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Seahorse Festival To Debut At The Dunes

by Jeff Lysiak

Raising money for island kids with a little Irish luck, the Seahorse Festival returns on Saturday, March 16 from 4 to 8 p.m. at The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club, 949 Sand Castle Road.

Featuring live music from Celtic Stew, Southwest Florida's premiere Irish pub band, the Seahorse Festival will include adult beverages, food stations, silent and live auctions as well as several children's activities. They include a bounce house, inflatable slide, laser tag, obstacle course and face painting.

Admission is \$10 per child, adults are complimentary. All money raised during the event will support The Sanibel School PTA and the Sanibel School Fund.

PTA President Denise McKee and Sanibel School Fund representative Terry Igo are excited to make the school festival into a community festival, to celebrate all the children of the island and to raise money as a community to keep the school a successful Blue Ribbon School. The two

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Dancers from Kellyn Celtic Arts Irish Dance Academy performing at IrishFest in 2011

Celtic Arts Dancers Coming To IrishFest 2013

Leprechauns, shamrocks and the color green are no match for the Kellyn Celtic Arts Irish Dance Academy when it comes to showing off

the spirit of the Irish. This year, these dancers will be spending St. Patrick's Day at IrishFest 2013 on Sanibel. The event will be held on Sunday, March 17 from 3 to 6 p.m. the Bailey's Center.

Island residents and guests are invited to celebrate the Irish national holiday with traditional Irish food, green beer, music and dancing.

The Kellyn Celtic Arts Irish Dance

Academy will bring 33 dancers to fill the stage and step to traditional Irish music. Bridgit Stone-Budd from the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce will emcee the event. Contests with prizes will be held throughout the afternoon.

Even the first graders from The Sanibel School have been preparing for IrishFest by coloring St. Patrick's Day pictures.

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Woodring Homestead Featured On Zonta's Peek At The Unique



The Woodring Cottage

submitted by Dalia Jakubauskas

A historic jewel rarely open to the general public will be featured on this year's Peek at the Unique home tour, the principal fundraiser for the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, set for Saturday, March 16.

Before there was a bridge, development or tourists, there was the Woodring Homestead, a place described by long-time islanders as the "soul of Sanibel." Located

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Yard Dog Charlie and the Yard Dogs Band

Yard Dogs To Headline Swamp House Party Friday Night

When people see an accordion, they expect to hear a tune like the Beer Barrel Polka. Yard Dog Charlie of the Yard Dogs Band has spent the last 20 years trying to dispel that stereotype. He blends Cajun, zydeco, blue grass, country, folk and rock 'n' roll into an original sound called Florida Swamp Music.

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What's Happening At The House In 2013

Dance Series Dates

March 15

Swamp Party with "Yard Dogs"
www.theyarddogs.com

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A \$2,000 gift certificate at Congress Jewelers in Periwinkle Place is another prize

Limited Edition Raffle Tickets

As part of its annual fundraising efforts to support operations, The Community House has announced a unique raffle featuring three prizes and, with only 300 tickets to be sold, a heightened chance for being one of the lucky winners.

Prize one is a dream vacation in the wine country of the Cote d'or area of Burgundy, France. The winner of this prize will have a week's stay in a charming, fully-equipped, three bedroom guest house in the village of Santenay for a party of up to six people. Your activities for the week will be personalized for your interests by tour organizer Hidden



You could win a week in the wine country of Burgundy, France

France. You can chose to tour exclusive wineries, visit local historical and cultural sites, go bicycling in the countryside, or dine in award winning restaurants. This prize is ground package only and does not include air travel.

Prize two is a \$2,000 gift certificate from Congress Jewelers in Periwinkle Place, where you can find a new piece of designer jewelry for yourself or as a gift for special someone in your life. Congress Jewelers has an array of fine jewelry and watch brands to choose from, including many designer lines. Their Sealife by Congress collection is now available in its own boutique at Periwinkle Place, featuring shell-inspired jewelry and nautical creations in 14k gold or sterling silver.

Prize three is an airline trip, with two round-trip tickets on JetBlue to any destination served by its system. You can choose a getaway to New York, Chicago, or San Francisco, or an exotic locale



Two round-trip tickets to any JetBlue destination could be yours

like Grand Cayman, Turks and Caicos, Barbados or Santa Lucia.

Raffle tickets are \$100 each. They are available at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, or Congress Jewelers in Periwinkle Place Shops. The drawing will be held on Saturday, April 13 at 8 p.m. at The Community House during the Soul and R&B House Party. You need not be present to win. Prizes must be used within one year of the drawing.

Proceeds from the raffle will be used for operating expenses of The Community House.

For more information go to www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net, call 472-2155 or stop by The Community House at 2173 Periwinkle Way.**

American Legion Post 123 News

On Sunday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day will be observed at American Legion Post 123, with corned beef and cabbage served all day long. Cost is \$10.

Every Friday throughout the month of March, the Legion will host a fish fry from 4 to 8 p.m.

On Sunday, March 24, BBQ ribs and chicken will be served from 1 to 8 p.m.

Every Monday night is 8-Ball Pool League, playing at 5 p.m. Stop by and watch 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 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. We are located at mile marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information, call 472-9979.**

Sanibel Captiva Art League's

Clothesline Art Sale



Sunday, March 17

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sanibel Community House

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Seahorse Festival

non-profit organizations have combined their efforts this year to try to raise more funds for the kids and more awareness of the school.

Leilani Sivsov, general manager of The Dunes, is proud to host the event.

"The Seahorse Festival is one of many new fundraisers that The Dunes is hosting and supporting," she said. "Wanting to be a vital part of the community, The Dunes offers its prime sunset location and hopes to fill the entire event lawn and pavilion with Irish festivities and island fun."

Menu items, donated by Bailey's General Store, will include corned beef and cabbage, pulled pork, bratwurst with green sauerkraut, hot dogs, corn dogs, popcorn and snow cones. Beverages will include water, soda, green beer, wine and a full bar.

The silent auction will include more than 150 products and gift certificates from local businesses, artists, restaurants and more. Among the live auction items are an airfare voucher and weeklong stay in a private home in Ireland (donated by Jason Maughan), a three-day, two-night stay in a Harbourside guestroom at The Pointe, plus an 80-minute couple massage at the Kay Casperson Lifestyle Spa & Boutique (donated by South Seas Island Resort), a three-night stay in a penthouse unit at the W on South Beach in Miami (donated by Royal Shell Vacations), plus a Ladies Night Out on Sanibel and a Men's Night Out on Sanibel, each valued at \$1,000.

Title Sponsors for the Seahorse Festival include the Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club, The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille and Bailey's General Store. School Grand Sponsors include The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, Heidrick Insurance, Congress Jewelers, The Sanctuary Golf Club, Frank and Patricia Middendorf, and Red, White & Brew. Platinum Sponsors include Cheeburger Cheeburger, L3 Beach Photo, Bay Medical, Associates In Dermatology, Royal Shell, Law Offices of Jason Maughan, Tween Waters Inn, Sanibel Red, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, The Great White Grill, Timbers, Steve Brown Family, Fernandez Family Foundation, Mr. Burton Sorenson, Jeff and Veronica Powers, and Sanibel Deli.*

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Yard Dogs

The Yard Dogs will perform at The Community House on Friday, March 15 from 7 to 10 p.m. during the Swamp House Party.

Along with his keyboard and accordion, "Yard Dog Charlie" is a lifelong musician and songwriter and, while in the popular Milwaukee based band Hat Trick, performed with CJ Chenier, Buckwheat Zydeco, and Jimmy Buffett. He has performed at such venues as the House of Blues, Milwaukee's Summerfest and Put-In-Bay in Ohio. He has shared the stage with U-2, Cheap Trick, REO Speedwagon and others. In 2002, he helped found the touring band The Yard Dogs, who play from Wisconsin to Key

West. The Yard Dogs have recorded 11 CDs in 10 years.

In addition to the live entertainment, there will be games, a corn hole tournament and 'gator bites. Alcoholic beverages will be available by donation. Guests are encouraged to dress in redneck attire. Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$30 at the door. Call 472-2155.

Series sponsors are: Billy's Bike Shop, Billy's Rentals, Joe and Marge Meek, Rosier Insurance and Mike Kelly. Party sponsors are Bailey's General Store, and Tom and Judie Sharbaugh. The sponsored non-profit for the event is the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge.*



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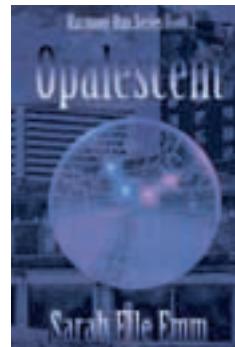
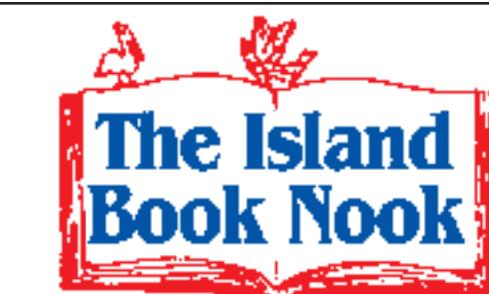
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Crafters' Demo Part Of Birthday At Historical Village

On Friday, March 22 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village will celebrate the 100th birthday of Rutland House, the house that once served alone as the Sanibel Historical Museum. Part of the celebration will feature Englewood crafters Garry and Cindy Walter, owners of Olde Tyme Arts and Crafts. Garry's sketches – a pelican and a sea turtle – were used in the movie *Dolphin Tale*, and he is illustrating a children's book called *Portal To Florida's Past*. Cindy specializes in recreating relics through older crafting methods from the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries.

"It's a connection with history and a forgotten way of daily life," said Cindy. "Each craft represents a skill that was needed for primitive housekeeping." Cindy's items are featured at historical parks in Jamestown, Virginia and Harpers Ferry, West Virginia.

The craft demonstrations will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Miss Charlotta's Tea Room (the craft kits are available for purchase in the museum gift shop).

The 100th birthday celebration begins with a traditional birthday cake at 10 a.m. in Rutland's dining room. Later on, there will be treats in Miss Charlotta's Tea



Crafter Cindy Walter

Room.

At approximately 10:30 a.m., author Marya Repko – who wrote *A Brief History of Sanibel Island* and *The Story of Sanibel Island: A History for Younger Readers* – will give a talk on Sanibel history and sign books in the Old Schoolhouse.

At 1:15 p.m., long-time museum docent Ted Hoesel will speak about his extensive vintage clothing collection, while Hal and Nola Theiss will do a reenactment of Sanibel Lighthouse keepers in the Old Schoolhouse.

The Rutland House, built in 1913 in the typical "cracker" style, is made

of hard Florida pine. The house originally stood on Periwinkle Way (where Periwinkle Park is now) on pilings made of concrete and beach sand. This protected the house from floods and allowed air to circulate. Eleven-foot ceilings, a wide hallway and the placement of windows and doors opposite each other keep the house cool and are typical attributes of a cracker house.

"Uncle" Clarence Rutland, as he was known, came to the island with his parents in 1896 at the age of 6 and resided in the house from 1928 to shortly before his death in 1982.

Learn more about Rutland House and Sanibel's history at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village, 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). The museum is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Full guided tours take place at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. each day. Admission is \$5 for people 18 and older; children and members are admitted free. For more information, call 472-4648.**

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IrishFest 2013

The drawing contest pictures are currently hanging up in the Bailey's Center at Zebra Frozen Yogurt. Three winners will be drawn and given prizes during IrishFest.

Other IrishFest highlights include:

- Kellyn Celtic Arts Irish Dance Academy
- BIG ARTS Chorus performance
- DJ and music
- Corned beef and cabbage from Bailey's General Store
- Green beer from George & Wendy's Seafood Grille
- Irish cream lattes from Coffee Bar at Bailey's
- Green frozen yogurt from Zebra Frozen Yogurt

- Bounce house
- Miss Silvia's face painting
- Contests and prizes

Don't have anything green to wear? Bailey's General Store, Hillgate Communications, George & Wendy's Seafood Grille and Zebra Frozen Yogurt will be selling this year's official IrishFest 2013 T-shirts for \$10 each.

The BCMA is also inviting everyone to support the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) of Southwest Florida by purchasing shamrocks through the MDS campaign. Gold shamrocks cost \$5 and green shamrocks cost \$1. You can purchase them now at Bailey's General Store, Bailey's True Value Hardware, Coffee Bar at Bailey's, George & Wendy's Seafood Grille, Zebra Frozen Yogurt and Hillgate Communications.**

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Zonta Peek House

on Woodring Point, one of the last undeveloped parcels on island, the homestead's collection of vintage wood structures dates back to an era when only hardy fisher-folk populated the island.

Among those pioneers were Sam and Esperanza Woodring, who first occupied the home in 1917. Esperanza was matriarch of the Woodring clan and a legendary fishing guide at a time when few women worked in the profession. Her son Ralph and his wife Jean live in the century-old cottage, which they have lovingly restored and furnished with some of the Esperanza's possessions and Jean's family antiques. The couple is opening their home for the Peek and to raise awareness of the need to preserve the homestead.

The tiny, 1,000-square-foot cottage looks out on Pine Island Sound and is surrounded by several original structures, including Esperanza's storage shed that once stored her fishing nets. Little effort is needed to imagine that this is exactly what the island pioneers saw when they called Sanibel home many decades ago. The 6.5-acre parcel is all that is left of 160 acres homesteaded by the Woodring family in the 1800s. About half the property, which is made up of mangrove swampland and bay beach fringe, was left in its original, natural state.

"One cannot help thinking as you look at the historic Woodring homestead that this house represents the past, the present and the future," noted Orlene



Peek house sponsor Janet Strickland in the foyer of the Woodring cottage

Shimberg, Zonta Club president. "The house and the entire unpaved, beautiful street in its glorious setting, is the epitome of what Sanibel is all about."

The Woodring family is negotiating with nonprofit and county agencies, including the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, to sell the 6.5-acre parcel and its buildings for \$6 million. Purchase of the land would re-establish an intact, natural system on Woodring Point, which would be managed by the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society has raised \$844,000 toward its \$1.8 million goal, with Lee County's Conservation 20/20

program pledging another \$3 million.

Without the purchase, the parcel is zoned for construction of up to five homes with docks. But if the acquisition is successful, the Woodrings – who own Sanibel's Bait Box and sell live shrimp from the homestead's dock – would be able to remain in their home for life. After their passing, the home would be preserved as a historic attraction and opened to visitors.

"This is a special, special place," said Jean Woodring. "I have always looked at this place as a type of sanctuary. I just love it so much and I want other people to love it, too."

Three photographs of the original area and its inhabitants, taken by Woodring Point resident and Florida photographer Charles McCullough, will be on display on the day of the Peek at Sanibel Community Church, the event's staging area. The prints were donated by McCullough and Zontian Sheila Hoen and will be available as a raffle to Peek participants on the day of the event, including an \$180 credit from Island Art and Frame toward framing of the winner's choice.

Sponsors for the Woodring Homestead are The Island Law Office of Janet Strickland and long-time Peek supporters, The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company. Funds raised from the Peek, now in its 12th year, are distributed in the form of grants to local and international organizations that help improve the lives of women in need.

The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva is a service organization of professional women working together to provide hands-on assistance, advocacy and funds to strengthen women's lives on the islands, in Lee County and around the world through Zonta International. For more information, visit www.zontasan-cap.com.**

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Octifest – A Great Time For A Good Cause

submitted by Dr. Bruce Neill

On Saturday, March 23, Sanibel Sea School will once again hold its annual scholarship fundraiser on Causeway Island A at 6:30 p.m. It is an opportunity for fun and fellowship that serves a good cause. The funds generated will allow Sanibel Sea School to enrich the lives of students from the Pace Center For Girls and teenagers from the Pine Manor Improvement Association, as well as numerous families from throughout Lee County and beyond.

With pride, Sanibel Sea School has never lost an opportunity to educate and enrich anyone due to financial constraints. And the staff there is currently exploring several new partnerships that will allow even more economically challenged students to fully explore their lives on this ocean planet.

For the evening of Octifest, we have put together a slate of unique opportunities and experiences that can be purchased that night. Up for grabs are the following:

- Sailing, Learning and Relaxing in the British Virgin Islands aboard a 46-foot sailboat. This five-day excursion hosted by Sanibel Sea School co-founders, Doc Bruce and Evelyn Neill, is a guided tour of the islands like you have never experienced before. Enjoy learning, exploring

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Jayden Wolfe wants to remind everyone to hop on over to the Spring Festival on Saturday, March 30 for lots of fun and games

Children's Spring Festival Is March 30

The Children's Education Center of the Islands will hold its annual Spring Festival on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Park on Periwinkle Way. There will be a free Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m., sponsored by Bank of the Islands.**

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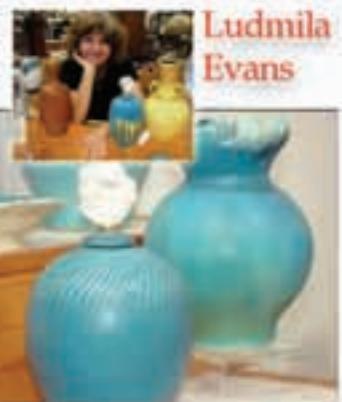
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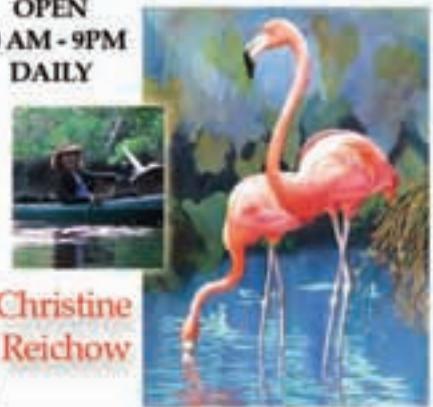
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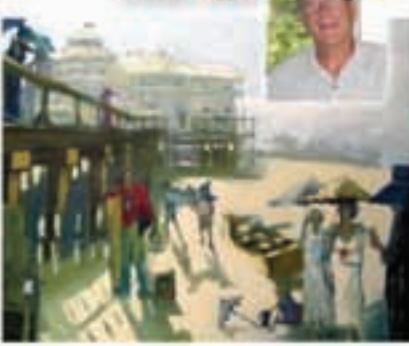
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Theiss Speaks At U.N. Commission

submitted by Nola Theiss

Nola Theiss, Executive Director of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, spoke at a parallel event during the 57th U.N. Commission of the Status of Women (CSW) Conference in New York City. The panel NGO Roles in Advocacy and Service to End Trafficking in Persons was held on March 6 during the 12-day conference and was presented by Zonta International. These events are sponsored by governments and non-governmental organizations as part of the CSW.

Theiss's role was to present a summary of Human Trafficking in the United States and HTAP's innovative prevention programs for youth. Speaking with other experts from Europe and a filmmaker who has produced films on human trafficking, the panel was one of the parallel events held during the conference. She will also lead a workshop at Zonta's North American Inter-District Conference in June in Ontario, Canada.

Theiss began her work in human trafficking with the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva in 2004. She has been a leader in the SWFL Regional Coalition Against Human Trafficking since then and has spoken in five countries to more than 21,000 people on this issue.

HTAP has been supported by numerous organizations on Sanibel, including the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, St.



Nola Theiss and Lynn Mackenzie

Michael and All Angels Church, Eileen Fisher, numerous family and individual donations from Sanibel citizens.

"The generosity of the Sanibel community has been a great support to us and has made it possible for us to develop and continue our work of building awareness of this issue and conducting our programs for youth," said Theiss. "It was a great honor to be asked to share what we are doing to a capacity audience at the U.N. workshop."

HTAP will be holding its first signature fundraising event on Saturday, April 6 at the Forever Green Shops, hosted by Cip's Restaurant and Eileen Fisher. The Bling Bash to Smash Slavery will feature four jewelry designers, a silent auction, a live auction and light refreshments.

For more information, contact Nola Theiss at 292-3834. Donations may be mailed to HTAP, P.O. Box 1113, Sanibel, FL 33957.**

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Octifest

and a chance to spend some quality down-time with good friends or family. This package, including food and drink aboard ship, is for six additional people in three staterooms, each complete with private bath.

- Face time with Bobbi Brown, the founder and CEO of Bobbi Brown Cosmetics, the exclusive beauty editor of *The Today Show*, author and a celebrity in the world of make-up. Enjoy either a private make-up party with Bobbi (up to 10 participants) in either her New Jersey or New York City studio, or the opportunity for a single person to breakfast with Bobbi and then shadow her for the morning as she goes about her business of beauty – an unheard of opportunity for a young person interested in make-up and fashion, or for a group of ladies who want to have a "look" crafted by a fashion icon.

- Treasure Chest from Lily and Co. The island jewelry gallery has long been a stalwart supporter of Octifest, and this year is no exception. Dan and Karen have put together a Lily & Co. basket that is a rich sampling of the many forms of art they represent. This is a chance to decorate your body, your home and brighten up your life with the bedazzlement one can only get at Lily & Co.

- Tall Tales, Shrimp and Grits. Among the unique opportunities is one to join Bruce and Evelyn Neill and Ralph and Jean Woodring at the Woodring Homestead for a lunch of shrimp and

grits. Up to five couples can come and have a lunch that will likely never be repeated. Come learn how to make this southern classic dish and watch and listen as Ralph and Doc Bruce try to top one another's lies.

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San-Cap Art



Third place painting by Joan Reynolds

League Show At Sanibel Library

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League's annual juried show is currently on display at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, through the end of March.

First prize was awarded to Carol Good for her mixed acrylic *Egret With An Attitude*. *Harietta's Bowl* by Rita Mach Skoczen won second place, and Joan Tangren Reynolds won third place with *Bonnie Pose #27*.

Merit awards went to four watercolor paintings: Neil Glaser for *Bowl Of Fruit*, *Gramma* by David King, *Dixie Fish House* by Terry Shattuck and *Swamp* by Pauline Healey.

Stan Timson won the Nancy Jones Memorial Prize for his acrylic *Ready To Run*.

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Samantha Jeanne Price and Stephen Charles Wolfe II are proud to announce their marriage that took place on January 25, 2013.

The bride is the daughter of Eddie and Dolores Dykes of Sanibel. The groom is the son of Stephen and Joey Wolfe of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The couple resides on Sanibel.**

Dr. Braverman To Speak At St. Michael Church

Dr. Mark Braverman will speak at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church at the 9:30 a.m. forum on Sunday, March 17. The

Duplicate Bridge

On March 12, there were 10 tables in play at The Sanibel Community Association.

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Tracing his own journey as an American Jew struggling with the realities of modern Israel, Dr. Braverman calls on the church to play a key role in the movement to bring peace to Israelis and Palestinians. Describing the spiritual and psychological forces driving the discourse in America, in Israel, in the Jewish community and within the church, he turns to the prophets' cry for justice and to Jesus' transformative ministry to show the way forward.

Dr. Braverman is a Jewish American who lectures internationally on the role of religious beliefs, theology and interfaith relations in the cause for a just peace in Israel and Palestine. He is the author of *Fatal Embrace: Christians, Jews and the Search for Peace in the Holy Land*.

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Special thanks to Pastor Niemann and the Chapel by the Sea for the beautiful service, Mr. Kennedy for the heartfelt words during the service. Becky and the American Legion Post 123 for host-

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ing the Celebration and the Sons of the American Legion Post 123 for supplying the meal. The Troublestarters for the awesome music. And to all the wonderful people that became so much more than friends to Ank during his time in Florida.

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INSIDE CITY HALL

Nothing Is Off Table In Town Center Planning

by Anne Mitchell

Picture an area of Sanibel with picnic tables for people to gather, a place for small concerts or weddings, some green space, interconnected parking areas and free access to wi-fi. That's just one scenario that can be drawn from a long list of ideas that the city council came up with on Tuesday in an effort to bring the island's dilapidated and outdated commercial areas up to speed.

Once again, the city is looking at the concept of a town center – centered around Palm Ridge Road and the neighboring city hall/library/BIG ARTS complex – but this time around, no ideas are off the table, and the city wants to take a leadership role in bringing it to fruition.

"Nothing is untouchable, outside the box," was how Councilman Marty Harrity described the council's role. And that may mean "being flexible with permitted uses," said Vice Mayor Mick Denham.

Sanibel's strict development codes

have been a stumbling block for redevelopment and just last year council enacted an ordinance that allows for aging hotels and resorts built under old codes to make improvements without losing units under the current rules. Now it's the commercial district that's being reviewed.

But it will come with a cost. Among the topics on the brainstorming list is the need for capital investment, whether from cultural organizations needing to expand or the city or both. Improving traffic flow is also high on the list, as the concept can't happen without it. Potential land acquisition and land swaps must also be considered. In fact, Mayor Kevin Ruane and City Manager Judie Zimomra have talked about whether the public works department needs all of its 20-acre site off Dunlop Road.

About 60 people crowded into MacKenzie Hall for the workshop, during which council sought views from the public.

Resident and former city councilman Peter Pappas, who has been on Sanibel for 40 years and recalls the intentions of the founding fathers. They never intended to "perpetuate rigidity," he said. "Our concepts are set almost in stone. We limited our growth but we have a very tired commercial area... Overall prosperity

demands that this sector of our community is healthy. Some people aren't going to like that, but we have to change."

Pappas added, "We have to structure redevelopment to mandate less and permit more. I feel we have mandated too much and permitted too little. We have piled restrictive ordinance on restrictive ordinance until it is too much." He cautioned the council not to take too much time in drafting what's necessary to encourage a healthier community.

Ralph Clark of BIG ARTS applauded the city's support and leadership. "We are wide open to the kinds of things you are talking about..." he said.

Denham said people might ask whether the city is serious this time. He said, "We are in the process of doing this very differently. I want everybody to stay with us and work with us."

Other topics that will be discussed at subsequent workshops are a needs assessment for the area's businesses and organizations, consideration of developing a master plan, and reviewing permitting rules.

Ruane said based on the amount of mail and phone calls he has received, the topic of commercial redevelopment is "as vital a topic as we have had before us for quite some time. "It is up there with

red drift algae on the beach," he said. But unlike the city's decision to clean the algae off the beaches, when it comes to invigorating the commercial district, "there is no silver bullet."

"Everyone wants Sanibel to be the unique place it is" and it will remain that way, Ruane stated.

Staff will compile the ideas from this meeting into a document for further discussion March 19. Council members said in the meantime they welcome any public input either by email, phone or in person.**

Kindergarten Orientation

The Sanibel School will be holding its kindergarten orientation on Tuesday, March 19 for children who will be five years old on or before September 1 and who plan to attend school in the fall. Orientation for students is at 9 a.m. and orientation for parents only will be held at 6:30 p.m. that same day. Call the registrar, Donna Marks, at 472-1617 for more information.**

Happy St. Patrick's Day

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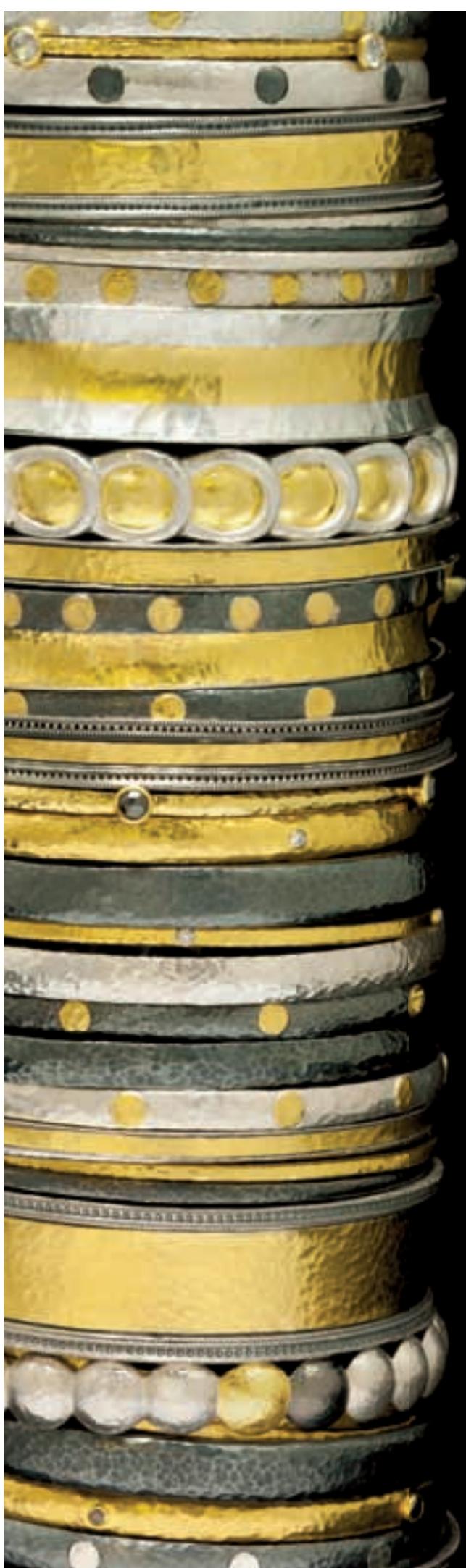
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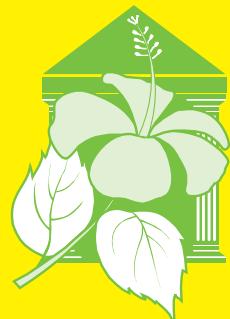
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OBITUARY



KARL LINDGREN EVANS

Karl Lindgren Evans, 70, passed away on Sunday, February 24. He is survived by his loving wife of 25 years, Carol Bakely, and will be remembered by many locals for his friendly greetings, easy laugh and wildly patterned shirts.

Karl was a veteran of the Army who began his civilian career as a mason and moved into construction management with such national firms as Toll Brothers and Pulte Homes before retiring to Sanibel. He had a commanding presence and was known for his generous spirit and willingness to help others who might be encountering difficulties. A member of St. Isabel's Catholic Church, he touched many lives in a positive fashion and never failed to stretch out a hand to pull someone up to the sunlight from the

shadows. He was a true optimist who lived by a motto "Out of every adversity comes a seed of equivalent benefit."

He devoted himself to making life wonderful for Carol and he never failed in that endeavor. Life with Karl was never boring and could best be described as "Mr. Toad's Wild Ride" from Disneyland. His love of nature and flowers was reflected in the lush landscaping of his property and he took great joy in both his pets and the local wildlife.

There will be no service at Karl's request. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lee County Animal Services, the group that brought his beloved cats – Willie, Bunzer and Noodles – from the shelter to his lap.

"... Oh, there will pass with your great passing little of beauty not your own, only the light from common water, only the grace from simple stone!" Edna St. Vincent Millay, Elerry Before Death*



Irish Saying
Saoi fada chugat

Pronunciation:
Sail fod-ah cu-gut

Means:
Long life to you.





Authors and library staff members

Author Series A Success At Sanibel Public Library

submitted by Cathy Cameron

The Sanibel Public Library had another successful Author Series. The line-up included: Will Shortz, crossword puzzle editor of *The New York Times*; Robert K. Massie, regarded as the foremost expert on the Russian royal family, whose biography of *Peter the Great* earned a Pulitzer Prize; Peter Bergen, *The New York Times* best-selling author and one of the foremost authorities on foreign policy, national security and the new generation of terrorism; and Judy Collins, bestselling author and inspirational recording artist with top 10 hits, Grammy awards, and gold and platinum status records.

