emergency shelter in and around Port au Prince and hundreds more boxes are being sent.

ShelterBoxes have been distributed at Bernard Mews hospital in Freres, a suburb of Port au Prince and at a second hospital in the capital. ShelterBox Response Team (SRT) member and General Manager Lasse Petersen (U.K.), says the use of the tents by hospitals is

already helping save lives. SRT members Lasse, David Eby (U.S.), Wayne Robinson (U.S.), Mark Pearson (U.K.) have now been joined by Ian Neal (U.K.) and John Mackie (U.K.) on the ground in Port au Prince.

Pearson said, "We've been working really hard setting up tents in two separate hospitals that are having an immediate impact and saving lives. As soon as the tents are up at the hospitals there are patients moving into them. Small camps have already been set up in different locations. Fifty boxes have been distributed in Delmas, 50 in Petion-Ville, 50 in Carrefour and 100 in Leogane, one of the worst affected areas. Rotarians in Haiti have been working with the response team to coordinate the distribution."

The 700 ShelterBoxes and 100 ShelterBox disaster relief tents sent from Newquay Cornwall Airport landed in Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic and are now traveling over land to Port au Prince. Another 200 ShelterBoxes, flown from Vetry, France by the French Red Cross, landed in Santa Domingo and are travelling over land to Port au Prince. A further 400 ShelterBoxes, sent from the U.K. to Miami, with the help of Virgin Atlantic, have already landed in Port au Prince. Petersen and Pearson loaded a helicopter with ShelterBoxes to be sent to an orphanage in Port au Prince. Pearson is traveling with the boxes to oversee the distribution.

Leach said, "The situation is still constantly changing but we now have a good number of boxes in use and a large number set are arriving. The support we've had across the board has been fundamental in making this happen but the job has only just begun. We are in this for the long haul and could not do it without the continued commitment of our supporters, volunteers and, of course, our amazing response team members and the generous support of the public." Petersen said, "We're doing everything we can to ensure immediate aid reaches the people of Haiti. The process of getting our team on the ground is well under way."



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"We were in Haiti 18 months ago, delivering aid after a series of hurricanes left thousands homeless. We will now be working closely with our contacts on the ground in the country to make sure we get aid to the people who need it most during the current crisis. Our thoughts go out to the people who have been affected by this disaster."

The Sanibel Rotary Trust is a 501(c)3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. If you would like to donate to the Haiti Relief effort through Rotary,

please make out your checks to Sanibel Rotary Trust and send them to PO Box 686, Sanibel, FL 33957. Indicate Haiti Relief in the memo line. For more information, contact Chet Sadler at 634-4295. Rebuilding Haitian communities is expected to take years and Rotary clubs are determined to give as much support as possible.

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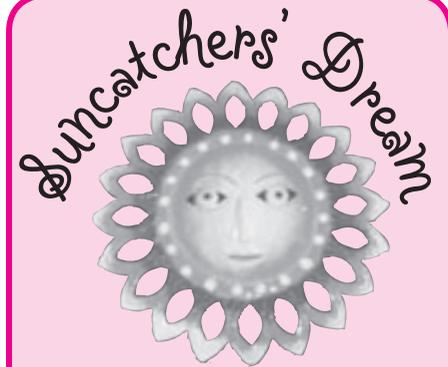
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## MEMORIAL SERVICE



### ROBERT GEORGE BAUMLER, JR.

Robert George Baumler, Jr., of  
Sanibel, Florida and Spring  
Lake, New Jersey, husband of  
Joan Tobin Baumler, passed away on  
December 21, 2009, after a brief battle  
with lung cancer. He was 82 years old.

A memorial service will be held at the  
Sanibel Congregational United Church  
of Christ at 11 a.m. Saturday, February  
13. The family requests that memorial  
contributions be made to the Sanibel  
Congregational United Church of Christ,  
2050 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, FL  
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"Peace be with you, Bob."\*<sup>\*</sup>

## OBITUARY

### ALICE S. HOFFMAN

Alice S. Hoffman, 100 years  
young, of Glenview, Illinois and  
Sanibel, Florida passed away on  
January 28, 2010 at Hope Hospice  
at Shell Point, Fort Myers. She was  
born on July 8, 1909 in Highland  
Park, Illinois, a child of Olaf and Anna  
(Nilsson) Thorngren.

Alice worked in retail sales for a  
department store for many years and  
loved playing cards.

Wife of the late Walter Hoffman and  
grandmother of the late Mike Howard,  
she is survived by her daughters, Pat (Bill)  
Howard of Sanibel, Florida and Marsha  
(John) Lauer of Delavan, Wisconsin, her  
grandchildren, Allison Howard, Kristen  
Majercin and Thomas Auer and her  
great grandchildren, Alicia and Meghan  
Majercin and Sam Howard.

Funeral service and burial will be pri-  
vate for the family in Wisconsin. In lieu  
of flowers, memorial gifts may be sent to  
Hope Hospice, 9470 HealthPark Circle,  
Fort Myers, FL 33908. Friends may sign  
the guest book for the family at www.  
horizoncremation.com.\*<sup>\*</sup>

## OBITUARY



### PHYLLIS and IRWIN R. BOGEN

Irwin R. Bogen, 87, died January 23,  
2010 at Cypress Cove in Fort Myers.  
He was born in Brooklyn, New York  
and resided in Hewlett Harbor and  
Manhattan before moving to Sanibel  
Island and then to Cypress Cove.

He was a sergeant in the U.S. Army  
in WWII. An avid tennis player, art col-  
lector, businessman and philanthropist,  
he was known for his sense of humor  
and voracious appetite for books. He  
was active in the BIG ARTS and served  
on the board of SW Florida Symphony.  
He was pre-deceased by his wife of 68  
years, Phyllis, and survived by his children  
Leslie, Russell (Beth), Janice, and his  
admiring grandchildren Steven and Jason  
Winkler, Sonja Field and William.

A memorial service will be held  
Sunday, February 28 at 3:30 p.m. at  
Temple Beth-El, 16225 Winkler Road,  
Fort Myers.

In lieu of flowers, the family  
requests donations to Sanibel Captiva  
Conservations Foundation, 3333 Sanibel-  
Captiva Road, Sanibel, FL 33957 (sccf.  
org) or Arthur Ashe Tennis Foundation,  
4842 Ridge Avenue, Philadelphia, PA  
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## MEMORIAL

### MARILYN KOREN

On Friday, February 12, friends of  
the late Marilyn Koren will honor  
this revered poet/poetry coach,  
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ARTS during the winter season. Marilyn  
died on June 8, 2009, of complications  
from lung surgery, in the loving care of  
her children, James, Maeve, and John.

Those whose lives she touched in  
Florida will celebrate her life and works at  
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at BIG ARTS from 5 to 7 p.m. on  
February 12.

Attendees will be encouraged to read  
one of Marilyn's works, a poem they  
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## OBITUARY



### FREDERICK W. KOPLOW

Frederick W. Kopplow II passed away January 31, 2010 at Gulf Coast Hospital after a brief illness.

Fred was born in Evanston, Illinois but moved to Michigan at an early age. He resided at Gull Lake, Michigan for many years before moving to Sanibel in 1984.

In high school he was an outstanding track and basketball star. As an active member of the Boy Scouts, he achieved the highest rank of Eagle Scout.

Upon graduation from high school he entered the navy and served for three years during World War II in the South Pacific. He was a chief boatswain's mate on an LST.

He was a graduate with a BS degree from Western Michigan University where he was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

Survivors include his loving wife of 53 years, Sally Wise Kopplow, their children Fred III and his wife Lisa of Cincinnati, Anne Durbin and her husband Dan of Cape Coral, four grandchildren, Morgan and Ryan Durbin, twins Freddy IV and Abby Kopplow.

Fred had an engaging personality to all who knew him. He was a devoted family man who adored his wife, children and grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held this summer in Michigan.\*

## Compassion In Action Program

Would you like to become more comfortable visiting and calling on friends and church members in difficult times? Do you wish you knew better what to say?

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Pastor Denise Terry and Parish Nurse Carol Gross will facilitate this session on Tuesday, February 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Attendees will learn ways to respond to people who are afraid of losing their independence, grieving a loss, becoming forgetful, confused, argumentative or angry, as well as those who are unable to speak, feeling sorry for themselves, or coming to the end of their life. Everyone is welcome to learn creative ways to walk beside our friends on the journey of life.\*



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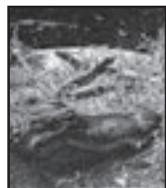
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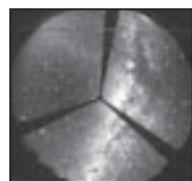
## Gator Tales

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## Otters on Sanibel

No one knows how many North American river otters live on the islands. River otters are strong and graceful swimmers that capture the hearts of all who see them. Sightings have increased recently at SCCF. Following the program take a walk on the trail and view an otter communication sight.

*Friday, February 12 at 10 a.m.*



## Stars Over Sanibel

Learn about the constellations, our solar system and distant stars within the Milky Way galaxy in this program on SCCF's Center Trail at the Nature Center.

*Wednesday, Feb. 10. Reservations required.*

## Sugarland Tour

Join us for this Clewiston-based tour with a walk through a sugarcane field, view of a sugar processing mill and Lake O's Martin Marina. *Wednesday, Feb. 17. Reservations required by Feb. 10.*

## Turtle Tracks

Sanibel had one of the first sea turtle monitoring programs in the country. Learn about the life cycle and habits of the sea turtles that nest on our beaches, what we are doing to protect them and SCCF's monitoring activities. *Thursday, Feb. 11 at 9 a.m.*



## Weekly Programs:

BIRDING THE PRESERVES, Join birders at SCCF preserves, Fri. at 8 a.m.

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EXPLORE SANIBEL'S INTERIOR WETLANDS, M-F at 11 a.m., Wed. at 2 p.m.

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## Chapel By The Sea Honored For Lifetime Giving



Board member and missions chair Susan Stuart and Jane Parker (right), accept the plaque from Mary Moore, director of development for ECHO while Reverend Bruce McLeod looks on

Captiva's Chapel by the Sea was honored on Sunday, January 24 during the annual mission day with the Bethel Society Award for lifetime giving to ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization). The Bethel Society Award pays tribute to churches that have supported ECHO through contributions totaling over \$50,000. Chapel by the Sea on Captiva is one of only five churches that has reached that milestone!

"It is only through the generous gifts from our churches and individuals that we are able to provide options and training to the organizations working with the poor in agriculture. Since 1990, Captiva Chapel by the Sea has been a big part of assisting our organization with these solutions to growing food in very difficult areas of the world," said Mary Moore, director of development for ECHO.

ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization) provides sustainable solutions to world hunger through agricultural training, innovative ideas, and networking. By networking with community leaders and missionaries in 180 developing countries, ECHO seeks to find agricultural solutions for families growing food under difficult conditions. ECHO's international headquarters is located in Fort Myers.✱

## Banquet And Concert Stars Jennifer Shaw

Singer/composer Jennifer Shaw will present an inspirational concert preceded by a candle-light dinner at Sanibel Community Church, on Saturday, February 13 at 6 p.m.

This is the church's annual Love of Christ Banquet and Concert. Sanibel's own Beacon's Quartet will give a warm-up performance. Tapes and CDs of Shaw's music will be available at the concert.

The church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way. The suggested donation is \$15 for the meal and concert. A bus pickup at two locations will be available off-island at Tanger Outlet and Shell Point Village.

Reservations must be made by Tuesday, February 9, by calling the church office at 472-2684.✱



Jennifer Shaw

## Superbowl Pre-Game Bash

On Superbowl Sunday, February 7, Sanibel Community Church Student Ministries is hosting a Pre-Game Bash at The Sanibel School fields. The event goes from 3:30 to 6 p.m. and involves a punt, pass and kick competition, two-hand touch football game, plus tailgating with hot dogs and drinks. This event is free and is open to all ages.

"The pre-game bash is an event for the whole family, we are just going to have a good time with the competition, playing the games and relaxing together on the island. It is the best way to get ready for the Superbowl," said Tom Walsh, youth pastor.

For more information about the Sanibel Community Church Student Ministries, contact Walsh at 472-2684. Grades 6 to 8 meet Wednesdays in the Youth Center from 5 to 7 p.m. and high school teens also meet Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m.✱

# Miniature Sailor's Valentines And More At Museum



Miniature Sailor's Valentine by Jim and Rose Prestigiacomio, Gisela Dimandl's pine needle basket and Luc Century Historic Sanibel ornament available for Valentine's Day at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is showcasing a trio of gift ideas that are perfect for Valentine's Day and only available at the museum. The Village Gift Shop, located in the 1927 Bailey General Store, is offering miniature Sailor's Valentines handcrafted by Jim and Rose Prestigiacomio in Texas. Paula Newton, museum volunteer and gift shop manager, said the quality of these Valentines is exquisite and incomparable for the price, which is \$53 (including tax). Rose is an award-winning shell artist and Jim builds the custom cherry wood display frames that encase Rose's beautiful shell designs.

According to the Prestigiacomos, the initial interest in shell mosaics seems to have followed on the heels of the early Victorians' fascination with shells. It is easy to imagine a lovesick seaman taking a collection of shells and an empty compass case or candy box and fashioning his own style of shell art. By the 1830s, the octagonal shell mosaics were being made by craftsmen in the British West

Indies, mostly in Barbados, and sold to sailors whose ships were in port there. By the 1930s, these special shell creations were being called Sailor's Valentines.

The Village Gift Shop also has a new selection of hand-woven, colorful pine needle basketry from Naples artist Gisela Dimandl. Damandl learned her craft from an old world artisan and has been creating beautiful baskets for many years. She compares her work to that of the Seminole tribes in Florida who wove baskets from the long pine needles they gathered in the forests. Damandl teaches pine needle basket artistry at BIG ARTS workshops and her work is exhibited in galleries in the Northeast. Her baskets are priced according to size and complexity.

"Another possible Valentine's Day gift is the Luc Century ornament/suncatcher featuring the Sanibel Lighthouse," said Newton. "Luc is a well-known glass artist on Sanibel and these ornaments are exclusive to the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village. The Sanibel Lighthouse is the oldest and most recognizable structure on the island, and this

ornament is a popular collectible and gift item." The etched glass lighthouse ornament, which says "Historic Sanibel," is signed by the artist and is available now at the village for \$47.50 (including tax).

To celebrate Valentine's Day, the first 36 customers who purchase a Luc Century ornament, a Gisela Dimandl pine needle basket or a mini Sailor's Valentine by the Prestigiacomos will receive a complimentary heart decorated organdy bag for gift wrap.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The village, which operates as a non-profit organization, is comprised of seven historic buildings which have been relocated to a permanent home at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). The museum's exhibits are scattered throughout the Rutland House, the Old Schoolhouse, Burnap Cottage, Miss Charlotta's Tea Room, the Post Office, Morning Glories, and the Old Bailey General Store. A replica of the Packing House holds the museum's archives collection. Touring these historic buildings takes one back in time to discover the island's history and

learn more about the pioneering families who settled on Sanibel and farmed the land and fished the surrounding waters. Admission to the Historical Museum and Village is \$5 for adults over 18. Members are free. For more information call 472-4648.✽

## Friendly Faces

The next Friendly Faces Luncheon will be held Tuesday, February 9. Reservations should be called to Gillian Bath at 395-4550 by February 7.✽

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### Valentines Dinner and Dance

Wednesday February 10 at 6 pm

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## Girl Scout Cookies On Sale



Brownie Elizabeth Meardon sells Girl Scout cookies

Sanibel's blended Junior Girl Scout and Brownie Troop 228 is taking orders for Girl Scout Cookies through Saturday, February 13. These 14 girls each has a goal to sell 228 boxes to raise enough money to support their troop through the school year and next year.

Each girl will receive a personalized music box with their troop number for accomplishing the goal. They hope to exceed their goal so they can contribute to Sanibel charities. Encouraging the girls in their hard work, for every 50 boxes they sell over and above their goal of 228, each girl will have a chance to win a new bike donated by Billy and Salli Kirkland, owners of Billy's Rentals and Bike Shop on Sanibel.

Weekend cookie booth sales will begin February 21 at Bailey's General Store and Jerry's Foods.

Every year the Girl Scouts donate 10 percent of their money to a local charity of their choice. This year a part of that donation will be made to Trails for Bikes, an organization committed to enhancing the safety and quality of the shared use paths on Sanibel, in honor of the Kirklands who contributed \$5,000 to the fund in November 2009.

The cookies are \$3.50 a box. To purchase cookies email [raeofsunshine20@gmail.com](mailto:raeofsunshine20@gmail.com) or call Troop Leader Diane St. Pierre at 472-9211.\*

## Happy Birthday John Dickey



From left: Jim Stevens, Matt Hall, John Dickey and Matt Asen

Longtime Sanibel Islanders celebrated John Dickey's 50th birthday at Dickey's house in Fort Myers. Among those attendign were Jim Stevens of Mon Reve Landscaping, Matt Hall of Untitled Press, birthday boy John Dickey of Dickey Bros. Tree Service, and Matt Asen of The Timbers, Matzaluna and other local restaurants. They gathered on January 29 in John's "man den." Entertainment was provided by Danny Morgan of Sanibel.\*

## Get Ready For Spaghetti



Residents and visitors entering The Community House for last year's spaghetti dinner

One of islands' most anticipated annual events, the Kiwanis Spaghetti Dinner, is coming soon. Sanibel's largest and longest running community get-together will be held on Saturday, February 27 from 4 to 8 p.m. at The Community House.

For over 30 years, the spaghetti dinner has been an occasion for Sanibel folks to show their community spirit, as they gather for food, fun, music, a little dancing and the thrill of competing for exciting prize items in the raffle and auction which follows dinner.

Funds raised from the event are used by the Kiwanis Charitable Foundation to benefit local community youth groups and other worthy non-profit enterprises in and around Sanibel. About 30 local groups receive support from the event.

For a full evening of fun, plus all the food you can eat, the spaghetti dinner remains the best deal in town. Admission is \$8 in advance or \$9 at the door, and children under 10 eat free. Advance tickets can be purchased from any Kiwanis member and also at Bank of the Islands, Big Red Q Printing and Periwinkle Park.

Primary sponsors, whose generous support helps to underwrite the event, are Bailey's General Store, Bank of the Islands, and Sanibel Captiva Trust Company. Tween Waters Inn also supports the event by supplying the meatballs. In addition, many other island businesses show their support by contributing food and prizes that are placed in the raffle and auction. In the coming weeks, Kiwanis members will be contacting island businesses to line up raffle prize donations.\*



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Cost is \$10 per person and reservations are required by calling 472-4119.\*

Our email address is  
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## Captiva Panel

The Captiva Community Panel will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 9 at 9 a.m. in the Wakefield Room at Tween Waters Inn, 15951 Captiva Drive. This meeting is open to all interested islanders and the public.

Among the agenda items:

- Update on Captiva Land Development Code work, including proposed changes in the height restriction language as discussed at a January 28 workshop.

- A Captiva Erosion Prevention District update.

Information is available online at [www.captivacommunitypanel.com](http://www.captivacommunitypanel.com).\*

## Shell Islands Garden Club

The topic of this month's Shell Islands Garden Club meeting is the Bliss of Growing Roses. Debbie Stotter, American Rose Society (ARS) bronze medal recipient, consulting rosarian, horticulture and arrangement judge, will bring her expertise to the Shell Islands Garden Club on February 9. Stotter is a member of the ARS Deep South District

which includes Florida, Georgia and Alabama and presents educational programs throughout the year. She is owner of Fame Mane Hair Designs in Cape Coral

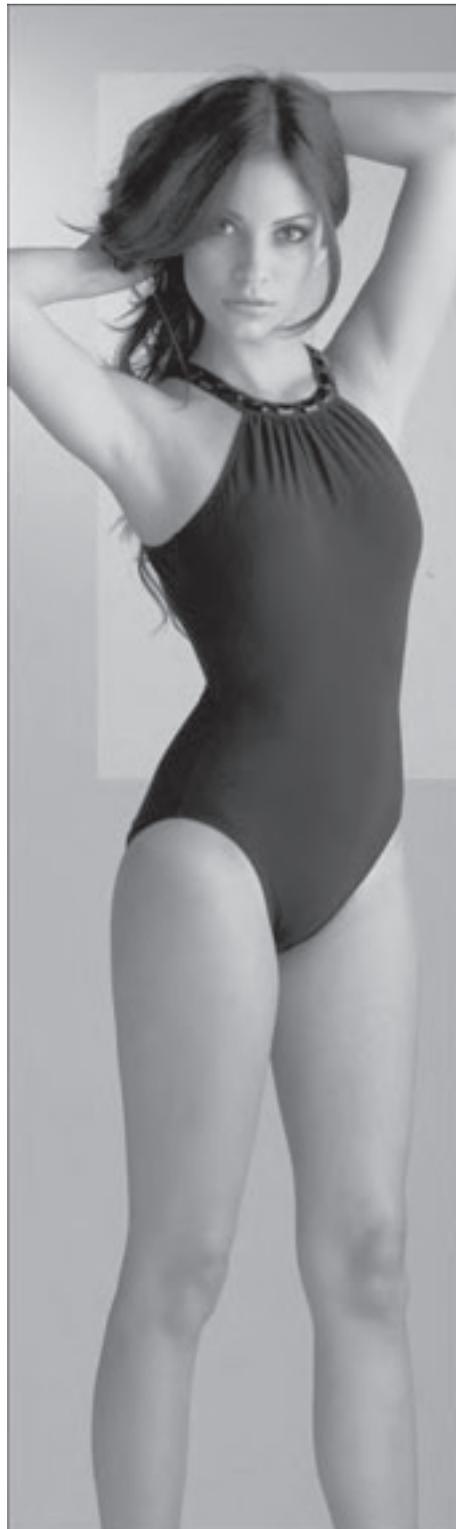
Her talk will cover the basics of growing roses, what new bugs are around and what special stock Florida roses are grown on.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 12:15 p.m., at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church hall, 2304 Periwinkle Way. Hostesses will be Janine Brinkerhoff, Judy Brown, Fay Carney, Judy Harding, Nancy Hilger, Dorothy Sawyer and Anne Walter.

If you are interested in gardening, flower arranging or horticulture and would like to find out about membership in the club, contact Lisa Cochrane at 472-8875 or come to the meeting.\*



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# CROW Case Of The Week: Brown Pelican



by Brian Johnson

Several calls came into CROW on December 27, 2009 about a brown pelican with a slashed pouch at the docks around Punta Rassa.

Later that afternoon island residents Tony and Marissa Rizzo were cleaning their boat at Jensen's Marina on Captiva when they spotted what may have been the same bird.

"There were a whole bunch of pelicans there, but we noticed this one with a huge gash," said Marissa.

They alerted Stephen Safranek, a Jensen's employee, who brought over a large net, towel, and cage.

