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Octifest On The Causeway

Sanibel Sea School will hold Octifest this Saturday, March 31 in a big top tent on Causeway Island A. It's one of the last events of the season and it promises to be a relaxing time with island music, gourmet food and lots of opportunities to raise funds to support scholarships at Sanibel Sea School. This year, the event will feature DJ Gentry Thomas, a home grown movie, a surprise that will surely catch guests up in its "currents" and a friendly wrap up of this great year. Principal corporate sponsors for the Octifest on the Beach are PURRE and Lily and Co.

Some highlights of the live auction will be:

- A two-hour floating cocktail party aboard the *Sanibel Thriller*
- Doc Ford and Doc Bruce – a boat trip with Doc Bruce to lunch with Randy Wayne White at Doc Ford's Rum Bar and Grille on the wharf at Fort Myers Beach
- The Sanibel Sea School

Powerwashing Team: the scientist blasters will clean your house or dock

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Elizabeth Meardon shows off the coconut she helped paint, which will be part of the grand prize adventure with hundreds of floating coconuts

Darling's Descendants Visit Fish House For The First Time



Three generations of "Ding" Darling's family, including two great-great grandchildren, visited the historic fish house for the first time last week. The structure was originally built for Darling 70 years ago.

by Jeff Lysiak

From the time she was a little girl, Jennifer Graham remembers visiting Captiva with her family. She recalls fishing and boating on crystal blue waters, soaking in the warm sunshine and – every once in a while – taking a ride past one of the most historic structures on the island, which at one time was owned by her family.

"I remember asking my father on several occasions, 'Can we go inside and see it?'" Graham said. "And I was always told that we couldn't, because our family didn't own it any more. But I could never understand why."

Graham, the great granddaughter of



Kip Koss, "Ding" Darling's grandson, shared fond memories of visiting Captiva back in the late 1940s

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From left: Thomas Mothershed, Jenny Smith, Jake Mann, Angelina Torre, Justen Montgomery, Nancy Antonio and Tommy Short

photo by Nick Adams Photography

Meet The Pazinskis At The Herb Strauss Theater

by Di Saggau

An opening night, sold out crowd gave a standing ovation to the cast of *Over The Tavern* at the BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater. Talk about a charming family comedy. This is just

what the doctor ordered.

Set in Buffalo, New York in 1959, the play introduces us to the Pazinskis who live in an apartment above Chet's Bar & Grill. Chet (Thomas Mothershed) is Dad, a physically and psychologically wounded man who leaves work in a bad mood, yelling at his kids and long suffering wife.

He has good intentions but can't ever seem to remember to bring the dinner home.

Mom (Jenny Smith) is the glue that

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Educational Walk Friday Morning

Take a Walk on the Wild Side this Friday, March 30 at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel. The educational 4.1-mile walk through the refuge will introduce the public to the native wildlife of Southwest

Florida.

The walk begins at 8:30 a.m. with stops at various observation points to learn about native wildlife and its importance to the environment.

After the walk, the event continues at CROW's Healing Winds Visitor Education Center with refreshments, raffle drawings and a special presentation with hospital director Dr. Heather Barron. The walk is designed to engage and inform the public about CROW's mission to save wildlife through compassion, care and education.

Membership opportunities are available with registration for all new members.

Entry fee is \$25 per person, free for children 12 and under. Reservations can be made by calling 472-3644 ext. 231. All proceeds benefit CROW and its wildlife patients.*

Captiva Community Panel Meeting

The Captiva Community Panel meeting agenda, scheduled to take place at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10 at South Seas Island Resort is as follows:

- 9 a.m. – Introductions and roll call; approval of March 13 minutes
- 9:05 a.m. – CEPD update with Kathy Rooker, CEPD administrator
- 9:10 a.m. – Hurricane Preparedness & Response Committee with Doris Holzheimer
- 9:15 a.m. – Committee reports (as necessary):
 - Land Development Code – Max Forgey and Rene Miville
 - Communications – Susan Stuart
 - Finance and budget – Ken Gooderham
 - Water quality
 - Fundraising – Rick Hayduk

9:30 a.m. – Review of LDC OSTDS and sign language with Gooderham
 9:50 a.m. – Panel income and expenses discussion with Gooderham
 10:10 a.m. – Other business and public comment
 Confirm dates for next meetings (May 9, June 12 and July 10).
 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."

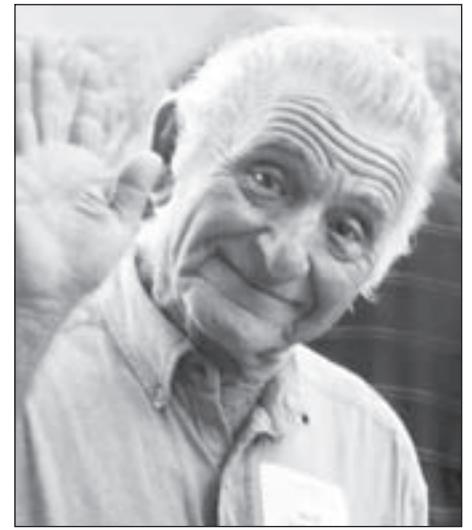
The next Captiva Community Panel meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 9 in the Cone Room at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva.✧

Local Captain Attends Captiva Film Premiere

On March 20, author Capt. Bob Sabatino waved hello while sampling refreshments following the premier of Rusty Farst's latest oral history film *Captiva Memories: Earth, Water and Wind*.

The free event required two simultaneous projections of the film, one inside the Chapel by the Sea and the other inside the Captiva Civic Association.

Capt. Sabatino, Kristie Anders, John Dickey and Dottie Wakefield all share stories in the film, which includes stunning photographic stills and video clips never seen before by the public. DVDs of the film may be purchased for \$100 which includes a one-year membership to the Captiva Island Historical Society.✧



Capt. Bob Sabatino photo by Beth Warner

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3. Alaine and Herman Jass
4. Helen and Jim McCartney

East/West

1. Sylvia Levine and Bob Ogden
 2. Marlyn and James Stewart
 3. Sally and Jim Bowe
 4. Rosemary and Frank Bloom
- The game runs for six months, November through April, at 1 p.m. every Tuesday at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way. For further information, call Susan Willoughby at 281-3258.✧

Cycling Safety Notes

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Robert Cacioppo, Zontian Sally Lund, Carrie Lund Cacioppo and Janie Howland at The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva 11th annual Peek At The Unique home tour and fundraiser



Zontians Linda Robison, Ginger Parker, Ellen Sloan, Kristin Ritts, Annie Nachtshiem, Carolyn Gray, Jan Alden and Sheila Hoen prepare to serve treats at The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva 11th annual Peek At The Unique home tour and fundraiser

Zonta Hosts Annual Peek At The Unique

The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva completed its 11th annual Peek At The Unique home tour and fundraiser, guiding nearly 600 Peekers through four spectacular homes on Sanibel and Captiva on Saturday, March 24.

The club is a service organization of professional women working together to provide hands-on assistance, advocacy and funds to strengthen women's lives on the islands, in Lee County and around the world through Zonta International.

For additional information, visit www.zontasan-cap.com.*



Zontian Carolyn Gray cuts a cake at The Community House



Zontian Wendy Humphreys (pictured on balcony with microphone) welcomes Peekers to La Maison Bleu, one of four homes featured during Saturday's Peek At The Unique tour



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Jordan, Gavin Talk About Growing Up Black On Sanibel In The '50s

Cousins Jim Jordan, director of planning for the City of Sanibel, and Oscar Gavin, owner of Gavin Plumbing on Sanibel, spoke about their early days on Sanibel to a full house at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village's third Twilight Talk last week. The talks take place at the Old Schoolhouse in the village.

The Jordan and Gavin families go back to the early 1900s on the island. Jordan and Gavin themselves have been on Sanibel since the 1950s. They talked about the hardships faced by their grandparents and parents – hardships that eased over the years and now are nonexistent for their children.

Gavin hailed from a family of 18. "It seemed like every year someone was graduating and someone else was being born," he said.

They recalled that their schoolbooks were sometimes as much as a decade out of date, as they were passed down from the white children's school when new books were purchased for them.

The ferry presented another obstacle to school attendance: the first ferry in the morning was for white children only, and the black children had to take the second ferry. "We were always an hour late for school," Gavin remembered.

Sometimes, Gavin said, the children simply couldn't go to school because they had to take care of the children and home while their mothers went to work to support the family.

Another lasting memory for the two men was Episcopal Minister Thomas Madden



Oscar Gavin talks to some audience members after the Twilight Talk at the Sanibel Historical Village

at St. Michael and All Angels Church. Madden preached two sermons every Sunday – one for his white congregation, and another for the black congregation. But when a new church was being built, Madden made it clear he would preach just one sermon for an integrated congregation.

"Some white families did stop coming," Jordan recalled.

When asked how, with all the obstacles black families faced in those days, he had risen to his position in Sanibel city government, Jordan paraphrased a quote he'd heard somewhere: "Family is strength, and that strength comes from the past and extends into the future."

The museum has asked the two to return in April for another talk. The date has not yet been finalized.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is located at 950 Dunlop Road, next to BIG ARTS just past Sanibel City Hall. It is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, closed holidays. Adult admission is \$5; free for people under age 18 are. Learn more on the website, www.sanibelmuseum.org.



Two men from the few old island black families gave their perspective on growing up here in the 1950s, Jim Jordan, left, and Oscar Gavin, right

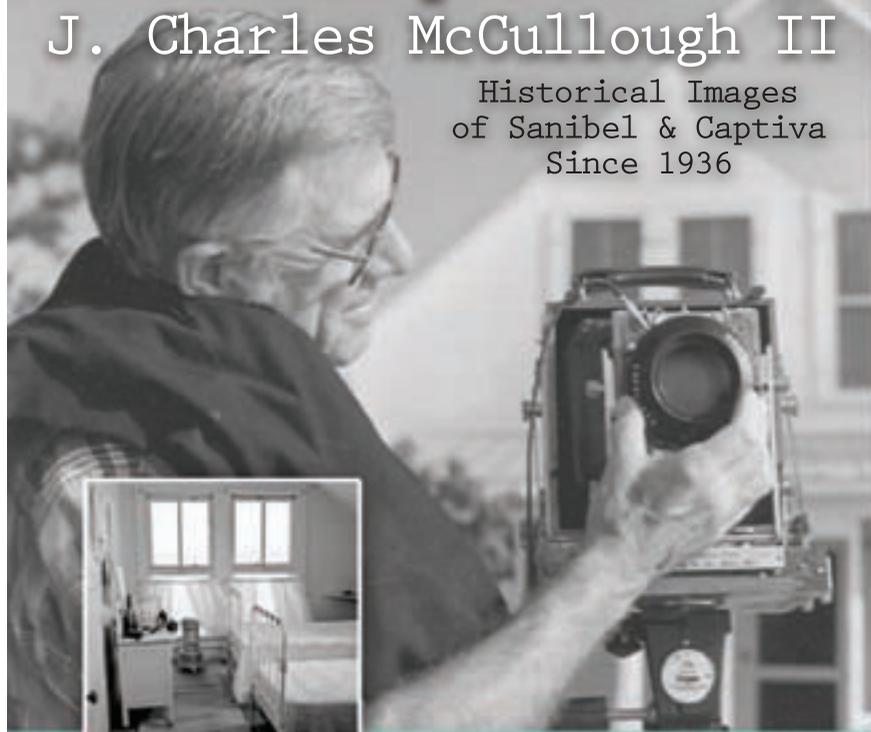


Sanibel Planning Director Jim Jordan answers one of many questions from an audience member after the program

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Past and current SCA board members, from left, are Amy Weinreit, Marge Meek, Linda Estep, Ann Arnoff, Bill Sadd, Bill Schecker, Sally Kirkland, Robert Monk, Lenora Hoffman and Jack Samler

Sanibel Community Association's Annual Meeting Coming April 25

The Sanibel Community Association's (SCA) annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25 starting at 6:30 p.m. Learn the status of the Community Association and The Community House. Appetizers and beverages will follow the report. Call 472-2155 to reserve a place. Reservations are necessary, so call or stop by The Community House at 2173 Periwinkle Way to let organizers know you are coming.

If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation, visit their website at www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or stop in.✽

Kiwanis Diner's Delight Coupon Booklets On Sale

The Kiwanis Diner's Delight Coupon Booklet, published this year by the Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club, will be for sale starting April 3. The coupons are valid from April 23 through December 18.

This year, each booklet features 25 restaurants and sells for \$30 at the following locations: Periwinkle Park, Big Red Q Quickprint, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, Bank of the Islands, or any one of the 100 Kiwanians on the islands. Quantities are limited.✽

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Executive Producer Sam Koltinsky

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Darling's Descendants

conservation pioneer Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling, fulfilled a lifelong dream earlier this month when she – and several members of her family – was allowed to visit the iconic fish house for the first time.

And the experience did not disappoint.

"Where else can you fish from your front yard?" said Graham, a resident of Texas who immediately climbed to the top of the nearly 70-year-old fish house. "This house, and everything that Darling did, leaves such a legacy here. And it isn't just ours... it belongs to Captiva, too."

The remarkable structure, accessed by a long dock, contains a small kitchen, living room, sitting room, bedroom, bathroom and loft area. It is constructed with multiple windows, which provide a majestic 360-degree view of Captiva's bayside waterfront and wilderness.

The visit, which coincided with the continued filming of the forthcoming documentary *America's Darling*, was arranged for by the executive producer of the project, Sam Koltinsky, with



An original "Ding" Darling cartoon, dated May 1, 1942, commemorated his moving into the fish house

assistance from the estate of Robert Rauschenberg. The fish house is part of the Rauschenberg property.

Kip Koss, Darling's grandson, smiled as he watched his children and grandkids explore the fish house, inside and out. Looking out across the water, he recalled that the fishing was best off the northeast corner of the structure. He remembered visiting his grandfather's winter home for the first time back in the late 1940s.

"We would usually stay at Tween Waters, but after seeing this place, I really was torn between wanting to stay here or there," said Koss. "Back then, I was at the perfect age to enjoy it."

Darling, who officially moved into

photo from Captiva Memorial Library Collection

the fish house on May 1, 1942, used to "snowbird" on the island to escape the harsh Iowa winters. According to Koss, his grandfather liked Captiva for the weather, the wildlife and, of course, the fishing.

"He used to keep a boat and an aquarium underneath the house here," said Koss. "And I caught the biggest redbfish in my life right over there. It was a good size, too... and it gets bigger and bigger every time I talk about it!"

Darling's other great granddaughter, Christy Steinbeigle, took time to peruse the fish house with her husband Hal and sons Chris and Seth Steffen. And for the younger generation, it seems, Darling's



A group interview conducted at "Ding" Darling's fish house included Dr. Mark Madison, Douglas Brinkley, Kip Koss, John McCabe, Paul Tritiak, Kristie Anders, Calina and Cameron Carstens, and Tim Kenny from WGCU Public Media

photo courtesy of Marvo Entertainment



Cynde Fanter, board member of the Friends of Des Moines Parks

legacy continues to live on through them.

"I think the first thing people here should do is continue to protect wildlife. 'Ding' Darling taught all of us that," said Chris, 17. "Kids in my age group also need to become aware of how we can protect what we have, or it will be gone forever."

"Don't cut down trees or shoot wildlife," added Seth, 10. "Everyone should recycle, because that helps nature, too."

Koltinsky, who reported that *America's Darling* is still on schedule to be released in time for this year's "Ding" Darling Days celebration (October 14 to 20) at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel, said that the more people he talks to about the legendary editorial cartoonist and founder of the National Wildlife Federation, the more he is growing to admire him.

"Many people think of Darling in terms of his cartoons and conservation," said Koltinsky. "I have learned that when you open one door, that 10 others fly open with regard to this vision and his leadership skills. The drive by which this man operated is one which should inspire our country today."

On March 13 and 14, Koltinsky and his production crew interviewed several more people for the 60-minute documentary, including Douglas Brinkley, professor of history at Rice University; Dr. Mark Madison, historian for the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service; Cynde Fanter, board member for the Friends of Des Moines Parks; John McCabe, president of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society; Kristie Anders, education director for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation; Paul Tritiak, refuge manager for the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge;

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SCCF's Kristie Anders gave a candid and insightful interview

and Calina Carstens, second place winner of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society Conservation Cartoon Contest.

"Our wealth is based upon our natural resources, and if we don't take better care of those resources, we will also lose our wealth," said Anders during her interview for the film. "'Ding' Darling was the conservation spearhead for these islands."

According to Koltinsky, future interview subjects include Dale Hall from Ducks Unlimited and Jerome Ringo, former chairman of the board of the National Wildlife Federation. However, during his own "journey of discovery" into Darling's past, he explained that the icon had a creative, whimsical side to him as well.

"When visiting the fish house, I was amazed to discover the sea horses which are a part of the fireplace design. I discovered the original sketch and wood carving of his sea horse along the path of our production, which is original to the fireplace," added Koltinsky. "Retracing Darling's path as a designer has been a path of bliss for me personally. Darling was a true modern day Renaissance man."**

League Of Women Voters Annual Meeting

The League of Women Voters of Sanibel will conduct its third annual meeting on Thursday, April 10 starting at 7 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road. There will be a short business session, a discussion of programs for next season, along with an overview of this year's legislature session. An election of new board members and officers for next season will occur. The guest speaker for the evening will be Sanibel City Manager

Judie Zimomra, who will give a local government report. Refreshments will be served.

Zimomra has served as City Manager of Sanibel since 2001. During her tenure, she has developed a motivated management team dedicated in providing high quality service at the lowest prudent tax rate. She received the 30-year Service to Local Government Award from the International City Manager's Association (ICMA). She has served as an adjunct college professor at Cleveland State University, where she taught graduate students in Public Administration and as an adjunct professor at Edison State College School of Law and Public Safety. Zimomra has been named a "Power

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American Legion Post 123 News

Every Friday, American Legion Post 123 serves up a fish fry with cole slaw, beans and hushpuppies from 4 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$10. Sunday, April 1 is spaghetti and meatballs all day.

On Tuesday, April 3, the ladies auxiliary will meet at 6 p.m. The Legion will be open on Easter Sunday offering a ham dinner from 1 to 8 p.m.

Texas Hold'em is played every

Thursday at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. Players are welcome. Every Friday, a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich is served all day.

Stop in and try one of the half-pound burgers, check out the daily specials and the full menu. Food is served all day, every day. The public is welcome.

American Legion Post 123 is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 9 p.m., located at mile marker three on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information call 472-9979.*

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The principal use of grandma's apron, of course, was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few, and it was easier to wash aprons than dresses. It sometimes served as a potholder, carried eggs and vegetables, and wiped a perspiring brow.

How about aprons just for fun? The gift shop in the Old Bailey's Store at the Sanibel Historical Museum & Village is featuring aprons for grandmothers, mothers, daughters – as well as their American Girl dolls. Prices range from about \$10 to \$26.50.

The Sanibel Historical Museum & Village is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. The village, which operates as a non-profit organization, is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$5 for adults over 18; members are admitted free.

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Islanders Pitch In To Help Clean Up Shared Use Paths

Sanibel's shared use paths received special attention last Wednesday, as almost 50 volunteers showed up for Path Cleanup Day, sponsored by the Sanibel Bicycle Club. When they were finished, the path was litter-free.

The annual event is an opportunity for those who use and enjoy Sanibel's extensive path system to spend a few hours helping to keep the paths looking good.

Decked out in orange safety vests, the volunteers organized into four teams that covered every mile of the system by bike or on foot, removing any material nature did not intend to be there.

Heading the cleanup teams were Walter and Methyl Gale, Merle and Eileen Kjonaas, Norm and Helen Flemington, and Neal and Sherry Halleran. Bailey's General Store and Jerry's Market donated bags for separating the collected material into piles bound for trash or recycling, and bags were picked up and disposed of by volunteers from Billy's Bikes.

Each year, Path Cleanup Day produces some strange items found along pathways, and this year was no different. In addition to the usual wrappers, bottles and cans, volunteers found a pair of scissors, numerous old tennis balls, a can of soup and half a container of beef stew.

Event coordinator Bill Madsen of the Sanibel Bicycle Club reported that the workload was lighter this year than in the past.

"For the past several years the amount of litter found along the path on Path Cleanup Day has been declining," said Madsen. "It's a testimony to the good job our city staff does all year long to keep the island clean."*

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Volunteers dispose of trash collected during Path Cleanup Day. Pictured are, from left, Katie and Carmen Senese of Sanibel, along with island visitors Deb and Tad Greene of Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin

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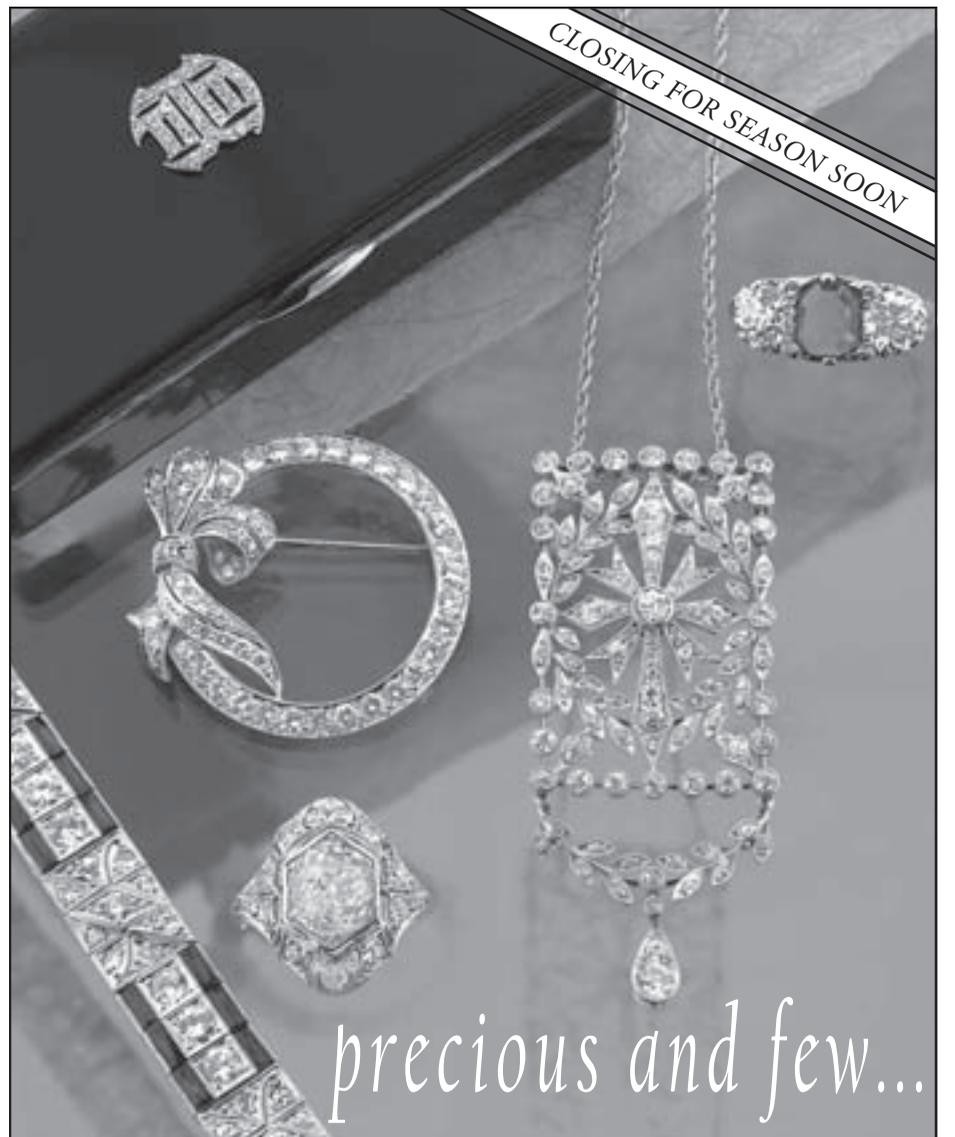
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Residents Out In Force To Protect Island Beaches

by Anne Mitchell

City officials asked for public input on protecting Sanibel's beaches – and they got plenty of it on Tuesday when the Planning Commission discussed coastal zone protection as part of the state-mandated evaluation of the Sanibel Plan.

