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Giant Canvas In Memory Of 9/11 Continues Its Tour Of Area



Members of the public write names of victims on the canvas

A large billboard-size canvas will travel all summer throughout Southwest Florida in honor of the Remember 9-11 Tenth Year event and the community is invited to be a part of this collaborative art project.

Next stops are Fort Myers Fire Station #6, The Shell Factory and Lovegrove Gallery on Sanibel.

The schedule is:

August 18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fort Myers Fire Station #6, 4000 Veronica S. Shoemaker Boulevard, Fort Myers;

August 21, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Lovegrove Gallery, 1900 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, 472-1900;

August 28, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., The Shell Factory, 2787 N. Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, 995-2141.

Artist Leoma Lovegrove has organized a community-wide art project to take place in the days leading up to September 11. She is escorting a canvas measuring 18 feet by 10 feet around the area. Members of the public are invited to paint the names of those who perished in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

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Celebrity Waiters from 2010 included Mr. Incredible (Roger Mercado); Wonder Woman (Lisa Cronin-Miller) and Superman (Greg Frith)

Sponsors Sought For Celebrity Waiter Dinner

Child Care of Southwest Florida is seeking sponsors for its third annual Stars for Kids Celebrity Waiter Dinner and Auction Saturday, October 8, to support the agency's mission and benefit a scholarship fund for low-income children in need of child care.

Sponsorships ranging from \$750 to \$5,000 are still available for the event, to be held at the Sanibel Harbour Marriott Resort & Spa. Individual tickets are \$100 or a table of 10 may be sponsored for \$1,000.

The event raised \$27,000 last year for scholarships. Tickets may be purchased by calling 278-1002 or visiting the website at www.ccsfwf.org.

NBC-2 Anchor Kellie Burns and Auctioneer Scott Robertson (who also is vice-chairman of the charity's board of directors) will share duties as master and mistress of ceremonies.

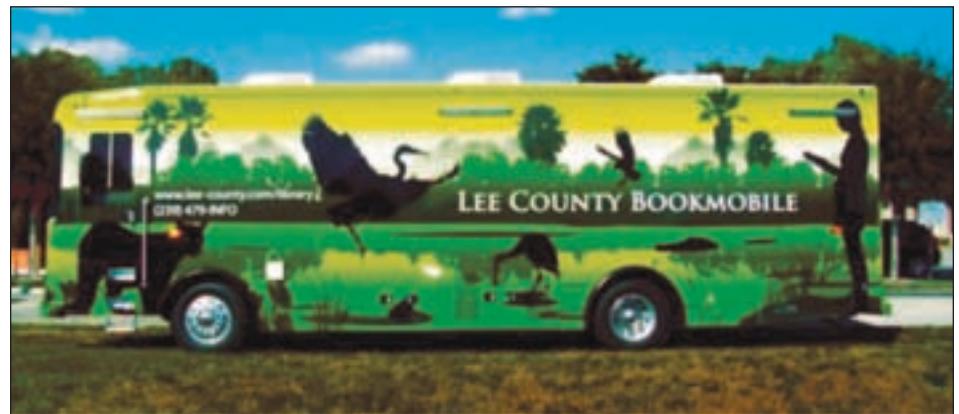
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Bookmobile Is Summer Fun

The Lee County Bookmobile is a mobile service with over 25 biweekly stops in the community. The Bookmobile serves families who have difficulty getting to a library, children and teens in after-school programs, and many new immigrant families. It has stops in Bonita Springs, the Dunbar community, Fort Myers, Lehigh Acres and Tice.

"The Bookmobile was very busy this summer. Many of the children we visited had nothing to do. They have limited or no transportation, no summer camp, vacation trips, or organized activities, so the Bookmobile was the highlight of their day," said Maria Palacio, outreach services manager for the Lee County Library System. The Bookmobile had 262 children and young adults participate in the summer reading program. Additionally the Bookmobile's regular stops, community events and summer programs recorded a total of 1,353 visitors during the month of July.

A Bookmobile or mobile library is designed to hold books on shelves so that when the vehicle is parked the books can be accessed by readers. The vehicle holds over 4,000 popular items including fiction and non-fiction titles for children and teens as well as adult materials, magazines, Spanish titles, DVDs, and materials to help people learn English. Children's books in both English and Spanish include titles for every age and reading level from toddler board books and picture books to beginning readers, chapter books, and a wide range of non-fiction titles. "The Bookmobile serves an important



The Lee County Bookmobile

segment of the population because they would not have access to all the wonderful and enriching items available at a library," said Sheldon Kaye, Lee Library system director. The current Bookmobile went into service in the fall of 2008. The service in Lee County started in 1964.

For more information go to www.lee-county.com/library or call Telephone Reference at 479-INFO (4636).✪

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now

Lee County Administration Office Building

by Gerri Reaves



In 1962, the \$1.6 million Lee County Administration Office Building was completed on Second Street between Monroe Street and Broadway. The new building was connected to the rear of the 1915 Lee County Courthouse by the 40- by 43-foot 1926 courthouse addition.

The four-story structure brought a touch of mid-century modern style to the south side of courthouse square, white stone, blue-paneled ribbon windows, and overall impression of open design and horizontal lines.

Perhaps nothing more than the Veranda Restaurant across Second Street – comprised of two historic homes – provides a sharper contrast between old downtown and the post-World War II era.

By the 1960s, the county's population and government were growing rapidly, so additional office space was always needed. The school board, for example, in its perpetual need for space, occupied about 8,000 square feet of the office building when it opened. A fifth and sixth floor were added in 1972.

The building went up on the site of the old county jail at courthouse square, which had been created in 1889 when the county bought a bit less than two acres from Charles W. and Jane L. Hendry.

The square was bordered, as it is today, by Main (then called Oak Street), Broadway (then called Garrett Street), Monroe, and Second.

There, in 1894, the county erected its first permanent courthouse, a graceful frame structure facing Main. No longer would the officials of an up-and-coming county have to meet in rented quarters.

Subsequently built on the square and just east of the courthouse was the first county administration building, a small one-story structure.



The administration building was constructed on the site of the old county jail at courthouse square, facing Second Street between Monroe and Broadway. In 1972, two more floors were added. courtesy of the Southwest Florida Historical Society



The four-story Lee County Administration Office Building was dedicated in January 1962 archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society

On the square south side, where a much larger office building would rise in 1961, were the jail, the sheriff's small living quarters, and a building used to house county property such as mules, wagons and road equipment.