Although there is no fee to attend the Author Series, the events are ticketed. Tickets are released to Sanibel Public Library cardholders one month in advance of each event. This year, library patrons who are also fans of the authors, started lining up outside the library for their tickets about two hours before the 9 a.m. opening time. Tickets were sold out within minutes of their release.

Duane Shaffer, adult program coordinator, deserves special kudos for the success

of the series. Shaffer is responsible for selecting and scheduling the authors. His selections are based on popularity and availability. His efforts and dedication have ensured successful programs yearly for the library.

There is an Author Wall located in Meeting Room #4 with the names of all of the authors who have done programs at the Sanibel Public Library.

Applause to Director Margaret Mohundro and the Sanibel Public Library staff for their hard work and dedication to make these events a success; Joanne Wessels IT manager and Chad Singleton, IT department, for relocating the computer area and fashioning a mobile computer lab for each event; Wendy Lambrix, circulation supervisor, and Betsy Eidem, circulation staff, who coordinate the champagne receptions held after each event; and to all of the staffers who work long hours to ensure the success of each event.

A special thank you to the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc. and its generous donors. Without their support, the Author Series would not exist.

Thanks goes out the 2012-13 Author Series Partners for their contributions: Bank of the Islands, The Blue Dolphin Cottages, Saralee and Alexander Christ, Dolores and Jack Clarke, Jan Egeland, Linda and John Kramer, LCEC, Kay and John Morse, Emily and Richard Muench, Myers, Bretholtz & Company, Sandy and Ken Nirenberg, Northern Trust, Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc., Uhler & Vertich Financial Planners, and West Wind Inn.*

Democratic Club Of The Islands Meeting

The Florida State Legislature only meets two months a year. This year's legislative session began on March 5. Join the Democratic Club of the Islands on Thursday, March 21, for an update on what the Republican-controlled legislature is up to now – refusing free Medicaid money, "fixing" voter suppression, further restricting women's reproductive choices, avoiding gun buying loopholes – and what you can do about it. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road.

Although the legislature is only required to pass a balanced budget, it will consider hundreds of bills during this month and next. Those many Sanibel voters who waited hours in line on November 6 will be glad to know that several of those bills address ways to avoid long voting lines in the future.

The guest speaker at the meeting will be Ellis Robinson, co-founder and CEO of Ruth's List Florida. Other co-founders are former Florida CFO Alex Sink and Emily's List. A Sanibel resident, Robinson covers the state for Ruth's List, recruiting, supporting and electing progressive, pro-choice, Democratic women to state and local office. Ruth's List members helped elect five new state legislators in 2012, breaking the Republican super majority in both houses. In 2011, Ruth's List helped

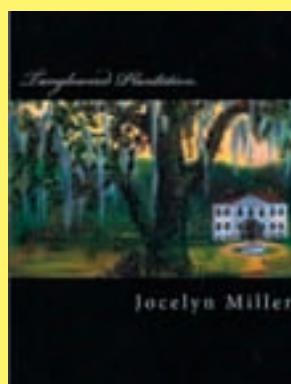


Ellis Robinson

elect three progressive, Democratic women to the Tampa City Council, turning that body blue. Ruth's List also helped pass the Fair Districts Florida amendments in 2010, and stop the anti-privacy amendments and others in 2012.

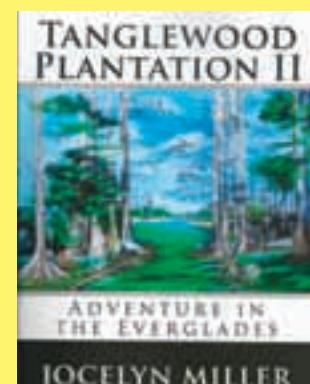
Ruth's List is now hard at work helping women candidates with races in November 2013, and recruiting talented, progressive, Democratic women for winnable State Legislative and statewide seats in 2014. (Florida's constitutional officers are all up for election in 2014: governor, attorney general, CFO and Commissioner of Agriculture & Consumer Affairs.) For more information about Ruth's List Florida, visit www.RuthsListFL.org.**

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The Royal Shell Companies, a long-term supporter of FISH, are hosting this food drive for a third year, which provides supplies the FISH Food Pantry with much needed food, paper products and personal hygiene products for island families and individuals.

"We have been a long-term supporter of FISH and the work they do on Sanibel and Captiva. Our food drive for FISH is part of our commitment to give back to our community," said Randy Bacik, CEO of Royal Shell. "We are pleased to be part of the FISH Spring Food Drive and the merchants and shoppers of our three shopping centers have been very supportive in hosting this Spring Food Drive to benefit FISH clients".

Shoppers are invited to bring unopened, non-perishable food items, paper products and personal hygiene products when they shop at any of the shops at Tahitian Gardens, Olde Sanibel Shoppes or The Village Shops between now and the end of March. Food items may be placed in the FISH Food Drive baskets which are located in each store. All food and monetary donations from the FISH Spring Food Drive will go towards stocking the FISH Food Pantry.

Dr. Adair Heath, FISH Board Member and Director of Food Drives, expressed his appreciation to The Royal Shell Companies for "helping many families on Sanibel and Captiva who use the food pantry on a regular basis."

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BIG ARTS is hosting a new event, a Photo Scavenger Hunt, on Tuesday, April 9. "Image Hunters" can gather their friends and a camera for a day of art and adventure. Teams of four will embark on a conceptual scavenger hunt, photographing their interpretations of the given clues. Thinking "outside the box" is encouraged.

Each team will use one digital camera to capture images inspired by the given clues. Teams can walk, drive or bike in their search. After the teams return to BIG ARTS Center,

there will be a gourmet box dinner and a big screen presentation of the images captured during the afternoon. Awards will be presented as the scavengers enjoy wine and dessert. Proceeds to benefit BIG ARTS scholarship program.

The adventure begins at 3 p.m. when participants will pick up the clues at BIG ARTS. Each four-person team will use one (and only one) digital camera to capture images inspired by the given clues. Participants can walk, drive or bike in their search. Teams return to BIG ARTS by 5 p.m. to hand in their camera's memory card and enjoy a gourmet boxed dinner. Meanwhile, your camera images will be downloaded and carefully organized for the showcase on the big screen.

Dinner begins at 5 p.m. as the silent auction is ongoing. Fantastic "adventure" and "experience" auction items available for bidding, including fishing tours, kayak tours, canoe tours, a live performance by Island Jazz at your home, boat excursions and theater tickets.

At 6:30 p.m. the showcase of entries will begin, followed by awards ceremony and plated dessert. Tickets are \$45 per person for the full ticket (includes everything: the day activities, dinner, showcase, wine, dessert) or \$180 for four-person team. For only \$8, friends and family can come to BIG ARTS at 6 p.m. to enjoy wine, dessert and the showcase. Register at BIG ARTS by Friday, April 5. A limited number of teams may sign up. Organize your own team, or we'll match you with others.

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Proceeds from this event to benefit BIG ARTS scholarship program. Following a rigorous interview and selection process, scholarships are awarded to high school seniors and college students who are studying visual arts, music, dance, theater or film to encourage continued artistic development. Scholarships have been made possible by the generosity of Robert Rauschenberg Foundation, Patricia and Davis Thurber, Kenneth L. Nees, and by community support of the BIG ARTS BIG SECRET artworks event.

To learn more about these productions and BIG ARTS events, and to purchase tickets, stop by BIG ARTS, call 395-0900; e-mail info@BIGARTS.org; or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.**



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What Does The Sequester Mean For The Coast?

submitted by Ken and Kate Gooderham, ASBPA executive directors

Have you had enough sequestration yet? Well, get used to it – many predict it's the new normal in DC for the foreseeable future.

What does it mean for the coast? Good question... for which there may not yet be an answer.

We'll spare you another explanation of what sequestration is, how it works or how we got to this point; if you haven't heard it enough by now, there's no reason to inflict it on you again.

But, as a coastal resident, official or professional, your next question ought to be: What's it mean for me, my constituents and my coast? The short answer is simple: No one knows yet. All the officials and agencies charged with implementing these across-the-board budget cuts are still scrambling to figure out exactly what the new rules mean and how they will meet its lowered spending targets.

At this point, however, there are five areas where coastal interests should intersect with sequestration's slices:

- Corps of Engineers – Even as part of the military, Corps projects will face the same spending scrutiny as everyone else, which translates into something between a 5 percent to an 8-plus percent cut in spending (depending on the source of funds). How that will be achieved, of course, is the question waiting to be answered.

- Permitting and regulatory review – All the agencies that review project permits and interpret coastal regulations will face cuts, with the expectation they will be focused on furloughs, meaning fewer people to do the same work, meaning delays for your project.

- Disaster recovery and response – Because of the multifaceted nature of disaster response, it's harder still to assess the impact here. Many disasters are funded either by flood insurance premiums (which took a hit in Katrina and a likely bigger hit in Sandy) or Congressional authorizations... which used to be approved routinely, until the

Sandy relief bill faced an uphill fight to make it through Congress the last time. Not good news... made potentially worse when you consider that the people who administer the disaster recovery programs face furloughs and cuts like every other government employee (except members of Congress, of course). We may not really know the impact until the second, third or fourth disaster strikes – and the first few may not even be coastal, with spring floods, tornadoes and forest fires on the horizon.

- Research – Much coastal study relies on federal funding from an alphabet-soup of agencies. Due to the lead time necessary for the research grant process, the sequestration effect here will be delayed... although some current projects could see quick cuts if the funding terms allow it. A more immediate impact will be seen in the ability of government employees to attend scientific conferences to hear what others in their field are studying or have discerned from their diligence. Funding for such activities has already been curtailed by many agencies (thanks to recession-receded budgets), and the new cuts should finish this opportunity off for the foreseeable future.

- The sequestration offset – Another intangible is what happens to state and local funding when federal funds are squeezed. Government budgets closer to home are no more flush than those in Washington, and federal cuts in crucial state and local programs may necessitate moving some money away temporarily from the coast to deal with more pressing needs. That could mean projects delayed, cost-shares cut and coastal employees facing furloughs just like their federal counterparts.

Not a pretty picture, even with much of it still coming into focus. However, with no forward progress foreseen on the federal front to resolve this spending spat, sequestration may be here to stay. This is new territory for Washington, and its scope makes any accurate assessment of impact difficult to forecast. Coastal managers and officials need to be prepared for the worst, and to keep talking to their federal friends to track what potential cuts over there could have on our coasts over here.

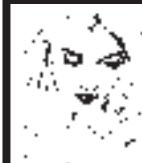
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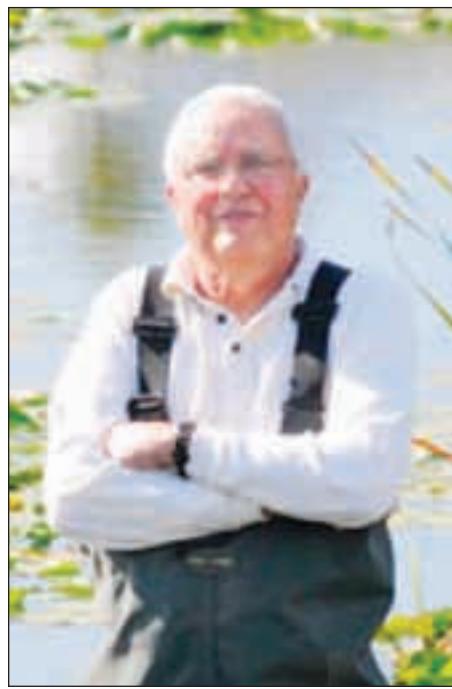


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Lecture On Wetlands And Nutrients



Donald Hay

photo by Rebekah Raleigh, Missouri University of Science and Technology

Donald L. Hey, Ph.D., founder of The Wetlands Initiative and Des Plaines River Wetland Demonstration Project in Chicago, will talk about his work with nutrients in midwestern wetland areas in Nutrient Farming in the American Midwest to Protect the Gulf of Mexico. Come to the SCCF Nature Center on Thursday, March 21 at 7 p.m. This program is free and all are welcome to attend.

Fish Caught



Jessie Sheppard from Minnesota caught a 25-inch redfish in Pine Island Sound on white bait. She was out on Sea Reed Charters with local fishing guide Clarence Reed.✿

This talk, part of the Moonlight On The Marsh Distinguished Lecture Series, is sponsored by Florida Gulf Coast University Everglades Wetland Research Park and the SCCF Marine Lab.

Dr. Hey will be talking about the work done by the Wetland Initiative to restore wetlands and also to find innovative ways to finance large-scale wetland restoration. The Wetlands Initiative is dedicated to restoring the wetland resources of the midwest to improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat and biodiversity, and reduce flood damages.

For years, many believed that wetlands were more valuable dry than wet and in Illinois, more than 90 percent of the wetlands present 200 years ago are now

drained, tiled, dammed or leveed.

Today, the value of wetlands needs to be understood in both environmental and economic terms. Wetlands remove pollutants and control sediments to provide cleaner water. They offer food and shelter to a vast array of plants and animals. They store floodwaters to reduce the cost and misery from flooding. They moderate climate change by sequestering carbon. And, importantly – but often overlooked – their vital ecosystem services are essential for healthy economies.✿



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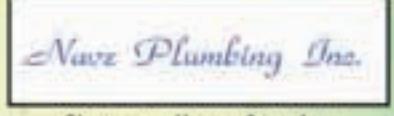
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Donation Of \$15,000 Boosts 'Ding' Campaign To \$1.2 Million Mark

Evelyn Rose and Jonathan Silverman of Sanibel Island recently pledged a donation of \$15,000 to be paid over three years to the "Ding" Darling Preservation Campaign, bringing the total pledged to the \$1.2 million mark, shy of the \$1.8 million goal by \$600,000.

Funds from the campaign will purchase the environmentally sensitive land of Woodring Point at the entrance to Tarpon Bay and improve the 12-year-old "Ding" Darling Education Center. Site of the historic Woodring homestead, Woodring Point is also home to myriad species of birds, marine creatures and vegetation.

Much like the Woodring's, Silverman's family homesteaded on the East Coast of Florida in the 1800s. "I have seen so much development cover sensitive, historical land all over the state that my family and I feel strongly about doing our part to save land," he said. "Having walked the Woodring property, we are more convinced than ever that this land needs to be protected for the benefit of its historical value and for the overall wildlife on land and in the water."

"We are deeply appreciative of this generous support for our mission to preserve Woodring Point property," said Campaign Committee Chair Jim Sprankle. Other committee members include Mary Lou Bailey, Chauncey Goss, Porter Goss, Doris Hardy, Jon Heinrich, Kip Koss, Chip Lesch, John McCabe, Mike Mullins and Bill Vanderbilt.

The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) leads the Preservation Campaign to acquire the 6.56 acres on Woodring Point for the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge and to update and enhance the refuge's Education Center exhibits and facilities, including the addition of an elevator.

The property preservation is a cooperative effort. DDWS and Lee County's Conservation 20/20 program will each purchase part of the land; the refuge will assume responsibility to restore and manage both parcels. DDWS must raise private funds to purchase its parcel by September of this year.



The acquisition of Woodring Point will fit a piece of the puzzle into a wildlife corridor combining existing refuge and other protected land and waters

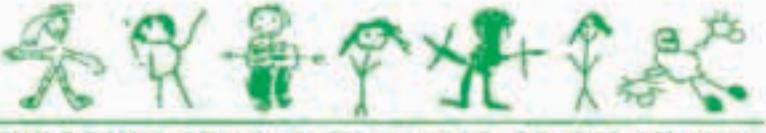


DDWS president John McCabe, left, accepts a check from Evelyn Rose and Jonathan Silverman

If not preserved by the refuge, the land could be developed with as many as five dwellings, each permitted a boat dock extending into Tarpon Bay. Construction of new homes and the increase in boat traffic would have significant impact on the sensitive habitat.

"With a successful campaign, this land acquisition will protect rare bay beach habitat that more than 80 different land and marine species call home or visit for food and shelter," said DDWS President John McCabe.

For more information, contact DDWS Executive Director Birgie Vertesch at 292-0566 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/campaign-update. To donate online, go to www.dingdarlingsociety/donations-text.



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CROW Case Of The Week

Flying Squirrels

by Patricia Molloy

Gliding through the night skies with the greatest of ease, the Southern flying squirrel (*Glaucomys volans*) is only one of two flying squirrels native to North America (the other being the Northern flying squirrel). The small, nocturnal mammals with the large saucer-like eyes inhabit wooded areas from southeastern Canada to Florida (with the exception of certain islands including the Florida Keys, Sanibel and Captiva).

The most distinguishable feature of the Southern flying squirrel is a cape of loose skin stretching from its wrists to its ankles. Reaching only 10 inches in length as adults, they also possess a wide tail that acts like a rudder as they "fly," then as a brake upon landing.

As tree squirrels, they do not hibernate like certain ground squirrels; rather, they congregate in tree hollows during cold



The three flying squirrels keep warm inside this straw-lined hutch between meals

winter months for warmth and forage at night for food. As many as 50 roosting squirrels have reportedly been found in a single tree cavity.

The diet of flying squirrels consists of seeds, nuts and acorns. However, they also feed upon moths, insects and eggs, making them the only omnivores of the squirrel family.

The clinic staff at CROW is currently housing and caring for three Southern flying squirrels found off-island. "They



An adult flying squirrel in one of CROW's outdoor enclosures

came in as babies. Now that each one weighs about 50 grams, we moved them outside," said Stephen Roika, assistant wildlife rehabilitator at CROW's clinic. "Since they are not native to Sanibel and Captiva, we are very careful not to allow any flying squirrels to get loose on the islands."

As soon as Dr. Heather Barron, hospital director, is confident that the three Southern flying squirrels are mature enough to survive on their own, they will be returned to the location in Lee County where they were initially found.

Do you ever wonder what types of wild critters find themselves in need of care at the wildlife clinic and why? CROW's Healing Winds Visitor Education Center offers educational programs including presentations by the wildlife

clinic's medical staff along with guest speakers as part of their Wonders Of Wildlife (WOW) series. The Healing Winds Visitor Education Center also offers hands-on exhibits, live video footage highlighting animal stories and special events suitable for guests of all ages. Call or go to CROW's website for a complete schedule.

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

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Martine Daigle

Martine Daigle found this fulgorator olive at Blind Pass. Daigle lives in Canada and winters here on Sanibel Island.



The *Lady Chadwick* at sunset

Sunset Cruise With Local Authors

On Sunday March 24, Captiva Cruises will offer a sunset cruise with Charles LeBuff and Deb Gleason aboard the *Lady Chadwick*, Captiva Cruises' flagship vessel. LeBuff and Gleason are co-authors of a new book entitled *Sanibel and Captiva Islands: A Postcard History*.

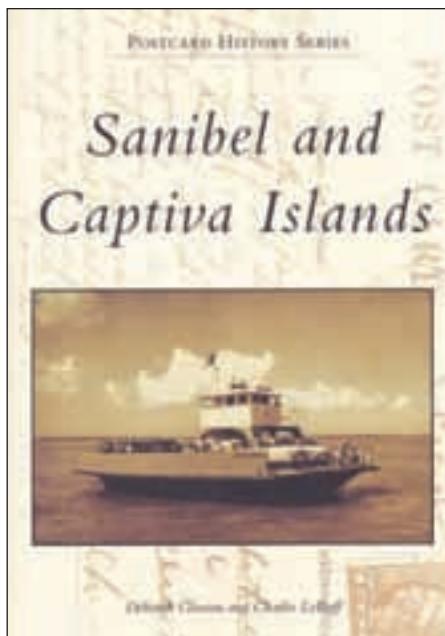
In 1958, LeBuff accepted a position with The Sanibel National Wildlife Refuge which was renamed The JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in 1967. LeBuff worked at the refuge for 32 years and had the opportunity to talk with Jay Norwood Darling about conservation on the islands. LeBuff pioneered sea turtle research in Southwest Florida and formed Caretta Research in 1968 to study the loggerhead sea turtle. He became a charter member of the Sanibel City Council and played an instrumental role in the city's incorporation and its conservation legacy.

Gleason grew up on Sanibel, helping with family rental cottages and later helping visitors become islanders in the world of real estate. She now serves as chairperson of the Sanibel Historical Preservation Committee.

This unique cruise will depart McCarthy's Marina on Captiva at 6:15 p.m. and travel on Roosevelt Channel, passing by the historic "Ding" Darling fish house on the way to Redfish Pass for sunset.

Learn about the fascinating history of Sanibel and Captiva from these colorful islanders. There will be an opportunity to purchase books and have them signed by the authors.

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Founder And Project Director To Speak At Annual Meeting

Mark "Bird" Westall, founder of The International Osprey Foundation in 1979, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting on Sunday, March 24.

Westall will present a short series of videos of ospreys in different parts of the world, including ground-nesting birds off the southern tip of Sinai and Baja California.

He will describe the osprey's life cycle and also discuss the implications of knowing how to speak the bird's language. From his years in the field, Westall has learned to speak "osprey" and will demonstrate with calls and explain their meaning.

The meeting starts at 7 p.m. at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF) auditorium, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

All are welcome. A \$3 donation is requested from non-members.*



Mark "Bird" Westall

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Carolina wren

Audubon Bailey Tract Bird Walk

The next Sanibel-Captiva Audubon bird walk will be held on Saturday, March 16 at the Bailey Tract. Take Island Inn Road across from Bailey's and meet at the back entrance to the Bailey Tract at 8 a.m. Parking is free.

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

Shells Found



Deb Burk and Karen Lawrence

Deb Burk from Minnesota and Karen Lawrence from Vermont found alpha-bet cones on the beach off West Gulf Drive. They were staying at Ocean's Reach. They said they are "shell sisters" who met on the beach seven years ago and have shelled together ever since.*

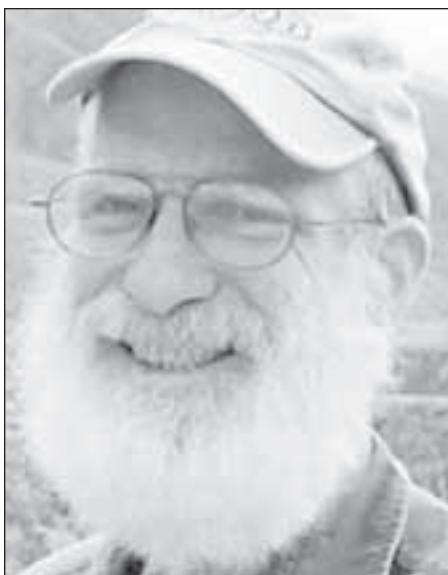
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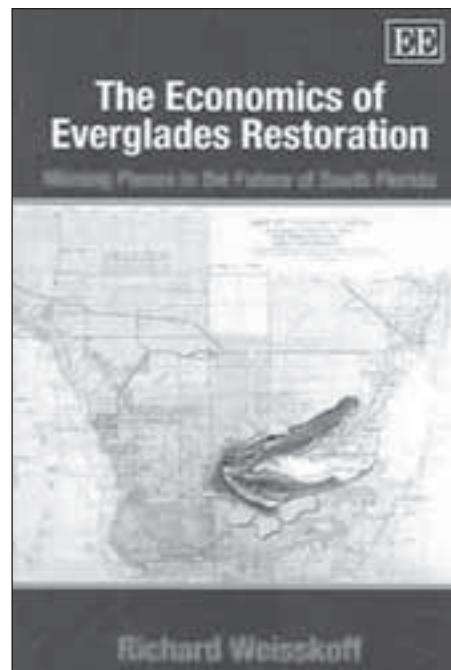
Conservation Forum: Valuing The Environment

How do you place an economic value on the environment? Join SCCF and the Everglades Foundation on Tuesday, March 19 for the 5th annual Conservation Forum focusing on Valuing Nature: From The Everglades to the Islands of Sanibel and Captiva, with author and economist Dr. Richard Weisskoff, University of Miami. He will be joined for a panel discussion by Eric Eikenberg, CEO of the Everglades Foundation, and Rae Ann Wessel, Natural Resource Policy Director, SCCF. The program will be held at The Sundial, 1451 Middle Gulf Drive on Sanibel and will begin at 7 p.m.; doors open at 6:30 p.m. There will be a book-signing and reception following the program. The event is free and all are welcome to attend. For more information, call SCCF at 472-2329.

Dr. Weisskoff is an Associate Professor of Economics in the Department of International Studies at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, and author of *The Economics of Everglades Restoration: Missing Pieces in the Future of South Florida*. He spoke to a capacity crowd in the SCCF Nature Center back in December, with a talk focusing on the economic benefits of ecosystem services provided by Lee County's 20/20 conservation lands and their contributions to Estero Bay.

He is currently working on grant-funded work for the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council and SCCF quantifying the ecosystem services of the natural communities of our barrier islands in terms of their contribution to the environment we enjoy and to a sustainable community in southwest Florida. The project is titled, "Estimating and Forecasting Ecosystem Services within Pine Island Sound, Sanibel Island, Captiva Island, North Captiva Island, Cayo Costa Island, Useppa Island, Other Islands of the Sound, and the Nearshore Gulf of Mexico."

Dr. Weisskoff earned his Ph.D. in Economics from Harvard University and



has worked at the United Nations, Bar Ilan University (Israel), Iowa State and Yale, and has been a visiting professor at Notre Dame, American University, and at universities in Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Peru. His research interests encompass economic development and ecology, Latin America, regional economics, income distribution and poverty studies.

Eikenberg was selected to the position of CEO by the Everglades Foundation's board in 2012. He has extensive policy and political experience in Tallahassee and Washington, serving as chief of staff for former Gov. Charlie Crist and former U.S. Rep. E. Clay Shaw. Since 2010, Eikenberg has served as senior policy advisor for Holland & Knight, co-chairing the firm's Florida Government Advocacy Team with former Gov. Bob Martinez. As the CEO of the Everglades Foundation, he will lead the foundation's science, advocacy, communications and legal teams, which are nationally recognized for their expertise in Everglades restoration. A graduate of American University, he and his family live in Miami.

Wessel is a limnologist and marine scientist with 30 years of experience working in the environmental field in south Florida. For 19 years, she managed her own environmental consulting firm, Ecosystem Specialists, dealing both in the field and with regulations on issues at the local, regional, state and federal levels. She has served as an appointee to the Lee County Local Planning Agency. In 1994, Wessel helped coordinate a News-Press-sponsored community forum which led to the creation of the non-profit Caloosahatchee River Citizens Association. She has received awards for her work on the Caloosahatchee including 1998 Conservationist of the Year from Audubon of Southwest Florida, the Richard Coleman Aquatic Resources Award by the Florida Lake Management Society in 2007, and in 2012, was selected as one of "21 Women Who Make Southwest Florida."*

Shell Museum Introduces New Exhibit Guide

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum staff continues to improve upon and update the visitor experience. In preparation for a new series of enhancements to the museum, a new four-color version of the Exhibit Guide is now available to visitors of Sanibel's American Alliance of Museums-accredited educational institution.

The museum has recently undergone a rebranding with a new logo, has a revamped graphic design of its newsletter and collateral materials, which now include bold and colorful images of shells from the collection by renowned nature photographer Henry Domke, has installed new exhibits, and has enhanced public space with new displays and a backdrop for photos of visitors who have found rare shells on Sanibel. The Exhibit Guide has been redesigned to reflect the new image of the museum and will enhance the visitor experience with a guide to its exhibits.

In the coming months, the museum will continue to update the delivery of educational information with new media. The museum has recently begun the final production stages of a series of audio tours which will be delivered via smart technology. NBC-2 co-anchor Clay Miller is the voice talent that will guide visitors through the Great Hall of Shells.**

The new exhibit guide for the museum



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Come On, Springtime

by Capt. Matt Mitchell



After a cold start to the week, temperatures slowly rebounded. A few really cold days with windy conditions limited options for anglers.

Hopefully, that was the last strong cold front we will have to deal with this winter. Despite lots of reports of red tide, the sound remained red tide-free and the water is as clear as I have seen it all winter.

With the official start of spring just over a week away, the numbers of big snook I saw laid up in some of their favorite cold weather haunts was very impressive. This is a great sign that our snook numbers are on the increase.

Seeing all these big snook laid up on the coldest days had me pulling my hair

out as I tried everything in the live well and tackle box and just could not get them to eat. Warming temperatures will be the major factor to fix this snook lock-jaw situation.

Deep channels at the south end of Matlacha Pass and in the mouth of the river were just loaded up with hundreds of snook seeking a warm water refuge. These were of all sizes and could be seen sunning on the shallow dark bottom areas within close proximity to deep water. Most of the groups of snook were of 20 or more fish, with the average fish around 30 inches and dozens in the high 30-inch range. This was the most I have seen since prior to our snook kill during the severe cold snap of three winters ago.

During these cold periods, sheepshead fishing remained at the top of my list of things to do. Docks around the passes and in the river kept anglers busy on even the coldest days. Chunks of shrimp fished on the bottom caught sheepshead up to five pounds this week. Right after the last cold front passed, we had great numbers of big sheepshead at all the usual places, then as they got worked over by anglers, the average size decreased day by day.

For non-stop action, this bite was hard to match. On one trip during the coldest

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More winter sheepshead hit the fillet table

temperatures this week, we sat near one dock for over two hours and caught fish after fish. This bite was much needed after only catching a few short redfish and a couple of keeper trout in the two hours prior. The sheepshead bite will start to wind down as we get past the middle of this month and the fish spawn.

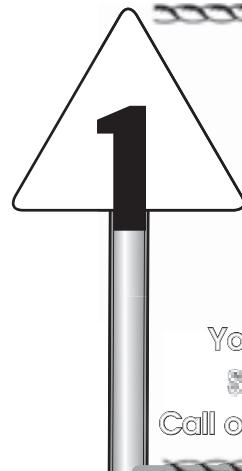
Getting tucked back as far as I could in narrow mangrove creeks produced a few redfish on the low tides while bouncing live shrimp slowly on the bottom. Not every mangrove spot held redfish and it took a little working at, but if you kept moving, you would find a few that wanted to eat a bait. Often in these creeks, the redfish would be laid out in the deepest holes and bends, sometimes on the dark spots where the bottom was working like a solar panel for them. Seeing redfish in the clear water was not tough, but getting them to eat was a whole lot tougher. These same deep creeks held quite a few trout as well.

The forecast solid week of warm tem-

peratures will do wonders for our fishing. Days in the low 80s will quickly warm our water back up from the low 60s we had for days after the cold front and closer to that magic 70-degree number. Once in that temperature range, everything in the sound will suddenly rebound back to life. Bait fish will begin to appear again and gamefish will come out of the woodwork and switch out of that winter mode.

Spring cannot get here soon enough for me as it offers some of the best fishing opportunities our region has to offer.

Capt. Matt Mitchell has been fishing local waters since he moved to Sanibel in 1980. He now lives in St. James City and works as a back country fishing guide. If you have comments or questions, email captmattmitchell@aol.com.**



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Museum Premieres Backdrop For Shelling Finds

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum has launched a new initiative to encourage shelling enthusiasts. In response to the growing number of shellers who are lucky enough to find one of the rarer shells, like a junonia, the museum now features a backdrop of a Sanibel beach where shell enthusiasts can have their photo taken to promote in local media.

