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Sanibel Beautification Retires With A $50,000 Contribution To SCCF

Trudy Burkholder; Paul Roth, president, SCCF board of trustees; Debbie Staley; Lou Scariot; Bill Boswell, SBI treasurer; Erick Lindblad, executive director, SCCF; Diane Stocks; Ada Shissler, SBI, president; Bill McBeath; Charlie Hart, SBI vice president presenting Sanibel Beautification Inc. donation to Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation

Sanibel Beautification held its final event, an Appreciation Celebration, on October 25 at The Community House. Sponsored by the Sanibel Captiva Trust Company with an abundance of delicious food and drink, the occasion provided an opportunity for SBI to thank the many volunteers, donors, businesses, clubs and organizations who have offered such generous and enthusiastic support for the past 11 years.

"The support of the community in terms of professional services provided, the willingness of individuals to give of their time, talents, and energy, and the generous financial contributions of individuals and businesses has been most gratifying," said President Ada Shissler.

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Annual Sanibel Thanksgiving Celebration

The annual Sanibel Thanksgiving Celebration service will take place on Sunday, November 20, at The Community House on Periwinkle Way at 6:45 p.m. Everyone is invited to join this non-denominational service, which is a celebration of Thanksgiving in words and song. The event is free and promises to be both fun and uplifting.

The mayor, the city manager and representatives of all the island churches will take part, and there will be music and song from the BIG ARTS Community Chorus, the LOGOS children from Sanibel Community Church and several other island performers. Fellowship over cookies, donated by Jerry's Supermarket, and cider donated by Bailey's, will follow the Sanibel Celebration of Thanks.

Mary Bondurant, this year's co-coordinator of the celebration, said, "We would like everyone to join our Thanksgiving celebration this year; sharing your blessings with those less fortunate makes Thanksgiving more meaningful." She also encouraged guests to bring food or monetary donations for FISH, who will have a representative there to speak of the continuing needs of islanders.

For more information, contact Mary Bondurant on email Mary@BondurantRealtyGroup.com or by phone, 839-3633.☼

The Eskew family, from left: daughter-in-law Pia, son John, Milena, grandchildren Victoria and Roddy. Not pictured: son Bruce.

Sanibel Leader Celebrates 100th Birthday

By Emilie Alfino

Friends, family, and grateful Sanibel citizens gathered Sunday, October 30 to celebrate the 100th birthday of one of the people responsible for much of what is good about Sanibel: Milena Eskew.

Eskew was a strong advocate for incorporation – she even staffed a booth at Bailey's store to promote it and put together 13 scrapbooks as Sanibel worked toward incorporation. Today those scrapbooks are in the Sanibel Library's archives available to anyone seeking information

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The Coast – A Collaboration At BIG ARTS Features Evening Of Photography, Music And Poetry

Sunset Pelican

by Gordon Campbell

The Coast – A Collaboration, an evening of photography, music and poetry featuring Charles Sobczak, a Sanibel writer, and his son, Logan Sobczak, a composer, will take place at BIG ARTS Phillips Gallery Thursday, November 10 at 7:30 p.m. There is a suggested $5 donation at the door.

The evening includes a presentation of some of the best nature photography ever taken. Charles will present spoken prose followed by a composition inspired by that work, and, conversely, Logan will play a piece and Charles will read a poem based on

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Shellabration Fashion Show Call For Entries

February should be dubbed Fashion Month on Sanibel-Captiva. With the Mercedes Benz Fashion Week and the famous red carpet at the Oscars, it's glitz, couture and glamour from east coast to west. In conjunction with Shellabration! 2012, the glamour will come to The Sanctuary Golf Club on February 27 as The Community House puts its own spin on Project Runway, Shellabration style.

The recent success of shows and movies such as *Project Runway* and *The Devil Wears Prada* proves that the everyday consumer is becoming more interested in the world of fashion. Event organizers, led by event chair Isabella Rasi, are seeking a few creative designers to test their skills, creativity, innovation, and time management on the runway in a fashion face-off leading up to a $500 prize for the winner.

Event organizers are now accepting applications to enter the competition. Contact The Community House at 472-2155 or email jill@sanibelcommunityhouse.net. Applications must be submitted no later than December 15.

For more information on the Shellabration! 2012 Fashion Show and other Shellabration events, visit shellabration2012.com.

Sanibel Historical Museum And Village News

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village opened to the public Wednesday, November 2. The museum is open Wednesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission fee is $5 per adult, and free to members and children under 18. There is now an audio system in each building that will enhance visitors' tours.

Also, the Sanibel Museum & Village is currently seeking applicants for the part-time position of museum manager.

The manager's work schedule from October 1 through April is Wednesday through Saturday, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. From May through August, the schedule changes to 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

The position offers no benefits but the salary ranges from the low- to mid-30K.

Required skills for the museum manager include excellent people skills, exceptional computer skills, and excellent writing skills. Must be well organized and capable of multi-tasking; must have positive assertiveness and initiative; must have a vision and passion for growing all facets of the museum, helping it meet its mission; must have excellent management skills.

Some examples of required responsibilities are: scheduling of docents, opening/closing of museum, writing publicity articles for local newspapers and magazines, writing grants, recordkeeping for admissions and membership dues, writing newsletters to the docents and membership, data inputting for museum collections and membership using Past Perfect software, website management, coordinating efforts with the board of directors who are volunteers and have their own responsibilities, and coordinating efforts with a part-time business manager for all financial recordkeeping.

Resumes should be submitted as soon as possible by email to: afwerner@embargmail.com no later than November 5. Any questions can be directed to Alex Werner, 472-8871.

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Captiva Community Panel Meeting

There will be a quorum for the next meeting of the Captiva Community Panel, set for Tuesday, November 8, beginning at 9 a.m. at 'Tween Waters. Below is a draft agenda for the meeting.

9 a.m. Meeting convenes at 'Tween Waters Inn; introductions and roll call; approval of October 11 minutes

9:05 CEPD update, Kathy Rooker

9:10 A vision of Captiva's future, Max Forgey and Ken Gooderham

9:40 Formation of a Communications Committee, Susan Stuart

9:50 December slate of panel members , Ken Gooderham

10 Budget for 2012, first draft, Ken Gooderham

10:05 Meeting dates, 2012, Ken Gooderham

10:10 Hurricane Preparedness & Response Committee

10:15 Committee reports (as necessary):

- Finance and budget, Ken Gooderham
- Water quality, Dave Jensen
- Fund-raising, Rick Hayduk

10:20 Other business, public comment

Confirm dates for next meetings (December 13, January 10, February 14).

Adjourn

The Captiva Community Panel provides a public forum whereby Captiva property owners can present projects requiring variances and get feedback from and answer questions of the panel members and other Captiva neighbors attending the public meeting. The panel has no decision-making authority on variance requests but does advise Lee County as to the point of view of the panel and the point of view expressed by other interested Captivans attending the public meeting at which the variance request was presented.

The Captiva Community Panel is sponsored by the Captiva Property Owners Association Inc., a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization by IRS determination. The association is registered under account number CH28824 with the state of Florida under Chapter 496, Florida Statutes, the Solicitation of Contributions Act. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free (800) 435-7352 within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval or recommendation by the state.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Bob Buntrock

Birthday Bash

The Buntrock kids invite one and all to George and Wendy's Corner Grille on Saturday, November 5 For Bob Buntrock's 80th Birthday Bash

In 1972 Buntrock used to take his children Kip, Robin, and David, to the back room of the Coconut Grove for family education time. But really it was so he could meet his buddies on Saturday afternoon for a few brews and some stimulating conversation.

On Saturday, November 5, Kip, Robin, and David will help their dad turn back the clock by escorting him back to that same room at George and Wendy's Corner Grill (formerly the Coconut Grove and a bunch of other names) for a celebration of his entry into his 80th year on the planet – 40 of them on Sanibel Island.

Kip, Robin, and David invite anyone who has had the good fortune or maybe misfortune of interacting with their dad over the years to drop by George and Wendy's any time from 4 to 9 p.m. to extend birthday wishes, assist with brew disposal, and provide conversation, stimulating or otherwise.

To help Buntrock feel comfortable in George and Wendy's newly decorated Billiard Lounge surroundings, his son-in-law Don Lee will run eight person double-elimination 8-ball tournaments for all who choose to participate. There'll be food and drink specials and cousin Kip Johnson's lovely wife Carol is creating a cake.

Kip Buntrock said that gifts are not necessary but knowing his dad he pointed out, "He sure won't hand them back should any arrive!"

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Community House Party

The Community House is encouraging everyone to take time out on Saturday, November 19 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. to stop by an island-wide House Party get-together.

"Part of what makes Sanibel a sanctuary for people is that a lot of us get how important it is to pause in life and take time to just enjoy being with one another," Event Chair Salli Kirkland said.

This event has a country-western theme and will be particularly low key (broken-in jeans are the preferred attire) and the evening will offer entertainment for everyone.

For those who hope to start burning some extra calories in preparation for Thanksgiving Day, there will be country-western music by a DJ along with line-dancing instruction. Not only does line dancing get your heart rate up, the fact that you don't need a heart throb or partner to participate makes it a great group social and physical activity. Aspiring card sharps will have their own space for an informal Texas Hold'em tournament during which no houses will be won or sold but modest prizes will be awarded.

Admission is $10 for Community House members and $15 for guests; ticket price includes sodas and water. Whether you are a visitor, snowbird or local, you are part of Sanibel and are welcome to join the party. Alcoholic beverages and snacks will be available. Community House memberships are $35 single and $65 family, with all proceeds going to the nonprofit whose mission is to foster the spirit and sense of community that makes Sanibel a sanctuary for both wildlife and humans. Joining the Community House also ensures you get the inside local scoop and discounts on many upcoming events.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. Tickets are available prior to the event and at the door. For more information about this event, log on to www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or call 472-2155.☆

Complimentary Blood Pressure Screening

The Sanibel Fire District will offer complimentary blood pressure screening at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Monday, November 7, from 9 a.m. until noon.

High blood pressure increases the risk of stroke, heart attack, heart failure, kidney disease and even blindness in some cases. The Sanibel Fire District's complimentary screenings are offered as a first step in determining if further examination by a health care professional is necessary.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Daily, weekly, semi-annual and annual memberships are available. For more information, call 472-0345 or visit www.mysanibel.com.☆

Bike path extension adds to the neighborhood feel of the area

Bike Path Extension A Nice Addition

Citizens and visitors alike can now enjoy the culture and history of the city by bicycle or on foot thanks to the recently completed Dunlop Road path. Winding through the beautiful city property, the path stops at the library, city hall, BIG ARTS, and the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village before heading out Wooster Lane. The plan chosen to construct the path was the leat expensive and least invasive of four possibilities. Now perhaps traffic will be alleviated in one of the city's busiest traffic areas.☆

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Veterans Day Ceremony At Sanibel City Hall

The Lee Coast Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) and the City of Sanibel will conduct a Veterans Day program to honor our military veterans on Friday, November 11. It will be held on the grounds of Sanibel City Hall (800 Dunlop Road) with military music beginning at 10:45 a.m. with the ceremony starting at 10:55 a.m.. MOAA Chapter President Doug Quelch will officiate with introductions of honored guests. Remarks will be made by Mayor Kevin Ruane.

The Veterans Day address will be given by Brigadier General John Bathke, U.S. Air National Guard (Ret.). A special poem will be read by Dean Drobnyk and Danny Shuster of the City of Sanibel Recreation Department After-School Program. The Sanibel Community Band (Maestro Donald Knowland conducting) will provide the music and Fred Nordstrom will lead a sing-along of patriotic songs.

For those who have never attended, one of the most touching aspects of the ceremony is Remembrances, when veterans recall their military experiences and how they and others were affected by them. Any veteran who wishes to participate is welcome to do so.✲

Council Gives School Car Wash A One-Time Pass

by Anne Mitchell

It seemed like a simple request, a typical fundraising car wash by students to raise money for their lacrosse team on Saturday. The problem was that the proposed location – Bank of the Islands – is in the Sanibel River basin and the runoff would go straight into the river, according to Sanibel's Natural Resources Director Rob Loflin.

Jack Luft made the request to the city council Tuesday "on behalf of a dozen Sanibel students" who attend Fort Myers High School. Non-varsity sports are not funded in schools, so they must raise $7,000 to cover lacrosse for the year. A car wash, Luft said, could generate $700 to $1,000.

He said the students would use what he called phosphate-free, biodegradable liquid soap "that is so benign, it's safe enough to drink."

Loflin said, "It is state-listed as impaired. It's not about the soap. It takes the dust and oil and grease off the vehicles. When you have a large volume operation… the water goes into a culvert pipe directly into the Sanibel River."

Luft challenged Loflin's opinion that runoff could harm the river. He said the runoff would be the same as what happens when it rains and that Loflin had no records to support his opinion.

After Luft became angry, Mayor Kevin Ruane commented, "...keep your passion contained."

However, Luft was given a one-time only exemption after agreeing to place straw bales around the site to help absorb the runoff, as is done on construction sites. The vote was 4-1 with Councilman Marty Harrity opposed, saying it would set a precedent.

Luft, told he has to provide the straw, said no problem – there were plenty of bales still around from the previous night's Halloween activities.

The city council adopted the car wash policy nearly two years ago. Water quality protection is high on its list of priorities.

Councilman Jim Jennings said he took part in many car washes and candy sales as a youngster and felt they were character building. And anyway, people washed their cars in their driveways.

Dr. Bruce Neil, head of Sanibel Sea School, who was in the audience, was asked his opinion. He said, "It probably would be more appropriate to do this in Fort Myers."✲

Council Tries To Get To Grips With Town Center Concept

by Anne Mitchell

Public sentiment seems to be a driving force in the city's efforts to revive the concept of a town square, but aligning citizens' ideas with those of some 80 to 90 "stakeholders" is going to be a long haul.

"What is our vision?" asked Councilman Marty Harrity. "Is it something the people of Sanibel want? If the citizens don't buy into this it's not going to happen."

Council members say they are often encouraged by citizens to bring back a concept that was first raised in 2008, when the centrally located Nave property went on the market. After the city spent thousands on consultants to do studies and develop a plan, dissention and concern over one group's plan to add residential properties caused the city to abandon it. Also, the city had no plans to purchase the property.

The Sanibel City Council on Tuesday talked about how some organizations such as the Community Association, BIG ARTS/Herb Strauss Theater and St. Michael and All Angels Church, all have growth issues. The Community Association is well under way with a $3.5 million renovation project.

It makes sense, said Harrity, to try to bring all such interested parties together. He said he would meet with certain groups to sound out their needs.

Right off the bat, Mayor Kevin Ruane said no city funds would be used. "We are certainly not going to use public dollars to be the lead in this." However, he feels it's the council's responsibility to spearhead the idea. He said the recreation center is a good example of the citizens coming together on a project.

Just how to tackle the job of bringing all those interests together and seek a common ground is the city council's first big task. An area bounded roughly by Periwinkle Way, Dunlop Road, Palm Ridge Road and Tarpon Bay Road is the focus of the endeavor.

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Kiwanis Club Focuses On Children

Kiwanians donate $10,000 to City of Sanibel Financial Assistance Program

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club's focus is on children. Kiwanis has a long tradition of assisting children on the islands. For the third year, Kiwanis has contributed $10,000 as the major sponsor of the financial assistance program and the New Year's Eve community party at the City of Sanibel Recreation Center.

Moneys raised go to island parents and island workers who need financial assistance so that their children can attend the after school program, fun days, holiday and summer day camps at the recreation center. Assistance is awarded on a sliding scale to applicants, who remain anonymous. Each applicant has ownership in the program. All moneys raised go to the program. Last year's fundraising efforts totaled $50,100. For more information on the New Year's Eve party, call the Sanibel Recreation Center at 472-0345.✯

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'Ding' Darling Team Featured In *Friends Forward*

A recent "catch of the day" culled from local waterways by refuge volunteers

The summer edition of *Friends Forward* profiled the work of the Summer Morning Monofilament Team and year-round Operation Scissors efforts at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge to keep island waterways clear of monofilament fishing line and other debris that endangers wildlife.

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service publishes *Friends Forward* to keep refuge friends groups informed about important projects and work they are doing to support wildlife and the refuge system.

"We go out every Friday all year long and we cover not only the refuge itself but all refuge lands and islands, Buck Key, and pretty much cover both Sanibel and Captiva areas," said Doris Hardy, a longtime refuge volunteer who organizes and leads the team. Outside the refuge, team members take it upon themselves to clean up waterways where they live using their own kayaks, Hardy added.

"Our teams are usually no bigger than four. We are usually out for a minimum of three hours," she said. "Jeff Combs, the ranger who is in charge of refuge volunteers, and the others have been 110 percent supportive as has the ("Ding" Darling Wildlife) Society, which has purchased new kayaks, boat hooks, scissors, and paddles."

Every other Friday, a day when Wildlife Drive is closed, volunteers attack the mangrove wetlands to remove the nearly invisible monofilament fishing line that is so dangerous to the birds and other critters that become entangled in it. In the winter, more than 40 volunteers take turns at the task. In summer, a steady crew of three hits the kayaks.

"All the teams collect our findings, and I email them pictures of our 'catch of the day,' said Hardy. "In the past 12 months we gathered 97 lures, 77 bobbers, a five-gallon bucket of monofilament, 78 rubber hooks, 255 lead weights, plus a lot of other potentially harmful junk. We work in heat and humidity, not to mention no-see-ums, to remove monofilament and trash in an effort to keep our wildlife safe. This activity is from the heart."

"This is a much-needed program and saves the refuge considerable time and

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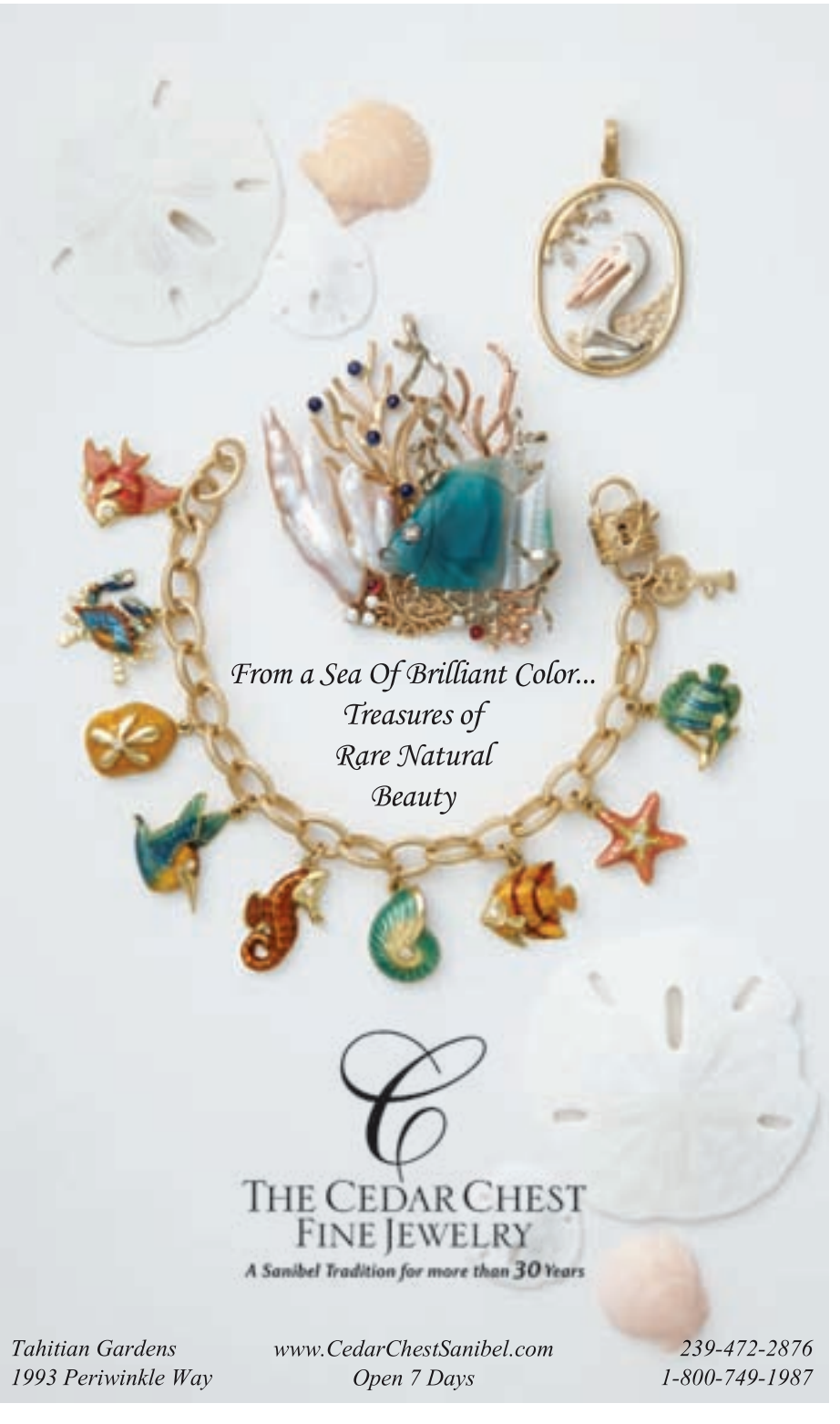

Center 4 Life Programs

Sanibel Fit 4 Life is the motto at the Center 4 Life. All ages are welcome. Island Seniors, Inc. members can buy coupon booklets from the City of Sanibel at the Center 4 Life, 2401 Library Way, or at the Sanibel Recreation Center. Booklets of 12 coupons are $42, or get three coupons for $10.50. Members of the Sanibel Recreation Center need only to show their photo membership card.

Happy Hour Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m. Format is 45 minutes of cardio, 20 minutes of balance exercises, core strength and flexibility exercises. Sandi McDougall is the instructor.

Gentle Yoga with Kris Brown – Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flexibility, proper alignment and circulation. Bring a towel.

Essential Total Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m. Cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Power Hour Fitness – Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m. Hand weights, stretch cords and stability balls along with mats are used to strengthen your muscles. Improve your core strength and balance. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Flu Clinic – Flu shots will be given at the center on Friday, January 27, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Leisure Lunchers Thrift and Consignment – Wednesday, November 9 at 11:30 a.m. Lunch is at Seasons 52, 8930 Tamiami Trail North, Naples. This is a favorite among Leisure Lunchers, who dined at the restaurant in Orlando. Check out new and favorite consignment shops nearby.

Miami History Tour – Thursday, November 10. Includes round-trip transporation from Fort Myers, guided tour of Vizcaya, guided tour of the Biltmore Hotel, lunch at LaPalma, and visits to the famous historical landmarks in Miami. Cost is $89 for members, $99 for non-members. Carpool from the center at 5:45 a.m. for bus pick up in Fort Myers at 6:30 a.m.

AARP Safe Driving Classes – Thursdays, November 10 and 17, 1 to 4 p.m. Must attend both sessions. Classes feature a dozen videos which will help make you a better and safer driver. Completion of the program will result in a discount on your auto insurance in most states, including Florida. Ed VanderHey is the instructor. Call him at 472-3623 or 292-4012 for information and reserations. Cost is $12 for AARP members and $14 for non-members

Tuesday Kayaking – November 8, 15, 22, 29. There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and unlimited space for those who own their own kayaks. Meet at the center unless an off-island launch is scheduled. Bring water, a snack, change of clothing, sun lotion, bug spray, sunglasses and a hat. Cost is $5 for members and $10 for non-members. Members have first priority.

Knit Wits Needed – Come by the center on Tuesday afternoons at 1 p.m. to knit or crochet. Bring your project and share tips.

Learn to Play Mahjongg with Katie Reid – Mondays and Thursdays, November 7, 10, 14, 17 and 21, 9 a.m. to noon in the Kraft Room. Class size limited and you must be able to attend all five classes. Supplies provided. Cost is $12.50 for members, $25 for non-members.

Page Turners Book Discussion Group will meet on the second Wednesday of every month at 2:30 p.m. On November 9, Francesca Joyce leads a discussion of *Mudbound* by Hillary Jordan.

Picasa with Patty… and your photos! Tuesday and Wednesday, November 15 and 16 or Wednesday and Thursday, November 30 and December 1, two two-hour sessions, 1 to 3 p.m. Hands-on training in Picasa, a free program from Google. Class size limited to six. Cost is $60 for members, $90 for non-members. Bring your camera and cable, memory card and card reader with 10 to 20 photos.

CarFit – Friday, November 4, 12 to 4 p.m., hosted by the Lee County Sheriff's Department. A team of trained technicians and/or health professionals work with each participant to ensure they "fit" their vehicle properly for maximum comfort and safety.

Second annual Justine Smith Charity Bridge Tournament – Friday, February 10 at 1 p.m. Local merchants will contribute gifts that will be given away during the tournament. All proceeds will go to PAWS.