Since 1961, the skyline surrounding the blue and white administration office building has gradually filled up. Looming to its west is the implacable Lee County Justice Center on Monroe.

Walk to the south side of courthouse square to see the modern office building that replaced an historic jail as the swinging 1960s began.

Then walk the short distance to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about the changing landscape of courthouse square since pioneer days.

Be sure to see Mambo Man, a tribute exhibit to Pedro "Cuban Pete" Aguilar. For information, call 321-7430 or go to swflmuseumofhistory.com. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Also, be sure to explore of the area's best historical research centers, the Southwest Florida Historical Society at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, located on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

Contact the all-volunteer non-profit organization at 939-4044. Or drop by on Wednesday or Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon to peruse the fascinating archives.

Sources: *The Lee County Courthouse Through the Years* by Gordon "Booch" DeMarchi and the archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society.*



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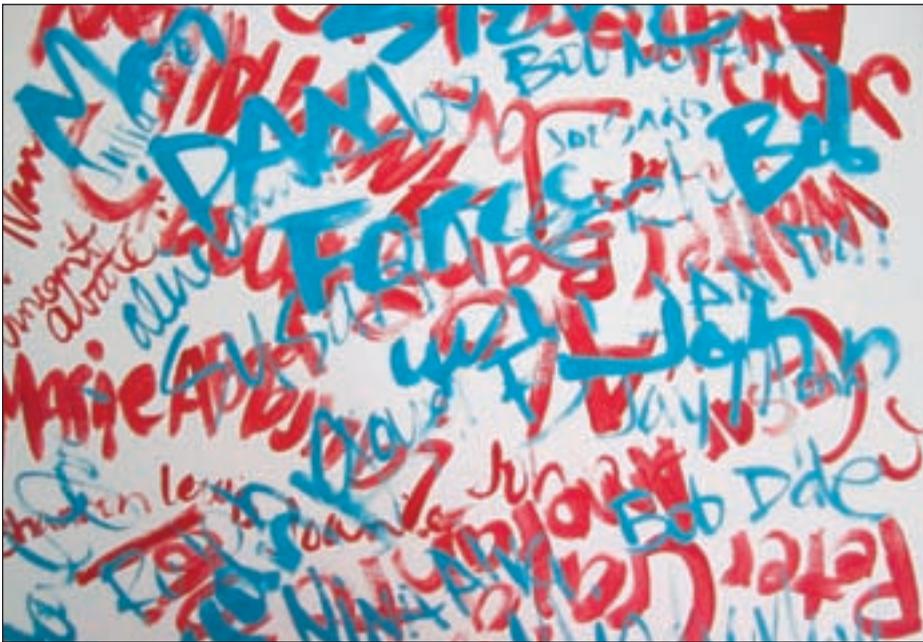
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9/11 Canvas



Some of the names on the billboard-size canvas

At subsequent locations, different colors will be used for the victims' names from the Pentagon and the last two airplanes. Last month 2,753 names from the World Trade Center were painted in red by the community at The Franklin Shops in Fort Myers and Red White Boom in Cape Coral. Iberia Bank and Dennison Moran gallery hosted the events for the names to be painted for United Flight 175 and American Airline Flight 11.

In all, the more than 3,000 names will form the base of a painting of an American bald eagle. Lovegrove will be there to assist with the painting of the names. This project has become a gathering place where people share stories and reflect on where they were that day ten years ago. Monitors have been set up so you can view the person's name that was painted.

The canvas will be completed by Lovegrove during Remember 9-11 Tenth Year at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre on September 11, beginning at 11:30 a.m. She and many others have partnered with her on this project to make sure that those who lost their lives are never forgotten and to honor those who conducted rescue efforts. Tickets are free and currently available by stopping by the theater ticket office. Members of the NYPD 1013 Local will take part in the event.*

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Students from Lexington Middle School work on a native plant restoration project funded by a 2011 'Ding' Darling Wildlife Society grant

'Ding' Darling Society Offers Conservation Education Grants

The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), along with the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, has announced its sixth annual donation of five grants of up to \$1,000 to Lee County Schools for conservation education-related projects.

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

All Lee County schools are invited to submit environmental education- or science-related unit proposals by October 31. The five approved proposals will be awarded in December for projects to be completed by May 2012.

"With environmental education funding being cut throughout the school district,

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Town Hall Meeting On Wastewater Diversion Project

A town hall meeting will be held on Monday, August 22, 6 to 7 p.m., at the Lee County Commission Chambers located at 2120 Main Street in Fort Myers to update the community on the Waterway Estates Wastewater Diversion project. During the town hall meeting, Commissioner Tammy Hall and Lee County Utilities Director Pamela Keyes, PE will outline the reasons for the project, describe the impact to residents, present timelines, provide emergency contact information and respond to related questions. The meeting is open to the public and registration is not required.

The purpose of the project is to divert all sewer flows from the Waterway Estates sewer service area to the Del Prado Wastewater Treatment Facility currently owned by the Florida Governmental Utility Authority. The project will require adjustments to the sewage pipes along the diversion route, which will result in construction in front of the homes and businesses along the planned route.

Construction is scheduled to begin in September 2011 with the goal of completing the diversion by September 2012.✱

Kiwanis Learn About HOPE Clubhouse

Susan Tew and Debra Webb, chairman of the board and executive director respectively of HOPE Clubhouse of Southwest Florida, Inc., were the guest speakers at the Gateway to the Islands Kiwanis Club's August 9 meeting. Founded in Lee County in 2007, HOPE Clubhouse is a community of people organized to support individuals living with the effects of mental illness.

Through participation in a clubhouse, members are given opportunities to rejoin the worlds of friendship, work, employ-

ment and education. Membership is open to anyone with a history of mental illness.

Although the first clubhouse was started more than 50 years ago and has been replicated more than 350 times around the world, the clubhouse concept is still a radically different way of working in the field of community mental health. Most program models still focus on assessing a person's level of disability and limiting the expectations based on that assessment. In a clubhouse the expectations are high and mutual work, satisfying relationships and meaningful opportunities in the community are the vehicles of choice. In the clubhouse, there are no clinical therapies or treatment-oriented programs and members participate as they feel ready and according to their individual interests.

The term clubhouse communicates the

message of membership and belonging. Members are seen as valued participants, not patients. Clubhouses are built upon the belief that every member can sufficiently recover from the effects of mental illness to lead personally satisfying lives.

