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'Ding' Days Photography Contest Winners Announced



First place winner Frank Gumpert's image, entitled *Wasp Comb*

On October 20, "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) announced the winners of its 25th annual "Ding" Darling Days Amateur Nature Photography Contest at a special Conservation Art Day presentation in the Refuge Education Center, part of the weeklong "Ding" Darling Days celebration on Sanibel Island.

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One of last year's decorated vehicle at SCC's Halloween Trunk Or Treat

Trunk Or Treat At The Church

Sanibel Community Church will once again host Trunk Or Treat on Wednesday, October 31 (Halloween) from 4 to 6 p.m. Families are invited to stop by with their kids for holiday fun, games, finger foods and lots of treats.

Sanibel Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market). Call 472-2684 for more information.✧



Members of the Sanibel Fire & Rescue District, led by Chief Danny Duncan, pose in their pink-accented staff shirts with breast cancer awareness supporters and survivors Kim Hoagland, Stacey Gerhart, Mary Bondurant, Karen Wisely, Patti Granitz, Liz Stewart and Fred Bondurant

Fire Station #1 Hosting Mobile Mammo Sunday

by Jeff Lysiak

This Sunday, October 28, the Radiology Regional Center's Mobile Mammo motorcoach will

visit Sanibel Fire & Rescue District Station #1, located at 2351 Palm Ridge Road on Sanibel, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Sponsored by Mary Bondurant of Bondurant Realty at John R. Wood Island Real Estate and Kim Hoagland and Debi Knight of Sanibelland.com, the state of the art medical vehicle staffed by members of the Radiology Regional Center will be offering digital mammogram screenings, which take as little as 15 minutes to complete.

"We want to make it more convenient for women, in any community, to take 15 minutes and have a mammogram done," said Bondurant, a breast cancer survivor for two years. "Because early detection can save lives, I wanted to reach out to women on the island who may be uninsured or in need of this service."

According to the Radiology Regional Center, a staggering one-third of breast cancer deaths each year could be prevent-

ed through early detection. Approximately one out of every eight women develops breast cancer during the course of her lifetime, and breast cancer ranks second as the cause of cancer deaths in American women, claiming more than 40,000 lives annually.

The three keys to early detection, recommended by the American Cancer Society, include:

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HORTOONS



American Legion Post 123 News

On Sunday, October 28, American Legion Post 123 is serving BBQ ribs and chicken from 1 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$12.

There's a Timmy's Nook Reunion November 2, 3 and 4. The party starts Friday at 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at noon. There will be live music throughout the day Saturday. All are welcome.

Every Monday night is the 8 Ball Pool League beginning at 5 p.m. Stop by for some great shootin'. Texas Hold'em is played every Thursday night at 7 p.m. and Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. New players are always welcome.

Every Friday, Post 123 serves a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich all day. Stop in and try one, or treat yourself to one of the half-pound burgers. Check out the daily specials and the entire menu. Food is served all day, every day. The public is welcome.

American Legion Post 123 is open Monday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday noon to 9 p.m., located at mile marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information, call 472-9979.*

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Republicans To Host Candidates

This Saturday, October 27 at 10 a.m., the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus will host Republican candidates running for federal, state and county office in the November 6 election. This event will be held at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, in Room #1. The meeting is free and open to the public.

The gathering offers a great opportunity to meet the candidates, face to face, ask questions and express concerns. Organizers will also discuss the proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution, which will also be voted on in the November election.

If you would like more information or are interested in joining the Republican Caucus, call Robb Moran at 472-9035.*

AARP Driver Safety Class

A grant from Toyota is making the popular AARP Driver Safety Class available free to all military veterans and their dependants during the month of November. On Sanibel, this fast-paced, six-hour interactive class will be offered on consecutive Thursdays, November 8 and 15, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Center 4 Life, located on the corner of Palm Ridge Road and Library Way. Participants will learn proven safety strategies and receive a discount on car insurance.

To register for the AARP Driver Safety Class, call Ed VanderHey at 292-4012.*

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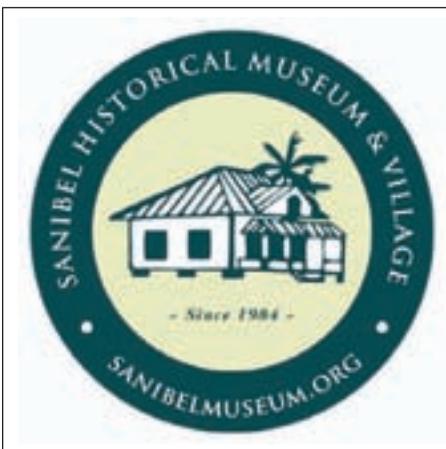
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Don't forget to make your reservations for the Children's Education Center Beach Ball Fundraiser on Saturday, November 17 from 7 to 10 p.m. at The Sanctuary Golf Club. Call CECl at 472-4538 for tickets or additional information

Historical Village Introduces Logo, Website And Email



The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village has adopted a new logo.

A joint effort of volunteers and the board of directors, the logo depicts a drawing of Rutland House encircled with pale yellow and an outer border of dark teal. It also notes the date of the museum's founding, "Since 1984." At that time, the museum consisted of one building – the Rutland House – hence the homage to same in the new logo.

The drawing was done by long-time museum volunteer Pam Magnotto, then finalized and adapted for digital use by Stephanie See of See Creative Solutions.

The museum's website – www.sanibelmuseum.org – was in need of some design changes, additions and various changes. The board also wanted to make it more user-friendly. The work was accomplished by Alex Santana of Neomata 360 Inc.

"A website is an ever-changing thing, and there are a lot more features we plan to add," said museum manager Emilie Alfino. "We're very pleased, though, with how far we've come."

The museum's old email address is no

longer in service. You can now email the museum at info@sanibelmuseum.org.

"We wanted a name that seemed obvious and therefore would be easy for people to remember, as well as to take advantage of special offers for nonprofits through Gmail," Alfino said.

The museum re-opens on November 7 and will be open all season Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 472-4648 or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS) and there is handicap access to all buildings. Admission is \$5 for adults (18 and over); museum members and children are free.✪

Holiday Bazaar At Center 4 Life

The Center 4 Life will presents their annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The popular bazaar will feature:

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- A wonderful opportunity to buy handmade gifts
- Tropical plants and creative arrangements
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- Refreshments and snacks

The bazaar will also offer raffle tickets for a painting by island artist Bea Pappas.

The Center 4 Life is located on the corner of Palm Ridge Road and Library Way on Sanibel. Call 472-5743 for more information.✪

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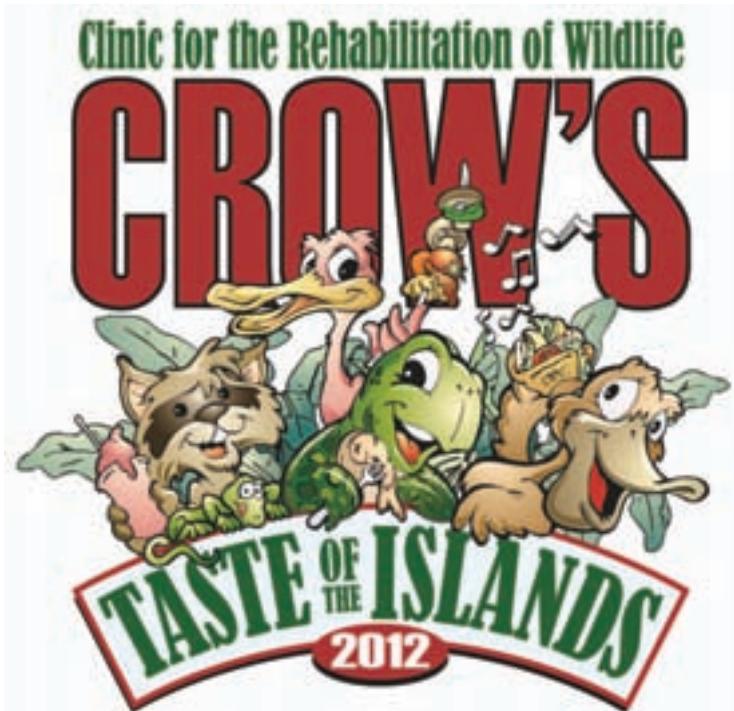
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Captiva Holiday Village Hoteliers Announce Special Packages

Captiva Island resorts, inns, cottages and vacation homes will be offering lodging specials in conjunction with this year's third annual Captiva Holiday Village event. The two-week-long Captiva Holiday Village launches its 2012 spectacular the Friday after Thanksgiving with fireworks, tree lightings, holiday readings, musical performances and more.

Now in its third year, Captiva Holiday Village is a cooperative event sponsored by hoteliers, merchants, attraction owners and restaurateurs of Captiva Island.

From November 23 until December 11, South Seas Island Resort is offering a special discount of \$20 off the resort's best



Captiva's Chapel by the Sea decorated for the holidays



People attending last year's Captiva Holiday Village



Decorated tree at South Seas Island Resort

the Gulf of Mexico and evening sunsets. During the event weekends, visitors will enjoy everything from decorated golf-cart and lighted boat parades to Junkanoo and fire dancers, live music and even a Marching Mullet Parade.

All three weekends of events take place in Captiva's "village" center, where its colorful restaurants and shops will be festively decorated.

The village is the heart of the island: a quirky, colorful, pedestrian-friendly hub where people stroll from place to place, enjoying live music, tropical food and drink and the island's legendary sunsets.

Back by popular demand, a feature of this year's Captiva Holiday Village is community Chautauqua, offering educational workshops, entertainment, films, a carol sing, boat cruises, tastings and natural history talks, all offering locals and visitors a chance to learn more about quirky Captiva.

In addition to Holiday Village festivities, the island offers easy access to an abundance of water sports: kayaking, guided fishing, parasailing, world-renowned shelling and wildlife cruises to the outer islands. In 2011, Captiva ranked as one of TripAdvisor's Top 10 Travelers' Choice U.S. Beach Destinations.

This year's sponsors include the Golf Cart Parade sponsor - The Royal Shell Companies, the Boat Parade Sponsor - Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, the Junkanoo Parade sponsor - American Realty of Captiva and the Fire Dancing on the Beach sponsor - VIP Realty. Media sponsors include the *Island Sun*, *Sanibel-Captiva Beaches & Keys* and the News-Press Media Group.

As a highlight of this annual event, local hoteliers and restaurants have once again teamed up to offer six free two-night Captiva Holiday Village weekends for the 2012 event. Online entries are now being accepted at www.captivaholidayvillage.com.

For a list of all events and hotel packages, visit www.CaptivaHolidayVillage.com.*

available rate.

Captiva Island Inn offers a special three-day, two-night holiday rate that includes a \$50 resort credit to enjoy at one of five award-winning restaurants. Complimentary gourmet breakfast served at Keylime Bistro or R.C. Otters as well as complimentary beach chairs and umbrellas.

American Realty of Captiva has homes available for every budget and group size from beachfront to bayfront, luxury mansions to affordable cottages, tennis, pools, boat docks and more. Special packages include event and concert tickets.

Royal Shell Vacations' elves have designated a limited number of properties for Captiva Holiday Village experiences. From December 2 to 23, selected home and condo rentals are being offered on a Friday-to-Friday rental basis. A few lucky guests will win a weekly golf-cart rental or special event tickets to activities.

Jensen's Historic Cottages and Marina is offering special rates for two to four guests from December 1 to 18 starting from \$180 per night, including a free private one-hour boat ride.

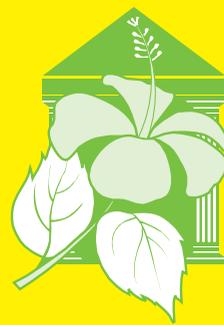
From November 30 to December 9, guests at Tween Waters Inn Island Resort can enjoy 15 percent off regular rates on Friday and Saturdays and 50 percent off regular rates Sunday through Thursdays.

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Sanibel Historical Museum And Village Invites Island Volunteers

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is calling out to all islanders to ask them to consider donating six hours a month of their valuable volunteer time to share Sanibel Island's fabulous heritage.

Docent/Volunteer training will take place on Tuesday, November 6 from 9 to 11 a.m. in the Old Schoolhouse within the Village.

After thorough training, docents will have the opportunity to "shadow" experienced docents until they feel comfortable in their volunteer position. Volunteers other than docents are also needed for a variety of tasks.

"The Historical Village has become one of the island's most popular visitation sites, and this year more than ever, the village needs the assistance of volunteers to ensure our guests have a fun and memorable experience," said Board of Director member Gayle Pence.



A team of long-time, experienced docents will conduct training on Tuesday, November 6. Pictured in the front row are Gayle Pence and Wanda Malone; in the back row are Dorothy Donaldson and Jeanine Bradford

"With two new buildings just arrived and all of our other planned events for the 2012-13 season, we're going to need additional volunteers to share our wonderful nine-building living village of our island's history," said museum manager Emilie Alfino. "We need as many people as possible this year."

Contact Alfino at 472-4648 Wednesday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. or email info@sanibelmuseum.org to let museum staff know you'll be joining our volunteer training class.✱

Timmy's Nook Reunion

If you were kicking around the islands in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s, and remember when Captiva had a personality and an eclectic cast of characters, you may have spent some time at the center of that universe, Timmy's Nook.

Timmy's Nook was located on the bay at the old Post Office curve, where The Green Flash is now. It was owned and operated by TM and Beulah Wiles and their five daughters, a true Captiva pioneering family. The atmosphere was legendary and the food historic.

There will be a reunion held on November 2, 3 and 4 at American Legion Post 123 on Sanibel for anyone who enjoyed the Nook. Stop by and have a cheeseburger and a CROW sandwich, buy a T-shirt and share a story.

Saturday, November 3 will feature live music. Admission is free.

For further information, call American Legion Post 123 at 472-9979 or Tim Irving at 472-1605.✱

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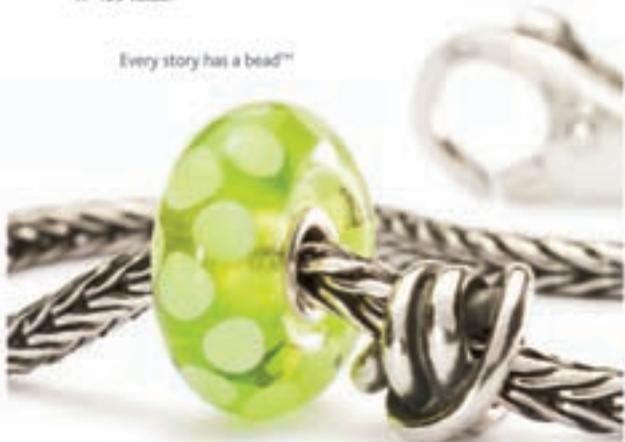
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Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club News

Lighthouse Visits The Lions Club



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Lighthouse of SWFL is a rehabilitation center for the blind and visually impaired, located

in North Fort Myers. Last Wednesday, executive director Doug Fowler brought Cynthia Sellers, a board member, Allison Leone, director of marketing, and Sandra Martin, a marketing representative, to address the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club.

Martin is totally blind. As a young, married mother with an infant child, she awoke one morning to total darkness as a result of Type 2 diabetes. Imagine how one would cope with all the normal chores of life, let alone care for an infant. Today, as a result of training at Lighthouse of SWFL and a guide dog, Sandra cooks safely, identifies money, clothing and food, and is comfortable navigating the kitchen and all areas of her home.

The transition from total darkness and the inability to cope with day to day routine activities can be very unsettling. The various programs offered at Lighthouse of SWFL helped Martin to become independent. Today, on behalf of the Lighthouse, she is able to travel and give presenta-

tions on her personal experiences.

Lighthouse of SWFL is a fully accredited 501(c)3 nonprofit rehabilitation center that has been dedicated to "Guiding the Way to Independence" for the visually impaired and blind since 1974.

For more information, call 997-7797 or visit www.lighthousewfl.org.

For more information about the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club, email alionbob@comcast.net.✱

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America's Darling producer Sam Koltinsky brought a number of artifacts – including some original Darling artwork – to last week's premiere of the documentary

America's Darling Premieres During 'Ding' Days

by Jeff Lysiak

After spending the last three years sorting through 12,000 cartoons, 800 images and 300 hours of audio recordings, along with traveling to destinations including Iowa, West Virginia, Tennessee and Washington, DC as well as Sanibel and Captiva, executive producer Sam Koltinsky finally debuted the documentary *America's Darling: The Story of Jay N. "Ding" Darling* last week.

On October 19, a capacity crowd gathered at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge's Education Center to witness the premiere screening of the historical biopic. Among the VIP attendees were several members of Darling's family, including grandson Christopher "Kip" Koss and great-great-grandson Chris Steffen, who serves as narrator for the film.

America's Darling shares the incredible history of Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling (1876-1962), the legendary *Des Moines Register* editorial cartoonist who influenced readers through his syndicated cartoons, creating awareness of urgent environmental issues and the need to preserve America's natural landscapes. The film chronicles his incredible life, from his humble artistic beginnings to becoming an icon for promoting wildlife several generations since his passing.

"Now more than ever, we need to hear stories about America's heroes," said refuge manager Paul Tritaik. "And 'Ding' Darling was a true American hero."

Koltinsky, who has produced documentaries in the United States and Europe over the past 20 years, introduced the film while thanking Darling's family, the refuge staff, Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, the City of Sanibel and several other sponsors and partners associated with the documentary.

"I thank the underwriters' support as well as the many people and organizations that are listed in the show's closing



Sam Koltinsky spent three years researching material for the documentary

credits," he said. "These credits demonstrate the show's wonderful partnerships throughout the country and will be a continuing basis for workshops, exhibits and additional productions that support 'Ding's' work and legacy."

The 75-minute film includes a visit to Darling's former homes in Iowa and Captiva, archival footage and photographs as well as interviews with historians, environmental activists and contemporary artists who carry on the tradition started by Darling.

Interviewed at the Captiva Fish House, where Darling and his family vacationed during the winter months from the 1940s to the 1960s, SCCF's Kristie Anders noted, "Our wealth is based upon our natural resources. And without conservation, that wealth will vanish."

Dr. Douglas Brinkley, professor of history at Rice University, observed, "Darling became a beloved figure, like Will Rogers in his time. He was America's best known cartoonist."

Following the screening, the entire audience offered a warm round of applause for the film.

"I think it was as good as could be expected," said Steffen, who was busy accepting congratulations for his on-screen work. Koltinsky, meanwhile,



Junior Duck Stamp artist Jefferson Jones and Jim Sprankle attended the premiere



John McCabe, president of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, welcomed a packed house to the first film screening on October 19

brought several original Darling artifacts with him to the premiere to share with the audience.

"You and your team have accomplished what most would consider an impossible task: condensing 'Ding' Darling's remarkably productive life into a 60-minute documentary," Koss said of the film. "By skillfully blending thoughtful interviews with audio and visual treasures



The America's Darling DVD is available in the "Ding" Darling Education Center's gift shop

from diverse archives, you have captured the warmth, breadth and passion of this inspiring teacher/leader, my grandfather."

While WGPU Public Television plans to broadcast a 60-minute version of the film in the near future, the complete 75-minute *America's Darling: The Story of Jay N. "Ding" Darling* is currently available at the refuge's gift shop inside the Education Center.✧



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Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships Gets \$5,000 Gift



Wells Fargo staff member Laura Wrenn Worzella, left, presents a check to Nola Theiss and Allison Martins of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships

Last week, Laura Wrenn Worzella, senior vice president and area president of Wells Fargo, presented a check to Nola Theiss, executive director of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships (HTAP) and Allison Martins, program coordinator of HTAP. The donation from Wells Fargo was earmarked for operating funds and will be used to partially support Martins' position with HTAP. As program director, she facilitates the ARTREACH and the new programs of TIPS and Point of Contact/Point of Rescue.

TIPS stands for Trafficking Interactive Prevention Simulation, which is simulation of a high school where students experience the initial approach of a trafficker and are warned of the techniques used by traffickers. Since traffickers target American girls between the ages of 11 and 15 more than any other group in the U.S., it is important

for children of this age to be aware of the dangers. The program was previewed and evaluated at a conference held at Hodges University on October 18 and 19 by law enforcement and human service providers and received very high marks. It was conducted in conjunction with HTAP and the 4H Trailblazers group.

The Point of Contact/Point of Rescue program targets fast food and convenience stores as locations where victims may go and aims to train employees to recognize the signs of trafficking and facilitate contacting trained victim advocates to reach the possible victims.

HTAP relies on foundation grants and private contributions to support its programs. For further information about HTAP's work, go to www.humantraffickingawareness.org or contact Nola Theiss at 292-3834.*

Zumbathon Charity Event



Cookie and Jacob Dalmau

Island residents and visitors are invited to participate in a Zumbathon charity event on Saturday, November 3 from 4 to 7 p.m. at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. The

dance party will benefit the Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Center at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, part of the Lee Memorial Health System.

Cookie and Glenn Dalmau, Zumba Gold instructors at the Sanibel Recreation Center, will lead participants in salsa, cha-cha-cha, rumba, mambo, samba and latin ballroom dances. Beginners will learn the basics and add their own flair. Everyone is encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and appropriate footwear.

Admittance will be through a donation to The Children's Hospital on the day of the event. Dance performances and door prizes will add to the fun, and refreshments will be available courtesy of Island Pizza.

For more information, call 671-1105 or email zumbawithcookie@yahoo.com.*

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Rallying behind the motto, Driving For Detection, Bondurant is sponsoring seven Mobile Mammo screenings, while Hoagland and Knight are sponsoring two. While most medical insurance companies will cover the expense of an annual mammogram, a discounted \$150 fee for patients electing to self-pay is offered. No prescription is necessary for a screening mammogram.

In addition to breast cancer screenings, several members of the fire department will be onsite wearing pink T-shirts and serving cups of pink lemonade.

Also, Darla Bezanson of Sunbelt Title, a recent breast cancer survivor, is donating cookies decorated with pink breast cancer awareness ribbons on them. The staff of Sanibel Chiropractic will also be on hand, as will the pink Cadillac owned by Classic Collections from Periwinkle Place. Danny Morgan's Thank You For The Dance Entertainment will be providing music throughout the event.

"We are hoping that everybody in the community comes out to support this cause, whether they're getting a mammogram or not," added Bondurant. "Everybody is invited to wear pink on October 28. Let's 'Pink Out' Sanibel Island!"

To learn more about the Mobile Mammo program or to schedule a screening, call 936-2316.*



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The Community House Appeals For Support

The Sanibel Community House, operated by the Sanibel Community Association (SCA) and an island landmark for more than 85 years, kicked off its new season this month with an exciting schedule of activities and an island-wide appeal encouraging public support for the facility.

In announcing the new season, SCA president Marge Meek said, "Our Community House is something pretty unique, and everyone who lives here on the Islands can take pride in it. Ever since it was built in 1927, it has served as our town's largest public meeting space and a center for Island civic and social activities. And amazingly, it has always been operated with private support from the community and from user fees, independent of any tax dollars or government support. So it's a great example of our small town self-reliance in action."

The Community House was initially built by early residents who realized they needed a central community gathering place to get together for town functions. Working together, they donated the land, building supplies and labor to build a



The Community House has been a fixture on Periwinkle Way since 1927

"home" for Sanibel's civic and social life; and the public has continued to support the operation of The Community House for the past 85 years.

Over the years, The Community House has become an indispensable community resource. With the Islands' largest public meeting space, it has long been the community's "go to" facility for large group meetings and special events.

In addition, it serves as a vital resource for local non-profit organizations and clubs, hosting countless business meetings, luncheons, dinners, as well as large fundraising events that benefit many important island causes.

Throughout the season, The Community House also hosts many interesting small gatherings, from dances, to concerts, to special dinners and parties, and family festival events. Events are

planned to appeal to a broad range of interests, including things for children and grandchildren. New for the 2012-13 season is a series of uniquely-themed "House Parties" that will be held periodically throughout the year.

It is hard to imagine life on the islands without The Community House, but

like many "infrastructure" facilities, it is easy to take it for granted. SCA's Fall Appeal for support is designed to remind all Islanders that the Community House needs their annual support to underwrite its operations.

