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From the Beaches to the River District downtown Fort Myers

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Jeanne Bochette



Helen Hendry



Veronica Shoemaker

## Grande Dames Tea Tickets

The Lee PACE Center for Girls' Grande Dames Tea honoring three more of our community's most revered women, Jeanne Bochette, Helen Hendry and Dr. Veronica Shoemaker, will be held Tuesday, March 23, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, 1380 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers.

"More than half of the theater is filled," said tea Chair Dena Geraghty,

who also is a member of the PACE center board of directors. Invitations were sent to known supporters of PACE and active community leaders, however, anyone who would like to attend the tea is welcome.

Tickets are \$50 per person and may be obtained by calling the theater at 278-4422.

The theme is The Wisdom of Age – Honoring the Female Spirit.

The first Grande Dames to be honored were philanthropists Berne Davis, Eleanore Kleist and Barbara B. Mann.

The agenda for the tea will include interaction between the PACE girls and

the three Grande Dames in a question and answer format that Geraghty said "is sure to be thought-provoking and poignant."

PACE is a Florida-based, not for profit organization, and the only statewide prevention program for adolescent at-risk girls in the nation. Its mission is to provide girls and young women an opportunity for a better future through education, counseling, training and advocacy. Since the Lee County program opened its doors in 2007, more than 250 girls have been served, helping them to begin a new journey toward a life of dignity and success. \*

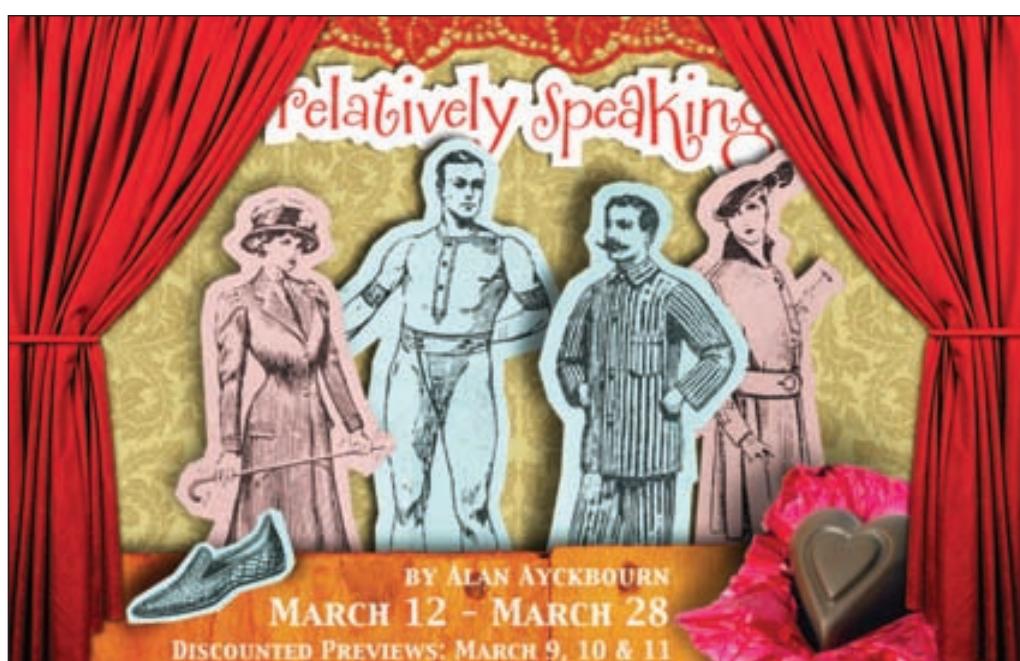
## British Comedy Opens At Florida Rep

Florida Repertory Theatre's next play is one of the funniest written by England's favorite playwright, Alan Ayckbourn. It opens March 12 with discounted previews March 9, 10 and 11.

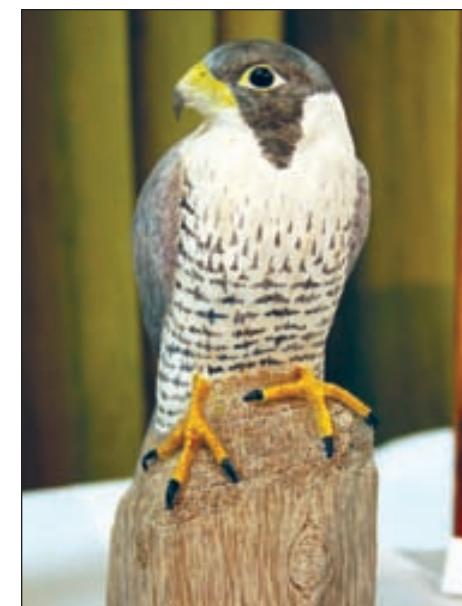
*Relatively Speaking* is full of miscommunications, misunderstandings and mistaken identities. "We're very excited to bring this play to life," said Florida Rep Producing Artistic Director and the play's Director Robert Cacioppo. "As far as comedies go, it doesn't get any better than *Relatively Speaking*. From the author of *Bedroom Farce* and *Absurd Person Singular*, this play is the quintessential mistaken identity comedy, and I know audiences will love it."

Ginny is engaged to Greg (although she is having an affair with Phillip). Phillip is married

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Shell Point Art Show And Sale Open To Public



Wood carving

The annual Shell Point Art Show and Sale will be held Friday through Sunday, March 5 to 7. The Resident Art Show Committee invites the public to view the artwork created by many of the artists who live in the

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## Two-Day Art Event Downtown

The monthly Art Walk will be on Friday, March 5 from 6 to 10 p.m. It will be followed by the new Saturday Art Fair on March 6 in the Patio de Leon from noon to 4 p.m.

The Friday Art Walk will include more than a dozen art stops and feature new art exhibitions, live music, and the traditional after party. Held the first Friday of every month from 6 to 10 p.m., Art Walk features local and national artwork in the downtown art galleries and several art stops in the Fort Myers River District. The evening culminates with an after party at 10 p.m. at Spirits of Bacchus on Hendry Street.

The Saturday Art Fair will run from noon to 4 p.m. Local art vendors and artisans will be set up in the Patio de Leon selling their art. Galleries will be open and some galleries will be featuring free make-it-and-take-it art projects for the kids. Admission is free. The Saturday Art Fair runs January through May.

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# Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now: Garner & Brown Farms

by Gerri Reaves



The name Gladiolus Drive in South Fort Myers is one of the few reminders that a gladiolus industry once boomed in this area.

In fact, in the 1930s, the Fort Myers area was the gladiolus center of the nation, with most of the flowers being grown in the Iona district. By the late 1940s, the industry was the top moneymaker in Lee County.

William Edward Garner was a leading grower and broker in the gladiolus and chrysanthemum industry. A grandson of Capt. Manuel A. Gonzalez, he was a member of one of Fort Myers' founding families.

This 1957 photo shows his business, Garner & Brown Farms on Jackson Street. When the photo was taken, Jackson Street was paved with bricks and neighboring Terrell's Garage was located on the corner at Peck Street (left of photo).

Garner & Brown operated on Jackson from the mid-1950s until about 1973. Over the years, several other glad businesses also operated out of that office, including B & B Gladiolus Farms and Shepherd Gladiolus Farms.

Garner & Brown was conveniently located just across the street from the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad (ACL) passenger depot and around the corner from ACL's Railway Express Agency (REA) on Peck Street. The REA handled cargo for the ACL passenger depot.

Decades ago, the rail tracks ran from the Caloosahatchee River at the foot of Monroe Street and over to the Atlantic Coast Line depot at Jackson and Peck. The depot is now the Southwest Florida Museum of History, and Peck Street is now Widman Way.

At one time, gladioli were packed right on the river at the Lee County Packing House. Fire destroyed the packing house in the 1950s, however, and it was never rebuilt.

By the early 1970s, the "glad" business had lost out to land developers and escalating land prices. ACL service had ceased, and the downtown railway had been demolished.

LD Bochette, however, remembers the heyday of the glad industry, when boxes of citrus, vegetables, and flowers lined the street in front of the REA office in preparation for shipment north.

ACL would bring in sleeper-cars, he says, and the out-of-town buyers would use them while in town.

After Garner & Brown closed, Longmire & Taylor Printers occupied the building for several years.

Today, A Way Out Bail Bonds is located there.

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A Way Out Bail Bonds now operates where brokers once negotiated gladioli, chrysanthemums, and produce  
photo by Gerri Reaves



When this photo was taken in 1957, Lee County was the gladiolus capital of nation and Garner & Brown Farms operated in this building on Jackson Street. Note the brick street.

photo courtesy of the Southwest Florida Historical Society



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## Garner & Brown Farms

Walk down to Jackson Street and Widman Way and imagine the time when Fort Myers supplied the nation with the beautiful gladiolus in a rainbow of colors.

Then walk across the street and visit the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street, where you can see the exhibit Tutankhamun: Wonderful Things from the Pharaoh's Tomb and ask about the Historic Downtown Walking Tours.

For information, call 321-7430 or go to [swflmuseumofhistory.com](http://swflmuseumofhistory.com). The museum's hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Then check out the archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society at 10091 McGregor Boulevard. Call 939-4044 or drop by on Wednesday or Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon.

Sources: *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer and the archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society.\*\*

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## Two-Day Art Walk

Some highlights of this month's Art Walk are:

- Art League of Fort Myers: Opening of a new juried member show. The gallery will also host a performer from the Young Artists Awards Program.

- Art of the Olympians: Now open at the former City Pier building.

- Arts for ACT Gallery: Opening reception for exhibit featuring artists David Belling, Lennie Jones and Ken Kaminsky. The gallery will also host a performer from the Young Artists Awards Program.

- daas Gallery: Opening reception for Click featuring artist Paul Rodino.

- Coloring The World: Exhibit featuring artist Lisa Freidus.

- Enjewel: Showcasing artist Alan Koulian's unique Murano jewelry designs.

- First United Methodist Church: Group exhibit featuring quilters Claudia Compton and Carol Dengler.

- HOWL Gallery: Opening reception for new show featuring pop and avant garde artist David Hatchett.

- The Oasis Luxury Condominiums: New art show entitled It's all About the Girls, a fundraiser event for Footsteps to the Future.

- Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center: Opening for Heavenly Bodies exhibit featuring artist Jo-Ann Lizio.

- Space 39: Opening of a new group art show.

The seventh annual Edison Celebration of Art will take place poolside at The Oasis Condominiums from 6 to 10 p.m.

A free, one-act play, *The Actor's Nightmare*, will be performed at 7 and 8:30 p.m. at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center.

Another highlight of the evening will be the weekly Friday Night Live concert series, which takes place in the Patio de Leon. Cheeky Monkey will perform from 6 to 9 p.m.

New Art Walk buttons will be available at the galleries.

A free shuttle service, courtesy of Select Transportation Inc., with stops planned near the art venues, and Harborside Event Center parking area, will be available for Art Walk patrons. Shuttle stops include The Oasis, Art of the Olympians, and Enjewel on First Street.

A map of Art Walk will be distributed by participating galleries. Art Walk is a rain or shine event. For more information visit [www.fortmyersartwalk.com](http://www.fortmyersartwalk.com).\*\*

## Free Movie In The Park

The fifth annual Movie In The Park, sponsored by Chick-Fil-A and Lee County Parks and Recreation, will be on March 13. The showing will be *Ice Age – Dawn Of The Dinosaurs*, a PG-rated animated film featuring the voices of Ray Romano and Queen Latifah.

Festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. and the movie starts at 7 at the Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16355 Summerlin Road in Fort Myers. Come out to the park with your friends and family for a movie night on a two-story inflatable screen with professional stereo sound and themed festivities. There will be family games, free popcorn, and food items for sale from Chick-Fil-A. Personal coolers, food and drinks are prohibited.

For more information, go online to [www.leeparks.org](http://www.leeparks.org) or call Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation at 432-2154.\*\*

## Republican Club Luncheon And Fashion Show Fundraiser

All Things Green is the theme for the annual fashion show fundraiser being held by the Fort Myers Republican Women's Club Federated on Tuesday, March 16 at The Helm Club at The Landings in South Fort Myers. Fashions by Anthony's will be featured, with club members serving as the models. The event replaces the regular monthly business meeting.

The public is invited to attend. The day's activities include a card party and silent auction beginning at 10 a.m. Donations for door prizes, raffle items, and the silent auction are being accepted. Information on these items may be obtained by contacting the past president, Marilyn Stout, at 549-5629.

A social hour and silent auction begin at 11 a.m. The fashion show and luncheon are at noon. Tickets are \$30. Reservations are required by Thursday, March 11 and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie at 489-4701.\*\*

## Genealogical Society Meetings

There will be two meetings in March of the Lee Genealogical Society. Both are free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

Saturday, March 13 is the quarterly meeting at 10 a.m. at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church, 4141 Deleon Street, Fort Myers.

The program will be presented by Carl Meier, second vice president, on Health Issues in the Early 20th Century and the Records they Produced.

The monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, March 18 at 1 p.m. at Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church. The program will be presented by Professor Emeritus of History David T. Childress, Ph.D. on How Our Ancestors Survived the Great Depression (1929-1946).

For more information, email [President@LCGSFL.org](mailto:President@LCGSFL.org).\*\*

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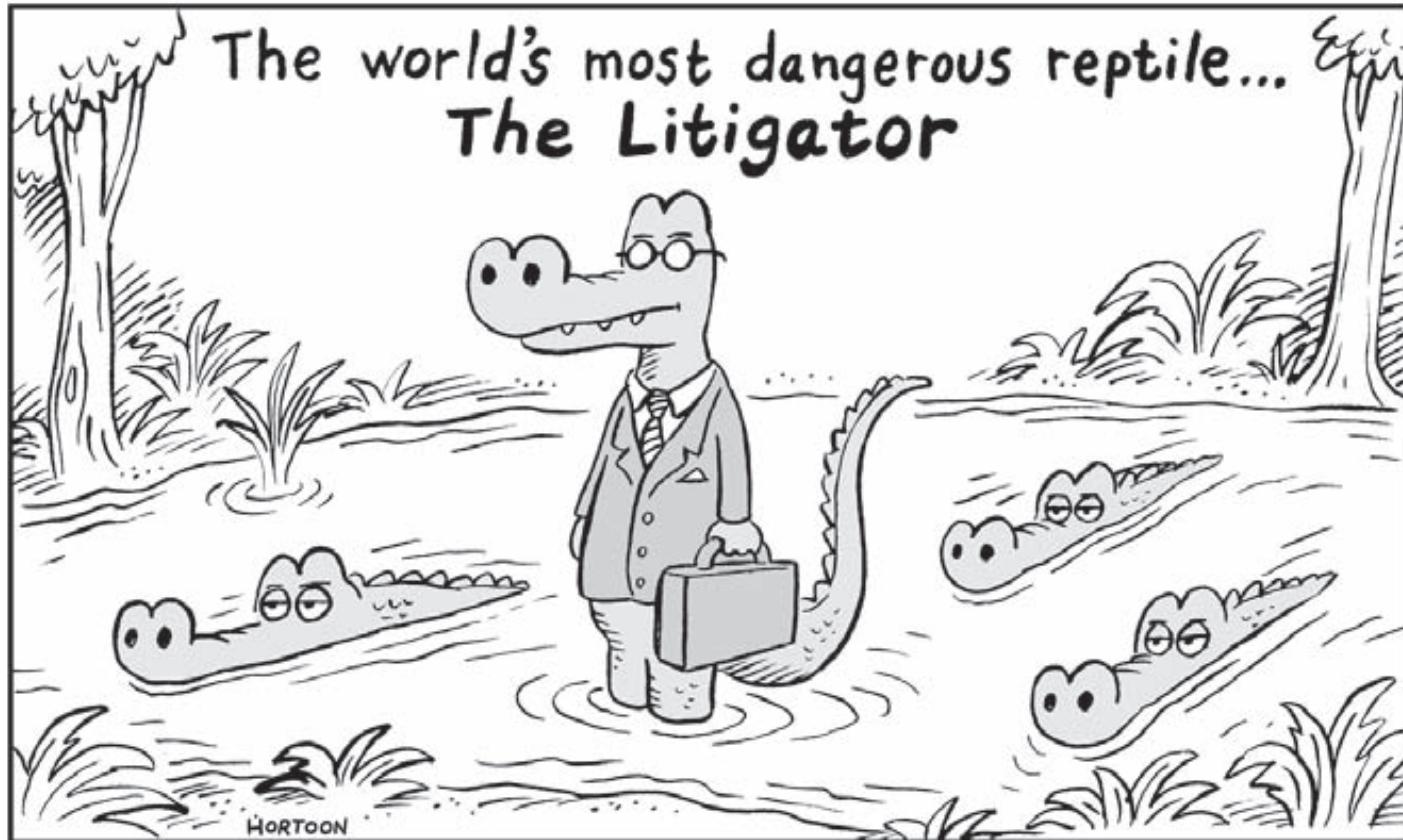
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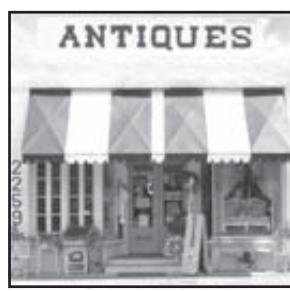


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## Women Voters Meet Monthly

League of Women Voters of Lee County Florida holds monthly program meetings on the first Saturday of each month October through May, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, 2360 West First Street, Fort Myers.

On March 6, the program is Reading and Literacy from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sharon Kapp, educator, author of *Kapp Reading Instruction*, co-author of *Visual Language in Autism*, and national and international speaker, will focus on Reading and Literacy, including the LWV Lee Jump Start Program, an early learning initiative to help parents teach their infants and toddlers skills to aid reading ability. Call-466-8381 for reservations.

Health Care Reform is the topic for April 3, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Jim Nathan, president, Lee Memorial Health System (LMHS), will present his views on health care reform and the health care crisis facing Southwest Florida and beyond.

Lee County Youth Issues is slated for May 1, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. William Naylor, manager, Juvenile Assessment Center of Lee County, will speak on youth issues, programs and possible solutions.

Call-466-8381 for reservations for any of these meetings.

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## Mercury Astronaut Will Sign Memorabilia

For the first time ever the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation (ASF) is hosting a special mail-in signing with one of only two surviving *Mercury Seven* astronauts, Scott Carpenter, now through March 15.

Space enthusiasts are invited to send in artifacts, baseballs, covers, flown items, models, and photos – just about anything desired – or choose from one of the many popular photos of Carpenter featured in ASF's online store at [www.astronautstore.org](http://www.astronautstore.org) for the space hero to sign. Items can be personalized and/or accompanied by a photo of Carpenter signing them for a Certificate of Authenticity.

Carpenter was the second American to orbit the Earth during his Aurora 7 mission in 1962. He also has the unique distinction of being the first astronaut-aquonaut conducting experiments in both inner and outer space. Carpenter is an accomplished author and serves on the ASF board of directors as one of its founders. He was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame on May 11, 1990.

Carpenter is offering the "Write Stuff" to space fans' items in support of the foundation's mission of providing scholarships to college students pursuing degrees in science and technology. Once signed, all items will be safely shipped back to their owners. For more information visit [www.astronautscholarship.org/carpenter-signing.html](http://www.astronautscholarship.org/carpenter-signing.html) or call 321-455-7014.\*

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## Nominations Sought For New Chrysalis Awards

The Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) and the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce Inc. are seeking nominations for the first annual Chrysalis Awards to honor businesses and individuals who have positively impacted the local community.

Award nominations are due on March 12, and are open to any member of the local business community, regardless of whether or not they are directly a part of the tourism industry. Award recipients will be announced at a jointly hosted Celebration of Business & Tourism Awards Luncheon and Trade Show on May 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers.

The event, co-produced by the VCB and the Greater Fort Myers Chamber and held to commemorate National Travel and Tourism Week, celebrates the value of tourism and the community teamwork involved in maintaining and enhancing tourism as a major economic engine for the county. The event also is part of the VCB's year-round Team Tourism informational program to strengthen destination teamwork.

The awards will honor recipients in the categories: Business Development, Eco-Innovation, Cultural Achievement, Education, Sports and Sales and

Marketing. A seventh award category is the VCB's long-standing Junonia Award, created to recognize those individuals who have positively impacted the local tourism community by demonstrating unique capabilities, leadership, commitment, and dedication.