The daily activities are organized around a structured system known as the work-ordered day, which parallels the business hours of the working community. Participation is voluntary but all members are encouraged to work in areas including clerical, reception, food service, transportation, outreach, education and financial services.

For more information about HOPE Clubhouse, visit www.hopeclubhouse.org.

Gateway to the Islands Kiwanis Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. at First Watch restaurant on McGregor Boulevard. Guests are always welcome. For details on joining the Gateway to the Islands Kiwanis Club, or any of the other 16 Kiwanis Clubs in Lee County or LaBelle, call Viki or Terry Luster at 415-3100 or visit www.kiwanisgtti.com.✱

Congressman Mack Announces Town Hall

Congressman Connie Mack announced that he has opened registration for his town hall meeting to take place on Monday, August 22 at the Harborside Events Center, 1375 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.



Congressman Connie Mack

Mack voted against the nation's short-term debt deal because he said it did little to stop reckless spending and financial irresponsibility. What was passed was a scheme, not a solution to Washington's spending problem, he argued.

With the recent launch of The Mack Penny Plan, aimed at putting the country on a path to greater economic freedom by bringing the federal budget into balance by 2019, Mack believes he has presented a real solution to the real problems Americans are facing.

The plan is to eliminate one penny out of every federal dollar spent. The Mack Penny Plan has been receiving local and national media coverage, and presently has the support of more than 50 co-sponsors in the U.S. House; the backing of the Republican Study Committee's 103 Members, and five key U.S. senators.✱

O And A Negative Blood Urgently Needed

Lee Memorial Blood Centers is appealing to the community for O Negative and A Negative blood donors to donate as soon as possible. Since O Negative is the universal blood type, it is transfused into a patient who needs immediate attention in a trauma or

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Local Restaurants Get Kudos

Nine restaurants in The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel won an Award of Excellence in the August edition of *Wine Spectator*.

They are the Gasparilla Inn's Main Dining Room and Temptation in Boca Grande; Angelina's Ristorante and Chops City Grill in Bonita Springs; Keylime Bistro on Captiva Island; Blue Water Bistro and Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in Estero; and Bayfront Bistro and The Sandy Butler on Fort Myers Beach.✱

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Photographer Displays Wild Images In Commission Office



Geoff Coe



Photo by Geoff Coe

This month Geoff Coe will be displaying a collection of *Wild Images – Florida* in Lee County Commissioner Tammy Hall's District 4 Office at the Old Lee County Courthouse. The display includes framed photographs of Lee County's birdlife in its natural habitat. The work will be on display until September 23.

Commissioner Hall supports local artists by giving them an opportunity to display their artwork in her Fort Myers office.

The public is welcome to stop by and view the work and learn more about the artist. Call 533-2226 to confirm office hours for viewing.

"The arts are an important part of the cultural and development of our community" says Commissioner Hall. "I believe that government can play an important role in public awareness, developing the use of public spaces for display and interaction of art, and for the encouragement and commitment of continued financial support both public and private of all the arts."

Local artists are featured every six weeks. Commissioner Hall's office is on the first floor of the Old County Courthouse, 2120 Main Street in downtown Fort Myers.✱

YouTube Video Contest Winners

A tribute to the Fort Myers Miracle, a scenic nature tour of Lakes Regional Park and a North Fort Myers hike were among the featured videos that garnered awards in Lee County Parks & Recreation's first YouTube video contest.

The contest for amateur videographers resulted in three winners: Christine Lisiecki of Cape Coral, Robert Tillotson of Cape Coral, and Lindy Smith of North Fort Myers. The trio will each receive a one-year parking sticker valid at Lee County Parks & Recreation's beaches, boat ramps and regional parks.

View their videos on Lee County Parks & Recreation's YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/user/LeeParksandRec or go to www.leeparks.org and click on "videos." Even though the contest has ended, patrons still can create and submit videos that show them enjoying parks and recreation sites. Be sure to include the name of the park or facility and what you like about it.

Lisiecki's footage shows serene wildlife and native plants at Lakes Park, often called the Central Park of Lee County. In Tillotson's video, their 16-year-old daughter plays an enthusiastic tour guide of her favorite stadium and minor league team, the Fort Myers Miracle at Hammond Stadium. Smith joined teens in a summer camp to film *Nordic Walking*, which is fitness walking with special poles.✱

Blow-Out Book Sale At Library

An end of summer book sale sponsored by the Friends of the Fort Myers Library, will take place Saturday, August 27, in the Library Meeting Room from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

As many books as you can fit in a bag costs \$3, with shopping bags provided. The sale helps support the library programs and services.

The library is at 2050 Central Avenue, Fort Myers

For additional information, call 549-9625 or log onto www.fortmyersfriends.org.✱

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Blood Donations

emergency situation. Since Lee Memorial Hospital serves a 5-county radius, blood and blood products need to be readily available not only in the trauma center but also to treat cancer patients, premature babies, anemia and other conditions.

Lee Memorial Blood Center is the sole supplier of all blood products for Lee Memorial Health System hospitals and no blood is ever exported out of the area.

Though the urgent need is for negative blood, all types are welcome as 800 units of blood are used each week to serve the community.

Call 343-2333 to find a blood center or blood drive near you or visit <http://www.leememorial.org/bloodcenter/index.asp> for more information.✱

Rib Rockin' Rodeo Will Mark 9/11 Anniversary

The Communications Training Team of the Lee County Sheriff's Office is hosting the 2011 Rib Rockin' Rodeo Saturday and Sunday, September 10 and 11.

The weekend will feature four events, honoring local heroes and remembering the lives lost on 9/11. Participants will also pay tribute to the men and women in the armed forces.

Saturday, September 10 is the 3rd annual 911 Appreciation Ride.

Registration will be at Fort Myers Harley Davidson store beginning at 9 a.m. with the last bike out at 11 a.m. Prizes and food specials will be available.

Sunday, September 11 is the Local Heroes Parade from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

The parade will pay tribute to local heroes in public safety. Law enforcement, fire services, emergency medical services and emergency communications will be represented. Local military heroes, Veterans of Foreign Wars, ROTC, Scouts and others will also be featured.

The one-mile route begins at Page Field Commons, heading north on Cleveland Avenue to Colonial Boulevard. It will continue eastbound down Colonial Boulevard, ending at Fort Myers Harley Davidson.

A Heroes Tribute Ceremony will take place from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Special guest speakers will lead the ceremony focusing on the roles of our local and national heroes and their contributions to society and American pride. We will remember those who paid the ultimate price serving our communities and fighting for our freedom.