Florida Repertory Theatre – Tickets have been reserved for Saturday 2 p.m. matinees. Member ticket prices are $21; non-members are $26. Pay when you sign up. The shows are:

• *Rumors* by Neil Simon – Saturday, October 29 at 2 p.m.

• *It's A Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play* by Joe Landry – Saturday, December 3 at 2 p.m.

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Zonta Announces MADE By US Fair

Submitted by: Dalia Jakubauskas

Area women will be raising funds and awareness for projects benefiting women both here and abroad at MADE by US: Women-made Fashions, Food and Social Change Event. To be held on Saturday, November 19 at the Unitarian-Universalist Church of Fort Myers (UUCFM), 13411 Shire Lane, the affair will feature clothing, jewelry, food and more – all made by local women.

MADE by US will also include a fashion show and speakers from Beauty From Ashes, a faith-based organization ministering to victims of the sex industry; and Abuse Counseling and Treatment Inc., a service provider for survivors of domestic violence. Speakers from the Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships Inc. (HTAP), and Guatemalan Rural Adult and Children Education (GRACE), will also make presentations. HTAP combats human trafficking by educating young people about the crime, while GRACE is a UUCFM project dedicated to improving the lives of Guatemalan women and their families through education.

Zontians Nola Theiss of HTAP (Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships Inc.), Nori Ann Reed and Gari Grant Lewis standing before several ARTREACH canvasses.

The public can also see canvasses painted by area students for HTAP's ARTREACH project at the event. ARTREACH is designed to educate local children about the dangers of human trafficking through art and theater. The canvasses will be hanging at the church through the month of November.

The event is the brainchild of Sanibel resident Gari Grant Lewis, who for years dreamed of putting on an event that showcased the talents of women.

"I have a degree in fashion design and have been producing and modeling for fashion shows for 20 years using retail stores," Lewis said. "It was always my dream to use fashions women had designed and sewed themselves."

Lewis and her sister, Dr. Genelle Grant, director for GRACE, had talked extensively about putting on an event that would raise awareness surrounding projects combating violence against women. The idea crystalized when she became a member of The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva and a team member for the club's service partner, HTAP, Lewis said.

The fact that GRACE is also one of the club's service partners seemed like a perfect fit, said Lewis. Dr. Grant is also involved with the Zonta Club of Fort Myers, which will be the main sponsor of the event. Zonta clubs around the world are dedicated to advancing the status of women both locally and internationally.

In all, 32 women will be giving their energy to make MADE by US happen. The vendors will include 16 clothing and jewelry designers and four food booths. Purchases from the vendors will benefit the women directly but proceeds from ticket sales for the event will help HTAP and GRACE.

Admission to the event, which will run from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., is $20 for adults and $10 for students. Buy a ticket and get a $5 coupon good toward purchases from the vendors.

Call Gari Grant Lewis at 395-2403 for tickets and more information.✲

ABWA Meeting: Documents Every Woman Needs

The Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) invites members and guests to the monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 8. The meeting will be held at The Community House. Networking begins at 5:30 p.m., and the dinner/meeting begins at 6 p.m.

Karen Storjohann and Judy Workman will be guest speakers.

Storjohann was born in Mount Vernon, New York, and she and her husband moved to Sanibel in 2002 from East Islip, New York. She retired in 1999 after 33 years of teaching in the Brentwood School District. Storjohann holds a bachelor's degree in history and a master's degree in education from Adelphi University. A lifelong interest in politics led her to be a committee woman and zone leader in Islip Township, and on Sanibel she has served as a board member of the Democratic Club of the Islands. Additionally, she actively follows Sanibel city government, attending planning commission and city council meetings. Storjohann serves as president of the Bright Water Homeowners Association. She is a member of PEO – Sanibel (Philanthropic Education Organization), Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, CROW, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation ,and BIG ARTS.

Workman was born in Indianapolis, Indiana; she has been a resident of Sanibel for 35 years. She is a graduate of Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and received her law degree from Indiana University. She is a member of the Indiana and Florida Bars and has practiced in Southwest Florida for 27 years, 18 of them on Sanibel. She has served on the Sanibel Planning Commission and Sanibel City Council. She is a current member and past president of the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, has served as the Chancellor of Saint Michaels and All Angels Episcopal Church, and has served as a past board member of many island organizations.

These women bring a comprehensive program on Documents Every Woman Needs. While serving on the Serving Women on the Island (SWOTI) service team of the Zonta Club, they helped organize several other presenters: David Berger, a retired physician, and Rev. Cynthia Brasher, chaplin with the Lee Memorial Health System, who held a successful workshop at the Sanibel Library earlier this year.

This program is designed for all women, to educate them on the documents they need and show them how to gather and organize essential paperwork and inform appropriate family members or care providers as to where those important documents are. Attendees will receive a handout listing the necessary documents and an emergency information form.

To secure a reservation to be part of this evening, RSVP to Gayle DeHaan-Garland (godehaan@comcast.net) or call 565-7872 by November 4. The cost of the dinner is $22.

The ABWA, which meets on the second Tuesday of each month at The Community House, focuses on bringing together women of professional and business interests to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow professionally through leadership, education, networking support and national recognition.

For more information about joining ABWA, contact membership chair Barbara Boulton (472-2929).✲

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Sanibel-Captiva Women's Connection

Sylvia Weeks

Inspirational speaker Sylvia Weeks, speaker trainer for the southwest region of Stonecroft Ministries, will present Learned to Seize the Day Amid the Stumbles at the Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Connection (SCCWC) Thursday, November 10. Other program highlights include music by soloist Fred Nordstrom and a presentation on jewelry by designer Julie Gomez.

The luncheon program at the Dunes Golf and Tennis Club, 949 Sand Castle Road, begins at 11 a.m. and costs $18 per person. Women of all ages are invited. Reservations are required.

For information and reservations call Anita at 395-9015. Checks made payable to Sanibel-Captiva CWC may be mailed to Linda Yoder, 9290 Bayberry Bend, Unit 104, Fort Myers, FL 33908. The program is sponsored by SCCWC and Stonecroft Ministries.✰

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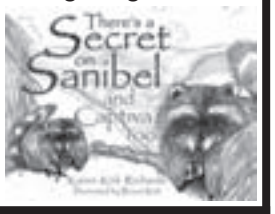

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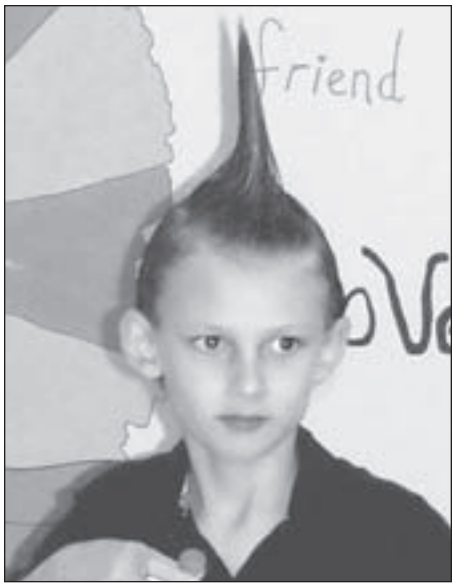
Riley Mann



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LOGOS Hero Night For Vets

LOGOS children at Sanibel Community Church will honor veterans at Hero Night on Wednesday, November 9. Along with having vets join the children for dinner, the children will be writing cards to thank veterans and encourage active servicemen and women. The mid-week program is for children ages 3 years through 5th grade. For more information, call Kathy Cramer 472-2684.☆

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Kayak Festival To Focus On Causeway Island

Southwest Floridians will have an easier time navigating Lee County Parks & Recreation's canoe and kayak festival this year. Activities are planned throughout Lee County, but a new "hub" focusing on Sanibel Causeway Island A will make it easier for participants to gather in one central location to try out boats or hear speakers.

The annual Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival is set for now through Sunday, November 6, with signature sponsor *Canoe & Kayak* magazine. Festival organizers offer these tips to make the most of the event:

• Buy an $8 day pass and take the trolley. The pass helps festival-goers avoid the $6 causeway toll and is the green way to go since the island has limited parking. (An inclusive $60 four-day pass also is available.) Passes are available now at the Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel, which is located on Summerlin Road across from Tanger Outlets, or on Island A. Free parking will be available at Tanger and Port Sanibel Marina. The pass provides admission onto Island A, where participants can demo kayaks and stand-up paddleboards, hear national caliber speakers and taste local dishes from Gulf Seafood.

• Watch the races. The races in past festivals were in hard-to-view locations, but not this year. The November 5 Calusa Classic and November 6 Calusa Dash both start at noon from Island A. The first leg of the 10-mile Classic parallels the causeway islands. The four-mile Dash circumnavigates the islands. Adventures in Paradise is offering a spectator boat Noveber 5. To reserve a spot, call 472-8443. Cost is $15 to $25. Race registration continues up to 10:30 a.m. on race days for $45 to $70. Call Race Director Brian Houston at 579-6000.

• Come by boat. Lee County Parks & Recreation is providing a kayak parking area so participants can paddle to Island A and leave their boats while enjoying the festivities. Powerboaters are welcome to anchor and wade ashore. Paddlers and boaters are urged to be aware of race-route areas and avoid them.

• Head north or west instead. The annual extravaganza at UpRiver RV Resort is hosting its North Fort Myers celebration of kayaking, manatees and Conservation 20/20 preserves at noon Friday, November 4. Greater Pine Island is hosting a trilogy of events Saturday, November 5, with the annual Calusa Blueway Kayak Fishing Tournament, A Taste of Matlacha and Bluegrass for a Blueway at Matlacha Park. Taste and Bluegrass have free admission. Anglers still can enter for $60. Call coordinator Joy Hazell at 533-7518 or Josh Harvel at 233-0655.

• Head to the beach. The Southwest Florida Paddling Club, Tampa Bay Sea Kayakers and Paradise Coast Paddling Club are hosting free group paddles. Details are available on the festival website. On Fort Myers Beach, festival-goers can join the first-ever Jug Boat Race to raise funds for Wake Up America. The Saturday, November 5, event is at Bowditch Regional Park and involves homemade boats. Call organizer Wendy Rex at 810-4742.

• Make it an evening affair. The O'Brien Subaru Kickoff Reception is Thursday, November 3, and the *Canoe & Kayak* Film Fest is Friday, November 4. Both are at The Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel, providing opportunities to meet-and-greet VIPs in the paddling world, as well as food and beverages. Admission is $15; four-day pass holders admitted free. Then Saturday, join paddlers at the San Carlos RV Resort to watch renowned backcountry gourmet Michael Gray whip up goodies and hear from the paddling adventurers called The WaterTribe. Food and live music provided; $20 at the door; four-day pass holders admitted free. Details online.

This 6th Annual Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival has been selected as one of the Southeast Tourism Society's Top 20 Events for 2011. Complete details – including how to win one of three kayaks being given away – are online at www.CalusaBluewayPaddlingFestival.com or available by calling 533-7474.✡

Sanibel Farmers Market Is Back

Sundays are market time on Sanibel once again. The Sanibel Farmers Market returns beginning Sunday, November 6, and operating every Sunday until April 29 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. at City Hall.

Located at 800 Dunlop Road, the market is brought to you by Local Roots, LLC and promises to be even better than last year. Many familiar vendors will be on hand to provide an opportunity to taste locally made and grown products, fruits, and vegetables. Have lunch with the Nosh Truck, ribs from Captain Bob, breads by Lush, Pete's Mozzarellas, Big C's Salsa, and much more. Try one of the many fragrant locally made soaps or candles or treat yourself to a bouquet of fresh flowers or an orchid.

The market will have an easier access this year with the anticipated completion of the new bike paths and bike racks. Plenty of parking still will be available at City Hall, BIG ARTS, and the library.

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The Low Tides Of Winter Are Here

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

This week we experienced our first really big minus low tides of the winter season. These mega low tides showed sandbars and exposed grass flats I had not seen since last winter. I have always enjoyed fishing these super low tides as they really seem to bunch the fish up tight.

Either back in small mangrove bays and natural creeks or out in the open sound, fishing the channels that run between the grass flats all these places produce fish on these lowest of low tides.

Out in the open sound I spent my time working narrow deeper channels and the grass edges of these channels. Free-lined live shiners and shrimp caught trout after trout. Though there where not to many keepers in the mix, it was non-stop action. Switching it up to weedless soft plastic jigs, the action continued.

The deeper channels held Spanish mackerel, jacks and ladyfish too.

Sea trout season in our area is closed November and December for the annual spawn. This really makes no sense to me as all the trout I clean this time of year have no roe in them at all. Early spring seems to be the time that trout in this region are full of roe.

The cooler clear water of winter will bring some of the best trout fishing of the year, although you will have to wait until January to keep one again.

Deeper mangrove shorelines and channels with strong current in the 3- to 5-footrange were a better bet for snook, redfish and even a few gag grouper. Shiners, pinfish and shrimp fished close to or right on the bottom caught these fish.

The better bite for me this week came on the first hour or so of the low incoming tide. Chumming a few live shiners in these narrow creeks will let you know really quickly if it's worthsticking around and if you have picked the right shoreline to be fishing. If the channel has feeding fish they will explode on the freebees. This is mixed bag fishing at its best with so many species balled up tight together.

Out along the beaches this week, conditions finally laid down. Huge schools of Spanish mackerel could be found just on the outside of Blind Pass. After running from the Sanibel Lighthouse north one afternoon, I did not see on Spanish mackerel until I reached Blind Pass, then there was just acres of them feeding along with a few Kingfish crashing the party.

After lots of reports on the news of red tide, I was pleasantly surprised not to see any dead fish out to three of four miles.

Tripletail fishing was a little hit and miss with lots of small tripletail out there this week. After running hundreds of pots one afternoon, we ended up only catching a 12- pounder and a 7-pounder. The crab buoys on which these fish rest are still kind of clean and this fishery will only get better and better over the next few months.

I did have a report, though, this week of a an18-pound monster caught off of Fort Myers Beach in 21 feet og water.

Live shrimp are the best choice of bait for sightfishing these tasty fish.

Regulations on tripletail are two per angler per day with a 15-inch minimum length.

Capt. Matt Mitchell has been fishing local waters since he moved to Sanibel in 1980. He now lives in St. James City and works as a back country fishing guide.

If you have comments or questions email captmattmitchell@aol.com.

Trout season in our area is closed November and December

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Pictured is a Sanibel Captiva Sail & Power Squadron group happy to have navigated to their destination. Their success was due to completing Course 1 on How to Read a Chart and Course 2 on Global Positioning System (GPS).

The GPS course will be given on November 12 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sanibel Library. The instructor, Roger Heider, is a certified instructor, an engineer, and a boater familiar with area waters.

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Not only is this a must course for area waters, but it enables you to join the fun. To register via the internet go to www.usps.org/cgi-bin-nat/eddept/cfind.cgi

For questions or computer problems call Roger Heider at 395-0959 or Tom Gillis at 472-3828.✰

Aussie party, the Sanibel Captiva Sail & Power Squadron

Captiva Cruises Resuming Tour To Tarpon Lodge, Calusa Heritage Trail

Captiva Cruises' newest expedition in its Discover Southwest Florida History tours will focus on the fishing cultures in Pine Island Sound, a story of fascinating characters and traditions. This cruise will depart from McCarthy's Marina on Captiva and travel to Pineland on Pine Island.

Along the way, passengers will get an up-close look at historic fish houses of Pine Island Sound and discuss commercial fishing and the fishing cultures from the indigenous Calusa, to Spanish Cuban Ranchos, to the Punta Gorda Fish Company and to the spectacular tarpon and sport fishing of today. The tour will be greeted at The Tarpon Lodge and passengers will be oriented to this spectacular location, the family-run business and their tradition of fishing within Pine Island Sound and Charlotte Harbor. Passengers then will relax while enjoying the "old Florida" charm of the 1926 Tarpon Lodge where lunch will be served with waterfront views of the sound and its mangrove islands.

After lunch, the group will walk to The Randell Research Center (RRC), located across the street from The Tarpon Lodge. The RRC, a program of the Florida Museum of Natural History, aims to establish and maintain, at the internationally significant Pineland archeological and historical site, a permanent facility dedicated to learning and teaching the archeology, history and ecology of Southwest Florida. An RRC educator will guide the tour on The Calusa Heritage Trail to one of the pre-Columbian mounds of the ancient Calusa while elaborating on this unique fishing culture.

The resumption of the tour to Pine Island will occur on Saturday, October 15, at 10 a.m. Captiva Cruises has established Discover Southwest Florida History cruises to Cabbage Key, Useppa Island, Boca Grande and has recently added cruises to The Edison & Ford Winter Estates on the Caloosahatchee as well as this cruise to Pine Island. These are excellent opportunities for family and neighborhood outings to learn about the history of Southwest Florida and enjoy a day on the water.

Additional information and reservations, call Captiva Cruises at 472-5300.✰

CROW Presents Wildlife Wonders

CROW, the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, will be presenting daily Wonders of Wildlife at its Healing Winds Visitor Education Center at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

All presentations begin at 11 a.m. and are free to members and children age 12 and younger. All others are asked for a $5 donation to attend. Admission includes the opportunity to explore CROW's interactive visitor education center both before and/or after the presentation. The upcoming schedule of presentations for this week is as follows:

• Friday, November 4

Meet an Animal Ambassador presented by CROW wildlife partner Melinda Russek, public relations director with the Calusa Nature Center. Animal ambassadors cannot live in the wild due to physical or psychological injuries. Learn more about the personal and natural histories of these special animals. An Eastern Screech Owl will be the first ambassador story we will share.

• Saturday, November 5

Getting to Know CROW presented by volunteer Gail Seldess. An overview of who we are, what we do and how you can help.

• Tuesday, November 8

Armadillos and Raccoons: A Timeline from Injury to Release presented by CROW volunteers Dot Lee and Kyle Miller. Lee and Miller will explain the step-by-step process of rescuing, admitting, treating and ultimately releasing two common patients back into the wild.

• Wednesday, November 9

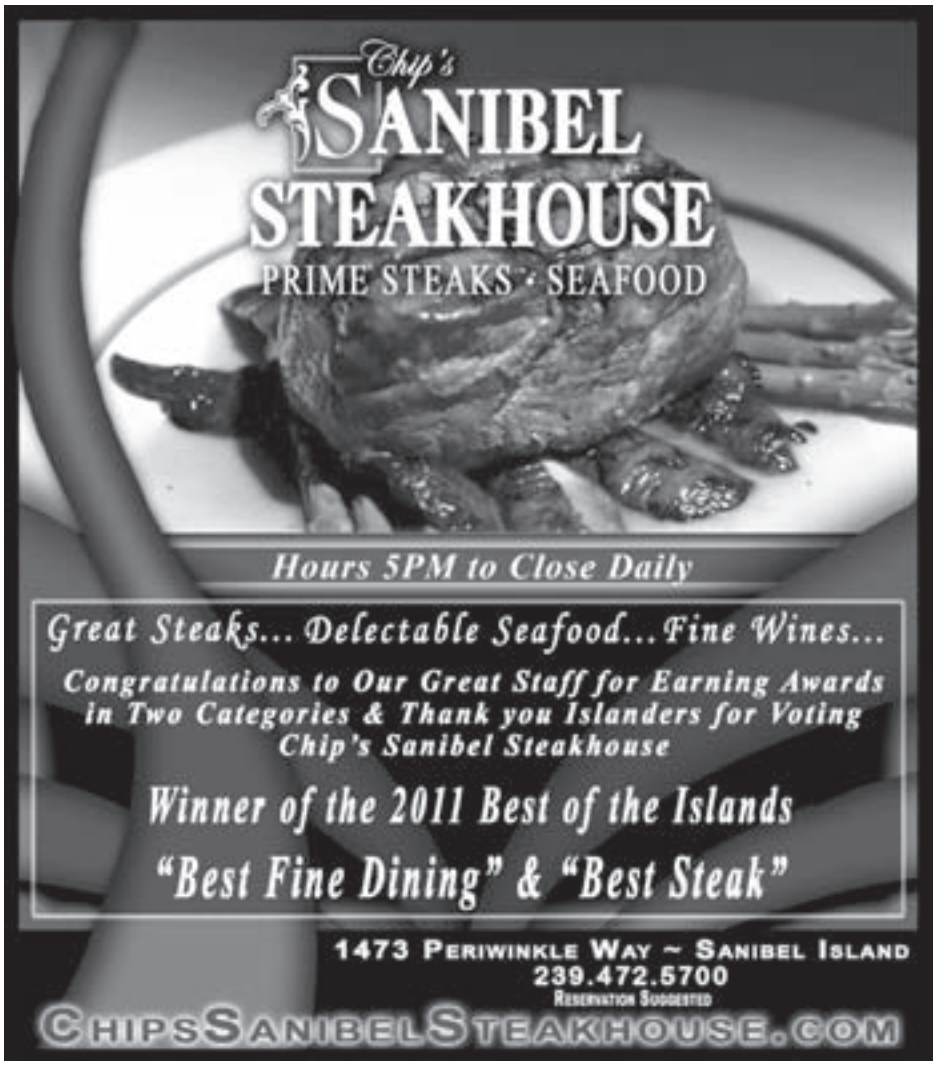
Rescues and Releases: A History of CROW's Patients presented by CROW volunteer Denny Toll. With his 11-year history of rescues, releases and patient support, Tolly will offer an insider's look at CROW's efforts to save wildlife.

• Thursday, November 10

Clinic Rounds presented by CROW medical staff. Every week, meet the veterinarian, rehabbers or students, who will give you insight to the inner-workings of CROW's wildlife hospital, which admits more than 4,000 patients a year.

• Friday, November 11

WOW, Wonders of Wildlife: Why Animals Come to CROW presented by volunteer Claudia Burns. Do you ever wonder why and how animals wind up at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife? Or what kinds of wildlife patients find themselves at CROW? Find out!✰



Shell Museum Hosting Friday Lunch Hour Series

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is hosting another monthly Friday Lunch Hour at the Museum series this season. The programs run from noon to 1 p.m. and are free with museum admission or membership. Guests are welcome to bring along a lunch to enjoy during the presentation.

Popular Sanibel author Christine Lemmon will speak at the museum on November 11. The rest of the lineup this season includes: sea adventurer/shell collector/photographer Rob Masino (December 9); shell and fossil expert/collector Dr. Gary Schmelz (January 13); and shell collector/crafter Anne Joffe (February 10).

Currently writing her next novel, Lemmon said the book will include an interior design theme pertaining to the restoration of the heart, soul and mind. It is set in Sanibel and San Francisco. Despite being the mother of three young children, Lemmon manages to find time to write for two hours a day five or six mornings a week.

"There's something about those early hours before the sun that allows a person to block out the noise and distractions of this world and for things to become clear," she said. "It also took discipline to reduce myself to one cup of coffee per day when I realized more cups do not make for better writing."

Sanibel author Christine Lemmon will discuss her novels and writing at The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum Friday Lunch Hour Series on November 11

Lemon has had a lifelong love for Sanibel and shells that started with yearly childhood visits to the island to spend time with her grandparents. Those memories, along with her current daily life here, have provided a wealth of stimuli for her novels.

"Ideas, quotes, concepts for my four books and now the one I am currently writing have come to me while wading in the water, biking or walking around the island," she said. "After all these years, we still average sunsets once a week as a family, and I do believe that getting inspiration for writing is like putting a seashell to your ear and listening.

Now that she has been in the writing business for several years, Lemmon can pass along a few pointers to budding novelists. "Learn all you can about the ever-changingpublishing world," she suggested. "Whereas once it was the dream of every author to sign on with a major New York Publishing house, it might now be wiser to consider the smaller presses or self-publishing. Getting published is as much of a process as writing the book. Enjoy the process and what you learn along the way and do not burn your manuscript just because you get 60 rejections. At that point, try a different publishing route."

On December 9, Rob Masino will present photographs of live mollusks he found in Honduras, the Grenadines, and other Caribbean locations. He will also provide tips on how to best photograph these treasures of the sea.

Dr. Gary Schmelz, who speaks on January 13, has led several Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum excursions abroad, and on this afternoon he will allow his audience to experience the "Wonder of the South Pacific Coral Reefs" in crystal clear, colorful images.

Shell Museum Board President Anne Joffe, who will speak February 10, has also traveled the world to collect shells, and she will highlight her recent shelling adventure to Guaymas, Mexico.

For additional information, contact Shell Museum Public Programs Specialist Diane Thomas at dothomas@shellmuseum.org, or phone 395-2233.☼

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Shell Museum To Host Introductory Meeting For Prospective Volunteers

Volunteer Hal Pilcher distributes exhibit information to Shell Museum visitors

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum will host an informational open house for prospective volunteers on November 14 from 9 to 10 a.m.