The museum staff is often asked to help identify shell finds and to verify the junonia they find is authentic. Now, once the shell has been identified, the discovery can be documented with a photo that features the museum logo.

The mural will include instructions on how to capture the image and where to direct the photo for publication in local media outlets. The mural is sponsored by the museum board president, Clair Beckmann.

The museum is open seven days a week from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Help Monitor Spawning Horseshoe Crabs

A ritual dating back millions of years takes place again this spring on Florida beaches. Spring marks horseshoe crabs' mating season, and biologists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) want the public's help identifying spawning sites.

Beachgoers will likely have the best luck spotting mating horseshoe crabs around high tide, just before, during or after a new or full moon. The conditions around the new moon tonight and the full moon on March 27 will create ideal opportunities to view the spawning behavior of horseshoe crabs.

Mating crabs "pair up," with the smaller male on top of the larger female. Other male crabs may also be present around the couple. Beachgoers lucky enough to spot horseshoe crabs are asked to note how many they see and whether the horseshoe crabs are mating. If possible, the observer should also count how many horseshoe crabs are mating adults and how many are juveniles (4 inches wide or smaller).

In addition, biologists ask observers to provide the date, time, location, habitat type and environmental conditions – such as tides and moon phase – when a sighting occurs.

The FWC asks the public to report sightings through one of several options. Go to www.MyFWC.com/Contact and click on the "Submit a Horseshoe Crab Survey" link, then "Florida Horseshoe Crab Spawning Beach Survey." You can also report findings via email at horseshoe@MyFWC.com or by phone at 866-252-9326.



Museum board member Janet Strickland demonstrates how the new backdrop is used for souvenir photos
backdrop photo by Carol Orr Hartman

Through December 2012, the FWC has received 2,607 reports from across Florida since the survey program began in April 2002.

Horseshoe crabs, often called "living fossils," are an important part of the marine ecosystem. Their eggs are a food source for animals. Birds, such as red knots, rely on horseshoe crab eggs to fuel their long migrations to nesting grounds.

Horseshoe crabs have also proved valuable to human medicine. Pharmaceutical companies use horseshoe crab blood to ensure intravenous drugs and vaccine injections are bacteria-free and sterile. Scientists are also using horseshoe crabs in cancer research.**

Orchid Society March Meeting

Vandas And Why We Love Them will be the topic of the Monday, March 18 meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society. The guest speaker for the meeting will be Dr. Martin Motes, a distinguished AOS judge and well known vanda breeder. He has won numerous awards for his orchids throughout his career as co-owner of Motes Orchids in Homestead. Along with his wife Mary, Dr. Motes has written several books on orchids and vandas, including *Florida Orchid Growing*, which offers readers a month-by-month guide to successful orchid culture in the Sunshine State. The meeting will take place at 1:30 p.m. at St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, 2304 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel.

Orchid novices are encouraged to come to the meeting at 1 p.m. to hear a member of the San-Cap Orchid Society talk about the fundamentals of orchid growing. Participants are encouraged to come early to purchase orchids or to

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'Ding' Film Series Focuses On Addiction To Plastics

"Ding" Darling Refuge's inaugural eight-week Film Series continues on Wednesday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m. in the "Ding" Darling Education Center auditorium with the award-winning documentary *Addicted To Plastic*.

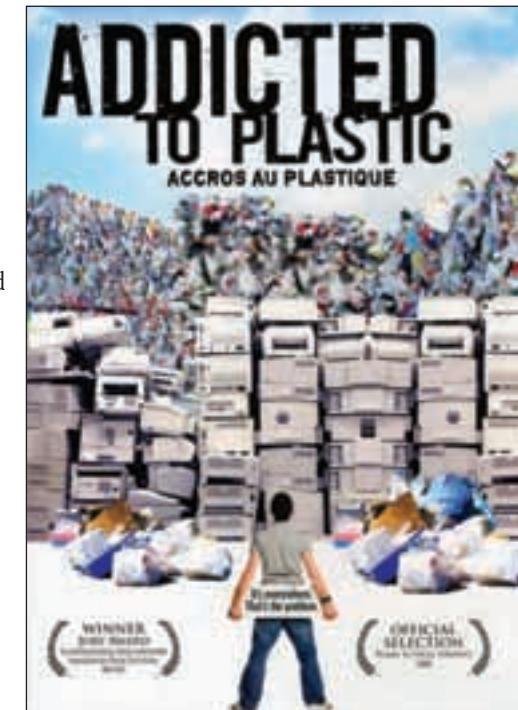
The 85-minute film takes a global journey to investigate what we really know about the material of a thousand uses and why there's so darn much of it. On the way, viewers discover a toxic legacy and the men and women dedicated to cleaning it up.

Addicted To Plastic is a point-of-view style documentary that encompasses three years of filming in 12 countries on five continents, including two trips to the middle of the Pacific Ocean where plastic debris accumulates.

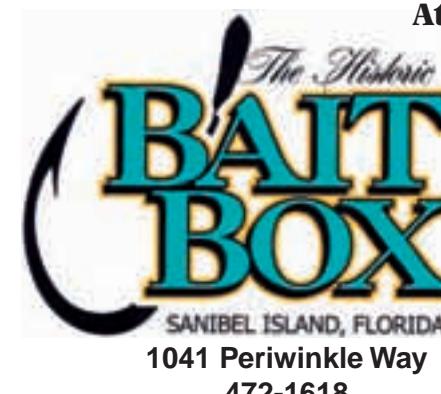
The film details plastic's path over the last 100 years and provides a wealth of expert interviews on practical and cutting edge solutions to recycling, toxicity and biodegradability. These solutions – which include plastic made from plants – will provide viewers with a new perspective about our future with plastic.

Admission is free to the film, which is sponsored by The Sanctuary Golf Club and "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). Seating is limited and available on a first-come basis.

For more information about the Film Series, call 472-1100 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/films.**



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The historic fish houses of Pine Island Sound

Captiva Cruises Offers Tours To Historic Sites

Captiva Cruises has new and exciting tours to discover southwest Florida's unique history. On Tuesdays, Captiva Cruises travels to Pine Island for lunch at the historic Tarpon Lodge and a guided walk on the Calusa Heritage Trail, which highlights the pre-Columbian mounds of the indigenous Calusa and their

unique and elaborate civilization. On Wednesdays, Captiva Cruises goes up the Caloosahatchee to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates for an up close look at these two transforming Americans.

The cruise to Pine Island is an excellent opportunity, not only to learn about the first fishing people of southwest Florida, but also other fishing cultures of Pine Island Sound including the Spanish Cuban fishing era, the commercial fishing era and the Punta Gorda Fish Company as well as the spectacular tarpon and sportfishing of the area. This cruise goes close by historic fish houses in Pine Island Sound, which were used by commercial

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The cruise to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates offers a great way of traveling to one of the premier destinations of Southwest Florida. Along the way, it will become evident how the ecology and environment of the area has played a pivotal role in its cultural history leading to Thomas Edison fishing here and purchasing land along the Caloosahatchee. This cruise includes lunch at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, a guided house tour of the Edison and Ford Winter Estates and time to visit its museum and the Edison Laboratory.

These cruises are fantastic opportuni-

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

Captiva Cruises also offers trips to Cabbage Key, Useppa Island, Boca Grande, beach and shelling excursions to Cayo Costa State Park, Sailing Adventures, Sunset Cruises and Dolphin Watch & Wildlife Adventures with the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

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Shell Found



Finn and Luke Hublitz with their live shell find

Finn and Luke Hublitz of Fairfield, Connecticut, grandsons of Carmen and Tim Schramm of Sanibel, came across a live horse conch – the state shell of Florida – at Beach Access #7 on March 9. It was returned gently to its home in the water.✿

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This coral vine thrives where an historic home once stood. Was it planted long ago, or did a seed find its way there?

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Coral Vine

by Gerri Reaves

Coral vine (*Antigonon leptopus*) is a native of Mexico that has escaped cultivation in Florida and become naturalized. It is listed as a category-II invasive species by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council.

A member of the buckwheat family, it has more than 30 common names, including Mexican creeper and Confederate vine.

This vine quickly climbs and sprawls on anything its tendrils can reach, growing up 40 feet or longer. It will grow almost anywhere in any soil, but likes sun and moisture.

Words such as "smother" and "take-over" are typical terms used to describe this pretty vine.

The vine's heart-shaped leaves, profuse pink flowers, and adaptability have charmed gardeners and homeowners for decades, who unwittingly helped this invasive plant spread.

Moreover, animals help spread the seeds, which are prolific. The underground tubers will resprout if not entirely removed.

The numerous tiny flowers bloom on branching stalks. The large sepals, which range from white to pink, rose and coral, surround those flowers in a cup-like fashion. In Florida, the vine blooms year-round.

It's best to eliminate this bewitching vine from the landscape. Doing so might take some work, however. Take care that the sharp-pointed pear-shaped seeds do not escape, and be sure to remove all of the tubers.

If you want a vine in the same color range, try low-maintenance coral honeysuckle vine (*Lonicera sempervirens*), which is native to Florida and beneficial to wildlife.

Sources: *The Shrubs and Woody Vines of Florida* by Gil Nelson, *National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida*, *Florida Wild Flowers and Roadside Plants* by C. Ritchie Bell and Bryan J. Taylor, plants.ifas.ufl.edu, and floridata.com.

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A category-II exotic pest plant, coral vine will climb and cover, high or low
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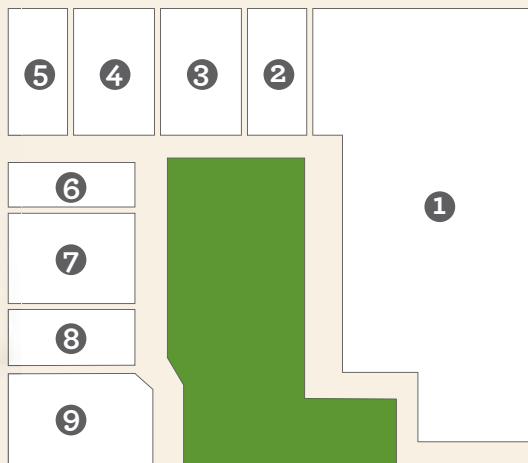
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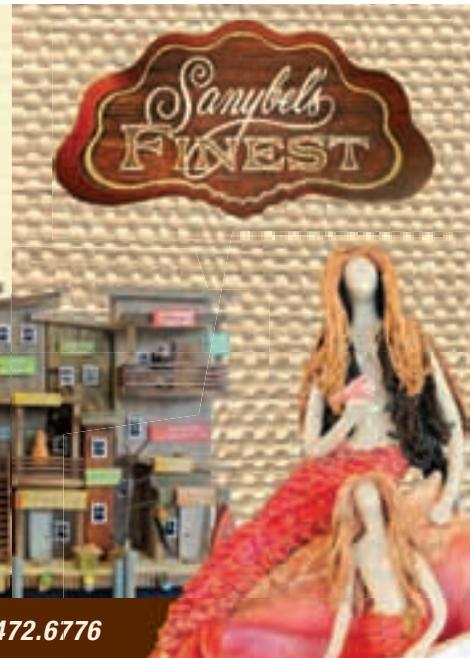


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Bird's Eye View

The Media's Most Dangerous Animals: Bears

by Mark 'Bird'
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Twenty years ago, I was at the peak of a mid-life crisis and ended up owning a lodge in Alaska for a few years. The lodge was 42 miles inside of

Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve (which is six times the size of Yellowstone). It was 12 miles from the nearest road and the nearest grocery store was 90 miles away. It was on the shore of a six-mile long lake and my property was the only private property on the lake.

I went there in the summers when things slowed down here on the island and I spent many days walking through the wilderness alone. The locals up there called me a "chechaquo" (Chinook for "newcomer") because they figured this "naturalist" was going to end up as an appetizer for some grizzly bear's evening meal. They felt a little better when they saw that I always carried a weapon with me when I went into the bush.

They taught me some of the simple rules about "living with grizzlies." Always let the bear know when I'm in the area by making plenty of noise, or singing, or talking to myself. And, of course, they told me to, "Never get between a bear and its kill site and definitely don't get between a bear and its cub."

But most importantly, "Never get close to a bear that's ever been shot. A bear that's been shot really doesn't like people much anymore!"

I had to laugh about the last rule. The other rules all made sense to me and I had heard of them before, but the last one... how in the world was I supposed to know if a bear had ever been shot before he was already gnawing on my bones!

What the locals in Alaska were trying to teach me was that even though the grizzly was a fearsome, powerful predator that I would always have to be on the lookout for and, once spotted, careful around; if I followed a few simple, basic rules, the grizzly was really only dangerous if humans had seriously injured it in the past.

Following this line of reasoning, a few years after I owned the lodge, I read a book that gave me a lot of insight as to how North America used to be. The book was *Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West*, written by Stephen E. Ambrose. Ambrose made several "enlightened" observations about the west and its environs in the early 1800s, but even he missed a very important point about the "Corps of Discoveries" confrontations with grizzlies.

When Lewis and Clark were still far away from the Rocky Mountains and out on the prairie in North Dakota, they came across their first sign of a grizzly. Lewis did not believe the Indians' scary tales about the ferocity of the animal. He wrote in his journal, "The men as well as ourselves (Lewis and Clark) are anxious to meet with some of these bear." But within a few weeks, Clark recorded in his own journal, "I find that the curiosity of our party is pretty well satisfied with respect to this animal."

The point that even Ambrose missed was that just about every time one of the men came across a grizzly, they shot it! And for some reason, the grizzly responded aggressively. Now I ask you, if every time you came across a human being and they shot you, wouldn't you be just a little bit angry at them?

Whenever I am around an alligator, I always feel that I am in control of the situation; my intellect and experience has learned to override my instinctive fear. But during those few summers up in Alaska, the grizzlies made me nervous because it was obvious that it was up to them whether or not I lived. They were in charge, not me. Luckily, since I always paid close attention and followed the rules, they never had any reason to pay much attention to me.

Probably the best grizzly story I have to tell from my time at the lodge was during my last summer there when we had a few paying customers staying with us. That year, we had a great salmon run at the lake and in August, the lake was full of sockeye salmon. The abundance of fish attracted a sow grizzly with three cubs to the lake and I could take my customers out in a Jon boat, anchor about a hundred yards offshore every evening (the mother grizzly was very predictable in her feeding patterns) and wait for her and cubs to come out of the surrounding forest to feed as she made her way along the shore. Whenever she got close to the lodge, she would always lead her cubs around the back of the lodge (it was on a peninsula) keeping them a safe distance away from our human smell.

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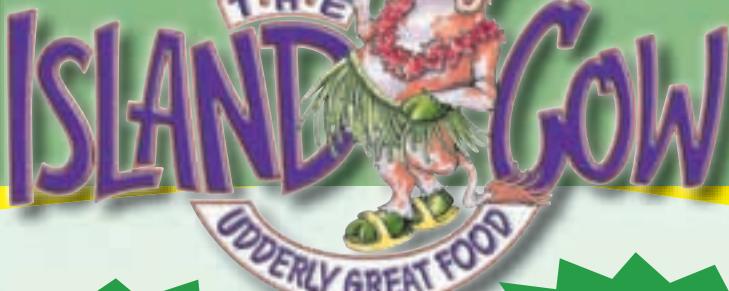
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Jeremy Clothier and Sarah Heath

Two New Refuge Education Interns

JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge welcomed two new education interns in February for a six-month stint. The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge provides support for the refuge intern program.

"It not only fulfills our mission to educate a new generation of wildlife stewards, but provides valuable manpower

to assist the refuge's overworked staff," said DDWS Executive Director Birgie Vertesch.

Jeremy Clothier, a 2012 graduate from Tennessee Tech University in Cookeville with a degree in environmental biology, checked in on February 12. Prior to "Ding" Darling, he also interned at the Fripp Island Resort Nature Center in South Carolina.

"So far I really enjoy 'Ding,'" said Clothier. "It's a wonderful place for birding, and it has an exceptional visitor

center filled with wonderful staff and volunteers."

Sarah Heath arrived on February 20 from Durango, Colorado. Since she graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor's degree in wildlife and fisheries biology and management and a minor in philosophy, she has worked with the Polar Bear International's Citizen Science project in Churchill, Manitoba; in education at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, Wyoming; and the Colorado Division of Wildlife, inspecting boats for invasive mussel species.

"This place is beautiful and quite warm - I left snow behind at home," said Heath. "There's a ton of things going on at any one time, and I'm just hoping that I can keep up. Fortunately, everyone who works here has been so friendly and helpful."

To support DDWS and the refuge with a tax-deductible gift, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org or contact Birgie Vertesch at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.*

The Birds Of Bunche Beach

On Saturday, March 16 from 8 to 10 a.m., bird enthusiasts can meet at Bunche Beach in South Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road Drive, south of John Morris Road before it deadends.

Bunche Beach is excellent for both migrant and resident waders and shorebirds working the mudflats at low tide due to the diversity of micro-invertebrates. Waterfowl, raptors and warblers may also be observed.

For more information call 707-3015.

This event is free with a parking fee of \$1 per hour (tour is approximately two hours). Restrooms are located in the building at the first parking lot. This event is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation.

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Health Of Everglades Essential To Southwest Florida Economy

by Jeff Lysiak

Enough though the Everglades – the largest subtropical wetland ecosystem in North America – might seem like quite a distance from Sanibel and Captiva, the natural impacts that occur within the nearly 750-square-mile region has a ripple effect which impacts both the ecology and economy of the islands.

That was the message from Eric Eikenberg, chief executive officer of the Everglades Foundation, as well as Dr. Steven Davis, the foundation's wetland ecologist, who spoke at the Captiva Island Yacht Club's (CIYC) second environmental program of the season last week.

During their 90-minute presentation, Eikenberg and Davis promoted the mission of the foundation, spoke of what current projects are under way working towards improving the health of the Everglades and what people can do to help make a difference in a positive way.

After being introduced by CIYC Rear Commodore Ed Stringer, program director Paul McCarthy and Erick Lindblad, executive director of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, Eikenberg told the audience that he considered working on behalf of the Everglades a privilege, calling the area "truly a national treasure."

Eikenberg reported that the Everglades Foundation is working on a number of projects – including the Tamiami Trail Bridge, C-43 Reservoir Water Storage, Picayune Strand and C-111 Spreader Canal – that he hopes will receive the attention of lawmakers in Tallahassee.

"It's a quality of life issue that we have to make sure that the public understands," said Eikenberg, who noted that more than seven million residents (approximately one out of every three Floridians) rely on the Everglades for their water supply.

On March 19, the first mile-long section of bridge along the Tamiami Trail – located within Everglades National Park just west of Krome Avenue/177th Avenue – will officially open, restoring natural water flow from north to south, which is critical to the recovery of these wetlands.

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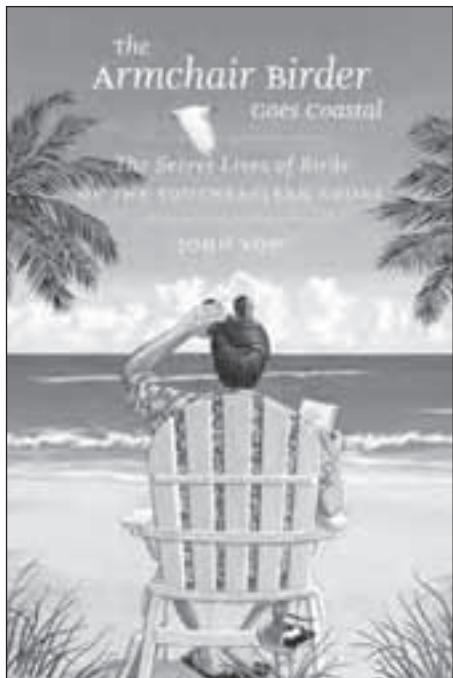
Author To Discuss Coastal Birds Of The Southeast At Lecture



John Yow

With witty, anecdotal style, John Yow journeys to the fringes and shares his encounters with some of the most familiar and beloved coastal birds in his book *The Armchair Birder Goes Coastal: The Secret Lives of Birds of the Southeastern Shore*. He will present a birding program based on his book in the "Ding" Darling Education Center on Friday, March 22 at 10 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.

Out of his travels – from North Carolina's Outer Banks, down the Atlantic coast, and westward along the Gulf of Mexico – come colorful accounts of 28 species, from ubiquitous beach birds like sanderlings and laughing gulls to wonders of nature such as roseate spoonbills and American avocets. Along the way, Yow delves into the birds' habits and behaviors, experiencing and relating the fascination that leads many an



amateur naturalist to become the most unusual of species – a birder.

A freelance writer based in Acworth, Georgia, Yow has also authored *The Armchair Birder: Discovering the Secret Lives of Familiar Birds*.

"Yow ventures from his porch to take readers hunting for shorebirds... (with) his folksy, humorous, and erudite style," writes *Publisher Weekly*.

Following his presentation, Yow will sign copies of his book, which are available for purchase in the *Refuge Nature Store*, all proceeds of which will benefit the refuge.

Admission is free to the lecture, which is sponsored by the Shell Point Retirement Community and "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) as part of its 11-week Friday Afternoon Lecture Series.

Seating is limited and available on a first-come basis. A list of upcoming events follows; all include two presentations at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

As usual, Wildlife Drive is closed on Friday, but visitors are welcome to visit the free education center and the recreational opportunities at Tarpon Bay Explorers, the refuge's official concessionaire located at its Tarpon Bay Recreation Area.

For more information on the lecture series, call 472-1100 ext. 241 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/lectures.

Upcoming "Ding" Darling Lectures:

- March 29 – Jeremy Conrad, refuge biologist, and Paul Ryan, fire operation and prescribed fire/fuels technician – Fire – The Secret to a Healthy Eco-System
- April 5 – Jeremy Conrad, refuge biologist, and Amanda Bryant, SCCF biologist – Sea Turtles of Sanibel

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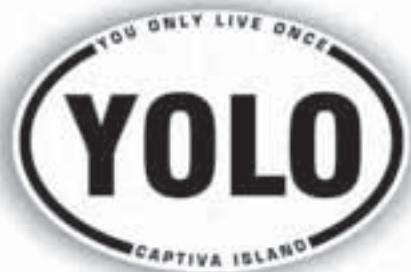
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ernmental agencies, CROW cannot allow visitors to view patients in person. But in a 30-minute presentation, visitors will see numerous photos of current and past patients, with commentary by Claudia Burns, a veteran clinic volunteer.

The next CROW Picture Show is on Friday, March 22 at 11 a.m. in the CROW Healing Winds Visitor Education Center, 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road, across from The Sanibel School. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for teens, free for members and children 12 and under.

The fee includes the presentation plus the opportunity to explore the hospital's hands-on educational facility.

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Beach Walks At Historic Island Inn

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Treasures found on beach walks

What's That Blob On The Beach?

Ever wonder what sea pork and sea squirts are? Have you ever seen something on a beach and thought it was oil and then been told it's a tunicate? Would you like to learn a little bit about marine creatures and seagrass? Join SCCF Marine Lab Director Eric Milbrandt to identify what you see on the beach and where it came from when it was alive. Learn about local seagrass meadows and their importance to Sanibel. Hear how those seagrass-dwelling tunicates (globs) influence water quality. See underwater video taken in local waters. The free program is at the SCCF Nature Center, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road on Friday, March 22 at 10 a.m.



Sea grass



Sea pork

Alligator And Crocodile Tales

The biology of alligators and crocodiles is an ancient tale of survival. On Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m., come to SCCF and learn about these living dinosaurs to ensure our safety and their survival on the islands. Alligator eggs hatch as a male or female, depending upon the incubation temperature of each

individual egg. The warm winter weather may be the reason for baby alligators in March instead of August. Take a walk on the trails and see if you can find an old alligator nest. Cost of the program is \$5 for adults, with SCCF members and children admitted free.



Alligator mother and her babies

Shorebird Walks At The Sanibel Inn

On Tuesday, March 19 at 5 p.m., meet your SCCF guide poolside at the Sanibel Inn, 937 East Gulf Drive. Learn the stories of the shorebirds you encounter; some have migrated thousands of miles to local beaches. Sanibel continues the commitment to protect local beaches by leaving the wrack community of cast ashore seaweeds and sea grasses that feed the insects, shorebirds and beach plants that live there. This program is free to all.



Shorebirds on the beach

The Alien Invasion

More than 500 fish and wildlife species, 1,180 plant species and who knows how many insects that are not native now live and multiply in Florida were introduced by humans. Some like the pythons in the Everglades are having devastating effects. Come and learn about the species that make up Sanibel and Captiva's "Alien Invasion" on Wednesday, March 20 at 10 a.m. in the SCCF Nature Center. Cost is \$5, with SCCF members and children admitted free.



Many fish found locally are non-native

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Celtic Spectacular will be held at The Village Church Auditorium on The Island at Shell Point, located in Fort Myers just off Summerlin Road, two miles before the Sanibel Causeway.

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Conservation Forum

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Tuesday, March 19 at The Sundial at 7 p.m.

Join SCCF and the Everglades Foundation on March 19 for "Valuing Nature: From the Everglades to the Islands of Sanibel and Captiva,"

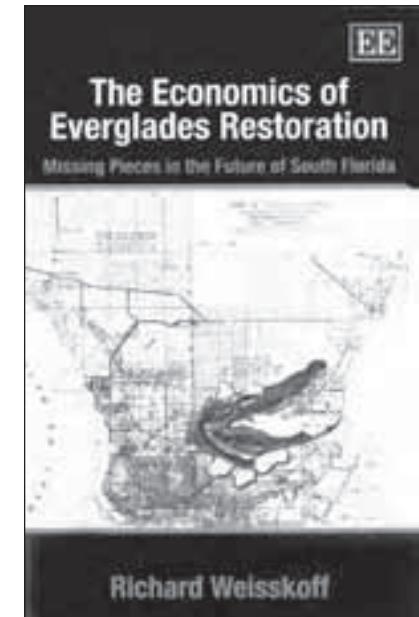
with author and economist Dr. Richard Weisskoff, University of Miami. He will be joined for a panel discussion by Eric Eikenberg, CEO of the Everglades Foundation; and Rae Ann Wessel, Natural Resource Policy Director, SCCF. The program will be held at The Sundial, 1451 Middle Gulf Drive on Sanibel and will begin at 7 p.m.; doors open at 6:30. There will be a book-signing and reception following the program. The event is free; for more information, please call SCCF at 472-2329.



Richard Weisskoff, Ph.D.

Dr. Weisskoff spoke to a capacity crowd in the Nature Center back in December about the economic benefits of Lee County's 20/20 conservation lands and Estero Bay.

He has been working with the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council and SCCF, quantifying the ecosystem services of the barrier islands.



Financing and Valuing Wetlands Restoration



Nutrients and Water Quality

Presented by SCCF and FGCU

Thursday, March 21 at the SCCF Nature Center at 7 p.m.

Donald L. Hey, Ph.D., Founder of The Wetlands Initiative and Des Plaines River Wetland Demonstration Project in Chicago will talk about his work with nutrients in midwestern wetland areas in "Nutrient Farming in the American Midwest to Protect the Gulf of Mexico." Along with restoration, the Wetlands Initiative has been working to find innovative ways to finance large-scale wetland restoration.

This talk is part of the "Moonlight on the Marsh" Distinguished Lecture series sponsored by Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) Everglades Wetland Research Park and the SCCF Marine Lab. The event is free.

Donald L. Hey, Ph.D. Photo by Rebekah Raleigh/Missouri University of Science and Technology

SCCF Programs -- Week of March 18

The Alien Invasion — Florida now hosts many non-native species: 500 fish and wildlife species, 1180 plant species and who knows how many insects. Come and learn about Sanibel's "Alien Invasion." *Wednesday, March 20 at 10 a.m.*

Beach & Shorebird Walks — *Beach Walk:* Island Inn at 3111 West Gulf Drive on Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m. Learn about what lives on Sanibel's beaches. *Shorebird Walk:* Sanibel Inn, 937 East Gulf Drive on Tuesday, March 19 at 5 p.m. Learn the stories of the shorebirds you'll encounter on the beach.

Caloosahatchee: Upstream by Land — On Friday, March 22 meet Rae Ann Wessel at the Franklin Lock to learn about the Caloosahatchee, then stop at the SFWMD Clewiston field office before heading to the Clewiston Museum. Optional Saturday birding tour of STA-5, generally not open to the public. For info, call Bob Winters at 472-1972; to register, call Carolyn Gray at 395-9694. Trip by SCCF and LWV.

Gator & Crocodile Tales — Florida's history of gators and humans is closely intertwined, and Sanibel has one crocodile. Learn about what we must do to ensure our safety and their survival. *Tuesday, March 19 at 10 a.m.*

Owl Tales — Learn more about the Great Horned, Barn, and Screech Owls of the islands. *Thursday, March 21 at 10 a.m.*

Tides, Currents and the Florida Shelf — Join us for an introduction to how water behaves as the earth spins, the moon orbits and the winds blow. *Wednesday, March 20 at 2 p.m.*

Weeds and Seeds — Join this group of amateur botanists on walks guided by a leader with a plant list. Meet on the SCCF porch. *Monday, March 18 at 8:45 a.m.*

What is that Glob on the Beach? — Join Marine Lab Director, Dr. Eric Milbrandt to learn about what you see on the beach and where it came from when it was alive. See underwater video taken in local waters. *Friday, March 22 at 10 a.m.*

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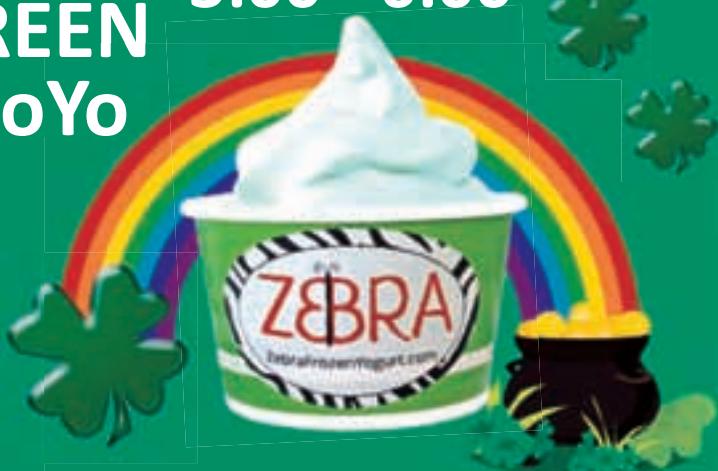
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Finckel, Han And Setzer To Perform At Sanibel Music Festival March 16

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Finckel and Setzer are members of the eight-time Grammy Award-winning Emerson String Quartet, though Finckel is leaving the quartet at the end of the 2012-13 season. Finckel and Han, through their multifaceted endeavors as concert performers, recording artists, educators, artistic administrators and cultural entrepreneurs, go unmatched. They are owners of the recording company ArtistLed, and have served as the Artistic Directors of The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center since 2004. They are also the founders and Artistic Directors of Music at Menlo, a chamber music festival in Silicon Valley that has garnered international acclaim since its inception in 2003. Recently, they began a residency at the Harris Theater of Music and Dance in Chicago.