The Evaluation and Appraisal Report (EAR) is required of municipalities every seven years to update their planning codes. MacKenzie Hall was almost at capacity with a crowd of islanders, most urging the city to keep a lid on human usage of the beaches to protect the wildlife.

Although the commissioners were listening and not voting – the final decision on all revisions to the plan will be made by the City Council months from now – they heard it loud and clear: island residents love their beaches and all that lives in and on them and they don't want human intervention to harm any of it. And so did three council members, Mayor Kevin Ruane, Vice Mayor Mick Denham and Councilman Doug Congress, who were in the audience.

Some residents talked about seeing buses stop at beach accesses or the Chamber of Commerce parking lot and drop of 40 or 50 passengers with coolers and beach blankets.

At issue was a phrase in the revised plan that would drop a previous requirement by the state to have a study done that would determine "carrying capacity." However, most commissioners and the public felt that phrase was too vague and what is needed is a baseline study of beach use by people and correlate that with studies already being done by the

city's natural resources department and organizations such as SCCF, to identify trends.

James Evans, city biologist, said it's not as simple as it may seem because factors beyond Sanibel can have an effect on wildlife here, including the migratory species that come here each year. He said wildlife monitoring is ongoing and that putting a requirement for a study in the EAR was not necessary.

A study, he explained, would have to be far ranging, including night use of beaches, chairs, dogs, sand sculptures and other elements.

Just how to evaluate public use would be hard to determine. Would it mean counting people at the beach accesses? That would not cover those saying in beachfront accommodations. Counting parked cars would not include those arriving on foot or by bicycle.

Many conceded the point, but some wanted the study included as a "may" in the EAR report to keep the idea alive that beaches are vital to Sanibel's economy and ecology.

Planning Director Jim Jordan said the state is no longer pressing for a study. The language was in the 2005 EAR but was never conducted due to budgetary reasons. Now, it is not required.

Erick Lindblad, executive director of Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF), said, "It is very important we don't lose ground... What we have as a result of Sanibel being so progressive... is greater than what any other community has." However, he said, "We need to look at the commercial activities, the buses and other impacts. We need to say we don't want any further activities to degrade where we are today."

"That might mean not granting variances that would degrade the potential of (beach) use by snowy plovers," Lindblad added.

Bert Jenks, owner of Waterside Inn on Sanibel, said while he's not happy with

buses dropping of crowds of people on the island because they clog up traffic and don't help local businesses much, he's leery of studying something as vague as "carrying capacity."

"You are talking about private property rights and driving on public highways," said Jenks. "You better figure out how to control it before you spend \$50,000 to be told there are more people than a while ago."

Jenks also remarked that the "huge turnout" of public was in support of COTI and was related to the resort redevelopment ordinance recently enacted by council. "This is one thing that would

undermine the redevelopment ordinance," he said.

Hazel Schuller, a longtime proponent for beach protection, said the ordinance would allow development seaward of the coastal construction setback line, something she called "horrendous."

Schuller said beach management is needed, something entirely lacking on Sanibel.

Chairman Mike Valiquette said carrying capacity doesn't mean "how many chairs you can fit between the wrack line and the properties." It's about protecting wildlife from human impact.✱

Shore Haven To Move To Final Resting Place

by Anne Mitchell

The Sanibel Planning Commission on Tuesday paved the way for a Shore Haven, a 1924 Sears & Roebuck kit home, to become part of the Historical Village on Dunlop Road.

Those chosen site is near the lake and does not encroach on gopher tortoise habitat.

The home, owned by Terrence and Brenda Cassaday, will be moved from 1111 Bird Lane at the expense of the non-profit Sanibel Historical Museum & Village.

The certificate of appropriateness approved Tuesday allows for the relocation or demolition of the old bayfront home, which the owners want to replace with a custom home.

Museum officials have six months to complete the relocation. Otherwise, the Cassadays can demolish the house to move forward with construction.

"It seems like a slam dunk to me," remarked chairman Mike Valiquette before the commission voted unanimously for approval.✱

Concern Voiced Over Cyclist Safety On Island

by Anne Mitchell

With Sanibel at the height of its peak tourist season, near misses and minor mishaps involving cyclists and motorists are witnessed almost daily. No fatalities have been reported due to such encounters, but Planning Commission chairman Mike Valiquette wants City Council to act "before someone is killed."

With Mayor Kevin Ruane in the audience for Tuesday's commission meeting, Valiquette, himself a daily biker, bent his ear for council action.

Island bike paths – called shared use paths – are busier than ever this season and though statistics aren't available, traffic also appears to be heavier.

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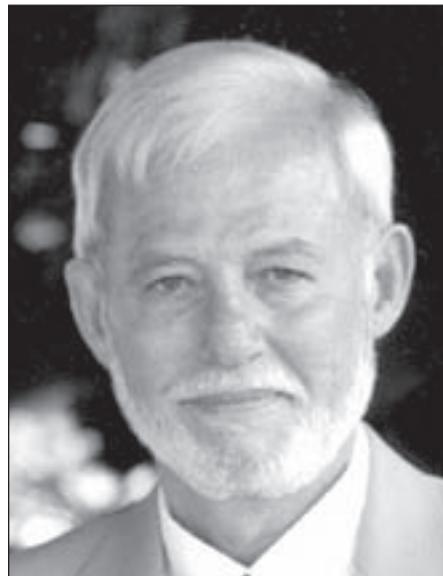
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TERENCE MICHAEL WALTON

In loving memory of Terence Michael Walton (May 28, 1938 to March 19, 2012). He was a beloved husband, friend and educator.

He laid the foundation as an adminis-

trator in the Lee County Library System as he began his life here in 1984.

He was known as the "Barefoot Librarian" on Captiva, where he made his home at Tween Waters Inn Marina after sailing in from Virginia.

He touched the lives of many as an avid conservationist, art lover and professor. Terry maintained his love for Captiva until his passing. He was a member of the Captiva Civic Association and kept his mailbox as he did when he first arrived to "our islands."

He leaves behind his wife, Ruth Evans Walton, one stepson and three step-daughters, two sisters and one brother. His spirit will remain in the hearts of many people throughout the world.

A funeral will be held at Captiva's Chapel by the Sea on Saturday, March 31 at 3:30 p.m. Following the funeral service, friends are invited to gather for a celebration of life at Tween Waters Inn from 4 to 6 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, please make donation to the Captiva Island Historical Society, P.O. Box 163, Captiva, FL 33924.✱

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Saturday, 5:00 PM

Sunday, 8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 5

Mass of the Lord's Supper 5:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 6

Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Veneration of the Cross 3:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 7

The Great Vigil of Easter 8:00 PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 8

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Pantry Sunday Held Palm Sunday At Captiva's Chapel By The Sea

submitted by Pat Boris

Captiva's Chapel by the Sea celebrates Palm Sunday on April 1 in the usual way – with palms and song. This year, it is also the date for our annual Pantry Sunday. It's a festive Sunday of joy in giving to area food pantries. Our outreach to FISH of Sanibel and the South Fort Myers Food Pantry continues long after Chapel season ends because of donations of non-perishable food and generous money gifts. These supply the pantries throughout the summer when many Sanibel and Captiva residents return "up north," unaware that some of our neighbors are hungry.

When we talk of resources on the islands, we know that we are the best resource for each other. We are people caring for people in our own backyards. In the case of FISH, we are "friends in service here," providing meals, rides, medical equipment and much more, in addition to the food pantry. As a year-round resident, I am struck by

how full the pantry shelves are in April and how sadly empty they are in August and September. The same families use it all year, without a school lunch to rely on for children; many go hungry if the pantry is empty.

Did you know that your donation of \$1 buys \$6 of food because of the buying power our pantry has? That means your gift of \$10 buys \$60 of cereals, milk, meats and even fresh produce. Where else can you get six times the return on your investment?

Come to Chapel at 11 a.m. each Sunday through April 22. But especially come Palm Sunday and celebrate the joy of giving to our area food pantries. We have raised thousands of dollars in years past... let's do it again! Bring all non perishable, unopened foods and generous money donations. We will get it all to the pantry.

Also, when you are leaving the island to go north, bring your remaining food – even frozen meats – to FISH of Sanibel, at 1630-B Periwinkle Way. Tell them Chapel sent you!

Captiva Island's Chapel By The Sea is a seasonal Christian ministry open to all from early November through April 22. The historic Mission Chapel is denominationally independent and welcomes everyone regardless of their spiritual beliefs.*

Retired Police Chief To Speak



Edward Doyle

Inspirational speaker Edward Doyle, retired police chief from Longwood, Florida, will give a talk called Police Chief Surrenders at the Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Connection (SCCWC) Thursday, April 10 at The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club. The luncheon program begins at 11:30 a.m. and costs \$18 per person. Women are invited to bring their special man. Reservations are required.

Captains Mike and Joyce Rehr – experts in fly and offshore fishing – will share fishing tips with the audience. Music will be provided by Janice Keeney and Fred Nordstrom who will perform a medley of Gershwin tunes. Attendees are asked to bring donations for Lifeline Family Center for Babies such as diapers size 4 and 5; Diaper Genie refills of any size, or hair accessories for baby girls.

For information and reservations call Anita at 395-9015. Reservation deadline is April 9. Make checks payable to Sanibel-Captiva CWC and mail to Linda Yoder, 9290 Bayberry Bend, Unit 104, Ft. Myers, FL 33908. The program is sponsored by SCCWC and Stonecroft Ministries.

The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club is at 949 Sand Castle Road.*

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Upper Room Luncheon ~ Thursday, April 5
 12:00 p.m. The luncheon is free, but reservations must be made by April 1.

Maudy Thursday Communion Service ~ Thursday, April 5
 7:00 p.m. Candlelight and Communion with Chancel Choir.

Easter Egg Hunt ~ Saturday, April 7
 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. A great family celebration for the Easter Weekend. There will be games, prizes, storytellers, eggs to hunt, food, fun, and fellowship.

Sunrise Service on the Causeway ~ Sunday, April 8
 6:30 a.m. Free Coffee and Donuts: Believers Baptism by Immersion Offered at the conclusion of the service. Bring Your Lawn Chair...and Bring a Friend.

Easter Morning Services ~ April 8 - 4 Services
 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Traditional. 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Contemporary. Believers Baptism by immersion offered on the Causeway at 12:30 p.m. following services.

Holy Week At SCC

Sunday, April 1 commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem where he was met with the waving of Palms and shouts of "Hosanna." That's why it is called, "Palm Sunday."

At Sanibel Community Church, there will be four morning worship services with Palms waving, children singing and songs of Hosanna filling the air. At 8 and 10 a.m., there will be traditional worship services, with chancel choir. The 9 and 11 a.m. services will be contemporary with the Praise Team. Dr. Daryl Donovan will be preaching at all four services.

Holy Week continues with special services on Thursday, April 5. At noon, as a remembrance of the Last Supper meal Christ shared with His disciples, there will be an Upper Room Luncheon. The luncheon will conclude with partaking of the Lord's Supper. The luncheon is free and open to the public, however reservations are required by Sunday, April 1.

On Thursday at 7 p.m., Sanibel Community Church will celebrate a candlelight Maundy Thursday service. The word Maundy means "command." Jesus gave two commands to his disciples on that Thursday evening. He told them to be a servant and to wash the feet of those in need. He also told them to eat the bread and drink from the cup remembering him and his sacrifice.

Resurrection Sunday begins at 6:30 a.m. on the Sanibel Causeway with vibrant songs of praise filling the air. Free donuts and coffee are available to all



On April 5, an Upper Room Luncheon will be held at Sanibel Community Church

who come. Pastor Donovan's message, Extreme Makeover, will be an encouraging word. Teen Challenge, as well as the Teens of Sanibel Community Church, will provide dramatic presentations. A love offering will be received to support the ministry of teen challenge. Believer's baptism by immersion will be offered at the conclusion of the service.

Four Resurrection services of worship will be held on the Campus of Sanibel Community Church. Both 8 and 10 a.m. will be traditional, with 9 and 11 a.m.

being contemporary. Believer's baptism by immersion will be offered on the causeway at 12:30 p.m. following the services.

Sanibel Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's). There is plenty of parking at the rear of the campus, with parking attendants providing assistance. For more information, visit www.sanibelchurch.com or call 472-2684.✪

LOGOS Family Banquet Night

The LOGOS Family Banquet Night will be held on Wednesday, April 4 at Sanibel Community Church, 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market). The event will begin at 3:30 p.m.

All of the families are invited to dinner as we celebrate and reflect on our LOGOS year together. There will also be a special video presentation of all the kids who participated.

For further information, call Kathy at 472-2684.✪

Easter Services At Chapel By The Sea

The historic Captiva Chapel By The Sea will hold the following Easter season services:

April 1 - Palm Sunday at 11 a.m.

April 5 - Maundy Thursday Communion at 6 p.m.

April 6 - Good Friday Passion Story at noon

April 8 - Easter, The Resurrection at 11 a.m.

For more information, call Pastor Tom Nyman at 472-1646 or 651-747-7504.✪



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Maundy Thursday, April 5
7:30 PM Service of Tenebrae and Holy Communion

Good Friday, April 6
Noon Good Friday Service featuring a dramatic monologue by the Rev. Dr. John H. Danner

Easter Sunday, April 8
7:45 AM Chapel Service
9:00 & 11:00 AM Festival Service with Chancel Choir, guest singers from the Mastersingers Chorale and Brass Players from the SW Florida Youth Symphony

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Erick Lindblad, Sally Jane-Heit and James Young

SCTC Sponsors Fundraising Event

The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company sponsored SCCF's fundraising event last Saturday, March 24 at The Sanctuary Golf Club that featured Sally Jane-Heit presenting her one-woman show called *Before I Forget: A Musical Memoir*.

With her musical director, Uel Wade, Heit sang songs from Bob Bendorff, Shirley Grossman, Rodgers and Hart, Richard Whiting, Cole Porter and Jerry Herman.

James M. Young, senior vice president and senior portfolio manager of SCTC, spoke about the trust company's ongoing commitment to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

Also representing the trust company was Betsey Houston, Phyllis Gibson and Kathleen McClanahan-Gruhl, along with retired assistant vice president Linda Mason.*

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Annual Meeting

Women of Lee County by *Florida Weekly*.

Among the challenges Zimomra has dealt with during her tenure as Sanibel City Manager includes the recovery from hurricanes Charley and Wilma. Her accomplishments include reducing the tax burden on local property owners by obtaining more than \$35.8 million in grants over the past 10 years, as well as developing a user fee system to recover costs for municipal services. The city also completed construction of a voter approved \$14.5 million recreation center. She also oversaw the completion of a \$73 million sanitary sewer and effluent reuse system.

For further information about the meeting, contact Carla Benninga at 472-6689.

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Best Of Show Winner



David King, 2012 Best Of Show winner

David King, who retired to Southwest Florida after practicing dentistry in Michigan for 31 years, was named the Best Of Show winner at the 29th Annual Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club Arts & Crafts Fair.

King stated that he has enjoyed drawing and painting nature and wildlife since 1967. He prefers watercolor painting as a way to express what he sees in nature.*



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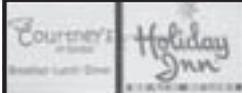
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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club celebrated its 32nd anniversary on March 18. A special buffet breakfast was served last Friday morning and glasses of mimosas were raised in honor of the occasion. Current Club President Joel Ospa took a few moments to express a thank you to past Sanibel-Captiva Rotary presidents and board members for providing outstanding leadership for our club over the years.



Dr. Myeong Gon Kang

Dr. Myeong Gon Kang, veterinarian/surgeon is joined by members Byong (John) In Doo, high school science teacher; Chul Ho Jang, Guri public official, Guri City Hall; Eun ML Lee, public office tourist department; and Tae Sun Hwang, public office, general affairs department, Gwangji City Hall. Team members introduce a slide presentation with pictures of their families, their place of business, and share how they enjoy spending their leisure time.

A video was played and showed that South Korea has overcome war and poverty, emerging as a strong and vital nation. In the business world this nation plays the role of leader in adapting to new technology and trends. Korea embraces new challenges and changes. Businesses throughout the world pay attention to the technology being used and developed in this small country. South Korea is also a leader in environ-



GSE Team Korea

mental and green technology. Koreans have a long history of belief in living in harmony with nature. Global groups are studying Korean environmental practices.

The unique sounds and sights of Korea can be breathtaking and show an exciting and vibrant country embracing the challenges of global business in today's marketplace. As the group expressed, "Living with passion allows the explosive energy in their veins to emerge." They embrace the future and the unlimited resourceful and creative ideas that are developing throughout the world.

All GSE teams value the opportunity to spend six weeks in their host country absorbing the cultural and business set-

tings. District 3600, GSE Korea, is visiting Southwest Florida through April 1.

District 6960, GSE Southwest Florida, is visiting South Korea through April 26.

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at Bistro At Beachview, 1100 Par View Drive. For further information regarding the Sanibel Rotary or Rotary International, call 337-1099.✪

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Spring Festival At Community Park



Olivia Parks and Marit Foster of the Children's Education Center of the Islands with the Easter Bunny at last year's Spring Festival

The Children's Education Center of the Islands will hold its annual Spring Festival on Saturday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Sanibel Community Park, located on Periwinkle Way.✳



Kids line up prior to last year's Easter egg hunt

Easter Egg Hunt At Church

The annual Easter egg hunt at Sanibel Community Church will be held on Saturday, April 7 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring the family for fun and games, crafts, food and age-divided egg hunts. It's a great family celebration for ages three years through 5th grade.

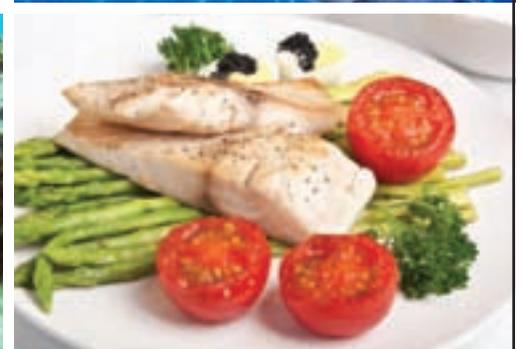
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Seafood Savvy is an initiative of the Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of START, supported by funds raised from the San-Cap Cracker Fest.

Easter Egg Hunt At Island Inn Open To All

This Easter Sunday, the Island Inn will host its 2nd annual Easter egg hunt on its beachfront property. All Island Inn guests and children from the Sanibel and Captiva community are welcome.

As the first inn on Sanibel, Island Inn has hosted families for Easter Sunday since 1895 and the tradition will continue again on April 8.

The egg hunt, with more than 500 eggs hidden on site, is just part of the spring holiday celebration at the Island Inn. Miss Silvia will also be on hand to do complimentary face painting for the children. Open to all children 12 years and under, the Easter egg hunt includes three golden eggs with a special prize inside.

The hunt will begin at 11 a.m. on the south side of the front office building, and will end once all the eggs are found.

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Participants at last year's Easter egg hunt

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CROW Case Of The Week:

River Otters



by Patricia Molloy

Energetic. Engaging. Inquisitive. The North American river otter (*Lontra canadensis*) is the quintessential face of mischief and playfulness. As exciting as it would be to watch the adorable, furry



There are currently 11 orphaned otter pups staying at the clinic

photo courtesy of CROW

babies at play (CROW's otter complex currently houses 11 young pups), Dr. Heather stated, "I quietly peek into the otter complex only once a week to avoid being seen."

The staff at CROW goes to great lengths to ensure that the "wildness" of each patient remains intact during its stay at the clinic. This is most evident in their care of otters, as the ever-curious creatures easily imprint on humans. Imprinting occurs when a wild animal sees a human as its friend; it is dangerous to release an imprinted animal back into the wild. To have a 30-pound, 30-inch otter seeing humans as a food source would be fatal to the wild animal.

Otters' bird-like chirping is often heard along quiet springs and rivers by canoers and kayakers. Possessing clawed, webbed feet, they are as comfortable frolicking on land as they are swimming. They can remain under water as long as four minutes and dive up to 250 feet while searching for food. They are exceptionally intelligent and capable of creating and using tools just like monkeys, apes and beavers. Incredibly social creatures, young otters (called pups) will feed and travel with their mothers (called queens) for approximately one year. Before and after breeding, male otters (referred to as meowters) lead primarily solitary lives.

In order to clean the otter complex, staff members quietly place food in a room separated from the pool area. When the door is opened to the feeding room and the otters enter, a trap door closes, shielding the patients from the presence of the clean-up crew. Once the complex has been put back in order and the otters have finished



CROW's secluded otter complex, complete with a trap door for feeding, is full of stimuli to ensure that the social mammals entertain themselves and build foraging skills

their meals, they are re-released into the main activity room without ever seeing their human caretakers. Caring for sick and orphaned otters may require a lot of smoke-and-mirror tricks for the CROW team, but the effort insures the health and safety of these extraordinary mammals.

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

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Fishing Documentary To Be Screened At 'Ding' Darling

The J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge will host a premiere screening of WGPU-TV's latest one-hour documentary, *Silver King: The Birth of Big Game Fishing*, on Friday, March 30 starting at 5:30 p.m.

The story, told by award-winning producer Lynne Howard Fraser, begins with the first tarpon caught using a rod and reel in Tarpon Bay, now part of the refuge.

This 1885 event changed the face and fabric of sports fishing and helped make Southwest Florida a destination for anglers from all parts of the world. Today, the "silver king" remains one of the most sought-after of all game fish.

The premiere showing is free, but seating is limited. Call 472-1100 ext. 233 to reserve seats. Advance reservations are required.

Before the screening, the refuge will unveil a sign marker about Wood's history-making catch. It will be erected at Tarpon Bay and was made possible by a donation from the Sanibel Island Fishing Club.*



William Halsey Wood launched a brand-new sport at Tarpon Bay, giving birth to big game fishing in 1885

Bird's Eye View

It's All About Balance



by Mark 'Bird' Westall

I am constantly asked on my canoe trips if I am a vegetarian because it becomes obvious that I respect the animals so much. I smile as I say, "You know, I do respect life so

much. But because I do, every time I start thinking about what I'm going to eat next, I have a difficult time deciding if, today, I will kill the cow... or the carrot. Both species deserve my respect. But since I am not a plant generating my energy from the sun, whether I kill an animal or a plant, I must take the spark that made them alive in order to sustain the spark that makes me alive.

Following that train of thought, I tell people that I think it is just fine that parents send their kids to those nice summer camps where their children can experience hiking, birdwatching, camping, nature and the like. But I add that I wish they could also be sent to spend a little time on a farm or a ranch, because there they would most likely also learn the valuable lesson that death is just as much an important part of the sustainability of life as life is.

Today, many people spend much of their time in a naturally isolated, civilized world, removed from the harsh reality of

how life really works, losing sight of the balance of nature. So many times they become Bambi lovers and enjoy every opportunity to hand feed the wildlife and don't want people to hunt or fish anymore. Ok, so they would rather see Bambi overpopulate the forest and create an ecological catastrophe. Now, I don't want to see a hunter out there with an AK-47 and a six-pack of beer haphazardly shooting at anything that moves, but promoting species propagation and survival without also addressing the necessary checks and balances needed to maintain a healthy system is asking for ecological disaster.

It's all about balance.

A few days ago, I took some folks who own one of these ranches I'm talking about out on a canoe trip. Now, I would imagine they are not interested in starting a summer camp for kids, but they are implementing exactly what I am talking about when I talk about balance and coexisting with the natural world. These folks run a buffalo ranch out on the prairie in South Dakota. They let the buffalo free-range on about 30,000 government-leased acres and then they cull the herd and provide healthy meat for the public.

The buffalo was historically a major factor in maintaining a healthy prairie system and these folks are finding a way to make this type of restoration economically feasible. Their website is www.wildideabuffalo.com. Check it out.

A former city council member and mayor, Mark "Bird" Westall has owned and operated *Canoe Adventures, Inc.* on Sanibel for over 33 years. Visit www.canoeithbirdwestall.com for more information.*

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Snowy Plover Hatchday Party



A snowy plover with monofilament line caught on its legs

With nesting season beginning for snowy plovers on island beaches, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation asks visitors as well as locals to help these tiny threatened birds by picking up monofilament line that has washed ashore and can entangle them.

Snowy plover adults and chicks can get caught in fishing line, sometimes losing a foot or dying. Beachgoers can also help snowy chicks by filling in those beach holes that can trap them when they are too small to climb out. Local photographers are asked to always put the comfort of the snowy plovers before that winning photo.