"Brochures will be mailed to Island residents this month soliciting support," said Teresa Riska-Hall, The Community House's executive director. "However, if you miss the mailing, you can stop by The office at the Community House, call us at 472-2155 or visit the membership section on our website at www.sanibel-communityhouse.net/membership."

Contributors receive a 12-month membership in the Sanibel Community Association, entitling them to advance notice of activities and discounted admission for SCA-sponsored events. SCA members also have access to scheduling The Community House facilities for their own private events.✧

Cracker Fest

This year's San-Cap Cracker Fest, to be held on Friday, November 2 beginning at 6 p.m., is certain to be the best one yet. Prizes and auction items are in excess of \$15,000!

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This former real estate office is the site of a proposed doughnut, coffee and sandwich restaurant called Bennett's Fresh Roast Restaurant

New Restaurant Faces Eagle And Wetlands Issues

by Anne Mitchell

With issues still to resolve, including fire and rescue access, traffic and wetlands impacts and – last but not least – eagle nesting activity close by, an application to open a Bennett's Fresh Roast Restaurant on Sanibel has been delayed once again.

On Tuesday, the Sanibel Planning Commission agreed to continue the matter until November 13 at 9:10 a.m.

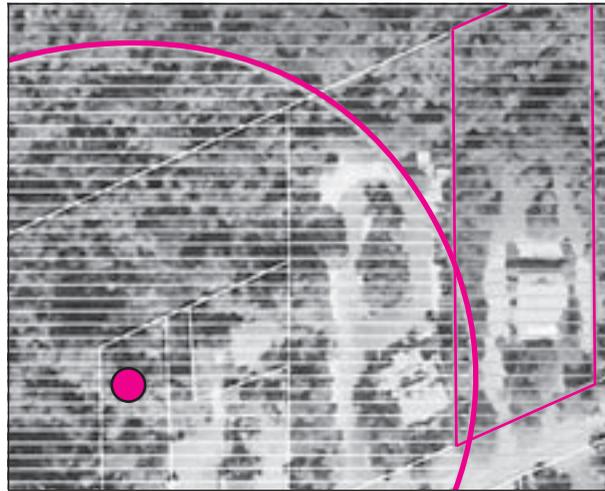
The property, at 1020 Periwinkle Way, just east of the Lazy Flamingo restaurant, was previously a real estate office. However, it was a drive-through

restaurant years ago, according to planning director James Jordan. But that was before the city incorporated, and the rules have changed since then.

As a result, the applicant and property owner JCKC, LLC, has to apply for a conditional use permit as well as a development permit to open the proposed 40-seat restaurant that will offer dine-in and carry-out service, selling doughnuts, coffee and sandwiches.

According to Holly Downing, city environmental specialist, federal, state and county guidelines call for a 330-foot buffer around an eagle's nest during non-nesting times, and 660 feet when nesting is in progress. The nest fledged two eagle chicks in 2010, 2011 and 2012 and a pair of eagles has been seen near the nest as recently as September 16.

The property slightly encroaches into



This city map shows the location of the eagle nest center, the 330-foot buffer and the proposed restaurant property outlined in red

the 330-foot buffer, according to a map presented by the city. However, Dairy Queen and the Lazy Flamingo are much closer to the nest than the proposed restaurant.

Downing said to protect the eagles, no exterior construction or vegetation removal should be permitted. There are also some natives species that must be protected, including a pond apple and a strangler fig.

The city is also requiring no net loss of wetlands, which means the applicant can recreate impacted wetlands elsewhere on the site.

City Planner Roy Gibson said in order for the application to be heard on November 13, the supplemental information the city has requested must be submitted by October 31.*

Church Officials, Residents Work On Noise Solution

by Anne Mitchell

Officials of Sanibel Community Church are working with nearby residents to seek solutions to the noise issue caused by the church's bank of air conditioning units located next to the new sanctuary.

Ray Pavelka, representing the church at the planning commission meeting on Tuesday, said he had met with two residents, Dr. Mark Mathusa and Kurt Harjung, who had spoken out about the noise and was investigating measures to mitigate it. He had also visited the Island Woods home of Dr. Mark Mathusa to listen to the sound. The pitch of the noise, Pavelka said, could be a major factor, not just the decibel level. Testing was to take place this week.

"If you are going to dampen the sound, you need to know whether it is low or high frequency," he said.

Pavelka said possible solutions are a masonry wall or a fence with sound-absorbing materials. Blankets have been tried to muffle the noise from the five-ton units but were ineffective, and moving two of the a/c units would be "very expensive," he added.

However, two sound compression tests conducted by the city and a company working for the church showed the sound levels to be within the Sanibel codes of a maximum of 60 decibels at night and 66 decibels in the daytime.

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Why Do We Vote For Sanibel Library Commissioners, Judges?

The League of Women Voters of Sanibel will hold a voter service meeting on Tuesday, October 30 at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, from 4 to 6 p.m. Attorney Mary C. Evans, representing the Florida Bar Association, will present the education program, "The Vote's In Your Court." She will discuss the roles of Florida judges, judicial elections, merit retention and why we vote for judges.

Margaret Mohundro, director of the Sanibel Public Library, will discuss the library district and why we elect library commissioners.

In addition, a PowerPoint presentation will inform voters of the 11 proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution that will be on the general election ballot on Tuesday, November 6. Sanibel voters are encouraged to attend so they may cast an informed vote.

"We will provide a balanced view of the amendments, with the pros and cons of each, so the voters can make up their own mind," said Linda Kramer, League vice president.

Attendees will receive the LWVF Voter Guide and the Bar Association's publication on judicial elections.

For further information contact Linda Kramer at sanibellwv@gmail.com.*



Mary C. Evans

St. Isabel Women's Guild Meets



Arline Ford and Genny Gray

The St. Isabel Women's Guild recently held their first meeting for the 2012-13 season. Following the general meeting, Guild member Genny Gray presented the program Considering Baskets. An accomplished basket weaver herself, Gray spoke about the history of basket making as well as the various types of basketry techniques and the materials used in basket making.*

Lee Republican Women's Club

The Lee Republican Women's Club (Chartered) will hold its monthly luncheon meeting at the Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn, located at 13051 Bell Tower Drive in Fort Myers on Tuesday, November 13. Social hour begins at 11:30 p.m. with the luncheon

and program starting at noon.

Sharon Harrington, Supervisor of Elections for Lee County, will be the featured speaker, focusing on the changes implemented by current legislation and re-districting.

Members of the public and guests are welcome to attend. The cost of the luncheon is \$16. For further information about the club or to make reservations, call 574-2571.*

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Meets on the first Sunday of each month from December through April at the Sanibel Congregational Church, 2050 Periwinkle Way at 5 p.m. A pot luck is held at a member's home on the third Sunday of each month. For more information call 433-4901 or email ryi139@aol.com.✱



Roman Bathhouse Ruins at Caesarea, Israel

Historical Tour To Israel With BIG ARTS

BIG ARTS is offering a nine-day historical study tour of Israel in April 2013. This trip will be led by Dr. Ran Niehoff, an ordained minister who served as senior minister at the Congregational United Church of Christ on Sanibel from 1991 to 2008.

The tour departs from Southwest Florida International Airport on Friday, April 5 and returns on Monday, April 15. Travel highlights include Galilee, the Dead Sea, Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Judea, Caesarea, the Rothschild Tombs and the Hinnom Valley.

The all-inclusive nine-day, eight-night tour is \$6,360 per person for double occupancy. Single occupancy is \$7,230. Package includes all air travel and luxury motor

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Center 4 Life Programs

Sanibel Fit 4 Life is the motto at Center 4 Life. All ages are welcome.

Island Seniors, Inc. members may attend fitness classes held at the Center 4 Life, 2401 Library Way, by presenting a coupon. Booklets of 12 coupons can be purchased at the center; cost is \$42, or buy three coupons for \$10.50. Cash or checks to the City of Sanibel are accepted. Members of the City of Sanibel Recreation Center must show their membership cards to attend.

Happy Hour Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m. with Sandi McDougall.

Class begins with a joke and ends with a positive thought. Format is 45 minutes of cardio, 20 minutes of balance, core strength and flexibility exercises.

Essential Total Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m.

Includes cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Power Hour Fitness – Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m.

Hand weights, stretch cords and stability balls, along with mats, are used to strengthen your muscles. Improve core strength and balance. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Gentle Yoga with Kris Brown – Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m.

Stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flexibility, proper alignment and circulation. Mats are used to meet the needs of varying experience levels.

Bring a towel.

Chair Yoga (begins November 27, Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m.)

Tuesday Kayaking – November 13, 20 and 27, 8:30 a.m.

There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and unlimited space for those who own their own kayaks. The center supplies the kayaks, paddles and life jackets. Bring water, a small snack, change of clothing, sun lotion, bug spray, sunglasses and a hat. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. Members have first priority. Stop by the center to sign up and pay fee.

AARP Safe Driving Course with Ed VanderHey – November 8 and 15, 1 to 4 p.m. Discount on your auto insurance for those who complete the six-hour course. Cost is \$14 with a \$2 discount for AARP members. Military veterans and their dependents are free of charge. Call VanderHey to register, 292-4012.

Leisure Lunchers Thrift & Consignment Connoisseurs – Tuesday, November 27, 11:30 a.m. Olive Garden, Gulf Coast Town Center. Early holiday luncheon and gift shopping. Sign up is required.

What's A Spreadsheet? – Wednesday and Thursday, October 31 and November 1, 1 to 3 p.m.

Balance your checkbook, manage rentals or expenses or create address lists.

You should be familiar with the mouse and keyboard, and have a spreadsheet program with Microsoft Works or Excel. Class size limited to six. Paid reservation guarantees your seat. Cost is \$60 for members, \$90 for non-members.

Having Fun With Facebook – Tuesday, November 6, 1 to 3 p.m.

Find out what Facebook is all about

and why it is the most visited website.

Learn how to set up an account, create a profile, set up privacy, find friends and family, share on Facebook, understand your newsfeed and upload pictures.

Picasa With Patty... and Your Photos Wednesday and Thursday, November 28 and 29, 1 to 3 p.m.

Organize and share your photos. Hands-on training in Picasa, a free program from Google. Copy photos from your camera or memory card to your PC and create and edit albums that are easy to email. Order prints without a trip to the store. Bring your camera, cable, memory card and card reader with 10 to 20 photos. Sample photos will be available. Class size limited to six. Cost is \$60 for members, \$90 for non-members.

Watercolor with Bea Pappas – Fridays, 12:30 to 3 p.m.

If you have some painting experience and would like to work from a still life or photo, join in. Cost is \$20 per session for members, \$25 for non-members.

Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Naples Philharmonic, Florida Repertory Theatre tickets available at a discount. Call the center for information.

Page Turners – Wednesday, November 14, 2:30 p.m.

Discussion on *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. Two brothers, conjoined and then separated, grow up amid the political turmoil in Ethiopia. Ann Rodman and her volunteers select books monthly for discussion.

Backgammon anyone? The center has members who would like to learn how to play backgammon. If you know how and would consider teaching a group, contact Sandi McDougall at 472-5743, or email sandi.mcdougall@mysanibel.com. Room

is available on Thursday afternoons.

Bridge – 1 p.m. Monday and Wednesday

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Mahjongg – 1 p.m. Thursday

Mexican Train – 1 p.m. Thursday
Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes are awarded.

Trash & Treasures Sale – Saturday, November 10, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Donations are needed. Bring your clean, gently used items to the center. No clothes, shoes, computers, printers or old TVs accepted. Call Mary Ann Gilhooley at 472-3565 for more information.

Christmas Extravaganza – December 2 through 7. Call the center at 472-5743 for details on programs or stop by to register.✱

Correction

A photograph last week accompanying the wedding announcement of Troy Simon and Gareth Crosby should have identified the couple as Troy and Gareth Simon.✱

Church Women Lunch Meeting

The Episcopal Church Women of St. Michael and All Angels Church will hold their first meeting on Monday November 12. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m. followed by a meeting and program on the story of St. Michael's history and architecture. Sign up in the church halls or at Noah's Ark by November 6.✱



H2O youth center open house



H2O new youth center

Church Unveils New Youth Center

On Wednesday, September 26 the newly remodeled youth center at Sanibel Community Church was finally revealed to students, families and members of the church and community. The new space, which has tripled in size, features trendy seating areas with glowing couches, snack bar area, games ranging from video to a pool table, and air hockey. Other highlights are a prayer room, and a large gathering room featuring up-to-date technology. Youth Pastor Tom Walsh said, "We wanted to design a trendy place that island students and their friends would enjoy being in, be comfortable with and, most of all, one that provides opportunity for us to grow and expand on what we do and look to do in the future. We have nearly 70 students in here every Wednesday; we were running out of room and this was completed at the right time. This new youth center clearly shows our students that they are valued, loved and supported by the SCC family. It is an exciting place to be in each week and experience Jesus along with these students." The youth center is part of the building expansion and remodeling project that has been taking place at Sanibel Community Church since August of 2011.

The youth center is open every Wednesday for H2O, the weekly gathering for middle and high school students. H2O is made up of time for students to connect, worship and then break into small groups to discuss the Bible readings from the previous week and share life together. H2O also involves weekend retreats and summer mission trips. This past summer, students traveled to Moldova, Ecuador and Staten Island. Middle school students meet from 5 to 7 p.m. and high school students gather from 7 to 8:30 p.m. H2O is open to anyone from the community. If you have questions or are interested in seeing the newly remodeled youth center, please contact Tom Walsh by email at tom@sanibelchurch.com or call 472-2684.✽

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'Ding' Darling Duck Stamp Celebration



Hautman's winning 2011 painting has been made into the 2012-13 Federal Duck Stamp



The 2012 Federal Junior Duck Stamp features a pintail duck by Christine Clayton from Ohio, who will make appearance at Conservation Art Day on October 20 along with four-time Federal Duck Stamp winner Joe Hautman



From left, Jefferson Jones, Jim Sprankle, Joseph Hautman and Don Wildman



Four-time winner of the Federal Duck Stamp, Joseph Hautman of Minnesota, talks about his winning 2012-2013 Wood Duck painting



DDWS board member Wendy Schnapp, left, and emeritus board member Marilyn Kloosterman chat at the Duck Stamp artist reception



Junior Duck Stamp winning artist Jefferson Jones with his mother, Deborah Jones



This year's "Ding" Darling Days honored the 30th anniversary of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) and debuted the premiere of the biopic *America's Darling: The Story of Jay N. "Ding" Darling*. Here, film producer Sam Koltinsky visits with original DDWS board member Millie Ford



This year marked the 20th anniversary of the Federal Junior Duck Stamp Program, started by Jaye Boswell (center) as an art teacher at the then Sanibel Elementary School. Supervisory Refuger Ranger Toni Westland, who heads the federal program (left) and Education Ranger Becky Wolff, who heads the Florida program, present Boswell with a glass vase inscribed by Lucas Century

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FISH To Hold Cooking With Kids Presentation

If you missed it the first time, then you still have the chance to register, because we will be holding its third Cooking With Kids Presentation on Monday, October 29. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be held at Sanibel Community Church, 1740 Periwinkle Way.

The children of the island and their families have been cooking up a storm at FISH (Friends In Service Here) of Sanibel. Celia Hill, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent for the Lee County Extension Program, affiliated with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), has been facilitating cooking and nutrition workshops for children and their parents here at the FISH Walk-In Center quarterly.

The workshop's theme changes according to the seasons and addresses positive food choices and healthy preparation while utilizing foods available in the FISH food pantry.

"We had a ton of fun at the last event and we are really excited to be able to host another one of these workshops for our community," said Bill Fellows, president of FISH. "It's such a wonderful opportunity to participate in an educational and fun event with your child. We look forward to seeing you there."

The workshops are open to all island parents, grandparents and their children ages 3 to 17. During the most recent workshop at the end of July, the theme was focused upon food choices and preparation to create nutritional school lunches and fast, easy dinners for families during the school year. The FISH Walk-In Center was packed with over 30 participants helping to prepare several lunch and dinner entrees.

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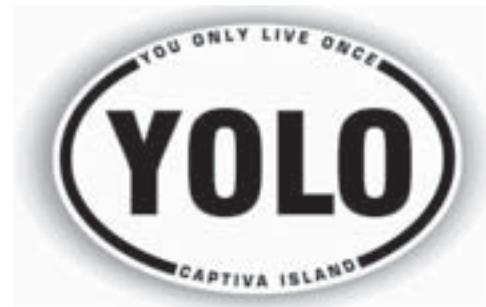
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Wanda Averill

Wanda Averill from Gaylord, Michigan – while visiting Sanibel and Captiva with her friends for the 10th year in a row – never expected her trip would bring such a rewarding find. Averill went to The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum to verify her find, a tiny junonia in perfect shape, which was found by scooping the sand on Blind Pass.

Averill was delighted to learn that her shell is the rare and prized find that many visitors only dream about. Her friends were just as excited for her.✧

Fish Caught



Ben Arensman with a flounder

Ben Arensman, a fourth grader at The Sanibel School, caught a 15-inch flounder off the beach on West Gulf Drive. Ben used a live green-back pilchard as bait.✧

The Bait Box Hosts 19th Woodring Cast Net Rodeo

The Bait Box will host its 19th annual Esperanza Woodring Memorial Cast Net Rodeo on Saturday, November 3. Children will compete by casting nets at moving and fixed targets. Refreshments, music and a raffle are also a part of the day's events.

Free lessons and demonstrations will be offered. Registration is free and each child will receive a prize just for competing.

All proceeds will benefit START (Solutions To Avoid Red Tide), a non-profit organization dedicated to funding and promoting efforts to prevent, control and mitigate red tide.

"My mom (Esperanza) would be very pleased to know we are trying to find a solution to the red tide," said Bait Box owner Ralph Woodring.

Born on Cayo Costa in 1901, Esperanza Woodring spent more than 75 years on the waters around Sanibel as a commercial fisher and as a fishing and shelling guide. She was a master at the art of cast netting, thus was born the Esperanza Woodring Memorial Cast Net Rodeo.

For more information, call Joe Spaulding or Kitty Slocum at 472-3939 or email baitbox@mindspring.com or caloosawholesale@embarqmail.com.✧

Wines In The Wild Set For November 10

Make your plans now to attend SCCF's Wines In The Wild. Wine and food lovers will gather from 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 10 on the grounds of the SCCF Nature Center. This year's theme, Toasting Our Good Nature, will feature a variety of wines that celebrate the natural world paired with a delicious array of foods.

"We are looking forward to a fun evening that will benefit the many SCCF programs," said event organizers Linda and Tom Uhler. "We are especially thankful for the individuals who have stepped up to help ensure the financial success of this fundraiser as a part of our Host Committee."

The Host Committee includes Linda and Wayne Boyd, Tory and Bill Burch, Leone and George Graham, Anne Haslem and Edward Wheeler, Janie Howland, Mike Kelly, Deborah and John LaGorce, Kay and John Morse, Roberta and Philip Puschel, Joyce and Don Rice, Nancy and Chip Roach, Robbie and Geoff Roepstorff, Lucy and Paul Roth, Donna and John Schubert, Nanelle Wehmann, and Martha and John Wolf.

Wines In The Wild is sponsored by Bank of the Islands. Tickets are \$75 per person. Reservations are requested in advance and can be made by calling SCCF at 472-2329.✧

Public Invited To Give Input On Slough Preserve

Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve now has a restoration plan the public can view and offer input. Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve will be the topic of discussion at a 5:30

p.m. meeting on Thursday, November 1 at the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve Interpretive Center.

The plan – called a land stewardship plan – is the product of Lee County Conservation 20/20 staff. The plan describes the preserve, planned stewardship activities and future amenities.

The plan is important because the preserve is home to numerous state and federally listed plant and animal species including Florida sandhill cranes,

American bald eagles, swallow-tailed kites and Florida panthers.

After public review, the plan will be presented to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners for approval.

The stewardship plan is available for review until Wednesday, October 31 at the East County Regional Library, 881 Gunnery Road North # 2 in Lehigh Acres; the Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library, 2050 Central Avenue in Fort Myers; the Six Mile Cypress Slough

Preserve Interpretive Center and online at www.conservation2020.org/documents/LSP/SMCSP.pdf.

The meeting's address is 7751 Penzance Blvd. in Fort Myers. Written comments are encouraged and can be given at the meeting, online or through the mail.

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Make The Switch To Shiner Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

With the first real taste of fall temperatures, the past weekend also marked the time I make the seasonal switch over to doing the majority of my fishing with

much more scarce.

One of my favorite things to do after making the switch over to shiner fishing is being able to live chum or locate gamefish by feeding them live shiners. This method of throwing a few dozen stunned whitebaits into a spot you think is holding fish quickly lets you know if there are feeding fish there. Watching hungry fish come up and pop and chase the free meal around makes for fun fishing.

When it comes to live bait chumming, it's all about having lots and lots of lively live shiners on board. Luckily, with so much whitebait all through the sound and out on the beaches, it does not take a whole lot of effort to catch a few hundred-plus baits. To catch these schools of white bait, I will either chum or watch for feeding birds in shallow water as I idle down the edge of a shallow grass flat. Once you see a few flashes, throw the net. Often, a few flashes means hundreds of baits.

Most of this whitebait is on the small side, which is perfect for live chumming. There are some larger baits mixed in with it, too. As I chum I separate out the larger baits to use on the hook. Go with a smaller mesh cast net to avoid the mess of having the baits get gilled and hung

white bait, aka "shiners." I really like this change over from the pinfish and grunts that I have been using for bait all summer long.

Although I will still generally always have a few pinfish in the live well for certain types of presentations and situations, the majority of my fishing for the next few months will be done with free-lined shiners. Now that winter temperatures are just around the corner, our fish really begin to target the big schools of whitebait as they pack on the weight. During the cooler winter months, bait fish will be



This 31-inch snook fell for a live whitebait this week on a charter with Capt. Matt Mitchell

in the net. My preference is a 1/4- or 3/16- mesh eight-foot net. A small light net like this is quick to load and easy to throw quickly, even into the wind.

My basic set-up for these whitebaits is a light, seven-foot spinning rod with 15-pound braid. On the business end of the rig, I go with a 1/0 or 2/0 light wire hook on two to three feet of 30-pound fluorocarbon leader. One little trick that really helps the bait from turning on the hook is cutting little sections of a rubber band to use as a bait stopper on the hook. Often when using these fast moving whitebaits, the hook will go all the way through the bait and turn, re-hooking the bait and not allowing a feeding fish to

get hooked. A small piece of rubber band pushed just to the J of the hook will generally stop this from happening.

The variety of species and the fast paced action of live shiner fishing is hard to beat.

This week, we caught just about everything from some of the biggest mangrove snapper I have seen since last fall to snook, redfish and trout. It's not unusual to catch all these species in one place.

If a spot looks fishy, set up and throw a few stunned whitebaits in there; the fish will quickly let you know if they are there. If the shiners don't attract some attention in a few minutes, move on.

This is no-pop, no-stop shiner fishing. Enjoy it while you can.

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.*

Send Us Your Fish Tales

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



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CROW Case Of The Week:

Golf Ball Therapy

by Patricia Molloy



It is a common sight for drivers in Southwest Florida to see a gopher tortoise slowly, but determinedly, crossing a road. Be patient. These gentle terrestrial beings have survived on this

planet for 60 million years; a few minutes of your time pales in comparison.

If you feel compelled to accelerate its journey and protect it from less attentive drivers, please relocate it in the direction it is traveling. If you return a tortoise to its point of entry, it will simply try to cross again once you have driven on your merry way.

Originating in North America, the gopher tortoise (*Gopherus polyphemus*) has shovel-like front feet and elephantine hind feet, which play a major role in its unique ability to dig very large burrows. As one of the few tortoises to build elaborate shelters, they are able to protect themselves from extreme temperatures, fires and predators.

Gopher tortoises are exceptionally tolerant of their neighbors (a trait from which we humans could learn a thing or two) and are known to share their burrows with other species, including lizards,



If you would like to volunteer to graze tortoises, turtles (like this snapping turtle) and feed baby animals, contact CROW immediately

opossums, frogs, snakes, rabbits and burrowing owls. Some of these "roommates" are so dependent on the burrows that they will disappear if a gopher tortoise abandons its home. Thus, these special turtles have earned the nickname "key-stone species."