Tony Rizzo tossed a frozen fish in the water, and soon the group of pelicans were competing for the morsel. Together Rizzo and Safranek tried to hold back the other pelicans and isolate the injured one. After about 10 minutes they were able to net the bird and haul him in.

They transferred the pelican to the carrier, and the Rizzos drove him to CROW. "He was very feisty in the cage," she said.

"There was blood everywhere in the

carrier and on the bird," said Veterinarian Dr. PJ Deitschel, who admitted him at the clinic. "The curved tip at the end of his top beak had broken in the carrier, and hung at a ninety degree angle to the side."

Everyone was surprised at the strange sight of the bird's displaced beak and wondered what on earth could possibly be done.

Ever innovative and intuitive, Dr. PJ popped the tip of the pelican's beak back into place. "Let's not bump it!" she said.

"The bird was quite rambunctious and stressed," said Dr. PJ. "The gashes in the pouch were huge but we'd seen worse."

Staff gave the seven-pound pelican pain medication, anti-inflammatories, subcutaneous fluids, and Yunnan Paiyou to reduce the bleeding. They took a radiograph to make sure he had not swallowed a fish hook.

The following morning the bird was still in a wild mood, but they were able to place him the tub where he could scoop herring out of the water without putting pressure on the tip of his beak.

"For our students and volunteers it was enlightening," said Dr. PJ. "The instant reaction was to suture the pouch in order for him to eat."

When Dr. PJ arrived at CROW in 1998 it was the practice at the clinic to suture ripped pouches even though the suture line often opened. But one case turned logic on its head and give them a new treatment strategy. After three surgeries failed to securely sew up a pelican's pouch, Dr. PJ decided to let the bird try to heal on his own. It worked -



Brown pelican with a slashed pouch

the skin contracted around the large hole, and eventually the pouch was restored to full working condition.

"Their pouches are very elastic," said Dr. PJ. "With supportive care, there is usually no need for surgery."

In the wild, pelicans probably sustain minor gashes on a regular basis from the hazardous business of swallowing dozens of fish. Major gashes, however, very likely compromise their ability to hunt, and may be fatal. Supportive care at CROW - eating fish out of a tub or bowl - allows them to maintain normal nutrition levels while they heal.

On January 3, CROW staff moved the pelican to an outdoor cage, where

he flew beautifully between the platforms on either side of a large pool. Dr. PJ's improvisational treatment for his beak had succeeded, and they had no further problems with it.

CROW released the bird with a group of other pelicans on January 21.

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# Shell Experts To Lead April Trip To Cat Island, Bahamas



## Cat Island

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Untainted by tourism, Cat Island is the sixth largest island of the Bahamas. It is known for the variety of shells that dot the beaches, including the queen conch, speckled tellin, yellow cowrie, and helmet shell notable for its use as cameos. Those intent on viewing marine life won't be disappointed as green sea turtles, nurse sharks, and fresh water turtles are frequent visitors.

"This will not be just a trip to the beach, but a natural history adventure," said Joffe. "This will be a very personalized tour," she adds. Habitat excursions will be preceded by slide programs highlighting marine and terrestrial life. A snorkeling trip to a nearby reef and a land snail collection outing are planned along with trips to several beach and shallow water sites. Shell identification workshops will be offered for participants requiring assistance identifying specimens.

Accommodations will be at the Greenwood Inn, a resort and dive center on the southeast side of Cat Island, on the Atlantic Ocean, with an eight-mile stretch of fine pink sand. Conch shells and red corals are responsible for the unique pink colored sand. The island's thick green vegetation is comprised of coconut palm trees and tropi-

cal flowers and rare birds, and colorful butterflies can be seen.

The cost of the trip is \$2,300 for double occupancy and \$2,500 for single occupancy. Daily breakfast and dinner, field trips and lectures, a pre-trip orientation at The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum, an island tour including lunch at a local restaurant, a round trip flight from Fort Lauderdale, transportation to and from the hotel, departure taxes, and hotel stay are included in the price. A valid passport is required.

Call the shell museum at 395-2233 to register.✪

## American Legion

On Sunday, February 7 American Legion Post 123 is having a Super Bowl Party with live music starting at 3 p.m. until kick off. There will be a free Bourbon Street buffet with pizza served at halftime.



The monthly meeting is set for Wednesday, February 10 at 6 p.m.

Monday nights at 6 p.m. it's the 8-Ball Pool League. Stop in and watch the best shooters on the island.

On Wednesdays check out the drink special. Thursday night is card night beginning 7 p.m.

All day Friday the legion offers a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich with French fries.

Food is served all day every day. The public is welcome. Hours are Monday to Saturday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. The location is mile marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-9979.✪

## Gator Tales At SCCF

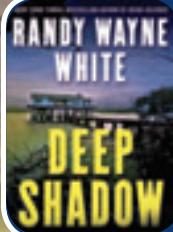


Alligator feeding on fish

The biology of alligators is an ancient tale of survival. Florida's history of gators and humans is closely intertwined. To learn about these fascinating creatures and what we must do to ensure our safety and their survival attend Gator Tales on Wednesday, February 10 at 10 a.m. in the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation auditorium. Call 472-2329 for more information. This program is free to all. Please never feed a gator.✪



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# Trout The Best Action Right Now



This week fishing was a vast improvement over what it has been. Not only has the water temperature warmed up to mid-60s the majority of the dead fish that were floating around all over the bay have either

sunk to the bottom or washed out to sea on the tide. It's still hard to forget the devastating cold water snook kill we just had as I have not caught a snook in weeks, even by accident. This time of year I always catch a few snook while throwing jigs or targeting redfish against the mangroves and oyster bars.

Trout and redfish fishing were consistent all week with lots of trout caught every time out. When I was able to locate the redfish, action was good with five or

six taken out of one spot before moving on. The reds were all on the smaller side with rats measuring 16-20 inches on average. The area around Foster's Point on North Captiva held some much bigger reds but I was just not able to get them to eat a bait.

Trout was without a doubt the best action in town this week. Even when not trying to catch trout while targeting mangrove shorelines for redfish, there they were.

I have been catching the trout with a few different methods depending on the water depth I'm fishing them in. Throwing soft plastic jigs on the flats has been a no-brainer with trout caught on almost every cast. Shallower flats and edges seem to be holding the largest numbers of trout with the fish running 14 to 20 inches. In deeper water a live shrimp fished close to the bottom has been the better method.

I did make it out a few miles offshore one day this week on a charter targeting sheepshead. Most of our nearshore reefs are starting to load up with these tasty fish. We did not have a great day due to windy conditions but did manage about

10 nice keepers. One sunken barge out a few miles from Redfish Pass was the hot spot of the trip with the bite going off for about 20 minutes before shutting down.

We caught some other mixed bag fish including grunts, flounder, red grouper and mangrove snapper. This run and gun reef fishing can really be a blast as you never know what you're going to find. What amazed me while offshore was the lack of the usual bait and birds over the reefs. I think the cold really pushed all the bait out to deeper, warmer water.

Just a heads up to all you grouper fishermen, both recreational and commercial: fishing on the species closed February 1 and will stay closed through March 31. Closing this recreational fishery does not make any sense at all. With such strict limits on grouper already set for the recreational angler what's the point? With commercial fishing responsible for roughly 95 percent of all total grouper taken in the gulf, just close commercial and give us recreational guys a chance.

Then to make it even worse for us recreational types out there, they lowered the minimum size of red grouper for commercial fisherman from 20 inches to 18 inches. How can that help anyone but the commercial guy?

*Capt. Matt Mitchell moved to Sanibel in 1980 and has fished local waters for more than 25 years. He now lives in St. James City and has worked as a back country fishing guide for more than 10 years. If you have comments or questions email [captmattmitchell@aol.com](mailto:captmattmitchell@aol.com).*



Eric Selck with a big trout caught throwing soft plastic jigs

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## Shell Found



Michael Lieb

Michael Lieb, age 10, of Sacramento, California, with the lion's paw he found on the beach Friday January 22 near Pointe Santo de Sanibel, where he was staying with his family. They visit Sanibel every year.\*

## Shell Found



Anita Dykstra

Anita Dykstra with the junonia she found on January 19 while walking along Gulfside City Park beach. The shell is 4 1/4" long and truly is a "life time" find, she says. Dykstra and her husband Art stay at Shell Island Beach Club when they visit Sanibel.\*

## Shells Found



Kim Whitehurst, Jean Quinn and Anne Aldrich

Kim Whitehurst, Jean Quinn and Anne Aldrich from Brooklyn, New York and York Beach, Maine, are crazy about cones – alphabet cones and Florida cones. Avid shellers, they wear their team T-shirts and matching shorts. They found these 10 alphabet cones and 27 Florida cones at Lighthouse Beach and Tarpon Bay Road Beach and said, "Every shell was a thrill to find."\*

## Shell Found



Patricia Buchanan

Patricia Buchanan of Mankato, Minnesotas, found this junonia at Lighthouse Beach while staying at Sand Pointe. "This is the fourth year for my husband Don and me at Sanibel – and my first junonia," she said.\*

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## Shells Found



Linda Bridges and Ann Tucker

Linda Bridges and Ann Tucker of Paducah, Kentucky found two horse conchs at Lighthouse Beach and a junonia at Gulfside City Park beach. Bridges has been coming to Sanibel for six years. They were staying in the Periwinkle Trailer Park Tucker said, "This was an unexpected and exciting event for me."\*

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## Sanibel Students Win Contest

Three seventh-grade students from The Sanibel School – Kelsey Congress, Jillian Richter, and Casey Wexler – had their entry selected as the Southwest Florida regional winner in the Florida Healthy Kids Act-Out for Health Public Service Announcement contest. This is in conjunction with Florida Kid Care, which is the program where the state of Florida offers health insurance for children from birth through age 18, even if one or both parents are working.

Not only did their video receive honors as the Judges' Choice for the region, but it was also voted Best Video by online viewers! Each of the video-editing students earned \$500 gift cards for Best Buy and the school received \$1,000 for its video production program.

To view their winning video log onto [http://www.actoutforhealth.net/students/psa\\_winners](http://www.actoutforhealth.net/students/psa_winners).✱

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## Sanibel-Captiva Power Squadron



George Campean, cruise co-director Lynn Campean, Yvonne Neal, Tom Fitzgerald, cruise co-director Caren Dopoulos, Gene Steele, Sheryl Steele, John Dopoulos and Bonnie Fitzgerald

Boats in the recent Sanibel-Captiva Sail & Power Squadron headed south past the causeway C-span and turned ESE to Mantanzas Pass for a recent luncheon outing. They stayed south of the causeway shoals. After the pass they had to find the northerly channel and go under the bridge to Fort Myers Beach to the rendezvous and luncheon. Docking was stern-in, another challenge.

All was accomplished in good fashion with lots of boats and boaters having fun on the water. Over 80 squadron members attended.

The squadron had its monthly dinner meeting that included speakers Chris Kockritz and Bill Jennings.

The presentation covered courses available to the general public. The function of SCSPS is to promote safe boating through education. A combination of some of the courses can lead boaters to a certificate being issued, something required by some states and foreign countries. Call Dick Squitiere at 395-9039 for further information.✱

## Captiva Island Yacht Club Fleet Review

The Captiva Island Yacht Club (CIYC) will have a fleet review Saturday, February 27.

All boaters in the yacht club and Captiva residents are welcome to join in for this parade.

The parade will be led by CIYC fleet and past flag officers will be on the reviewing stand pontoon boat from Jensen's Marina.

After disembarking past 'Tween Waters you can make reservations at Green Flash restaurant or 'Tween Waters for lunch.

Get your friends together and decorate your boats with a patriotic theme. Boaters will line up in front of Green Flash at 10:30 a.m. and land lubbers are encouraged to gather on their docks and cheer on their neighbors. All types of vessels are welcome.

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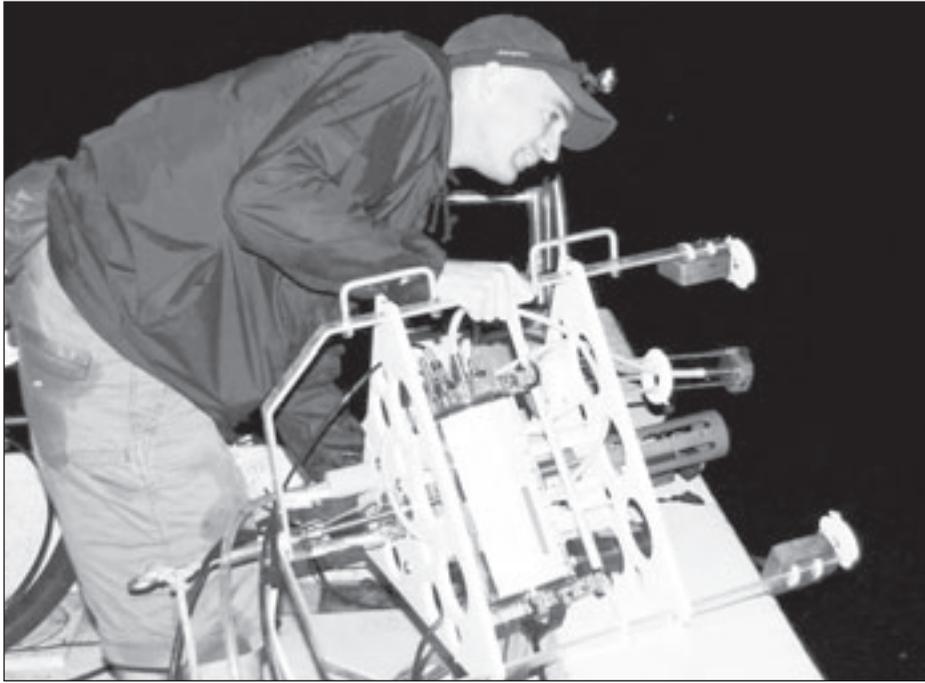
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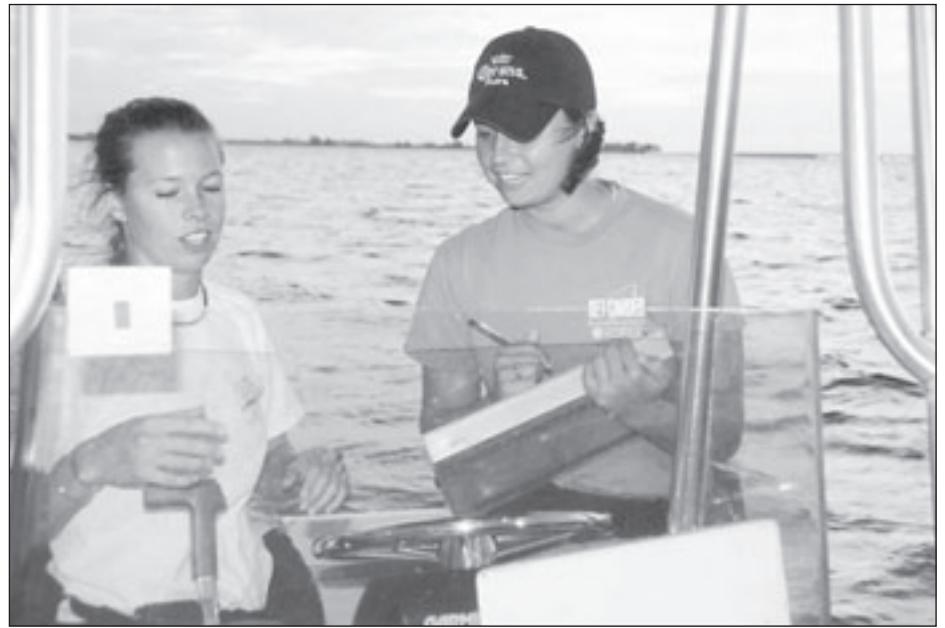
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## Researcher To Discuss Caloosahatchee 'Lunar Lander'



University of South Florida graduate student Greg Ellis recovers the sampling tripod with instruments that take measurements and collect plants living on the river bottom

Dr. Greg Tolley's "lunar lander" doesn't settle on the surface of the moon but rather on the floor of the Caloosahatchee River. This electronic device measures parameters such as water temperature, salinity, and color. Dr. Tolley's interest is in the larval stage of fishes, a distinct juvenile form many animals undergo before becoming adults. The larva's appearance is different than the adult phase and they often live in environments that are very different than their adult counterparts. 3



Brooke Denkert and Marijke Noens, graduate students at FGCU, wait for sun to set before sampling zooplankton off Sanibel

At 2 p.m. on February 10, the Shell Museum will host Dr. Tolley, a former shell museum trustee and professor of marine science at Florida Gulf Coast University. Dr. Tolley will present a program titled, The Importance of Freshwater In-flow To Coastal Ecosystems; the Goldilocks Approach.

"Larvae respond very quickly to changes in the environment, sometimes within hours," said Tolley, the founding Director of Florida Gulf Coast University's Coastal Watershed Institute. "This characteristic makes them ideal for this type of study," he added.

The research is designed to determine the ideal mix of freshwater in the river and the best timing for the release of fresh water from Lake Okeechobee. He will describe how the timing, amount and quality of freshwater delivered to estuaries can influence the physiology of estuarine organisms, the structure of oyster reefs, and zooplankton assemblages. The importance of oyster reefs as essential fish habitats will also be addressed.



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Florida, where he received his doctoral degree. He chairs the advisory board of the Florida Institute of Oceanography and is a member of the advisory committee for the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve and of the Conservation and Research Advisory Committee of The Florida Aquarium.

The lecture is free with museum admission. Call Diane Orvis Thomas at 395-2233 with any questions regarding the program.\*

## Guided Birdwalk

**M**ake your heart happy with a guided birdwalk in the Bailey Tract on Saturday, February 6, hosted by Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society Bird Walk

Audubon Society members will identify and explain the behaviors of native birds and their habitat. Walkers will meet at the Bailey Tract parking lot on Tarpon Bay Road at 8 a.m. There are 12 parking spots available on a first come, first served basis. Additional beach parking lot is available at the intersection of Tarpon Bay Road and West Gulf Drive with paid parking. The suggested donation to the Audubon Society is only \$2 per hiker. Pre-register by calling the Sanibel Recreation Center at 472-0345.\*

## Fish Caught



Johnny, with his dad and his prized snook

Fortunately not all snook were killed during the recent cold snap. Johnny Clark, a three-year-old Sanibel resident, caught this snook Saturday, January 30. He reeled in the fish in Dinkin's Bayou while out fishing with his Dad, John, and Grandpa, Randy (also of Sanibel).

Of course this nice little snook was released so that Johnny might catch it again several years from now.\*

## Island Jazz And Dance Nights

**T**he Monday night Island Jazz and Dance Band at The Community House is fast becoming an island favorite. On February 8, the evening begins with a buffet dinner by Bailey's Catering at 5:45 p.m.. At 7 p.m. Tom Cooley and friends will get you moving to jazz standards, big band tunes, and pop favorites.

Dinner will be homemade meatloaf, mashed potatoes, fresh steamed vegetables, rolls and dessert. Tickets are \$15 for dancing and dinner or \$5 for dance only. A cash bar is available.

The Island Jazz and Dance Band regulars are led by Harry Reiner on trumpet, Gene Federico on guitar and vocals, and Tom Cooley on drums.

The remainder of the swinging Monday nights this season are scheduled for February 22 and March 15 and 29. Make dinner reservations by calling The Community House, 472-2155.\*



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FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 2010

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your natural Arian leadership qualities make you the person others will follow in tackling that important project. But don't get so involved in the work that you neglect your personal life.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Aspects favor sorting through your possessions, both at work and at home, to start giving away what you don't use, don't need or don't like. Relax later with someone special.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The issues are not quite as clear as they should be. That's why you need to avoid getting involved in disputes between colleagues at work or between relatives or personal friends.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You'll get lots of support from others if you own up to your mistake quickly and include a full and honest explanation. Learn from this experience so that you don't repeat it.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) There might be some early confusion over a major move, whether it's at work or at home. But once you get a full breakdown of what it entails, it should be easier to deal with. Good luck.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Creating order out of chaos, even in the most untidy spaces, should be no problem for organized Virgos. So go ahead and do it, and then accept praise from impressed colleagues.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Whether it's for business purposes or just for leisure, a trip might be just what you need right now. You would benefit both from a change of scenery and from meeting new people.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) While things generally go well this week, a romantic situation seems to have stalled. But

you can restart it if you want to. Then again, maybe this is a chance to reassess the situation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A meeting that was promised quite a while back could finally happen. So be sure you're prepared with everything you'll need to make your case sound convincing and doable.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A workplace blunder could create a problem down the line unless you deal with it right now to see how and why it happened. Don't be surprised at what you might learn.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time to re-sort your priorities and see if adjustments are called for. Be honest with yourself as you decide what to keep, what to discard and what to change.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Letting yourself be bathed in the outpouring of love and support from those who care for you will help you get through a difficult period sooner rather than later. Good luck.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have an uncanny gift for reaching out to all people and creating bridges of understanding among them.

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Feb. 14, 278 A.D., Valentine, a holy priest in Rome, is executed. Ruler Claudius the Cruel was having a difficult time getting soldiers to join his military because of their strong attachment to their wives, and had banned marriages. Valentine had continued to perform marriages in secret and was beheaded for it.

- On Feb. 11, 1858, in southern France, Bernadette Soubirous, a 14-year-old French peasant girl, first claims to have seen the Virgin Mary. The apparitions, which totaled 18 before the end of the year, occurred in a

grotto of a rock promontory near Lourdes, France.

- On Feb. 13, 1914, The American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) is formed in New York. This was the first U.S. group to help protect copyrighted music against illegal public performances for profit.

- On Feb. 12, 1934, Bill Russell, the legendary center for the Boston Celtics during the 1960s, is born in Monroe, La. During his 13-year career with the Celtics, the 6-foot-9-inch Russell helped the team to 11 NBA championships.

- On Feb. 8, 1943, Japanese troops evacuate Guadalcanal, leaving the South Pacific island in Allied possession after a prolonged campaign. The American victory halted Japanese expansion and paved the way for further Allied gains in the Solomon Islands.

- On Feb. 10, 1962, American spy-plane pilot Francis Gary Powers is released by the Soviets in exchange for Soviet Col. Rudolf Abel, a senior KGB spy who was caught in the United States five years earlier. The two men were brought to separate sides of the Glienicke Bridge, which connects East and West Berlin across Lake Wannsee, and released at the same time.

- On Feb. 9, 1973, Max Yasgur, owner of the 600-acre dairy farm in New York where the original Woodstock took place in August 1969, dies in Florida. More than 400,000 people attended the three-day music festival.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was American journalist, author and humorist Don Marquis who made the following sage observation: "Procrastination is the art of keeping up with yesterday."

- A giant carnivorous plant has recently been discovered on a remote mountaintop in the Philippines. The second largest pitcher

plant on record, nepenthes attenboroughii secretes a nectar that lures insects, frogs and even rats into its trap, where enzymes and acids break down the animal and digest it.

