

A Classic Tale For The Kids



The cast of *The Emperor's New Clothes*

Broadway Palm Children's Theatre will present the Hans Christian Anderson classic *The Emperor's New Clothes* April 28 through May 30.

The Emperor's New Clothes is the classic tale about an emperor who cares more about his clothes than anything else in his kingdom. That all changes when Mr. Stitch and Mr. Sew wreak havoc at the palace when they present The Emperor with a special gift; an exquisitely beautiful "magic" suit that is invisible to all but the wisest of men. This hilarious musical adaptation is perfect for children of all ages.

Broadway Palm Children's Theatre presents full-scale productions suitable for all ages. Most performances begin with a buffet at noon and show time at 1 p.m.

Tickets for lunch and the show are \$15 for all ages and can be reserved by calling 278-4422, by visiting www.BroadwayPalm.com, or by stopping at the box office at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.✪



Sean Riley as The Emperor

Canals To Get Earth Day Facelift

The City of Fort Myers has recently created an Adopt A Canal Program to allow citizens concerned about the environment an opportunity to make a difference by creating awareness and reducing thoughtless disposal of waste in our waterways. The city has a total of 33 miles of ditches and canals that the area is dependent on for flood control.

Of these canals, a total of 12 miles has been adopted by local state agencies and engineering consulting firms to keep them free of debris for two years. These organizations have a dedicated staff of volunteers to clean the canals on Earth Day to encourage community awareness and responsibility by removing excess debris.✪



Mitch Ryder

Mitch Ryder And The Detroit Wheels To Headline Blues On The Green

Mitch Ryder and the Detroit Wheels have been booked to headline the 10-band, two-day festival held on the greens of the Fort Myers Beach Golf Course May 1 and 2.

Last year over 525 people attended Blues on the Green and this year the event promoter, Carl Conley, expects that number to grow. "Our lineup this year will be superhot," he said. "Mitch has some of the finest, hungriest Detroit musicians playing today with his band – they will be taking no prisoners!"



Gene "King Sax" Wilson

Tickets are \$20 for a single day and \$25 for both days of the show. Food and drinks are available and attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets to stretch out on the grass in front of the stage. A limited number of VIP tables will also be available.

"We have a fantastic place to host a blues concert here at the Fort Myers Beach Golf Course," said owner Chip Durpo. "Where else can you see a concert this close to the beach and sit on such lovely greens?"

Last year all 10 VIP tables sold out affording those patrons seating directly in front of the stage.

The event is produced and promoted by the Island Arts Foundation. Sponsors include FishTale Marina, Thomas Coyne, Covanta Energy, the *Island Sand Paper*, Red Coconut RV Resort and the Town of Fort Myers Beach.

Mitch Ryder and The Detroit Wheels have sold millions of records and their classic hits, *Devil With the Blue Dress On* and *Good Golly Miss Molly* represent core American rock 'n' roll revered the world over.

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Henley Place

by Gerri Reaves



Henley Place is one of downtown's prettiest and best-conceived small subdivisions, but it's easily overlooked. Located just west of the Caloosahatchee Bridge between West First Street and McGregor Boulevard, the shady circle was originally called McCrosky Place in 1922.

The styles of the first homes built there were influenced by the bungalow and Dutch Colonial Revival.

But the subdivision soon became Henley Place, named for William P. "WP" Henley, whose connection to Fort Myers dates to the 1880s. He became a successful builder and a substantial property owner. Among his contracting projects were the Thomas A. Edison home and the city's first recreation pier at the

foot of Fowler Street.

That circle developed during the boom years is largely vacant today. Only one structure from the circle's early days remains.

Jerry Haberle and Suzanne Sutton lived at Henley Place in the early 1970s, both in apartments at the center of the east side, he in a cozy duplex with a big cistern in the backyard.

They remember Henley Place as a peaceful multi-generational neighborhood.

The street encircled an area filled with cabbage palms and oaks, which helped with noise reduction. The many oak trees standing there today create a miniature urban park on the edge of one of downtown's busiest intersections.

In those days, traffic flowed both ways through the circle, but most drivers respected the privacy of residents and rarely used it as a direct route between McGregor Boulevard and West First Street, Sutton says.

The circle, a natural round-about, encouraged motorists to travel at a reasonable speed, and besides, there was no room to park on Henley.

Haberle and Sutton lived on Henley after the construction of the Caloosahatchee Bridge drastically rerouted the traffic patterns in that part of town and made it some-



The 1920s building was soon replaced with contemporary modular structures



The McGregor Boulevard entrance to Henley Place, a 1920s subdivision shaded by oaks and palms. The Caloosahatchee River is visible beyond the circle and West First Street. Several apartment buildings once stood on the eastern half (right).

now photos by Gerri Reaves



This photo was taken moments before this 1920s home on Henley Place was destroyed by the Fort Myers Fire Department in a training exercise in January 2009

courtesy of the Southwest Florida Historical Society

thing of a traffic-tangle overpass. Nevertheless, Haberle remembers living on Henley as "extremely pleasant," even though the bridge ramps loomed just behind their residences.

They were fortunate to live downtown before the full effect of suburban sprawl drained business to the suburbs and the Edison Mall.

They were "attuned to downtown," Haberle says, and it was an easy walking distance to stores and entertainment.

Two grocery stores were located downtown then, one of which was the A&P. Restaurants abounded, and one of their favorites was the Snack House on Broadway.

Both the Edison and Arcade Theatres screened first-run movies. What more could anyone want?

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Henley Place

Meander through Henley Place to get a feel for how pedestrian friendly, convenient, and pretty an urban neighborhood can be, given some innovative planning.

Then head to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about the small-scale tasteful developments that gave early Fort Myers a touch of class.

Ask about the museum's last Author's Evening in the 2010 season with Robert Macomber.

For information call 321-7430 or go to 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.

When researching local history or doing genealogical research, be sure to check out the Southwest Florida Historical Society at 10091 McGregor Boulevard.

The society would appreciate your help in completing its collection of the Fort Myers High School yearbook, *The Caloosahatchian*. Check your shelves and closets for years 1986 to 2005. 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 and *The Fort Myers News-Press*.✱

Community National Day Of Prayer Service

The Fort Myers Beach Ministerial Association will host a Community National Day Of Prayer presentation on Thursday, May 6. The service will begin at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary at Beach United Methodist Church (BUMC), located at 155 Bay Road

(behind the library).

The National Day of Prayer was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. While many current political leaders are considering the cancellation of this law so not to offend people, prayer has been the cornerstone of this country since its development. The founding fathers called for prayer during the Constitutional Congress, and, prior to the battle of Gettysburg, President Abraham Lincoln turned to God in prayer. Prior to the storming of the beaches of Normandy, President Franklin Roosevelt called for this nation to unite in prayer.

The service will include representation from Beach United Methodist Church, Chapel By the Sea Presbyterian, Church of the Ascension Roman Catholic and St. Raphael Episcopal. Music, which will play a vitally important role in the service, will be led by Dr. Douglas Renfro, director of music and fine arts at BUMC, who, from 1971 to 1974, was the soloist at the National Day of Prayer Breakfast in Washington, DC. Assisting will be soprano Johanna Fincher, organist Julie Wenger, pianist Joy Bowe, flute/bassoon Gayle Heskett, and members of the BUMC Chancel Choir.

The mission of the National Day of Prayer Task Force is to communicate

with every individual the need for personal repentance and prayer, mobilizing the religious community to intercede for America and its leadership in the seven centers of power: government, military, media, business, education, church and family. Through the mediums of music and the spoken word, this service will bring to attention the need for a belief in prayer and the power which prayer possesses.

For more information, call Beach United Methodist Church at 463-9656.✱

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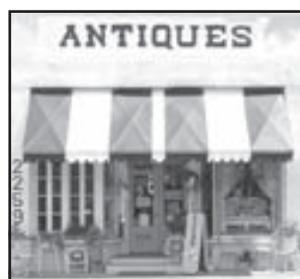
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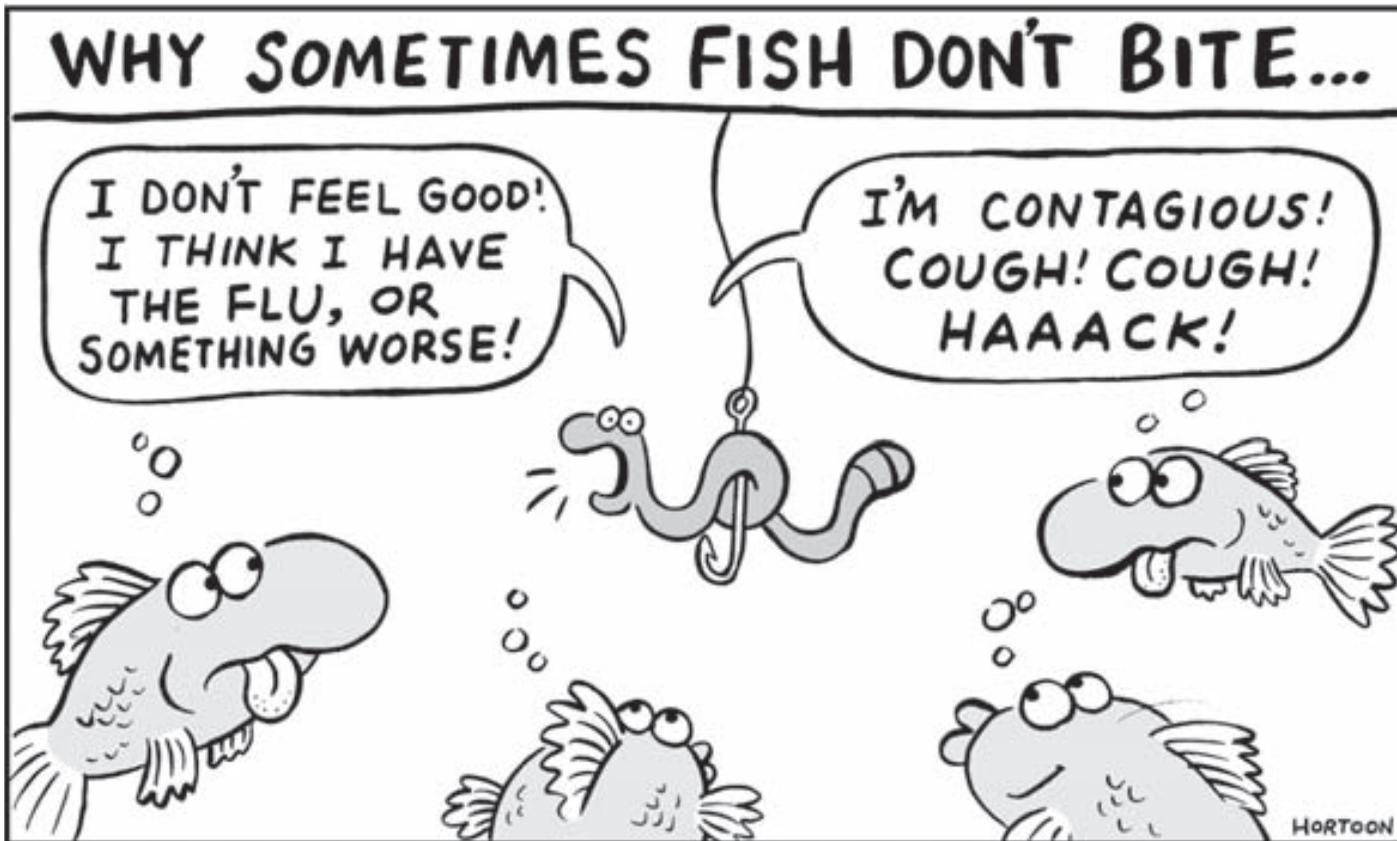


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Democratic Women's Club

The Democratic Women's Club will hold its monthly meeting Saturday, May 8 at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, 2360 West First Street, Fort Myers.

Peter Burkert, a Fort Myers attorney and a Democratic Party candidate for State Senate District 27, the seat now held by Dave Aronberg, will be the speaker.

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.

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Greeters Club To Elect New Board

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers will install a new board of officers and begin another year of monthly programs on Thursday, May 20. Current presidents of sister clubs will be in attendance to give information about their individual groups.

The luncheon registration begins at 11:30 a.m. at Crown Colony Country Club, 16021 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. Lunch is \$18, and reservations are required. Contact Patricia Spotts at 432-9498 or Janet McVay at 481-8405.

All local women are welcome to attend and join the group in many monthly activities including Ladies and Couples Bridge, Book Club, Dining Out, excursions and charitable events.

Port Authority Receives Award Of Distinction

The Lee County Port Authority (LCPA), operator of Southwest Florida International Airport and Page Field General Aviation Airport, was recognized by the Southwest Florida Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA) for its Crisis Management and Communications Plan. LCPA received an Award of Distinction in the Public Relations Programs - Crisis Communication category at the 2010 Local Image Awards presented in Fort Myers.

The Southwest Florida Chapter of FPRA conducts the Local Image Awards annually to recognize outstanding public relations programs and to encourage and promote the development of public relations professionalism in Southwest Florida. They have become a standard of excellence and demonstrate the best of innovation, planning and design in the region. An Award of Distinction is presented to entries that meet the standard of excellence set forth by the panel of judges. The 2010 competition received 32 entries from organizations throughout Lee and Collier counties and was judged by the Central West Coast Chapter of FPRA.



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City Wins Project Of The Year Award

The City of Fort Myers' Downtown Utility and Streetscape Project was awarded the Project of the Year award in the Historical Restoration/Preservation category by the Florida Chapter Awards Committee of the American Public Works Association (APWA).