On April 23, SCCF is throwing a Hatchday Party celebrating 10 years of protecting nesting snowy plovers. The island plover patriarch, Footless Freddy, will be 7 years old. Come to the SCCF Nature Center and share his Hatchday cake. The next snowy plover program will be held on April 12 at 10 a.m. Call 472-2329 for more information. ☐

Conservation 20/20 Program Adds Land To CREW

Last week, the Lee County Conservation 20/20 Program purchased five acres in the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW), located northeast of the intersection of E. Terry Street and Radio Tower Road in Lee County.

The CREW is a vast 60,000 acre area of interconnected swamps that spans Lee and Collier Counties. Its preservation is essential if such wildlife as the Florida panther and black bear are to survive. It also provides aquifer recharge, natural flood protection and water purification. About 15,500 acres of CREW lie in Lee County.

In 1989, the CREW Land & Water Trust was established as a nonprofit organization to coordinate the land acquisition, land management, and public use of the CREW. That same year, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners dedicated \$9 million to acquire land from willing sellers in the Flirt Pen Strand. The South Florida Water Management District provided matching acquisition funds and has taken the lead as land manager.

Twenty years later, and with various other state and local funding programs, the vast majority (13,330 acres) of the Flirt Pen area has been acquired.

Most remaining parcels to acquire in the Flirt Pen Strand are small, five to 10 acre platted lots from the 1960s Sun

Coast Acres land development. Although it is time consuming to buy small parcels, some individual lots are strategic for management and the collective whole is important to complete.

In 2007, the CREW Trust initiated a multi-party agreement to try again to buy remaining lots. The Conservancy of Southwest Florida sought willing sellers for the Lee County Conservation 20/20 environmental land acquisition program, and the SFWMD agreed to manage new acquisitions.

The owner wanted \$30,000 for the property, but the Division of County Lands, the County Office which negotiates land purchases for the county, was able to acquire the property for \$11,810.

The Conservation 20/20 program buys environmentally important lands for preservation. It is funded by a property tax, which was approved by referendum in 1996. It is 50 cents for every \$1,000 of taxable property value.

Since the first purchase in 1997, the County's Conservation 20/20 program has made 112 land purchases, and the land inventory now stands at 24,467 acres. ☐

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SCCF Trip To Picayune Strand And Fakahatchee

A trip to Picayune Strand and Fakahatchee Strand is being offered by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation on Friday, April 6. Participants will meet at the Marsh Trail on US 41 at 10 a.m.

After a walk and talk with Refuge Manager Kevin Godsea, the group will travel on to the Fakahatchee Boardwalk. There, the group will be met by Park Ranger and orchid expert extraordinaire, Mike Owen.

Picayune Strand Restoration will help the 10,000 Islands National Wildlife Refuge and is part of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program. It connects Panther National Wildlife Refuge with 10,000 Islands. The restoration is taking place in an area called Golden Gate Estates, which was semi-developed and sold by the same corporation that developed Cape Coral. Over 112,000 acres of wetlands were dredged to create what has been called the State's largest subdivision. After acquiring some of the property, agencies are now filling in canals and eliminating roads which flooded each summer. By doing so, the natural sheet flow will be restored.

Fakahatchee Strand is one of the hidden jewels tucked away in cypress trees. It has only been in the past few years a boardwalk has been available to explore this area in an easily accessible way.

The group will picnic at the Fakahatchee Boardwalk Trailhead before walking through the cypress. This trail has just opened to the public in the past few years, giving people an opportunity enter the swamp without getting their feet wet.

The Marsh Trail parking lot is well marked with a Refuge Sign and has space for about 15 cars. It is approximately three miles past the entrance to Collier Seminole State Park and three miles

before you get to Port of the Islands. For another landmark, it is 1.3 miles beyond Corey Billie's (CB) Airboat Rides.

Participants should pack a lunch, wear comfortable walking shoes, bring water, sunscreen, a hat and insect repellent. Binoculars may add to your enjoyment as there is an observation tower a short distance into the trail.

For additional information, call 472-2329.*

Audubon Bunche Beach Bird Walk

The next Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Saturday bird walk will be held this Saturday, March 31 at Bunche Beach.

Meet at the beach parking lot at 8 a.m. Parking fee is \$1 per hour, and the meters accept bills only. Waterproof shoes are a must because participants walk through tidal pools throughout the walk.

These bird walks are open to public and all levels of experience. A \$2 donation to Sanibel-Captiva Audubon is appreciated. Call Hugh Verry at 395-3798 for more details.*

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Bobcat Tales — April 4

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A guide will teach you about the life cycle and behavior of butterflies. *Tuesday, April 3 at 10 a.m.*

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The City That Almost Wasn't — April 5

The City of Sanibel was the first in the country to adopt a comprehensive land use plan based on the island's natural systems. Learn the local history of conservation, the story of the City's creation and preservation of our natural resources. *Thursday, April 5 at 2 p.m.*

Coyote and Bear Tales — April 3

A coyote and a Florida black bear were documented on the island for the first time last winter. *Tuesday, April 3 at 10 a.m.*



Picayune/Fakahatchee Field Trip — April 6

Learn more about Everglades restoration on this fieldtrip to the Picayune Strand, the first Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan project to break ground, restoring natural flowways to a large planned development south of Naples. Then travel a few miles to the Fakahatchee Strand State preserve. *Meet on U.S. 41 at the Marsh Trailhead, 3 miles east of the entrance to Collier Seminole State Park. Call 472-2329 for info/reservations. Friday, April 6 at 10 a.m.*

Trail Walks: Explore Sanibel's Interior Wetlands

Explore Sanibel's Everglades-like interior freshwater wetland ecosystem. *Tuesday thru Friday at 11 a.m.*

Turtle Tracks — April 5

Sanibel Island has one of the first sea turtle monitoring programs in the country. Learn about the sea turtles that nest on our beaches. *Thursday, April 5 at 10 a.m.*

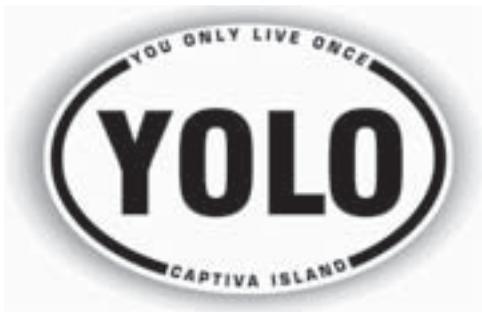


SCCF Wildlife Tour at The Dunes — April 3

Alligators, eagles and wading birds will be on the greens at The Dunes this winter. An SCCF interpreter will lead a 45-minute tour by golf cart. Reservations required; call The Dunes at 472-3355 (ask for Julianne). *April 3 mid-afternoon*

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Betsy, Nicholas and Bill Riley

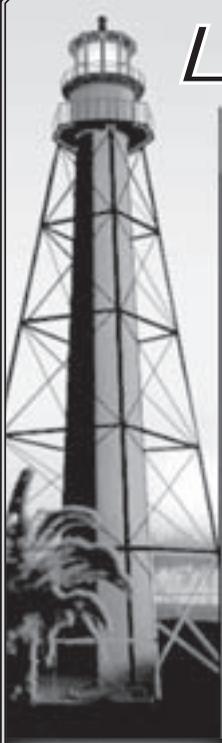
Nicholas Riley, 10, from St. Louis Park, Minnesota found a junonia on Nerita Beach while staying at Periwinkle Park on March 24. Nicholas, who is visiting his grandparents on the island, said that he found the shell at low tide at night using a cap flashlight.*

Shells Found



Drew and Zach Brandenburg

Drew and Zach Brandenburg of Grafton, Wisconsin found a King's crown, angel wing and nutmeg shell on Sanibel while staying at Blind Pass Condominiums on March 23.*



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Everyone is invited to join the mollusk madness during The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum's 3rd annual Oyster Eating Contest on April 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The contest will be held at The Timbers Restaurant and Fish Market on Tarpon Bay Road.

Proceeds from the event, sponsored by the museum, The Timbers, and Lily & Co. Jewelry Gallery, will benefit the museum's exhibit and educational programs. Not only do the best oyster eaters win a prize, but spirit, costume, and fundraising awards will also be up for grabs.

Although the oyster eating contest is the main attraction, there will also be food and drinks from The Timbers, plus shell crafting and face painting for kids. The raffle winner of a watch donated by Lily & Co. will be announced.

The 23 contestants in last year's competition tried various methods of ingesting as many mollusks as possible in one minute – including dunking the oysters in butter, beer, Tabasco and cocktail sauce – before slurping them down.

A rowdy crowd of nearly 400 sampled oysters, cuttlefish, shrimp and baby octopi from The Timbers. They also waved signs, shook noisemakers and cheered wildly for their favorite contestants.

Lamar Williams, who was sponsored by Stilwell Enterprises, downed four dozen oysters to win last year's contest.

"I just ate like I was on fire," he explained. "That's all I did. I just grabbed them and ate them as quickly as I could. There wasn't any strategy to it; I didn't put anything on them. Great oysters!"

Local news personality Clay Miller of NBC-2 will return as master of ceremonies. "I think it's great," he said of the contest. "I like the camaraderie, the community coming together to do what they can for The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum. Anytime you can put money towards stuff that deals with our environment and what's out in our oceans, I think it's wonderful."

There are several event sponsorship opportunities available. To learn more about sponsorships or to participate as a contestant, visit www.shellmuseum.org, or contact John Suau at 395-2233 or jsuau@shellmuseum.org.

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Springtime Shark Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

With spring now here according to the calendar, things just keep getting better out on the water. It's always amazing to me where all of the life that shows up

in the bay this time of year comes from. It seems a switch is flipped when our water temperature reaches the mid to high 70s and the bay and near shore waters load up with bait fish and all the predators that follow them.

One of my favorite types of fishing this time of year is catch-and-release inshore fishing for sharks. Sharks can be targeted in all sizes, anywhere from five-pound blacktips all the way up to 300-pound-plus bull sharks. After months of fishing with light spinning tackle for smaller species all winter, it's a nice change to switch it up and hook into some hard fighting

big sharks. Blacktip and bull sharks are plentiful and right at the top of the list for me right now. Lots of my clients have never caught a 100-pound-plus fish and they really enjoy hooking into something this big and feeling the brute power.

My basic rig for shark fishing is medium heavy spinning tackle. I use my tarpon gear, which is a seven- to eight-foot rod with a 6000 series reel spooled with at least 250 yards of 50# braided line. Most of the time I avoid using a steel leader when targeting sharks and simply use a four- to five-foot piece of 100# fluorocarbon leader and a circle hook. Yes, you will have some cut offs without using steel leader but you will also get a lot more bites. If the water is dirty or I am getting a lot of cut offs I will switch it up and use a one- to two-foot piece of single strand wire. Use non-coated circle hooks that will quickly rust out of a shark's mouth.

If you want to target the smaller blacktips, 10# to 15# test spinning tackle is a blast. Two- to four-foot blacktips are a great fun on this set-up. I like to put a chum bag out while sitting on the anchor. When fishing for these smaller blacktips a live pinfish under a float is hard to beat. You will see the blacktips swim right up



A sporty sized five-pound blacktip shark

to the boat and they can often be sight-fished. Deeper flats in the five- to seven-foot range hold tons of these hard fighting, smaller sport model blacktips and are a riot for anglers of any age. They run fast, often quickly changing direction, and some even jump.

When chasing after bigger sharks, a fresh cut bait is key. Mullet and ladyfish caught the same day or half a stingray is hard to beat. I simply freeline these baits putting out a spread of lines from an anchored boat. You can chum with small chunks of cut bait but most of the time it's not even needed. Be ready to chase down these bigger sharks as they will quickly take 200 yards of line off a big spinning reel.

Although sharks can be found throughout our waters, some places hold larger numbers of sharks than others. Any natural channel close to the passes that cuts through a grass flat is a great place to get started. The sloughs that come in from both Captiva and Redfish passes are some of my favorite places to set up.

I very seldom have a client keep a shark. Once a shark is brought boatside, anything under four feet, I usually grab and remove the hook with a long pair of hook-outs, keeping my fingers as far away from the powerful jaws as possible. Get a tight grip on the shark and turn it

upside down as that makes them go dormant. When sharks are larger, they can be very hard to handle so I will often cut the leader as close to the hook as possible, letting them swim free

If you do intend to keep a shark for a meal, I suggest keeping a small blacktip. Bigger sharks are high in mercury content and really not any good to eat. Days of killing a big shark just for a photo of it hung up at the dock are, luckily, long gone. You are not doing anyone a service by killing these awesome animals. If you plan on keeping one, the shark must be immediately gutted and packed on ice as sharks urinate through their skin. If a shark that is not properly gutted and iced right away, the meat will have a strong ammonia taste.

The FWC has new regulations on sharks and certain species are being protected. Anglers are allowed one shark per day with a maximum of two per vessel per day. These hard-fighting fish are the top of the food chain and are much more fun to catch than they are to eat.

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. ✪

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Caloosahatchee Oxbow And Riverlore Cruise

The next Caloosahatchee Oxbow and Riverlore Cruise will be held on Sunday, April 15. All are invited to experience the historical Caloosahatchee on this cruise that explores the meanders of the upriver Caloosahatchee.

Join with the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation as they follow the river back to a time when a waterfall served as the headwaters of the Caloosahatchee and settlers braved living amongst the wilderness.

The 2.5-hour adventure begins by locking through the W.P. Franklin Lock in Olga. Heading east toward Alva, participants enter the historic bends of the river and revisit the activities of the pioneers who traveled the same river to find paradise. Stories of the settlements and their adventures are blended with an understanding of the river's oxbows, the wild creatures that call it home and the challenges the river faces.

The tour is guided by Rae Ann Wessel, a river researcher, long-time river advocate, historian and SCCF Natural Resource Policy Director. The vessel is the stable and spacious 47-passenger *Manatee Rover* pontoon boat that features daily manatee tours. All seats have a great view for photographs and bird watching.

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Devil's Elbow portion of the Caloosahatchee

Franklin Lock & Dam off SR 80 in Olga. Cruises return by 3:30 p.m. The last cruise of the season will be on Mothers Day, May 13.

Tickets are \$40 per person, with payment due at time of reservation. They also need the names of all passengers at the time of reservation. Call SCCF at 472-2329 for more details. (Please note that reservations must be made by Friday, April 13 for the April 15 cruise. Space is limited.)*

Shells Found



Kelly and Donna Steich

Donna and Kelly Steich found two lion's paw shells on a beach off Jamaica Drive in Sanibel after a rainstorm.*

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CROW Presentation Warns About Invasive Animal Species



A young visitor is allowed to touch an invasive species turtle found in Fort Myers by CROW assistant rehabilitator Jordan Donini

by Jeff Lysiak

While there is no cause for immediate panic, the fact that Southwest Florida's native animal species are being threatened by a number of invasive exotic mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians opened more than a few eyes recently during a Wonders of Wildlife presentation at CROW's Healing Winds Visitor Education Center.

On March 16, CROW assistant rehabilitator Jordan Donini and junior docent Christopher Arundel delivered an informative 35-minute interactive lecture, entitled Invasive Species. During their PowerPoint presentation, the pair talked about how non-native animals were introduced to the area, what effects their presence has on local wildlife and ways people can help stop the growing threat.

According to Donini, the region is now home to more than 100 species of non-native birds and at least 20 species of non-native mammals. Their presence most impacts local wildlife because of

the increased competition for resources – including food and shelter – but may also be damaging both ecologically and agriculturally.

In most cases, these invasives are introduced locally through the international animal and plant trade. In other cases, however, they are released by irresponsible pet owners.

"Some people may just get tired of keeping a snake, or it gets too big to handle by themselves," said Donini. "So they just let it go free, back into the wild."

Unfortunately, freeing these exotic species can cause an extreme shift in the local ecological balance. That's because Southwest Florida offers an abundance of warm weather and a unique array of habitats, allowing some species to breed virtually year-round.

Donini used the example of the Cuban tree frog, which has successfully overtaken some areas previously dominated by Florida's own species of frogs. The foreign frogs are generally larger than native



CROW junior docent Christopher Arundel displays his pet ball python, Cleo

tree frogs – "They will eat whatever they can fit into their mouths... including other tree frogs," he explained – and reproduce a larger clutch of eggs.

Burmese pythons, native to Southeast Asia, are another invasive species that has seriously threatened Florida over the past several decades. Once thought only to be problematic in the Everglades and suburbs of Miami, these snakes have recently been found throughout Rookery Bay in Naples and other Southwest Florida locales.

"The problem with the Burmese python is that they have very few predators," said Donini, who noted that these snakes can grow to up to 20 feet long.

A crowd of approximately 25 people were allowed to meet several live invasive reptiles during the presentation, including a pair of ball pythons and a Russian tortoise, which had been found the previous week along a roadway in Fort Myers.

Two overlooked threats to local wildlife, Donini explained, are household pets: cats often chase and eat native birds while dogs – unleashed on the beach – may disturb or attack sea turtle nests and/or hatchlings. He also offered a few tips to assist local wildlife:

- Avoid buying exotic pets on a whim; do your research first.



Jordan Donini shows off a four-foot ball python during the presentation



Closeup of a Russian tortoise

- Do not release exotic pets into the wild.

- Spay/neuter your pets, and keep them on a leash when outdoors.

Upcoming Wonders of Wildlife presentations at CROW's Healing Winds Visitor Education Center, 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road (across from The Sanibel School), include CROW's Aquatic Patients: Fresh Water & Sea Turtles on April 3, Rescues & Releases: A History Of CROW's Patients on April 4, Clinic Rounds on April 5, Meet an Animal Ambassador on April 6 and Owls Of Southwest Florida on April 7. All presentations begin at 11 a.m.

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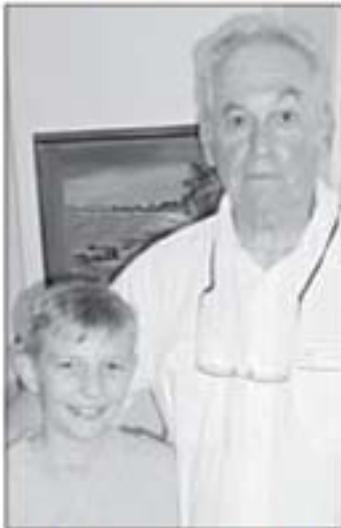
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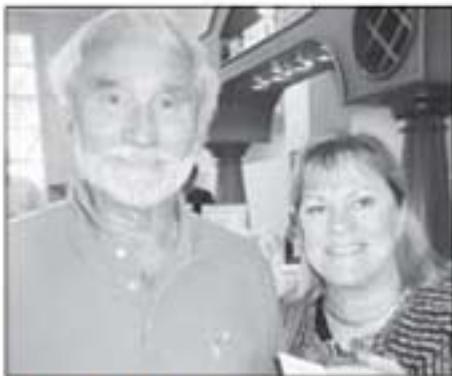
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Opening Night Standing Ovation At Strauss Theater

BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater's March 23 sold-out opening night for *Over the Tavern* closed to a standing ovation.

Often referred to by theater critics as "the Catholic Neil Simon," Tom Dudzick created a trilogy of semi-auto-biographical comedies, and *Over the Tavern* is the first in the series. The story is set in the late 1950s, a time when life was simpler than today. That is, if you weren't 12-year-old Rudy Pazinski. Rudy and the rest of his Polish-Catholic family each struggle to reconcile conservative fam-

ily values with the pursuit of happiness. Preparing for his catechism, Rudy is hard-pressed to find support for his theory that God put people on earth to have fun and his sister, Anrite, is beginning to grapple with the confusion of her sexual awakening.

Parental guidance is suggested due to some mild adult language. The show runs Tuesday through Saturday through April 21. All shows begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$42 for adults, \$20 for ages 17 and under. Call 472-6862, or go to www.BIGARTS.org.

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Plant Smart

Cypress Knee

by Gerri Reaves

The curious phrase “cypress knee” evokes a host of associations. For decades, kitschy carved knees have been a staple item in gift shops along Florida’s highways. Anyone who had tried to mow a knee-dotted landscape or has tripped on one might have an adversarial attitude toward the pneumatophores, or aerial roots.

But people in the know appreciate the cypress knee as a component of the iconic bald cypress tree (*Taxodium distichum*).

The majestic tree lives not only in cypress swamps, where it survives part of the year with its base submerged in slow-moving water, but in flood plains and along bodies of fresh water.

The conifer can grow to more than 100 feet tall and live for hundreds of years.

The conical, or tapered, knees surround the base of the tree. They arise from a lateral root system and can reach six feet high.

The knees are less conspicuous in the wet season, when they might be all but submerged in standing water.

And what do those knees do? One, they provide oxygen to the tree during the submerged season. A useful comparison is the black mangrove (*Avicennia germinans*), which has finger-like vertical pneumatophores to aid the root system in breathing.



Knees rise from the lateral roots of the bald cypress tree

photo by Gerri Reaves

Another theory, not exclusive of the first, is that the knees help to anchor the towering, straight-trunked trees in the unstable soil of wetland habitats.

This adaptable tree will also do surprisingly well in upland or dry areas, too, a characteristic that makes it increasingly popular as a specimen for large properties that don’t require mowing.

Trees located where flooding never occurs might not develop knees.

Sources: www.sfrc.ufl.edu and www.floridata.com.

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Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation’s inaugural Beer In The Bushes, a craft beer tasting is on Saturday, April 14 from 7 p.m. to “9-ish.” Tickets are \$30 per person.

It takes place on the grounds of the SCCF Nature Center with live music, dancing, beer, food and games.

Guests will begin the evening by visiting six tasting stations to be served different signature Samuel Adams craft beers. Games will include golf putting machines, a cornhole toss, darts, ring toss and a photo booth. There will also be a great selection of raffle prizes, leading to a 50/50 drawing where the winner receives half of all the money raised in

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Tour To Tarpon Lodge, Calusa Indian Mounds On Pine Island



One of the historic fish houses of Pine Island Sound



Cruise participants will get an up-close view of the fish houses

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, participants 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.

Guests 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 savored with waterfront views of Pine Island Sound and mangrove islands.

After lunch, participants 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 guests on The Calusa Heritage Trail to one of the pre-Columbian Mounds of the ancient Calusa while elaborating on this unique fishing culture.

This cruise to Pine Island will occur on Fridays, departing at 10 a.m. from McCarthy's Marina on Captiva.

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 families and neighborhoods to get together and learn about the history of Southwest Florida while enjoying a day out on the water.

Additional information and reservations for this Discover Southwest Florida History cruise to Pine Island or any of Captiva Cruises programs and tours may be obtained by calling Captiva Cruises at 472-5300.*

David Lee Art Exhibit And Sale To Benefit Harry Chapin Food Bank



Colorful Garden by David Lee

This Saturday, March 31 from noon to 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 1 from noon to 6 p.m., Don and Ann-Marie Wildman invite the public to an exhibition and sale of original paintings by David Lee at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. A champagne reception will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday.

For this weekend only, Lee's paintings will be offered at special prices. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Harry Chapin Food Bank as we all work to stamp out hunger in Southwest Florida.

Born in Canton, China, Lee studied at the National Taiwan University, Kao Siung University, and the Far East Academy of Art. He taught at the Far East Academy of Art, the Church College in Hawaii and the Taiwan University Art Center For Students.

