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Reliving The `80s At The Schoolhouse

Lexie Dorsett, Gina Gloria and Samantha Rotella

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by Di Saggau

Five super singers and dancers are making the rafters ring at The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater. The musical *80s to the Max* gives the audience a deja vu feeling as songs like *Wake Me Up Before You Go Go, Whip It, Walkin' on Sunshine, Material Girl, Footloose*, and a score of others whisk you back in time. When the group sings *I've Had the Time of My Life*, you can just picture Patrick Swayze catching Jennifer Grey mid-air in that spectacular move from *Dirty Dancing*. This show starts out with a bang and never stops. The choreography by Bobby Logue definitely adds pizazz. These kids never stop movin' and groovin'.

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Calie Connor and Hailey See create collage in 2009 Summer Camp

Summer Arts Camp Starts Soon For Kids

BIG ARTS is enrolling for Summer Arts Camp. Camp runs Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., June 28 through August 13.

Children entering grades K through 5 in the fall will be offered activities on a rotating schedule including painting, pottery, music, drama and movement. Arts and music appreciation, weekly projects, and interactive stage productions encourage interest and wonder in the arts. For grades K through 5, tuition is $115 per week, three or more weeks are $100 per week.

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Oil Spill Prompts Coastal Vigilance

by Jim George

The big question right now for any community bordering the gulf coast is… what if the oil spill reaches here? While everyone's attention is turned toward trying to stop the flow of oil from the damaged Deep Water Horizon under sea well in the Gulf of Mexico, the immediate question for coastal communities is where the estimated 20 million gallons of oil that has already leaked from the well will go. Authorities are estimating that up to 19,000 barrels a day continue to spew from the fractured well head on the ocean floor although latest reports indicate that BP is diverting up to 15,000 barrels to a surface ship through the use of a containment cap. Favorable winds have kept the oil from causing major damage to Florida shorelines so far. Louisiana and the Panhandle of Florida are most at risk right now but what if unfavorable ocean currents and winds bring the oil toward Southwest Florida?

Florida's overall tourist economy is estimated at $65 billion. Locally, in Lee County, tourism accounts for approximately $3 billion according to Lee Rose, communications manager for the Lee County Visitors and Convention Bureau. Rose said that to date there have been no significant cancellations in local hotels as a result of concern over the oil spill but they have asked hotels to monitor cancellations closely. According to press reports, gulf beach hotels along the Panhandle of Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana have experienced 80 percent cancellations. Oil has reached the coastline there and although most of it remains offshore, 140 miles of coastline has experienced some oil landfall.

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Kanzius Foundation Gets Unexpected Donation

by Jim George

The Kanzius Foundation had an unexpected windfall this past week as a result of a rule regarding the distribution of the award money it won in a national contest. PepsiCo would not allow the Kanzius Foundation to use money it had won in its national contest to be used for salaries to hire two additional researchers. The foundation raises research money for the late Sanibel Island resident and inventor John Kanzius' external radio-wave generator, which has been proven to kill cancer cells in live animals. PepsiCo said it won't fund any research that does animal testing.

The foundation won $250,000 in a national contest and had anticipated the money going to the MD Anderson Cancer Research Center in Houston to hire the researchers. Instead of having about two-thirds of the PepsiCo grant money go toward the salaries of a molecular biologist and a physicist, it will all be used to spread the word about the Kanzius project in an effort to recruit more donors.

Mark Neidig Sr., the foundation's executive director, said the researchers will still get paid. Neidig said he told a former Kanzius donor about the PepsiCo decision and the man, who did not want his name disclosed, gave $250,000 to pay those salaries.

The PepsiCo grant money will now be used to hire a full-time project leader and recruit a national public-relations agency.

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Captiva Community Panel To Meet

The Captiva Community Panel will meet on Tuesday, June 15 beginning at 9 a.m. in the Wakefield Room at 'Tween Waters Inn. Following is a draft agenda, with the final order and times of items still to be determined pending input:

9 a.m. Introductions and roll call; approval of May 11 minutes

9:05 a.m. CEPD update – Kathy Rooker, CEPD

9:10 a.m. Reiterate and reaffirm actions taken at the May 11 meeting... include discussion of reason why

9:15 a.m. LDC survey committee and bylaws change vote – Ken Gooderham

9:45 a.m. Division of Forestry revegetation grant for Captiva Drive ROW status

10 a.m. Hurricane Preparedness & Response Committee – Doris Holzheimer

10:10 a.m. Nominating Committee status – Invite Planning Director Paul O'Connor and Planner Katie Ebaugh to a Captiva meeting as requested

10:20 a.m. Committee reports (as necessary):

- Finance – Mike Kelly, Ken Gooderham
- Water quality – Dave Jensen
- Land Development Code – Mike Kelly
- Fund-raising – Rick Hayduk

10:30 a.m. Other business and public comment

Confirm dates for next meetings (July 13, August 10 and September 14).

The next Captiva Community Panel meeting tentatively scheduled for July 13 in the Wakefield Room at 'Tween Waters Inn, 15951 Captiva Drive.

American Legion Post 123 News

On Sunday, June 13, Dougie Fresh's BBQ ribs and chicken dinner will be served at the American Legion Post 123 from 1 to 8 p.m. Monday, June 14 is Flag Day. Legion members will be retiring the flags beginning at 6 p.m. Drop off your flags before Monday to be retired. Mark your calendar for Sunday, June 20 for a seafood fest from 1 to 8 p.m.

Monday nights, stop in for 9 ball pool tournaments starting at 6 p.m. Thursday nights is Texas hold 'em at 7 p.m. Players are still needed. Every Friday, stop in for a six-ounce ribeye sandwich with French fries. Stop in and check out the daily specials and the entire menu. Food is served all day, everyday. The public is welcome. The Legion is open Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sunday, 12 to 9 p.m., located at mile marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-9979.

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ABWA Scholarship Winners

Kayla McCurry

The Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association has selected the two recipients of 2010 ABWA Island Scholarships. They are: Kayla McCurry and Mary Stufano of Sanibel. Kayla McCurry, a graduate of Bishop Verot High School, will attend Edison College in Fort Myers in the fall and major in business. Mary Stufano graduated from Fort Myers High School and will follow a course of study in communications/ media studies at Emerson College in Boston, Massachusetts.

Mary Stufano

In their applications, students describe their career goals and plans, educational backgrounds, financial needs, involvement in extra-curricular and community activities and other pertinent information about themselves. A committee of ABWA members reviews the applications and selects recipients of the $1,000 annual scholarships, which are awarded until a degree is earned.

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Center 4 Life Programs

Computer Class is scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday, June 15 and Thursday, July 1 with Patty Waters. The topic will be What's A Spreadsheet? Concepts and Uses.

You have a spreadsheet program with Microsoft Works or Excel, but have you used it? Are you new to spreadsheets but not new to Windows? Find spreadsheets intimidating? It does not have to be. Spreadsheets can be useful and fun. These two sessions introduce working with rows and columns to keep track of everything from your checkbook, loan payments, household inventory and rentals. Cost is $60 for members, $90 for non-members.

Summer Fitness Classes are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. for a combination of HAPPY Hour Fitness and Essential Total Fitness with Sandi McDougall.

Gentle Yoga with Chris Brown is at 11 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

Bridge for Fun is at 12:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.

Mah Johngg is at 12:30 p.m. Thursdays.

Prizes for both games are awarded and includes materials and supplies. Cost is $2.50 for members, $5 for non-members.

Kayak Launching is at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 22.

All participants must meet at the center.

Friday, June 18 at 8 a.m.

Historic cruise by Teresa Schober, director of the Mound House. Sneak peek of the new underground archaeological exhibit and tour, offered in cooperation with Captiva Cruises and The Mound House Cultural Resources Center.

Along the way you'll learn about the dynamic history and ecology of Punta Rassa, Pine Island Sound and Estero Bay.

The new exhibit at The Mound House offers a rare opportunity to walk into an actual Calusa shell mound to observe its construction, its layers and to see this cross section of over a thousand years of Southwest Florida history. Reservations are required as space is limited. Meet at the center at 8 a.m. and carpool to Sanibel Harbour Resort. Return time to Punta Rassa is 1:30 p.m. Cost is $45 per person.

Wednesday, June 30 at 9 a.m.

Naples Museum of Art, second annual Florida Contemporary exhibit. Art aficionados will have numerous opportunities to be jarred and/or entranced as they wander through the exhibition that showcases the myriad talents of artists who have a distinct connection to the Sunshine State. Admission is $8.

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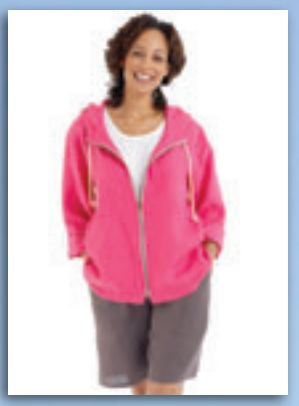

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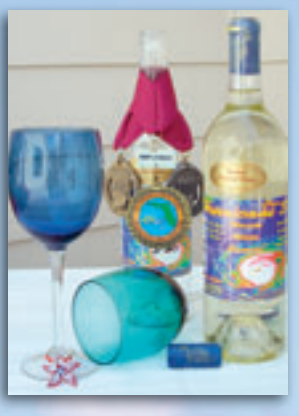

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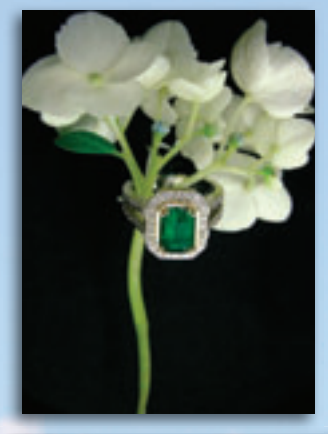

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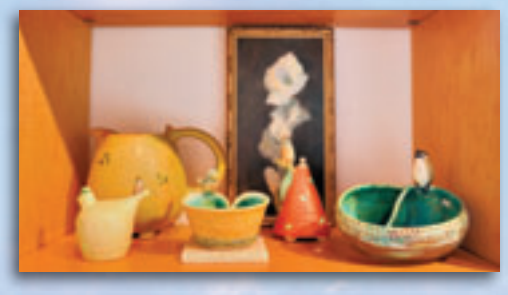

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Public Comment Surfaces On Bayside Docks

by Emilie Alfino

Although the public hearing on the proposed ordinance to permit boat docks in the bay beach zone was postponed to June 22, a public comment sparked discussion at Tuesday's planning commission meeting.

Sanibel resident Claudia Burns said she was disturbed by some commissioners' "cavalier" comments at the last meeting that sea grasses have already been destroyed by Lake Okeechobee water releases so could not be any more negatively impacted by allowing docks between Woodring Point and the west boundary of Lighthouse Park. According to Burns, "what man destroys, man should try to restore," and with effort, those sea grasses might be able to come back.

City Attorney Ken Cuyler responded that his position would be the same irrespective of the sea grass beds. "The right of these property owners is to have a dock… and that's not my personal opinion, it's based on case law. The fact that the grass beds are not what they were 10 or 15 years ago is not determinative. The ultimate issue is what the law says."

Commissioner Paul Reynolds expressed concern that were the bay beach zone opened up to docks, he saw the potential for about 65 docks being built in the area. "I have a great issue with that," Reynolds said. "Maybe we can't prohibit them, but we have to find some legal way to restrict them." He said he could not support the idea that so many docks could be built.

Vice Chairman Phillip Marks, acting as chair in the absence of Chairman Michael Valiquette, suggested that California's method of dealing with this issue – building community docks to reduce the number of individual docks – might be something people could consider.

Why are bayside docks an issue now, when Sanibel has successfully prohibited them for years? "Because someone has decided to get an attorney to find out whether they have a right, and their attorney has advised them that they have that right under Florida law," Cuyler answered. And Cuyler agrees.

There are lots of situations, Cuyler said, where cities take actions that are uncontested for some period of time until someone questions it. "If you were to ask me today, can we put that prohibition (against bayside docks) into effect, my opinion would be no," Cuyler said. "You do not have the ability to take away that right. It is a compensable right."

While Cuyler said he was not aware of any barrier island, city or county in the state of Florida that prohibits docks, during public comment Committee of the Islands President Barbara Cooley said Sanibel is different. "Decades ago, Sanibel was designated by the state legislature as a sanctuary island," Cooley said. "Is that a possible defense for a restriction against these docks?" She asked the commission to take that into consideration as they deliberate on the proposed ordinance.

Each application for a dock will have to go before the planning commission for approval. Planning Director Jim Jordan will work with Natural Resources Director Rob Loflin and Cuyler to incorporate Tuesday's comments into the draft ordinance for discussion at a public hearing June 22 at 9:15 a.m.✲

Conflict Brews Over Resort Height Limit

by Emilie Alfino

City council gave the planning commission clear direction to retain height limitations when revising the land development code to accommodate and regulate redevelopment, particularly for short-term rental units in the Resort Housing District. That's what it says in Planning Director Jim Jordan's June 8 staff report, which was reviewed at Tuesday's meeting of the planning commission's Land Development Code Review Committee.

Planning Commissioner Paul Reynolds echoed council's sentiment several times, several ways in response to the planning department's proposal to remove the 45-foot height limit for short-term rental resorts and replace it with this: "The height of buildings will not exceed three stories above the base flood elevation… In the Resort Housing District, the maximum height of buildings shall not exceed 33 feet above the base flood elevation of the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map or the Florida Building Code for buildings located seaward of the state of Florida's 1991 Coastal Construction Control Line, whichever is higher."

Reynolds said he wants to stick with a specific height restriction "rather than a moving window that can change to who knows what. I want a numerical restriction to avoid 60-foot buildings. We control our own destiny rather than Washington, DC," Reynolds said, referring to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, which can change regulations regarding base flood elevations, affecting the height of buildings.

Other commissioners, however, expressed their belief that the planning department would be conscientious in its application of any new code provisions with the goal of allowing three habitable floors. "I'm comfortable with your reasoning behind this," Commissioner Holly Smith told Jordan, adding that ceiling heights and other design factors can be adjusted to keep the building height lower. "We want to retain our resort housing. If we take away the right to have their density, then we're getting away from what we have been directed to do."

Vice Chairman Phillip Marks, acting as chair in the absence of Chairman Michael Valiquette, agreed with Smith, as did Commissioners Chris Heidrick and Tom Krekel. Krekel compared the base flood elevation changes to the Americans with Disabilities Act. "They (the federal government) changed the rules and they can do it again," Krekel said.

Sanibel resident Karen Storjohann objected to changing the land development code. "There has to be a greater

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However, landfall is imminent. "Visitors to shore communities on the upper Gulf of Mexico have turned perception into fact and are assuming oil is coming ashore everywhere and are cancelling reservations," said Richard Forrester, executive director of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau. "In fact many of the beaches are wide open and beautiful right now. But officials can only cross their fingers at the moment. The current known as the "loop" literally circles the state of Florida coming closest to shore near the Keys. Reports within the past few days indicate that some oil has entered the loop current.

On a local level visitors to the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce Web site are greeted with the headline, "Our beaches are clean and open." A state of Florida advisory is posted on the City of Sanibel Web site advising citizens how to identify possible oil sightings.

At risk here are the sensitive estuaries in Southwest Florida. Charlotte Harbor south to Estero Bay is home to thousands of acres of mangroves… a nurturing estuary, thousands of species of marine, animal, bird and plant life that would be affected for years to come. Oil intrusion deep into mangroves would be unreachable for cleanup and the toll on marine and animal life immeasurable. Gulf front beaches are teeming with sea life visible to the naked eye when each wave recedes.

The long term ecological and economic effect could be devastating if the area was awash in oil.

The City of Sanibel has been monitoring and preparing for weeks, according to City Manager Judie Zimomra. "We're carefully watching what's going on north of us," she said. "Emergency Operations Centers (EOCs) have been set up at the state and county level. This oil spill has been designated an event of national importance. There is a sub-state emergency command center now set up in St. Petersburg and most county EOCs have been activated. Our local Lee County and Sanibel representatives have already attended a meeting in St Petersburg."

Zimomra went on to say that forecasts on the spill are updated every 72 hours. She said that if the oil reaches here, Sanibel anticipates the use of booms on low wave energy inlets and possibly the construction of beachfront berms. "Although our plan might utilize both of these options, we can't say exactly what we would use at this point because it would depend on the success of these methods which would also be used by communities north of us. We're monitoring and evaluating all technologies."

Zimomra said if oil entered the loop current it could conceivably stay off Sanibel's shore by 80 to 100 miles and travel around the southern end of the state to the east coast. "We're told by the government that if the oil ever did reach here it would not be an oil sheet but rather tar balls or tar mats. Realistically, by then we would have seen what the experience was from cities north of us on the handling of the material."

Given the positive outcome of the city's emergency operations before and following Hurricane Charley in 2004, city officials retain a high degree of credibility with residents in handling emergencies.✲

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Height Limit

justification for changing the code substantively other than 'property owners want it,'" Storjohann said. "This island separated from Lee County over these very issues." She encouraged the planning commission to take into consideration what tourists want in accommodations before moving forward. "You might learn it's (1) unnecessary, and (2) undesirable to change the code," she continued. "We need to have a height limitation no matter what FEMA does. That's what Sanibel is about: low density, low height. We're supposed to be standing for something here, but I see an erosion. I think it's a mistake to say they have a right to rebuild what they have. No they don't. If they want 60-foot buildings, go to Marco."

Sonja Smith of CASI (Condominium Association of the Islands) said she was glad not to be sitting in a commissioner's seat. "The guiding principle, I believe, is no owner should lose a unit," she said. "I don't know how you're going to do that. We've had 30 years of problems with an issue we're now getting an hour to talk about. I don't think that's sufficient."