- There has been a lot of debate about whether older drivers should be required to pass driving tests in order to renew their licenses, with failing sight and diminished judgment being cited as reasons for the more stringent requirement. However, statistics tend to indicate that, as a group, teenagers are the more dangerous drivers, with their auto-accident death rate roughly triple that of the elderly.

- If you're thinking about going back to school during this economic downturn, you might want to consider working toward a master's degree in business administration. The average salary increase enjoyed by new MBA holders is a whopping 64 percent.

- The men's formal attire known as the tuxedo takes its name from the Tuxedo Park Club in New York, where the clothing first became popular. The word itself is derived from the Algonquian word for wolf.

- The man who holds the world record for running 100 meters and 200 meters, and who has won three Olympic gold medals, is a Jamaican by the name of Usain Bolt. Yes, Bolt.

- The Zagat restaurant rating system recently conducted a survey of Americans' tipping habits. The results? It seems that residents of Philadelphia are the most generous tipppers in the nation, leaving an average of 19.6 percent. The average across the country is 19 percent.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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## Photographer James Corwin Johnson At Audubon Lecture

James Corwin Johnson, director of photography for Yosemite National Park for 12 years, will present a Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society-sponsored lecture entitled Adventures in Imaging on Thursday, February 11 at 7:30pm at the Community House.

Johnson has specialized in professional photography for over 35 years and is a graduate of Glen Fishback School of Photography. Glen Fishback was a contemporary of both Ansel Adams and Edward Weston and is best known for simplifying the Ansel Adams Zone System, a technique determining optimal film exposure and development.

Johnson's career has spanned the gamut of photographic specialties and taken him to Canada, Mexico, Africa and Europe. His work has appeared in publications for Eastman Kodak, Paramount Pictures, textbooks and other consumer industrial media. He is now the director of Safari Ventures Imaging which is the photographic arm and educational division of Safari Ventures, which was declared the best travel adventure company by National Geographic for 2009. However, it is his 12-year Yosemite experience that is the focus of this lecture.

Yosemite is the third US national park which spans eastern portions of Tuolumne, Mariposa and Madera counties in east central California. The park covers an area of 761,266 acres and reaches across the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada mountain chain. With an elevation range of 2,000 to 13,113 feet encompassing five major vegetation zones, Yosemite is visited by over 3.5 million people each year. Designated a World Heritage Site in 1984, Yosemite is internationally recognized for its spectacular granite cliffs, waterfalls, clear streams, Giant Sequoia groves and biological diversity.

This is the sixth of eight lectures to be held in 2010 on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. The Community House is at 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. As always, all are welcome to attend.



Bridal Falls



James Corwin Johnson

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and parking is available at the Community House as well as across Periwinkle Way in the Schoolhouse Theater parking area. A \$5 donation is appreciated with proceeds being used to promote conservation on Sanibel and in Florida.

For additional information, call Elaine Jacobson at 395-1878 or visit the San-Cap Audubon Web site at [www.sanca-paudubon.org](http://www.sanca-paudubon.org).

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A groundbreaking folk ensemble with a rich, robust vocal blend, The New Christy Minstrels has entertained millions of fans around the world since the group first assembled by visionary folk singer Randy Sparks more than 40 years ago. In 1962, their debut album, *Presenting the New Christy Minstrels*, earned a Grammy for Best Performance by a Chorus. Their *Ramblin'* album went gold and featured their first major hit single,

*Green, Green*. The group enjoyed other chart successes with *This Land is Your Land*, *Denver*, and *Chim Chim Cher-ee*, which the group preformed at the Academy Awards ceremony the evening the song won Best Song of 1964. And they are still at it.

With Sparks at the helm, the group continues performing with the refreshing Christy sound that has left an enduring legacy on the music world. "Lyrics and poetry, songs that you can sing ... this is what music is about," is how director Sparks summed up The New Christy Minstrels' music.

The New Christy Minstrels concert supporter is SanibelFaux.com by John Grey Painting and sponsor RS Walsh Landscaping.

To purchase tickets stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road or call the Marks Box Office at 395-0900.\*

## Sanibel Uncorked! Winter Wine Festival

The San-Cap Optimist Club's second Winter Wine Fest is called Sanibel Uncorked! This year it will be held on February 24 from 5 to 9 p.m. at Lily Co., Jewelers, 520 Tarpon Bay Road, across from Bailey's General Store where there is plenty of parking.

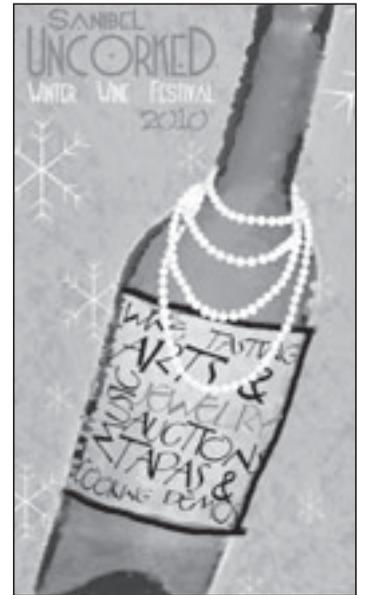
An excellent selection of wineries, varietals, and vintages from at least four wine purveyors, will be available to taste and all will be available for purchase at Bailey's.

A silent auction will be held offering many fine prizes such as vacation packages, dazzling jewelry, restaurant gift certificates, local activities tickets, theater and concert tickets, works of art, gift baskets and, of course, many wines. Also available to patrons will be Lily Bucks, discount certificates from Lily Co.

A cooking demonstration will be given by Sanibel's Chef Ian, who was educated at the New England Culinary Institute and has worked in kitchens in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Lafayette and New Orleans, Louisiana, Fort Lee, New Jersey, and Cambridge, Massachusetts. He owned and ran his own restaurant, the Windansea, in Morehead City, North Carolina, for 10 years. During his sabbatical here on Sanibel, he worked at the Mad Hatter. He plans to show how Shrimp and Grits is prepared in the low country cooking style of Bill Neals. Music and hors d'oeuvres will accompany the affair.

Tickets are \$30 and are available at Bailey's General Store, at the Sanibel Café, at the San-Cap Community Bank, or at the event. Admission for designated drivers is \$25. Full admission for the first 150 patrons includes a decorative, commemorative, etched wine glass.

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## Fishing Club Meeting



Capt. Phil Pica (far right) and his charter showing their gag grouper catches



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charities and organizations such as START, PURRE and the Sanibel Sea School. For information on joining the club contact Rol Campbell at 472-8994 or attend next Tuesday's meeting. The Sanibel Island Fishing Club has been an active social club for more than 20 years on the island. To learn more about the club, and to view fish photos or explore the new fish recipe section, go to [sanibelislandfishingclub.com](http://sanibelislandfishingclub.com).✪

This coming Tuesday, February 9, the Sanibel Island Fishing Club will be holding its monthly meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the north room of The Community House located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. The featured speaker will begin his presentation at 7 p.m. sharp. There is no admission charge for the event and the angling public is cordially invited to attend.

This month's speakers are two renowned Lee County fishing guides, Capt. Phil Pica, who specializes in off-shore angling and Capt. Sean Davis, who runs a back bay charter. Both captains run their guiding operation out of the Fish Tale Marina on Fort Myers Beach as well as the Punta Rassa boat ramp directly off island.

Pica focuses on near shore gag grouper during the winter months and pursues tarpon, cobia and permit during the spring, summer and fall months. He fishes near beach ledges and Lee and Collier counties' artificial reefs. Pica's tower boat gives his anglers a distinct advantage in the open waters of the gulf, allowing him to spot tarpon and permit from a considerable distance.

Davis specializes in inshore angling. He targets redfish, snook and trout in his flat's boat. He has been living in Southwest Florida since he was five years old and has extensive experience in the backwaters of both Estero and San Carlos Bay. Either captain can be chartered by contacting the ship's store at Fish Tale Marina at 436-3600.

The Sanibel Island Fishing Club meets monthly through season and sponsors several group outings as well as lending support for various fishing related

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The concert was sponsored by Helen Demetrios and Michael Stadther. The reception was hosted by Andrea and Phil Gainer.\*



Andrea Gainer, Barbara Nissman, Phil Gainer



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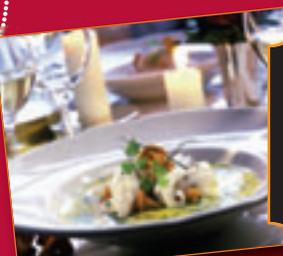
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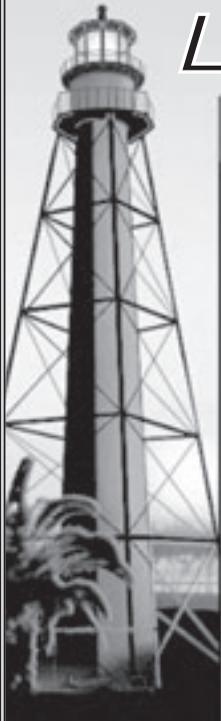


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## Art Of Oswaldo Ventura And Nicario Jiménez At BIG ARTS



*Madre Lila* by Oswaldo Ventura

The art of Peruvians Oswaldo Ventura and Nicario Jiménez is on display at BIG ARTS Founders Gallery through Monday, March 1. Ventura's paintings capture the warmth of the Peruvian people and the rich color of the land. Jiménez's retablos are sophisticated folk art in the form of wooden boxes filled with intricate narrative scenes. An artists' reception will be held Saturday, February 13 from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

Peruvian artist Flora Zárate's, arpilleras (appliquéd, tapestry-like embroidery) will be in the gift shop at the BIG ARTS Center.

Founders Gallery hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Founders Gallery exhibits are supported by Visual Arts Patron season sponsor Deborah and John La Gorce.

BIG ARTS is at 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel. Call 395-0900, e-mail info@BIGARTS.org, or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.\*



Valentine's Day 2009, dancing the Macarena

## Dance With Your Valentine

Celebrate in style with a romantic dinner and dance the night away with your Valentine at The Community House on Wednesday, February 10 at 6 p.m. Swing to big band jazz music by the popular JJ and Company, a 17-piece jazz ensemble performing dance hits from the big band era. "It will be a memorable evening of fabulous food, great music for dancing, and a lot of chocolate!" said Gloria Baker, general manager of The Community House.

The evening will begin with appetizers and a preview of Lily and Co.'s specially selected jewelry, which will be available for purchase. Proceeds from jewelry sales will go to The Community House. Dinner will be prepared by Leslie Adams Catering featuring a choice of either beef tenderloin with wine sauce or teriyaki salmon, with mashed potatoes, baby carrots, classic spinach salad and chocolate dessert.

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Dedicated to the musical theater literature from the beginning of the 20th century to today, the IU Broadway Cabaret was created by the Department of Theatre and Drama as a performance outlet for exceptionally talented students. The IU Broadway Cabaret has performed for varied groups and in a variety of venues.

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## Band Returns By Popular Demand



Vince Giordano

Vince Giordano and The Nighthawks bring their classic big-band sounds to BIG ARTS Schein Performance Hall Saturday, February 13 at 8 p.m.

In his 30 years as a bandleader, Giordano has become the authority on re-creating the sounds of 1920s and '30s jazz and popular music. His love of re-creating the music has led to performances at the Smithsonian, Carnegie Hall, the JVC Jazz Festival, Lincoln Center, and the Breda Jazz Festival in Holland. Described by one critic as a "poet of the jazz repertory frozen by time... the authenticity of the music coupled with his firsthand knowledge of the original material provides him with insights, experiences, and an integrity that is unique to the musical world."

Giordano also lent his talents to *Bix: An Interpretation of a Legend* (RCA), the original soundtrack from the 1990 film. He was typecast as a bass player in Sean Penn's band in Woody Allen's *Sweet and Lowdown*, and he and the band are featured in Gus Van Sant's film, *Finding Forrester*.

A critic from the *New York Sun* called The Nighthawks "the undisputed masters of syncopated sounds from the pre-swing era, a period when even the much-disparaged "sweet bands" were incredibly innovative."

Tickets are \$46 loge, \$41 floor, and \$15 student.

Vince Giordano and The Nighthawks concert patron sponsor is Ocean's Reach Gulf Front Condominiums Resort.

To purchase tickets stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road or call the Marks Box Office at 395-0900.\*

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## Cabaret

ues, and has instituted an outreach program, Broadway Sessions, giving master classes in high schools throughout the state. Alumni from the IU Broadway Cabaret are currently performing on Broadway, Off-Broadway, in national and international tours, and in regional theaters throughout the U.S.

"This is a delightful evening of musical theater scenes and songs performed by an extremely talented group of students," said Jonathan Michaelsen, chairperson of IU Bloomington's Department of Theatre and Drama.

Tickets are \$5 general admission; free for child/student. To purchase tickets stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road or call the Marks Box Office at 395-0900.\*

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2. *Sanibel Flats* by Randy Wayne White
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6. *Sarah's Key* by Tatiana de Rosnay
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Woven Wish Pocket Necklace with Gisela Damandl is Monday, February 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fine Crafts -The Artful Book with Martha Graham is Monday, February 8 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Hand Drumming with Dennis Dial is Tuesday, February 9 from 6 to 8 p.m.

Pastels with Judith Barnet runs



Pottery instructor Joe Koch

February 9 through March 23, Tuesdays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Belly Dancing (ages 11 and up) with Sherry Coffey runs February 10 through March 10, Wednesdays from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Glass Fusing with Petra Kaiser runs February 10 through March 3, Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Glass Fusing with Petra Kaiser runs February 11 through March 4, Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Introduction to Watercolor with Bea Pappas runs February 11 through March 4, Thursdays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Watermedia Techniques: Layering with Bea Pappas runs Saturday and Sunday, February 13 and 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Collage & Beyond with Cathy Taylor



Painting Instructor Patty Kane



Italian instructor Carl Grispino

runs Saturday, February 13 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, February 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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Clay Expressions with Gail Jones runs February 15 through March 22, Mondays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Writing-Stand in the Moment/ Memoirs & the Personal Story with Steve Oberbeck runs February 16 through March 23, meets Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m.

Advanced Italian with Carl Grispino runs February 17 through March 24, meets Wednesdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Intermediate Italian with Carl Grispino runs February 17 through March 24, meets Wednesdays from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m.

Italian for Travelers with Carl Grispino runs February 17 through March 24, meets Wednesdays from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

Decorative Painting with Lois Ferguson runs February 17 through March 31, meets Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Pottery - Intermediate Wheel Throwing with Joe Koch runs February 17 through March 24, Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Fine Crafts - Nature Printing on Paper with Mona Gleitz is Thursday, February 18 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Fine Crafts Jewelry & Metalsmithing with Pilar Baker runs February 19 through March 26, Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Block Printing with Martha Graham is Friday, February 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Painting & Drawing - Fundamentals of Color with Patty Kane runs February 19 through March 26, Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon.

Watercolors with Patty Kane runs February 19 through March 26, Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m.

Fine Crafts Collage with Heat with Bea Pappas meets Saturday and Sunday, February 20 and 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Painted Floorcloths with Kassia Sparks is Saturday, February 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

BIG ARTS workshops are sponsored by Sony Corporation of America.

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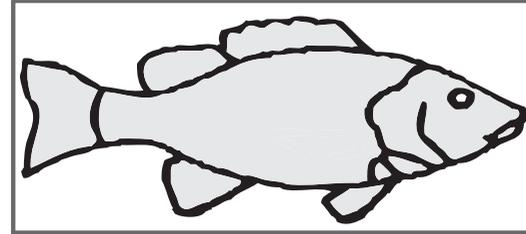
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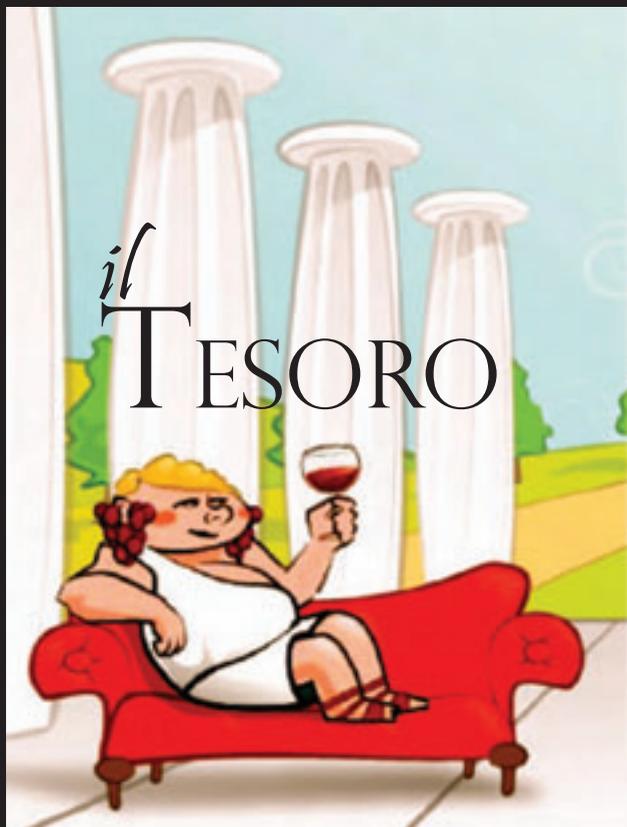
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## Luc Century To Talk About Etheric Photography



Luc Century and his etheric photography

The ARTSalon series at BIG ARTS will host glass engraver Luc Century at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, February 16. Century is known for etching Washington DC's Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall.

He will talk about creating his etheric photography and other current projects. This "abstract" photography invites the viewer to imagine a world, a being, a story, or creature within the image. He captures the images with photographic emulsion and a unique light source, resulting in ethereal, yet organic forms which look as though they come from another world.

Photography is not a new medium for Century; he has been experimenting with the process of developing images for many years, incorporating photographic

techniques in his etching works. He says, "I love to see people's reaction when they see the images, each person tells me a story about what they are seeing, the pictures seem to emerge from their unconscious mind."

The talk will be in the Phillips Gallery, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel.

ARTSalon is an opportunity to talk with artists to better understand their creative process. Bring lunch if you wish to continue informal discussion in Boler Garden. Tickets are \$5 at the door. ARTSalon continues with FGCU's Anne-Marie Bouché, who will talk about medieval iconography at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 12. ✨

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Put on your shades, hop in your VW Bus and make the scene for the Woodstock Art and Wine Fest, this year's major fundraising event for CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) The event will be held on Sunday, February 28 at Trader's Café from 4 to 7 p.m.

Take a look back at the year 1969 – the celebration of Woodstock and the birth of CROW.

Live auction items will include artwork by acclaimed artist Darryl Pottorf. His painting entitled *Unlost Consequence*, valued at \$20,000, will be on display at Bank of the Islands. "Investment grade collectibles from the Woodstock Festival, rare Audubon prints never before offered on the West Coast and home décor items made of lumber from CROW's old hospital are just a few of the pieces which will be available at this exciting event to help our wildlife," said Carol Rothman of CROW's Development Office.

Tickets are \$100 each. For more information or reservations contact Rothman at 472-3644 ext. 2. ✨

## Sea School Offers Adult Classes

by Leah Biery

At Sanibel Sea School, we're notorious for our fun summer camps and educational programs for children, but why should kids have all the fun? This Spring, Sanibel Sea School is offering an array of opportunities for adults. We're planning a series of adult classes called The Twelve Big Questions, a three-part sustainable seafood seminar, and a remote expedition to the British Virgin Islands.

The Twelve Big Questions series will be the first of these offerings, and on Wednesday afternoons beginning February 10, we invite you to find answers to some of your most interesting marine questions. Learn about recent Cetacean studies and determine how your intelligence matches up to that of dolphins and whales, or join an offshore adventure to study jellyfish. Here's the schedule:

- February 10: If rivers fill the ocean, why is the sea salty? (Ocean Salinity)
- February 17: Am I smarter than a dolphin? (Cetacean Intelligence)
- February 24: What's inside a squid? (Cephalopod Dissection)
- March 3: What's in the ocean that I can't see? (Ocean Micro Lab)
- March 10: Why are there so many tubeworms? (Rise of the Filter Feeders)



Adults enjoy seining with Doc Bruce Neill

March 17: Why is the ocean blue? (Light in the Sea)  
 March 24: What's all the fuss about a little algae? (Algal Blooms)  
 March 31: How do our cars affect the ocean? (Ocean pH)  
 April 7: What's the point of a sponge? (Sponge Science)  
 April 14: What are those blobs all over the beach? (Tunicate Ecology)  
 April 21: Why are there so many shells on Sanibel? (Gastropods and Mollusks)  
 April 28: So, what's with all the jellies? (Jellyfish)  
 For detailed course descriptions, visit our blog, <http://sanibelseaschool.wordpress.com>.

Classes are from 1-3 pm. Class size is limited to 12 adults. You can take one class or all 12. Classes are \$55 each, or \$50 each for four or more. To register, e-mail [Liz@sanibelseaschool.org](mailto:Liz@sanibelseaschool.org) or call 472-8585.

Sanibel Sea School is a non-profit foundation with the mission of marine conservation through experiential education, open year-round. ✨

## Artists' Reception And Awards Presentation

BIG ARTS will host an artists' reception and awards presentation for its Recycle It exhibit from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday, February 13, in Phillips Gallery. Juror of the show was Jo-Ann Lizio

All artwork in this exhibit utilizes recycled materials. All works are available for purchase. The exhibit is open from through March 1.

The Recycle It exhibit is supported by Visual Arts Patron season sponsors June Rosner and Russ Bilgore.

BIG ARTS is at 900 Dunlop Road. Call 395-0900, e-mail [info@BIGARTS.org](mailto:info@BIGARTS.org) or log on to [www.BIGARTS.org](http://www.BIGARTS.org). ✨



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## Romance And Drama In Film Series

**B**IG ARTS Film Society will present award-winning films in February, a mix of new releases, documentaries, and drama in the Monday Night Film Series. Refreshments and lively discussions on Gainer Veranda follow each film.

The films are as follows:  
February 8, *Little Ashes* (2009) U.K., Rated R



Scene from *Priceless*

February 15, *Priceless* (2006) France, Rated PG-13, Subtitles  
February 22, *Séraphine* (2008) France, Rated PG-13, Subtitles  
Javier Beltrán, Robert Pattinson and Matthew McNulty star in *Little Ashes*, a romantic story about the life and love affair between artist Salvador Dalí and writer García Lorca.  
A sunny and surprisingly chaste French sex farce set on the elegant French Riviera, *Priceless* follows the amoral high jinks of Irène, played by Audrey Tautou and her journey to real romance.