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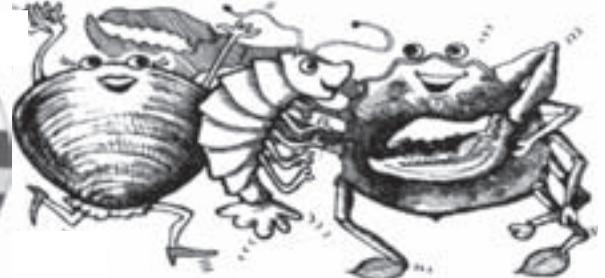
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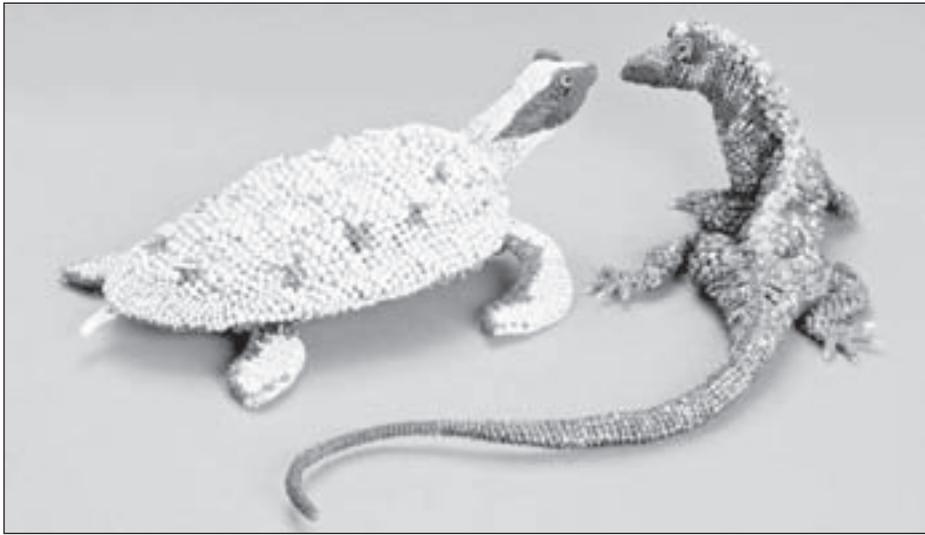
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Zuri and Bentley, beaded wire sculpture, by Tania Begg

Fabrication, an exhibit of artwork by Tania Begg, Vicki Kessler and Donna Kjonaas, will be on display in BIG ARTS Founders Gallery April 5 through 30. An artists' reception will take place Saturday, April 6, from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Tania Begg transforms colored beads and wire into unique three-dimensional sculptures. Her work can be seen at the Hirdie Girdie Art Gallery on Sanibel, Sea Grape Art Gallery in Punta Gorda, and at Arts For Act and Koi and Krane art galleries, both in Fort Myers. Her work was chosen as one of *Bead&Button* magazine's top 100 international finalists in their 2006 Bead Dreams competition. Begg has won awards in many Southwest Florida Art shows.

Collaborative, contemporary fiber artists Donna Kjonaas and Vicki Kessler reclaim and repurpose recycled objects to create vessels, quilts and altars. They create art to invite a tactile and interactive experience. Fiber with historic value or purpose, manipulated through processes such as felting, discharge, monoprinting, over-dyeing, painting, stamping and stitching, offers a connection to the past, recalling the humble task of hand sewing performed by women over the centuries.



Remembering Chihuly, fiber art, by Donna Kjonaas and Vicki Kessler

Kessler, an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, resides in Waterloo, Iowa. She is a self-taught fiber artist who has been experimenting with cloth and stitch since childhood. Kessler is a founding member of The Women's Fiber Art Collective in Madison, Wisconsin. Her work is permanently installed in the Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ in DeForest, Wisconsin; Pilgrim Heights Retreat Center in Green Lake, Wisconsin; First Congregational United Church of Christ and Community of Hope United Church of Christ, both in Madison.

Kjonaas, a retired United Methodist minister, divides her time between residences in Sioux Falls, South Dakota and Sanibel. Interested in fiber and art from childhood, she has a background in clothing construction and quilting. Her creative impulse, along with her affinity for innovation, leads her to explore unconventional methods and materials in her artistic compositions.

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

The exhibit is supported by Founders Gallery Patron Season Sponsor Deborah and John La Gorce.

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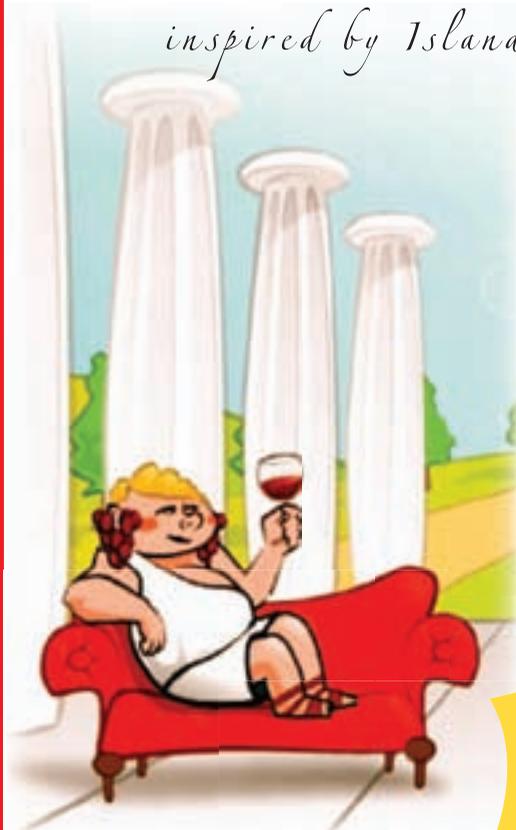
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Webb has been described as an "undiscovered American treasure," by Tim Cahill of *Outside* magazine. *People* magazine's Steven Dougherty, says her music is "tough, fragile and enduring." Jeff Klinkenberg, columnist for *The St. Pete Times*, says her voice is "achingly beautiful."

There will be a reception at 7:30 p.m., hosted by Doc Ford's Sanibel Rum Bar & Grille. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$10 for child 17 and under. Call 472-6862 or 395-0900. The Strauss Theater is at 2200 Periwinkle Way.*

Call For Scripts For Community Theater Series

BIG ARTS invites local talent to submit plays for 2012-13 Community Theater play reading series. All submissions will be reviewed by the Community Theater selection committee. The entry deadline is Monday, April 2.

BIG ARTS Community Players is a new program which will feature local playwrights, actors, and directors, performing at BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater, located at 2200 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel.

Play submission criteria:

- Plays can be any length (10 to 20 minutes, one act or full length).
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E-mail scripts to info@BIGARTS.org. Put "Community Theater Play Submission" in the subject line. If you cannot submit by e-mail, you may drop your play submission off at BIG ARTS Center, 900 Dunlop Road on Sanibel. Call 395-0900, or for more information, visit www.BIGARTS.org.*

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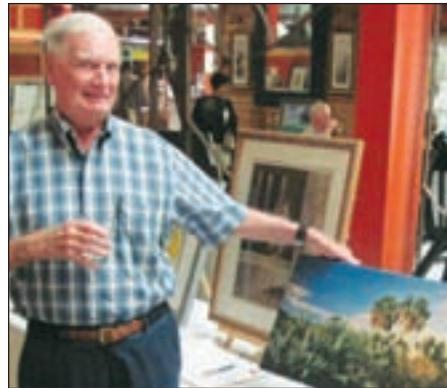
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From left, George Campean, Ivan Davis, Shelly Callahan, Janice Davis and Lynn Campean



Some of the artwork, baubles and gift baskets available at the auction



George Graham puts a silent bid in on a painting



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Gourmet appetizers were served



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The John Kanzius Cancer Research Foundation wishes to thank all the local businesses who were so generous with all of their donations along with artists from around the country who have given a part of their creative hearts by donating their work to Art For The Cure, benefiting the Kanzius Cancer Research Foundation held at Trader Restaurant 1551 Periwinkle Way Sanibel on March 25th.

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David Lee Art Exhibit

At age 21, he entered his works in the prestigious National Historical Museum juried art show and received the Best of Show award, making Lee the youngest recipient of that title.

His painting is based on calligraphy, or Chinese writing. Light and active, his quick, deft brush strokes are in perfect harmony with one another. Lee utilizes suggestion and negative space, symbolic method and subjective imagination which reflect the principles of Buddhism and its influences in Chinese art. He works with a special blend of Chinese watercolor on treated raw silk imported from China.

Sanibel artist Jim Sprankle, one of the best-known wildfowl wood sculptors in the world, has recently joined the event with his wood carvings.

For additional information about the sale and exhibit, call 472-2155.*

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Beer In The Bushes

the raffle.

Join us for this fun evening of food, fun, dancing and live music from Vernal Pool, while helping to support SCCF's mission of conserving coastal habitats and aquatic resources on Sanibel and Captiva and in the surrounding watershed.

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Teens can also join in on the racing action. Cost is only \$13 for Sanibel Recreation Center members and \$14.25 for non-members. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Sanibel Recreation Center. The van will leave the Recreation Center at 4 p.m. and approximate return time is 11 p.m. Teens ages 13 to 15 are welcome. Van seating is limited. Bring extra money for dinner and snacks at the track's concession stand.

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Rita McLain, Rita Skoczen, Sylvia Kasparie and Joan Reynolds at the Clothesline Show

photo by Beth Warner

Artists Weather The Storm

Despite the rain, wind, thunder and lightning, the Sanibel-Captiva Art League Clothesline Show was held as scheduled on Sunday, March 25. With only a six-hour window of opportunity for sales, artists Rita McLain, Rita Skoczen, Sylvia Kasparie and Joan Reynolds were four of many hardy league members who kept calm and carried on. Their smiles were their only umbrellas.

The clothesline show included water-colors, oils, acrylics, collages, prints, note-paper, pen, pencil and charcoal drawings, pastels and fabric paintings. All works were unframed but could be matted, and all prices were reasonable.

It was a wonderful opportunity on a dismal day to purchase art directly from the artists.✱

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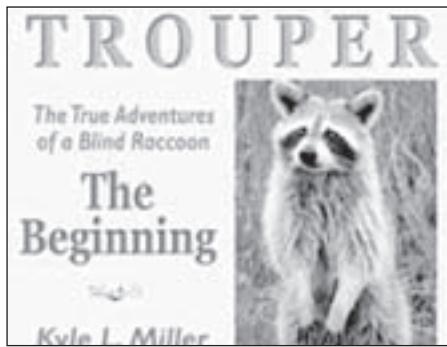
As the author and owner of Jungle House Publications, Miller writes and publishes original and creative children's literature. She also presents at public speaking engagements, and markets her publishing projects, essentially providing her own publicity.

Jungle House Publications is a publishing company that specializes in wildlife books for children. Miller's 2005 book, *Dillo: A Baby Armadillo's Adventure on Sanibel Island*, was a first-runner up for the 2009 Eric Hoffer Award in legacy fiction. In 2011, she received a President's Book Award silver medal from the Florida Publishers Association for her 2011 release, *Snowy Pea and the Ghost Crab*. She has also developed a wildlife education program around her most recent book, *Trouper - The True Adventures of a Blind Raccoon*. She attributes her success to her passion for teaching children and her love for wildlife.

Miller earned a Master of Arts in counseling psychology from Slippery Rock University in 1986, having received a Master of Science in physical education and coaching from Ohio University in 1983. She is the vice president and treasurer of the Florida Publishers Association, as well as a member of the Gulf Coast Writers Association, the Independent Book Publishers Association, and the Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

With her 2012 children's book release of *Trouper - The True Adventures of a Blind Raccoon: The Beginning*, the first of a series, Miller intends to reach as many children as possible through her writing. In the years to come, her writing and public appearances will focus on

respecting and protecting all animals. For more information about Jungle House Publications, visit www.jungle-housepublications.com.✪



Aubuchon Addresses Local GOP

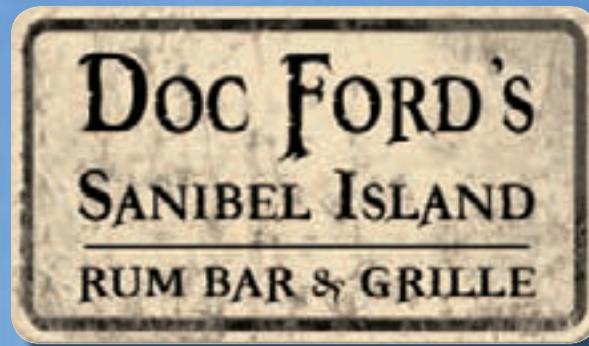
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On March 24 at the Sanibel Public Library, the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus featured Gary Aubuchon as the guest speaker. Mr. Aubuchon is seeking the Republican nomination for Congress in the August 14 primary. This newly formed Congressional District encompasses both Sanibel and Captiva.

Aubuchon presently represents District 74 in the Florida State Legislature, where he has served since 2006. He has held numerous leadership positions and is now chair of the prestigious Rules and Calendar Committee.

During his address to the Caucus, Aubuchon spoke of the need for congressional members to engage each other without changing their core beliefs. He is truly concerned about America's shift from a land of opportunity to a land of entitlement. He stressed the need to reform the tax system, to reduce government over-regulation, to facilitate a climate which will produce job growth and to closely monitor federal aid to those countries unfriendly to the United States. He wants to see manufacturing return to

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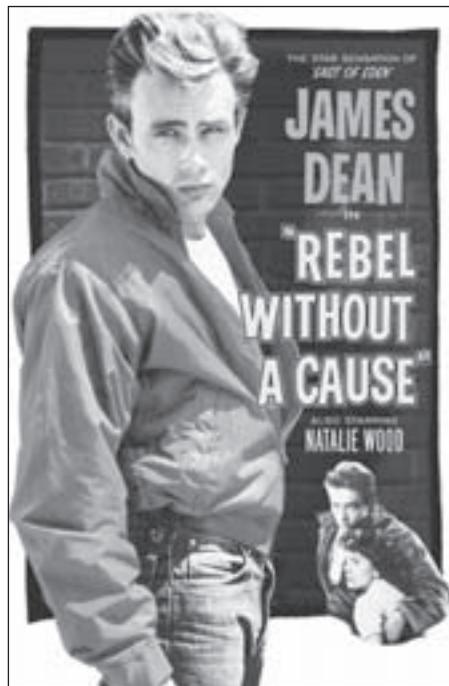
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BIG ARTS Film Society's annual Director Series features Nicholas Ray, an important influence in the French New Wave cinema movement of this era, which rejected the traditional form of the time and experimented in new visual style and narrative.

The series is hosted by film aficionado, Sid Picker, who will lead an in-depth discussion before and after the screenings. All Director Series films are held Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Admission is \$5.

The April 4 film is *The Lusty Men* (1952), a classic western film starring Susan Hayward, Robert Mitchum, Arthur Kennedy and Arthur Hunnicutt. When he sustains a rodeo injury, star rider Jeff McCloud (Mitchum) returns to his hometown as a hired hand with a local ranch, where he befriends fellow ranch hand Wes (Kennedy) and his wife, Louise (Hayward). Wes dreams of owning his own farm and believes rodeo winnings could help him finance it. He convinces Jeff to coach him and the threesome hit the road for one unforgettable rodeo adventure.

The series ends on April 11 with the film *Rebel Without A Cause* (1953). This American movie classic with James Dean, Natalie Wood and Sal Mineo explores the conflicts between generations in its story about a teenage boy who defies his parents' wishes and goes against the schoolyard bullies at his high school. It is a social commentary on the youth culture in America at the time and was released less than one month after Dean's death in a fatal car crash. Wood and Mineo earned Academy Award nominations for Best Supporting Actress and Actor, respectively, for their performances in the film.

Enhanced by surround sound, films will be shown in Schein Performance Hall, with a high-definition projection system and large screen. Listening devices are

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Over The Tavern

holds the family together. She moves from all-knowing matriarch to battle-hardened partner to sweet, protective nurturer without missing a beat. At one point, out of desperation concerning her precocious son Rudy, she says "Will the Jesuits take him?" My favorite line in the play.

Their four children are Eddie (Justen Montgomery), Annie (Angelina Torre), Georgie (Jake Mann) and the hero of the tale, 12-year-old Rudy (Tommy Short). He's an energetic, bright but unfocused kid who is beginning to question the Roman Catholic Church. Rudy believes God put us on earth to have fun and he's wondering why his family isn't having any. His talks with Jesus are priceless. Rather than learn his catechism he prefers to run home to amuse little brother Georgie with his impressions of Ed Sullivan.

What makes this play work is the humanity of the characters playwright Tom Dudzick creates. Rudy is routinely held after class by Sister Clarissa (Nancy Antonio), who carries a clicker and a sturdy wooden ruler for discipline. We soon discover there's much more to her when she reveals a secret that helps us see our flawed patriarch in a more sympathetic light.

Eddie and Annie are wrestling with

teen problems. Eddie tries to smuggle copies of *Playboy* into his room and Annie is confused about becoming a young woman. Georgie, the mentally-challenged youngster is precious as he flies about the apartment in his Superman cape and shouts out a new swear word he learned.

The cast does an excellent job bringing to life the complicated relationships of the family. It's especially difficult when a show has young actors in critical roles with lots of dialogue. In this case, they are all up to the challenge.

Director Marc Tumminelli does a fine job keeping things moving in this nostalgic comedy. The set by William Davis covers the entire stage and brings back memories, with its avocado green stove, oval braided rug and formica and steel kitchen table with turquoise vinyl padded chairs.

One of the great joys of *Over The Tavern* is that as you laugh out loud, you will be nodding your head in recognition. Tickets to this one will be going fast, so order yours soon by calling 472-6962, 395-0900, log on to www.BIGARTS.org or stop by the Marks Box Office at 2200 Periwinkle Way.

Over The Tavern plays through April 21 at the Herb Strauss Theater on Sanibel.✱

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A Touch Of Red Exhibition Opens At Phillips Gallery

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League 36th Annual Juried Art Exhibit at BIG ARTS, A Touch Of Red, opens on Thursday, April 5 in Phillips Gallery. A reception and awards ceremony will take place Saturday, April 6 from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Charles Miano, artist, educator and president of the Southern Atelier Fine Arts Center in Sarasota, will judge the artwork in the exhibit. Awards will also be presented by Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane, who will be giving a Mayor's Choice Award, and by Erick Lindblad, executive director of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. Members of the Shell Islands Garden Club will display floral arrangements in keeping with the show's theme, A Touch Of Red. The public is invited to vote in a People's Choice Award.

The competition draws from members of the Art Council of Southwest Florida, which includes more than 4,000 artists from 16 area art organizations. This year's exhibit highlights the use of the color red, and will feature original works in watercolor, oil, acrylic, mixed media, collage, sculpture and original prints. All exhibited work is for sale.

For more than 15 years, members from the Art Councils of Southwest Florida have been invited by the Sanibel-Captiva Art League to exhibit at BIG ARTS. The mission of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League is to create opportunities to create art, share art, support art education and to enhance the community artistically.

In addition, artwork by Sanibel School students Julia Holston and Daniel Shuster will be displayed.

BIG ARTS Phillips Gallery, located at 900 Dunlop Road on Sanibel, is open



Medusa by Daphne Hammond, colored pencil



Gratitude by Julia Holston

Monday through Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. A Touch Of Red exhibit will be open through Monday, April 30.

A Touch Of Red Art Exhibit supported by Visual Arts Patron Season Sponsors June Rosner and Russ Bilgore.

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Monday Night Movie

A Separation

submitted by Terry Nagle



When 99 percent of professional reviewers say it's a great film; when a movie receives a 2012 Oscar plus an impressive array of international awards; and, most importantly, when audiences worldwide agree with these assessments, you can be reasonably certain your commitment of a few dollars and two hours of your time will be well spent.

You will have just that opportunity on Monday night, April 2 when BIG ARTS shows, *A Separation*, an Iranian film (with subtitles) written and directed by gifted filmmaker Asghar Farhadi.

A Separation can be seen as a courtroom drama; a political commentary; and/or a twisty thriller that gradually draws you in and becomes more engrossing with each new revelation. It is a rigorously honest, low-budget film that portrays a secular, middle-class family in Tehran in ever-deeper trouble over ethically complex issues. It takes a small domestic matter related to a son who feels obligated to care for his elderly father and quickly evolves into a family splintered by generation, class, gender, and honor. It is, however, far more than just a great foreign film – it has universal messages regarding truth-telling and moral contradictions.

The film opens with the mother and father seated before a judge seeking a divorce. It is not granted, however, the family separates. The only child, a 12-year-old daughter, stays with her father and grandfather as mom moves in with her parents. Dad hires a devout, chador-clad caretaker for his sick, dementia-suffering father and a crisis soon ensues.

Farhadi treats viewers as adults and avoids gimmicks and cheap, emotional tugs at your heart as the plot becomes increasingly provocative, tense and complex. As one, over-the-top reviewer

states: "At the throbbing, screaming, moaning heart of this emotionally riveting and traumatically tragic contemporary Iranian drama is anger in all its seething glory. It consumes and devours the human soul, temporarily destroying the conscience. Everyone is infuriated with their lies, and how they channel and fumigate the wrath forms a ferociously realistic debate about ego-worship, moral quandaries and social justice, yet it makes us feel an empathy for all these flawed characters."

It's a powerful movie and one that you will want to discuss after you've seen it.

A Separation shows at 7 p.m. April 2 at BIG ARTS. Tickets are \$8.

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 & 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, to sign up for workshops, or to become a member, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, call 395-0900, email info@BIGARTS.org, or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.*

Debut At FGCU Theatre Lab

Florida Gulf Coast University's Theatre Lab invites the public to the opening of *Faustus Burns Brightly*, a play written, directed and designed by Professor Barry Cavin, incorporating Christopher Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus*, running April 4 to 8, and April 11 to 15 in the Theatre Lab, located at the Arts Complex on campus.

Performances are Wednesday through Saturday at 8 p.m., with a matinee performance on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The performance centers on a group of recent college graduates who open a small theater on the dingy streets of Hollywood and decide to produce Marlowe's *Doctor Faustus* as their opening show. Art and life blend when the young company's funding secret leads to their Faustian bargains. The play is based on true events.

To purchase tickets online, visit <http://theatrelab.fgcu.edu>. For more information, call the box office at 590-7268.*

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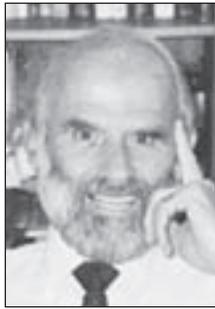
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BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater recently launched a community theater program that includes play readings of works written by Sanibel playwrights. The next play reading on Sunday, April 1 covers three plays – *Carmen Garmin*, *Lady Godiva of Flamingo Landing* and *Homecoming for Sergeant Porter*. The readings begin at 7:30 p.m. at BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater, 2200 Periwinkle Way. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 17 and under.

Carmen Garmin, written by Marci Rudin and directed by Angie Koch, will be acted by Judy Kolosky and Doug McElheny. The story is about a driver whose GPS voice comes to life, and scolds him for neglecting his family.

Lady Godiva of Flamingo Landing, also penned by Rudin and directed by Koch, is based on a true story. Three couples are on a train to Florida. The plot develops when a naked woman is discovered in a locker room. Actors are Fay Carney, Molly Dowling, Dorothy Donaldson, Don Hogg, Sidney Picker, Sid Simon and understudy Erstine McKay.

Homecoming for Sergeant Porter is an intense drama about the effects of psychological trauma on war veterans. *Homecoming* was written by Wally Kain, and directed by Edina Lessack. Actors are Laurie Pickens and Doug McElheny.

All play readings feature local talent both onstage and backstage. A talk-back session with the playwrights will take place after the three plays are presented, and audience participation is encouraged.

Rudin, a resident for screenwriting at New Hampshire's MacDowell Colony of the Arts, writes plays, screenplays and novels. Four of her plays have been presented in festivals in Manhattan, and one at a 10-minute play festival in Santa Cruz, California. One play won the 2006 Naples Players' ETC Readers' Theatre contest, and was read on the air on WGPU-FM radio station in Fort Myers. Several of her plays have received staged readings. She has also published two non-fiction books, and her articles and book reviews have appeared in *The New York Times*, *The New York Daily News*, *The Congressional Quarterly Researcher* and *Encyclopedia Judaica*.

Kain was born in Nebraska and grew up in Yonkers, New York. He has degrees from Princeton and Harvard Law School, and served during the Korean War with the 82nd Airborne Division. Kain has had several careers, the first of which was in the world of patents and copyrights for inventors and authors. He was drawn to do creative work – painting watercolors and writing – while living on Sanibel. Writing for island newspapers led to elective office and two terms as mayor of Sanibel. He has two published novels, *The Nunca Riddle* (2003) and *The Red Column* (2006), and is working on *A Fly In The Butter*, true stories about growing up in the 1930s and 1940s. *Homecoming for Sergeant Porter* was a finalist in the 2008 Naples Players' New Play Contest.

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tury days growing up in Niles, Michigan in World War II years, will resonate not only with those from that state, but with any midwesterner who was a youth of that period. And many others.

Barron is a craftsman with words and memory. For the last dozen years, he has been writing his stories, originally for his large family (seven children) and hordes of grandchildren. Then, after joining one of the Sanibel writing groups, he's been writing for Sanibel as well.