The March 16 program will include:

Haydn: *Trio in A major XV: 18*

Britten: *Sonata*

Dvorak: *Trio in F minor. Op. 65*

Single tickets are available by cash and check only at Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, or Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way on Sanibel. Tickets may be ordered online at www.sanibelmusicfestival.org or by calling the festival's hotline at 344-7025.**

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Under the coordination this year of Pat Baker of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League, the finished pieces of artwork went on display on March 1 at Bailey's General Store and immediately attracted some wonderful bids. Members of the community are encouraged to bid on their favorite entries, with the proceeds from the silent auction going to FISH of Sanibel, Inc.

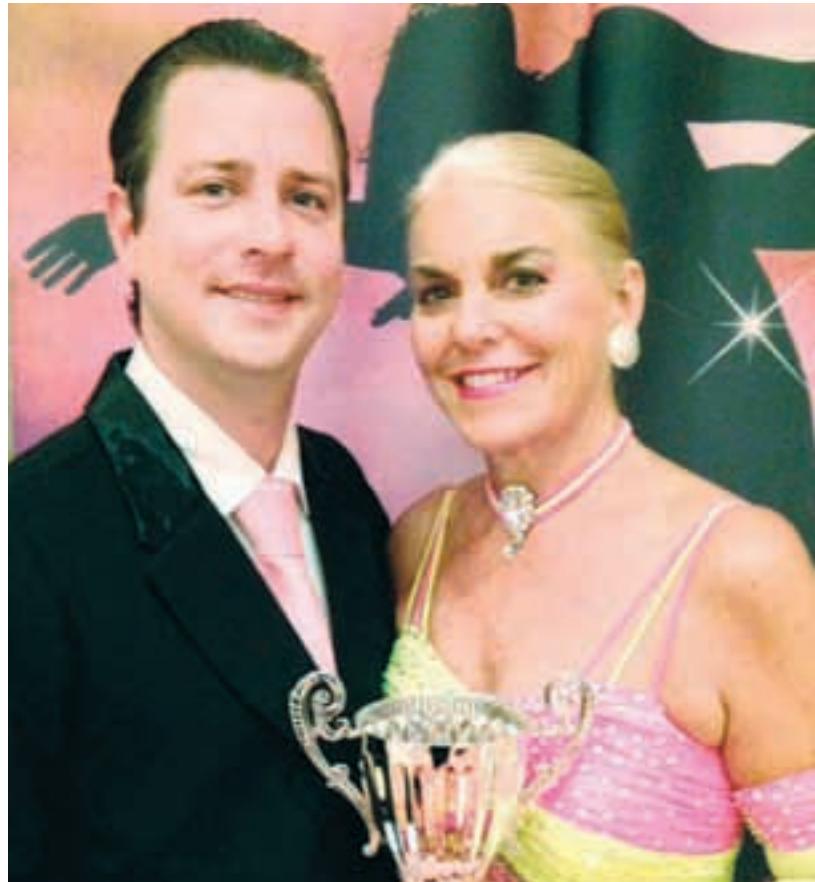


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Bolshoi Ballet Screenings At BIG ARTS

BIG ARTS continues its Ballet in Cinema season with a screening of *La Bayadère* on March 27 and *Giselle* on April 11. All screenings are at 7 p.m. at BIG ARTS Schein Performance Hall. General Admission \$20.

Presented from The Bolshoi Ballet, Moscow, BIG ARTS will screen *La Bayadère* in replacement of the originally scheduled *Don Quixote* ballet at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 27. Marius Petipa's seminal work, *La Bayadère* was first performed at the Imperial Kamenny Theatre in St. Petersburg in 1877 in a grandiose production portraying a mysterious India. A scene from the ballet, known as *The Kingdom of the Shades*, is one of the most celebrated excerpts in all of classical ballet, and is considered to be one of the first examples of abstract ballet. Although a major work in Russian tradition, the ballet remained unknown for a long time in the West. *La Bayadère* tells the story of sacred dancer Nikiya and the warrior Solor, who have sworn eternal fidelity to one another. The High Brahmin, however, is also in love with Nikiya and intends to marry her at any cost. True love's strength is put to the test in this ballet when intervening

Bolshoi Ballet's *La Bayadère*

photo by Damir Yusupov

forces threaten to dismantle all that Nikiya and Solor once held dear. This production, from January 2013, stars Svetlana Zakharova, Maria Alexandrova and Vladislav Lantratov.

Giselle is one of the most influential of all Romantic ballets and one of the most popular ballets. BIG ARTS will screen a production from 2011, starring artists of London's Royal Ballet, featuring Marianela Nuñez and Rupert Pennefather. The title role presents the transcendental power of a woman's love in the face of betrayal and is one of the most technically demanding and emotionally challenging roles in classical dance – not surprisingly, it is here a great showcase for the leading ballerinas of the company. Peter Wright's sensitive staging in the atmospheric designs by John Macfarlane heightens the contrast as the story moves between the human and supernatural worlds. A reviewer in *The Telegraph* raves "...The Royal Ballet's revival of *Giselle* provides the succulent spectacle of a world-class company at the top of its game."

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Community Band Spring Concert

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BIG ARTS Community Band will perform *Con Brio March*, *Amparito Roca* (Spanish March), Dvoák's *Symphony No. 9 (New World)* Finale and John Philip Sousa's *Liberty Bell March*. They will play Gershwin's *But Not For Me* and *I Dreamed A Dream*, with solos by Kathy Lamade. They also will perform three works arranged by Swearingen; *The Star-Spangled Banner*, *With Malice Toward None* and *Aventura*, as well as Rogers & Hammerstein's *The Golden Years of Broadway*.

Tickets for adults are \$10 each, while children 17 and under are free with adult. The concert will be held in BIG ARTS Schein Performance Hall, located at 900 Dunlop Road on Sanibel.

For further information about BIG ARTS Community Band, or to purchase tickets, stop by BIG ARTS, call 395-0900, e-mail info@BIGARTS.org or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.

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Orchid Society

do so during intermission. Anyone with questions or an "ill orchid" that needs diagnosis can bring their plants to the meeting during show-and-tell.

San-Cap Orchid Society members are invited to participate in a monthly show. Ribbons are awarded for best Hybrid and best Species Orchids. Members and guests are also invited to participate in a monthly orchid raffle. Society annual membership is \$20, while guests may attend the meeting for \$4.

For questions or more information, call Nannette Lehr at 395-3327.

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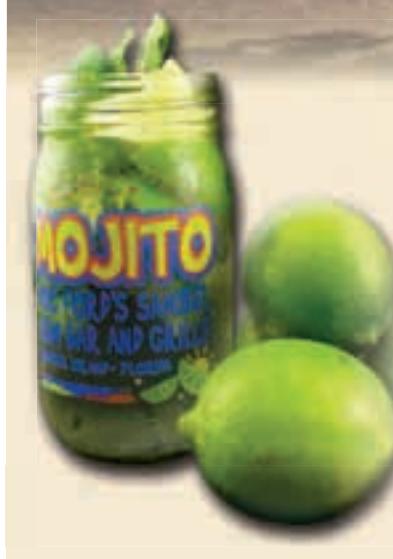
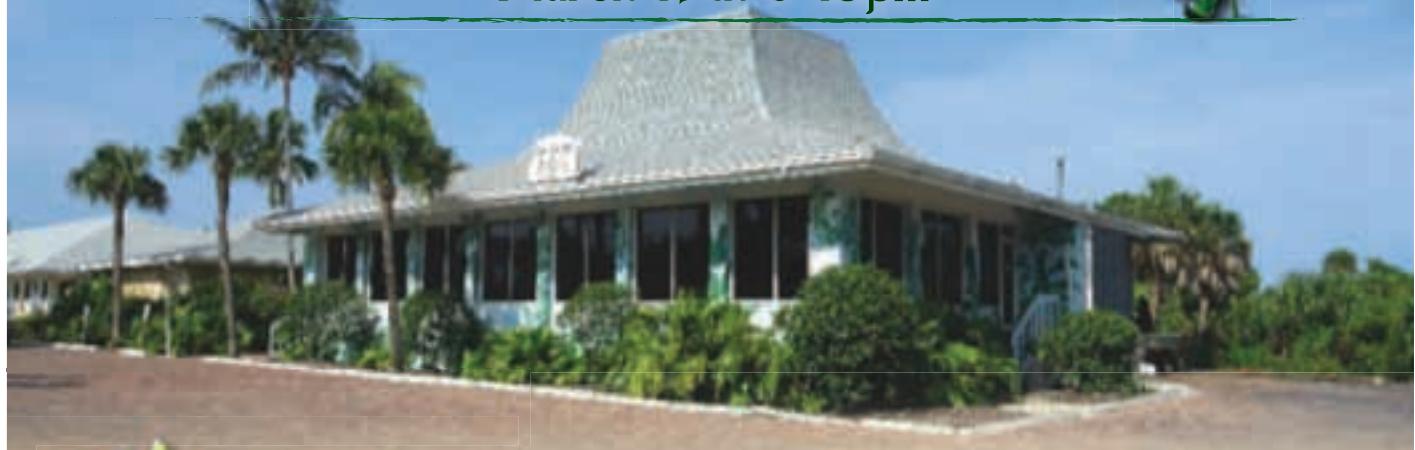


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Captiva artist Stella Farwell

Farwell Exhibit To Bring Down The House

submitted by David Rohn

Last year, a new "Welcome to Captiva" sign was erected just over the Blind Pass Bridge past the entrance to Turner Beach, welcoming visitors to the island.

But for locals, the new sign is redundant. They've gotten used to being greeted by a familiar series of five pink loops that are part of an abstract statue by artist and Captiva icon Stella Farwell on the gulf side of the road just past the new official



Farwell showing a Captiva flag that she took with her on adventures to both the North Pole and the South Pole

welcoming sign.

On Saturday, March 16, Captivans will get to see a lot more of Farwell's work at a Captiva Civic Association one-woman art exhibit called Creativity. The opening reception at the Captiva Community Center, 11550 Chapin Lane, is from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Farwell's show runs through April 4 and may be viewed by appointment by calling 472-2111.

In some respects, Farwell's exhibit will bring down the house.

Plans call for tearing down the community center's meeting hall not long after the show closes as part of a major remodeling and expansion of the center.



A sculpture by Stella Farwell on the gulf side of Captiva Drive near the Blind Pass Bridge

Her show will be the last art exhibit in the existing meeting hall.

Consequently, civic association executive director Paul Garvey has given Farwell license to do just about whatever she wants to the hall by way of mounting her show.

Under normal circumstances, that's like giving NASCAR driver Jimmie Johnson license to speed or James Bond license to kill.

When Farwell was offered the show last year, she was ready to take full advantage of Garvey's offer. After all, this is a woman who proudly claims, "I've always been halfway between an artist and a mad scientist."

But that was before undergoing chemotherapy for ovarian cancer last fall, an ordeal that she said has involved a slow recovery.

Admitting to frustration at not being physically up to doing many things she wanted to do — like screwing things to the ceiling and walls — she said the show will involve some new directions for her.

Farwell said, "The opening will be different than any I've done before."

Asked for some hints, she said, "Well, there will be some participatory things with visitors. For example, when you arrive, instead of signing in a guest book, you will have an opportunity to sign your

name or anything else you want to say on the wall."

Those who know Farwell claim her shows are always special.

This, after all, is the woman who was featured in the Captiva Memorial Library Cultural Fest's program about her journeys to the North and South Poles when she was on the verge of being in her 60s. The trip to the North Pole aboard a Russian nuclear-powered icebreaker, according to Farwell, was "like being between two railroad cars in an earthquake."

As for the South Pole, her group was stranded there for five days living in tents in weather where the wind chill was minus-62 degrees.

She's the first woman president of the Captiva Civic Association, as well as the first woman on the board of the Island Water Association.

Farwell is also a woman who, after raising children, working in an exhibit design firm, the solar business, and the oil and gas business, decided she really wanted to be an artist and enrolled in art school at night.

Now her art work appears in the Robert Fontaine Gallery in Miami, alongside pieces by the likes of Robert Rauchenberg, Jasper Johns, Roy Lichtenstein, Claes Oldenberg and Robert

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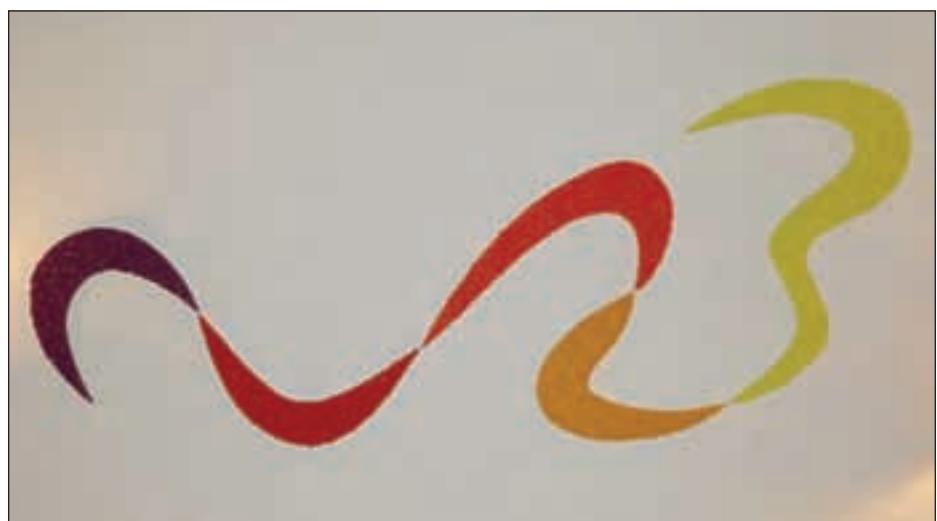
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A sculpture that belongs to Ted and Clare Sawyer



A wall piece by Farwell that hangs in the Board of Governors room at the Captiva Civic Association Community Center

Indiana.

A native of New Orleans, Farwell moved to Captiva after discovering it while on vacation.

"I absolutely fell in love with it," she said, "and I decided I was going to end up here. It took 10 years before I was able to do that, but it's the smartest thing I ever did in my life."

Farwell said that when she arrived here a quarter of a century ago, she didn't know a soul on Captiva.

"When you don't know anyone, you can either curl up in a ball in the corner or get involved," she explained. "I volunteered for everything in sight – as a

volunteer firefighter, the ABC sale, you name it."

The artist said she was initially attracted to Captiva by the environment – "the sheer beauty of it, and sharing space with so many creatures."

But she was also struck by the "great sense of community that this little tiny place had."

Captiva, she said, influences her work.

"First of all, there's the natural world," Farwell explained. "You're surrounded by it, whether it's the gulf, or the beach, or the clouds, or the birds."

But so do her many travels.

One of the major pieces in her show is

titled *Cuba*.

Last June she went to Cuba with a tour that had a license to visit this island with crumbling buildings, a crumbling infrastructure and once grand boulevards that had turned into, as Farwell put it, "lickety" pavement. In many respects, she said, it was dirty, dusty and depressing.

"But then there's this other world in Cuba," she explained, "where the people are so happy – I believe because they don't know better – and they sing, and they dance, and they wear bright colors. It's like two totally different environments existing side by side in one sphere."

Another piece she hopes to get finished in time for the show is titled *Rivers*. It has been influenced by the various rivers she has traveled on in a canoe, on a raft, or on a ship.

"I love anything in or on the water, or around it," she said. "I like new experiences."

Her highly abstract work involving all manner of media reflects her creativity, curiosity and ability to find beauty in the world around her. For example, standing alone in the vast desolation of the South Pole, she said she "experienced the strange beauty of a land of unimaginable horizons."

But Farwell recognizes her art doesn't suit everyone's taste.

"Some artists get upset if someone says something bad about their work," she remarked. "But I think it's interesting to hear how people respond. At my shows, I often quietly stand by people who don't know who I am. I'll listen to them looking at my works and saying, 'Oh my god, this is awful.'

"But to me, that's part of the fun. I kind of do what I want to do, and how people respond is up to them. Either they appreciate it or they don't, and both responses are interesting."

As for her cancer, which was discovered six years ago at an advanced stage, Farwell is on the board of the Betty Allen Ovarian Cancer Foundation and frequently speaks to groups about ovarian cancer awareness.

While the cancer and its treatment affect what she physically can accomplish as an artist, she insists that her objective is "to do things that are not influenced by my disease."

There are several Farwellisms that reflect both her life and her work.

One is: "Nothing is for sure, until it is for sure."

Another: "Be calm and positive, and enjoy the moment."

At the end of the day, however, her best may be: "Hey, it's sunset. Everything has to stop." *

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Opera Theater Of Connecticut Returns To Sanibel

The Opera Theater of Connecticut returns to the Sanibel Music Festival to present a concert titled Viva Verdi on Saturday, March 23 at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Congregational Church, 2050 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. Tickets are \$45 each. The concert is sponsored by the Estate of Christine Johnson, Claire and Ted Sawyer, and Friends of Opera.



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For 27 years, OTC has provided young professional singers on the cusp of major careers an invaluable opportunity to practice their craft. It also brings the performing arts into underserved communities at affordable prices. Several of the company's gifted young singers – who have performed at the festival through the years – have gone on to the Met, the New York City Opera and Lyric Opera of Chicago. Its educational outreach program, Overtures, has made presentations to over 8,500 people, from children to seniors. Kate Ford, co-founder of the company, serves as general director and Michael Fennelly serves as music director.



Luigi Boccia

The all-Verdi program is planned in honor of the 200th anniversary of the composer's birth. An exciting evening of arias, duets and ensembles from Verdi's best known work will be sung by Tiffany Abban, Catherine Affleck McPhail, Sarah Heltzel, Luigi Boccia, Kevin Courtemanche and Scott Bearden. Founding Artistic Director Alan Mann will supplement each segment with supertitles and with his witty commentary.

The March 23 program will include



Michael Fennelly

music from Oberto, Un Ballo in Maschera, Don Carlo, Otello, Aida, La Traviata, Rigoletto, Il Trouvatore, Falstaff and Nabucco.

Single tickets are available by cash and check only at Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, or Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way on Sanibel. Tickets may be ordered online at www.sanibelmusicfestival.org or by calling the festival's hotline at 344-7025.**



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Shell Point's 2013 Art Show And Sale

Artists at Shell Point Retirement Community have been preparing for the past 12 months in anticipation of this weekend's upcoming Shell Point Art Show and Sale, which is scheduled to take place on March 15, 16 and 17 at the Social Center and Resident Activity Center on The Island at Shell Point. The show runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on March 15 and 16, and from noon to 3 p.m. on March 17. This event is free and open to the public.

"Shell Point resident artists are extremely talented and the variety of artwork is amazing," said Yvonne Schneff, Shell Point resident and art show coordinator. "This year's exhibit will feature dozens of talented artists, and include a variety of mediums on display including acrylic, oil, watercolor, pencil, canvas, clay, wood, glass, pottery and more, all created by Shell Point residents."

"Thousands of people have attended this annual show through the years and the quality of work, as well as the variety, is outstanding," said Lynn Schneider, assistant vice president of communications for the community. "Many residents who live here were professional artists in the past, while others have developed their skills as artists in their retirement when they finally had the time to focus on what inspired them rather than making a living or raising a family. For some, art has become a primary form of emotional expression and their art reflects that transcendent quality."

Not only is the public invited to see the art on display, they also have the opportunity to purchase pieces, each a true original. Plus, the committee organizing the show has added some new features to make it more interactive and exciting.

"Visitors to this year's show will be able to discover their own inner-artist as they try their hand at making their own personalized water color greeting card. All of the materials will be provided for creating these cards that can be taken as a memento of the day's event," added Schneff. "We are also going to offer exciting giveaways where guests have a chance to win \$25 in 'Lucky Bucks' given every 90 minutes to be spent right there at the show."

The 2013 Shell Point Art Show and Sale will be held on The Island at Shell Point, inside the Social Center and the Resident Activity Center. For more information, call

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Young Talent Featured

On March 20 and 21, the BIG ARTS Community Chorus Annual Concerts will feature a local young voice performing one of the beautiful songs of *Les Misérables*. Jordyn Dolly, who attends eighth grade at The Sanibel School, is an emerging talent on the island. She will sing, *Castle on a Cloud*, the lament of young Cosette in the story of revolution and redemption that is *Les Misérables*.

Steve Cramer, director of the BIG ARTS Community Chorus, is very excited about Dolly singing in the production,

"This particular song requires a young voice to evince the despair and longing that Cosette feels before she is rescued by Jean Valjean in the story," he said. "Jordyn's voice is natural and very musical; she is perfect for this piece."

Dolly has sung in other productions on Sanibel. Last spring, she sang in the production *Starry, Starry Nights* at the

Sanibel Community Church and has participated in the Thanksgiving service at The Community House in the Children's Chorus. She also plays the saxophone, and is learning the guitar.

When Jordyn isn't singing, she loves all kinds of sports; she plays travel softball for the Fort Myers Fillies, and is on the Sanibel SWAT Swim Team. In March, she will be doing a vocal audition for the Center for the Performing Arts at Cypress Lake High School. She has three siblings: Aubrey, Rachel and Cameron. When asked who is her favorite singer, she replied, "Adele." Gives you an idea of how high this girl is aiming.

Dolly and the other singers in the BIG ARTS Community Chorus can be seen on stage at Schein Hall at 2 p.m. on March 20, or at 7 p.m. on March 21. In addition to selections from *Les Mis*, the chorus will be singing a variety of folk tunes, spirituals, classical melodies and a medley from The Beach Boys (with special "Sanibel" lyrics by Mike Bugler). Tickets are \$10 each, available at the BIG ARTS box office.*

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Everglades

According to Eikenberg, an additional 5.5 miles of bridges along the roadway has been planned, but there is no money left to fund the estimated \$120 million project. Therefore, the Everglades Foundation is hoping that some of the money anticipated to be acquired through BP settlements gets earmarked for projects like the Tamiami Trail Bridge and C-43 Reservoir Water Storage.

"There needs to be a balancing act... it's a very complex issue," added Eikenberg. "There's no easy fix."

During his time at the podium, Davis spoke at length about the link between how the health of the Everglades can make an impact upon the ecology and the economy of South Florida. Noting that the region lies within a unique environmental "sweet spot," the Everglades provides a habitat for vegetation and animals not found anywhere else in the world.

However, the area is only receiving a fraction of the water flow it used to.

The impact of human population, through canal and levee infrastructure initially intended to support only two mil-

lion residents, has triggered the current devastation seen in the Everglades. Davis offered additional evidence: a loss of 90 percent of wading birds; a total of 68 threatened or endangered species; and extensive pollution throughout the region.

But the good news is the folks at the Everglades Foundation are working towards making things better.

According to Davis, Floridians receive a four-to-one return on investment for every dollar spent on water restoration. Among the investment benefits are real estate, parks visitation, fishing, additional open spaces for recreational use, jobs and increased water supplies.

"Somebody asked me before the program today what my favorite time of the year was for the animals and activity in the Everglades," said Davis. "The most biologically active period of time in the Everglades is right now. Everything is bursting with energy."

For additional information, to make a contribution or details on how you can volunteer, visit www.evergladesfoundation.org.

"Everything in our environment is connected... especially with the water," added McCarthy.*



Sarah Elle Emm

Book Signing

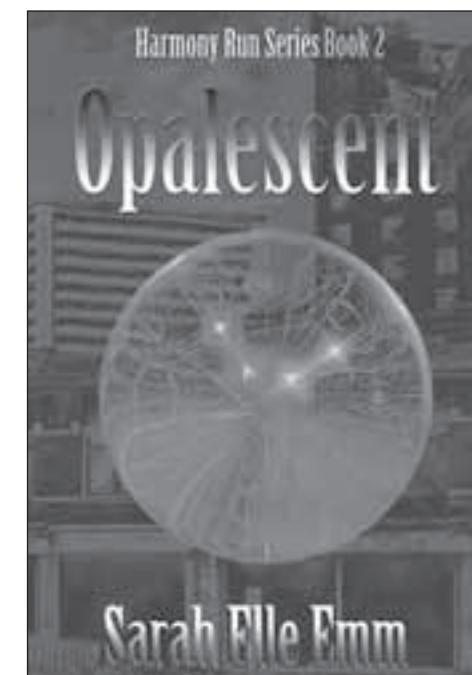
Sanibel author Sarah Elle Emm will be signing copies of her newest young-adult fantasy release, *Opalescent*, book two from the Harmony Run Series on Thursday, March 21 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Island Book Nook, 2330 Palm Ridge Road on Sanibel. Copies of *Prismatic*, book one from the series, and Emm's women's fiction *Marrying Missy* will also be available.

Opalescent doesn't disappoint as we move forward in the exciting story of young people facing segregation and an evil opposition. The sequel starts right where the first book left off with new twists and turns, and loyalties being questioned.

Still enslaved in a mixed-race zone within the United Zones of the Authority, Rain Hawkins is part of a secret resistance preparing to take on

the tyrannical President Nicks before plans to kill the mixed zones across UZTA are executed. When unsettling dreams and a mysterious voice begin to haunt the dark nights, Rain fears someone more powerful than she has discovered the resistance and their secret abilities. With a known Authority spy on her heels, and her boyfriend, Jabari, suddenly acting strange, Rain doesn't know who to trust and if the voices calling to her are friend or foe. As conditions across all of the zones get worse and the stakes rise, Rain embarks on a quest for answers that will put the people she cares about most in more danger or take them one step closer to the truth and their eventual freedom.

Opalescent is a 400-page Young-Adult Fantasy available in paperback with a retail price of \$17.99.*



Heights Center Presents Nashville Hit Songwriters

The Harlem Heights Cultural Arts and Community Center presents Nashville Songwriters On Stage on Wednesday, March 20 at the Heights Center, 15570 Hagie Drive in Fort Myers. Three highly accomplished hit songwriters will perform their popular compositions and tell the stories behind them. The evening will feature the famous Buddy Greene, Grammy Award-winning Randy Thomas and Nashville hit-maker Regie Hamm. General admission tickets are \$40 and VIP tickets that include a reception with hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and meet-and-greet with the songwriters are \$75.

All proceeds benefit the Heights Center, a place for education, opportunity, and enrichment. The Center's mission is to promote family and community development, support education, health and wellness, and provide the benefits of enrichment, expressive and cultural arts in the Harlem Heights neighborhood.

Greene is an American singer, songwriter, guitarist and harmonica player. Most of his recordings consist of gospel music, with a distinctly Southern flavor. Much of his music is influenced by country and bluegrass music. Greene grew up in Macon, Georgia. He has written the music for many songs and also co-wrote the Christmas song *Mary, Did You Know?* with Mark Lowry; Greene also wrote *Recovering Pharisee* recorded by Del McCoury, and *He Is* recorded by Ashley Cleveland. He is considered a harmonica legend by many, and once played a classical harmonica medley at Carnegie Hall.

Hamm's songs have been recorded by the likes of Kenny Loggins, Maxi Priest, Bob Carlisle, Jaci Velasquez and Clay Crosse. He wrote one of the most popular Christian songs of the 1990s, entitled *I Surrender All*, recorded by Clay Crosse. His Top 20 Adult Contemporary hit entitled *Babies*, was featured on Delilah Rene's nationally-syndicated love-songs program. In 2008, *The Time of My Life* became the finale song and first single for the winner of *American Idol*'s seventh season, David Cook. The song was a platinum-selling #1 single. In addition to the *American Idol* success, Hamm has written for Clay Aiken and Lonestar. He has had more than 400 cuts as a songwriter, and has been named SESAC songwriter of the year four times. Hamm has a solo album titled *Set It On Fire* and a book titled *Angels & Idols*, released in 2010.



Buddy Greene



Randy Thomas

Thomas has received numerous awards for his work in the pop, country and Christian genres. These include the Grammy, Dove, ASCAP, NSAI and Nashville Music awards. His pop/country smash *Butterfly Kisses* has been performed and recorded by numerous artists. *Butterfly Kisses* was the crossover hit of 1997. Written with Bob Carlisle, it was #1 for seven weeks on Adult Contemporary radio, won a Grammy for country song of the year, and sold three million CDs. Thomas is currently worship director for Westminster Presbyterian Church in Fort Myers and is still very active writing and producing and recording.

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The Pacifica Quartet

Pacifica Quartet With Wu Han To Perform At Sanibel Music Festival

One of today's most dynamic string quartets, the Pacifica Quartet, will perform Tuesday, March 19 at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Music Festival. The performance will be at 8 p.m. at Sanibel Congregational Church, 2050 Periwinkle Way. Tickets are \$45 each. The concert is sponsored by Sue and Tom Pick.

This ensemble has been called by *The New York Times* as "brilliant" and "astounding." The members of the Pacifica Quartet share a unique history of personal and musical friendship. First violinist Simin Ganatra, born and raised in southern California, initially played with cellist Brandon Vamos and violinist Sibbi Bernhardsson while they were all teenagers.

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Bernhardsson later brought his good friend Masumi Rostad to the group. Originating on the West Coast, where they played many of their earliest concerts together, the quartet took its name from the Pacific Ocean.

Just four years after its formation in 1994, the Grammy-winning Pacifica won the 1998 Naumberg Prize. In 2009, it was named Musical America's Ensemble of the year. Its many honors include appointment as Quartet-in-Residence at the Metropolitan Museum of Art In 2011-2012. The quartet has been on the faculty of the University of Illinois since 2003 and serves as quartet-in-residence at the University of Chicago. Wu Han joins the ensemble to play a piano quintet.

The program will include: Boccherini, *Quartet in E-flat major, Op. 58 No. 2*; Ravel, *Quartet in F major*; and Schumann, *Piano Quintet in E-flat major, Op. 44*.

Single tickets are available by cash or check only at Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, or Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way. Tickets may be ordered online at www.sanibelmusicfestival.org or by calling 344-7025.**

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Birds Eye View

One day while exploring in the Jon boat, we found a dead moose floating in a remote, shallow bay. We towed the dead moose to where we knew the mother bear and her cubs would get to the next day and tied it up on shore to a tree. Everyone at the lodge could see it across the lake with a spotting scope. The next morning, right on cue, all eyes were watching as the mother discovered the dead moose, attacked and killed it again, and then dragged it further up on shore so her cubs could get at it.

We watched them for several days as they feasted on their prey, but then the real excitement started. After about four days, the local wolf pack showed up and they attempted unsuccessfully to sneak in and scavenge a little from the carcass. The mother was too protective of her "kill," however, and the wolves settled in to a "wait until the bears are finished" mentality.

But what was cool during this waiting period was that occasionally, a wolf would try to coax one of the cubs away from its mother while she was napping in an obviously sly attempt to prey on the cub. The mother grizzly would let the cub get just so far away from her and then she would immediately come to a standing position, probably vocalizing something to the cub, which would quickly turn and run back

to the safety of its mother. From the submissive reaction of the wolf, you could almost imagine the wolf saying, "It's OK, mama. I was just playing with the little guy. I meant no harm!"

To be continued...

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.**

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *Night Moves* by Randy Wayne White
 2. *Dry Grass of August* by Anna Jean Mayhew
 3. *Snow Child* by Ivey Eowyn
 4. *Gifts from the Sea* by Anne Morrow Lindbergh
 5. *Chasing Midnight* by Randy Wayne White
 6. *Rules of Civility* by Amor Towles
 7. *Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
 8. *Sanibel and Captiva Islands* by Deborah Gleason and Charles LeBuff
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Monday Night Movie

Moonrise Kingdom

by Di Saggau



The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for March 18 is *Moonrise Kingdom*.