Winner of seven Caesar Awards, including Best Film, *Séraphine* is the story of a simple and profoundly devout housekeeper who, in 1905 at age 41, with the inspiration of her guardian angel, became a self-taught painter of brilliant, colorful canvases.  
Films are shown with surround sound in high definition using a high-quality screen and projector in the comfort of Schein Performance Hall. A sound-enhancement system for the hearing impaired is available. Most foreign films include English subtitles.

Tickets are \$7 and are available in advance or at the door. All Monday Night films begin at 7 p.m.

BIG ARTS Film Series is supported by Patron Series sponsors Tween Waters and Bank of the Islands, Associate sponsors The Sanibel Bean, and Royal

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Scene from *Séraphine*

## Lovegrove Patriotic Artwork Exhibition

**A**n exhibit of patriotic artwork by Leoma Lovegrove will be on display through February 14 at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre art gallery, 1380 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers. The show, entitled Still a Grand Ole Flag, includes several of Lovegrove's interpretations of the American flag and will be in place throughout the production

of *George M*, a musical about the life of George M. Cohan. Several other works were done in collaboration with community members in response to anniversaries of 9/11.

On September 11, 2009, Will Prather, owner of Broadway Palm, offered his theater to Lovegrove for a Painting Out Loud performance in remembrance of 9/11. The 18- by 10-foot artwork created during that morning, along with smaller pieces done by the audience, will be the centerpiece of this exhibit. The gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Monday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.✪

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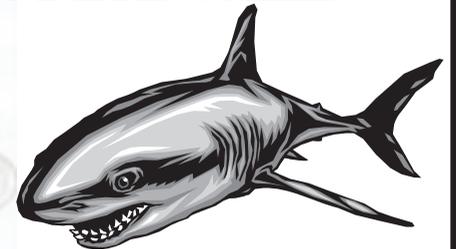
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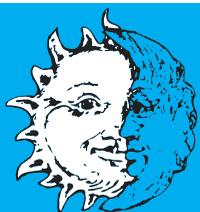
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Tickets are still available for the \$20,000 cash prize as part of The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater's annual fundraiser.

Only 300 raffle tickets are being sold, which means there is a one in 300 chance that you could be the winner of the \$20,000 prize. Raffle tickets are only \$200 each so buy one on your own or go in with some fellow employees.

This year's fundraiser will be held at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva on Wednesday, March 3. You do not need to be present to win.

"Many folks are buying tickets with the hope of funding their grandchildren's educations or supporting their favorite charity, said theater President Steve Klug. "What a great way to help the theater and your charity of choice."

For more raffle ticket information call Susan Chrenc at 395-8629. Tickets are also available at S. Congress Rolex Boutique (next to Chico's) and Congress Jewelers (original location), both in Periwinkle Place, and Bank of the Islands. For event tickets call the theater's box office at 472-6862.

The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater is located at 2200 Periwinkle Way. Visit the Web site at [www.TheSchoolhouseTheater.com](http://www.TheSchoolhouseTheater.com).

## CROW Night At The Theater

Here's an opportunity to support two local nonprofit groups at one time - Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) and The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater!

Tuesday February 23 at 8 p.m. is CROW Night at the Theater. A donation of \$5 from every ticket sold will go to CROW to support its work to save injured, sick and orphaned wildlife.

Tickets are \$30 each.

The show is *Fly Me to the Moon* - a musical revue featuring Rat Pack favorites. Complimentary wine and soft drinks will be served before the show on the theater's new patio.

Tickets for center section seats are available at the CROW Visitor Education Center, 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road; the theater box office, 2200 Periwinkle Way, 472-6862 (east section seats) from February 7 to 17; and Bank of the Islands (west section seats), 1699 Periwinkle Way, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., cash and checks only.✱

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## Reprising Golda Meir At BIG ARTS

by Di Saggau



The much heralded *Golda's Balcony*, will be performed at BIG ARTS with Annette Miller portraying Israel's Prime Minister Golda Meir. Miller has received rave reviews for her

portrayal of Meir, saying she makes her 10 times more human, 50 times more intimidating and altogether too real.

During a recent interview with Miller, she told me that she first performed the show in 2002 for Shakespeare & Company in the Berkshires.

"It was quite an honor. Originally I worried whether I would have the "chutzpah" to play this woman. Each time I do the show I find new things. That's the wonderful part about live theater, you find something new all the time. It becomes richer and richer for me and for the audience. In the show Meir is telling her story. It goes back and forth in time. It starts out with a crisis dealing with the nuclear bomb."

Miller lives out Meir's memories of her life and the pressure during the 1973 Yom Kippur war. Meir is charged with the responsibility of leading Israel through a national disaster, the seeming betrayal



Annette Miller as Golda Meir

photo by Kevin Sprague, [studiotwo.com](http://studiotwo.com)

by the Nixon administration, and a global disinterest in becoming involved with Israel's oppression.

She was guided through William Gibson's script, which she helped to develop, by director Daniel Gidron, a man who lived in Israel through the war during which this play is set. "It's not a political play. I hope the audience will experience Golda as I experience Golda.

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## Glorious! Debuts In Fort Myers

Theatre Conspiracy will open the hilarious and musically tone deaf comedy *Glorious!* (The true story of Florence Foster Jenkins, the worst singer in the world) at the Foulds Theatre on February 5 at 8 p.m. Directed by Bill Taylor and written by Peter Quilter, *Glorious!* is about an unlikely and ill-fitting diva, set in the America of the 1940s.

This Southwest Florida premiere is a heart-warming new comedy that highlights the improbable but true story of a phenomenally talentless eccentric. Jenkins (1868 -1944) was an American soprano and socialite who became famous for her complete lack of rhythm, pitch, tone, and overall singing ability. Despite her lack of ability, Jenkins was firmly convinced of her greatness. She became tremendously popular and was the toast of New York in the 1940s. Her credo was, "People may say that I cannot sing, but no one can say that I didn't sing."

She sold out Carnegie Hall for her concerts while the public roared with laughter. Produced around the world, *Glorious!* has brought the same reaction from audiences everywhere.

Peter Quilter's plays have been translated into 18 languages and produced in 27 countries around the world. He has had two plays in London's West End and hit shows in major cities, including Cape Town, Prague, Amsterdam, Helsinki, Toronto, Warsaw, Rio de Janeiro and Chicago.



Florence Foster Jenkins

*Glorious!* plays February 5 to 20 on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. with one Saturday matinee at 2 p.m. on February 6. Tickets are \$22 and \$10. Opening night February 5 will be "pay what you will." Thursdays February 11 and 18 are "buy one get one half price" nights. To make reservations call the box office at 936-3239.✪

## Enjoy The Heavenly Company Of George Burns

Alan Safier brings the love and laughter of George Burns to life in *Say Goodnight Gracie* Wednesday, February 17 at BIG ARTS. The play begins at 8 p.m. in Schein Performance Hall. Tickets for general seating are \$35, students \$15.

*Say Goodnight Gracie* is the hit Broadway play that invites you to spend a hilarious, heart-warming evening in the uplifting company of the world's favorite and funniest centenarian George Burns. *Say Goodnight Gracie* was nominated for the 2003 Tony Award for Best Play and won the 2003-04 National Broadway Theatre Award for Best Play.

*Say Goodnight Gracie* sponsor is Linda and John Kramer.

To purchase tickets stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road or call the box office at 395-0900.✪



Alan Safier as George Burns in *Say Goodnight Gracie*

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## Meir At BIG ARTS

"Something visceral happens to the audience, they think and learn and mull over her life. It makes them want to know more about her. The audience will gain knowledge and experience her drama, her conflicts, the world she came from and grew up in, and how she left the world changed, because she did. She was an important woman and I'm privileged to play her."

After seeing Miller in a 2009 production, one critic wrote, "Miller gives such a sense of immediacy and reality to all of this that it is almost as though we live

within her; we feel her pain and we experience her joy; we know her thoughts and we are gripped by her emotions."

Miller has been an actress her entire life and she said playing the part of Meir is her favorite role. "This play gives an insight into the woman not known by many before. It's extremely pertinent for today and it gets more and more important each time I do it."

The BIG ARTS On Stage Committee is proud to bring *Golda's Balcony* to the stage in Schein Hall for a 90-minute performance on Wednesday, February 10 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$35, students \$15 and are available by calling 395-0900, or stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel.✪

## Dynamic Duo To Perform At The Schoolhouse

Internationally known pianist Jon Weber will return to The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater Friday, February 26. This time, however, New York City talent KT Sullivan will be joining him. The two have been playing together for some time and The Schoolhouse is honored to have this talented duo taking the stage.

Howard Reich of the *Tribune Arts Critic* wrote, "Weber ranks among the most fluid improvisers in the business."

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Jon Weber and KT Sullivan



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## Lunch With Best-Selling Author Elizabeth Berg

Fans of Elizabeth Berg are invited to join the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc. for Lunch with the Author on Thursday, February 11, at noon at The Sanctuary Golf Club.

Berg made her mark as a promising writer with the publication of her first novel, *Durable Goods* (1993), the story of Katie, a 12-year-old girl reeling from her mother's death while her abusive father drags her from town to town. The book, like Katie, was tough but tender, and the American Library Association named it a Best Book of the Year.

Berg is the author of several bestselling novels as well as two works of nonfiction. *Open House* was an Oprah's Book Club selection, *Talk Before Sleep* was short-listed for an Abby Award. Her bestsellers also include *The Year of Pleasures*, *The Day I Ate Whatever I Wanted*, and *Dream When You're Feeling Blue*. Her newest book is *Home Safe* (April 2009).

Before she became a writer, Berg was a registered nurse for 10 years, and considered that her "school" for writing. "Taking care of patients taught me a lot about human nature, about hope and fear and love and loss and regret and triumph and especially about relationships – all things that I tend to focus on in my work," she says.

The event is sponsored by the Bank of



Elizabeth Berg

the Islands.

Berg's appearance is part of the Sanibel Public Library Author Series which this season also features Jane Hamilton and Pulitzer Prize-winner Elizabeth Strout. Jodi Picoult and Clive Cussler kicked off the series.

Lunch with the Author tickets are available at the Library through February 8 at \$45 per ticket of which \$20 is tax deductible.

Proceeds from Lunch with the Author will be used by the Library Foundation to continue its support for the Library Author Series. Call 472-2483 for tickets and more information.✧

## Book Signing



Jocelyn Miller-Panzenhagen

Author, Jocelyn Miller-Panzenhagen, a part-time resident of Sanibel since 1996, will be at MacIntosh Books from 3 to 5 p.m. Monday, February 8, for a book signing of her historical novel *Broken Chords*. The novel is based on the true story of Sarah McKinney who, in 1904, deserted her husband and children to travel the west, eventually homesteading on the lonely Wyoming prairie. Running parallel to the story of Sarah is the story of her daughter, Hannah, whose conflicts in her own troubled life do not deter her from the long-time quest of

mending the family's broken chords.

The book is available on Sanibel at Jerry's Foods, Bailey's General Store, MacIntosh Books and Sanibel Island Bookshop.

MacIntosh Books is at 2407 Periwinkle Way. ✧

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## Dynamic Duo

"The ability to convey a sense of continual surprise and discovery while singing almost any standard is one of Ms. Sullivan's many gifts," wrote Stephen Holden of *The New York Times*.

This event is graciously sponsored by John M. and Mary Jo Boler. The reception starts at 7 p.m. with the performance at 8.

"Weber has performed at The Schoolhouse multiple times and always amazes audiences with his intense piano-playing and musical knowledge," said Madison Mitchell, marketing director for the theater. "We are lucky to have him back, and this time with Sullivan."

Tickets for this one-night only event are \$45 and include a pre-show reception on The Schoolhouse Theater's beautiful President's Garden and Patio. Call the box office for tickets at 472-6862. The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater is at 2200 Periwinkle Way. Visit [TheSchoolhouseTheater.com](http://TheSchoolhouseTheater.com). Follow the theater on twitter @SchoolhouseSNBL for the latest backstage information, special promos and more. ✧

## Local Artist Wins Award In Naples



Rock Band by Peter Zell

Sanibel oil painter, Peter Zell has won an award in the juried Member's Third Show of the Naples Art Association currently on exhibit at the Von Liebig Art Center in Naples. The show will remain on view until February 28. The award for Bold Spontaneity/Expressive Power was announced at last Friday's reception at the Von Liebig, along with four other awards to Naples artists for Innovation-Experimentation, Technical Achievement, Juror's Choice and Viewer's Choice, in the interesting award lexicon of the Naples league.

Zell's painting entitled *Rock Band* was first shown in BIG ARTS gift shop and won a first place prize in the Arts for ACT Art of Music Show in June. ✧

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# Book Signing



Author Gwynneth Heaton will be at the Sanibel Island Bookshop at 1571 Periwinkle Way on Saturday, February 13 from 1 to 4 p.m. to talk about and to sign copies of her book: *All about Me, or is it I? Beware the Wild pronoun!*

Illustrated, this amusing, comprehensive reference book about pronouns will help anyone 13 years old and above use pronouns correctly. It includes exercises, answers at the back, and will make readers chuckle as they experience the pro-

nouns at a conference arguing about their roles. All are welcome. For more information call the bookshop at 472-5223.\*

## Poetic Voices



For consideration, please send typed poems with a short biography to *Island Sun*, 1640 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, Sanibel, FL 33957 Attn: Don Brown or send a Microsoft Word attachment to donbrown@alum.mit.edu

selected by Don Brown

### Fulcrum

by Warren Woessner

The edge of the sun is a warm orange disk pushing through a web of bare branches.

For a moment, I can look right at it, and turn and find the rabbit in the still-bright moon setting in the west.

It is the exact day of the middle of winter. I am the high priest, checking the alignment of the altar and the two stones,

feeling the earth tilt toward the light, right then and there. I know new life will arise – water will flow, crops will grow, I know I'll be right again.

This poem is from Woessner's new book, *Clear All the Rest of the Way*. Woessner conducted a poetry workshop and read at BIG ARTS in 1988. He has been published in many reviews and anthologies over the last 40 years including *Poetry*, *The Nation*, *Poetry Northwest* and *The Beloit Poetry Journal*. He co-founded *Abraxas Magazine* in 1968 and is the senior editor. He and his wife are part-time residents of *Captiva*.\*

## Poetry Reading

Sanibel poet Raymond Buck may be the only person in the United States, outside the "Live Free or Die" state of New Hampshire, interested in the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce.



He will share that interest with others at the Sanibel Public Library, Room 4 across from the elevator, on Monday, February 8 at 2 p.m.

The first portion of that poem, included in his recently published book of his poetry, *South Of Providence*, will be read, followed by a discussion on Pierce and his lifelong friendship with one of America's greatest writers, Nathaniel Hawthorne. The poem, written for dramatic reading, takes about 24 minutes, depending on the extent of Buck's stage reading on any given day.

*Easter Eve Eighteen Sixty Five* takes place in the home of Pierce, known in the 1852 election that made him president as Young Hickory from the Granite Hills. It is the night after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln. The people of Concord, New Hampshire descend upon his home to hear what he has to say about this unhappy event.

After the poem there will be a discussion on the president usually considered by historians to be at the bottom of the presidential list, and the friendship of two men who were educated at Bowdoin College in Maine and whose friendship also tells the story of their times and their fields of endeavor.\*

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Island Cinema & BIG ARTS Academy Award Series

# The Lovely Bones



Rachel Weisz as Abigail Salmon



Oscar nominee Mark Wahlberg as Jack Salmon

Saorse Ronan as Susie Salmon in Paramount Pictures *The Lovely Bones*

Photos Courtesy of DreamWorks Studios.

by Priscilla Friedersdorf

The series of films thought to be contenders for this year's Academy Awards continues at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, February 11 at the Island Cinema. This week's film, *The Lovely Bones* by Director Peter Jackson, stars Irish actress Saorse Ronan as a 14-year-old, who after her violent death views her family from an ethereal distance.

Author Alice Sebold wrote the best-selling novel on which this film is based; a tale that is both heart-rending and contains elements of science-fiction fantasy. Stanley Tucci gives a fear-inducing performance as the murderer.

The film is rated PG 13. Tickets are \$7.50 and can be purchased at the Island Cinema on Sanibel. Everyone is invited to attend a discussion of the film led by Visnja Gembicki at 3:30 p.m. at The Sanibel Bean following the film. The Bean is at 2240 Periwinkle Way.\*

## Live Your Dreams Workshop

The Sanibel Public Library is hosting a free workshop and slide presentation Monday, February 10 from 10 to 11 a.m. on achieving your goals in 2010. The event will be facilitated by Stefanie Lipsey, a BA in music, MLS, MFA degree candidate. She is the author of the book, *Sound Cliff: Twelve Words to a More Creative Life, Poem Collages with Weekly Exercises*. She is a teacher, motivational speaker, and librarian. Her poems have been published in several journals and she has been a featured reader and workshop facilitator throughout New York City and Long Island.

Through simple journal writing, inspirational texts and music you will learn new and creative ways to manifest your dreams. You will also take home techniques and tips for bringing more energy into your life. Bring a journal if you have one. Paper will be provided.

A book signing will follow the workshop. The library is at 770 Dunlop Road. For more information call 472-2483.\*



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Monday Night Movie

# Little Ashes

by Priscilla Friedersdorf



This recently released film, *Little Ashes*, is based on the friendship of three important figures in the arts: Salvador Dali (Robert Pattinson), Federico Garcia Lorca (Javier Beltran) and Luis Bunuel (Matthew McNulty). It will be shown on Monday, February 8, at 7 p.m. in Schein Hall.

Reviews of the film have not been particularly glowing; one viewer found it "haunting, elegantly made with fascinating actors... and was enchanted by the music of the guitar, violin and piano." However, A.O. Scott of the *New York Times* termed it "a period-costumed highbrow soap opera... heady and earnest and excruciatingly dull."



Matthew McNulty as Luis Buñuel



Robert Pattinson as Salvador Dalí



Marina Gatell as Margarita Dalí

Dali exhibits his budding artistic flamboyance and the three men form an artistic triangle which evidences some homosexual leanings. There are beautiful images of Spain and we learn more about the era prior to the Spanish Civil War as witnessed by the three famous artists in their youth.

*Little Ashes* will be introduced on Monday night by Di Saggau. Refreshments will be served after the film and Saggau will lead the discussion on the Gainer Veranda. Tickets are \$7 and can be purchased at BIG ARTS in advance or on the evening of the showing.

BIG ARTS is sponsoring a visit to the Dali Museum in St. Petersburg on February 19; this film would be an interesting and informative prelude to that world-renowned art collection. Contact BIG ARTS at 395-0900 to learn more about the trip.\*

## February At The Sanibel Library

Sanibel Public Library is in full swing for season and there are workshops and programs for all.

• Computer workshops are being held on Mondays. You must register in advance and seating is limited. Schedule:

February 8 – Blogging 101

February 15 – Email I

February 22 – Email II

• Fridays are reserved for Donuts and Databases in the Reference Area from 10 a.m. to noon. Stop by for a cup of coffee and a donut and some hands-on experience with Web sites that are available at the library. Schedule:

February 5 – Florida and U.S.

February 12 – Genealogy

February 19 – Media and Newspapers

February 26 – General Reference (and IRS)

Fridays at 10 a.m. – Duane Shaffer presents:

World War II. Schedule:

February 5 – *The Battle of Britain* 1940

February 12 – *The Battle of Midway* 1942

February 19 – *The Battle of Kursk* 1943

February 26 – *The Battle of Okinawa* 1945

Friday, February 5 at 2 p.m., First Friday Stories for Grownups

Monday, February 8 at 2 p.m., Ray Buck Poetry Reading – *Easter Eve 1865*

Thursday, February 11 at 7 p.m., An Evening with Elizabeth Berg (ticketed event)

Friday, February 12 at 2 p.m., An Afternoon with Jane Hamilton (ticketed event)

Monday, February 15 at 10 a.m., Author Stephanie Lipsey – *Sound Cliffs*

Wednesday, February 17 at 2 p.m., library staffer Joanne Wessels presents *Shadow's Pack – A Wolf Update*

Thursday, February 18 at 2 p.m., library staffer Betty Anholt presents *Two Island Homesteaders*

Friday, February 19 at 2 p.m., library staffer Betsy Eidem presents *Cooking with Betsy*

Monday February 22 at 2 p.m., Robert Wheeler presents *Hemingway in France & Spain*

Tuesday, February 23 at 2 p.m., Author Charles Sobczak presents *Living Sanibel*

Wednesday, February 24 at 2 p.m., Dr. David Childress presents *History of the Seminole War*

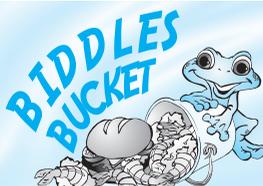
Friday, February 26 at 2 p.m., David Ladd presents *Gettysburg*.

Programs are at no charge and open to all. Call the Sanibel Public Library for additional information at 472-2483. The library is at 770 Dunlop Road,

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## Author Gives To Community Foundation



Arlene Knox and Ann Arnoff of the Good Neighbor Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva meet with bestselling author Clive Cussler, Janet Cussler, and Sanibel Public Library Foundation President Ken Nirenberg during the Library's Author Series.

Author Clive Cussler is providing \$10,000 to the Good Neighbor Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva. Cussler recently visited Sanibel as the headliner for the Sanibel Public Library Author Series. The bestselling author asked that his appearance fee be donated to a community charity.

The Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc., which underwrites the Author Series, is donating that appearance fee in Cussler's honor to the Good Neighborhood Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva, a division of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

Cussler said he was pleased with the choice of the Good Neighbor Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva because the funds will stay in the area and help the local community.

Cussler is known as the grand master of the American action adventure novel, and his books are published in more than 40 languages in more than 100 countries. The author appeared for Lunch with the Author and An Evening with Clive Cussler – part of the library's Author Series.

The Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc., is a private fundraising organization and provides support for the Sanibel Public Library Author Series, Children's Summer Reading Program, and other services.

The Good Neighbor Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva promotes philanthropy and builds a spirit of community to enhance the quality of life for residents and the employees of the islands.✪

## Women From Periwinkle Park To Share Stories

Join the Stories for Grownups group at the Sanibel Public Library for one hour of tender, funny, and personal stories. On Friday, February 5 from 2 to 3 p.m. the story tellers will be four strong women, all of whom have retired to Sanibel's Periwinkle Park. That tight little community has residents with incredible former lives; nationally known writers, ex-TV personalities and teachers who have left their thumb print on students around the world.

Featured story tellers are Jane Hogg, Nancy Carlile, Chris Boesen and Beth Warner – all fascinating story tellers and perfect stimulators to make you want to tell your story, too.

After the featured story tellers, the program will continue with stories shared by the audience. Bring a story along, something personal and tender. Keep it short. Dr. Sidney B. Simon who is the emcee for Stories For Grownups, just might call on you if you volunteer, and that will further brighten the afternoon for everyone.