A panel of local business community leaders will judge nominations and select one award recipient in each of the six categories; and, as in past years, the Junonia will only be awarded at the sole discretion of the VCB. Business and individual nominees for the six Chrysalis Awards will be judged on their innovation in their respective category, how they have distinguished themselves in the community, the results of their efforts to promote the destination, their contributions to business and tourism partnerships for the overall benefit of the county, and their work to foster growth and sustainability.

"Destination visitors often spark future leisure visits, conventions, relocations and other business opportunities. The Chrysalis Awards signify an ongoing partnership between the business and tourism communities to ensure that continues to happen," said Tamara Pigott, interim VCB deputy director.

Pigott said the awards committee chose the name Chrysalis for the new program because it signifies the final stage before a butterfly emerges from its cocoon, the metamorphosis in which its growth and differentiation occur. Committee members see it as an appropriate symbol of the desire to build and foster a stronger strategic partnership

between tourism and the larger business community.

She added that the junonia is a highly treasured shell, so it was selected as a symbol of the VCB's ongoing annual award due to its rarity. Past recipients have included: Sally Tapager, owner of Tropic Star; DT Minich, CDME, former executive director of the VCB; Chris Pendleton, president and chief executive officer of the Edison & Ford Winter Estates; Roxie Smith of Pink Shell Development and a member of the Tourist Development Council; Steve Tutko, biologist and consultant to Babcock Ranch; Fran Myers, owner of Red Coconut RV Resort and a member of the Tourist Development Council; Elaine McLaughlin, former executive director of the VCB; Brian Holly, general manager of the Holiday Inn Gulf Coast Town Center; Tom Cronin, owner of the Shell Factory; Steve Greenstein, former executive director of the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce; and Jay Kinzer-Halcrow, former sales and marketing director of the West Wind Inn.

While the VCB has always pooled its resources with those of local chambers for the common good of the destination, this is the first such alliance between the VCB and a local chamber. In addition, all local chambers are involved with the new program.

"We're celebrating our work together to create stronger relationships that encourage new visitors and ultimately new businesses for our area," said Marietta B. Mudgett, executive director

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## Democratic Women To Meet

The Democratic Women's Club will hold its monthly meeting Saturday, March 13, at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, 2360 West First Street, Fort Myers.

The speaker will be Jim Roach, a Democratic Party candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in Florida's 14th Congressional District. He lives in Cape Coral and is a Vietnam veteran and small business owner.

The luncheon meeting is from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.. The luncheon price is \$18. Guests are welcome.

To make a reservation call 466-8381. More information about the DWC is available at [www.dwc-lee.com](http://www.dwc-lee.com).

## Tea By The Sea For Ostego Bay

On Saturday, March 20, Ostego Bay Foundation will host the elegant and fun Tea by the Sea from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event, featuring great food, a fashion show and a Chinese auction, will be held at 700 Fisherman's Wharf, San Carlos Island right next door to Bonita Bill's Restaurant. All proceeds will benefit the Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center.

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## Along the River



CC the courtyard cat at The Bar Association Bistro and Lounge

The spirit of Ernest Hemingway has been spotted in the courtyard of **The Bar Association Bistro and Lounge**. Owners Ron Kopko and Mark Solomon were surprised to find a tiny six-toed cat, or polydactyl, mingling with the human guests outside their establishment. Polydactyl cats are often referred to as Hemingway cats after the Nobel Prize-winning author who was known to love them. The kitten has been affectionately named CC, short for courtyard cat.

Stop by The Bar Association to meet the friendly kitten, as he is always looking for a warm lap to curl up on. The Bar Association serves lunch Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., dinner Wednesday through Saturday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Sunday brunch from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It also offers downtown Fort Myers' only soup and salad bar and 30 wines by the glass.

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Florida is the nation's prime source for fresh vegetables during the winter season and at the **Alliance for the Art's Green Market**, local residents have the first chance to browse a wide selection. There is nothing like just-harvested vegetables at their peak in nutritional value and flavor. Better yet, Green Market's 32 vendors offer not only locally produced goods, they are mostly all natural, organic and/or sustainable.

The market is open Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 939-2787 or go to [www.artinlee.org](http://www.artinlee.org).

Also at Alliance for the Arts is **Israel Fest** on Sunday, March 7 from noon to 5 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Lee and Charlotte counties and is a celebration of Israeli Independence Day through Israeli arts, food and music.

Live entertainment includes the children from the Temple Beth El religious school, the Naples Klezmer Revival Band, Cantor Victor Giegner and the band from Temple Emanuel of Lakeland, Lynn and Joe Goldovitz accompanied by Dr. Jacob Goldberger, and the Community Free Synagogue Choral Group.

Food is available, including falafel and shwarma along with Israeli salads and other ethnic delicacies. Passover provisions will also be sold. Additionally, the festival showcases art and Judaica created by many Israeli artisans including jewelry, paintings, Kakadu hand painted wood household items and table décor, handbags, Israeli T-shirts and natural aloe skin products.

Maimonides Hebrew Day school is sponsoring the Kids Zone with bounce houses, a dunk tank, snow cones and cotton candy while many local temples and Jewish organizations will have booths to inform the community about their programs and functions.

Entrance fee is \$2 for anyone over the age of 12. Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. For more information about Israel Fest, go to [www.JewishFederationLCC.org](http://www.JewishFederationLCC.org).



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## FGCU Center Honors Its Elders

The Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education at FGCU will honor the center's earliest supporters at the annual fundraising celebration at Peter and Mallory Haffenreffer's home on Thursday, March 18 from 5 to 8 p.m. The theme this year is Bloom Where You're Planted: Focus on the Local.

Since its founding, the center has received the support of several elder members of the island community. At this Sanibel Island celebration, as part of its focus on the local, the center will honor its supporters 90 years and older. Among those honored will be Milena Eskew, long-time island resident and community activist; Mary Bursley Carter, who hosted the first annual fundraising celebration before Hurricane Charley destroyed her home; as well as center supporters Lloyd Wells and Chuck Farnum.

Inaugural supporters Helen Moe and Elizabeth Johnson, who passed on in recent weeks, will be remembered at the event.

The center will also honor the eldest member of its board of advisors, Professor Emeritus Maxine Greene. Another distinguished nonagenarian, Greene serves as a founding member of the center's board, and at age 91, still teaches at Columbia University. She is considered to be America's greatest living philosopher of education.



Mary Bursley Carter and Milena Eskew embrace at a past celebration

The event brings together young and old to reflect on the center's mission of "scholarship, education, and action" for a sustainable future. FGCU student volunteers staff the fundraising celebration; the young volunteers and elder residents welcome the opportunity to interact with one another.

This annual celebration is the major fundraising event for the center and helps to further its sustainability initiatives locally

and globally. David Orr, center board co-chair and author of *Down to the Wire: Confronting Climate Collapse* (2009), will give remarks. Director Peter Blaze Corcoran will briefly present progress since the center's inception five years ago and will provide an outlook on present and future initiatives. For more information, or to request an invitation, call 590-7166 or e-mail: [cese@fgcu.edu](mailto:cese@fgcu.edu).

## Bay Oaks Health Fair

Bay Oaks' annual Health Fair will be held on March 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the gym. There will be professionals from many different health-related fields.

The event is free to anyone interested in attending. Vendors that are in any health-related fields are welcome. For more information call 765-4222.

## Senior Picnic

There will be a senior picnic at the Tony Rotino Center beach pavilion on March 6, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Cape Coral. On the menu are hot dogs, beans, ham and turkey sandwiches, pasta salad, dessert and a variety of soft drinks. Entertainment will be provided by the Hot Flashz Dancers. Families and friends are welcome. Admission is \$5. Pre-registration is required. All major credit cards are accepted. Call 574-0807. The Tony Rotino Center is at the Cape Coral Yacht Club, 5817 Driftwood Parkway.

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## Shell Point Art Show And Sale



Art show

retirement community at Shell Point.

This year's exhibit will feature: paintings, pottery, sculptures, stained glass, polished stonework, wood carvings and unique jewelry.

The event will be held in the Social Center on The Island at Shell Point from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free and it is open to the public. For more information, call Sandra Ashley, program coordinator at 454-2057.\*\*

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## Auction To Benefit Academy For The Arts

The seventh annual North Fort Myers Academy Arts Foundation auction will be held Saturday, March 20, beginning at 7 p.m., at the Italian-American Club of Cape Coral, 4725 Vincennes Boulevard. Appetizers, desserts and beverages will be available.

Up for auction will be many items and services donated by generous area merchants. There will be a silent auction, Treasure Chest Adventure, Chinese auction and, the main event, a live auction featuring a local celebrity auctioneer.

Funds from this event enhance the arts programs at the North Fort Myers Academy for the Arts, in such areas as costumes, sets, scripts, music, art supplies, scholarships and materials to supplement academic instruction at all levels.

Tickets are \$20 per person, available at the school office by calling 997-2131; iCAN Junction, 13971 North Cleveland Avenue, United Plaza in North Fort Myers, (997-4226); Spa Simplicity, 4706 SE 11th Place, Suite D, Cape Coral (540-0054).\*\*

### Seeing The Face Of Peace From An Aluminum Bubble

Jerry Leggett is coming to Fort Myers in March to tell the story of his amazing, two-year, 100,000-mile peace journey in an aluminum bubble.

Leggett will be appearing on March 18 at 7 p.m. at All Faith Unitarian Congregation's new building at 2756 McGregor Boulevard.

In January 2007, Leggett (aka Sea Wall Singer) departed from Carlsbad, California on a mission to sing out for peace each day at noon.

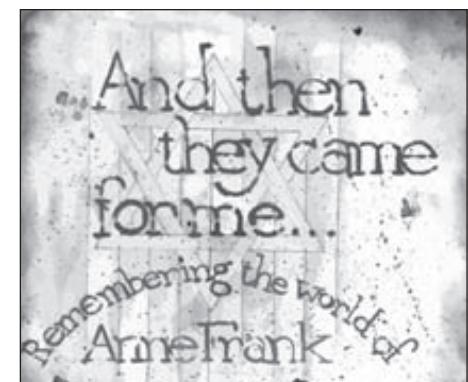
With the help of friends and a national network of peace lovers, he acquired a vintage-style, tear-drop trailer he dubbed The Peace Bubble. As Leggett zigzagged across the United States, the Peace Bubble became a listening post for him to ask thousands of people the question, "What does peace look like for you?" He videotaped 7,000 of their responses for broadcast on youtube.com.

Over the past year, Leggett has been living on the Big Island of Hawaii and collaborating with photographer Patsy Ferrell to produce inspiring multimedia from the journey. You can find some of the images at the online gallery: alittlebitofpeace.com.

Events will include his original tunes, tales from the road and a treasure trove of images and video interviews that gather thoughts about peace from around the nation. His goal is to entertain audiences with the thought that "peace is possible, if we want it."

For more information on his Fort Myers appearance, email jerry@alittlebitofpeace.com or call 768-8176.\*\*

## Lunchbox Theatre Series Opens March 13



Florida Rep is opening its popular Lunchbox Theatre Series with *And Then They Came for Me* by James Still, a multimedia journey into the life and world of Anne Frank.

Sponsored by Pamela Templeton and Fort Myers Toyota, the series for children and families opens Saturday, March 13 at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in the Fort Myers River District.

Tickets are \$12 and admission includes the performance, a boxed lunch from Jason's Deli and an interactive workshop with the cast. Tickets are available through Florida Rep's box office at 332-4488.

The play combines interview footage with live theater to take audiences into the life of Anne Frank and two Holocaust survivors whose lives she changed forever. This gripping drama is a groundbreaking retelling of Anne Frank's famous story and is designed for students in grades 5 through 12.

Sponsored by Florida Rep's Alliance for Holocaust Studies, *And Then They Came for Me* is one of two exciting and educational offerings in the Lunchbox Theatre Series this season. It plays on March 13, April 3 and April 17.

"We are breaking new ground with our Children's Theatre offerings this season," said Education Director Rachael Endrizzi, "both are topical, issue-based plays, and for the first time we have a play whose target audience is middle and high school students. *And Then They Came for Me* combines theater and documentary to tell the Anne Frank story in a new way and ties in with the State of Florida's required Holocaust Studies curriculum."

Also featured in the Lunchbox Theatre Series is *The New Kid* by Dennis Foon, an inventive and lightheartedly funny play about a boy named Nick who just moved to America from a different country. It's his first day of school, and all he wants to do is fit in with the other kids, but Nick doesn't speak their language or know any of their customs. The audience sees through Nick's eyes just how frustrating and tough it can be when you are the new kid.

Sponsored by the Alan and Jacqueline Cadkin Foundation and LCEC, *The New Kid* plays at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center on March 20, April 10 and April 24.\*\*

# Partnering To Feed The Hungry In Lee County

It was hard to miss the tractor trailer parked in front of The Salvation Army on Friday. Sprawled across on both sides of the massive truck were pepperoni pizzas, the words Love Kitchen and the important phrase, Serving To Make a Difference.

Taking the place of the regular nightly meal, Little Caesars Pizza cooked over 60 pizzas and served 200 individuals that came to The Salvation Army to dine last Friday. "We are so thankful to the local franchise owner, Jim Addis

and the company regional offices for donating all the food and labor cost to help in our Meals with Compassion program. We welcome other businesses, restaurants and churches who would like to support our feeding program. Just taking a night or two a year to furnish a meal or a donation to sponsor a meal would allow us to continue to feed individuals and families in need," said Major Arthur Penhale, commanding officer for The Salvation Army.



Volunteers at The Salvation Army's Meals With Compassion serving pizza from The Little Caesars Love Kitchen

## Donations Sought For Active Duty Military Personnel

**S**upport the servicemen and women who protect our freedoms every day by contributing to Operation Open Arms, Inc.

Founded in 2005 on Pine Island by charter boat Capt. John "GiddyUp" Bunch, a U.S. Marines officer in Vietnam, Operation Open Arms serves active duty military personnel. It is an IRS-approved 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation so contributions are tax deductible. Two sitting presidents, George W. Bush and Barack Obama, have recognized the organization for its work.

The mission of Operation Open Arms is to provide every possible benefit to active duty military personnel while on leave from a combat zone. It also provides free mental health counseling. There is no staff, only volunteers and business partners. Operation Open Arms is a network of sponsoring businesses that extends free benefits in a wide range of categories to enable military personnel to take a much needed vacation from the stresses of war. Servicemen and women are eligible for one free service from each business partner. They make their own arrangements with the service providers.

Partners donate hotel room nights, restaurant meals, fishing charter trips, excursions, sightseeing opportunities, leisure activities, haircuts, dental work, and other services.

For more information log onto [www.operationopenarms.org](http://www.operationopenarms.org) or call Capt. Bunch at 283-8838. Donations may be sent to Operation Open Arms, PO Box 101, St. James City, FL 33956.\*\*

## Bay Oaks Derby For Relay For Life

**O**n March 21 members of the public will be able to test their power swing against Fort Myers Beach's top sluggers during Bay Oaks first annual Homerun Derby. The derby will be held on the fields at Bay Oaks Recreation Campus.

Each contestant will get 10 swings to hit as many home runs as they can, with the top home run hitters moving on to the elimination round and then the championship round. Players of all skill levels are encouraged to participate.

To enter, the minimum donation is \$10, with 100 percent of the proceeds going to Relay for Life which benefits the American Cancer Society. The winner will receive a prize pack courtesy of Hooters.

To sign up or for more information contact Randy at 560-8989.\*\*

Since 1972, the nightly meal program, Meals With Compassion, has been serving a hot meal to anyone who is hungry in Lee County. Last year alone, The Army served over 24,000 nightly meals. The increases have been staggering. The Salvation Army has seen a 220 percent increase in meals served since 2001 and 80 percent of this increase has been in the last two years.

The food service programs (emergency food pantry and Meals with Compassion) at The Salvation Army are positioned as a point of entry for individuals and families. Once the immediate needs are met, the staff begins to address the underlying issues that have forced people to seek assistance. The Salvation Army helps dinner guests by connecting them to additional programs and resources both through their agency and their community's fellow service providers.

The Army's other food service program is the emergency food pantry. Its existence has been in the community since 1969. This program too, has seen staggering increases. Since 2007, the food pantry has given out 60 percent more food to those in need. In 2009, over 48,000 grocery orders were filled at the pantry which resulted in over 436,000 meals to neighbors in need.

The Salvation Army needs the help from businesses, restaurants or churches. Partnering with those that can help provide food gives The Salvation Army that much more staying power to help the thousands that are coming in need of assistance. If you or your business can help with a night of feeding for the Meals of Compassion program call The Salvation Army at 278-1551.\*\*



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Minister's cell phone: 218-3918. Mailing address: P.O. Box 07477, Fort Myers, FL 33919

Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. We believe in the benefits of diversity in gender, age, political affiliation, sexual orientation, race and religion. Email: allfaithsuc@earthlink.net Web site: allfaiths-uc.org.

Minister's email: war9999@msn.com

### ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH:

8210 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers Rev. Dr. Elias Bouboutis Orthros Service Sunday 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday 10 a.m. Fellowship Programs, Greek School, Sunday School, Bible Study www.orthodox-faith.com 481-2099

### BETH SHILOH MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE:

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Please call for information on full program.

### BREAD OF LIFE MINISTRIES

#### CHURCH OF GOD:

16581 McGregor Boulevard, 267-3166 (Just past the Tanger Outlet Mall) Pastor: Barry Lentz, 281-3063 Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

### CHURCH OF THE CROSS:

13500 Freshman Lane; 768-2188 Pastors: Jeff Moran and Michael Bulter; A nondenominational church emphasizing a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Sunday Service: 9 a.m. Contemporary 10:45 a.m. Traditional.

### CHRIST THE KING

1188 Lake McGregor Drive, Fort Myers, 432-1724. Rev. N. Everett Keith III; An Old Catholic Community; Liturgy in English; Sunday Mass at 9:30 a.m.

### COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

2439 McGregor Boulevard, 334-8937 Rev. Dan Hagmaier, pastor Traditional Sunday service 10 a.m. Nursery available

### CYPRESS LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH:

8400 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-5442

Danny Harvey, pastor Sunday Services: Bible study, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m. Evening Worship, 7 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.

### CYPRESS LAKE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

8260 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-3233; Clint Cottrell, pastor Sunday services:

Traditional, 8 and 11 a.m.; Contemporary, 9:30 a.m. Children's Church K4J (Kids for Jesus) 9:45 a.m.

### CYPRESS LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:

8570 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 482-1250 Sunday Traditional Service: 8 and 11 a.m., Praise Service: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School: All times FAITH FELLOWSHIP WORLD OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

6111 South Pointe Boulevard, Fort Myers, 278-3638. Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.;

"Voice of Faith," WCRN 13.50 AM Radio, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.

Thursday Service, 7:30 p.m.

Friday Youth Service, 7:30 p.m. Nursery care for pre-school children and Children's Church for ages 5-12 available at each service.

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15690 McGregor Boulevard Fort Myers, 482-2030 Pastor: David Stauffer.

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### FORT MYERS CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) A STEPHEN MINISTRIES CONGREGATION

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Church School: 9:15 a.m.

### FORT MYERS CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST:

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881 Nuna Avenue, Fort Myers, 481-1143 Masses Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

### KINGDOM LIFE CHURCH:

2154 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 218-8343 Pastor Randy and Anita Thurman

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All are welcome.

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Early Grace Traditional, 8 a.m.

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Sunday Morning Worship 11 a.m.

Sunday Evening 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7 p.m.

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Phone: 267-7400 Fax: 267-7407

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Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

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Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. to noon

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Rabbi: Benjamin S. Sendrow,

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13411 Shire Lane (off Daniels Parkway one

## Florida Modern Slavery Museum Touring The Area

**F**lorida Modern Slavery Museum is touring the state visiting schools, places of worship, and community centers through April 15.

The museum consists of a cargo truck outfitted as a replica of the trucks involved in a recent slavery operation (U.S. v. Navarrete, 2008) accompanied by displays on the continuous history of slavery in Florida – its roots, the reasons it persists, and its solutions. The exhibits were developed in consultation with ex-captives as well as leading academic authorities on slavery and labor history in Florida.