Roger Ebert says, "Director Wes Anderson's mind must be an exciting place for a story

idea to be born. It immediately becomes more than a series of events and is transformed into a world with its own rules, in which everything is driven by emotions and desires as convincing as they are magical. *Moonrise Kingdom* creates such a world and takes place on an island that might as well be ruled by Prospero. It's set in 1965, though it might as well be set at any time."



The island is off the coast of New England, and the film follows a young boy and girl falling in love. When they are moved to run away together, various factions of the town mobilize to search for them and the town is turned upside down. An approaching hurricane also places the lives of the young explorers in danger. The all star cast includes Edward Norton, Bill Murray, Bruce Willis, Frances McDormand, Harvey Keitel and Tilda Swinton. Each actor performs small miracles without playing for laughs or sardonic spins on their material.

Rolling Stone calls it an enchanted ride of a movie. Anderson links the everyday and the extraordinary with virtuoso artistry. Shot with a poet's eye by Robert Yeoman and lifted by an Alexandre Desplat score that samples Mozart, Hank Williams and Benjamin Britten, the hilarious and heartfelt *Moonrise Kingdom* is a consistent pleasure. By evoking the joys and terrors of childhood, it reminds us how to be alive."

Critics say, "A thoroughly endearing journey, and one of the most enjoyable and touching movies to land in theaters

so far this year."

"The film is precious and adorable, but it isn't naive, and the movie breathes so deep that Anderson even gets a real performance out of Willis (this is his best work in years)."

"Anderson always fills his films with colors, never garish but usually definite and active. In this film, the palette tends toward the green of new grass, and the scouts khaki brown. Also, the right amount of red. It is a comfortable canvas to look at, so pretty that it helps establish the feeling of magical realism."

Stan Gembicki will lead us in a discussion following the movie.

BIG ARTS Film Society's Monday Night Film Series presents a mixture of critically-acclaimed independent and

foreign films and documentaries. After each movie, a group of film buffs leads discussions on Gainer Veranda, complemented by refreshments.

Films are \$8 and begin at 7 p.m. in Schein Performance Hall, located at 900 Dunlop Road.

Films are shown in high-definition on a large screen with surround sound. Assistive listening devices are available.

Sponsors are Bank of the Islands and Stan and Visnja Gembicki. Supporters are Sanibel Taxi and Jerry's Foods of Sanibel.

For tickets, stop by BIG ARTS, call 395-0900, e-mail info@BIGARTS.org or log on to www.BIGARTS.org.*



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Documentary Series At BIG ARTS



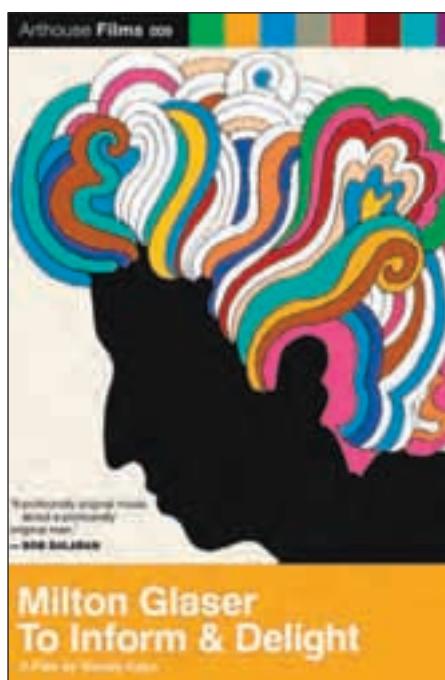
by Di Saggau

A critically acclaimed documentary series starts on Wednesday, March 27 and runs for four weeks at BIG ARTS. The series offers thought provoking, eye opening, entertaining documentaries. Films will be shown in Schein Hall at 1:30 p.m. and tickets are \$5 each. A discussion will follow.

Documentary films will include:

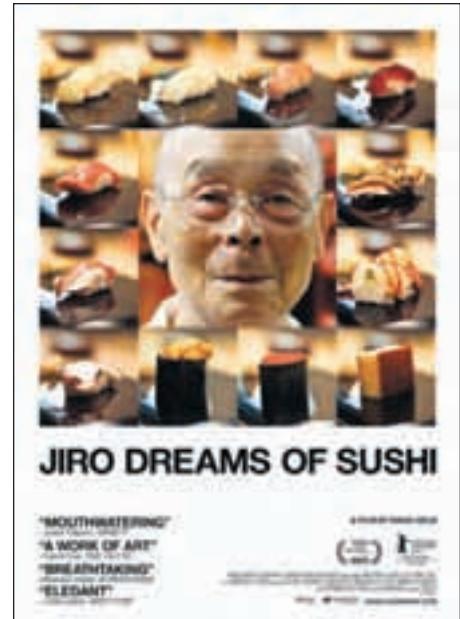
- March 27 – *First Position*

An award-winning documentary that follows six young ballet dancers from around the world as they prepare to compete in the Youth America Grand Prix. The film explores the delicate extremes of both disappointment and success in the competitive world of ballet.



- April 3 – *Milton Glaser: To Inform And Delight*

Described as a heartening documentary, the film is a detailed biography of the life of Milton Glaser, America's foremost



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- April 10 – *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*

What is the greatest sushi restaurant in the world? Many say it's Sukiyabashi Jiro in Japan, a tiny hole-in-the-wall sushi bar tucked inside a Tokyo subway station with a prestigious three star Michelin review. It's owner 86-year-old Jiro Ono, creates the world's most perfect sushi.

- April 17 – *Kinshasa Symphony*

An ode to the power of music in a region ravaged by war and poverty. Kinshasa is the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. The film is a study of people doing their best to maintain one of the most complex systems of joint human endeavor: a symphony orchestra.**

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Book Signing



Connie Clancy-Fisher



Anne Brown PhD, RNCS

Dr. Constance Clancy-Fisher will hold a book signing on March 22 at Sanibel Bookshop from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Clancy-Fisher's book is title *The Gift of Change: Embracing Challenges Today for a Promising Tomorrow*. Her friend and colleague Dr. Anne Brown from Colorado, author of *Backbone Power*, will join her.

An excerpt from Clancy-Fisher's book – As humans, we tend to be quite resistant to change. We view change as a source of stress. It seems the greater the change, the higher the stress. If we could view change as not a threat but rather an opportunity for growth, then the stress of change would be greatly reduced.

An old Chinese proverb reminds us that change does not have to be a crisis but a chance for learning and personal growth. Everything changes whether we like it or not. We cannot hold onto to anything. With that in mind, it may be easier to recognize the things that come and go. Our emotions change, our behaviors change, actions change, our world changes constantly. Therefore, the stress of change affects us all.

Many of us have arrived at places we never thought we would be. We are searching for ways to rediscover and return to our optimum path to achieve our life's purpose.

Clancy-Fisher, EdD, is a practicing mental health counselor and hypnotherapist on Sanibel.

A description of Anne Brown PhD, RNCS's Book – A wise man once said, "the key to failure is trying to please everybody." But before you can tell others no, you have to be able to tell yourself yes. Yes to embarking on a path of personal growth. Yes to ending the cycle of people-pleasing and self-neglect – finally and forever. Plainly put, you must develop a backbone.

Yes, it is a process and a journey. Yes,

you will be tested. But on the other side of this crucible lies empowerment and respect.

Dr. Brown has been a practicing therapist for the last 25 years

The Sanibel Bookshop is at 1571 Periwinkle Way. For more information, call 472-5223.*



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selected by Tanya Hochschild

Stillness

by Tanya Hochschild

I try everyday to get away from devices that save me time. It's a crime how ipod, ipad and tweet eat into your day. Let's say, like Garbo did, I want to be alone, no phone no facebook to see Aunt Maggie's soufflé rise, no surprise when cousin Dorothy shows botox eyes.

By having a Mac, I seem to have lost track, thought Kardashian was a town in Iraq. For weeks she was the first item on nightly news, are we that plugged in to drugs, sex and booze?!

In one generation we've moved from devices we dug to a fervent wish we could just unplug. Some turn to tai chi

and hatha yoga, others travel to Nepal, don a saffron toga.

Once we enjoyed dancing under, not with, the stars, be grateful when you cannot get enough bars, when a clerk at a hotel says "we have no wi-fi," smile and tell him he's your kinda guy,

Book me in, charge a high price not to be on line, that's just fine! I don't want a video that streams, show me one, you'll hear loud pitched screams. Scrolling headlines put me off like so much litter, please don't even mention Twitter.

Telegraphs once were a great idea, trains once brought your loved ones near. But now things are coming at us much too fast. I feel empty and too full – how can this last?

I enjoy words that are spoken, unlike "breaking news" which feels broken. I remember a time that seems out of reach, when we went for quiet walks down the road to the beach. We didn't have screens that vibrate or blink, interrupt us when we are trying to think.

We can't turn back the digital clock, so this might come as a bit of a shock, but let's occasionally turn off the noise, and reconnect to simpler joys.

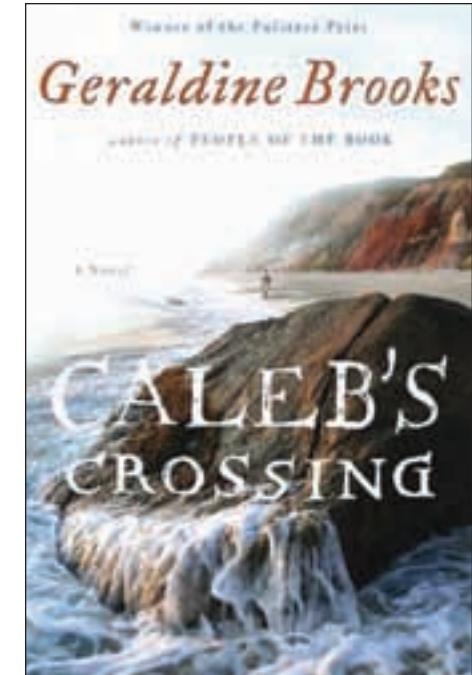
Tanya Hochschild is member of a Sanibel Writers Group, has participated in Artpoems and Writer's Reads on the island, and had two books published. ✩

Book Discussion

Readers are invited to discuss *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks, which has been selected as the focus of the Wednesday, March 27 book discussion meeting at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road. There is no charge for the meeting and it is open to the public. The discussion will be led by Judy Davis in Meeting Room 4, across from the elevator on the ground floor.

Growing up in the tiny settlement of Great Harbor amid a small band of pioneers and Puritans, Bethia Mayfield yearns for an education that is closed to her due to her gender. As soon as she can, she slips away to explore the island's glistening beaches and observes its native Wampanoag inhabitants. At 12, she encounters Caleb, the young son of an Indian chieftain, and the two forge a secret friendship that draws each into the alien world of the other.

Discussion of the book begins promptly at 2 p.m. The books featured for our book group discussions are available and located in the library near the reference desk. While it is preferable to come having read the book to be able to join in the lively discussion, all are welcome to attend.



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Author To Share Wealth Insights

With his new book *How Money Walks*, entrepreneur and tax-reform advocate Travis H. Brown takes an in-depth and compelling look at how people, businesses and working wealth move between the states. Brown will be visiting The Community House from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 27 for a reading and reception.

Published just a few weeks ago, Brown's book is already garnering buzz nationwide. He has recently appeared on CNBC and Fox Business, among other outlets. During his Sanibel appearance, Brown will share fascinating (and sometimes startling) facts about the states that are winning and the states that are losing.

Brown, the co-founder of the public-affairs and advocacy firm Pelopidas, LLC, is an expert in the area of tax reform. Major news outlets, think tanks and business groups turn to him for his well-researched, data-based, non-partisan views on economic growth. A regular contributor to Forbes.com, Brown makes complex issues accessible and interesting. *How Money Walks* uses unimpeachable IRS data to answer tough questions — such as why, between 1995 and 2010, millions of Americans moved between the states and took with them more than \$2 trillion in adjusted gross incomes. Brown is an engaging speaker who illustrates his research with the help of a proprietary,

interactive, 55-inch touchscreen. *How Money Walks* is a timely, relevant book that will resonate with audiences all throughout the United States, including Floridians. It explores why some states, like Florida, saw tremendous gains (\$86.4 billion in a 15-year period) while other states, like New York, experienced massive losses (\$58.6 billion in that same timeframe). Money — and people — moved from high-tax states to low-tax ones, and the tax that seemed to matter the most was the personal income tax. The states with no income taxes gained the greatest wealth, while the states with the highest income taxes lost the most.

How Money Walks received its national launch in New York City last month. Throughout 2013, Brown will participate in speaking engagements and media interviews across the nation; in addition to Sanibel, stops include Washington, D.C.; Dallas, Texas; Chicago, Illinois; Scottsdale, Arizona; and Las Vegas, Nevada.

The book is available through Amazon.com and at HowMoneyWalks.com. *

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Dolphin painting by one of the artists



Phil Hilton

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Melody Desilets, program coordinator, at 454-2290 or visit www.shellpoint.org. *



Mike Klein

San-Cap Art League Show At Sanibel Library

The Sanibel-Captiva Art League's annual juried show is currently on display at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, through the end of March.

First prize was awarded to Carol Good for her mixed acrylic *Egret With An Attitude*. *Harietta's Bowl* by Rita Mach Skoczen won second place, and Joan Tangren Reynolds won third place with *Bonnie Pose #27*.

Merit awards went to four watercolor paintings: Neil Glaser for *Bowl Of Fruit*, *Gramma* by David King, *Dixie Fish House* by Terry Shattuck and *Swamp* by Pauline Healey.

Stan Timson won the Nancy Jones Memorial Prize for his acrylic *Ready To Run*.

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Third place painting by Joan Reynolds

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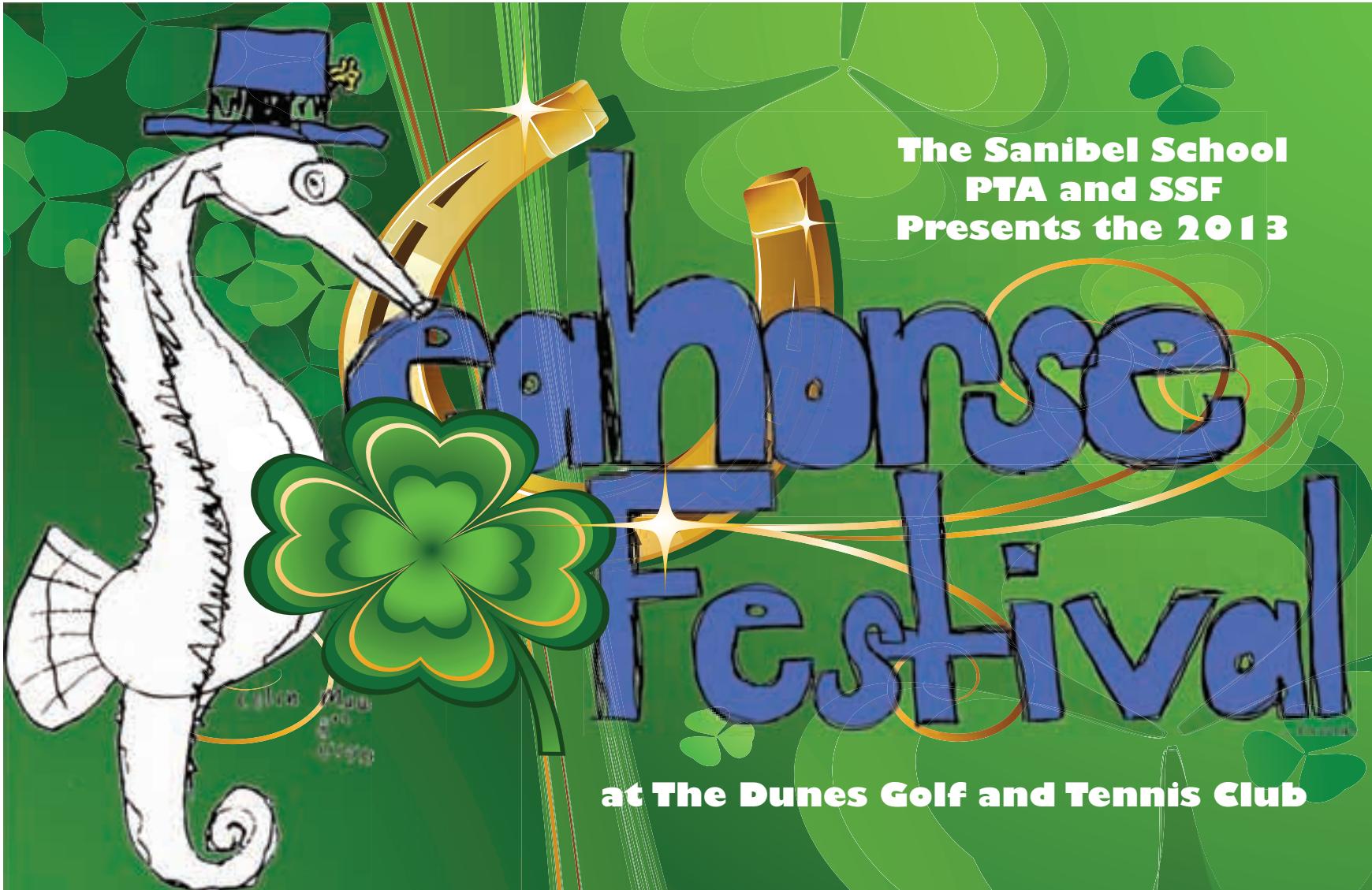
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Highlights Of The 76th Annual Sanibel Shell Festival

photos by Jeff Lysiak



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Outdoor crowds visited tents selling everything from hand-crafted shell goods to bagged shells in bulk



Sanibel And Captiva Residents Surpass Goal For United Way

The Sanibel-Captiva United Way Campaign Committee announced that residents contributed \$319,517 to the 2012-13 United Way Campaign. This is four percent more than the campaign goal.

Campaign Committee members include chair Tony Lapi, and committee members Chauncey and Allison Goss, Dick and Debbie Riley, Tom and Linda Uhler, and Judie Zimomra, who organized the volunteer effort. The Sanibel-Captiva campaign's leadership givers included 14 Alexis de Tocqueville Members who give \$10,000 or more annually, and 59 Keel Club Members who give between \$1,000 and \$9,999 each year.

The combined total of the money raised for the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades was \$8.1 million. All money raised for the United Way supports local agencies and programs.

"Thank you Sanibel and Captiva residents who have shown how much we care about our neighbors who are in need. The United Way and its 70 partner agencies will help thousands of people because of the generosity of our islands. The successful campaign directly benefits our islands through the services provided by Sanibel FISH and other United Way agencies located in the Sanibel United Way House," said Tony Lapi.

"We are very proud to be part of a caring and generous community," said Cliff Smith, president of United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades. "With the very difficult

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Pictured from left are Sanibel-Captiva United Way Campaign Committee members Chauncey Goss, Tom Uhler and Tony Lapi

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. 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 and 11 a.m. Cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Power Hour Fitness – Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m. Hand weights, stretch cords and stability balls, along with mats, are used to strengthen your muscles. Improve 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 – Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. Chairs are used to stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flex-

ibility, alignment and circulation.

Tuesday Kayaking – March 19, April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 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. Kayaks, paddles and life jackets provided. 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. Stop by the center to sign up.

Florida Repertory Theatre – Other Desert Cities by John Robin Baitz, Saturday, March 16, 2 p.m. "The most richly enjoyable new play for grown-ups!" – *The New York Times*. Tickets are \$21 for members and \$26 for non-members.

The Fantastics at the newly remodeled Florida Artstage, Saturday, March 23. *The Fantastics* is the longest running musical and still playing in New York. Tickets are \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

Educating Rita by Willy Russell, Saturday, April 20. Olivier Award-winning Best Comedy from the author of *Shirley Valentine*.

Page Turners with Ann Rodman

– Wednesday, April 10, 2:30 p.m. *The Room* by Emma Donaghue. The entire world of a five-year-old boy is the 11'x11' room in which his mother is being held against her will.

Tenth Annual Friday Coping With Life Series

Every Friday at 11 a.m. –

Storytelling by Bert MacCarry in the Kraft Room. Free to open to all ages. For more information call 472-1781.

March 15, 2 p.m. – **Coin Logic** with Millennium Cognitive staff, limited to 25 participants. Cost is \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. The coin

logic program will help you develop and increase understanding of patterns and variables. These games will strengthen logic and reasoning skills. Armed with a pile of coins, your mental powers will be put to the test in a series of challenging games.

March 22, 2 p.m. – **Creative Problem Solving** with Millennium Cognitive staff. Limited to 25 participants. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members. Creative problem solving is not just about getting the right answers, it's about sharpening your mind to think logically. The human brain thrives on learning and experiencing new things.

If something is routine or too easy, brains are essentially operating on autopilot, which does little to boost cerebral strength. Class will include working with matchsticks and toothpicks in order to come up with the solution for the given problem.

April 12, 2 p.m. – **Brain Basher Puzzles** by Millennium Cognitive staff.

Limited to 25 participants. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 non-members. Travel to Brain Boot Camp in order to boost your IQ and sharpen your memory. At the end of the program, you'll discover your memory will be sharper and your mind more agile. The puzzles are organized in levels from easy to difficult so you can increase the intensity of your mental workout as you progress.

AARP Safe Driving Course –

Thursdays, March 21 and 28, 1 to 4 p.m., with Ed VanderHey. Receive a discount on your auto insurance if you complete the two-session, six-hour course. Cost is \$14 with a \$2 discount for AARP members. Call 292-4012 to register.

Discovering Florida Daytrips

Tuesday, March 19 – **Original**

Miami South Beach Tour. Includes transportation, guided walking and riding tour of the historic Art Deco District, lunch on your own with time on Lincoln Road, guided sightseeing boat cruise around Biscayne Bay. Cost is \$65 for members and \$75 for non-members. Fort Myers pickup at 6:30 a.m.

Intermediate Bridge Lessons with Linda Tedeschi – March 18, 25 and April 1, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Improve your game. Bring a partner or you will be paired up. Basic knowledge of the game is required. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members per session.

GAMES:

Backgammon – 1 p.m. Wednesday
Bridge – 1 p.m. Monday and Wednesday

Hand & Foot – 1 p.m. Tuesday

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.

Computers – Picasa with Patty and Your Photos, Wednesday and Thursday, April 3 and 4, 1 to 3 p.m.

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. Learn to crop, resize, sharpen and brighten colors. Class limited to six. Cost is \$60 for members, \$90 for non-members, due at sign up. Bring your camera, cable, memory card and reader with 10 to 20 photos. Sample photos will be available.

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Del Sego Home w/Private Dock

Tropical Santiva Splendor! Modern 4BR 3BA Dream home built in 2004 w/ private dock across from the house which allows canal access to the intercoastal waterway. Beautiful open floor plan with fireplaces in both the Great Room as well as the Master Bedroom. Extra features include open kitchen, wood flooring, 2 upper level decks, large screen enclosed pool/ lanai area w/ gorgeous mural wall, just to name a few. 6433 Pine Ave.

Offered at \$1,495,000

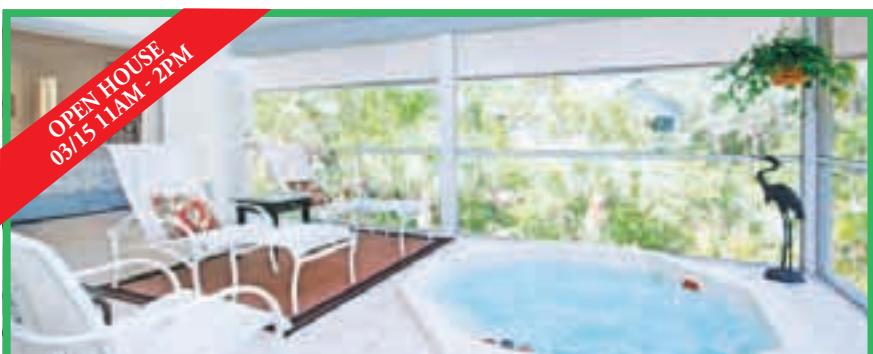


Canal Access in Shell Harbor

Magnificent East End canal 3BR 2.5BA plus office home in Shell Harbor. Michigan style house with upper level master suite; other features include , screened pool/ lanai w/ hot tub, boat dock and lift.

Lovely well maintained home looking for to call it your own. 1001 Kings Crown.

Offered at \$1,159,000



Serene Living in Gumbo Limbo

Spacious pool home in Gumbo Limbo holds many surprises from the vaulted ceilings to the beautiful wrap around screened lanai. Walk though your choice of french doors out to the jetted spa off your master bedroom.

This #BR 4BA home has a large workshop and 3 car garage. 9459 Begonia

Offered at \$720,000



East End Home w/Private Dock

Spacious 3/2.5 East End Pool home has gorgeous architecture including dramatic ceilings, open kitchen and great room leading out to the screen enclosed lanai. Enjoy the sounds of the Gulf from the upper level deck.

Cross the road to be at the beach or hop in your boat from your 30' of private canal dock. 912 Almas Ct.

Offered at \$1,249,000



Architectural Gem

Bright open floor plan in this Dunes 3BR 2BA home. Vaulted ceilings in the great room w/ decking off all bedrooms and the open kitchen. Close to San Carlos Bay at Bailey Rd for fishing, kayaking or sun bathing. Only a few homes away from the Dunes club house. 970 Sand Castle Rd.

Offered at \$569,000

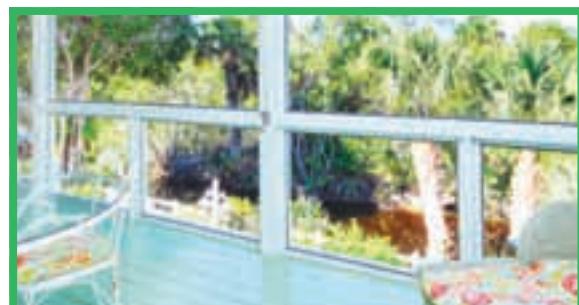


Peaceful Water Views

Relax & Watch the wildlife from this 3000+ sq ft 3BR 3BA home. The screen enclosed lanai, overlooking the water, adds extra living space for your enjoyment. Quiet small neighborhood, convenient to beaches and shopping.

This home is waiting for you to call it your own. 1667 Sabal Sands

Offered at \$499,000



Tranquil Lifestyle

Island Living! Enjoy a tranquil life style in this beautiful 2BA 2BR, remodeled home with attention to detail everywhere you look! Lots of privacy and the two adjacent lots will convey with this property. Roam the property and pick fresh fruit from your mini orchard outside your door. Enjoy the orange, grapefruit, key lime, meyer lemon, leche nut and papaya at your island retreat home. 9307 Dimmick Dr.

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Spectacular lake & golf course views from this ground level 2BR/2BA pool home. Enjoy the dunes community living in this home that is ready for you to call it your own. 1481 Sand Castle

Offered at \$595,000



Open & Bright Dunes Duplex

Cool and shaded, this 3/2.5 duplex home is peaceful with views from the lanai of Sanctuary land. With high vaulted ceilings & Master Bedroom on the main living level, this home won't last long. Close to bike path, hiking trail and a short distance to Bailey Beach. 966 Greenwood Ct.

Offered at \$349,000



Panoramic Golf Views

Sweeping golf course and lake views from this fully furnished Dunes duplex. Home features include a glass slider enclosed porch w/ vaulted ceilings both in the great room and on the lanai; remodeled kitchen cabinetry and hard surface countertops; nicely landscaped. Extra storage space. 1639 Sand Castle

Offered at \$399,000



Seashells of Sanibel Unit #6

Remodeled Island style Condo. This is one of the larger units and boasts a great rental history. It is only a short distance to the beach from this 2BR/2BA second story corner condo. On site rental 3 day minimum.

Offered at \$335,000



Duplex with Lake Views

Serene views of Horseshoe lake from this immaculate 2BR/2BA duplex. The kitchen has granite counters and a nicely appointed glass enclosed lanai. Enjoy the peaceful outdoors from the large exterior deck. 1415 Sandpiper Cir.

Offered At \$339,000



Dunes Golf Views

Darling duplex with panoramic views of dunes 18th fairway. This 3/2.5 Has expanded deck & porch and extended masterbedroom on main living level. This home will not last long! 1613 Sand Castle

Offered at \$399,000



Duplex Close To Bay

Terrific Duplex in the Dunes Golf & Tennis Community. Close to the Bay, only 1/10 OF A MILE to the water. This 3 BR 2.5 BA home boasts a large screened lanai with access from both the Great Room and the Master Bedroom den/office. 1002 Greenwood Ct.

Offered at \$349,000



Sweeping Golf & Lake Views

Lovely 3BR 3 BA pool home in the Dunes Golf & Tennis Community. Walk out onto your lanai and enjoy panoramic views of the golf course and lake. Fully Furnished. Turn Key. 1031 Sand Castle Rd.

Offered at \$690,000



3344 Twin Lakes

Serene views of the lake in Murex Lakes community. Walk into this well built home to an open great room with views from the bay window and the glass sliders throughout. This 3 BR 2 BA pool home has plenty of outdoor living space as well.