Jordan will go back to the drawing board to consider Tuesday's comments and present another summary staff report at the next subcommittee meeting.✲

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Summer Arts Camp

The fine arts apprentice program for middle and high school students provides an opportunity to be an instructor or take classes. Courses include fused glass, mosaic, acting, pottery, and metalsmithing. Middle school tuition is $70 per week. Volunteer opportunities are also available.

BIG ARTS Summer Arts Camp is supported by LAT Foundation and Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank. Tuition assistance is available.

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Kanzius Foundation

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The foundation will now utilize the $250,000 from PepsiCo and the matching amount from the private donor, an unexpected windfall.✲

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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Last Friday morning at Rotary, we welcomed Steven Teuber, current vice-chair of the Lee County School Board, as our guest speaker. Rotary International promotes literacy around the globe, so why not find out what is happening in our own backyard.

Right out of the gate, Teuber started rattling off Lee County Public Schools statistics: The Lee County School Board manages over $1.5 billion of our taxpayer money. That number is just staggering. Salaries make up 65 percent of the district's general fund. Of course, that figure includes a number of other things besides education figures, such as transportation. Teuber said, "We spend approximately $40,000 per person in our jails yearly and only around $8,000 per student."

Lee County is the ninth-largest district in Florida and one of the 50 largest school districts in the United States. We proudly educate approximately 80,000 students in grades K-12 in our 114 schools. We are the county's largest employer in Lee County, with approximately 11,500 full- and part-time employees. I would say, "Education is big business."

The student body comes from 159 countries and speak 98 languages; they are 50 percent white, 29 percent Hispanic, and a variety of other nationalities makeup the rest. There is a 42 percent mobility rate; around one-half of the Lee County study body changes during the school year. That is an unbelievable statistic.

Teuber spent some of his time talking about School Choice. The county is divided into three School Choice zones: East, West, and South. Mostly this is to control transportation costs. Each school zone has three sub-zones. Within this system, there are also magnet schools, comprehensive high schools, and technical high schools. The Sanibel School does not seem to fall in to a School Choice zone. Our Sanibel high school students do. In my opinion it sounds a little complicated to a non-parent. Hopefully that is not the case for the parents of a student within the district. Ninety five percent of the students are going to school in their school of choice.

Within the Lee County school district, there has been a standardize curriculum in place for the last few years. Lee County Public Schools began implementing standardized textbooks, lessons and materials for each grade level. Based on a mobility rate of around 40 percent, it was imperative that district schools provide similar lessons at similar times during the year, and use the same books and materials. If a child leaves one school and moves across the county, their new school should be teaching the same things at the same times, using the same books. Always trying to improve the education of our students, the school board is proud to report that Lee has seen an increase in schools earning an A grade every year since 2002. In 2009, the district earned an A for the first time, with 71 schools earning either an A or B grade. Seventy seven point six percent of our students graduate.

The school system has focused on reading for the past few years and that has definitely improved learning. The focus in the near future will not only continue to be on reading but to focus on a STEM curriculum – science, technology, engineering, and math. This is already the focus of Dunbar High School's Academy for Technology Excellence (ATE) and the new Academy for Digital Excellence (ADE) program. Declared as the First Microsoft Certified High School in the World by Microsoft; acknowledged as a "model school for tech success" by CompTIA; and highlighted as a featured school by Adobe, Dunbar High offers high school students the ability to develop 21st century IT skills needed for a technology savvy workforce. In the five years the program has been in place, students have already passed more than 1,675 certification tests. Rick Volkmann from Adobe, Inc. was there to congratulate students on all their outstanding work and to share how Adobe will be partnering with Lee County with K-12 education in the future.

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. every Friday morning at Beachview Steakhouse, 1100 Par View Drive. If you would like further information regarding the Sanibel Rotary or Rotary International, call 337-1099.☆

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Scholarship Winners

The Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of ABWA also participates in the Take Stock in Children Program which is sponsored by the Lee Foundation for Public Schools. ABWA is committed to providing scholarships to deserving applicants who need financial assistance to achieve their dream of a college education. The proceeds from two major fundraisers sponsored by ABWA-Texas Hold-Em and Poker Pedal~ provide funding for the scholarship programs.

During the past 30 years, the Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of ABWA has made a positive difference in the lives of 75 students with more than $1,00,000 in scholarship funds. The stories of student achievement inspire hope for the future and motivate ABWA members to persevere in their mission.☆

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City Of Sanibel Opens Solar Powered Restroom At Boat Ramp

Solar powered public restroom at boat ramp

The City of Sanibel has opened an environmentally and family friendly public restroom at the Sanibel Public Boat Ramp located at 888 Sextant Drive.

The new restroom has two water saving toilets, a solar powered electrical system capable of producing 680AC watts of power. The 10 roof-mounted, self adhesive solar panels occupy approximately 80 square feet and produce enough electricity to power:

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This restroom is handicap accessible and includes diaper changing stations. A 100 percent native vegetation buffer will be installed during the rainy season to finish the

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Kiwanis News

Oil And Water

submitted by Eric Pfeifer

Ric Base, executive director of our chamber of commerce, was the guest speaker at the weekly breakfast at The Dunes. You may be shocked to hear that certain groups of the media are reporting that oil from the BP oil spill is washing up on our beaches. This couldn't be further from the truth. In fact, Base reports that beaches as far west as Destin have no evidence of oil, but vacationers are getting mixed messages from the media. It could be that they are misinformed. More likely, however, with the sluggish economy, other vacation destination areas are trying to keep tourism dollars at home by reporting that all of Florida is affected. If you haven't been to the beach lately, it is beautiful. The water is clear, the fish are jumping, and the weather has been perfect. So stop surfing the Internet, put on your sun block, go the beach and tell everyone you know that Sanibel is open for business!

This week, the trio of Allan Marcus, Dick Pyle and Dick Muench sang a song to long time Kiwanian, Bill Boswell, aka Boz. We could not determine the name of the song, but rumor has it Bill got older sometime in the last 12 months, according to our registrar. Billy Kirkland announced that he has been in business for 25 years on Sanibel so he could contribute a happy dollar to our party fund. In fact, our party fund has reached the

Ric Base

threshold so we can all get together next Wednesday night for a big night out on the town (provided the Kiwanians finish their coffee and are home in time for *Jeopardy*). We look forward to seeing the brethren at Osaka in Fort Myers for some kaiseki.

This week we were also graced by the presence of our Kiwanis Lieutenant Governor Donna Williamson. She announced the new Lieutenant Governor Elect Bruce Boyd who shared a few brief words about the club. He promised he would not interfere with our business, but we did actually have to check the by-laws to determine what a lieutenant governor has to do with our club.

If you haven't received your two-for-one dining book, time is running out. You may find a few left at one of the local banks. Last but not least, we are review

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Zonta Club Board for 2010-2011 includes (l to r): Barbara Marti, Nancy Dreher, Claire Mallon, Barbara Nagle, Linda Robison (president), Lynn Ridlehoover, Darlene Boda and Carolyn Gray

Zonta Club Installs New Officers, Directors

With a new Zonta year beginning June 1, the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva gathered recently to welcome the incoming board of directors and officers for 2010-2011. The club also recognized the board of the Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida, the non-profit entity the club created for fund raising and distribution of grants. Every member of the club is automatically a member of the foundation.

The installation ceremony was performed by Ginger Parker, a founding member and past president of the club. Returning as president is Linda Robison, who served in this capacity for 2008-2009. Barbara Nagle is president-elect; vice president, Claire Mallon; treasurer, Darlene Boda; recording secretary, Nori Ann Reed; and corresponding secretary, Linda Kramer. Rounding out the board are past president Carolyn Gray; members-at-large for two years Karen Pati, Barbara Marti, Nancy Dreher and Gail Migliorini; and members-at-large for one year Lynn Ridlehoover and Sandi Hutchings.

The foundation board is comprised of Carolyn Swiney (president); Kris Ritts (secretary); Wendy West (treasurer); Valorie Babb (past president) and Ruth Woodham (member-at-large) and, serving by virtue of their positions on the club board, Darlene Boda and Barbara Nagle.

Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida Board members Kris Ritts, Barbara Nagle, Ruth Woodham and Darlene Boda

Carolyn Gray, who hosted the event at her Sanibel home, graciously thanked the outgoing board and officers, commenting: "Serving as your president has not been a chore because I have worked with a group of wonderful women, making a difference in this community and in the world through their contributions to Zonta International." Gray was presented with a commemorative etched vase by Luc Century.

Robison's chosen theme for the new Zonta year is "Serving Women, Together" and she invited those present to join in sharing a personal story of one woman who had performed a particular service for them or made a special impact on their lives.

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Students Join Captiva Cruises For Shoreline Discovery Program

Fourth graders and the Captiva Cruises Shoreline Discovery Program team

The Sanibel School's 4th grade classes enjoyed a fun filled day of discovery on a Captiva Cruises tour to Cayo Costa. Students in Debbie Riley's and Deanna Evans' classes were treated to a memorable environmental exploration of our coastal habitats of our back bay estuary.

The students used seining nets to sample and identify some of the inhabitants of the shallow sea grass beds along the shoreline of Cayo Costa State Park.

Spider crabs, hermit crabs, sea urchins, shrimp, pipe fish, comb jellies, and pin fish were some of the animals that the students observed and talked about with the staff of Captiva Cruises.☼

The students found sea urchins and other interesting sea inhabitants

Fourth graders (with RIchard Finkel) displaying their sea creatures

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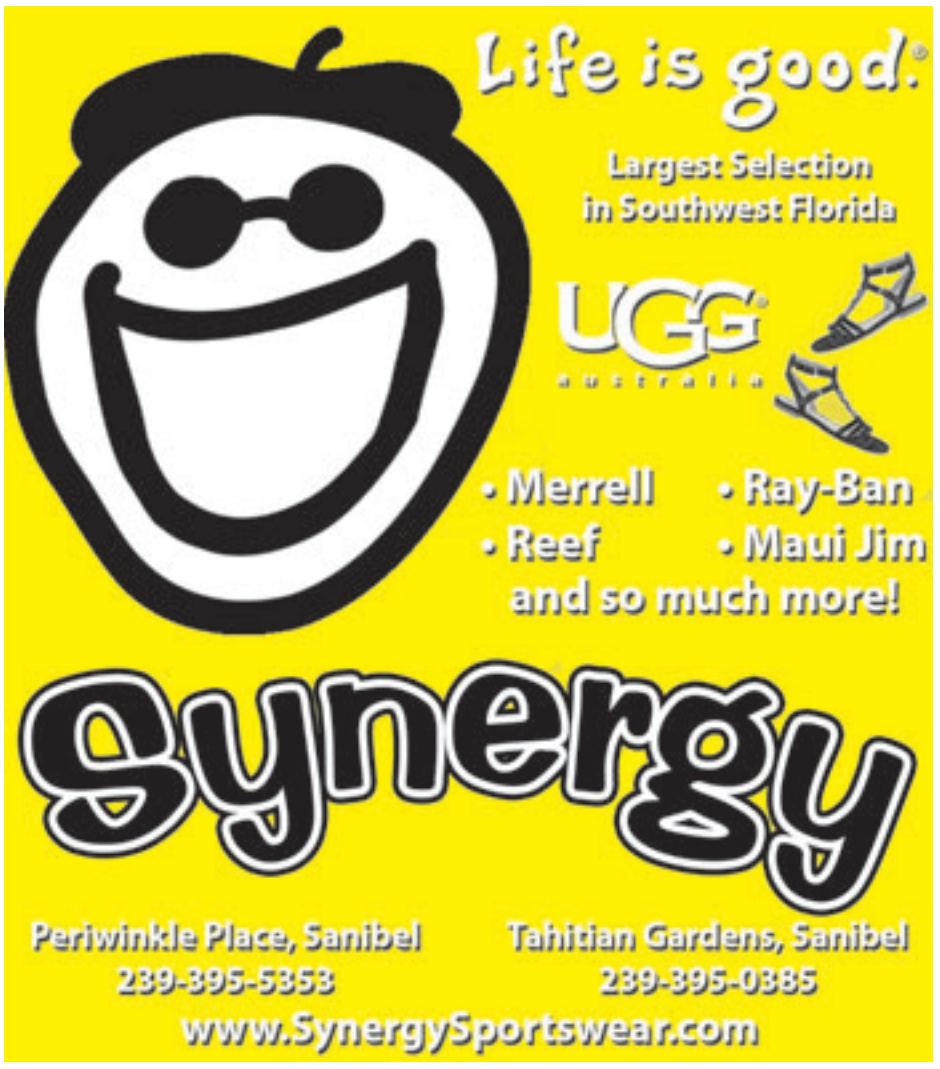

OBITUARY

ROBERT C. DIXON

Robert C. "Bob" Dixon passed away on June 6, 2010 from brain cancer at the age of 66 in Joanne's House, Hope Hospice in Bonita Springs, Florida.

Bob was born in Grubville, Missouri on September 6, 1943.

His wife Pat passed away of lung cancer six months prior to his death. He is survived by his mother Hulda Walters; his three sons Jeff Dixon (wife Marie and granddaughter Maggie), Dave Dixon (wife Jane and grandchildren David and Erin), Rich Dixon (grandchildren Jared, Ryan, Sebastian, Nicholas and Nejla), his four brothers and a sister Dan Walters, Steve Walters, Tom Walters, Tracy Walters and Scarlett Arnold.

Bob's career started in the U.S. Army out of high school with the Army Communications division. In 1972 he started his aviation career and after flying charter out of Miami he built Air Cargo America then went on to fly for Harry and Leona Helmsley. In 1983 he started his commercial career with Florida Express out of Orlando, Florida. He went on to fly for the Seattle Sonics for eight seasons. He joined the FAA after that as an aviation safety inspector and was on leave from there.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to Joanne's House, 27200 Imperial Parkway, Bonita Springs, FL 34135.

Bob will be dearly missed by his family and the many friends he and Pat made across the country.✩

Wild West Vacation Bible School

Amy Burns and Chance Kirchner promoting Vacation Bible Study at Islands Night

Yew-haw! Sanibel Community Church is having a Wild West Vacation Bible School June 21 through 25. Mosey on over from 5 to 8 p.m. each night for good grub, hoe-down hootenannies, singin' and learnin'. All kids ages three years through 5th grade are welcome. It all kicks off on Sunday, June 20 with the Black Light Show at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, for the whole family. For more information or to register, call the church at 472-2684 or go to the Web site www.sanibelchurch.com.✩

Update On Clam Bayou Oyster Reef Restoration

by SCCF Marine Lab Research Assistant Sabrina Lartz and Director Loren Coen, PhD

Nearly 14 tons of fossil oyster shell has been deployed in Clam Bayou to create oyster reef habitat in an SCCF (Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation) Marine Laboratory restoration project that also includes mangrove planting. More volunteers are needed for continued efforts on Saturday, June 12 and Thursday, June 17.

Earlier this year, volunteers at Bowman's Beach helped shovel fossil shell into mesh bags. On May 11 the Marine Lab staff moved over 350 bags of shell into Clam Bayou for building oyster reefs using a barge (modified from an old Jensen's Marina pontoon boat). On May 19, a biology class from South Fort Myers High School, led by Steve Wilke, helped move 139 bags of shell, along with 63 oyster recruitment trays, into Clam Bayou. Later, on May 22nd another group from AmeriCorps, partnering with Goodwill brought teens participating in a service learning

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Moving the shell

Loading the bagged shell at Bowman's Beach to move it closer to Clam Bayou

Working in the water. The modified barge is in the background.

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by Sam Bailey

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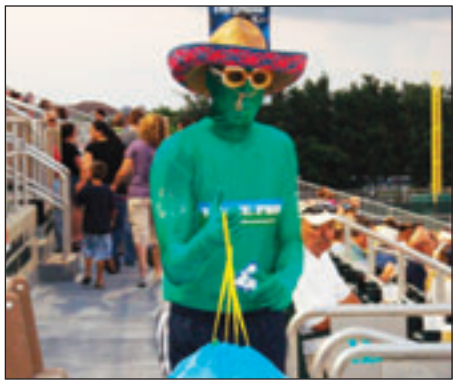

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With support from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) and Tarpon Bay Explorers, the refuge is offering three free education programs this year, one in partnership with the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.

• New this year is Family Birding Tram Tours, every Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m. The first 28 people to arrive score a free narrated birding tour along Wildlife Drive. Learn how to identify and count birds during the tour, then return to the education center to enter sighting data into the E-Bird Trail Tracker computer.

• Reading at the Refuge, every Thursday at 11 a.m. Attendees to each reading-and-crafts session will receive a free nature journal (one to each child) in which to record their impressions of their refuge visit and future nature encounters.

• Family Beach Walk, every Tuesday at 9 a.m. In partnership with the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum, the program convenes at Gulfside City Park for a one-hour exploration of the refuge's gulf-front Perry Tract.

For more information on the refuge summer programs, call 472-1100.

To join DDWS and become a friend to the refuge, stop in at the refuge education center or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org.

Snowy Plover Nesting Update

As of Friday, June 4 there were five snowy plover nests on Sanibel, with six eggs and nine chicks. All the nests are on Sanibel's east end.

SCCF (Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation) coordinates the monitoring of snowy plover nesting on Sanibel. Snowy plovers nest on the beach. SCCF stakes protective exclosures around snowy plover nests. Please do not enter the staked exclosures and keep dogs out as well. When snowy plovers are not moving, they are extremely well camouflaged. If a snowy plover is flushed from its nest, it takes very little time for the hot sun to damage the eggs.