Unfortunately, CROW is forced to treat a large number of tortoises and turtles each year that have been hit by careless drivers. After a spinal injury, these reptiles can often move their hind quarters but will simply drag their back legs, leading to muscle atrophy. The clinic's

staff has developed a unique way to treat some of these patients: golf ball therapy.

A golf ball is affixed to the bottom of a patient's shell with an adhesive. It elevates the back of the shell, allowing it to use its hind legs. The slick floor of the clinic's turtle room provides the perfect surface by which a grazer's progress can be evaluated by the staff.

It takes approximately four months for a shell fracture to heal and an additional six to 12 months for full recovery and removal of the zip ties. If you would like to graze tortoises and turtles, help care

for baby animals, take part in patient transportation, assist with educational outreach, and more, please contact CROW. New opportunities to participate open up on a regular basis.

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Time For The Fall Family Carnival

The Fall Family Carnival, hosted by the Sanibel Community Association, will take place on Wednesday, October 31 from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be plenty of candy, games, prizes and crafts, a dining area serving meals at family-friendly prices and a hay ride (courtesy of Billy's Bike Shop).

Everyone attending the festival – kids, adults and volunteers – are encouraged to wear costumes. Multiple costume prizes will be awarded.

The admission price for the carnival is a bag of Halloween candy per family. Join us and help hand out candy; volunteers are always welcome.

Interested in volunteering? Call Salli Kirkland at 472-4919 or The Community House at 472-2155 to find out more. Candy donations are being accepted at SCA, and sponsors are still needed for this community event.

In addition to providing the hayride, Billy's Bike Shop is providing volunteer staff during the carnival.

Please join us for a howling good time! For more information on this event or other SCA-sponsored events, visit us online at www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or call 472-2155.*



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START To Extend Beach Monitoring Effort On Islands

An enhanced beach-monitoring initiative, sponsored and implemented by the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of START, will begin to provide up-to-date information on red tide blooms and other conditions at beaches throughout the islands.

The local chapter of START (Solutions To Avoid Red Tide), a statewide environmental organization, is collaborating with Mote Marine Lab to enhance its current Beach Conditions Report program for the islands. This Internet-based reporting network apprises visitors and residents of daily beach conditions, in an effort to minimize potential health impacts and maximize enjoyment of area beaches.

Currently, beach conditions at Tween Waters Inn on Captiva and at Bowman's Beach on Sanibel are monitored by MOTE-trained observers, and information is uploaded to a website twice daily. START will extend the monitored locations to include Lighthouse Beach, Causeway Islands Park, Bailey Beach, Gulfside City Park, Blind Pass and other frequented beaches across the islands. Reports will highlight the current color of the water, wind direction, presence of dead fish or algae, any presence of respiratory irritation to beachgoers, and other relevant information for swimmers at each location.

Nancy McPhee, program manager of new product development for the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau, thinks the addition of new reporting locations will prove valuable in further assisting island visitors.

"We are very interested in having the most up-to-date information available for visitors," said McPhee. "This is an important part of that communication ... allowing visitors, if one beach is affected by red tide, to make an educated decision on choosing another beach."

Dr. Bruce Neill, president of the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of START, is pleased that his volunteer organization will be able to spearhead the added monitoring efforts.

"It is very exciting to be able to sponsor this service for our community," Neill said. "We are an organization dedicated to coastal conservation through education and outreach. Helping to minimize the impacts that red tide has on our island communities is one of our main goals. We would like to help people avoid sections of our beaches that are most heavily impacted by red tide."

"A second, but still very important aspect of this increased beach coverage, is that it will help visitors realize that when we have impacts from red tide, it is usually not the entire island that is affected and that there are almost always places they can go to enjoy the ocean."

Cracker Fest, the annual START fundraiser scheduled to take place the evening of Friday, November 2 at The Bait Box on Sanibel, will generate the funding for this expanded network of beach reporting.

Local START board members will

organize monitoring efforts for the islands, and interested area residents are also invited to volunteer. If you would like to become a beach monitor during red

tide outbreaks, contact a START board member or call 472-8585.

If you would like to view the Beach Conditions Report, visit <http://coolgate.mote.org/beachconditions> and click on the Lee County area of the map.

For more information on preserving our coastal waters, visit www.start1.org.





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Wednesday, October 31 marks the deadline to apply for grants of up to \$1,000 each, which "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) will award to Lee County schools for conservation education-related projects that reflect the society's education mission.

Schools may use the grant money to purchase teaching aids, books and classroom materials; fund new classroom science projects; take field trips; or conduct work projects in the community.

All Lee County schools are invited to submit environmental education- or science-related unit proposals. The approved proposals will be awarded in November 2012 for projects to be completed by May 2013.

"We continue to be impressed by the quality of the grant applications that we receive and the opportunity they provide for the environmental education of our children in Lee County - our future," said Doris Hardy, DDWS Environmental Education Committee chair.

Funding for the DDWS teacher grants comes from the "Ding" Darling Fund, which was established as a result of a gift from the "Ding" Darling Foundation overseen by Jay Norwood Darling's grandson, Kip Koss.

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Plant Smart

Invasives Amid The Invasives

by Gerri Reaves

It's difficult to decide which plant in this photograph is the invader and who's being invaded?

Two species shown here are listed as category-1 invasive pests by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council and the other, most gardeners agree, should also be listed.

Category-1 status means that a species is "altering native plant communities by displacing native species, changing community structures or ecological functions, or hybridizing with natives."

The damning designation is assigned only after the species has caused "documented ecological damage," according to the council.

The real mystery is: Why do the homeowners or landscapers expend energy edging and irrigating this mound instead of eliminating it?

Arising out of this tangle of green is a young carrotwood tree (*Cupaniopsis anacardioides*), a category-1 pest. Already, it's big enough that removal will be quite a task.

Carrotwood is a fast-growing tree with a deep tap root that makes it almost impossible to hand-pull sprouts only a few inches high.

In the foreground and underneath lengthy wisps of grass lurks another infamous category-1 pest, asparagus fern (*Asparagus aethiopicus*). Recognizable for its bright green fern-like foliage, white flowers and red berries, this groundcover conceals sharp spines. Wear gloves when ripping it out.

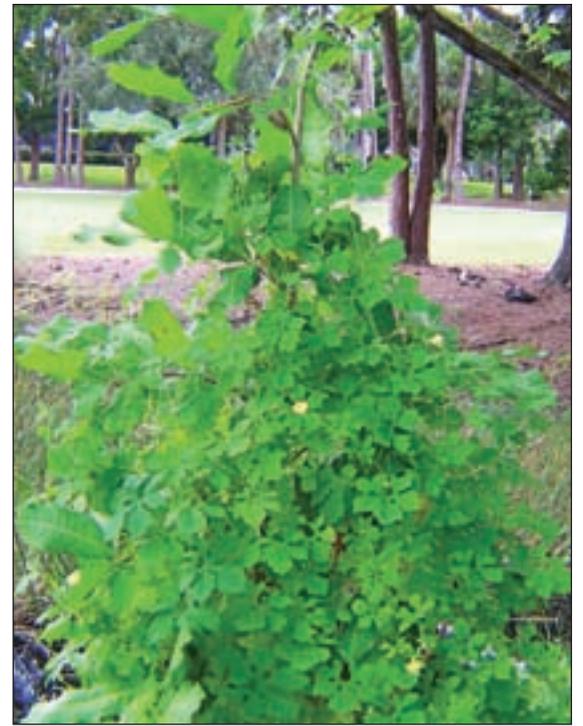
That vine engulfing the entire mess – and climbing up the native pine tree (*Pinus elliottii*) – has become enough of a pest that official exotic-invasive might be in its future.

Don't let balsam apple's (*Momordica charantia*) pretty lacy leaves and yellow flowers fool you. This vine is a "take-over-the-landscape" poster child. It will cover the ground, another vine, a tree, a shrub. In fact, don't stand still too long when you're near it.

The leaves emit a decidedly earthy



Carrotwood, asparagus fern and balsam pear struggle to out-invade one another. The only non-invasive weed in this green mass (foreground) is the native slash pine photos by Gerri Reaves



smell and the warty fruit looks like a miniature pumpkin. Those red seeds inside wreak havoc when birds distribute them.

Sometimes the best yard work is a look around. If you find these three culprits, get rid of them, roots and all, and take care not to let the berries or seeds escape.

Sources: ifas.ufl.edu and fleppc.org.

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Annual Free Bonsai Society Show & Sale

Bonsai enthusiasts throughout Southwest Florida are invited to the Annual Bonsai Show & Sale on Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18. The free event, sponsored by the Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days at the Lee County Election Center, 13180 S. Cleveland Avenue in Fort Myers (across from the Bell Tower Shops).

This annual event will feature bonsai exhibits and critiques, workshops and demonstrations, raffles, silent auctions and sales of bonsai trees and supplies. Vendors will be present to assist attendees with bonsai needs and supplies. Ed Trout, Toby Diaz, Ernie Fernandez, Mike Feduccia, Mike Cartrett and Dorothy Schmitz, all renowned bonsai artists, will be available to give lectures and provide demonstrations.

Bonsai is a horticultural art of growing trees in pots. It had its origins in China and Japan. Information about bonsai and the association will be available at the meeting.

For additional details about bonsai, the association or the annual show and sale, contact Jim Bremer at 482-7543. ✨

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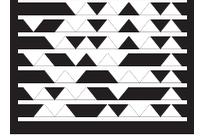
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Shell Islands Garden Club Holds Meeting



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To celebrate the start of the fall season, members of the Shell Islands Garden Club met recently to catch up with each other, have lunch and conduct a brief business meeting, chaired by Maggie Butcher, club president.

Patty Poshek reported on an infestation of white flies on the island as well as other plant pests and how to deal with them. Several members of the club presented ideas for fall arrangements for different home venues, the dinner table, the front door and a wall hanging.

The Shell Islands Garden Club is a membership organization of like minded hands-in-the-dirt gardeners who are also interested in floral design and conservation.*

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Fall Workshops In Pottery, iPhone At BIG ARTS

Enrollment has started for upcoming workshops at BIG ARTS. Full workshop schedules are available online at www.BIGARTS.org or by contacting the main office at 395-0900.

Pottery on the Wheel with Kelly Flaherty, starts October 30, meets Tuesdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Open Studio: Life Drawing, Non-Instructed with Carol Rosenberg starts



Large seahorse plate pottery by Jerry Edelman

November 2, meets Fridays from 9:15 to 11:45 a.m.

Open Studio: Life Drawing, Non-Instructed with Carol Rosenberg starts November 2, meets Fridays from 12:15 to 2:45 p.m.

Open Studio: Pottery, Non Instructed with Jerry Edelman starts November 5, meets Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Introduction to the iPhone with Gerard Damiano is Monday, November 5 from 9 a.m. to noon.

iPhoto for iPad (Part 1) with Gerard Damiano is Monday, November 5 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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Annual Fall Kayak Festival Offers Activities For Variety Of Paddlers

The 7th annual Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival, scheduled for November 1 to 4 on and near the Sanibel Causeway, offers events and attractions for kayakers of all levels: avid paddlers looking to network with enthusiasts, occasional kayakers who want to learn more, local residents looking to try out a kayak or SUP for the first time, and parents and kids interested in paddling together in a family-friendly race.

The festival, which the Southeast Tourism Society has named to its Top 20 events for three consecutive years, is sponsored by Fort Myers Toyota and CROW and is hosted by Lee County Parks & Recreation. The event will feature paddling equipment demos, speakers, on-water demonstrations, children's activities, a photo contest, fishing tournament, film festival, relay race, live music, hearty local restaurant fare and more. A complete program of scheduled events is available online at www.CalusaBluewayPaddlingFestival.com.

Event organizers aim to make it easier and more convenient for Southwest Floridians to participate, with one location for evening events and a second location for daytime activities. Nightly events begin at 6 p.m. on November 1, 2 and 3 at the Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel, 20371 Summerlin Road in Fort Myers. Daytime festivities span from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 2 and 3 as well as from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on November 4 on Island A along the Sanibel Causeway.

Admission options make it easier to attend this year too: a daytime, single-admission rate of \$5 per person (kids under 12 are free); one rate for single admission to one of three evening events (\$15); or a \$75 four-day, all-inclusive pass complete with lagniappes.

Proceeds benefit CROW (the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife) and the Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail, the 190-mile trail along Lee County waters featuring mangrove forests, more than 300 species of birds and sugar-sand beaches.

For the evening events, parking is free at the Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel. For the daytime events on Sanibel Causeway Island A, festival-goers have two options. This year, people can drive to the causeway and park for free; the \$6 toll to enter the causeway is not waived. Or, attendees can park for free at Tanger Factory Outlets and take a complimentary trolley to and from the causeway. The trolley will run 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on November 2 and 3 and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on November 4.

Back for the second year is the popular Canoe & Kayak Film Festival, which is scheduled for 6 p.m. on November 2 at the Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel at a cost of \$15 per person. Publisher Jim Marsh and his crew will present short films and a few longer ones, taking participants on virtual paddles to exciting places. Food and drinks will be provided courtesy of Fort Myers Toyota.

The festival's grand prize for its annual raffle is presented by O-Sea-D Aquatic Adventures: an Ascente touring kayak valued at more than \$3,000. The winning ticket will be drawn at the CROW evening reception November 3. Another sponsor, Estero River Outfitters, will give away a Hobie fishing kayak to the grand-prize winner of the Nov. 3 Calusa Blueway Fishing Tournament at Matlacha Park on Pine Island.

New this year is a relay race for stand-up paddleboards, kayaks and canoes that will begin at noon on November 4 on Sanibel Causeway Island A. Entry is \$5 for the race that will include one, two or three team members. Following this race, festival-goers can watch the start of the first-ever Coast to Coast Expedition Challenge, a 240-mile self-sustained human-powered race featuring small non-motorized sailboats and paddlecraft. Racers will take off from the Sanibel Causeway and complete the race seven days later in Miami.

Also during the festival, Lee County Parks & Recreation will launch the new Calusa Blueway smart phone app, which now includes all 190 miles of the trail in both Android and iPhone versions.

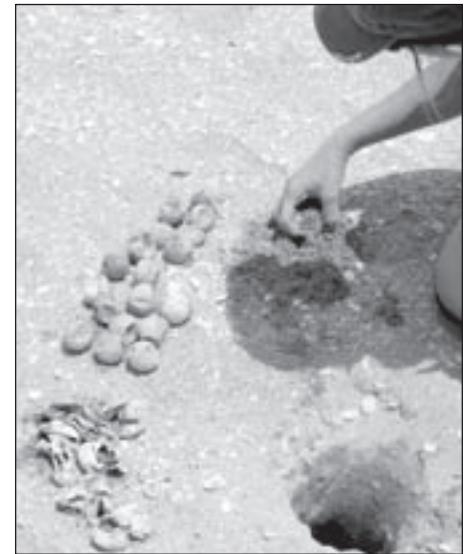
For more information on the festival, visit www.CalusaBluewayPaddlingFestival.com or call 533-7474. For Calusa Blueway details, visit www.CalusaBlueway.com.*

Turtle Tracks Offered At SCCF

Learn about the lifecycles and habits of sea turtles that nest on local beaches and what the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is doing to protect them. Get an update on the whereabouts of RECON the recently satellite tagged Kemp's Ridley that SCCF adopted. The Kemp's Ridley is the world's most endangered sea turtle and they use Pine Island Sound as a juvenile nursery.

Since 1992, SCCF sea turtle volunteers and staff have monitored every inch of Sanibel and Captiva beaches each morning from May 1 through October, looking for tracks to nests laid the night before or nests that have hatched.

The next Turtle Tracks program is Thursday, November 1 at 10 a.m. at the SCCF Nature Center, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road. The program is free to SCCF members and children, or \$5 for



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Mike Gillmore and Suki

Sanibel sheller Mike Gillmore and family pet Suki, aka "The Sanibel Shelling Shih Tzu," visited Blind Pass last week and found a large whelk. Suki is currently in training to hunt for super-sized shells and junonias. According to Gillmore, she loves grabbing shells with her teeth as they come rolling up to shore.*



From left, José H. Leal, museum director, Clair Beckmann, museum board president, Mead Bailey-Johnson and Richard Johnson proudly show off the new Bailey's shopping bag featuring the museum's shell guide

Bailey's Bag Now Features Shell Guide For Shoppers

In an unexpected but appropriate twist of fate, Bailey's General Store recently incorporated the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum's now famous Shell Guide onto the shopping bags given to customers.

When the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum first opened, it distributed a shell sheet duplicated from the illustration on the old Bailey's bag. Now, 17 years later, the museum's Shell Guide has been printed on one side of the store's shopping bags.

The partnership between the museum and store reaches as far back as the creation of the museum, named in memory of Frank P. Bailey and his wife Annie Mead Matthews. Their children - Francis, John and Sam Bailey - donated the land upon which the Bailey Matthews Shell Museum was built.*

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Dr. Peter Blaze Corcoran was honored to be part of the Expert Panel at the United Nations Intergovernmental Conference on Education for Sustainable Development: Tbilisi+35 in the Republic of Georgia



In South Africa Dr. Peter Blaze Corcoran worked with Rhodes Professor and 2011 Rachel Carson Distinguished Lecturer Heila Lotz-Sisitka, from left, Mahesh Pradhan of the United Nations Environment Programme and Dr. Sizwe Mabizela, Acting Vice Chancellor of Rhodes University



At the University of Nairobi, Dr. Peter Blaze Corcoran collaborated with Kiama Gitahi, the Director of the Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace and Environmental Studies, and Agnes Mwang'ombe, Dean of the College of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences

CESE Advances International Environmental Education

submitted by Kharli Rose

Three continents were crossed in September by Sanibel resident Dr. Peter Blaze Corcoran to help spread environmental and sustainability knowledge. Along with community outreach, the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education at Florida Gulf Coast University is involved in a modest program of international work in the fall. The Center's Director participated in conferences, presentations, workshops, and partnerships on his recent trip.

Dr. Corcoran started in the capital of the Republic of Georgia along the Kura River in Tbilisi to attend the Intergovernmental Conference on Education for Sustainable Development: Tbilisi+35. After crossing the Bridge of Peace before the conference, he joined 300 delegates from over 98 countries, representatives of intergovernmen-

tal, non-governmental and national organizations to commemorate the 1977 Tbilisi Declaration and 35 years of global efforts towards advancing environmental education. Dr. Corcoran served as a member of the Expert Panel that helped produce the outcome document to reflect the conference's vision of a world in which prosperity, environmental sustainability, and social equity coexist in all forms and mutually reinforce each other.

"It was a great honor to be invited to update the Tbilisi Declaration, which is the founding document in my field of environmental education," said Dr. Corcoran.

Recommendations within this new document were drafted for governments and other relevant stakeholders to uphold the conference's peaceful vision through environmentally responsible actions.

Travelling down to the Eastern Cape in South Africa, Dr. Corcoran delivered presentations and participated in panel discussions at the Environmental Education Association of Southern Africa's 30th Annual Conference and Workshop at Rhodes

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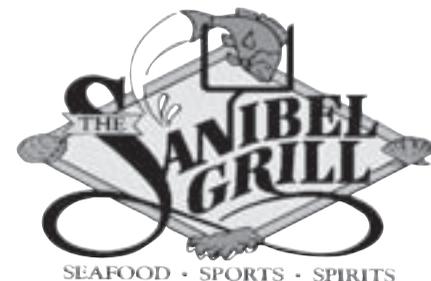
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Bird's Eye View

Letter From
An Amarakaeri

by Mark 'Bird'
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The following is a paraphrased letter that was read by an Amarakaeri Indian from the province of Madre de Dios, Peru as testimony to a way of life that is being destroyed

in the Amazon jungle. The italicized words in parenthesis are my additions for clarification purposes.

"We Indians were born, work, live and die in the basin of the Madre de Dios River of Peru. It's our land – the only thing we have is plants, animals, and small farms, an environment we understand and use well. We are not like those from outside (*usually colonists from the Andes*) who want to clear everything away, destroying the richness and leaving the forest ruined forever. We respect the forest; we make it produce for us.

Many people ask why we want so much land. They think we do not work all of it. But we work it differently from them, conserving it so that it will continue to produce for our children and grandchildren. Although some people want to take it from us, they then destroy and abandon it, moving on elsewhere. But we can't do that; we were born in our woodlands.

Without them, we will die.

In contrast to other parts of the Peruvian jungle, Madre de Dios is still relatively sparsely populated. The woodlands are extensive; the soil's poor, so we work differently from those in other areas with greater population, less woodland and more fertile soils. Our systems do not work without large expanses of land. The people who come from outside do not know how to make the best of natural resources here. Instead, they devote themselves to taking away what nature gives and leave little or nothing behind. They take wood, nuts and – above all – gold.

The man from the highlands works all day doing the same thing, whether it is washing gold, cutting down trees or something else. Bored, he chews coca, eats badly, then gets ill and leaves. The engineers just drink their coffee and watch others working.

We also work these things, but so as to allow the woodland to replenish itself. We cultivate our farms, hunt, fish and gather woodland fruits, so we do not have to bring in supplies from outside. We also make houses, canoes, educate our children, enjoy ourselves. In short, we satisfy almost all our needs with our own work, and without destroying the environment.

Since 1974, we have been asking for legal property titles to the land we occupy in accordance with the Law of Indian Communities. The authorities always promise them to us, but so far only one of our communities has a title and that is barely 5,000 hectares (12,355 acres).

You may ask why we want titles now if

we had not had them before. The answer is that we now have to defend our lands from many people who were not threatening us in the past.

In spite of journeys to Puerto Maldonado (*Departmental Capital*) to demand guarantees from the authorities, they do not support us by removing the people who invade our land. On the contrary, when we defend our land, forcing the invaders to retreat, they accuse us of being wild, fierce and savage.

Equally serious are invasions by gold-mining companies. The Peruvian State considers the issue of mining rights to be separate from that of land rights, and there are supposed to be laws giving priority to Indian communities for mining rights on their land – but the authorities refuse to enforce them. Many people have illegally obtained rights to mine our lands, then they do not allow us to work there. Others, without rights, have simply installed themselves.

There are numerous examples I could give, yet when my community refused entry to a North American adventurer who wanted to install himself on our land, the Lima Comercio accused us of being savages, and of attacking him with arrows. Lies! All we did was defend our land against invaders who didn't even have legal mining rights – without using any weapons, although these men all carried their own guns.

If our economic position is bad, our social position is even worse. Traders reach the most remote areas, but medical facilities don't, even now with serious epidemics of malaria, measles, tuberculosis and intestinal parasites in the whole region. Our children go to primary schools in some communities, but often the schools are shut. And there are no secondary schools.

The commercial centers of the gold zone are areas of permanent drunkenness. Outsiders deceive and insult us, and now some of our people no longer want to be known as Indians or speak our languages; they go to the large towns to hide from their origins and culture.

We are not opposed to others living and benefitting from the jungle, nor are we opposed to its development. On the contrary, what we want is that this development should benefit us, and not just the companies and colonists who come from outside. And we want the resources of the jungle to be conserved so that they can serve future generations of both colo-

nists and Indians."

As I stated in my column last week, if the reader substitutes a Native American chief speaking at a treaty signing, the similarities are frightening. Will "civilization" continue its blitzkrieg until everything natural is gone? And can "civilization" survive in a mostly artificial world? I am not so sure.

What it all comes down to is respect for the natives – both human and animal – and tolerance of their existence. The easiest thing for "civilization" to do is to run over anything that slows down its progress. The more difficult, but in the long run, sustainable, position is that of co-existence. Sanibel is trying, but sometimes it is difficult for even Sanibel to co-exist.

If the animals of Sanibel could express themselves, I could see the island's savage alligators and our "very own" black bear presenting the same type of speech as the Indian from Peru. Some of our animals have been given an uncomfortable choice – go to the reservation and don't bother us, or die.