Attendees will learn about the Shell Museum's history and volunteer opportunities from public program specialist Diane Thomas. Light refreshments will be served, and guests are welcome to meet and talk with staff members and current volunteers about what openings are available and what those positions entail.

There are volunteer opportunities for all ages in several areas, including clerical assistance, curating shell collections, working with youth programs and assisting visitors in the Great Hall.

Anyone with an interest in learning more about becoming a Shell Museum volunteer should attend the open house or call Diane Thomas at 395-2233.☼

Turtle Tracks

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is sponsoring Turtle Tracks at the Nature Center at 9 a.m. on Thursdays. This interpretive program delves into the life cycle of the sea turtles that nest on the beaches. Participants start at the turtle exhibit and marine touch tank to learn about the life cycle of the loggerhead and then go to a beach site to discuss their nesting habitat and other fascinating marine life.

Cost for this program is $5 for adults and free for children; a beach parking fee of $2 per car is necessary at the beach site.

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation monitors the sea turtle nests on Sanibel and Captiva. If you have questions about the Turtle Tracks program or the sea turtle research program, call the foundation's Nature Center at 472-2329.☼

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Red-Shouldered Hawk

by Emilie Alfino

An adult red-shouldered hawk came in to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) on September 20. He was found in the Tanglewood development in South Fort Myers.

The hawk was found in a backyard just laying on his side. When he arrived at CROW, staff found him alert and responsive although quite dehydrated. "His body condition was fair, he just didn't want to stand," said CROW Wildlife Rehabilitator Robin Bast. "We were thinking he might have a fracture." Staff took X-rays, but nothing untoward showed up.

"He did have deep pain and sensitivity in his leg, which is a good sign that his nerves are still working," Bast explained. "We test for pain by using a hemostat, a surgical tool similar to forceps. We squeeze the animal gently, and he should feel it and pull back. If he doesn't, it means he can't feel it."

The bird had neurological deficits when he came in; he was weak and "not quite all there for some reason," according to Bast. "There was no sign of outward injuries so we thought it was likely trauma that caused neurologic symptoms".

Because the patient was so dehydrated, staff inserted an IO catheter (IO means *interosseous*, or "inside the bone") to more quickly deliver fluids, as opposed to subcutaneous absorption. The IO method is much faster at getting fluids through the body.

Staff ran some basic tests that are usually run on birds – for bacteria, infection, and other problems. "We found some unwanted bacteria in his gut," said Bast. "That could have been responsible for part of his weakness." She put her patient on Baytril, an antibiotic, and started basic supportive care.

It turned out that the bird's right leg had the most issues. By the next day, he could move his left leg but could only grip with his right leg. He couldn't perch but was making some improvement nonetheless.

Red-shouldered hawk in flight

Two days after his arrival at CROW, staff removed the catheter, as the hawk was hydrated enough to continue to care for him using subcutaneous and oral fluids.

"At this point he started being more eager to eat," said Bast. "We were still hand-feeding him, but instead of us having to open his mouth and actually place the food in, he was grabbing for it."

On September 26, the hawk was eating on his own quite well and also starting to perch on his own. He would fall off from time to time so he wasn't entirely "with it," as Bast explained, but he was getting better.

Close-up, red-shouldered hawk

The patient completed his week's round of antibiotics on the 27th. He stayed inside for one more day and then moved to one of the smaller outdoor flight cages.

"He was flying around really well out there so we decided to give him more space," Bast stated. "We wanted him to gain energy and stretch those flight muscles."

But it soon became clear that the hawk was feeling very stressed, according to Bast. "We entered the cage two times a day to clean and feed him and he would show stressed behavior."

He was ready to be free of his cage and was released October 4. "I would have liked him to stay three or four more days to get stronger, but it was better for him to go than to be as stressed as he was," Bast explained.

The bird was released in Tanglewood, where he was found. Bast was present for the release.

"I opened the carrier door and he didn't want to come out at first," Bast recounted. "I pulled out the towel that was on the bottom of the carrier. Then he made a nice, strong flight down the block and up into a palm tree. That last flight you see of a healthy bird makes the rehabilitation effort all worth it."

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a nonprofit 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. Visit www.crowclinic.org or call 472-3644.

Shell Found

Carol Miller, center, found a junonia, which was on her friend's bucket list

Carol Miller (center) from York, Pennsylvania, and friends found a junonia at Lighthouse Beach while staying at Couquina Beach Condos. Carol said, "My best friend has this on her bucket list and I found it!"☆

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Shell Found

Kelly Clevenger

Kelly Clevenger of West Virginia found an alphabet cone between Sanibel Siesta and Sundial while staying at Sanibel Siesta. Kelly said, "Mom and I have been coming for 20 years. Previously we've both found junonias and alphabet cones."☆

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Fish Caught

Freshwater bass

Jack David caught a freshwater bass on Saturday, October 22, and an alligator gar October 27. He caught these rare species on Sanibel from his backyard in the Sanibel River.

Alligator gar

Nautical Trivia

by Bryan Henry

While the United Kingdom abolished the death penalty for murder in 1965, you could still be executed for high seas piracy until 1998.

• Another word that came ashore, "kink," as in a kink in your neck, was originally a sailor's term for a twist in a line.

• The word "govern" is from the Latin *gubernare*, meaning to steer a ship.

• A gubernator, from which derives our modern word "governor," was originally a ship's helmsman.

• The word "embark" is of purely nautical origin, being from the Latin prefix *in*, plus *barca* (boat), hence to get or put in a boat.

• One of history's greatest naval commanders, Horatio Nelson, was constantly seasick. After 30 years at sea, he never overcame his seasickness.

• The term "high seas" means all the waters which are not the property of a particular country, that is, those beyond the three-mile limit. The word "high" indicates that the seas are public, just as a highway means a public way.

Shellabration 2012 will mark the 75th annual Sanibel Shell Fair and Show. Plans are under way for an island-wide celebration February 26 through March 4.

A Sanibel Sea School Primer On Red Tide

Submitted by: Sanibel Sea School

Sanibel and Captiva have recently experienced the first red tide event in several years. Red tide affects all of us in this region in many ways and the effects of red tide can be very severe. Fortunately the majority of this bloom has remained offshore and had little or no impact on the shorelines of our islands.

The very premature (and perhaps overly optimistic) prediction on the future of this particular algal bloom is that it appears to be diminishing. For biologists, algal blooms like this are an opportunity to investigate and perhaps better understand the interesting dynamics of this complex marine phenomenon.

Let's start with a brief refresher about *Karenia brevis*, the organism that causes red tide. These single-celled organisms are classified as protists. The protists are a difficult group to comprehend; however, a defining characteristic is that they are single-celled organisms. Some protists are plant-like and undergo photosynthesis; some are animal-like and obtain their nutrition by preying on other organisms. Two groups of plant-like protists are common in the marine waters of Southwest Florida: diatoms and dinoflagellates. *Karenia brevis* is a dinoflagellate.

Many plant-like protists are found in ocean habitats and can be a dominant component of marine phytoplankton communities. Oceanic phytoplankton communities are vital to life as we know it on planet Earth. Although difficult to calculate, estimates of global atmospheric oxygen content indicate that over 50 percent of the oxygen in the atmosphere is created by photosynthesis from marine phytoplankton communities. These phytoplankton communities link nearly every living thing on this planet through the cycling of oxygen.

The Gulf of Mexico and most oceanic water bodies are not big homogenous bodies of water. It would be convenient if they were, but they are not. They are composed of fairly distinct, adjacent groups of water arranged in complex three-dimensional patterns. Each of these small groups of water has fairly unique combinations of physical and chemical properties. These unique combinations allow different phytoplankton communities to flourish at any given time in any given place in the ocean. When the chemical and physical water properties are favorable, some phytoplankton communities can reproduce very rapidly and achieve very high population densities – this growth pattern is known as a plankton bloom. Plankton blooms of *K. brevis* cause red tide.

Nature is very complex. Natural communities are typically composed of many, many species that occupy a variety of niches and trophic levels. We really do not understand the processes at play in phytoplankton communities very well. We don't know what casues the favorable conditions that lead to most blooms, but we do know that in a red tide bloom, there are many other species of phytoplankton present.

It appears that the red tide bloom of October 2011 is fragmenting and diminishing. We don't really know why, but here is a plausible explanation. The recent wind associated with our big storm fronts has stirred the oceans and suspended particles from the bottom. In the resuspension of these sediments, nutrients have been added to the water where the red tide bloom is – this is really a change in the physical and chemical properties of that patch of water. Recent samples indicate that diatoms are growing very well, and diatom populations are blooming. It appears that non-harmful diatoms are now outcompeting *K. brevis* in that patch of water *K. brevis* so dominated previously.

So, although far too early to be entirely accurate, it appears our islands might just be spared the ill effects of red tide – because of a storm and some really interesting interplay between the physical and biological components in a patch of phytoplankton-laden water.

One aspect of this particular bloom is clear. We need to a better understanding of phytoplankton community dynamics. They are crucial to our lives in Southwest Florida and to the lives of nearly all living things on Earth. Sanibel Sea School is a volunteer partner of the Florida Wildlife Research Institute; we go to these blooms to collect samples for analysis. We spend our time and money to help the State of Florida gather data to help advance the understanding of the rich marine community that supports us.

Sanibel Sea School is a 501(c)3 organization dedicated to a world in which all people value, understand and care for the ocean. If you like what you have learned from this article, visit us at sanibelseachool.org.☆

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'Ding' Darling Team Featured

expense in not having to use refuge staff, which, because of federal budget cuts, we can't afford," said Ranger Combs. "Doris Hardy runs a tight and efficient program. The number of lives the volunteers save from a horrible death is uncountable."

"Donations from people who have a genuine interest and care in wildlife survival make possible support from 'Ding' Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge for projects such as this," said Birgie Vertesch, DDWS executive director. "The wildlife can't thank them, so we do."

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Plant Smart

Earleaf Acacia

Ear-shaped pods split to reveal black seeds that birds disperse

by Gerri Reaves

Earleaf acacia, a category-I pest plant, was once commonly used in street plantings photos by Gerri Reaves

Earleaf acacia (*Acacia auriculiformis*) is an evergreen tree of up to 50 feet tall with a 25-foot spread and spikes of tiny yellow-orange flowers.

The tree's curious name derived from the ear-shaped seed pod that upon maturity splits open to reveal flat black seeds.

But this pretty tree is no friend of South Florida. A native of Australia, Papua New Guinea, and Indonesia, it invades pinelands, scrub habitat, and hammocks, posing a significant threat to native plants, even rare ones.

It is listed as a category-I invasive species by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council. Like many pests, this member of the pea family was introduced as an ornamental, arriving in Florida before 1932 and used to landscape streets.

One popular book on landscaping published in the 1980s describes it as a "favorite tree of many land developers for its fantastic growth and rock bottom purchase price."

Its ability to grow six to eight feet in one growing season earns it the distinction of being an "almost instant shade tree."

Unfortunately, it adapts superbly to Florida's dry-wet seasons and can thrive in habitats with nutrient-poor soil. In addition, it fruits prolifically and the seeds are dispersed by birds.

Spikes of yellow-orange flowers appear much of the year

The flat, stiff crescent-shaped leaves are dark green and five to eight inches long.

The tree is most noticeable when the flowers appear at the tips of the stems or in the leaf axils.

It is advisable to remove this invasive tree from the landscape and hand-pull any seedlings. Another reason to remove it is a high susceptibility to wind breakage.

Because of its low-maintenance, earleaf acacia is used as a container plant. But care should be taken that no seeds escape and add to the ecological invasion.

Sources: plants.ifas.ufl.edu and Florida, My Eden by Frederic B. Stresau.

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Dialogue On Ocean Conservation

Vikki Spruill of Ocean Conservancy

by Andrew Stansell

The Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education held its sixth annual Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue entitled Ocean Conservation and Sustainability at Florida Gulf Coast University on October 27.

Expert panelists Vikki Spruill and Shelia Bowman sparked passionate and intellectual dialogue among students and attendees by drawing attention to the state of our ocean resources.

Spruill is with Ocean Conservancy based in Washington D.C., a long-time partner of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation in its annual International Coastal Cleanup. Bowman is with the Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch program in California.

They explored the complexity of ocean conservation, seafood sustainability, and addressed the relationship between human activities and the health of our oceans.

They called on students, campus, and community leaders to take action in restoring and protecting our ocean resources, urging the audience to "educate themselves" and to "do something" to initiate the social shift to sustainability.

The event welcomed 17 local con servation groups and campus organizations for a networking session before the dialogue, including representatives from the Sanibel Sea School, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, and the Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve. Also in attendance were the dialogue's distinguished keynote listeners, Provost Ron Toll; coordinator Capt. Jeff Werner; Director and Co-founder of the Sanibel Sea School Dr. Bruce Neill; and Lee and Collier County's Sea Grant Marine Scientist Bryan Fluech. These respected community leaders have been recognized for their ability to relay the messages of ocean conservation and sustainability into the wider community.

For more information about the Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue and the issue of Ocean Conservation and Sustainability, contact the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education by e-mail at cese@fgcu.edu or visit www.fgcu.edu/cese.☼

Sanibel Sea School representatives at the event

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Sanibel Beautification

She thanked the officers and volunteers of Sanibel Beautification: Charlie Hart, vice president; Bill Boswell, treasurer; Debbie Staley, secretary; and Carolyn Dix, board member, and praised the most loyal, dedicated, and hard-working volunteers who have braved the heat, thorns, fire ants, and occasional poison ivy, to trim, water, mulch, and care for the plantings: Pat Barbour, Trudy Burkholder, Carolyn Dix, Charlie Hart, Bill McBeath, Lou Scariot, Diane Stocks, and Ada Shissler.

Following Hurricane Charley, Sanibel Beautification partnered with the City of Sanibel, the Chamber of Commerce, and Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation to form the Periwinkle Partnership, which then became a project of Sanibel Beautification with the mission of restoring vegetation along Periwinkle Way.

This became a five-year project which resulted in the creation of seven pocket parks which provide rest areas with benches supplied by the Lion's Club, and bike racks. Picnic areas were created at Roadside Park and at the Palm Ridge/Periwinkle intersection where a native plant botanical garden was planted with 29 species of native plants, shrubs, trees, and grasses. Larger trees were planted to help create canopy more quickly, understory plantings were added to complement the trees the City was able to replace with grants from the Department of Forestry, and six three-tier drinking fountains were installed at convenient locations.

Shissler thanked the Periwinkle Partnership board of directors for their wholehearted support and commitment, and for the contributions they each made to the success of the Periwinkle Project. They are: Charlie Hart, vice president; Allen Myers and Carolyn Musgrave, treasurers; Susan Rosica and Debbie Staley, secretaries; Paul Reynolds, webmaster; Susan Reynolds, editor; Bob Radigan, graphics designer; Ric Base, Chamber of Commerce representative; Jenny Evans, SCCF representative; Phillip Marks, master gardner; Bob Kern, Lion's Club representative; Gates Castle, Sanibel Public Works director; and Bob Mitchell, landscape designer.

Shissler commented that, "Sanibel supports so many worthy causes and addresses so many needs, usually focused on one specific interest or organization, but the work of Sanibel Beautification and the Periwinkle Project is something that benefits everyone. It is there for all to see and enjoy, residents and visitors alike, young and old, now and into the future. This has truly been a community effort. SBI worked with six different landscaping firms, six financial institutions, received support from over 30 businesses, interacted with a dozen local clubs and organizations, and had the participation of hundreds of volunteers.

"Everyone has contributed, all have played a part in the success of this effort," Shissler continued. "Together we have achieved our goal of restoring Periwinkle Way better than ever. Canopy is already starting to reform over Periwinkle Way, and this time it is native trees which should better withstand future storms."

Sanibel Beautification has received recognition at the local, county, state, and national levels, but its greatest reward has been the satisfaction of watching its efforts continue to grow and flourish, becoming more beautiful over time.

Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is a well-established organization with a full-time staff, and an impressive record of accomplishment in preserving and protecting the natural resources on and around Sanibel.

SCCF is currently engaged in a major project which will further enhance a 23-acre parcel along Periwinkle Way while preserving it from further development and protecting wildlife. It is the decision of Sanibel Beautification to aid them with this ambitious undertaking by donating the balance of its treasury in the amount of $50,000 to the Bailey Homestead Project. "We are confident that they will make good use of it," Shissler concluded.☼

Understanding Sustainable Living: A Conference And Exhibition Proposing New, Green Solutions

The 3rd Annual Sustainability Conference and Educational Exhibition to learn about green solutions for a sustainable future will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Thursday, November 10 at the Lee County Elections Center, 13180 South Cleveland Avenue, Fort Myers.

The University of Florida, IFAS Extension and Lee County's Pollution Prevention Program are bringing scientists, entrepreneurs and leaders from academia, industry and government together to share information on mitigating the impact of climate change and building a green economy. Hear innovative solutions for clean energy, energy efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions, financial and policy opportunities and resource management strategies.

The exhibition is an opportunity to meet the region's investors, farmers, developers, engineers, purchasing agents, and representatives from state and local government agencies. They will be showcasing products, services and programs that promote climate change solutions through recycling, efficient water use, sustainable transportation, biofuels and renewable alternative energy development.

View exhibitions for free; it costs $20 to registrater for the conference (includes lunch). Register by making checks payable to LCBOCC, 3406 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33916 or online at http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu. Read the conference agenda on the website; click on the WebTRAC icon.☼

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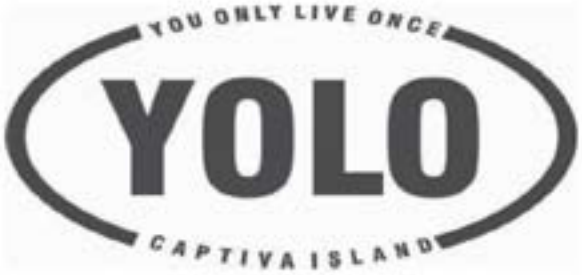

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CROW'S Giving Tree Festival During Luminary Weekend

CROW, the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, is putting the final touches on its 5th Annual Giving Tree Festival scheduled for Sunday, December 4, at The Sanctuary Golf and Country Club. Sparkling and festive holiday trees, wreaths, and garlands will be featured at the clubhouse in a silent auction, raising important philanthropic support for CROW. The premier event sponsor is The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company.

"We are proud to again be the sponsor for this holiday event to benefit CROW," said Sanibel Captiva Trust Company President Terry Igo. "CROW is part of the fabric of our community and we support their efforts to save our wildlife neighbors. By helping CROW, we also hope to help preserve the special qualities that make these islands such a unique place to live and work."

CROW board member Daniel Moore-Thompson, chair of the event, has been busy organizing a talented group of designers for this tremendous evening. "The festival will showcase some of the most amazing talent this island has to offer. It's a unique way to support CROW and take home some creative artwork handmade by local artists and residents."

This popular island event helps initiate the holiday season on the islands with Luminary on Friday and Saturday, and The Giving Tree Festival on Sunday. The Giving Tree offers guests the opportunity to donate to crucial needs for the hospital including food for patients, intern and student programs, patient rescue and rehabilitation, and public education.

"The culinary delights of The Sanctuary chefs, delightful music by Johnny Ray, and seeing so many island friends make for the perfect evening while we support the mission of CROW," said John Schubert, CROW President.

Invitations to this year's event will be in the mail soon. For more information, call CROW Executive Director Steve Greenstein at 395-0031.

Festivity, lights and holiday spirit abound at the 2009 Giving Tree event at The Sanctuary

The Estates' Garden Shop becomes a cornucopia of plants for sale November 19 and 20

Estates Garden Market Returns

Throughout the Edison & Ford Winter Estates' public gardens and under the Banyan Tree, the Estates Garden Shoppe on Saturday, November 19, from 9 a.m.to 5 p.m., and Sunday, November 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There will be dozens of vendors selling unique tropical heritage plants and trees and garden art; local vendors will be joined by several dozen Florida vendors.

Gardeners will be delighted at this one-stop shopping for unique garden items including flowering trees, unusual tropical plants and fruits, bougainvillea, orchids, roses, bromeliads, palms, cactus, herbs, bonsai, bamboo, fruit, ginger and butterfly plants as well as garden art, honey, and gardening supplies.

There will also be free gardening demonstration.

The sale will be at the Estates at 2350 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 334.7419, www.edisonfordwinterestates.org. It is free to the public with free parking. For directions and additional information, go to www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

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Scene from *Mademoiselle Chambon*

Scene from *Mao's Last Dancer*

BIG ARTS Film Society brings back the ever-popular Monday Night Film Series in November with a mix of critically acclaimed independent and foreign films and documentaries. Following film screenings, the tradition of refreshments and lively educational discussions led by a variety of film aficionados, critics, and buffs will continue.

In addition to a first-rate selection of films, viewers will also enjoy the quality of the new Blu-Ray Disc player and other new high-definition projection equipment installed this past summer.

November Monday Night films:

- November 7, *Mademoiselle Chambon* (2009) France, not rated
- November 14, *The Concert* (2009) Russia/France, PG-13
- November 21, *Circo* (2010) Mexico, not rated
- November 28, *Mao's Last Dancer* (2009) China/U.S., PG

An elegant tale of unexpected romance between a married man and his son's homeroom teacher, Kenneth Turan's *Los Angeles Times* review calls *Mademoiselle Chambon*, "an exquisite chamber piece made with the kind of sensitivity and nuance that's become almost a lost art."

The recipient of César Awards in 2010 for Best Original Score and Best Sound, *The Concert* is a darkly funny tale about injustice and one man's patient path toward vindication.

In the documentary *Circo*, set against the backdrop of Mexico's collapsing rural economy, a circus family must choose between their hardscrabble life and throwing in the towel on a family tradition dating back to the 19th century. Sheri Linden of *The Hollywood Reporter* calls the film, "visual poetry," and *Huffington Post*'s Michael Kurcfeld declares it "a ravishing portrait."

Scene from *The Concert*

Based on the autobiography of world-famous ballet dancer Li Cunxin, *Mao's Last Dancer* became the highest-grossing film of 2009 in Australia and is described by Bruce Demara of *The Toronto Star* as "a memorable journey."

Enhanced by surround sound, films will be shown in the comfort of Schein Performance Hall with a new high-definition projection system and large screen to provide a superb cinematic presentation. Listening devices are available for the hearing impaired.

General admission is $8, or purchase a film booklet of 11 tickets for $88. Film booklet holders must be seated no later than 6:45 p.m. to ensure a seat. All Monday night films begin at 7 p.m.

BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series is supported by Series Sponsor Bank Of The Islands and Stan and Visnja Gembicki, Supporters George and Wendy's Corner Grill, Jerry's Foods of Sanibel, Sanibel Deli & Coffee Factory, and Sanibel Taxi.

For the complete listing of BIG ARTS films, to purchase tickets, sign up for workshops, or become a member, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, call 395-0900, email info@BIGARTS.org, or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.

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Refuge Welcomes New Intern

New refuge intern Nicole Adams

Nicole Adams joined the staff at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in October as a Student Conservation Association (SCA) intern. She comes to the refuge from Greenville, South Carolina, a graduate from Clemson University with a bachelor's in environmental and natural resources and a master's in forest resources.

"After two-and-a-half years of writing environmental and natural resource reports for an environmental consulting company, I realized that I wanted to return to my original passion, which was getting the public and children engaged with and excited about our natural world," said Adams of her decision to apply for an SCA position, designed to engage youth in public environmental stewardship.

Additional support for Adams' position came from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS).

"The staff, volunteers, 'Ding' Darling Wildlife Society, and locals have been so warm and welcoming, offering all the tips and assistance they can about the island from birding to how to deal with the no-see-ums," said Adams. "The additional unexpected assistance received from the Wildlife Society was a pleasant surprise. They have been active in making sure I had everything I needed to ensure my stay is as comfortable and pleasant as possible."

Adams will be helping out with public use duties (visitor services, outreach, and education) at the refuge until the end of April 2012.

DDWS is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, friends-of-the-refuge organization that supports the education center and other educational and biological/habitat programs and services at the refuge through philanthropic donations and nature store profits.

To join DDWS and support the refuge, stop in at the Refuge Education Center, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org, or contact Executive Director Birgie Vertesch at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.

Fishing Club Monthly Meeting

This coming Tuesday, November 8, the Sanibel Island Fishing Club will hold its monthly meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the north room of The Community House at 2173 Periwinkle Way. The featured speakers will begin their presentations at 7 p.m. sharp. There is no admission charge for the event and the public is invited to attend.

This month's featured speaker is Sanibel Vice Mayor Mick Denham. The topic of Denham's presentation will be the current status of the water quality in Southwest Florida.

The vice mayor serves as a member of the Regional Watersheds Committee and has been intimately involved with water quality issues for years. He is a voting delegate to the Florida League of Cities, where he has served on the Environmental Quality Legislative Policy Committee. He is currently Sanibel's liaison to the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council.