Snowy plover with chick photo by Hugh McLaughlin

The snowy plover is a state-listed, threatened species on Sanibel. The most recent estimate indicates that around 200 pairs of snowy plovers remain along the west coast of Florida, from the Panhandle through Cape Sable. Snowy plover nesting season runs through August, and they can nest two or three times in one season

You can learn more about snowy plovers on Sanibel at the program offered on Fridays at 10 a.m. at SCCF's Nature Center, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road. After a talk about snowies, the group will carpool out to the beach to learn how to spot these elusive shorebirds in their native habitat. For more information, visit http://sccf.org/content/80/Snowy-Plover-Project.aspx.

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Red-bellied Woodpecker

by Brian Johnson

On May 20 Judy Liccini got a call from her friend, Brandy, who had found a baby woodpecker on the ground on Route 41 in North Fort Myers. The baby's dead sibling lay nearby.

Judy, a volunteer and board member at the Peace River Wildlife Center in Punta Gorda, came to Brandy's place of work and picked up the baby. She then took the woodpecker to Miracle Mile veterinary clinic, situated across from the Edison Mall. From there, another volunteer transported him to CROW.

At CROW the staff saw that the 47-gram baby had suffered a major injury from the apparent fall from the nest.

"He had hardly any feathers, just a pink woodpecker baby," said Dr. Amber McNamara. "He had a closed fracture of his right tibiatarsus bone on his leg, and a whole lot of bruising. I would guess he was less than a week old."

Staff gave him two types of pain medication plus the homeopathic remedy arnica.

Dr. Amber put a very small but supportive wrap on his leg with paper tape. The tiny bird did not put any weight on the injured leg, but sat with it slightly elevated and facing forward, in the customary posture of baby woodpeckers. His new home was a warm aquarium on a counter toward the back of the clinic.

Red-bellied woodpecker

With his ultra speedy metabolism, pain medications, and a proper diet, the woodpecker's fracture showed quite substantial healing in only five days. Dr. Amber removed the wrap, which the woodpecker appreciated, evaluated the fracture, and added the Chinese herb Jie Gu San to his treatment.

Staff fed him a diet of kitten chow, scrambled eggs, fruit and meal worms every hour from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

On Day 14 staff transferred the woodpecker outdoors to the Boyd Aviary, which closely flanks the hospital and is designed with soft netting. They gave him injectible calcium and have since cut down his feedings to four times per day.

He is all by himself in the cage as woodpeckers are highly territorial and don't like a lot of bird company.

Dr. Amber estimates he will be ready for release in the middle of June. "It's a good story," she said. "He came in here naked, with no feathers and a broken leg, and now he is on the verge of a return to the wild."

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for native and migratory wildlife from the Gulf Coast of Florida. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mail donations to PO Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 472-3644 or visit: www.crowclinic.org.

Dr. McNamara feeding the woodpecker

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Oystercatchers on an existing reef in Clam Bayou.

Mangrove seedlings in the background, with a new reef in the foreground, mostly under water

Lab Director Loren Coen flagging locations for reefs based on the water level. Behind him are bags of shell stacked three or four high. The water was not clear enough when these bags were placed to determine final location. Coen later returned and placed flags to indicate final locations for the shell and these bags will be moved to those locations.

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Oyster Reef

mission, called Project Impact, to deploy another 215 bags to a small island in Clam Bayou.

Our latest endeavor was June 5, when members of the public, using several personal kayaks and canoes, moved approximately 400 bags of shell. To date, we have moved approximately 1,100 bags of shell (nearly 14 tons) and 98 oyster recruitment trays. The oyster recruitment trays will be used to compare recruitment on the new reefs relative to recruitment at other natural reef locations, including Tarpon Bay. So far 51 volunteers have helped with the deployment.

You can learn more on the Web site: http://www.sccf.org/content/172/Oyster-Restoration-on-Sanibel.aspx. If you would like to volunteer, call Sabrina Lartz at 395-4617 or e-mail slartz@sccf.org. All volunteers must register in advance.✩

The Oil Disaster – And The Act That Might Have Prevented It

Barbara Joy Cooley

by Barbara Joy Cooley, president, Committee of the Islands

When is a safety net not safe? When it has a big hole in it.

In the case of the Deepwater Horizon oil drilling permit, the environmental safety net was supposed to be the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA), and the big hole was made by a troubled government agency called the Minerals Management Service (MMS).

Without that hole, the act might have prevented the oil disaster that is now ravaging the gulf and may even threaten our own shores here on Sanibel.

For years, before I joined the board of the Committee of the Islands, my job was to conduct public information and participation programs that were part of the NEPA process as applied by the U.S. Department of Energy. I worked for a government contractor, Battelle Memorial Institute, that was highly respected for its knowledge of NEPA.

Just what is NEPA and how is it supposed to work? According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, NEPA is a federal law dating from 1970 which requires federal agencies to "use all practicable means to create and maintain conditions under which man and nature can exist in productive harmony." When it is about to take an important action -- such as granting a permit or lease for oil drilling -- a federal agency first determines which level of analysis it is going to use to determine environmental effects. There are three sequential levels: a categorical exclusion from NEPA, an environmental assessment, and an environmental impact statement.

A categorical exclusion is supposed to apply only to undertakings that have previously been determined to have no significant environmental impact. If the categorical exclusion does not apply, an environmental assessment is done. If the assessment finds that there would be no significant impact, then an environmental impact statement does not have to be prepared; otherwise it does. The processes for the environmental assessment and environmental impact statement also provide opportunities for public input – including input from environmental groups and local government officials.

MMS erred in granting exclusion

The MMS erred on the first level, granting a categorical exclusion from NEPA for the Deepwater Horizon drilling plans. It is difficult to understand how MMS could assume that a deepwater oil drilling operation could produce "no significant environmental impact." The categorical exclusion was intended to be used for minor projects with minimal impact – such as outhouses built along hiking trails – not deepwater oil drilling. Nevertheless, the MMS grants hundreds of categorical exclusions per year for projects in the Gulf of Mexico.

The governmental entity that keeps an eye on federal agencies, attempting to be sure that the NEPA process is properly followed, is the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ). On February 18, 2010, a memo from the CEQ director to the heads of all federal departments and agencies gave new guidance about when and how categorical exclusions are to be applied. Why? Because the CEQ was very concerned about abuse and overuse of the categorical exclusion. Here's the CEQ's concern as expressed in the memo:

"Though categorical exclusions have been one method used since the 1970s to satisfy federal agencies' NEPA obligations, the expansion of the number and range of activities categorically excluded combined with the extensive use of categorical exclusions has underscored the need for guidance about the promulgation and use of CEs (categorical exclusions). An inappropriate reliance on categorical exclusions may thwart the purposes of NEPA, compromising the quality and transparency of agency decision making as well as the opportunity for meaningful public participation and review."

So why would BP, or any oil company for that matter, want the MMS to use the categorical exclusion level in granting oil drilling permits? Because it saves lots of time and money. Doing an environmental assessment, and especially an environmental impact statement, is expensive, and requires opportunities for public participation and review. The record shows that the MMS granted BP a categorical exclusion from NEPA for Deepwater Horizon on April 6, 2009. And then, despite the February 18, 2010 memo from the CEQ, BP lobbyists were trying to expand the exclusion only a week and a half before the explosion.

A culture of ethical failure

According to several reports and investigations, MMS is ethically challenged. One report issued by Inspector General Earl Devaney in 2008 described a "culture of ethical failure" in the MMS, a culture in which MMS employees accepted gifts from oil company employees. The MMS is rife with conflicts of interests because it collects royalties from the companies it is regulating. About $13 billion in royalties are collected by the MMS every year.

The MMS was an agency prone to overuse and abuse the categorical exclusion to thwart the intent of NEPA. Fortunately, there are now plans to split the MMS into two agencies – one for collecting royalties, and another for regulating.

If the MMS would have required an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement as part of the Deepwater Horizon permitting, then it is almost certain that BP would not have been free to conduct its drilling in the more profitable but less reliable manner. The public could have reviewed BP's plan

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Message From CROW On The Gulf Oil Spill

by Susan Petersen Tucker, CROW President

When the Deepwater Horizon exploded on April 20, little was known about the immediate effects it would have on wildlife. One week later, the first oiled bird was found off the coast of Louisiana. For the next two weeks, there was still minimal impact on the region's wildlife. But as we are approaching mid-June, that is all changing.

Federal officials are now reporting that 604 birds have been collected, just 82 alive. They also say that 253 sea turtles have been found, with only 25 alive. So far, 29 dolphins have been found, all dead. The oil is beginning to reach the shore, the marshes, and two major pelican breeding grounds in Louisiana. Experts are now predicting that thousands to tens of thousands of our wildlife neighbors could be directly harmed by this environmental catastrophe.

From the time the oil spill began, all wildlife rescue and rehabilitation efforts have been coordinated through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and Tri-State Bird Rescue & Research. At CROW, as a member of the local joint response team, we have volunteered our services and our facilities to them as part of that coordinated effort and we are on alert to assist as needed.

At CROW, we have also been heartened and overwhelmed by the generosity of those who have called to volunteer their services to help with the rescue and rehabilitation of oiled wildlife. The USFWS and Tri-State are compiling lists of potential paraprofessional responders in our area in the event local efforts are needed.

In order to be considered to participate in these efforts, individuals must possess (or work directly under someone possessing) an active permit, license or authorization related to the migratory bird, sea turtle or other species being handled. You must also possess a working knowledge and have at least three months experience with the protocol, procedures and hazards associated with the species. Preference will then be given to those with hazardous materials training, OSHA training, rabies shots and extensive rescue experience. In Southwest Florida, there are over 80 federal, state and local agencies and organizations with qualified responders on their staff. It is up to USFWS and Tri-State to assess and deploy the human resources if local rescue, rehabilitation or cleanup efforts are needed.

In other words, it is highly unlikely that any "volunteers" will be called upon to directly participate in local efforts. It is an inherently dangerous activity, the oil is considered to be a highly toxic material and for your own safety (and for the safety of our wildlife) you should avoid going to any oil-affected areas and handling wildlife in distress.

But there is still a lot you can do to help. The state of Florida has created its own program for volunteers (www.volunteerflorida.org) to fill a variety of needs (you must be at least 18 to register). Governor Crist has also activated a toll-free hotline (1-888-337-3569) to answer questions about volunteer opportunities and the state's response activities.

Over the past weeks, so many caring and compassionate people have also come to CROW to help us. Our potential call to duty to help oiled wildlife significantly threatens our existing daily operations and having these new volunteers to help us with basic patient care, food preparation, feedings, tortoise grazing, cage cleaning, laundry and even helping to answer our telephone hotline has made a tremendous difference for CROW. We are open seven days a week, 365 days a year, treat over 200 species and nearly 4,500 patients a year and are always close to full capacity. We are still looking for additional volunteers who are seeking a memorable and meaningful experience.

You can also help us by becoming a member of CROW or by making a donation that will help us continue to save wildlife through compassion, care and education. If you would like to become a CROW volunteer, a member or make a donation, please call CROW at 472-3644 ext. 6 or go to our Web site www.crowclinic.org.

For over 40 years, thanks to people like you, CROW has worked tirelessly to give wildlife a voice and to give people hope for their future. Together, let's hope and pray for the future of those who are now seeing their world through oil-soaked eyes and let's give them a voice in the midst of this tragedy. Thank you for your continued support!✲

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Solar Powered Restrooms

project. This project was funded completely by the Tourist Development Council of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau.

Although the restroom is capable of operating entirely on solar power, Sanibel City Council has approved an agreement with Lee County Electric Cooperative (LCEC) to feed excess solar-generated power back to the utility.✲

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Kiwanis News

-ing our budget for 2010-2011 next week at our board meeting. If you know of an organization which supports island youth and is need of some assistance, we may be able to help. Please contact your local Kiwanian. Our mission is to serve the children of the world starting on Sanibel and Captiva.✲

Our email address is press@islandsunnews.com

Make A Plan And Try For That Grand Slam

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

With the winds switching up this week and blowing from the southwest it really felt like a convection oven outside. Searing hot summer temperatures made for a consistent early morning bite even though strong winds limited the areas to fish.

All summer long the chances to catch a grand slam are good. If you don't already know, our grand slam consists of a tarpon, snook, redfish and trout all in one day's fishing. All the players are here in good numbers right now. So if you want to test your skills, although it can be done almost all year long, your best shot to pull it off is this next month or two.

Like any other day fishing I plan my day based on the tide. Start your day as usual by catching live bait before the sun rises and also bring a few cut baits and a live crab or two never hurt. After loading up the live well I like to start off at first light by sight fishing tarpon.

Plan to be mangrove fishing for reds on the last few hours of the day's incoming tide. Then head to the passes when the water starts to go out for a snook and a trout. The day's tides are going to be the main factor in where you need to be at what time.

Tarpon early this week were in big numbers gulfside from Fort Myers Beach to Knapp's Point. By the end of the week conditions got just too rough off the beaches and I had to switch it up and fish them in the bay. Tarpon could be found rolling from Redlight Shoal all the way north to Cabbage Key in all the usual places. Though not in the big numbers like on the gulfside there are still plenty of tarpon to get the first part of the slam.

If conditions are calm, sight fish the tarpon with live pinfish, threadfins or small blue crabs. Even with the southwest wind areas on the backside of the barrier islands, it's still calm enough at first light and for a few hours after for sightfishing. Throwing a bait to rolling tarpon is without a doubt the most heart-stopping way to catch these silver kings. If conditions are too rough for this, set up on the anchor in well known haunts soaking cut baits and casting live baits too. After getting your tarpon by mid morning it's time to switch it up. Even if you don't pull off the tarpon first thing, stay with the plan fishing the tides and come back for a tarpon later.

Higher mid morning tides this week are perfect for redfish and snook under the mangroves. Add the prevailing southwest winds and we will have some higher than normal tides. Fishing around the mouth of the river and outer mangrove islands closer to the passes has been good action on both species during this high incoming water. Freelined pinfish and white bait have been the best bait choices to get this part done.

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Catch the redfish part of your slam under the mangroves on the high tide

Send Us Your Fish Tales

The *Island Sun* would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the *Island Sun*, 1640 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, Sanibel, or email to islandsuncity@aol.com; or call Anne Mitchell at 395-1213.

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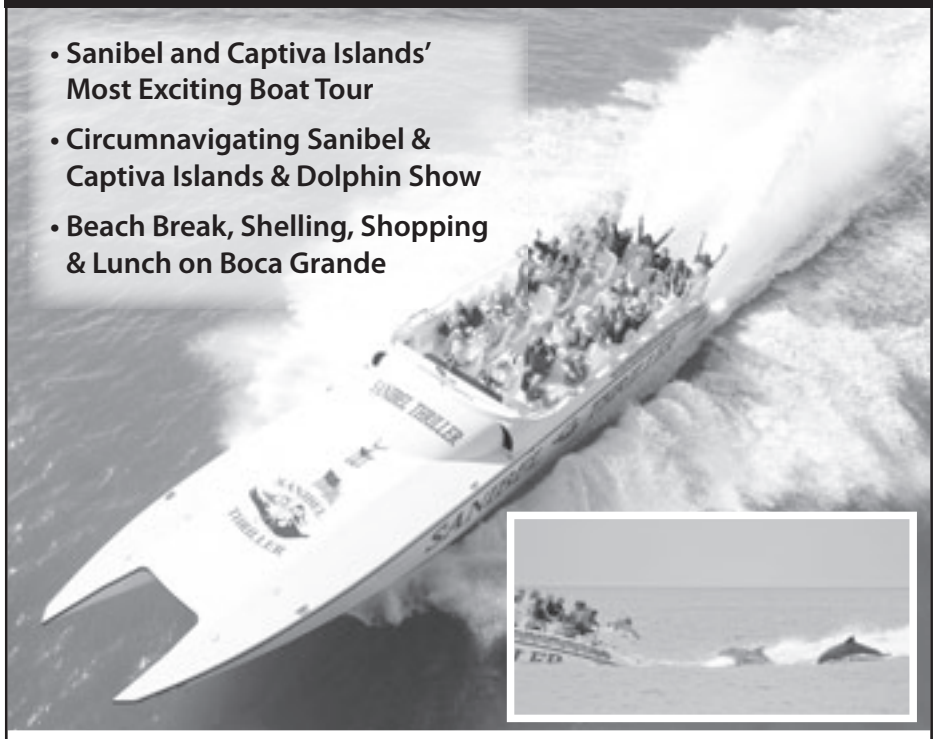

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Live Beach Watch Camera On Captiva

Captiva Island's 'Tween Waters Inn Island Resort announces international media access to its live beach cam feed for Internet use. Any credible media source will be granted access to the camera feed code, per request, to monitor Southwest Florida beach conditions while the BP Oil Spill in the Gulf of Mexico continues to potentially threaten Florida's coastline.

The beach cam is situated at 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva Island, a barrier island three miles from the mainland and the city of Fort Myers. Updated by the minute, the Web camera faces west toward the Gulf of Mexico, is live year-round and found at www.tween-waters.com/webcam.php but is only just now being offered to outside media for use of the code for Internet use. On the current Web site, the beach cam continues to be a top-viewed page for Web site visitors and also receives more than 10,000 organic searches per month.

"The use of the 'Tween Waters Inn beach cam on additional media sources helps keep people informed," said General Manager Jeff Shuff. "The beach cam is not only a great resource, but a great way to reassure travelers that it is safe to visit our beaches or book a vacation. We do not anticipate the need to use the beach cam as a source to spot oil, but a place to spot continued great conditions in Florida."