This award brings further recognition to the City of Fort Myers and the efforts made to revitalize downtown while restoring and preserving the historical elements. Eighty projects throughout the state of Florida were submitted for consideration.

The APWA Project of the Year Award recognizes the managing agency, the engineer and other team consultants, and the contractor who work together to complete public works projects.

Awards are judged on the following criteria:

- Use of good construction management techniques and completion of the project on schedule
- Safety performance and demonstrated awareness of the need for a good overall safety program during construction
- Community relations through efforts to minimize public inconvenience and precautions to protect the public during construction, and other means of improving relations between the agency and the public
- Demonstrated awareness for the need to protect the environment during construction
- Unusual accomplishments under adverse conditions
- Additional conditions deemed important to the public works agency such as time or money-saving techniques or exceptional quality control, etc.

The Downtown Utility and Streetscape project team outlined the construction techniques, accelerated schedule and safety programs while emphasizing the understanding and protection of the historic elements of our downtown area. All facets of the community relations program were described including the Fort Myers Redevelopment Agency's programs to assist the downtown businesses during construction. The City of Fort Myers combined the utility project with the streetscape project to reduce cost and construction inconvenience to the public. By rebidding the project in phases, the city was able to reduce the cost further due to a downturn in the economy.

Emphasis was given to streetscape's design challenges while meeting Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements in a historic district. This was particularly challenging because the new roadway and sidewalk systems employ narrower streets, wider sidewalks and lower street profiles. One of the most exciting accomplishments was recovering and "recycling" over 500,000 bricks once covered for decades by asphalt on existing streets. Reusing the old bricks was a large and unique undertaking in preserving historic downtown. Gaining acceptance from other agencies to use

smaller, historic traffic signals throughout downtown adds to the downtown charm and unusual accomplishments of the project. The City of Fort Myers Downtown Utility and Streetscape team has been invited to present the project at the 50th anniversary of the APWA Florida Chapter annual meeting in Orlando on May 4.✪

Public Workshops On Lee County Plan Update

What issues do you believe are most important to the sustainable development of Lee County? Does the current plan adequately address those major issues? What changes do you envision to better direct the development of the county through the comprehensive plan?

Lee County is updating its Comprehensive Plan, The Lee Plan, to create a 21st century document that will help to create a sustainable, self-sufficient community. The update will be guided by the state-required Evaluation and Appraisal Report process. The Lee County Division of Planning will hold workshops to encourage public participation in the process. The goal is to both improve the Lee Plan through policy changes or additional research and to affirm that present policies are producing the anticipated results and addressing relevant issues.

This assessment occurs once every seven years and the public is asked to not miss this important opportunity to participate in one of the following workshops:

- Tuesday, April 27, 5 to 7 p.m. North Fort Myers Public Library, 2001 N. Tamiami Trail NE, North Fort Myers
- Wednesday, April 28, 5 to 7 p.m. South County Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, Estero
- Tuesday, May 4, 5 to 7 p.m. Lakes Regional Library, 15290 Bass Road, South Fort Myers
- Wednesday, May 5, 5 to 7 p.m. East County Regional Library, 881 Gunnery Road, Lehigh Acres
- Tuesday, May 11, 10 a.m. to noon Boca Grande Community Center, 131 First Street West, Boca Grande
- Thursday, May 13, 10 a.m. to noon Captiva Civic Association, 11550 Chapin Lane, Captiva.

Contact the Lee County Division of Planning, 533-8583, for additional information or to request reasonable accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.✪

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submitted by Lynn Ferraina,
President of Paul Todd Charities

Harry Chapin once said “To know is to care, to care is to act, to act is to make a difference” and that is what Paul Todd Charities and Sargento Foods did to make a huge difference by raising \$38,500 for the Harry Chapin Food Bank and \$24,500 for Jen’s Kids Fund at The Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida. The concert was held at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall on Palm Sunday, March 28 at 7pm. The concert featured Paul Todd, Paul Todd Jr., Amy VanWyk, Pastor Dan Betzer of First Assembly of God church, Steffanie Pearce of Opera Naples and the Calusahatchee Stompers. Lois Thome of WINK News was the celebrity guest emcee. Each of these tremendous talents donated their time and talent to help Jen’s Kids Fund and the Harry Chapin Food Bank.

“In every child’s heart there is a fire, it starts out burning low, when properly attended it soon begins to glow. Started by our God above, kindled by a parents love, it becomes a burning flame, each child a tribute to his name, so love your children well.”

Todd wrote these lyrics about children for his song *Love Your Children Well*.

Todd is a resident of Southwest Florida, a father of four, the music director of St. Agnes Catholic Church and a philanthropist whose charity bears his name, with a mission to help children, families and the armed forces through the



Paul Todd (musician); Scott Saxon (Barbara B. Mann); Joe Manhart (Paul Todd Charities); Jennifer Likness (Jen’s Kids Fund); and Lynn Ferraina (Paul Todd Charities)

gift of music.

As president of Paul Todd Charities Inc., I am proud of what we have accomplished since we started five years ago. Grants have been given to a variety of charities including Feed the Children, The Gabriel House, Habitat for Humanity, Sunlight Home, Early Years Education, Ricky King Children’s Fund, Big Brothers, Big Sisters, Voices of the Kids of Southwest Florida, St. Vincent De Paul Society, Guadeloupe Center, AMI Kids Big Cypress, Baby Basics of Collier County, Jen’s Kids Fund, Harry Chapin Food Bank and the Cystic Fibrosis

Foundation, just to name a few. The majority of the charities have focused on helping children. This year’s focus will not be any different. One of our major grants this year is going to Jen’s Kids Fund at The Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida to help refurbish the pediatric wing. It is hard enough for a child to be ill with cystic fibrosis, cancer, diabetes, Crohn’s disease or asthma, but to be in a room 24 hours a day that is not esthetically pleasing makes it even harder. Many of the children are referred to by the staff as “frequent flyers” because they return over and over again. The goal is to refurbish

14 rooms with new paint, beds, visitor chairs, lounges and to purchase TVs, DVD players and other amenities to help young patients pass the time. The cost is \$15,000 per room.

Our second grant is going to The Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida. Think of a child going to bed hungry or never having a hot meal. That same child not being able to concentrate at school because he worries there will be no food for supper. The Harry Chapin Food Bank is Lee and Collier counties’ largest food distribution center. In the last two years the number of people served jumped 82 percent, applications for food stamps rose 150 percent, and 66 percent of elementary school students received free or reduced price meals during the school year. Did you know 465,000 people in Florida are living on food stamps with no other source of income? There are 89,000 homeless people in Florida, these are the people who desperately need the food bank. Harry Chapin collects eight million pounds of food annually valued at \$13 million. For every \$1 donated, \$6 worth of food can be distributed. Each month 500,000 pounds of food is collected and delivered to 170 charitable agencies such as food pantries, soup kitchens, school programs, shelters and senior centers in Southwest Florida. Forty percent of those served are children.

Paul Todd is famous for his unique concerts. Although he is first and foremost a Christian artist, his concerts include original, classical, popular and

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A Princess Can Change The World



Ethiana Lovely Previlus, Legacy of Giving Essay Contest winner

More than 20 Immokalee middle and high school students put themselves in Princess Diana’s shoes and dreamed of how they would change the world – from eradicating poverty to improving high school graduation rates – as part of an essay contest created and sponsored by the Fifth Third Bank Women’s Network.

The bank invited participants in The Immokalee Foundation’s Immokalee Readers mentor program to answer one of two questions: How did Princess Diana change the world? Or, if you were a princess, how would you change the world? The answers included education, equality, preserving natural resources and making peace.

All of the girls who submitted entries traveled by bus on March 30 to see the Princess Diana: Dresses of Inspiration exhibition at The von Liebig Art Center in Naples. The day featured afternoon tea with their mentors, Fifth Third Bank Women’s Network members and foundation representatives. Three top winners received prizes that included bookstore gift certificates and a commemorative plaque recognizing their

achievement. All the girls received tiaras, Princess for a Day pink sashes and a goody bag.

There were few dry eyes in the audience as first place winner, 14-year-old Ethiana Lovely Previlus, read of her desire to eliminate poverty. “I would make sure every family has a pillow to put their heads on at night,” she said, inspired by her trip to Haiti last summer. “Every child would have shoes and fresh clothes to put on their backs. No one would struggle to find basic survival supplies.”

Second- and third-place winners were Daisy Olvera (age 15, 10th grade) and Angelica Jean (age 15, 10th grade), respectively. Olvera’s essay was about eliminating hunger and the importance of education, and Jean’s essay was about ending homelessness and the significance of hope.

“This program was a powerful way to inspire creativity among Southwest Florida’s future businesswomen, and it was also a powerful reminder of the things we take for granted,” said Kathy Leavesley, Fifth Third Bank vice president and marketing director. “Fifth Third Bank believes and supports The Immokalee Foundation’s mission to provide educational opportunities for Immokalee’s children from early childhood through the beginning of their professional lives.”

“We cannot thank Fifth Third Bank enough for their sponsorship of these young ladies and support of TIF,” said Liz Allbritten, executive director of The Immokalee Foundation. “Our young ladies walked away with a greater knowledge of who Princess Diana was, and the many lives she touched around the world. Following the event, many of our young ladies volunteered for Kids Against Hunger, wearing their sashes and tiaras as they bagged food for the hungry living in Immokalee and Haiti.”

The von Liebig Art Center was honored to have these special guests see the exhibition, which is on view through June 27. “Princess Diana is inspiring new generations to make a difference in the world,” said Joel Kessler, CEO and executive director of the art center. “We are proud to present this original exhibition of Diana’s dresses and an extensive, historical collection of British Royals memorabilia to help educate our youth about Diana, the monarchy and philanthropy.” ❄️



Daisy Olvera, second place winner

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Mitch Ryder And The Detroit Wheels

To get everybody in the mood for blues, the IAF will be hosting a kick-off party on Sunday, April 11 featuring 18-time Grammy nominee Gene "King Sax" Walker. The event will be held at the Purple Heart Theater at 2915 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach from 4 to 7 p.m.

Walker has played with a who's who list of notables including the Beatles, Neil Diamond, Aretha Franklin, The Isley Brothers, Sam Cooke and Jackie Wilson

Tickets are limited and first choice goes to members. For tickets, call 765-6988 or go to www.islandartsfoundation.org where reservations can be made online.

Those interested can also join the more than 200 members currently on the IAF rolls supporting the performing arts on Fort Myers Beach.✳

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Tree Planting Celebration At Lakes Park



Join Lee County Parks & Recreation on Earth Day, Thursday, April 22 at 2:30 p.m. at Lakes Regional Park to thank Covanta Energy for its donation of \$1,000 to plant new trees at the south Fort Myers park.

Covanta Energy annually chooses a location to benefit its Clean World Initiative Program on Earth Day. With Lakes Park as the 2010 recipient, the company's donation will go toward three Florida native slash pines to be planted in Parking Lot No. 3.

The 279-acre park is open 7 a.m. to dusk daily at 7330 Gladiolus Drive in Fort Myers. For more information on Lakes Park or other Lee County parks and preserves, call 533-7275 or visit www.leeparks.org.✳

exposure, and performance opportunities for talented young people in the community.

Noelle, 13, is an accomplished classical and contemporary singer. The public is invited to attend this free performance at the gallery at 1451 Monroe Street. The Young Artists Awards program is a monthly partner with Fort Myers Art Walk.✳

Gulf Coast Symphony Classical Concert

The Gulf Coast Symphony presents another of its acclaimed Classical Access Concerts on Saturday evening, May 8. This program features Prokofiev's *Sinfonia Concertante, Opus 125* with special guest cello soloist Kevin Hekmatpanah, and Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 5*.

The concert will be held in Anderson Theater at Bishop Verot High School, 5598 Sunrise Drive, at 7:30 p.m. Ample free parking is available. Single tickets are \$15 with half price tickets for students and seniors, and free tickets for children. Tickets are available online at www.gulfcoastsymphony.org, by calling 481-4849, or in person at Anderson Hall one hour prior to the concert. The concert is sponsored in part by members of the Gulf Coast Symphony's Musical Legacy Society and Advanced Pain Management & Spine Specialists. For more information email info@gulfcoastsymphony.org.✳



Fort Myers High School girls lacrosse team

Great Season For Fort Myers High Girls Lacrosse

Fort Myers High School girls lacrosse team traveled to Boca Raton last weekend to play in the IA League state finals. The team has four Sanibel players; seniors Kimberly Greenplate and Mary Stufano, sophomore Samia Islam, and freshman Hallie Stufano.

The team played Estero High School Friday night for the state semi-final game. The score was Fort Myers 16-Estero 13. The offense was led by Mary Stufano with 7 goals and Trish Woolfe with 4

goals and the defense was led by Sam Miller the goalie with 19 saves backed by deep defense players Kimberly Greenplate and Madeline Summa.

The state final game was held Saturday night against Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School. Fort Myers lost but they were excited to have made it to the state finals for the first time in the history of Fort Myers Lacrosse. Mary Stufano also ended the season with an all-time high of 94 goals and was excited to be the first Fort Myers lacrosse player to sign to play in college. She will be playing lacrosse for Emerson College in Boston next year.

Fort Myers High will be sorry to lose 11 seniors this year. The girls had a great season and ended up undefeated in district games with an overall record of 13 wins, 5 losses.✳

May Art Walk Performance



Noelle Aparte

Noelle Aparte, a talented vocalist and winner at the March Young Artists Awards competition, will be the featured performer on Friday, May 7 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Art League of Fort Myers as part of the monthly Art Walk.

The Young Artists Awards, moving into its eighth year of programming, is a not for profit performing arts education, audition, performance, and scholarship program for area students ages eight to 21. It provides professional feedback,

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Church School: 9:15 a.m.