The mobile museum was conceived of by the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW), the human rights award-winning farmworker organization that has aided in the prosecution by the Department of Justice of six farm slavery operations and the liberation of well over 1,000 workers. The museum is endorsed by Amnesty International (USA) and Anti-Slavery International (UK) – the world's largest and oldest human rights organizations, respectively.

"Slavery in Florida agriculture today is not separate from the past – indeed, its roots extend deep within our state's history. Farmworkers have always been, and remain today, the state's poorest, least powerful workers," said Gerardo Reyes



Museum shirt

of the CIW. "If we are to abolish slavery once and for all in Florida agriculture, we must pull it up by the roots by addressing farmworker poverty and powerlessness."

Dr. Patrick Mason, a professor of economics and director of the African American studies program at Florida State University notes, "For too long, political representatives and ordinary citizens have ignored the recurring instances of enslavement in contemporary Florida. Indeed, for too long, there has been insufficient light shining in on the low pay and indecent working conditions of agricultural workers in this state. The mobile Florida Modern Slavery Museum is an impressive and imaginative approach to shedding new light on these old issues."

Dr. Kevin Bales, the Pulitzer-nominated author and president of Free the Slaves, an internationally-respected



Cargo truck

anti-slavery advocacy organization, adds, "There is real slavery in the fields of Florida. This is not about lousy jobs, but violent control, vicious exploitation, and the potential for serious harm and even death. Even more heartbreaking is the fact that there has never been a day in the history of Florida agriculture without some amount of slavery tainting the food grown there. That food leaves the hands of slaves and ends up in the meals we eat with our families."

The museum tour will culminate as the cargo truck leads the CIW's Farmworker Freedom March from April 16-18, when hundreds of farmworkers and their allies will march from Tampa to Lakeland, headquarters of the Publix supermarket chain.

Among its accomplishments, the CIW has aided in the prosecution by the Department of Justice of six slavery operations and the liberation of well over 1,000 workers. Its Campaign for Fair Food has won unprecedented support

for fundamental farm labor reforms from retail food industry leaders, with the goal of enlisting the market power of those companies to demand more humane labor standards from their Florida tomato suppliers.

For more information, visit [www.ciw-online.org/freedom\\_march/museum.html](http://www.ciw-online.org/freedom_march/museum.html).

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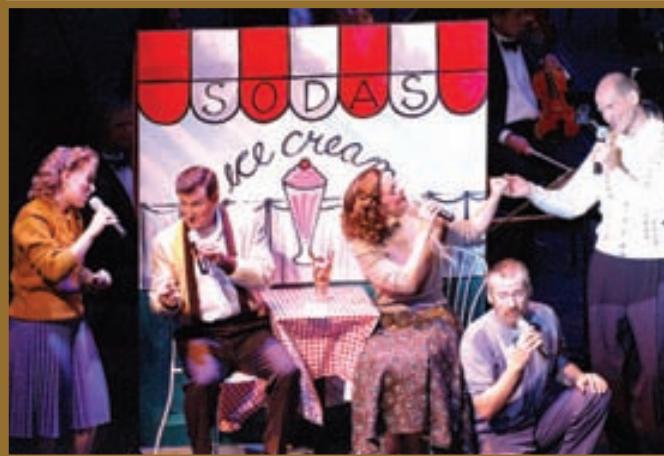
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# African Journal

## An Invitation And An Opportunity

by Scott Martell

I'd like to offer you an opportunity to be credited with making a difference in the lives of children, orphaned by HIV/AIDS in Ethiopia, and now living on the streets and begging for daily survival. By joining the Ethiopia Hope Village team ([www.EthiopiaHopeVillage.com](http://www.EthiopiaHopeVillage.com)), you can save lives, and change them. I want to make this a Sanibel, Captiva, Fort Myers project, because, having lived here 27 years, I know the heart that exists here. We want to do good, and we're looking for opportunities like this. This project is something God has placed in my heart. It is important and necessary. It is an opportunity, for all of us.

Let me tell you about one boy, Mohammed. For a boy whose life has been tragic, and future is bleak, Mohammed, 8, has one of the biggest smiles I've ever seen. He plays soccer on the streets – a place he also lives on at night. Orphaned, and abandoned, with the HIV virus, he survives by begging. Mohammed is a bright boy who will engage you with conversation – but he won't say where he hides away at night.

If he comes too close to a coffee house, with a hand outstretched, the waiters hurl stones at him, driving him away. The stigma of HIV/AIDS is lessening, but it is still a terrible situation.

In the town where I work, there are about 100 street kids with HIV recorded by the City of Butajira. There are over 1,000 known families where one parent has died of AIDS. These are only the known cases. Butajira has a population of 41,000. And the rural area surrounding the town has four times the population.

So, what can we do?

### Our Team:

First, the Ethiopia Hope village team is a team, truly. On the ground in Butajira there is a board of directors consisting of doctors, HIV/AIDS counselors, a city liaison, and local businessmen. The project is owned by a national church, Emmanuel Church, with whom we've partnered. My direct supervisor is New Mission Systems International ([www.nmsi.org](http://www.nmsi.org)), an outstanding missionary support and training organization. The team also includes individuals who have already signed up to support work we've done previously with Project Mercy in Ethiopia ([www.projectmercy.org](http://www.projectmercy.org)), and are ready to do more.

### Our Goal:

Our goal is to empower this Ethiopian church and the citizens of Butajira to nurture these orphans so that they will be a light in the darkness that surrounds them, and a part of a New Ethiopia that stands as a beacon in this part of the world. Ethiopia is bordered by Somalia to the east, Sudan to the west, and Eritrea to the north. Yemen is just across the Red Sea. Traditionally a Christian empire (for over 1,600 years), Ethiopia has fallen away. Islam is over 40 percent of the population. Animism and witchcraft have always remained strong. Yet, there is a huge revival ongoing too. The Protestant church is on fire, and there is a renewal within the Orthodox church as well.

### Our Project:

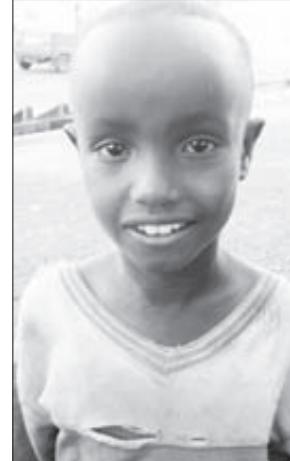
We want to start our "village" by building a youth center that will have programs ranging from education, food, health care, sports, a library and other ideas. We want the programs to be generated by the community, and driven by the local people.

We want to encourage child care by every means possible other than traditional "orphanage" care. However, we know there are some children – the most vulnerable, such as Mohammed – who will need housing. The youth center will anchor our village, and we will also include some group homes, each with eight children and a house parent. We'll immediately rent one or two homes to get these kids off the streets. In phase two of this project, we'll consider building these group homes as part of the village. In addition to house parents, we'll nurture these children with youth leaders, and each child will have a mentoring family in the community, which will be similar to uncles and aunts, or even grandparents.

The village, to be as self-sustaining as possible, will also create a fruit tree orchard, vegetable garden, chicken ranch and small dairy.



Group of kids



Sorphan Mohammed



Children gather at new church in countryside

### What Will It Take From The Team?

This is Ethiopia, and a dollar goes a long way. With \$95,000, we can get the village underway – with the youth center and infrastructure needs (including fences, land preparation, sports fields, etc.). This also includes funding one or two rental homes, feeding eight to 16 of the most vulnerable children, and hiring a staff of three to five people. Our goal is for the project to work toward self-sustainability. We are focusing on that from the very beginning. Yet, now, it is going to take an investment of our money, and our hearts, to get kids off the streets and nurture them to be citizens with character. This is a prototype, and Emmanuel Church wants to develop it so that it can be used in conjunction with their churches throughout Ethiopia.

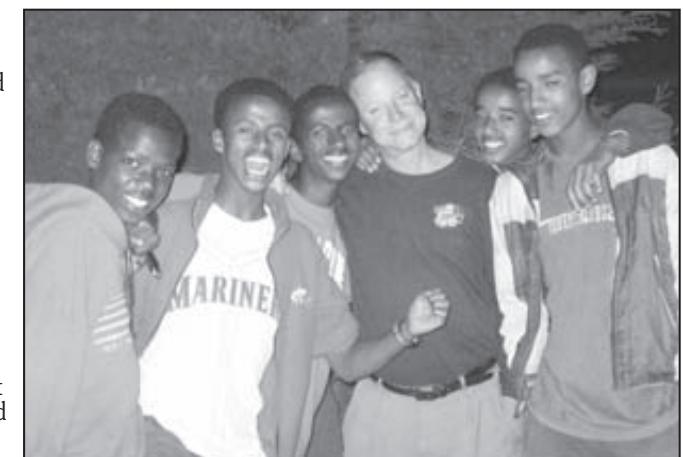
This is work we are all called to do, I believe. In the *Old Testament*, Moses tells us: "...the orphan and the widow who are in your town, shall come and eat and be satisfied, in order that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hand which you do." (*Deuteronomy 14:29*). And in the *New Testament*, James writes: ... Pure and lasting religion in the sight of God our Father means that we must care for orphans and widows in their troubles, and refuse to let the world corrupt us. (*James 1:27, NLT*)

### Please Help:

New Missions Systems International is a tax deductible charitable organization that is accepting your donations. Checks can be made out to NMSI, with Ethiopia Hope Village in the donation line. I pray you truly will be blessed by answering this opportunity.

As with all non-for-profits, NMSI honors preference of gifts solicited and, in accordance with IRS regulations, retains discretion and control over their use. It has a four star rating with Charity Navigators, and is a member of ECFA.

*Scott Martell moved to Sanibel as a cub reporter in 1983. He's worked with various journalist organizations since that time. He has served on a variety of boards, including CROW, The Sanibel School, Sanibel Community Association, Pirate Playhouse, and Gulf Coast Symphony. He was called to Ethiopia to work for Project Mercy in 2006, and now is a missionary with New Missions Systems International and works for Emmanuel Church, a national Ethiopian church. His columns, African Journals, have appeared frequently in the Island Sun.\**



Teacher Scott Martell (center) with some of his students



Scott Martell and Lemlem

# CROW Case Of The Week: Osprey

by Brian Johnson



**F**or reasons not yet fully understood, CROW finds that it receives more osprey injured from contact with power lines than any other species of bird.

Unfortunately, the outlook for an osprey who has been scalded by an electrical current is usually very poor.

So when the clinic got a call from Ryan Lund on February 17 about an osprey falling from a power line it did not sound like good news. Lund, on vacation from Minnesota, saw the bird drop near the Green Flash on Captiva, close to the bay.

However, this bird arrived in a "very alert" condition and did not exhibit many of the classic symptoms of a fatal electrocution (wing droop, inability to stand, and the horrid smell of burned tissue).

"Sometimes you open the box and the burned odor comes pouring out," said CROW Veterinarian Dr. Amber McNamara. "With this osprey, the burn odor was faint and very subtle."

## Guided Walks

**T**he CREW Land & Water Trust hosts a hike on the second Saturday of the month for all ages from 9 a.m. to noon at the CREW Marsh Hiking Trails.

**Tuesday Morning Guided Hike:** March 2 and 16 is on the first and third Tuesday of the month for all ages from 9 a.m. to noon.

The hikes are free, although donations to support the trust's preservation efforts and environmental education programs are appreciated. For reservations call 239-657-2253 or email [bthomas\\_crew@earthlink.net](mailto:bthomas_crew@earthlink.net).

Hikers are encouraged to bring water to drink and wear old shoes.

**Full Moon Hike:** March 29. As the sun sets, explore the CREW Marsh trails with senses other than sight. Flashlights with a red beam setting are welcome, but the moon will light the way. Hikers are encouraged to bring water to drink and wear walking shoes, long pants & long sleeves.

Fee: \$3 for CREW members, \$5 for non-members. All proceeds are used to support the trust's preservation efforts. Reservations required; call 239-657-2253 or email [bthomas\\_crew@earthlink.net](mailto:bthomas_crew@earthlink.net) for time and to register.

### Annual CREW Wildflower

**Festival:** March 19-20. Friday evening, March 19 will be the annual lecture and slide show beginning at 7 p.m. in the upstairs conference room inside Bass Pro Shop in Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. Authors Gary Schmelz and Glen

She noted two very small wounds on his right wing near the wrist. "We thought maybe he got lucky, maybe the current entered and exited in a short space and did not affect his internal organs," she said.

Staff gave him arnica, pain medication, and anti-oxidants, and applied soothing SSD cream to his wounds.

"The next morning he was standing up on his perch, bright and alert," said McNamara.

Staff tube-fed him fluids during the day and gave him a few fish, by hand, which he ate and kept down.

"When we hit the 72-hour mark we felt we were in the clear," said McNamara. "He had no sloughing of tissue, no swelling. He looked strong."

On Day 4 staff moved him to the outdoor cage, where he interacted with CROW's two other ospreys. He started flying right away and was doing loops at the top of the cage within 48 hours.

"He must have only had a glancing blow from the power line," said McNamara.

On February 23, CROW sent the osprey back to Captiva.

**CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.)** is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for



Osprey

native and migratory wildlife from the Gulf Coast of Florida. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mail donations to PO Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 472-3644 or visit: [www.crowclinic.org](http://www.crowclinic.org).\*\*

able at the trailhead located four miles west of the Marsh Trails.

The CREW Land & Water Trust, a nonprofit organization formed in 1989, is dedicated to the preservation and stewardship of the water resources and natural communities in and around the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed (CREW). This watershed is crucial to sustaining our water supply and providing natural flood protection.\*\*

## Free Seasonal Shoreline Walks

### Bowditch Point Preserve

Do gopher tortoises like to swim, why are plants important to the beach and what is a barrier island? Learn the answers to these questions and more while exploring the beach front tropical communities and all their inhabitants! Walks meet every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. and Fridays at 1 p.m. and last approximately 1½ hours. Walks take place at Bowditch Point Preserve from now through March. This walk is free but a fee for parking is required. Bowditch Point Park is located at 50 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach.

### Bunche Beach Preserve

Low Tide Loafing at Sunset is led by a volunteer naturalist and explores the mud flats to see what mysteries the low tide uncovers while watching a beautiful Florida sunset. Wear shoes that can get wet, don't forget your camera, water and bug spray. Days and times will vary depending on the tides. Walks are sched-

uled for March 11 at 5 p.m. and March 29 at 6:30 p.m. and last about an hour. Bunche Beach is located at 18201 John Morris Road, Fort Myers.

For more dates and times call 463-3764 or visit [www.leeparks.org](http://www.leeparks.org).  
**Matanzas Pass Preserve**

Exploring Ethnobotany reveals how indigenous plants can be used for such things as food, shelter, medicine and clothing. Learn the historical importance of some of Florida's plants to humans. Walks meet the last Wednesday of every month. The next walk is scheduled for March 24. Meet at the entrance to Matanzas Pass Preserve. These walks begin at 9:30 a.m. and last approximately 1½ hours. This is a free walk and there is no fee for parking. Matanzas Pass preserve is at 199 Bay Road, Fort Myers Beach.

### Mangrove Walk at Matanzas

When was the last time you walked through a maritime hammock or a mangrove forest with the bay lapping at your feet? Learn about the diverse plant communities including the maritime oak hammock, transitional wetlands and mangrove forest. Walks meet every Thursday, at the entrance to Matanzas Pass Preserve. Walks begin at 9:30 a.m. and last approximately 1½ hours. This is a free walk with limited free parking.

For more information on these walks, log onto [www.leeparks.org](http://www.leeparks.org) or call 463-3764.

Group guided tours for any of the shoreline walks are available upon request by calling 229-7356.\*\*



Butterfly milkweed's bright flowers appear throughout most of the year in southern Florida. The native wildflower is a larval plant for the monarch butterfly.

## Plant Smart: Butterfly Milkweed

by Gerri Reaves

**B**utterfly milkweed (*Asclepias tuberosa*) is a good choice for gardeners who want to attract butterflies and add vivid color to the landscape with minimum labor.

The native wildflower is a larval plant for the monarch butterfly and a nectar source for a variety of butterfly species.

The erect or sprawling flower has a tuberous root system and typically grows up to about two feet.

Butterfly milkweed does best in well-drained soil in full sun. Highly drought tolerant, this hardy plant will grow in sandy soil and needs little maintenance other than the periodic removal of old stems.

Trim back this perennial, and it will just keep springing back and offering those desirable flat-topped clusters of flowers that appear most of the year in southern Florida. Those bright orange flowers give it another common name, orange milkplant.

The arching lance-shaped leaves are coarse. Unlike the sap of some other milkweeds, that of butterfly milkweed is not milky.

Propagate the plant with seeds from the pods or by division or root cuttings. Collect pods before they split open and the silky seeds disperse in the wind.

The leaves and tuberous root are used for a variety of medicinal purposes, including the treatment of respiratory conditions. However, avoid ingesting the plant, which can be toxic when not used properly.

Fibrous butterfly milkweed has also been used in textiles by Native American peoples dating to prehistoric times.

Sources: *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, plants.usda.gov, and *Everglades Wildflowers* by Roger L. Hammer.

*Plant Smart explores sustainable gardening practices that will help you create a low-maintenance, drought-tolerant, hurricane- and pest-resistant South Florida landscape.*

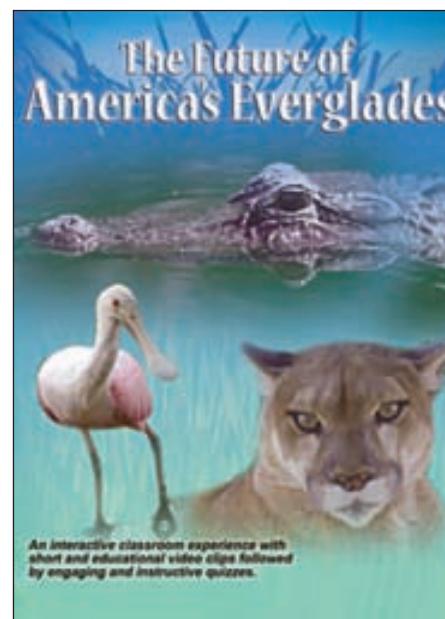


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## Students To View Everglades Restoration DVD



**T**he South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is distributing the latest edition of its award-winning educational DVD, *The Future of America's Everglades*, to teachers in Lee and Hendry counties in March.

*The Future of America's Everglades* provides an interactive classroom experience that introduces students of all ages to the Everglades ecosystem and the efforts under way to restore it. The DVD features 24 video segments – narrated by drama students from Cypress Lake Middle School – that give viewers the opportunity to visit remote areas often accessible only by airboats or helicopters and meet the people doing the important work of restoration. Each segment is accompanied by a vocabulary list and an interactive quiz.

Created by the SFWMD Lower West Coast Service Center and Fort Myers-based Main Sail Video Productions, the DVD uses videos and scripts originally produced for broadcast news. The first version was released in 2008 as a pilot educational project and featured five segments with questions and answers developed by Lee County teachers. The project was later expanded to its current size and incorporated improvements suggested by teachers.

Lee County teachers received copies of the DVD at a March 3 meeting at the Imaginarium. Service center staff provided a demonstration during the meeting. Hendry County teachers will get their copies March 25.

Dubbed the River of Grass for the sawgrass that flourished throughout the marsh, America's Everglades is a mosaic of freshwater ponds, prairies and forested uplands that supports a rich plant and wildlife community, including dozens of federally threatened and endangered species. Everglades restoration includes many diverse research efforts, construction projects and new technologies. This unique ecosystem and the efforts to restore it

provide many opportunities to engage and inspire young people in the fields of science and math.

To learn more about the district's Everglades restoration efforts, visit [www.sfwmd.gov/everglades](http://www.sfwmd.gov/everglades). More information about the SFWMD Lower West Coast Service Center is available at [www.sfwmd.gov/lwc](http://www.sfwmd.gov/lwc).

## Everglades Photography Exhibit In Naples

**I**n celebration of Collier County Museum's current exhibit, *For Everglades*, which showcases the photography of the Everglades by Clyde Butcher and Jeff Ripple, the museum is hosting a reception on Friday, March 5 from 4 to 7 p.m. Wine and cheese will be served and Butcher will speak to the audience.