We are supposed to be a "smart" species. Why can't we reach some common ground with the natural world and those that live in it? I think the Dalai Lama has hit the nail on the head. He just gave a speech on October 13 entitled "Finding Common Ground – Ethics For A Whole World." I did not hear the speech, but I would be willing to bet his words spoke much wisdom.

The problem is, will anybody even listen to the Dalai Lama?

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.canoewithbirdwestall.com for more information.✪

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International Education

University. He first launched the Center's recently revised book *Fundamentals of Sustainable Development* about the concept and practice of sustainable development and Learning for Sustainability in Times of Accelerating Change, which is part of a series marking the United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005 to 2014). The theme of the conference was "Environmental Learning, Agency and Social Change" and Dr. Corcoran was later involved in formal conference presentations on Mainstreaming Environment & Sustainability in African Universities Programmes and Global Universities Partnership on Environment and Sustainability, as well as the role of Regional Centres of Expertise in fostering transformative social learning and sustainability practices in Africa.

A subsequent trip to Kenya's capital Nairobi provided multiple opportunities to contribute to sustainable changes in the region and abroad, even amid protests. Dr. Corcoran witnessed demonstrations of the three-week strike by professors, teachers, doctors and other civil servants in Kenya that was resolved with better wages. He was able to sign the peace book and meet with leaders of the Wangari Maathai Institute for Peace and Environmental Studies. The Institute was inspired by the principles and actions of Wangari Muta Maathai, who founded the Green Belt Movement and also served as a Distinguished International Advisor to the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education.

"I felt blessed to be in Africa near the anniversary of her passing and was honored to spend time with her close friends and family," said Dr. Corcoran.

Dr. Corcoran is also privileged to be one of two North American representatives out of six regions for the Global Universities Partnership on Environment and Sustainability. This flagship program of the United Nations Environment Programme seeks to build on and partner with other existing regional higher education networks. While in Nairobi, Dr. Corcoran evaluated a university curriculum focused on ecosystem management and green economy development for graduates and reviewed a "greening universities toolkit" to create sustainable campuses. This ongoing process will not only be beneficial on a global scale but can help at home through applications at and through the Center.

For more information, contact the Center for Environmental Sustainability at 590-7166, e-mail cese@fgcu.edu or visit www.fgcu.edu/cese.

Attention Sanibel-Captiva Gardeners

The first program of the season of the Master Gardener Lecture Series will be held at the Sanibel Library on Thursday, November 1 at 10 a.m.

The speaker will be Doug Caldwell, PhD, landscape entomologist with the University of Florida. His presentation will focus on the spiraling whitefly which has attacked over 60 species of trees, shrubs and palms. The whitefly severely damages the plants and then the honeydew they produce promotes the growth of sooty mold on understory plants, cars, mailboxes and pool/patio furniture.

After consulting with the Department of Natural Resources and a certified arborist, master gardeners have confirmed damage to the following trees and palms: black olive, gumbo limbo, strangler and other fig species, live oaks and fruit trees; palms include coconut, areca, adonidia, bismarck and royal palms.

Treatment can be expensive. Dr. Caldwell will suggest reasonable, safe and effective measures that you can employ, which do not involve spraying.

Dr. Caldwell has over 30 years experience in his field and is recognized as the South Florida expert on insects. In the past decade he has identified 11 new significant pests in Lee and Collier counties. He communicates with citizens via newspaper articles, TV programs, his own website and public meetings using his photo Powerpoints. He has received

multiple national awards for his over 50 published papers during the past decade. Master gardener Phillip Marks has known Dr. Caldwell for eight years and refers to him as a dynamic speaker with a wonderful macrophotographic Powerpoint.

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Strong Nesting Season For Loggerheads

Loggerhead sea turtle nesting was near a 24-year high along Florida beaches this year, according to data compiled by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) researchers. The loggerhead is listed federally as a threatened species.

Trained surveyors from partners across the state count nests on nearly 250 miles of beaches as part of the Index Beach Nesting Survey. Surveyors follow firm

counting guidelines, making it possible for FWC researchers to use the data from these beaches to identify trends.

In 2012, index beach surveyors counted 58,172 loggerhead nests, one of the highest counts since monitoring began in 1989. Nesting on these beaches peaked at 59,918 nests in 1998, and hit a low of 28,074 in 2007.

"After a steep decline in Florida loggerhead nesting between 1998 and 2007, nesting has risen over the past five years," said Dr. Blair Witherington, FWC research scientist. "We're pleased to see this increase, but we recognize that loggerheads, and other sea turtle species, still face many challenges."



Loggerhead hatchling

As hatchlings will continue to emerge from nests through November, people are asked to stay at a distance if they spot sea turtles on the beach. People are also asked to remove beach furniture and other objects from the beach at night so there is a clear path for hatchlings to make it to the water.

In the U.S., 90 percent of all loggerhead nesting occurs in Florida, the majority of which takes place along the state's east coast. The loggerhead is the most common sea turtle species to nest in Florida.

Green turtles and leatherbacks, federally endangered species, also nest on Florida beaches, primarily on the east coast, and their nesting numbers have been increasing over time.

Since tracking began in 1989, green turtle nesting in Florida has increased about tenfold. This year, surveyors found 6,054 green turtle nests on index beaches, down from last year, but consistent with normal variation.

Leatherback nesting in Florida also has been on the rise since monitoring began.

For the 2012 season, surveyors counted 515 leatherback nests on index beaches. Only 45 leatherback nests were counted on the same beaches in 1989.

The extensive data collection is made possible with the help of hundreds of surveyors from conservation organizations, universities and federal, state and local governments along with private volunteers. These and other partners also provide data to FWC researchers through the Statewide Nesting Beach Survey, which documents all sea turtle nesting in Florida.

The FWC's role in coordinating Florida's sea turtle nest counts, training surveyors and compiling data is funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and sales of the state's sea turtle license plate.

For more information about trends in sea turtle nest counts, visit www.MyFWC.com/Research, click on "Wildlife," then click on "Nesting" under the "Sea Turtle" heading.

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Shell Found



Carly Levinsohn

Carly Levinsohn, 10, of Carmel, Indiana found a golden olive near Casa Ybel while staying at The Sundial on October 19. "I am so excited and amazed that I could find it," she said.✱

Monday Night Movie Award-Winning Comedy At BIG ARTS

by Di Saggau

BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series kicks off this coming Monday, October 29 with the critically-acclaimed independent foreign film, *The Women on the 6th Floor*. Set in Paris in the early 1960s, the film tells the story of Jean-Louis, an uptight stockbroker leading a consistently uninteresting life in an ornate

Parisian apartment building. He was born in the building, has lived all of his life here, and assumes he will die here. His life changes when he meets Maria, a beautiful new maid, who introduces him to the servants' quarters, where Jean-Louis learns to open up to an altogether different world. Film critic Roger Ebert describes the movie as a "pleasant, even-tempered romantic fantasy." This comedy was nominated for three Cesars, and Carmen Maura, who portrays another maid in the building, won the Cesar for Best Supporting Actress for her role.

Half a dozen Spanish maids are living up on the sixth floor, coping with a single stopped-up toilet and a concierge

who insists they never get mail from home because she'd rather not climb up that many stairs.

Little by little, circumstances make Jean-Louis take notice of all the women. All Monday Night films are \$8 and begin at 7 p.m. in Schein Hall. A group of enthusiastic film buffs leads informed post-movie discussions, complemented by refreshments in Phillips Gallery. For the listing of BIG ARTS films, to purchase tickets, or to become a member, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road on Sanibel, call 395-0900, email info@BIGARTS.org or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.✱

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First TrophyCatch Bass Comes From Lake Talquin

Corey Dolan of Tallahassee celebrated landing a 12.3-pound largemouth bass on Lake Talquin and released it on October 16, becoming the first entrant in the Florida TrophyCatch program. TrophyCatch is an innovative program initiated October 1 by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to reward anglers for being great resource stewards by legally catching and releasing trophy largemouth bass.

Dolan started fishing at sunrise on his last day off before starting a new job and was rewarded when he cast a rubber worm to a point of lily pads around 1:30 p.m. His trophy struck ferociously and fought to escape by heading back toward the lily pads as Dolan manipulated both rod and trolling motor to land the 27-inch-long bass.

Dolan checked out www.TrophyCatchFlorida.com from his smartphone and ultimately connected with the TrophyCatch hotline. FWC biologists Doug Engel and Joshua Gold arrived at Coe's Landing an hour later to determine a certified weight of 12.33 pounds – just short of the Hall of Fame mark (13 pounds) but qualifying for the Trophy Club. Dolan will receive \$100 in gift cards from sponsors such as Bass Pro Shops, Dick's Sporting Goods and Rapala lures, plus a long-sleeve

TrophyClub shirt from Bass King and discounts from New Wave Taxidermy, FishPhoto Replicas and Sportsman On Canvas.

KP Clements, the FWC's TrophyCatch coordinator, said that as the first TrophyCatch angler, he will also receive a special one-day entry pass to fish at the famed Bienville Plantation and is entered into drawings for other great prizes.

Dolan started fishing as a youngster with his mom while growing up in the Tallahassee area. The fishing bug has struck hard, and now he's molding his own rubber worms and hoping one day to catch the next record Florida largemouth bass, by certifying a fish heavier than 17.27 pounds.

TrophyCatch includes three tiers to encourage reporting and live-releasing bass heavier than 8 pounds that are caught in Florida waters. Bass 8 to 9.9 pounds (Lunker Club) or those 10 to 12.9 pounds (Trophy Club) that are caught, documented and released can be reported online at www.TrophyCatchFlorida.com any time of the year. All that is required to qualify for the many prizes is a photo of the entire fish on a scale with the weight visible, and one on a tape measure or ruler showing the length. Bass heavier than 13 pounds that are caught between October 1 and April 30 each year must be certified by FWC staff to verify the weight and take genetic samples.

Certified catches that are released or provided to the FWC for research will be entered into the Hall of Fame club, making the angler eligible for the prizes. The



Corey Dolan of Tallahassee proudly displays the TrophyCatch he hooked on Lake Talquin, where the 12.3-pound largemouth bass still lives

World Fishing Network is partnering with the FWC to promote and manage the trophy bass website.

The biggest bass of the year entered into TrophyCatch will earn a Super Bowl-like ring, from the American Outdoors Fund, for the angler who catches it. If it is caught in Osceola County, the Kissimmee Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) will award the lucky angler \$10,000. In addition, if the angler is on a guided fishing trip, the guide will receive \$2,500 from the CVB.

"TrophyCatch will enable biologists to better manage freshwater fisheries by providing valuable incentives to anglers, such as Corey (Dolan), for reporting and releasing their catches of trophy bass," said Tom Champeau, director of the FWC's Division of Freshwater Fisheries

Management. The information will be used to evaluate and improve management strategies that produce more and larger bass.

Of special interest is the fact that Lake Talquin has been the site of several largemouth-bass-stocking efforts as well as habitat improvement projects. Of the last 18 bass heavier than 9 pounds caught in the lake and tested this year, seven were tagged, hatchery-stocked fish.

"It is important for anglers to read and understand all the rules and details about rewards, which may change during the year, since they are provided by various sponsors," added Clements.

Just for registering, an angler is entered into a drawing for a Phoenix bass boat, Mercury motor and trailer.✪

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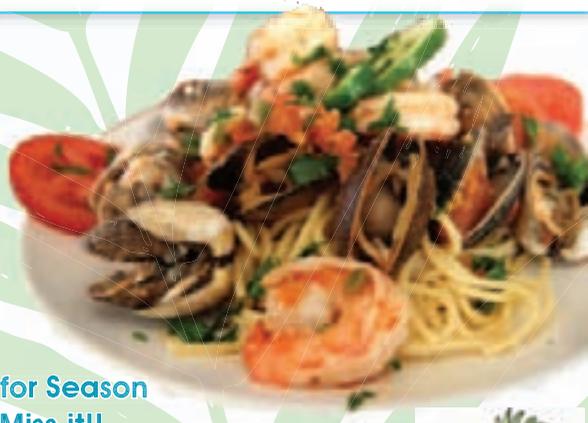


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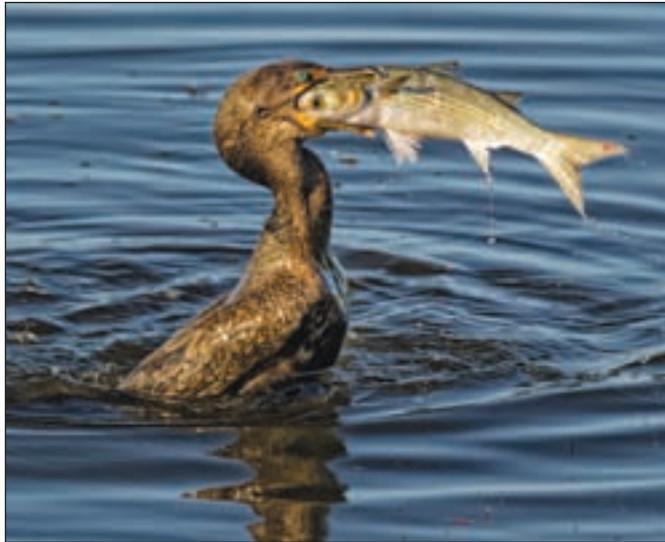
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Second place winner Liz Noffsinger's *Two Ospreys*



Third place winner Wayne Kliever's *Cormorant Eating Mullet*

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Ding Darling Photo Contest

Earlier, on September 25, judges had selected 14 winners out of 80 entries from 20 states and three countries. All entered photographs were taken at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel.

First place went to Frank Gumpert of Fort Myers for his unusual wasp comb image.

"I just think that it's amazing how it has both the adult wasp and egg in focus," said Deputy Refuge Manager Joyce Palmer, one of the contest's three

judges. "How often do you get to see that? That egg is about to hatch."

Liz Noffsinger from Milford, Ohio took second place with an photo of an adult and juvenile osprey on their nest.

When asked what he liked about the image, professional photographer Nick Adams, also a judge, explained, "The wing encompasses everything together, plus it is pin sharp. The composition is perfect, it's in thirds with some clean space in it."

In third place was Wayne Kliever from Clinton, New Jersey. His shot portrays a cormorant with a mouthful of mullet.

"I feel this needs to be a winner because it's action-packed," said Jean Crenshaw, manager of Doc Ford's Sanibel Rum Bar & Grille, a "Ding"

Days' major sponsor. "I love the water drops. It's really pretty."

"We always choose three judges for the contest," said Terry Baldwin, contest chair. "A refuge staff member, a professional photographer, and a member of the Sanibel community."

The three winners received cash awards from DDWS at the presentation on Saturday -- \$100 for first place, \$75 for second and \$50 for third. Each honorable mention winner received a \$25 award, which reflects a refund of the contest entry fee.

The winning photographs and 11 honorable mention award entries will be on display in the Refuge Education Center through the end of May.

To view the other top-ranking entries,

visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org and click on "Photo Contest." Also, stay tuned for news about blank note cards featuring all 14 winning images, which will be available for purchase in the Refuge Nature Store this season.

DDWS sponsored the 25th annual "Ding" Darling Days Amateur Nature Photography Contest.

HONORABLE MENTIONS (in alphabetical order):

Sherm Bedford, Prospect, Kentucky – Wood Stork

Jason Boeckman, Fort Myers – Fighting Ants

Thomas Brott, Cape Coral – Snowy Egret with Fish

Bill Fischer, Hinsdale, Illinois – White Pelicans

Kent Jager, Sanibel Island – Reddish Egret

Barb Jull, Madison, Wisconsin – Immature Night Heron

Christine Kliever, Clinton, New Jersey – Snowy Egret Dip Feeding

Tom Korbutt, Bluffton, South Carolina – Reddish Egret

Nancy C. Malson, Kingsville, Maryland – Pileated Woodpecker

Jan Master, Oak Hill, Virginia – White Pelicans

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Island Realtors Hire Veteran Administrator

by Anne Mitchell

Peggy Hummel, a veteran administrator, was selected from six applicants as the new executive for the Sanibel & Captiva Island Association of Realtors. She started the job on October 15.

Hummel was previously executive director of the Realtors Association of Greater Fort Myers for 14 years. She remains active with the Florida Realtors and the National Association of Realtors, serving on various committees.

Even though she lives in Fort Myers, Hummel's initial interview with the board took place via Skype. That's because the five other applicants were from different parts of the country and the board wanted to save on traveling costs. They also wanted to have a level playing field for all.

"Each applicant was given 30 minutes," said Janie Howland, board member. The nine board members introduced themselves and then the interviews took place, one after the other.

Hummel's previous job involved more than 4,000 realtor members. Compare that with 250 on Sanibel and Captiva. She had a staff of 13 full-time and one part-time employee. Here, she has one full-time and one part-time staff.

"I am looking forward to it. I am very happy to be here," Hummel said this week. She replaces Nancy Banker, who



Glen Simmons, president of the Sanibel & Captiva Island Association of Realtors, with Peggy Hummel, the newly-hired association executive

resigned in July.

Hummel and her staff work out of the association's offices at 2535 Periwinkle Way, in the Winds Center. One of her new tasks will be to promote rentals in the association-owned building, said Simmons.

The lower level is rented to Finnimore's Cycle Shop, with the association occupying the upstairs.

"We can seat 100 people and we also have a smaller space like a boardroom, for about 10 people," said Howland. The association holds its meetings there, but would like to generate some income by renting it for functions and civic group

meetings and such.

Simmons introduced Hummel to local realtors October 18 during the association's annual meeting, when two new board members were elected for 2013.

The seats, vacated by Judie Anderson and Kara Cuscaden, were filled by Lori Pierot and Shane Spring. The remaining board members are Simmons; Debbie Staley, secretary; Jeff Burns, treasurer; Bruce Cochrane, president-elect for 2013; David Schuldenfrei, president-elect for 2014; and Howland. The board members serve three-year terms, while the officers serve for one year.✪

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Noise Solution

Sanibel Community Church has just completed a major expansion project on the 8.1-acre site on Periwinkle Way, and wants to start using the new 630-seat sanctuary for services.

At the previous meeting, planning commissioners had asked both sides to get together with the help of Planning Department director Jim Jordan.

Pavelka said both residents indicated they felt better because of more open communication had been established, something Mathusa and Harjung had said was lacking on the church's part.

However, according to Pavelka, Mathusa said he may be filing an appeal to the city but is willing to try to work things out before doing so.

The commission's decision to grant a plan revision – and the right to a certificate of occupancy – to allow for seven a/c units instead of the five shown on the site plan, was made two weeks ago. Tuesday's hearing was simply to pass the wording of the resolution.

Any measures the church will take can be permitted at the staff level and will not have to go before the planning commission for approval.

Commissioner Tom Krekel, who had previously voted against approving the revision, said he was glad to hear both sides were working together.

"This is the kind of thing I was looking for, and you obviously are following it and that is good," Krekel said.✪

Tenant Faces Rent Hike Due To Bylaw Change

by Anne Mitchell

Unless Community Housing and Resources, the city's below market rate housing authority, changes its tenant handbook, a Sanibel woman who takes care of her cancer-stricken husband faces a rent hike of about \$600 a month. That would push her current rent from \$700 to \$1,300.

Jan Manarite, of Airport Way, who has lived with her husband Dominic in CHR housing for 13 years, told the planning commission on Tuesday that the new rules require her to work 35 hours

a week to qualify for housing. Means testing would then push her rent to \$1,300. Only the retired, disabled and full-time students are exempt from this rule, she said.

Manarite, who works a 22-hour a week job from home, said CHR rents are rising along with utility fees, and she was prepared for that. Her rent would have been about \$900 a month next year – except for the new rule, which she says she was not aware of until recently.

The CHR landlord and tenant committee was due to meet on Wednesday to approve the handbook and Manarite said she was afraid what would happen if the handbook is approved. "I am scared," she said.

At the meeting, she quoted rents for private home rentals on Sanibel advertised in a local newspaper. A two-bedroom, two-bath home on a canal was advertised at \$1,600, a 2/1 on a canal was \$1,300 and a three-bedroom home with lake view was \$1,500. Manarite's home has two bedrooms and one bathroom.

Manarite said she is a big supporter of CHR and believes the new director, Kelly Collini, to be "a shining star" who has listened to her problem, and she doesn't want to criticize the organization, whose mission includes providing island workforce housing. She said she's looking for a "win-win" for her and CHR and is aware of the financial problems it has faced.

"CHR has been an integral part of my family's existence. My husband was a charter captain diagnosed with extremely advanced prostate cancer 12 1/2 years ago," she said. That's why they had to apply for CHR housing. As a result of his cancer and medications, her husband not only has a life-threatening condition but also several chronic illnesses. He needs constant care.

City Councilman Brad Congress, who happened to be in the audience, is the city's liaison to CHR. He said he had spoken with Manarite and has discussed her case with Collini and City Manager Judie Zimomra.

"I can assure you (Collini) is taking this very seriously and the landlord/tenant committee is considering statements (Manarite) made to them. I don't know which direction they are going," he said.

"Obviously they need to live by the rules and make sure they are financially viable," Congress added.

Commission Chairman Mike Valiquette said the landlord/tenant committee "should not just put words on paper but look at the person in front of them." He added, "I want to make sure we are doing all we can. The purpose of CHR is to help people."

The commission does not administer the housing program, but several of the members expressed concern for Manarite's plight.*

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BIG ARTS Fall Workshops

Glass Fusing with Petra Kaiser starts November 7, meets Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Individual flute, piano and saxophone lessons with Jennifer Valiquette are available for children and adult students.

Community Chorus practice is held on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. at BIG ARTS. The Community Band rehearses on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at St. Michael & All Angels Church. No auditions are required for the band and chorus, and all are welcome to join.

There are many new classes offered at

BIG ARTS this season, including African dance and African drumming, Writing for Theater, Weaving, Creating Sculpture with Basket-making Techniques, Guided Improv Dance, Italian for Travelers and Applied Drawing Basics. There are several new mindfulness and health classes including Using Meditation to Enhance Creativity and Using Self-Hypnosis to Improve Sleep. New technology classes include a class about Facebook and social media, new iPad Trends and smart phone apps, OS X and iOS6, and Cloud Computing.

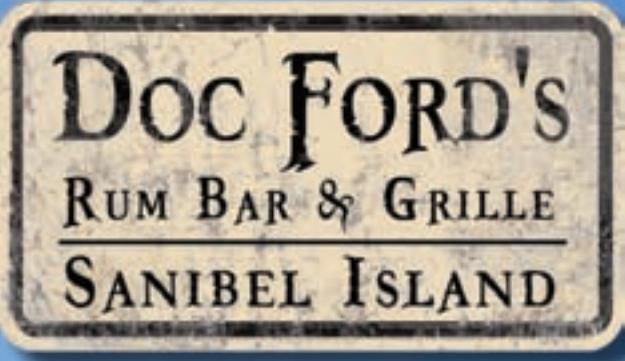
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The Village Church At Shell Point Season Of Praise Concert Series

The Village Church at Shell Point Retirement Community has announced the lineup for the 2012-13 Season of Praise Concert Series. This series of inspirational performances, sacred music and gospel songs will offer a total of eight different performers throughout the series.

The artist roster and dates are as follows:

INSPIRATA – Sunday, November 4

With four spectacular voices united in one glorious sound, the first concert of the Season of Praise will be presented by INSPIRATA. This quartet of exceptional, internationally acclaimed vocal artists, presents extraordinary sacred music concerts. INSPIRATA's concerts mix traditional, spiritual and contemporary sacred music from both old and new composers of great hymns, anthems, oratorios and more.

The Many Moods of Christmas – Sunday, December 16

The Village Church Choir at Shell Point, accompanied by a Festival Orchestra (comprised of area symphony musicians), will present The Many Moods of Christmas. This masterwork alternates between the reflective and joyous which provide full expression for meditation and celebration certain to instill the Christmas spirit in all of us.

Tim Zimmerman and The King's Brass – Sunday, January 13



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The King's Brass

Back by popular demand, Tim Zimmerman and the King's Brass will be performing at Shell Point. Audience members will be privileged to participate in live video recordings of the King's Brass concerts. Renowned for their presentations of hymn classics with a contemporary flair, the King's Brass features three trumpets, three trombones, a tuba, percussion, and keyboards. Each instrument blends together to create a show of innovative worship for the enjoyment of all generations.