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Bible Study - Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
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10:30 a.m.

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Confirmation Classes, Wednesday,
5:30-6:30 p.m.

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a.m.; Friday, 8 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.
Religious school Sunday, 9 a.m. to noon,
and Wednesday, 4:30 to 6 p.m.
Family Midrash services on the first and
third Fridays of the month at 7 p.m.
Pre bar/bat mitzvah class Monday, 5:30 to
7 p.m., followed by confirmation class from
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Churches/Temples

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH:

9065 Ligon Court, Fort Myers, across from HealthPark Hospital, 481-2125
Pastor: Interim Pastor Dr. Luder Whitlock
Sunday Service:

9:30 a.m., Contemporary;
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WORD OF LIFE CHURCH:

2120 Collier Ave, Fort Myers, 274-8881;
Services: Sunday 10 a.m.;
Wednesday 7 p.m.

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ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH:

7401 Winkler Road, Fort Myers,
481-4040, Pastor, Steve Hess
Sunday Services: 8 a.m. traditional;
9:30 a.m. contemporary; 11 a.m. blendings.
Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.✱

Christian Academy

Southwest Florida Christian Academy located at 3750 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers, is offering open enrollment for the 2010-11 school year. Contact the school office at 936-8865 for more information or to schedule a tour.

SFCA offers grades kindergarten through 12th. Financial assistance is available to qualified families.✱

Cape Coral Child Needs Help

Rachel began specialized medical care at 18 months. She has polyarticular, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, over active immune system, ulcerative colitis proctitis, and uveitis.

Although the family has insurance which costs \$11,000 a year, the medical bills, medications and special care Rachel requires have put this family of four in financial trouble. Their home is currently in foreclosure and past due medical bills are currently in the thousands.

Rachel has the opportunity to be treated by specialists in Pennsylvania. After sending hundreds of medical documents to the doctors and making many phone calls, the specialists will take Rachel's case. But money is in issue. The flights, meals, lodging, co-pays, and 20 percent out of pocket are not covered by insurance and the family simply does not have the money. But this little girl needs the specialists' help.

Fifth Third Bank and Destiny Diaper Bank are working together to help make this trip possible for Rachel. The Rachel's Flight project needs donations to help Rachel and her father see the specialists that may be able to help this little girl. An estimate of the total out of pocket cost for the doctors, tests, hospital, and 10-day stay is \$50,000. Every dollar donated to the 5/3 bank account Rachel's Flight will go to helping Rachel.

Donations to "Rachel's Flight" can be made at any Fifth Third Bank location.

For more information, contact Rebecca Hines at Destiny Diaper Bank, 910-8198.✱

Christian Academy Hosts Guest Speaker



Devon McDonald

Southwest Florida Christian Academy hosted Devon McDonald, a former player for the Indianapolis Colts, at the middle school chapel on Tuesday, April 13.

McDonald shared about how he overcame the pressures and problems during his athletic career. He also spoke on the importance of values, morals, education and proper decision making. The kids truly enjoyed their time with him.✱

Cape Author Releases Children's Book

Cape Coral author Fran Wasserman offers kids a dose of feline adventure in her new book, which is just being released nationwide, titled *The Miracle Kitten*.

The story reveals how the only thing worse than being caught in a storm is being caught in a storm alone. Young readers follow Mommy cat as she tries to save her three kittens from the winds and rain of a hurricane without leaving anyone behind.

Published by Tate Publishing and Enterprises, the book is available through bookstores nationwide, from the publisher at www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore, or by visiting barnesandnoble.com or amazon.com.

Wasserman lives in Cape Coral with her husband and cat, Scooter. Her love of kittens inspired *The Miracle Kitten*. Through personal experience, observation of their behavior, and the challenge of gaining their trust, this charming story evolved.✱

Apply Now For Rainbow Trails Family Camp

Hope HealthCare Services is now accepting applications for Rainbow Trails, a camp for children aged six to 17 and their families in need of special support and counseling.

The all-day camp will take place on Saturday, June 12 at Treeline Elementary School in Fort Myers.

Rainbow Trails, provided at no cost to families, includes two programs for children and families to meet their specific needs:

Campers and their families who have experienced the loss a loved one within the past year will gain a better understanding of the loss and grief process. They will have the opportunity to memorialize and say goodbye to their loved one.

The camp also serves children who have a long-term illness, along with their siblings who may have lost some of their access to Mom and Dad because of their brother or sister's special needs. The families will learn new skills to cope with changing family dynamics.

"At Hope, we know that loss, grief and illness are natural events in life that children may not fully understand," according to Hope President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith. "Through Rainbow Trails, we can help to alleviate the tre-

mendous emotional burdens that families may be facing. When a little six year-old says, "Thank you for helping me," we know we have made a difference."

To enroll as a camper or apply as a counselor, visit <http://www.hopehcs.org/rainbowtrailscamp/> or call (800) 835-1673. For more information, visit www.hopehcs.org.✱

Inaugural TableTalk Event Raises \$5,500

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation announced that more than \$5,500 was raised at its recent TableTalk event.

Proceeds from the inaugural TableTalk will benefit Jen's Kids Fund – a newly established fund at the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation to support the renovation of the General Pediatrics Wing at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. Jen's Kids Fund was established by 27-year-old Jennifer Likness, a cystic fibrosis patient, and her mother Heather Knight in 2009.

Barbara DuFrane, of DuFrane Jewelers, hosted the event March 16 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point. TableTalk guests included best-selling author Janet Evanovich; renowned chocolatier Norman Love; and local artist Leoma Lovegrove.✱

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Along The River

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The UPS Store is located at 169703 San Carlos Boulevard, Fort Myers. It is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring along the UPS Store ad featured in this week's *River Weekly News* and *Island Sun* newspapers and receive five percent off shipping. Offer good through May 30. Call 454-7111.

Heading to Fort Myers Beach? Worry-free parking for your car or boat is available for patrons of **Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery**. Nellie's offers a wide variety of casual fare that will delight diners of all ages. After dining, let one of Nellie's pedicabs drive you to the beach and back. Finish the day off with happy hour and live music at **Ugly's Waterside Bar**, upstairs from the restaurant.

Friday, April 23 features the House Rockers, Vytas Vibe and Mark Kobie; on Saturday, No Way José and Vytas Vibe;



on Sunday, The Oysters; on Monday, Vytas Vibe; on Tuesday, Chucky from Kentucky; on Wednesday, the Hightide Band; and on Thursday, the Hightide Band and The Oysters. This Sunday's brunch/lunch features reggae with No Way José.

Directions to Nellie's: after crossing the bridge to Fort Myers Beach, take the first two right turns and follow First Street to the waterfront. You can't miss it.

Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery is open for Sunday brunch, lunch, dinner and snacks in between. Call 463-



8077 or go to www.nervousnellies.net.

Why not head to Sanibel for a special night of theater and food? Catch one of the last performances of *Something's*

Afoot at the **Schoolhouse Theater**. The British musical farce by James McDonald, David Vos and Robert Gerlach offers a colorful assortment of characters thrown together in a murder mystery where everybody is a suspect! Final show times are 8 p.m. on Friday, April 23 and Saturday, April 24.



Before the show, have a romantic dinner at **Il Tesoro Ristorante**. The restaurant offers authentic Italian with New Classic flair, and serves up a festival for the senses that is a cut above the expected. Polished, professional, excellent service with the taste and feel of a Tuscan holiday. The menu sings of the delights of Italy -with the freshness of local fare. AJ Black, chef/owner, was elected Best Chef in the Best of the Islands Awards in 2009.

The Schoolhouse Theater is located at 2200 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. Call the box office at 472-6862 for tickets.

Il Tesoro Ristorante is at 751 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel. Call 395-4022.

On Saturday, April 24, the third annual **River District Regatta** takes place in downtown Fort Myers.

The course is on the river between the Caloosahatchee Bridge and the Midpoint



Bridge. Three races are planned, weather permitting, with trophies to be awarded to the top three finishers in each fleet.

The first race starts at 10 a.m. and the public is welcome to watch the sailing activities from the Edison Sailing Center's South Training Center, 2000 West First Street, Fort Myers. Call 349-5168.✪



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Pilot's Club Holds Keys To Success Forum On April 29

The Fort Myers Pilot's Club will hold its 7th annual Keys to Success forum on Thursday, April 29 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 13051 Bell Tower Drive, Fort Myers,

Kevin Snyder, an internationally known speaker and author, will present, Turning your Passion Into Success, an educational and motivational program to help individuals lead more intentional and fulfilling lives. The program will be presented twice, from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. (includes breakfast) and again from noon to 1:30 p.m. (with lunch).

Pilot Club of Fort Myers is part of an international organization of business professionals who work to improve their local communities and support people affected by brain-related disorders and disabilities. They will present \$8,000 to the Children's Network of Southwest Florida and IMPACT for Developmental Education at the morning forum. During the afternoon forum, they will present their annual Keys to Success award to one of six finalists who most exemplifies the club's code of ethics. Nominees are: Heather Christie, Action Coach; Freda Himschoot, P.A.T.S Auto Parts Store; Kirsten Iffland, Children's Network of SW Florida; Danielle Lucht, Alliance Financial Group; Cora Molloy, Henderson, Franklin Starnes & Holt; and Sarah Owen,

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Junior League Wine Gala



Rick Williams and Denise and John Spence at a previous Wine Gala Fundraiser

The Junior League of Fort Myers has scheduled its annual Wine Gala for May 6, from 6 to 9 p.m., hosted at Fine Mark Bank. Everyone is invited to attend. Guests will taste a variety of fine wines and hors d'oeuvres and take part in a silent auction all to benefit the many community projects the Junior League supports each year. There is a limited number of tickets available. To reserve and prepay log onto www.jlfm.org. Tickets are \$41 per person and include unlimited food and wine tasting. Tickets will also be available at the door.

The Junior League of Fort Myers is currently accepting silent auction items and event sponsorships for the gala. If you or your business would like to get involved or make a donation, contact event organizer Nikole Richardson at nikole@lodgeconstruction.com.

For more information call 277-1197 or visit www.jlfm.org.✪



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The Biggest Trout Of The Year Are Here



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

TROUT fishing has been the staple this last month and just when I thought it could not get any better, it did. I have been catching good sized trout on shrimp and shrimp-

pattern lures but last week the bigger trout really started to respond to live white bait – some of the biggest trout caught I have seen in a long time.

One real pig this week measured 26 inches with a 12-inch-plus girth. It's amazing how fat trout get when they reach this size. This fish must have weighed over five pounds. Watching the trout pop and chase the big white baits around is almost as much fun as catching them.

Most of the bigger trout I have been catching are in relatively shallow water of roughly two to three feet. Finding the right bottom has been the key. I look for what I call salt and pepper bottom: heathy grass with sandholes. Close proximity to deeper water seems to help too. I've been targeting flats or humps close to the intercoastal. These big trout are much more spooky than their smaller brothers so sit way off and make long casts.

Freeline live white baits or fish them under a popping cork. These fish seem to be feeding better on the incoming tide but I'm catching them on both tides.

Along with the trout out on the flats there have been jacks, bluefish, big Spanish mackerel, sharks and a few pompano. Keep your eyes open for birds working to find hot action and a mixed bag of fish. While doing the trout thing one day we saw birds down close to the water and motored up to see what was going on. As we got closer we could see huge splashes on the surface. Throwing baits into the commotion we immediately hooked up on a 10-pound-plus jack which ran 100 yards of line off the light trout tackle in about 30 seconds. These big jacks will eat just about anything thrown at them and are a great way to learn how to fight a big fish on light tackle.

While running in from a charter in the bay this week I saw two tripletail. One small fish was on an old plastic bait bucket that I almost hit; then not a quarter-mile later there was a keeper on a crab pot buoy. After shutting down the boat and coming back up on the marker, I tossed a live shrimp on a bobber up close to the tripletail which the fish immediately ate.

It's always nice to have the heads up of seeing a small tripletail to make you say, "Maybe I should keep my eyes open for tripletail." After a great day fishing the tripletail was a tasty bonus fish to end the day for my clients. With stone crab pots only out on the gulfside for another month, make some time to go run them a few last times before they are gone.

Although I have not done any tarpon fishing yet this season I have been seeing more and more poons around the bay. While riding by marker 20 this week I saw a boat hooked up with a jumping tarpon which looked to be around 100 pounds. I also saw a few free-jumping tarpon inside the no-wake buoys around St. James City and a few rolls between the Flamingo Bay channel and the clam leases. I also heard reports this week of pods of tarpon off Knapps Point on the gulfside of Sanibel.

Generally, I don't start to book tarpon trips until May as April can be very hit or miss. Just to be on the safe side though I have started bringing a few bigger sticks in case I run across a pod of tarpon. Usually my first tarpon of the season comes unexpectedly while trout fishing

on the flats and is over after just a few jumps.

Shark fishing continues to improve with tons of little blacktips invading the flats. Twice this week I had hungry sharks grab the trout an angler was bringing in to the boat. These four- to five-foot blacktips gave us no chance on the light trout tackle and light leader, quickly screaming the drag and cutting right through the leader like it was sewing thread. We did land a few two- to three-foot blacktips though while fishing live shiners out on the flats. These little sharks are great fun on light tackle, jumping clear out of the water and making long runs.

Capt. Matt Mitchell moved to Sanibel in 1980 and has fished local waters for more than 25 years. He now lives in St.