For those interested in both visual and written updates on conditions in the Gulf of Mexico, 'Tween Waters Inn has launched a revolutionary Facebook Beach Watch tab, which includes the Web cam feed as well as written updates. The Facebook Page can be found at www.Facebook.com/TweenWaters. The beach cam updates by minute, and written updates are made as needed.☼

Bonsai Society

Monthly Meeting

Guests are welcome at the monthly meeting of the Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida on Saturday, June 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. Guest Jim Van Landingham of Vero Beach will demonstrate a slanting tree.

The meeting will be held at the Support Personnel Association of Lee County (SPALC) Building at 6281 Metro Plantation Road in Fort Myers. There is no charge for attending the meeting and reservations are not required.

Following a lunch break, Van Landingham will present a workshop for members, who may bring a tree of their own or purchase one at the meeting. Members interested in participating in the workshop are encouraged to register with either Phil Kreig at 489-3238, or Jim Bremer at 482-7543.

Bonsai is a horticultural art of growing trees in pots. It had its origins in China and Japan. Information about bonsai and the association will be available at the meeting. Additional information about bonsai, the association, or the meeting may be obtained by contacting Becky Bodnar at 463-4102 or email beckybodnar@msn.com.☼

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Grand Slam Plan

If redfish action is slow try a cut bait or cutting a pinfish or big white bait in two and just let it sit under the trees. When redfish fishing I only give a spot 10 minutes max without a bite then move. If the reds are there and feeding, it's generally pretty quick.

Once the tide starts to fall out, if you still have not gotten your snook, head to the passes. Drift with live pinfish and grunts around the edges of the passes on the outgoing tide. The passes and the beaches are also holding good numbers of trout. Dock fishing for snook on the outgoing tide is also a good bet. When catching snook in such hot water, carefully revive and release them as season is closed and the fish are just starting their spawn. If conditions are calm, working the beaches is also a good choice to catch snook and trout. These trout and snook will be in the passes and on the beaches all summer long.

Catching a slam is not an easy thing to pull off but when everything comes together and falls into place it's a feeling of accomplishment. Just spending a great day out on the water for most of us is enough but challenging your angling skills can only make you a better fisherman, slam or no slam.

Capt. Matt Mitchell moved to Sanibel in 1980 and has fished local waters for more than 25 years. Send emails to captmattmitchell@aol.com.☼

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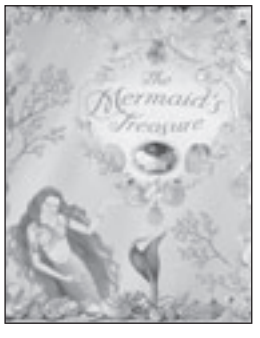
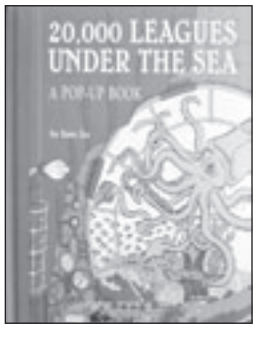
Diane Thomas, public programs specialist at The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum, invites all children in age groups five through eight, and nine through 12 to participate in a School's Almost Out coloring contest. The children are asked to complete the drawing titled, I'm nature's own submarine, published in the museum's first original shell coloring book. Children can stop by the Museum Store and pick up a coloring book. The shell museum's coloring book is dedicated to the memory of museum volunteer, Betty Farnum.

Prize book selection





Children in the younger age group are asked to use crayons to complete the picture. The older children may use either crayons or colored pencils. Each entry must include contact information. The child's name, address and telephone number should be submitted with the art work. Entries can be mailed to The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road, Sanibel, FL, 33957 or placed in an envelope clearly labeled with the child's name and dropped off at the Museum Store. All entries must be received by June 25.

Winners in both age groups will be announced on July 2. Contest winners will receive six museum guest passes for treating family and friends to a visit to see their art work displayed in the lobby and the opportunity to visit the Museum Store to choose one of the prize books.

If you have any questions contact Diane Thomas at 3952233.

Fish Caught

Indy Pati with his seven-pound redfish

Sanibel resident Indy Pati caught this 26-inch redfish, weighing seven-pounds, near an oyster bar by the Sanibel Causeway. All he used was a large shrimp with a bobber. He was fishing close to high tide.

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An Intriguing Show At Theatre Conspiracy

by Di Saggau

A hip new play, *boom*, by Peter Nachtrieb, is an end-of-the-world comedy that centers around an awkward marine biologist Jules (Christopher Brent) and Jo (Virginia Grace), a girl who answered his ad on Craigslist. Based upon the behavior of the fish he studies, Jules is certain a very large comet is going to strike earth. He plans to repopulate the planet with the help of Jo. Problem is, these two are about as compatible as oil and water.

Jules isn't exactly sure when the impending disaster is going to happen. He breaks it down to seven minutes, more or less. Once it happens the couple is trapped in his underground lab with a strange collection of supplies, including disposable diapers, and lots of Doritos.

A third character, Barbara (Tera Nicole Miller), keeps banging on a drum and raising and lowering levers that have some strange power over what's happening to Jules and Jo. At first her role is confusing, but it eventually plays out.

Virginia Grace and Christopher Brent in *boom*

The contemporary, witty dialogue, which includes lots of "f" words, is delivered with great energy by the actors. When Jo questions how they can pass the time, Jules replies, "We could do a lot, we could actually finish a Thomas Pynchon novel." The play keeps you guessing until the end and beyond. I'm still thinking about it. That's what I love about an offbeat, cutting edge comedy. It doesn't answer all your questions, so it keeps running through your mind, and in my opinion that's a good thing. The actors do a stellar job and it's up to the audience to just relax and go with the flow.

The play runs through June 12 at Theatre Conspiracy, at Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday with a 2 p.m. matinee Sunday, June 12. The play runs 90 minutes with no intermission. For tickets call 936-3239. And yes, the playwright intended the title to be in all lower case type.✵

Donations Needed For Fireworks Display

Island businesswoman Sharon Michie is calling for donations to put on a Fourth of July fireworks display. She has secured a vendor to put on the show but she needs donations to cover the cost. Any amount is appreciated. Best viewing will be from the causeway. Call 472-6385 or email FriendsofJuly4Fireworks@gmail.com to contribute.✵

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Terry Alfaro

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Dana Alvarez

Alfaro recently graduated from the UCF with a BFA in musical theater. Professional credits include: Stitch's Supersonic Celebration and *The Three Kings* at Walt Disney World, and *Pecos Bill and the Ghost Stampede* at Florida Repertory Theatre. Other credits include *Rent* (Angel), *Smokey Joe's Café* (Victor), *Lucky Stiff* (Vinnie), *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* (Schroeder), *The Rocky Horror Show* (Riff Raff u/s), *The Marriage of Figaro* (Cherubino), *Tartuffe* (Damis), and *As You Like It* (Orlando).

Alvarez is a member of the Young Artists Awards Board of Directors and a teacher at Oasis Elementary, where she recently directed *Seussical, Jr.* She was a Young Artist Awards finalist five years in a row, and a category winner twice for Classical Voice. In 2004, she represented the region in the National Shakespeare Competition at Lincoln Center. Favorite past shows include *Steel Magnolias* (Annelle), *Jekyll and Hyde* (Emma), *Music Man* (Marian), *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* (Sally), and *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* (Millie).

Proceeds from this benefit concert will fund local student scholarships in the performing arts. The Young Artists Awards program is a not for profit performing arts education, audition, performance, and scholarship program for area students. Tickets are $12 for adults and $8 for students.

Call 574-9321 or visit the Cultural Park Theatre box office in person at 582 Cultural Park Boulevard to purchase tickets.

More information about the Young Artists Awards program can be found at www.youngartistsawards.org.

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest* by Stieg Larsson
2. *Deep Shadow* by Randy Wayne White
3. *Dead Silence* by Randy Wayne White
4. *Sanibel Island* by Yvonne Hill
5. *Guernsey Literary & Potato Peel Pie Society* by M. Shaffer
6. *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese
7. *Sanibel Flats* by Randy Wayne White
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Lee Teachers Learn Project Wild Program At 'Ding' Darling

Some of the teachers stop along the side of Wildlife Drive to view some of the resident birds

Pam Burt leads the group of teachers on Wildlife Drive during the Project Wild program

On Saturday, June 5 over 30 science teachers from Lee County elementary, middle, and high schools spent the day at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge becoming certified to teach Project Wild and Project Wild Aquatic in their classrooms.

Project Wild is a nationwide program designed to educate K-12 students about wildlife conservation and to help these young people develop as responsible citizens of the planet.

The seven-hour hands-on training was led by instructors Pam Burt and Rick Tully from Lee County Schools, Kristie Anders from the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF), and Toni Westland from "Ding" Darling.

In addition, Tarpon Bay Explorers donated a refuge tram tour led by naturalist Don Parsons who taught the group about mangrove ecology and the birds in the refuge ecosystem. Parsons explained that the ecosystem is like a jigsaw puzzle that needs all of its pieces in order to be complete.

The group had lots of fun and each teacher received two curriculum books to help them bring the new activities and conservation education into their classrooms.

Visit the following Web sites to learn more about the organizations involved in preparing the teachers for the Project Wild programs: www.sccf.org, www.fws.gov/dingdarling/; or www.tarponbayexplorers.com.

Estates President Wins National Garden Clubs Award Of Excellence

Chris Pendelton

Chris Pendleton, president and chief executive officer of the Edison & Ford Winter Estates has been honored with a national Award of Excellence from National Garden Clubs Inc., the largest volunteer organization of its type in the world. Pendleton is recognized for her leadership in the restoration and the implementation of new horticulture programs in the gardens on the site of the winter homes of American inventor Thomas A. Edison and automobile industrialist Henry Ford at the estates in Fort Myers.

Pendleton, whose vision for the estates included the restoration of its gardens and historic buildings, was integral to securing funding from local, state and federal agencies, foundations and private donors for preservation of the site, as well as in the development of new visitor amenities, classrooms and public gardens. The Edison & Ford Winter Estates is one of the 10th most visited historic home sites in America attracting more than 200,000 visitors annually from all over the world.

Pendleton's career includes managing museums, gardens, science and natural history centers in South Carolina, North Carolina, Virginia and Florida.

Pendleton's nomination was sponsored by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs Inc. The award was presented at the National Garden Clubs annual convention May 15 in Atlanta.

National Garden Clubs Inc. is a not-for-profit organization that offers service projects such as Garden Therapy, Habitat for Humanity Landscaping, Golden Days, Plant It Pink, Blue Star Memorials, school gardening initiatives for children, flower shows, and a host of civic beautification and improvement efforts. Founded in 1929 and headquartered in St. Louis, NGC (www.gardenclub.org) has 200,000 members connected through a vast network of 6,300 local clubs, 50 state clubs and a national Capitol area club, as well as a sizable group of international affiliates.

The estates is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For additional information call 334-7419. To find out on what's blooming at the estates visit the Web site at www.efwefla.org✰

Poetic Voices

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selected by Don Brown

Spring Garden Walk

by Lorraine A. Vail

I slip into the slender sleeves
of spring, past vines of honeysuckle
wrapped on cut dead wood,
bark peeling with age and cold.

Fragile crowns of daffodil bend
with the sweep of wind; I inhale
the intoxicating pleasure,
silk-scented wisteria,
leguminous innocence.

I climb stone steps stained moss
down a cracked wall near snow
blossoms of dogwood white.

I spy pink tufts of childhood,
heavenly bamboo, red bud.

Lily of the Nile surrounds a
waterfall where glassine sheets spin
from the ledge, separate in streams,
divide in drops, alone like the
sculpted woman near the edge,

breasts round, bronzed
in the sun's full bloom.
She stands rooted,
sweet alyssum at her feet,

strong enough to hold new life,
to heal a wintered heart.

Lorraine A. Vail received the 2009 Literary Artist of the Year Award from the Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers and was a Pushcart Prize nominee. She is the recipient of two Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation Grants in poetry and in December 2009, one of her poems was selected for the International Museum of Women's Web site. Gulf Coast Writers and FGCU Sanibel Writers Conference have awarded her first place in their poetry contests. Her poems are published in numerous journals. Vail is the creator of the collaborative ArtPoems project (2007-2010). She is the author of Between Land and Sea, Near Water *and* Paradise Found. *Her latest book is* Fire in the Grass *which may be found in local bookstores and online. She calls Sanibel Island home.*✰

Summer Reading Programs

The Sanibel Public Library is getting ready for the Summer Reading Program. The program runs from Saturday, June 19 through Friday, August 13. This year's themes are Make a Splash! READ for children pre-k through 5th grade and Make Waves at Your Library for those in 6th grade and older.

On Saturday, June 19 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon there will be the annual kick-off party. Kids of all ages will be able to sign-up for the Summer Reading Program as well as play games, collect prizes, make a craft, and have some popcorn! Every child, 'tween and teen, who signs up will get a special gift provided by the Joan Hunt Corey Children's Fund and the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc.

Children in pre-K through 5th grade will receive a booklet which gives them a chart to keep track of the time they've read and information on the Summer Reading Marathon. Every week the kids bring their reading charts to the library. If they have read 20 minutes a day for five days they can get library bucks. Those bucks will be redeemable on Friday, August 13 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the library store. And if they meet the Summer Reading Marathon requirement they will get a certificate and a prize.

The tweens and teens will also receive a booklet.

This gives them a chart to keep track of their reading and a list of the programs just for them. For every three hours they read they can enter weekly drawings for a grand prize.

"I know they have a lot of reading to do during the school year," says Miss Barb (Dunkle). "My hope is that during the summer they will continue to read just for the fun and enjoyment of it. Becoming a lifelong reader helps us all in everything we do. Plus it is a great way to relax and 'take a trip to another place or dimension!'"

Starting on Tuesday, June 22 there will be weekly programs for both the children and the tweens and teens. At 3 p.m. there will be hour-long programs featuring Magic by John, Page Turner Adventures, John Storms' World of Reptiles, and Toni Westland from "Ding" Darling Wildlife Reserve, to name a few. These programs are designed for all ages. They are free and everyone is welcome.

On Tuesday evenings, starting on June 22 at 6 p.m. the library will be open for an hour for the Teen VIP After-Hours programs. During this time the tweens and teens can come to the library to play DDR, Guitar Hero and other Wii games and board games, use the TeenSpace Tech Lab, make some awesome crafts and, of course, have snacks. It's a time for them to hang out at the library with their friends and have some fun. And, of course, they can check out the great Young Adult collection. For more information call 472-2483.☼

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Matlacha Artist Making A Statement About BP Oil Spill

Oil spill art installation

Part of Lovegrove's *SOS* art installation

Artist Leoma Lovegrove of Matlacha has been creating quite a statement about the oil spill in the gulf. Her art installation is located at her national headquarters, Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens, 4637 Pine Island Road in Matlacha. She was inspired to create the public art installation after trying to donate $100,000 of her original wildlife art to CROW. The animal rescue organization could not accept the money because the federal government would not allow them to take the donation to help save animals from the BP oil spill. They said the government is leaving it up to BP to do all the saving of the animals. Outraged, Lovegrove got out the black paint to make her statement about the oil disaster. The art installation was completed on June 5.

Lovegrove's public art installation continues with no end of show date.

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Meet The Artists On Captiva

Two Islands Gallery of Chadwick's Square at the South Sea Island Resort will hold its first Meet the Artists event on Friday, June 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Two jewelry artisans, Bunny Gordon and Sandy Jones, will have complete collections, and will also be demonstrating how they create their art on the second floor deck by the gallery.

Peridot and apatite cascade by Sandy Jones

The idea came about when the two met, and were comparing their work. Gordon's colorful work is very organic and free form, with huge energy and presence. Jones' work is more structured and smaller in scale, but also with huge energy and movement. Gordon commented that her husband would prefer Jones' style, and Jones commented that her husband would prefer Gordon's – hence the idea for a joint event was born.

"We thought it would be interesting for people to see how two different artists use similar materials, yet with the differences in their style and their eye, end up with work that is so very different," said Jones and Gordon.

Both women are also new to being "professional" artists. "In fact, it gives me quite a thrill when someone refers to me as an artist. Bunny and I have both been making jewelry for awhile, but have only started showing in galleries. We both love being at Two Islands Gallery – it's such a supportive group of artists, and really, the art is fantastic. I'm very proud to be part of the gallery, just looking around at the amazing work that is created by the artists," said Jones.

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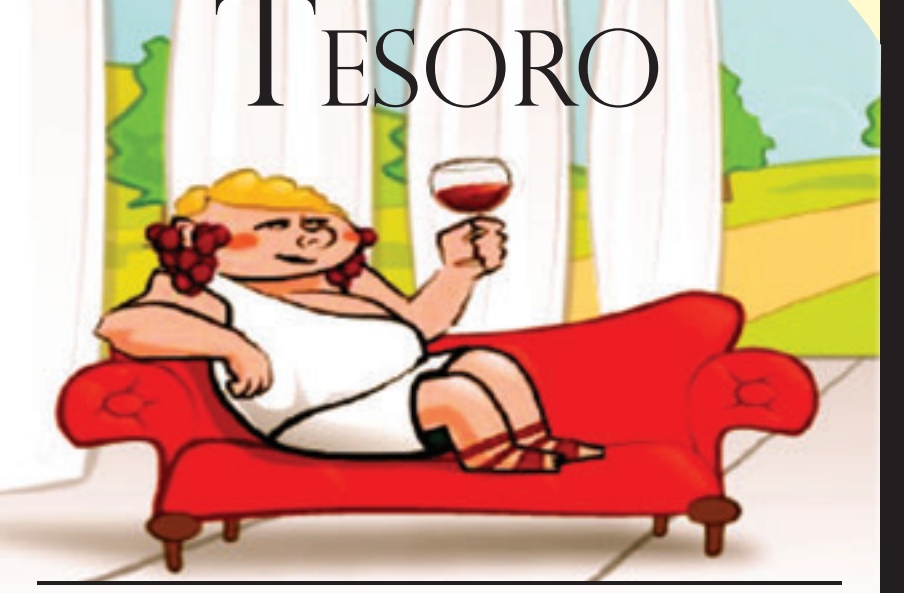

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Around The Islands With Anne

Experts At Decorating Den Can Make Your Home An Island Showcase

by Anne Mitchell

Most islanders enjoy their outdoor scenery so much that they want to bring it indoors for their island retreat, whether it is a full-time residence, a seasonal home, or investment property.