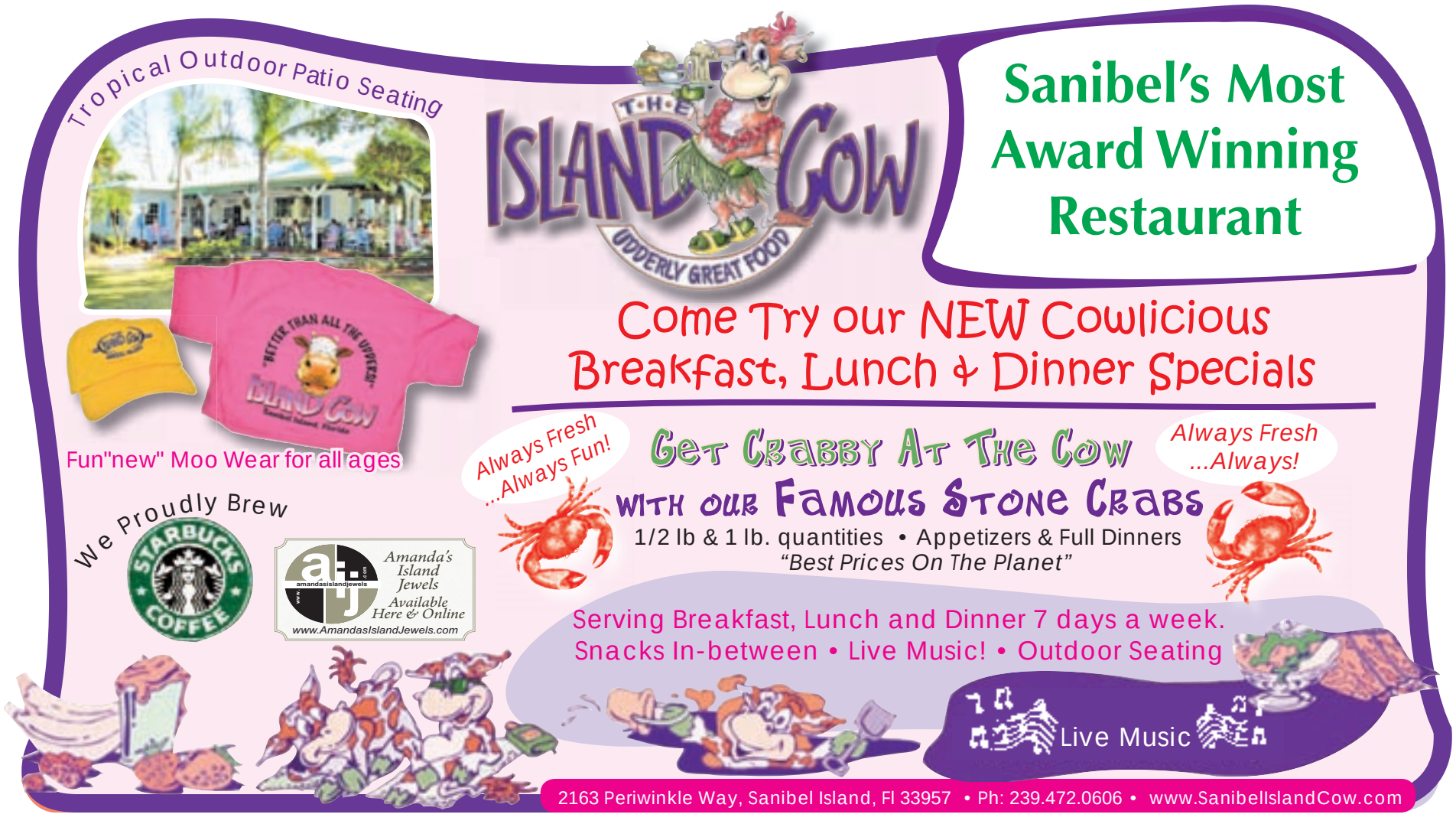
Denham will address any number of water-quality-related topics including the freshwater releases, or lack of freshwater releases, down the Caloosahatchee from Lake Okeechobee; the recent attempts by special interest groups to undermine the fertilizer ordinances.

The vice mayor has been a long-standing champion of local water quality conditions and everyone with an interest in this important topic is invited to attend. A brief question-and-answer period will follow his presentation.

Vice Mayor Mick Denham

The Sanibel Island Fishing Club meets monthly through season and sponsors several group outings as well as lending support for various fishing-related charities and organizations such as START, Junior Anglers and the Sanibel Sea School.

For information on joining the club, contact Rol Campbell at 472-8994 or attend next Tuesday's meeting. To see fish pictures or explore the new fish recipe section, go to www. sanibelisland-fishingclub. com.



Join SCCF For Tour of Organic Farm

Tour of Worden Farm in Punta Gorda and learn about gardening organically

Worden Farm. a certified organic vegetable production

Learn about human beings' connection to the land through the food we eat on a tour of Worden Farm on Friday, November 11. The cost is $15 and the group will meet at SCCF to carpool to Punta Gorda. Advance reservations are required.

Take a tractor-drawn wagon hay ride with a friendly guide and be introduced to life on a working organic family farm. Learn about certified organic vegetable production in Florida, see the family collection of farm animals – beef cattle, dairy goats, chickens, and pigs – and get your questions answered about how to garden organically.

Worden Farm is an 85-acre certified organic family farm in Southwest Florida, founded and actively run by Chris Worden, PhD and Eva Worden, PhD. The farm's organic produce is available directly to the local community in season, fall through spring, at farmers markets and through a community-supported agriculture (CSA) farm membership program.

The tour begins at the farm at 10 a.m. and will last approximately one hour. Carpoolers will meet at the SCCF parking lot at 8:15 a.m. Call 472-2329 to sign up. If you would like to picnic at the farm, bring a bagged lunch. Otherwise, lunch is on your own.☼

Island Store Sells Jewelry In Name Of CROW

Cathy Hackney, assistant manager; and Melissa Rhodes, store manager

Colorful beaded necklaces, bracelets and anklets threaded with stones like jade and tiger's eye decorate the front counter of Island Pursuit at Periwinkle Place. They're up for sale, but Melissa Rhodes, store manager, and Cathy Hackney, assistant manager, don't make a dime off them.

Instead, all proceeds go to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW).

In the spring and summer, Rhodes and Hackney make about $100 off of their jeweled creations to give to CROW. When the snowbirds descend upon the island, that number rises to at least $200 a month.

They started selling jewelry to benefit CROW about a year ago. A donation jar already sat at the front counter, but Rhodes' and Hackney's love of animals inspired them to take it a step further to raise more money for the wildlife hospital, Hackney said.

One of their most popular pieces right now is anklets made out of fishing line.

"Anything we think of, we try it," Rhodes said. "And if it works, we keep it."

Each piece of jewelry goes for anywhere from $5 to $35. And with each sale, the two raise not only money for CROW, but awareness about the organization's mission: to save wildlife through compassion, care and education.

"It makes me feel great giving back to CROW, and giving back to the community," Rhodes said.☼

Coyote And Bear Tales At SCCF

On November 9, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation will teach about two newcomer species to the islands. A coyote and a Florida black bear were documented on the island for the first time last winter. Learn about the behaviors of these two new species and how to live with them.

Coyotes have now moved into every county in Florida, and both human and bear populations are growing in the state. Eighty percent of a bear's diet comes from insects and fruits.

The program is free to children and SCCF members, and $5 for adults; it starts at 10 a.m.

Call 472-2329 for more information.☼

Last Chance To Catch *Who's Afraid Of Virginia Woolf?* At BIG ARTS

Stephanie Davis and Scott Carpenter in a scene from *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*

After its wildly successful run in 2010, The Laboratory Theater of Florida's production of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* is being revived at Sanibel's Herb Strauss Theater for eight nights only. Remaining performances are November 4 and 5.

The Tony-winning play is an American theater classic exploring the complexities of life and love through the lens of two couples of separate generations.

Stephanie Davis and Scott Carpenter face off as one of the ater's most notoriously dysfunctional couples in Edward Albee's masterpiece, which Peter Marks of *The Washington Post* wrote, "… just may be the sharpest-witted ever purged from the psyche of an American writer."

Shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are $42 for adults, $20 for children 17 and under. Theater subscriptions are available: $108 for three shows, or $198 for all six shows. For tickets call 472-6862, or buy tickets at www.BIGARTS.org.

Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf? is supported by Herb Strauss Theater Season Sponsor The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company and show sponsors Brian Johnson of VIP Realty and Susen and James Berg.

BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater is located at 2200 Periwinkle Way. To learn more about these productions and BIG ARTS events, membership and workshops, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, call 395-0900 email info@BIGARTS.org or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.☆

Upcoming BIG ARTS Workshops In Pilates, Painting, Pottery And More

BIG ARTS has announced its workshop schedule for the season and signups are ongoing. This season there are new classes in iPods, iPads, and iPhone apps as well as new workshops in pastels, open studio, African jewelry, and improv.

BIG ARTS Winter Academy has recruited professors who will lecture on art history, economics, music and art appreciation, religion, and international law. Winter Academy starts in January.

The full workshop schedule is available online at www.BIG ARTS.org or by contacting the main BIG ARTS office at 395-0900.

All classes to follow will be held at BIG ARTS Center, 900 Dunlop Road, unless noted.

• Life Drawing – Open Studio (non-instructed) with Carol Rosenberg starts November 4 and meets Fridays from 9:15 to 11:45 a.m.

• Spanish I, II and III with Barbara Peterson starts November 7 and meets Mondays. Call BIG ARTS or go to www.BIGARTS.org for class times.

• Intermediate Adult Tap with Bobby Logue starts November 8 and meets Tuesdays from noon to 1:30 p.m.

• Pilates Mat Class with Marsha Wagner starts November 8 and meets Tuesdays from 9 to 10 a.m.

• Glass Fusing with Petra Kaiser starts November 9 and meets Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

• Women Discussing with Shareen Groce and Renee Sugar starts November 10 and meets Thursdays 10 a.m. to noon.

• Glass Fusing with Petra Kaiser starts November 10 and meets Thursdays from 9:30 a.m.to 12:30 p.m.

• Creative Clay with Dawn Boesen starts November 14 and meets Mondays from 1 to 4 p.m.

• Pottery: Intermediate Wheel Throwing with Joe Koch starts November 23 and meets Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

• Life Drawing – Open Studio (non-instructed) with Carol Rosenberg starts December 2 and meets Fridays from 9:15 to 11:45 a.m.

• Pilates Mat Class with Marsha Wagner starts December 6 and meets Tuesdays from 9 to 10 a.m.

BIG ARTS Workshops are sponsored by Sony Corporation of America. There is a 20 percent discount on workshops for BIG ARTS members.

Individual flute, piano and saxophone lessons also are available for children and adult students.

For more information about workshops, classes and events at BIG ARTS or to become a member, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, call 395-0900, email info@BIGARTS.org, or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.☆

Help Adopt-A-Class Program

Since the inception of the Adopt-a-Class Program in 2003, The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum has been able to provide group tours and a one-of-a-kind educational experience to thousands of children in Lee County. Adopt-a-Class creates the opportunity for fourth-grade children, including those from disadvantaged neighborhoods, to tour the museum at no cost to the school.

Lee County teachers who have participated in previous Adopt-a-Class programs report the field trips as the highlight of the school year for their fourth graders.

While on a field trip to The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum, fourth graders will learn about mollusks – soft-bodied invertebrates that make their own shells.

The museum visit consists of a 25-minute introductory film that covers mollusk anatomy, reproduction, locomotion, habitats, and how these creatures fit into the oceans' food web. Students are then given four 15-minute guided tours that include a hands-on shell introduction, a shell identification matching game, the Great Hall of Shells tour, and the Live Tank program where students encounter live marine mollusks.

The information given to fourth graders has been geared to match the science standards for biological sciences, reading and academic vocabulary building in the science content area.

Sponsorships provide Lee County fourth graders the chance to enjoy a field trip to The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum

The Shell Museum is currently scheduling this academic year's field trips for Lee County fourth-grade students. However, due to continued cutbacks in Lee County school budgets, sponsorships from individuals and businesses are vital to the continuation of the program.

With sponsorship support, Adopt-a-Class will once again be a highly successful educational outreach program for 2011-2012. The museum asks for continued support from program sponsors; the cost of a full sponsorship is $450, or co-sponsorships are available at $300. The full amount of the contribution is 100 percent tax deductible.

Anyone who would like to help sponsor the Adopt-a-Class program, contact Amanda Stirn at astirn@shellmuseum.org. For more educational program information, contact Diane Thomas at dothomas@shellmuseum.org, or call the museum at 395-2233.

Shell Islands Garden Club

The Shell Islands Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, November 8. Sue Richie of Forever Green Ace Hardware will present a unique demonstration on how to make a living garden wall for the club's members and guests.

Living garden walls, a recently popular innovation in gardening, can be small or large. Constructed with bromeliads or herbs, the living garden can be attached to a fence or railing or stand on its own to hide a not-so-pretty wall. Richie will donate the finished project for the club's annual auction in January.

The November 8 meeting will be held at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church at 2304 Periwinkle Way. Social/lunch time is at 11:30 a.m., with the program beginning at 12:30 p.m. Attendees should bring a sandwich to share; beverages and dessert will be provided.

Anyone interested in the give-and-take of gardening, sharing what you grow, the art of flower arranging, beautifying the landscape, and helping conserve natural resources as well as making new gardening friends might want to consider becoming a member of the Shell Islands Garden Club.

For more information, call President Maggie Butcher at 395-0975.

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Wines In The Wild: Take Flight With Unique Jewelry

This year's Wines in the Wild will include a very special, first-ever live auction of a unique necklace.

Thanks to master bird carver Jim Sprankle and Congress Jewelers, guests can bid on a one-of-a-kind, priceless piece of jewelry. Sprankle has donated a hand-carved and painted roseate spoonbill feather necklace slide. The feather is signed and is not available elsewhere. It has been paired with a gold omega necklace donated by Congress Jewelers. Reversible with white gold on one side and yellow gold on the other, the piece was handcrafted in Italy and retails for over $350. This very special piece would make a wonderful gift for that special person this holiday season.

Wines in the Wild is set for Saturday November 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. Guests will taste a variety of wines and foods while strolling the grounds of the Nature Center.

In addition to the jewelry auction, the event will feature a drawing for several prizes of food or wine related to this year's theme, Take Flight. Included is a five-course gourmet dinner for four prepared by island caterer Leslie Adams. One winner and guests will travel to Hemp Key, an island rookery in Pine Island Sound, with SCCF's Kristie Anders and a Marine Lab scientist for a private offshore birding outing. Tickets for the drawing are $20 each, or six for $100; you do not need to be present to win.

Jim Sprankle's hand-carved, hand-painted roseate spoonbill feather graces a gold omega slide from Congress Jewelers. This one-of-a-kind necklace will be auctioned live at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's Wines in the Wild on November 12.

Join the fun by phoning your reservation to SCCF today at 472-2329. The cost is $75 per person. Wines in the Wild will be held on Saturday, November 12 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the SCCF Nature Center, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

SCCF is dedicated to the conservation of coastal habitats and aquatic resources on Sanibel and Captiva and in the surrounding watershed through environmental education, land acquisition, landscaping for wildlife, marine research, natural resource policy, sea turtle conservation and wildlife habitat management. Community support through membership dues and tax-deductible contributions, in addition to grants and staff-generated revenue, makes this work possible.☆

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the music. A question-and-answer session with wine and cheese will follow.

Charles Sobczak is a well-known writer whose works include *Six Mornings on Sanibel*, *Way Under Contract*, *Living Sanibel – A Nature Guide to Sanibel & Captiva Islands*, and, most recently, *The Living Gulf Coast – A Nature Guide to Southwest Florida*, which has been chosen as a finalist for the President's Book Award by the Florida Publishers Association.

Logan Sobczak is a recent graduate of the University of Florida. He holds double majors in philosophy and political science and plans to continue his education at the Chicago Art Institute in 2012. He has played piano since he was 12 and started writing original compositions shortly thereafter.☆

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Chaotic Hilarity At Florida Rep

by Di Saggau

Neil Simon has been bringing laughter into the lives of theater goers for many years. One of his best comedic plays, *Rumors*, is showing at Florida Rep. This production is the funniest and cleverest I've ever seen. It sparkles from beginning to end.

The cast is spot-on in portraying their respective roles: four couples who desperately try to survive a high-brow 10th anniversary dinner party as the guest of honor is busy bleeding upstairs and his wife is nowhere to be found. What follows is a series of increasingly ludicrous events that have the audience laughing out loud over and over again.

Director Robert Cacioppo has assembled a cast that perfectly complements each other.

First to arrive at the party are lawyers Chris and Ken Gorman (Michelle Damato and Brad DePlanche), who discover that their hostess, along with the household staff, has taken off for parts unknown, and their host is upstairs in the bedroom, nursing a bullet wound in his earlobe, presumably following an unsuccessful suicide attempt. They concoct a confusing explanation for the situation, one that continues to change as others arrive for the party. Lies upon lies, and confusion over which fiction is the currently operable one has the audience in stitches.

The entire cast of Neil Simon's *Rumors*, now showing at Florida Rep

Next come Claire and Lenny Ganz (Carrie Lund and David Breitbarth).

They have the cleverest lines and their delivery, facial expression, timing and charm are exceptional. Breitbarth is hysterical as a man suffering from whiplash, and gives a final monologue, the supreme lie of the evening, that totally wins over the audience. Lund is perfect in her role as a jaded suburban housewife, nailing her lines with a deadpan delivery. And wait until you see her dance to *La Bamba*, a show-stopping scene involving the entire cast.

Ernie and Cookie Cusack (David S. Howard and Viki Boyle), portray a doting, baby-talking husband and a television cooking show host, who add considerable hilarity to the production.

Glenn and Cassie Cooper, played by Peter Thomasson and Jackie Schram, are the most polished of the elite dinner guests and are wholly believable in their roles as the state senatorial candidate and his disillusioned, distrusting bride.

The two police offers who enter the action during the second act are played by Mark Chambers and Julianne Avolio. Chambers does a nice job showing us how perturbed he is with the dinner party guests and Avolio, who has few lines, picked up laughs for her interaction with the police radio on her shoulder.

Rumors is unapologetically and delightfully silly, a zany, frantic energy show that provides a totally entertaining evening for the audience. It's a pleasure to watch an ensemble whose members bring each other's performances to new heights. To top things off, Set Designer Jim Hunter has put together a detailed, complete set that supports all of the crazy action on stage.

The show plays through November 18 at Florida Repertory Theatre, in the Historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street between Jackson and Hendry. Tickets are available online at floridarep.org or by calling 332-4488.✯

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Southwest Florida Symphony Pops Season Opens

The Southwest Florida Symphony will present the opening pops concert of the 2011-12 season, *The American Songbook* on Friday, November 11 and Saturday, November 12, at 8 p.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall. Guest vocalists Destan Owens and Sarah Pfisterer will join the orchestra under the direction of Music Director Michael Hall in a program of music from Broadway, Hollywood and Tin Pan Alley. The program will include works by Arlen, Berlin, Ellington, Gershwin, Kern, Mercer, Porter, Rodgers, Hart and Hammerstein.

Owens is an Oklahoma native with a bachelor's in musical theater from Oklahoma City University. He has appeared as soloist with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic and as a member of Broadway Inspirational Voices as well as in film and on stage.

Pfisterer has played over 1,000 performances in the role of Christine in *The Phantom of the Opera* on Broadway and across the country. A Metropolitan Opera semi-finalist, Pfisterer has worked with conductors such as Michael Tilson Thomas and John McGlinn and did a recording of Jerome Kern's *Oh Boy* in London under the direction of McGlinn. She has appeared on *The Today Show* and *The Rosie O'Donnell Show*. In addition to numerous commercials and industrial films, she is featured in the music video *Beggar's Waltz*.

This concert is sponsored by a gift from Charles B. Munsch.

The Southwest Florida Symphony offers single tickets to its performances at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall starting at $20. Tickets are available at the Symphony Box office at 12651 McGregor Boulevard, Bldg. 4-403 in Fort Myers, by calling 418-1500 or online at www.swflso.org

The Southwest Florida Symphony also offers subscription packages at substantial savings over the single ticket prices. Flex ticket packages are also available. Call the Symphony Box Office at 418-1500 or visit www.swflso.org.✯

The Sanibel School Stages Musical *Honk*

It's that time of year again and The Sanibel School's Middle School Performing Arts Class is hard at work rehearsing for their production of *Honk*, a musical based on the beloved *The Ugly Duckling* fairy tale. The Sanibel School Performing Arts Class will be presenting *Honk* on Thursdays and Fridays, November 10, 11, 17 and 18 at 7 p.m. The show is open to the public and will take place in The Sanibel School auditorium.

Tickets are $8 for adults and $3 for students/children. Tickets will be sold at the door and seating will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the show begins at 7 p.m. and will last about 85 minutes.

As a special treat, on Friday, November 18, there will be a special pre-show performance by the Middle School Steel Drum Band PANORAMA beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) "Careful" is the watchword for the prudent Bovine this week. Don't let your emotions overwhelm your logic. Try for balance as you maneuver through a touchy situation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your energy levels rise to meet the challenges that will mark much of this month. New opportunities beckon. Look them over, but proceed cautiously before making any kind of decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your private life can be a problem this week, as a partner becomes more difficult. Resist a reaction you might regret. Instead of walking away, try to talk things out.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You should be your usual sunny self these days, as you bask in the admiration you adore. Enjoy it as you move into a new arena to confront an exciting upcoming challenge.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your perseverance reserves will be tapped frequently this week as you deal with the problems involved in making a new situation work for you. But it'll all be worth it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll find fewer roadblocks turning up as you continue to move ahead with your plans. Expect some important news to come your way by mid-November.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Good news -- you finally get to the bottom of that pesky mystery you've been trying to solve for weeks by using some gentle persuasion to get someone to break his or her silence.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The best time to take on that important task is now. Move forward one step at a time so you can assess your progress and, if need be, change direction.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new opportunities you hoped to find this month are beginning to open up. Study them carefully to be sure you make the choice that's best for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Turn a disappointment into a learning experience. Check out possible weaknesses in your approach and strengthen them. A loyal colleague offers good advice.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your new situation offers opportunities to help you get the skills you'll need in order to stop swimming in circles and finally move straight toward your goals. Go for it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a sharp, logical mind and a quick intellect. You would make an excellent mystery writer.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On Nov. 8, 1847, Bram Stoker, author of the horror novel "Dracula," is born in Clontarf, Dublin, Ireland. Stoker's villainous, blood-sucking creation, the vampire Count Dracula, became a pop-culture icon and has been featured in hundreds of movies, books and plays.

• On Nov. 10, 1903, Mary Anderson receives patent No. 743,801 for her "window cleaning device for electric cars and other vehicles to remove snow, ice or sleet from the window." Anderson tried to sell it to a Canadian manufacturing firm, but the company said the device had no practical value.

• On Nov. 11, 1921, three years after the end of World War I, the Tomb of the Unknowns is dedicated at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia when an unknown American soldier is buried. A 2-inch layer of soil brought from France was placed below the coffin so that the soldier might rest forever atop the earth on which he died.

• On Nov. 7, 1940, the Tacoma Narrows Bridge collapses due to high winds. At the time, wind forces were not taken into consideration by engineers and designers. The remains of the bridge, at the bottom of Puget Sound, form one of the largest man-made reefs in the world.

• On Nov. 12, 1954, Ellis Island, the gateway to America, shuts it doors after processing more than 12 million immigrants since opening in 1892. First- and second-class passengers had easily passed through customs, but those in third class underwent medical inspections to ensure they didn't have a contagious disease.

• On Nov. 9, 1965, Roger Allen LaPorte, a 22-year-old member of the Catholic Worker movement, immolates himself in front of the United Nations headquarters in New York. Before dying, LaPorte, who was against war, declared that he did it as a religious act.

• On Nov. 13, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is dedicated in Washington, D.C. The long-awaited memorial was a simple V-shaped black-granite wall inscribed with the names of the 57,939 Americans who died in the conflict, arranged in order of death, not rank, as was common in other memorials.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was French Renaissance essayist Michel de Montaigne who made the following sage observation: "Nothing is so firmly believed as what is least known."

• If someone called you a "mumpsimus," would you be flattered or insulted? It seems that the appropriate reaction would be to take offense. According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, a mumpsimus is "a stubborn person who insists on making an error in spite of being shown that it is wrong."

• The English language is unique in the number of collective nouns it possesses. For instance, a group of frogs is known as an "army" and a group of crows is called a "murder." We have a "shrewdness" of apes, a "wisdom" of wombats, a "congregation" of crocodiles, a "smack" of jellyfish, a "wiggle" of worms, a "crash" of rhinoceroses, a "waddle" of penguins and a "scourge" of mosquitoes, to name a few. Geese flock together in "gaggles," unless they're in flight, in which case they are collectively known as a "skein."