The Rib Rockin' Rodeo will be from noon to 5 p.m. and will be open to the public. Teams will compete in a rib cook-off, representing public safety teams, amateur teams and restaurants. Ribs will be judged in various categories, while the community will select The People's Choice.

The afternoon will feature performances by One Night Rodeo, recent winner of Great American Country and Music Nation's Next GAC Star Competition. The band has opened for Rascal Flatts, Keith Urban and Montgomery Gentry.

The afternoon event will also include raffles, vendor booths and food.

In honor of the 10-year anniversary of 9/11, the Communications Training Team of the Lee County Sheriff's Office will conduct the Harley-4-Heroes raffle. The prize is a 2011 Harley Davidson Sportster. The tickets are \$50 each. Proceeds from the raffle will be donated to charitable organizations that support local public safety training and local military family support services.

Local businesses and organizations are asked to help with the cost of staging the events. Contact Christine Hodges, communications training coordinator, at 477-1213 or Sue Rauch, communications training assistant, at 477-1222 if you can help.✱

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June Visitor Spending Was Up

In June, The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel hosted 334,800 visitors, who spent about \$174.8 million, Davidson-Peterson Associates reported last week to the Lee County Tourist Development Council.

Total visitation decreased 18 percent from June 2010, but the number of visitors staying in paid accommodations increased 20 percent; total expenditures increased 7.3 percent. Year-to-date, visitations are 0.4 percent above last year, and estimated total expenditures jumped 17 percent over the same period last year. For the first half of 2011, estimated total expenditures are up 15.9 percent over 2010.

Some 473,332 passengers traveled through Southwest Florida International Airport in June a decrease of 0.7 percent compared to June 2010. Year-to-date, passenger traffic is up 5.4 percent from the same period last year.*

Superior Small Lodgings Named

The Florida Superior Small Lodging Association (SSL) recently announced 23 Lee County hoteliers who have successfully qualified for the distinguished SSL statewide hospitality recognition program designation.

On Fort Myers Beach: Beach Shell Inn*, Harbour House at the Inn*, Manatee Bay Bed & Breakfast*, Matanzas Inn, Silver Sands Villas*.

On Sanibel and Captiva: Anchor Inn & Cottages*, Blue Dolphin*, Gulf Breeze Cottages*, Mitchell's Sand Castles*, The Palm View, Sandpiper Inn, Shalimar Resort*, Signal Inn*, Sunshine Island Inn*, Tropical Winds Motel & Cottages, Waterside Inn on the Beach.

Elsewhere in Lee County: Bokeelia Tarpon Inn*, Bridgewater Inn, Casa Loma, Fountain Motel*, Legacy Harbour Hotel & Suites, Tarpon Lodge*, Two Fish Inn.

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September Kids' Classes Offered

Following are the September Kids Classes offered at Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers.

Arts & Crafts & Ball Skills

Session starts Wednesday, August 31 from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

This class offers an arts and crafts project that can be taken home along with learning a new ball skill each week. Children will have a wonderful opportunity to interact and share along with improving their motor skills. This class is \$20 for four classes. Limit 12 participants, ages three to six. Registration is required. For more information call Kristie at 432-2154.

Peewee Picasso

Session starts Friday, September 2 from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

If painting is your preschooler's passion, then join this class and let your child create and we'll worry about the mess. Followed by a group game and snack. This class is \$20 for four classes. Limit 12 participants, ages three to six. Registration is required. For more information call Kristie at 432-2154.

Kids' Yoga

Session starts Friday, September 2 from 1 to 1:45 p.m.

Cooperative games, theme activities, storytelling, and music, engage the natural energy and enthusiasm of the child. Classes explore yoga poses, breathing exercises, visual imagery and relaxation techniques while conveying lessons in self-expression, body image, social skills, positive thinking, and environmental

awareness. This class is geared to children ages three to seven; however, it is open to all ages. Parent participation is optional. This class is \$28 for four classes. Limit 20 participants. Registration is required. For more information call Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center at 432-2154.

Art of the Samurai

Session starts Tuesday, August 23 from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

This form of Japanese sword fencing will teach the moves of the Samurai. This is a non-contact sport where you work in pairs. Because of the intensity of this class, you can tone your entire body. Ages 16 and older. This class is \$48 for four classes. Limit 20 participants. Registration is required. For more information call Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center at 432-2154.*

Republican Women Lunch

Lee Republican Women will meet Monday, September 12. Social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. with lunch and program to follow. The location is the Hilton Garden Inn-Fort Myers at 12601 University Drive. Admittance is \$16.00 all inclusive. For reservations, call 432-9389 or email cindylignelli222@gmail.com.

September's speaker is Sharon Day, co-chair of the Republican National Committee.

Contact for the Lee Republication Woman is Michele Duryea, president, at michelemduryea@embarqmail.com or 280-7653.*

Returning Vet Presents Flag To Supporters

On August 15, Dr. Charles Boggs, a veteran army officer and local surgeon with Associates in General & Vascular Surgery presented an American flag to supporters who sustained him and his fellow soldiers during a recent deployment to Afghanistan.

Boggs served in Afghanistan in the field as a trauma surgeon. During his deployment, surgical staff provided useful medical supplies and the Lee Memorial Health System Military support program sent care packages filled with hygiene items, socks, toilet paper, food, magazines, and newspapers. To thank everyone for their support, Boggs will be presenting them with a framed American flag at an informal ceremony.

"The flag is a source of pride for all Americans so it is especially meaningful to present this one to those people who were so supportive of me and the other military personnel who serve under it," says Boggs.

Participating in the presentation with Boggs will be HealthPark Medical Center surgical staff and Kim Gaide, military support coordinator for Lee Memorial Health System.*

Call To Artists

Art Walk Fort Myers is looking for vibrant, accomplished artists to set up in downtown Fort Myers to sell their work for Art Walk Fort Myers' Saturday Art Fair. The downtown gallery committees will jury this fair.

Artists must submit three to five images of the art they will be selling. Art will line the sidewalks on First, Dean, and Lee streets in downtown Fort Myers. Art lovers will be looking for affordable fine art, jewelry, ceramics, designer wear and unique gifts of all kinds. Vendors will have their choice of placement on a first-come basis for the 50-plus spots on the sidewalks. The event is free to the public and will be well publicized.

The Saturday Fort Myers Art Fair is held the Saturday after the first Friday Art Walk, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. each month from October to April.