Butcher is world renowned for his striking black and white landscape photography of the Everglades and Florida's unique River of Grass. For more than 40 years, Butcher has been preserving untouched areas of landscape on film. This exhibit traces Butcher's path from his early days as an architectural model photographer, the transition into the field of landscape photography, and his struggle to keep the focus of his vision on the art of photography, while still trying to support a family as an artist.

Ripple, a fine art landscape photographer and natural history author, grew up in south Florida. He has devoted nearly half his life to exploring and documenting the natural wonders of Florida and the South. Within the last three years, he has been extensively photographing the Sleeping Bear Dunes region of Michigan's northwestern lower peninsula and has opened a summer gallery and studio there.

Reception cost is \$10 per person. Call 239-252-8476 for reservations.

The exhibit is on display until April 3. Museum hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The museum is located at the Collier Government Center at U.S. 41 and Airport-Pulling Road in Naples.

## Saturday Birdwalk

**T**he next Audubon Society birdwalk will take place March 6 at Bowman's Beach, Sanibel. Walkers should meet just before the wooden bridge to the beach at 8 a.m.

Non-resident parking is \$2 an hour. All birders are welcome. These birdwalks are open to the public and the suggested donation is \$2. Call Hugh Verry at 395-3798 for details.

# Lower Your Expectations In Cold Weather



by Capt.  
Matt Mitchell

**D**espite the cold and windy weather, fishing around the sound has been pretty good on the days I could get out. Once located, trout, sheepshead and a few small redfish have been making clients smile. Using live shrimp for bait, anglers who could brave the cold conditions out there have been rewarded. I'm not catching big fish by any means, but if you're not too worried about catching one certain species and are willing to work at it, you can keep a rod bent and come home with enough fish for dinner.

This colder than usual winter has really kept me fishing much closer to home than I usually would. Short runs and keeping everyone warm and comfortable have been high on the list of must-do's. Finding a nice warm spot out of the wind where I know there are fish, and sitting for an hour or so to avoid a cold run to the next spot has been the normal.

The warmer the day, generally, the better the bite has been. On the really cold, windy days when I have found a spot with any kind of action, I have really milked it, staying there as long as possible, looking for that one good fish. Often moving and looking for a better bite has just not worked out. Sure you have to fish your way through lots of small fish but small fish are better than no fish in the scheme of things this winter.

I cannot remember a winter of having to juggle my schedule around so much and cancelling so many trips due to the weather. Generally, before picking up a charter I have a species picked out to target on a certain phase of the tide. For most trips this winter the only plan seems to be to find anything that will eat a bait.

## Send Us Your Fish Tales

**T**he River Weekly would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the River Weekly, 16450 San Carlos Boulevard, Suite 2, Fort Myers, Florida 33908, or email to [RiverWeeklyNews@aol.com](mailto:RiverWeeklyNews@aol.com).

## Power Squadron Chart Classes

**T**he San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons, will be offering a digital charting class on Saturday, March 6, from 1:15 to 4 p.m. This class will introduce you to the newest electronic tools for navigation including Maptech software and NOAA government charts.

There will be hands-on exercises (both paper and digital). Attendees must know how to read a chart. With a lot less effort, you can enter waypoints, plan routes, compute distances, and print your entire trip. You will also learn to move routes created on your computer to your GPS and to your Garmin GPS/Chartplotter.

Students will use chart 11427 and must bring it to class. Those a notebook/laptop, bring it to class and the instructor will load the Maptech software on your machine. The cost of the class is \$40 per person and includes handouts, and MapTech/USPS CD.

The popular Local Waters/Local Charts class is on Saturday, March 6, from 8:15 a.m. to noon. The class is directed towards new boaters and boaters new to the area, as well as those wishing to learn chart reading. It will provide some of the basics of navigation, oriented to the Fort Myers area.

Students will use chart 11427 and must bring it to class.

The cost of the class is \$40 per person.

Other guides and recreational anglers I talk to are having the same problem. With cold front after cold front the fish have just not gotten in a consistent pattern.

My rule of thumb for this winter has been: if you start out with low expectations on most days you can surpass them and still have a quality day out there. I'm not the type of guide that will tell you tall tails to get you to book a trip. What's the point. I might book that one fishing trip but will that client ever be back? Probably not, and it's not the way to have happy clients at the end of the day. So now when the phone rings and I am asked, "What's going on out on the water right now?" the answer is, "Not a whole lot, and keep you fingers crossed it warms before we go fishing."

With March here the weather really has to get better soon. Spring-like weather must be just around the corner. Luckily with spring comes some of our best fishing of the year. I can hardly wait!



Donna Black with a windy day sheepshead

Capt. Matt Mitchell moved to Sanibel in 1980 and has fished local waters for more than 25 years. He now lives in St. James City and has worked as a back country fishing guide for more than 10 years. If you have comments or questions email [captmattmitchell@aol.com](mailto:captmattmitchell@aol.com).\*\*

Optional on-the-water training is offered at a later date. Check with the class instructor for details..

The classes are taught at the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron Classroom at 16048 San Carlos Boulevard at the corner of Kelly Road (across from Ace Hardware). Register online at [www.scbps.com](http://www.scbps.com) or call 466-4040.\*\*

## Fort Myers Power Squadron Events

**T**he Fort Myers Power Squadron is keeping busy with overnight boat cruises, cruises to lunch and educational classes. Members just returned from two nights and three days on Captiva Island.

There were Piloting classes every week in February. There will be Advanced Piloting every Monday in March and a boat show March 11 through 14.

The Shrimp Boil is coming up on March 20 at the squadron building, which is open to the public. Call Pete Henderson for more information at 543-1729. There will be free boating classes starting May 4 and running five consecutive weeks. Classes will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Call Grant Esser to sign up at 945-6612.

There will be a overnight cruise to Snook Bight Marina April 12, 13 and 14. You can attend by boat or car. The regular dinner meeting is the first Thursday of every month. For more information call 368-9734.\*\*

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## A Year's Worth Of Work By Shell Crafters On Sale

It's Shell Fair time again.

The Sanibel Shellcrafters are ready to display and sell hundreds of shells and shell craft items during the annual Sanibel Shell Fair & Show.

There are all kinds of critters, figurines, jewelry, ornaments and flower arrangements for which the shellcrafters are famous, all made out of shells. There are beach shells, collector shells and fossil shells, too, all cleaned up and ready for purchase.

All of these items will be available for sale in large tents erected at The Community House.

The Sanibel Shellcrafters are an informal group of volunteers who meet almost every Monday at The Community House to create crafts from shells. Stored in three closets within the Community House is one of the greatest collections of craft supplies anywhere.

Basic flower-making classes are available to all visitors and an intermediate table is hosted by experienced shellcrafters where new members are guided through a project or two. After a few weeks, the new volunteer moves on to work one-on-one with someone and soon there is another official shellcrafter adding their skills and ideas to the mix.

During the winter season, there are demonstrations led by crafters on the finer points of shellcrafting, such as building a flower around a bead or the preparation of a shell box or floral arrange-



Some of the Sanibel Shellcrafters' flower arrangements from last year's shell fair

ment.

A group of volunteers valiantly works through the winter, chilly or otherwise, to clean and sort hundreds of beach shells and fossils donated throughout the year. The shell sorters meet once or twice a week at Flo's Shell Shed in the yard at The Community House, where they set up tables and boxes and sort, sort, sort. Rarer shells and collectable shells are also available, all donated by members and visitors of the Sanibel-Captiva community.

The crafters receive hundreds of hours of support and guidance from a number of professional shell artists, retired florists, expert shellers and fossil collectors who give their time and talents to the group. A big thank you goes out to all of them.

This past year the shellcrafters were the beneficiaries of six shell "estates," gifts from friends who had passed away leaving their personal collections of shells, craft supplies and tools to the group. Another big thank you goes out to all the

## An Unusual Booksigning



Adult American crocodile

Sanibel author Charles Sobczak and Barnes & Noble Booksellers will be hosting what has to be one of the most unusual booksignings ever. The event will take place on Saturday, March 6 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Coconut Point Barnes & Noble Bookstore, 23130 Fashion Drive in Estero. Sobczak will be co-signing his new release, *Living Sanibel – a Nature Guide to Sanibel and Captiva Islands*, along with a hatchling American crocodile. The baby croc will "sign" with an imprint of its front foot. The American crocodile is being brought to the store courtesy of Gatorama, located in Palmdale, Florida.

The recent death of the JN "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge crocodile brings to light just how vulnerable these creatures are to environmental changes, including encroachment into their habitats by development. A full grown male American crocodile can obtain lengths in excess of 14 feet and weigh more than 1,500 pounds. Crocodile hatchlings are only 18 inches long. Gatorama is the only place in the United States to successfully breed and raise American crocodiles. The animals are used for educational and zoological purposes and are shipped throughout the world. Young adults and children are especially encouraged to attend this unique event.

*Living Sanibel* is a nature guide to Sanibel and Captiva that includes more than 650 full-color photographs and illustrations of all the various living things on Sanibel.

families involved in making those donations.

The Sanibel Community Association receives the proceeds from the shellcrafter sales. Last year the gross was approximately \$62,000, the largest amount ever. As related expenses are relatively low, the total contribution to the operating budget of the house is substantial.

A truly huge thank you goes out to all the shellcrafters and shell sorters who help to make this one of the most successful fundraisers on the islands.\*\*

## Clay Jenkins Plays Steinbeck

Clay Jenkins takes the stage at BIG ARTS Wednesday, March 10, at 8 p.m. Jenkins is a humanities scholar, author, and social commentator who will adopt the persona of writer John Steinbeck for this presentation.

Rooted in the earth and the people of California's Salinas Valley, author John Steinbeck achieved worldwide recognition for his keen observations and powerful descriptions of the human condition. His life was as rich and provocative as the places he immortalized in his writing. *The Grapes of Wrath*, based on newspaper articles Steinbeck had written in San Francisco, won the 1940 Pulitzer Prize for Literature.

Tickets are \$35 general seating, students \$15.\*\*

The book has an extensive section on birds with 291 species listed. It also includes sections on shells, fish, reptiles, mammals, insects and plants. The book ends with a map section detailing all of the hiking and biking trails located on both islands, with more than 65 miles of trails identified. It is currently the best-selling book on Sanibel and Captiva. Other books by Sobczak include *Six Mornings on Sanibel* and *A Choice of Angels*. For additional information about the signing call Barnes & Noble at 947-8724.\*\*

## Fort Myers Princess Relocating

Fort Myers Princess, a 75-foot tour boat, is relocating its operation from downtown Fort Myers to the docks at Marina Village, adjacent to Snug Harbor Restaurant on Fort Myers Beach. The ticket and sales office is located on the northeast corner of the resort, overlooking the pass.

The Fort Myers Princess was designed as a tour boat, with a capacity of 149, to take passengers on daily, year-round afternoon dolphin and early evening sunset tours through Matanzas Pass into the Gulf of Mexico by owners Capt. Gene Becker and Dan Heselton. Weekly brunch and dinner cruises are offered in season.

Listen to Jimmy Buffett tunes as the sun sets over the Gulf of Mexico. The Princess has upper deck room for dancing and seating for 60. There is a snack

bar and full service cocktail bar serving frozen tropical drinks, wine, beer and champagne.

Reserve your space on board at [www.fortmyersprincess.com](http://www.fortmyersprincess.com), or you can call Capt. Gene at 322-7323. Capt. Gene has over 30 years of experience at sea and hails from New York and Florida shores. His grandfather started fishing out of Tampa in the late 1940s. In 1976, he built the *Tampa VI*, which was known as the *Queen of New York*. The *Tampa VI* is a 125-foot, state-of-the-art aluminum vessel that cruises at 25 knots. It is still regarded as one of the finest party fishing boats ever built and operating off the east coast.

The Fort Myers Princess grand opening in its

new location will be March 13 and 14 during the 52nd annual Shrimp Fest. Twenty five percent of all proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Book tickets online [www.fortmyersprincess.com](http://www.fortmyersprincess.com).\*\*



Five by Design Soda Shop: Sheridan Zuther, Kurt Niska, Lorie Carpenter-Niska and Michael Swedberg and Terrence Niska



Five by Design Texaco advertisement song

## Five By Design's Musical Tribute To The Early Days Of Television

**O**n Friday, March 12 Five By Design's *Stay Tuned* variety show comes to BIG ARTS Schein Performance Hall at 8 p.m.

Backed by a studio big band, Five By Design's vibrant harmonies embrace the unforgettable melodies of early television. *Stay Tuned* is an evening of music, humor, novelty acts, and parodies on *Name That Tune* and *This Is Your Life* accompanied by a theme song medley and some very familiar commercial jingles. You'll find yourself singing *Sh Boom* outside a soda shop in varsity sweater and saddle shoes, or playing along as quiz show contestants.

Five By Design changes the channel for you as the quintet glides effortlessly from *Hey There* to *'S Wonderful* to *The Girl From Ipanema* in the blink of an eye.

Five By Design includes Lorie Carpenter-Niska, Sheridan Zuther, Kurt Niska, Michael Swedberg, and Terrence Niska. The group's national media exposure includes National Public Radio's *Weekend Edition – Sunday, Swingin' Down the Lane*, and a feature story in *Symphony* magazine.

Tickets are \$46 loge, \$41 floor, and student \$15.

Five By Design performance is supported by Patron sponsor West Wind Inn and sponsor Bailey's General Store.

For tickets stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel or call BIG ARTS Marks Box Office at 395-0900.\*

Our email address is [press@riverweekly.com](mailto:press@riverweekly.com)

## Stories From The Edge Of The World

**E**nsemble Galilei will offer the next performance in the 2009-10 Fine and Performing Arts Concert Series at Shell Point Retirement Community on Friday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Church Auditorium.

The performance incorporates music and photos. Ensemble Galilei performs Irish, Scottish, early and original music on a variety of ancient and modern instruments, including the Celtic harp, Scottish small pipes, gamba, fiddle, recorders, whistles and percussion. Their performance, First Person: Stories from

the Edge of the World, is a collaboration between the National Geographic Society; NPR's Neal Conan, host of *Talk Of The Nation*; and Ensemble Galilei. Spectacular photographs and images are projected on a large on-stage screen, with Neal Conan's compelling narration, and evocative music created specifically for this project, they work seamlessly to take the audience along on some of the world's most extraordinary expeditions.

Tickets are \$35. Call 454-2067 for payment information on individual or group packages.

Shell Point Retirement Community is a not-for-profit continuing care retirement community located in Fort Myers just off Summerlin Road, two miles before the Sanibel causeway.\*



Ensemble Galilei



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**The event was held at The South Seas Resort  
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Call the Box Office for future event information (239)472-6862

## Art Council Spring Art Show And Sale



Hurry

This season, the Art Council of Southwest Florida's (ACSWF) Spring Art Show and Sale will be held at Coconut Point in Estero from March 13 to 21. The gallery is located between TJ Max and Old Navy. You will find a wide variety of original paintings and photography by the artist members of the 13 art leagues that hug the coast of Southwest Florida from Charlotte County to Marco Island.



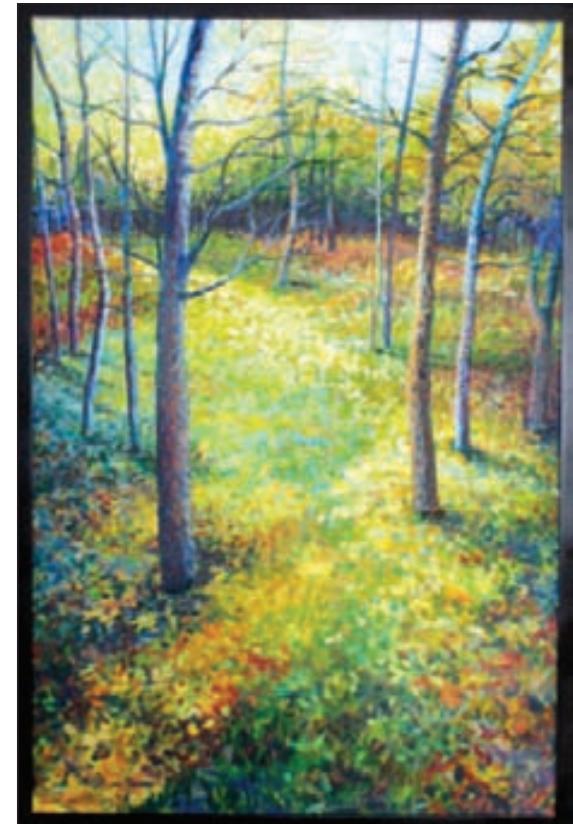
Balance



Water lily painting

The show will open to the public on Saturday, March 13, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The week of Sunday, March 14 to Sunday, March 21 show hours are noon to 6 p.m.

ACSWF member leagues include Alliance for the Arts, Art League of Bonita Springs, Cape Coral Art League, Visual Arts Center of Charlotte County, Estero Art League, Art League of Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach Art Association, Lehigh Acres Art League, Art League of Marco Island, Naples Art Association, Pine Island Art Association, Sanibel-Captiva Art League, Southwest Florida Pastel Society. Artist members of these council leagues seeking entry information should visit [www.ACSWF.org](http://www.ACSWF.org) then click on Spring Show for the show receiving dates, the prospectus, entry and waiver forms. This information will also be available at your local league. To contact show chairs email [lcb444@aol.com](mailto:lcb444@aol.com) or [evswany@embarqmail.com](mailto:evswany@embarqmail.com).\*



Fall Path

### Command Performance Of Sweet Charity

**S**tudents at Cypress Lake High Center for the Performing Arts present a special, one-time return engagement of *Sweet Charity* to help raise funds to bring the production to the Florida State Thespian Festival in Tampa, one of three such requests statewide.

The performance will be held in the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, 8099 College Parkway, at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 31. Tickets are \$20 for VIP seating, \$15 for regular seating. You can purchase tickets at the Barbara B. Mann box office, online at [www.bbmannpah.com](http://www.bbmannpah.com) or by calling 481-4849.

Cypress Lake High has been asked to perform its production of *Sweet Charity* by the Florida State Thespian Festival. The festival, scheduled for Friday, April 9, will allow Cypress Lake High to showcase its student talent for nearly 3,000 event attendees.

Students at Cypress Lake High have the opportunity to major in vocal music, theater, dance, band, orchestra, visual arts and media. With more than 100 students involved in the production of *Sweet Charity*, it is the largest Cypress Lake Center for the Arts production of the year. The musicals at Cypress Lake have been honored by the Lee County High School Musical Awards and the school has been honored with the best overall musical in the two years that the High School Musical Awards have been in existence – 2008 for *All Shook Up* and 2009 for *The Producers*.\*

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### Boy Scouts Centennial And Art Show

**T**his year, Boy Scouts of America celebrates 100 years as an organization. Founded as a means to prepare every eligible youth in America to become a participating citizen and leader, the Boy Scouts of America has more than fulfilled its mission.

The Southwest Florida Boy Scout Council serves over 30,000 youth in Charlotte, Collier, Desoto, Hendry, Lee, Manatee and Sarasota Counties. To commemorate the 100th anniversary of Scouting in America the council is planning a Centennial Celebration for March 19 in Sarasota. It will showcase the National BSA Art Tour of Boy Scout-themed artwork featuring Norman Rockwell's original paintings as well as original artwork by Joseph Cstari's, a protégé of Rockwell. Sarasota is one of a select group of cities in the country hosting this tour in 2010. This is not a fundraising event.

Attendance is free but by RSVP only. Contact Greg Graham at 936-8072 ext. 102 or email [jggraham@bsamail.org](mailto:jggraham@bsamail.org) to reserve tickets for the art tour.

Following the art exhibit at 8 p.m. in Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall, the Sarasota Orchestra will perform Peter Boyer's *Ellis Island: The Dream of America* as well as celebrate the works of Norman Rockwell and composer Stella Sung with Sung's *Rockwell Reflections*, project which combines her original music to Rockwell's art work.

Discounted concert tickets are available by contacting the Sarasota Orchestra at 941-953-3434 or [www.SarasotaOrchestra.org](http://www.SarasotaOrchestra.org) using code #BSA 20 for a 20 percent discount on any price seat.\*

## Pianist Wu Han Joins Escher String Quartet For Special Performance



The Escher String Quartet

**T**he Escher String Quartet, with pianist Wu Han, will perform at the Sanibel Music Festival at 8 p.m. Saturday, March 13, at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. Tickets at \$30 each are available at Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way or Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 1037 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. Tickets may also be purchased by calling 336-7999, or by logging on to [www.sanibelmusicfestival.org](http://www.sanibelmusicfestival.org).