Judy Underwood, owner of the local **Decorating Den Interiors** design studio, has just returned from market where the newest island styles were displayed in several showrooms. Two new lines of drapery and bedspread fabrics, perfect for time-share and condo projects, were added to the Decorating Den library.

Underwood also acquired a new, affordable custom area rug line which allows the decorator and client to custom design, size and color tropical motif rugs, perfect to set the décor for island living. With their existing lines of tropical

Soothing textures and calming colors are perfect for end-of-day relaxing

furniture which is custom painted and upholstered with hundreds of wonderful fabrics, every home owner can enjoy the experience of having original designs in their home.

Summer is the perfect time to refresh island residences while contractors are less busy. Redecorating projects, if begun right away, can be completed prior to the beginning of season. The Decorating Den designers have many years of experience working "long distance" with home owners who are in cooler climes during summer. Fabrics by

overnight express delivery, and progress photos by email put the client at ease while progress proceeds.

Island decorating can be still be fun and relaxing, but also tasteful and unique with assistance from long-term professionals Cindy Malszycki, Marcia Feeney, and Jeanie Tinch. Decorating Den Interiors has been voted #1 Home Interiors on the island since 2007.

The company is an active member of the Sustainable Furnishings Council, promoting deco-friendly processes throughout the home furnishings industry. The studio has been at Sanibel Promenade, 695 Tarpon Bay Road, since 1997. Summer hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. or by appointment. Call 472-6551.

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If you're looking for some great bargains on classy and comfy clothing, **Why Knot** and **Why Knot Relax** at The Village Shops are having a customer appreciation sale. Starting Thursday, June 10 there will be 50 percent off merchandise throughout the entire store. Get a jump on your Christmas shopping or jazz up your wardrobe. Shop early for the best selection in cashmere, great cotton sweaters, Cambio jeans and microfiber pants, pajamas, even the company's private label Why Knot Relax. This is a sale not to be missed, but at these discounted prices, all sales are final.

While you're at The Village, check out these other summer specials:

Tribeca Salon is offering a complimentary deep conditioning treatment with each hair service. This family run salon, for men and women, is known as the hair color experts. Consultations are always complimentary. Phone 395-3800 for an appointment.

Watson MacRae Gallery is having a Celebrate Summer Sale.

Don't miss the 30 to 40 percent off savings on a large selection of hand-made jewelry, pottery and glass.

Once a year the gallery offers beautiful artisan crafts at significant savings. If you've been eyeing a particular piece all season, hurry in and bring it home. The sale starts Thursday, June 10 and continues for two weeks. Phone 472-3386

Our apologies to one of our favorite stores, **Nanny's Children's Shoppe**, Last week, we gave you the wrong address and phone number for this popular children's clothing store. Nanny's, owned by Jan Gabrielson, is located in Sanibel Square, adjacent to The Bean, 2250 Periwinkle Way. Phone 395-1730. Stop in and check out this cute cottage store filled with unique clothing lines for boys and girls, infant to size 14. There's a summer sale in progress. All clothing items are 20 percent off, swimsuits are 30 percent off and many other items are 50 percent off.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

The Captiva Band will be playing at the at 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva Friday and Saturday. Music starts at 9 p.m. Crab races are scheduled for Tuesdays and Thursdays. Phone 472-5161.

The Island Cow has live entertainment from 6 to 9:30 p.m. nightly. The line-up: Monday, Dan Confrey; Tuesday, Jeff Key; Wednesday, Ken Wasiniak; Thursday, Diana Lynn; Friday, Greg Watts; Saturday, Diana Lynn; and Sunday, Ken Wasiniak. Phone 472-0606.

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.

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Restaurant owners/managers, please e-mail or fax your entertainment schedule to Anne Mitchell at islandsuncity@aol.com or 395-2299.☼

My Stars ★★★

FOR WEEK OF JUNE 14, 2010

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Choosing to work with someone you once thought might have been disloyal is a courageous move. The logical next step is to talk things out so there'll be no reason for raising suspicions again.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Take your time making a decision about a personal or work-related relationship. New facts are still coming in, and you'll want to know the full story before you take a definitive step.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Expect to learn something new about an old problem. This could provide some insight into how the problem began, and why it still defies efforts to find a resolution. Good luck.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An uneasy work-related relationship can be eased with compromises by both sides. The parties might consider putting the agreed-upon changes in writing in case of a future misunderstanding.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Oh, you lucky Felines: Your romantic aspects are in absolutely purrrfect form. Don't be surprised at how especially attentive the ladies and gentlemen in your life are going to be this week.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Looking to prove yourself in a difficult situation is laudable. But try paying more attention to advice from experienced contacts. It could help you avoid time-wasting missteps.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business decision seems easy enough to make based on what you know. But this week could bring new facts to light, and you might have to do some heavy rethinking.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Feeling sure about the steps you expect to take is great. But you may need to share a few dollops of that confidence with those who have some doubts about your plans.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A sense of well-being dominates much of the week. A slightly depressed mood could set in on the weekend. But being with family and friends helps shoo it away.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You appear to be walking your life's path like the sure-footed Goat you are. But someone might feel you could do better. Listen to the advice, but make up your own mind.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With positive signs growing stronger, Aquarians could find themselves facing choices that are each too good to turn down. Best advice: Go for the one you feel most comfortable with.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone you know might need your comfort and wisdom during a particularly difficult period. Your encouraging words help restore self-confidence and rebuild strength.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your kindness to all who need you is always appreciated and sets a fine example for others to follow.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On June 15, 1877, Henry Ossian Flipper, born a slave in Thomasville, Ga., in 1856, is the first black cadet to graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point. Flipper was appointed a second lieutenant in the all-black 10th Cavalry at Fort Sill in the Indian Territory.

• On June 19, 1885, the Statue of Liberty arrives in New York Harbor as a symbol of Franco-American friendship. Nine years late in arriving, the 300-foot statue was a gift from the people of France as a celebration of the Declaration of Independence centenary in 1876.

• On June 14, 1909, folksinger and Academy Award-winning actor Burl Ives is born near Hunt City, Ill. Ives is perhaps best known for his voiceover work as the jovial Sam the Snowman in the animated Christmas special "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," which included the song "A Holly Jolly Christmas."

• On June 18, 1923, the first Checker Cab rolls off the line at the Checker Cab Manufacturing Company in Kalamazoo, Mich. The company then employed some 700 people. The last Checker Cab rolled off the line in Kalamazoo in 1982.

• On June 20, 1941, after a long and bitter struggle on the part of Henry Ford against cooperation with organized labor unions, Ford Motor Company signs its first contract with the United Automobile Workers of America and Congress of Industrial Organizations (UAW-CIO).

• On June 16, 1965, Bob Dylan records "Like a Rolling Stone." The sales staff at Columbia Records did not like the song due to its length, 6 minutes 34 seconds. Two radio DJs heard a bootlegged song and demanded copies. Sales got its last dig in by chopping "Like a Rolling Stone" in half and putting it on separate sides of 45s, but a re-spliced full version was what radio stations played.

• On June 17, 1972, five men are arrested for breaking into the Democratic National Committee offices at the Watergate Hotel in Washington, D.C. Senate investigations eventually revealed that President Richard Nixon had been personally involved in the subsequent cover-up of the break-in.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was multi-talented Sir Francis Bacon -- he was a statesman, lawyer, scientist, philosopher and author -- who made the following sage observation: "If a man will begin with certainties, he shall end in doubts; but if he will be content to begin with doubts, he shall end in certainties."

• One of the most highly praised actresses of our time, Meryl Streep, holds the record for Academy Award nominations; she's been awarded the Oscar twice, but has been nominated an impressive 16 times.

• The highest known life insurance payout occurred in 1970, when the widow of a cattle rancher was awarded $18 million in benefits.

• Those who study such things say that Italians drink, on average, 26 gallons of wine every year.

• It's just common sense that people tend to behave better when they're being watched, but it may come as a surprise that it doesn't seem to matter whether or not the watcher is real. Researchers made this discovery in an experiment conducted at the University of Newcastle in Australia. In a coffee lounge where paying for the beverage was optional, a picture of a pair of eyes was placed next to the price list at some times, and at other times a picture of flowers accompanied the list. On days when the eyes were posted, more than three times as much money was donated than on days when the flowers were in the same spot.

• People magazine reportedly paid $6 million for photos of Jennifer Lopez's twin babies, Emme and Max.

• Between 1960 and 2006, the average American's production of solid waste -- including everything from paper packaging to lawn clippings -- increased by 150 percent to 4.5 pounds every day.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"People of small caliber like to sit on high horses." -- Magdalena Samozwaniec

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Gina Gloria, Kevin T. Murphy, Lexie Dorsett, Geoffrey Nelson and Samantha Rotella
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Reliving The `80s At The Schoolhouse

Lexie Dorsett, Gina Gloria, Kevin Todd Murphy, Geoffrey Nelson and Samantha Rotella have all the right moves and their voices are totally in tune as they zip through the songs of days gone by. The cast gets up front and personal with the audience and there's a lot of personality in the show which makes for a warm and fuzzy fun-filled evening.

The show is directed by Victor Legarreta, with musical direction by Justin P. Cowan. I encourage you to take in *80s to the Max*.

You'll no doubt be stomping your feet and clapping your hands like the rest of us. The show runs Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays until June 24. Then it runs on Tuesdays and Thursdays through August 12. Showtime is 7 p.m.

Debuting June 26 is another time-warped musical revue, *The 70s Show*.

It will run on Wednesday and Saturday nights through August 14. I'll be reviewing that show later this month and will give you details at that time. Tickets are $25 for adults and $10 for students. Call the box office today at 472-6862. The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater is located at 2200 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.☆

Chapter Two Of Congress Baseball Travels Set To Begin

by Ed Frank

Ready or not, West Coast here we come…

With these words, Sanibel's Doug Congress and son, Josh, depart Monday on the second chapter of their quest to visit every Major League baseball park in America.

Last year's journey of 8,100 miles took them to 20 stadiums, from Kansas City to New York and Minneapolis to Miami where they saw 26 games while also visiting museums, friends and family.

Monday, Doug and Josh crank up their 2003 Toyota Sequoia with 125,000 miles on it and head for Denver, the first stop in their travels to 10 western ballparks where they will see 20 games during the next six weeks.

The itinerary, in addition to Denver, includes Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, Oakland, Seattle, Arlington and Dallas, adding approximately 8,000 miles more to their well-traveled Toyota.

In addition, they will take in at least two Triple A Minor League games plus several national parks and other famous sites.

"Of course, we also plan to devour classic cuisine at some of the greatest diners and dives our country has to offer," Doug said.

As was the case last year, *The Island Sun* and *The River Weekly* will publish weekly reports on their travels and experiences.☆

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There's More Than Basketball In The Life Of Dick Vitale

by Ed Frank

It's a hot Sunday morning outside the Broken Egg Restaurant in Sarasota and the voice of college basketball is seated behind a table holding books, basketballs and other memorabilia.

In his famous loquacious manner, Dick Vitale, as he greets patrons, is quick to point out that "I don't make a dime," from the sale of this merchandise. Rather, every cent goes to the V Foundation for Cancer Research.

The V Foundation, of course, is named for Vitale's close friend and hero, the late basketball coach Jim Valvano who died of cancer in 1993 at the age of 47.

Against improbable odds, Valvano coached his 1983 North Carolina State University to the national championship.

There's another side to 70-year-old Vitale – warm, friendly and committed to the cause of cancer research – that one might not gather from his television antics.

Most weekends in the basketball off-season you'll find Vitale outside the Broken Egg with his Dickie V basketballs, coffee cups, shirts and his latest book on the 50 best college basketball players in the last 30 years.

But these weekend sales are just a pittance of what he raises annually through the Dick Vitale Gala held each May in Sarasota.

"We've never raised less than $1 million in each of the five galas," he said, adding that the latest gala last month brought in $1.2 million. Those funds will support pediatric cancer research at Tampa's H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and the All Children's Hospital in St. Petersburg.

"I'm excited to bring in celebrities, to open the doors of corporate executives in this battle against cancer. It affects the young and the old, the rich and poor," he said.

This year's gala honored Tony Dungy, former coach of the Super Bowl Champion Indianapolis Colts, and Tom Izzo, the highly successful Michigan State coach. In addition, the celebrity guests numbered 50 of the most famous names in sports and entertainment.

And he's already planning the sixth Dick Vitale Gala to be held May 20, 2011, where Roy Williams of North Carolina and John Calpari of Kentucky, two coaching greats, will be the honorees.

Dick Vitale

While Vitale is not shy when it comes to explaining his commitment to the V Foundation, here's what ESPN broadcaster Dan Shulman says:

"If there is anyone in America working harder to raise money for a cause, I haven't met him. But Dick has donated more than just money. He has given his heart and soul to the V Foundation and in doing so, has prompted many others to do the same. Jim Valvano's famous words, 'Don't give up, don't ever give up,' apply to Dick as well."

Sure, there maybe some who tire of Vitale's diaper dandy, awesome baby basketball expletives, but just remember that famous vocabulary comes from a man that is dedicated to the cause of finding a cure for the dreaded disease of cancer.

Four Miracle Players Named to All-Star Squad

Four members of the Fort Myers Miracle baseball team were named to the Florida State League South Division All-Star Team – pitchers Billy Bullock, Kyle Gibson and Bobby Lanigan and infielder Yangervis Solarte.

The League's All-Star Game will be played tomorrow, Saturday, at the Space Coast Stadium, home of the Brevard County Manatees.

Bullock, a second round draft selection of the Minnesota Twins in 2009, leads the Miracle with eight saves.

Lanigan, selected as a starting pitcher for the South squad, is currently on the disabled list. His season record is 2-1 with a 2.67 ERA.

Gibson and Solarte will not participate in the game as they have been promoted to Double-A New Britain. Gibson compiled a 4-1 record with a sparkling 1.87 prior to his promotion and Solarte was hitting .330 in 24 games.

Following the All-Star break, the Miracle return home to Hammond Stadium to face the Palm Beach Cardinals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:05 p.m. They entered the All-Star break with a 24-32 season record and a fifth place standing in the FLS South Division.☆

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Right now, the CEQ is reviewing the categorical exclusion loophole. You can tell them what you think about it by writing to Horst G. Greczmiel, Associate Director, NEPA Oversight, Council on Environmental Quality, 722 Jackson Place NW, Washington, DC 20503.

And you can find a daily update on the Deepwater Horizon disaster by clicking on the link to it on the Committee of the Islands web site at www.coti.org/links.cfm.☆

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Golf Club Recognized For Environmental Excellence

The Sanctuary Golf Club golf course has retained its designation as a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary through the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses, an Audubon International program. Kyle Sweet, golf course superintendent, led the effort to maintain sanctuary status on the course. The Sanctuary Golf Club was designated as a Certified Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary in 2003 and is one of 99 courses in Florida and 761 in the world to receive the honor.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for Golf Courses, endorsed by the United States Golf Association, provides information and guidance to help golf courses preserve and enhance wildlife habitat, and protect natural resources. Golf courses from the United States, Africa, Australia, Canada, Central America, Europe, Mexico, and Southeast

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Sanctuary Club member Susan Cassell and Sanctuary Golf Course Superintendent Kyle Sweet with new certification and wildlife print from Audubon International

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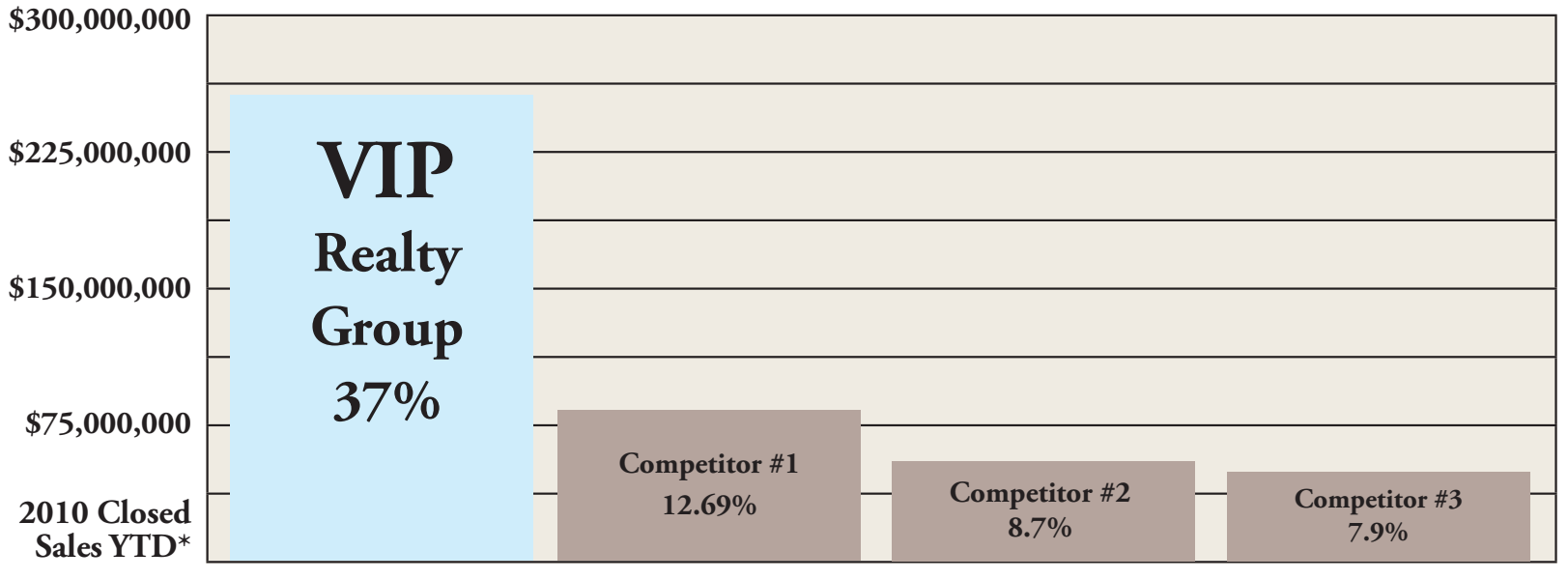

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SPORTS QUIZ

1. In 2009, Tampa Bay's infield (Jason Bartlett, Evan Longoria, Carlos Pena, Ben Zobrist) was selected for baseball's All-Star Game. Name the last time before then that an A.L. team's starting infield made the All-Star Game.
2. Who is the only player in major-league history to have three consecutive seasons of at least 200 hits and 35 home runs?
3. Joe Gibbs is one of four coaches to have won at least three Super Bowls, but he did it with three different quarterbacks. Name two of them.
4. Who is the NCAA men's basketball leader in career 3-point field goal percentage?
5. How many teams did goaltender Curtis Joseph play for during his 19-year NHL career?
6. In the past 20 years of the Boston Marathon (1991-2010), how many times has a Kenyan male won it?
7. How many times was John Ruiz a WBA heavyweight champion during his boxing career?