The fee to artists for a spot will be: one month, \$60; two months, \$110; three months, \$150; four months, \$180. Sign up for all of October through April for \$200. Deadline to sign up is September 29.

Contact Claudia at cgoode@actabuse.com or call Arts for ACT Gallery at 337-5050 for more information.*

Rotary Gives To Quality Life Center



From left, John Kimbell, Bob Sheehan, Martin Haas and Abdul 'Haq Muhammed

Bob Sheehan, president of the Rotary Club of Fort Myers, presented Abdul 'Haq Muhammed, founder and executive director of Quality Life Center, a check for \$11,500 representing a portion of the proceeds from its June 18 inaugural Rotary Cup Golf Tournament at Shell Point Golf Club.

Part of the funds also went to a new Rotary initiative and the club's local trust fund that supports charitable causes throughout the year.

Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida, Inc. is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization providing services in education, youth enrichment, personal and community development, and social services for at-risk youth and families since 1992. Its programs and services cultivate positive self-development, teach self-discipline, build confidence and promote nutritional and cultural awareness to strengthen its families and the community. Ninety cents of every donated \$1 goes directly into their programs. For more information, visit <http://www.qualitylifecenter.org> or call 334-2797.

The 89-year-old Rotary Club of Fort Myers is the oldest Rotary International chapter in Southwest Florida and has a rich history of community service. It has nearly 200 members, who include many of the area's leading business professionals. Meetings are held every Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. at the Royal Palm Yacht Club, 2360 West First Street, Fort Myers. For more information, call 332-8158 or visit www.RotaryFortMyers.org.*



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On Sunday, August 21, the **Jewish Federation of Lee and Charlotte Counties** is holding a Jewish book sale on from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. All the books are new books published in 2010 and 2011. The books are on a variety of topics and some are not yet available in the book stores. Books will be priced up to \$10 each.

Proceeds from the sale help fund the Jewish Federation's 17th annual Jewish Book Fair in November and December, where 14 authors from the US and Canada will speak at seven events in Lee and Charlotte counties.

For more information, go to www.jewishfederationlcc.org or call 481-4449 extension 3.

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Edison State College Child Care Center Director Martha Kebhart, former Child Care of Southwest Florida CEO Rhea Mike, and Dana Bennett



Carol Gross, Elaine Schaeffer of Edison State College, Child Care of Southwest Florida Operations Director Nancy Coker



Child Care of Southwest Florida Executive Director Beth Lobdell and Collier Child Care Resources Director Donna Philp



Ann Wilson, Janet Wilson, Marjorie Wilson and John Wilson, seated

program in 14 counties for child care centers and family child care homes. More information is available at www.ccswfl.org. ✨



Nancy Coker and Marjorie Wilson

Friends and co-workers from as far away as Tennessee and Colorado celebrated the 30th anniversary of Dr. Marjorie Wilson with Child Care of Southwest Florida July 15.

About 50 people attended a surprise luncheon in Wilson's honor at Edison State College, where Wilson currently is an adjunct professor teaching early childhood courses. She also continues to work with Child Care of Southwest Florida as an instructor of the Florida Child Care Professional Credential.

Wilson first joined Child Care of Southwest Florida as an education consultant in 1981, but quickly became the education director for the nonprofit agency for most of her career, supervising the work of 20 early childhood educators.

Nancy Coker, operations director of Child Care of Southwest Florida, said thousands of Southwest Florida children received their early childhood education during Wilson's tenure as education chief at the not-for-profit organization.

She received her bachelor's degree from Wellesley College in Boston, her master's degree from Boston University and her doctor of education degree from Nova Southeastern University in Miami.

Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., is a private nonprofit organization dedicated to providing high-quality child care services throughout Southwest Florida. The agency provides child care for 700 children from infancy through age eight at its six nationally accredited child care centers throughout Lee and Hendry counties. In addition, the agency conducts training for child care workers, and administers the federal food

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Kids And Sharks Go Together Like Kids And Puppies

by Capt. Matt Mitchell



Rain almost every time out last week did not seem to slow down the fishing action at all. Northwest winds and the big high tides they brought had the redfish chewing well and, during the lower water periods, snook fishing around the passes and mouth of the river continued to be productive.

I even got to do some shark fishing, which I have not tried for a few weeks.

August is always a great time to be on the water with very few boats out. Add to that hit and miss rain and it was almost like having the whole sound to myself. There were a few other guide boats working the passes getting in on the easy snook action but

once I left the passes to go redfish fishing there were hardly any other boats even on the most popular shorelines.

Working mangrove islands between Maceiver Keys and Cork Key in the southeastern sound, every windblown shoreline seemed to have a few reds on it. I think all the rain has really pushed a lot of redfish out of the river as they seem to be in larger numbers than they have in the past few weeks.

With the wind pushing the tide and making it move hard most days, I used a split shot slid all the way down to the cut pinfish. It seemed to make all the difference between hooking up and not even getting a bite. The split shot was just enough to slow the bait down and let the lazy redfish jump all over it.

While mangrove fishing for redfish on the high incoming tide, we did also catch a few snook up to 30 inches. All were very dark in color, leading me to believe they are also getting pushed out of the river due to the six inches of rain we experienced in three days in St. James City. The mangrove snook bite was hit and miss but it was good to catch them somewhere else besides in the passes.



Blacktip shark comes boatside

This week I had back-to-back trips with father and son clients Chris and Christian from South Carolina. After the first day of catching lots of snook in the pass and then finishing up with a non-stop redfish bite, I knew that first trip was going to be hard to beat. When I mentioned shark fishing for day two, Christian's eyes lit up.

With a cooler full of mullet, we headed out to the middle sound. Our first stop was between the south and west clam leases. It did not take long to have a couple of good runs but we just could not get a shark to stick. After about a half hour I pulled anchor and headed to the sure thing on an incoming tide, Rocky Channel. The bite was on right off the bat with blacktips up to five feet enjoying the easy meal of cut fresh mullet. One big blacktip made a 300-yard-plus run and we had to chase it down before we got spooled on the heavy spinning tackle. After a 20-minute fight to get the shark boatside, Christian was worn out and all smiles.

Dad Chris just enjoyed watching and coaching his son as he caught shark after shark. We did keep one three-foot blacktip that they took home for dinner and Christian took home the head and jaws to have as a keepsake and to show to his seven-year-old sister.

While heading in Christian told me it was the best two days' fishing he had ever had, catching the biggest fish of his life. It must be all the shark week shows on TV because it seems to me kids catching sharks just go together like kids and puppies.