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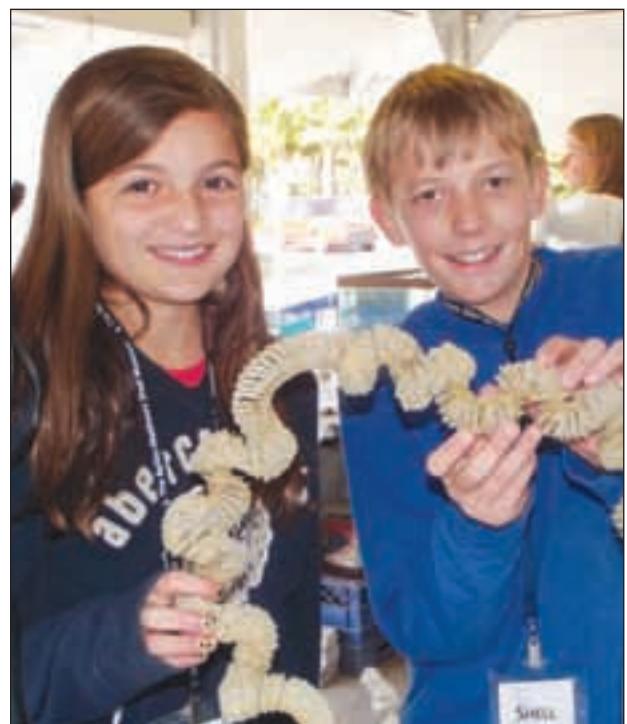
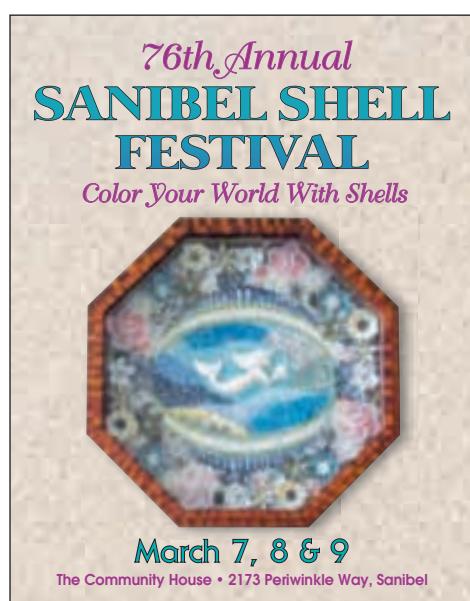


Commercial Lease

Sanibel Promenade, 695 Tarpon Bay Road. High traffic location across from Post Office. Office Condo For Lease - Negotiable



76th Annual Sanibel Shell Festival





Sailor's Valentine by Sally Arbib from Gibbs, St. Peter, Barbados
Artistic entry by Susan Lloyd from Westport, Connecticut



Sailor's Valentine by Kathryn Zvokel Stewart from Red Hook, New York



Noted shelling author Harlan Wittkopf



Crowds circulating through the scientific shell exhibits at The Community House

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Ribbon Report – 2013 Sanibel Shell Show

Scientific

3 Single Shell - Sanibel-Captiva - Self-collected

1st 65 Mary Giambruno
2nd 136 Mary Geyer
3rd 91 Mary Burton

4 Single Shell - Florida-Caribbean - Self-collected

1st 23 Thomas Grace
2nd 117 Irene Longley
3rd 226 Evelyn Spencer

5 Single Shell - Florida-Caribbean - Any source

1st 24 Thomas Grace
2nd 110 Gregory A. Curry, Sr.
3rd 167 Charlotte Thorpe

6 Single Shell - Worldwide - Self-collected

1st 118 Irene Longley

7 Single Shell - Worldwide - Any source

1st 229 Evelyn Spencer

2nd 119 Irene Longley

8 Single Shell - Unusual Variants - Albinos, Freaks, etc. - Any source

1st 36 Donna Carey
2nd 232 Evelyn Spencer

3rd 120 Irene Longley

9 Single Shell - Fossil - Shells and/or other sea life - Any source

1st 121 Irene Longley
2nd 17 Ron Bopp
3rd 103 Linda Shockley

10 Single Specimen - Sea Life (Other than shells) - Coral, echinoderm, etc. - Any Source

1st 234 Evelyn Spencer

11 Multiple Shells - Sanibel-Captiva - Self-collected

1st 98 Robert Pace

12 Multiple Shells - Florida-Caribbean - Self-collected

1st 104 Linda Shockley

2nd 122 Irene Longley

13 Multiple Shells - Florida-Caribbean - Any source

1st 99 Robert Pace

2nd 196 Harold & Marguerite

Pilcher

14 Multiple Shells - Worldwide - Any source

1st 166 Charlotte Thorpe
2nd 94 Harry Berryman
3rd 14 Clare Horner

15 Multiple Shells - One Superfamily or Family - or Subfamily - Any source

1st 123 Gene Everson

1st 101 Robert Pace

16 Multiple Shells - One Genus - Any source

1st 27 Richard Kirk
2nd 18 Ron Bopp
3rd 111 Gregory A. Curry, Sr.

17 Multiple Shells - One Species - To show color, form and/or growth - Self-collected

1st 35 Donna Carey

19 Multiple Shells - Educational - Intended primarily to teach - Any source

1st 93 Sheila Nugent

2nd 19 Ron Bopp

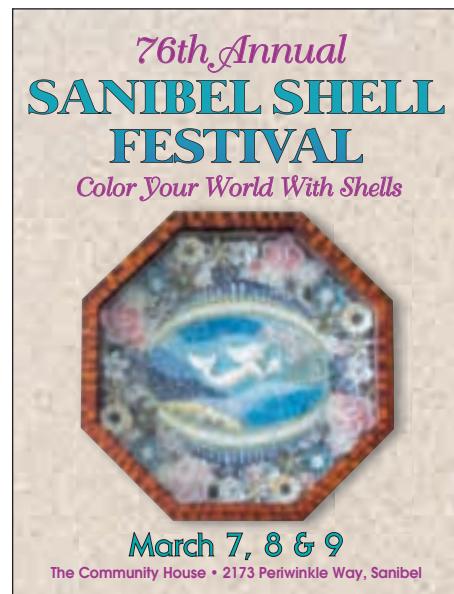
21 Multiple Shells - Unusual Variants - Albinos, Freaks, etc. - Any source

1st 95 Bill & Amy Tripp

2nd	198	Diane Zimmer
3rd	168	Gary Murza
22	Multiple Specimens - Fossils - Shells and/or other sea life - Any source	
1st	22	Ron & Mary Jo Bopp
23	Multiple Specimens - Sea Life Other Than Shells - Coral, echinoderm, etc. - Any source	
1st	20	Ron Bopp
24	Multiple Specimens - Special - Does not fit into any other class	
1st	206	Phyllis Gray
2nd	224	Evelyn Spencer
26	Multiple Shells - Color Your World With Color - Demonstrate the great variety of - color, texture and patt	
1st	96	Bill & Amy Tripp
27	Best of the Blues - Previous winner of a Blue Ribbon - at any Sanibel Shell Show	
1st	148	Ken & Joyce Matthys
28	Sanibel Superstar Trophy - Previous winner of a major award - such as du Pont, C.O.A., P.R.I.	
1st	25	Thomas Grace
Artistic		
40	Hobbyist - Flower Arrangement - Made of Shells - Shells only	
1st	147	Joyce Roberts
2nd	173	Marvin Sunderman
41	Hobbyist - Flower Arrangement - Sea life - with or without shells	
1st	213	Victoria Ross
43	Hobbyist - Single Stem of Flower - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	53	Barbara Malbouef
2nd	214	Victoria Ross
3rd	38	Donna Carey
44	Hobbyist - Miniature Flower Arrangement - Max. 3 in. x 3 in. x 3 in. - Small shells and/or other sea life	
1st	172	Leslie Anding
2nd	112	Tyler Schoenherr
45	Hobbyist - Miniature Picture - Max. 6 in. x 8 in. - Small shells and/or other sea life	
1st	208	Jan Harper
2nd	6	Marilou Angevine
47	Hobbyist - Tree or Topiary - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	144	Lucy A. Read
2nd	195	Ann DiRico
3rd	54	Barbara Malbouef
48	Hobbyist - Jewelry	
1st	39	Donna Carey
49	Hobbyist - Shell Related Needlecraft - No kits	
1st	169	Scott & Melva Wilzbach
2nd	222	Joan Bisbey
50	Hobbyist - Holiday Decoration	
1st	40	Donna Carey
2nd	5	Marilou Angevine
3rd	114	Elle Vail
51	Hobbyist - Single Sailor's Valentine - Octagonal case - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	60	Joy Henderson
2nd	74	Sally Arbib
3rd	201	Hans Peter Hoppenbrouwers
3rd	90	Adelaide Coy
52	Hobbyist - Single Miniature Valentine - 6 in. or Smaller Octagonal case - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	200	Peter Gabel
2nd	61	Joy Henderson
3rd	146	Rachel Fields
53	Hobbyist - Traditional Single Sailor's Valentine - Octagonal case	
1st	221	Marvin & Mary Hennemann

56	Hobbyist - Novelties	
1st	209	Jan Harper
2nd	145	Lucy A. Read
3rd	84	Deborah Yamin
58	Hobbyist - Picture or Mosaic - Other than flowers - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	210	Jan Harper
2nd	211	Joy Stafford
3rd	78	Mercedes Heyrman
59	Hobbyist - Mirror - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	15	Donna Smith
2nd	115	Elle Vail
60	Hobbyist - Wreath - Shells or Sea Life or Fossils - Non-holiday	
1st	116	Elle Vail
2nd	55	Barbara Malbouef
61	Hobbyist - Multimedia - Photo, painting, artistic rendering - Shell related - No actual shells	
1st	161	Joy Henderson
2nd	129	Joann Bucaida
3rd	41	Donna Carey
62	Hobbyist - Shell Table - Must be a decorated - shell or shell/sea life table	
1st	188	Nora Mihelick
64	Hobbyist - Miscellaneous - Not applicable to other classes	
1st	194	Ann DiRico
2nd	66	Mary Giambruno
3rd	8	Marvin Hennemann
70	Professional - Single Sailor's Valentine - 13 in. to 32 in. octagonal case - Seashells and/or sea life	
1st	10	Judy Dinnick
1st	3	David Rhyne
2nd	131	Jane Santini
3rd	130	Brandy Llewellyn
71	Professional - Single Miniature Valentine - Six inch or smaller octagonal case - Seashells and/or sea life	
1st	150	Alla Baksanskaya
2nd	154	Constance Marshall
Miller		
3rd	105	Karine Almir
72	Professional - Single Med. Sailor's Valentine - 7 in. to 12 in. octagonal case - Seashells and/or sea life	
1st	11	Judy Dinnick
2nd	64	Gerda Reid
3rd	155	Constance Marshall
Miller		
73	Professional - Traditional Single Sailor's Val. - Octagonal case - Seashells and/or sea life	
1st	218	Wendy Marshall
1st	156	Constance Marshall
Miller		
2nd	88	Hatsue Iimuro
3rd	151	Alla Baksanskaya
74	Professional - Double Sailor's Valentine - Seashells and/or sea life	
1st	4	David Rhyne
2nd	89	Hatsue Iimuro
3rd	47	Kathryn Zvokel Stewart
76	Professional - Flower Arrangement - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	57	Karen Robertson Frieda Jenkins
2nd	132	Sue Ross
3rd	125	Barbara Walling
77	Professional - Single Flower - Shells and/or other sea life	
1st	58	Karen Robertson Frieda Jenkins
79	Professional - Miniature Flower Arrangement - Max. 3 in. x 3 in. x 3 in. - Small shells and/or other sea life	
1st	81	Cheryl Whitten
Miller		
2nd	26	James Bird
2nd	192	Charles Barr
3rd	7	Jim Angevine
901	Collectibles - Antiques, fine art, unusual artifacts - Incorporating shells or shell motifs	
1st	170	Scott & Melva Wilzbach
2nd	62	Anne Joffe
3rd	207	Phyllis Gray

902 Special Theme - Color Your World With Color - Demonstrate the great variety of - color, texture and pattern
 1st 160 Constance Marshall Miller
 2nd 31 Judy Mackey
 3rd 189 Charles Barr*



2013 Sanibel Shell Show – Special Awards

Scientific

du Pont Trophy – Most outstanding entry in Classes 1-26: Linda Shockley
 Conchologists of America Award – Entry which best furthers interest in shells & shell collecting: Charlotte Thorpe
 Best Sanibel-Captiva Shells – Self-collected, Class 11: Robert Pace
 James VunKannon Award – Best Florida-Caribbean shells, any source, Classes 12 & 13: Robert Pace
 Howard Sexauer Award – Best worldwide shells, any source, Class 14: Charlotte Thorpe
 Marilyn Northrup Award – Shell of Show: Self-collected, Best single self-collected shell in any exhibit: Charlotte Thorpe
 Shell of Show: Any Source – Best single shell in any exhibit: Robert Pace
 Shell of Show: Fossil – Best single shell in any fossil exhibit: Irene Longley
 Best of the Blues – Best in Class 27: Ken & Joyce Matthys
 Anne Joffe Superstar Award – Best entry in Class 28: Thomas Grace
 Special Theme Award - Scientific – Best entry in Class 26: Bill & Amy Tripp
 Judges' Special Ribbons – One award by each scientific judge to any exhibit: Robert Pace
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Robert Pace

Judges' Merit Ribbons – Awarded to a non-blue ribbon exhibit that judges felt was note worthy of recognition: Clare Horner

Artistic

Myrtle Williams Weinstein Award – Best shell flower exhibit in Classes 40-43: Barbara Malbouef
 Gertrude A. Ford Award – Best miniature flower arrangement in Class 44: Leslie Anding
 Best Picture or Mosaic - Hobbyist – Best entry in Classes 45, 57 & 58: Jan Harper
 Wanda Will Award – Best jewelry in Class 48: Donna Carey
 Dorothy K. Putnam Award – Best mirror in Class 59: Donna Smith
 Best Single Sailor's Valentine - Hobbyist – Best Single Sailor's Valentine in Classes 51-53: Joy Henderson
 Best Miniature Sailor's Valentine - Hobbyist – Best Miniature Sailor's Valentine in Class 52: Peter Gabel
 Bettie K. McGowan Award – Best Holiday exhibit in Class 50: Donna Carey
 Best Shell Related Exhibit - Hobbyist – Best exhibit in Classes 49 & 61: Scott & Melva Wilzbach
 Best in Show - Hobbyist – Best Hobbyist exhibit in Classes 40-66: Joy Henderson
 Best Single Sailor's Valentine - Professional – Best exhibit in Classes 70-73: Judy Dinnick
 Best Double Sailor's Valentine - Professional – Best exhibit in Classes 74 & 75: David Rhyne

Best Miniature Sailor's Valentine - Professional – Best exhibit in Class 71: Alla Baksanskaya

Best Medium Sailor's Valentine - Professional – Best exhibit in Class 72: Judy Dinnick

Best Flower Exhibit - Professional – Best exhibit in Classes 76-78: Karen Robertson Frieda Jenkins

Meta Neujahr Award – Professional - Best exhibit in Class 79: Cheryl Whitten
 Best Picture or Mosaic - Professional – Best exhibit in Classes 80, 90 & 91: Karine Almir

Best Miscellaneous Exhibit - Professional – Best exhibit in Class 89: Judy Mackey

Captain Tom Clifford Award – Professional - Best exhibit in Classes 70-94: David Rhyne

Judges' Special Ribbons – One ribbon by each artistic judge to any Artistic Division exhibit: Judy Mackey

Judges' Special Ribbons – One ribbon by each artistic judge to any Artistic Division exhibit: Sally Arbib

Judges' Merit Ribbons – Awarded to a non-blue ribbon exhibit that judges felt was note worthy of recognition: Sharlene Tessler

Special Theme Award - Artistic – Best exhibit in Class 902: Constance Marshall Miller*



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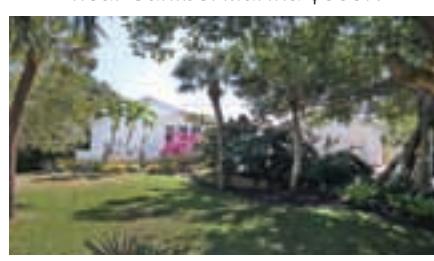
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Winners Rene Lohser, Cort Meader, Jim Sauer and Bruce Cutler

Sanibel Island Golf Club Men's Group All Tied Up

On Saturday, March 9, the Sanibel Island Golf Club Men's Group played a modified stableford game: A net par counted 1 point, a net birdie was 2 points, a net eagle 3 points and a double eagle 4 points. There was a tie score with two teams turning in scores of 96 points. The winners were determined by who had the lowest score on the back nine. Bruce Cutler, Jim Sauer, Cort Meader and Rene Lohser were awarded first as they had the lowest back nine score by one stroke. Cutler and Sauer had double eagles, Meader made several putts and Lohser played his usual steady game. The foursome who tied the winners but lost the scorecard playoff and came in second place were Rich Rompala, Bill Fetherston, Jerry Mader and Al Krause.

Third place also resulted in a tie and had to be decided by a scorecard playoff. With the aid of a blind draw was the threesome of Bill Stell, Guy Tober and Roger Cogswell with a score of 90. The other team with a score of 90 that had to settle for fourth place was Mike Zembko, Dick Chocol, Don Bradford and Jack Tukey.**



Second place winners Al Krause, Jerry Mader, Rich Rompala and Bill Fetherston



Irish Saying

**Beannachtaí na
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Pronunciation:

bann-ockt-tee nih fail-eh pawd-rig

Means:

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SUNSET CAPTIVA

Sunset Captiva is a wonderful village in the heart of "quaint downtown Captiva". Fantastic dining, live music on every corner, wonderful shopping, boating and water sports are all only a very short stroll yet privacy abounds in this unusually spacious 2 bed/2 bath bayfront condo in a 10 unit building. Ever changing bayfront views, deepwater direct access docks, oversized pool, 2 tennis courts, clubhouse, picnic areas and private beach access. It is easy to say "this listing has it all" but the Sunset Captiva Gulf to Bay Homeowners truly do. Stroll or golfcart (allowed in the Captiva Village) to a very fun, relaxing, tropical lifestyle. Offered for \$869,000 Contact Loretta Geiger 239/980-2298.



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#3110

Quaint corner 1 bedroom/1 bath unit overlooking lush gardens and courtyard. West Indies-style décor, fully furnished turn-key villa located within the Southern Enclave of South Seas Island Resort. Extra side windows in dining area for additional light. Walking distance to beaches, Village of Captiva, restaurants and much more. South Seas Island Resort amenities offered with a club membership. Offered for \$275,000. Contact LeAne Taylor Suarez 239/872-1632.



#3139

Every aspect of the interior is designed to enhance the island experience. The entry level offers a private guest bedroom and bath, a great room that encompasses an open floor plan with sliding glass doors in living and side window in dining area in this end villa. The privacy of the master bedroom with en-suite bath is located on the upper level overlooking an enclave of sunlight through the picture window. Offered for \$405,000. Contact LeAne Taylor Suarez 239/872-1632.



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An exquisite property cascading across 102' ft Gulf front & adding to this vision is the grassy lawn anchored with trees. Distributed over three levels, this well organized custom design clearly defines entertainment indoors & outdoors. On entering the residence the decorative foyer leads past the sweeping staircase into open, yet intimate living spaces with soaring ceilings, sculpture floor covering, and a versatile floor plan to create a feeling & experience unsurpassed in taste & refinement. Serene pool, spa, gulf breezes & idyllic lifestyle promise the most rejuvenating moments. Offered for \$5,850,000. Contact LeAne Taylor Suarez 239/872-1632



WATERFRONT OASIS

This home is well appointed from the gourmet kitchen to the coffered ceilings and moldings. The master bedroom is a serene retreat with a reading area, fireplace, steam room and jetted spa, enormous walk-in closet. The billiard room could double as a media room and opens to a bar and dining area. The study/piano room features custom wood built-ins and could also serve as a 4th bedroom for guests. All bedrooms are spacious with large closets. The dock features a 10K lb. boat lift and the custom pool offers a rock waterfall and jetted spa. This home also comes with automatic storm shutters and is in compliance with all wind codes. Offered for \$920,000. Contact Debra Hobbs 239/565-0549



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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

High school is a telling time in the outcome of a young person's future. Although there are assigned academic programs, Lee County students do have choices when it comes to electives.

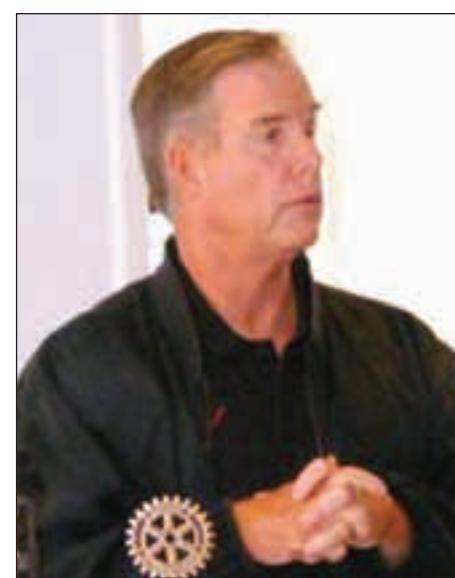
There is an elective program that appeals to 5,200 high school students in the county that includes learning about leadership, character, student success, personal discipline and responsibility for your actions. This elective is Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (JROTC).

Sanibel-Captiva Rotary guest speakers this week were retired Army Lt. Colonel



Tom Madigan, director of Army JROTC instruction for Lee County; and retired army Lt. Colonel, Bill Zocovics, director of operations for the Lee County Army JROTC. Madigan said, "The most important goal of JROTC is to ensure our future leaders graduate from high school while simultaneously developing each cadet's leadership potential and character." The JROTC program combines classroom instruction, a leadership lab and integrated curricular activities focused on attaining an awareness of the rights, responsibilities, and privileges of citizenship; promoting wellness and physical fitness; building life skills; and providing leadership opportunities.

As part of the program, cadets wear uniforms and participate in a military-type drill team for ceremonial presentations and public appearances, but there is no military instruction. This statement addressed to cadets sums up the program: "You are always on parade and that means that everything you do matters, regardless of whether anyone is



Retired Lt. Colonel Tom Madigan

watching."

Madigan and Zocovics presented the stepping stones that lead to the success of the program; dreams and goals, self-esteem, team support, decisions and planning, and positive mental attitude. Each cadet is encouraged to make a five-year plan for accomplishing those goals. Lee County JROTC students statistics are: 98.9 percent graduate, 20 percent enlist in the military, 32 percent attend

vocational-technical school, 38 percent attend college. JROTC programs across the nation provide guidance to students on how they can become their best and contribute to society.

The JROTC creed:

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I do not lie, cheat or steal and will always be accountable for my actions and deeds.

I will always practice good citizenship and patriotism.

I will work hard to improve my mind and strengthen my body.

I will seek the mantle of leadership and stand prepared to uphold the Constitution and the American way of life.

May God grant me the strength to always live by this creed.

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at Sanibel Island Golf Club, 1100 Par View Drive. If you have any questions regarding Rotary, e-mail Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club President, John Grey-John@JohnGreyPainting.com or President-Elect, Scot Congress-Scot@scongress.com.*

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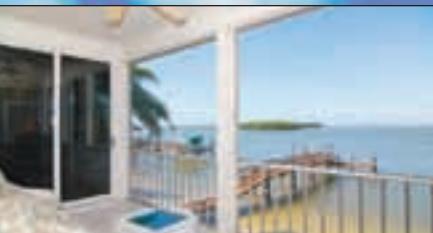
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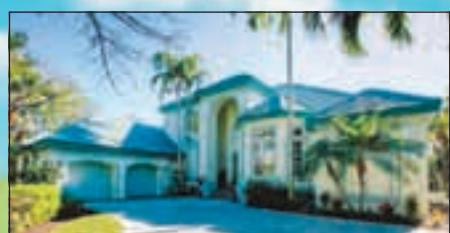
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The Sanibel Oscars Shine

by Di Saggau

Local movie fans and Hollywood elite, portrayed by island residents, walked the red carpet March 4 during the Sanibel Oscars at BIG ARTS. Executive Director Sid Picker welcomed a full house to the annual event and reminded everyone that this is the Oscar ceremony that really counts because it reflects the votes of Sanibelians. He also thanked his producers Sandy Hann and Hazel Barber for helping put the show together. What a show it was.

Master of Ceremonies Albert Hann kept the program moving right along with his genial wit. The evening included James Bond driving a motorcycle on stage, Mae West flirting with the three Magic Mikes and Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers tripping the light fantastic. Island residents portrayed many stars of the silver screen, past and present. Even Vladimir Putin and Gerard Depardieu graced the stage for a chat.

The Sanibel Oscar winners differed somewhat from that other Oscar event. Our choices were: Best Picture, *Lincoln*; Best Director, Steven Spielberg; Best Actor, Daniel Day Lewis; Best Actress, Jennifer Lawrence; Best Supporting Actor, Tommy Lee Jones, Best Supporting Actress, Sally Field, Best Foreign Film, *Amour*. Special Honorary Oscars went to Wendy Harriman and Chad Nave for their years of assistance in helping the BIG ARTS Film Society.

After the award ceremonies, audience members enjoyed the classic movie *Moonstruck*. This was followed by a champagne reception where they mingled with the stars of the evening.**



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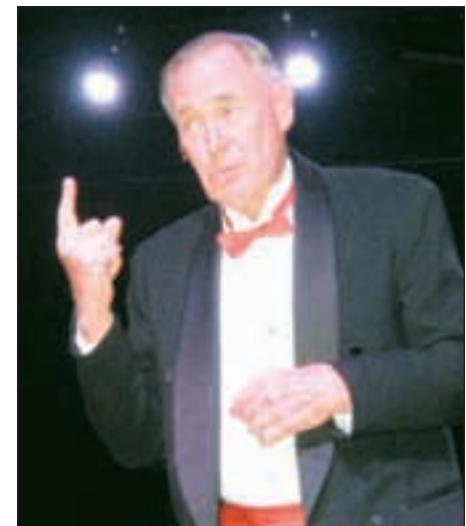
Director of the show Sid Picker



Maddy Mayor and JR Pascall



Host and Hostess Walter Schumann and Maddy Mayor



Master of Ceremonies Albert Hann



Tom McCarter, Terry Nagle and Mike Derechin strut their stuff



Mary LaVelle as Mae West with the Magic Mikes



Ulla and Bogie Von Below



Jim and Maddy Hanlon



Hazel Barber as Judy Garland and Harvey Padewar as Clark Gable



Don Rice as Vladimir Putin and Dick Calkins as Gerard Depardieu



Chuck Ketteman as Fred Astaire and Suzanne Lurie as Ginger Rogers



Tanya Hochschild as Anne Bancroft and Frank Ciccone as Dustin Hoffman



Sandy Hann as Cher and Herb Rubin as Sonny



Richard Johnson as 007 with Nancy Padewar and Sandy Greco as Bond Girls



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From March 20 to 27, replicas of both the *Niña* and *Pinta*, built by The Columbus Foundation, will be docked at the Fort Myers Yacht Basin in the downtown River District. The historically accurate ships are touring together as a new and enhanced sailing museum to educate the public and school children on the caravel, a Portuguese ship used by Columbus and many early explorers to discover the world.

The *Niña* is a replica of the ship on which Columbus sailed across the Atlantic on his three voyages of discovery to the new world beginning in 1492. Columbus sailed the tiny ship over 25,000 miles. That ship was last heard of in 1501, but the new *Niña* has a different mission; it is a floating museum that visits ports all over the Western Hemisphere.

The *Pinta* was recently built in Brazil to accompany the *Niña* on all of her travels. She is a larger version of the archetypal caravel and offers larger deck space for walk-around tours and has a 40-foot air conditioned main cabin below with seating. *Pinta* is available for private parties and charters.

General admission is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors (age 60+), \$6 for ages five to 16



Historically accurate replicas of the *Niña* and *Pinta*, built by The Columbus Foundation, will be open for public tours while docked at the Fort Myers Yacht Basin

photo by David Grimmel

(not in a school group), age four and under are free. Group and school tours (minimum of 15 people) are \$5 per person. Tour hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Fort Myers Yacht Basin is at 1300 Lee Street. For more information and bookings, call 787-672-2152.**



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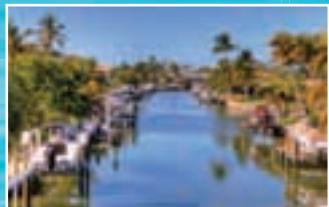
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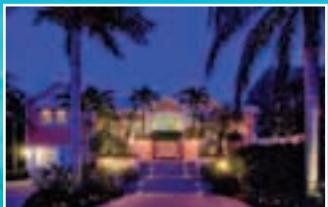
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Around The Islands With Anne

Going Green Takes On New Meaning On St. Patrick's Day

by Anne Mitchell



The beer will be flowing green and the strains of Irish music will be heard around the islands Sunday as local restaurants and their patrons celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

Traditions on the Beach, The Island Cow, George & Wendy's Seafood Grill and Traders Store & Café are among the Sanibel establishments that will be encouraging the wearing of the green on Sunday.

At **George & Wendy's**, green beer will be served in the parking lot all afternoon while indoors there will be specials featuring traditional Irish dishes and Irish music all evening long.

Traditions on the Beach restaurant, bar and lounge will be celebrating with dinner specials including corned beef and

cabbage along with the regular menu selections. Sanibel's own Irish "Pianoman" Joe McCormick will perform with singer Marvilla Marzan. Guests will be entertained by Irish sing-alongs, dance and music.

Seating for dinner will begin at 5 p.m. and musical entertainment will begin at 7 p.m. and continue until late.

The Island Cow will be dispensing green beer and Juan O'Murphy's Corned Beef & Cabbage with Irish Potatoes – priced at \$14.95. The motto is, "Everyone's lucky enough to be Irish at The Cow." There will be live Irish music and lots of fun on the porch.

For **Traders** VIP members, there will be a St. Patrick's-theme cupcake competition. Even if you're not a VIP member, it will be fun to be there for the judging at 3 p.m. – that's happy hour as well.

Contestants will bake and decorate a dozen cupcakes and drop them off between 2 and 3 p.m. Four prizes will be awarded, for Best Overall, Most Creative, Best Tasting and Most Beautifully decorated.

"Our winners from last year are anticipating some stiff competition and we are hoping many of our VIPs will participate this year," said Gretchen Archambault, who with her husband Joe runs the restaurant. "Wear something green and come join in the fun. We're having surprise celebrity judges and a few other surprises that day," she added.

What happens when you team a Zebra with a raccoon? Well, the raccoon would be Trouper, who is blind and is the subject of a popular children's book, and the Zebra is the name of the frozen yogurt store in Bailey's Shopping Center.

Trouper will be making a guest appearance at **Zebra Frozen Yogurt** on Tuesday, March 19 at 4 p.m. and all are welcome to join him – and perhaps treat themselves to one of the flavors and some of the 52 toppings available. Bring the children, because Trouper and his handler Dot Lee will be teaching about the importance of respecting and protecting all wildlife through the Trouper Wildlife Project.

Kyle Miller, author of *Trouper: The True Beginnings of a Blind Raccoon*, will be on hand to sign copies of the book.

Zebra Frozen Yogurt can be contacted at 579-0860.

Tower Gallery is having an opening Saturday, March 16 from 5 to 9 p.m. to introduce three new artists who recently joined the co-op.

They are Peter Zell, an award-winning oil, acrylic and watercolor artist who lives in Southwest Florida; Ludmilla Evans, who makes porcelain pieces ranging from functional pitchers to jewelry; and Christina Reichow, whose watercolor paintings of tropical birds, flowers, dragonflies, butterflies and landscapes have been acknowledged by the American Watercolor Society and the National Watercolor Society.

Tower's other 20 artists will be displaying new work as well. Refreshments will be served. Tower Gallery is at 751 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel, phone 472-4557.

Speaking of art, close to 75 art lovers appeared at the lime green cottage on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, to view not only the cottage but also the artwork on the walls by Robert Rauschenberg and other contemporary masters.

Long-time friends Jane Reader Weaver of **Royal Shell Real Estate** and Jane Coats Eckert of Eckert Fine Art in Millerton, New York, lined the walls of the newly renovated cottage with original art by Rauschenberg, Roy Lichtenstein, Michael Kalish

and their contemporaries. These works provided quite the backdrop for a gathering of art lovers and old friends.

John and Melissa Talmage of Island Barbecue and Sweet Melissa's Restaurant on Sanibel provided light fare and Chris Heidrick of Heidrick and Co. Insurance along with Barb Harrington of The Royal Shell Companies shared celebrity bartender status. Don and Gaither DeLuca, Royal Shell Real Estate's broker and his wife attended along with Darryl Pottorf and other artists from the Rauschenberg Estate on Captiva. Kat Epple serenaded the crowd and Stephanie Davis was on hand to record the evening for posterity. Paul McCarthy and many Captiva notables came out to mix and mingle, said Reader Weaver.