• In the Baltic region, it's traditional for a bride to wear black.

• You've probably never heard of Harvey Lowe, but in the 1930s he enjoyed a certain amount of notoriety; in 1934 he won the first World Yo-Yo Contest. Now that you know who he is, can you imagine what he had in common with Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards and notoriously flamboyant entertainer Liberace? It turns out that all three took out insurance policies on their hands.

• If you're like 20 percent of the respondents in a recent poll, you find it embarrassing to order tap water when you're in a restaurant.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"A great deal of intelligence can be invested in ignorance when the need for illusion is deep." -- Saul Bellow

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Milena Eskew cutting her cake, just after she endured the crowd's singing

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100th Birthday

about that historic time. Her work for the city makes for a long list:

• She was the committee chair historian, board member, and secretary for Sanibel Tomorrow, the group formed to work for incorporation.

• She was a board member of the Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board, an earlier group trying to control development on the island (Eskew called it "the original 'watchdog' of the island").

• When those two organizations merged to form the Committee of the Islands (COTI), Eskew was a board member of COTI and later its first female president. In that role, she made the introductions at Sanibel's first town meeting.

• She was membership chair for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

• She volunteered – and still volunteers – for the Sanibel Captiva Sail and Power Squadron.

• She was a long-time volunteer for the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

One would think she'd look tired, but she was a portrait of energetic elegance at her birthday celebration (her actual birthday is October 31), greeting friends and socializing. Mayor Kevin Ruane read a resolution that would be presented at Sanibel City Council November 1, wishing Eskew "sincere and heart-felt congratulations … upon this centennial celebration occasion."

But it was the stories told around the room rather than at the microphone that painted a picture of the special person everyone knows and so obviously loves – witty and wise, sharp and sophisticated, courageous and committed, fun-loving and focused, always elegant, and forever devoted to Sanibel.

Power Squadron members turned out in force for the party to honor their 100-year-old and still-active volunteer and shared their favorite stories. "One night we were at the (Sail and Power) Squadron and we couldn't find Milena anywhere," said Bill Hay. "Then we found out she drove by herself to Miami to watch a basketball game."

Vice Mayor Mick Denham was a volunteer with Eskew at the wildlife refuge and they became close friends. "When Milena was about 90 years old, she was going on a trip around Europe," Mick related. "She got mugged at the London airport and lost everything – credit cards, money, identification, everything. She lived for three days in the London airport until she could replace what she needed. I said to her, 'Well, I'll bet you were glad to come home,' and she replied, 'Oh no, I continued my trip!'"

Her granddaughter, 17-year-old Victoria Eskew said, "I feel pretty special that my grandmother's turning 100. I hope I have those good genes in me! I love how admired she is. She has to be so elated that all these people came out. I feel great that she has so many people who care about her and so many friends."

"She's the most fabulous person I have ever met," said daughter-in-law Pia Eskew. "She's somebody you have to envy for her spirit, knowledge and experiences and the way she gives to other people. She's always been very generous – with her time, her money, everything. She's a great lady – and that's a key word: lady. We had a 90th birthday party for her an we'll probably have a 110th."

Son John Eskew said of his mother, "To me, she's a standard for accomplishment and character. That's what I try to live up to – to accomplish that much, do it with a standard of character, and never give up. You can even see it in her posture; she works at it."

Commander Hal Theiss of the Sanibel Captiva Sail and Power Squadron said that as a young woman, Eskew was asked whether she wanted to be a secretary or a teacher and she replied, "No! I want to study engineering and chemistry," and MIT followed along with travels around the world. "People want to be like her," said Theiss. "She is one of the most admired people I've met. We wish Milena a very good future for the many years ahead."

"Her list of achievements is absolutely incredible, we all know that," said David Bath. "But two years ago, I drove Milena to city hall when they were celebrating the city's 35th anniversary. Driving back over the causeway she said, 'I'm off to California next week.' At 98 years old, she went by herself to see some friends she had met some time ago who own a winery in Napa Valley." The reason? Eskew had amassed an impressive fan collection, and the vineyard had built a fan museum in honor of her collection.

Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane, Milena Eskew, and City Councilman Marty Harrity

Hyde Tucker of St. Michael and All Angels Church said a few words at the microphone. "There are a lot of people here from the church," Tucker said. "Milena offers practically every week to tell me how she started the church and how she got the building built – and I have never said thank you in quite this way."

After an evening of praise, Eskew was asked if she'd like to say a few words. She would.

"I have been waiting for the other shoe to drop when all my peccadilloes are going to show up, so I'm very grateful to the people who have been quiet who know the other side," Eskew said. "As you get older, you know, you try harder because you have less to work with."☆

Sanibel Vice Mayor Mick Denham wishes happy birthday to friend Milena Eskew

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Alliance For The Arts Announces Sunday Sunset Concert Series

Little Eddie & the Fat Fingers

Davina & the Vagabonds

The Alliance for the Arts announces the 2012 Bruce T. Gora Sunday Sunset Concert Series, which was established in memory of long-time Alliance board member, community arts advocate, architect and musician Bruce Gora. The three-show series kicks off Sunday, February 26 with Little Eddie & the Fat Fingers and is followed by Davina & the Vagabonds on March 18, and Rebekah Pulley on April 22. The outdoor shows begin at 5 p.m. with doors opening at 4 p.m. Lawn chairs, blankets, picnic baskets and coolers are welcome on the lawn at the Margaret Morrow Frizzell Amphitheater at the Alliance. The concert series is presented by the Alliance and LCEC.

Naples-based Little Eddie & The Fat Fingers will lead off the series on February 26 with a mix of Delta, Chicago, boogie woogie and rocking blues. The band is made up of Ryan Bladen on vocals and guitar, Peter Orifice on piano, Eric Jeffcoat on bass, Andrew Galler on drums and occasionally Marc Ferris on harmonica.

Next up, Davina & the Vagabonds are back by popular demand on Sunday, March 18. They're known in the Twin Cities, Minnesota as "the busiest band in town"

Rebekah Pulley

because of their hard-working professionalism, high energy stage performances and original sound. Their music has been described as "hot jazz-blues-cabaret-soul-lounge-rock that warms the soul and just plain makes ya' wanna dance."

Then on April 22 Alaskan born singer/songwriter and guitarist Rebekah Pulley and her band will bring their rootsy blend of soulful, southern folk-rock to the stage. She has garnered numerous songwriting awards for her ethereal vocals and poetic lyrics since breaking into the Tampa music scene in 2000.

Tickets are available at www.artinlee.org. Pre-sale tickets for the three-concert series are on sale at a discounted rate of $45. General admission is $20. Alliance for the Arts is located on the corner of Colonial and McGregor boulevards. Food and beverages will be available for purchase but coolers are welcome. These events are presented in partnership with LCEC and Alliance media sponsor The News Press Media Group.

The Alliance for the Arts galleries are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard.

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Meet Guest Artists At Tower Gallery

Tower Gallery invites everyone to meet guest artists Sarah Kiser and Todd Babb. Continuing its new monthly guest artist events, Tower Gallery announces two feature artists, exhibiting for the entire month of November with a reception on Friday, November 11, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Kiser is a self-taught artist living her dream of creating art. Her styles are diverse, ranging from realistic portraits to earthy and organic abstract pieces. The paintings center on women and feminine themes of fairies, mermaids, and portraits. Kiser's art will take viewers into a wondrous journey of a storybook world. Favorite materials are wood, acrylic, fabric, paint, ink, and pencil.

Enter the Timeless Spell of Enchanted Places with Guest Artist Sarah Kiser

Todd Babb presents his original polyresin sculpture creations. After years of working with wood, clay and metals, Babb discovered his ideal medium: polyresin. He uses this material to create distinctively graceful sculptures of dancers and acrobats. Most of his subjects are women without facial features and distinctive hair. "The hair is sort of like my signature," Babb said. "It helps with the motion. The hair, for me, is an integral part. It's just part of the character."

Todd averages 25 shows a year and will have a gallery opening in Atlanta in January.

The Tower Gallery is locatedat 751 Tarpon Bay Road in Sanibel, phone 472-4557, website www.towergallery.net, and email artists@towergallery.net. It isopen every day from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

A Sanibel beach cottage built in 1926 is home to the artists of the Tower Gallery, an artist's cooperative for over 25 years where 24 artists come together to share this special space and celebrate the fine arts.☆

Todd Babb Captures Movement

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Center 4 Life

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Call the center for further details on programs, 472-5743.☆

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Town Center Concept

Planning Director Jim Jordan showed a large map of the area and council members received a list of all the property owners, the city included.

Vice Mayor Mick Denham said he wants to develop a "grand plan" and then focus on a small area. "To move this forward, I think we should choose an area and use this as a model on which we can expand."

He added, "It should not be a city plan but that of people who have a desire to grow their properties and their buildings."

Denham singled out Palm Ridge Road as "one of the ugliest parts of the island," and a good place to start.

Resident Larry Schopp said, "Citizens may be misled into thinking this is going to be a traditional town center in the New England sense. I don't know there is going to be a place for open air concerts on a Sunday. What I envision is greater connectivity. The shared use paths have gone a long way this summer in increasing connectivity.

What Maureen Valiquette envisions is a place for people to gather, perhaps for a meal or coffee, with outdoor tables, such as are found in many other towns and cities.

She also said Sanibel's founding fathers made provision in the Sanibel Plan for a place where people would gather as a community to socialize and participate in community events together.

She quoted from the plan: "Further retail development should be encouraged in Palm Ridge area because of the latter area's relatively good access from Periwinkle Way, Palm Ridge Road and Tarpon Bay Road, and because it is the geographical center of the island… In addition a master plan should be developed for this area, as a further guide to development and to reinforce the town center concept."

Council will continue the discussion at its December meeting.☆

City Employee Of The Quarter

Kyle Hed, an employee in the City of Sanibel's Public Works Department, was named employee of the quarter.

At the city council meeting Tuesday, Mayor Kevin Ruane gave Hed a check and a proclamation, saying, "You are part of a very select group of employees who have distinguished themselves as outstanding public servants who have received this award. This designation results from the recognition of your personal accomplishments by your co-workers."☆

Council Gets Update On CHR

by Anne Mitchell

In an update to the Sanibel City Council on Tuesday, Councilman Doug Congress said Community Housing & Resources has a new board treasurer, John Morley.

The city's below market rate housing agency is having serious financial problems.

Last month, the council learned that CHR is carrying about $250,000 in long-term debt and was more than 90 days past due on bills totaling $158,000.

Congress, who is council liaison to CHR, noted that the board president, Richard Johnson, "is receptive to understanding the issue of transparency and that it will really benefit them. Richard is going to bring it up at the next board meeting."

Congress said, "They have a lot of meetings that even we as liaison don't know are going on. I would like to see them more forthcoming." However, they do a good job of keeping minutes, he said.

He said it's been frustrating, but said if it were not for the term debt, "they are OK operationally." They have adequate income and their expenses are in check, he noted.

There is dissention among the board members, Congress said, which is preventing the executive director from moving forward. "I am going to reach out in the next several days to some specific board members that I know have some issues."

Vice Mayor Mick Denham he's been hearing the same story for two years. "if we are still sitting here next year saying the same things, we have to do something different," he said.

Congress said, "We are all getting tired of talking about this. Our hand will be forced to make a decision if they can't get their liquidity (resolved)."☆

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge* by Charles LeBuff
2. *Postmistress* by Sarah Blake
3. *Secret Daughter* by Shilpi Somaya Gowda
4. *Room* by Emma Donoghue
5. *The Help* by Katheryn Stockett
6. *Portion of the Sea* by Christine Lemmon
7. *At Play in the Fields of the Lord* by Peter Matthiessen
8. *Happiness Project* by Gretchen Rubin
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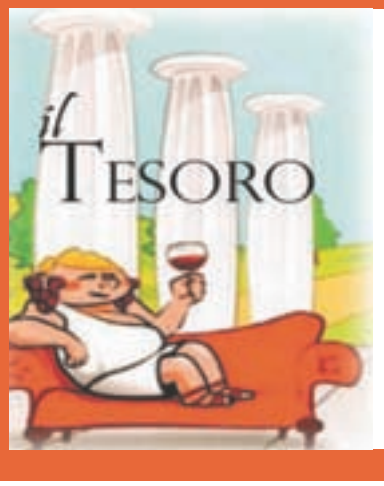
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Book Review

Double Lives

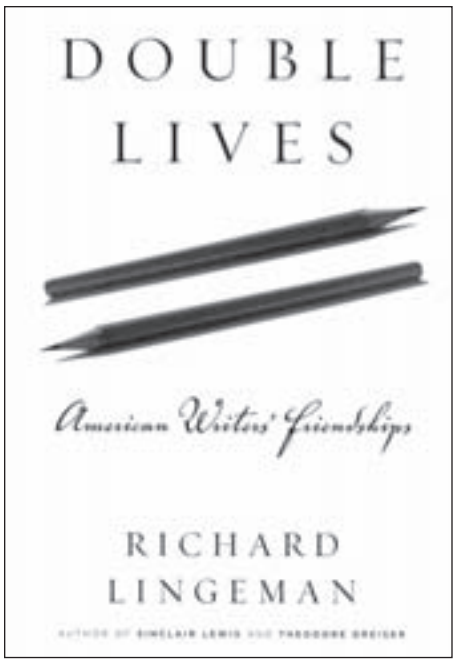
by Max Friedersdorf

The friendships formed by America's greatest writers is the theme of *Double Lives* by literary historian Richard Lingeman, an absorbing study of good and bad relationships that shaped such authors as Ernest Hemingway, F. Scott Fitzgerald and Mark Twain.

Lingeman, a senior editor at *The Nation* and a reviewer for the *New York Times Book Review*, quotes Scipio, the ancient Roman philosopher, about the transitory nature of friendship.

"The most difficult thing in the world is for a friendship to remain unimpaired to the end of life. So many things might intervene...conflicting interests, difference of opinion in politics, frequent changes in character, owing sometimes to misfortune, sometimes to advancing years," paraphrasing the ancient Scipio.

Lingeman, a beautiful writer and meticulous researcher, tells the stories of seven representative literary friendships of America's most celebrated authors, starting with Nathaniel Hawthorne and Herman Melville. When they met



on August 5, 1850 in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, a village set in the green Berkshire Mountain country, it was a crucial time in each of their lives. Melville was writing his masterpiece, *Moby Dick*, and Hawthorne's highly successful *The Scarlet Letter* had just been published. The issue of a homoerotic attraction between the men has become a cause célèbre in the journals of academe, according to Lingeman.

Lingeman describes Fitzgerald and Hemingway "riding the carousel of fortune" when they met in Paris during the twenties. Fitzgerald was the better-known and a commercial success, and each resolved to be the greatest writer of their time, "but once Hemingway had reversed roles and became more successful and famous in the thirties, he acted self-important and superior, withholding a lifeline as Scott struggled against the riptides of fortune," Lingeman explains.

Perhaps the saddest case is Sinclair Lewis (*Main Street*), who spent the last year of his life, in failing health, wandering in Italy where at some point he compiled a list of all the friends he had lost over his lifetime through quarrels or neglect."It was a classic case of a great writer who had sacrificed everything – -wives, children, and friends – and given the best of himself to work," Lingeman adds.

"The paradox is that authors like Lewis – difficult friends in life – give us books we love like friends," Lingeman concludes.

(Other relationships examined in the readable and highly informative *Double Lives* include: Mark Twain and William Dean Howells; Henry James and Edith Wharton; Willa Cather and Sarah Orne Jewett; Theodore Dreiser and HL Mencken; Jack Kerouac, Allen Ginsberg, and Neal Cassaday (the Beat generation).

Double Lives, American Writers' Friendships, By Richard Lingeman. Random House, New York. Hardback, 255 pages, $24.95.✡

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Lessons are Tuesdays, 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. (year-round) and are free after a one-time payment of $10 which covers lifetime membership to Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center. Call for driving directions.

Contact Gillian Carney, 603-9828, Email fortmyersdancers@hotmail, or website: http://dancefl.us/ecd/FtMyersECD.shtml.✡

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Library Closed Veterans Day

The Sanibel Public Library will be closed on November 11 in observance of Veteran's Day. The library will re-open at 9 a.m. on Saturday, November 12.✡

Library Book Discussion Group

Readers are invited to discuss *The Space Between Us* by Thrity Umrigar, the focus of the Wednesday November 16 book discussion meeting at the Sanibel Public Library.

Please note this meeting is the third Wednesday of the month due to the Thanksgiving holiday. The meeting is free and open to the public, and the discussion begins promptly at 2 p.m. in the meeting room across from the elevator, Meeting Room 4. Eliot Sugerman will be the leader for the discussion.

About the book: Sera Dubash, an upper-middle-class housewife in contemporary India, and Bhima, an illiterate domestic employee of Dubash who has lived a life of loss and despair, have a comfortable relationship until the delicate balance of their class and gender roles is upended by the familial relationships each struggles to keep in order.

The book is available and at the library, located near the reference desk. While it is preferable to come having read the book to be able to join in the lively discussion, all are welcome. Call the library with any questions, 472-2483.✡

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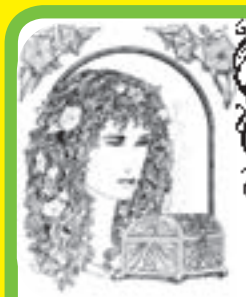

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The Sanctuary Golf Club is hosting and serving as title sponsor for the 9th Annual Hope Hospice Tennis Tournament on November 12 and 13. Sign-up deadline is November 9 at 5 p.m.

If you are not a tennis player, stop by anyway. There will be a raffle with items from Lucas Century Etched Glass, Lily & Co. Jewelry Gallery, Everblade Season Tickets for two, and a round of golf at The Sanctuary Golf Club. Raffle tickets are $10 or three for $25 and can be purchased at Lily & Co. and The Sanctuary Golf Club or the day of the event. To donate, make your checks payable to Hope Hospice and mail to the attention of Christie Bradley, 2801 Wulfert Road, Sanibel, FL 33957 or drop the checks at The Sanctuary tennis facility.

Tournament play begins at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday. Entry fee includes continental breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday. Bracket winners and finalists, as well as consolation winners, will receive awards designed by artist Lucas Century.

A special thank you to Lily & Co. and 'Tween Waters for their sponsorships. For more information on sponsoring or to join the tournament, call Christie Bradley, 472.5276.

For more information about The Sanctuary Golf Club, go to www.sanctuarygc.net or Hope Hospice, www.hopehospice.com.☆

Front row from left: Paul Grimaldi, George & Wendy's Corner Grill; Brian Murty, restaurant coordinator; Allison Dry, Cip's Place; Melissa Congress, chairperson. Middle from left: Donna Puma, Pinocchio's Ice Cream; Trasi Sharp, Over Easy Cafe. Back row from left: Karen Roberts and Steve Reich, Blue Giraffe; Mark Blust, Matzaluna and Timbers; Tom Puma, Pinocchio's Ice Cream, Heather Lynn and Sebastien Desrosiers, Sea Star Cafe; Liza Clouse, Over Easy Cafe; Sean Boller, Chip's Sanibel Steakhouse; Jay Fuller, Gramma Dot's; Mark Brown, The Sanctuary, Iron Chef

Top Chefs As Judges For Taste Of The Islands

Edison National Bank /Bank of the Islands presents CROW's Taste of the Islands on Sunday, November 13 at the Sanibel Community Park from 12:30 to 5 p.m. This has been a major fundraiser for the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife for the past 30 years to help with its mission of saving wildlife through compassion, care and education.

The event features menu items from 20 of the islands' restaurants along with live music, waiter/waitress races and other competitions. Five chefs from area restaurants will judge various categories of dishes and there will also be the ever-popular

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Around The Islands

Season Arrives At Gallery In Village

by Emilie Alfino

The work of three artists. clockwise from top, Biolchini, Wollard and Khorasanchi, will be featured in a show at the Watson McRae Gallery

The **Watson McRae Gallery** will have its first opening of the season – a show called Environs – on Tuesday, November 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. The gallery is ready with a varied and exciting group of artists to show, with more pottery, new jewelry, sparkling glass, home accents, and evocative exhibits.

Environs, the first exhibit, features three local artists whose work focuses on their love and concern for the environment. Having moved as a child from Chicago to Bonita Springs, Greg Biolchini – nationally known for his pastels and portraits – has turned his talents to painting the power and majesty of his life-long love: Florida skies.

Mally Khorasantchi fell so in love with Florida that she moved from her native Germany to Naples. Struck by the color and exuberance of the landscape, she creates big, bold, graphic works to capture her view of nature.

Lindsey Wollard, a fourth-generation Floridian, builds small, quiet tree sculptures from used population and land development books, making statements about environmental destruction.

Sanibel Tropical Wines has a large collection of cork cages

The Watson McRae Gallery is located in The Village Shops at 2340 Periwinkle Way, Suite B-3; phone 472-3386.

The countdown has begun – in just seven days, **Kay Casperson** will make her television debut on the national home shopping network, ShopNBC! The show will air Thursday, November 3 at 7 a.m. and 2 p.m.

For her appearance, Casperson will bring along some of her favorite beauty essentials – from her popular mineral-based foundations and revolutionary skincare steps to special edition kits, available only through ShopNBC!

For more beauty news, go to www.kaycasperson.com.

Sanibel Tropical Wines, in The Village Shops for three years now, is racking up the awards for its nearly sulfate-free fruit-flavored wines.

"We've won 250 medals to date for our wines," said Vicki Miles, who owns

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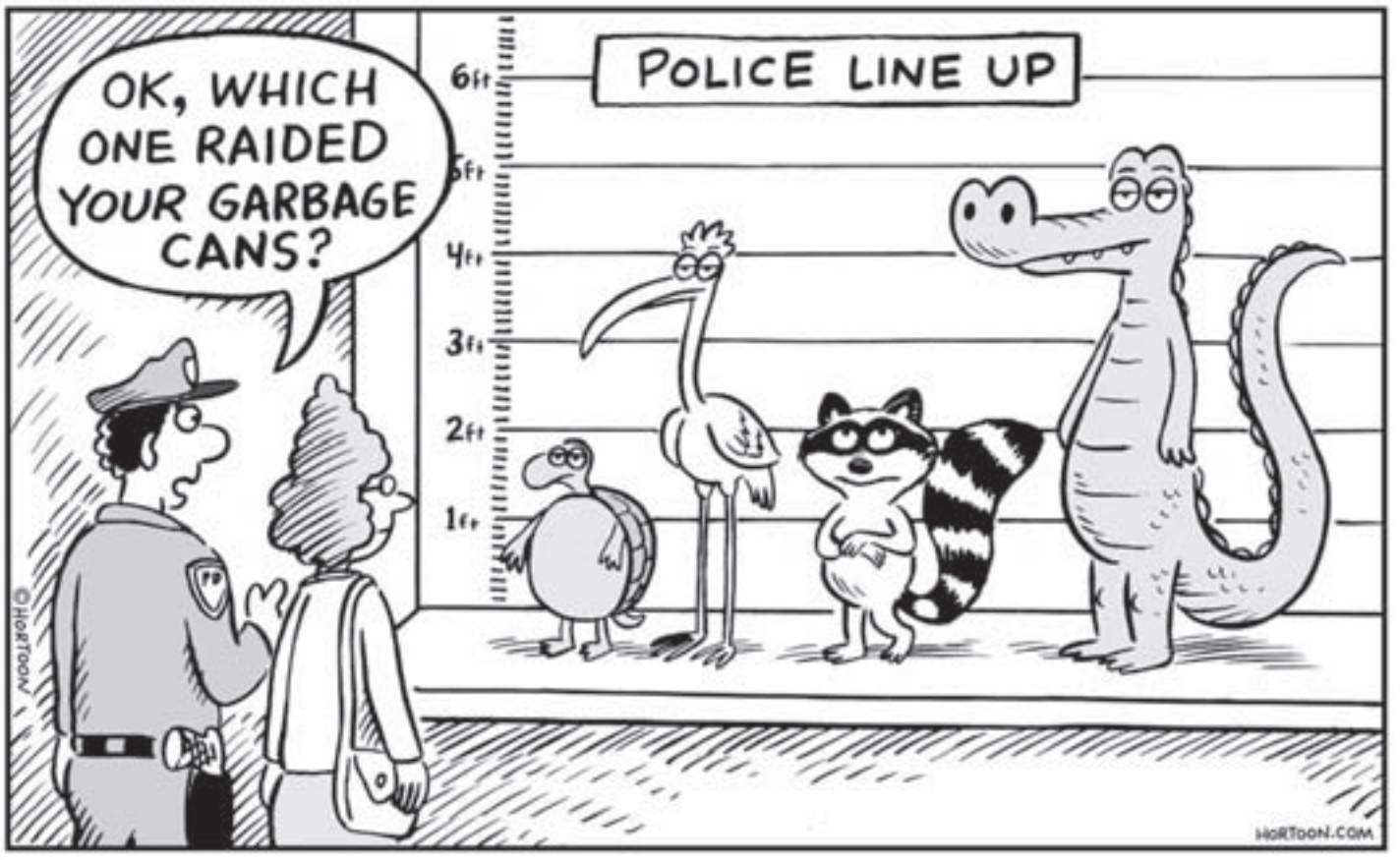

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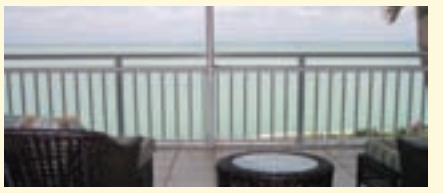

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2 large egg yolks
½ cup blueberries

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F and line six 1/3-cup muffin cups with paper liners. Melt butter and cool. Into a large bowl sift together flour and baking powder and whisk in cornmeal, ½ cup sugar, lemon zest, and a generous pinch salt. In a bowl whisk together melted butter, milk, and yolks and add to flour mixture with half of blueberries, gently stirring until just combined.