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

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The ramp – called Lavender's Landing – is scheduled to reopen October 1, if not before. Boaters can use the ramp, located at 7290 Barrancas Avenue NW, from now through Labor Day weekend.

The site, which is managed by Tropic Star of Pine Island Inc., gives boaters direct access from a public ramp to Charlotte Harbor and Pine Island Sound via Jug Creek. Parking is \$10 daily; ramp hours are 7 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 283-0015.

To find an alternative county ramp, visit www.leeparks.org, or view the Lee County Boater's Guide, www.lee-county.com, and entering "boaters guide" in the search window. For more project information, contact Lee County Parks & Recreation supervisor Joe DeBacker at 229-7367.✪

Yacht Club Sets Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club, founded in 1953 and consisting of over 120 members, will be held Wednesday, August 24, at a restaurant in the Fort Myers Beach area. The location is yet to be determined.

Social hour begins at 5:30 p.m. and dinner is ordered off the menu starting about 6 p.m.. Potential new members wishing to attend are invited to call Commodore Tom Swanbeck for reservations and additional information, 292-6284. Learn more about the club at www.FMBYachtClub.org.✪



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Sausage Tree

by Gerri Reaves

There's no mistaking a sausage tree (*Kigelia africana*) during fruiting season, so perfect is the common name.

This member of the begonia family bears grey-brown fruits that dangle in clusters of three from long stalks.

Each "sausage" can weigh up to 25 pounds and measure two feet long. The fruit has thin skin and fibrous pulp.

In the tree's native tropical and southern Africa, the flowers are pollinated by fruit bats and hawk-moths. In South Florida, however, red-bellied woodpeckers, insects and human hands pollinate the large maroon trumpet-shaped flowers.

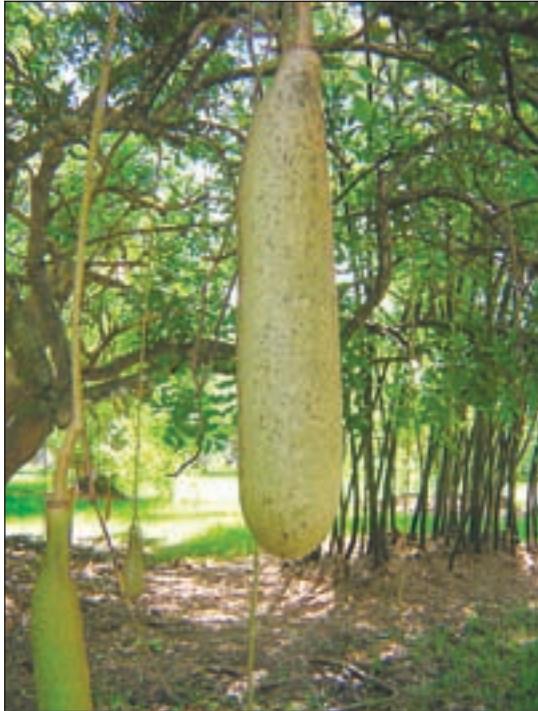
The blooms have velvety interiors and produce a profusion of nectar sought by wildlife. Although beautiful, they emit an unpleasant odor.

The trunk is short and squat, the canopy dense and wide-spreading, and the leaves leathery.

If you've never seen the remarkable sausage tree, visit the former Florida champion tree at the Edison and Ford Winter Estates, which is 57 feet tall and 140 inches in circumference.

The sausage tree isn't just a curiosity, but has many culinary, practical, and medicinal uses. The roasted fruit is used in making beer; the tough wood for shelves, boxes, and canoes; and the roots for dye, among other things.

The plant's pharmaceutically active compounds give it anti-oxidant, antifungal, anti-bacterial, and anti-inflammatory properties.



Falling fruit weighing up to 25 pounds presents a hazard to people, animals, and automobiles

photos by Gerri Reaves



The sausage tree, a native of tropical Africa, has been planted in South Florida mainly as a curiosity, since the fruit is inedible

Do not be tempted by the exotic fruit, which is a purgative that will blister the mouth and skin.

The root systems can threaten buildings, paved areas and pools. Even one falling fruit can severely damage a car or injure a person or animal.

Sources: kew.org, floridasnature.com, plantafrica.com, edisonfordwinterestates.org, and biobotanica.com.au.

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The benefits are clear: conserve water, prevent storm water run-off, and save money.

The workshop takes place Saturday, October 29 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Rutenberg Eco Living Center, 6940 South Pointe Boulevard in Fort Myers. The cost per rain barrel is \$45. Advance registration is required both to attend the class and to reserve a rain barrel.

Go to <http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu> and scroll down and click on icon WebTRAC for more information, or call 533-7514.*

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Join Florida Yards and Neighborhoods for 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 students can apply what they learn to their own yards. Plant selection and placement, efficient irrigation, proper mulching, and techniques to obtain a beautiful and healthy yard will be discussed!

The class takes place Saturday, September 17 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Eco-Living Center at Rutenberg Park, 6490 South Pointe Boulevard, Fort Myers. The cost is \$8 per household.

To register go to <http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu> and scroll down and click on icon WebTRAC. For more information call 533-7514. This class is taught by Lee County Extension staff and Master Gardeners and is sponsored by Lee County Extension and the Florida Yards & Neighborhoods Program.*

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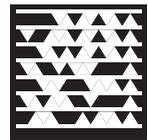
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CROW Case Of The Week:

Eastern Screech Owl

by Emilie Alfino



An Eastern screech owl was found in the middle of the road on June 28 by William Egbert of Fort Myers as he headed home. "I was going down a side street by my house and he was just lying by the road with his wing sticking out," Egbert said. "I thought maybe something was wrong with his wing." Egbert drove by at first but when he checked his rear view mirror, it looked like the owl was having trouble, so he backed up and blocked traffic to prevent the little bird from getting hit.

Using a towel in his truck, Egbert scooped up the tiny owl, laid him in his lap and drove home. He called a 24-hour veterinarian, who asked whether he could take care of the bird overnight – which he could – and then drop him off at the Eastside Animal Hospital on Palm Beach Boulevard, one of CROW's drop-off points, in the morning. "I put him in a tupperware bin with a couple of towels," Egbert said. "He was just a little guy so I put him in my lap. He was a little listless. He was a cute little guy."