Patrons came from as far away as Manhattan, New York, and Naples, Florida. The show will continue at the cottage for the next two months. Reader Weaver has the property listed and anyone interested may contact her for details at 850-9555.

Congratulations to Chef AJ Black of **Il Tesoro Restaurant** in New York City and Sanibel, for being chosen to prepare a special Chic Italian Lunch on March 29 at the James Beard House in New York.

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LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

This week's lineup at **Traditions on the Beach** at the Island Inn includes: tonight, Friday Night Dance Party with Joe McCormick and Barbara Smith bringing you the classic R&B, dance and disco sounds of the '70s as well as top contemporary dance music hits; Saturday, Joe McCormick and singer Marvilla Marzan with the sounds of Broadway and Latin hits and other popular dance music; Sunday, St. Patrick's Day Party with Irish Pianoman Joe McCormick and Marvilla Marzan; Monday, Mike Arnone aka "The Jersey Kid," a pop pianist and vocalist performing everything from The Rat Pack to Mo-Town; Tuesday, Pianoman Joe McCormick with popular music and smooth vocal stylings; Wednesday, Prime Rib and Prime Jazz!; and Thursday, Joe McCormick and singer Marvilla Marzan with the sounds of Broadway and Latin hits and other popular dance music. Entertainment runs from 7 p.m. until late.

Traditions is at 3111 West Gulf Drive, Sanibel, and is open from 5 p.m. until late Monday through Saturday. Live entertainment starts at 7 p.m. For reservations, call 472 4559.

George & Wendy's Seafood Grille offers music Tuesday through Sunday.

Tonight, Friday, there will be live music by The Trouble Starters rock band. Saturday is Ladies Night with drink specials and DJ Eric with a turntable full of hits from 9 p.m. to midnight; Sunday, Jazz Brunch from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Irish music from 6 p.m. to midnight; Tuesday, Chris Coile with '50s and '60s hits from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Karaoke is Wednesdays from 9 p.m. to midnight. Robby Hutto, guitar and vocals, will entertain on Thursday.

George & Wendy's is at 2499 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, phone 395-1263.

Traders Store & Café features music by Chris Workman on Sundays and 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 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.

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 Crow's Nest at Tween Waters Inn has live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Crab races take place Mondays and Thursdays. The Crow's Nest is at 15951 Captiva Drive, phone 472-5161.

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

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Keylime Bistro features live music days and nights seven days a week with 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.**



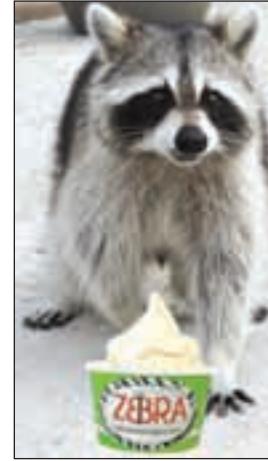
Painting by Peter Zell, a new artist at Tower Gallery, which will be holding a reception for three new artists on Saturday



From left, Janet Vince, Captiva artist, with Lia Martino and Pam Schmidt, a former employee of the late Robert Rauschenberg



There will be a St. Patrick's Day cupcake baking contest at Traders Store & Café Sunday



Trouper the blind raccoon will be at Zebra Frozen Yogurt on Tuesday

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Third	Sanibel Café	142	114
Fourth	Odd Balls	125	141
Fifth	Sandycappers	109	147
Sixth	Island Lifers	109	147
Seventh	Deep Pockets	102	154
Eighth	Fresh Legion Crew	94	162

March 11 Results

Bathroom Magic	11	Sandycappers	1
Bunt's Ball Busters	8	Sanibel Café	4
Odd Balls	8	Fresh Legion Crew	4
Island Lifers	6	Deep Pockets	6

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

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- When was the last time before 2012 that Creighton won an NCAA men's basketball tournament game?
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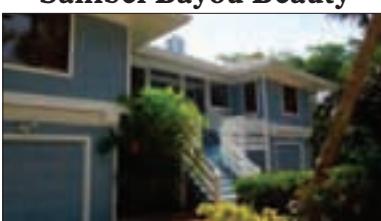
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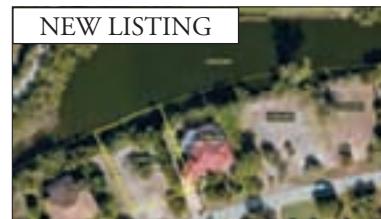
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With A Colorful Past, Mientkiewicz Moves From Rookie Team Batting Coach To Manager Of Miracle

by Ed Frank



From just a hitting coach for a rookie team in the Los Angeles Dodgers organization to first-year manager of the Fort Myers Miracle Class A baseball team, Doug Mientkiewicz (pronounced "man-kay-which") is the first to admit that he was "really surprised" when the Minnesota Twins offered him the job.

A fixture in the Twins system from 1995, when first drafted out of Florida State University, until 2004, Mientkiewicz had only one season (2012) on the coaching side of baseball when Twins' General Manager Terry Ryan asked the Dodgers for permission to discuss the Miracle job with the personable Mientkiewicz.

"Three times, the Dodgers had asked me to take the hitting coach job before I agreed, and I quickly fell in love working with those kids. But I was born and raised a Twin and it is the only franchise I would consider to leave the Dodgers," he said.

A resident of Islamorada, Florida, he said the High A Miracle managership, just three steps removed from the Major Leagues, is "the perfect job," allowing him to return to the Twins organization and being closer to home with wife Jodi and 7-year-old son, Steel. Nevertheless, he was surprised to get the job here.

"He's a winner. He has a good baseball IQ. He's been a player, coach and played in a World Series," said Ryan, adding that Robin Ventura of the Chicago White Sox and Mike Metheny of the St. Louis Cardinals hadn't been managers prior to taking over those two clubs.

Mientkiewicz's early professional career started with the Miracle in 1996 and by 1998, he had made it to the Majors as the Twins' first baseman. His best year was 2001, when he hit .306 with 15 home runs, 74 RBIs and won an American League Gold Glove for his defensive play.

In 2000, he was a member of the United States Olympic baseball team and hit the game-winning home run against South Korea in the semi-finals to propel the U.S. to its first baseball gold medal. Mientkiewicz is only one of five Major League players in history to win a World Series and an Olympic gold medal.

That World Series victory occurred in 2004, when he had been traded to the

Boston Red Sox where his stellar defensive skills were a factor in the first Red Sox World Series title in 84 years.

But the final out in that series is perhaps what Mientkiewicz is best remembered – an incident which he prefers not discussing because "there's plenty about it on the Internet."

Briefly, when Red Sox pitcher Keith Foulke tossed the ball to Mientkiewicz at first base for the last out, he kept the ball in what ultimately resulted in a brew-ha. After arguments and even a Red Sox lawsuit, he relinquished the ball that is now in the Baseball Hall of Fame.

The life of a Minor League manager is far different from that of a Major Leaguer: long bus trips at night, second-class hotels and meals on the run.

"It will be a cake walk compared to the 12- to 14-hour trips last year with the Dodger rookie team," he said.

Mientkiewicz relishes working and instructing youngsters who dream of Major League stardom. He explained that Class A baseball "is pivotal" to young players as by the time a player moves up to Double A baseball most are capable of competing in the majors.

But the odds of making the "big show" are small.

For example, the Twins presently have about 140 participating in Minor League spring training. Historically, less than 10 percent – or about eight players – will progress to the Twins' 40-man Major League roster.

It is likely that Mientkiewicz will be managing the Twins No. 1 prospect, infielder Miquel Sano, who slugged 28 home runs and drove in 100 runs last year for Low A Beloit.

Asked whether he dreams of someday managing in the Major Leagues, Mientkiewicz downplayed such thoughts, saying his only desire at present is helping youngsters "keep their dreams alive."

The Twins' philosophy through the years has been to promote within rather than "buying" top stars through free agency. "It's as close to a family that you will find in baseball," he said. And his respect for Twins GM Ryan is second only to his father.

While the role of a Minor League manager is to develop future Major Leaguers, you can be certain that based on Mientkiewicz' past, the 2013 Fort Myers Miracle will be



Doug Mientkiewicz

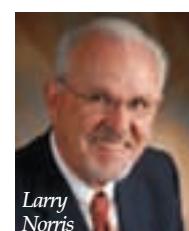
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With only nine games remaining – seven at home – in the regular season, Florida began the week with a 32-20-4-7 season record and 75 points. Elmira and South Carolina also had 75 points.

The late-season winning play of the Everblades bodes well for the defending Kelly Cup Champions who similarly put on a season-ending push a year ago.

Florida began a five-game homestand Wednesday against South Carolina. The two teams square off again Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at Germain Arena.*

Dunes Sunday Mixed Golf

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club announced the results of the Sunday Mixed Golf event held on March 10.

Format: 1, 2, 3 Net Better Balls of 4

1st	Dave Blue Gussie Blue Tom Donovan Mary Donovan	107
2nd	Jack Chesnut Fay Chesnut Chuck Hogg Peggy Hogg	112
3rd	Don Weymouth Kenene Weymouth John Frymoyer Anne Frymoyer	116
	Closest to the Hole June Muench #2 Chuck Hogg #9**	

Spring Training Home Schedules

Boston Red Sox - jetBlue Park

Friday, March 15 – Minnesota; 7:05 p.m.

Sunday, March 17 – Tampa Bay; 1:35 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19 – Baltimore; 1:35 p.m.

Minnesota Twins - Hammond Stadium

Thursday, March 14 – Boston; 1:05 p.m.

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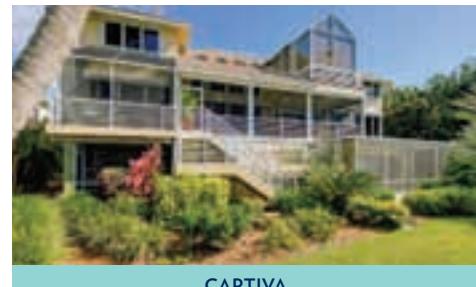
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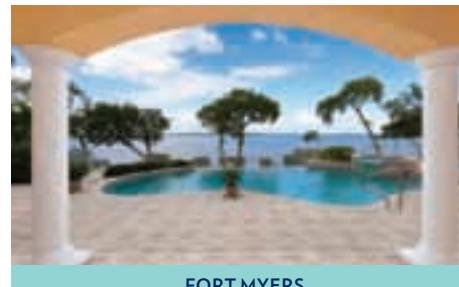
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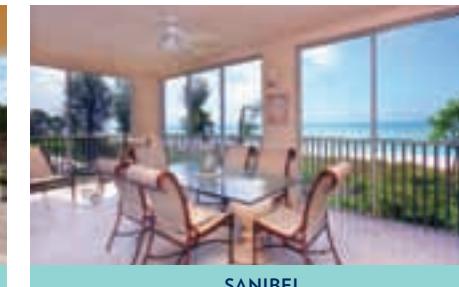
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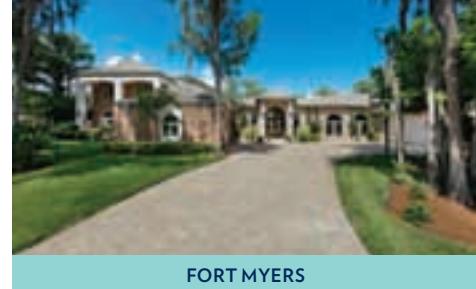
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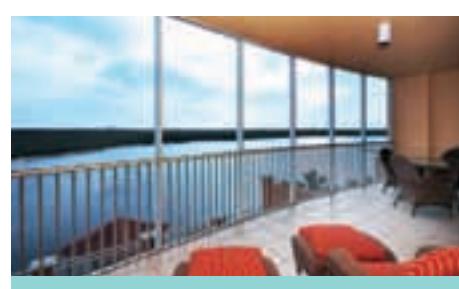
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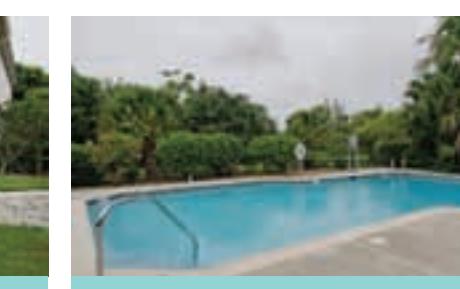
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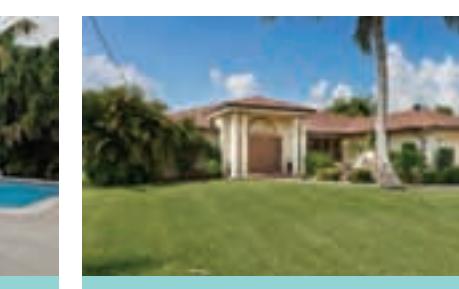
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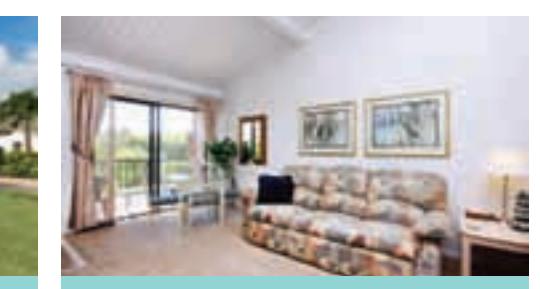
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FOR WEEK OF MARCH 18, 2013

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) With your practical side dominant this week, it's a good time to reassess your finances to see what expenses you can cut. Aspects also favor mending fraying relationships.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 18) Your Bovine-inspired determination to follow matters through from beginning to end pays off in a big way. Enjoy a well-earned weekend of fun with a special someone.

GEMINI (May 19 to June 17) Aspects favor re-establishing business relationships you might have neglected. A family member's request needs to be given more thought before you make a decision.

CANCER (June 18 to July 22) While you might appreciate the avalanche of advice coming from others, keep in mind that the intuitive Moon Child is best served by listening to her or his own inner voice.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Lion's social life whirls at centrifugal speed this week as you go from function to function. Things slow by week's end, giving you a chance to catch up on your chores.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Don't let your stand on an issue cause a rift with a colleague. Insist on both of you taking time to reassess your positions while there's still room for compromise.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An opportunity you'd been hoping for finally opens up. But read the fine print before you make a commitment, especially where a time factor might be involved.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your need to know what's going on behind the scenes leads you to make some bold moves. Be prepared with a full expla-

nation of your actions if necessary.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A lot of details need tending to during the early part of the week. The pressure eases by the 20th, allowing you to get back to your major undertaking.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A friend asks you to act on his or her behalf in a dispute. Be careful. You might not have all the facts you need in order to make a fair assessment of the situation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new development might require you to cancel some of your plans. But you adapt easily, and by week's end, you could receive welcome "cheering-up" news.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your recent workplace accomplishments boost your self-confidence just as you're about to consider a potentially rewarding, although possibly risky, career move.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your love of the arts is equaled only by your strong sense of justice. People can depend on you to always try to do what's right.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On March 24, 1603, after 44 years of rule, Queen Elizabeth I of England dies, and King James VI of Scotland ascends to the throne, uniting England and Scotland under a single British monarch. Queen Elizabeth I passed into history as one of England's greatest monarchs.

- On March 23, 1839, the initials "O.K." are first published in The Boston Morning Post. Meant as an abbreviation for "all correct," a popular slang misspelling of "all correct" at the time, OK steadily made its way into the everyday speech of Americans.

- On March 22, 1908, Louis L'Amour,

the author of scores of bestselling Western novels, is born in Jamestown, N.D. After returning from World War II, L'Amour began writing short stories and novels. His big break came when a novel he wrote at the age of 46 became the basis for the popular John Wayne movie "Hondo."

- On March 19, 1916, the First Aero Squadron flies a support mission for the 7,000 U.S. troops who had invaded Mexico on President Woodrow Wilson's orders to capture Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa dead or alive.

- On March 18, 1937, nearly 300 students in Texas are killed by an explosion of natural gas at their school. Eleven oil and natural-gas derricks stood in the schoolyard as a means of saving the school money. The blast killed most victims instantly and was felt 40 miles away.

- On March 20, 1965, President Lyndon Johnson sends a telegram to Gov. George Wallace of Alabama in which he agrees to send federal troops to supervise a planned civil-rights march in Wallace's home state. Earlier that month, civil-rights activist Martin Luther King Jr. had led two attempts to march to Montgomery.

- On March 21, 1980, President Jimmy Carter informs a group of U.S. athletes that, in response to the December 1979 Soviet incursion into Afghanistan, the United States would boycott the 1980 Olympics in Moscow. It marked the first and only time that the United States has boycotted the Olympics.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- President Harry Truman was once told there were ghosts in the White House. His response? "I'm sure they're here, and I'm

not half so alarmed at meeting up with any of them as I am at having to meet the live nuts I have to see every day."

- Pet food is the third most profitable item for supermarkets, following meat and fresh produce.

- The warmest parts of your body are your eyes and nose, while the coldest parts (unsurprisingly) are your fingers and toes.

- In the African country of Zaire, more than 200 different languages are spoken.

- It was more than 30 years ago, in 1982, that a man in suburban Los Angeles tied 24 weather balloons to his lawn chair in an attempt to fly. A pretty successful attempt, too -- he made it to 16,000 feet, alarming air traffic controllers and pilots in the process.

- Those who study such things say that the rate of divorce increases during the winter months.

- The Baltimore Orioles had a pretty bad season in 1988. After the team lost its first 10 games, Bob Rivers, a deejay at Baltimore radio station WIYY, announced that he would stay on the air until the home team won a game. He kept his word, sleeping only between songs, for 10 days. When the Orioles finally defeated the Chicago White Sox, Rivers played "I'm Free" by The Who, and finally left.

- Queen termites can live for up to 100 years.

- When respondents to a survey are guaranteed that the results will be anonymous, fully 40 percent of the people admit to cheating on their taxes.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"When two men in business always agree, one of them is unnecessary." -- William Wrigley, Jr.

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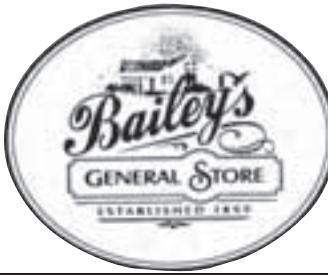
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FGCU-Sanibel Invitational Golf Tournament

Organizers of the FGCU-Sanibel Invitational Golf Tournament, set for this Saturday, March 16 at the Sanibel Island Golf Club (formerly Beachview) have announced that golfers can sign up as late as 7:30 a.m. on the morning of the event.

"Join the fun and support a great cause," said Richard Johnson, chairman of the board for Community Housing and Resources (CHR).

The tournament is the inaugural event of what is expected to become an annual fundraiser to benefit CHR, a non-profit organization that since 1983 has been providing affordable housing to families and individuals who work in and/or serve our community.

The course is a favorite with local golfers and the \$100 contribution to participate is a great price, including a round of golf, snacks and an awards luncheon. This is only a few dollars above the regular fee for playing the course during season.

The event begins at 8:30 a.m. with a shotgun start and it's all in good fun – no special level of skill is required. Players will be teamed up in foursomes with a member of the Florida Gulf Coast University men's golf team or a local pro. Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams.

Players who have signed up so far include Craig Albert and David Wright

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At the Sanibel Island Golf Club, tournament organizers, from left, Melissa Rice, Robyn Moran and Kerri Maw with CHR executive director Kelly Collini

from Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, Doug Babcock from 'Tween Waters Inn, Don DeLuca from Royal Shell Vacations, realtors John and Ann Gee and "Chef Karl" from Bailey's Catering.

CHR relies on community support and donations from individuals and businesses, since rents are calculated based on residents' ability to pay. Rental income does not cover such items as maintenance, refurbishment, landscaping or appliance repair.

"Sanibel's economy depends on the

people who provide services through retail and other businesses," said Kelly Collini, executive director of CHR. "We all benefit when the work force lives in the community and we are committed to providing housing of which the community and the residents can be proud."

Not a golfer? Become a sponsor, with recognition on signage throughout the course. Consider joining these generous businesses and individuals: event sponsor (\$2,500) Sanibel Captiva Community Bank; "Eagle" (\$1,000) Bailey's General

Store; and "Birdie" (\$500) Royal Shell and 'Tween Waters Inn. Tee or hole sponsors (\$100) include Island Pizza, Island BBQ, Sanibel Island Golf Club restaurant, Island Pharmacy, Cottages To Castles, Billy's Bikes, Heidrick & Company Insurance, Tim Garmager (partner, Pierce Consulting Partners), Coral Veterinary Clinic, Karen Aulino (Eric Pfeiffer Realty), Amanda Curren (Superior Title), realtors Rob and Robyn Moran, and Sanibel Vice Mayor Mick Denham. Miller and Budweiser distributors have signed on as beer sponsors.

For information on sponsorships, contact Kerri Maw at 292-4944 or kerri-maw@comcast.net. To sign up as a player, call the Pro Shop at 472-2626 and ask for Ed Lockard or Drew Donnelly, Sanibel Island Golf Club's owners. Don't delay; player spots are limited.

For additional information on CHR, call 472-1189 or stop by their offices at 2401 Library Way on Sanibel.**



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Shell Museum Welcomes New Business Manager

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum announced the appointment of Ann Parker as its new business manager. A native of Richmond, Indiana, Parker relocated to the Fort Myers area as a child with her family in 1972 and visited Sanibel almost every Sunday growing up.

A graduate of Hodges University, Parker holds a bachelor's degree in Accounting and has many years of business management experience, including work as the regional business manager for Beasley Broadcasting Group, and seven years of non-profit experience. In her most recent position, she served as financial accountant for the Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, a non-profit serving the child development, health and housing needs of underserved



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Parker enjoys her role as mother to her eight-year-old son, Kyle, and cares for several four-legged friends with whom she shares her home, including her two dogs, Diamond and Simon. She also likes to travel, scuba dive and watch Gator football. ☀

Decisions, Decisions

by Bryan Hayes



The time has finally arrived that you need to replace that old, noisy, energy-sapping air conditioner. There are many different options on the market today. One such option that

you should give special consideration to is two stage cooling.

Two stage cooling is different than conventional a/c. Rather than run at 100 percent of the rated speed, a two stage a/c will run at much lower level, based upon need. There are many benefits to this way of cooling. It will only go to the 100 percent level when temperatures are extreme. Here are some key points about two stage cooling:

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temperature setting should be. Major bonus!

Noise Level

A two stage system runs at lower speeds most of the time, therefore, running quieter than a full on or off system.

As you can see, two stage cooling can offer you a comfort level that you may have never experienced before. So when the time comes, look into two stage cooling, you'll be glad you did.

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

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Sanibel 8-Ball Pool

Matt Hall went 3-0 for the second week in a row and led his Odd Ball team to an 8-4 victory over last place Fresh Legion Crew. Kip Buntrock also had a 3-0 night for the Odd Guys and Chip Gelpi produced three straight wins for the Legion.

Carmen Senese won the first three games for the Island Lifers in their match against Deep Pockets. His three teammates only managed three more wins as the Lifers tied the match. George Sell notched three straight wins for the Deep Pockets team.

Twenty one players have paid their \$20 entry fee to the league's year-end singles tournament set for Monday, April 1 at American Legion Post 123. The tourney is limited to 32 players who have played at least 15 games during the league's 23-week season. ☀



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Entertainment for this year's event will feature Broadway Palms' performers from *The Sound of Music* and *The Calendar Girls*.

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Auctions begin at 5 p.m.; buffet dinner at 5:30 p.m. Ask about table sponsorships. There is also available a \$10 ticket which includes the entertainment and auctions but not the buffet dinner.

This event raises money for the Fletcher Trust Fund, which was established in 2004 to assist transplant recipients and those who are waiting for trans-

plants in Southwest Florida. An average of 18 people die each day in the U.S. due to a lack of available organs and tissue donors.

For tickets and information, call 440-223-2662 or 768-1814. If you are interested in learning more about this nonprofit organization, contact swmson@embarqmail.com. For additional information, visit www.organsupport.org.**

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United Way

economy, it is amazing that the Sanibel-Captiva campaign raised 4 percent more than their goal of \$315,000. A special "thank you" to Tony Lapi and the campaign committee for their hard work."

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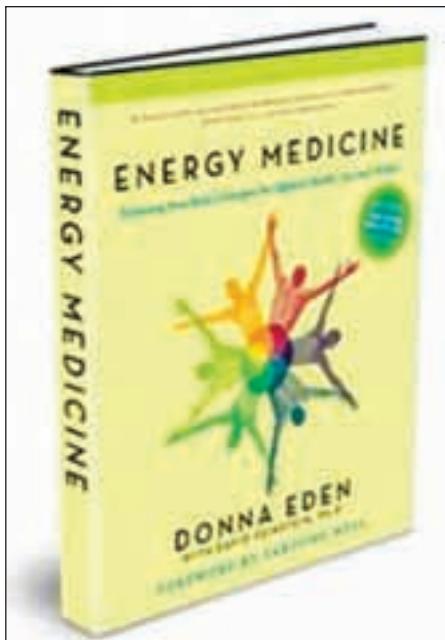
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Fairview Isles	Fort Myers Beach	1978	1,928	699,000	675,000	16
Enclave at Heritage P	Fort Myers	2002	3,031	699,000	659,900	140
Dunes At Sanibel Island	Sanibel	1986	2,688	690,000	625,000	87
Hampton Greens	Fort Myers	1994	4,127	649,000	619,500	9
Cornwallis	Cape Coral	2006	2,706	639,000	614,000	112
Hawthorne	Bonita Springs	2002	2,685	735,900	603,750	268
Del Segra	Sanibel	2002	1,884	725,000	600,000	318
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School Smart



by Shelley M.
Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley,
The homework wars at my house just keep getting worse. I have two boys – one in sixth grade and one in 10th grade – and they

are so tired of the huge amount of homework they get. I'm tired of it too; they say they get too much and it's not fair. I'm willing to go to their schools to discuss this, but I would like to know what a normal amount of homework is for their grade levels.

Kristin K., Fort Myers

Kristin,
You are not alone in the homework wars. Homework causes so many issues both at home and at school. Your question about how much homework is reasonable is a great one. It can be a no-win situation – when there's too much homework, parents often complain; and when there is too little, parents will complain again. You can find research studies that support both ends of this issue. So what really makes sense?

In all probability, homework will not disappear... so how can its impact be maximized? Some of the more recent studies report that homework is a great

tool to build study skills. Other studies have also found a link between higher standardized test scores, but clear-cut evidence has not yet been found between homework and overall higher achievement of students.

Critics of homework point out that too much homework or busy work can turn off students to learning. Kids need to see the connection of how the homework they do will help them learn what they really need to know for class.

The National PTA and the National Education Association have stated in their parent brochures the following guidelines for homework:

For grades K-2 – 10 to 20 minutes of homework per day

For grades 3-6 – 30 to 60 minutes of homework per day

Middle/Junior/Senior High Grades typically have homework assigned in each class they take, with many school policies stating that 30 minutes per class is recommended.

Harris Cooper of Duke University said that for middle/junior high grade students diminishing returns on homework begin at about 90 minutes of work and for high school, students' homework is effective when it is from 90 minutes to 2.5 hours.

As a parent, it might help if you can analyze any non-productive behavior patterns you see with your children while doing homework. Do they complain on specific days of the week for example? Perhaps they would prefer to watch a game or TV show on that day and find their homework particularly annoying.

How focused are your children while doing homework? Do they take too many breaks, dawdle about before beginning their work, allow many interruptions, lose and forget their materials – these things will prolong the homework period extensively. It's important for you to have a good understanding of how your children approach their work and then work together to solve any problems that you might find. Then, monitor the time they spend and if it does exceed the above guidelines it might be time to talk with their teachers and find out more about

why they are assigning a heavy homework load.

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FGCU Stem Competition Sanibel Winners

On Tuesday, March 5, Dana Sanner, middle school science teacher at The Sanibel School, accompanied several students who took part in the 2nd annual FGCU STEM Competition. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math. There is a push nationwide to encourage more participation in these subjects by students going on to get college degrees.

The competition consisted of team and individual events. The individual event consisted of a 50-question test for the life science, physical science, and earth/space science categories. The math test had 30 questions. During the team event, one student representing each field of science,

answered five challenging questions. There was one laptop to share among them to help gather background knowledge needed to answer the questions. Once they researched, they had to apply that information to the context of the problem

The participants at the competition were: Gene Carrier, Chet Chance, Deanna Craig, Jordyn Dolly, Jacob Goodman, Riley Johnson, Anna Kjoller, Griffin Kupsaw, Matthew Lucker, and Colin Maw.

The Sanibel School won fifth place overall. Team #1 won second place in the team competition. Chet Chance, Deanna Craig, Riley Johnson, and Matthew Lucker each represented their fields in a very team test. Matt Lucker also took third place in physics. Jordyn Dolly took fifth place life science. Chet Chance finished in third place life science. Griffin Kupsaw finished in fourth place in the earth/space science division. Riley Johnson took second place in earth/space science.**

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In 2007, the Collier Campus opened its first two LEED certified buildings – the NCEF Childhood Development Center and the NCEF Pediatric Dental Center/UF College of Dentistry. In 2012, two more LEED buildings opened – the Allen & Marla Weiss Health Sciences Hall and the Student Services building.

"It is our plan that all new buildings will be LEED certified," said Dr. Jones.

In addition to its LEED certified buildings, the Collier Campus also uses an energy saving climate system that provides cost-saving heating and cooling to all Collier Campus buildings. By running the water chiller at night instead of peak energy hours and storing the chilled water in a 500,000 gallon tank that cools its buildings during the day, the campus saves thousands of dollars a year on energy bills.

Other sustainability initiatives the Collier Campus has instituted include

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Will Power

When You Pose A Financial Danger To Yourself

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



Once received a call from an elderly (90s-plus) client's son. "Craig, we have a problem," he began.

"What's that?" I asked.

"Well, I just flew in from Michigan and when I arrived at dad's condo, I noticed a large

stack of mail that hasn't been opened. So I asked him if it was okay that I went through it."

"Go on," I said.

"Aside from a bunch of unpaid bills and junk mail, I found some bank statements that he never opened or reconciled. So I asked him if it was okay for me to open those. When I did, I found that he had written a \$10,000 check to Maria."

"Who is Maria?" I asked.

"His housekeeper!" son responded. "And the check was clearly in his handwriting. When I showed him the check, he had no recollection of ever writing the check or giving her that amount of money."

"Oh my!" I said. "I think it's time

that we remove dad from being his own trustee of his trust."

"Certainly," son said. "But this isn't the worst of it. Not only did he give Maria \$10,000, he also bought her a new car!"

"How did you discover this?" I asked.

"I found another check to a local car dealer. And he doesn't remember anything at all about that either. So what are the steps that we need to take?"

I reviewed the provisions of dad's trust with son, describing how son has the power to remove dad from remaining in the office as trustee of his own trust. This would change who controlled the brokerage and financial accounts. It's a pretty big deal, akin to taking the keys away from someone who shouldn't be driving an automobile any longer.

To make sure that this was the proper course of action, son took dad to a neurologist who reported what we suspected. Dad had some form of dementia, perhaps Alzheimer's. So taking the financial "keys" away from dad was the right thing to do.

While none of us ever wants to consider the day that we should no longer handle our financial affairs, it is imperative that our estate planning documents contain provisions that allow for a clean transition to someone that we trust to

make these decisions for us. This is where revocable trusts really shine over wills and durable powers of attorney.