Divide batter evenly among cups (batter will fill cups) and press remaining blueberries into tops of muffins. Sprinkle tops of muffins evenly with remaining tablespoon sugar. Bake muffins in middle of oven about 15 minutes, or until tops are golden and a tester comes out clean. Remove muffins from cups and cool on a rack. Muffins keep in an airtight container at room temperature two days.

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Yard Sale To Save Luther Van Dross

Luther Van Dross and Patti Legg are holding a yard sale on Saturday, November 5, in an effort to raise money to buy the necessary medications to keep Luther alive. The sale will take place atfrom 9 a.m. to noon at 2301 Periwinkle Way #5 in the carport. The sale will feature household goods, some furniture, and clothing.

Luther is a red standard dachshund and has Cushings disease, the finality of which can be postponed for several years with the vital – and expensive – medications that would give him a pain-free, extended life with Legg.

Luther's expensive veterinary care is being directed by Coral Vet team on the island. Legg cannot afford the expense of Luther'ss treatment without help. Many nonprofit organizations are lending support but because of the extended length of time Luther requires these expensive medications, Legg must raise extra money a couple of times a year – hence the yard sale on November 5.

Luther is a rescue dog who came into Legg's life four years ago at an event that focused on finding homes for shelter dogs. "Luther had been starved and abandoned by a family who couldn't afford to stay in their house anymore," Legg explained. "Mother, Jean (Legg's sister) and I nursed and fed him back to health after I brought him home."

Legg is realistic and knows Luther Van Dross (named after her favorite singer) won't live forever. She just doesn't want him to go too soon.

Posters for the sale will be displayed at the Bailey's community bulletin board and the bulletin board outside of Jerry's.✲

Association Of University Women

The American Association of University Women will hold a luncheon with speaker November 17 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting is open to the public.

Janina Birtolo will present her one-woman show, Woman Rebel: Margaret Sanger.

This show traces Sanger's development from poor Irish-American girl to one of the world's leading advocates for women's rights to safe and reliable birth control.

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The luncheon will be held at Royal Palm Yacht Club, West First Street, Fort Myers.✲

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Rusty Farst and Francis Bailey pick the Sanibel Lighthouse raffle winner during Baileyfest on Sunday, October 23

Winners of the replica Sanibel Lighthouse, Steven and Kate Archer

Replica Of Sanibel Lighthouse Finds A New Home

The replica of the Sanibel Lighthouse that made Bailey's General Store and Bank of the Islands its home for the past few months was successfully raffled off during Baileyfest on Sunday, October 23. The winners were Steven and Kate Archer from Dickson City, Pennsylvania. Archer's father has a home on Sanibel. Archer purchased a single ticket and was very excited and surprised to hear the news that he had won.

"We are so excited about the lighthouse. It's a beautiful piece," Archer said when he had learned that he was the lucky winner. "We will be down over Thanksgiving and can't wait to see the lighthouse at the house."

Rusty Farst, a Sanibel filmmaker, has been selling the limited set of raffle tickets to start a fund that will help pay for the repainting of the original Sanibel Lighthouse.

Several months ago, Bailey's General Store began displaying the replica to help sell tickets for the raffle. And for the final part of the fundraising effort, Farst partnered with Bank Of The Islands, to help sell the remaining tickets at $10 each.

"This has been a great project and I enjoyed working with this community to see it through," Farst said. "I'd like to extend a huge thank-you to everyone who purchased a ticket and to Bailey's and Bank Of The Islands for giving the lighthouse a home for a while."☆

Children's Education Center Fundraiser A Big Success

The Children's Education Center of the Islands hosted its annual Beach Ball fundraiser on October 22, raising funds for the preschool's scholarship program. Guests who came to The Sanctuary Golf Club to support the event reveled in a night of fantastic food, drinks, and music.

The Children's Education Center extends a heartfelt thank you to The Beach Ball's title sponsor, Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis, the numerous, generous sponsors, and those who donated items for the live and silent auctions.☼

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Excitement Builds For TV's *America's Darling*

Excitement is building as production progresses on Marvo Entertainment Group LLC's latest national television project, *America's Darling*, the story of Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling (1876-1962), the *Des Moines Register* cartoonist and pioneering conservationist. The month of October brings the release of a new video preview of the interview with Darling's grandson, Christopher "Kip" Koss, at Darling-related events around the country.

After being shown October 8 at Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge in Prairie City, Iowa, as part of its annual "Ding" Darling Day, the video was presented during "Ding" Darling Days at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in Sanibel October 16 at 1 p.m. The next stop for the preview was the National Duck Stamp Contest at the National Conservation Training Center in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, October 28 and 29.

Fall has also seen Executive Producer Samuel Koltinsky's travels for the project continue. Recently he met with Vaughn Collins, former Chief of the National Duck Stamp Program, currently director of government affairs for the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership in Washington, DC.

Collins is keenly aware of Darling's contributions to conservation. "'Ding' Darling was one of the great conservationists in America," he said. "Darling helped to create one of the most effective land conservation programs in the history of our country, the Federal Duck Stamp program. Since its inception in 1934, the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, commonly known as the Duck Stamp, has conserved over 5.3 million acres of critical wildlife in all 50 states. The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership is working to continue the spirit of Darling's conservation ethic through our work partnering with America's hunting and fishing community. Now more than ever, it is important to recognize 'Ding' Darling the conservationist, and hope that, through his legacy, the *America's Darling* production will inspire future generations to follow his path."

Koltinsky's travels next took him to Memphis, Tennessee, to the national headquarters of Ducks Unlimited, where he discussed *America's Darling* with H. Dale Hall, CEO of Ducks Unlimited and former director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "I am very excited about the *America's Darling* project, an effort to recognize a true leader in the realm of American wildlife conservation," Hall said. "JN 'Ding' Darling was highly influential in creating conservation management as we know it today. He marshaled support for the first duck stamp, which he personally drew. He brought the science of habitat management into the mainstream of the Biological Survey, the predecessor of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. And he created the Cooperative Research Units in Universities in partnership with the Federal government and State Fish and Wildlife Agencies to train wildlife professionals. This project and recognition of the contributions made by "Ding" Darling are long overdue."

Marvo Entertainment Group has announced the latest addition to the *America's Darling* team, Associate Producer Tom Neff. Oscar-nominated and Emmy-winning filmmaker and founder of the Documentary Channel, Neff brings a host of experience and expertise to the project.

Another new member of the Team is the *America's Darling* intern, Signe Mayland, a senior at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. A triple major in history, sociology, and religion, Mayland brings with her research skills and a knowledge of Iowa's history.

Marvo Executive Producer Samuel Koltinsky's work is inspired by a passion for stories, history, preservation, and the environment. He may be contacted by phone at 270-625-6815 or email at sam@marvoentertainmentgroup.com.☼

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SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE 2011-2012
Standings through October 31, 2011

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bunt's Ball Busters	25	7
Second	Bathroom Magic	24	8
Third	Odd Balls	20	12
Fourth	Sandycappers	18	14
Fifth	Chalk & Awe	14	18
Sixth	Sanibel Café	13	19
Seventh	George & Wendy's	7	25
Eighth	Fresh Legion Crew	7	25

Bunt's Ball Busters	12	Chalk & Awe	4
Bathroom Magic	10	Sanibel Café	6
Odd Balls	11	Fresh Legion Crew	5
Sandycappers	12	George & Wendy's	4

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

Super Match

Last year's league champion Bunt's Ball Busters moved into first place with a 12-4 trouncing of Chalk & Awe. This sets up the season's first super match with the Ball Busters meeting second-place Bathroom Magic on Monday, November 7, at 6 p.m. at American Legion Post 123. The Magic team is new to the league and is comprised of top shooters from the Fort Myers Lounge 8-Ball League. Magic Captain Dennis Bender and his partner in crime, Jack Dalton, recruited heavily over the summer months to put together a team to deny Bunt's Ball Busters another championship after three in a row. Should be fun to watch. Spectators are welcome.

Perfect 4-0 scores were posted by John Riegert and Kevin Pottorf of Sandycappers, Bob Buntrock of Bunt's Ball Busters, and Kelly Greten from the Odd Balls. Greten's four wins signaled that he may be back in form after posting a lowly 41 percent average in league play last year.

Six women played matches this week. Wins were posted by Carol Johnson, Peggy Patterson, Kim Dobbins, and Patti Frank.☆

At the 2010 Taste, staff from the Sea Star Café won the award for Best Meat
photo by Ava Hinojosa

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Taste Of The Islands Judges

People's Choice Award voted upon by the attendees.

The five judges are: Chef Christopher M. Cassel, executive chef of Heritage Palms Golf and Country Club; Chef Melissa Akin, pastry chef at the Pink Shell; Chef Brian McCarley, executive chef, Hotel Indigo-Downtown; Chef Murray Young, executive banquet chef at Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa; and Rose O'Dell King, a Southwest Florida-based wine judge and certified sommelier.

Traders has proudly displayed the 2010 People's Choice Award in the entry of the restaurant this year. Joe Archibault and Chef Mike are hoping the items they serve this year will have equal appeal to the voting attendees.

Sea Star Café opened in 2010 and in their first year of participation won in the Best Meat category. "We had such a good time competing and our staff enjoyed the event; when the application was delivered we immediately signed back up to secure our space," said Food and Beverage Manager Heather Lynn.

The Taste could not exist without important help from its sponsors: John and Donna Schubert; Ikki Matsumoto; Warm Vanilla Sun; Brian Murty, realtor; Coral Veterinary Clinic; Molnar Electric; Bill Vernay; LCEC; Congress Jewelers; Sanibel Taxi; Lily & Co.; Adventures in Paradise; Linda and Wayne Boyd; Veolia; RS Walsh Landscaping; Sanibel Island Gear; Bailey's General Store; John Gee & Co.; Myers, Brettholtz & Co., PA; 'Tween Waters Inn; Budweiser; Heidrick & Co. Insurance; Nave Plumbing, Inc.; Dan Hahn Custom Builders; Greenwood Consulting; Barrier Island Title; SoonCome; and Caloosa Tent & Rental.

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With The Coming Next Year Of A Major LPGA Event, Area Hosts Tournaments For All Three Pro Tours.

by Ed Frank

If there were any doubts that our area has become a red-hot hub of professional golf, those doubts were erased last week with the announcement that the prestigious LPGA CME Group Titleholders featuring the world's best female golfers will be held here beginning next year.

The season-ending $1.5 million tournament, with a $500,000 first-place check, will be played November 15 through 18 at TwinEagles in Naples.

This brings to three the number of annual professional tournaments played here – the Champions Tour Ace Group Classic, the post-season PGA Shark Shootout and now the ladies Titleholders. The LPGA has been absent from Southwest Florida since 2001, the final year of the Subaru Memorial.

The format of the Titleholders is unique to tournament golf. The field consists of three qualifiers from every tournament on the LPGA Tour, thus creating a season-long competitive program never before used in professional golf.

This format will be introduced next month at the Titleholders in Orlando.

When moving here next November, the Titleholders will be the first professional event at the completely redesigned Eagle course, one of two at TwinEagles. The course was first designed by Hall of Famer Gary Player.

TwinEagles also is home to the Champions Tour Ace Group Classic that will celebrate its 25th anniversary in Southwest Florida next February 13-19.

One of the most popular events on the senior circuit that annually draws the biggest names in 50-and-over professional golf, the Ace Group Classic has raised millions for local charities. The 2011 tournament provided more than $200,000 to 10 charitable organizations in the area.

Next month, the 23d edition of Greg Norman's Shark Shootout will feature 24 of the best golfers from the PGA Tour when it returns to the Tiburon Golf Club in Naples.

Twelve players in the field recorded 15 victories in 2011, twelve on the PGA Tour, and three on the Champions Tour. Headlining the field is PGA champion Keegan Bradley who earned a notch in golf history when he won playing in his first major tournament.

The Shark Shootout consists of 12 two-man teams competing for a purse of $3 million in a mixed format of alternate shots, better ball and scramble.

The team pairings for the Shark Shootout will be announced in the next couple of weeks.

It is doubtful whether there is another locale in America that can call home to tournaments of all three professional tours – testimony to the strong following of professional golf in Southwest Florida.

Losses Mount for Everblades on Long Road Trip.

It has been a tough road trip for the Florida Everblades hockey team, losing twice last weekend to Greenville, 7-4 and 5-3. The Everblades began the week with a 1-4 record in a nine-game road trip that continues this week.

The local team completes the 5,000-mile journey with four games this week at Gwinnett, two at South Carolina and one at Greenville.

Florida returns to home ice at Germain Arena next week hosting Wheeling for three games – Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

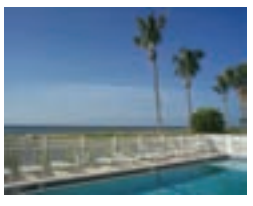
Through last weekend, Florida had a 2-4-1 season record and a fourth place standing in the ECHL South Division.☼

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Which Hall of Fame third baseman was on more All-Star Game rosters during his career: George Brett or Mike Schmidt?
2. Name the last National League MVP before Jimmy Rollins in 2007 who was a switch-hitter.
3. When was the last time before 2007 that the University of Cincinnati football team won 10-plus games in a season?
4. In 2009-10, the Orlando Magic set an NBA record for most three-point field goals by a team for a season -- 841. What team held the old mark?
5. Who was the youngest player to make an NHL All-Star team before Carolina's Jeff Skinner (18 years, 259 days) did it in 2011?
6. Name the first Alpine skier to win the same event at two Winter Olympics.
7. Before Charl Schwartzel won the 2011 Masters by finishing with four birdies, who were the only two golfers to win the Masters by finishing with two birdies?

ANSWERS

1. Brett was on 13 All-Star rosters, while Schmidt was on 12. 2. Chipper Jones of the Atlanta Braves in 1999. 3. It was 1951. 4. Phoenix hit 837 three-pointers in 2005-06. 5. Detroit's Steve Yzerman was 18 years, 267 days old when he played in the NHL All-Star Game in 1984. 6. Alberto Tomba of Italy won the giant slalom in 1988 and 1992. 7. Arnold Palmer (1960) and Mark O'Meara (1998).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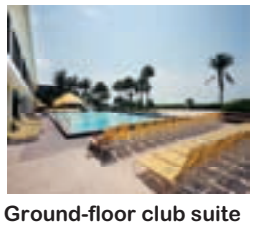
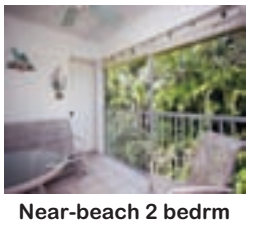
2-bedrm penthouse w/ den & bay view $474K

2 bedrm w/cheerful décor & income $399.9K


Ground-floor club suite w/resort amenities $399K


Near-beach 2 bedrm w/2 porches $369K

Top-floor corner 2 bedrm near beach $274K

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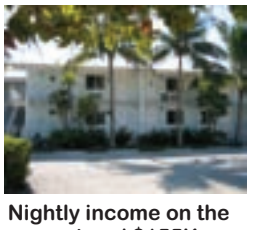
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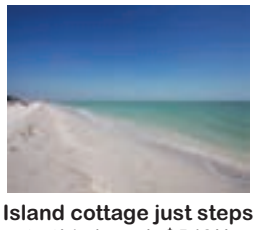
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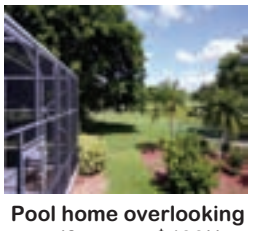
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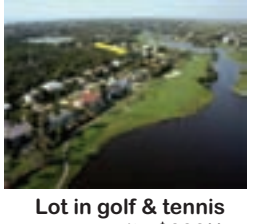
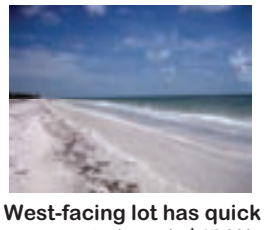

Lot in golf & tennis community $399K

Plenty of room for pool home, near beach $299K

Lot in community w/ amenities $249K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PGA Tips

A Quick Practice Routine

by Matt Oakley, PGA Golf Professional

Most of us get very little time for golf, much less practicing golf. If you have little practice time, here is a quick routine to use. If you do this routine at least once a week for 45 minutes your game will improve immediately!

1. 15 minutes of putting practice

• Start 30 feet from the hole with one golf ball.

• Roll about three 30-footers from four different angles (uphill/downhill/breaking right/breaking left). This will total 12 putts.

• Then roll a total 20 5-footers.

• Putts make up about 40 percent of the total strokes in a game of golf; putting deserves at least a third of your total practice time.

2. 15 minutes of chipping/pitching

• Chip and pitch from all different lies and distances around the green for 15 minutes. Focus on your routine as if you were playing. Stand behind the ball, visualize what you want the ball to do, do a few rehearsal swings then hit the shot.

3. 15 minutes of full swing practice

• Start with a wedge and hit a few full swings to a specific target and specific yardage.

• Hit a few balls with each club, going with more club as you go (wedge, then 9-iron, then 8-iron, etc.) until driver.

This brief but useful routine will let you hit every shot you would face in a round of golf in about 45 minutes. Do this at least once a week and your scores will come down soon after.☆

Everblades Sanibel Night

Join the Everblades hockey team on Saturday, November 19 for Sanibel Night at the Everblades. Game time is 7 p.m. versus the Greenville Road Warriors at the Germain Arena.

The special reduced ticket rate for this event ($5 off of regular ticket price) is $13 for adults or children. Purchase tickets at the Sanibel Recreation Center by Wednesday, November 16. Tickets purchased by Saturday, October 22 will receive an autographed program (limit one per household). For more information, call the Sanibel Recreation Center at 472-0345 or visit www.mysanibel.com.☆

Rec Department Names Volunteer Of The Month

The City of Sanibel Recreation Department would like to recognize Volunteer of the Month Katherine Strange.

Strange joined the team of junior volunteers with the recreation center during the summer of 2011. She volunteered with the youth summer camp program helping the counselors set up games, organize arts and crafts and other maintenance duties.

Being a volunteer with the youth programs teaches youngsters to be understanding and to have patience while working with children. Additionally it provides a great opportunity to meet new friends.

When asked for her comments about the Sanibel Recreation Center she replied, "The Sanibel Recreation Center is a great place with caring, fun and creative counselors. It is a place where a kid can go to hang out with friends and have an amazing time going to different unique places on field trips."

Strange graduated from The Sanibel School in 2011 and has attended the Sanibel Recreation Center youth programs since she was nine years old. She is now a high school freshman in the Fort Myers High School International Baccalaureate program. In her free time,

Katherine Strange

she enjoys hanging out with her friends, playing sports and volunteering her time at the Sanibel Recreation Center where she can catch up with old friends and the younger children she's met there over the years.

Volunteer opportunities are now available. For information on joining friends and neighbors who serve as Recreation Center volunteers, call 472-0345.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Daily, weekly, semi-annual and annual memberships are available. For more information, call 472-0345 or visit www.mysanibel.com.☆

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Hidden Treasures

Topaz: The Gemstone For November

by Dan Schuyler and Karen Bell

For the last time this year, our column will feature the history, mythology and facts surrounding various birthstones. November celebrates the golden topaz.

Known for at least 2,000 years, topaz serves as protection against enemies and as a symbol of beauty and splendor. The gem is said to dispel sadness, anger and nightmares, warn its wearer of poisons and protect the wearer from sudden death.

The name topaz comes from the Sanskrit and means fire. The Greeks believed it had power to increase strength and to make its wearer invisible while the Romans believed it had power to improve eyesight. The Egyptians wore it as an amulet to protect them from injury.

Topaz occurs in a wide range of colors including yellow, yellow-brown, honey-yellow, flax, brown, green, blue, light blue, red and pink, and is found in Brazil, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Russia. Naturally pale to medium blue topaz is

Precious topaz, November's birthstone

enhanced by irradiation to produce a more intense blue color.

Topaz is a hard gemstone that is very resistant to scratching and can be cleaned with most any commercial jewelry cleaner or plain soap and water using a soft brush.

The most famous topaz is a colorless topaz that was originally thought to be a diamond. It is a 1,680-carat stone known as the Braganza Diamond set in the Portuguese Crown Jewels. Another beautiful topaz is in the Green Vault in Dresden, which has one of the world's most important gem collections.

Along with being the birthstone for November, topaz is the birthstone for December (blue topaz), a talisman for Sagittarius, as well as the gem that celebrates fourth, 19th and 23rd wedding anniversaries.

You can contact Dan Schuyler by e-mail at dschuyler@lilyjewelers.com.☆

Game Night At Community Park

On Saturday, November 5 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. there will be a Backyard Game Night at the Community Park. This event, organized by the Sanibel Recreation Center staff, is geared to be fun for all ages.

Ice cold lemonade will be served. Games such as volleyball, shuffleboard, corn hole toss, ladder ball and bocce ball are just a few that will be available.

There are no fees to participate and all activities are weather permitting. For more information, contact the Sanibel Recreation Center at 472-0345 or visit www.mysanibel.com.

Free Skin Cancer Screening

Harris Dermatology is offering a free skin cancer screening at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Friday, November 4 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Screenings are quick and easy and the exam is non-invasive. The screening involves a visual inspection of exposed areas of the body after a brief medical history is completed. No appointment or registration necessary – walk-ins are welcome.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-0345 or visit www.mysanibel.com.

November Fun Days At Rec Center

Register your child now for the upcoming Fun Days at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Friday, November 11; Wednesday, November 23; and Friday, November 25. The Fun Days will offer a variety of athletic games, craft projects and special entertainment. Enrollment is available for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. This program operates from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Each child needs to bring a lunch, swimsuit and towel. Light snacks will be provided.

Register in advance and receive the early bird rate:

• Register by November 3 for the November 11 Fun Day for $20 for members, and $25 for non-members. Registration on or after November 4 and the cost will be $22 for members and $27.50 for non-members.

• The early registration date is November 15 for the November 23 Fun Day, and the same prices apply.

• For the November 25 Fun Day, the early registration deadline is November 17; the same prices apply.

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Professional Club Marketing Association Awards 1st Place To The Sanctuary Golf Club

The award-winning Sanctuary team

The Sanctuary Golf Club was awarded first place in The Club Membership Challenge by Professional Club Marketing Association (PCMA). The award went to Sheryl Tatum, Sanctuary's director of Membership & Marketing during the PCMA national conference in Chicago.

After learning of the first-place honor, Tatum presented the winning membership programs to the PCMA conference attendees from around the nation. This month she will present the programs to the local organization, the Membership Director's Association of Southwest Florida (MDASF).

"Sheryl Tatum and The Sanctuary Golf Club programs are a long-term solution to the economic challenges happening in the club industry. The overall program will benefit the club for many years to come," stated Stephan Chaney, executive director of PCMA. Ken Kouril of The Sanctuary added, "The membership committee led by Ray Verdon, chairman, and Sheryl Tatum, director of Membership & Marketing, has really elevated their goals with numerous programs that complement each other. The programs are branded, creative, innovative, and sustainable. I appreciate the PCMA's recognition of Sheryl and The Sanctuary Golf Club."

For more information about Professional Club Marketing Association contact www.askpcma.org, about Membership Director's Association of Southwest Florida contact www.mdasf.com, or about The Sanctuary Golf Club, www.sanctuarygc.net. To reach Sheryl Tatum email statum@sanctuarygc.net or call 472-6445.☆

Superior Interiors

What Your Favorite Colors Say About You

by Marcia Feeney

The psychology of color is fascinating. Every day there are more and more studies conducted that reveal new information about how color impacts our lives. Did you know that:

Red increases the pulse rate, breathing and blood pressure? If you like red, you yearn for the impulsive life. Red is the color of action, love, and courage. You are likely to be outspoken, athletic and somewhat fickle.