Dr. Amber McNamara observed that this owl didn't have a lot of external

trauma, no bruising was noted, and there were no obvious wounds. "Owls are one species whose anatomy allows us to readily see in their eyes and ears, which isn't true of most birds. There was no blood, which was good. But he was essentially recumbent, just lying down," Dr. Amber said. Given where the little bird was found, the doctor believed he was most likely hit by a car.

"It can be difficult, especially with adult owls, to determine if they're just playing dead or really injured," Dr. Amber continued. "They're very good at it, even the babies. They'll just fall over. They instinctively know how to do it because it's their defense mechanism."

If the bird is playing dead, though, it's usually obvious by the next morning. That held true with this owl, as staff could see he had some pretty major head trauma. He didn't want to stand and would sit in very awkward positions, sometimes with one wing sticking out at a strange and uncomfortable angle. His head would droop and he wasn't standing. "We treated him like many of our trauma patients, with several types of pain medications, arnica and some fluids," Dr. Amber explained. "He was very dull for about five days."

The pain medication was continued and on the sixth night he ate a mouse. Even though he really wasn't as mentally aware as he could have been, he was alert enough to eat. Dr. Amber hoped that showed some progress.

The owl continued that behavior for another couple of days, not as mentally aware as he could have been and not reacting to stimulus the way he should



The Eastern screech owl now flies freely in his aviary, brought back from a traumatic brain injury by CROW staff

have been – but he was eating, which was very much in his favor.

"We could feel his legs getting a little stronger now that he was eating even

though he still wasn't standing," Dr. Amber said. "We kept him in a small carrier for about a week. Then, since he was eating well, we decided to move him into a cage and offer him a perch for a change of scenery. Within 24 hours, he was up on a perch, which was great."

The owl continued to get stronger and more alert over the next three days so his medications were discontinued but he was kept inside. Then on June 17 he went outside to an aviary, where he is now.

"He looks great: alert, upright – he really has made a tremendous improvement," said Dr. Amber. "I think he's probably about ready to be released."

Dr. Amber believes this owl suffered some traumatic brain injury, probably from a car accident. "We didn't see any outward wounds but it took almost two weeks before he was mentally and physically 'with it,'" she said.

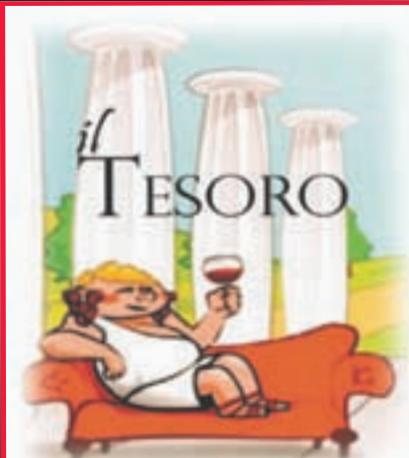
Often CROW staff has no idea not only how an animal was injured but even precisely what the animal's injuries are, unless someone sees it happen. In this case, it was a likely assumption that the owl was hit by a car – but still just an assumption. "It's really hard and we do our best to make them as comfortable as we can and hope we can give them the time they need to improve," Dr. Amber said. "When you start to see the little improvements the animal needs to make, that's what you're aiming for."

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. ✨

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Nursing Students Volunteer At Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum



Nicole Marrero helps camper Erik Bravo with his craft

Chrissy Lowery, a senior nursing major at Florida Gulf Coast University, is meeting her school's service learning requirement by volunteering several hours a week at the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.

This summer she has assisted Public Programs Specialist Diane Thomas with camp crafts and has helped build the museum's award-winning Fourth of July parade float. She also spends several hours a week in the main exhibit hall handing out information to visitors and answering their questions.



Chrissy Lowery, right, and Anna Willis make shell picture frames

Lowery recruited her friend, Nicole Marrero, another FGCU senior nursing student, to earn her volunteer hours at the shell museum. Marrero is also splitting her time helping with youth summer camps and working as an exhibit docent.

For their training, the young women watched shell-related videos, took a guided tour, and received a comprehensive script containing facts about the museum and its displays.

"I've learned a whole lot about shells I never would have learned before," Lowery said of her experience. "It's interesting. I never knew there were so many different types of shells and so many types of mollusks and what they can do. It's pretty cool."

Lowery said she enjoys meeting visitors from countries around the world and designing artwork with her young campers. "I love crafts," she said. "It's neat how you can make shell crafts; it's pretty creative."

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Shell Museum Develops Program To Keep The Kids Busy



Learning about live shells is a fun part of the resort camp

In response to a need expressed by lodging partners throughout the county, The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum has developed a resort program called Children Play...Parents May?

Family vacations are great, but adults may find themselves dreaming of a few hours to themselves. Maybe Mom and Dad have shopping in mind without the stress of assuring fragile gift shop objects will remain on the shelves. Perhaps a favorite book is calling, or a meal with just grown-up conversations.

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A Dark Comedy Premiere At Theatre Conspiracy



by Di Saggau

The opening night packed house experienced a very unique and most enjoyable comedy during Theatre Conspiracy's World Premiere production of *Elsewhere*. Directed by Producing Artistic Director Bill Taylor, the cast took the audience on a hysterical journey involving a young woman who will go to extremes for a little human companionship, a delivery man who is talked into moving in with her and a sister who shows up unexpectedly.

Jenny Smith plays Celia, a woman terrified of living alone. It doesn't take long to figure out that Celia marches to a different drummer. She loves to talk and cooking, tons of it, calms her nerves. This is a woman with a very strange mission and Smith plays her to perfection.

During a talk back with playwright Adam Szymkowitz, he said the play was written for three specific actor friends. I can't imagine anyone doing a better job in the role of Celia than Smith. Learning all the dialogue is a challenge in itself and her delivery of the many lines is truly amazing. She told the audience that having five brothers and two sisters made it easy for her to relate to sibling rivalry.

Jordan Wilson plays Teddy, the delivery man who wants to be a painter.

He pursues his dream after moving in with Celia, but he needs a muse to spur him forward. Along comes Amanda, played by Denise Scott. She is Celia's older sister, the one who used to bury all Celia's toys in the backyard. Wilson, with his wonderful facial expressions and timing, breathes life into his rather laid-back character. Scott also does a commendable job as the sister who threatens Celia's romantic inclinations. It seems that Amanda, in the past, managed to snag just about every boyfriend who ever entered Celia's life. Strange thing is they all mysteriously disappeared.