Within months of its inception in 2005, the Escher String Quartet was invited to be quartet-in-residence at both Pinchas Zuckerman's and Itzhak Perlman's summer festivals. The quartet, comprised of Adam Barnett-Hart (violin); Wu Jie (violin); Pierre Lapointe (viola); Andrew Janss (cello), has received acclaim for its individual sound, inspired artistic decisions and unique cohesiveness. They were selected in 2006 for the prestigious CMS Two residency at the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. In 2007, they joined the faculty of Stony Brook University as adjunct professors in a unique relationship with the world-renowned Emerson String Quartet. Pianist Wu Han, a festival favorite, will join the Escher for the Taneyev Piano Quintet, which she performed in 2008 at the Aspen Festival.

The program is sponsored by Claire and Ted Sawyer and Janet and Joseph Davie and will include:

Prokoviev: *String Quartet No. 1, Op. 50*; Beethoven: *String Quartet No. 8 in E minor, Razumovsky*; Taneyev: *Piano Quintet in G minor, Op. 30*.

The Sanibel Music Festival, celebrating its 24th season, presents world renowned artists during the month of March. Incorporated in 1987 as a non-for-profit organization, its mission is to present classical music of the highest standard at affordable prices and to promote the careers of young artists through performance opportunities.\*

## Artist's Opening Reception

**C**elebrated visual artist and photographer Paul Rodino is back at daas Gallery this year with a new collection simply called Click. The opening reception is scheduled for Friday, March 5 in conjunction with the monthly Fort Myers Art Walk.

Following his successful Vintage | Modern solo exhibition last May, Rodino is bringing a fresh new line of work that captures the artistic maturity and fascinating vision that he is known for. With Click Rodino focuses on the inanimate subject and brings traditional photography to a totally different level.

The exhibition will be on display through Saturday, March 27. The daas Gallery promises another phenomenal night of great art, great friends and good times. For more information about the event, visit [www.daasgallery.com](http://www.daasgallery.com). Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with additional hours on Fridays from 6 to 9 p.m., located at 1542 Broadway Street in downtown Fort Myers.\*



Photograph by Paul Rodino



Wu Han



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## ArtFest Fort Myers Art Under 20 Winners

**A**rtFest Fort Myers presented \$6,000 in awards to Lee County high school students at the Art Under 20 award reception on February 23. They were winners at ArtFest Fort Myers on February 6 and 7.

Some 226 students from 16 Lee County high schools entered 226 pieces of artwork. Their art was exhibited at the fine art festival and was viewed by thousands of festival patrons. Judges were Susan Mills, Tracy Cullimore and Doug Heslep.

The cash award levels were \$900 for best of show, \$400 for first place, \$200 for second place, \$100 for third place and \$50 for honorable mention. Festival attendees voted for the People's Choice winner, resulting in a \$300 cash award.

Through the generosity of the Fewster family, two additional awards were added this season, the Fewster Family Scholarship Award and the McBLT Ventures Art Teacher Award.

### Winners:

**Best Of Show**, Kelsey Hasten, Mariner High

### Photography

1st Daniela Martinez, North Fort Myers High

2nd Amber Jakacki, Mariner High

3rd Patrick Duggan, Cape Coral High

### Painting

1st Alicia Wilby, Cypress Lake High

2nd Kelsey Anne Younger, Fort Myers High

3rd Alex Potter, Cape Coral High

### Drawing

1st Bailee Ames, Island Coast High

2nd Winny Wong Lehigh High

3rd Yutong We, Island Coast High

### 3-Dimensional

1st Felisa Iglesias, Riverdale High

2nd Justin Wold, East Lee High

3rd Sarah Ewell, Estero High

### Mixed Media

1st Kevin Wu, Fort Myers High

2nd Anna Craig, Cypress Lake High

3rd Clancy Reihm, Cape Coral High

**People's Choice**, Adam Frank,

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### Fewster Family Scholarship



**Best of show Kelsey Hasten, Mariner High**

**Award**, Miguel Cardenas, Mariner High

**McBLT Ventures Art Teacher Award**, Martin Cardenas, Mariner High

### Honorable mentions:

Jordyn Quinn, Cypress Lake High

Heather Markgraf, North Fort Myers High

Jason Devine, Cypress Lake High

Harrison Dermer, Fort Myers High

Alexandria Wells, Riverdale High

Hana Pak, North Fort Myers High

Ambar Olivarez, Cape Coral High

Rebecca Antelis, Canterbury School

Tabia Lees, Cypress Lake High

Miguel Garcia, Island Coast High

Debra Aly, Riverdale High

Ashley Ynfiesta, Mariner High

Ashleigh Dempsey, Cypress Lake High

Chanel Fryer, Cypress Lake High

Rita Tammacco, North Fort Myers High

Leslie Nava, Riverdale High

Kaitlynn Fincham, Mariner High

Brittany Sachs, Fort Myers High

Courtney Greenberg, Fort Myers High

Kapri Crowley, Cape Coral High

Shelby Boehm, Fort Myers High

Katherine Welch, Mariner High

Sarah Lyons, Riverdale High

Daniel Talavera, Cape Coral High

Kaitlin Davis, Mariner High

Alexandra Fahnlander, Fort Myers High

Nick Koutny, Riverdale High.\*\*

## Premier Brubeck's Quiet Heroes

**T**he Gulf Coast Symphony will present the east coast premiere of Chris Brubeck's symphonic suite, *Quiet Heroes* based on the book *Flags of our Fathers* by James Bradley and Ron Powers in honor of the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima.

Film and television star Wilford Brimley is the special guest narrator for this moving performance on Sunday, March 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.

The symphony's program also includes *Victory at Sea*, a *Salute to the Armed Forces* and other musical surprises.

Single tickets are \$29, \$35, \$40 and \$51, with half priced tickets for children under 18. They are available online at [www.gulfcoastsymphony.org](http://www.gulfcoastsymphony.org), by calling 481-4849, or in person at the Barbara B. Mann Box Office one hour prior to the concert. For more information email: [info@gulfcoastsymphony.org](mailto:info@gulfcoastsymphony.org)

Prior to the concert, at 5:30 p.m., the symphony celebrates its 15th anniversary with a gala dinner. Guests will have a private reception with Maestro Andrew Kurtz and composer Chris Brubeck, a full dinner catered by the Flying Pig and entertainment. Gala tickets are \$100 and must be purchased separately from concert tickets. To make a reservation, call 277-1700 log onto [www.gulfcoastsymphony.org/events.htm](http://www.gulfcoastsymphony.org/events.htm).\*\*

## Work By Jansen At Art Museum

**S**outhwest Florida contemporary artist Marcus Antonius Jansen's painting *Patented Pigs* 2008 is one of the recent additions to the New Britain Museum of American Art. The work will be on display periodically between spaces at the museum.

Jansen's paintings have reached international acclaim, showing in

Taiwan, France, South Africa and Russia. His paintings can be found in the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art, The National Taiwan Museum of Fine Art and the Moscow Museum of Modern Art collection.

Jansen's next solo exhibition will be held at 101 exhibit in Miami Florida on May 8, with a public reception at 7 p.m., 101 Northeast 40th Street, Miami. His Southwest Florida dealer is HW Gallery in Naples.

See the Web site for more details, [www.marcusjansen.com](http://www.marcusjansen.com).\*\*



**Patented Pigs**, oil enamel collage on canvas

## Beach Art Bazaar Set For March 14



**2009 Art Bazaar clothesline sale**

**F**ort Myers Beach Art Association will hold its annual Art Bazaar on March 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fort Myers Beach Library on Estero Boulevard.

Original unframed artwork will be hung on clotheslines strung on the library site for you to peruse and purchase. Member artists have gathered up some beautiful pieces, many of them done by the outdoor painters at familiar locations in the Fort Myers area. Funds generated by the sale of these items go directly to the scholarship program for art students in the area.

Each year in April the Fort Myers Beach Art Association awards scholarships to senior art students from local high schools going on to study art at a secondary education level at a gallery show. This show and award is funded in part by a grant from the Town of Fort Myers Beach. Art from the high school, middle school and elementary students is hung at the gallery from April 14 to 28 by members of the art association and will be available for viewing during regular gallery hours. Awards will be given on Sunday, April 25 from 3 to 5 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

Fort Myers Beach Art Association Gallery will also be open during the sale for visitors to see the Spring Juried Members Show juried by Karlyn Holman. The gallery is on Donora Street at the blinking light off Estero Boulevard. It is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 3 p.m.

For more information go to [www.fortmyersbeachart.com](http://www.fortmyersbeachart.com) or call 463-3909.\*\*

## Purdue Varsity Glee Club Performing Next Weekend

The Shell Point Season of Praise Concert Series continues on Sunday, March 14 with the Purdue Varsity Glee Club. The performance will be at 6:15 p.m. in The Village Church Auditorium at Shell Point Retirement Community.

"The Purdue Varsity Glee Club is a very popular group that entertains audiences all over the country and has quite a following of fans," said Randy Woods, minister of worship and music for The Village Church. "We are pleased to have them in the 2009-10 Season of Praise Concert series, and know that all who come to the performance will enjoy it. Tickets are going quickly for this concert, so we anticipate a sold out crowd."

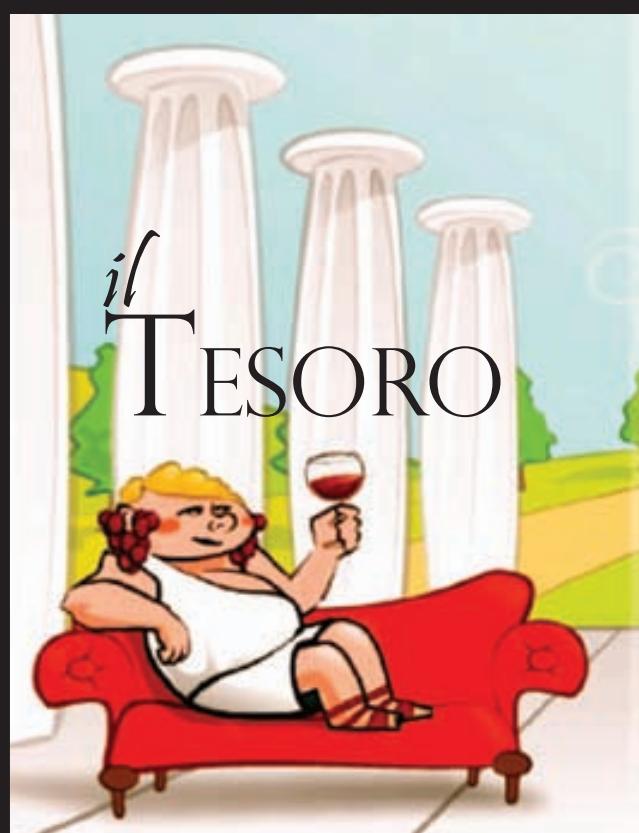
The Purdue Varsity Glee Club features 60 young men who will perform gospel music with the charisma, high-standard of academics, and performance excellence that defines their reputation. They have performed in the Crystal Cathedral and Carnegie Hall, as well as at five presidential inaugurations.

Tickets are available for \$10 each by calling 454-2147, or go to [www.shellpoint.org/villagechurch/events](http://www.shellpoint.org/villagechurch/events).

The Village Church at Shell Point is a ministry of the Christian and Missionary Alliance and serves a congregation of more than 600. The Village Church is located near the entrance to the Island at Shell Point and seats 1,000 people. Shell Point Retirement Community is just off Summerlin Road, two miles before the Sanibel Causeway. 



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## Create Your Own Palm Frond Art

Design and create your own wild-life art from palm fronds at Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve on Wednesday, March 10. Artist Heidi Saletko from FrondZoo Art will teach you how to make wild animals from materials you collect at home. Queen palm frond husks and coconut palm "hair" are perfect for this activity. Paint and tools will be provided to put it all together.

The program will run from 10 a.m. to noon at the Interpretive Center. This is a great activity for anyone age six years and older. Sign up by contacting the Lee County Parks and Recreation main office at 533-7440 or visit us online at [www.leeparks.org](http://www.leeparks.org) and click on the registration link. The fee is \$15 per person.

Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is at 7751 Penzance Crossing in Fort Myers.\*\*



Palm frond art by Heidi Saletko

## Bonita Springs Art League Affairs Of The Arts Continues

Each year the Art League of Bonita Springs presents Affairs of the Arts. These social events are hosted at various venues throughout Southwest Florida and all benefit the Art League.

There will be 18 events total.

A Pastel & Small Works Exhibition and Open House is scheduled for Friday, March 5, 6 to 8 p.m. and will remain on display through March 18 at Center for the Arts, 26100 Old 41 Road. It is free and open to the public.

The exhibition features artworks ranging from small to tiny. Visitors are always amazed at the detail in these small, but mighty works.

In the Main Gallery the Southwest Florida Pastel Society with have a collection of pastel paintings.

The entire campus of the Center for the Arts will be open to visitors with faculty and students displaying and selling their artwork in the studio/classrooms. Instructors will be present to answer questions about classes.

Affairs of the Arts No. 12 – The Battle of the Americas – is on Saturday, March 6 at 6 p.m. Cost is \$200 per person.

This annual social event is hosted at various venues throughout Southwest Florida and benefits the Art League.

South American wines are placed up against wines from California and Oregon. You be the judge. Eight wines will be paired with a four-course gourmet dinner created by Chef Martin Murphy at the Robb & Stucky Culinary Center.

Live at the Promenade... Flamenco! will be staged Thursday, March 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Promenade at Bonita Bay, 26811 S Bay Drive. Cost: \$30 members, \$35 non-members, \$40 at the door

This is a night of music, dance and the history of Flamenco dancing with Clarita Filgueiras accompanied by Tango's acoustical guitar.

For information on any of these events, call 495-8989 or log onto [www.artcenterbonita.org](http://www.artcenterbonita.org).\*\*

## Artist Group Has Works On Display

Lee County Commissioner Tammy Hall is supporting local artists by giving them an opportunity to display their artwork in her Fort Myers office.

This month the Herons Glen Artist Group will display acrylic, oils, and water color originals in Hall's downtown Fort Myers office until April 2. The nine artists; Barb Stein, Lois Smith, Madelyn Moffet, Tootie Stark, Judy Tyler, Judith Biddle, Dee Fugere, Bunny Carter, and Gary Olsen all live in the Herons Glen Community. The public is welcome to view the artwork and learn more about the artists. Call 533-2226 to confirm office hours for viewing.

Other local artists will be featured every four to six weeks. Hall's office is on the first floor of the Old County Courthouse, 2120 Main Street in downtown Fort Myers.\*\*

## Original One-Act Play Takes Center Stage At Alliance

Charismatic and ebullient, Franklin D. Roosevelt charmed the American people, world leaders and the hearts of the four women during his lifetime. Learn more about his personal side in an original one-act play, *The Four Loves of FDR*, performed by two Fort Myers dramatists in the Alliance's Foulds Theatre on March 25 at 2 p.m. The performance is presented by the Alliance for the Arts in partnership with the Library Foundation.

"How ironic. This remarkable man, at the center of the world stage, is imprisoned by his handicap and is, at times, lonely and needful." Speaking these lines is Daisy Suckley, Franklin Roosevelt's distant cousin, and one of the characters featured in this new play. Besides Daisy, there is his dynamic wife, Eleanor (Lucy Mercer), whose affair with him shook up the marriage, and Missy LeHand, his devoted private secretary.

These women sustained America's only four-term president through trying times of the Great Depression and World War II.

This fascinating play is portrayed by Rusty Brown who has appeared in her original one-woman shows in Southwest Florida for 15 years, and Regina Dowd, who has played leading roles in Fort Myers and regional theaters.

Hear the truth from the women themselves. A suggested donation of \$10 is requested.

The Alliance for the Arts is at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard. Visit [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org) for more details.\*\*

## Wood Carving Show In Estero

Wood carvers – both experienced and novices – will be exhibiting their carvings and demonstrating their various carving techniques at the annual Woodcarving Exhibit on Saturday, March 13, at the Estero Community & Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Boulevard from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There is no charge for admission or parking. The public is invited to attend the exhibit, presented by the Bonita Wood Carvers. Attendees will be able to view carvings from recent competitions as well as completed projects and carvings in progress. Wood carving supplies and equipment will be available for purchase.

Bonita Wood Carvers meet weekly throughout the year on Wednesday afternoons at the Estero Community & Recreation Center. Instruction is available for beginners and advanced carvers enhance their skills during the regular club sessions.

Additional information about the exhibit or Bonita Wood Carvers may be obtained by contacting Chet Frye, 239-826-5388.\*\*

## Cypress Lake Teacher Is Honored For Arts

Sherly Thimlar was selected as the State Thespian Arts Administrator of the Year by the Florida State Thespians Association. Thimlar is an assistant principal at Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts in Fort Myers.

Thimlar started her career at Cypress Lake High School in the 1980s serving as an art teacher and the sponsor/coach of the cheerleading squad. She left Cypress Lake High and returned in 1998 an assistant principal. Since then, she has been overseeing the Center for the Arts and all arts activities on the school's campus.

According to the citation, along with maintaining attendance and facilities, she "lives, eats, breathes and sleeps" the arts. Her care and nurturing for the student body is easily seen.

There are around 1,650 students enrolled at Cypress Lake High and Thimlar knows them all by name. Her support of student work is unmatched – she does not miss an art opening, a vocal performance, an orchestra concert, a play or a single performance of the school's inter-departmental musical. She has volunteered countless hours during Saturday work calls, teaching students how to – in her words – "make the set pop."

In 2007 Thimlar activated the arts teachers on her newest quest, to make Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts an Arts Achieve Model School, which was accomplished.\*\*

## Swing With The Symphony

NBC-2 News Anchor Craig Wolf along with special jazz musical guest Danny Sinoff, Maestro Michael Hall and the board of The Southwest Florida Symphony will present a tropical fundraiser to support the educational efforts and countdown to the symphony's 50th anniversary. It is slated for Sunday March 7 at The Plantation Golf and Country Club in Fort Myers.

There will be brunch, a silent auction and rare and one-of-a-kind live auction items including French wine tasting and a cruise for six aboard the *Southern Comfort*, and the opportunity to conduct the Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra in its 50th season.

A portion of each ticket is tax deductible.

To purchase tickets or for more information contact the Symphony Office at 418-0996.\*\*

## Zumba Classes In Fort Myers

Local fitness instructor Becky Lang is bringing several upcoming Zumba fitness events to Fort Myers. No previous dance experience is necessary and all fitness levels are welcome to attend these sessions:

- Sunday, March 7 – Aqua Zumba Pool Party from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Golfview Pool, 1865 Golfview Avenue. Cost is \$5 per person. Advance registration is required. Call Lang at 791-6538 to register.

- Friday, March 19 – Ricky-Palooza will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Fort Myers Skatium, 2250 Broadway. This class is free with a donation of dog food, towels and/or cash. All donations will benefit WOOFF, a local no-kill animal shelter. Ricky is the name of Becky's dog)

- Monday, April 12 – Let's Zumba Mon! It's a reggae and calypso Zumba beach party with Lang and guest instructor from Indianapolis, Nikki Ringer. Class will be held at the Fort Myers Skatium from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Cost is \$5.

Regular Zumba and cardio kickboxing classes are held Monday through Thursday afternoons at the Skatium at a cost of \$5 per class with no contracts. The classes begin at 5:30 p.m. are open to the public.

For more information, contact Lang at 791-6538 or beckyzumba@comcast.net.\*

## New Show Opens At Beach Gallery

Guest workshop instructor Karlyn Holman spent her Sunday morning deciding which of the many paintings in the Fort Myers Beach Art Association Spring Show would be hung on the walls and to which the ribbons would be bestowed. A reception and awards presentation will be held on March 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. This all member show will be hung in Studio I until March 25 when it will be critiqued by Neil Walling. The artists have entered a wide array of paintings using varied mediums to depict many different subject matter from favorite beach scenes to stunning portraits.