Blue is a wonderful, calming color. Did you know that blue actually causes the brain to send off 11 chemical tranquilizers? If you like blue, you are probably a capable, conservative and sensitive person.

Green is Mother Nature's favorite color. If you like green, you might be fresh, natural and friendly by nature. Green shades tend to evoke a sense of relaxation, comfort and quietness. It also represents new growth and new beginnings and can be used as a stress-reducing color.

Yellow is a stimulating color. People who like yellow tend to be smart and high-minded. You might find yourself remaining optimistic in most situations and are generally enthusiastic about new ideas. You enjoy action and have the ability to project your ideas well to others.

Orange is an exuberant and bold color. Orange lovers tend to be friendly, cheerful and able to get along with practically everyone. You are social by nature and hate to be alone. You want the world to be warm and mellow like the glow of a fireplace.

Purple is a royal and fantasy-invoking color. If you like purple, you could possibly be an artist at heart. You like to surround yourself with talented people and tend to be very free spirited by nature.

Brown is a warm and comforting color. Brown lovers are often conscientious and steady in their ways. You tend to be very interested in genealogy and home. The company of your family is paramount in your life.

Marcia Feeney is an interior decorator on Sanibel. She can be reached at marcia@decden.net.☆

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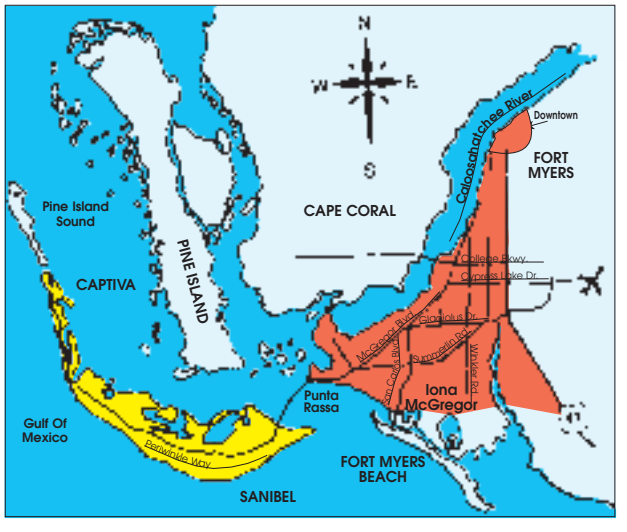

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School Smart

by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers, Many of you will be facing your son or daughter's transition from high school to the outside world in a few months. For many students the transition is easy. They will be going to college, the military, or a vocational setting and they are looking forward to this new phase in their lives.

For students who have special needs, transitioning out of public school is a lengthy and complex process. Legally, transition planning for special needs students should begin at age 14. Typically, however, the planning is minimal and needs and goals of the student are rarely developed and implemented successfully. This topic is much too big for this column so instead I have provided a book review for you that tells of one family's challenges in helping their son, who has Asperger's Syndrome, transition to the world beyond school.

Right from the start with the cover design and title, *Right Address… Wrong Planet, Children With Asperger Syndrome Becoming Adults*, author Dr. Gena Barnhill immediately conveys the isolation and difficulties that people identified with Asperger Syndrome (AS) must endure.

Barnhill is a well-known and published advocate for individuals identified with Asperger Syndrome. This book is the poignant account of Brent Barnhill's experiences as an adolescent and young adult with AS. As well, it is the story of the struggles that Barnhill and her husband experience as parents of an AS child trying to find help for their son.

The book begins with an excellent preface and introduction from Barnhill. Then Brent's passage from adolescence to adulthood propels the reader through 13 highly readable chapters. The book is divided into five parts with each part focusing on a particular set of issues. It includes chapters on the Barnhill's search for recognition and diagnosis of AS and a knowledgeable professional with whom to work. Several chapters recount the challenges that Brent has experienced with dating, college, work, and psychological concerns. There is also a very helpful chapter on navigating the social services system.

Each chapter concludes with a special summary highlighting the main points and references. The final sections of this book offer remarks and insights from other families who are struggling with AS. There is also an extensive resource section with phone numbers, organizations, and website addresses that will be helpful to families and professionals who work with anyone diagnosed with AS.

Right Address… Wrong Planet, Children With Asperger Syndrome Becoming Adults is a book for both parents and professionals. It provides a history of Asperger Syndrome and embeds recent research findings within the text. The tone and language of the book not only reflect Barnhill's professional expertise but also the vulnerability and perceptions of caring, devoted parents. I recommend it to all who are interested in learning more about the range of issues associated with Asperger's Syndrome.

Ms. Greggs is adjunct faculty at Edison State College where she teaches psychology and education courses. She is also Nationally Certified School Psychologist and consultant for School Consultation Services, a private educational consulting company. Questions for publication may be addressed to smgreggs@gmail.com. Not all questions submitted can be addressed through this publication.☆

Students To Receive Awards

Tom Scott, Lee County School Board Chair, will introduce the eighth grade students from Cypress Lake Middle School who are receiving awards for their essays, Why You Should Vote, for the Fort Myers Republican Women's Club's competition. The three students with the winning essays will be recognized at the monthly luncheon of the club on Tuesday, November 15.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the program being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch, business meeting, and program follow. Students will read their essays prior to receiving recognition gifts. The luncheon cost is $16. Reservations are required by Thursday, November 10, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.☆

Company Adds Offices On Sanibel And Captiva

Royal Shell Real Estate expands on Sanibel

Don DeLuca, broker of Royal Shell Real Estate announced the expansion of business operations on Sanibel and Captiva islands. The Royal Shell Companies have started remodeling space for a new office in the Tahitian Gardens shopping center on Sanibel. Additionally Royal Shell has now taken over the Waterstone office at the corner of Captiva Drive and Andy Rosse Lane on Captiva.

The addition of these locations will provide greater exposure for sellers and greater accessibility to a Royal Shell Real Estate or Royal Shell Vacation professional. Both locations will offer real estate sales and vacation rentals. Randy Bacik, CEO of Royal Shell Vacations, said "These newly acquired locations offer easy access that will be more conducive

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New Journalism Course At FGCU Receives Grant

Florida Gulf Coast University's newly created journalism program has been awarded a $42,000 grant from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation to launch Face-to-Face: Conversations with Journalists. The grant will allow high school, undergraduate and graduate students from across the United States to talk virtually with journalists who have covered news in hard-to-reach areas.

"These are journalists whom students would never otherwise meet," said Lyn Millner, who leads FGCU's journalism program and who created the project. "Students will learn how these reporters make decisions, verify information and report the truth – especially in challenging environments."

FGCU will partner with Poynter's News University in St. Petersburg, Florida, and with Stony Brook University's Center for News Literacy in Long Island, New York, to produce the Face-to-Face conversations. Millner and new Associate Professor Of Journalism Rick Kenney will develop companion teaching resource materials as part of the project.

"We welcome FGCU to our grantee portfolio," said McCormick Foundation Journalism Program Director Clark Bell. "News literacy anchors our strategy of building a more informed, news-literate and engaged citizenry. We expect the FGCU-Stony Brook-Poynter collaboration will make a major contribution to the effort."

Face-to-Face is part of a national news literacy education movement FGCU has brought to Southwest Florida. FGCU is one of only two higher-education institutions in Florida that are formally involved with Stony Brook's Center for News Literacy.

"Poynter NewsU is excited that these conversations will be a resource for teachers from around the world," said Howard Finberg, News University's Director of Interactive Learning.

The first Face-to-Face conversation will be held in January 2012. High schools and universities may apply to participate in a Face-to-Face conversation at Poynter's NewsU at www.newsu.org/fgcu_face2face.

For information contact Lyn Millner at 590-7257 or lmillner@fgcu.edu.✲

How Carrier Air Conditioning Got Its Name

by Bryan Hayes

Part II of II

There is more to this story, as indicated in Part I of this article last week. There was another man who went by the name of Willis Carrier, a scientist and inventor born in 1876. Carrier is also known as the inventor of modern air conditioning. In 1902, Carrier submitted his drawings for what became known as the first modern air conditioning system.

What was particularly important about Carrier's work was that he discovered it was necessary to control humidity (something I always talk about), which in air conditioning lingo later became known as the "law of constant dew-point depression." His work led to the understanding of the essential concepts of humidity which then led to the design of air conditioning systems that could control it. With that in mind, he filed a patent for an automatic control system in 1907.

Eight years later, Carrier partnered with six other engineers who brought together their lives' savings to form the Carrier Engineering Corporation in New York City. In the face of financial struggles after the Wall Street Crash of 1929, the company merged with Brunswick-Kroeschell Company and New York Heating & Ventilating Corporation and formed Carrier Corporation, with Carrier acting as chairman of the board.

Needless to say, based on the fact that Carrier is still one of the world's largest air conditioning manufacturers, the company went on to do quite well. After the company relocated to Syracuse, New York in 1937, it became one of the largest employers in the central part of the state. In addition, Toyo Carrier and Samsung Applications were started in Korea and Japan.

While the Great Depression and the world wars impacted commercial and residential use of air conditioning, it only took the post-war economic surge in the 1950s that greatly revived its popularity.

The Carrier company went on to be the first to design air conditioning systems that could cool large spaces. The invention of residential air conditioning changed the way Americans would live and helped start the great migration to the southern part of the United States.

It's a shame that John Gorrie never got the chance to successfully patent and manufacture his product. And being that I'm in the business of air conditioning, I'm pretty glad that Carrier did.

Bryan Hayes is a Sanibel air conditioning contractor. He also owns, with his brother Todd, an electrical business on Sanibel. He can be reached at Bryan@Sanibelair.com.✲

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Presentation By Diane Knight

Diane Knight

Diane Knight, owner of Sanibel Home Furnishings and a member of the American Society of Interior Designers, will present a design seminar at St. Isabel Women's Guild meeting on November 17 at 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Her topics will include color sensibility, performance fabrics for today's lifestyle and design trends from her recent visit to the furniture markets in High Point, North Carolina.✲

Vendors Needed For Upcoming Arts & Crafts Show

Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center is looking for craft vendors for its upcoming Arts & Crafts Show to be held March 3.

The show will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Wa-Ke Hatchee Park, 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers. Spaces are available for $25. Tables, tents, and other supplies are not provided. Electric space is available.

Activities include a car show, live band, food vendors, demonstrations, Movie in the Park, and much more family fun. Admission is free.

For further information on this event or to become a vendor, contact Kristie Valone at 432-2154 or valonekn@leegov.com. For information about Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center & Park, go to www.leeparks.org.✲

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Around The Islands

the store with her husband Ben. There are too many medals now to display them in the store. The awards are international, national and from two different Florida state organizations: Wines of the South, and the Epcot Competition. "You have to be invited to the Epcot Competition, so we're very proud of that. Many of our awards are for Best in Show, plus we have a Double Gold Concordance Award, which means we swept the judges, who do not confer with one another."

The store features Florida-made wine with flavors such as cranberry, blackberry, mango, pineapple, and key lime – and all the stores wines come from one vintner, Florida Orange Grove Winery.

"I carry their wines because there's no grape base and no flavoring added – you get the full flavor of the fruit," said Miles. The wines have up to 75 percent less sulfites than traditional wines and contain only those that occur naturally. And that pretty much means no hangover.

Wines range from 10 to 18 percent alcohol, and prices range from $17.99 to $43.99. The average price is $22 a bottle, and there are 41 varieties to choose from.

Tropical Wines also carries wine accessories such as custom-made Sanibel Island glasses. There's a different design every year, making them perfect for gifts for collectors. This year's design features a sea turtle.

A collection of charming bottle stoppers at Sanibel Tropical Wines

Other accessories include bottle stoppers from the sophisticated to the hilarious, pourers, charms, hors d'oeuvres plates, coasters, decorative napkins and wine bags. They also have one of the largest selections of cork cages around for those who like to savor their wine long after it's gone.

"We have a little bit of everything for everybody; at least we try to," she said.

A bit of trivia Miles added: The first American wine ever made was made in Florida in the 1600s, called scuppernong and made from the muscadine grape. "We do carry our version of that 17th century wine," she said. "It's nice and mild, slightly sweet, with a light body."

Tropical Wines ships to most states and welcomes online shoppers.

Sanibel Tropical Wines is located at 2340 Periwinkle Way, Unit C-1 in The Village Shops. For more information on the store and what is has to offer, visit www.sanibeltropicalwines.com, phone 472-3398, or email at info@sanibeltropicalwines.com.

On the Edge has lots of necklaces to choose from

If you're looking for something unique and bohemian for yourself or a gift for your friend who never quite made it back from Woodstock, head to **On the Edge** in the Village Shops and you will not be disappointed. Owners Betsy and Ken Rottman fill their boutique with handcrafted items from all over the world and with different and interesting things by local artists.

"I guess our store would be considered bohemian, eclectic, unique," said Betsy Rottman.

What On the Edge has is home décor, jewelry, purses, shell pieces, art, cards, stationery, and gifts. The store may be small in square footage, but it is huge in variety, character and charm.

The Rottmans have been in the business 10 years, spending much of that time selling at arts-and-crafts shows and flea markets. On the Edge has been open at its current site in the Village Shops for one year.

Purses and totes from India and Africa

Purse made of palm leaves from Columbia at On the Edge

What probably will catch your eye first are the colorful purses in a variety of colors, from bright to muted to neutral. Many are adorned with stones, gems and recycled glass. One purse is made of palm leaves from Columbia. Many come from India and Africa, and they range in price from $35 to $175.

Colorful pashminas and scarves from Guatemala cost from $28 to $48.

There is jewelry galore: necklaces made of coffee beans, sea glass, and crystal and glass beads, among other things. If you're looking for finer jewelry, an Oregon artist has designed more elaborate pieces made with real gems and sterling silver clasps. There is a necklace of bamboo coral from Bali (this is not an endangered coral).

Among some of the many "green" items are colorful wraparound bracelets made in Columbia made from recycled citrus peels; they cost $26. Baskets made in Bangladesh of recycled potato chip bags are $22. These are all fair trade.

The store carries some of the prettiest seashell mirrors around, made by Cel Luke entirely from local shells. Each mirror takes about a month to make. Luke has also provided the store with shell picture frames, boxes, and vases.

If you need a small gift, there are cards created by a former Sanibel resident; flower prints by Carol Good; and all manner of bracelets, key chains, earrings and belts. Moisturizing glycerin soaps sell for $5 in a variety of scents, and there are soy candles as well.

"We just started carrying Jellies from California," Rottman added. "They're made of silicone and we carry four varieties: coin purses, sunglass cases, cell phone cases, and camera cases." ($18 each).

A fairly new addition e is "wearable art" Although not primarily a clothing store, On the Edge is now carrying comfortable, casual women's clothing, mostly from India. "There's lots of tie-dyed, hand-painted and hand-embroidered clothing and a lot of free sizes,"she said, mostly tops, jackets and dresses.

The Rottmans are looking forward

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Chip's Sanibel Steakhouse features Michael David playing light classical guitar on Wednesdays and Saturdays. The steakhouse is at 1473 Periwinkle Way, phone 472-5700.

The Crow's Nest at 'Tween Waters Inn, Captiva has entertainment Fridays and Saturdays from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Crab races are Mondays and Thursdays with the family show at 5:30 p.m. and grown-up races at 9 p.m. The Crow's Nest is at 15951 Captiva Drive, phone 472-5161.

Gene Federico is playing at **Courtney's on Sanibel** on Thursdays and Fridays, 7 to 10 p.m. and on Sundays at the tiki bar from 2 to 5 p.m. Courtney's is at 1231 Middle Gulf Drive, phone 472-4646.

Traditions on the Beach has live music Thursday through Saturday, featuring Joe McCormick, Marvilla Marzan and Barbara Smith. There are periodic jazz nights on Wednesdays. The restaurant is at the Island Inn, 3111 West Gulf Drive, Sanibel, phone 472-4559.

The Jacaranda has entertainment nightly from 7 to 11 p.m. Here's the line-up: Friday and Saturday, The Captiva Band playing classic rock, jazz and R&B; Sunday, Jamaica "Dave" & Co., reggae and dance; Monday, Renata, jazz, contemporary music and dance; Tuesday, Steve "Scooter" Reynolds, accoustic guitar, contemporary music and dance; Wednesday, Buckeye Ken, contemporary, Top 40 and blues; Thursday, 2 Hot, contemporary, reggae and dance. The Jacaranda is at 1223 Periwinkle Way, phone 472-1771.

George & Wendy's Corner Grill features Chris Workman, keyboard and vocals, on Fridays and Steve "Scooter" Reynolds, guitar and vocals, on Saturdays. Entertainment is from 7 to 11 p.m. The Corner Grill is at Periwinkle Way and Tarpon Bay Road, phone 395-1263.

The Island Cow on Periwinkle Way 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.

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Sanibel Air staff; the company has become a sponsor of the 3rd Annual Cracker Fest November 4

Sanibel Air Sponsors Cracker Fest

Sanibel Air has donated $500 to become a sponsor in this year's Cracker Fest scheduled for Friday, November 4. This is the second year that Sanibel Air has supported this cause.

The annual event benefits the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of Solutions to Avoid Red Tide (START). The organization is a statewide nonprofit foundation with a mission to improve the quality of our marine waters through research, public education and programs that restore marine habitat and preserve marine species.

Proceeds from the event will help fund the expansion of the Coastal Classroom program for Lee County schools. In addition, it will help launch the Sustainable Seafood Program, Seafood Savvy, and other programs that benefit the local marine environment. The 2010 Cracker Festival was attended by more than 200 guests and raised enough money for the Sanibel-Captiva START to provide funding for 30 Coastal Classrooms.

"This is a great event and the cause deserves all of the attention that it helps generate. As people who work and live on the island, it's in our best interest to make sure that we protect our environment and create causes and events that help us achieve that," said Bryan Hayes, co-owner of Sanibel Air Conditioning. "We are always happy to have the opportunity to support our community."

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Will Power

Occupy West Gulf Drive

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

I've been watching with interest the Occupy Wall Street movement and demonstrations. Despite my interest, and without diminishing the misery that afflicts many throughout our country, I don't yet understand what their goal is. In other words, what would it take for the demonstrators to roll up their tents, say that they accomplished what they set out to do, and then go home?

There appear to be a number of issues they are concerned about. Jobs, taxes and corporate influence over government appear to be chief among them. But what is the coherent theme – the "end game" if you will? And why are they camping out on Wall Street? More on that later.

One might suggest that Wall Street is where all the rich businessmen make a living. So let's take a look at this movement's vilification of millionaires. We saw how the protesters marched to exclusive addresses on Park Avenue in Manhattan. Across the country they also marched in wealthy neighborhoods such as Buckhead (Atlanta) and West Shore Drive (Chicago). Could (snicker) Occupy West Gulf Drive be far behind?

But to claim that millionaires and billionaires are the root cause of these problems doesn't make much sense, does it? First of all, since when in this country is it a crime to accumulate wealth? Do those who march assume the accumulation of wealth a "zero sum game"? In other words, if I make a dollar is that one less dollar you will have?

I don't agree with that outlook. Take a look at recently departed Steve Jobs. His inventions not only changed the world, they caused any number of people to accumulate wealth, from those who invested in Apple stock, to others who wrote "apps" for the iPhone, to entrepreneurs who have had markets open to them they never had access to before to sell their creativity. Is all this new wealth at someone else's expense?

So let's turn from Jobs (of Apple fame) to jobs (employment). If the demonstrators are protesting that there are no jobs, I get that – and I sympathize. I'd like to add more staff to my own law practice, but it isn't Wall Street that's holding me back. I would suggest that the high cost of taxes, regulations and providing benefits like health insurance do more harm to my ability to hire more workers than anything that Wall Street has ever done. There is only so much in cost that a business can pass on to its consumers before the consumers cut back. If the government and regulatory cost of hiring wasn't so steep, might not there be more hiring going on throughout the country?

And if there was more hiring, might there not be more tax collections? Which leads us to another point – taxes. The protesters appear to believe that the wealthy don't pay their fair share of this country's taxes. I've read numerous articles that suggest more than one-half of all taxpayers actually receive a refund that exceeds the amount of withholding taxes they have paid into the system. How might this be? How can one receive a refund in excess of the taxes paid during the year? This happens through disguised welfare programs built into our tax code such as the Earned Income Tax Credit and the Child Tax Credit. The top percentages of taxpayers already pay a disproportionately high share of the taxes remitted – notwithstanding Warren Buffet's essays.

Even if you don't buy into that argument, what else appears to be the goal of the Occupy Wall Street protesters? Do they consider Wall Street an impediment that somehow thwarts the government's attempts to help get this economy going again? If so, how do they explain the stimulus package's negligible results? What happened to all of that stimulus money? It didn't go to the large corporations. Instead it appears to have gone to projects that employ more state and local unions than anyone else. While you might believe that without the stimulus package we would be worse off than we already are (see Paul Krugman of the *New York Times* for those arguments), I don't know if a majority of Americans agree.

So if the protesters really want more jobs, if they want less corporate money involved in elections, if they want the tax system to somehow be fairer – I ask one question. Why aren't they marching in Washington DC, or state capitals like Albany, Sacramento and Trenton? Isn't that where all of these decisions – whether you believe them to be right or wrong – happen?

I guess our system is so broken that we don't have faith that holding these demonstrations in our federal and state capitals makes much sense. And that's a shame. Because the best I can tell, the Occupy Wall Street gang has a lot that they are unhappy about – but no coherent idea what exactly it is that they're protesting.

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Course participants will receive a Dog First Aid and Cat First Aid Manual. The manuals each contain a 30-minute DVD with step-by-step information on safety procedures and dealing with medical emergencies.

The cost of the course is $50 for members and $62.50 for non-members and includes all materials. For more information call the Sanibel Recreation Center.

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Fashionable Stars Under The Stars

The Charity Fashion Show benefiting The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida Lee Memorial Health System takes place Wednesday, November 9, from 6:30 to 8:30p.m with special guest host Kellie Burns of NBC-2.

Tickets cost $40 for general admission, and $65 for VIP. Tickets are available at Brodeur Carvell, leememorial.org/foundation or call 343-6062.

Attendees can preview the latest in fall, holiday and resort fashions, modeled by local celebrities.

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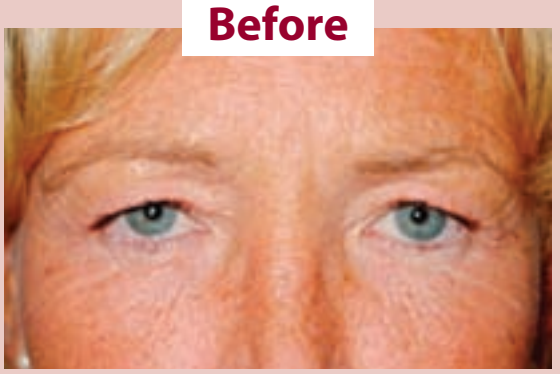

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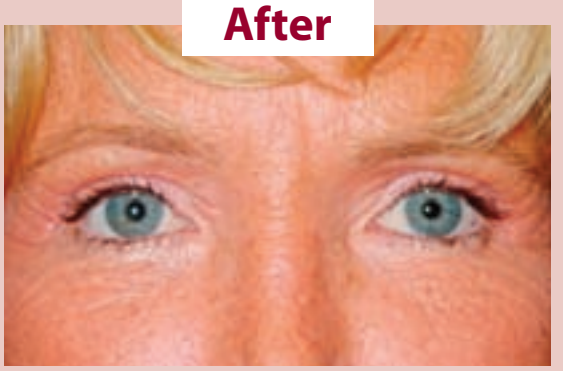

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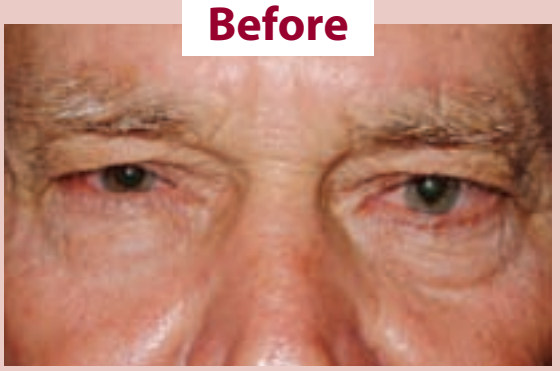

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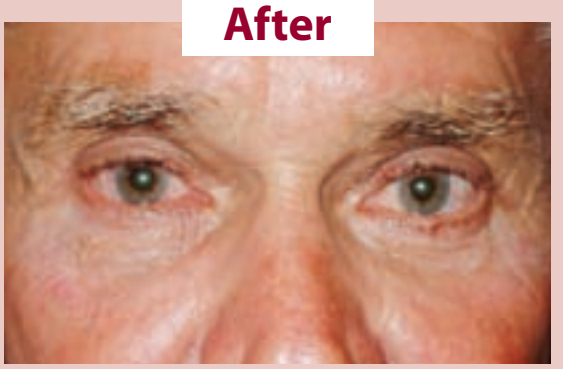

Dr. Dave

Articles Archive

by Dr. Dave Hepburn

"Where can I get a copy of your articles, Dr. Dave?"