Watch for working birds to find big jacks like this one

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.✪

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Shoreline Walks And Programs

Lee County Parks and Recreation is offering the following environmental programs:

Matanzas Pass Preserve Free Guided Walk: Exploring Ethnobotany (new program year-round)

Wednesday, April 28, 9:30-11 a.m. Find out 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 are held the last Wednesday of every month. Meet at the entrance to Matanzas Pass Preserve. This is a free walk but parking space is limited so come early. Matanzas Pass Preserve is at 199 Bay Road, Fort Myers Beach.

Group guided tours for other environmental walks at Matanzas Pass Preserve or Bowditch Point Park are available year-round upon request by calling 229-7356.

Bunche Beach Free Guided Walk: Low Tide Loafing at Sunset

Tuesday, April 27, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. See what mysteries the low tides uncover at sunset as you explore the mud flats on this one-hour guided walk. Wear

shoes that can get wet and bring your bug spray. Bring your camera for some great sunset pictures. Bunche Beach is off Summerlin Road, 18201 John Morris Road in Fort Myers.

Bowditch Point Park Kayaking Trip: Morning Eco Paddling Tour

Tuesday, May 4, 9 a.m. to noon. Paddle San Carlos Bay, Hurricane Bay and Pelican Bay in search of dolphin, manatee and a wide variety of birds. Cost for this trip is \$40 per person and you must pre-register at www.leeparks.org or by calling 533-7440 a minimum of 48 hours in advance.

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Wednesday, May 19, 10 a.m. to noon. If you enjoy paddling with your pooch, this trip is for you. Meet at the kayak launch across from Dog Beach on Estero Boulevard just south of Lovers Key. Dogs must be under 100 pounds and only one dog per boat permitted. Dogs are free but must have current vaccinations and wear their own lifejacket. Cost for this program is \$40 per person and you must pre-register at www.leeparks.org or by calling 533-7440 a minimum of 48 hours in advance.✪



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CROW Case Of The Week:

Osprey

by Brian Johnson



The wild weather of the past two weekends brought down dozens of palm fronds on the Sanibel Causeway and stirred up at least one osprey nest on Sanibel.

On Sunday, April 11, Gloria from the Palms of Sanibel, a collection of cottages on the east end of Sanibel, contacted CROW about two grounded ospreys.

CROW volunteer Renee Keller and her daughter Hailey went to the scene, captured the pair and took them back to the clinic.

"They were wet and a bit bedraggled," said CROW Vet Dr. PJ Deitschel. "We dried them off, gave them arnica and fluids, and got them into a dark cage to rest."

The larger juvenile weighed 1.67 kilograms while her sister weighed 1.27 kilograms. The larger one had broken blood feathers, possibly from a collision with a fence at the cottages.

The next day the birds were pretty alert and showed no signs of internal injuries. Dr. PJ and Dr. Amber gave them subcutaneous fluids and hand-fed them pieces of fish. They looked good enough to go outside to the osprey compound, so the two vets carried the osprey folded up in towels out of the hospital and across the CROW grounds.

By the following day the smaller one was flying happily around the osprey compound and ready for release. She went back to the east end on Wednesday, April 14. Staff rehabilitator Cat Turner reported an excellent release: the bird immediately flew to the top of a roof and was in striking distance of the nest.

Her sister had to stay behind. "Obviously she was bruised and sore," said Dr. PJ. "Even with the encourage-



Close up the osprey looks very alert

ment of watching her sibling fly, she didn't want to."

However, she soon began eating herring and ladyfish on her own. Staff noted her gliding down from a high perch on Sunday, April 18.

The next day the osprey was seen flying in the cage, and is now days from getting her visa back to the Palms of Sanibel.



Dr PJ examines the osprey's injured wing

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

Bass Fishing League Winners



Robert Crosnoe won the boater side of the BFL Gator Division competition



Lucky Wells won the co-angler side of the BFL Gator Division competition

Robert Crosnoe of Inverness, Florida caught a five-bass limit weighing 24 pounds, 12 ounces Saturday to win \$4,385 in the FLW BFL (Forrest L. Wood Bass Fishing League) Gator Division tournament on Lake Okeechobee. Lucky Wells of Winter Haven, Florida caught a five-bass limit weighing 23 pounds, 11 ounces to win \$2,193 in the co-angler division.

The next BFL Gator Division tournament is scheduled for May 8 at Lake Okeechobee in Okeechobee City. After the fifth Gator Division tournament is complete, the top 40 boaters and co-anglers, based on point standings, will qualify for the Regional Championship at Lake Seminole in Bainbridge, Georgia October 21 to 23 for a chance to win a 198VX Ranger boat with a 200-horsepower Evinrude or Yamaha outboard and a Chevy pick-up; co-anglers will fish for a new Ranger 198VX.

FLW Outdoors, named after Forrest L. Wood, the legendary founder of Ranger Boats, is the largest fishing tournament organization in the world, offering anglers worldwide the opportunity to compete for millions over the course of 189 tournaments in 2010. FLW Outdoors has also taken fishing mainstream with FLW Fantasy Fishing, awarding the largest prizes in the history of fantasy sports. FLW Outdoors memberships are available featuring numerous benefits including Player's Advantage. For more information about FLW Outdoors and its tournaments, visit FLWOutdoors.com or call 270-252-1000. For more information about FLW Fantasy Fishing, visit FantasyFishing.com. FLWOutdoors.com.

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Plant Smart:

Florida Keys Blackbead

by Gerri Reaves

Florida Keys blackbead (*Pithecellobium keyense*) is a wide-spreading evergreen shrub or small tree whose native habitat is shell mounds, coastal hammocks, and pinelands.

This wildlife-friendly, low-maintenance plant is listed as threatened by the state of Florida.

From late winter into spring, it produces spherical white or pinkish flowers with many delicate stamens.

Perhaps its most distinctive feature, however, is the curved reddish pod containing shiny black fruit. This spiraling structure of the seed pod inspires another common name, ram's horn.

The leaves usually are comprised of two leaflets, which can be oval or elliptical, and the bark is fissured.

Unlike its relative cat-claw (*Pithecellobium unguis-cati*), blackbead usually lacks the spines in the leaf bases and has larger leaves and leaflets.

Florida Keys blackbead is salt-tolerant and highly drought-tolerant. Plant it in moist well-drained sandy or limestone soil.

Full sun encourages horizontal rather than vertical development. It typically reaches eight to 15 feet in height and makes a good buffer plant or accent shrub.

The dense foliage provides cover for wildlife, and the seeds are a food source for birds. The leaves are the larval food for the giant orange sulphur and the cassius blue butterflies, and the nectar is sought by many other butterfly species.

Sources: *The Shrubs and Woody Vines of Florida* by Gil Nelson, *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, and regional-conservation.org.

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



Florida Keys blackbead, a wildlife-friendly shrub or small tree, is listed as threatened by the state of Florida

photo by Gerri Reaves

Oxbow And Riverlore Cruises Return



River cruise looking down Oxbow

Take the Caloosahatchee Oxbow and Riverlore Cruise in May and learn about the historic Caloosahatchee. This guided monthly cruise, offered on Sunday, May 2 and also on Mother's Day, May 9, explores the meanders of the historic upriver Caloosahatchee. We follow the river back to a time when a waterfall served as the headwaters of the Caloosahatchee and settlers braved living amongst the wilderness.

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

The tour is guided by Rae Ann Wessel, a river researcher, long-time river advocate, historian and SCCF (Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation) natural resource policy director. The vessel is the stable and spacious 47-passenger *Manatee Rover* pontoon

boat that runs daily manatee tours. All seats have a great view for photographs and bird watching.

Cruises depart from the WP Franklin Lock & Dam off SR 80 in Olga at 1 p.m. and return by 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person, with advance reservations required by calling SCCF at 472-2329 by 3 p.m. on Friday, April 30 for the May 2 cruise and by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 7 for the May 9 cruise. Space is limited. ✨

Florida Yards & Neighborhoods Hosting Bus Trip To Lakeland

FLYN May 4th LakeLand Bus Tour – May 4th, 2010 The University of Florida's The Florida Yards and Neighborhoods program is organizing a bus tour to Florida Southern College in Lakeland, Florida on Tuesday, May 4. Lakeland is about 50 miles southwest of Orlando.

Florida Southern is the only college campus designed by famous architect Frank Lloyd Wright and has the largest collection of Wright's building in one place. "The architecture represents the laws of harmony and rhythm," Write said in 1950. "It's organic architecture." You can view photos online at <http://www.flsouthern.edu/tour/overview/fllw.htm>.

The bus tour will leave Rutenberg Park at 7:45 a.m. sharp and return around 6 p.m. You can bring your own lunch, or purchase lunch at the college cafeteria. Prepaid reservations are \$50 per person and include the bus tour and the entrance ticket to the garden. Call Claudia at the Lee County Extension Office, 533-7514. ✨

Florida Yards And Neighborhoods Introductory Class

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods is offering an introductory class to learn 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 you can apply what you learn to your own yard. Plant selection and placement, efficient irrigation, proper mulching, and techniques to obtain a beautiful and healthy yard will be discussed.

The class will be held April 29, 6 to 9 p.m., at Eco-Living Center at Rutenberg Park, 6490 South Pointe Boulevard in Fort Myers.

Cost \$5 per household. Sponsored by Lee County Extension and the Florida Yards & Neighborhoods Program. ✨

Florida Repertory Theatre's Lucky 13th Season

Florida Repertory Theatre announces its lucky 13th season of award-winning theater that *The Wall Street Journal* called "Profoundly Satisfying!"

Florida Rep's 13th season includes some of the hottest titles in America, two plays in the new studio, a revival of the company's inaugural production, and boasts subscription packages that make theater more affordable than ever. The current season has been one of laughter and escape, highlighted by record-breaking attendance and even more national recognition when *The Wall Street Journal* counted Florida Rep among some of the "Best Theatre of 2009." The schedule is:

Noises Off by Michael Frayn
October 26 to November 20

A revival of Florida Rep's Inaugural production, over a million people have wept with laughter at arguably the best farce ever written. This sidesplitting comic romp follows the hilarious exploits of a hapless theatre troupe trying to mount a sex farce while a real-life farce is unfolding backstage.



A scene from *Fall in Love*

Gaslight by Patrick Hamilton
November 30 to December 19
Set in fog-bound London in 1880, *Gaslight* is a classic psychological thriller that tells the story of the Mannings of Angel Street. Under the guise of kindness, the handsome Mr. Manningham is torturing his wife into insanity in hopes of getting away with murder.

The Santaland Diaries by David Sedaris; adapted by Joe Mantello
December 9 to 23 • In the new Florida Rep studio

Arts For ACT Exhibit Opening And Reception

Join Arts for ACT Gallery on Friday, May 7 from 6 to 10 p.m. for the opening reception and art walk for May featured artists; Beth Everhart, Andrea Cambio and Africa Valdez.

Everhart is a photographic artist working in Fort Myers. Currently, she teaches visual arts at Island Coast High School in Cape Coral. She is also an instructor in fine arts/digital photography at Barry University's Adult Education Program. She received her MFA degree from Hunter College of the City University of New York in 1989, and has been teaching since. Before relocating to Florida, she taught photography and digital imaging courses at a number of New York City colleges and universities. Additionally, she photographed artwork for publication for galleries, museums and artists. Her photography uses a variety of camera formats, such as pinhole, and older medium format box cameras (circa 1950s and 1960s), and is usually printed in black and white. Her work has been shown most recently in a one-person exhibit at Snug Harbor Cultural Center on Staten Island. Everhart was the recipient of an artist's grant from the Brooklyn Arts Council.

Essentially self-taught, Cambio was born in New York City. Her fascination with science and art was conceived early on in her youth. Both chemistry-set experiments and painting came naturally to her. She was taught by her father, a jewelry designer, that there is no correct way to hold a paintbrush. From an early age, she began to freely interpret life on a canvas. She has chosen a career in dermatology because it is a natural combination of medicine and the visual arts. By clinically applying her "eye" to patients, she continues to strengthen and sharpen her gift of observation – a key element in the creation of her art. Cambio has had multiple exhibits of her painting in the New York City area. Her work can also be found in private collections throughout the world. When not painting, she can be found practicing medicine in Southwest Florida, as well as spending time with her husband and two daughters. Working primarily in acrylic and oil bar on canvas, her subject matter includes historical, cultural and religious icons.

Valdez was born in Venezuela into a family that was highly involved in the arts. She learned about art appreciation from birth rather than a course at the undergraduate level. She attained a degree in fashion design in her native country of Venezuela with an emphasis in art. She also received a certificate of completion at the Art Instruction School in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Although portrait and traditional painting is her focus, her repertoire includes a love for mixing abstract art with realism to produce a unique and special meaning and feeling to every painting, she creates. Valdez is a rare tri-cultural artist. She blends her native South American art with the European old world establishment art of Italy. To add additional flavor she has added the influence the North American modern style.

ACT Gallery is at 2265 First Street in downtown Fort Myers.✱

Crumpet, the elf, is back for another season of mischief in the New Florida Rep Studio. In a play *The News-Press* called "More naughty than nice," audiences will once again be treated to David Sedaris' unique brand of thorny holiday comedy.

Sylvia by AR Gurney
January 4 to 23

From the author of Florida Rep hits, *The Middle Ages* and *A Cocktail Hour*, *Sylvia* is a hilarious and intelligent comedy about a man, his wife and the street-smart mutt who puts their marriage in the doghouse. *Note: Replacing the previously announced, *Collected Stories*.

Alfred Hitchcock's *The 39 Steps*
Adapted by Patrick Barlow, from the novel by John Buchan
February 1 to 26

Still running in New York, *The 39 Steps* is the Broadway sensation where Hitchcock meets hilarious. This two-time Tony-winning treat is part Hitchcock thriller and part Monty Python that is filled with nonstop laughs, over 150 zany characters (played by just four actors) and some good old-fashioned romance.