Call the Sanibel Library for more information at 472-2483.✪

## Fair Districts Amendments On 2010 Ballot

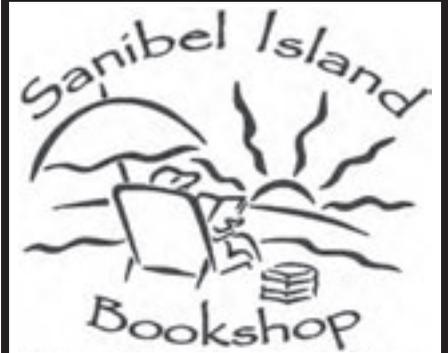
On Monday, February 8, at 1 p.m. in Meeting Room #4 of the Sanibel Public Library, the Sanibel MAL Unit of the League of Women Voters (LWV) will present a program on Redistricting.

Redistricting reform has been on the LWV Florida agenda since the 1980s. Redistricting Amendments #5 and #6 have qualified to make the November ballot. With Florida voter approval these amendments will finally create fair and clear rules for drawing legislative and congressional districts.

The speaker will be Caroline Emmons-Schramm, who represents the Florida LWV on the Steering Committee of Fair Districts Florida, a non partisan coalition working to establish standards for drawing voting districts in the Florida Constitution by citizen initiative.

The league is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

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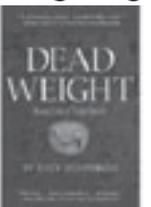
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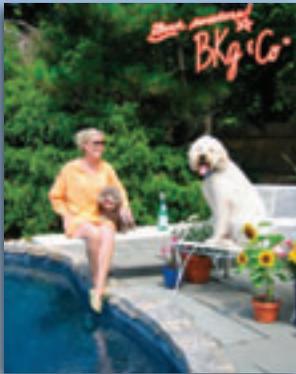


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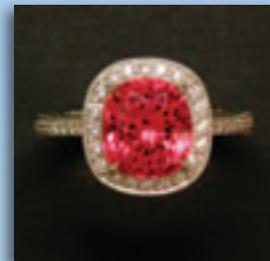


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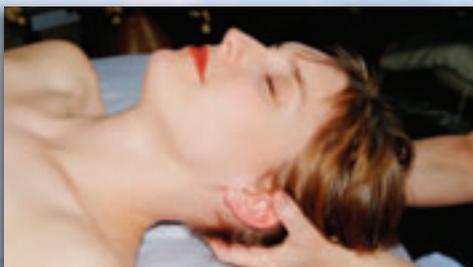
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## Leading Researcher Gives Optimistic Update On Kanzius Cancer Project, Appeals For Continued Funding

Introduction by Jim George

*In an exclusive update to the Island Sun, Dr. Steven Curley, chief research scientist for the John Kanzius cancer research project at the MD Anderson Cancer Research Center in Houston, has provided the details of the status of the project in order that local residents see the progress that has been made. The Island Sun has provided continuous coverage of the project over the past five years which has generated significant interest in the technology. Many local residents have financially supported the research.*

*Kanzius, who died in February 2009, developed a radio wave device that destroys cancer tumors by heating gold nanoparticles embedded inside them. The device works on the principal that while radio waves pass harmlessly through the body, they "cook" any metals in their path. The key advantage of the system compared to treatments such as chemotherapy is that it can "precisely target" gold nanoparticles placed inside the cancerous cells, so the tumor is destroyed while healthy tissue is left unharmed.*

by Steven A. Curley, MD, FACS Professor of Surgery;  
Chief, Gastrointestinal Tumor Surgery, MD Anderson Cancer Research Center

**W**e currently have a laboratory group consisting of 13 people. This will increase with the addition of another two post-docs who will be joining the lab over the next three to four months, as well as the addition of another PhD with expertise in molecular biology and cancer cell targeting. I am also working to recruit a full-time PhD to replace Dr. Cherukuri and we will be interviewing some excellent candidates with expertise in bioengineering, chemistry, and nanoparticle generation over the next two months. I hope to have somebody in place for this position by summer of 2010.

The laboratory is almost completely self-sufficient at this point. We purchased a new dynamic light scattering (DLS) unit which allows us to measure accurately the size and charge of nanoparticles. This includes nanoparticles alone or nanoparticles that are conjugated to antibodies or other cancer targeting molecules. Currently, the only two things we are not doing ourselves in the lab is electron microscopy and ICP mass spectroscopy. The first technique is used to demonstrate the presence of nanoparticles in cancer cells and the second technique is used to measure (in even tiny amounts) the amount of gold or other nanoparticles we actually get into cells. We do not perform

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## Sanibel Path Clean-up Day

**S**anibel's annual Shared Use Path Clean-up Day was held Thursday, January 18, and it showed the island has been cleaning up its act as far as litter is concerned. The Clean-up Day, sponsored by the Sanibel Bicycle Club, produced a smaller volume of path-side trash than in previous years.

Said George Sousa, organizer of the event and past president of the Bicycle Club, "Overall, our volunteers found less litter to be picked up along the path this year, which shows that the City Department of Public Works is doing a great job maintaining things on the island. We'd also like to think that folks are getting more conscientious about how they treat their environment. Sousa added: "Of course the fact that we have had fewer big storms lately helps a lot. After a hurricane, the amount of trash we encounter goes way up."

Nearly 50 volunteers took part in the effort, including bike club members and other interested citizens and island visitors. The volunteers were split into four teams to scour every section of the 23-mile path system. They were favored with a warm, sunny "Chamber of Commerce" day for their efforts, unlike last year's event when coats, hats and gloves were called for.



Neil and Sherry Halloran at work along the Periwinkle Path

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## Around The Islands With Anne Cricket Shop Makes A Colorful Comeback

by Anne Mitchell

**A**fter a hiatus of about five years, the **Cricket Shop** is back on Sanibel and not only has excellent resort wear, but here's the best part: practically all the merchandise has 30 to 70 percent off. There is also a rack stocked with items at \$5, \$10, \$15 and \$20, including novelty Sanibel T-shirts and other tops for \$5.

Owner Jeff Johnson said when he closed the Cricket Shop in Naples last year, he had merchandise still boxed as well as all the inventory from the racks. So he is selling it at a discount – and there are some great deals.

Rhea Redin, who runs the Sanibel store, said the intention is to make the sale a permanent feature – so customers won't have to pay full retail, even for Dotti cover-ups, SeaSuns separates, Gottex bathing suits, long and short jump suits by Bay Breeze and jazzy Jams Wear. I also noted some gorgeous layered dresses and skirts from

Click, a high end boutique brand, also highly discounted.

The Cricket Shop also has beach bags and towels, hats, jewelry and sandals, including plus size clothing. Stop in and check it out. The store is back in its former location in Anchor Point Plaza, 1633 Periwinkle Way, phone 395-0196. Hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Gentlemen, here's a deal to take the work out of impressing your gal on Valentine's Day. **Lily & Co. Jewelry Gallery** is coming to the rescue with a Save the Males event February 11 to 13. All purchases made on those three days will include a complete Valentine's gift package that includes a Mylar heart-shaped balloon, plush Teddy bear, assorted chocolates, a choice of Valentine's card and roses from Floral Artistry.

"They don't have to run here and there to get a card, chocolates, etc. We can get it all done in one visit," said co-owner Dan Schuyler. "We have over 4,000 pieces of jewelry starting at \$35." Included are many Valentine's theme items in sterling silver, gold, platinum and colored stones, including the store's newest line, Rosato.

In fact, representatives from Rosato will be in the store showing off the sleek and dramatic pieces. Lily & Co. is at 520 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel, phone 472-2888.

**Thistle Lodge** at Casa Ybel Resort, Sanibel, is serving a Valentine's Day menu on February 14. There will be live entertainment from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Among the

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# CROW Hires New Executive Director



Dr. Amber McNamara, CROW staff veterinarian; Steve Greenstein, executive director; Dr. PJ Deitschel, staff veterinarian and clinic director; and Susan Peterson Tucker, president, Crow Board of Directors.

CROW's board of directors has announced the appointment of Steve Greenstein as executive director. "We are excited to have Steve join our team," said Susan Petersen Tucker, president of CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife). "He brings a wealth of talent and experience to CROW and we are looking forward to working together as an organization to further our mission of saving wildlife through care and education."

Greenstein is no stranger to the islands, having retired to Sanibel in 1992. He served as a board member of numerous local organizations including the Kiwanis, the Old Schoolhouse Theater Foundation, the Good Neighbor Community Foundation, and was a charter member and vice-chair of the Hodges University President's Council. He also served as a board member and president of the local synagogue Bat Yam, and as a member and chairman of the City of Sanibel Planning Commission.

In 2000, Greenstein became the Executive Director of the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce and held that position through 2006, guiding the Chamber through challenging times, including the ordeal of Hurricane Charley in 2004. In 2006, he was awarded the Walter Klie Lifetime Achievement Award for service to the community and also named as one of the first recipients of the Junonia Award, given by the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau for his outstanding contribution to local tourism.

Prior to moving to the islands, Steve was an attorney in private practice and also served as assistant city solicitor for the mayor and city council of Baltimore and general counsel for the Baltimore Economic Development Corporation. During his tenure, he was given mayoral proclamations by three different mayors and upon his retirement was designated as an Admiral of the Inner Harbor by the city comptroller for his work on numerous redevelopment projects that changed the face of downtown Baltimore's Inner Harbor area.

For the past 18 months, Greenstein has been providing consulting services to local non-profits, including The Southwest Florida Community Foundation, the Sanibel Community Association, and for the last five months has been a board consultant for CROW.

"I appreciate the Board's confidence in me and together we will be developing strategies for improved governance, communications, development, and facilities management," Greenstein said. "The construction of the new hospital, student housing complex and visitor education center has changed the way CROW operates on a daily basis. But we also need to ensure that the one thing that will never change is CROW's commitment to deliver quality care to sick, injured and orphaned wildlife and to help prevent future injuries through education."

Several new ideas have already been implemented at the visitor education center, including bringing back the daily presentations that are led by volunteers. "We need to make sure we are giving people a quality experience that is both educational and inspirational," said Greenstein. "Volunteers have always been the heart of CROW and their passion and commitment are contagious. When you combine that with the talent and dedication of our staff and the generous and continued support of our community, we will continue making a difference in the lives, health and well-being of our wildlife neighbors." ❄️

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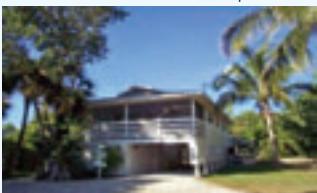
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## Update On Kanzius Cancer Project

electron microscopy or ICP analysis frequently enough to justify purchasing this equipment, each of which cost over \$1 million! The Kanzius RF machines are being used on a daily basis and I am pleased to report that they continue to function well.

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These manuscripts have been published or accepted in 2009 and we are currently working on several other publications. I will provide more information on those in the next section providing progress report on our ongoing research studies. Dr. Glazer's paper in *Cancer* will be particularly important because this will be the first paper that documents that when we deliver the targeted nanoparticles to cancer cells and then treat them in the Kanzius RF field, the cancer cells are killed, while cells in the same culture dish that do not take up the nanoparticles are not killed by the treatment. This is important data showing that the uptake of nanoparticles by cancer cells is critical and specific for killing in the Kanzius RF device.

### Ongoing Projects

We are currently working with a number of cancer types and have a number of projects ongoing. Specifically:

**Modeling of delivery of targeted nanoparticles to cancer cells in vivo (cancers growing in live animals).** As I have noted many times previously, the "so what" question in all of this is can we be as specific as possible in delivering nanoparticles to only cancer cells? We are now doing some complex mathematical modeling and designing experiments to prove the models are correct so that we can optimize delivery of targeted nanoparticles to cancer cells while avoiding uptake by normal cells.

**Heating a variety of types of nanoparticles.** We have demonstrated that

quantum dots and some magnetic nanoparticles heat in the Kanzius RF field. This is exciting because these nanoparticles can also improve diagnosis and identification of cancer cells. We have also demonstrated that silver nanoparticles have RF induced heating characteristics. Silver is particularly interesting because silver itself can be toxic to cancer cells or to certain types of bacteria. These projects are being completed and we anticipate submitting a manuscript regarding this by mid-Spring 2010.

**Enhancing heat injury to cancer cells.** We are studying a number of interesting compounds to make cancer cells more sensitive to the effects of heating in the Kanzius RF field. We have found a number of molecular agents that alter the sensitivity of cancer cells and improve the killing in the RF field. I am currently editing one manuscript on this topic and it will be submitted in January 2010 and we have an additional project that should be completed by March 2010 with another manuscript submitted at that time.

**One of my colleagues in the Urologic Surgery Group is working with new targeting antibodies to treat prostate cancer.** We have received permission to proceed with use of these antibodies which will soon be ready for use in clinical trials. Once we demonstrate that, we can use these to treat prostate cancer cells in culture dishes and in animals, both within the prostate gland and cells that have metastasized at other sites in the body.

**Animal models.** We are using both mice growing human cancers and rabbits with a type of rabbit cancer called VX2 to study the effects of targeted nanoparticles in the Kanzius RF system. We have run into a few problems with excessive heating of the ears or legs of the animals and we are currently working to make modifications in the grounding system to prevent any heat injury to normal tissues. Nonetheless, we are seeing heating in the tumors and this work will be critical to present to the FDA before we can proceed with any type of human trials. We have already made several modifications in the grounding device and we believe we will be able to proceed with full speed with animal testing by February or March 2010.

**Targeting melanoma cells.** We have two antibodies that target melanoma (the most aggressive skin cancer) cells. We have demonstrated marked uptake of the targeted nanoparticles in the melanoma cells and killing of the melanoma cells in the Kanzius RF field. These studies are being completed and we should have a manuscript ready for submission by Spring 2010.

**Treatment of leukemia.** I am pleased to report that we have had success in demonstrating that we can target different types of leukemia cells with antibodies conjugated to gold nanoparticles. The nanoparticles are taken into the cancer cells and then when the cells are treated in the Kanzius RF field there is heating and cell death. We are still fine-tuning this system since we have learned that different types of leukemia cells have different sensitivities to heat. This will be important data in designing treatment protocols in the future. We have accrued a significant amount of data and I

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anticipate a manuscript on the treatment of the leukemia cells in the Kanzius RF field will be submitted by March 2010.

**Treatment of human pancreatic and liver cancers.** We have obtained several antibodies that are highly specific for human pancreas or hepatocellular (liver) cancer. These two cancers are critical in that these will be the first two cancers that we will propose to the FDA to treat when we go to clinical trials. Both of these types of cancer are particularly deadly with well over 95% of patients diagnosed with this type of cancer dying as a result of the cancer progression. Both the National Institute of Health and the FDA are very interested in novel treatment approaches for these cancers because they are so lethal and we do not have good treatments at this time. We have just obtained these new antibodies and I anticipate that this work will be ongoing at a rapid pace, both in cells in culture and in these cancers implanted into animals. We hope to complete these studies in the next 4-6 months with a manuscript to be submitted in Summer 2010.

**Biodistribution of gold nanoparticles.** We have just completed rabbit studies showing that gold nanoparticles are not toxic and do not cause side effects when injected into the veins of rabbits. The nanoparticles are readily cleared in the kidneys. This demonstrates that these nanoparticles alone are fully safe, it is only when they are targeted to cancer cells and treated in the Kanzius RF field device that cell death occurs. A manuscript on this work will be submitted January 2010.

**Treatment of VX2 liver cancers in rabbits.** We are studying injection of gold nanoparticles and an oil-based contrast agent (already used in human patients with liver cancer) into the blood vessels going directly to VX2 liver tumors. These studies should be completed in the Spring once we solve the grounding issues with the RF machine, and a manuscript will be submitted by late Spring 2010.

#### U54 Primary Science Oncology Center Grant

As many of you may have heard, a large \$12 million project grant that was submitted from a team at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center and the University of Texas Health Science Center Medical School here in Houston was one of only 12 centers granted by the National Cancer Institute. This was an extremely competitive grant with over 80 centers (including six with Nobel prize winners) applying for funding. The Kanzius RF research project portion of this very large grant was awarded \$2.3 million over the next five years. This money will be used to pay for postdoctoral fellow salaries, equipment, cells, animals, and supplies we will need during that timeframe. I am happy to report that the section of the grant that I wrote that was entirely devoted to the Kanzius RF field treatment received the single highest score of any of the applications. This is an excellent validation of the importance of John's discovery and the potential for this novel treatment approach.

#### Human-sized Kanzius RF Treatment Device

I continue to work with the Rutowski family in Erie, Pennsylvania on design and ultimately building of a human-sized treatment device. This will be critical for us to take this design to the FDA to perform large animal testing to demonstrate safety of the RF field treatment. This entire process is being performed in Pennsylvania and I am sure updates will be forthcoming as progress is made. I know the Rutowski family is working closely with scientists at Penn State University and other sites and I eagerly await successful completion of design and construction of a larger device so we can proceed with this testing in concert with our ongoing cancer cell and animal treatments.

#### Ongoing Fundraising

The lab group continues to expand and our abilities continue to expand. The U54 grant will be a great help but will provide just under \$500,000 a year over the next five years to support our lab functions. Our current annual laboratory budget is approximately \$1.5 million so we continue to be dependent upon the fundraising efforts of multiple groups, including those of you receiving this letter. Your support and concern regarding this project is critical and we will not succeed without continued financial support and fundraising efforts on multiple fronts. I deeply appreciate your individual and group commitments to this project, and together we will succeed in getting this treatment to human clinical trials.

Anyone wishing to make a donation may contact the Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, 2407 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Florida 33957. Checks should be made out to Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, FBO Targeted Radio Wave Therapy Fund, MD Anderson Cancer Center. Donations are tax deductible. ✨



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# Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

The third Monday in January is a very significant day for Rotarians and for retired clergyman Ed Vanderhey, our recent Friday morning speaker. January 18 was Martin Luther King Day. Vanderhe said there certainly wasn't a lot of recognition for this holiday nor was there much to remind us in the press or on television of the life of this leading civil rights leader and advocate of non-violent protests against segregation and racial discrimination.

Vanderhey took part in the epic Selma to Montgomery protest March in 1965 and he recounted his experiences.

Rev. Martin Luther King was assassinated on April 4, 1968. Born in to a family of preachers, there was little doubt he would someday lead his own congregation and deliver the message of his faith with the dedication of his grandfather and father before him. In 1954, he was selected as pastor of the Dexter Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama and the rest is history.

Back then, segregation was an accepted practice. Races were not to mix and each was to know their accepted station in society. There was a growing unrest toward this attitude and the Jim Crow Laws within the black community. Jim Crow laws were state and local laws in enacted between 1876 and 1965. They mandated de jure racial segregation in all public facilities, with a sup-

posedly "separate but equal" status for black Americans. The separate but equal did not reflect what truly was going on. There were growing numbers of boycotts organized against these laws in restaurants, hotels and colleges by blacks. King led many of the protests while practicing the non-violent action of Gandhi and Thoreau.

In 1955 Rosa Parks, a black seamstress in a Montgomery department store, refused to obey bus driver James Blake's order that she give up her seat to make room for a white passenger. The bus driver had her arrested. She was tried and convicted of violating a local ordinance. Her act sparked a citywide boycott of the bus system by blacks that lasted more than a year. The boycott raised an unknown clergyman named Martin Luther King, Jr. to national prominence.

In 1955 to 1956, King led the successful effort to desegregate buses in Montgomery.

Fast forward to 1965. Ed Vanderhey was a young clergyman in Syracuse, New York. At the time, George Wallace was governor of Alabama. Wallace refused to let black people register to vote on Alabama even though President Lyndon B. Johnson had just signed the Civil Rights Act into effect. King called for the people to walk beside him on a march from Selma to Montgomery to show support for registering black voters in Alabama. The nation took notice and clergy from all religions were invited to participate. In Syracuse, there was a lottery to select those that would be going to Selma to participate in the march with King.



Ed Vanderhey

Vanderhey's number was drawn and he flew to Montgomery meeting fellow marchers in the St. Jude's Hospital parking lot, the only place that would allow the marches to congregate. They were told this was to be a non-violent march. Everyone had to take a pledge not to fight back in any way to the verbal and physical abuse that they might be exposed to. If they could not take the pledge, they should walk away. Vanderhey took the pledge.

The marchers were taught self-protective actions. The group prayed and about 10,000 strong, they divided into rows of five abreast, men on the outside, women

on the inside and they marched down dirt roads and through the black ghetto. They chanted, "What do you want? Freedom." over and over. As soon as the marchers crossed the railroad tracks, they saw the National Guard, Confederate flags and a vicious crowd. The more the crowd yelled the louder the marchers sang.

Vanderhey said he felt euphoria, he was walking on clouds, and as a person and a pastor he was proud of his participation in this march against segregation. The marches got to Montgomery and King spoke these words, "We are on a march now, march to the ballot box and march to school."

Tired and hungry, they could not find any place to eat or buses or transportation to take them back to Selma, so the black farmers came with horse-drawn wagons and took them back. On the way back Vanderhey said you could hear gunshots in the distance.

These marches drastically shifted public opinion about the Civil Rights movement. This was a turning point.

Although Vanderhey did not become a close friend of King's, he did become quite friendly with Mrs. King and exchanged Christmas cards with her. He believes King was an American hero. He gave his life for his country and advanced the American Dream for all Americans.

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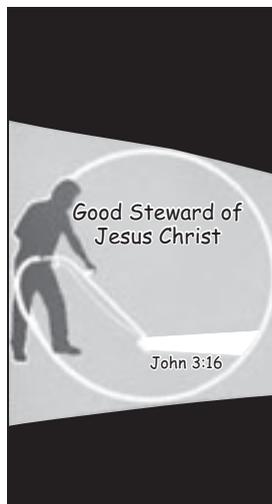
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# Young Driver Safety Program

Lee Memorial Emergency/Trauma Services, Lee County Sheriff's Office, Lee County Injury Prevention Coalition, and the Stay Alive, Just Drive program are hosting a program for young drivers between the ages of 15 and 21. The course will be held February 23 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Lee Memorial Hospital

auditorium, 2776 Cleveland Avenue. It is free to young drivers and their parents.

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for persons aged 15 to 24, and the risk of motor vehicle crashes is higher among 16- to 19-year-olds than among any other age group. In fact, per mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are four times more likely than older drivers to crash. The presence of teen passengers increases the crash risk of unsupervised teen drivers: the risk increases with the number of teen passengers. Crash risk is particularly high during the

first year that teenagers are eligible to drive.

In Lee County between October 2007 and October 2009, there were 201 trauma alerts for ages 15 to 21 with 18 fatalities. One hundred percent of the fatalities were not wearing a seat belt nor had the use of an airbag. Twenty two percent of the fatalities also had alcohol on board. The majority of the alcohol use was from the 16-, 18-, and 19-year-old age group.