In Studio II the hardy Outdoor Painter group is showing work done over the past three years in the beach area. Each week these painters lug their gear and battle breezes, bugs and sometimes traffic to get their subject on canvas or paper during the morning hours. They take a break to lunch and critique their work, giving each other pointers and support for their art. Visitors will see familiar sites portrayed by these talented painters. This show will hang until March 14 when the Shattered Images and Fractured Forms show starts. Work displayed in the galleries is always available for sale.

Fort Myers Beach Art Association will hold its annual Art Bazaar Scholarship Fundraiser on March 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fort Myers Beach Library on

Estero Boulevard. Each year in April the art organization awards scholarships to senior art students from local high schools going on to study art at a secondary education level. This award money is funded in part by a grant from the Town of Fort Myers Beach. Art from the high school, middle school and elementary students is hung at the gallery from April 14 to 28 by members of the art association and will be available for viewing during regular gallery hours. Awards will be given on Sunday, April 25, 3 to 5 p.m. and all are welcome to attend the event.

To earn funds for these awards the members of the art association will be selling unframed art from clotheslines strung at the library site. This is a great time to purchase a piece of art by a local artist at a great price while supporting the artists of the future.

The gallery is on Donora Street at the blinking light off Estero Boulevard. It is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, 12 to 3 p.m. For more information go to [www.fortmyersbeachart.com](http://www.fortmyersbeachart.com) or call the gallery at 463-3909. Visitors and new members are always welcome.\*



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2 tablespoons minced garlic  
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¼ cup dry sherry  
2 tablespoons sugar  
½ teaspoon salt  
¼ cup olive oil  
3 tablespoons Dijon mustard  
2 tablespoons fresh thyme leaves  
1 teaspoon black pepper

Trim stems from mushrooms and slice caps. Sauté mushrooms until lightly browned and most liquid has evaporated. Add shallots and garlic, sauté one to two minutes. Add white wine vinegar and sherry, scraping bottom of pan to loosen any browned bits. Add sugar and salt, stirring to dissolve sugar. Cook until liquid is reduced by half. Gradually stir in oil, mustard, thyme and pepper. Add shrimp and heat thoroughly.

Yield four servings

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### Shiitake Shrimp

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## Locally-Grown Spuds Making Their Way To Market



The Troyer Brothers, Vern, David and Don, farm potatoes in three Southeast Lee County locations

**W**hat do potatoes and tourists have in common? During the months of February through April, they're both plentiful in Southwest Florida as their "seasons" are underway. For proof, look no further than the Troyer Brothers' potato fields in Lehigh Acres.

Over the next few months, the Troyer Brothers, with the help of approximately 100 workers, expect to harvest, sort and ship nearly 50 million pounds of potatoes from the three locations they farm in Southwest Florida. That's the same weight as 14 Boeing 747s.



After sorting, potatoes are packed and sold to distributors or under Troyer's private Sun King label

Only the most perfect potatoes make it to market, according to Aaron Troyer, who oversees day-to-day operations.

"We use an optical scanner in our sorting process," he says. "After potatoes have been off-loaded from our trucks and washed, then the scanner examines each one to grade and sort it, based on pre-programmed criteria." Those that pass the grade will be sold to potato distributors or under the Troyer's private Sun King label. Some nearby residents even come to buy potatoes directly from the Troyer's packing house when they see the machines out harvesting.

The crop is harvested mechanically. Computers track each potato to the field it came from. Troyer says using technology like the scanner and harvesting machinery makes them more productive and shortens the trip of the potatoes from field to table.

The harvest will likely last through the end of April. Workers will then begin preparing fields for next year's crop.

Troyer Brother has approximately 3,500 acres under management in Lee County. They raise white, red and yellow potatoes which are sold locally, nationally and in Canada. They have been farming in Pennsylvania since 1943 and in Florida since 1983. It is a family operation, owned by brothers Don, Vern and David Troyer. Aaron is the son of David. The company employs 22 full-time and 75 seasonal employees.\*\*

## Southwest Florida Romance Writers Book Signing

**S**outhwest Florida romance writers are holding a book signing at the Alliance for the Arts on March 13, from 10 a.m. to noon. The public is invited to meet local authors and have the opportunity to purchase signed copies of their newly published books.

Southwest Florida Romance Writers is a chapter of the national organization of Romance Writers of America.

Authors included in this event include the following local literary artists.

After a career in hospital administration and another teaching at Indiana University's Kelly School of Business, **Linda Bilodeau** decided to write full time. Over the past seven years, she has researched and written five novels. Three are published: *The Olive Branch*, *Stepping Through Seagrass* and *The Wine Seekers*. She lives in Naples.

**Karna Small Bodman** is the author of three political thrillers. Her latest is *Final Finesse*. She served in the Reagan White House for six years; her last post was senior director of the National Security Council. When she left she was the highest ranking woman on The White House staff. Karna also was on the air for 15 years as a TV news anchor and reporter in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Washington D.C. and did political commentary for the ABC network in New York.

**Renée Gardner** has murdered at least a dozen people, that is, in the course of writing mystery novels and short stories. Manhattan's Upper East Side, where she lived for many years, is the locale for her Sutton Place cozy mystery series, which includes *The Tap Dancing Gorilla* and *The Dog Took The Cat*. Now a resident of Southwest Florida, Gardner is writing a Florida-based romantic suspense novel.

**Lynnette Hallberg**, a former educator, is a multi-published author both here and abroad. Her books have finaled in Romance Writers of America's national Golden Heart Contest, PASIC Book of Your Heart Contest, and Georgia Romance Writers Maggie Contest. Her latest, released in February, is *Moonlight, Motorcycles, and Bad Boys*.

**Jean Harrington** is the author of historical novels, *The Barefoot Queen* and *In The Lion's Mouth*, which will be the subject of a feature article in the Historical Novelist Society's May issue of *Solander Magazine*. For 17 years, she taught writing and literature at Becker College in Worcester, Massachusetts.

**Joyce Henderson** is a multi-published author both here and abroad with Dorchester Publishing. She mentors aspiring authors. Her current Native American historical book is *To The Edge Of The Stars*. Her books have finaled in Romance Writers of America contests: Oklahoma Romance Writers' National Readers' Choice award, Georgia Romance Writers' Maggie contest, and Ancient City Authors' Anne Bonney Award.

Since she was a kid, **Jaime Rush** devoured books on unexplained mysteries and psychic phenomena. Missing the romance, relationship drama, and action of her favorite television shows, *X-Files*, *Roswell*, and *Highlander*, she created her own mix in the Offspring Series (*A Perfect Darkness* and *Out Of The Darkness*, Avon Books). Jaime Rush is a pseudonym for Tina Wainscott, bestselling author of 18 novels for St. Martin's Press and Harlequin.

**Anna Schmidt** is the award-winning author of over 20 works of historical and contemporary fiction. Her most recent books are *An Unexpected Suitor* and *Home At Last*. Both were finalists for the 2009 Reviewer's Choice Award from *Romantic Times* magazine. She has twice been finalist for the prestigious RITA award and she won *Romantic Times* magazine's Reviewer's Choice Award.

**A.Y. Stratton** is a happy "snow bird" who has written articles and columns for several Milwaukee-area magazines and newspapers. A crazed baseball fan, she also writes a column for the Milwaukee Brewers Web site. The idea for her debut romantic suspense novel, *Buried Heart*, occurred to her when she and her husband were on a tour of Mayan ruins.

**Mary Tatarian** is a 26-year resident of Fort Myers Beach. A native of Montclair, New Jersey, she is a graduate of The Montclair-Kimberley Academy and Syracuse University with a degree in English education. The broker-owner of Tatarian Real Estate, she is a member of Ostego Bay Foundation and Romance Writers of America and Southwest Florida Romance Writers. *Seabliss* is her first published novel.

For more information e-mail rayne.golay@bluewin.ch.\*\*

## Alva Yard Sale

**T**he Alva Community Center is having a community yard sale and invites you to clean out your closets and turn your junk into someone else's treasure.

Tables are available for \$10 each or you can reserve a spot for \$5 if you provide the table. Call 239-728-2882 to reserve a place.

The sale will be held at the tennis court from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on March 20. . The Alva Community Center is at 21471 N. River Road in Alva.\*\*

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## Financial Focus: Own Bonds? Be Prepared For Rate Hikes



by Jennifer Basey

If you own bonds, keep this in mind: Bond prices typically drop when interest rates rise. If rates were to escalate, then, and you own a sizable amount of bonds, particularly long-term bonds, the value of your portfolio could show a noticeable decline. Should you be worried?

Actually, no matter where interest rates go, you can gain some key benefits from owning bonds. Specifically, you'll always receive the same amount of income, based on your bond's interest rate, and you'll get your principal back at maturity, provided the bond issuer doesn't default. Still, you should expect that the market value of your bonds will move higher and lower while you own them. As a result, you should prepare your bond portfolio for a rise in interest rates.

Of course, in the past few years, interest rates have been at or near historic lows. In fact, the Federal Reserve recently voted to keep the federal funds rate – a key short-term interest rate – at the same zero-to-0.25 percent range that's prevailed since December 2008. With short-term rates so low, many people have poured almost all their fixed-income investment dollars into longer-term bonds,

which generally pay higher rates than shorter-term bonds. This could be a problem for these investors because they will be "locked in" to these longer-term vehicles and won't be able to take advantage of higher interest rates when they arrive.

No one can really predict when interest rates will rise. However, they can't get much lower than they are now. Furthermore, the economy continues to show signs of recovery – gross domestic product (GDP) grew at a strong 5.7 percent in the final quarter of 2009, according to initial estimates from the Commerce Department – and the Federal Reserve has historically increased interest rates to fight off the inflation that often results from an "overheated" economy.

Nonetheless, with no real threat of inflation on the near-term horizon, and with unemployment still high, the Fed may not be raising short-term rates any time soon. Still, if inflation were to even appear to pick up, interest rates could rise without any action from the Fed. In any case, the best time for you to act is before interest rates rise; after rates jump, long-term bond prices usually drop more than those of short-term bonds. That's particularly true if inflation expectations rise because long-term rates are affected more by expectations about inflation than by changes in short-term rates by the Fed.

So, what can you do to prepare your bond portfolio in case interest rates rise? One strategy is to create a "ladder" of

bonds of varying maturities. A bond ladder can provide advantages in all interest-rate environments. When market rates are low, you'll benefit from the typically higher rates provided by your long-term bonds. And when market rates rise, you'll be able to use the proceeds from your maturing short-term bonds to purchase the new, higher-rate bonds.

Once you have the appropriate amount of short-, intermediate- and long-term bonds, strongly consider holding them until maturity. As mentioned earlier, you'll receive the same interest payments throughout the lives of your bonds, as long as the issuers don't default. Plus, you won't have to constantly worry about where interest rates will be heading next – and in the investment world, the fewer worries, the better.

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## Southwest Florida Investment Forum

Florida Gulf Coast University is hosting the third annual Southwest Florida Investment Forum, sponsored by the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Society of Naples, from 4:30 to 6 p.m., Monday, March 15 in the Student Union ballroom. Social time with light hors d'oeuvres begins at 4 p.m. There is no charge to attend, and it is open to the public.

There will be presentations by two local publicly traded companies to discuss how they are positioning their business to thrive in the current economy, followed by a question and answer session. Presenting companies are Health Management Associates and The E.W. Scripps Company.

The CFA Society of Naples is a local, non-profit member society of the CFA Institute, the global association of investment professionals. The society is a resource for those in the investment business pursuing the highest standards of competence and ethics.

Space is limited and reservations are requested; go to [www.fgcu.edu](http://www.fgcu.edu) or call Jennifer Hernandez at 590-7308.\*\*

## Scholarships Low-Income Students

The fall application period for low-income K-12 scholarships in Florida will begin Monday, March 8.

The program, known as Step Up For Students and authorized under a state law called Florida Tax Credit Scholarships, provides annual scholarships worth up to \$3,950 that can be used at more than 1,160 K-12 private schools statewide.

To qualify, new applicants must meet the household income guidelines for the federal school lunch program. For a family of four, that income limit for the 2010-11 school year is \$40,793. Students must also be entering either kindergarten or first grade or have attended a public school this year.

Beginning Monday, applications will be available online at <http://www.step-upforstudents.org> and a toll-free hotline, 877-735-SUFS, will be available for assistance.

The program was created in 2001 by the Florida Legislature to provide education options for economically disadvantaged children. The scholarships are financed by corporations that receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit for contributions up to a total statewide of \$118-million. Currently, the program serves about 27,600 students.\*\*

## Local Businesses Needed For Job Fair At College

Edison State College is searching for area businesses who are hiring employees to participate in a job fair on the Lee campus.

The Edison State College Job Fair offers the chance for area employers to meet over 1,000 college student candidates. The students represent a diverse population of recruits. Some are looking for supplemental income while continuing their education and others are approaching graduation in May.

Edison State has extensive programs – both associate and baccalaureate levels in health and education, public safety and management, science, mathematics, paralegal and technical support among others. Businesses will find educated, motivated candidates for employment. Past job fairs have had attendance of 1,200 to 1,500 students looking for employment opportunities.

The Edison State College Job Fair will be held on April 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the lobby of the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Center. Area businesses may reserve a table for \$75.

To reserve a table or to request more information contact Dr. Kevin Kennedy, coordinator of career services at 489-9394.\*\*

## Sustainability Lecture Series

The Southwest Florida Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI), in association with Edison State College, is presenting the third annual day-long Sustainability Lecture Series on Thursday, March 11. The theme is The Business Case for Sustainability with the emphasis on profiting from the market shift to sustainability. The program will be held in the Richard H. Rush Auditorium, Building J on the Edison State College Lee Campus. Check in begins at 8 a.m. and the program ends at 5 p.m.

"Edison State College is dedicated to responding to our area's workforce development needs," said Bill Roshon, dean of professional and technical studies at Edison State College. "There is a real market evolution towards sustainability issues. We want to be a resource for area businesses to learn best practices in this emerging business arena."

Cost per person is \$45 which includes snacks and lunch. CSI members are \$35. Register on line at [www.csifloridasw.org](http://www.csifloridasw.org).\*\*

## Motivational Workshop

F GCU is holding a half-day workshop titled Highly Effective Motivation Techniques. This course is designed to provide leaders the information and tools to develop and strengthen their motivation strategies. Participants will learn how to foster positive relationships within teams to increase productivity and create a high functioning workforce. Ava Fluty is the instructor for the course, which will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9 in the Atrium Executive Center, 8695 College Parkway, Suite 1181, Fort Myers.

Participants will learn to:

- Adapt management style to the employee's strengths
- Create a positive environment for staff to achieve outstanding results
- Provide meaningful feedback – how much, how often
- Use three components of an effective motivation plan
- Boost morale when times get rocky and tough
- Discover five steps to crystal clear communications skills that leave no room for misunderstandings.

The cost is \$79. Reserve your seat by contacting Joanne Hartke at 425-3273 or [jhartke@fgcu.edu](mailto:jhartke@fgcu.edu).\*\*

## LCEC Online Energy Tool

L CEC has added an enhancement to the existing Online Energy Tool. Now, in addition to allowing customers to view their usage on a daily basis to understand how their daily habits affect their bills, LCEC has added a temperature range (high/low) overlay. This enhancement will help customers understand daily energy usage as it relates to the weather. The temperature

# Gold Medal Hockey Battle A Sports Classic For The Ages

by Ed Frank



The Olympic flames have been extinguished in Vancouver, but burning brighter than ever is the interest and excitement of hockey – and that includes right here in Southwest Florida.

At the very moment last Sunday when Canadian hero Sidney Crosby slapped the winning overtime goal past U.S. goalie Ryan Miller to give Team Canada Olympic gold, our own Florida Everblades were defeating arch-rival South Carolina for the second straight night at Germain Arena.

You've got to wonder why the Everblades would schedule a game, particularly against first-place South Carolina, at the same time that the most anticipated hockey game in history, perhaps the most anticipated sporting event in decades, was being played.

But that's to argue at another time and another place.

In losing 3-2 in an incredible overtime battle, the young Team USA, didn't quite repeat the 1980 Miracle on Ice when the U.S. defeated Russia, but it was a game that will be long remembered whenever the word hockey is mentioned.

I remember well 12 years ago when the Germain Arena was built and the Florida Everblades hockey franchise was organized.

Many doubted whether professional hockey would be successful in the southern climes of Florida. Now in their 12th season, the Everblades have compiled a 497-259-89 record over those years, have made the Kelly Cup playoffs all but one season, and have been one of the most competitive teams in the 20-team coast-to-coast ECHL.

This season, for example, with a 30-19-9 record and a second-place standing in the South Division, Florida has drawn 151,787 fans through 29 games for an average of 5,234 per game, sixth best in the league.

It was indeed a shame that the timing of last Sunday's frenetic clash between Florida and South Carolina coincided with the Team Canada-Team USA historic battle for the Olympic gold medal.

The night before, the Everblades had defeated the Stingrays 5-4 in overtime before 6,138 at Germain. The home team had battled back from a 3-0 deficit sparked by Kevin Baker's three goals.

Then on Sunday as the gold medal game captured the intrigue of millions worldwide, attendance dropped to an understandable 4,548 as Florida, trailing 2-0 entering the third period, recorded a 3-2 shootout victory with goalie Chris Beckford-Tseu recording a season high 47 saves.

## SCCF Tennis Tournament March 12-14

**D**on't miss the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's (SCCF) 18th annual Tennis Tournament at The Dunes March 13 and 14. One of the island's premier tennis tournaments, the format is doubles team competition with first round consolation and winners advance to finals. The categories are Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles. 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.

Winners and consolation players will each receive an etched wine glass created by island artist Luc Century. There will be a silent auction with auction items on display at SCCF on Friday evening and at The Dunes over the weekend.

The opening reception will be at SCCF on Friday, March 12. Continental breakfast for players will be available Saturday and Sunday, along with lunch both days.\*\*



Nick Brown

The deadline for entries is Wednesday, March 11. For more tournament information, contact Louis Vosloo or Diane Limeri at The Dunes, 472-3522.

The tournament is generously sponsored by The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company. If you would like to be a sponsor, call Marti Bryant at 472-2329. Tournament proceeds benefit SCCF's General Operating Fund. SCCF is dedicated to the conservation of coastal habitats and aquatic resources on Sanibel and Captiva and in the surrounding watershed.\*\*

As the week began, the Everblades still trailed South Carolina by 12 points with five regular season games remaining, two here and three on the road. But sweeping the Stingrays last weekend showed that Florida can make it tough on this first-place team.

The Everblades complete their season-high eight-game home stand this week against Gwinnett on Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

Although Team USA came out second best in that never-to-be-forgotten gold medal game, this Winter Olympics was the best in history for American athletes.

As recent as 1988, the last time Canada hosted the Winter Olympics, the U.S. recorded a mere six medals, four silver and two bronze. Twenty-two years later, the U.S. racked up a record 37 medals, nine gold, 15 silver and 13 bronze.

This astounding turnaround can be attributed to none other than George Steinbrenner, the demanding owner of the World Champion New York Yankees.

A U.S. Olympic Committee board member, Steinbrenner set on motion an Olympic mission to make medals the measure of success. His 1989 Steinbrenner Commission outlined a short term and long term program to improve the training and selection of Olympic athletes.

The Steinbrenner plan called for more money the years before an Olympics, health insurance, part-time jobs and tuition grants to allow athletes to compete longer. The USOC gave \$40 million in athletic support over the four years leading to the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City and a reported \$55 million the past four years.

Steinbrenner brought to the U.S. Olympic program what he brought to his beloved Yankees, namely long-term success.\*\*

### Week's Home Spring Training Schedule

| Boston Red Sox         | City of Palms Park     | Time         |
|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| Monday, March 8,       | St. Louis Cardinals;   | 1:05 p.m.    |
| Wednesday, March 10,   | Tampa Bay Rays;        | 1:05 p.m.    |
| Saturday, March 13,    | Pittsburgh Pirates;    | 1:05 p.m.    |
| <b>Minnesota Twins</b> | <b>Hammond Stadium</b> | <b>Time</b>  |
| Sunday, March 7,       | New York Yankees;      | 12:05 p.m.   |
| Tuesday, March 9,      | St. Louis Cardinals;   | 12:05 p.m.   |
| Thursday, March 11,    | Baltimore Orioles;     | 6:05 p.m.    |
| Friday, March 12,      | New York Mets;         | 12:05 p.m.   |
| Sunday, March 14,      | Boston Red Sox;        | 12:05 p.m.** |

## Red Sox Dinner On The Field

**T**ickets are now on sale for the Boston Red Sox Children's Hospital Diamond Dinner Wednesday, March 10 at 6 p.m.

This event offers the unique opportunity to dine on the field at City of Palms Park with dinner from Outback Steakhouse, an interactive panel discussion with Boston Red Sox players and management and the chance to bid on silent auction items including hand-signed Red Sox memorabilia.