The Lady With All The Answers by David Rambo
February 10 to 26 • In the new Florida Rep Studio

For decades, renowned advice columnist Ann Landers answered letters from Americans in need of advice. In this witty and touching comedy, Landers finds herself on deadline for a column about a new kind of heartbreak... her own.

August: Osage County by Tracy Letts
March 8 to 27
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cally acclaimed play of the last decade, *August: Osage County* is a darkly comic and terrifyingly real play about a family approaching total meltdown. This Pulitzer Prize-winning drama delights in its very adult content, mature language and dramatic situations. It is the kind of play you won't forget, but is not recommended for the easily offended.

Miracle On South Division Street by Tom Dudzick
April 5 to 24

According to family legend, there was a miracle on South Division Street when the Blessed Mother appeared in one man's barbershop. From the author of Florida Rep hits, *Greetings!* and *Over the Tavern*, comes this touchingly miraculous new comedy where a deathbed confession changes everything.

The Devil's Music
The Life and Blues of Bessie Smith by Angelo Parra
May 3 to 22

Sexy and racy blues singer, Bessie Smith, was the most successful entertainer of her time, and takes center stage to tell the story of her amazing life. Put your troubles aside, and travel back to Memphis in 1937 to soak up the blues as Bessie sings the songs that made her so unforgettable.

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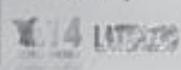
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Steve Klug, Art Cassell, Victor Legarreta, Lee Ellen Harder, Chuck Bonser, Mary Buck, and John Boler

The boards of directors of two Sanibel arts organizations announced Tuesday the intention to join forces. The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater located at 2200 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel Island, will become part of the BIG ARTS family of programs and productions effective immediately, pending approval of the theater's foundation members.

A \$1 million challenge grant to the BIG ARTS Endowment Fund has been pledged by island residents John and Mary Jo Boler who are benefactors of both The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation and BIG ARTS. Steve and Debbie Klug, along with the Klug Family Foundation, pledged to match the first \$500,000 of the Boler's gift to secure the \$1 million endowment to specifically support the theater operations in perpetuity. The second half of the matching grant (\$500,000) will be raised by BIG ARTS and used to support the full range of BIG ARTS programs. Steve Klug is also current president of the board of The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation, the supportive organization of The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater. The conditions of the gift include that the annual earnings of the \$1 million endowment will support theater operations and the direction of the theater will be under Art Cassell, former president of The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation.

The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation board of directors approved the proposal with an overwhelming majority at a board meeting held on April 19.

"Little change to the high quality theater experience will be noticed by the patrons of The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater," said Klug. "This consistency of quality comes with the added guarantee that live theater will continue on the island with a stronger financial base, more efficient operations and broader reach to members of BIG ARTS, and island residents and visitors." Klug said ballots have been sent out to the nearly 300 members of the theater to vote on the proposal. "If you love live theater on Sanibel, vote yes," said Klug, after the press conference at BIG ARTS.

The move will combine the management, marketing, fundraising and volunteer program operations into one collaborative effort making the organizations more efficient and financially stable. Upon approval, assets of The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation will be transferred to BIG ARTS. Klug will join the BIG ARTS board of directors to provide continuity and oversight of the transition of operations at the board level.

"This is a huge plus for our community and for the arts," said Chuck Bonser, president of the BIG ARTS board of directors. "At a time when non-profit organizations all over the country, particularly the arts organizations, and even including the public schools arts programs, are suffering cutbacks and program eliminations, BIG ARTS, The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater, and the Sanibel-Captiva community all owe John and Mary Jo Boler and Steve and Debbie Klug a great debt for their willingness to step forward with these leadership gifts to our citizens and visitors."

The members of The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation will be sent a letter outlining the proposal this week and members will be asked to vote on the proposed structure change at a special meeting of the members on April 30 at 10 a.m. at The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater.

No immediate changes to staff have been planned during the transition in management, according to BIG ARTS officials. The current members of The Schoolhouse Theater Foundation will become automatic members of BIG ARTS until the annual renewal deadline.

"We welcome broadening our offerings and look forward to the collaboration of our staffs, volunteers and benefactors to make the BIG ARTS programs, and the theater program in particular, as strong as possible," said BIG ARTS Executive Director Lee Ellen Harder. "We look forward to the synergies afforded by this talented group of theater staff, volunteers, actors and Artistic Director Victor Legarreta." ❄

Artists' Work Needed For ACT Arabian Nights

Abuse Counseling and Treatment needs donations of art from professional and emerging artists for its fine art auction fundraiser, benefitting domestic violence and sexual assault clients and their children.

ACT, the domestic violence and sexual assault center, serves Lee, Hendry and Glades counties.

Only 50 artists will be juried into the live auction by a guest celebrity auctioneer (past celebrities include Jessie Metcalfe, Lily Tomlin, Sharon Stone, Meryl Streep, Joan Rivers and Niecy Nash). Artwork may be two- or three-dimensional and of any media. Only original works will be accepted into the live auction.

Art must be delivered on or before May 28 to the ACT administrative offices. Judging will be held in early June. If a piece does not make the live auction, the artist will be contacted to pick up the piece in early June. Silent auction artwork is also being accepted and it is hoped that 100 artists will donate.

The preview exhibition of all the artwork will be at the Richard H. Rush Library at Edison State College on June 18 from 6 to 8 p.m. Last year over 900 art patrons attended this event. Artists will receive one free ticket to the art auction if their piece is chosen for the auction.

Arts for ACT 2010 Arabian Nights will be held at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort in Bonita Springs, on August 14.

Contact Claudia at 939-2553 or cgoode@actabuse.com with any questions about participating in this event. Forms may be downloaded from the gallery Web site at www.artsforactgallery.com Click on Portfolio, then click on Arts for ACT 2010 Artist Art Donation Forms. ❄

Johnny Cash's Music At Broadway Palm

by Di Saggau



It's all about Johnny Cash and his music at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, and that translates to a memorable evening of energetic song and dance during *Ring of Fire*. Every actor

comes on stage and says "I'm Johnny Cash," including the women. Even the wait staff says the same thing as they lead you to your table. Through Cash's songs, the actors take us on a musical tour through the spirit of Cash's life, work in the cotton fields, his love affair with June Carter Cash, his drug problems, and his prison experiences.

The show features eight talented singers and a terrific six-piece orchestra right on stage, performing over 30 musical numbers. Cast members are Adam Clough, Kelly Cusimano, Diana Fox, Mike Long, Todd Meredith, Margie Mills, Scott Moreau and Marija Reiff. There's very little dialogue in the show. Long, in the *Ragged Old Flag* number speaks passionately about Cash's thoughts on patriotism. It grabs you.

Reiff is a hoot as a contender at the Grand Ole Opry singing *Flushed From*



Ring of Fire cast members and musicians

the *Bathroom of Your Heart*. While the show is about Cash's music, not his voice, Moreau comes the closest to sounding like the revered man in black, especially in *Folsom Prison Blues* and *Cocaine Blues*.

Meredith puts a clever comical twist on *A Boy Named Sue*, Reiff, Cusimano, and Fox are great in the spirited *Sunday Morning Coming Down*. The surprise musical number is *All Over Again*, sung passionately and beautifully by Mills. A real audience pleaser. *Man in Black*, featuring Long and company, explains why Cash always wore black.

You feel his grief. The show ends with the entire cast singing *I've Been*

Everywhere, playing guitars and bringing down the house.

The musicians play a huge role. Jason J. Labrador on fiddle, John F. McCarty and Tom Weaver on guitar, Chris Rose on bass, and Loren Strickland at the keyboard, perform right along with the singers and also have their own toe-stompin' solo number. The job of percussion is shared by Tim Capel, Rich DeGenero and Gary Leone.

Ring of Fire is directed and choreographed by Ann Nieman. It plays through June 5 at Broadway Palm, 1380 Colonial Boulevard. For tickets call 278-4422, or visit www.BroadwayPalm.com. ❄



Painting by B. Dobbs

Talented Students Showcased At Beach Art Gallery

The Fort Myers Beach Art Association gallery is full of local students' art work brought in for the Student Scholarship Show hosted by the group annually with support from the Town of Fort Myers Beach. The gallery will be open for viewing until April 28 during regular hours of 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday. Featured art is from senior art students at Cypress Lake High School and Cypress Lake School of the Arts. Those who intend to study art and design at the secondary education level are competing for college tuition scholarships awarded by the art association. Cypress Lake Middle School art students also have work shown and will be awarded prizes. Beach Elementary School students are not showing this year due to budget cuts and the elimination of the

art program.

There will be a reception and awards presentation on Sunday, April 25 at from 3 to 5 p.m. which is open to the public as well as students and their guests. The public is invited to stop by and view the pieces created by these very talented students. There is a wide range of styles, subject matter and materials.

At the awards reception the winning raffle ticket will be drawn for the watercolor painting done by Maya Bryant and donated to the scholarship fund by her family. Tickets are for sale at the gallery until the drawing.

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. until April 29. May 1 until October 26 hours will be Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to noon. For more information see the Web site www.fortmyersbeachart.com or call the gallery at 463-3909. New members are always welcome.*

Call For Artists: 2D/3D All Florida Juried Exhibition

For 24 years the Alliance for the Arts has hosted its annual 2D/3D All Florida Juried Exhibition, showcasing artists from across the state. Alliance Exhibition Committee recently announced that this year's 2D/3D artist prospectus is posted and entries are being collected. Interested artists can pick up a prospectus at the Alliance campus, located on the corner of Colonial and McGregor boulevards, or download one from www.ArtInLee.org.

There will be cash prizes and recognition in the popular exhibition that displays work by artists of all levels.*



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Junior Achievement Earns Peak Performance Award



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Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida is being honored with the worldwide organization's Peak Performance Award for 2009. The award recognizes 12 of Junior Achievement's 149 area offices for superior annual performance in contributing to the overall growth and development of the organization.

To qualify for the award, the 12 winning offices had to earn Junior Achievement's Summit Award for fiscal year 2008-2009 and fiscal year 2007-2008, show growth in student participation and report a current year operating surplus.

"We are grateful to all our supporters for making this accomplishment possible during these challenging economic times," said Victoria Stephan, president of Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida. "Our entire staff also deserves much credit for their hard work and commitment to achieving excellence."

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HOSA state winners 2010

Students Win At State Competition

Eight practical nursing students from Lee County High Tech Center Central competed at the Florida Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) State Leadership Conference that took place on April 8 and 9. All eight students won medals and are eligible to compete at the national competition which will be held in June in Orlando. HOSA is a student organization whose mission is to promote career opportunities in health care and to enhance the delivery of quality

health care to all people. The winners are:

- Stacy Barbera – Gold, Job Seeking Skills
- Heather Brulia – Silver, Medical Math
- Marie Deceus-Cesar – Gold, Medical Photography
- Brittany Garrett – Gold, Extemporaneous Speaking
- Jamie Hodges – Silver, Extemporaneous Writing
- Kelsey Patrick – Gold, Nursing Assistant Skills
- Sabrina Shaum – Gold, Medical Terminology
- Erin Vangrinsven – Gold, Pathophysiology.✪

Entrepreneurs Workshop

Florida Gulf Coast University Small Business Development Center will host a two-hour informational presentation for anyone interested in learning about the franchise business. It will take place from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Friday, April 23 at the FGCU Cape Coral Center located at 1020 Cultural Parkway.

This workshop provides information on business ownership and the pros and cons of each start-up business, buying an existing business and buying a franchise. Attendees will learn the myths and misconceptions about franchising, royalties, franchise fees and financing.

Presenters include Gail Ector, franchise consultant for FranNet of Greater Tampa Bay; attorney Jack Mac'Kie of The Franchise Guy, LLC; and T.J. Hughes, vice president of Business Banking for Fifth Third Bank.

Cost to attend is \$20. Visit the SBDC website at www.sbdseminars.org or call 239-745-3700 to register. For more information contact Suzanne Specht, assistant director for SBDC, at 239-745-3704.✪

Local School Takes First Place At Future Problem Solving Competition

Earlier this week, Cape Canaveral was the host to teams of problem solvers and future thinkers from all over Florida who joined to explore the challenges of global food distribution in the year 2065. Lee County's Caloosa Middle School won first place and will be the one team from the state to compete at the International Future Problem Solving Global Issues Competition at the University of Wisconsin in June. Congratulations to the Caloosa Middle Future Problem Solving Team members: Melissa Biggs, Skyler Hammer, Stella Durham, Kayla Nicely and their coach, Pat Brewer.

At the state competition, students from 4th grade through high school seniors plunged into the future scenario that involved the Nereid Project, a group of robotic aquapods or floating fisheries which produce millions of high protein fish from genetically-modified fish eggs for the world seafood market. The Poseidon Corporation, developers of the Nereid Project, needed a risk assessment to analyze the impact of the project and aquaculture's role in easing world hunger.

Lee County was well represented by teams from Manatee Elementary, coached by Stefanie Stevens and Mark McDonagh; Tropic Isles Elementary, coached by Lana Shakman and Brandy Macchia; and North Fort Myers High School, coached by Charlie Ewell.✪

Canterbury Student Is National Achievement Scholarship Winner

Liana Preudhomme, a Canterbury School senior, has been selected as the winner of a National Achievement \$2,500 scholarship. Of the 160,000 high school students who entered the program, only 700 received the prestigious scholarships.