Paul: A Prisoner of Passion performed by British actor David Payne – Sunday, February 10

British actor David Payne will perform *Paul: A Prisoner of Passion*. Using dialog taken almost entirely from the New Testament, the Bible takes on a new, thrilling dynamic in this dramatic portrayal of the Apostle Paul.



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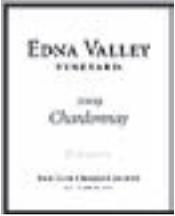


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Indiana Wesleyan Choir – Sunday, March 3

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Diane Bish – Sunday, March 31
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Women Who Dare To Believe – Sunday, April 21

The Season of Praise concludes on Sunday, April 21 as two veteran actresses bring to life 21 women from the Scriptures with a faith based musical drama entitled *Women Who Dare To Believe*. Bonnie Keen and Nan Gurley portray the women God used to fulfill the covenant and bring in the Messiah.

"We are honored to present this year's lineup of performers for the annual Season of Praise series, which residents

and visitors alike have enjoyed for many years at The Village Church," said Pastor Randy Woods, minister of worship and music for The Village Church. "We are offering more performances this year due to the great success of recent years."

Tickets are now on sale and are \$10 each. To purchase tickets online, go to www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise.com. To receive additional information about the concert series, call 454-2147. ✨



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GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your quick thinking helps you get out of a troubling situation that was suddenly thrust upon you. Later on, you can expect to learn more about why it happened.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might feel you've dotted all your i's and crossed all your t's regarding that upcoming deal. But there might be some facts you've ignored. Check again.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Time for the Lion to be more physically active. It will help shake off any lingering Leonine lethargy and restore your energy levels, so you'll be prepared for what lies ahead.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Helping those in need at this time is laudable. But don't ignore your own needs, especially where it concerns your health. A medical checkup is a wise move.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Good news: Your outspoken views about a controversial on-the-job situation could find unexpectedly strong support from a most unlikely workplace faction.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You might have to draw on your reservoir of spiritual strength to help someone special through a difficult time. Your loving

attitude makes all the difference.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your proven leadership qualities make you the perfect person to take on an important workplace task.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although some compromise might need to be reached regarding your stand on an important issue, you'll still be able to get the most crucial points across.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A chance to make a career change carries both positive and uncertain possibilities. Best advice: Check it out thoroughly and don't be rushed into a decision.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're still a staunch supporter of one side of an important issue. But be prepared to deal with new information that could cause you to question your current stand.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're perceptive and quick to act when you sense that someone needs help. You are an always-dependable friend.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Oct. 30, 1893, the World's Columbian Exposition closes in Chicago. Fairgoers were offered a chance to see the first gas-powered motorcar, an alternating-current power plant, a 46-foot-long cannon, a 1,500-pound Venus de Milo made of chocolate, and Juicy Fruit gum.

- On Nov. 4, 1922, British archaeologist Howard Carter and his workmen discover a stone sarcophagus containing three coffins nested within each other. Inside the final coffin, which was made of solid gold, was the mummy of the boy-king Tutankhamen, preserved for more than 3,000 years.

- On Nov. 3, 1930, the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel between the United States and

Canada is officially opened to auto traffic. Each end of the tunnel had a 100-foot-tall ventilation tower; each tower held 12 huge fans, six for pumping fresh air into the tunnel and six for exhaust. The tunnel's ventilation system still works just as well today as it did 80 years ago.

- On Oct. 29, 1948, a killer smog continues to hover over Donora, Pa. The town's steel mills and a zinc smelting plant had released excessive amounts of sulfuric acid, carbon monoxide and other pollutants into the atmosphere. Over a five-day period, the smog killed some 20 people and made thousands more seriously ill.

- On Oct. 31, 1950, 21-year-old Earl Lloyd becomes the first black man to play in an NBA game when he takes the court in the season opener for the Washington Capitols. The Capitols had picked him in the ninth round of the draft. After seven games with the Capitols, Lloyd was drafted into the military and sent to Korea for two years.

- On Nov. 1, 1967, "Cool Hand Luke," starring Paul Newman as a tough, anti-authoritarian, poker-playing prisoner, debuts in theaters. The film contained the now-famous line: "What we have here is a failure to communicate."

- On Nov. 2, 1986, Norwegian distance runner Grete Waitz wins her eighth New York City marathon. She finished the 26-mile, 385-yard course in 2:28.6, more than a mile ahead of the second- and third-place women in the race.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was 20th-century American author and actress Cornelia Otis Skinner who made the following sage observation: "One learns in life to keep silent and draw one's own

confusions."

- If you grew up during a certain era in the United States, you are probably familiar with the board game Parcheesi. If you have a particularly good memory, you may recall that the game's subtitle is "The Royal Game of India." You may not realize, though, that the game is so-called because royalty in India used to play a life-size version of the game in gardens specially designed for the pursuit. Centuries ago, rajas would dress members of their harems in brightly colored costumes and use them as game pieces.

- Everyone knows that a sophomore is someone in his or her second year of high school or college. Most people don't realize, though, that the word is derived from the Greek words "sophos," which means "wise," and "moros," which means "stupid."

- It's not unusual for music critics and the artists they critique to butt heads, but they usually do it in print, not in person. In 1978, though, the staff of Rolling Stone magazine and the band the Eagles went head-to-head in a softball match. The writers ended up losing to the rock stars.

- The creator of the ubiquitous smiley face earned a grand total of \$45 for his creative effort.

- Having trouble with your teenager? It's a worldwide problem, it seems -- though not always for the same reasons. In 2004, a 13-year-old boy in India ran away from home, declared that he was a Hindu holy man and founded a monastery. His parents arranged for him to be kidnapped and brought back home.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Life is not a spectacle or a feast; it is a predicament." -- George Santayana

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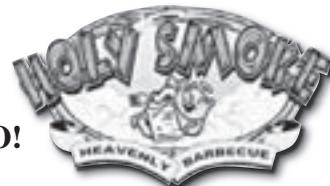
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Shell Point Invites Southwest Florida To Attend 2012 Holiday Craft Bazaar

The Shell Point Crafters Group will hold their annual Shell Point Holiday Craft Bazaar on Friday and Saturday, November 2 and 3 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Barbara Hilton, chairperson of the craft show, welcomes the public to view and purchase a variety of items created by the many talented crafters at Shell Point Retirement Community.

Over 50 booths will be set up on the first and second floors of the Woodlands Commons, and will feature a large assortment of quality crafts for sale. All of the items are handmade by the residents of Shell Point, and include intricate wood sculptures, handbags, pottery, toys, books, paintings, jewelry, cards and much more. This year's bazaar will also feature holiday items, home decorations, children's clothes and candy. After shopping, guests can visit one of Shell Point's four onsite restaurants to enjoy a light snack or a full lunch.



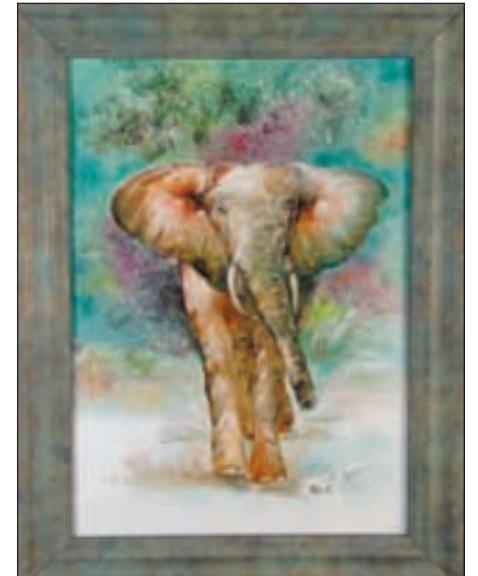
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"The annual Holiday Craft Bazaar has become a very popular event and continues to grow with each year due to the support of the community," said Hilton. "We continued on page 40

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Sanibel Island Writers Conference

Florida Gulf Coast University invites aspiring writers and other devotees of the written word to attend the Sanibel Island Writers Conference, held November 8 to 11 at BIG ARTS and the Sanibel Public Library on Sanibel. Participants can now register for a variety of workshops, panels, lectures and readings presented by celebrated and experienced writers and teachers.

Susan Orlean, Tim O'Brien and Taylor Goldsmith headline the conference.

Keynote speaker Orlean is the bestselling author of eight books, including *The Orchid Thief*, a narrative about orchid poachers in Florida that was made into the Oscar-winning movie *Adaptation*, written by Charlie Kaufman and directed by Spike Jonze. Last year, she published *Rin Tin Tin: The Life and the Legend*, a sweeping account of the famous dog's journey from orphaned puppy to movie star and international icon; it was a New York Times bestseller and Notable Book of 2011.

Author Andre Dubus III (*Townie* and *House of Sand and Fog*) will read before Orlean's keynote address at 6 p.m. Saturday, November 10 in Schein Hall at BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road. The event is open to the public.

The Things They Carried author O'Brien delivers a special talk on

Thursday, November 8 in Schein Hall. O'Brien received the National Book Award in Fiction in 1979 for his novel *Going After Cacciato*. In 2005, the New York Times named *The Things They Carried* one of the 20 best books of the last quarter-century. The novel received the Chicago Tribune Heartland Award in fiction and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award. His novels have been translated into more than 20 languages. O'Brien's talk begins at 6 p.m. and is open to the public.

On Friday, November 9, acclaimed singer-songwriter Goldsmith will perform a solo concert. He is the lead singer, guitarist and songwriter for the band Dawes, who have released two critically acclaimed albums (2009's *North Hills* and 2011's *Nothing Is Wrong*). *Esquire Magazine* called Goldsmith "the best young songwriter in America" and said he writes "songs that don't just speak for themselves but accomplish something far rarer - they speak for us." *Rolling Stone* called Dawes "the most promising purveyors of new-school country folk."

Cheryl Strayed (Oprah Book Club pick *Wild* and *Tiny, Beautiful Things*) reads before Goldsmith's performance. The event begins at 6 p.m. and is open to the public.

In addition to the artists mentioned above, the conference offers workshops, presentations, panels and readings from the following authors, editors and literary agents:

Steve Almond (creative nonfiction),

Lynne Barrett (fiction/editor), Lisa Borders (fiction), Steven Church (creative nonfiction), John Dufresne (fiction), Camille Dungy (poetry), Janice Eidus (fiction), Beth Ann Fennelly (poetry), Tom Franklin (fiction), Lisa Gallagher (literary agent), Doug Harrison (blogging), Dorianne Laux (poetry), Ron MacLean (fiction), Joe Meno (fiction), Joseph Millar (poetry), Dito Montiel (screenwriting), Jeff Parker (fiction), Bobbie Pyron (YA lit), Deborah Reed (fiction), Christopher Schelling (literary agent), Darin Strauss (memoir) and Johnny Temple (editor and publisher) will also appear.

For a complete schedule, registration fees and other information, visit www.fgcu.edu/siwc or contact Tom DeMarchi at tdemarch@fgcu.edu or 590-7421.*

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1. *For Cod & Country* by Barton Seaver
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6. *There's A Secret On Sanibel* by Karen Richards
7. *Sanibel Flats* by Randy Wayne White
8. *Turn Right At Machu Picchu* by Mark Adams
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Displaying their artwork at The Dunes' clubhouse are Sanibel School students, from left: Luca Corricelli, Chiara Corricelli, Livia Von Wowern, Anicca Sivsov, Talia Tumminello, Julia Lemmon and Anna Willis



Pictured with art teacher Tylor Stewart are Rocco Costanzo and Reggie Sims

photos by Ken Rasi

Penny Play Dates Return To The Dunes

by Jeff Lysiak

For the second consecutive year, The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club will be offering Penny Play Dates, a fun and affordable activity for kids that includes indoor and outdoor games and activities as well as arts and crafts. However, the weekly gatherings are now geared towards the entire family,

adding a buffet dinner that adults can enjoy, too.

Held every Thursday now through December 27 (with the exception of November 22) from 5 to 7 p.m., Penny Play Dates costs only 99 cents per child, which includes all activities and a kids-only buffet. The adult-themed buffets are \$16 per person.

"We've upped the level of interest by offering a buffet dinner for the adults to enjoy," said Leilani Sivsov, general manager of The Dunes. "So many families were coming here last year, but we wanted something that would appeal to everyone, not just the kids."

The Penny Play Date schedule, which began last week, includes:

- October 25 – Spooktacular Thursday: Getting ready for Halloween with mask crafts. Adults: Captain Jack's Seafood Buffet
- November 1 – Rock The Vote: Patriotic party with signs, banners and flags. Adults: All-American BBQ Buffet
- November 8 – Fall Harvest with Gorgeous Gourds decorated into animals or people. Adults: Rosemary Pork Tenderloin Buffet
- November 15 – Fall Harvest with The Thankful Tree hand turkey crafts. Adults: Rosemary Pork Tenderloin Buffet

- November 29 – Are You Afraid Of The Dark? Pizza and glow sticks party with jar luminaries. Adults: Mama Mia Pizza Buffet
- December 6 – Prime Rib Holiday Feast: Dinner with Santa Claus while creating fruit tree décor. Adults: Prime Rib Buffet (\$20)
- December 13 - Prime Rib Holiday Feast: Dinner with Santa Claus while decorating holiday cookies. Adults: Prime

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Sanibel Island's Own Trouper

by Whitney Congress

When one thinks of an ambassador, usually a respectable person comes to mind. The Clinic for Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW), located on Sanibel Island, has a different idea of a representative.

After enduring trauma in June 2009, at just eight-weeks-old, Trouper, a baby raccoon, was left blind, deaf and unable to smell.

Trouper now serves as an ambassador at CROW in order to teach people about his story and to show that other animals may be in need of care as well.

Steve Greenstein, executive director of CROW, explains that currently CROW treats over 4,000 patients per year representing over 200 species. The non-profit organization is able to do so with the diligence of dedicated staff, students and volunteers.

"CROW's overall mission is focused on saving wildlife through compassion, care and education," Greenstein said.

This year the children's story, *Trouper's Teachings*, won a gold medal for the Best Children's Non-Fiction category in the Florida Publishers Association President's Award competition.

Kyle Miller was able to write the book about Dot Lee's unique account about Trouper.



Kyle Miller poses with Trouper's book as Dot Lee holds him before their presentation at CROW's Visitor Education Center last Friday morning

photo by Whitney Congress

When Lee was asked to take care of Trouper after his injury, he was unresponsive due to shock from head wounds. Lee didn't want to give up her optimism to save the unfortunate animal, she said.

Lee knew that if she wanted to continue to take care of Trouper, she would

have to move from North Carolina. The state laws there would require her to euthanize the raccoon because of his blindness and deafness, she said.

Lee had a tough decision to make; she couldn't stop fighting with herself, she added.

"I thought no don't do it, no," Lee said.

At that point, Lee realized that Trouper was telling her he wanted to live. Lee knew in her heart she couldn't let that happen to the animal, she said.

"Sometimes, rough beginnings end up in miraculous endings," Lee said.

After doing some research, Lee was able to pack up her belongings and move with Trouper 12 hours away to Sanibel Island.

"There was a reason he was fighting so long to live," Lee said.

After only two months, Trouper's health had improved significantly. The ringtail possum even gained back his hearing, she noted.

Lee has formed a bond with Trouper that is indescribable. She cares so much for him that he even has his own room in her home. She has gone through so much because she bonded with him and loves him.

Lee and Miller both want to teach people – especially children – the importance of respecting and protecting animals, Miller said.

"CROW is a fabulous place that not only admires, and defends wildlife, but preserves it," she said.

During the day, Trouper partakes in regular activities that make him relatable to people and children. He enjoys listening to music, exercising, napping and eating.

Rachel Rainbolt, the current education intern at CROW, believes we must invest in educating the youth because they are our future, she said. CROW stresses the importance of needing support in order to keep the organization thriving.

Trouper will continue to circulate the message of CROW to children on Sanibel and in Fort Myers, locals and even tourists in an easy to understand, heartfelt way.

For more information about Trouper and upcoming presentations, log onto his website at www.trouperraccoon.com/events.html.

For details regarding volunteer and membership opportunities, log onto CROW's website at www.crowclinic.org or email education@crowclinic.org.

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Left to Right: Moderator Brandon Hollingshead, Kelly Walsh, Dr. John Edwards, Dr. Kris De Welde

FGCU Center Hosts Student Dialogue On Sustainable Food

submitted by Michael Saenz

The Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education hosted its seventh annual Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) on Monday, October 8. This year's topic was Sustainable Food to Nourish Mind, Body, and Soul, a theme that grew organically out of a concern expressed by center student assistants about local food options and the resources necessary to make affordable and sustainable consumer decisions.

Over 200 were in attendance. Panelists Kelly Walsh, Dr. John Edwards, and Dr. Kris De Welde spoke passionately on the subject and sparked an interactive dialogue amongst students and community members. The event raised awareness about the ethical and health implications behind sustainable food choices and demonstrated how consumers in Southwest Florida can utilize local resources to achieve these benefits.

The moderator was Sanibel resident Brandon Hollingshead, associate of the Center and instructor of Interdisciplinary Studies and Civic Engagement at FGCU, who first established the event in honor of Terry Tempest Williams in 2005.

Kelly Walsh, president of the Food Foresters club at FGCU, represented the student body as the speaker for the "mind" segment of the dialogue. Dr. John Edwards, local chiropractor and real-food activist, addressed the physical effects of eating sustainably as the speaker for the "body" portion of the lecture and Dr. Kris De Welde, director of General Education and associate professor of Sociology at FGCU, concluded the



FGCU Senior Kelly Walsh speaks on behalf of the Mind segment of this year's Dialogue

evening by discussing the moral and ethical dimensions of sustainable food systems encompassed in the "soul" segment. Dr. De Welde also works closely with the center as a senior faculty associate.

Together the speakers urged consumers to take these ideas into consideration when choosing when and where to procure their food.

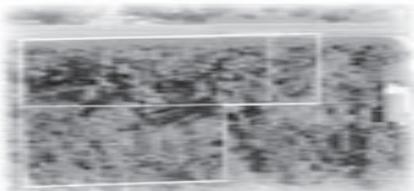
This year's event hosted 14 vendors, including local sustainable businesses and related campus organizations, for a networking session preceding the dialogue.

Also in attendance were distinguished Keynote Listeners, Dean Mitchell Cordova of the College of Health Professions and Social Work at FGCU, and FGCU senior Tyler J. Offerman, who is the first student to have received this honor for his legacy of fighting for environmental justice as well as his work with sustainable food systems within the local community. These individuals were recognized for their support in promoting more sustainable food choices in the community at large.

For more information about the Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue and sustainable food systems, contact the Center for Environment and Sustainability Education by e-mail at cese@fgcu.edu or visit www.fgcu.edu/cese.

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Around The Islands With Anne

Shell Museum Adds New Themed Merchandise; Twisted Circus Is Costume Theme For Halloween Bash



by Anne Mitchell

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is gearing up for the winter season with a variety of new merchandise and a new store manager, Cheryl Gruner, who has many years of retail experience.

Gruner, who has been on board for three months, has been ordering all sorts of

new items for shell lovers, shell collectors and visitors looking for Sanibel-themed souvenirs and gifts to take home. That includes jewelry, ornaments, T-shirts, caps, books, glassware, purses and totes.

Beachcombers will like the new burlap drawstring bags for toting their finds. One says, "My Shells Are Better Than Yours" and another, "Look What I Found." They're just \$8 each.

There's an elephant-friendly collection of carved nuts from South America that look like ivory. Called e^sf ivory, it includes pelicans, crabs and other island-theme critters.

Coming soon is a selection of shell jewelry from Charles Albert of Pompano Beach, showcasing nautilus shells, cowries, fossils, ammonites and shark teeth set in pendants, cuffs, necklaces and other items.

"We are really excited about this line because it's the type of thing we want to carry," Gruner noted.

The museum has a new line of T-shirts, visors and caps featuring its new wentletrap logo. For youngsters, there are glow-in-the-dark T-shirts depicting popular seashells.

You'll find notecards by local artist Myra Roberts and postcards by Angelique Geerlof.

I especially liked the champagne flutes and martini glasses engraved with a scallop shell, priced at \$14 and \$15 each.

Mermaids are in great demand, according to Gruner. You'll find them on handsome leather bags and wallets, hand painted by Anuschka. More are due to arrive shortly.

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is located at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road, Sanibel, phone 395-2233.

The much anticipated **'Tween Waters Inn** Halloween costume contest takes place on Saturday, October 27 from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. The theme is Twisted Circus.

This is one of the biggest Halloween bashes in the area and always draws a large and very creative crowd of costumed revelers competing for big cash prizes.

The grand prize in the costume contest is \$1,000. Another \$1,000 will be awarded for additional costume categories. Judging takes place at midnight.

Tickets are available at the door for \$18 to anyone over the age of 21. The Twisted Circus Party, held outdoors, will be rocking to live music by Deb & The Dynamics, a high-energy band playing rock, R&B and jump blues.

'Tween Waters Inn is on Captiva Drive, phone 472-5161.

To celebrate 34 years in business, **The Timbers Restaurant & Fish Market** is rolling back some prices to those of 1978. Get this: Monday, Shrimp Scampi, \$9.95; Tuesday, Timbers Sirloin, \$10.95; Wednesday, Prime Rib, \$11.95; Thursday, Stuffed Shrimp, \$9.95; and Friday, Chicken Timbers, \$8.95. All dinners include soup or salad, fresh vegetables and a choice of potatoes or rice.

Timbers is at 703 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel, phone 395-2722.

Sister restaurant the **Sanibel Grill**, next door, has a Friday night Lobstah Special for \$19, while they last. The phone number is 472-3128.

Sanibel Fish House is offering two-for-one Rum Runners for \$7 as well as appetizer and drink specials during happy hour, 3 to 6 p.m. The restaurant also screens football games Saturday and Sunday and carries the Sunday NFL package. The Fish House is at 1523 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 472-7770.



Burlap shell-collecting bags from the store at Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum



Anuschka hand-painted leather bag at the shell museum store



Shell-patterned wallets, coin purses and compact umbrella from the shell museum store



Blown glass ornament depicting sea life from Glass Baron, available at the shell museum store

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

The Crow's Nest at 'Tween Waters Inn will feature The New Vinyls on Friday, October 26. Deb & The Dynamics will be the featured act for the annual Halloween party on Saturday, October 27, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Crab races are held Mondays and Thursdays. The Crow's Nest is at 15951 Captiva Drive, phone 472-5161.

Traditions on the Beach at the Island Inn has live entertainment most nights. This week's lineup includes: Saturday, Joe McCormick and singer Marvilla Marzan; Sunday, closed; Wednesday and Thursday, dancing to Joe McCormick with popular favorites and smooth vocal stylings, R&B, jazz and pop. Traditions is at 3111 West Gulf Drive, phone 472-4559.

Sweet Melissa's Café features Michael David playing light acoustic background music Wednesday through Saturday from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sweet Melissa's is at 1625 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 472-1956.

Sanibel Fish House has live music Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, it's Steely Pan, steel drums; Thursday, Steve Reynolds, guitar and vocals; and Saturday, Sheldon Upchurch, guitar and vocals. The Fish House is at 1523 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 472-7770.

George & Wendy's Sanibel Seafood Grille has moved the weekly karaoke sessions to Wednesday, starting October 3. Other live entertainment is as follows: Friday, October 26, The Troublestarters. George & Wendy's also features NFL and college football games with food and drink specials. The restaurant is at 2499 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 395-1263.

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.

The Mucky Duck on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, features music by Mark Dupuy on Mondays; Rich Lancaster, Wednesdays; Gene Federico, Thursdays and Saturdays; and Buckeye Ken, Fridays.

The Island Cow on Periwinkle Way has live entertainment on Friday with Dan Confrey; Saturday, Diana Lynn; and Sunday, Buckeye Ken. Phone 472-0606.

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

Keylime Bistro features live music days and nights seven days a week. New to the line-up is Ken Limeri playing jazz sax from 6 to 10 p.m. every Tuesday. The bistro is at 11509 Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, phone 395-4000.