Twice a year for eight years, he has read his pieces at the competitively selected Writers Read, many in the 120-plus person audiences at BIG ARTS Phillips Gallery come to the event especially to hear him read. He reads dramatically, and his prose lends itself to the presentation.

In the 33 stories in *Call Me Duke*, Big Mike, Duke's railroad-man dad, comes across as the wise and benign masculine presence that binds the family. He is not alone in holding a prominent place in this book. The ordinary and extraordinary citizens (of all ages) of Niles come alive in this charming history of childhood, and more.

Duke Barron was introduced to Sanibel Island 25 years ago. A dozen years ago, he bought his seasonal home in Periwinkle Park where he and his wife, Nona, escape the winter cold and snows of Kalamazoo, Michigan where they have a home among the large Barron gang. Duke is a graduate of Western Michigan

and the University of Michigan, where he earned his Masters.

For many of his years with the telephone company in (you guessed it – Michigan), Duke was in the Detroit area, and had a brief moment of consequence with the Romney family, recounted not in the book but at a recent meeting of the Writing Group on the island. Hopefully, there will be a second volume that will include this “grownup” tale.✧

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *Moonwalking With Einstein* by Joshua Foer
 2. *Chasing Midnight* by Randy Wayne White
 3. *Sanibel Sunset Detective Returns* by Ron Base
 4. *Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins
 5. *Catching Fire* by Suzanne Collins
 6. *Mockingjay* by Suzanne Collins
 7. *Sanibel Sunset Detective* by Ron Base
 8. *Dry Grass Of August* by Anna Mayhew
 9. *Gift From The Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh
 10. *A Bubble Moment* by Katie Gardenia
- Courtesy of Sanibel Island Bookshop.✧*

Poetic Voices



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

selected by Don Brown

Island Girl

by Brenda Hunt

I like Evie's fuchsia flip-flops
Her matching nail polish
And the toe ring she wears
I like her life is not
A dress rehearsal mindset
And her bright pink lipstick.
I like her afternoon margaritas
And her irreverent attitude.

I like all the Evies in the world
As they whiz past me on their bikes
Tennis racquets hanging out their backpacks.
Skin browned by the Florida sun
They take no prisoners.
Their time is precious
Nothing to be taken for granted.

Island Girl was written by Brenda Hunt from Queensville, Ontario, Canada. Hunt is a retired French teacher who now spends her winters on Sanibel. She had spent many of her spring breaks on Sanibel and hoped that one day she would be lucky enough to call Sanibel her second home. This year she took part in Vicki Lettmann's Writing Workshop for Everyone at BIG ARTS. She was inspired to write Island Girl when she read a Mark Twain quote on her coffee cup in the Sanibel Bean: "It's not the years in a life but the life in the years."✧

Richard "Duke" Barron

Call Me Duke

submitted by Ray Buck



Richard "Duke" Barron, the complete man from Michigan (although he has been one with Sanibel the last 25 years), will have a book signing event for his

recently published work *Call Me Duke* at The Island Book Nook on Sanibel on Monday, April 9 from noon to 2 p.m. Barron's essays on his mid-20th cen-

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Aubuchon Addresses GOP

this country and he believes in a strong military while cutting waste wherever possible.

Aubuchon concluded his talk with an informative question-and-answer session.

The next meeting of the Republican Caucus will be held on Saturday, April 7 at 10 a.m. at Meeting Room 4 of the library. Byron Donalds, candidate for Congress in the August 14 primary, will be the guest speaker. All are welcome to attend.✧

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Wednesday Wisdom Series

Holly Maiz, MA, DTR, and Virginia Jones, Psy.D., of Secret Signals Seminars return to The Community House on Wednesday, April 11 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. to celebrate spring's arrival by presenting the third in the 2012 Wednesday Wisdom Series. Continuing the exploration of biology and psychology, *Coming Home: Reclaiming Life* explores our ability to stay fresh in creating our lives.

When we speak of "coming home," we are talking about being present in our lives, moment to moment. As we mature, it's easy to get into a routine where everything is a repeat performance. We imagine that there is safety in doing and thinking as we always have. Although this is true in some situations, it is also the case that our bodies and our world are always changing. Life's events, joyous or painful, can challenge our reliance on habitual behaviors. What used to work, no longer does. Conscious awareness is the tool we can use to bring ourselves into presence, to bring us home to ourselves.

Judgment or opinions, which are thoughts about experience may be unavoidable and sometimes necessary. If we learn to be more curious in direct experience – meaning noticing without judgment sensations, feelings and thoughts – then we become more present in our lives. That presence cultivates adaptability, creativity, responsibility and brings more joy into each moment. Presence cultivates playfulness.

Remember an occasion when you lost track of time, when you were enjoying what you were doing so much that you were without interpretation or judgment? With experience we learn what has worked for us. When we use this knowledge in a creative way – while not closing ourselves off to new input – it opens doors to fresh perception and playful experiences. Adaptability is not throwing experience and knowledge to the wind but remaining flexible enough to respond appropriately to any situation.

Adaptability is a survival skill. It is part of our biological makeup that our survival as individuals as well as a species has been dependent on our ability to balance adapting to change with saving time and energy through patterned behavior.

Being "away from home" or a lack of presence can lead to boredom, anxiety, depression or a general sense of dis-ease. It can also be experienced as irritability, confusion or a sense of isolation and hopelessness. Functional problems can follow such as pain, digestive and cardiac disorders.

If we define a sense of home as the experience of nurturance, security, and relaxation, what takes us away from being at home with ourselves? This seminar will explore how can we restore ourselves to being present and reclaim our lives.

In this three-hour workshop, Jones and Maiz will provide:

- Examples and exercises that bring us home to our sensations, thoughts and behaviors.
- Experiences that help us clarify



Holly Maiz and Gini Jones

whether or not our choices reflect our values and if we are consciously constructing our lives.

- A demonstration that biofeedback trains our ability to be present.

- Research based data that indicates the importance of balance between habitual vs new behaviors.

- Concrete tools that will enable you to understand body/mind health

- Interventions that may include movement, sound, laughter, biofeedback, cognitive strategies, behavioral changes, mindfulness meditation, and breathing.

Psychotherapists Holly Maiz and Gini Jones bring different but complementary perspectives to their workshops. Before their psychotherapist training, Maiz was a dancer and Jones was a biology teacher. Holly is a body/mind psychotherapist with specialties in addiction, eating disorders and optimal aging, and training in the instruction of Yoga, QiGong and Pilates. On Sanibel, she works with

groups and individuals. Jones is a licensed clinical psychologist with specialties in health psychology, anxiety and panic disorders. Also trained as a biofeedback therapist, she is in private practice on Sanibel. Together, they bring a well-rounded knowledgeable view of your biology and psychology to help you make successful life-style changes.

Cost for pre-registered participants is \$20 or \$25 at the door. Visit www.SecretSignals.net for more information on this seminar.

To pre-register for *Coming Home: Reclaiming Life*, call or text 699-4545 or 898-1047, e-mail SecretSignals@yahoo.com, snail mail to P.O. Box 821, Sanibel, FL 33957 or use "contact us" at www.SecretSignals.net.✱

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Water Problems 'A Mess' But Fixable, Says Keynote Speaker At Committee Of The Islands Annual Meeting

By Mike Gillespie, Vice President
Committee of the Islands

“We have a mess on our hands.” So spoke Daniel DeLisi, Lee County’s representative to the Governing Board of the South Florida Water Management District. He delivered what he called “this sobering message” to members and friends of the Committee of the Islands last week at their 2012 Annual Meeting.

The “mess” DeLisi referred to was his term for what has been done over the past century to the Everglades, a result of decades of efforts to drain the region and re-direct its waters for development and agricultural purposes. Today we here in Southwest Florida are at the receiving end of measured water releases from Lake Okeechobee that affect our local

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Committee of the Islands Board of Directors (from left): Jill Dillon, Phyllis Gresham, Mike Gillespie, Claire Mallon, Barbara Joy Cooley, Jim Beauchamp, Ruth Woodham, David Bath, Wayne Ponader, and Larry Schopp. Not pictured: John Harries, Martin Packard and Bud Reinhold

Monday After The Masters To Debut At South Seas

submitted by Ken Gooderham

South Seas Island Resort is hosting a new event to celebrate a spectacular winter season, give golfers multiple chances to win \$10,000 and to raise funds for a hard-working Captiva group – all in the wash of a Captiva sunset.

The inaugural Monday After The Masters Golf Event & Sunset Community Celebration takes to the course on Monday, April 9, with a 4 p.m. shotgun start on South Seas’ beautiful Par 3 golf course that boasts finishing holes running parallel with the beach and the Gulf of Mexico.

With a maximum of 18 foursomes, every player will have an opportunity to win \$10,000 on five different holes (five opportunities), with the remaining holes offering hole-in-one prizes and a closest to the pin contest. The closest-to-the-pin winners will then compete in a shootout on the ninth hole as the sun sets, with the winner donning Captiva’s Green Jacket.

This event has been created not only for golfers but for non-golfers as well. Hospitality tents surrounding the ninth hole will offer great views of the players

and the sunset shootout along with spectator-friendly access throughout the course. A silent auction will also offer hotel deals, certificates and other items adjacent to the ninth green. Finally, a cash bar and barbecue will be available to cap off a successful event, along with a typically spectacular Captiva sunset.

“The success of an event like this is dependent on word-of-mouth and the involvement of community supporters,” said organizer and panel member Rick Hayduk. “Panel members have already committed to more than half of the available foursomes but the true potential for this event lies in it being an incredible community gathering on the golf course overlooking the beach. Weather permitting, the event is poised to be a wonderful community celebration.”

Money raised will go towards the funding of the Captiva Community Panel’s initiatives, which include the community-driven update of Captiva-specific language in the Lee Plan (its comprehensive land use plan) and the county’s Land Development Code to protect the long-term interests of the island.

Since its inception, the panel has combined donations from the community with more than \$350,000 in grants to study water quality and re-vegetate the island after Hurricane Charley while fostering a strong relationship with Lee County officials on a range of issues affecting the

island. Even though expenses are kept to a minimum and all panel members serve voluntarily, the panel doesn’t receive any funding from Lee County and is reliant upon private donations to fund its efforts.

Foursomes and sponsorships are still

available, with details (and a registration form) available online at www.captivacommunitypanel.com. For more information, call 472-7565 and ask about Monday After The Masters.✪

Kanzius Cancer Technology Moving Forward

by Jim George

Marianne Kanzius puts a human touch to a very complex medical project that could ultimately reduce or even end the suffering of many cancer patients. Marianne’s husband John passed away three years ago from cancer, and she continues to lead his project forward with quiet and determined confidence sprinkled with large doses of optimism about the future of the project.

John Kanzius developed a technology during his illness that could possibly change the course of cancer treatment. The Kanzius technology works by emitting radio waves from a radio frequency generator that heats and kills cancer cells targeted with nanoparticles, microscopic pieces of metal that are injected into the



Marianne Kanzius

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Brightest Horizons Sunset Cruise



Dick and Nathalie Pyle, Terry Igo, Susan and Craig Scott

The March 19 sunset dinner cruise to support Brightest Horizons Child Development Center was sponsored by The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company. The event chairs were Craig and Susan Scott along with Nathalie and Dick Pyle.

The evening included live entertainment, a catered dinner by Leslie Adams of Catering by Leslie, and a one-of-a-kind live auction. Proceeds from the event will benefit the early education programs at Brightest Horizons.

The president of both the Sanibel Captiva Trust Company and the Tampa Trust Company, Terry Igo, said, "If you want to see an organization that is making a difference in the lives of children, I highly encourage Sanibel and Captiva residents to tour the Brightest Horizons facility in Harlem Heights. With limited resources, they are providing education and child care in an area that needs it the most."

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Historical Village Thanks Docents And Volunteers

The Sanibel Historical Museum & Village hosted more than 80 of its hard-working volunteers last week at a luncheon at the Island Inn's Traditions On The Beach restaurant. Continuing the theme of the museum's successful fundraiser, It's In The Bag, board members congratulated volunteers with the message "It's In The Bag: We've had a great year!"

The museum's dedicated docents make it possible for the museum to operate as well as put on its special events and shows, including the popular quilt show, the Village Gift Shop, holiday decorations, the training of new volunteers, special tours, the annual fundraiser, archives and displays.

After lunch, author of *Historic Sanibel & Captiva Islands: Tales of*



Author Jeri Magg with museum docent Manfred Strobel, who took photographs for her book, *Historic Sanibel & Captiva Islands*

Paradise, Jeri Magg showed a slide show with pictures of Old Captiva versus New Captiva and told stories of the past days of Sanibel's sister island.

More than 20 new docents have



Volunteers Barbara Eisenberg and Lois Codair with author Jeri Magg (center)

joined the museum family this year, training with board members and experienced docents. They are:

New Docents

Leslie Alteri
 Marilyn Cummings-Kirby
 Carol DiCorpo
 Janet Frizzell
 Jim Frizzell
 Buzz Griffin
 Julianne Kocourek
 Mary Ann Lokitus
 Susie Marks
 Marianne Masterson
 Dick McNeill
 Carol Ann Mosel
 Lucy Nordahl
 Gerri Perkins
 Susan Rosenberg
 Barry Roth
 Brenda Segura
 Sally Shelton
 Mary Watson
 Mary White
 Dave Wolfe
 Sandy Wolfe

Docents reaching milestones in their years-of-service were also recognized:

15 Years of Service

Mickie Kaplan
 Dottie Miller
 Gayl Ponce

10 Years of Service

Debbie Gleason
 Christel Heidecker
 Gail Meier
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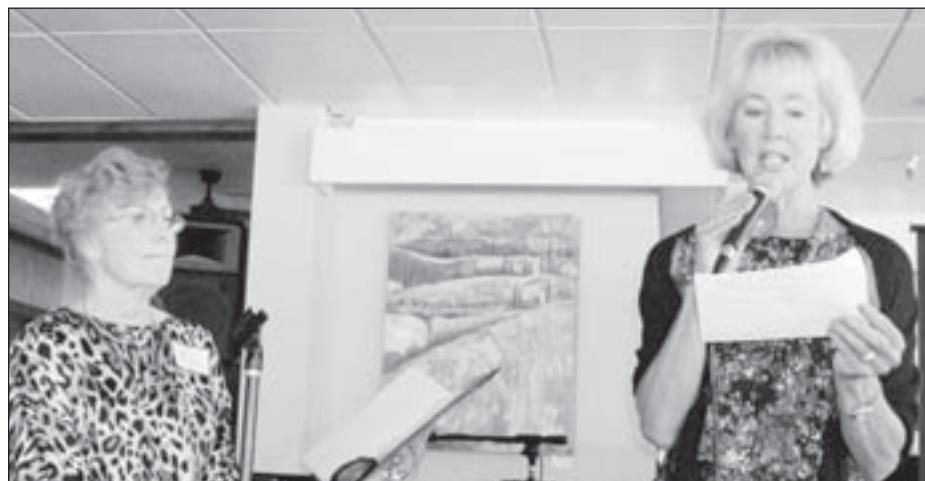
Board Vice President Gayle Pence thanks museum volunteers

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Program speaker author Jeri Magg being introduced by Blair Wyatt

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Our new Frommer's designation engenders a sartorial responsibility. Ask yourself before rushing out willy nilly, "What sort of image am I projecting to the tourists

of the world's number one destination? What will those recent arrivals think as they sip their latte or espresso on the verandas of Bailey's, Jerry's and The Bean?"

At what point do people say to you, "Ethel/Larry" is that you? If it is in the cocktail lounge at The Sanctuary on Saturday night or prior to a performance at BIG ARTS – you know your "everyday man or woman about the island" image needs buffing and polishing.

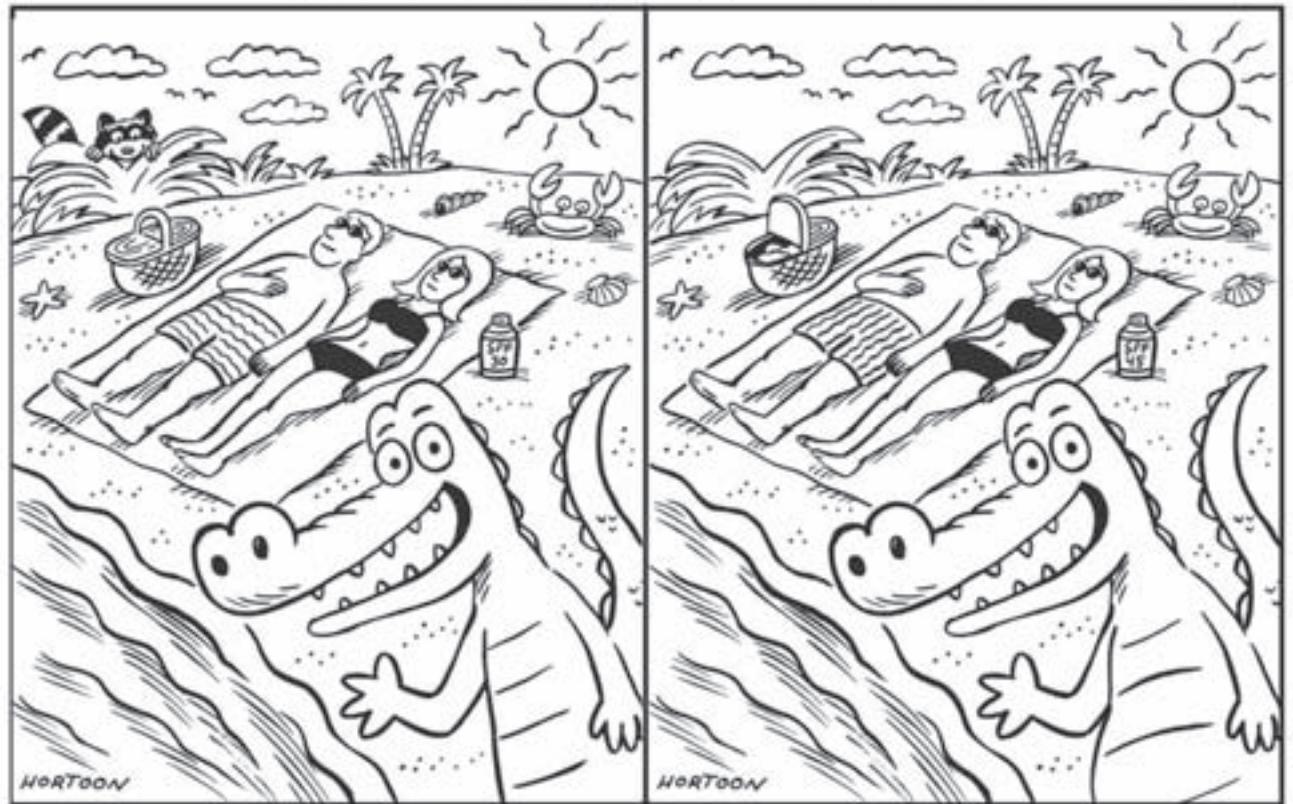
Try to adhere to a high standard. No "Muscle" undershirts at Timbers' early bird or Trader's Happy Hour. Make certain the soles of your flip-flops are intact and have no crumbling edges, or if socks are worn with sandals that they do not collapse and crumple around your ankles.

Pay close attention to shorts or trousers whose elastic waist bands gave up

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HORTOONS

Find at least six differences in details between panels



Differences: 1. Tooth on alligator is missing 2. Number has changed on sun screen 3. Swimsuit lines on man changed direction 4. Picnic basket is open 5. Raccoon is missing 6. Alligator is taller from eating raccoon

Portraits In Print



by Jane Vos Hogg

Banking Business

Definitely a matter of dollars and sense. It's worlds away from the olden days of friendly tellers at the windows and mostly a matter of deposits or withdrawals with

occasional mortgages thrown in.

Given that Sanibel is small, the banks operating here need to be seen as a part of the community... a giving part, that is... and how to put that face forward presents a challenge to personnel ingenuity.

SunTrust provides Pelican Knitters with weekly meeting space. For almost two hours each Wednesday, they occupy a large meeting room which provides sufficient space around the long table with comfortable chairs for the several dozen likely to be knitting that morning. An added benefit is the wall of storage space where they can keep their records, patterns, projects, materials, etc. In a final jolt of generosity, the bank lets them use the copying machine when necessary to re-produce patterns or other handouts and, if needing to be caffeinated, the knitters are free to visit the bank's coffee pot.

Bank of the Islands is a nice place to visit in terms of the visual excitement

provided. They have a huge aquarium whose occupants are fed daily by Eric, one of the customer service people. (Overall, routine tank maintenance is handled by an outside company.) Right next to this is a huge box marked "FISH," where people are encouraged to drop in boxed or canned goods to be delivered to that agency.

In full view on the front lawn is the automobile being raffled off for the yearly Sanibel School fundraiser. Inside the lobby, the bank promotes island artists with occasional displays of their work, including those from The Sanibel School's art classes.

Craving a snack? Feel free to have some coffee and cookies, these baked fresh each morning by one of the tellers. Who eats them? Customers and even casual walk-throughs who might be coming on bank business or else just to sit and read current island papers or USA Today... or browse exhibits.

They have a bank logo, which many customers put in their car windows. Each week, if one is spotted on the roadway by a bank person, the license number of the car is posted in the bank lobby. The winner gets \$100 if they come to claim it. And what happens with that money? The winner can choose any island non-profit to be the recipient. The morning I happened by, Jason Maughan – a local attorney – won. The amount that day, because of unclaimed rollovers, was \$1,500. He chose to give it to the Children's Educational Center of the Islands to be used for their scholarship fund. Each

year, the bank gives away \$5,200 this way for a total of \$45,000 spent since they began the "We Love Our Islands" program.

Golf tees... the long ones. There's a basket filled with them and savvy golfers stop by to pick them up, noting it's hard to find shops that carry this size anymore.

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank... independent and definitely not one of a large chain. It's headquartered here and owned by Sanibel residents. Each morning, it greets its customers with hot coffee and fresh baked Otis Spunkmeyer cookies. (Even drive-throughs can get cookies-to-go plunked into a small paper bag... though the window teller said hand-held is surer not to crumble.) Cookie-lovers, when queried, said this is their favorite do-it-yourself brand at the local markets. Tastes good, too. I know because even though it's not my bank, when I pedal past I sometimes stop by for a freebie.

For customers not needing face-to-

face teller transactions or those not wanting to drive over to Library Way, the bank has four ATMs located elsewhere on the island for simple cash-and-go transactions.

In the category of community do-gooding, this bank supports Blessings In A Backpack, a non-profit program which provides weekend nourishment for children qualifying for federal free and reduced meals. Items include ready to eat foods... all choices are kid friendly, healthy, light in weight, non-perishable and easy both to carry and to prepare. (\$80 will feed one child for the entire school year.) In the lobby, you'll find a range of pottery bowls set out on a table near the entrance door. These all made by middle school students at The Sanibel School... and your \$20 contribution goes into the collection box while you are free to choose a bowl to take away.

Dollars and cents. Far more than merely money these days. Welcome to today's world of banking. ✨

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Around The Islands

New Surf Shop Opens On East End; Final Month For Farmers' Market

by Anne Mitchell



Big Dog Surf Shop has been open for less than two weeks and is already filling a need for beach supplies and accessories on Sanibel's east end. Owner John Cahill, himself a lifelong surfer hailing from Maryland, says even people who don't surf find surf shops "cool." Big Dog sports life-size curling waves painted on the walls, Beach Boys music and a "photo op" wall where customers can pose with surfboards.

One section of the store is devoted to beach essentials, items such as Reef Safe sunscreen, towels and Frisbees.

Cahill sells high end stand-up paddleboards, but if you're not ready to make a big purchase or are just visiting, you can rent

less expensive ones to see how you like the sport. Also for sale are surfboards, skim boards, body boards, skateboards and such,

Cahill is a font of local knowledge and is happy to pass it along. I heard him telling customers where to get paddleboard lessons, details about the Sanibel Sea School, and information about other surf-related activities. He knows he can't be all things to all people, but his enthusiasm is evident. "Matching people up with great instructors is a service we offer," he says.

For the convenience of patrons, Cahill carries a small selection of women's and girls' bikinis, sun hats, inexpensive sunglasses by Moda, and a collection of braided surfer bracelets, anklets and necklets.