Liana, the daughter of Dr. Jules and Evelyn Preudhomme of Fort Myers, will attend Georgetown University in the fall.✪



Liana Preudhomme

Firm Opens Office In River District

To better serve the law firms in the Fort Myers River District, Merit Court Reporting is opening a second office downtown at 2022 Hendry Street, Suite 104. The new office is scheduled to open May 1. There will be free parking for clients at the new location, which is within easy walking distance of First Street and all of the downtown area.

"This new location will allow us to provide the highest level of service to our clients in the Fort Myers River District and areas nearby," said Debbie Cail of Merit Court Reporting.

Merit Court Reporting's main office is centrally located in Fort Myers at 6213 Presidential Court, Suite 100.✪

Financial Focus

Avoid Common Mistakes With Investments



by Jennifer Basey

As an investor, you might think it's easy to evaluate your investments' performance. After all, the bigger the gain, the better, right?

This statement is true enough, but as an investment strategy, it's incomplete – and, if followed rigidly, it could lead you to make some mistakes that could hinder your progress toward your financial goals.

What are some of these potential mistakes? Here are a few to consider:

- Evaluating performance over a short period of time – If you measure an investment's performance over a relatively short period of time, you may be more tempted to invest emotionally – that is, you'll buy more shares of an investment when you "feel good" about it because its price has risen, and you'll sell more shares when you "feel bad" because the investment's price has fallen. This behavior is the opposite of the classic piece of investment advice: "Buy low and sell high." Try not to make investment decisions based on short-term performance. Instead, look at an investment's long-term track record. While it's true, as you have no doubt heard, that "past performance can't guarantee future results," it's nonetheless useful to see how an investment has fared in different market environments.

- Neglecting the impact of contributions and withdrawals – If you put more money into an investment, it will be worth more – until the price drops – and if you take money out of an investment, it will be worth less – until the price rises. Yet many people mistakenly attribute their investments' performance to these inflows and outflows.

- Failing to distinguish between "growth" and "income" investments – To help achieve your long-term goals, you'll need a mix of growth-oriented investments, such as stocks, and income-producing vehicles, such as bonds. However, bonds will typically not add much growth to your overall portfolio, so keep this in mind when you look at the year-to-year change in value on your investment statements.

- Maintaining unrealistic expectations – In 2009, the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose nearly 19 percent, while the S&P 500 jumped more than 23 percent. But if you anticipate such unusually high returns annually, and you base your investment strategy on them, you'll likely be disappointed and have trouble meeting your goals. For a variety of reasons, most investment experts foresee relatively modest returns in the financial markets over the next few years, so you'll want to plan accordingly.

- Comparing investments to benchmarks – Try not to compare the performance of your investments to benchmarks such as the Dow Jones Industrial

Average or the S&P 500. If you've chosen an aggressive investment mix, your returns may show wide swings, beating the benchmarks substantially in some years while trailing them significantly in others. On the other hand, if you're a conservative investor, your returns may consistently lag the major benchmarks, but you'll probably experience less volatility.

Once you know what to expect from your investments, you'll be less likely to be disappointed at your returns – and you'll be better prepared to create and follow an investment strategy that works for you.

Jennifer Basey is a financial advisor in Fort Myers. She can be reached at jennifer.basey@edwardjones.com. ✪

Free Activity For Stranded Europeans

As a world traveler herself, artist Leoma Lovegrove feels for European tourists who are unable to return home because of the Icelandic volcano. To help them pass the time,

she invites them to come to Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens in Matlacha and paint a souvenir at no cost to take back to Europe when the dust has settled. Lovegrove says, "A flight of creativity is the next best thing to a flight home." For more information call 282-1244. The gallery is open daily, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 4637 Pine Island Road. ✪



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Cancer survivor Jennifer Neilson with Minnesota Twins Celebrity Classic committee members Debby Welsh, Lydia Christie and Lenny Katz accept tournament proceeds on behalf of Lee Memorial's Regional Cancer Center. Additional sponsorships and donations brought the total to over \$113,000.

Twins Classic Raises Over \$113,000

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation announced that over \$113,000 was raised through its Minnesota Twins Celebrity Classic held this spring at prestigious Fiddlesticks Country Club in Fort Myers. Funds raised will support programs and treatments at the Regional Cancer Center located at the corner of I-75 and Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.

This marks the 12th consecutive year that the Minnesota Twins Organization has stepped forward to headline the major golf event. Once again, the American League Central Division Champions came through in a big way to help local cancer patients.

The golf tournament was headlined by 2009 American League MVP Joe Mauer and included many Minnesota Twins stars including Joe Nathan, Michael Cuddyer, JJ Hardy, Nick Punto, Nick Blackburn, Drew Butera, Denard Span and Carl Pavano. Twins General Manager Bill Smith, Manager Ron Gardenhire and Twins legends Tony Oliva, Kent Hrbek and Bert Blyleven also hit the links in support of the cause.

Sponsors of the tournament included Ultimate Sports Adventures, Team Scotti, LeeSar, Fifth Third Bank, Owen-Ames-Kimball, Shoreline Aggregate, Mercedes-Benz of Naples, STERTS Corporation, TRIA Orthopedic Center and SEI.

For more information on the 2011 Minnesota Twins Celebrity Classic, or for corporate sponsorship inquires email twinsgolf@leememorial.org or call the foundation office at 985-3550.✱

Bonita Bay Tennis Tournament Raises Funds For Lee Memorial

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation announced that more than \$165,000 was raised at the recent Bonita Bay Celebrity Tennis Tournament.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Barbara's Friends, an organization that raises funds for The Children's Hospital Cancer Unit. Barbara Haskell, who lost her life at the young age of 32 to breast cancer, is the inspiration and spirit behind her namesake, Barbara's Friends. After a four-year battle with her illness, Barbara marveled at the bravery of children with cancer. After her passing, her parents Betty and Frank Haskell helped make her wish come true to help children by establishing Barbara's Friends.

Sponsors of the event included FineMark National Bank and Trust, Grappone Automotive Group, US Trust, Comcast, Trianon Hotels and Head. Ken Mack and Pat Valva served as co-chairs of the event.

The event featured 18 former tennis professionals who competed in a Pro Challenge narrated by Mary Carillo, gave lessons, clinics, and participated in two pro am competitions. A cocktail party and auction generated the \$165,000 in proceeds.

For more information on how you or your company can support Lee Memorial Health System programs, services, equipment, and facilities call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation office at 985-3550 or visit www.LeeMemorial.org/ Foundation.✱

The Twins Are Off To The Races In Their Sparkling New Stadium

by Ed Frank



Yes, the baseball season is only two weeks old. And no, we don't want to put a hex on this one team in particular.

But it has sure been a rosy start for the Minnesota Twins who jumped out to a 9-4 start by winning all four beginning series against the Los Angeles Angels, the Chicago White Sox, the Boston Red Sox and the Kansas City Royals.

Adding to this euphoria are the rave reviews over their magnificent new outdoor stadium, Target Field, where the Twins had won four of six as of the beginning of this week.

The jump start had the Twins in first place in the American League Central Division with a 1-1/2-game lead over the Detroit Tigers. We should add, however, that the Twins are strong favorites to repeat as Central Division champs.

It's also obvious that the three big bats in the Minnesota lineup have adjusted well to their new digs. Through those first 13 games, Joe Mauer, the reigning American League MVP was hitting .378; Justin Morneau, .319, and Michael Cuddyer, .340.

No question that Mauer is earning the \$184 million in his new eight-year contract. The beautiful Target Field has created a vast new revenue stream for the Twins despite the fact that its 39,500-seat capacity is 16,000 less than the Metrodome – a site hated by most opposing teams.

More than two million tickets had been sold weeks before the 2010 season even began.

"The revenues to the Twins from the Metrodome were extremely low. It was time to get a baseball park that is designed specifically for baseball fans and baseball players. We're going to have some weather challenges, but I think we have technology on our side. The ballpark is built to handle weather," Twins General Manager Bill Smith said recently.

These new revenues allowed the Twins to increase last season's payroll of about \$65 million to nearly \$100 million this year. That 50 percent jump propels their payroll into Major League's top 10.

The question is asked often why the new stadium does not include a retractable roof in view of Minnesota's well-known bitter weather? It took nearly a decade of difficult wrangling and negotiations to arrange financing for the \$550-million Target Field.

Another \$150 million would have been required for a retractable roof and that money was just not available.

A new stadium, sold-out crowds, a .692 record through the first two weeks – it was a great season start for the Minnesota Twins.

Everblades Need Historic Comeback to Avoid Elimination

Down three games to none in their best-of-seven playoff series against the Reading Royals, the Florida Everblades faced crucial Game Four Tuesday night at Germain Arena. All three losses were by one goal each.

Never in ECHL history has a team come back from a 3-0 deficit to win a series. In fact, only one team has come back to win three straight after losing three straight games. That team was the Cincinnati Cyclones against Atlantic City in 2003.

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Floyd Robinson, Jim Nathan, Ken Mack, Frank Haskell, Judi Mack, Gary Israel, Pat Valva, Dr. John Iacuone, and Paula Scheb

New Horizons First Annual Super Kids Club Golf Tournament

The First Annual Super Kids Club Golf Tournament, created by New Horizons of Southwest Florida to benefit the student mentoring program, will be held on May 8 at Worthington Country Club in Bonita Springs. A shotgun start will begin the tournament at 8 a.m., and finishing up the tournament will be a luncheon, silent auction, and a special performance by the Super Kids Choir.

Since 2002, when Bob and Ellen Nichols founded New Horizons, the organization has been dedicated to meeting the academic needs of at-risk children in Bonita Springs and Naples. The Super Kids Club and the Super Teens Club both provide tutoring and lessons in Christian-based character-building; the Super Teens Club also offers leadership training and college and career planning. Students have full access to computer labs to do research for projects or use the individualized learning programs. New Horizons also created the Super Kids Church and the Teen Sailing program to teach seamanship, team building, discipline, and decision-making skills. All proceeds from the golf tournament will go toward furthering these programs.

"We are celebrating our eight year of helping Southwest Florida students, and it is amazing to me how much we have grown, from the 20 students we were helping back in 2002 to the 200 that we are reaching now," said Bob Nichols. "We are hoping to expand our programs even more, and it is wonderful to see members of the community get behind what we hope will be the first in a long line of fund-raising tournaments."

There are many different ways to help support this event. The cost to be a player is \$125, inclusive of golf, cart, luncheon and gratuities; to attend solely the luncheon, silent auction, and Super Kids Choir performance is \$30. Hole sponsorships are \$150; site sponsorship, with signage included, is \$500. Major sponsors of the golf tournament include Wynn's Market, Sunshine Ace Hardware, and Century Link.

For more information on attending or sponsoring the tournament, making donations, or volunteering with New Horizons of Southwest Florida, call 565-6714 or email NewHorizonsofSWFL@msn.com.

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The Twins

Interestingly, the Cincinnati coach that year was Malcolm Cameron, the present Everblades coach.

After losing 7-6 and 5-4 in Games One and Two in Reading, Florida was defeated 2-1 on home ice last Saturday.

Long Homestand Welcomed by Miracle

The Class A Fort Myers Miracle began a nine-game home stand this week at Hammond Stadium after struggling to a 2-7 season start.

Fort Myers faces Charlotte for three games, Monday through Wednesday, two against Bradenton Thursday and Friday, and then the Palm Beach Cardinals provide the weekend opposition, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Offense has been the big early season problem as the Miracle failed to score more than three runs in any of those first nine games.*



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Kristin and Ray Judah

A sellout crowd of 400 guests satisfied their sweet tooth for dining, travel, fine wine and other luxuries at the 21st annual Candy Land-themed Wanderlust at The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Guests bidding on live and silent auction packages and purchasing tickets to win a wine raffle or attend a Saks After Hours event raised \$230,000 for FGCU's Resort & Hospitality Management program. The annual fundraiser is hosted by Southwest Florida's major resorts, private clubs, restaurants and tourism partners.



Live auction winners Jim and Mary Fox

The single largest bid of the evening was \$17,000 for a seven-night voyage on *The World* by Residensea, an ultra-luxury ship that is home to millionaires. A \$10,000 bid brought the winner a fishbowl full of on-the-spot donations including a certificate for four consecutive years of tuition at FGCU, donated by FGCU President Wilson Bradshaw, a featured speaker during pre-auction remarks. The fishbowl also held trips to Hawaii, golf foursomes, tickets to Boston Red Sox games and many other items described on slips of paper tossed in by guests during the evening.

During the live auction, other high-bid items included a Napa wine adventure for five nights, auctioned for \$5,500; a trip to Hawaii for nine nights, auctioned off for \$6,000; and a custom jewelry piece by renowned designer Mark Loren, auctioned for \$6,500.

In addition to the live auction, the evening included a silent auction of 55 travel, dining, sporting and spa packages; a raffle of a collection of fine wines; and balloons for purchase that were filled with restaurant, spa, golf and resort certificates.

Guests also purchased tickets to Wanderlust Saks After Hours at Bell Tower Shops on Wednesday, April 28 from 6 to 8 p.m. The Saks After Hours, which is open not only to Wanderlust guests but to all supporters of the FGCU Resort & Hospitality Management program, will feature wine, hors d'oeuvres, live music, raffles and fashion insights. Call 277-6295 for reservations and additional information.



Fishbowl winners Scott and Diana Willis

"It was an electric evening with bid paddles flying and guests enjoying cuisine prepared by The Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club and contributed by epicurean partners who stepped forward to support the effort," said Brian Holly, Wanderlust chairman and R&HM Advisory Board member.

"Students in the R&HM program have a unique opportunity for real-life training in resort and hospitality management that benefits their careers, our economy in Southwest Florida, and tourism throughout the U.S.," said Dr. Sherie Brezina, director of the R&HM program. "Helping plan Wanderlust is just one of many ways students gain experience to jump-start their careers."