ANSWERS

1. The New York Yankees in 2002 (Jason Giambi, Derek Jeter, Alfonso Soriano, Robin Ventura). 2. Jim Rice of Boston (1977-79). 3. Joe Theismann (Super Bowl XVII), Doug Williams (XXII) and Mark Rypien (XXVI). 4. Tony Bennett of Wisconsin-Green Bay (.497 percentage). 5. Six (St. Louis, Edmonton, Toronto, Detroit, Phoenix and Calgary). 6. Seventeen times. 7. Twice.

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Sanctuary Golf

Asia have achieved certification in the program.

"The Sanctuary Golf Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. They are to be commended for their efforts to provide a sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course property," said Jim Sluiter, staff ecologist for the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Programs.

"To reach certification, a course must demonstrate that they are maintaining a high degree of environmental quality in a number of areas," explained Sluiter. These categories include: environmental planning, wildlife and habitat management, outreach and education, chemical use reduction and safety, water conservation, and water quality management. Courses go through a recertification process every two years.☆

Madden Football Challenge

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The Tony Rotino Center is at 5817 Driftwood Parkway.☆

Kids All American Fishing Derby

Cape Coral Yacht Club will have an All American Fishing Derby for children on Saturday, June 12 from 8 to 11 a.m. on the pier.

The derby includes angler education, two hours of fishing, awards and lunch. Each participant will receive a goodie bag.

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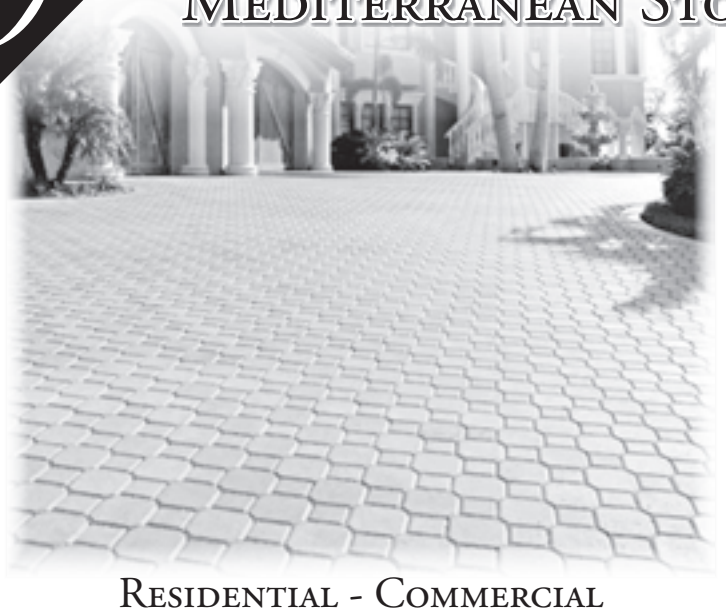
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PGA Tips

Tournament vs. Recreational Golf, Two Completely Different Games

by Matt Oakley, PGA Golf Professional

As a PGA professional I get a chance to play recreational golf with my members, friends and co-workers. Occasionally, I also get to play competitive tournament golf. I believe they are two completely different games. Here are a few examples of how to play each:

1. Recreational Golf

• Nothing better than a Saturday morning game with your buddies. Maybe a few bucks on the line, mostly bragging rights. This is a place where I relax, play shots and don't worry too much about the consequences.

• If I am working on swing changes I will try them in this situation. Not much pressure and I can see where my new swing thought is and how it's doing.

• If I just got a new club I will play it here, see what it's got.

• During the round, if things aren't going well I may tinker with a new swing technique to see if I can find something that works during the round.

2. Tournament Golf

• The week before the event I come to a conclusion on what swing I am bringing with me and stick to it. I will not be tinkering with my swing during the event. This is a leap of faith, I am going to play what I bring that day.

• I hit very few full shots the week before and focus on 100 yards and in during practice. Lots of chipping, pitching and putting.

• On the first tee I forget about golf swing and focus on only the target. I try not to have any swing thoughts at all during the tournament round.

• If, after a few holes the driver has been poor, I will tee off with a 3-wood or less to get the ball in play.

• Before every shot during the round I factor in the hazards and the worst place the ball could end up and play aggressively towards a safe place. If in a bunker or a difficult shot over a hazard I may lay up or play away from the pin to make sure I stay in play. Nothing ruins a tournament round quicker than a big number, especially early in the round.

• After each shot I forget it and focus on the next one. I do not let the last shot influence the next one. For example, if 7-iron went left last time doesn't mean this one will.

Try these tips during your next recreational rounds and tournament rounds and I promise you will score better.

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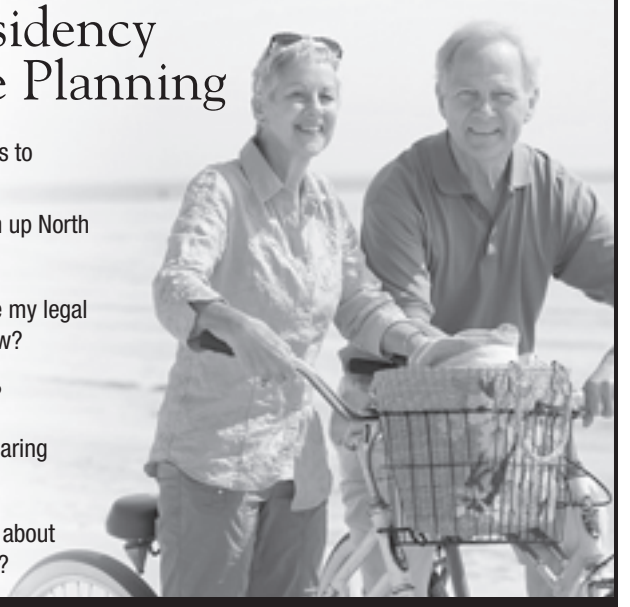

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Class fee is $355 and includes all course materials. A minimum of six students is necessary for this class to be held, and a maximum of 12 students will be accepted.

The 14-session classes will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays starting August 23 for the November 6 SAT test. Classes will be held on August 23, 25, 30, September 1, 13, 15, 20, 27, October 4, 6, 13, 20, 27, and November 3.

Math classes are held Mondays, and classes for the verbal section are held Wednesdays. Sessions, which begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. and conclude by 9 p.m., are held at the federation office at 9701 Commerce Center Court, Fort Myers (off Bass Road and Summerlin Road opposite Lexington County Club).

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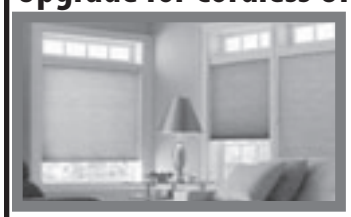

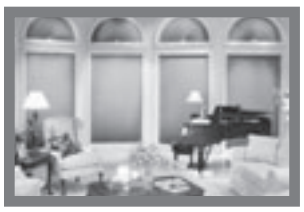

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Lee Schools Standardized Curriculum

A national dialog was started last week in Georgia concerning the need to standardize curriculum across the board for all 50 states. While this discussion is a long time in coming, Lee County Public Schools has been ahead of the curve, having had a standardized curriculum – grades pre-k though 12 – in place for the past few years.

"I applaud our national education leaders for starting the discussion, but Lee County has already successfully started down the standardization road," said Dr. James Browder, superintendent of schools. "We realized long ago the value of having the same books, lessons and materials for each grade level in each school – it's just better for children."

A few years ago, Lee County Public Schools began implementing standardized textbooks, lessons and materials for each grade level. Based on a mobility rate of around 40 percent, it was imperative that district schools provide similar lessons at similar times during the year, and use the same books and materials. If a child leaves one school and moves across the county, their new school should be teaching the same things at the same times using the same books. That just makes sense, and helps a student transition from one learning environment to another.

"It's no coincidence that of the nine largest districts in Florida, Lee County does not have any schools performing at the bottom five percent," Browder said. "That's based on many factors, including excellent teachers and providing consistency in lessons and materials for students."

Now that the discussion is being held on a national level, it could mean that in the not-too-distant future a 3rd-grader who moves from Michigan to Florida will use the same books and materials in their new school as they did in their former school. It would also allow states, for the first time, to be on a "level playing field" when it comes to comparing student academic performance.

Browder said his door is open to anyone from across the United States who wants to see how this concept is already working.

"If educators from various parts of the country want to see how a standardized curriculum benefits children, they need look no further than Lee County Public Schools," he said. "I'd invite anyone to see what we're doing because it is proving a very successful part of what we provide the students of Lee County."✡

Scholarship For Adult Education

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation has awarded $5,000 to the Florida High School Diploma scholarship fund, established through Lee County Adult Education. Lee County adult learners who are preparing to take their Florida High School Diploma exam can apply for the scholarship through Lee County Adult Education. Interested adult education students should call Susan Chastain at 337-8322

This is the first time Lee County Adult Education has been able to offer this opportunity to adult students, thanks to the generosity of Southwest Florida Community Foundation. The selection committee will review all applications, considering academic merit and contribution to the program as criteria for selection.

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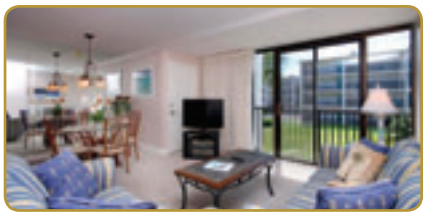

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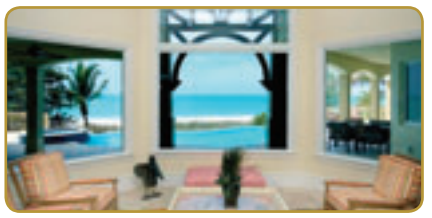

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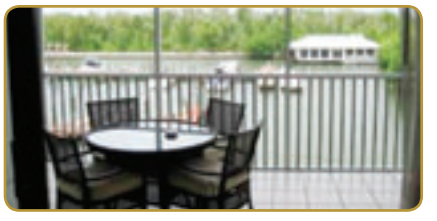

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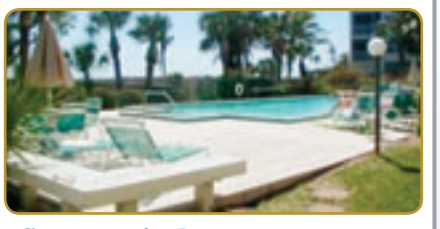

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Does Leaving Everything To Children Avoid Charges Of Parental Favoritism?

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

The Bible is replete with stories describing ill consequences when a parent favors one child over another. Jacob's deception of his father Isaac in order to receive the blessings of the first born, even though Jacob's twin brother Esau was entitled, happens to be one of the most famous. A related biblical story regarding Jacob's favoring his son Joseph (giving Joseph a multi-colored coat) angered Joseph's brothers who sold him into Egyptian slavery.

Sibling rivalry – especially to inure inheritance rights from their parents – therefore appears to go back to the beginnings of recorded time. It's been my experience that parents struggle with how to treat their children fairly when deciding how to divide up their assets and possessions. Most of the time, parents will favor dividing everything equally in an effort to not show any favoritism and to curry goodwill between their children.

But does this strategy always work? What about the case where one of the siblings took care of an infirm parent for years? She may expect some kind of monetary reward in the estate plan – and may feel hurt if the parent fails to account for the extra effort. Yet if the parent does reward the dutiful child with a disproportionate share, her siblings may protest.

"It was her choice to take care of Mom, and doesn't make up for a lifetime of being part of family in which everything was always equal," they may say.

Paradoxically, the sibling who remains close to the parent often does not feel she is the favored child. A parent may take for granted the devoted daughter who visits her in the nursing home every day. Then, on the rare occasion when her brother walks in, the overjoyed mom announces, "Oh my son is here! He is so kind to visit me!" The daughter might hope that such imbalance will be corrected in her inheritance, although typical patterns of family interaction tend to persist, even at the end of life.

What about the situation where one child needs the money and the other doesn't? The parent might decide to leave all or a significant portion of the estate to the needy child, potentially causing ill will between them.

"I know that 'John' needed the money more than I did," 'Lou' once complained to me, "but he ALWAYS needed the money. Mom and Dad continually bailed him out of one financial disaster to the next. I NEVER asked for a dime. And now, here at the end, look what they did."

Valid feelings, certainly.

I've also seen the other end of the spectrum. "Listen," 'Sheila' explained to me while deciding what to put into her will, "I've given Bobby so much money over the years that it wouldn't be fair to give him more in my will. Everything should instead go to Susan and Edna. Let's leave Bobby out of the will."

Very often wills are used not only as a means of conferring favor, some have used them as a means to measure a child's performance in accordance with the parents' standards. "Everything was fine until you married that girl," for example.

Sometimes – because neither the parents nor children ever wanted to broach uncomfortable subjects – it's only when the will is read that son or daughter discovers that one or both parents harbored such unspoken resentments.

Also, many adult children interpret the will as a kind of final report card. "Did I grade an A or an F?" they might wonder. Putting a younger sibling in charge as being the personal representative (executor) may send a message to the older siblings that they didn't measure up. Nevertheless, it's important to name the most responsible one as the executor, as I've written about before.

There's obviously a lot of emotional baggage to consider when making an estate plan. As we've learned over the millennium, there are no "right" or "wrong" answers. Only those that best fit you and your family.

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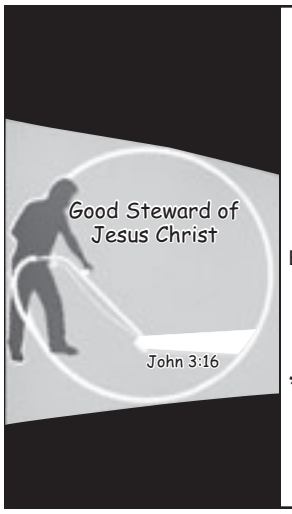

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Is Your Room Unbalanced?

by Jeanie Tinch

Balance is best described as a state of equilibrium among a variety of home furnishings objects and color schemes used in a room. Everything placed in a room must have a "balance" or relationship to everything else in the room.

Have you ever walked into a room and instantly felt natural and comfortable? It's likely the balance of furnishings, window treatments, lighting, accessories and color schemes helped give you that feeling. And an uneasy and uncomfortable feeling is likely caused by the room being totally out of balance.

In the world of design there are two kinds of balance: symmetrical and asymmetrical.

Symmetrical balance tends to be more formal. It typically features objects arranged equally on each side of a point of interest. For instance, visualize a fireplace mantle with matching candlesticks flanking a beautifully framed piece of art. Another example would be a dining room buffet with identical candlestick lamps flanking a decorative floral arrangement which has been placed in the middle of the buffet.

Asymmetrical balance is generally the opposite of symmetrical balance, and therefore tends to be more informal. Asymmetrical balance is created when objects of unequal size and shape are grouped together. Visualizing our same dining room buffet, in an asymmetrical arrangement, we would see one candlestick lamp with a decorative floral arrangement comfortably nestled close to the lamp, and a beautifully framed piece of art hung slightly off center.

While both types of balance can be used beautifully in any room design, generally speaking, a room which combines both kinds of balance is more aesthetically pleasing, and visually interesting.

Jeanie Tinch is an interior decorator on Sanibel. She can be reached at jeanie@decden.net.✫

Sounds Too Good To Be True

by Bryan Hayes

This is a saying that we've all heard numerous times. It holds true in the air conditioning business as well. The scenario is usually the same, you sit down for dinner and the phone rings. It's an a/c company offering a great deal on a clean and check of your air conditioning system. They state they can send a fully trained technician to your home for a mere $29.95 to totally clean and check your a/c from top to bottom. Now let's think about this for a moment. They can send a fully trained tech, with health insurance and full benefits, in a $20,000 truck that's fully loaded with every part available, for the low, low price of only $29.95. Boy, how do they do that?