He has a good selection of SPF 50+ shirts for all ages by Tribal Surf; USA-made recyclable Okabashi flip-flops; and thong sandals from \$8.99.

He carries Maui Rippers Hawaiian-made shorts and T-shirts for men. The company started off making lifeguard shorts and people liked the quick-dry, soft feel of the fabric so they expanded the product. His own line of Big Dog T-shirts features his family's beagle, Wishbone. His canine companion in the store is the very mellow Asta, a Catahoola leopard dog.

So if you need surfing supplies, beach essentials or just helpful advice and information, drop into the store at 459 Periwinkle Way, or phone 472-0966.

The **Sanibel Island Farmer's Market** will be closing at the end of April. But you can still catch it every Sunday until then – rain or shine – from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m., including Easter Sunday. The market is located at 800 Dunlop Road, between the Sanibel Public Library and BIG ARTS.

You'll find locally grown and organic produce, seafood, imported and domestic cheeses, baked goods, flowers and plants, hand-made soaps and candles, ready-made meals to go, barbecue and soul food.

The Sanibel Neighbors Club (SNC) has welcomed **Cip's Place** restaurant as its newest business member.

Cip's Place, open from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., is located in the Forever Green Shopping Center, 2055 Periwinkle Way.

"Cip's is a perfect fit for Neighbor's Club with their history here on Sanibel," said Jason LaManna, SNC co-founder. He added, "We are excited to have them on board and are looking forward to our members enjoying the benefits they have to offer."

Cip's Place is the 22nd business to join SNC in its first two months. Their first weekly special, to be announced on the Sanibel Neighbors Club website and by email to all SNC members, will be a complimentary glass of house wine to all members who purchase an "islander favorite" entrée: these entrees are served all day. Members must show their membership card to claim.



Photograph of the Sanibel Lighthouse by Charlie McCullough, from an exhibition of his work at Tower Gallery through April



John Cahill of Big Dog Surf Shop with some of the boards he sells



Skim boards and board shorts at Big Dog Surf Shop



One of a selection of Tribal Surf SPF 50+ shirts at Big Dog

The club is a loyalty program for Sanibel residents that offers weekly specials from island businesses. New specials are added weekly. All specials are posted on the club website and emailed to members. The annual membership fee is \$15; \$5 of the first year's fee goes to a local non-profit of the member's choosing.

For more information and joining instructions log on to www.SanibelNeighborsClub.com or stop by Hillgate Communications located in the Bailey's Center at 2451 Periwinkle Way.

The Sanibel Health Club is now opening weekdays at 5 a.m. as of March 26. New hours are Monday through Friday, 5 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"Come join us for coffee, breakfast and a workout," says co-owner Tim Shevlin. The fitness center is at 975 Rabbit Road, phone 395-2639.

The Tower Gallery is extending Charlie McCullough's Historical Images of Sanibel and Captiva show through April due to the overwhelming response and interest in his work.

"New photographs will continue to come in as others sell," said Jo Anne Biedent, of Tower Gallery.

Tower Gallery is at 751 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel, phone 472-4557. Hours are 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. daily.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

Traditions on the Beach at the Island Inn has live entertainment nightly.

This week's lineup starting Thursday, March 29: Pianoman Joe McCormick for popular favorites and smooth vocal stylings, R&B, Jazz and Pop for dancing; Friday, Joe McCormick and singer Barbara Smith; Saturday, smooth music and dancing with Joe McCormick and vocalist Marvella Marzan; Sunday, Dusk Duo with Dean & Kathy Winkleman on piano, guitar and vocals with pop, R&B, country and jazz for dancing and listening; Monday, Joe McCormick; Tuesday, Joe McCormick; Wednesday, Prime Rib & Prime Jazz with Father Al & the Jazz Congregation featuring vocalist "Mr. Swing" Paul Ventura performing smooth jazz classics. Traditions

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The Sanibel Captiva Trust Companies' last WOW Seminar for the season was held on March 20 at The Sanctuary Golf Club, with more than 30 women in attendance. WOW Seminars, which stands for Women-Opportunity-Wealth, are conducted four times each season both on Sanibel and in Naples and the success is attributed to Ginny Fleming, a board member of the Trust Company who originated the idea.

"Women in the know, enjoy each others' company



Sally Hanser, Terry Igo and Betty Abbott

while getting important lessons on what every woman needs to know," said Fleming, describing the importance of the events.

Alison K. Douglas, principal and managing partner of the Cummings & Lockwood, LLC law firm in Naples spoke on "Changing Tides ~ The Legal Process Of Life." The seminar highlighted the importance of legal preparation for the three D's in life – Dementia, Death and Divorce – and gave examples on how critical it is for women to understand the pros and cons

of title on investments and assets. Douglas explained that Alzheimers is the sixth leading cause of adult deaths in the US and effects over five million Americans. Medicare and Medicaid spend \$140 billion annually dealing with dementia and Alzheimers patients. She further discussed how critical it is for everyone to have an Advance Directive with a health care rep designated and a living will, HIPPA signed, a Durable Power of Attorney, a Revocable Trust and a Preneed Guardian. 55 percent of adults pass away with no will (Intestacy) and the ramifications of not "planning" can be financially difficult for the surviving spouse.

Adria Starkey, COO of San Cap Trust Company and president of The Naples Trust Company, concluded the session by saying how proud SCTC is to sponsor the WOW Seminars and that next seasons' will continue to be "educational and informative, with new important topics discussed each month focusing on women."✧



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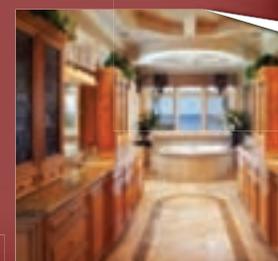
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The Sanibel Sprout owners Edith and Nikki Rood

The Sanibel Sprout Opens For Buisness

March 21 was a big day for the new shop, The Sanibel Sprout. They hosted their inaugural ribbon-cutting with the Chamber of Commerce, where supporters from all over the islands came out to celebrate the store's opening.

The Sanibel Sprout is a new family-owned, inter-generational organic health food store and it is the only one on Sanibel & Captiva.

"We like to think of ourselves as the Island's wellness hub, where our customers are welcome to browse, shop and find fun and empowering educational resources," said Nikki Rood, co-owner of the business.

Co-owner Edith Rood added, "At The Sanibel Sprout, we are committed to providing you with the highest quality

organic foods and products to support the process of internal energy production and renewal."

The mother and daughter owned store offers a weekly vegetable/fruit organic co-op basket that members can order each week. The baskets contain

the freshest and organic in-season produce available.

The Sanibel Sprout is located at 2330 Palm Ridge Road, Suite 9 in the Sanibel Deli/Island Pharmacy Shopping Plaza. For more information, log on to www.thesanibelsprout.com.✱

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

Bathroom Magic Victorious Again

On March 12, Bathroom Magic pounded Chalk & Awe 15-1, capturing first place honors for the year by one game over Bunt's Ball Busters. Captain Dennis Bender, Joe Steamer and John Gonzalez posted 4-0 scores for the Magic team.

The Ball Busters had topped the league for the past three years until they finally succumbed to the superior firepower from the Fort Myers team composed

of shooters from throughout Lee County.

In the match between Bunt's Ball Busters and Fresh Legion Crew, Pattee Frank again showed she could keep up with the boys as she notched two wins to bring her win total to 21 for the year. Frank is the top woman player in the league by 25 percentage points.

Kelly Greten, Doc Lubinski and Jimbo Gaubatz went undefeated for their Odd Ball squad and helped their teammates to a 15-1 submerging of George & Wendy's.✱

Pool League Standings page 24B

From page 6B

Live On Islands

is at 3111 West Gulf Drive, phone 472-4559.

Cip's Place has live music from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday with Jimmy G on steel drums. Steve "Scooter" Reynolds performs Thursday and Sunday from 6 to 9 p.m. Cip's is at 2055 Periwinkle Way. Phone 472-0223.

The Jacaranda has entertainment nightly from 7 to 11 p.m. On Friday and Saturday, various artists are featured. On Sunday, it's Jamaica "Dave" & Co., reggae and dance; Monday, Renata, jazz, contemporary music and dance; Tuesday, Steve "Scooter" Reynolds, acoustic 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.

Traders Store & Cafe features music by Chris Workman Wednesdays from 7 to 10 p.m. and Danny Morgan and Friends on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 to 10 p.m. Traders is at 1551 Periwinkle Way, phone 472-7242.

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.

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.

RC Otter's, 11506 Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, has live music daily with dining inside and out, phone 395-1142.

Live entertainment at **George & Wendy's Sanibel Seafood Grille**: Wednesdays, Robbie Hutto; Thursdays Karaoke; Fridays Chris Workman; Saturdays alternating, John Memeli and The TroubleStarters; and Sunday, Taylor Nave, young talent on keyboard and vocals The restaurant is at 2499 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Phone 395-1263.

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

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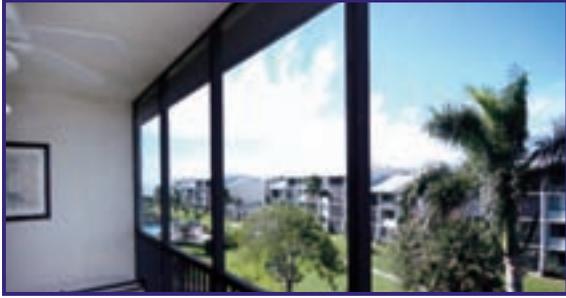
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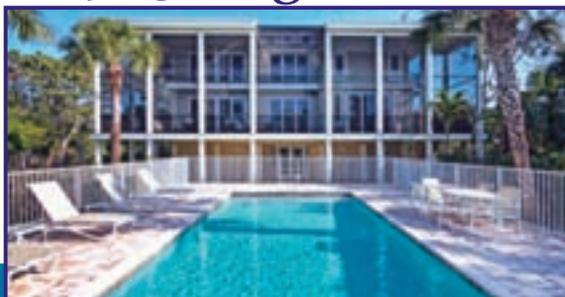
9319 Kincaid Ct.



- Brand new 3 BR/2 BA elevated home. Overlooks river.
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- Kitchen with large pantry, S/S appliances, 42" cabinets.
- Impact glass, 2 car garage with large storage area.
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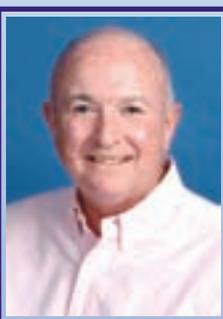
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Championship Award winners Trudy Burkholder, Pat Haggerty, Ann Levinsohn, Gay Nichols, Joan Dyke and Bridget Funk (not pictured)

Dunes Nifty Niners Present Awards

Dunes Nifty Niners Golf League Championship and Ringer Awards were announced at an awards luncheon following play on March 22. Championship award winners were:

- Flight 1
 - 1st Ann Levinsohn
 - 2nd Bridget Funk
 - Flight 2
 - 1st Gay Nichols
 - 2nd Joan Dyke
 - Flight 3
 - 1st Pat Haggerty
 - 2nd Place - Trudy Burkholder
- Ringer Award winners were:
 Flight 1 Valerie Hotchkiss

Flight 2 Mary Coddens
 Flight 3 Phyllis Koury
 A Step Above the Rest Award was presented by President Roberta Rohl to three women. Rohl authored a poem describing the qualities these women demonstrated that represent the soul and spirit of The Dunes Nifty Niners League. Recipients were: Gay Nichols, Dorothy Hirschfield and Gwen Trautwein.✧

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Ringer Award winners Val Hotchkiss, Mary Coddens and Phyllis Koury



Step Above The Rest Award winners Gwen Trautwein, Gay Nichols and Dorothy Hirschfield



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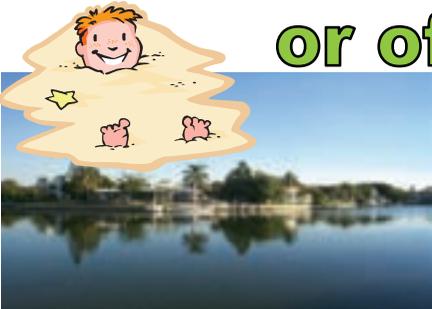


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Sanctuary's Pazdera Named Assistant Golf Pro Of The Year

Jon Pazdera, Assistant Golf Professional at The Sanctuary Golf Club, was named 2011 Southwest Florida Chapter for the PGA, Assistant Golf Professional of the Year by his peers last week. Pazdera received an official letter from the awards chairman inviting him to receive his award publicly at the annual spring meeting in April.

This is the highest honor awarded to Assistant Golf Professionals. Pazdera demonstrates consistent and outstanding service at the club. He provides service to industry peers; shows exceptional leadership qualities at the club and amongst his peers; displays a commitment to improving opportunities for assistants within the PGA Section and/or Chapter; and portrays a positive image of both the PGA Professional and the PGA of America.

Pazdera is the current chairman of the Southwest Florida Chapter of Assistant Golf Professionals.

"We could not be more proud of Jon. He is an outstanding young Golf Professional, a terrific young man and truly demonstrates the necessary qualities to win the award," said Ed Lockard, Director of Golf at The Sanctuary Golf Club. "We are very lucky to have him at The Sanctuary Golf Club."

Pazdera stated, "It's an honor to receive this award and I cannot be more thankful. It's been a privilege to work at some great facilities with The Sanctuary Golf Club being one of them for the past seven seasons. They have groomed me into the PGA Golf Professional that I am today, giving me the resources and tools to achieve this goal. Also, the love and support my parents have given me has really made me the person that I am. I'd like to thank my peers for acknowledging my hard work. The recognition is greatly appreciated."

For more information regarding the PGA of America, visit www.pga.com.



Jon Pazdera



Enter the Tennis Tournament raffle to win this elegant dolphin vase by Luc Century

SCCF Tournament, Raffle And Silent Auction

It's too late to sign up to play in SCCF's 20th Annual Tennis Tournament at The Dunes Pavel-Blackwood Tennis Academy, but the public is welcome to stop by and enter our raffle and silent auction for some great gifts.

Raffle prizes include a beautiful, large dolphin vase by Sanibel glass artist Luc Century as well as a stay in historic St. Augustine. Raffle tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25.

Silent auction donations include gift certificates from Ace Hardware, Ace Performer, Beachview Tennis Golf & Restaurant, Captiva Cruises Sunset Cruise, Cip's, Danny Morgan, Doc Ford's Sanibel Rum Bar & Grille, The Dunes, George & Wendy's Corner Grill, Jensen's Twin Palm Resort & Marina, Kay Casperson Girlfriends' Spa Party, Lazy Flamingo, Lighthouse Café, Lily & Company, Monica Fields, A stay at a Sundial Condo from Royal Shell, Sanibel Day Spa, Stay in a St. Augustine Bed & Breakfast, Tarpon Bay Explorers Gift Basket, Thistle Lodge, Trader's, Twilight Café and a stay at the West Wind Inn.

To place bids, stop by The Dunes Pavel-Blackwood Tennis Academy on Saturday, March 31 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, April 1 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Event organizers are pleased to welcome Francis Bailey as this year's lead tournament sponsor and FineMark National Bank & Trust as the sponsor of the Friday night cocktail party for players.

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Beachview Men And The 112 Club



Tuesday, March 20 winners, Bill Blankenship, Jerry Mader and Tom Ware (not pictured Jim Mulka)

submitted by Jack Tukey

On Tuesday, March 20 the Beachview Men's Golf Association played a very modified stableford game: net bogie 1 point, net par 2 points, net birdie 3 points and net eagle 4 points.

The foursome of Jim Mulka, Tom Ware, Jerry Mader and Bill Blankenship were the winners, thanks in large part to several long putts holed by "Smiley" Blankenship for an overall score of 168. In second place was the team of Tony "Bricks" Baldino, Bob "Hole-in-One" Richlin, Rene "Mr. Swiss" Lohser, and Bill (no nickname yet) Fetherston with a score of 164. In third was the foursome of Fred Zimmer, Guy Tober, Dave Smith and Dick Chocol with a total of 148.

On Saturday, March 24, the men played a four-person, two best-ball net game. There was a unique finish to the day when six of the nine foursomes ended with a score of 112. This is the first time in recent memory that more than three teams have



Saturday, March 24 winners, Hunt Etheridge, Ralph Barton, John Kilkenny and Dave Wiseley

finished with the exact same score. Our pro was heard to say "Impossible!" Two teams came in with a slightly higher score and then we had to wait for the last team to arrive and they had the winning score of 110. That was the foursome of Dave Wiseley, Hunt Etheridge, Ralph Barton, and John Kilkenny. And then to determine who would be awarded second place from the 112 Club, there was a scorecard playoff of all six teams.

With two net birdies on the 18th hole, the foursome of Skip Tutor, Jerry Mader, Dave Smith and Jack Tukey were the second place winners. In third was the team of Mike Mackay, Guy Tober, Dick Arnould and Al Krause.*

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Dunes Women's Golf Results

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club announced the DWGA event results from Friday, March 23

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Flight #1 (Team HCP Range 37.8 - 48.2)

- 1st Anne Frymoyer 54
Gussie Blue
- 2nd Daphne Hellmuth 60
Mike Dutton
- 3rd June Muench 61
Annie Wainwright

Flight #2 (Team HCP Range 51.6 - 58.5)

- 1st Maureen Rains 55
Joan Kent
- 2nd Kenene Weymouth 57
Mardi Glenn
- 3rd Linda Defrancisco 59
Mary Ann Parmelee

Flight #3 (Team HCP Range 59.4 - 75.8)

- 1st Margaret Dwyer 57
Adrienne Cross
- 2nd Rosemary Ryan 58
Jan Baker
- 3rd Tanya Hochschild 60
Bridget Funk
- 3rd Judy Yenkole 60
Nancy Orr

Chip-Ins

- Cathy Sleiter (Hole #14)
- Margaret Dwyer (Hole #10)
- Gussie Blue (Hole #13)
- Mary Donovan (Hole #1)*



Anne Frymoyer



Gussie Blue



Daphne Hellmuth



Mike Dutton



June Muench



Annie Wainwright



Maureen Rains



Joan Kent



Kenene Weymouth



Mardi Glenn



Linda Defrancisco



Mary Ann Parmelee



Margaret Dwyer



Adrienne Cross



Rosemary Ryan



Jan Baker



Tanya Hochschild



Bridget Funk



Judy Yenkole



Nancy Orr

Hole-In-One

On March 22, Alex Okray, 18, scored a hole-in-one on the 101-yard second hole at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club. Okray used a pitching wedge and a Titleist ball.

It was the first hole-in-one of Okray's golfing career.*

Hole-In-One

On March 22, Nick Sbrockey scored a hole-in-one on the 132-yard sixth hole at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club. Sbrockey used a 6 iron.

It was the second hole-in-one of Sbrockey's golfing career.*

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1. Chicago Cubs shortstop Starlin Castro set a record in 2010 for most RBIs in a major-league debut. How many did he have?
2. In 2011, Atlanta's Brian McCann became the second person in major-league history to have a pinch-hit, game-tying homer in the ninth and followed with a game-winning home run. Who was the first?
3. Who was the last coach of the Houston Oilers before Jeff Fisher took over in 1994 and the team eventually moved to Tennessee?
4. Entering the 2011-12 season, Kentucky was the No. 1 team for total victories in Division I college basketball (2,052). Name three of the next five schools.
5. How many players reached the 100-point plateau in the NHL in the 2010-11 season?
6. Name the Russian superheavyweight Olympic weightlifter who won two gold medals and had a nine-year unbeaten streak (1970-78).
7. Who was the last LPGA golfer before Yani Tseng (2010-11) to capture two women's majors in consecutive years.

ANSWERS

1. Six. 2. Jeff Heath of the Boston Braves in 1949. 3. Jack Pardee (1990-94). 4. Kansas (2,038 wins), Daniel Sedin, with 104 points (41 goals, 63 assists). 6. Vasily Alekseyev. 7. Karrie Webb, in 2000-01.

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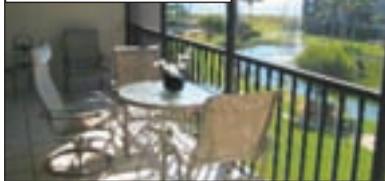


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Spring Training Nears End: What Are The Prospects For The Red Sox, Twins?



by Ed Frank

The moving trucks have arrived. Packing is under way. And early next week, the 2012 spring training season will have ended.

By all indications, the Florida Grapefruit League will set a new attendance record this year – more than 1.5 million fans – with the Boston Red Sox leading the pack as a result of their magnificent new jetBlue Park here in Fort Myers.

As the regular season dawns anew, we will look forward at the two teams that train here, Boston and the Minnesota Twins, and what the experts predict for these two clubs in 2012. Remember, the Twins compiled the worst record in the

American League last season, losing 99 games.

And the Red Sox September implosion when they went 7-20, the greatest collapse in baseball history, cost manager Terry Francona his job.

First to the Twins:

The Twins 2011 disaster resulted in the dismissal of general manager Bill Smith and the return of former GM Terry Ryan. Whether Minnesota can return to its former winning ways most likely depends upon the M & M boys – catcher Joe Mauer and first baseman Justin Morneau, two former American League MVPs.

Both missed major portions of last season due to multiple injuries. But both reported to spring training healthy and have showed signs of their former selves this past month.

The absence of Mauer behind the plate forced the Twins to use two substitutes whose combined batting average of .185 was the lowest at that position of any AL team. The addition of Ryan Doumit, who hit .303 last year for Pittsburgh, should rectify the problem.

The acquisition of free agent outfielder Josh Willingham (.246 with Oakland in 2011) should help in the outfield, along with newcomer Jamey Carroll, who can play both the infield and outfield. The Twins signed the 38-year-old Carroll, who hit .290 in 146 games last season for the Los Angeles Dodgers, to a two-year deal.

Woeful pitching last year was another big factor in their last place finish in the American League's Central Division. The combined ERA of 4.58 ranked next to last in the AL. Injuries to Scott Baker, Francisco Liriano and Nick Blackburn decimated the starting pitching.

Ryan signed right-hander Jason Marquis, a combined 9-6 record last season with Washington and Arizona, as a starter. And veteran Carl Pavano, 9-13 in 2011, returns to round out the starting rotation.

Prior to last season, the Twins had won the AL Central six times in nine seasons. A rebuilding job remains before they can most likely return to a plus-.500 record. A third or fourth place divisional finish is a good guess. However, their spring training record of 13-11 (as of Monday) is an encouraging.

Now to the Red Sox:

Starting pitching, or the lack thereof, was the principal reason for the Red Sox historic collapse last September.

Losing right-hander Clay Buchholz to injury was atop the misery index, but you have to figure there will be injuries to players throughout any season. The Red Sox will begin the 2012 season with three reliable starters – Buchholz, Josh Beckett (13-7 last year) and Jon Lester (15-9 in 2011).

New general manager Ben Cherington aggressively sought starting pitching in the off-season through free agency, but it appears they will begin the season moving reliever Daniel Bard into a starting role.

Boston did acquire All-Star closer Andrew Bailey from Oakland to replace Jonathan Papelbon, who departed for Philadelphia. And to strengthen the back end of the bullpen, Mark Melancon was acquired from Houston.

There is little doubt that the Red Sox will score a lot of runs off the bats of David Ortiz, Jacoby Ellsbury, Dustin Pedroia, Kevin Youkilis and Adrian Gonzalez, who combined for 489 RBIs in 2011.

But the big question remaining is whether outfielder Carl Crawford, who the Red Sox signed last year to a seven-year \$142 million contract, will be productive this year. He hit .255 with just 11 RBIs a year ago and will not start the regular season as a result of a wrist injury.

The Red Sox replaced Francona as manager with much-traveled Bobby Valentine, whose outspoken personality should keep the pressure off the Red Sox players themselves.

In the tough American League Eastern Division, the Red Sox will compete, but a playoff berth is a big, big if.

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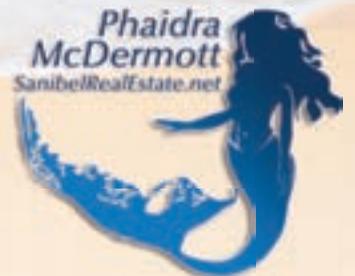
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Committee Of The Islands Annual Meeting

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Annual Meeting

estuaries; sometimes there is too much released for the health of these estuaries, and sometimes too little during drought conditions.