The Young Driver Safety Program is designed to illustrate driving responsibility

and outcomes of intentional acts of irresponsible driving. The program will educate young drivers on different legal issues involved with driving and also how to stay focused on driving and the responsibilities that go along with the driving privilege. This program is not a substitute for Drivers Education, but a supplement to the Drivers Education course.

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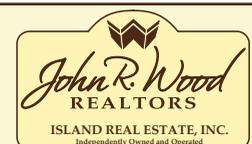
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# Seven Chances In The Peek Raffle



Jan Gabrielson in her children's store, Nanny's

Excitement is mounting for the 9th annual A Peek at the Unique, the home tour that is the principal fundraiser for the Zonta Club of Sanibel Captiva, set for Saturday, March 13. This week the club announces Seven Chances at the Unique, the popular raffle that boosts the funds the event generates to advance the status of women.

Each year the prizes are—if not unique—certainly highly unusual. Here are this year's prizes:

- Waterwoman Adventure: Join Captain Louise Alt and "First Mate" Darla the cocker spaniel for an island-hopping excursion for six, a picnic lunch from Sanibel Deli



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- A shopping spree at Nanny's Children's Shoppe, with unique clothing, books and gifts. Certificate value: \$500.
- Sanibel artist Maria Denk has designed a one-of-a-kind treasure: a starfish on a chain in 14k white gold with aquamarine drop. Value: \$1,900.

Tickets at \$10 each or six for \$50 will be available from any Zonta Club member after February 3. Tickets will also be on sale at island locations on weekends prior to the event; dates and locations to

be announced. Drawing takes place at the end of the tour on March 13 and you do not have to be present to win. For more information, e-mail ZontaPeek@comcast.net.

Always a sellout, the home tour is popular both with island residents and visitors, many of whom return year after year. Tickets for the tour at \$60 each. The general reservation line opens on Monday, February 1. Call 1-877-750-3849 (note: this is a new number) and leave a message which will be promptly returned. Those interested may also send an e-mail to ZontaPeek@comcast.net or visit [www.zontasancap.com](http://www.zontasancap.com).

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Don DeLuca, vice president and general counsel of the Royal Shell Companies, holds up the \$24,000 check the company raised for CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife) from its Evening with Alan Maltz, wildlife and nature photographer, at Ellington's Jazz Club & Restaurant last week. With DeLuca, from left: Steve Greenstein, executive director of CROW; Susan Tucker, present of CROW; Amber McNamara, CROW veterinarian; Randy Bacik, Royal Shell Vacations, and Alan Maltz.

## FGCU Sanibel Event To Feature Organic Snacks

The Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education at Florida Gulf Coast University will have its sixth annual Fundraising Celebration on Sanibel on Thursday, March 18. The fundraiser supports the center's efforts to realize the dream of a sustainable and peaceful future for Earth through scholarship, education, and action.

Entitled, Bloom Where You're Planted: Focus on the Local, the event celebrates the role of the center at FGCU and in the local community, its work with young people, and the wisdom of elders.

The sunset gathering on will highlight the importance of eating consciously by

servicing locally-produced, organic hors d'oeuvres. Student assistants collaborated with hostess Mallory Haffenreffer to grow food for the event. The center has also worked with Eagle Dining at FGCU to create a more humane and sustainable campus food system.

David Orr, co-chair of the center's board, and author of *Down to the Wire: Confronting Climate Collapse* (2009), will give remarks. Director Peter Blaze Corcoran will present progress since the center's inception and will provide an outlook on present and future initiatives.

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## LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

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**McT's Shrimp House & Tavern** on Sanibel has entertainment on Saturdays. Phone 472-3161.

**Ellington's Jazz Bar and Restaurant** has live jazz seven nights a week from 7 to 11 p.m. at 1244 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 337-5299.

Fridays at **The Mermaid Restaurant & Bar**, there's music by Woody Brubaker from 7 to 10 p.m. The restaurant is at 2055 Periwinkle Way.

**Biddles Bucket's** entertainment lineup is: Tuesday, karaoke; Wednesday, Steve Reynolds; Thursday, Robby Hutto and the Absent-Minded Band; Friday, karaoke; and Saturday, karaoke. Biddles Bucket is at 2499 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 472-2323.

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Danny Morgan plays on Tuesdays and Thursdays at **Traders Store & Café**.

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by Judy

by Jean Baer and Betsy Ventura

Stop by and meet Judy Hicks, one of the regular vendors at the Sanibel Island Farmers Market. You can't miss her because of the beauty of her booth and her smile. After moving to Sanibel in 1985 from Cincinnati with a couple of dozen tropical plants, Hicks has since become known as a bromeliad expert on the island. Although not native to Florida (like Hicks), bromeliads thrive here during our tropical summers. In the winter they almost go into hibernation which is the reason their inflorescence lasts for months.



Bromeliads

Hicks describes her business as simply a hobby that got out of control. She grows at least a dozen different species of the genus bromeliad including large landscape varieties, tillandsias (air plants), and spectacular decorative kinds that have been hybridized mostly for the florist trade. She claims to have a yard that is way past overgrown. Bromeliads require little fertilization or water and tolerate colder temperatures. They favor bright, indirect light which is often the case under pool cages. Their preferred growing temperature is 68 to 86 degrees.

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## Sanibel Path Clean-up Day

Clean-up workers separated the trash from recycling items, using shopping bags donated by Bailey's General Store and Jerry's Foods. Billy's Bike Rentals helped by picking up and hauling away filled bags of litter and providing refreshments for volunteers. Billy's Rentals also provides free bicycles for volunteers who need them.

This year's clean-up found the usual types of roadside trash, such as cans, bottles, Styrofoam cups, food wrappers. However, it is the unusual and exotic items that the volunteers find most interesting. In past years, oddities such as shotgun shells, a black rotary-dial phone, a gallon container of paint thinner, a girl's lone shoe and the carcass of a baby horned owl were reported.

This year, the most curious item was found on the east end: a ladies' engagement ring, which a local jeweler judged to be not a real diamond (maybe that's why she threw it out!).

One of the most troubling things seen was the high volume of cigarette butts thrown from cars along Periwinkle Way and San Cap Road. From the evidence seen, people are not only tossing lit cigarettes out the window but also dumping the contents of their ashtrays. In addition to the immediate fire hazard this presents, it also creates a lasting environmental problem.



Helen Flemington encounters a piece of PVC pipe

## Locals To Host Fundraiser For Animals

by Brian Johnson

Islanders Mark and Wanda Shefts, who run a non-profit organization for animals called The Onyx and Breezy Foundation, are hosting a fundraiser for animal welfare on Sanibel and Captiva, and Lee County on Sunday, March



The Shefts' labs Tuxie, Rio, and Shadow

14 at Ellington's Jazz Club and Restaurant.

The evening will feature a live performance by famed comedian Elayne Boosler, who has appeared on *Larry King Live*, *The Tonight Show*, and *Good Morning America*, among other shows. Boosler has a passion for animals, said Wanda, and is coming to Sanibel to support the animals in this area.

"Animals do so much for us, and bring us so much joy - they have an impact on our lives," said Wanda.

"There are a lot of good causes out there, but this one is closest to our heart," added Mark Shefts. "It's important."

The night will include a full cocktail hour and open bar, four-course meal, jazz music, dancing, and a live and silent auction in Ellington's new location in the former Dolce Vita building on Periwinkle Way. Tickets for this gala evening are \$150 with 100 percent of donations going directly to benefit the welfare of local animals.

The Shefts, who split time between Sanibel and New York, started The Onyx and Breezy Foundation in 2004 in memory of their two Labrador retrievers. It has grown into a national presence that funds medical treatment, equipment and research, and supports local organizations devoted to animal care. To learn more, visit [Onyxandbreezy.org](http://Onyxandbreezy.org).

During their six years on Sanibel the Shefts have been impressed by the spirit of the

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Contrary to popular belief, cigarette butts are not biodegradable. Cigarette filters, which are made of the synthetic polymer cellulose acetate, do not decompose and only break apart after many years, persisting in the environment as long as other plastics. They are a danger to birds and marine animals, who often mistake them for food. In addition, as they are carried into the water supply cigarette butts can leach toxic chemicals into the aquatic ecosystem endangering water quality.

Sousa thanked all the volunteers. Further information about the Club's activities and membership can be found at: [www.sanibelbicycleclub.org](http://www.sanibelbicycleclub.org) or by contacting Club President Ken Bergstrom at 472-4904.✪

## Win This Little Gem Electric Car



Chris Heidrick, Melissa Congress, Rob Lisenbee and Maureen Tesoro with the GEM e4

Sanibel School Fund is selling tickets for its annual car raffle for a sporty and environmentally-sweet 2009 GEM e4, four-passenger electric car (or \$7,500 cash). Tickets are \$20 each or three for \$50,

The car can be seen in front of Bank of the Islands, where tickets are also available as well as at Sanibel Deli & Coffee Factory, Sanibel Surveys, Congress Jewelers and The Blue Giraffe. The drawing is on March 28 and you do not have to be present to win.

All proceeds benefit the Sanibel School Fund, which is dedicated to providing educational opportunities, such as the foreign language program, technology, arts and music resources not otherwise funded by the Lee County school system. Since its inception in 1998, The Sanibel School Fund has supplied the school with classroom audio visual enhancements, computers, art supplies, musical instruments and library book shelves, in addition to the Spanish language program. The cost of these unfunded programs and resources exceeds \$100,000 per year.

"This year we have an urgent need to replace the computers used by middle school students," said Sanibel School Fund President Craig Holston. "The tremendous support of the community is essential for the continued, outstanding success of our island school," he said.✪

## SPORTS QUIZ

1. Johnny Bench is the Cincinnati Reds' all-time leader in home runs, with 389. Who is No. 2?
2. Name the only manager to lead the Seattle Mariners to the playoffs.
3. Who held the mark for most 4,000-yard passing seasons before Indianapolis' Peyton Manning broke it in 2006?
4. When was the last time before 2009 that the University of Washington won the men's Pac-10 regular-season basketball title?
5. Who holds the mark for consecutive road wins to start an NHL season?
6. Which team has appeared the most times in Major League Soccer's championship game?
7. Name the last U.S. boxer to win an Olympic gold medal in the lightweight division.

## ANSWERS

1. Frank Robinson, with 324 home runs. 2. Lou Piniella, in 1995, '97, '00 and '01. 3. Miami's Dan Marino had six such seasons. Manning had 10 through 2009. 4. The Huskies were co-champs of the Pac-10 in 1984-85. 5. Buffalo had 10 road wins to open the 2006-07 season. 6. The Los Angeles Galaxy have been in six finals, winning twice (2002, '05). 7. Oscar De La Hoya in 1992.

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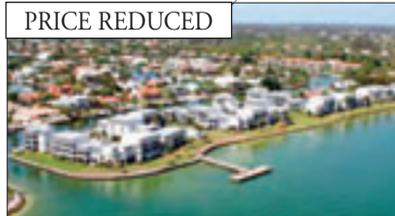
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# The Super Bowl Is This Weekend



The Cardinals

by Eric Pfeifer

Actually there are three playoff games this weekend on Sanibel. In the younger division of the Sanibel Flag Football League, the Steelers and the Dolphins will square off for the championship while the Giants and Chargers will battle it out for third place. In the middle division, the Rams and the Raiders will fight it out for first place while the Cardinals and the Browns will determine who finishes third. In the older division, Bill Strange and his undefeated Panthers will go for a perfect season against the Cowboys, while the Bengals and Titans play the consolation game. All 120 kids will celebrate another successful season this year by receiving trophies from a surprise Miami Dolphin this Friday night.

We would like to thank our league sponsors for making football possible for the island youth: Cooper Construction, Doc Ford's, Hungry Heron, Island Pizza, Lazy Flamingo, Nick Adams Photography, Pfeifer Realty Group, Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank and the Sanibel Captiva Trust Company.✪



The Browns

## SANIBEL POOL LEAGUE 2009-10

Standings through February 1, 2010

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bunt's Ball Busters	189	83
Second	One Ball Wonders	128	144
Third	Fresh Legion Crew	122	150
Fourth	Sanibel Cafe	105	167



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Highlights from Week 17:

## Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

The One Ball Wonders solidified its hold on second place with a 9-7 win over the third place Fresh Legion Crew but it took last match heroics by Kelly Greten as he swept the final four games over Scott Marcelais and Tom Jorgy. The 16-game match kicked off with a 4-0 win by Fresh Legion Crew's Barbara Chance over a reeling Matt Hall. Wonders sharpshooter Jimbo Gaubatz's 4-0 trouncing of Tom Hensel fashioned a mid-point tie. The Crew then forged ahead on Doc Lubinski's 3-1 win over Josey-less Joe Mason. When it appeared that the Legion Crew would not only emerge victorious in the match but regain second place, Greten produced his four-win miracle to stave off certain defeat. The One Ball Wonders now hold a six-game lead for second place.

Sanibel Café almost handed the league leading Bunt's Ball Busters their first loss of the season but the Ball Busters prevailed 9-7 behind six wins produced by Dave Doane and Rich Ennis. Bunt's Ball Busters now leads by 61 games and has all but clinched first place honors with only 64 games left to play.✪

# Large Beachview Field In Shambles

by John Boynton

The weather was cloudy with rain threatening as a large field of 48 Beachview warriors went to war Saturday morning, January 30. It was a "shamble" format, with each man playing his own ball in from the spot of the best team drive. The lowest two net scores were counted on each hole.

The winners with an amazing 48 under par score of 92 were Helmut Peters, Tom Ware, Dave Bugby, and Rene Lohser. President Bill Fellows, Bill Sartoris, Dick Choccol and Jack Tukey came in second at 94, and Dan Keys, Jay Allen, Bill Blankenship and a blind draw finished third with the same score through a match of cards.

Bugby, past Beachview Men's Golf Association president, attributed his team's win to solid contributions from Ware and Peters, but particularly a clutch 7 iron shot to two feet by Lohser on the final hole. Team captain Peters had challenged his teammate to execute such a shot from the par 3 16th tee, and Lohser delivered like a Swiss watch. The two net eagles that followed provided the margin of victory.

Handicap chair Tony Baldino's string of wins was broken, but incredibly, Lohser was on the winners' stand again. When asked how he was able to win so often, Lohser gushed, "I owe it all to my beautiful wife Terry. She inspires me to

compete and I win for her... and she also gives me good golfing tips."

Prior to the start of play, Beachview golf professional Scott Hatto reminded all golfers that the club championship and Beachview/Dunes tournaments are coming up, so "play the ball as lies and hole out all putts." These simple and classic rules of golf create more difficulties on the course than one might think. How many times have we skulled or chunked balls close to the green, but buried deep in the "Murray grass?" And how many easy two-foot gimme putts have we pulled or pushed off the mark under pressure?\*

## Beachview Golf

Beachview Ladies Golf League played a 4 Lady-2 Best Balls (net scores used) tournament January 27. Results:

### 18-holers

1st	Gloria Waterhouse	113
	Cecilia Olsson	
	Mary Jane Bolon	
	Ann Cogswell	
2nd	Shirley Mackay	119
	Joan Schmidt	
	Rhoda Dickinson	
	Gini Gersack	
3rd	Mary Jane Proctor	122
	Sharon Ellen	
	Carol Arnould	

### 9-holers

1st	Lois Gasteyer	67
	Alfie Sheft	
	Alice Fournier	
	Dale Jones	

# Dunes Men's President's Cup Results

The Dunes Men's Golf Association President's Cup results for first and second rounds are:

<b>President's Cup Flight</b>		1st Round	2nd Round	Total
1st	Jack Czarnecki	70	65	135
2nd	Doug Mallon	70	68	138
3rd	Noel Davis	66	74	140
	Peter Cline	71	77	148
	Jack Roberts	72	78	150
	Bob Rohl	74	76	150
	Bill Hotchkiss	72	81	153
	Richard Giangjorgi	74	81	155
<b>Vice President's Cup Flight</b>		1st Round	2nd Round	Total
1st	Jim Burkholder	63	67	130
2nd	John Hendricks	71	64	135
3rd	Jerry Nichols	71	66	137
	Hubert Whitaker	69	68	137
	Jack Cohen	67	71	138
	Hank Humphrey	67	76	143
	Don Weymouth	73	71	144
	Dave Blue	73	71	144
<b>Governor's Cup Flight</b>		1st Round	2nd Round	Total
1st	Bruce Noble	63	70	133
2nd	John Griesbaum	69	69	138
3rd	Oliver Perrotte	67	72	139
	Philip Pilibosian	71	68	139
	Don Sikkema	74	69	143
	Tom Winkler	75	69	144
	Stan Hirschfeld	76	69	145
<b>Treasurer's Cup Flight</b>		1st Round	2nd Round	Total
1st	Dave Jones	63	66	129
2nd	Andy McKelvey	64	74	138
3rd	Jack Trautwein	67	72	139
	Ley Smith	68	75	143
	Larry Coddens	79	70	149
	Skip Richard	78	72	150
	Roy Brodersen	73	79	152
	David Parmelee	77	76	153

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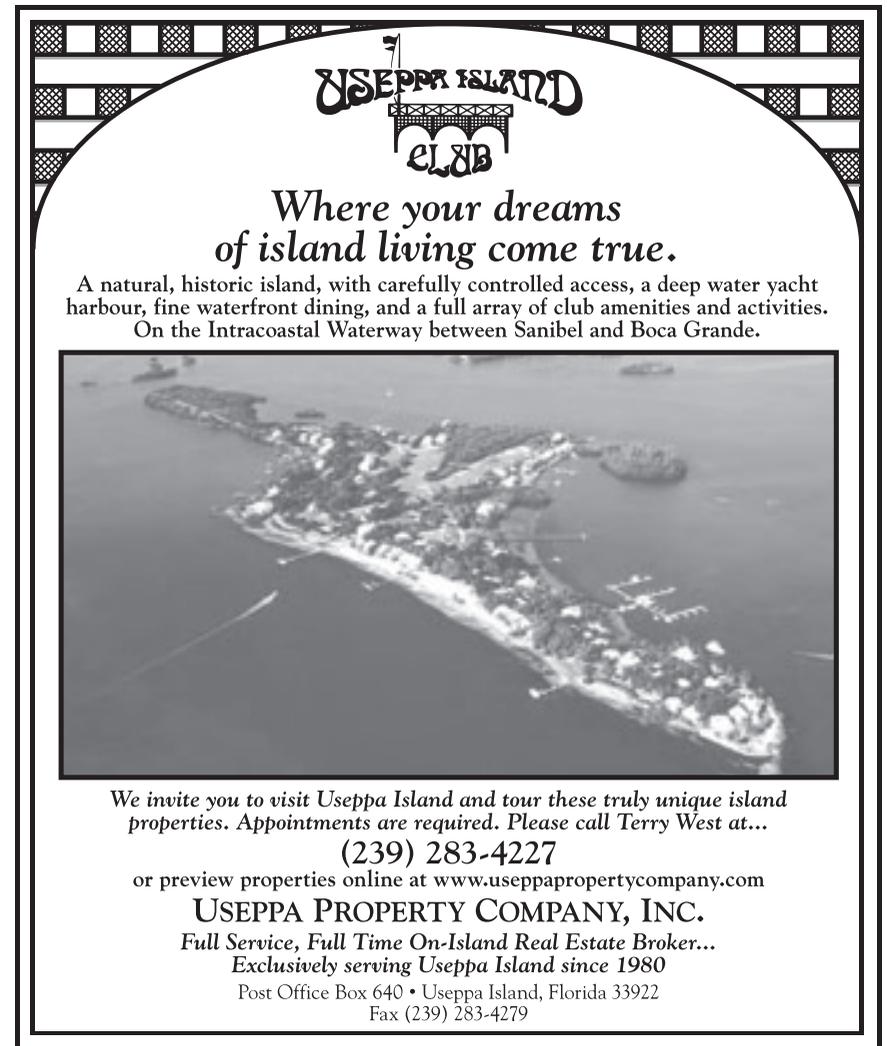
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# Dunes Womens Memorial Tourney

The Sharks won the 2010 Dunes Women's Golf Association Memorial Golf Tournament. The results:

The Sharks	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Total
Ryan, Rosemary	7.5	8.5	10	26
Knaub, Sally				
McConnell, Nancy	9.5	10.5	10.5	30.5
Wentling, Pat				
Reynolds, Katie	10	6.5	0	16.5
Hasselman, Mildred				
Brodersen, Pam	8	8	9	25
Byrne, Bonnie				
Gould, Jane	11	12.5	8	31.5
Frymoyer, Nan				
Fairbanks, Debbie	7.5	11	11.5	30
Blue, Gussie				
Hendricks, Karen	10	9.5	8.5	28
Griesbaum, Donna				
Muench, June	10.5	9	4.5	24
Defrancisco, Linda				
Hellmuth, Daphne	11.5	9.5	8.5	29.5
Barbee, Noel				
Warren, Toni	9.5	9.5	11	30
McCarthy, Ann				
Richard, Sue	8.5	7	9.5	25
DeRoberts, Muriel				
(Blind draw team)				
Brodersen, Pam	8	8	9	9
Byrne, Bonnie				
(Blind draw team)				
Ryan, Rosemary			8	8
Knaub, Sally				
(Blind draw)				
Muench, June				
DeFrancisco, Linda			8.5	8.5
<b>112.5</b>	<b>101.5</b>	<b>107.5</b>	<b>321.5</b>	

The Golden Girls	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Total
Kent, Joan	10.5	8.5	10	29
Cox, Betsey				
Parmelee, Mary Ann	10	9	7	26
Brodersen, Carol				
Hannon, Sharon	8.5	11	13.5	33
Kimber, Barbara				
Greenberg, Nancy	8.5	11.5	7.5	27.5
Cohen, Marcia				
Lindman, Jeanne	10.5	9.5	8.5	28.5
Kuhnle, Anne				
Humphrey, Ann	6.5	8.5	9.5	24.5
Wainwright, Annie				
Hotchkiss, Valerie	9	7.5	6.5	23
Curcuro, Carol				
Baker, Jan	9.5	7	9.5	26
Cross, Adrienne				
Funk, Bridget	8	0	8	16
Levinsohn, Ann				
Gailius, Lil	8	5.5	9.5	23
Baumler, Joan				
Donovan, Mary	7	10	10	27
McDonald, Ann				
Weymouth, Kenene	7.5	0	9	16.5
Glenn, Mardi				
(Blind draw team)				
Baker, Jan		8.5		8.5
Cross, Adrienne				
<b>103.5</b>	<b>96.5</b>	<b>108.5</b>	<b>308.5</b>	

Betsy Cox had the only chip-in of the day.✪

## Red Sox Golf Classic This Month

On February 26, the Boston Red Sox will again lend their time and talents to raise awareness and funds for The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The event takes place on the championship golf courses of The Forest Country Club, Fort Myers. Individual golf slots at \$300 are now available. Event chair is Ron McEwan. Though the final celebrity player list will not be released until the day before

the tournament, past participants have included fan-favorites Jason Varitek, Josh Beckett, Jacoby Ellsbury, Tim Wakefield, Jon Lester, Jonathan Papelbon, Daisuke Matsuzaka and Boston Red Sox legend Luis Tiant.