"Why would you want those?"

"Why do you answer a question with a question?"

"What do you mean?"

"Well, I'm doing a study to show that a couple of degrees beside your name does not necessarily make you literate."

"I see. Well certainly we post a few new articles every week on http://wisequacks.org

"Once posted, they remain there in an archive for your heckling pleasure. But if you want to see how literacy is not like something we doctors spend like lots of time focussing on, take a look at some of our latest tweets. Four times a week we peruse the medical literature and bring you all the highlights, complete with comprehensive and detailed commentary, all within 140 keystrokes."

• Married men are twice as likely as single men to be alive 15 years after coronary bypass surgery. Results vary depending on insurance policy.

• Studies now show that children breast fed to six months have less asthma. Children breast fed to six years have less friends.

• Alcohol actually damages the frontal lobe, the very part of the brain critical to quit drinking! That would be full frontal stupidity.

• Studies prove colon cleansing has no health benefit and can cause harm. For those of you who undergo that pleasantry, you're being hosed.

• New study shows that a whopping Half of Canadians will suffer mental health problems. Had no idea that there were that many Leaf fans.

• Gluten sensitivity (celiac) becoming more widespread in North America. Something to do with glutes becoming more widespread in America?

• 60 percent of women get uterine fibroids. Fibroids recently found to be caused by a genetic mutation. Thus 60 percent of women are mutants. I knew it!

• Every single U.S. state reported more obesity than last year! The obesity epidemic is so widespread as Americans continue to spread so wide.

• Startling new scientific evidence: No Such Thing As a Hypoallergenic Dog! And here I thought I had a cold for seven years. Goodbye, TinkyMuffin.

• Eating baked goods may reduce the symptoms of a milk allergy... ask your doctor for a prescription eclair.

• Kids from unplanned pregnancies lag behind intellectualy which may be why Mom kept signing me up to play goalie for the dart team... and I did.

• Teeth plaque – arterial plaque – plaque on a hospital wall. For fewer fatalities floss your fangs frequently. see http://wisequacks.org/.

• Chronic pain gene discovered but it's also the gene responsible for heart rate. Good news Bloggins, we can now treat your pain. Bad news...

• Report: "Men Who Smoke Have Lower Risk of Joint Replacement" Given that joint replacements occur in later life... I think I know the reason.

• Beer has only just been classified as an alcoholic drink in Russia. What was it before? Baby formula?

• Trichomonas, an STD, was found in 8.3 percent of women age 20 to 29 but in 13 percent of women 50 to 89! Told they can either ignore their trick or treat.

• Statistics reveal that people who read health articles live longer... log in to http://wisequacks.org and you may wonder if it's worth it.

• Statistics reveal that only 15 percent of doctors wash their hands after examining a patient... another reason why proctologists have no friends.

• Health Canada recommends that Red Bull should only be sold under the supervision of a pharmacist... what's next – a prescription latte?

• New medical research shows that bellybuttons are full of friendly skin bacteria. And to think they could have wasted research funds on cancer.

• A new medical study indicates that music eases both anxiety and pain in cancer patients. Results varied depending on... Alanis Morissette.

• Zinc acetate – best lozenge for cold. Catching a cold can make you fat! Particularly if you use the zinc pizza lozenges. http://wisequacks.org/.

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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,

We have a lovely cottage in the woods on a large lake that we love and enjoy and, to our good fortune, it has also appreciated almost tenfold since our purchase.

We are getting older now and the upkeep and taxes are beginning to cause us problems.

Our daughter-in-law loves the cottage but our relationship with her has always been strained. My husband wants to sell rather than let her enjoy the fruits of his good fortune, but I hate to sell it and deprive our son and grandchildren of the pleasure the cottage might give them. What can you suggest we do?

Muriel

Dear Muriel,

Perhaps you can work out an option for your son to assist with the taxes and upkeep of the cottage for the use of the cottage. On another note, why would you want to deprive your son and grandchildren the cottage because you do not like your daughter-in-law? Seems to be a choice based on spite. Decisions motivated by spite might feel good in the immediate but do not reflect well on one's character and there are most always unforeseen hurtful consequences.

Pryce

Dear Muriel,

Your husband seems to have a real problem – so bad that he is willing to deprive your son and grandchildren the pleasure the cottage could bring them.

He made the money and the financial investment so I guess he feels he has the right to do as he pleases.

We all have the right to make our own decisions and you can't change him so I would suggest you don't even try, because it will only make your life more stressful, but it is a most unfortunate situation.

Lizzie

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Hot Flashes, PMS? Progesterone To The Rescue

by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: I met you at a book signing, and didn't want to hold up the line to elaborate on my health concerns. You said I should not be taking "unopposed estrogen" and I don't know what that means. If you recall, I'm post-menopausal; I had a hysterectomy, and my doctor prescribes estradiol tablets.

LY, Baltimore, Maryland

I do recall saying that. It scares me that millions of women are taking unopposed estrogen medications (meaning, estrogen therapy without any natural progesterone to go with it). Excess estrogen has been linked to breast cancer and other hormonally driven disorders.

Natural progesterone balances estrogen and is sold without prescription at health food stores, as a skin cream. I feel strongly that no woman should EVER be taking unopposed estrogen meds, even if she has had her uterus removed. Of course, everyone reading this should get physician approval to use progesterone, because my opinion columns are intended for educational purposes, not advice.

Sadly, some physicians insist that women who do not have a uterus (i.e.; hysterectomy) no longer need progesterone, so they only prescribe estrogen drugs. This is short-sighted because there are progesterone receptors all over the body, not just in the reproductive organs. So even if you have your uterus removed, other organs are left starving for progesterone! It supports healthy bones, breasts, heart, liver and brain tissue in both men and women. Progesterone protects the breasts, and may relieve fibrocystic breast pain and reduce risk of breast cancer, studies prove it. This hormone may improve sleep, anxiety and cholesterol levels. Remarkably, progesterone feeds the brain, and a new study points to its benefit during the first few hours after a stroke.

Natural progesterone is not the same thing as progestin drugs like methoxyprogesterone, which is sold by prescription. The medications are not bio-identical to what your body makes, and there are no receptor sites on your cells that exactly match the drugs. Because synthetic drugs are not bio-identical, there is a higher risk of side effects. Your local pharmacist can explain more. What you learn about progestin drugs does not at all apply to bio-identical, natural progesterone hormone.

When you take unopposed estrogen, you could tilt yourself, hormonally speaking, and wind up with excess estrogen, a condition termed "estrogen dominance" or "progesterone deficiency." Symptoms in post-menopausal women include anxiety, depression, irritability, hot flashes, night sweats, weight gain, insomnia, bone loss or low sex drive. In pre-menopausal women, you might expect PMS, breast tenderness, migraines, fibroids, mood swings, bloating, or heavy periods. Using progesterone cream properly is critical. Application depends on your age and menstrual cycle. It's too complicated to get into here. I've explained progesterone usage, and outlined other natural ways to support hormone health in my ebook, *Breast/Prostate Cancer Protection* sold at my website.

DID YOU KNOW:

A new study suggests that drinking three cups of regular coffee per day may reduce risk of basal skin carcinoma by up to 20 percent.

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.*

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In

by Constance Clancy

Q: Are crossword puzzles really the best way to help my brain stay sharp?

A: Doing crossword puzzles certainly cannot hurt, but they won't necessarily help you remember your granddaughter's friends' name. According to a recent study, reading a novel or spending time with friends is just as helpful as doing a puzzle. The study also concluded that people who played memory games for six weeks did get better at the games; however, they did not fare any better on general tests of mental function than those in the control group. So, mental stimulation is very important and so is staying physically active, but there is a lot more to it than puzzles alone.

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.

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TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 27B

SUDOKU

	7				6		5	
6			3					4
		1		2		8		
	9			1				7
4				5			1	
		7	8		2	5		
	3			7			4	
		4			5	9		
2			9					6

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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.

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3	4	1	5	2	7	8	6	9
5	9	8	6	1	3	4	2	7
4	2	3	7	5	9	6	1	8
1	6	7	8	4	2	5	9	3
9	3	6	2	7	8	1	4	5
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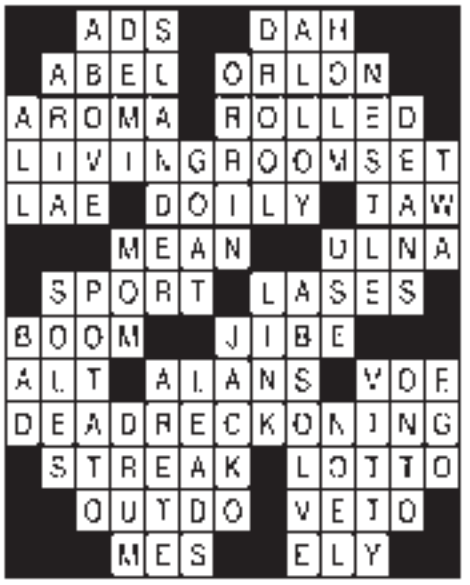

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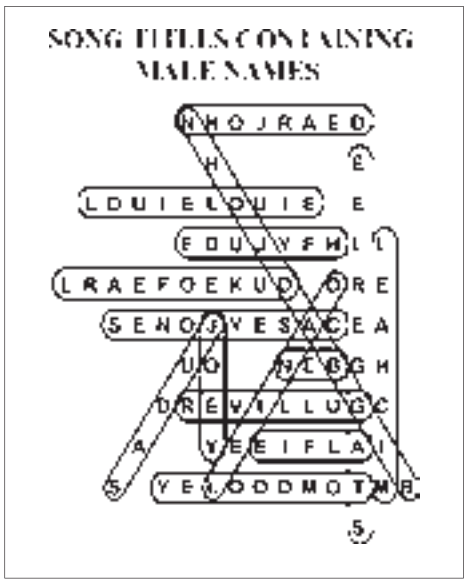

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Pets Of The Week

My name is Ringo and I am an 11-month-old male Florida Curr, color tan and black.

Comments: I may not be an iconic rock 'n roll star like my namesake but I could be a shining star in your life if you make me part of your family. I'm a young happy boy who's eager to be a companion to someone special. I would be honored to be adopted by a veteran as part of Animal Services Pets for Vets adoption promotion.

Adoption fee is $30 during November or free to a military veteran.

My name is Tanner and I am a neutered male Bengal cat, aged five. I am brown and spotted.

Comments: I have "wild-looking" markings but I'm not related to the Bengal tiger. Nevertheless, I'm quite handsome. Besides my striking good looks I'm pretty smart too! I've been in foster care where I have to baby-sit some kittens but I don't mind. After some tips from me they'll grow up to be "cool cats" too!

Adoption fee is $10 during November's Jazz Up Your Life adoption promotion.

For information about this week's pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services' website at www.LeeLostPets.com. When calling, refer to the animal's ID number. The website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available.

The shelter is open for adoptions from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday at 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office, off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

All adoptions include spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, rabies vaccination and county license if three months or older, flea treatment, worming, heartworm test for dogs six months and over, feline AIDS and leukemia test for cats, training DVD, 10-day health guarantee, and a bag of Science Diet pet food.

The adoption package is valued at $500.

Ringo ID #513425

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Tanner ID #490723

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Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers	**472-0168**
Gulf Coast Symphony	**472-6197**
Lee County Alliance for the Arts	**939-2787**
Naples Philharmonic	**597-1111**
The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater	**472-6862**
Sanibel Music Festival	**336-7999**
Sanibel-Captiva Art League	**472-4258**
S.W. Florida Symphony	**418-0996**

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Horticulture and Tea Society of Sanibel and Captiva	**472-8334**
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League of Women Voters	**472-6689**
Lions Club (Tom Rothman)	**395-3248**
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Newcomers	**472-9332**
Notre Dame Club of Southwest Florida	**768-0417**
Optimist Club	**472-0836**
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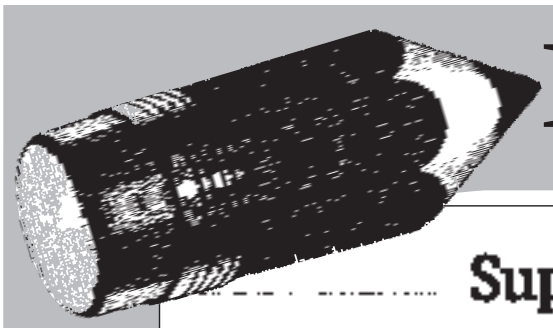
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society	**472-6940**
Sanibel-Captiva Power Squadron	**472-3828**
Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club	**395-1770**
Sanibel Youth Soccer	**395-2040**
www.sanibelsoccer.org	
The Military Officers Assc. of America	
(MOAA, Alex MacKenzie)	**395-9232**
United Way of Lee County	**433-2000**
United Way 211 Helpline	**(24 hour information line) 211 or 433-3900**
Zonta Club	**671-6381**

ISLAND ATTRACTIONS

Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum	**395-2233**
J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge	**472-1100**
Sanibel Historical Museum & Village	**472-4648**
SCCF (Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation)	**472-2329**



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Answers on page 27B

Super Crossword

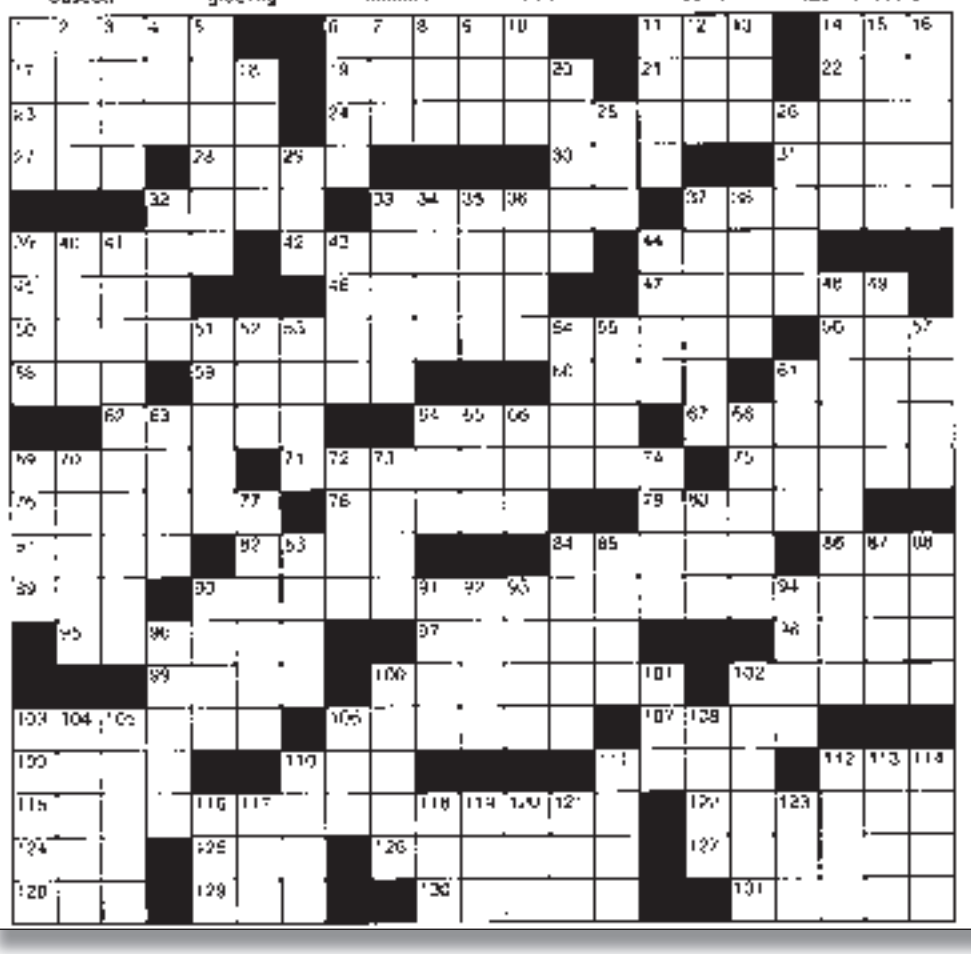
ALL WRAPPED UP

ACROSS

1 "— Against (1924 hit)
6 Baseball legend
11 Dryden's "— for Love"
14 — Zeppelin
17 Hercules' brother
19 Schedule
21 "Dizzy" singer
22 Oklahoma city
23 Wood-working tool
24 Paddle, Part 1
27 Auxiliary verb
28 Swiss
30 Consumerist's vow
31 Sew
33 Down
32 French cheese region
33 Sports shoe features
37 Aloft
39 Lamb product
42 Right-wing Willy
44 Utah city
45 Help with the archives
46 Skater Sonja
47 Eagle
50 Riddle, Part 2
56 Perfect
58 Bands of baseball
59 Brooks or Schreiber
60 Fervor
61 Bristol Board
62 St. Lawrence locale
64 Classic of "The Invisible Man"
67 Gavel
69 Nuclear rays
71 Trick or treater, perhaps
75 Rank statistics
76 On the QT
78 Passenger
79 Spire
81 It may be common
82 Competent
84 Fanned fabulist
86 "Sea Hunt" speaker
89 Actress Dvorak
90 Answer to riddle, Part 1
95 Fit to least an
97 Parrots' cousins
98 Riches
99 Trusting son
100 Dismal
102 Herring
103 Deer or Buffalo
106 Islamic governing
107 Little bear
109 Walk creatures
110 Vision's glimpsing
111 Frida's husband
112 Shopping str.
115 Answer to riddle, Part 2
122 Parmesan alternative
124 Sushi fish
125 Inflatable item?
126 Herman or Reese
127 Afterward
128 Summer abroad
129 Morning moisture
130 Dwelling
131 Black Sea city

DOWN

1 Big name in Ballooce
2 Eastern leader
3 "You — it"
4 "— My Party" (63 hit)
5 Word with bomb or tornado
6 Sting film?
7 "Grease" role
8 "The Partridge Family" actress
9 Aberdeen
10 Rental
11 Dench of operations
12 Olympic or Coolidge
13 Moon crater
14 "Upstairs, Downstairs" actress
15 Simpson of fashion
16 Desert refuges
18 Ja —
20 Singer O'Day
25 Family-room features
26 Orange Bowl site
29 "By all means!"
32 Bowl Mix
33 First name in comedy
34 Director Wertmüller
35 Win 31 Across
Monty Python member
36 Skewer
37 Skies one's cookout
38 Layers
39 Lambs' cuts
40 Hindu deity
41 45 Hitchcock film
43 "Bang Bang" singer
44 Hallboy
48 Head Apostle
49 Mazza Marilyn
51 Came to a point
52 Broad-brimmed
53 Iodine source
54 "Circus Boy" prop
55 "— dare"
57 Hardscrabble features
61 Leopardlike
63 Returns or Tucker
64 Genetic info
65 Curved part
66 Admirer suite
68 Legendary drummer
69 "Jennie Gillies"
70 "— Not Your Dog"
72 Deposit point
73 Once again
74 Autumn color
77 Snowy flower
80 Boar's groove
83 Hashkad tavern
84 Pertaining
85 Seth's son
87 Suzy's highest point
88 Like some sheep
90 "I'll give you a hit"
91 Word form for "bye"
92 Forearm bone
93 Tia
94 TV's "Bye"
96 Where to eat bryans
100 Tack in the pie show
101 Bath, e.g.
102 "Peanuts" coach
103 It sums many
104 Indigenous Alaskan
105 Hunk of "The Prince of Tides"
106 Sly Caesar
108 Grimm creature
110 Feel defiant
111 "— Lisa"
112 Shoppers paradise
113 Oliver Hardy, for one
114 Facial wash
116 Mace one's work
117 Season firewood
118 Teachers' org
119 — page
120 — Loma
121 Beatty or Brooks
123 Actress Sara



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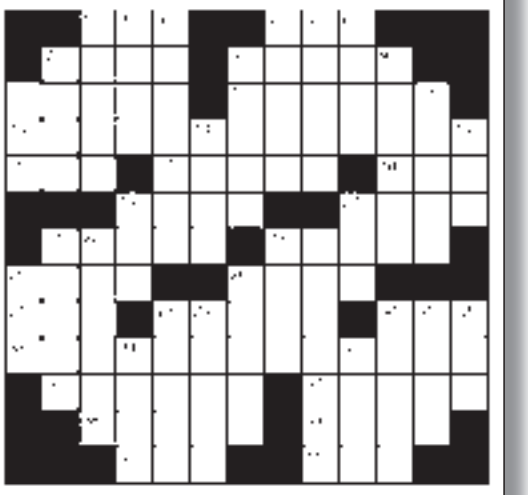


ACROSS

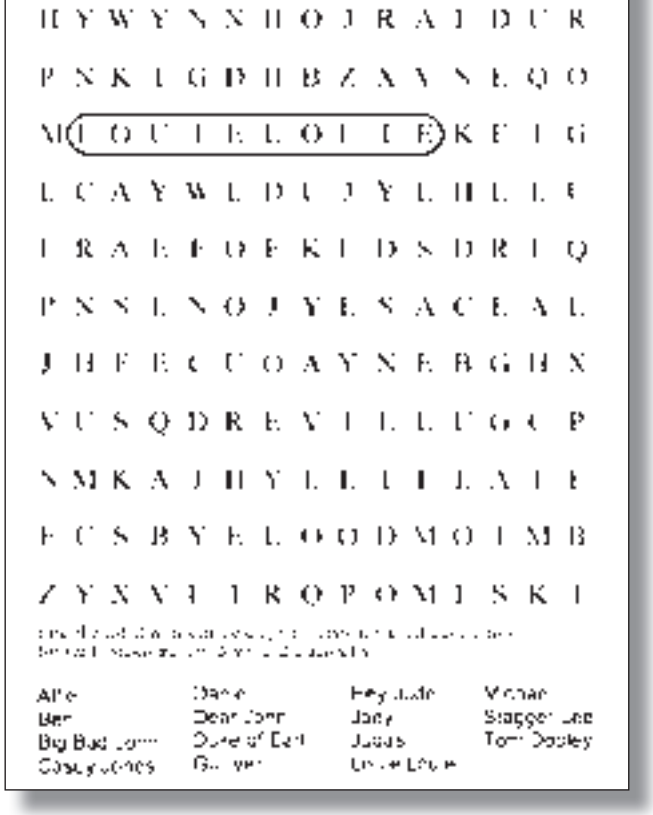
1 Common verb
4 "Don't believe"
7 Actor Chan
9 Acrylic fiber
10 Sweet
11 Hallowed one
13 Solid-waste, ultimately, etc.
16 New Guinea port
17 Animal doctor
19 Spotted, in a tweedy
20 Plant
22 Arm bone
24 Cricket fan's cry
25 Performs appendectomy
27 Sorts —
28 Scroll
29 Elev.
34 Lawrence of Arabia
38 Shemp's brother
39 Gumshoe's clue
40 Supreme Court
42 Gumshoe game
43 Sandwich shop
45 Sarcasm
47 Kitty litter
48 French possessive
50 English cathedral city

DOWN

1 Overhead
2 Actress Moore
3 Singer Jones
4 Surgeon
5 Metric liquid
6 Actress Osmond
7 Melancholy
8 Dyer portion mixer
9 Gal song and dance
10 Time when it starts
11 Computer bug
12 Crossbreeds
15 Oklahoma native
18 Ms. Mar-a-Lago heiress
20 Work with it
21 Cobbler's supply
22 Spot
23 Chain part
24 Eucalypti
25 Fee
26 "King of Pop" in headlines
28 Mountain ridge
29 Belgrade
30 Thurber's Walter
31 Accident
32 Is courageous
34 Tom Tom, e.g.
35 Christmas visitor

MAGIC MAZE

SONG TITLES CONTAINING MALE NAMES



Alice	Diane	Hey Jude	Michael
Ben	Dear John	Joey	Stagger Lee
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Crazy Otto	Gunter	Uncle Albert	

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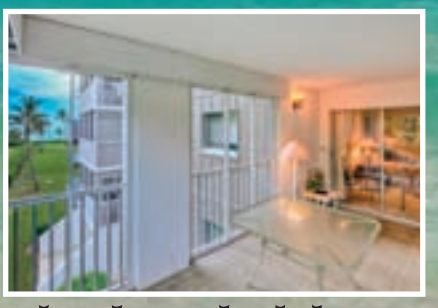

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