I have tried to figure it a million different ways and always come up with the same ending; there is no way that you can send a trained technician into the field for only $29.95, period.

So how do they do it? They don't. There are very few customers who take advantage of these promotions who write a check for only $29.95 when all is said and done. Its usually closer to a $200 and sometimes much more. There always seems to be something extra that is needed or doesn't look up to par and the result is the original $29.95, plus the cost of the new part, plus the cost of installation. These promotions are used to gain access to your home to sell you all kinds of add ons and extras. This is not only unethical but immoral.

With that said, let me state that not every time we do an a/c check do we find the system in perfect order. This is simply not possible. There are times when parts or services are needed but not every time a technician comes to your house to do a preventive maintenance. So next time you're sitting down to dinner and the phone rings and they are offering the deal of a lifetime you need to remember: if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Thanks for reading.

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Say What?

by Dr. Dave Hepburn

Amongst useless animal kingdom facts that you went to bed blissfully unaware of, but as you settle down with your Coco Puffs, are now about to be firmly secured in the recesses of your occipital lobe all day, thanks to me, is the curious fact that male seahorses get pregnant. No guff. They actually carry the eggs and give birth to a tidy little herd of about 2000 seacolts.

"Hey there Larry, you ol' seaweed stallion, getting a bit of a kelp gut there. Looking like Pete Pufferfish."

"Actually, Gene, I'm expecting, due in about an hour."

"Had mine last week, nipples are still sore."

"We don't have nipples. That would just be weird."

"Weird? Hey we give birth. Got any dill pickle ice cream?"

What if the same were true for human male men of the guy species.

"Hey there Larry, you old stud, getting a bit of a beer gut there. Looking like Kirstie Alley, the sequel."

"Actually Gene, I'm expecting, due in about a month."

"But the playoffs are on then and you'll…"

"Don't remind me. And Sylvia says I'm getting stretch marks."

"Actually you've had those since Thanksgiving, 1987."

"Oh. Got any dill pickle ice cream?"

Men would suddenly actually start thinking seriously about birth control, a thought that usually doesn't encroach upon their complex grey matter until approximately three seconds before Fertile Frieda feels frisky.

"Oh rats Frieda I forgot my…"

"Never mind that, come here you big seahorse you."

"OK!"

What birth control options are available for men?

1. Abstinence. This of course would happen about the same time that PeeWee Herman becomes an astronaut and the pope marries Claudia Schiffer. Abstinence makes the hard grow longer. The only way to ensure this method is by eunuchasia.

2. The IVD, not to be confused with the IUD, the Intra Vas Devices are a couple of reversible plugs that are inserted into the vas deferens (the difference between a man and woman being, of course, a vas deferens). Not yet available but soon to be entering the discriminating scrota of men everywhere from Vermont to the Vatican.

3. If men could get pregnant Larry, Gene and pals would be lining up for the No Scalpel Vasectomy (NSV), also known as the no sniveling vasectomy like it were a Costco sample line of beer-soaked chicken wings.

4. Birth control pill. WHAT?? Yes the MHC (male hormone contraceptive) is soon to be launched (likely by some men straight into the trashcan) and so far studies have shown it to be safe, reliable and reversible. While this pill shuts down sperm production it allows men to still have normal serum testosterone levels thereby ensuring that massive research funding will continue to be funneled into the 680-inch HDTV screen. The "pill" will come in the forms of a patch, pill, poke, gels and even implants.

Advantages

Men might finally become interested in sex. No longer concerned about those lying conniving sly ensnaring evil species called Doris.

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Get matching mood swings with wife. Fine china plates would meet mid air like Tom Cruise's motorcycle and cancel each other like ICBMs.

Disadvantages

It involves men.

"Honey have you seen my very masculine birth control pills."

"No dear, but the cat is attacking the fridge magnets again and Aunt Mildred won't let go of the remote."

Meanwhile, under the sea…

"Ya know Larry, those seacolts sort of resemble Marnie Mollusk. You been seahorsin' around haven't you?"

"Ah baloney."

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Help Combat Summer Blood Shortages

A blood drive to benefit the patients of Lee Memorial Health System will be held on Saturday, June 12 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater, 1380 Colonial Boulevard.

The first 50 successful blood donors will receive a free ticket for dinner and show to see *Footloose*, a $49 value. Tickets are valid for performances on Wednesdays and Thursdays from June 16 throught July 1.

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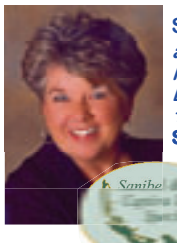

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Tame Toenail Fungus In Time For Summer

by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist:
I have toenail fungus, three toenails that are thick, discolored and broken. It's really unattractive. I've taken prescription medications, but they don't work, and I've had this problem for many years. Will you help me?

LJ, Dallas, Texas

Toenail fungus is termed "onychomycosis" by doctors, a big word for toenail crud. Keep in mind that just like your tongue, your fingernails and toenails are the outward expression of what's going on inside of you. Long-standing toenail fungus could mean you have diabetes, or very poor immunity.

And while this seems obvious, I must remind you: Toenail fungus is a fungus! The laws of nature govern that fungus thrives in moisture. Sweaty feet will exacerbate fungus so make sure your shoes and socks consist of breathable material and let your tootsies go bare sometimes. Fungus flourishes in areas where healthy normal flora has been destroyed. If you lack a healthy stash of intestinal flora (ie probiotics) then the yeast can take over. It's remarkable that estrogen-containing drugs like hormones and birth control fuel fungal growth; I think happens via the drug mugging effect these drugs have on intestinal flora.

Shelves are jam-packed with non-prescription treatments which I've listed below. Please resist the urge to email me and sound off that people smell you from a mile away, or you're banished from your bedroom because you waft of salad dressing. And no pictures either, okay?! Here we go:

Vicks Vaporub – This is a cough/cold formula sold at pharmacies that contains menthol as its primary active ingredient. You rub it into your toenail about three times daily for a few months.

Apple cider vinegar or ACV – Sold at health food stores. ACV contains natural antifungals (including carbolic acid) and helps many people. Don't use this if your nail is lifted off your nail bed because it may sting. Make a foot bath with one part ACV to two parts warm water and soak 20 minutes/day, for three to six months.

Saccharomyces boulardii – This oral dietary supplement is just a friendly yeast that helps drive out dangerous fungus. I recommend you take this along with a high-quality probiotic formula.

Clotrimazole – It's just generic Lotrimin, sold at pharmacies and it's has anti-fungal properties.

Tea Tree Oil or Cream – It contains "terpenoids" which are antiseptic and anti-fungal. Tea tree fights toenail crud just as well as clotrimazole according to the *Journal of Family Practice*.

I'm often asked if prescription anti-fungal drugs, taken orally, are safe. As America's pharmacist, I say try natural treatments first because they're safer. A few of those prescription drugs have hurt the liver and it's been fatal in some people. Reduce toxic load by eating more organic foods and avoid chemicals. The stronger your GI tract, the less you'll develop fungus. Of course, see a podiatrist to ensure the healthiest toes and feet.

DID YOU KNOW:

If your teenager has a lot of acne, it may be due to zinc deficiency.

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.*☆

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by Constance Clancy

Q: Can you tell me what causes depression in someone? I feel that my father suffers from it and I would like to help him, but I am not sure how to go about it.

A: Depression can be caused by chemical imbalances in the brain and there is also evidence that a trauma, childhood abuse, and certain illnesses can predispose one to depression later in life. There has been widespread debate over the best way to diagnose and treat this illness. Research has shown that for severe depression, anti-depressants do help, however, for mild to moderate depression, they are not as effective. Others do debate this issue as anti-depressants' effectiveness may not be evidenced in studies as one patient may find it effective and another may not. Physicians may try several different medications and have to experiment before a particular one is effective. There is also the timeline that varies. Anti-depressants can take up to a month to six weeks to show any effectiveness. There is really no way to know in advance which medication is likely to help.

If your father has physical complaints, the underlying cause may be depression as it often shows up in older adults much like physical ailments. When the depression is treated, the physical complaints improve.

If your father is having difficulty completing daily tasks, he should be seen by a physician. A variety of psychotherapeutic approaches are also helpful. The important thing to know is that depression is treatable.

Research has shown for years that the combination of psychotherapy and anti-depressant medication can have long lasting results, reducing the risk that depression will return.

So talk with your father and let him know that you are concerned for his well-being and, perhaps, if he is suffering from the symptoms of depression that he should see his doctor, and then be there to support him on the next best steps to treatment.

Dr. Clancy is a licensed mental health therapist, certified hypnotherapist, life coach, author and public speaker. You may email Dr. Connie at connie@drconstance.com or call 239-472-3797.☆

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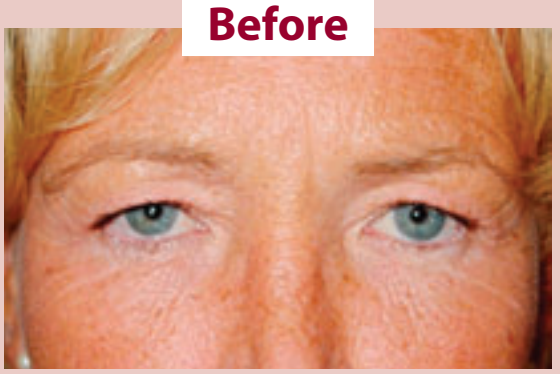

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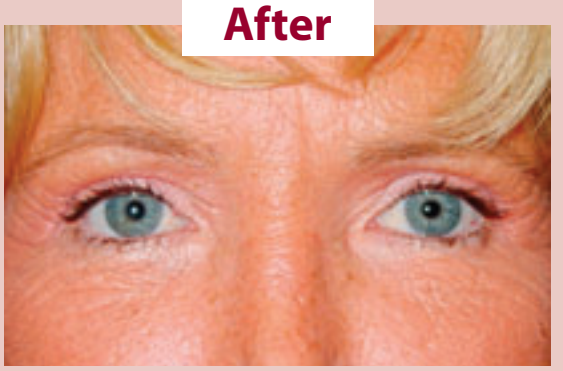

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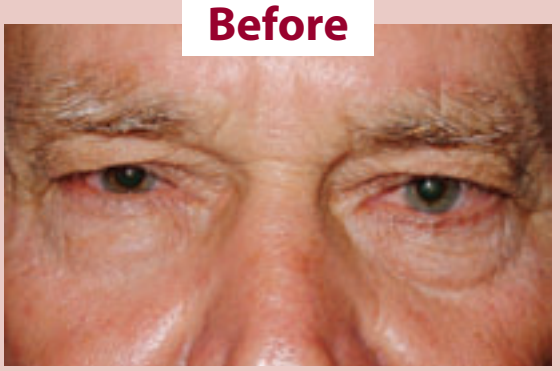

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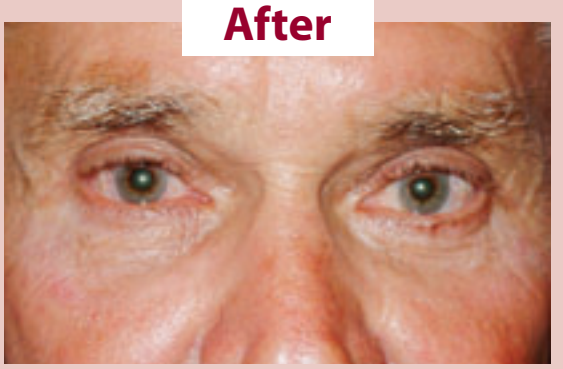

Mom And Me

by Lizzie and Pryce

Lizzie 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,

I have been retired for a few years and it is not like I thought it would be.

It is not all fun and games and a lot of bad things have happened that I didn't expect.

I didn't think I would miss being connected and working at the old company, lose my self esteem and get depressed, but I have – so I admitted it to myself that I needed help.

A few sessions with a psychologist helped me over the bad times, and with his help I now see the nice cake and not just the hole in the donut of life.

It worked for me and I am glad that you advised it for others. Please comment.

Albert

Dear Albert,

Admitting that you need assistance is half the battle. It is a scary position to be in… admitting that your life is out of control and you need assistance. Congratulations… Be well.

Pryce

Dear Albert,

Life is rarely all fun and games at any time in the lifespan, in spite of what many younger people think as they pass golf courses and see seniors having some fun.

You have assumed responsibility for your own health care and taken appropriate action. Help is out there and I am glad you are now feeling better. Enjoy.

Lizzie

Lizzie and Pryce's email address is momandmeaging@hotmail.com.☆

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Blood Shortages

The requirements to give blood are:

Age: At least 16 years old (16 with written parental consent) and in good general health. There is no upper age limit.

Weight: Minimum of 115 pounds.

Identification: Must provide photo ID with date of birth.

Food: Eat a good meal before giving and drink plenty of fluids.

Medications: Many medications such as insulin, blood pressure, thyroid, cholesterol, aspirin, antidepressants, and hormone replacement do not necessarily prevent someone from giving blood.

Call 334-5333 for any questions about donating. You can donate a pint of blood every 56 days.☆

Autism Alliance Inspiring Hope For Recovery

Autism Hope Alliance (AHA), the first non-profit organization to spring from the health food community, is helping thousands of families across the country as their efforts grow.

With one out of 91 children being diagnosed with autism, and one out of 58 boys, Autism Hope Alliance saw an urgent need for help.

Last year, AHA sponsored the Autism Grass Roots Tour to 26 states to educate the public on autism, held 77 lectures and spoke to more than 4,000 people – all at no cost to attendees. AHA was behind a revolutionary how-to video, educating parents on how to shop for gluten free-casein free foods. AHA also collaborated with top autism experts in the community to provide a 55-page resource booklet which, to date, thousands of families have received at no cost. In addition, they have given more than $80,000 in scholarships to families to attend autism treatment education, allowing more than 41 families to have a relationship with their child again.

AHA is now bringing in mothers and fathers from around the country to be part of a new volunteer program called AHA Heroes. This program will allow volunteers to be educated in diet, nutritional supplements, biomedical and educational therapy to help educate communities around the United States.

"We understand that to help children and adults diagnosed with autism to progress and recover, a comprehensive treatment of education, diet modification, biomedical intervention and volunteerism is essential," said Kristin Selby Gonzalez. "We believe recovery and relationships are possible, and through these efforts hope will replace hopelessness."

For more information, to make a donation or to volunteer, visit the new location at 136 North Tamiami Trail in Osprey, Florida, call 941-966-3813 or go to www.autismhopealliance.org.☆

Presentation On The Use Of Chinese Medicine In Wildlife Rehabilitation

CROW, the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, emphasizes the integration of western and eastern traditions in the treatment of its nearly 4,500 patients each year. Both Clinic Director Dr. PJ Deitschel and Staff Veterinarian Dr. Amber McNamara are graduates of the Chi Institute of Traditional Chinese Medicine.

On Thursday, June 17, at 11 a.m., CROW will be hosting a presentation, introduced by Deitschel and led by Jesse MacKenzie, a student from the University of Georgia. MacKenzie is currently an extern at CROW, gaining an understanding of the entire wildlife rehabilitation process. The use of eastern modalities such as acupuncture and herbal supplements for pain management and wildlife rehabilitation is one of the main reasons MacKenzie came to CROW and she would like to share her experiences and educate the public about these practices.

The presentation will be held at the CROW Healing Winds Visitor Education Center, 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road, and is open to the public, free of charge. The regular admission to the center is being waived and following the presentation, the public is invited to tour the facility and learn more about CROW's efforts to save wildlife through compassion, care and education.☆

LCEC Urges Citizens To Have Emergency Plan

by Laura Zocki Puerto, LCEC Public Relations Specialist

Hurricane season has begun, and that means it is time to review your family's emergency plan. Utilities spend all year refining their plans for the season and ensuring they are ready if a storm should impact our area. LCEC's preparations and plans are reviewed and revised each and every year. A vital part of the LCEC restoration preparation includes ensuring the proper resources needed for restoration are in place. To do this, the organization cultivates relationships with tree trimming and power line contractors, fuel companies, supply vendors, food vendors, and other cooperatives and emergency agencies for back up resources. LCEC's nearly 400 employees are in on the planning, and during recovery and restoration efforts, they put their typical job responsibilities on hold to pitch in.

LCEC year-round preparation for storm season includes a proactive vegetation management program which reduces the possibility of tree branches falling on power lines and interrupting service. LCEC also conducts annual infrared and physical inspections of facilities to ensure the integrity of power lines, equipment and poles. The technology helps to detect potentially faulty equipment through an infrared inspection of overhead lines and equipment. Proactively identifying areas that may cause potential outages and repairing them helps to strengthen the system year-round.

When reviewing family emergency plans, remember that keeping safe is the number one priority! Developing a family disaster plan is the best way to be prepared and protected. Talk. Decide. Prepare. Pack. Taking these steps right now allows residents and business owners to be ready for almost any bad weather emergency situation.

Talk about emergency options, and decide when and under what circumstances it will be necessary to evacuate. Contact the local emergency management office to learn about evacuation plans – and remember it usually depends on the direction of the storm. Other factors to consider when deciding whether to evacuate include:

- A home and property's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind.
- The location of the safest place: be it in the home or community, which may be different depending on the circumstances.
- Don't forget Fido! Identify nearby pet friendly shelters and other emergency options. Some may require advance registration.

Prepare a central list of emergency contact information including both medical and out of town family members as well as important medical needs and notes.

Pack a Ready-to-Go kit in case the safest option is to go to a shelter or out of town relative's home. Also, make a Ready-to-Stay kit in case staying home is the best or only option. The LCEC *Hurricane Guide* provides an excellent checklist for items to have on hand during and after a storm.