The Boston Red Sox Tee Party at The Forest Country Club is set for February 25 from 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets are \$35.

The Tee Party will include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres and an auction of one-of-a-kind sports memorabilia items, trips, game tickets and restaurant gift certificates. This year's live auction will include travel and ticket packages to top-notch sporting events including The Masters at Augusta, the opportunity to watch a Boston Red Sox game from the celebrated Green Monster seats and the chance to sit atop TD Bank Garden in the Chairman's Suite to watch the Boston Celtics battle the Oklahoma City Thunder. Other featured packages include a luxury cruise and a trip to see a taping of the popular *Rachael Ray Show* in New York City.

Recent Hall of Fame inductee and former Boston Red Sox star Jim Rice will serve as honorary chair and is slated to attend both The Tee Party and the golf outing.

This year's event MVP (Most Valuable Patient) is Neonatal Intensive Care Unit's success story 18-month-old Joey Naples who will be attending the events along with his parents Nick and Jennifer Naples, all of Estero.

All funds raised will once again be matched dollar-for-dollar by a generous philanthropist and long-time Boston Red Sox fan.

To play in tournament or to purchase tickets to the Tee-Party, email [BostonGolf@LeeMemorial.org](mailto:BostonGolf@LeeMemorial.org) or call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation office at 985-3550.✪



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## Ask The Pro

by Matt Oakley, PGA Golf Professional



**Y**ou accidentally hit your golf ball on a practice swing; now what?

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set up). If you are anywhere but the tee box (fairway, green, etc.) there is a one-stroke penalty and you must replace your ball to where you accidentally hit it from.

So, if you accidentally hit your second shot with a practice swing in the fairway, you would replace it and hit it again and it would be your third shot.\*

## Dunes Couples

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club Sunday Couples played a Couples Swap (1 Net Better Ball Combined) tournament on Sunday, January 31. Results:

- |           |                   |     |
|-----------|-------------------|-----|
| 1st Place | Bill Hotchkiss    | 114 |
|           | Valerie Hotchkiss |     |
|           | Bob Rohl          |     |
|           | Judy Yenkole      |     |
| 2nd Place | Felix Curcuru     | 117 |
|           | Carol Curcuru     |     |
|           | Tom Donovan       |     |
|           | Mary Donovan      |     |
| 3rd Place | David Parmelee    | 119 |
|           | Mary Ann Parmelee |     |
|           | John Frymoyer     |     |
|           | Nan Frymoyer*     |     |

## Dunes Nifty Niners

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club Nifty Niners event results from Thursday, January 28, Format, Buddy Day (1 Net Best of 2) are:

- |     |                   |     |
|-----|-------------------|-----|
| 1st | Marge Moretzsohn  | 24* |
|     | Sue Altum         |     |
| 2nd | Valerie Hotchkiss | 24  |
|     | Judy Yenkole      |     |
| 3rd | Nancy Hopkins     | 25  |
|     | Phyllis Koury     |     |
| 4th | Joan Kelly        | 26  |
|     | Jeanne Lindman    |     |

\* Won in a scorecard playoff

Chip-ins

Mary Coddens #2

Joan Dyke #5

Congratulations to all the winners.\*

## Dunes Women's Golf Results

The Dunes Women's Golf Association results for Friday, January 29, format: Stableford Points are:

First place: Cathy Sleiter, 47 points

Second place: Maureen Rains, 44 points

points

Third place: Mary Ann Czarniecki, 43 points

points

Congratulations to the winners.\*

## Dunes Men's Golf Golf Tourney Is Fore The Children

The Dunes Men's Golf Association event results from Wednesday, January 27, format: Individual Low Net, are:

- |           |                  |    |
|-----------|------------------|----|
| 1st Place | Joe Miller       | 68 |
| 2nd Place | Don Evans        | 69 |
| 3rd Place | Charles Simms    | 70 |
|           | Max Friedersdorf | 70 |
|           | David Dyke       | 70 |

Congratulations to the winners.\*

Children's Home Society is gearing up for its annual Fore the Children Charity Golf Invitational presented by Gartner on Friday, April 23 at Colonial Country Club, Fort Myers. Funds raised will benefit programs that serve children and families in Southwest Florida communities.

The scramble-style invitational begins with registration at 7:30 a.m. and a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Registration is \$85 for individuals or \$300 per foursome and includes continental breakfast, lunch, greens fees, a sleeve of balls per player, prizes and awards.

Last year's event raised nearly \$10,000 for Children's Home Society programs which include pregnancy counseling and infant adoptions, Healthy Families Lee and Collier, independent living (teens in foster care), case management for developmentally disabled persons, mental health counseling for children, Cribs for Kids, and Early

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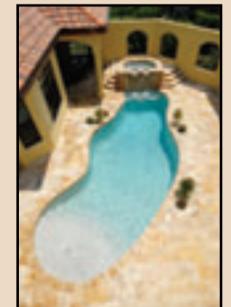
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# They're Not Basketball Players, Just The Tallest Pitchers In Professional Baseball

by Ed Frank



When pitchers and catchers for the Minnesota Twins report here in two weeks for spring training, you won't have any problems spotting Jon Rauch and Loek Van Mil, the two tallest pitchers in professional baseball.



Loek Van Mil

In fact, at 7-feet, 1-inch, Van Mil is believed to be the tallest ever to hurl in professional ranks. Rauch, just two inches shorter, was obtained by the Twins from Arizona last August for the stretch run.

Van Mil was named to the Twins' 40-man Major League roster when "he became the talk of the league," said Jim Rantz, the veteran director of minor leagues for the Twins.

We wrote about Van Mil, whose full name is Ludovicus Jacobus Maria Van Mil, four years ago when he was first signed by the Twins out of the Netherlands.

The right hander is a sight to behold on the mound. When he winds up and delivers his fast ball in the mid 90s, his lanky frame appears to reach half-way to home plate.

Van Mil has advanced steadily through the Twins minor league organization. Local



Jon Rauch

fans of the Fort Myers Miracle baseball team will remember him from last season when he appeared in 25 relief appearances compiling a 2.86 ERA before being promoted to Double A New Britain.

There he lowered his ERA to 2.45 in eight appearances.

Why would Van Mil be named to the Major League roster when he has yet to even pitch in Triple A ball?

As Rantz explained, Van Mil has completed four years in the minor leagues and to prevent him from being taken by another team in the Rule 5 Draft, he was placed on the 40-man roster.

Obviously, the Twins feel the seven-footer has great potential with a blazing fast ball and a hard slider, his two basic pitches. It is likely, according to Rantz, that the 25-year-old will return to Double A New Britain to start the regular season.

There have been few professional baseball players from the Netherlands with one important exception, that being former all-star pitcher Bert Blyleven.

Now a Twins television broadcaster, Blyleven hurled in the majors for 23 seasons and narrowly missed admission to the Baseball Hall of Fame in last month's voting.

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The skyscraper tandem of Van Mil and Rauch will tower over other players when the Twins gather this month at the Lee County Sports Complex in Fort Myers.

Rauch, however, is a proven quantity, having pitched successfully as a relief specialist for eight Major League seasons. He was a vital cog last year in the Twins late-season race to the American League Central Division championship when he compiled a 1.72 ERA in 17 appearances.

Yes, there have been other huge pitchers that have been successful in the Major Leagues, probably none better than the recently retired 6-foot, 10-inch Randy Johnson. But there hasn't been a team with two the size of Van Mil and Rauch.

#### **Fifth-Third Bank Customers Have Free Admission to Final Round of Ace Group Classic**

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#### **Twins Obtain Slugger Jim Thome**

Once arch-rival Chicago decided not to resign slugger Jim Thome, the Twins moved immediately to obtain the five-time All-Star with a one-year contract in excess of \$2 million.

Thome has a career batting average of .277 and has hit 30 or more home runs in 12 seasons, including a career-high 52 in 2002. He has a total of 564 home runs.

He will be used primarily by the Twins as a designated hitter.

#### **Everblades Win Streak Snapped, Drop Two of Three to Trenton**

The Florida Everblades five-game winning streak came to an end last week when they lost two of three games to the Trenton Devils at Germain Arena.

Despite the losses, the Everblades clung to second place in the ECHL South Division, just one point ahead of third-place Charlotte. They face the Checkers on the road this week.

With a season record of 23-17-2, Everblades will return to home ice at 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday and Wednesday when they host Gwinnett.

Everblades goalie Barry Brust leads the ECHL allowing only 2.24 goals per game.\*

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## Fore The Children

Learning Services. The division's programs and services directly impact the lives of more than 7,000 children and families every day in five counties.

Sponsorship opportunities are still available for the event. Registration is available online at: [www.forethechildren.org](http://www.forethechildren.org) or call Children's Home Society at 275-3049.\*

## Minnesota Twins Celebrity Classic

On Thursday, February 25, The American League Central Division Champion Minnesota Twins will again lend its time and talents to raise awareness and funds for local cancer patients treated at Lee Memorial Health System's Regional Cancer Center.

The Minnesota Twins Celebrity Golf Classic, being held this year at Fiddlesticks Country Club in Fort Myers with a shotgun start at 1 p.m., marks the event's 12th year. Players will fill Fiddlesticks' Long Mean and Wee Friendly courses – both well-regarded as two of the most challenging courses in Southwest Florida.

The 2009 American League MVP and perennial All-Star Joe Mauer is scheduled to play in the tournament. This year's auction includes travel and ticket packages where guests can bid to attend the 2010 Masters in Augusta, sit atop TD Bank Garden in the Chairman's Suite for a Boston Celtics vs. San Antonio Spurs game, watch a Tampa Bay Lightning game from some of the best seats in St. Pete Times Forum, and dine at some of the most popular restaurants in this area. Also featured will be luxury island getaways, one-of-a-kind artisan jewelry and hand-signed memorabilia from sports and entertainment stars.

Net proceeds from the event will support programs and treatments at the new free-standing comprehensive Regional Cancer Center located at the corner of I-75 and Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. This center consolidates outpatient services, providing easier access for cancer patients and their families, and incorporates the newest technologies in cancer treatment, including a trilogy linear accelerator equipped to provide 3D conformal radiotherapy, stereotactic radiosurgery and fractionated stereotactic radiation therapy.

Lead sponsors of the celebrity cClassic include Ultimate Sports Adventures, Team Scotti, LeeSar, Fifth Third Bank, Owen-Ames-Kimball and Shoreline Aggregate. Golf slots are \$250 per person and include the auction and dinner. Dinner and auction-only tickets are available for \$50 per person.

For more information or to register or inquire about corporate sponsorships, email [TwinsGolf@LeeMemorial.org](mailto:TwinsGolf@LeeMemorial.org), call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at 985-3550 or visit [www.LeeMemorial.org/Foundation](http://www.LeeMemorial.org/Foundation).\*

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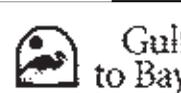
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## Sanibel Captiva Trust Company Hosts Investment Seminar



Chip Lesch, Al Hanser and Dick Pyle

The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company held an investment outlook seminar at The Sanctuary on January 22 to provide commentary and analysis on the stock market and global economy.

CEO Al Hanser welcomed guests to the annual event and announced the trust company has added a new range of financial services for its clients.

"We continue to focus on our clients' full wealth management needs rather than just their portfolio," said Hanser. "These are the times you really need to have a professional adviser who understands the complete financial and estate picture of their clients."



Steve Brown and Craig Scott



Timothy Vick and A.J. Scribante

Hanser introduced lead speaker and co-chairman of the trust company, Chip Lesch, who fashioned a Cash and Courage investment strategy that helped shield clients from the worst of the financial crisis.

Lesch quickly recapped the causes of the meltdown, citing "extensive and imprudent use of debt that inflated asset values." He noted that U.S. debt of \$53 trillion exceeded the GDP of the global economy. Close to 80 percent of that debt had arisen since 1990 due to a culture increasingly magnetized by borrowing and leverage.

He highlighted three key points to understanding the economic outlook and developing an investment strategy:

- 1) The unsustainable level of federal debt;
- 2) The shift of spending from the individual consumer to the government; and
- 3) Opportunities in the stock market to profit from the unwinding of leverage.

Although Lesch warned that unemployment levels and the housing market will take time to improve, he noted that corporate balance sheets outside of the financial sector are healthy, and that "international liquidity is at an all-time high." There is approximately \$3.5 trillion in cash and cash equivalents sitting on the sidelines, waiting to be deployed.

"My greatest suggestion is to be patient and stay with fundamental principles," said Lesch. "This simply takes time."

Hanser then addressed a series of questions posed to the trust company panel, which included President Terry Igo, chief investment officer Richard Pyle, and portfolio managers Timothy Vick, Jim Young and Craig Holston. The seminar concluded with questions from guests.

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## Investment Seminar

Igo provided an update on tax matters, mentioning the estate tax, which previously had a \$3.5 million exemption per spouse followed by tax at a 45 percent rate, has lapsed for 2010 but the prevailing thought in Washington is to fix it at the 2009 rate with some adjustment for inflation.

Pyle cautioned of a bubble in U.S. Treasuries and said the trust company has found better values in corporate bonds. He projects 4 percent GDP growth in 2010.

Vick encouraged investors to take a long-term view of stock market returns, noting the sevenfold increase in the standard of living in the past century and championing a buy-and-hold strategy that "requires constancy of purpose."

Young sees investment opportunities in the high growth rates of China, India and Brazil. Despite gold's spike in the past year, he still rates the metal a "buy" due to the federal government "printing money at a decidedly fast pace."

Holston said inflation is not a near-term risk and advocated a long term investment horizon rather than short term trading tactics.✪

## New Executive Director

**T**im Ficker was recently named executive director of Cypress Cove at HealthPark Florida, Inc., a continuing care retirement community in South Fort Myers. In addition to his responsibilities at Cypress Cove, Ficker will support development initiatives as the vice president of senior services for Lee FP, Inc., a subsidiary of Lee HealthCare Resources.



Tim Ficker

Shell Point Retirement Community in Fort Myers, where he served as executive vice president and chief operating officer. Prior to that, he spent 12 years in regional operations with Erickson Retirement Communities in Baltimore, Maryland. Ficker began his career in youth ministry, serving for 12 years with Young Life Ministries in South Carolina and Pennsylvania. He received his BA degree from Denison University in Granville, Ohio, and his MA in theology from Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, California.

Ficker said, "This was a terrific opportunity to take all that I have learned in my previous positions and apply it in the senior leadership role of a dynamic organization. The residents and staff members of Cypress Cove have welcomed me with warmth and enthusiasm and I look forward to a strong partnership with all the members of this active community."✪

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## Animal Fundraiser



Mark and Wanda Shefts



Comedian Elayne Boosler

Sanibel and Captiva communities. "It's an animal loving island, and people are very giving," said Mark. The Shefts currently have three black labs; Tuxie, Rio and Shadow.

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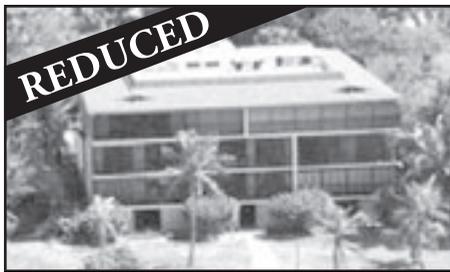


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Yeadon chose to give the \$1,000 donation to the "wish list" at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW).

"Many times equipment essential to the treatment of injured animals will break or something special will be needed to assist with CROW's quality care. Veterinarian Dr. PJ Deitschel has a wish list of what she needs to ensure the proper care of her patients," said Yeadon.✪✪

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# Will Power Questions – No Answers... And More Questions!



by Craig R. Hersch, Florida Bar Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates Attorney; CPA

**D**id you ever have a teacher that answered all of your questions with a question of her own? That's the way I felt sitting in the nation's largest annual professional

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At issue is whether there is going to be a federal estate tax this year (2010) and what will happen if any of our clients are unlucky enough to die this year. I say this because the repeal of the estate tax law for one year causes untold problems (and questions) in many estate plans. Most of you reading this could be affected one way or another.

You may recall that under the current law, absent any action by Congress and the president, there is no federal estate tax for decedents who die this year. Before you pop the champagne on the demise of the federal estate tax, allow me

to elaborate on the multitude of problems this repeal may cause – in many of your estate plans.

Married couples who have wills and trusts with estate tax planning built into them usually have something known as a "formula clause" in their documents that divides the estate at death into a credit shelter trust and a marital trust. This is also sometimes referred to as an "A/B Trust." The purpose behind these formula clauses is to effectively use, to the extent possible, the first decedent spouse's federal estate tax exemption.

Here's one problem – if you are counting on a certain amount of money and assets to be funded into each "portion" of your estate, the repeal of the estate tax throws this all into question. In other words, the formula clause found in your plan could inadvertently cause more (or less) assets to be distributed to your children, grandchildren or spouse than what you had originally intended – should you or your spouse happen to die this year.

Of particular concern are folks who have a current distribution to children even if a spouse survives. This is more common in second marriage situations, or in larger estates.

The same holds true when you have named grandchildren or more remote

descendants in your estate plan – whether or not those bequests are to occur before or after the death of the surviving spouse.

When you have amounts that are left to grandchildren, those bequests are usually limited by a formula related to the generation skipping tax exemption. The generation skipping tax is a "penalty tax" for leaving too much to grandchildren and more remote descendants.

The generation skipping tax exemption formula is also often used when you leave amounts to your children in a continuing trust. The reason you may leave amounts to your children in continuing trusts is to protect it from divorce, creditors... and from estate tax at your child's death.

When you leave amounts to your children this way, the child's share is often subdivided into an exempt share and a nonexempt share. These shares are divided via – you got it – a formula that is tied to the generation skipping tax. Since there is no generation skipping tax this year (as far as we know) then any amounts that are to be distributed under a formula tied to that tax exemption creates more questions. How much of your child's share is exempt from tax in his estate when he dies? We don't know!

This does not mean that your planning is bad. What it means is that you might want to review your plan to make sure that the formulas don't result in unintended distributions.

Charitable trust planning could be thrown into disarray. Many charitable trusts call for the distribution of a portion of the proceeds to a charity and another portion to surviving family members.

Sometimes the income is paid to charity for a term of years with the balance distributed to the family upon the termination of the trust, and sometimes vice versa. In both instances, the amounts that are distributed are tied to the estate tax formulas. When you have a decedent who dies this year, there could be several issues as to who is entitled to what.

Gift tax laws are also in a state of flux. Consider an irrevocable life insurance trust where the parents contribute amounts to the trust that are intended to be used to pay life insurance premiums. Each beneficiary is provided a Crummey power, which is a power to withdraw their portion of the contribution to the trust in order for the contribution to be considered gift tax free to the extent that each portion is less than \$13,000. Where grandchildren are also beneficiaries or potential beneficiaries of the life insurance trust, an allocation of generation skipping tax exemption generally occurs automatically. Except now – due to the 2010 rules. So what happens? These are issues you might want to address with your estate planning counsel.

Even though the current law abolishes the federal estate tax for this year, it does not abolish state death taxes. For those of you who reside in another state, or who own property in states that have a state death tax, there might be additional problems lurking in your plan.

If all of this isn't confusing enough, the step-up in tax cost basis rules are in a state of flux for 2010. You may know that under the prior law beneficiaries generally inherit assets at the current fair market value rather than at the dece-

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dent's tax cost basis. What this means in layman's terms is that when I inherit appreciated property or stock from my father at his death, and I sell that asset at the date of death value, I do not recognize capital gain.

Well, this step up in tax cost basis goes away for 2010. There is a limited step up in tax cost basis for up to \$1.3 million of assets. In order to comply with this law, beneficiaries will have to know the historical tax cost basis of the assets held by a decedent. Married couples get up to a \$3 million step up. Both of these step-up laws are complex and the reporting requirements are not yet understood. The IRS has not issued forms to file to comply with this 2010 law.

And all of the above is just a very small synopsis of the 2010 law's effect. There are band aids that you can put into your documents to take care of many of these problems. If any of this rings a bell, it makes sense to consider meeting with your estate planning attorney to ensure your documents won't lead to unintended surprises.

So in 2010 we have a lot of questions. And it's likely to remain that way until we get a new tax law passed.

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## What Goes Up Must Come Down

by Marcia Feeney



**T**oday's new homes of large rooms with soaring ceilings and expanses of glass can present daunting challenges to even the most creative homeowners. Since most residential furniture is no more than three- to four-foot

high, a common decorating dilemma is what to do with all the "nothingness" above that level. Additionally, guests are always more comfortable when the scale is felt to be more relative to the human form.

One solution – ceiling height can be visually lowered by applying a molding on the wall below the ceiling. A rule of thumb is to place the molding at about the nine-foot level. The wall above this detail is then painted the color of the ceiling, thus lowering its perceived height. This can even be done on the gable end of a vaulted room.

Since light colors appear to recede and dark colors advance, a ceiling will also look lower if painted a deeper hue of the wall color. But don't use too dark or

too bright of a color in a smaller room, as it may become oppressive. Light the lower areas of the room more intensively so that attention remains closer to eye level.

Drapery and window treatments in these rooms need to be carefully designed to ensure the decorative interest of the design is at an optimum height. Framed wall art, mirrors, and tapestries serve to focus interest at a mid-level height, while corner voids can be filled with well lighted trees for softening, texture, and interest.

Volume ceilings in bedrooms can be transformed into a cozier scale through the careful use of canopy bed treatments. An actual canopy bed is not necessary to accomplish this trick.

Kitchen ceilings can be brought into a more human scale through the careful use of wall coverings, borders, and accessories. The inclusion of crown moldings at the top of cabinets serves to suggest that the ceiling is at that level. A slightly darker color than the walls will again help to fool the eye.

The reverse of the ultra-high ceiling situation is the standard eight-foot ceiling needing an updating "lift." Vertically striped wall coverings lead the eye to the ceiling where bordering can be used to further expand the feel. Next, paint the ceiling the background color in the border to give it the feeling of extending the space by minimizing contrast. Borders can also be placed directly on the ceiling abutting the wall rather than on the wall itself. This will make the ceiling seem higher by appearing to be part of the wall and softening the demarcation between

the two.

Crown moldings are a wonderful way to lift attention to ceilings. For a low ceiling, crown molding can extend more on the ceiling than on the wall by simply having the molding reversed when installed. Paint the molding only a shade lighter or darker (but with more sheen) than the wall to avoid defining the ceiling too sharply.

Don't overlook the effects of lighting. Chandeliers and sconces, which reflect up onto the ceiling and are just a bit brighter than the rest of the room, will give you the feeling of a larger space.

Ceilings should be an important and attractive part of your design plan. A little bit of thought and creativity can add a whole new dimension to your rooms.