DeLisi made his remarks in a presentation titled, "How We Will Put The Caloosahatchee Estuaries Back on the Path to Recovery." He believes, despite his sober warnings, that recovery is possible. The key, he stressed, was to get the major stakeholders – especially agricultural interests and environmentalists – to resolve competing interests. He spoke bluntly about the political difficulties

involved in such efforts, yet cited steps that SFWMD is taking to achieve incremental but significant progress. Among these are:

- Dispersed water storage, a program that pays agricultural land owners to store surplus water on their properties to mitigate the effects of seasonal flooding.

- Water retention and filtering systems, one of which is now operating in Lehigh Acres.

- Public land acquisition to retire agricultural acreage.

After concluding his presentation, DeLisi engaged in a lively Q&A session with the audience.

Board Members, Officers Elected

In other business at the meeting, the following members of the Committee's board of directors were elected to serve second 2-year terms: David Bath, Barbara Joy Cooley, Mike Gillespie, Claire Mallon, Bud Reinhold, and Larry Schopp.

The board subsequently elected the following officers for 2012-13: Barbara Joy Cooley, president; Mike Gillespie, vice president; Bud Reinhold, treasurer; and David Bath, secretary.

The Committee of the Islands was founded in 1975 by those who helped incorporate Sanibel as an independent, self-governing city within Lee County.

Guided by the mission of these founders, the Committee seeks to ensure the continuity of good local government, to protect the environment, and to preserve the sanctuary character of our barrier island community. Further information is available on the Committee's website at www.coti.org, or via email to coti@coti.org. You can also visit Committee of the Islands on Facebook.*



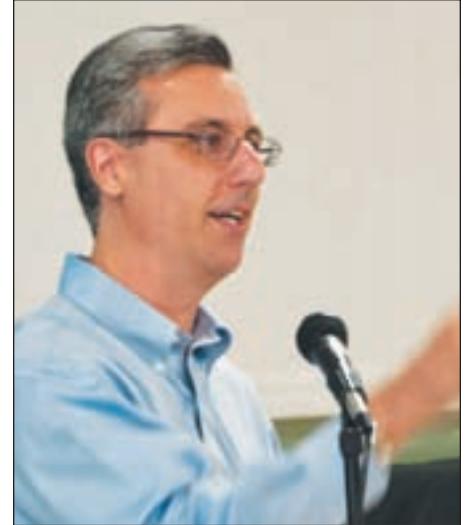
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Keynote speaker Daniel DeLisi addresses the impact of water releases from Lake Okeechobee



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1976 Committee president Milena Eskew with current president Barbara Joy Cooley



Committee of the Islands president Barbara Joy Cooley



Committee of the Islands president Barbara Joy Cooley addresses attendees



Daniel DeLisi and Tom Cooley



Claire Mallon greets attendees



Florida Audubon chairman John Elting, Barbara Joy Cooley, Daniel DeLisi, and Tom Cooley



SFWMD's Phil Flood with Mike Gillespie



Mike Cuscaden reports on the Committee's annual audit



Lenora Hoffman, Claire Mallon, Wayne Ponader, Phyllis Gresham, and Tico Moreno



Mardi Ponader, Tom Pick, and Norma Gillespie



Vice president Mike Gillespie reports on the Committee's community outreach programs



Larry Schopp describes impact on Sanibel of the state's new Community Planning Act

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FOR WEEK OF APRIL 2, 2012

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Be careful about doing someone a favor when you don't know the full story behind the request. Don't rely on someone's unsubstantiated assurances. Insist on all the facts before you act.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That workplace problem still needs your attention before you finally can close the book on it. Meanwhile, a long-anticipated reunion gets closer to becoming a happy reality.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might be demanding more from others than they can give. Best advice: Have a long and frank talk to determine what the facts are. Tensions should abate as the week winds down.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Aspects are favorable throughout this week for making contacts that could be important to your career plans. Meanwhile, an old friend offers the advice you're seeking.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's time to stop licking your wounds from past mistakes. Get up and get going toward your future. Loyal friends will be there to help the Lion get back into rip-roaring shape.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Take time out to go over what's expected of you before you begin your new project. Otherwise, you run the risk of pushing yourself harder than you need to.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An unusual request could put you in an awkward position. Best advice: Deal with it immediately. The longer you delay, the more difficult it will be to get out of it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should feel recharged and ready for whatever your workaday world holds for you. The same positive energy spills over into your

personal relationships.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A prospect might be less than it appears to be. Like the Archer in your sign, you always aim for the truth. And this is no time to settle for less than full disclosure.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Start doing some serious thinking about a career move that could entail more than just changing job sites. Some lifestyle changes also might be involved.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) With tensions easing at the workplace, a more positive environment once again encourages the free flow of ideas so typical of the always-innovative Aquarian.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show some of that usually hidden steel-strong Piscean backbone, and stand up for yourself if you hope to make a case for that promotion you know you deserve.

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy doing new things and staying ahead of the crowd. You would make a fine sports coach or military leader.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On April 4, 1812, President James Madison fires an economic salvo at the British government and enacts a 90-day embargo on trade with England. The embargo did little to forestall war: The British refused to cease harassing American ships, prompting Madison to lead America into the War of 1812.

- On April 3, 1860, the first Pony Express mail simultaneously leaves St. Joseph, Mo., heading west, and Sacramento, Calif., heading east on a 1,800-mile journey. On April 13, the westbound packet arrived in Sacramento, beating the eastbound packet by two days.

- On April 7, 1891, American showman Phineas Taylor Barnum dies in Bridgeport,

Conn. The 81-year-old showman's sense of humor never deserted him. He requested that a New York newspaper run his obituary before he died so he could enjoy reading it, and the paper obliged.

- On April 2, 1902, the first American theater devoted solely to movies opens in Los Angeles. Housed in a circus tent, the venue was dubbed "The Electric Theater." Admission cost 10 cents for a one-hour show.

- On April 5, 1931, Fox Film Corp. drops John Wayne from its roster of actors. Wayne had played bit parts but failed to impress the studio. In 1939, Wayne finally had his breakthrough in "Stagecoach." He went on to play in dozens of movies, including "True Grit," for which he won an Oscar in 1969.

- On April 6, 1970, Sam Sheppard, a doctor convicted of murdering his pregnant wife in a trial that caused a media frenzy in the 1950s, dies of liver failure. After a decade in prison, Sheppard was found Önot guilty in a second trial in 1966. "The Fugitive" television series and movie were rumored to have been loosely inspired by the story.

- On April 8, 1990, director David Lynch's surreal series, "Twin Peaks," premieres. The show, with its bizarre characters and baffling story line, became an instant cult hit. Kyle MacLachlan starred as Dale Cooper, an FBI agent assigned to visit a small town in the Pacific Northwest to try to unravel the mystery of the murder of resident Laura Palmer.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw who made the following sage observation: "A government that robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul."

- We're all familiar with the act of CPR -- we often see a film or television character

come to the rescue and save a life using the technique. And on TV, according to a recent study, CPR is shown as being successful 75 percent of the time. The reality is not quite so rosy, though. A study conducted in 2010 found that when CPR is used in real life, only about 8 percent of the patients were still alive after one month. Of those who did survive that long, 97 percent couldn't live a normal life.

- Do you suffer from astraphobia? If so, I hope you don't live in Florida. Those who are afraid of lightning would be terrified in the Sunshine State, especially in Tampa, known as the lightning capital of the world.

- Researchers in the United Kingdom have invented a robot that eats slugs and is powered by the gas from the decaying creatures. They have dubbed their creation the SlugBot.

- For six generations, many members of the Fugate family of the Appalachian region of Kentucky have suffered from a rare blood disorder called methemoglobinemia. The disorder seems to have no adverse health effects, but it's not at all difficult to diagnose it at a glance: Sufferers have blue skin. Not just a slight tinge, either; various family members have been described as "blue as Lake Louise," "the bluest woman I ever saw" and "almost purple."

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"A stockbroker urged me to buy a stock that would triple its value every year. I told him, 'At my age, I don't even buy green bananas.'" -- Claude Pepper

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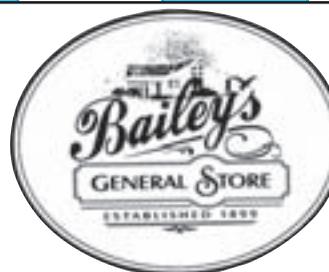


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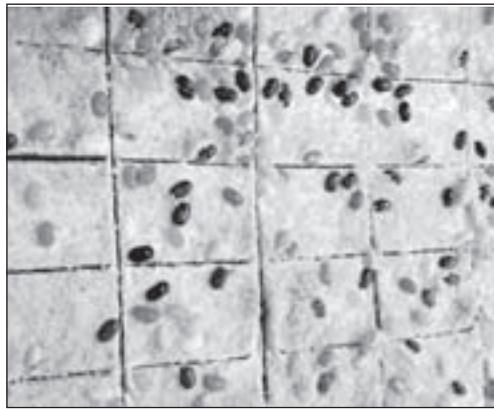
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Water, Water Everywhere



by Bryan Hayes

One of my favorite, not to mention beneficial, activities is a morning bike ride on our great paths around the islands. Our island prides itself on the quality of life and the quality of care that it receives from both its citizens, visitors and authorities. So, I can't help but notice things from time to time that I think can be easily improved.

One of the things that has been sticking out to me lately – probably because it's March and we're approaching summer temps already – is all the sprinklers that are on during my bike ride. Most of them are doing what they are supposed to; watering lawns and plants. But, from time to time, a few of them are watering pavement. I'm sure that there are some forms of life on that pavement that wouldn't mind having a little water come their way, but I suspect that's not the sprinkler owner's intention.

I know that it can be difficult to live sustainably all the time, but in this case, it should be an easy fix. If you suspect that your sprinkler might be missing the mark, ask your lawn professional to check it out

for you. All you have to do is walk out on your scheduled watering day and see what's wet and what's not. In any case, it will be good for the environment as well as your pocket book.

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.*

Baseball Trip To Yankees Vs. Rays

Join the Cape Coral Parks & Recreation Department for a bus trip to see the New York Yankees take on the Tampa Bay Rays at Tropicana Field in St. Petersburg.

Trip includes round trip transportation in a chartered bus from the Cape Coral Yacht Club Community Park, game ticket, parking and tolls, plus snacks and soft drinks during the bus trip.

The game will take place on Saturday, April 7. Bus will depart the tennis courts parking lot at Cape Coral Yacht Club at 3:30 p.m. and return around midnight. Cost is \$63 per person.

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, My children have terrible handwriting. I am concerned that they are not learning how to write properly. Are they teaching handwriting in school now with all the computers in use?

Jon B., Estero

The teaching of handwriting has become somewhat controversial. Some experts say that the skill of handwriting is no longer of value since we are now in a digital age. Some schools have already discontinued the teaching of handwriting. This behavior seems to parallel the comments made about teaching math when calculators were introduced into schools many years ago. At that time, many wondered if we no longer needed to teach calculation since everyone would have a calculator. Of course, we have not seen the end of this type of math instruction and I don't think we will see the complete dismissal of handwriting instruction. It is still important to be able to read and write personal handwriting.

In the primary school classroom and even in the upper elementary grade classrooms, most schoolwork is still produced by

hand. Students must complete class work in math, language arts, science and social studies in a paper-pencil format. While some assignments may be submitted digitally, the bulk of classroom work is still completed by using handwriting.

Virginia Berninger, a professor of educational psychology at the University of Washington, said that learning handwriting has both cognitive and motor benefits, and that letter formation is a skill that needs to be taught and practiced. She reported that some of the same motor skills a student needs to use when writing are the same small skills required with keyboarding. Poor handwriting skills may also reveal motor deficits. That kind of information is important to have since motor deficits can indicate a learning disability.

Another professor, Dr. Steve Graham from Vanderbilt University, has said that, "Not practicing the motor skills associated with writing also makes it more difficult for people to communicate their ideas." Students who struggle to form their letters may spend their energy on the act of writing rather than what they want to say.

Professor Laura Dinehart from Florida International University's College of Education has been researching the relationship of handwriting and academic achievement. Her research that will soon be published in the *Journal of Early Childhood Education and Development* revealed that students with good penmanship tend to get better grades. "We think it has something to do with kids' ability to pay attention, to focus and hold things in their

working memory," Dinehart said.

When children are in pre-school and the primary grades, it is easy to find practice sheets and games to play to help them learn how to write. The following two sites are both a good starting place to get information and free practice sheets for handwriting:

<http://kidshealth.org>

<http://www.handwritingforkids.com>

There are also many new apps out to help with letter formation.

It is much more difficult to help older children to improve their handwriting since they have developed their own personal style of writing. There are books and programs advertised to help an established writer improve their legibility. Advice from your child's teacher may be the best place to start this process.

We will see the debate about handwriting instruction continue and the instruction may become minimal. It will then become very important for parents to intervene and assist their children to develop legible handwriting to aid in their development.

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FGCU National Recognition

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Programs like FGCU's are being modeled throughout the American educational system, according to Service Learning Director Jessica Rhea.

"It is gaining momentum in higher education because it is a high-impact teaching practice that increases content knowledge, higher-order thinking, citizenship skills, academic engagement, and success," said Rhea.

Students participate in 80 hours of service-based learning prior to graduating. The EaglesConnect program helps them match personal passions and academic goals with more than 300 agencies, including social, legal and health services, environmental organizations, and educational institutions.

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SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE Standings through March 12

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bathroom Magic	248	88
Second	Bunt's Ball Busters	247	89
Third	Odd Balls	190	146
Fourth	Sanibel Café	162	174
Fifth	Fresh Legion Crew	143	193
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Samet Named To Dean's List

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Anonymous Donation Made To Brightest Horizons

Brightest Horizons has had supporters before, but only a few could truly be called champions for the children.

Located in the Harlem Heights community of Fort Myers, Brightest Horizons provides early education to children of low income working families to break the cycle of poverty by giving them the tools to grow, learn and thrive. An anonymous donor has made a \$100,000 challenge to fellow residents of Shell Point Retirement Community and those in the surrounding area. Donations will offset the costs of providing quality early learning programs to children of low income working families.

Over the years, Brightest Horizons' children have gone to Shell Point to sing during the holiday season, visited the train museum and enjoyed other field trips; perhaps one of the most anticipated is the trick or treating in a safe environment while showing off their costumes. Many Shell Point residents volunteer by devoting their time and energies to enhance the human experience for these special children.

The anonymous donor has challenged fellow members of the community to

match the \$100,000 commitment. These funds will help Brightest Horizons continue its mission through the year, helping underserved children have a significantly greater chance of having a successful future.

"We are so grateful for this selfless leader in our community who shares a vision of excellent early education for every child. This gift enables us to continue our good work and the legacy of breaking the cycle of poverty," said Tina Parsons, executive director.✧

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FGCU Recognition

For additional details on the award-winning program, visit www.fgcupinnacle.com.

The Corporation for National and Community Service, which has administered the Honor Roll since 2006, recognized a total of 642 colleges and universities for their impact on issues from literacy and neighborhood revitalization to supporting at-risk youth. Of that total, 513 were named to the Honor Roll, 110 received the recognition of Honor Roll with distinction, 14 were identified as finalists, and five received the Presidential Award.

For a complete list of recipients, visit www.NationalService.gov/HonorRoll.✧

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Kanzius Project

without harming healthy tissue. The goal is to produce an effective, non-invasive cancer treatment in humans that doesn't have the harsh side effects associated with current treatments like chemotherapy and radiation.

Marianne Kanzius refers to the project as "this generation's miracle." Since her husband died she evolved from a caregiver of seven years to managing partner of the company that is developing the radio frequency device used in the technology. She is the first to admit it's been a steep learning curve which involves all the legal, technical and financial disciplines necessary to bring the product to commercialization. Her primary mission now is focusing on continued research and development of the Radio Frequency Generator. "Helping people with this deadly disease has been the driving force behind this project. It was when John was alive and it is that way today," she said. Asked if she could sum it up in one word, she responded, "Hope. We give people hope and show them they're not alone with the disease."

The primary research of developing the nanoparticle and target molecule technology is being done at the MD Anderson Cancer Research Center in Houston, Texas with much of the funding coming from the non-profit Kanzius Cancer Research Foundation in Erie, Pennsylvania. There has also been significant funding from local island and Southwest Florida people. MD Anderson is presently working toward FDA approv-

als for the technology which is the precursor to human trials expected two to three years from now. Several technical breakthroughs have been made in the past year.

The development of the RF Generator is in the hands of Thermed LLC, the company formed by John Kanzius to develop the machine. The machine, currently in its fifth generation, is now of sufficient size to accommodate human beings. The earlier devices could only accommodate petri dishes and small animals like mice and rabbits. Here again, the various iterations of the machine are bringing it closer as a viable device. "The development of the device is separate and apart from the effort going on at MD Anderson," said Kanzius, now managing partner of the company. "Our focus is developing a machine sufficient to treat humans when Dr. Curley (lead researcher at MD Anderson) is ready for human trials."

Kanzius' conversation about the business is constantly sprinkled with references and concern for the patients and caregivers who approach her almost on a daily basis. The weight of her responsibility is evident when she speaks of the suffering of cancer patients. "All I can give them at this point is hope but if this process ultimately works, and I'm confident it will, cancer patients will be relieved of the suffering they endure now."

The future of the project lies with the methodical and often painfully slow process that researchers must use to establish a safe human treatment protocol. There are no shortcuts.✧

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Superior Interiors

Top 10 Home Fashion Must-Haves



by Jeanie Tinch

If you are thinking about re-decorating your home this year, you may be interested in the hottest home fashion “must-haves” from the most recent Highpoint Furniture Market.

Over 200,000 designers and furniture store buyers descend upon the market each spring and fall to select the newest, latest and greatest for their clients. More than ever, homeowners are looking to their home as a haven and want it to reflect their individuality.

1. Eclectic Accents

The number one direction in home furnishings, eclectic accents bridge the gap between the elegance of traditional and the informal comfort of contemporary by mixing various elements and accessories from different periods and styles. Versatility was evident in all the showrooms, with something for everyone who is looking for fresh choices.

2. Massive & Masculine

“Tall, dark and handsome” would be

appropriate description for the plethora of home furnishings with a bold sense of masculinity. Leathers, tweeds, plaids, oversized ottomans and handsome recliner chairs were in abundance. Leather covered armoires and desks were real standouts.

3. Bold Beds

No matter what design – four poster, canopy or sleigh – bed proportions are predicted to be bigger and better than ever. Elegant bed coverings were featured everywhere, as were large, plush chaise lounges.

4. Hi-Ho Silver

The Midas Touch has turned to silver, replacing gold as the number one choice for a luxurious finish. Silver will be more prominent in the traditional areas such as accessories. Look for silver to pop up in fabric weaves and trimmings as well. Gold and copper finishes were strong, especially in an antiqued finish.

5. Black Is Back (And So Is Brown)

Always a fashion favorite, black is back in home accessories. A touch of black was evident in almost every showroom in lampshades, tabletop accessories, frames, and bed coverings. Black and white in harlequin diamond patterns and in French toiles were seen everywhere. Rich, warm browns in all coffee shades made a strong showing. Paired with gold and copper touches, the look was irresistible.

6. Mixed Media

Accent and occasional tables were an exciting mixture of materials which made each piece seem distinctive. Leather and iron, wood and glass, woven reed, ham-

mered silver, stones and even wall coverings all combined for the intriguing look of eclecticism.

7. Touchable Textures

Highly textured solid and woven fabrics, chenilles, tapestries, velvets, supple suedes and leathers have overtaken prints as the newest “feel good” fabric trend. Even the cottons are “sueded” to impart a look and feel of luxury.

8. Pizzaz With Pattern

As a result of texture being more prominent in fabrics, pattern is taking off in floor coverings and accessories. Animal prints were still in evidence, but to a smaller degree. Ethnic touches were strong with exciting accessories from all over the world with vibrant colors and patterns from Morocco to India, China to Turkey.

9. Mirror-Mirror

Mirrors were popping up everywhere. On furniture, lamps and accessories – it seems we just can’t get enough of ourselves. Small mirrors on easels for table tops to huge framed mirrors that rest on the floor and soar towards the ceiling were all elaborately framed in myriad materials and shapes. Tiny mirrors embroidered into silk fabrics sparkled to catch the eye and imagination.

10. Decorative Hardware & Trims

Dramatic and innovative, decorative drapery hardware featured a variety of unusual metals and themes which add tremendous visual interest to window treatments and upholstered furniture. Tassels and trims were embellished with beads and crystals for additional elegance.

As the largest furniture and accessory market in the world, the semi-annual international furniture Highpoint is a fantasy of the latest products and design in the home furnishings industry. Look to the direction and forecasting from Highpoint to ensure your investment in home décor is on target and timeless.

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Insurance Tip

Recap Of 2012 Citizens Changes

by Marge Meek



Citizens continues to create changes that will improve their financial position and will potentially limit its number of customers. All renewal offers of continuing coverage will include a notice

of insurance changes making it important to read what changes affect your particular property.

On homeowners policies, the changes are substantial enough that staying with Citizens is not advisable. Items like liability coverage are being reduced and the gaps between what other companies offer and what Citizens will provide are substantial.

Besides no longer offering coverage on pool cages, carports and other similar structures, the lowest class of opening protection credits will no longer receive wind credits. Wood paneling over windows and doors for hurricane protection typically falls into this category.

On the commercial residential side, efforts are under way to ensure buildings are insured to 100 percent of their replacement value. Limits to the amount of coverage Citizens will insure will also place added financial pressure on various types of associations.

Citizens is reinstating past assessment rules that will allow them to increase the amount of assessments until their goal is reached. Additionally, all policy holders will be advised of a potential that up to 45 percent maybe an added surcharge on all policies in the event of an account deficit.

Limiting coverage and increasing rates, potential surcharges and assessments will achieve the state’s goal of reducing Citizens size. This will be a bumpy ride

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New Florida Pool Pump And Motor Law



by David Liebetrau

Lately, we’ve been receiving a lot of questions regarding the new Florida energy efficient pool pump and motor law that went into effect on March 15. I have to admit that the bureaucratic word-

ing of the changes had us confused too, so we spent some serious time reading and researching all of the information we could find. After losing a little of our sanity, we hope to pass on this information without causing you any headaches or crossed eyes.

First, the new law is only applicable to residential pools, and their main filter pump. All current pumps and motors will be grandfathered in until they fail, and need part replacement. Also, any pump or motor under warranty will be able to be replaced with a single speed motor, and repairs to existing pumps and motors under warranty are ok as long as no money changes hands.

The new law will affect you only when it is time to replace your current equipment. Anything 1 HP or larger will need

to be replaced with a multi-speed, or variable speed motor or pump. Split-phase, shaded-pole, and capacitor-induction run types will no longer be allowed.

Additionally, if you have an outdated control system that is not capable of operating that pump it will need to be replaced. However, several pump motors with the new multi-speed motors are capable of operating multi-speed on their own, and a new controller is not needed.

This new law does allow the use of single speed equipment for purposes other than filtration, such as water features and booster pumps. If you are in doubt of how this legislation affects you, consult a pool professional for specifics to your pool and equipment.

Now I know what you’re thinking, “Oh, great. The government is going to make me spend more money on something that was expensive enough to begin with,” but during our research we found some information that will help ease the pain. The current pumps and motors that have been standard in our industry are extremely inefficient. In fact, your current pool filtration costs can be one of the three largest energy cost in your home.

The new multi-speed pumps and motors are designed to run slower, while still sufficiently circulating water and the energy savings can be dramatic. In fact, not only will this new equipment save you money on monthly energy costs, but it can have a longer lifespan due to magnetic drive systems that run cooler and have minimal vibration.

So breathe a sigh of relief, Sanibel.

This new law really isn’t bad at all. It will help conserve energy use, while also saving you money in the long run. In fact, this new equipment can pay for itself in as little as two years. The upfront cost will be a little higher, but your savings will be significant over the pump’s lifetime. The days of thinking that high flow is better are over. Now we’ve come to understand that lower flow for a longer period of time can be better in many ways.

Remember that the state requires a licensed contractor only make repairs, and doing otherwise is not only a felony in Florida, it also creates insurance denials if a claim results in unlicensed activity. Protect yourself, and your property, by always hiring a licensed contractor.