Boston Red Sox star and recent Major League Baseball Hall of Fame inductee Jim Rice is scheduled to serve as honorary chair for the event.

Proceeds benefit the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

All funds raised will be matched by a generous philanthropist.

Tickets are \$50 per person and \$375 for a table of eight. For children under 10 tickets are \$20.

To purchase tickets or for more information, email [BostonGolf@leememorial.org](mailto:BostonGolf@leememorial.org) or call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation office at 985-3574.

Tickets to the March 10 game are not included in the Diamond Dinner ticket price.

In the event of inclement weather, attendees are asked to consider their ticket purchase a donation to The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.\*\*

## Tour Of Prairie Pine Preserve

**V**isit Prairie Pines Preserve with the Bird Patrol on Saturday, March 6 at 8 a.m. The preserve is at 18400 N. Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers.

The tour is free with parking fee. No registration is necessary.

Expect to see wading birds, raptors and warblers. A new boardwalk has been installed that also has a network of equestrian trails.

The tour is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation, 482-6250, [www.birdpatrol.org](http://www.birdpatrol.org).\*\*

## Bay Oaks Tennis Tournament

**B**ay Oaks Recreation Campus on Fort Myers Beach will be hosting its 17th annual tennis tournament beginning March 19 and continuing through March 21. This year there will be five different classifications: Men's 3.5 Doubles, Men's 3.0 Doubles, Mixed Open, Women's 3.5 Doubles, and Women's 3.0 Doubles. The tournaments will be held on the courts at Bay Oaks Recreation Campus. The cost to enter is \$20 per team. Call Ed Frazier at 765-4222.\*\*

## Event Raises Awareness, Funds For Alzheimer's



EL Fox Jr., president of Fox Electronics with his mother Ellie Fox and Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center's Executive Director Dotty St. Amand

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center and Fox Electronics held the 12th annual A Light To Remember in Centennial Park on Thursday, January 28. This is a special event created to raise awareness about Alzheimer's disease and related memory impairments and raise funds for the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center in Fort Myers. The event raised \$6,600 for caregiver programs in Lee County.

There was a lighted display of over 800 luminaries purchased by families and friends to honor or remember a loved one with the disease. A special ceremony to honor and remember these individuals



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Rochelle Lunsford poses by her grandfather's luminary at A Light To Remember

was held around the Uncommon Friends fountain in Centennial Park in Fort Myers. A special display contained photos, poems, and other memories contributed by family and friends.

Arden Courts Alzheimer's Assisted Living sponsored a Tribute Tree at its community during December. Individuals who made a \$10 donation received an ornament for their loved one on the Tribute Tree at Arden Courts and a luminary in A Light To Remember. The tree raised \$1,300 toward this year's total.

For more information about services offered by the center, call 437-3007.\*

## New Partnership Helps Provide Services For Hope HealthCare

Award-winning chocolatier Norman Love, founder of Norman Love Confections, and Samira K. Beckwith, president and CEO of Hope HealthCare Services, announced a new partnership that designates five percent of Hope-related sales at Norman Love Confections to the health care organization for one year.

Customers of Norman Love Confections who make online purchases at [www.HopeNormanLove.com](http://www.HopeNormanLove.com) will be contributing to Hope HealthCare Services. A link to the chocolatier's Web site is available at [www.HopeHCS.org](http://www.HopeHCS.org), as well.

"Hospice holds a special place in my heart," said Love, whose mother was cared for by Hospice prior to her death in 1989. "This partnership is a great way to support an organization that plays an important role in our community and provides excellent services to our families. I sincerely hope the promotion is wildly successful for our friends at Hope."

"The partnership is a natural fit for both organizations. Chocolates are a favorite way of expressing care and comfort," said Beckwith, "and providing care and comfort to our patients and families is at the core of Hope's mission. We truly appreciate Norman's generous support of Hope through this partnership."

For more information visit [www.HopeHCS.org](http://www.HopeHCS.org) or [www.HopeNormanLove.com](http://www.HopeNormanLove.com), or call 985-7795.\*



## Series For Family Caregivers Of Adults

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center will present an educational series for caregivers during the month of April. Caring Across Generations will feature workshops on issues such as Being an Informed Caregiver, Making Sense of Legal Matters, Making the Most of Your Money and Considering Medical Care Throughout the Illness.

The workshops will be offered on Thursday evenings during the month of April. Each workshop will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and is designed to meet the needs of spouses, families, or other primary caregivers.

On April 8, Dotty St. Amand, executive director of the Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, Gail Holton, director of programs for the Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida, and Linda Pankow, program manager for United Way 211, will speak about accessing community resources and when caregivers should ask for help.

On April 15, Lance McKinney, elder law attorney, will speak about basic legal planning and how and when to prepare important legal documents.

On April 22, Reina Schlager of Schlager, Schlager & Levin will speak about issues pertaining to financial resources and how to find funds you may not know are available.

During the final session on April 29, Elise Eifert, health educator for the Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, will speak about practical tips for caring for someone with dementia.

This workshop series is offered at no charge for family caregivers. Refreshments will be provided by Magnolia Court at HealthPark. Each session will be held in the community room at Magnolia Court at HealthPark, 9461 HealthPark Circle, Fort Myers 33908. Participants must register in advance to participate by calling 437-3007.\*

## Non-Profits Can Learn From Fund Raising Execs

Strategic Planning for the Small Nonprofit will be the topic at the Gulf Coast Society of Fund Raising Executives meeting March 9 at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theater from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The purpose is to teach nonprofits the key components needed for strategic planning, including identifying organizational purpose, mission, goals, and strategies.

Brad Pollins, president of Change Horizons Incorporated, is the presenter. He has 24 years experience in consulting, primarily focused on organizational effectiveness, change management, and business transformation. He has worked for and with several companies in providing change solutions including: Lee Memorial Health System, Ernst & Young, Andersen Consulting, Chick-fil-A, BellSouth, Milliken & Company, Ford, Northeast Utilities, Southern Company, MCI, Atlanta Gas Light Company, Aetna, London Life, Cigna, Home Depot, and Coca-Cola.

Locally, Pollins has helped many organizations develop strategic plans including: FineMark National Bank & Trust, the City of Fort Myers, the Youth Coalition of SW Florida, the Harry Chapin Food Bank, the Fort Myers Police Department, the American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, and the Ronald McDonald House of SW Florida.

Deadline to register is March 8. Lunch is \$16 for members and \$20 for non-members. For membership or other GCFRE information, log onto [www.GCFRE.org](http://www.GCFRE.org) or call Joyce Jacobs/Harry Chapin Food Bank at 334-7007, ext. 303.\*

## dearPharmacist

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



### Dear Pharmacist:

My father was just diagnosed with Alzheimer's although mom has complained for years that he was forgetful. This became crystal clear to our family when we sat down to Christmas dinner and he couldn't remember what holiday it was. The doctor wants to prescribe Aricept for dad, but we are all fans of yours and hope you can recommend something natural to try before the medication.

HC, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

You have lots of choices. With your doctor's approval, you can try a couple of these, or look for a multi-tasking product that combines many of the ingredients below.

Huperzine A: It's number one on my list because research proves it has a beneficial effect on memory and cognitive function. The herb – popular in Chinese medicine – works by boosting levels of the neurotransmitter "acetylcholine," a memory chemical that is deficient in people with Alzheimer's.

Acetyl-L-Carnitine: It creates acetylcholine, a primary memory molecule.

DHA: This is a type of essential fatty acid that improves learning and memory. It's super important for brain function.

CoQ10: This antioxidant and its active

form called "ubiquinol" offer maid service to your brain cells. Research suggests the cleansing action of CoQ10 slows down dementia and memory loss.

Pregnenolone: This improves nerve firing, protects brain cells and enhances a process called "myelination" which protects nerve fibers. It's made in your brain from cholesterol and if you take drugs to lower cholesterol, your memory function plummets right along with those triglycerides! Does this explain a lot for those of you who feel like you're losing your mind? Simply put, statins could make you as sharp as a marble! Ask your doctor if you can supplement with pregnenolone while taking your medicine, or to discontinue your medication.

Lithium orotate (5-10 mg daily): A natural over-the-counter supplement that may reduce feelings of anger/agitation and promote cheerfulness. You may associate lithium drugs with people who have bipolar disorder, however lithium is essential for everyone. This mineral helps to reverse early Alzheimer's, improve spatial memory, Meniere's syndrome and migraine/cluster headaches.

Bacopa monniera: This is a smart pill, which Ayurvedic physicians have known about for eons. In the United States, it is grabbing hold of the interests of even traditional docs because some good studies prove that it can improve memory recall, alertness and cognitive function.

Vinpocetine: The periwinkle extract increases blood flow feeding your brain cells more oxygen and glucose. That makes nerve impulses fire better. If your continued on page 30

## Desperate Housewives Star To Host Lee Memorial Event

The Lee Memorial Health System Foundation announced that James Denton, star of ABC television's *Desperate Housewives*, will make a special appearance in Southwest Florida on Saturday, March 13 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at The Club at Renaissance located at 12915 Renaissance Way in Fort Myers.

Denton, who plays the character of Mike Delfino on the highly popular show, lost his mother to breast cancer and is committed to raising awareness and funds for cancer programs. Denton has local ties to Southwest Florida and is lending his fundraising support to programs and treatments at Lee Memorial Health System's Regional Cancer Center.

Denton will host the exclusive benefit at the clubhouse of the Renaissance to help raise awareness and funds for low-income and indigent women's cancer care here in Southwest Florida.

Tickets are \$200 per person and include meet and greet with Denton, gourmet buffet dinner, cocktails and dancing to Ernie Cantu & The Bunche Band. Live and silent auctions items include a luxury trip to Napa Valley with a stay at the Tuscan-inspired Villagio Inn & Spa and dinner at famed Redd, show-stopping jewelry from the Judith Ripka collection, items from high-fashion retailers including Saks Fifth Avenue, Mallie Montgomery and Coach. Also included will be a gourmet chocolate-making class, and autographed memorabilia from some of the biggest stars in sports and entertainment.

For reservations call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation office at 985-3550.\*\*



James Denton

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

Lizzie and Pryce answer your questions and give advice about aging concerns from a two-generational perspective. A mother and daughter team, Lizzie is a retired RN and health educator, and Pryce is a licensed psychotherapist in private practice who specializes in the care of elders and people with chronic illnesses.

### Dear Mom & Me,

We moved around a lot because of my husband's job. We always quickly adjusted, made new friends and then moved to the next place.

But now that we have retired, making friends is not so easy, and I miss having a female confidante.

All I want is another gal to discuss my problems with, but this is very difficult and my husband is totally unable to comprehend female concerns.

What would you suggest I do?

Betty Sue

### Dear Betty Sue,

Use the skills you developed earlier in your life! It may be harder now, but you developed your networking skills, were successful in the past and will be successful in the future. As far as your husband not understanding your concerns... well what can I say, that is a harder nut to crack!

Pryce

### Dear Betty Sue,

Making new friends gets increasingly more difficult as we age.

Many seniors are isolated, have health problems and cannot travel around to clubs and other meeting places. Senior couples also have difficulty meeting other well functioning senior couples but with perseverance and an element of luck new friendships can be formed.

As far as a female confidante is concerned, a lot of senior women will not discuss any of their problems with others and only if absolutely needed will they consult a family member or a professional.

Lizzie

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



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## Pets Of The Week

### March Adoption Special: Find Your Lucky Charm!

Are you feeling lucky? You can find more than a pot of gold at Lee County Domestic Animal Services this March. In fact, you could find your next best friend, unconditional love, or a companion for life. All month long adopters will receive \$20 off the regular adoption fee for all pets plus a complimentary green t-shirt! The reduced adoption fee will still include the complete package of services.

Hi, I'm Molly. Do you remember a dog and her eight puppies that were rescued by Animal Services from a culvert? Talk about lucky! We certainly were and now that we have spent the last five weeks in foster care we're ready for new homes. I could be the perfect companion for you. I'm a small to medium size dog. My foster mom says I am very well behaved plus a real lover and lap dog. Won't you come visit me so we can both get lucky?

Adoption fee is \$55 (\$20 off the regular adoption fee of \$75 during the March Find Your Lucky Charm adoption special).



Molly ID# 463723

My name is Alicia. Can you believe a gorgeous independent girl like me ended up lost? Being homeless is no fun but I think my luck could be changing. I'd prefer to be in a one-pet household and I love to be petted. I would make a perfect lap cat for some lucky person. My favorite things are catnip, laser lights and fishy cat food.

Adoption fee is \$30 during the Find Your Lucky Charm adoption special).

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

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

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.\*\*



Alicia ID# 463818

## Alzheimer's Support Meetings

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center offers monthly support group meetings for caregivers throughout Lee County.

### Fort Myers

Tuesday, March 9, 2 p.m., Senior Friendship Centers, 3600 Evans Avenue, 437-3007

Wednesday, March 10, 9:45 a.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 9065 Ligon Court, 437-3007

Wednesday, March 24, 9:45 a.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 9065 Ligon Court, Healthy Eating, Healthy Living, speaker: Lori Riddle, registered dietitian, 437-3007

Wednesday, March 17, 10 a.m., Fort Myers Congregational Church, 8210 College Parkway, 437-3007

Wednesday, March 17, 2:30 p.m., Dunbar United Way House, 3511-B Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, 437-3007.

### Sanibel

Wednesday, March 24, 1:30 p.m., Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way, 437-3007.

### North Fort Myers

Thursday, March 25, 2 p.m., Pine Lakes Country Club, 10200 Pine Lakes Boulevard, 437-3007.

### East Fort Myers/Alva

Thursday, March 11, 1 p.m., St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Community, 13031 Palm Beach Boulevard, 437-3007.

### Cape Coral

Thursday, March 4, 2 p.m., Gulf Coast Village, 1333 Santa Barbara Boulevard, 437-3007

Thursday, March 18, 2 p.m., Gulf Coast Village, 1333 Santa Barbara Boulevard, Healthy Eating, Healthy Living, speaker: Lori Riddle, registered dietitian, 437-3007.

### Pine Island

Thursday, March 4, 10:30 a.m., Pine Island United Methodist, 5701 Pine Island Road, Bokeelia, 437-3007.

### Lehigh Acres

Monday, March 15, 2 p.m., Community Health Association Building, 9 Beth Stacey Road, 437-3007.

### Bonita Springs

Monday, March 22, 10:30 a.m., Hope Lutheran Church, 25999 Old 41, 437-3007.\*\*

## Long Term Care Support Group

A support group for families of nursing home and assisted living facility residents will meet on March 16 at 10 a.m. at the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, 10051 McGregor Boulevard, Suite 101, Fort Myers.

For more information, call 437-3007.\*\*

## Pet Adoption Special

Are you feeling lucky? You can find more than a pot of gold at Lee County Domestic Animal Services (LCDAS) this March. In fact, you could find your next best friend, unconditional love, or a companion for life. All month long adopters will receive \$20 off the regular adoption fee for all pets plus a complimentary green T-shirt.

The reduced adoption fee still includes the complete package of services consisting of sterilization, age appropriate vaccinations, county license, microchip ID, worming, flea treatment, a heartworm test for dogs, feline AIDS and leukemia test for cats, 10-day health guarantee, and a bag of Hill's Science Diet dog or cat food. The adoption package is valued at over \$500 and that's no blarney.

Finding the perfect companion sometimes takes a little luck. Finding someone who loves you unconditionally though is priceless. To find your perfect companion, visit Animal Services' shelter at 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway. Those who would like a peek at how lucky they could be may view the Web site at [www.LeeLostPets.com](http://www.LeeLostPets.com) first. All pets available for adoption are featured online with a personal bio. Information is automatically updated hourly.

For more information about pets for adoption or any LCDAS programs and services 533-7387 (LEE-PETS). If you are inquiring about a pet you have seen online, please have the animal ID number ready for faster assistance.\*\*

From page 29

## Dear Pharmacist

Phosphatidylserine or PS: This fatty substance makes up cell membranes and declines with age. It easily slips into brain cells and helps preserve and/or enhance memory. The studies aren't jaw-dropping, but PS is essential in my mind.

### DID YOU KNOW:

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*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](http://www.dearpharmacist.com).\*\**

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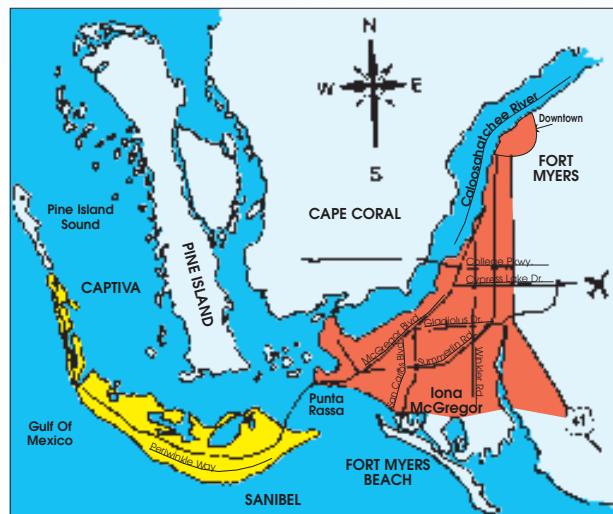
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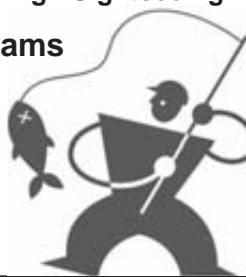
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To register and obtain directions to the meeting site, go to [www.swflchapter.astd.org](http://www.swflchapter.astd.org). Registration deadline is Monday, March 15.\*

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2. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "Where the Red Fern Grows"?
3. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin suffix "grade" mean?
4. SCIENCE: Who originated quantum theory?
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8. TELEVISION: What is Kramer's first name in the "Seinfeld" comedy series?
9. ART: What is the painting technique called "impasto"?
10. PERSONALITIES: What age did comedian Jack Benny always claim to be?

## ANSWERS

1. Indiana 2. Wilson Rawls 3. Walking or moving 4. Max Karl Ernst Platner 5. "before meals" 6. Britain 7. \$200 8. Cosmo 9. A thick layer of paint 10. 39.

## My Stars ★★★

### FOR WEEK OF MARCH 8, 2010

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Change is still dominant for Rams and Ewes, both in the workplace and their private lives. This is also a good time to look at a possible relocation if that has been one of your goals.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Doing things for others is what you do well. But don't forget that Bovines thrive on the arts, so make some time for yourself to indulge your passion for music and artistic expressions.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) While the Romantic Twin considers where to go for his or her upcoming vacation, the Practical Twin will start making travel plans now to take advantage of some great bargains.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your sensitive nature helps you deal with a difficult emotional situation. Be patient and continue to show your sincere support wherever (and for whomever) it is needed.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You're making progress as you move through some unfamiliar territory. And while there might be a misstep or two along the way, overall you're heading in the right direction. Good luck.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Some good news arrives -- and just in time to remind you that you're making progress. Perhaps things aren't moving as quickly as you'd prefer, but they're moving nevertheless.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to step back and assess the facts that have recently emerged to see where they can be used to your advantage. Also, don't hesitate to make changes where necessary.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You should begin to experience some support from those who now agree with your point of view. This should help counter the remaining objections from die-hard skeptics.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Don't let your aim be deflected by trivial matters as you try to resolve a confusing situation. Take time to find and thoroughly assess the facts before making any decision.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) The possibility of moving to another location has come up. But before you dismiss it as unworkable, it's worth checking out just in case it does have some merit after all.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) New relationships -- personal or work-related -- show mixed signals. Best to assume nothing. Let things play themselves out until you have something substantive to work with.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Your ability to make needed changes without causing too much, if any, negative ripple effect comes in handy when dealing with a sensitive matter either on the job or in the family.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Although you like things to go smoothly, you're not shy about making waves when you believe the situation calls for it.