Marcia Feeney is an interior decorator on Sanibel.✱

## Forrer To Receive Humanitarian Award At Dinner

**V**oices for Kids of Southwest Florida, Inc. will have its Humanitarian Award Dinner and Charity Auction February 24 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Harborside Event Center, Fort Myers.

Honored will be Janet Forrer for her distinguished service improving the lives of others in Southwest Florida.

Forrer was selected by the Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida Board of

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## Humanitarian Award

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For more information and to purchase tickets, call the VFK Office-533-1434 or log onto [www.voicesforkids.org](http://www.voicesforkids.org).

## Insurance Tip: Loss of Use

by Marge Meek



When reading the declaration page of your homeowners (or unit condo owners) insurance policy, you will find a line item Part D loss of use. It looks like something you didn't ask for, but was added. Thanks

to our legislature, certain line items are automatically added and in most cases are a percentage of your dwelling coverage. This is a valuable coverage in case of disaster, but needs to be understood when disaster strikes.

This additional living expense cover-

age is for expenses incurred when you need to move out while repairs are made. Or in the case of rentals, it covers the income that you would have received if the disaster hadn't shut down your property. You will receive the necessary increase in living expenses required to maintain your family's current standard of living while the dwelling is being repaired, like hotel bills, food bills in excess of normal grocery/restaurant bills, cooking supplies and the cost of moving your property into storage.

Expenses are typically paid until the coverage amount is used up, even if your policy expires, until the home/condo are habitable again. It is worth repeating that the expenses are paid only until the amount in your Part D loss of use line item is used up.

Usually a loss specified by your insurance policy must occur in order to collect loss of use. However, if you are not allowed back on the island due to a government mandate created by a disaster, you might be able to collect on loss of use.

Unit condo owners often ask for more loss of use, which is especially important when income stops due to a hurricane or fire in their complex. After Charley, nearly all companies stopped allowing customers to buy up their loss of use coverage and defer to the state mandated amount.

How do any of us know how long our dwelling will be uninhabitable? With slow response reconstruction time due to a widespread disaster plus code and permitting time factors, moving back in could take a lot longer than you thought, so use your loss of use money wisely. It is a valuable coverage, but it is definitely not infinite.

Marge Meek is a local Sanibel-Captiva insurance agent, who can be reached at [mmeek@rosierinsurance.com](mailto:mmeek@rosierinsurance.com).

## Tops Sales Associate

Sheila Hammons was the most productive sales associate at RE/MAX of the Islands during the month of December.

Hammons is a member of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. She is an active member of six committees and is serving on the board of directors for the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors.



Sheila Hammons

## Top Marketing Associate

Chuck Andrews was the top marketing associate at RE/MAX of the Islands in December.

Andrews is a recipient of the RE/MAX International Platinum and Lifetime Achievement awards and has been inducted into the RE/MAX Hall of Fame.



Chuck Andrews

## New Associate

John Naumann and Associates, Inc. announced that Ray Ochester has joined the real estate company as the managing broker.

Ochester has been involved with Southwest Florida real estate for over 17 years. His credentials include ASHI (American Society of Home Inspectors) certification, president and owner of a commercial and residential property inspection business, and senior executive in Fortune 100 companies. He is a past-president of the board of the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors, director of the Florida Association of Realtors, member of the Realtor Honor Society, and recipient of the President's Award for agents in the top three percent of the company.



Ray Ochester

## Island Realtors Meet In New Headquarters

More than 100 realtor and affiliate members of the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors attended January's first caravan tour meeting at the newly purchased association headquarters, 2353 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. The existing structure has undergone a renovation since its acquisition – supervised by 2009 Association President Robin Humphrey.

During the meeting, realtors thanked Humphrey for a job well done, and for all the personal time and effort he volunteered for his peers. Many were able to tour the new facility before the meeting began: highlights include a state of the art microphone and speaker system and a spacious meeting area.

Following a "before the remodeling" slide show, Robb Moran led the MLS Caravan.

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## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

**L**izzie and Pryce answer your questions and give advice about aging concerns from a two-generational perspective. A mother and daughter team, Lizzie is a retired RN and health educator, and Pryce is a licensed psychotherapist in private practice who specializes in the care of elders and people with chronic illnesses.

### Dear Mom & Me, What is sleep apnea?

The importance of sleep has been overwhelmingly documented in recent studies. Our immune system is at work while we sleep to protect us from diseases. We should assist and help our bodies to try and achieve a healthful night's sleep through lifestyle changes and medical intervention if needed.

We visited friends over the weekend. Over the bridge table, for the last six

months, they have been telling us about their sleeping problems and how it is difficult for them to concentrate because they suffer from insomnia and sleep apnea. They showed us the apparatus they now wear to help their condition. They looked as if they were wired to go into space, but they say it helps.

According to *Tufts University Health and Nutrition* letter, sleep apnea is "A nocturnal ailment that stops the sufferer's breathing for up to a minute at a time, dozens or even hundreds of times through the course of the night."

Dominic Roca, MD, PhD, director of the Connecticut Center for Sleep Medicine at Stanford Hospital, believes that physical abnormalities inside the neck and mouth may cause the soft tissue at the rear of the throat to collapse. This briefly closes off air passages, disrupts breathing and causes a tendency to snore. Loud snoring may be the first sign of sleep apnea.

Dr. Roca says, "There is more than enough data now that people who are sleep deprived don't feel as well, don't eat as well and don't function as well. They get into more vehicle accidents, and the case for getting adequate sleep has been made."

Getting sufficient sleep is very important for health. Go to your doctor for assistance as there are now treatments available for sleep apnea sufferers.

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## Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

**Q:** I work with a highly toxic person and I need some help getting out of this situation and neither of us plans to leave the workplace anytime soon that I am aware of.

**A:** These types of people thrive on being negative, hypercritical, judgmental and sarcastic due to their own inadequacies. They are often intimidating to coworkers and love to create chaos around them.

The change really comes when you stop trying to change this type of person, rather focus on the change you can make within yourself.

While it is all too easy to react to someone's inappropriate behavior, that is exactly what you don't want to do. Reacting to a situation only gives that person the power and adds fuel to the fire. Instead, focus on some guided imagery; visualize an orb of light inside your body and as you breathe in feel this light inflating like a balloon. Begin to feel a peaceful energy surrounding you that protects you from outside negative forces. Inside this sphere of energy, you will

notice that outside forces cannot succeed at pushing your buttons. Remain calm and removed from the toxic behavior of this person, and before you know it, you will feel much better and chances are this person will treat you better as a result of being unable to manipulate your consciousness. I have seen this method succeed time and again. By refusing to react on that person's terms, you begin to regain your personal power and it is a clear message that you refuse to play their game.

Dr. Clancy is a licensed mental health therapist, certified hypno-therapist, life coach, author and public speaker. You may email Dr. Connie at [Connie@drconstance.us](mailto:Connie@drconstance.us). ✨

## Free Skin Cancer Screenings

**H**arris Dermatology will be offering free skin cancer screenings at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Friday, February 5 from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Screenings are quick and easy. The exam is a non-invasive, visual inspection of exposed areas of the body that will be done after a brief medical history is completed. No appointment or registration is necessary and walk-ins are welcome.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-0345 or visit [www.mysanibel.com](http://www.mysanibel.com). ✨

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The cost for the full-day program is \$150 and features two morning lectures, lunch, and two afternoon lectures. An interactive Q&A session with the speakers will end the day. To register, call 425-3272 or log onto <https://RegisterRA.fgcu.edu>.

The series features the following speakers and presentations: Randall Kennedy, Harvard Law School – Racial Politics in the Age of Obama; Maria Tatar, Harvard University – The Mysteries of Beauty and Horror in Fairy Tales; Zoe Trodd, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill – Contemporary Slavery: Bondage and Abolition in the 21st Century; and James Houlik, Duquesne University – Music and the Mind: Neuroscience with a Beat.

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## New Power Lunch Classes At Rec Center

Boost your energy with Power Lunch fitness classes at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 12:45 p.m. The 45-minute class is geared for those seeking a lunchtime workout. This low impact, yet high energy class is filled with fun and exercise. Individuals of all fitness levels are welcome. Participants are encouraged to bring a towel and water. All classes at the recreation center are included with memberships. This class is available to participants ages 12 and over.

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## Free Autism Screening For Young Children

The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, in partnership with the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida, offers a free monthly autism spectrum disorder (ASD) screening for toddlers 18 months to five years of age.

The next screening will be held February 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile, located in the parking lot of Miromar Outlets at 10801 Corkscrew Road in Estero. The Care Mobile will be parked by the lake-side playground. Another screening will be held March 5 at the same location.

It is estimated that one in every 150 children is diagnosed with some form of ASD, making it more common than childhood cancer, juvenile diabetes and pediatric AIDS combined.

Medical consultants for the project stress that an early diagnosis can make a vast difference for toddlers and their families. They say early intensive behavioral intervention can make an immense difference not just in the development of the child, but in their families as well.

The ASD screening is conducted by the Neurosciences Center at The Children's Hospital, under the guidance of Pediatric Neurologist Jose Colon, MD, MPH, and Pediatric Psychiatrist Marianne Krouk, DO. The screenings are administered by an advanced registered nurse practitioner, who has extensive training and experience in typical child development and developmental disorders.

A physician referral is not required. To schedule a screening call 985-3608.\*

## Free Vision And Hearing Screenings

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club will provide free vision and hearing screenings for ages three and older on Friday, February 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sanibel Recreation Center. Adults will be screened for visual acuity, automatic glaucoma and automated refractive index. Children will be screened for visual acuity, amblyopia and automated refractive index.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-0345 or [www.mysanibel.com](http://www.mysanibel.com).\*

## dearPharmacist

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



### Dear Pharmacist:

I crave salty foods. I read in one of your books that you don't think white table salt is good for people. How can you say this when every restaurant in America has

salt on the table? What do you suggest?  
*DW, Fort Lauderdale, Florida*

Hold on a sec here, I never said salt is bad for you! The part of my book that you didn't read yet, fully explains the differences between high-quality sea salt and table salt, which happen to be massive. Both sea salt and table salt have a backbone of "sodium chloride" which the body requires. Healthy sea salts are never adulterated like regular table salt, so they retain healthy minerals like copper, iodine, potassium, magnesium, chromium, zinc, iron and others.

Table salt is so refined that I consider it a food additive because certain brands look virtually like the same industrial chemical used to de-ice highways. No kidding. Sea salt, on the other hand, is not synthesized in a lab. It is essentially water from a sea (or river) that gets evaporated and purified. This type of dried sea salt fully retains healthy minerals that you need for your very survival, and for normal thyroid, muscle, heart and pancreatic function. These types of salts won't raise your blood pressure to the extent that table salt will. There are two salts that I

recommend you use in your home from now on. You can buy these at health food stores, Whole Foods or online from high-quality salt miners such as Salt Works or Real Salt, available internationally:

1. Himalayan salt: When it's mined properly from pristine salt veins in the Himalayan Mountains in Pakistan, it contains the widest variety of minerals, over 83 kinds of minerals. Good Himalayan salt will look slightly pink because it contains a lot of iron.

2. Celtic sea salt or French Grey sea salt: This salt does not have quite as many different minerals in it as the Himalayan sort, however, it has the highest content (gram for gram) of minerals.

It's impossible to get nutritious minerals from typical white table salt and yet people debate this with me, pointing out that their salt is healthy because it has been "iodized." Yeah, so what? Someone decided to put iodine back in after stripping it naked in the first place? This is your idea of healthy? You are more likely to be able to lick your elbow than to get any sort of nutrition from white table salt!

Iodine is very good for you, but the amount of table salt you'd have to ingest in order to get healthy amounts of iodine would probably be the end of you! I'm just saying to stop rationalizing the use of table salt, because it provides iodine. I'm also saying that you can't lick your elbow!

#### DID YOU KNOW:

A new injectable drug for diabetes got FDA approved - it is called Victoza.

*This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit [www.dearpharmacist.com](http://www.dearpharmacist.com).*

## The Skinny On Stress And Nutrition

Florida Gulf Coast University will present a half-day workshop on The Skinny on Stress and Nutrition as part of the Florida Institute of Government's Professional Development Series. This workshop teaches how to recognize signs of stress and make conscious choices to maintain energy and well-being. Ava Fluty and Jacquelyn Ferguson are presenters for the workshop.

It will run from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 16 in the Atrium Executive Center, 8695 College Parkway, Suite 1181, Fort Myers

Cost is \$79. Contact Joanne Hartke at 425-3273 or [jhartke@fgcu.edu](mailto:jhartke@fgcu.edu).

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## Fitness Trail Boot Camp

Bowman's Beach Fitness Trail Boot Camps will be conducted every Saturday from 9 to 11 a.m. in February at Bowman's Beach Fitness Trail. Boot Camps will be offered for all fitness levels: beginner, intermediate and advanced. The camps will be taught by certified personal trainers, Meta Goodwin and Laura McGowan. Bring water, sunscreen, beach towel and a sweat towel. Participants will learn how to utilize the apparatus along the trail, as well as receive educational materials to improve their personal fitness level.

The Sanibel Fitness Trail was constructed early this century with a generous donation by members of the Island Seniors, Inc. The Fitness Trail equipment was decimated by falling trees during Hurricane Charley. After the hurricane, the fitness trail was totally re-built with FEMA funds as part of the City of Sanibel's hurricane recovery.

Participants meet at the Bowman's Beach playground and are responsible for paying to park if you arrive by motorized vehicle. There is no fee to take this class but for planning purposes it is recommended you pre-register by phone or in person at the Sanibel Recreation Center, 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road, phone 472-0345.✱

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# Mending Broken Hearts Month

As a month already dedicated to matters of the heart, February is the ideal time to focus attention and build awareness about heart disease. Endorsed by Congress and the President of the United States, each year February is proclaimed American Heart Month, dedicated to eliminating heart disease as the leading cause of death in America.

Throughout February, Lee Memorial Health System will be supporting American Heart Month through various community programs, events and classes, including:

- 28 days, 28 Ways to a Heart Healthier You! Daily tips on how to help reduce the risk of heart disease on the Systems' Twitter account: [www.Twitter.com/Lee\\_Memorial](http://www.Twitter.com/Lee_Memorial).

- Go Red for Women! Friday, February 5. This is a national campaign to increase awareness about the risk for women and heart disease, the top killer of women in the U.S.

- Simple Tips to Prevent Heart Disease in Adults. Tuesday, February, 23, 5 p.m. Part of the Well Informed Lecture Series and presented by Dr. Jesus Mendiola. For information and to register call -433-8508 or [www.healthybonitaestero.org](http://www.healthybonitaestero.org).

- Friday, February 19, noon to 1:30 p.m. Joanne's House, 27200 Imperial Parkway, Bonita Springs. In this Ask the Doctor session Dr. John D. Campbell, neurologist with Neurologic Specialists LLC in Naples, will discuss the latest information and issues regarding the disease.

To register, call the Hope Parkinson Program at 239-985-7727.

## Parkinson's Tele-Conferences

The Parkinson's Action Network's (PAN) 16th annual Research & Public Policy Forum will address the current legislative issues impacting the Parkinson's community and how to advocate for better treatments and a cure.

PAN is the unified voice of the Parkinson's disease community, advocating for more than a million Americans and their families nationwide.

Conferences are scheduled for:

- Friday, February 12, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Hope HealthCare Services, 9470 HealthPark Circle, Fort Myers. Lunch will be provided.

Our email address is [press@islandsunnews.com](mailto:press@islandsunnews.com)

## Workshop On Coaching And Communicating In The Real World

FGCU Florida Institute of Government is offering a workshop titled Real World Coaching... on Life's Playing Field. The half-day workshop, Friday, February 12, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., is open to managers, supervisors and employees from both the private and public sectors.

Coaching, feedback and mentoring are three of the most valuable skills a leader possesses and yield enormous results when used with the right person at the right time. Participants will learn how to prepare for sincere, helpful, and results-oriented conversations with staff members through awareness techniques and coaching style. Instructor for the course is Lorna Kibbey. The cost is \$79. For more information contact Joanne Hartke at 425-3273 or email [jhartke@fgcu.edu](mailto:jhartke@fgcu.edu).

The workshop will be held at FGCU in the Atrium Executive Center, 8695 College Parkway, # 1181, Fort Myers.

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# Cardiovascular Technology Program Earns Accreditation Through 2019

Edison State College is proud to announce the Cardiovascular Technology Program has received accreditation through 2019. "This reflects remarkable compliance with accreditation standards," said Dr. Mary Lewis, associate dean of allied health at Edison State College. "This CVT program maintains a reputation nationally of exceeding national standards and providing excellence in cardiovascular care."

The Cardiovascular Technology Program is designed to offer students the opportunity to obtain an associate in science degree in cardiovascular technology. Graduates for Edison State's CVT program are well respected in the community holding jobs at various cardiac catheterization laboratories, cardiac ultrasound laboratories and in cardiac non-invasive laboratories.

"Our specialty of invasive cardiology will prepare the graduate to function in all aspects in the cardiac catheterization laboratory," said Jeff Davis, CVT coordinator at Edison State College. "I am proud of what this important accreditation means for our students and our community partners."

Cardiovascular technologists perform diagnostic cardiac catheterization studies on patients. They also assist the cardiologist in interventional procedures including coronary angioplasty, rotator procedures, intra-coronary stenting, pacemaker insertion, and radiofrequency ablation.

A freshman class begins each fall semester. Currently 20 freshmen are accepted each year. The criteria for admission are available through the program office or through the Health Professions office at 489-9255. First round application deadline is June 1. The Cardiovascular Technology Program is fully accredited for invasive cardiology by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs.✪

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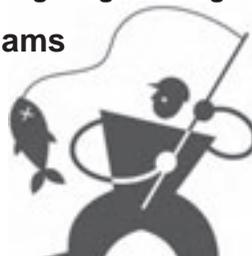
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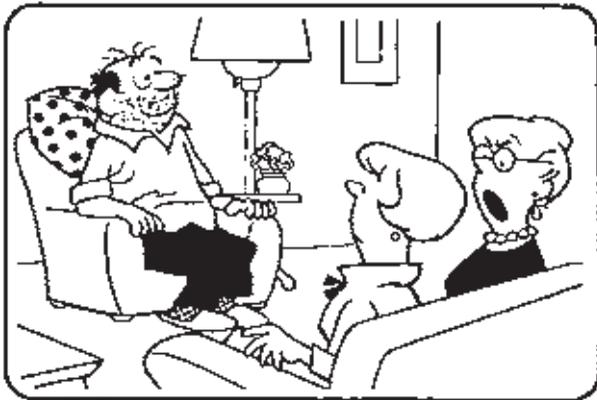
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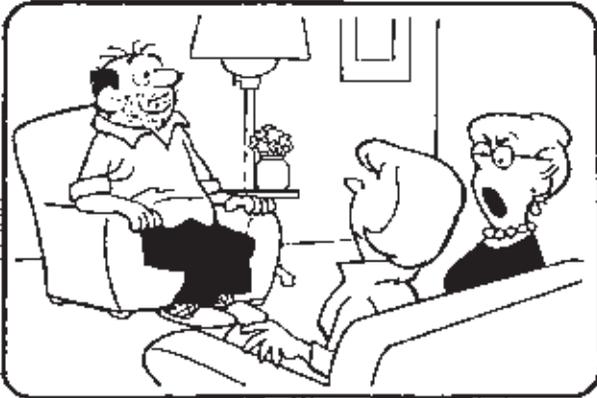
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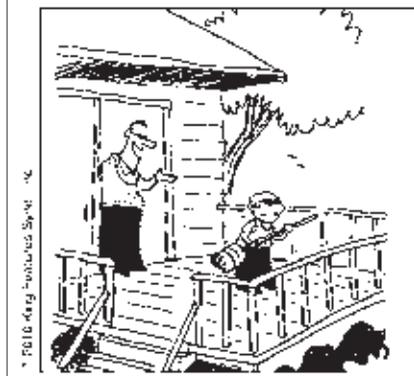
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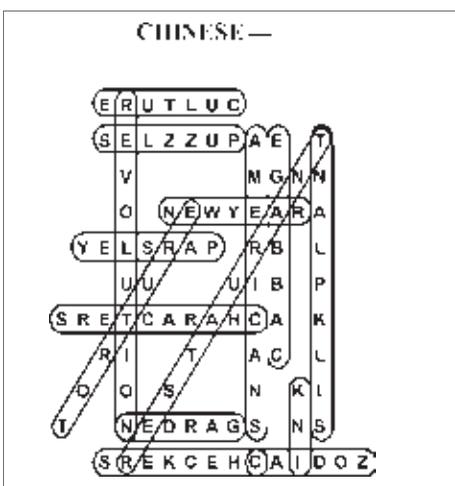
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# Love Your Neighbor Event Triples Proceeds For Heights Foundation

An evening of decadence and delight featuring Norman Love Confections, wine and cheeses, innovative sushi and other savories greeted a crowd of over 200 to benefit The Heights Foundation. The event, in its second year, brings together neighbors of the Harlem Heights community. Proceeds from the event support family development, educational support, and outreach efforts in Harlem Heights.

Presenting sponsor and founder of Norman Love Confections, Norman Love, was honored to once again support the Love Your Neighbor Event. "My wife Mary and I are proud to be associated with an organization that is committed to building a much needed cultural arts and community center in Harlem Heights that will benefit so many," Love said. "We are honored to play a small part in contributing toward the well being of our community."

Caroline Cunningham opened her riverfront home to host the event, bringing together neighbors from communities including Gulf Harbour, Palmetto Point, McGregor Woods, Crown Colony, and Reflection Lakes.

Victor Mayeron, owner of The Mucky Duck, and president of The Heights Foundation, is one of those neighbors. "As a business owner, I realize the challenges families have faced recently. Those who were already struggling are feeling the pinch even more. But I believe that when you give, you're paid back tenfold in ways you don't even know," said Mayeron.

Proceeds from the event tripled the prior year, with the addition of a silent auction and summer camp sponsorships. Sponsored in part by Craig Feinberg of Alliance Financial, the culinary team led by Norman Love included 55 Degrees, Blu Sushi, The Flying Pig, Coastal Wine, and Chef Martin Murphy of Creative Catering/Robb & Stuckey Culinary Center. The riverfront, sunset scene with live music and auction items from Mark Loren, Cru, and The Aesthetic Center created a festive environment for fundraising.

Funds raised directly support The Heights Foundation, which works to break the cycle of poverty in the Harlem Heights neighborhood through family and community development, support of education and wellness, and outreach programs.\*



Victor Mayeron, Mary Jo and John Boler



Peggy Mannix, Kathy Mayeron, Julie Workman, and Kathryn Kelly of The Heights Foundation



Victor Mayeron, Kathryn Kelly, host Caroline Cunningham, and Norman Love



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