David Liebetrau is a licensed pool contractor on Sanibel. If you have a question for David, e-mail him at info@bannerpoolservice.com.✪

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Will Power

It's Not Locked Up - It's Just A Matter Of Who Is In Charge



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

My youngest daughter received some birthday checks from her grandparents, uncles and aunts. She wanted to spend the money on all sorts of

\$500,000.

Jane as trustee decides how to invest the \$500,000 for Max's benefit. When Max turns 16 and wants her to buy him a Porsche, declaring, "It's my money and I should be able to choose the car I want!" Jane can say, "No. Your mother would have wanted me to invest this money for your college education. I will have the trust funds purchase you a Honda CRV, which is safe and much more reasonable than a Porsche."

Max might be angry with Jane, but there is nothing he can do about it.

When Max turns 18, he goes to college. Jane uses the trust funds to pay for Max's college educational expenses, his travel, room, board and books over the course of his studies.

Let's fast forward to when Max turns 25. Let's assume that there's \$210,000 left in Max's trust after Jane has used the money to pay for Max's college education. Max has the ability, now that he is 25 years of age, to ask for one-third of the balance, so Jane must distribute \$70,000 outright to Max if he makes the demand.

Jane still controls \$140,000. On Max's 29th birthday, he decides to buy his first home. He needs \$40,000 as a down payment. So he asks Jane if she can make that distribution from the trust. Jane thinks this is a good idea and distributes the money for Max to make his down payment.

When Max turns 30, his trust share has \$100,000 left in it. He can demand half of what's left now - so if he wants, he can access another \$50,000. When he turns 35, he can demand the rest if Jane hasn't yet used the trust funds for his benefit before then or otherwise distributed the balance to Max.

That is how a typical testamentary trust works. You see that the trust funds haven't been locked up during Max's youth, rather his mother Mary has entrusted Jane to manage Max's money wisely for him. Without Jane, Max may have bought the expensive Porsche and not had the money to go to college and make a down payment on his first home.

Anyone with young children as beneficiaries - whether they are children, grandchildren or other loved ones - should consider building a testamentary trust to ensure that the money is used the way it should be.

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Citizens Changes

and other insurance companies have just started to react to their business opportunity. One thing is certain: your insurance premiums will continue to increase over the short term.

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foolishness - DVDs of movies she has seen several times, pillow pets and other what not.

I said "No."

She replied, "It's my money! I can do what I want with it!"

So I said, "Yes, you can. But if you spend your money unwisely, when you want me to buy you that laptop computer you have your eye on, I'm not going to be so willing to pitch in for it."

And that was the end of it.

But she wasn't happy about it. Almost every parent has had a similar experience I'm sure. Children are prone to impulsive purchases that they might otherwise regret after they realize that the big-ticket item they should have saved for is out of reach. But you don't want to lock up their money forever on them. It's a matter of helping them make wise decisions.

This applies in estate planning as well.

Suppose that you are making a will and that you have minor children. In the event of your death, you can't have money and other assets distributed outright to your minor children for various reasons. First, they're too young to legally sign their name and accept any amounts anyway. A court-ordered guardianship would be necessary - which is time consuming and expensive.

So instead, your attorney suggests that your will contain a "testamentary trust" for your minor children that will name a trustee for them to manage the money and to make distributions to or for your minor child's benefit. Your will might say that at age 25 your minor child would get to control one-third of the remainder of his trust share, at age 30 he can control half of what is left, and by age 35 he can control the remainder.

When reading these provisions, some people get concerned that the inheritance is "locked up" until the child is 25 years old. "What if they need money for college?" is a common question.

The answer is that the money is available for the child's education. It is usually also available to pay for essentials such as food, clothing, shelter and medical expenses. The money is not "locked up" until the child attains age 25. Instead, the money is subject to the discretion of whomever you have named as trustee over the money. The trustee decides how the money is to be used until that time.

Suppose, for example, that "Mary" dies leaving a will naming her sister "Jane" as the trustee for funds held for her son "Max." Max is only 14 years old when his mother Mary dies, leaving insurance, money and assets totaling



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YMCA children with thank you signs during the announcement that United Way made its goal

United Way Campaign Makes Goal

The United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades has concluded the 2011-12 campaign and exceeded the campaign goal of \$8,030,533. The campaign had been scheduled to conclude on February 29, however, the campaign was \$300,000 short of the goal. It was extended to March 16, and because of a vigorous last push effort by volunteers and United Way board members, the goal was met this past Friday.

Tom Uhler, 2011-12 United Way Campaign chair and partner at Uhler and Vertich Financial Planners announced that local residents and companies contributed \$8,035,146 to the campaign.

At the goal announcement, Uhler said, "I am very excited to announce that the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades has reached its campaign goal for the 19th consecutive year. Our wonderful community has done it again!"

"Thank you to every individual and company who gave to the United Way Campaign. Many people who have been hurt by the economy gave because they

realized that many of their friends and neighbors were much worse off than they were.

"Because of your generosity hungry families will receive food, abused children and adults can find shelter, Alzheimer's caregivers can have respite, and babies and toddlers can get a healthy start in life. Low to middle income persons can receive free help in filing their income taxes, and thousands of meals will be delivered to the home-bound.

"Thank you for giving so generously to help our friends and neighbors who are hurting, out of work, or ill. You gave so others could look forward to a better life. I am proud to live in Southwest Florida where people truly care about each other.

"Making our campaign goal means that the 70 United Way Partner Agencies will receive their full allocation of funds. The needs in our community have remained high this year. Many agencies have lost funding from both government and private sources. United Way Partner Agencies' 140 programs will be fully funded and hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens will receive the help they need," he continued.

"Thank you to all of the individuals, companies, communities and partner agencies for your generous contributions. You proved once again what a caring community this is," Uhler concluded.

In addition to all of the very generous individuals and agencies that contributed to the 2011-12 United Way Campaign, the top local contributing companies and organizations, and the top communities are as follows:



Linda Uhler, left, was United Way Campaign chair 19 years ago. Tom Uhler is the 2011-12 United Way Campaign chair

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 Grandezza - \$45,338

All money raised in the United Way campaign stays in the local community to help support the local human service network. United Way partner agencies and initiatives like Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, Literacy Council of Gulf Coast, Harry Chapin Food Bank, LARC and United Way 211 serve a diverse range of needs in our community such as nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies and initiatives, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives.

For more information, call United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades at 433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.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,

I guess I am very old fashioned, but when I give a gift am I out of touch with reality to expect a thank you?

I tried to teach my adult children to send thank you notes, but one son never learned. I tried all kinds of ways to improve his behavior, but nothing works. He even told me that he is so appreciative that his in-laws never expect a thank you, so I guess I will wait a long time.

He is also going to wait a long time because I plan to leave my wealth to more appreciative people. Your comments, please.

Harvey

Dear Harvey,

It would appear for many people that a common thank you is beyond their ability.

I was once in charge of a program for elderly women who knitted scarves and mittens all year and gave them to local churches at Christmas time.

One year, the women waited and waited but no thank you ever came. Come March, I realized that their adult children were wondering if I had secretly sold these items, so I approached the local priest,

He told me that the women and I were expecting far too much to be thanked and they should be satisfied with their "very act of giving." I was embarrassed when I had to tell the ladies what the priest had said and I cancelled their wonderful program.

Lizzie

Dear Harvey,

I know showing appreciation for gifts of all sorts is very important. I am sorry your adult children have disappointed you in this regard. It appears that this issue is so important to you that you think about it a lot. If their unappreciative ways are one of many disappointing behaviors, I can understand your concern and your decisions. If your adult children are otherwise good, loving and supportive, I encourage you to revisit how important the thank you note is to your overall relationship.

We all have our warts and behaviors that need to be improved.

Pryce

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by Constance Clancy

Q: My 7-year-old daughter has been waking up from bad dreams and I believe this is due to the fact that she has to have surgery for removal of her tonsils. My husband and I are very reassuring, but she keeps telling us that she is afraid. Can you suggest anything that could eliminate these bad dreams and help her be more relaxed about the procedure?

A: As you already know, it is very natural for your daughter to experience

fear and have bad dreams regarding her upcoming surgery. Despite your reassurance, perhaps some relaxing CD's can help her lessen her fear and meet this challenge better prepared. These are guided imagery CD's which will help her gain a sense of mastery over her situation and enhance feelings of control and well-being. This recording, called *Magic Island* by Betty Mehling, is used at Denver Children's Hospital for children going through similar experiences as your daughter. To help with the bad dreams, I also like *Sleep Fairy*, another relaxing recording that offers progressive relaxation, and other positive affirmations. All the best to you and your family during this time.

*Dr. Clancy is a licensed mental health therapist, certified hypnotherapist, life coach, author and public speaker. You may e-mail Dr. Connie at connie@drconstance.com.**

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FGCU Community Service

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The Corporation for National and Community Service, which has administered the Honor Roll since 2006, recognized a total of 642 colleges and universities for their impact on issues from literacy and neighborhood revitalization to supporting at-risk youth. Of that total, 513 were named to the Honor Roll, 110 received the recognition of Honor Roll with distinction, 14 were identified as finalists, and five received the Presidential Award.

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Best New Health & Home Products



by Suzy Cohen, RPH

Dear Readers: I attended the 2012 Natural Products Expo West trade show in California to scout out new healthy, delicious or unique products. The companies mentioned below did

not know that I was with the media as I was sampling their goodies, and I receive nothing from this:

Caveman Cookies – I like the “Alpine” and “Original” flavors, they are gluten and grain-free (and therefore Paleo diet compliant). Made with nuts, honey and berries, no preservatives or table sugar. These are chewy and delicious, and I grabbed a handful of their samples when the rep turned around. LOL! (www.cavemancookies.com)

Earthpaste Amazingly Natural Toothpaste by Redmond – They mean it! Earthpaste only contains their famous “real salt” along with Redmond clay, xylitol and natural essential oils. That’s it, their label even says “Earthpaste is safe to eat. Rinse or swallow at your discretion, either way would be fine.” Earthpaste comes in three flavors: wintergreen, peppermint and cinnamon. Good for your teeth, and your body. (www.earthpaste.com)

Inner-Eco To Go – This is a 100 percent pure and natural, dairy-free, sugar-free, gluten-free, soy-free and certified vegan living food! It’s coconut kefir, so if you can’t handle dairy but still love kefir, here’s your dream come true. This kefir product provides probiotics. It tastes like coconut soda. (www.inner-eco.com)

All Purpose Cleaning Powder by Poppy’s – It contains only natural ingredients such as plant-derived surfactants, sodium bicarbonate and essential oils of tea tree and peppermint. This company makes toxin-free dishwashing soap, laundry detergent and more. (www.poppys-naturallyclean.com)

Krazy Ketchup – Two moms are making the most popular condiment healthy, so that ketchup can be guilt free. Krazy Ketchup has only organic tomato puree, and organic agave. Compare that to the ingredients found in popular commercial brands. It tastes fabulous. (www.krazyketchup.org)

Mineral Sunscreen SPF 32 by Dolphin Organics – This company makes a line of personal care products targeted at babies and young children, but I believe everyone should use toxin-free products on their body. This sunscreen contains natural, organic ingredients to protect you from UVA and UVB rays. (<http://dolphinorganics.com>)

Bambooe Reusable Towels – This is a cleaning towel made from bamboo, which is a fast growing tree. It requires no pesticides or fertilizers. You use these all over the house, they are machine washable. Best when slightly damp. (<http://www.bambooe.com>)

Yogavive Apple Chips – No sugar added, just USDA-certified organic Fuji apples that are dried and “popped,” so the fruit is a little crunchy. These are

addictive and come in all sorts of fruity flavors. (www.yogavive.com)

Maqui Berry Antioxidant Powder – Mix the powder with fruits, juice, yogurt or ice and make a smoothie. Contains maqui berries, acai berries, vanilla flavor, stevia and brown rice (emulsifier). It’s organic. Maqui berries are sacred to the Mapuche Indians. (www.organicmeets-good.com)

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.

Pain Seminar

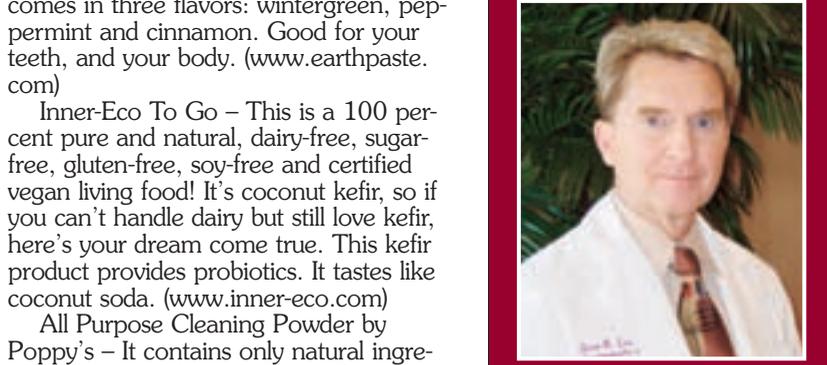
Lee Memorial Health System will present their next For Your Health seminar on Chronic Pelvic Pain this Tuesday, April 3 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. The lecture will be held at HealthPark Medical Center, Room HP1A, located at 9981 S. HealthPark Drive in Fort Myers.

Join obstetricians/gynecologists Kevin Fleishman, M.D. and Rex Stubbs, Jr., M.D., as they explore the causes, symptoms, diagnostic tests and treatment options for pelvic pain.

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From page 18B

Spring Training

Florida is on the road today (Friday), playing the 1-3 Mississippi Hound Dogs and return home next Friday to host the Rome Rampage. The two victories placed the Tarpons atop the league's South Division.

Everblades Clinch Playoff Spot

The Florida Everblades hockey team, with a 4-2 victory last Saturday at Germain Arena before a near sellout crowd of 6,816, clinched a berth in the ECHL Kelly Cup playoffs. It was the 1,000th game in the Everblades franchise history.

The Everblades are skating to their best hockey of the season, winning 10 of 12 games in the month of March. They swept all three games last week from the South Carolina Stingrays by scores of 4-3, 5-2 and 4-2.

Florida's season record is now 37-25-2 and they host Gwinnett for three regular season-ending games this week at Germain - Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.*

Boston Red Sox - jetBlue Stadium

Thursday, March 29 - Toronto; 1:35 p.m.

Sunday, April 1 - Minnesota; 1:35 p.m.

Monday, April 2 - Washington; 1:35 p.m.

Minnesota Twins - Hammond Stadium

Friday, March 30 - Boston; 1:05 p.m. (split squad)

Saturday, March 31 - Pittsburgh; 1:05 p.m.

Tuesday, April 3 - Tampa Bay; 1:05 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4 - Fort Myers Miracle; 1:05 p.m.*

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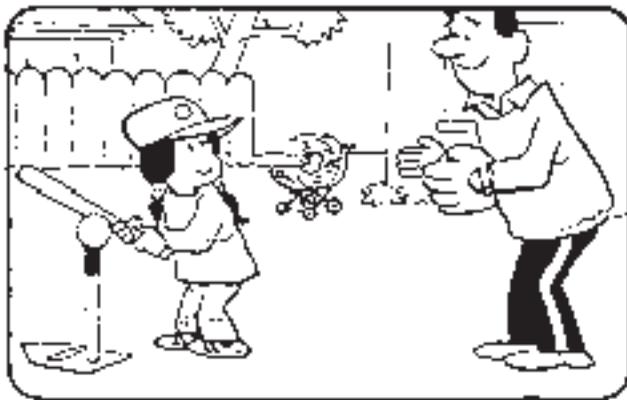


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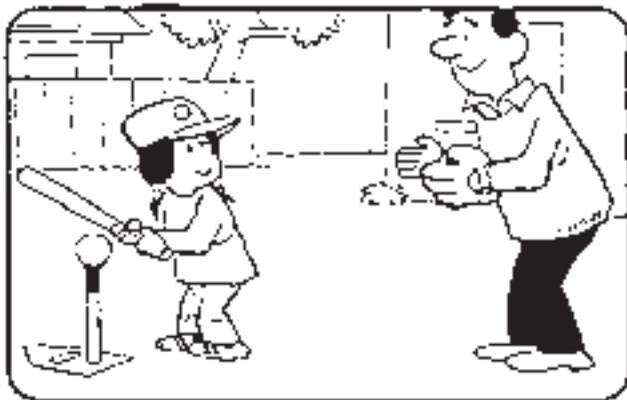
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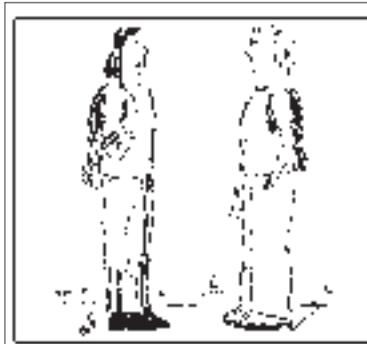
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CAN YOU TRUST YOUR EYES? There are at least six differences in drawing details between top and bottom panels. How quickly can you find them? Check answers with those below.



Answers: 1. The boy's cap has a different logo. 2. The boy's uniform has a different pattern. 3. The man's suit has a different pocket square. 4. The window has a different view. 5. The lamp has a different shade. 6. The floor has a different pattern.



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SCRAMBLERS

answer on page 34B

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag.

Rush
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Hold
SPRAG

Allow
TRANG

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

SUDOKU

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

answer on page 34B

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Shadow Wood At The Brooks	Bonita Springs	2004	4,636	1,699,900	1,515,000	29
Town River	Fort Myers	2003	4,452	1,495,000	1,475,000	207
Grandezza	Estero	2003	3,021	659,900	619,000	70
Crown Colony	Fort Myers	2005	3,021	629,000	590,000	73
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MISC FOR SALE

ENTERTAINMENT UNIT & TV

Wicker/Rattan Open Entertainment Unit
with 30" Toshiba High Definition TV. Made
by Braxton Culler. Color: Honey Wheat.
\$300.

239-472-2696 or 585-624-7398.

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LOST AND FOUND

LOST IN SANIBEL STERLING SILVER MEXICAN BRACELET

Gift, sentimental value.
\$50 Reward.
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LOST BRACELET

Lost gold charm bracelet with
children's heads.
Very sentimental...reward...
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KEYS FOUND

Found in the parking lot of the Book Nook
and Island Pharmacy: two keys one with
the name of a flower on them.
Call 239-472-0560 to claim.

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FOR SALE AT PERIWINKLE PARK

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SANIBEL'S PERIWINKLE PARK

28' mobile home with 20'x10' lanai. On quiet
street. Renovated bath, all appliances in good
condition. Plenty of storage. Tropical garden in
backyard. Owner has clear title. Motivated to
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REAL ESTATE

FOR SALE BY OWNER 2008 MOBILE HOME AT PERIWINKLE PARK

1 Bed room new queen bed. LR with sofa bed, kitchen, refrigerator ice maker, dining area, Bosch washer dryer, dishwasher. Trane A/C with Pro 4000 programmable thermostat. Full tile floors. Full vinyl deck. Pavers. Oodles of space. Hurricane sun & window protection film. Home in ex. cond. Much more, too numerous to mention. Price reduced to \$69,900. Ground rental \$541.66/mo. Key at office. Dorisdavenport@hotmail.com
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Lot rent is approximately \$6500/year including water and sewer. Buyer must interview with and be accepted by Periwinkle Park management and agree to Park terms and conditions.

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OPEN HOUSE BY OWNER \$36,900

Saturday March 31, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

13151 Kings Point Drive Unit 9A,
Fort Myers, Florida 33919



Beds: 2, Baths: 2, Sqft: 1231, Lot: 9.883 sq ft/0.23 acres, Type: condo, Year Built: 1964, Last sold: 1982, Parking: 1 deeded space, County: Lee, Condo fee for 9A: \$237.32/per month, Tax History: \$704.30 paid November 2011.

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Family of 4 looking for annual rental on Sanibel before school starts. Non-smoking, 2 dogs, 1 cat (well behaved).
Prefer 3 bedroom, 2 bath.
Please call Brad 480-282-7458
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ANNUAL RENTAL WANTED

Island professionals looking for annual rental on Sanibel.
No smoking, no pets.
Call 472-5187, ext. 291.
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ANNUAL RENTAL

DAVIS COURT

2 bed/2 bath top floor condo for rent. Minutes to Sanibel, \$795/month plus utilities. Available April 1. First and security required.
Call Chris at 851-3506.
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MARINER POINTE TOWNHOUSE

Unfurnished-ground level; 2 BR 2-1/2 BA; 2 encl porches; Bay/Canal views; fishing pier; Lease includes Cable TV, water, pest control, refuse collection. Boat dock lease available. No pets. 239-395-1786
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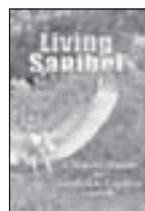
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THIS WEEK'S FEATURED LISTING!



New construction in Sea Oats Subdivision. Hurricane windows, Three bedrooms/two baths and should be completed by next season. Asking \$649,555. Now here's the good part. The house overlooks a wetlands preserve that holds snowy egrets, great egrets, ibis and osprey. It's like living in a National Park!



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GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY, MARCH 30 from 10 A.M. - 2 P.M.
His & hers golf clubs, baby equipment, Amcor air purifier, patio table, household goods, clothing, garden tools.
595 Sea Oats Drive, Sanibel
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GARAGE SALE

1103 Schooner Place, 10-2, Sat. March 31
Gen. household, furn. Decor, Fabrics, vintage jewelry, books, Craft items, printer/fax/scanner.
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Pets Of The Week

Breed: Pointer Mix

Sex: Spayed Female

Age: 8 Years Old

Color: White & Tan

Comments: I'm a mature and affectionate dog that loves to snuggle and be petted. I am fully housetrained and will sleep all night quietly on a pet bed or blanket. If you like to take walks I would love to go with you. I'm great on a leash. I love car rides, people, and other pets.

Adoption Fee: \$25 (If you volunteer for any organization you can adopt me for only \$8 - LCDAS says thank you to all volunteers for everything they do for the community!).



Sugar ID # 193997

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Breed: Domestic Short Hair

Sex: Female

Age: One Year Old

Color: Black and White

Comments: I'm a petite little kitty that likes to cuddle with people. If you hold me in your arms I will purr to my heart's content. I have been at the shelter since December when my owner, who had over 70 cats, was unable to continue taking care of us. On the positive side, I am used to being around other animals so I would fit right in with a multi-pet household, just maybe not so many this time!

Adoption Fee: \$25 during Animal Services "Find Your Lucky Charm" adoption promotion (regularly \$50). If you volunteer for any organization you can adopt me for only \$8 (LCDAS says thank you to all volunteers for everything they do for the community!).

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. The shelter is located 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.*



Meeka ID #524666

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On Call Captiva Deputy	477-1000
Fire Department	
Sanibel	472-5525
Captiva	472-9494
Florida Marine Patrol	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol	278-7100
Poison Control	1-800-282-3171
Chamber of Commerce.....	472-1080
City of Sanibel	472-4135
Administrative Office	472-3700
Building Department	472-4555
Community Housing and Resources	472-1189
Planning Department.....	472-4136
Library	
Sanibel	472-2483
Captiva	472-2133
Post Office	
Sanibel	472-1573
Sanibel (toll free)	800-275-8777
Captiva	472-1674
Sanibel Community Association	472-2155
Senior Center	472-5743
ARTS	
Arcade Theater.....	332-4488
Art League Of Fort Myers.....	275-3970
BIG ARTS (Barrier Island Group for the Arts)	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre	278-4422
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
CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS	
ABWA (American Business Women's Assoc.).....	472-2929
American Legion Post 123	472-9979
Angel Flight SE	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Audubon Society.....	472-3156
Sanibel Bike Club	sanibelbicycleclub.org
Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva	274-5900
CROW (Clinic For The Rehabilitation of Wildlife).....	472-3644
FISH of Sanibel (Friends in Service Here)	472-0404
Sanibel Island Fishing Club	472-7257
Horticultural Society of the Islands.....	472-6940
Horticulture and Tea Society of Sanibel and Captiva	472-8334
Kiwanis Club	472-2121
League of Women Voters	472-6689
Lions Club (Tom Rothman)	395-3248
Master Gardeners of the Islands	472-6940
Newcomers	472-9332
Notre Dame Club of Southwest Florida	768-0417
Optimist Club.....	472-0836
PAWS	472-4823
Rotary Club	472-7257 or 472-0141
Sanibel Beautification Inc.	470-2866
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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