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



Costumed revelers at a previous Halloween party at 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva



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Students serving in Staten Island communities

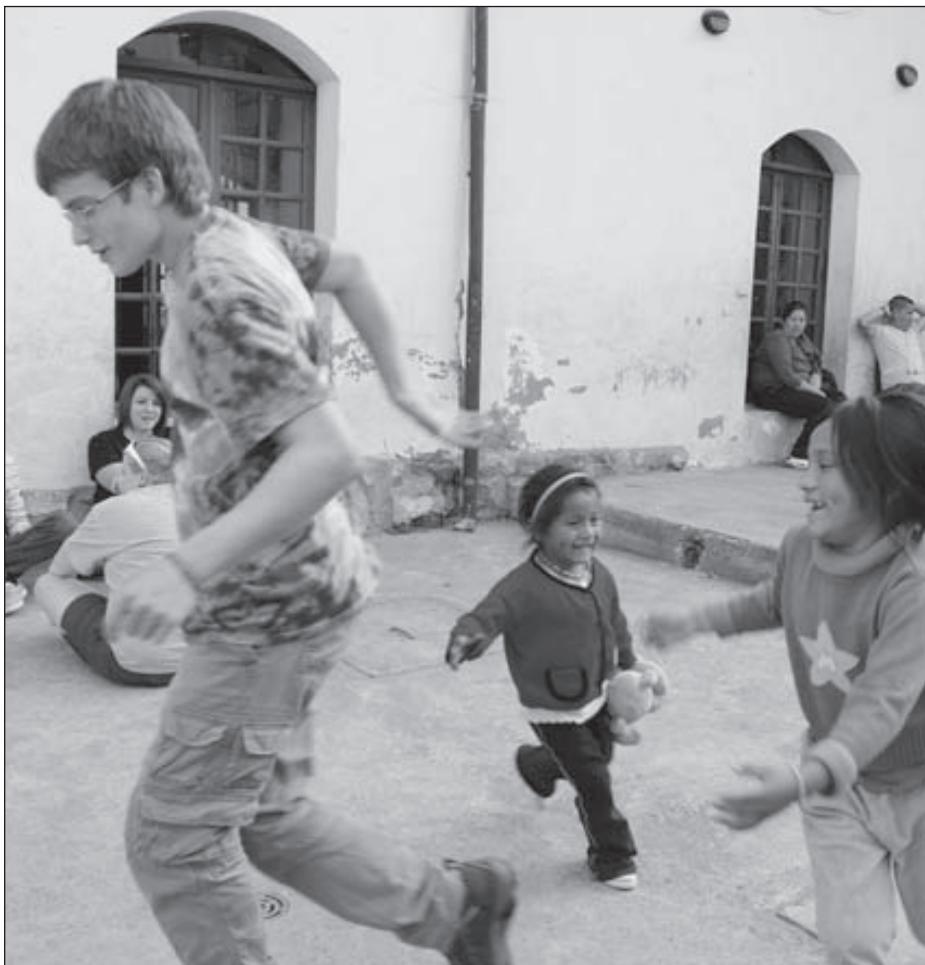
Students Impacting The World

On Sunday, October 28 the annual Youth Sunday will take place during all three services at Sanibel Community Church. This is a time where students who are connected with H2O Student Ministries (SCC's youth program) will share with the congregation their stories of how God has used them over this year and as a result, impacted the world. H2O students spent time this summer serving the "least of

these" in Ecuador orphanages, summer camps in Moldova, and in the inner-city of Staten Island. The experiences were transforming and life changing for many.

Service times are 7:45 a.m., traditional service with communion; 9 a.m., contemporary service; and 11 a.m. traditional service.

There will also be an opportunity for people to see the newly renovated youth center which was recently completed. The new youth center is part of the expansion and remodeling that has been taking place at Sanibel Community Church since August, 2011.✱



Student in Ecuador playing with orphans

4th Annual Buddy Walk Returning

The 4th annual South Seas Buddy Walk is scheduled to take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 3. The mile-long walk will take place inside the resort village, with the procession of close to 200 participants walking down Plantation Road.

The Buddy Walk is a multi-city advocacy walk in which people with Down syndrome invite "buddies" to walk with them. Buddies can be anyone, from friends to teachers or coworkers to politicians. The Buddy Walk promotes acceptance and inclusion of people with Down syndrome while raising awareness to their limitless potential. There are over 400,000 Downs individuals in the US. More than 250,000 Downs individuals and their buddies will participate in a Buddy Walk this year.

"My wife and I are lucky to be the parents of Jamison Ann, born 7 years ago with Down syndrome," said event organizer and South Seas' managing director Rick Hayduk. "We're delighted to have brought this event to Southwest Florida as it brings our local community to meet Downs individuals up close and personal."

Participants and sponsors for the walk are now being accepted. Individual walkers registration fee are \$20 for adults, \$10 for children ages 5 to 13 and \$100 for family sponsorships. Corporate sponsorships range from \$250 to \$500. Registrations will also be accepted on the day of the Walk. All registration fees include a T-shirt, post-walk barbecue lunch with live entertainment by Sanibel's Danny Morgan, bounce houses and activities for the kids.

According to Hayduk, proceeds will benefit The National Down Syndrome Society. In addition, funds raised will benefit the nonprofit Sanibel Sea School that provides placement for Downs children in their nationally-recognized summer camp. And for the second year, the kids will present a check to SanCap Cares and the Lee Memorial Hospital System for the construction of the pediatric emergency room.

"The NDSS has shown repeatedly over the past 20 years that through awareness, legislation, and inclusionary practices that the level of independence for those with Downs is limitless," he said. "But as we've learned from Jamison and those who she touches, Downs individuals are constant reminders of true kindness and unconditional love."

"Downs kids are born givers and I can tell you they will be pleased to know they contributed to help other children in need," Hayduk added. "Jamison sees life in a manner that would benefit us all if we did the same. Even at the early age of 7, she sees only the good in others and she'll sense when you're sad and is driven to make you smile."

For more information or registration forms, call 472-7565 or visit www.ssirbuddywalk.weebly.com.✱

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Ric Base, president of the chamber of commerce; and Ken Kouril, general manager of The Sanctuary Golf Club

Sanctuary Signs On As Luminary Title Sponsor

The Sanctuary Golf Club is this year's Luminary Festival weekend title sponsor. This year's Luminary celebrations will take place Friday, December 7 on Sanibel and Saturday, December 8 on Captiva.

"The members of The Sanctuary Golf Club take great pride in partnering with the chamber of commerce Luminary event in support of our island community," said Ken Kouril, general manager of The Sanctuary Golf Club.

"We are grateful to The Sanctuary for stepping up and supporting our Luminary Festival Weekend again this year," said Ric Base, president of the Sanibel-Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce. This is the third year that The Sanctuary Golf Club has been the title sponsor for this holiday event.

For more information on this year's Luminary Festival, visit the chamber website www.sanibel-captiva.org.

Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Greg Garten from the Fort Myers Rotary Club came to our meeting to give an update on the activities going on the Fort Myers mental health agency, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). As executive director of NAMI, Lee County, Garten sets up programs and workshops for people with mental illness, their families, friends, mental health professionals, and the general public. NAMI strives to offer hope, reform, and health to our community through support, education, and advocacy efforts regarding mental health. This organization also works to eliminate the discrimination and ignorance against those living with mental illnesses. Garten said that 80 percent of those who seek and receive help will recover with the proper care. NAMI offers an array of support services and educational workshops. NAMI provides relevant information, valuable insight, and the opportunity to engage in support networks.



Greg Garten

function and ability to relate to others. Depression alone affects 14.8 million adults and is the leading cause of disability for people ages 15 to 44. What is obvious is that people need accessibility to mental health care.

Two-thirds of all people with a diagnosable mental disorder do not seek treatment, whether for fear of being stigmatized, fear that the treatment may be worse than the illness itself, or lack of awareness, access and affordability of care. Mental illnesses do not discriminate; they can affect men, women and children regardless of gender, race, ethnicity or socio-economic status.

There should be no shame in mental illness diagnosis. It is not a character flaw. You need professional help and treatment. Most illnesses can be treated within eight months. NAMI will help you and your family understand how to get treatment and how to live with your diagnosis. NAMI holds regular educational activities taught by trained persons living in recovery.

For for information on NAMI, call 337-2024.

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.

Florida ranks 49th in per capita spending on mental health; therefore it is more than obvious that unmet need for treatment remains high. Our medical, educational, and judicial systems try to deal with the mentally ill but are ill equipped to handle the overwhelming need for proper care.

Nearly one out of every four Americans will have a diagnosable mental disorder within their lifetime. This adds up to the astounding figure of 25 percent of our country's population. Diagnosable and treatable mental illnesses include anxiety, panic disorders, depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, eating disorder, autism, attention-deficit/hyperactivity, bipolar disorder, post-traumatic stress, schizophrenia, seasonal affective disorder, Tourette's syndrome, thoughts of suicide, and bi-polar disorder. Mental illnesses are disorders of the brain that disrupt a person's thinking, feelings, mood, daily

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Penny Play

Rib Buffet (\$20)

- December 20 - Prime Rib Holiday Feast: Dinner with Santa Claus while making reindeer and snowman ornaments. Adults: Prime Rib Buffet (\$20)
- December 27 - Countdown To 2013: Making crafts and noisemakers. Adults: Prime Rib Buffet (\$20)

The Dunes requests that families make reservations as early as possible for all Penny Play Dates.

"I think that I'm most excited for the dinners with Santa," Sivsov said. "Seeing everybody getting ready for the holidays is my favorite time of the year."

In addition to the Penny Play Date activities, The Dunes is offering junior

golf and tennis clinics at the club every Thursday from 4 to 5 p.m. Cost is \$20 for junior members and \$30 for junior non-members.

Last week, a number of students from The Sanibel School were on hand to unveil their artwork, which will be on display at The Dunes clubhouse on a rotating basis all throughout the school year.

"It's wonderful when you see somebody walk in and everybody greets them," added Sivsov. "That's because the kids all know each other from school. And even if the adults don't know each other, they're going to make friends right away."

For additional information about The Dunes or to make reservations for Penny Play Dates, call 472-3355.

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From left, Haiti Assistant District Governor Gary Marcelin, Sanibel-Captiva Rotary president John Grey and St. Marc Rotary president Leon Jean-Baptiste cutting the ribbon

San-Cap Rotary Completes Largest Matching Grant Project In Club History

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club, in partnership with the Rotary Club of St. Marc in Haiti, proudly announced the completion of the restroom at the 750-student Mary Austin School in Haute St. Marc, Haiti. This is the school's first bathroom facility with running water and flushing toilets.

The majority of the students live without running water and electricity. A training program has been designed by the head master to teach the students how to use, the restrooms properly including the soap dispensers, toilet paper and proper use of the equipment. The kids were awestruck and excited at receiving their very own restrooms.

Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club president John Grey travelled to Haiti for the ribbon cutting at the Mary Austin School on the opening day of school, October 8. Dignitaries from across the country were in attendance. Gary Marcelin, Rotary Assistant District Governor for the Caribbean District 7020, traveled from his office in Port Au Prince. The head of the government in the Artibonite Department (State) of Haiti, Didro Batalien, attended representing the constituent of the State. In addition the president of the St. Marc Rotary Club, Leon Jean-Baptiste was present with many members of his club. A film crew from the national television station attended and recorded a 45-minute program that was played on TV that night.

In the presentations during the ribbon cutting event, all the dignitaries, in the Haitian way, got up to address the standing room only crowd.

"This is the only project of this kind ever completed by Rotary Clubs in the country," said Marcelin.

"The modern restroom represents the future of Haiti. Even though we are a struggling country operating under great diversity the people of Haiti have not given up and see this project as part of their struggle for the future," added Batalien.

St. Marc Rotarian Henry Edly Jean gave many thanks to the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva. "Your faith in this remote mountain village school provided them with a modern restroom," he said. "I think it will give all the students something to work



Children, teachers and community members watch as the speakers made their presentations



Inside view of the completed restroom



and strive for in the future."

Rotarian Chet Sadler, in his keynote speech, said, "The Rotarians have completed their part of the project. It is now the students and teachers turn to take over and show their ownership of the facility."

Sadler led the school in a pledge to take care and maintain the restroom from now on and into the future.

Half of the funding of the \$75,000 project came from the Rotary International Foundation matching grant. This is a small part of the \$120 million designated for the Annual Program Funds by Rotary International. A quarter of the funding came from the Southwest Florida District 6960 and the Haiti District 7020 matching funds. The remaining portion for the funds came from the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva, including a major gift from an anonymous donor on Captiva Island. The project could not have been completed without the generous donation of architect drawings by Amy Nowacki and design and planning input from Sanibel contractor Dan Budd.

If you have a heart for this growing school in the rural mountain community, funds are being raised for a new roof on the kindergarten room and the kitchen. Heavy rains have caused class to be dismissed due to leaks. If you would like to donate, contact Chet Sadler of the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club at 472-7257.*



Drinking fountain in front of completed school

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Historical Tour

coach transportation, boutique hotel accommodations, all meals, travel and evacuation insurance and an Israeli guide.

The registration and full payment deadline is Monday, December 10.

"Our travels will take us through a variety of striking, sensual settings," said Niehoff, who has led six study tours to Israel. "We'll stroll in the lush gardens surrounding the Rothschild Tombs, perhaps the most moving secular site in this modern state. From its mile and a half high mountains to sumptuous beaches, from its vineyards and dairy farms to the sub-tropical Sea of Galilee, from barren deserts to the lowest point on earth (the shores of the Dead Sea), Israel holds within its borders the greatest contrast of elevation and eco-climates of any nation on earth."

An ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, Niehoff retired on Sanibel in 2008 after 41 years of full-time parish ministry. He served congregations as pastor in West Seneca

and Wellsville, New York; Marblehead, Massachusetts; and Sanibel. Niehoff graduated from Washington University in St. Louis with a degree in Philosophy before he entered divinity school at Eden Theological Seminary in Webster Groves to earn his Master's and Doctorate degrees. Subsequent sabbatical leaves took him to Europe to study at the Jerusalem Center for Biblical Studies in Israel, the American School for Classical Studies in Greece, the American School in Rome and Westminster College at Cambridge University in the United Kingdom.

Before the trip a short meeting will be scheduled for participants to become acquainted and ask questions. There is also a suggested reading list for this study tour.

The tour will have 30 (and no more than 36) people; if the trip minimum of 30 is not met by December 10, there will be a full refund.

For a detailed itinerary and additional information about this study tour, call BIG ARTS at 395-0900. More information is also available online at www.BIGARTS.org.*

SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE 2012 Standings through October 22, 2012

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bunt's Ball Busters	16	0
Second	Bathroom Magic	10	6
Third	Odd Balls	9	7
Fourth	Sanibel Café	9	7
Fifth	Fresh Legion Crew	9	7
Sixth	Sandycappers	7	9
Seventh	Deep Pockets	6	10
Eighth	Island Lifers	0	16

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Odd Balls	9	Sanibel Café	7
Bunt's Ball Busters	16	Island Lifers	0
Fresh Legion Crew	9	Sandycappers	7

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

Perfect Start To A New Season

Richard Ennis, Dave Doane, Kip Johnson and Bob Buntrock racked up perfect 4-0 scores as Bunt's Ball Busters opened the Sanibel 8-Ball League season with a 16-0 thrashing of Island Lifers, one of this year's two new teams. Other than through forfeits, this was the first all-win score posted in the six years of the league's existence.

The victory eased somewhat the hurt suffered last year when Bunt's Ball Busters failed in its attempt at four straight league championships on the last night of the season as Bathroom Magic edged them by one game.

Bathroom Magic posted the second best score of the evening with a 10-6 win over Deep Pockets, another first-year team. Dennis Bender and John Gonzalez had 3-1 nights for the victors.

Also going 3-1 for the night were Kelly Greten and Doc Lubinski from the Odd Balls, Pete Mindel from Sanibel Café, Gator Gates and Larry Hancock from Fresh Legion Crew, and Jeff Brown from Sandycappers.✱

SPORTS QUIZ

1. True or false: Cal Ripken Jr. is the Baltimore Orioles' all-time leader in career home runs.
2. Name the last National League pitcher to complete at least 10 games in a season.
3. When was the last time before 2011 that the Detroit Lions made the NFL playoffs?
4. Name the last team to go undefeated for the regular season in men's Division I college basketball.
5. How many consecutive seasons have the Detroit Red Wings tallied at least 100 points in the standings?
6. When was the last time before 2012 that the U.S. finished 1-2 in the men's Olympic decathlon?
7. Who is the only PGA golfer since Tiger Woods to win at least one tournament in each of his first five years out of college?

ANSWERS

1. True. He had 431 homers. Eddie Murray is second, with 343. 2. Randy Johnson had 12 complete games for Arizona in 1999. 3. It was 1999. 4. St. Joseph's went 27-0 in the 2003-04 regular season, then lost in the Atlantic 10 conference tournament. 5. Twelve seasons. 6. It was 1956 (Milt Campbell, gold; Kater Johnson, silver). 7. Dustin Johnson (2008-12).

Challenges Are Many For New Red Sox Manager John Farrell, Third Boston Skipper In Three Years

by Ed Frank



The big question is whether John Farrell, who earlier this week was named manager of the Boston Red Sox, can return the discombobulated Bosox to its once winning ways?

Farrell will be the third Red Sox field manager in three years, taking over a team that finished last in the American League Central Division in 2012 with a 69-93 record, the worst team record in nearly half a century.

He succeeds Bobby Valentine, who was fired after one season, who succeeded Terry Francona, who was ousted after a late-season collapse in 2011.

The Red Sox apparently sought the 50-year-old Farrell a year ago, but were unable to pry him away from his managership of the Toronto Blue Jays.

This year, however, the Red Sox were able to obtain Farrell, a former Boston pitching coach, by compensating Toronto with infielder Mike Aviles as Farrell had a year remaining on his Toronto contract. The Blue Jays also sent right-hander David Carpenter to Boston as part of the deal.

Farrell signed a three-year contract with Boston.

He served as Red Sox pitching coach from 2006 to 2010 under Francona when the pitching staff compiled a 4.11 ERA, third best in the American League. He was instrumental in developing hurlers Clay Buchholz, Jon Lester and Daniel Bard.

"I'm extremely excited to be returning to the Red Sox and to Boston," Farrell said in a team statement. "I love this organization. It's a great franchise in a special city and region, with great fans, and we want nothing more than to reward their faith in us."

Before coming to terms with Farrell and the Blue Jays, the Red Sox also had interviewed Padres special assistant Brad Ausmus, Orioles third base coach DeMarlo Hale, Yankees bench coach Tony Pena and Dodgers third base coach Tim Wallach.

But it was obvious that Farrell was their first choice from the get-go.

He takes over a team that was decimated with injuries this past season, plagued with dissention over the managing of Valentine and, for the first time, feeling the wrath of fan dissatisfaction.

In addition, he likely faces a bevy of new faces in Red Sox uniforms as the result of a mid-season trade that sent three high-salaried super stars to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Using a very old cliché, Boston begins the 2013 season with "nowhere to go but up."

Let's hope Farrell is successful in guiding the Red Sox up the ladder of success.

Brad Steil Top Candidate For Twin's Farm Director

With the announcement last week that Jim Rantz, the long-time head of the Minnesota Twins Minor League system would retire after 52-years with the Twins organization, Brad Steil, his assistant for 12 years, emerged as his likely successor.

In his 12 years with the Twins, Steil has been Minor League director of baseball operations responsible for establishing and overseeing the Minor League budget and serving as liaison with the Twins six farm teams, including the Fort Myers Miracle.

Everblades Lose Twice To Upstart Orlando

After twice defeating the first-year Orlando Solar Bears in the season openers, the Florida Everblades were on the short end of two games last weekend to the same Orlando team.

Florida fell 8-2 at home last Friday and then lost 4-3 Saturday at Orlando in a 12-round shootout. Despite the loss, Florida picked up one point on the road in the OT defeat.

The Everblades and Orlando began the week tied for first place in the ECHL South Division with identical 2-1-1 season records.

The local hockey team is home this weekend at Germain Arena hosting South Carolina at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, and Greenville Saturday with a 7 p.m. start.✱



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Gulf Coast Men's Interclub Results

	Match #1 Gateway	TOTAL
	October 15	
The Dunes	8.0	8.0
Gateway	7.0	7.0
Kelly Greens	6.0	6.0
Gulf Harbour	5.0	5.0
Magnolia	4.0	4.0
Olde Hickory	3.0	3.0
Legends	1.5	1.5
Pelican's Nest	1.5	1.5

Match #2, Gulf Harbour, November 14

The Dunes Men's Interclub team won the first match of the year at Gateway on October 15. The team scored +37 points while the second place club, Gateway, had +21.

The overall scoring this year has changed so that after every match the first place team gets 8 points, the second place team gets 7 points, etc. That way, no matter how much the winning team wins by, the most you get is 8 points which should keep the overall scoring for the year very tight.

Highlights of the first match had Bob Schoen with +7 points, Chris Shaul with +7 points and Doug Mallon with +6 points.

The next match will be held at Gulf

Harbour on Wednesday, November 14. The signup sheet will go on the men's board in the next week or so.✱

Hole-In-One At The Dunes

On October 21, Maureen O'Brien scored an 89-yard, hole-in-one on the sixth hole at The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club. Jennifer Tyson witnessed the hole-in-one as O'Brien used her five wood, and a MC Ladies brand ball. This was her first hole-in-one.✱

Parkinson's Exercise Class

Exercise is medicine for those diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. Classes are offered every Wednesday from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Sanibel Recreation Center, 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Classes are free for those with Parkinson's Disease or a related movement disorder as well as their care partners.

For more information or to confirm the class schedule, call 985-7727. Photo ID is required for admission to the facility.

Also, a New Parkinson's Support Group will meet at 2 p.m. every second Wednesday of the month now through December 19 at the Rec Center. No class will be held on November 21.✱

Rec Center Block Party

The Sanibel Recreation Center will celebrate their fifth anniversary with a community block party from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 1 at the Rec Center, 3880 Sanibel Captiva Road. A commemorative T-shirt for block party attendees will be handed out for free, while supplies last.

Block party activities include a basketball free throw toss contest, tennis skill games, facility tours, open swim, bounce house and backyard games. Healthy snacks will be served and birthday cake cutting at 12:45 p.m.

Earlier that same day, the Jingle Bell 5K Beach Walk will be held starting at 7:30 a.m. at Bowman's Beach

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Workshops On Florida Estate Planning

Attorneys Craig R. Hersch and Michael B. Hill of Sheppard, Brett, Stewart, Hersch, Kinsey & Hill, PA will present two informative Florida estate planning workshops on November 7 and 8 at 2 p.m. to provide answers to questions on wills, trusts, and other documents. The November 7 workshop will be held at Temple Beth El, 16225 Winkler Road, Fort Myers.

The identical workshop will be held again the next day at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. All attendees will receive a Florida Estate Guide and DVD.

New and partial-year residents will learn if their will and trust documents from up North are valid in Florida, how Florida laws differ from other states, the many advantages of declaring Florida residency, and why recent changes in laws make it necessary for all residents to have their estate planning documents updated. Attendees are invited to bring a copy of their current estate planning documents and arrive a half hour early to receive a

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Todd and Bryan Hayes

Sanibel Air Sponsors Cracker Fest

Sanibel Air Conditioning, Inc. has become one of the top level sponsors in the fourth annual Sanibel-Captiva Cracker Fest, scheduled to take place on Friday, November 2. The donation includes a brand new air conditioning system, which includes installation, and is valued at over \$5,000.

This is the third year that Sanibel Air has supported this cause. The event, which benefits the Sanibel-Captiva chapter of Solutions To Avoid Red Tide (START), includes dinner, live music and dancing, a live auction and raffles.

START is a statewide non-profit foundation with a mission to improve the quality of our marine waters through research, public education and programs that restore marine habitat and preserve marine species.

Proceeds from the event will continue funding the Coastal Classroom program for Lee County schools, and the Sustainable Seafood Program, "Seafood Savvy" and other programs that benefit the local marine environment.