In a trust, the original grantor of the trust (Dad) acts as his own trustee until he should no longer act. When it comes time to change trustees, there is a clear and definite succession of management.

A durable power of attorney, in contrast, is the primary legal document used when there is no revocable living trust. But placing son's name on an account as the "attorney-in-fact" (that's the name we use for the person to whom the powers are delegated under the durable power of attorney) does not necessarily remove dad's name from the account or prohibit dad from writing checks on the account.

Furthermore, Durable Powers of Attorney are harder to implement with banks and brokerage firms. This is because the financial institutions are concerned about their own liability when a person purporting to use a durable power of attorney attempts to place their name as a signor on various accounts. The financial institutions generally do not have the same concern with trusts, since the account is titled in the name of the trustee of the trust, and the trust document itself contains the line of succession of trustees. The bank's liability is much more limited in that succession.

Finally, it is important to note that how someone is to be removed as a trustee in his or her own trust. Many years ago, I used to draft a provision that a physician's statement is necessary to remove the original grantor from acting

as his or her own trustee. What I have found is that many physicians are reluctant to sign a statement that removes their patient from acting as their own trustee for a variety of reasons, including the physician's own liability and the HIPPA laws.

So I usually recommend that a client name one or more of their trusted relatives, friends or advisors to sit on a "disability panel" that serves the same purpose if the client's physician won't sign a trustee removal document.

These issues are never easy to consider or talk about. Luckily, in dad's case, we were able to recover most of the money he gave away, and the dealer took back the car with a full refund. But his experience is a lesson that we should all consider when implementing our estate plans.

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Superior Interiors

Bring Your New Floor Plan To Life



by Marcia Feeney

You know the old saying, "measure twice, cut once?" Taking that extra step to make sure your calculations are just right can mean the difference between excitement and disappointment on the day of new furniture delivery.

Floor plans to scale are a great first measure. But the best way to make sure you've checked twice is achieved with the use of a little painter's tape. Taking the dimensions of a piece of furniture and taping them out on the floor where you're thinking about placing your new furniture is a great way to bring your floor plan to life. This is also a good way for you to actually see the space you will need to accommodate your new furniture pieces. Painter's tape is designed to be inexpensive and easy to remove without harming carpet, tile or hardwood floors.

In addition, remember to check the size and clearance of doorways and turns – especially on staircases, hallways and landings – to be sure you can access the room and final area of placement of your new furniture pieces.

So the next time you're not quite sure how a new piece will look – or how much space you will need – take a moment and tape it out.

*Marcia Feeney is an interior designer on Sanibel/Captiva Islands. She can be reached at marcia@decden.net.***

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GreenFest



recycling programs, public transportation with Collier Area Transit, maintaining the native vegetation that grows on the campus, and refraining from using pesticides on the grounds.

"It's important that higher education lead the way in the community, in practice as well as by involving the community in our learning experiences," said Dr. Jones. "What better way to do that than by bringing people together to share knowledge?"

For more information about Edison State College's GreenFest Expo, call Dr. Kirk Otto at 732-3743 or email kirk.otto@edison.edu.**

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by Karen L.
Semmelman,
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H ave you wondered what creates the dis-ease in your joints, making it so very uncomfortable to bend or move them? A fundamental principle of energy medicine is that if energy is not able to move, is stuck and thus not dynamic, or is just like sludge, then an energetic blockage has been created, resulting in dis-ease. Since most of us collect too much energy, which needs to be expelled, performing an exercise that releases the energy will provide immediate relief. Connecting Heaven and Earth, part of the Five Minute Routine, is just that exercise.

It is a powerful stretch, bringing fresh oxygen to the cells, while at the same time releasing that clogged energy. By stretching the torso, the spleen meridian is activated, which plays a vital role in our immune functioning and overall vitality. Use this exercise to clear stale energy, making space for fresh new energy to enter.

When is it especially beneficial to do the Connecting Heaven and Earth exercise? Of course, you should do this daily as part of the routine, but use it more if feeling achy or sore in your joints, feeling disconnected, feeling as if you have taken on other people's energies, have a sense of a cold or flu taking hold, feeling sad or in need of emotional bolstering or if a conflict between your heart and mind exists.

Connecting Heaven and Earth Technique:

- Step 1. Place your hands on the thighs, fingers spread. Envision pulling energy from the earth into your thighs to meet your hands.

- Step 2. Inhale through the nose while bringing your arms in a circle to meet at your heart center in prayer position. Exhale through the mouth.

- Step 3. Inhaling through the nose, stretch one arm up and the other arm down with palms facing the heavens and the earth. Stretch fully on the side with the arm that is above, feeling the stretch along the entire side of the body. Exhale through the mouth and return the hands to prayer position. Switch arms and repeat. Do this two more times for each arm.

- Step 4. Return your arms to your sides, bend at the waist, bend the knees slightly and figure eight your feet while taking two deep breaths.

- Step 5. As you rise from the bent position, roll the energy up your body with your hands, starting at the feet and rolling it all the way over your head.

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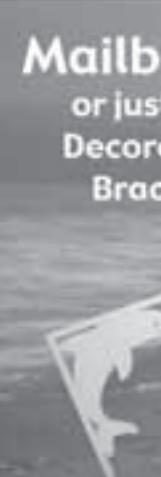
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by Dr. Dave Hepburn

Can't stop Sealey from tweeting now. When first Wisequacks started tweeting, he would simply stare at the blue bird for hours waiting for some action. Then he tweeted with his annual flossing. But now he tweets every time he is inebriated by noon, which is why we have thousands of tweets to choose from and send you these:

- Children should be allowed to believe in Santa as long as they want, experts say. Same with Easter Bunny, Tooth Fairy and NHL.

- 39 States on Pace for Obesity Rates Above 50 percent. Somehow pace and obesity don't belong in the same sentence, like Krispy Kreme and tofu.

- Gingko biloba not only looks revolting but now found to be 100 percent useless. Turning out to be the Snooki of herbal medicine.

- Apparently, people are posting advice on how to do CPR on Twitter... problem is, you have to be revived in less than 140 chest compressions.

- Doctors have discovered the latest in digital technology in the fight against

dearPharmacist

Licorice Helps Chronic Fatigue And Heartburn



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: What is licorice root? I heard you at a lecture talk about it and say something like it could take the place of lots of different drugs, and that it helped with chronic

fatigue.

WW, Dallas, Texas

Licorice root is an herbal remedy often used in Chinese traditional medicine. It's ancient, and was used by the Greeks and Romans for many health concerns such as ulcers, sore throat, asthma, depression, menopause, arthritis, heartburn, gastrointestinal concerns of all sorts and various viral infections (like hepatitis and the flu). Unfortunately, licorice candy (mmm, Twizzlers) doesn't have quite the same effect, but hey, that's not to say you couldn't indulge in that every now and then! Just know that licorice root is a totally different animal, and unlike candy, it has many medicinal properties.

Licorice contains healing flavonoids, phytoestrogens and glycyrrhizin. Some of these compounds block the breakdown of a hormone called cortisol in your body

which helps you deal with stress. Many of us are walking around with severe adrenal fatigue, and depending on a few other medical factors, licorice root could be just what you need to help cope with stress. It also happens to boost levels of natural interferon, which is an important component of your immune system helping you defend yourself from infection.

Licorice root helps soothe irritated membranes while removing mucus from your respiratory tract, making it a great adjunctive remedy for cough and cold. The phytoestrogens also mimic the effect of estrogen, which can help with menopausal symptoms, as well as cognitive function but be careful here because anything that is estrogenic (even mildly so) has the potential to drive certain cancers, especially those of the reproductive tract.

A 2011 study performed on rats in China provided evidence that glycyrrhizin could protect against some of the more drastic negative outcomes from spinal cord injuries, by suppressing inflammatory chemicals (called cytokines) and blocking the release of a gene that promotes further inflammation (HMGB1). In a separate human study, it was also observed that licorice root reduces body fat in part by suppressing aldosterone, which is the hormone that tells your body to hold on to salt and water.

Licorice root is available in many oral dosage forms. Excessive intake of licorice root can exacerbate hypertension and other heart problems, by disrupting the salt and water balance that your body strictly maintains so ask your doctor if it's right for you. It happens compliments of the glycyrrhizin.

Some companies now make a deglycyrrhizinated form of licorice root, which is the form that is free of glycyrrhizin. It's called "DGL" and while this form doesn't really improve adrenal fatigue

concerns, it is great for long-term use and specifically helpful for digestive problems of all sorts including gastritis, reflux and heartburn. DGL is best taken in a chewable tablet form about 20 minutes before eating your meals. DGL is a supplement I usually recommend to people who find themselves compelled to take acid block-

ers and antacids.

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

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: I am the serious type and my girlfriend is always telling me to lighten up and laugh. Why is that so important?

A: Your girlfriend is right. Here's why. Norman Cousins,

editor of *Saturday Evening Review*, said: "Good spirits are a vital part of life. Denying joy is one of the greatest deprivations on this planet." Cousins ought to know. He was faced with a serious degenerative condition. He began reading Dr. Hans Selye's *The Stress of Life* and examined what role his emotions played in his illness. He decided that love, hope, humor and laughter did have merit in the healing process. How did he come to this conclusion? Cousins watched classic episodes of the television show *Candid Camera*. He also spent 10 minutes of each day belly laughing. He discovered the joy of loosening up the abdomen and relaxing the solar plexus muscles. Cousins later wrote the book, *Anatomy of an Illness*. He mentioned

that just "ten minutes of laughter allowed two hours of pain-free sleep." Can one literally laugh himself or herself back to health? Why not? Laughter is truly healing. Physiologically speaking, it boosts your immune system and helps the brain release endorphins, which are natural pain relievers and mood lifters. Laughter increases immunity by increasing gamma interferon, which speeds up the production of new immune cells.

People who laugh release nervous energy built up from repressed thoughts. Watch some funny movies and just start laughing. See how good you feel and I bet it will be contagious.*

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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,

My husband, along with 499 other employees, were assured their jobs were not in jeopardy when his company merged with another company.

In a short time, 250 were laid off, then another 200 and finally down to five.

My husband was one of the five, and then one day they were told they were no longer employed and they must leave immediately.

It was devastating to both of us. We immediately sold our house and rented an apartment, storing what we couldn't use. He tried so hard, went on interviews, but no job offers. At 57, it is very difficult on a man who had never had a job problem before and even harder on me.

I became very depressed and had to be treated with medication. We decided to move to another location and there we bought a new house. Two weeks after we moved in, he had a job offer at our old location, so we decided I would stay in the new house and we could see each other every other weekend. I go up alternately to his apartment and he comes down to the house the other weekend; we talk on the phone several times each day.

My family and friends are driving me crazy. They are all so anxious to tell me what to do. They say our marriage will never survive our stupid arrangement.

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Connection

Bring your arms back to your thighs.

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They tell us we should sell the new house and move back to the old area. We are getting along just fine with this arrangement. We have made new friends and, for just a few more years, this will make a tremendous difference in our financial security for our retirement.

During these difficult times, have you heard what others are doing?

Evelyn

Dear Evelyn,

Economic times are very difficult and new creative living arrangements must be made because the old living arrangements may not be appropriate.

Try if you can to ignore these troubling advisors. Some people always know better or think they know better. Frequently these people have difficulty with their own lives, but it is so easy for them to

solve other people's problems. If this new living arrangement works for you and your husband, just ignore their advice and, if necessary, ignore them. When we are living in a particularly difficult time in our lives, it is then we find who our real friends are. The people who are constantly interfering are just satisfying their own emotional needs, wanting to boss other people around.

Lizzie

Dear Evelyn,

Even when advice is well intended from close family or friends, it can be difficult to listen to. If you come up with a pat answer and then change the topic, not allowing someone to give advice, you can be successful in stopping unsolicited advice. Here is what I mean, and to everyone I have used this little technique,

I hope you are not reading... "I appreciate your concern, but, for now, I would appreciate it if we did not talk about it." Then take a short breath and change the subject... "so, tell me about your day yesterday." Say this every time, be firm and do not return to the topic. If they want to return to the topic, say your little piece again. It is a redirection technique that, once you become good at it, works well.

Pryce

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

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The categories are Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles, and all league players will compete at team level of the highest-ranked partner. Non-league players will be placed at USTA rating and/or at the discretion of The Dunes director of tennis operations. If three or fewer teams enter a category, they will be placed with the nearest appropriate category and will play a double elimination round.

All entrants will receive tournament T-shirts and first place winners and finalists will receive an etched glass piece created by Luc Century. For more information, call tournament co-chairs Lisa Cochrane at 246-8875 or Warren Schwab at 395-8774. To sign up, call Diane Limeri at The Dunes Pavel-Blackwood Tennis Academy at 472-3522.**

Gurhan Trunk Show

Lily & Co Jewelers will host a Gurhan trunk show from 5 to 9 p.m. on Friday, March 22 with a cocktail reception featuring guitar melodies by Dan Confrey. An open house will follow from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, March 23 and from noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 24.

Gurhan representatives will showcase a vast selection of pieces that are exclusive to the trunk show. An international award-winning jewelry designer, Gurhan is renowned for his hand-crafted quality and distinctive design.

"Gurhan pieces are unique and unmistakable," said Dan Schuyler, co-owner of Lily & Co. "It is exciting to have special pieces only available during the trunk show."

It was in the early 1990s when Gurhan was handed a sheet of pure 24-karat gold. He was immediately drawn to its warmth and sensuality and became distinguished for pioneering the revival of pure 24-karat gold jewelry. Before Gurhan, pure gold jewelry had not been made since ancient times.

Whether it is the unique design wrought solely in gold or "kissed" with it in his tri-tonal silver line, women around the world seek out Gurhan pieces. His "fingerprint" on each piece is the essence of the brand – hand-hammering and natural imperfections – evidence that every piece is painstakingly crafted by hand in Gurhan's workshop.

"I design jewelry to be timeless in its relevance, neither rushing in nor fading out of fashion," says Gurhan.

Lily & Co. is at 520 Tarpon Bay Road.**



Master goldsmith Gurhan creates each piece in his workshop

United Way Of Lee, Hendry And Glades Campaign Makes Goal

The United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades has concluded the 2012-2013 Campaign and exceeded the campaign goal of \$8,060,193. The campaign concluded on February 28th and with a vigorous last push effort by volunteers and United Way board members, the goal was surpassed.

Robert Wilson, 2012-13 United Way Campaign chair, and vice president and general manager of Enterprise Holdings Southwest Florida (the parent company on Enterprise, Alamo and National Car Rental) announced that local residents and companies contributed \$8,140,974 to the campaign.

At the goal announcement, Wilson said, "I am very excited to announce that the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades has exceeded the campaign goal for the 20th consecutive year. Our wonderful community has done it again!"

"Thank you to every individual and company who gave to the United Way Campaign. Despite the slowly recovering economy, residents of our community realized that many friends and neighbors are still struggling."

"Because of your generosity, hungry families will receive food, abused children and adults can find shelter, Alzheimer's caregivers can have respite, and babies and toddlers can get a healthy start in life. Low to middle income persons can receive free help filing their income taxes, and thousands of meals will be delivered to the home-bound. You gave so others could have a better life. I am very proud to live in Southwest Florida where people truly care about each other."

"Making our campaign goal means that the 70 United Way Partner Agencies will receive their full allocation of funds. The needs in our community have remained high this year. Many agencies have lost funding from government and private sources. United Way Partner Agencies' 140 programs will be fully funded and hundreds of thousands of our fellow citizens will receive the help they need," he continued. "United Way keeps its administrative and fundraising cost very low, returning 91 percent of what is raised to the agencies and programs."**

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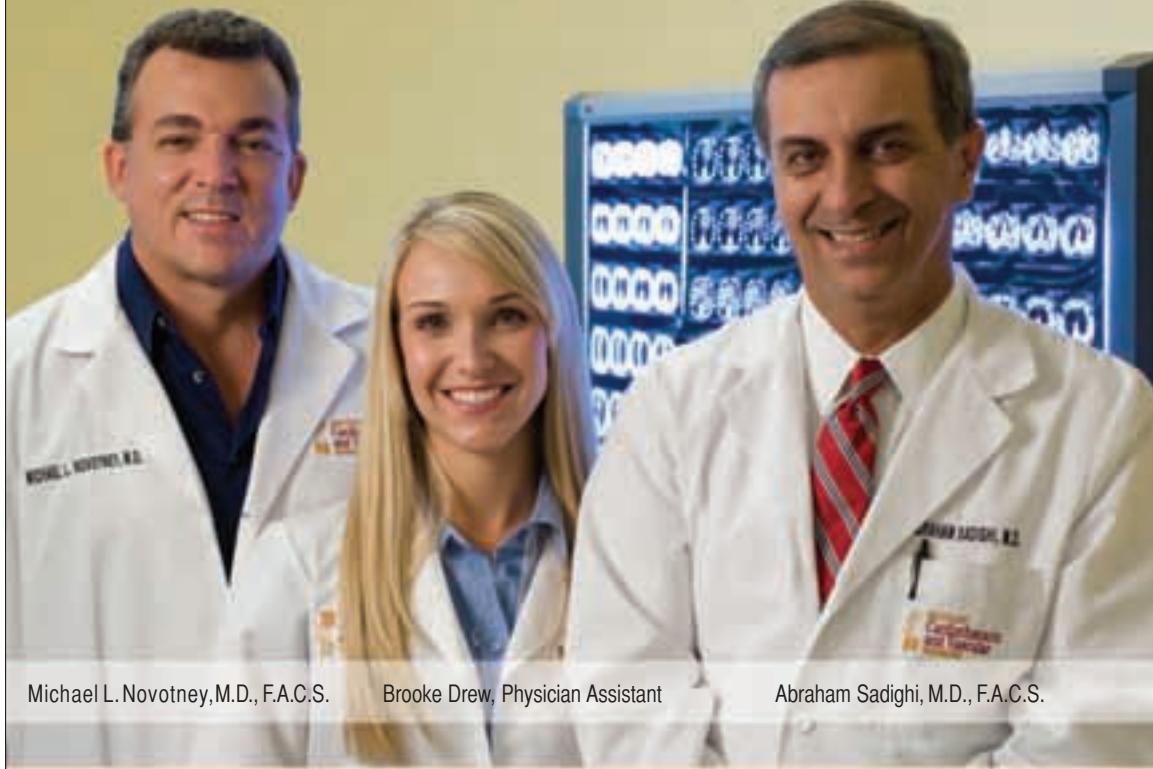
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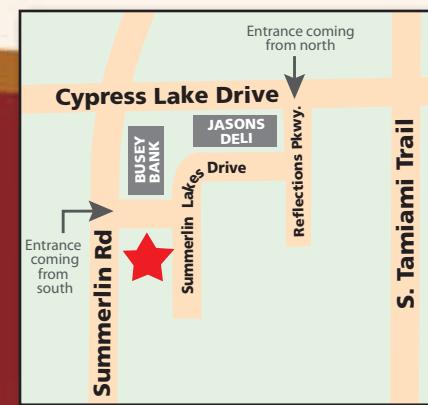
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1 egg, beaten
1 tablespoon Italian parsley, minced
Kosher salt
Fresh ground black pepper
Cayenne pepper
Nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon sugar

Wash the zucchini and scrub well to remove any dirt. Using an apple corer, core each zucchini, taking care not to pierce the skin. Saute the onion in half of the olive oil until wilted; cool. Soak the bread in the broth for 10 minutes, squeeze dry, and combine with the lamb, onion, egg, parsley, salt, pepper, a pinch of cayenne, and a little freshly grated nutmeg in a bowl; knead well with your fingers until well combined. Stuff each zucchini with a little of the lamb filling. Heat the remaining olive oil in a deep, wide pan (pan should be at least 12" deep). Add the zucchini, 1/2 cup of water, the sugar, salt and pepper; cover with an upside-down plate(to keep the zucchini submerged). Cover with a lid and bring to a boil, then simmer 40 minutes. Remove the lid and the plate, and reduce the liquid in the pan. Serve hot.

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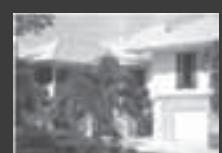
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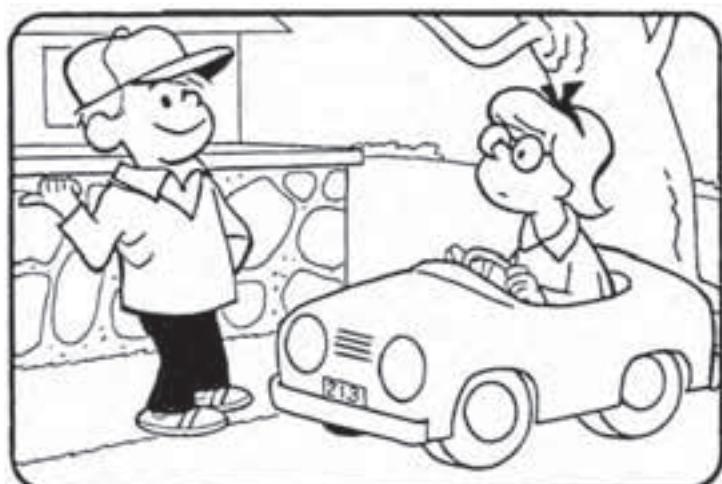
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Mark					
GRALE					
Imagine					
MARED					

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answer on page 43B

		3		4	6		9
9				1		6	
	2		3			5	
8				7			1
	6		1				5
2		9			3	7	
	5			6		4	
		1	4			8	2
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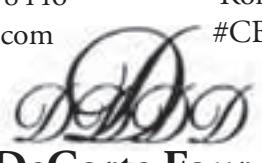
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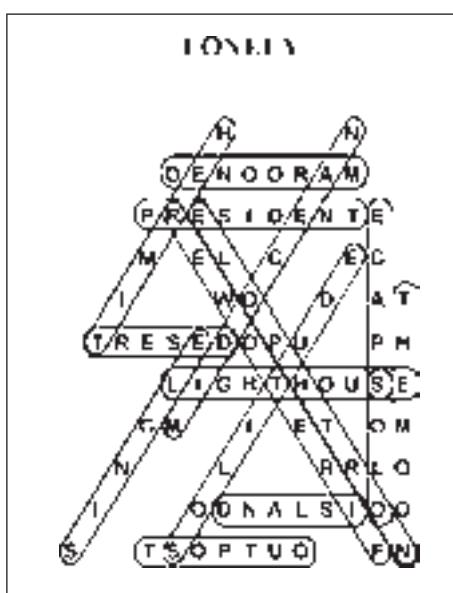
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8	3	5	9	7	4	2	1	6
4	6	7	1	2	8	9	3	5
2	1	9	6	5	3	7	8	4
7	5	2	8	6	1	4	9	3
6	9	1	4	3	7	8	5	2
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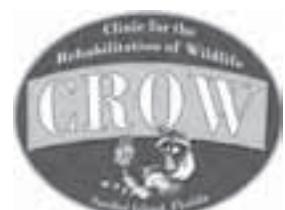
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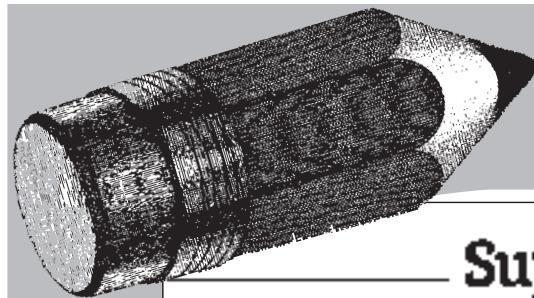
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Sanibel Police	472-3111
Lee County Sheriff's Office	477-1200
On Call Captiva Deputy.....	477-1000
Fire Department	
Sanibel	472-5525
Captiva	472-9494
Florida Marine Patrol.....	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol.....	278-7100
Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
Chamber of Commerce.....	472-1080
City of Sanibel	472-4135
Administrative Office.....	472-3700
Building Department	472-4555
Community Housing and Resources.....	472-1189
Planning Department.....	472-4136
Library	
Sanibel	472-2483
Captiva	472-2133
Post Office	
Sanibel	472-1573
Sanibel (toll free)	800-275-8777
Captiva	472-1674
Sanibel Community Association	472-2155
Senior Center.....	472-5743
ARTS	
Arcade Theater.....	332-4488
Art League Of Fort Myers.....	275-3970
BIG ARTS (Barrier Island Group for the Arts)	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre	278-4422
Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers.....	472-0168
Gulf Coast Symphony.....	472-6197
Lee County Alliance for the Arts	939-2787
Naples Philharmonic	597-1111
The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater	472-6862
Sanibel Music Festival336-7999
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	677-7299
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 Assoc. 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



BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

Answers on page 43B

Super Crossword

ALPHABETICAL ACTS A-TO-A

ACROSS

- 1. Wrote it
- 8. Haven calls
- 12. Salvaged
- 15. Various factors
- 19. Sticky stuff
- 20. Andy's race
- 21. Alabama
- 23. Only does a
- 25. Hipped again
- 26. Old
- 27. Gave up
- 28. Encourage
- 29. Philosopher
- 30. Popular du
- 31. Knight
- 35. Upper loc
- 38. Ape to
- 39. Swinging on
- 40. Under press
- 41. Forget to
- 42. Memory
- 43. Easy fit
- 44. Easier
- 45. Selfless
- 46. Little Red
- 47. Game over
- 48. Can't say it
- 49. Easier fit
- 50. — right?
- 53. Little Red
- 55. Gamey or
- 56. Gamey or
- 60. Gamey or
- 64. Keenly
- 65. Action org
- 66. Astrologer
- 67. Not afraid
- 73. Spreading
- 74. Heading for
- 75. Dancer
- 76. Dance
- 77. Silver, gold
- 78. Of her
- 79. Antiques
- 80. Cell
- 85. Star
- 86. Roots
- 87. City map
- 88. Subversive
- 89. Explorer
- 90. Knight
- 91. Osteopath
- 92. Holiday
- 93. A, before an
- 94. Set
- 95. Laid off
- 96. Last call
- 97. Attention?
- 98. Laid off
- 99. Member
- 100. End of fitting
- 101. Hard to move
- 102. Hardly move
- 103. Game
- 104. Game
- 105. Hardly move
- 106. Hardly move
- 107. Hardly move
- 108. Hardly move
- 109. Akin to
- 110. On board
- 111. Sound like

DOWN

- 1. On equal
- 2. Shabby, e.g.
- 3. Delays in
- 4. The year of
- 5. The Units
- 6. Greek letter
- 7. Shabby word
- 8. — let's
- 9. Pickle
- 10. About you
- 11. Impaired
- 12. Chopped food
- 13. Yellow
- 14. Key word
- 15. Directed light
- 16. Eyesill
- 17. Egomaniac
- 18. Embroidered
- 19. Glitter
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Direct Waterfront at Lands End

- Large 3BD with Penthouse Master Suite
- Exceptional Views of Redfish Pass
- Comm. Pool, Tennis & Fitness Room
- The Best of Everything in Island Living
- \$1,895,000 MLS 2120634
- Fred Newman or Vicki Panico 239.826.2704



Tanglewood

- 3BD, Direct Beach Front w/Pool
- Low Density
- East End, Private Location
- Spectacular Beach Views
- \$1,179,000 MLS 2121169
- McMurray & Nette 239.281.4435



Anglers Key

- Rare to Market 4BD/3BA
- Large Condo Lives Like a Home
- Breathtaking 180 degree Views of Gulf of Mexico
- Luxurious Upscale Interior
- \$1,875,000 MLS 2130091
- Burns Family Team 239.464.2984



Sunny Captiva Beach Cottage

- 3BD/2BA Beach Cottage w/Loft
- Vaulted Ceilings & Large Windows
- Quiet Neighborhood Between Beach & Bay
- Captiva "Village" Location
- \$879,000 MLS 2111213
- John & Denice Beggs 239.357.5500



Cyprina Beach

- 2BD/2.5BA Carefree Gulf-Front Living
- Free Standing Townhome Style Condominium
- East End Location & Panoramic Views
- Two-Story Ceilings, Granite & More
- \$1,295,000 MLS 2120027
- Burns Family Team 239.464.2984



Energy Efficient New Construction

- 4BD/3BA Near Beach Cottage
- Captiva Vacation Retreat
- Income Producing Opportunity
- Nearing Completion
- \$1,745,000 MLS 2120822
- John & Denice Beggs 239.357.5500



Private Courtyard Estate – Captiva

- 4BD/4.5BA Andy Rosse Villa
- Private In-Law Suite
- State of the Art Kitchen
- Secluded Pool and Spa
- \$2,375,000 MLS 2120187
- Jane Weaver & Cathy Rosario 239.464.2249



Mediterranean Beauty on Captiva

- Castello del Oceano
- 6 Bedroom, 6 Bath on Andy Rosse Ln
- Private, Tropical Courtyard & Pool
- Exquisitely Furnished and Finished
- \$1,999,000 MLS 2110562
- Fred Newman or Vicki Panico 239.826.2704



Popular Dunes Subdivision

- Beautifully Updated 5BD/3.5BA
- Panoramic and Serene Lake Views
- Multiple Sliding Doors, Tons of Natural Light
- Large Pool, Deck & Back Yard
- \$849,000 MLS 2130291
- Burns Family Team 239.464.2984



Sanibel Near Beach

- 2BD/2BA Island Retreat
- Updated Kitchen
- Tranquil Pool Setting
- Deeded Beach Access
- \$545,000 MLS 2130273
- Craig Wolf, McMurray & Nette 239.850.3172



Fantastic Top Floor Views – Captiva

- Top Floor/3BD w/Loft & Sunset Views
- Direct Beach, Pool, Tennis & More
- Completely Renovated
- Convenient to Everything
- \$799,000 MLS 2900521
- Fred Newman and Vicki Panico 239.980.0088



Captiva Beach Gem

- Extraordinary 4BD/4BA Captiva Cottage
- Gulf Side Porches Lead to Beach
- Charming Interior with French Doors & Fireplace
- Outstanding Rental History
- \$4,850,000 MLS 2121281
- Sarah Ashton 239.691.4915



Walk to Beach and Bay – Sanibel

- Furnished 4BD/4BA, Recently Remodeled
- East End & Steps to Beach
- Large, Heated Lap Pool
- Gourmet Kitchen with Granite
- \$887,900 MLS 2130004
- Jim Branyon 239.565.3233



Canal Home – Del Sego- Sanibel

- 3 Bedrooms, 2.5 Bathrooms
- Great Boating Access & Canal Views
- Meticulously Updated
- Private, Unique Pool Area
- \$995,900 MLS 2110721
- Jane Weaver & Cathy Rosario 239.464.2249



Unique Captiva Opportunity

- Zoned Commercial, Located on Popular Andy Rosse
- Olde Florida Charm, Fully Remodeled
- Open & Efficient Interior Space
- Large, Covered Rear Porch
- \$1,350,000 MLS 2130217
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Sanibel Bayous

- 3BD/3BA with over 2,200 S.F. Living Area
- Meticulously Maintained Custom Built Home
- Beautiful Curb Appeal
- Cabana off Paved, Screened-In Pool Area
- \$760,000 MLS 2130285
- McMurray & Nette 239.281.4435



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