Being proactive with creating and practicing a storm plan is essential to safety during a hurricane.

To learn more about safety in and around the home as well as in emergency situations, or to read our free *Hurricane Guide*, visit www.lcec.net.

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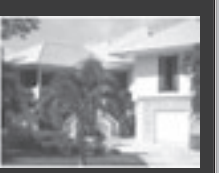

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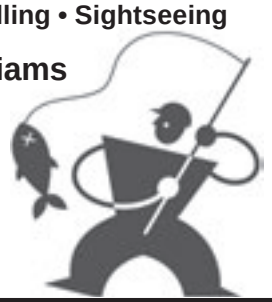

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Quake
REQIVU

Replica
ELMOD

TODAY'S WORDS

answer on page 50

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SUDOKU

To play Sudoku: Complete the grid so that every row, column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (the same number cannot appear more than once in a row, column or 3x3 box.) There is no guessing and no math involved, just logic.

answer on page 50

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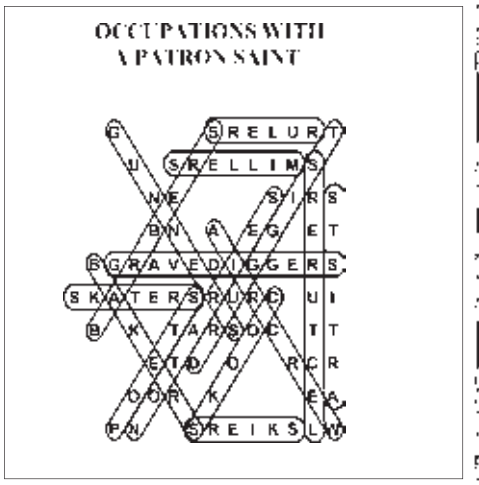

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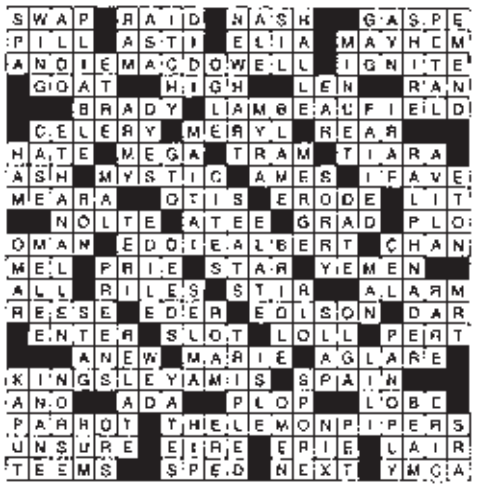

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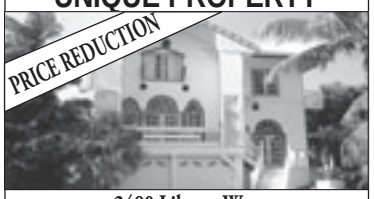

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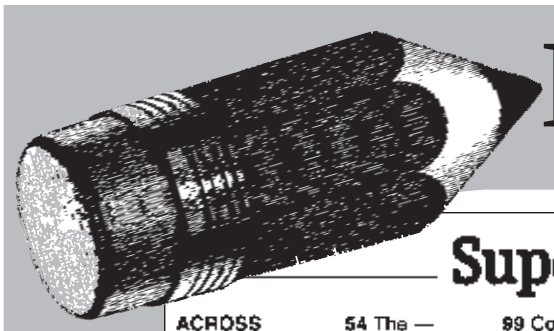

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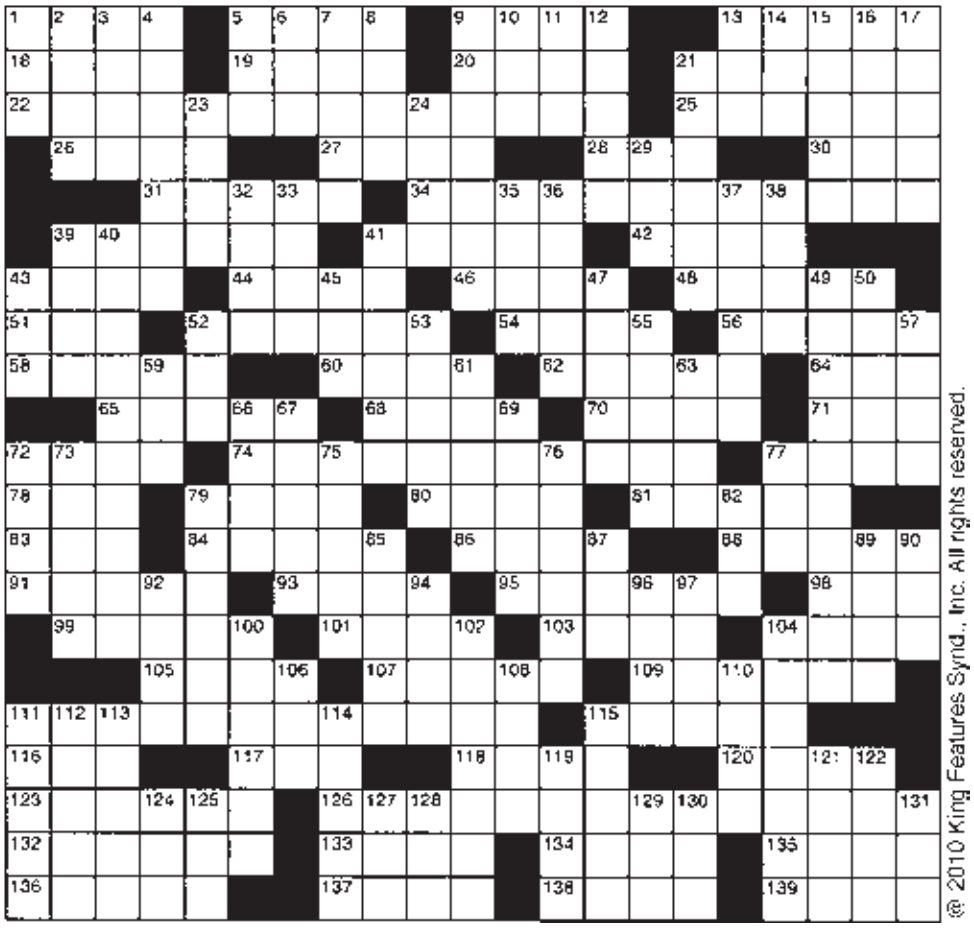
6 "— on Entebbe" ('77 film)
9 TV's "— Bridges"
13 Canadian peninsula
18 It may be bitter
19 — Spumante
20 Director Kazan
21 Chaos
22 "Green Card" actress
25 Put the match to
26 Big kid?
27 Lofty
28 Ford of football
30 Hightailed it
31 One of a bunch
34 Green Bay Packers stadium
39 Dieter's snack
41 Streep of "The Hours"
42 Act like a stallion
43 Loathe
44 Bucks beginning
46 Mine car
48 Coronet
51 Gray matter?
52 Occult
54 The — Brothers
56 Depart
58 Stiller's partner
60 He gave us a lift
62 Carve a canyon
64 Illuminated
65 Nick of "Cannery Row"
68 To — (perfectly)
70 Alum
71 Arafat's grp.
72 Gulf state
74 "Green Acres" actor
77 Jackie of "The Tuxedo"
78 Brooks or Ott
79 — -dieu (kneeler)
80 Galaxy glitterer
81 Neighbor of 72 Across
83 "— of You" ('84 hit)
84 Annoys
86 Budge
88 Eye opener?
91 Shortstop Pee Wee
93 German river
95 Bright inventor?
98 — es Salaam
99 Come in
101 Job opening
103 Vegetate
104 Impudent
105 "— Leaf" ('71 film)
107 One of the Osmonds
109 Blazing
111 "The Green Man" author
115 "Don Giovanni" setting
116 Year, in Yucatan
117 Nabokov novel
118 Raindrop sound
120 Leaf part
123 Polly-syllabic one?
126 "Green Tambourine" group
132 Dubious
133 Joyce's land
134 Part of HOMES
135 Don
136 Abounds (with)
137 Risked a ticket
138 Coming up
139 Org. founded in 1844

DOWN

1 Bath, e.g.
2 Flicker feature
3 Actor Ray
4 Supple
5 Aries animal
6 Fit — fiddle
7 Like a mosquito bite
8 Actress Conn
9 Inn-based sitcom
10 Bristol brew
11 "— vous plaît"
12 Berry of "Monster's Ball"
13 Silence
14 Writer Rand
15 British county
16 Pansy part
17 Correct
21 Stately dance
23 Raison d'—
24 Inspect too closely?
29 Corn portion
32 Bilko's employer
33 Colors
35 Pianist Hess
36 Criticize
37 Went down in history?
38 "Dies —"
39 Ablative or dative
40 Green Mountain Boys leader
41 Cocktail choice
43 Actor's lunch?
45 Pontiac model
47 Consolidate
49 Green Party candidate
50 Saint Theresa's home
52 "— de mer"
53 Quotes an expert
55 "My fault!"
57 007's school
59 Baseball's Guidry
61 Throne and pew
63 See socially
66 Austin of "Knots Landing"
67 Roman magistrate
69 Gladden
72 Poet Khayyam
73 Donnybrook
75 Exploits
76 It has a bit part
77 "Fantasia" frame
79 Fusses with feathers
82 Guy
85 Alabama city
87 — Grande
89 Seldom seen
90 "The A-Team" actor
92 Forest father
94 Wander
96 Clout a cad
97 "Eugene Onegin" character
100 Tell tales
102 Increased by 200 percent
104 Full array
105 Tie the knot
108 Land in the sea
110 Ferrer musical
111 Done for
112 Cockamamie
113 Scandinavian
114 Early Eastwood role
115 Fern feature
119 Harbinger
121 Put on a happy face
122 Lexicographer Partridge
124 41 Down ingredient
125 Hosp. areas
127 Cool
128 Poetic preposition
129 Veto
130 Cosset a corgi
131 Mexican Mrs.



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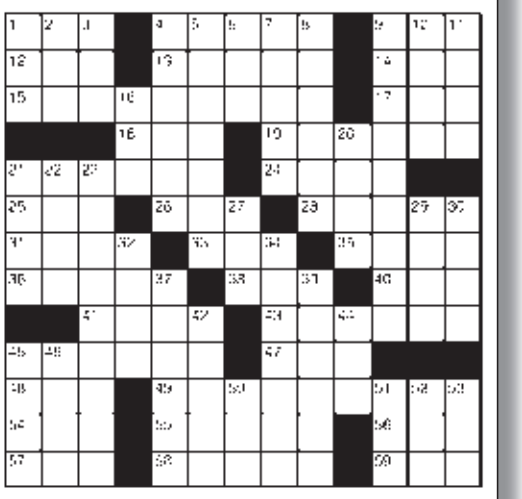
King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Ocean motion
4 Fulton's power source
9 Winter ailment
12 Writer Buscaglia
13 Cognizant
14 Fleur-de- —
15 They get jacked up
17 Exist
18 Umpire's call
19 Heart lines?
21 Vacationers' site
24 Fit of peevishness
25 Biblical verb ending
26 Unfamiliar
28 Hits with the open hand
31 Ella's specialty
33 Shad product
35 Member of the brass (Abbr.)
36 Pitch
38 Tolkien creature
40 Greek vowel
41 Lima's country
43 Very funny joke (Sl.)
45 Scandinavian nation
47 Gorilla
48 Myrna of movies
49 Mountain road feature
54 Rd.
55 Mark above an ö
56 Doctor's charge
57 "Certainly"
58 Watched surreptitiously
59 — for (choose)



DOWN

1 Sprite
2 — canto
3 Squeezing snake
4 Ringed planet
5 Chirp
6 Listener
7 Geometry answers
8 Quarks + antiquarks
9 Levies based on a single percentage
10 Old Italian money
11 Works with
16 Additionally
20 Anger
21 Take ten
22 Engrave
23 Having keen sight
27 Travail
29 Townshend of The Who
30 Cicatrix
32 Pigeon- —
34 Duel challenge
37 Takes with force
39 Drew from
42 Square
44 Prepared
45 Dispatch
46 Made on a loom
50 Foreman foe
51 E.T.'s craft
52 Agent for short
53 Trawler gear

MAGIC MAZE — OCCUPATIONS WITH A PATRON SAINT

Q V T Q O L I G D B Y W T R P
A M G K I F D S R E L U R T B
C Y W U U S R E L L I M S S Q
T O M K N E I F D B S I R S Z
O X W U B N S A Q E G O E T N
R B G R A V E D I G G E R S L
S K A T E R S R U R C J U I B
F B D K C T A R S O C A T T Y
W V T S E T D Q O P N R C R L
K I B O O R F K E C B Z E A Y
W V P N U S S R E I K S I W R

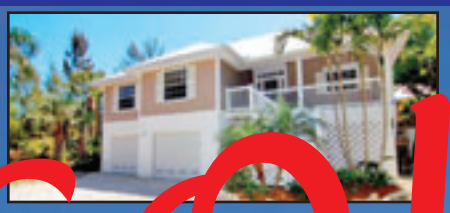
Find the listed words in the diagram. They may run horizontally, vertically or diagonally, forward, backward or crossways. Unused letters spell a mystery occupation.

Aircrew
Artists
Bakers
Barbers
Cooks
Druggist
Gravediggers
Gunners
Lecturers
Millers
Notaries
Poets
Rulers
Skaters
Skiers

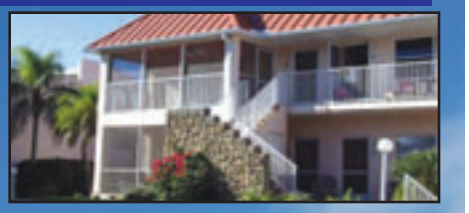
What do all of these properties have in common?

Represented the Seller

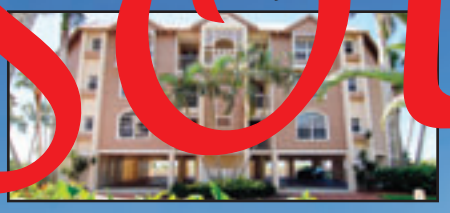
1657 Venus Drive

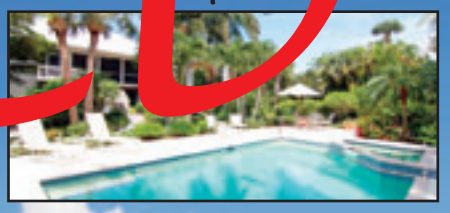

2[illegible]75 Starfish

1541[illegible] Captiva Drive

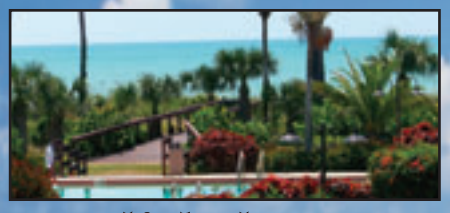

Sanibel Arms A5

Heron at the Sanctuary 2A


Somerset C302


5106 Joewood

1201 Sand Castle


Gulfside Place 101

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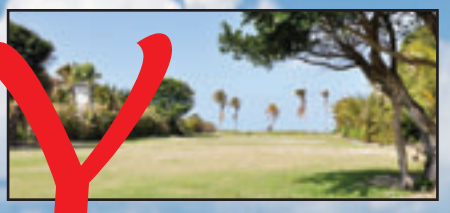
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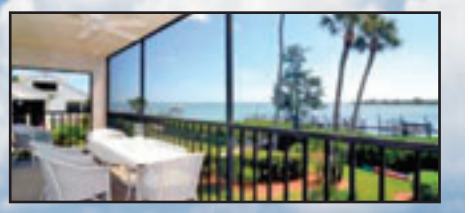
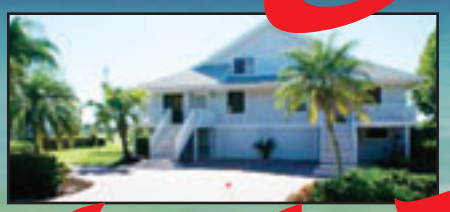

Captiva Shores 5A

Represented the Buyer

250 Palm Lake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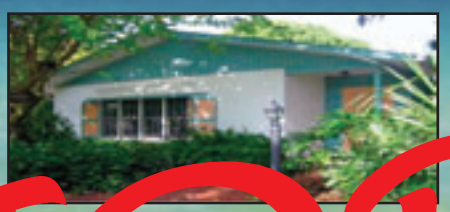
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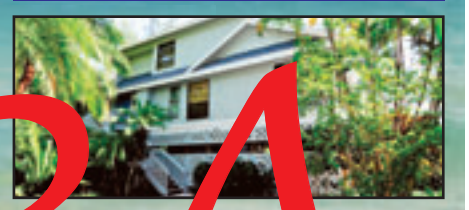
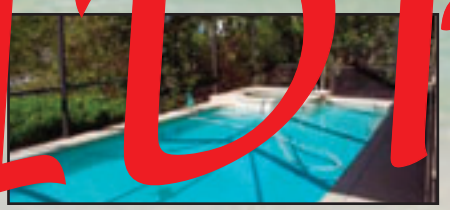
Represented the Seller and the Buyer

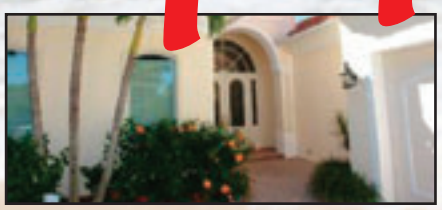

946[illegible]

Point Santo D37

4[illegible] Brainard Bayou


9417 Kava

1870 Woodring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169 Southwinds

Breakers West B4

6143 Henderson

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