In addition to these programs, plans are in the works to create a beach monitoring network on Sanibel and Captiva that will provide knowledge of specific beach conditions during a red tide event,

and the possibility of creating a marine studies scholarship with a portion of the 2012 proceeds.

"We really love this event. It brings together a great crowd, its laidback and fun, and of course, it has a really good cause. For those of us who live and work on the islands, it's invaluable that we continue to come together to raise awareness and funds that help support causes that benefit our environment," said Bryan Hayes, co-owner of Sanibel Air Conditioning. "We are always grateful to have the ability to do what we can and we look forward to another great Cracker Fest."

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Pooling Gifts For College Educational Expenses



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

My oldest daughter, Gabrielle, is a senior in high school so now is the season for college applications. We've done the admissions tours at a variety of different colleges and universities. When friends ask me where she's applying, I tell them to look up a list of the most expensive colleges – and chances are it's in the top 20, she's interested!

Now, for a guy who had to put himself through college and law school at a state university, it's a tough nut to crack when you see how much it costs these days. This brings to mind a question that I'm frequently asked, which is related to the best estate planning strategies when a grandparent would like to gift money for their grandchildren's education.

The most flexible strategy is to make gifts to irrevocable trusts. Since the trusts are irrevocable, the gifts will generally be excluded from the grandparent's estate for federal estate tax purposes. Trusts can be used for many different educational purposes, ranging from tuition to living expenses. Families can control the investments inside of the trusts and can control the trust distributions.

The question then becomes whether a large gift should be pooled into one trust for the benefit of all of the grandchildren, or whether separate shares should be created – one for each grandchild.

There are advantages and disadvantages to each strategy. The pooled fund approach enables the family to allocate resources according to relative need. If one grandchild's parents are affluent and don't need as much help as another's, funds can be allocated accordingly. Similarly, we never know which of the grandchildren will even attend a college, or which ones might receive scholarships.

But the pooled approach isn't for everyone. Suppose you have grandchildren ranging in age from 2 to 16. If the older grandchildren attend expensive colleges, there's always the possibility that they consume all of the resources, leaving little for the younger ones who may have an even greater need since higher educational expenses have tended to skyrocket over the general inflation rate.

The converse can also hold true. If the family is stingy with the older grandchildren, then the oldest grandchildren might get the short end of the stick if there is ultimately too much in the pot when the younger ones come through.

Pooled educational trusts can also breed animosity within the family over

the allocation of the resources, especially when one of your children may have several children of their own where another child has only one.

The alternative is to create a trust that has a separate share for each grandchild. The grandchild can only consume the amount in his or her share. This strategy is relatively easy to administer. The hard part comes in decisions related to how much should go into each grandchild's share? Should a 3-year-old grandchild be funded with the same amount that a 15-year-old grandchild receives?

Besides for trusts, there are a few different ways to contribute towards a grandchild's educational needs. A 529 Plan allows for the tax free growth and withdrawals provided that the money is used for qualified educational purposes. Grandparents can "front load" these plans with up to five years of tax free annual exclusion gifts, which under current law means that \$65,000 can be contributed gift tax free. In 2014, that amount increases to \$70,000 since the annual gift tax exclusion increases to \$14,000.

In addition to the annual exclusion gifts, one can make a tax free gift for tuition regardless of the amount, so long as the gift is made directly to the educational institution. Assume that Johnny attends Brown University, where the tuition is \$54,000. Grandma can write a tuition check to Brown in full gift tax free.

Grandparents can also open Uniform Transfers To Minors accounts (commonly called UTMA accounts). Here, a custodian is named to hold the account for the minor, and upon attaining age 21 the minor has complete access to all

of the money. Be careful not to open an Uniform Gift To Minors Act account (UGMA), since those accounts allow its beneficiary complete access to all of the monies at age 18. If restriction to access the account is important, then you may want to consider a trust instead of an UTMA account.

Whenever creating trusts or opening accounts for college education, you should also consider the effect that the account may have on the child's ability to receive financial aid. The financial aid applications do take into account resources available to the child, reducing possible benefits and/or need-based scholarships.

There are a lot of options out there. The facts and circumstances of each family often dictates which avenues offer the best alternatives. But even though current educational expenses will literally shock you, it's still an exciting time for the students, and nothing beats future earning potential than a college diploma.

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by Cindy Malszycki

When the sun sets and the lights are turned on in your rooms, do you see dark corners, or too much brightness? Lighting is a functional yet wonderful way to accessorize your room. But how much light is needed to make the room useable – by day or night – is often a homeowner's greatest dilemma.

Interior lighting falls into three basic categories. Mixing these types of lighting into your room's overall design plan will definitely add drama and ambiance.

General Lighting

Basically this type of lighting is considered "indirect." Lighting such as track lighting or chandeliers would fall into this overall category. This type of lighting

bounces off walls and ceilings and provides an overall, general illumination to your rooms.

Task Lighting

This type of lighting does exactly what it says – provides the necessary illumination for specific tasks or jobs you enjoy doing in your rooms, such as reading, cooking, hobbies or computer work. Pendant lamps over a kitchen countertop would be a definite asset if cooking is your passion. An attractive table lamp would be the perfect choice for the avid reader.

Accent Lighting

This type of lighting is purely decorative. Perhaps a uniquely designed torchiere lamp would provide the perfect "up" light for a dark corner. Accent lighting is generally placed in a room to call attention to the room's appealing aspects.

With the myriad of lighting choice available today, there is simply no need to be in the dark about lighting. With the right lighting plan you can make even an average room look spectacular, disguise flaws and emphasize assets.

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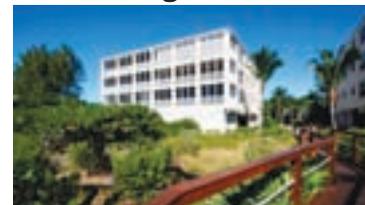
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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, My fifth grade daughter is doing very well in school, but she now says that she hates science. This is very upsetting for me because I know

how important science is and I was hoping that she might be interested in going to a high school that is a STEM school, (science, math and engineering school). What can I say or do that might change her mind?

Jacob F., Fort Myers Beach, Florida
Dear Jacob,

It is possible that your daughter simply isn't interested in science but, generally speaking, for her to have such a strong reaction to a specific subject may mean that she has difficulty with it.

As far as why someone might hate science, this subject may be somewhat more complicated for her. It uses a unique vocabulary and the concepts can be hard to remember. A lack of understanding the concepts and vocabulary could make science more difficult for your daughter. Make sure that she has a strong foundation in her current science course.

One way to combat this aversion to science is to show your daughter how all

the subjects she enjoys are actually related to science. Every single subject in school has various connections to other subjects; it is just a matter of figuring out how to draw those connections for your daughter. For example, look at science and art. The science part of photography includes technique and equipment and the artistic part of photography includes the photographer's use of art-related concepts. If you can get your daughter to think about science through the lens of her favorite subjects, perhaps you can change her mind.

Another interesting point of view on girls and science comes from University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee's Distinguished Professor Nadia Fouad. She is one of the authors of a three-year study aimed at identifying supports and barriers that steer girls toward or away from science and math during their education. Her research found that while interest is certainly a factor in getting older girls to study and pursue a career in these disciplines, more attention should be given to building confidence in their abilities early in their education. "The relationship between confidence and interest is close," says Fouad. "If they feel they can do it, it feeds their interest."

Another interesting insight into developing interest in STEM came from Cathy Webb, a technology teacher and student learning-plan adviser at Edmonds Heights K-12 School in Edmonds, Washington, in this month's issue of *Forbes*. She reported that by using a curriculum of math, LEGOS, and robotics generated great

interest in science, math, and engineering for her students. All kids seem to like LEGOS so that might be an activity that you can share with her.

You may want to introduce your daughter to some websites that promote science via games. Here are several that are good: <http://www.gamequarium.com/science.htm>, <http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/gamesactivities.html> and <http://www.kidsites.com/sites-edu/science.htm>.

You may also want to investigate some after school, holiday, or summer camp opportunities that involve science. This website lists science based summer camps in Florida; <http://www.mysummercamps.com/camps/florida-science-camps.html>. Locally, there are many wonderful student focused opportunities that focus on science such as the activities at JN "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge and The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.

Continuing to encourage and expose your daughter to the wide variety of activities that can be considered science – oriented as well as building her confidence and it may lead her to change her mind.

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Fire Prevention Week Reminders



by Bryan Hayes

Since I just wrote about electricity and safety a couple of articles ago, I want to highlight that this month, the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) teamed up with the

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) for their annual Fire Prevention Week, which took place from October 7 to 13. Their goal is to raise public awareness with this year's theme being "Having Two Ways Out!" which emphasized the importance of planning your fire escape routes. Since the leading causes of home fires every year are electrical failures, it's vital that residents and business owner make proactive efforts to avoid them at tall cost.

To help people better protect themselves and their properties, the ESFI provided an Electrical Fire & Safety Checklist to help you assess the risks. I encourage everyone to take the time to safe check their homes and businesses.

Smoke Alarms

Smoke alarms save lives!

- Do you have enough smoke alarms?
- Are they working?
- Do you test them?

Switches & Outlets

Be on the lookout for signs of trouble.

- Are they working?
- Do they make crackling, buzzing, or sizzling sounds?
- Are they warm to the touch?
- Do plugs fit snugly?

Cords

Never use damaged electrical cords.

- Is there fraying or cracking?
- Are they pinched or pierced?
- Do you use extension cords all the time?

- Are cords getting enough air?

Lamps & Appliances

Use them safely.

- Are you using the right bulbs?
- Do you use space heaters safely?
- Are appliance cords protected from damage?

Electrical Panel

Know the basics.

- Do you have AFCIs?
- Have you tested your AFCIs?
- Are all circuit breakers and fuses the proper size?

You can find additional information online at www.esfi.org/ and learn more about fire safety.

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Hospital Receives \$750,000 Pledge

On October 22, leaders from Health Management Associates and the Lee Memorial Health System announced a major contribution toward the capital campaign of The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. Health Management Associates, which recently was named by *Fortune Magazine* as ranking #1 in healthcare in social responsibility and in quality of product and service, has pledged \$750,000 toward the development and building of America's newest, state-of-the-art hospital for children to serve the residents and guests of Southwest Florida.

"We are pleased to support the effort to provide a new world-class children's hospital to the region," said Alan Levine, president of the Florida Group for Health Management. "Our more than 4,000 employees in the region – and their families – want the peace of mind of knowing that highly specialized services which can only be provided by a regional children's hospital are available, and this commitment is made on their behalf. We applaud the leadership of Lee Memorial Health System for having the vision to make this a priority."

"Our hospitals in the region – from Physicians Regional Health System in Naples all the way to Venice Regional Medical Center in South Sarasota – have been ranked among the best in the

nation, and we are very proud of the services they provide," added Levine. "We also know it is important that, for children's health systems to be effective, they must have scale and highly specialized services not available in community-based acute care hospitals. In addition to today's contribution, we also are committed to working with The Children's Hospital in a coordinated way to ensure that highly specialized services are available to our communities, and the care process is seamless for our patients should there be a need for highly specialized services. Our doctors and hospitals have always been committed to this, and we will continue to work collaboratively to achieve this goal."

"Health Management's recognition as a company that acts responsibly is well deserved," said Jim Nathan, president of the Lee Memorial Health System. "Looking past competitive differences, and coming together to support something so critical speaks volumes about the leadership team of Health Management. That Health Management is a Florida company and takes such an active interest in the children in their own state and region is something we should all applaud. We are grateful for their support of The Children's Hospital, and look forward to working together in a partnership for creating a world-class regional health care system for children. All of our families have a stake in this, and we are so pleased Health Management, even as a competitor, recognizes this."*



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Cooking With Kids

The focus of the October 29 Cooking With Kids workshop will be to teach them how to prepare easy, nutritious and delicious meals during the upcoming holiday season. This promises to be a fun and lively learning experience for both parents and their children.

To sign up or request more information, contact Christine or Jessi at the FISH Walk-In Center at 472-4775. They are asking everyone to register in advance to make sure that they reserve enough food, space and supplies for the group.*

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Luminary Co-Chairs Announced

The Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce announced that this year's Luminary co-chairs are Mike and Linda Miller of San Cap CPA.

This is the second year in a row that the Millers have chaired the chamber's Luminary program. "Mike and Linda Miller did such an amazing job last year that we had to bring them in again," said Ric Base, president of the chamber of commerce. "We had a hugely successful event and all of our guests were truly appreciative of their hard work."

Luminary weekend will be Friday, December 7 on Sanibel and Saturday, December 8 on Captiva. The streets will be lined with illuminated candles, decorated trees and other holiday trimmings. Santa will pay his traditional visit to the shopping centers, and local businesses will be open to enable visitors, residents and guests to celebrate this magical event.

"Luminary Weekend brings the entire Sanibel and Captiva community together to share in the tropical holiday spirit," said Linda Miller.

"Last year was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without all of

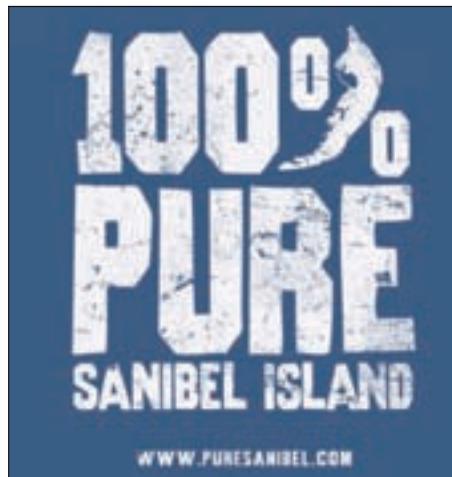


Linda and Mike Miller, Luminary co-chairs

the 200 volunteers to help look after the trolleys and guide our guests around the attractions. We are keeping this winning formula again this year," said Mike Miller.

Currently, the Millers are seeking up to 100 people to volunteer for Luminary. Volunteers are needed to help man trolleys and the trolley stations, to help ensure safety for all the guests as they enjoy the festival, and to answer the many queries that arise. If you can help, contact Linda Miller at LindaMiller@san-capcpa.com. Look for more information in the chamber's newsletter or in the local newspapers. For additional details, visit www.sanibel-captiva.org. ❄️

'Ding' Darling Society Receives T-Shirt Donation



Pure Sanibel Island T-shirts give back to the island community with every shirt purchased. The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society recently received the next \$200 Pure Sanibel Island T-shirt donation, representing 20 individuals who designated them as the recipient of the proceeds of their shirt purchase.

The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, a non-profit Friends of the Refuge organization, supports environmental education and services at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. For more information, visit www.DingDarlingSociety.org.

To date, Pfeifer Realty Group's

Community Support T-Shirt Campaign has raised \$1,340 for local non-profit organizations that work diligently to keep Sanibel and Captiva the unique unspoiled paradise islands that they are today.

Pure Sanibel Island T-shirts can now be found in two locations: Pfeifer Realty Group, located at 1630 Periwinkle Way (between Heart of the Islands Shops and Jerry's Market), and Big Dog Surf Shop, located at 459 Periwinkle Way (on Sanibel's east end).

This year's donation recipients include CROW, "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, FISH of Sanibel, SCCF, The Community House, Sanibel Historical Museum and Village, Sanibel Sea School, Trails In Motion, and START. For complete details and links to all participating organizations, visit www.PureSanibel.com. ❄️

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Estate Planning

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The October Chamber After Hours was staged at Royal Shell's headquarters on Sanibel

October Chamber After Hours A Huge Success At Royal Shell

The Sanibel and Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce held its latest After Hours gathering at Royal Shell Real Estate offices on October 15. The event, attended by more than 140 people, was a fun outdoor get together. Guests included a mix of business people from Sanibel, Captiva, Fort Myers and Naples who gathered to socialize and network, while enjoying delicious food and drink provided by Bailey's Catering.

The Sanibel and Captiva Islands Chamber



Ric Base, President of Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber, with local artist Gerald Simcoe



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of Commerce holds monthly After Hours events for its members to help them network and socialize. For more information about joining the Chamber of Commerce, log on to www.sanibel-captiva.org.



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From left, Bank of the Islands' Rob Lisenbee and Willy Ocasio with winner Phyllis Gibson and SCCF's Executive Director Erick Lindblad at SCCF's Nature Center

Bank Of The Islands Gives \$1,000 To SCCF

Phyllis Gibson was the most recent winner of the We Love Our Islands promotion sponsored by Bank of the Islands. Gibson was spotted with a We Love Our Islands decal on her vehicle outside the bank's Sanibel office. That won her the right to select which local non-profit cause would receive a charitable contribution of \$1,000 from Bank of the Islands. This contribution

marks \$49,200 given to island non-profits through the bank's We Love Our Islands program.

Gibson chose to direct her gift to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. "Phyllis made a great choice for the recipient of our donation," said Bank of the Islands Sanibel office manager Rob Lisenbee. "SCCF's conservation work on our islands, combined with their Marine Lab's research and monitoring in the surrounding waters, is why Sanibel and Captiva are such beautiful places to live and visit. By helping us make this donation, Phyllis really helped us show how much we appreciate being your island bank."

All islanders are invited to stop by the bank's Sanibel and Captiva offices to get a free We Love Our Islands decal and details on how you and your favorite charity can become our next lucky winner.*

Complimentary Skin Cancer Screening

Harris Dermatology will be offering a complimentary skin cancer screening at the Sanibel Recreation Center on Friday, October 26 from 8 to 11 a.m.

Skin cancer screenings are quick and easy. The exam is a non-invasive, visual inspection of exposed areas of the body that will be done after a brief medical history is completed. No appointment or registration is necessary and walk-ins are welcome.

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

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(PMDD) may last longer, i.e. beyond the start of a period when milder PMS usually ends. PMS – Perceptive Men Skidaddle.

The scent of Rosemary may boost cognitive performance... unless your wife finds out and hits you over the head with a frying pan.

Apparently 15 percent of surgeons are alcoholics... good bet your doctor is one of them if he left a cocktail napkin inside.

Back from three weeks in Vanuatu having underwent a cyclone, earthquake, volcano eruption and pestilence. And I saved 15 percent on car insurance!

Wiseguaks are off to the jungles of Tanna in Vanuatu for a month to work in a bush hospital. No prob, we practice bush medicine anyway.

The average physician gets only 15 minutes of exercise per day... because we're too busy lecturing others about the benefits of exercise.

Narcissism found to actually elevate cortisol, the stress hormone, in men. As long as it makes my skin look better... if that's even possible.

Headline: Smoking During Pregnancy Not Linked To Autism. Surely smoking during pregnancy is related to brain damage... of the mother.

New study: Childless men suffer more heart disease. The researchers obviously never tried teaching my lead-footed kids how to drive. "Clear!"

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

Alarming increase in dangerous Type 2 diabetes and pre-diabetes in North America. Scariest than a Nancy Grace wardrobe malfunction.

Apparently, too much exercise is linked to anxiety and depression... no wonder I'm happiest on my couch.

Revolting medical study shows that one in six cellphones are contaminated by fecal matter. Five of six teenagers are contaminated by... cellphones.

Patients with AB blood type are 20 percent less likely to die after heart bypass surgery. Blood type O, A or B may turn into blood type RIP.

Research indicates the more Facebook friends you have, the bigger your brain... also, the more time on your computer, the bigger your bum.

Scientists have discovered that sniffing peppermint oil can help you lose a few pounds... snort coke, and you can lose it all.

Hockey fights cause few injuries due to lack of traction on ice. Hockey players are now encouraged to go into the stands to fight... in New York.

Individuals can reduce their risk of hereditary bowel cancer by 50 percent if they take a daily aspirin... 100 percent if they change families.

Two stressful life events per year increases mortality by 50 percent. Hence, I am retiring from medicine and am revoking my Red Sox fan club card

Eight out of 10 doctors think they have a duty to be healthy role models for their patients... I'll drink to that!

A new study has determined there is no link between dyslexia and IQ. Thank doogness! Here, I thought my QI was 59 all these years.

Studies suggest too much smog causes joint disease like rheumatoid arthritis. Oddly, the reverse is also true. Too many joints cause... smog.

Now, all children ages 9 to 11 require a cholesterol screening. Either a blood test or just count the pizza boxes in the garbage and divide by five.

Recent study: Those aged 60-plus found not able to differentiate odors well. Unable to tell the difference between leaking gas and leaking gas.

The bad news is that there are more kids than ever on antipsychotics... the good news is that there are less parents on antipsychotics now.

Gonorrhea, syphilis and chlamydia treatment costs the U.S. \$19 billion. In unrelated news, Charlie Sheen to sign deal with Fox worth \$19 billion.

Stunning study found that thin people are 40 percent more likely to die around surgery. Explains why nobody has ever died in OR in West Virginia.

Headline: Many Kindergarteners Already on Road to Obesity. More like the Superhighway of the Supersize way with an Overpass to a Bypass.

The average human head has 100,000 hairs, of which we shed 50 to 100 per day. Redheads have only 90,000 while blondes at 140,000 are... the densest.

Just tried some marijuana because it's supposed to prevent Alzheimer's disease... just tried some more... can't remember anything now.

Intermittent low carb diets are the most successful, depending on how intermittent and if three steaks a night is still considered low carb.

New discovery of a fat switch, CPT1,

that can switch on to increase our metabolism and breakdown fat. Not the kitchen light switch at 2 a.m.

Three years after stopping smoking, quitters report less stress, better mood than smokers. But smokers say they "... cough... hork... cough..."

New adult male circumcision (reduces HIV transmission) technique called PrePex. No needles, no scalpels, no blood, no sutures, no sniveling.

Study shows that kids who exercise most get the best grades. Increase O2 to your brain, make more neurons, jog your memory.

A global shortage of ADHD medication means that many of those who depend on. Hey, that little blue Twitter bird looks like Afghanistan

Smoking pot causes some people to be placid but others paranoid... makes playing hide-and-seek either relaxing or sheer terror.

Supercentenarians (110-plus) have same disease-associated genes as others but have more protective genes, jeans that come with Depends sewn in.

Health Headline: Weight Gain Often Unrecognized By Young Women. Odd... they certainly seem to notice it on other young women.

Like the column? You'll LOVE the book the Doctor is In(sane), available at Sanibel Island Bookshop. Contact Dr. Dave or read more at www.wiseguaks.org.

*** Dr. Dave is returning to Africa on safari in September 2013. If interested in going with him, call 888-432-8344 to find out more.**

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: I have been unemployed for almost a year. It is affecting my self-esteem. I cannot afford counseling. Do you have any suggestions on how to get through this difficult time?

A: I am all too familiar with people suffering from low self-esteem due to job loss and unemployment. It is a difficult and challenging time for so many people. A Pew Research Center study found a high correlation between self-esteem and unemployment; showing higher levels of depression and lowered self-esteem among the long-term jobless.

I would like to suggest going to the Health Journeys website (www.healthjourneys.com) and check out audio samples of *Healthy Self-Esteem* and *Self-Esteem During Sleep*. These CD's are designed to foster a stronger, more confident, and healthy sense of self worth while sleeping. This is especially helpful for those who would like to enhance sleep quality while building a stronger sense of self regard.

Taking steps to maintain or rebuild a better sense of self-perception can have

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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 had been looking forward to visiting my son and his family for the Christmas holidays. They live on the other coast, so I decided to stay for 10 days. As it turned out, it was about seven days too long.

Their children – ages 7, 9 and 11 – have faces like angels, dress like bums and behave like savages. So many happenings were bothersome to me, but what was the very worst was meal time, or what goes for meal time. The family seems to be constantly at the refrigerator,

gathering materials to make sandwiches. The food seems to be eaten at all hours of the day and night, with no apparent scheduling. When we did sit at the table together, it was like being at the animal trough. The kids get up and wander around, the parents answering their cell phones or making calls at the table.

My son had beautiful table manners before he went to college, but now he and his wife act dreadfully, and the kids act even worse.

I was totally disgusted. I barely tolerated the ordeal and tried to fake an illness in order to get an earlier flight home, but everything was fully booked.

I have learned a great deal from this visit. I now know I'll enjoy each day here in my own space and let them enjoy theirs, but God please help them.