Wanderlust is the biggest fundraising event for FGCU's Resort & Hospitality Management program and is hosted by Collier and Lee counties' major resorts and other hospitality partners. The specialized degree program, which began offering classes in 2003, is the culmination of resort industry leaders working on behalf of the university to design and offer a degree program tailored to the dynamic and complex needs of premier resorts in Southwest Florida.

Wanderlust 2011 will take place in the spring. To be placed on the invitation mailing list, contact the FGCU Resort & Hospitality Management program at 590-7742 or visit the Wanderlust Web site at <http://cps.fgcu.edu/resort/wanderlust.html>.✪

Pelican Landing Residents Raise Funds For Children's Hospital



From left: George White; Joanne Ribble; Bill Ribble; Kathy Bridge Liles, vice president of Women's & Children's Services; John Iaccone, executive director; Tom Ostrander, Pat Smart, Glen Werner, Bill Smart, Joanne Hoover, Gail Hansen, Beverly Waite and Carol Ostrander

Over the past six months, the Pelican Landing community has raised \$27,860 for Jen's Kids Fund, which supports refurbishing the general pediatrics wing at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The community held a chance drawing, holiday home tour, giving tree ornament sale, community garage sale and resident art fair and wine reception as part of the combined effort.

Lee Memorial Health System honored the committee members and the residents of Pelican Landing at a recent check presentation at The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.✪

dearPharmacist

When You Lower Cholesterol, You Lower Sex Drive



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: My wife and I have always had a healthy sex life but lately I'm not to able take care of matters. It is affecting our relationship badly. My physician prescribed Cialis

which works, but I don't want to rely on medicine at my age. According to blood tests, I still have high cholesterol, so I have to keep taking my statin drug which I've taken for seven months. What should I do?

RT, Sanibel, Florida

Your medicine might be hampering your bedroom bliss. Getting an erection requires healthy circulation. When blood flow is impaired to the heart, it's called angina. When it's impaired to the penis, it's called erectile dysfunction or ED. These two conditions often go hand-in-hand because they are a problem of circulation, but physicians often treat them separately. In come the blood-thinners and sex pills. They get the job done. However, they don't fix the problem of clogged pipelines and poor blood flow. The underlying disease progresses until

you have a heart attack or a stroke.

If you have ED, assume (until proven otherwise) that you have mild heart disease or pre-diabetes, even though the problem area is in your jeans. The focus of testing should be to rule out those conditions using micronutrient and hormone panels offered by SpectraCell, Genova or Metamatrix labs. Conventional blood tests won't paint a full picture of hormones such as cortisol, DHEA, testosterone, estradiol and progesterone. Statins makes sexual matters worse because they are drug muggers for testosterone hormone. You need a little T to get to the big O. Ladies do too.

A 2010 study published in the *Journal of Sexual Medicine* will shock you. The research from 3,484 men demonstrated that "Statin therapy might induce an overt primary hypogonadism and should be considered as a possible confounding factor for the evaluation of testosterone levels in patients with erectile dysfunction."

Your statin drug reduces cholesterol, and therefore reduces testosterone levels. This crashes sex drive crash, and could lead to shrinking testicles. As your cholesterol numbers decline (and your doctor gets very happy), your interest in love-making flops (and your wife becomes very unhappy). Who to please?

Losing weight will help tremendously because it improves blood flow and helps balance hormones. Many guys your age have a little (or sometimes rather protuberant) spare tire around the belly. If that's the case, lose it. The more fat cells you have, the more estrogen you have. Estrogen causes water retention and high

been spent in a far better way. What is your opinion?

Harry and Mary

Dear Harry and Mary,

Professionally done manicures and pedicures now seem to be a necessity for many of the boomer generation, and even for some of their 10-year-old-daughters. These procedures do not come cheap and I am amazed to see how many women and young girls line up outside these special salons waiting to get in on a Saturday.

That being said, when you give a gift of money it belongs to the recipients and rarely comes with a manual of special instructions as to how the money is to be spent.

You may not approve of their choice, but this is just a perfect example of the many differences between the generations

Lizzie

Dear Harry and Mary,

I am sorry you feel the money gift you gave is being squandered. However, how the gift is spent is not about you, it is about the receiver, your daughter, and what she wants to do with the money.

Manicures and pedicures fall into the same category as day spas, massages, facials and eyebrow plucking. All of these services pamper and make one feel special. I believe that it is a great gift to give any loved one.

Pryce

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

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,

This past Christmas we decided to give our daughter and our daughter-in-law money for their Christmas presents. We seemed to be unable to choose the right size or color for gifts in the past so we thought it a very good idea to give money.

A month later, to our horror, we found they spent our hard-earned cash for manicures and pedicures.

We think that this is disgusting and a total waste, when the money could have

levels are tied to hundreds of diseases, including cancer. Furthermore, high estrogen causes low testosterone, relatively speaking and as you just learned, you need testosterone to woo your beloved.

DID YOU KNOW:

Qnexa is a new anti-obesity drug that is coming to market soon. It's really a

Dr. Dave COPD



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

I am fascinated by World War II history. I read the books, watch the documentaries and I have little green and grey soldiers set up all over my house and office, ready for battle

whenever I am. The green sniper on my bedpost is aiming at the grey bazooka guy on my lingerie chest. A platoon of flame throwers and grenade launchers are having it out on the back of the toilet, sent there by the Sarge after \$1.49 day at the burrito barn. My wife is not impressed.

January 1945

The Hague, Netherlands

Hunger Winter of '44-'45
William was a starving 10-year-old boy in the Hague in 1945. Canadians tanks were advancing on the Germans who blew up the bridge leading into the Hague stalling the Canadian advance. William and a pal were wandering down a gully when they came across this halted tank group and, seeing their predicament, led them to an alternate route into the city. The grateful Canadians befriended this kid who was barely surviving on beets and tulip bulbs and gave him Wrigley's gum, Sweet Caporal and MacDonald cigarettes. To this starving kid this was a welcome delicacy that soon would become a necessity and then a disaster.

"You Canadians got me hooked on those," he rasped, taking several breaths just to finish that one sentence. "I was starving and I got Sweet Caps, and I loved them." A half a century later William is sitting in my office. He doesn't go to doctors. Don't blame him. Seldom will doctors have good things for him like Snickers bars, Wrigley's or tulips. He knows what doctors will want him to stop doing.

He struggles to finish a sentence. His lips purse and walking, talking, breathing and life are all now an effort. He has

combination of two drugs already on the market, phentermine and topiramate.

*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.**

COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and his lungs have deteriorated to the point that he needs oxygen to survive. Problem is you can't really have O2 if you smoke. Small side effect of tending to blow yourself up, and everyone around you. So he has the option. Quit smoking or you can't have the oxygen. William chose to stick to his beloved Sweet Caps and pals and forego the oxygen. He died soon after, a casualty of WWII, 60 years later.

The big three causes of death; stroke, cancer and heart attack are now the big four as COPD moves rapidly up this deadly list and, by 2020, is projected to surpass heart attacks as the third leading cause of death worldwide.

Ninety percent of those who suffer COPD are smokers. Throughout the years, COPD has been typically considered to be a "man's" disease, primarily because it involved a lot of whining and sniveling. In the late 1960s, however, the Virginia Slims gang successfully targeted women with the "You've come a long way, baby," campaigns resulting in a striking rise in smoking initiation in adolescent girls that continues today. Because of the 25-year lag between smoking initiation and becoming a pulmonary cripple, women have now indeed come a long way and, in fact, have caught up. Every year since 2000 more women than men have died from COPD, baby!!

In addition to affecting a significant number of women, nearly one-half of the patients with COPD are under the age of 65 years. Thus COPD is now a disease of old, young, men and women which includes just about everyone except perhaps Boy George.

So next time you go to light up your Sweet Cap, Marlboro or Death Styx remember my war story, speaking of which I see that my German flamethrower has just lit up the cat in the bathroom and Sarge is none too pleased.

Dr. Dave is co-host of *Wisequacks*, a national radio show that can be heard every Saturday at 1 p.m. EST – best heard in Florida over the Internet on CKNW. He is also a motivational speaker and travels throughout the U.S. and Canada speaking on the exciting new revelations in the world of health and wellness.*

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Pilot's Club

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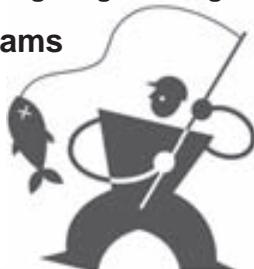
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For information about this week's pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services' Web



Herman ID# 468088

site at www.LeeLostPets.com. When calling, refer to the animal's ID number. The Website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available.

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

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4. COMICS: Who was the Green Hornet's sidekick?
5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to fly in an airplane (while in office)?
6. LANGUAGE: What does the Russian term "perestroika" mean?
7. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which entertainer once said, "Everything is funny as long as it is happening to somebody else."
8. ABBREVIATIONS: What does the abbreviation "D.D.S." stand for, professionally speaking?
9. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed the pyramidal addition to the Louvre Museum in Paris?
10. MATH: What is the Arabic equivalent of the Roman numerals DXC?

ANSWERS

1. Nevada 2. A bruise 3. A rafter 4. Kato 5. Franklin Delano Roosevelt 6. Restructuring 7. Will Rogers 8. Doctor of dental surgery 9. I.M. Pei 10. 590

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name four of the five left-handed pitchers to win more than one Cy Young Award.
2. Between 2000 and 2009, four Boston Red Sox pitchers each won 20-plus games in a season once. Name them.
3. Name the last Army head football coach to win his first game against Navy.
4. In 2008, Tony Parker became the fourth NBA player to tally at least 50 points and 10 assists in a game. Name two of the other three to do it.
5. Which countries share the longest consecutive streak of Olympic gold medals in men's hockey?
6. Who won the last Southern 500 NASCAR fall race in 2004?
7. How many Davis Cup titles has Spain captured since 2000?

ANSWERS

1. Randy Johnson (five), Steve Carlton (four), Sandy Koufax (three), Tom Glavine (two) and Johan Santana (two). 2. Derek Lowe (21 in 2002), Pedro Martinez (20 in '02), Curt Schilling (21 in '04) and Josh Beckett (20 in '07). 3. Tom Cahill in 1966. 4. Oscar Robertson, Michael Jordan and LeBron James. 5. Canada (1920-1932) and Soviet Union (1964-1976), with four consecutive Olympics each. 6. Jimmie Johnson. 7. Four (2000, '04, '08 and '09).

My Stars ★★

FOR WEEK OF APRIL 26, 2010

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You still might have to deal with some lingering confusion that marked a recent workplace situation. But for the most part, you should now be well on your way to your next project.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A new commitment might demand more time than you'd expected to have to give it. But rely on that special Bovine gift for patience, and stick with it. You'll be glad you did.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're earning the admiration of a lot of people who like the way you handle yourself when your views are on the line. Even one or two of your detractors are being won over.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Taking your responsibilities seriously is what you do. But ease up on the pressure gauge and make time for much needed R & R. Start by making this weekend a "just for fun" time zone.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some recently uncovered information might make a change of plans inevitable. If so, deal with it as quickly as possible, and then find out what went wrong and why. What you learn might surprise you.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Aspects favor moving carefully and deliberately when making any significant changes. Could be there are more facts you need to know, which you might overlook if you rush things.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A problem neighbor might be looking to goad you into an action you don't want to take. Ask someone you both respect if he or she would act as an impartial arbitrator for both of you.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A recent workplace accomplishment hasn't been overlooked by those who watch these things. Meanwhile, start making travel plans for that much-too-long-deferred trip with someone special.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Those money matters continue to move in your favor. Now would be a good time to start putting some money back into the house, both for esthetic as well as economic reasons.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A changing workplace environment can create job pressures. But, once again, follow the example of your birth sign and take things a step at a time, like the sure-footed Goat you are.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Cheer up. You could soon have the funds you need for your worthy project. Your generous gifts of time and effort are well known, and someone might decide it's time to join with you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your inner scam-catcher is right on target, and you're absolutely right to reject that "too-good-to-be-true" offer. Meanwhile, something positive should be making its way to you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are generous, and also sympathetic to people who find they need the help of others.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On April 30, 1789, George Washington is sworn in as the first American president and delivers the first inaugural speech, at Federal Hall in New York City. Observers noted that Washington fidgeted while he reiterated the mixed emotions of anxiety and honor he felt in assuming the role of president.

• On April 28, 1897, the Chickasaw and Choctaw, two of the Five Civilized Tribes, become the first to agree to abolish tribal government and communal ownership of land. The other tribes soon followed, finally throwing open all of Indian Territory to white settlement.

• On May 1, 1926, Ford Motor Company becomes one of the first companies in America to adopt a five-day, 40-hour week for workers. Manufacturers all over the country soon followed Ford's lead, and the Monday-to-Friday workweek became standard practice.

• On May 2, 1933, the modern legend of the Loch Ness Monster is born when a sighting makes local news in the Scottish Highlands. The Inverness Courier newspaper related an account of a local couple who claimed to have seen "an enormous animal rolling and plunging on the surface." Scholars of the Loch Ness Monster find a dozen references to "Nessie" in Scottish history, dating back to around 500 A.D.

• On April 26, 1954, the Salk polio vaccine field trials, involving 1.8 million children, begin in McLean, Va. On Apr. 12, 1955, researchers announced the vaccine was safe and effective, and it quickly became a standard part of childhood immunizations in America.

• On April 27, 1963, Margaret Annemarie Battavio's very first single, "I Will Follow Him," reached No. 1 on the U.S. pop charts. The 15-year-old singer, better known as Little Peggy March, became the youngest female performer ever to top the Billboard Hot 100.