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On March 11, 1818, "Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus" is published. The book, by 21-year-old Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley, is frequently called the world's first science-fiction novel. In Shelley's tale, a scientist animates a creature constructed from dismembered corpses.

- On March 10, 1876, the first discernible speech is transmitted over a telephone system when inventor Alexander Graham Bell summons his assistant in another room by saying, "Mr. Watson, come here; I want you." Bell had received a telephone patent three days before, just hours ahead of another inventor, Elisha Gray.

- On March 12, 1903, the New York Highlanders are given the go-ahead by team owners to join baseball's American League. The Highlanders had recently moved from Baltimore, where they were called the Orioles. The team officially changed its name to the New York Yankees in 1913.

- On March 14, 1935, 6-year-old actress Shirley Temple presses her hands in cement outside Grauman's Chinese Theater in Los Angeles. She first won attention with a song and dance in the 1934 movie "Get Up and Cheer."

- On March 13, 1942, the Quartermaster Corps of the U.S. Army begins training dogs for the newly established War Dog Program, or "K-9 Corps." The top canine hero of World War II was Chips, who attacked an enemy machine gun nest in Italy, forcing the entire crew to surrender. The wounded Chips was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star and the Purple Heart -- all of which were later revoked due to an Army policy preventing official commendation of animals.

- On March 9, 1959, the first Barbie

## SPORTS QUIZ

1. Four people managed both the Yankees and the Mets during their careers. Name three of them?
2. How many times did Boston Red Sox great Ted Williams have 100-plus walks in a season?
3. In 2008, Baltimore's Ed Reed became the second player in NFL history to return two interceptions 100-plus yards. Who was the first to do it?
4. Three men's basketball coaches have won an NCAA title, an NIT postseason championship and an Olympic gold medal. Name two of them.
5. The New York Rangers and Washington Capitals were involved in the longest shootout in NHL history. How many rounds was it?
6. When was the last time before John Crews in 2009 that a U.S.-born male won the Philadelphia Marathon?
7. How many consecutive LPGA Player of the Year Awards had Lorena Ochoa won entering 2010?

## ANSWERS

1. Yogi Berra, Dallas Green, Casey Stengel and Joe Torre. 2. Eleven times in his 19-year major-league career. 3. The Philadelphia Eagles, Lito Sheppard, Bob Knight, Pete Newell and Dean Smith. 5. Fifteen rounds in 2005. 6. Brian Clegg won it in 2000. 7. Four in a row.

## PUZZLE ANSWERS



## ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS



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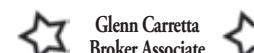


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## Chrysalis Awards

of the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce, whose organization initiated the joint program. "Tourism and business partnerships improve community growth, encourage vacationers to our destination, and create job opportunities for our citizens. Ultimately, pooling our resources for the good of the community and the destination is vital in this ever-changing economic climate."

The Celebration of Business & Tourism event will feature a trade show from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the awards luncheon will take place from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Costs are \$25 for a single admission and \$250 for a reserved table for eight. Trade show exhibitors will pay \$120 for a booth, which includes two admission tickets. The event is projected to attract about 300 attendees.

To nominate a business or individual visit the Upcoming Events section of [www.LeeVCB.com](http://www.LeeVCB.com), where you can also register to attend the event and

participate in the trade show through a link to the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce Web site at [www.fortmyers.org](http://www.fortmyers.org).

For further details, contact Christine Davlin at the VCB at [cavulin@leegov.com](mailto:cavulin@leegov.com) or 338-3500, Glee Ann Agius at the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce at [GleeAnn@fortmyers.org](mailto:GleeAnn@fortmyers.org) or 332-2930, ext. 211, or Colleen DePasquale, event chairperson, at [Colleen.DePasquale@hilton.com](mailto:Colleen.DePasquale@hilton.com) or 790-3500.★

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| Florida Marine Patrol.....               | 332-6966       |
| Florida Highway Patrol.....              | 278-7100       |
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| HealthPark Medical Center.....           | 1-800-936-5321 |
| Ft. Myers Chamber of Commerce.....       | 332-3624       |
| Foundation for Quality Childcare.....    | 425-2685       |
| Ft. Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce..... | 454-7500       |
| Ft. Myers Beach Library.....             | 463-9691       |
| Lakes Regional Library.....              | 533-4000       |
| Lee County Chamber of Commerce.....      | 931-0931       |
| Post Office.....                         | 1-800-275-8777 |
| Visitor & Convention Bureau.....         | 338-3500       |

**ARTS**

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Alliance for the Arts.....                   | 939-2787       |
| Arts For ACT Gallery & Studio.....           | 337-5050       |
| Art League Of Fort Myers.....                | 275-3970       |
| Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.....    | 481-4849       |
| BIG ARTS.....                                | 395-0900       |
| Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre.....            | 278-4422       |
| Cultural Park Theatre.....                   | 772-5862       |
| Florida Repertory Theatre at the Arcade..... | 332-4488       |
| Florida West Arts.....                       | 948-4427       |
| Fort Myers/Estero Island Barbershop          |                |
| Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers.....      | 472-0168       |
| Gulf Coast Symphony.....                     | 489-1800       |
| Harmony Chorus, Charles Sutter, Pres.....    | 481-8059       |
| Naples Philharmonic.....                     | (239) 597-1111 |
| The Schoolhouse Theater.....                 | 472-6862       |
| S.W. Florida Symphony.....                   | 418-0996       |
| Theatre Conspiracy.....                      | 936-3239       |
| Young Artists Awards.....                    | 574-9321       |

**CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Animal Refuge Center.....                                | 731-3535 |
| American Business Women Association.....                 | 463-1221 |
| Audubon of SWFL.....                                     | 339-8046 |
| Audubon Society.....                                     | 472-3156 |
| Caloosahatchee Folk Society.....                         | 677-9509 |
| duPont Company Retirees .....                            | 454-1083 |
| Edison Porcelain Artists.....                            | 415-2484 |
| The Horticulture and Tea Society.....                    | 472-8334 |
| Horticultural Society.....                               | 472-6940 |
| Lee County Genealogical Society.....                     | 549-9625 |
| NARFE (National Active & Retired Federal Employees)..... | 482-6713 |
| Navy Seabees Veterans of America.....                    | 731-1901 |
| Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL.....                          | 667-1354 |
| Southwest Florida Fencing Academy.....                   | 939-1338 |
| Southwest Florida Music Association.....                 | 561-2118 |

**Kiwanis Clubs:**

|                             |                      |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Fort Myers Beach.....       | 765-4254 or 454-8090 |
| Fort Myers Edison.....      | 694-1056             |
| Fort Myers South.....       | 691-1405             |
| Gateway to the Islands..... | 415-3100             |
| Iona-McGregor.....          | 482-0869             |

**Lions Clubs:**

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Fort Myers Beach.....                  | 463-9738        |
| Fort Myers High Noon.....              | 466-4228        |
| Estero/South Fort Myers.....           | 898-1921        |
| Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....     | 768-0417        |
| POLO Club of Lee County.....           | 477-4906        |
| Rotary Club of Fort Myers.....         | 332-8158        |
| Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society.....    | 472-6940        |
| United Way of Lee County.....          | 433-2000        |
| United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour)..... | 211 or 433-3900 |

**AREA ATTRACTIONS**

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.....                | 395-2233       |
| Burrough's Home.....                             | 337-9505       |
| Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium .....         | 275-3435       |
| Edison & Ford Winter Estates.....                | 334-3614       |
| Fort Myers Skate Park.....                       | 321-7558       |
| Imaginarium Hands-On Museum & Aquarium.....      | 321-7420       |
| JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.....  | 472-1100       |
| Koreshan State Historic Site.....                | (239) 992-0311 |
| Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center..... | 765-8101       |
| Skatium.....                                     | 321-7510       |
| Southwest Florida Museum of History.....         | 321-7430       |

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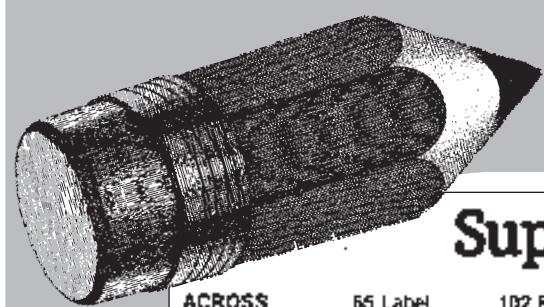
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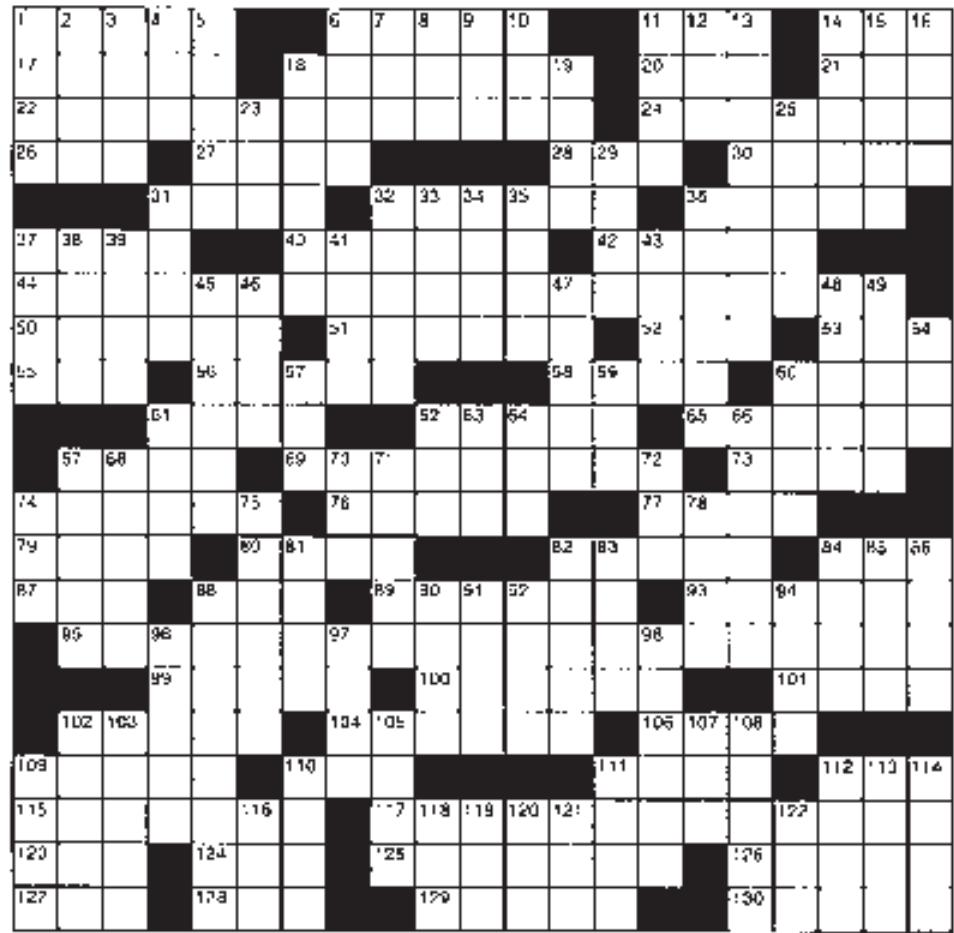
# BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

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## Super Crossword SWEET TALK

**ACROSS**

- 1 Singerian  
6 Get the  
picture  
11 Bespec-  
tacled dwarf  
14 Craze  
17 Colleagues  
"Depiction:  
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18 Pued up  
20 Honest  
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21 Nutrition  
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22 Start of a  
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24 "Smart" —  
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27 Cavalry  
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28 Waddi  
30 First-class  
31 Neighbor of  
Cat  
32 Hindu deity  
36 Excuses  
37 Caution  
40 Peter of  
"Beckel"  
42 Long-  
legged  
wader  
44 Part 2 of  
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50 Train him  
51 Mische-  
vous  
52 Trigger-  
happy guy?  
53 Cen.  
segments
- 65 Label  
56 Mortgages.  
64 —  
58 Virginia —  
80 Smart  
combo  
61 Adolescent  
62 Witch  
"wheels?"  
65 Repeated  
67 TV's —  
20 Honest  
name  
68 Part 3 of  
variety  
73 Temporary  
calm  
74 Wish doctor  
76 Synonym  
source  
77 Support  
79 Sheet of  
stamps  
80 ready  
82 Destroyed  
84 Regalor  
85 Agency  
87 White House  
88 Spokesman  
89 Bass  
90 Part 2 of  
95 Part 4 of  
97 Inmark  
98 Black or  
Valentine  
99 Trigger-  
happy guy?  
100 Riches  
101 Riches  
predic-  
cessor
- 102 Rubbish  
104 Moneboard  
part  
106 Cookbook  
author  
Pombeur  
109 Gular  
features  
110 John . . .  
Passos  
111 On the  
briny  
112 Fast for  
variety  
115 Last name  
in talk  
shows  
117 End of  
remark  
123 Mineral  
124 Wrong  
stamps  
126 Romeo and  
Juliet  
127 Guavara  
128 Diana  
129 Examined  
130 Like a  
spokesman  
131 Lumey  
132 Like a  
spokesman  
133 Kallana  
134 Secure spot  
135 Coop  
crowd  
136 Baltimore  
bird  
137 Skater  
Kallana  
138 Pavilions  
139 Told  
3rd the  
chips  
4 A mean  
Am n  
5 Passover  
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6 Feuds  
7 Vole kn  
8 Gray  
matter?
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106 — item  
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12 Ben —  
War  
Kerob  
13 Role  
14 Healthful  
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15 Nine entries  
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25 Hold fast  
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31 H.I. d'oullies  
32 High times  
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34 Room  
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**SWEET TALK****King Crossword****ACROSS**

- 1 Hammer-  
head pit  
5 Piña colada  
ingredient  
8 Mosque  
bigwig  
12 Duke —  
13 401(k)  
alternative  
14 Unaltered  
15 Eliptical  
16 Shout's job  
17 Mothers and  
daughters  
18 Mexico's  
national  
flower  
20 Big Iizard  
22 Young newl  
23 Aperitif  
24 Bit of banter  
27 Marching  
along  
32 Khan'side  
33 Actress  
Mardals  
34 Central point  
35 Unsteady  
38 Lettuce  
variety  
39 Fowl  
40 Shock  
partner  
42 Manor  
45 At longl  
49 Quaint story  
50 "Blue?"  
52 Home for  
hippos  
53 Uninvited  
54 Skecaddled
- 66 49 Across  
attraction  
68 Photo  
90 Way is  
me ?  
91 Certain  
sandwiches  
92 Eight bills  
94 Jealous  
Olympian  
96 Japanese  
dog  
97 Till  
98 Complete  
agreement  
102 Solemn vow  
103 Soprano  
Fleming  
105 " — forgive  
those  
107 VCR button  
108 Native New  
Zealander  
109 Blk.'s  
backup  
110 Adroit  
111 Sailor's  
shout  
112 Mail event  
113 . . . aerobics  
114 Exam  
115 Tab old fler  
116 Mrs.  
McKinley  
119 Whether  
— nobler  
in the  
mind . . .  
120 Hesbrook  
—, NJ  
121 Security  
9IC  
122 Cambodia's  
— Nor
- 66 Part of the  
loop  
56 Use a  
wooden  
spoon  
57 Architect I.M.  
58 Early buds?  
59 DOWNTOWN  
1 N.W.  
2 Ghombali  
3 Asian  
manuscript  
4 Billfold  
5 Tubular  
6 Swiss  
Canton  
7 Crochet tru
- 8 Dispenser  
9 Hindroyal  
10 Congrega-  
tional call  
11 Small  
propeller  
12 Lindburgh  
hook  
21 Univ.  
transcription  
23 Mandolin  
42 OK Compl  
hero  
25 "I trouble?"  
26 Gabriela oil  
Jenni lame  
47 Online  
journal  
28 Distant Arabs  
29 "24 Caprices  
for Solo  
pasta  
30 Fix the  
soundtrack

## MAGIC MAZE ● ISLANDS OF THE BAHAMAS

L A N S A N T Q U E N A G U A D

M J S A N S A I V A D O R H I

M C A Y M N L W I R P E S S N

L A T H D U T E E D I B E L I Z

S X Y R V N X I S T R D G R O

O N O A L M K E U T E I N U H

U S I M G D B E T K D Z O O Y

W A T T E D U R O H Q A L H O

S B L T K L A O K I T H R R I

D C A Z A C R N X R U M C A Y

W A U S T C A B A T H P S H P

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| Acklins | Crocked Is. | Long Is.     | San Salvador  |
| Andros  | Eustatia    | Mayaguana    | The Abaco Is. |
| Berm    | Harbour Is. | Paradise Is. | The Exumas    |
| Cat Is. | Inagua      | Rum Cay      |               |

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## Relatively Speaking

to Sheila (but she is having an affair with Greg, he suspects). Meanwhile Greg thinks Phillip is Ginny's father (in truth, he was Ginny's boss). It sounds complicated because it is. For the characters. But in truth, the only people in the room who know what is happening is the audience, and the play unfolds hilariously from start to finish as an already tangled web gets more and more tangled.

Audiences will recognize Chris Clavelli, Carrie Lund, Jason Parrish and Kim Morgan Dean. Clavelli and Lund play Phillip and Sheila, a couple whose 30-year marriage is as stale as the toast and marmalade they eat for breakfast every Sunday. Clavelli makes his third appearance this season after having been in *Opus* and *You Can't Take It With You*. Also seen in last month's critically acclaimed *You Can't Take It With You*, Lund has been delighting audiences for 12 seasons now, and was also seen in this season's *Boeing-Boeing*.

As the young lovers, Greg and Ginny, Jason Parrish and Kim Morgan Dean are reunited onstage after playing opposite one another in season nine's hit comedy, *Moon Over Buffalo*. Dean also appeared in that season's *Scapino*, and returns to the Rep after a three-year absence. Another familiar face, Parrish was seen most recently as a Macy's elf in the Rep's holiday offering, David Sedaris' *The Santaland Diaries*.

Subscriptions and single tickets are on sale through the box office at 332-4488.

Florida Repertory Theatre performs in the historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street, between Jackson and Hendry with free parking in the Fort Myers River District. Visit Florida Rep online at [www.floridarep.org](http://www.floridarep.org).\*\*

## Florida Gardening Class

**A** Florida Yards and Neighborhoods introductory class will teach the nine principles that guide Florida-friendly landscaping in Lee County, taught by Lee County Extension Master Gardeners.

Each principle is explored in class so people can apply what they learn to their own yard. Plant selection and placement, efficient irrigation, proper mulching, and techniques to obtain a beautiful and healthy yard will be discussed.

The class is on Saturday, March 13, 9 a.m. to noon, at the Eco-Living Center at Rutenberg Park, 6490 South Pointe Boulevard, Fort Myers. Cost is \$5 per household.

Call Claudia at 533-7514 to register.\*\*

## Chico's Gives To United Way

**C**hico's FAS is contributing \$261,000 to United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades for the 2009-10 campaign. Chico's employees contribute to the campaign, and the

employee gifts plus the corporate gift totaled \$261,000. The contributions will help support the 72 local United Way partner agencies.

"Chico's has been a wonderful United Way partner for many years," said Cliff Smith, President of the United Way. The employees have been very supportive both through their own gifts and by conducting special fundraising events for the United Way. In addition, the corporation has shown its commitment to our community through its contributions and encouraging Chico's employees to volunteer for United Way Partner Agencies."\*\*

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## Sun Splash Passes Are On Sale Now

**A** head of the March 13 opening day, season passes to Sun Splash Family Waterpark in Cape Coral are on sale now. Early Bird season passes offer savings up to 29 percent over regular season pass prices and are the most affordable way for budget-conscious families to enjoy the park all season long.

Passes are on sale at the Sun Splash Administration Building, 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 27 and March 6.

After the park re-opens, season passes will be on sale 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and weekends during normal park hours. Early Bird season pass prices are valid through April 11.

Season pass benefits include unlimited park entrance all season; discounted parking; 15 percent off at the Calypso Cafe, ice cream shop and gift shop; 15 percent off same day guest tickets; and exclusive special offers and discounts throughout the season.

Sun Splash has more than 14 acres of slides, pools, food and fun for all ages. Call 574-0558 or log onto [www.SunSplashWaterPark.com](http://www.SunSplashWaterPark.com).\*\*



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