Now that I have vented my recent experiences, I would like to know, do others have similar problems or is it just in my family?

Martha

Dear Martha,

You are definitely not alone with these problems. The generations do live differently, and what was important in one generation usually is irrelevant, not important and not worth even discussing in the next generation.

It is unfortunate that you had such a miserable time. Times have changed, but so have we. Think back and maybe our homes were not an oasis of calmness and tranquility with family meals all so perfect and well organized. Our memories can play tricks on us.

I am glad you have a plan and can start to enjoy each new day. As the old saying goes, "Family are like fish – they start to smell in three days."

Lizzie

Dear Martha,

It is easy to forget what it is like being around children if you have not been around them for a long time. High energy and chaos go part and parcel with kids. Also, the holidays and having the grandparents visit is hardly a normal, quiet time. It is a time for increased excitement, energy and joy.

It does seem that in today's world there is increased stimulation to the point of over stimulation, and people have a difficult time turning the stimulation down. Answering the telephone at the table and behavior like that does seem to be over the top.

Martha, today is a different world than when you were raising children. If you are going to be so judgmental, perhaps you should use today's standards, not yesterday's.

It does seem to be a crime that you would be willing to not be a part of your adult children's and grandchildren's lives instead of trying to reach a middle ground.

Pryce

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

dearPharmacist

Solutions For Restless Legs Syndrome



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: I've had restless legs syndrome (RLS) for four years and it's keeping my husband awake, and I'm so tired during the day, I can't function. My doctor is sick of me, and

wants to try Horizant now, since Requip and Mirapex didn't work. Should I try?

TN, Centennial Colorado

Your doctor is sick of you? After four years and all the money you've paid, you should be free of this nighttime calamity! RLS symptoms include an uncontrollable urge to move your legs, and an unpleasant sensation of creepy-crawlies, as if worms are in your legs; there may be burning, tingling, and symptoms worsen when you lie down, but often get better if you stretch or walk. Soon, I will offer ideas to help you overcome the condition, but first let's discuss the prescription medication Horizant, a brand name of gabapentin enacarbil.

On a flight home, I was reading the October 22 issue of *People* magazine, and I came across an ad for it which

begins with "RLS is actually a neurological condition." Hmm, that got my attention. It is not always "neurological." It may be a vitamin or mineral deficiency which can be evaluated by a blood test. Anyway, the ad says to "Call your health care provider right away if you have any of these symptoms, especially if they are new, worse or worry you: Thoughts or actions about suicide, self-harm or dying; attempt to commit suicide, new or worse restlessness or panic attacks, acting aggressive, being angry or violent; acting on dangerous impulses."

Remember, you started with restless legs! Whenever I see scary potential side effects – even if they are uncommon – I wonder why patients find that acceptable, and why physicians prescribe drugs that cause more serious problems than the original issue.

RLS is often caused by low levels of the hormone dopamine, which acts as a natural "happy" neurotransmitter in your brain. An easy way to evaluate dopamine is to measure another hormone called prolactin and if that is elevated, you can bet you're dopamine deficient. Dopamine can be created in the brain by taking supplements of the amino acid Tyrosine along with some vitamin B6 (yes, both at the same time in the morning, but ask your doctor if it's okay). RLS may also be caused from deficiencies of ferritin, a stored form of iron. Hematocrit may be normal, but ferritin could still be low. If you take a statin cholesterol reducing drug, you could develop symptoms that

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Intern Joins RE/MAX

RE/MAX of the Islands announced that Sofia Erimidou has joined their company as a student intern. Erimidou is a student at Nürtingen-Geislingen University in Germany and is studying real estate, for which she will receive a Bachelor of Science degree in July 2013.

Born in Drama, Greece, Erimidou first heard about Sanibel from a customer at her mothers' boutique. She learned more about the islands on the Internet. RE/MAX.com brought her to RE/MAX of the Islands.

"We are very pleased that Sofia found us," said Art Corace, broker/owner of RE/MAX of the Islands. "Sofia is extremely intelligent, hard-working and innovative. Frankly, we are learning as much from her as she is from us. Sofia has become a member of our 'family.' We look forward to an ongoing business relationship after she enters the real estate profession in Germany."



Sofia Erimidou

Erimidou says she is learning a lot about the real estate business here. She enjoys exploring Sanibel by bicycle, walking the beach, collecting shells and making new friends.✱

Rubinski Joins Sanibel Captiva Community Bank

Cathy Rubinski has been named vice president and BSA (Bank Secrecy Act) officer at Sanibel Captiva Community Bank.

Rubinski has 25 years of commercial banking experience in Southwest Florida. She began her banking career in Fort Myers in 1987 as a bank teller. Subsequently, she has served as head teller, customer service representative, branch administrative manager and operations manager at several financial institutions. Rubinski most recently was vice president, BSA and Office of Foreign Asset Control officer at Florida Gulf Bank where she oversaw the implementation of the online banking program that Sanibel Captiva Community Bank introduced to Southwest Florida in 2002.

Rubinski attended the Florida Bankers Association Annual BSA & AML School in 2007 and 2009, and is a member of the Winter Haven, Fla.-based Anti-Money Laundering Association.

"Cathy's proven track record, significant training and experience plus her familiarity of the Southwest Florida

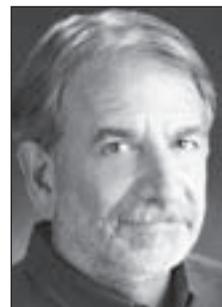


Cathy Rubinski

market, make her an excellent choice to serve our clients," said Craig Albert, president and chief executive officer at SCCB.

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ISLAND SUN BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS



Dan Wexler



Susan McCallion

Agent Joins VIP

VIP Realty Group announced that Glenn Carretta has joined their Sanibel office. Carretta has been selling real estate on the islands for 30 years and is a consistent top producer.

"We are so proud to have Glenn as part of our Sanibel team," said managing partner Jim Hall. "Glenn is well respected by her peers and is a great addition to our company."✱



Glenn Carretta

Top Producers

Dan Wexler was named the top listing agent at Pfeifer Realty Group for the month of September.

In addition, Susan McCallion was named the group's top sales agent for September.✱



Betsy Belpedio



Phaidra McDermott

Top Producers

John R. Wood Island Real Estate announced their top sales producers for the month of August.

Top Pending Agent: Betsy Belpedio
Top Listing Agents: Mary and Fred Bondurant

Top Closed Sales: Phaidra McDermott.✱



Mary and Fred Bondurant

VCB Steps Up International Exposure

The Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB), representing The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel in Southwest Florida, has appointed the Frankfurt-based agency, Global Communications Experts (GCE), to promote the destination in Germany.

Effective immediately, the new agency will be responsible for maintaining and expanding all of its contacts with tour operators, travel agencies, airline partners and contact with consumers. It will manage all marketing and PR activities, which will increase the popularity of this region in Germany.

Tamara Pigott, VCB executive director, is pleased about the partnership. "Global Communications Experts convinced us with its creativity, expertise, experience and excellent contacts," said Pigott. "We are looking forward to a successful partnership and we are sure that we will increase awareness of our beautiful region and attract even more visitors."

The German agency will promote the diversity of Florida's southwestern coast and reach new target groups to support tourist development. Along with Fort Myers, which is currently served by Air Berlin, the region also includes Fort Myers Beach, Sanibel and Captiva islands, as well as Cape Coral and Bonita Springs. Hundreds of islands in the Gulf of Mexico, partly uninhabited, with their white sand beaches, exotic wildlife, mangrove forests and waterways, golf courses and biking trails make the region special for nature lovers, bird watchers, golfers, cyclists and families.

"We are delighted to support The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel by increasing the attention and awareness of this absolutely wonderful destination with PR, marketing and sales activities to boost its share of German visitors," said Dorothy Hohn, managing director of GCE.✱

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Restless Leg Syndrome

reek of RLS. Only replenishing what the drug muggers stole will relieve your symptoms so in the statin case (because they are drug muggers of CoQ10, vitamin D and creatine), you must restore those. Additionally, L-carnitine, folic acid and magnesium are all critical considerations to support muscle health because they ease leg cramps, weakness and muscle spasms.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit www.dearpharmacist.com.✱

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Community Foundation Annual Meeting

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation will hold its annual meeting and reception on Thursday, November 15 at Harborside Event Center in Fort Myers. More than 300 foundation donors and supporters are expected to attend this year's event, which will begin with the annual meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., followed by a cocktail reception.

This year's event will coincide with Community Foundation Week, November 12 to 18, aimed at showing foundations' critical roles in supporting thriving local communities. The week also coincides with National Philanthropy Day on November 15, which is sponsored by the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

"Community foundations invest in our communities to impact lives, solve problems, and improve futures," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the SWFLCF. "We wanted to hold our annual meeting and reception at the same time as this international celebration to bring awareness to what foundations like ours do around the country."

According to Owen, community foundations play a key role in identifying and solving community problems. In 2011, community foundations in the U.S. gave an estimated \$4.2 billion to a variety of nonprofit activities in fields that included the arts and education, health and human services, the environment and disaster relief. The Community Foundations National Standards Board confirms operational excellence in six key areas – mission, structure and governance; resource development; stewardship and accountability; grant making and community leadership; donor relations; and communications.

More than 700 community foundations operate in urban and rural areas in every state in the United States. The community foundation model also has taken hold around the world. According to the 2010 Community Foundation Global Status Report, there are 1,680 community foundations in 51 countries. Locally, the SWFLCF has awarded nearly \$3 million in grants and scholarships this year.

As part of the SWFLCF's 36th Anniversary, the theme of this year's

event will be Give Differently.

The annual meeting will include updates by Owen and the chairman of the board as well as the presentation of the 2012 John W. Sheppard Award.

"When I first joined the Foundation as CEO just days before last year's meeting, I announced I was embarking on a listening tour to hear from our donors and supporters," said Owen. "This year's event will include some of what I learned and heard and how we are using that feedback as we move into the future. Our theme gives a hint into what that is."

The John W. Sheppard Award is given

annually to an outstanding individual who has given selfless dedication to humanity and made significant contributions to the SWFLCF. Past recipients include John Sheppard, David Lucas, Peter Kleist, Arnold Sarlo, Frank Bireley, Jim Nathan, Sam Galloway, Jr., Tom Smoot and David G. Robinson.

Last year's recipient, Bill Frey, will be presenting the award to this year's winner, local CPA and SWFLCF board member Gene Solomon.

The SWFLCF is celebrating its 36th year of supporting the communities of Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and

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The event is free and by invitation only. For more information, call 274-5900 or visit www.floridacommunity.com.✪

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Sunset Trace	Estero	2006	3,052	714,000	689,342	7
Shell Harbor	Sanibel	1969	1,594	749,000	690,000	223
Gumbo Limbo	Sanibel	1985	2,412	597,000	565,000	0
Harbour Cottages	Sanibel	1980	1,648	629,000	548,000	31
Riviera at Bonita Bay	Bonita Springs	1991	2,024	585,000	530,000	101
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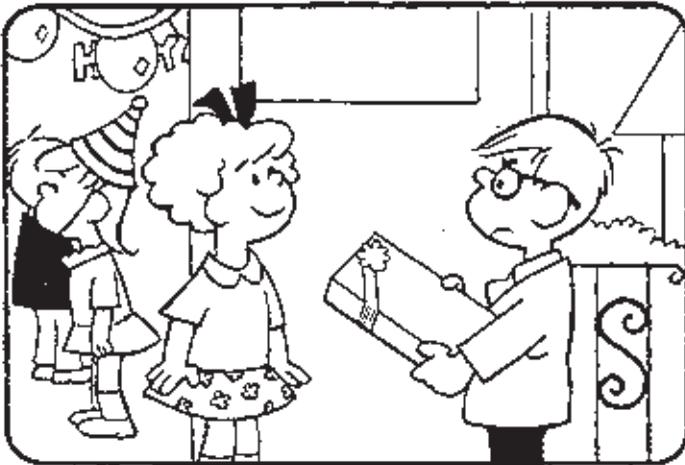
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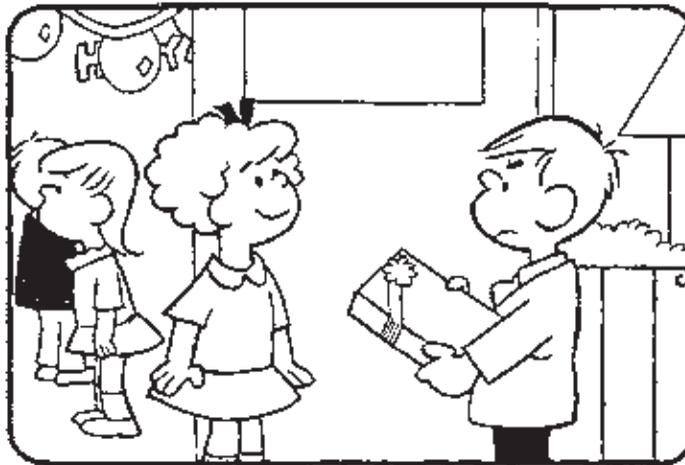
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 Complete the grid so that every row, column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (the same number cannot appear more than once in a row, column or 3x3 box.)
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answer on page 66



Florida Stone Crab Claws With Key Lime Mustard Dipping Sauce

3 pounds stone crab claws, medium sized
 1 cup low-fat mayonnaise
 5 tablespoons Dijon style mustard
 4 key limes (or two regular limes), juiced
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Crack claws using a wooden hammer or a seafood cracker; remove shell and movable pincer leaving meat attached to the remaining pincer. Set aside and keep refrigerated until use. In a small bowl combine the mayo, Dijon and lime juice. Taste the mustard sauce and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper. Serve stone crab claws with the mustard sauce.
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My adoption fee is \$48 during Animal Services' Dogtober & Caturday adoption special (regularly \$50)

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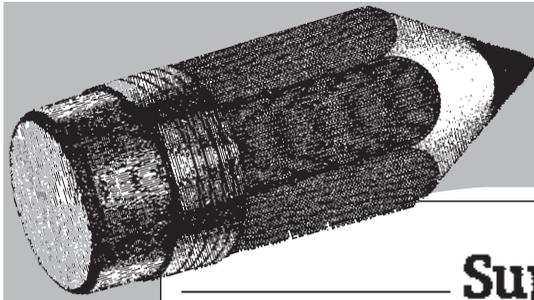
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Arcade Theater.....	332-4488
Art League Of Fort Myers.....	275-3970
BIG ARTS (Barrier Island Group for the Arts)	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre	278-4422
Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers.....	472-0168
Gulf Coast Symphony.....	472-6197
Lee County 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.).....	565-7872 or 433-7798
American Legion Post 123	472-9979
Angel Flight SE	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Audubon Society.....	472-3744
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	472-8994
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



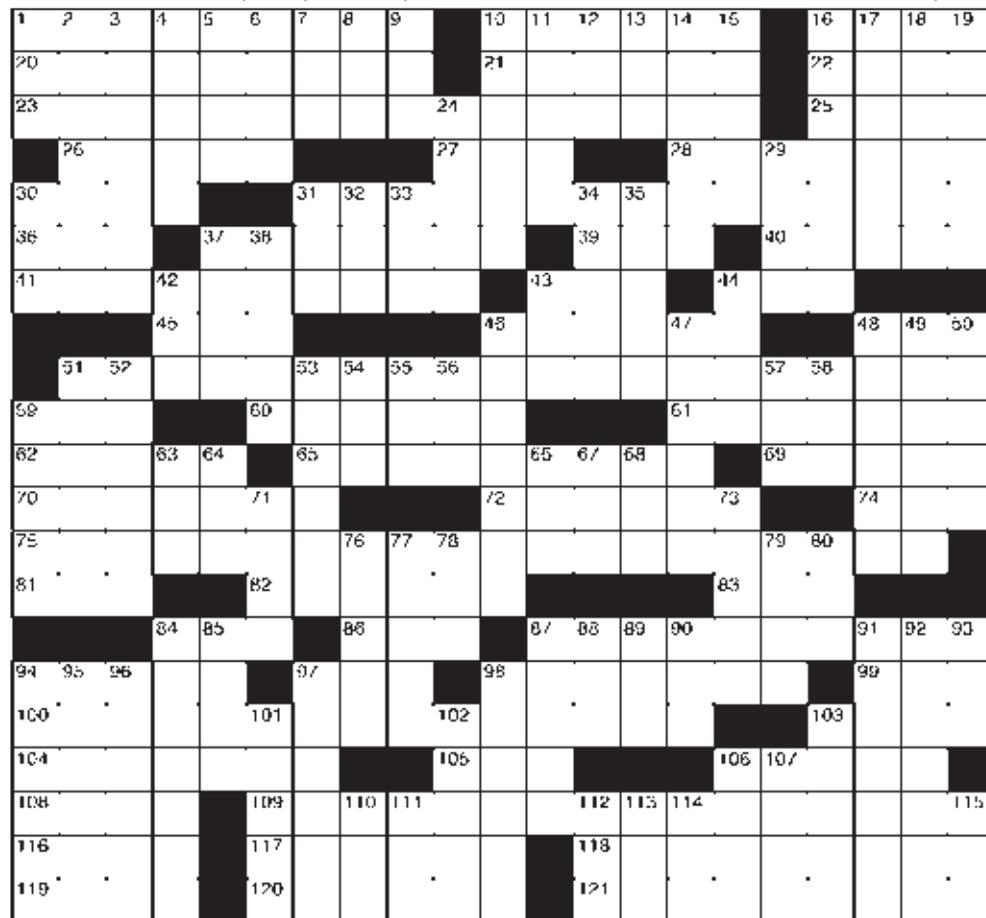
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Answers on page 66

Super Crossword

"BOTTOMS UP!"

- ACROSS**
- 1 Like positive numbers
 - 10 "Peace"
 - 16 Toll, as a bell
 - 20 Person at the helm
 - 21 "Om," e.g.
 - 22 River of Hesse
 - 23 Composer of the opera "Prince Igor"
 - 25 High-altitude
 - 26 "Z" actress
 - 27 Musical reworking; Abbr.
 - 28 Most macabre
 - 30 Martial arts actor Jackie
 - 31 Baseball's all-time leader in stolen bases
 - 38 Boat rower's need
 - 37 Throws
 - 39 Ship's back
 - 40 Giant in insurance
 - 41 Glancing piercingly
 - 43 Syr neighbor
 - 44 Next year's srs.
 - 45 Suffix with east or west
 - 46 Organism on a slide
 - 48 Fraction of a lb. or
 - 51 Longtime Hoarst publication
 - 59 Call for help
 - 60 Ryder of "Heathers"
 - 61 Introduce, as a new year
 - 62 Gay (old war plane)
 - 65 Theme of this puzzle
 - 69 Go with the flow
 - 70 Medium of many all-talk stations
 - 72 Asimov and Newton
 - 74 Art; trafficking
 - 75 Terminology seafood soup
 - 81 none (cooling treat)
 - 82 Divide up by type
 - 83 Suffix with perfect
 - 84 Bolted
 - 86 Lankan
 - 87 Acacia's kin
 - 91 Spring
 - 97 Onyx or opal
 - 98 Certain fishing pot
 - 99 "Yummy" pair
 - 100 Locate of the Venezuelan city
 - 103 "a Lady"
 - 104 Autumn zodiac sign
 - 105 Ocean off FL
 - 106 Legendary
 - 108 Prong
 - 109 Carnivorous North American rodent
 - 116 Right fielder
 - 117 Dissimilar to
 - 118 Rocks atop
 - 119 Camera part
 - 120 Willow family member
 - 121 Consensus
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Tennis' Ivanovic
 - 2 "South Pacific" song
 - 3 Like some swimming strokes
 - 4 Female fox
 - 5 New York City cardinal
 - 6 Edward
 - 7 Spring zodiac sign
 - 8 Future fry
 - 9 Bruins great
 - 10 Campfire snacks
 - 11 Actor Hamlin
 - 12 "It's -brainer"
 - 13 English "Inc."
 - 14 State
 - 15 Like horses
 - 16 Snoots a rifle again
 - 17 Least busy
 - 18 "K nsey" star Liam
 - 19 Green, Scotland
 - 24 Dried by heat
 - 29 Race
 - 30 Machine tooth
 - 31 U.S. 1, e.g.
 - 32 Bitterly cold
 - 33 Guerrilla
 - 34 Is sporting
 - 35 Violinist
 - 37 Salon option
 - 38 "I can just see"
 - 42 French "the"
 - 43 "bad boy"
 - 44 Drinking binges
 - 45 San ting
 - 47 & Lomb
 - 48 Angry rant
 - 49 Hidden marksman
 - 50 Tetra plus one
 - 51 Swirling guy
 - 52 City in south Chile
 - 53 Lace loops
 - 54 "Starbase" singer Yoko
 - 55 Happier tone
 - 56 Fluid in a pen
 - 57 "Oh, clever"
 - 58 Last British letter
 - 59 Clothing lines
 - 63 "Well, -d-dah"
 - 64 Boise's courtly
 - 66 Sly fox killer
 - 67 "Take me as"
 - 68 Body of cau
 - 71 Call
 - 73 Is sporting
 - 74 Composer John Philip
 - 76 It's a plus
 - 77 Shearer of the screen
 - 78 de coeur
 - 79 Sarah, say
 - 80 Clue seeker; Abbr.
 - 84 Backslide
 - 85 "And hurry!"
 - 87 Yello (soft drink brand)
 - 88 Stevedores' org.
 - 89 Everest, e.g.; Abbr.
 - 90 Munic. law
 - 91 Put in a new home
 - 92 Writer Hatch
 - 93 Quaint suffix with poet
 - 94 Dutch beer
 - 95 Wisconsin city
 - 96 Easy-to-attach patch
 - 97 "Buon" (Italian "Good day")
 - 98 Nehemiah
 - 101 Equip. for use
 - 102 "May — favor?"
 - 103 Squall, e.g.
 - 106 Skill
 - 107 Captain Hook's henchman
 - 110 High Swiss peak
 - 111 RSVP part
 - 112 K-12 org.
 - 113 Violin
 - 114 Ballad's end?
 - 115 Doc with an otoscope



King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Morry Python" opener
 - 4 Met me only
 - 8 Haggerty
 - 12 Calendar abbr.
 - 13 Gangster's companion
 - 14 Pennsyl vania port
 - 15 Pennsyl vania Dutch pork confection
 - 17 Appellation
 - 18 With skill
 - 19 March
 - 20 Comfortably inviting
 - 22 Peboas' papa
 - 24 French cleric
 - 25 Suits and such
 - 29 Part of AT&T
 - 30 Water nymph
 - 31 Greek X
 - 32 Clery cosmetic
 - 34 Actor Pitt
 - 35 Census stats
 - 36 Cheer up
 - 37 mundane
 - 40 Amorphous mass
 - 41 Mar
 - 42 Farm an Fin penmanship
 - 46 Satan's specialty
 - 47 Owl's call
 - 48 Shelter
 - 49 Challenge
 - 51 Carr spike
 - 8 Strip
 - 9 Exam format
 - 10 Rocky layering
 - 11 Oge's look
 - 16 Busy as —
 - 19 Emeritus (Abbr.)
 - 20 Loathe
 - 21 Do as you're told
 - 22 McDonald's offering
 - 23 Bellow
 - 25 Sheet of glass
 - 26 Where "TWELVE" is worth 12
 - 27 Just one of those things
 - 28 22-Down, e.g.
 - 30 Approaching
 - 33 In confusion
 - 34 Sc-I-vlan
 - 36 Upper class group
 - 37 Mimicry
 - 38 Made on a loom
 - 39 "Yeah, right"
 - 40 Understand, slang ly
 - 42 Bashful
 - 43 Dove's cal
 - 44 Meadow
 - 45 Always, in verse
- DOWN**
- 1 Picks out of a lineup
 - 2 Sleuth
 - 3 Mix up
 - 4 Without stinging
 - 5 Thickly
 - 6 Under the weather
 - 7 Hearty brew

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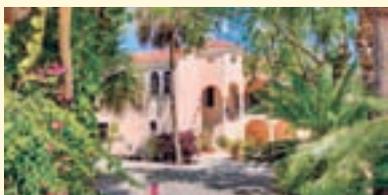
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