• On April 29, 1986, in a game against the Seattle Mariners at Fenway Park, Roger Clemens of the Boston Red Sox becomes the first pitcher in Major League Baseball to strike out 20 batters in a nine-inning game. Ten years later, Clemens repeated the feat, the only player in baseball history to do so.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was French writer and film director Marguerite Duras who made the following observation: "I believe that always, or almost always, in all childhood, and in all the lives that follow them, the mother represents madness. Our mothers always remain the strangest, craziest people we've ever met."

• In Colorado, it is illegal to mutilate a rock in a state park.

• Those who track radio statistics say that Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" is the most-requested song in the United States -- and this despite the fact that the song was never released as a single on this side of the Atlantic.

• If you use Listerine to freshen your breath, you might be interested to know that its original formula is 26.9 percent alcohol by volume -- that comes out to 54-proof gargle.

• There are lots of sports fans out there, and a lot of sports to enjoy: football, basketball, soccer, baseball, hockey ... olive oil wrestling? OK, maybe there aren't a lot of oiled wrestling events here in America, but in Turkey it's the national sport. Kirkpınar, as it's known there, has been popular since the Ottoman Empire. The Turkish town of Edirne has been hosting the annual tournament since 1361.

• It was in Kitchener, Ontario, in 2006 that the world's largest smoothie was made. Over the course of 3 1/2 hours and using seven blenders, the folks there made a whopping 195 gallons of the fruity beverage.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Infatuation is when you think that he's as sexy as Robert Redford, as smart as Henry Kissinger, as noble as Ralph Nader, as funny as Woody Allen and as athletic as Jimmy Connors. Love is when you realize he's as sexy as Woody Allen, as smart as Jimmy Connors, as funny as Ralph Nader, as athletic as Henry Kissinger and nothing like Robert Redford -- but you'll take him anyway." -- Judith Viorst

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Examples of cruelty that Lee County Animal Services' Officers see on a daily basis include both intentional abuse and animals being neglected or denied necessities of care, such as food, water or shelter.

Currently one of the greatest areas of concern involves dogs that are improperly tethered in their yard and left unattended by their owners for the majority of time. Lee County case files show that the life led by tethered dogs is often characterized by neglect and even death.

To view actual case photos from Lee County Domestic Animal Services' files go to <http://www.leelostpets.com/Pages/TetheredDogs.aspx>.

April is Prevention of Animal Cruelty Month sponsored by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Lee County Domestic Animal Services (LCDAS) urges residents to report animal abuse, particularly for those dogs living their life on the end of a chain.

Why is chaining or tethering dogs not recommended?

- Dogs are pack animals and their human family is their pack. Being deprived of this companionship causes dogs to suffer mentally and physically.

- Dogs tethered for long periods can become highly aggressive. They naturally feel very protective of their territory since they cannot escape. *The Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association* reports that 17 percent of dogs involved in fatal attacks on humans were restrained on their owners' property at the time of the attack. Tragically, children are often the victims.

- Tethered dogs often become victims of neglect and abuse. Being out of sight and out of mind leads to a lack of basic care. These forgotten dogs frequently suffer from starvation, lack of preventive medical care, inadequate shelter, improper tethering that causes injury or death, and exposure to heat and other extreme elements. Having no means of escape, they also can be targets of teasing or torture.

To report animal abuse in Lee County call (239) 533-7387 (LEE-PETS). Have as much information as possible including a description of the animal and its condition, the location with an exact address if possible, the date and time, and any witnesses.

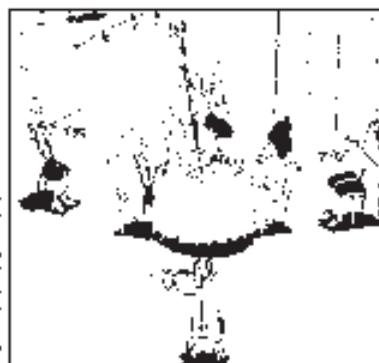
Tax deductible donations to help with the recovery and treatment of pets who have suffered from abuse may be made to the Animal Care Trust Fund at www.leelostpets.com or mailed to Animal Care Trust Fund, 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33912.✽

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SUDOKU

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

answer on page 25



sound, 1790.

SCRAMBLERS

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

Trick: TIOTUW

Embroid: TUGDISS

Secunder: EGORU

Dign: BEMNUR

TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 25



Emergency.....	911
Lee County Sheriff's Office.....	477-1200
Florida Marine Patrol.....	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol.....	278-7100
Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
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
Fort 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 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

Angel Flight.....	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
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
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation.....	939-7278
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

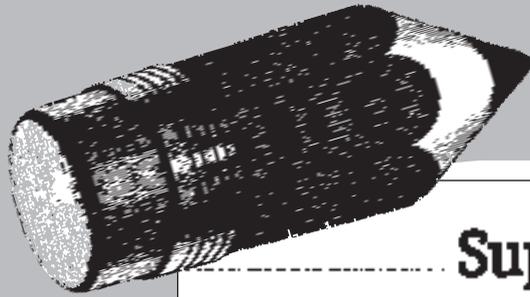
Lions Clubs:

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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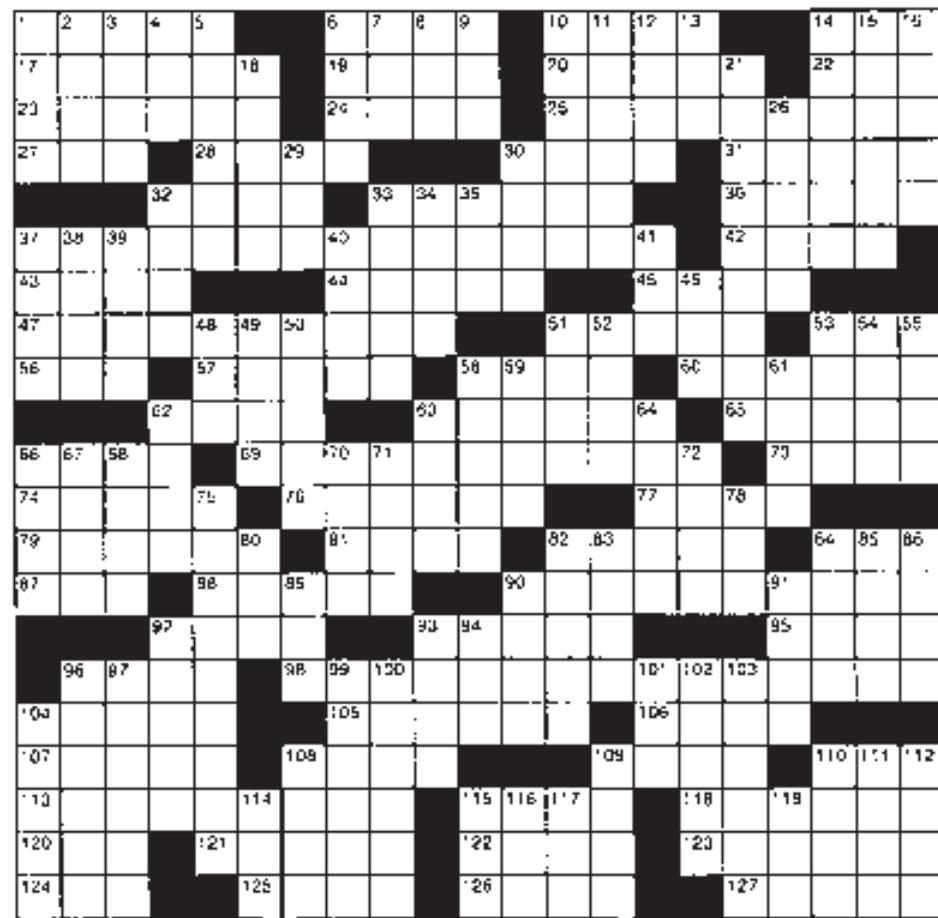
BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

Answers on page 26

Super Crossword

WHAT A REELIEF!

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creed | 96 Unadorned
98 Part 4 of
remark | 5 Actress
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Carter | 40 Ming thing
41 Pie —
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89 Marlocks'
prey |
| 1 Bird bloke
6 "— Show"
(94 fun) | 57 Christianed
58 Role for BO
Down | 104 Mr. Hiss
105 Paradoxical
106 Roman de
Tirtoff | 6 Pack a in
7 Sturm —
Drang | 45 Fee:
awful | 91 Rio —
92 Amphitheater
lecture |
| 10 Farber or
O'Brien | 60 Ida of High
Sierra | 107 Nero's
instrument | 8 Caldwell or
Auna | 48 Genetic wife
49 A piece
50 Dumb | 93 Expanded
94 Writer
Randy |
| 14 Hum bug?
17 Buy back
19 Till | 62 Wear out
the carpet | 108 From the
top | 10 Don B.
uniform | 51 Ward (off)
52 New Jersey
borough | 86 "Tail to
thee, —
spirit!" |
| 20 Approaches
22 — Locke,
Fl. | 63 Vaccaro or
Lee | 109 Big rig
110 Deny
113 End of
remark | 11 Want
12 Astronauts'
agey | 53 Pacific
archipelago | 87 Massachusetts
city |
| 23 Luanda's
land | 65 Barbara's
rank | 115 George of
"Scarface" | 13 School
subject | 54 Shortly
55 Michael of
"Cabaret" | 99 This
covering |
| 24 "— fix" | 66 Holer
69 Part 3 of
remark | 118 Journalist
Falco | 14 Colombia's
capital | 58 Stream
59 Expect
back | 100 Swimmer
Gertrude |
| 25 Start of a
remark | 73 Sausage
segment | 120 — Na Na
121 Sharon of
Israel | 15 Screen-
writer Nora | 61 Damp
62 Conspire
63 Eight bits | 101 Ellen
102 Strong
suit |
| 27 Curly
poker? | 74 Knock
for — | 122 Conrade
123 Expire
124 Shoran a
stunt | 16 Consumed
18 Adage
21 Percussion
instrument | 64 Lama turf
65 James of
"Brian's
Song" | 103 Foment
104 Serbian
108 Saucy
meal |
| 28 Way out
30 Actress
Servino | 75 Ran amok
77 Dashboard
feature | 125 Valuable
126 Linen
in the
beginning? | 26 PR concern
29 Robin of
"Quincy,
M.E." | 67 — mater
68 Corn Ball
soil | 109 Charon's
river |
| 31 Donizetti's
"L'elisir
d'amore" | 79 Explosive
mixture | 127 Rhythm of
life | 30 "The Ghost
and Mrs.
—" (47 film) | 70 Core
71 Skin lecture
72 Present | 110 Sheffield
slammer |
| 32 Terry
33 French
novelist | 81 No pleasure
trip | DOWN | 32 Nab a gnat
33 Heaped
34 Funnyman
Foxy | 75 Cartwright
ranch | 111 Burden
112 Granola fruit
114 Rank legend
115 Brit. litra |
| 36 Sell out
37 Part 2 of
remark | 82 Comp. kind
84 You can
rely on it | 1 Learn
last? | 35 Be
ob. gated | 76 "Just —
thought!" | 116 Dryden's "—
for Love" |
| 42 Richard of
"Love Me
Tender" | 87 "Casualties
of War"
setting | 2 Paradoxical
philosopher | 37 — Euro-
pean | 82 Mont —
83 Relaxation
84 Logrol | 117 Neighbor of
Ga |
| 43 Wing valley
44 Cabinet
wood | 88 Pigeonhole
89 Resilience
92 Carpenter's
tool | 3 Maugham's
"The
Razor's —" | 38 "You — it!"
39 Charles
part | 85 Sicilian
stroke | 119 Shiba —
(Japanese
dog) |
| 45 Pack the
trough | 93 Celebra-
tions | 4 Corporate
VIP | | 86 Slashed | |
| 47 Upsal
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53 Welton or
Wray | 95 "Rule
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King Crossword

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| ACROSS | 1 "Sippy"
tree | 4 Ring ans
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expense | 13 Be room
favorite | 14 Actress-
Myrna | 15 Letter from
the Vatican | 17 Chastibus
sayer | 16 Floral
quand | 19 Underdeveloped
stage | 21 Hoisted in
number | 24 Lureway | 25 Uh-huh! | 26 Thickness | 28 Dynamic
mentor | 31 Disposition
33 Hanna S.
Across | 35 I never
— man I
don't like | 36 Honore
suffler | 38 Pen point
40 Varran
ingredient | 41 Sme. sau
mander | 43 "a
whimsical"
way | 45 IOU singer | 47 Listener | 48 Swiss
canton | 49 Sandbox
toy, maybe | 54 Zero | 55 Mohammed-
dan son | 56 Post divan | 57 Kenan's
co-star on
Nickelodeon | 58 Autocrats
49 Upper
surface | 60 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 | 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 104 | 105 | 106 | 107 | 108 | 109 | 110 | 111 | 112 | 113 | 114 | 115 | 116 | 117 | 118 | 119 | 120 | 121 | 122 | 123 | 124 | 125 | 126 | 127 |
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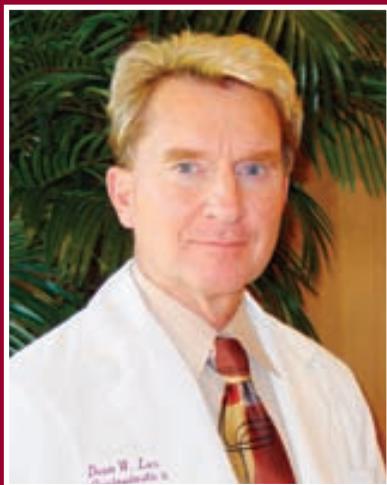
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