The dialogue in this play is clever. At one point Celia leaves the room saying, "I'm just going to practice playing the tambourine in case it becomes necessary." That's Celia for you. She talks for the sake of talking and the result is very funny. Whenever she makes a demand of Teddy, and he doesn't quite agree, she says, "Think about it." Teddy does a lot of thinking.

Elsewhere plays with no intermission and a lot of quick scene changes. There's a brief moonlight musical segment and a couple of bedroom scenes that add to the fun.

Upcoming Art Season Will Be Busy At Fort Myers Beach Art Association

Plans are being made for the upcoming 2011-12 season at the Fort Myers Beach Art Association. Right now on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, find artists painting at the gallery getting ready for the first show of the season, *Anything Goes*, which kicks off on October 15 and runs to November 10. There will be sculpture, photography and collage along with paintings. This show is open only to members and is not judged or juried so offers the opportunity for new artists to participate.

Exciting things are in the works for the 2nd Annual Paint the Beach... Sandcastles to Shrimboats. A plein air festival in Fort Myers Beach. The call for artists has gone out around the country to bring plein air artists in to paint the town of Fort Myers Beach. Main sponsors Fish Tale Marina, Santini Marina Plaza and the Fort Myers Beach Art Association with contributing sponsors Holiday Inn, The Lighthouse Inn and Resorts, Smokin Oyster Brewery &, World Championship Sandsculpting are bringing in music and fine food to enhance the experience of the plein air artists. Artists will be painting around town November 14 through 17 and will present their work at the Collectors Preview Gala on November 18. A quick draw event will be held on Saturday near the tent. There will be bands, plays and art for all to enjoy. For more information see the website at www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

Famous artists are coming to the beach to teach week-long workshops. Bridget Austin will hold a watercolor workshop November 14 to 18, then Rose Edin will teach January 16 to 20, and Carol Frye will teach February 13 to 17. Each artist will do a demonstration on the Sunday prior to her workshop. The art association brings these artists of national note to the beach to teach at reasonable costs. Check out the website or call Karen Borden at 463-0343. Local artists also teach short workshops at the gallery each year. Kathryn McMahon will hold a class in Learning the techniques of Oil and Acrylic Painting on November 3 and 4. This will be followed by Pauline Healey teaching batik watercolor on December 2, and Sue Pink on February 2 and 3 teaching collage. All these classes will cost \$50 per day. Neil Walling will again teach plein air painting for three mornings on February 23, 24 and 25 for \$20 each.

The art season at Fort Myers Beach Art Association will kick off with the potluck on October 27. Artists interested in the association are always welcome as guests. Watch for more information to follow.

The gallery on Donora and Shellmound, Fort Myers Beach, is open 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays and Thursdays until mid-October when winter hours begin. For more information, call the gallery at 463-3909 or visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com.



Jordan Wilson and Jenny Smith in *Elsewhere*

photos by Theatre Conspiracy

If you like absurdly funny comedy with a few surprises along the way, I suggest you make plans to see this show. I found it thoroughly enjoyable from start to finish.

Elsewhere plays through August 27 at the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. For tickets call 936-3239.*

Commemorative Painting To Be Donated To Firehouse Honoring 9/11

This is a story with a perfect ending, which began when Claudia Goode, curator of Arts for ACT Gallery in downtown Fort Myers began thinking about things that might make Abuse Counseling and Treatment's annual auction some money and create a bit of fun for the audience. Goode thought about having a group of artists create a large painting during the event. Immediately, she thought of five artists that have also been there for ACT, ACT Gallery and the community at large. These five artists were David Acevedo, Stephen Gray-Blancett, Jeffrey Scott Lewis, Scott Guelcher and Troy Thomas. When asked, none of them even hesitated; all of them agreed to help you in any way.

The initial meeting was held at ACT Gallery and a theme was chosen. The artists agreed that it should be something patriotic. Ideas were thrown around and a flag theme was in the running to be painted. However, the theme of the auction is graffiti, so the flag idea was dismissed because the artists could not see changing the flag or graffiti painting it. With the 10th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack next month, all agreed that would be the theme for the painting.

The five artists agreed to paint three studies for the silent auction that would become mystery paintings. They all met at Lewis' studio to paint the studies. All five artists painted on each of the studies, each jumping in when an idea or a technique came to mind. For the auction, all of the studies were wrapped in brown paper and placed in the three silent auction pods at the Arts for ACT Fine Art Auction. Auction bidders knew only that the artists were Acevedo, Scott, Blancett, Guelcher and Thomas.

The mystery paintings created quite a bit of curiosity and even some bidding wars. The three sold to Jeff Lentz, Sheri Delaney and Laura Streyffeler. During the course of the auction, all five artists would go over to the painting and paint and/or turn the canvas. About one hour into the painting, it became clear that the painting was commemorating the 9-11 terrorist attack. Around 9 p.m., they decided that the painting was finished and the five would take it up on stage to auction off.

Lewis came up with the idea that maybe the winning bidder would buy it and donate it to one of our local fire departments in honor of all the fallen heroes from the attack. The owners of Jason's Deli, Diana and Scott Willis, always ready to help ACT through sponsorships and donations, were the winning bidders for this emotionally charged painting.

Diana Willis emailed Goode at ACT the Monday after the auction to tell them she was the winning bidder and was indeed donating it to one of the local fire departments. Her only wish was that she had bid on and gotten a mystery piece, because she and her husband both loved the painting and would have liked a smaller one like the studies.

Goode immediately contacted the five artists to see if they could get together to create a piece for the Willis' home. Of course, they all agreed and will be meeting at Lewis' studio on Monday, August 15, to produce this piece for the couple. The Willises will in turn give the 60 x 48 painting, Remember 9-11, to a local fire station.*

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Celebrity Waiters



Lee County Commissioner/Celebrity Waiter Ray Judah at last year's event.



NBC-2 Anchor and Mistress of Ceremonies Kellie Burns

Celebrity waiters serve the meals and perform "extra duties" in exchange for additional tips. The waiter who collects the most tips from his/her table wins the coveted 2011 Most Appreciated Celebrity Waiter Award.

"We have an outstanding roster of celebrity waiters, who will be announced in the next couple of weeks," said Linda McNabb, development director of Child Care of Southwest Florida. "And we already have some great auction items that I know everyone will be interested in taking home with them."

The evening will include both silent and live auction items, including a two-night stay at the Sanibel Harbour Resort and Spa and autographed sports memorabilia from the Minnesota Twins, Miracle Baseball and Miami Dolphins.

Funds raised will be used to provide scholarships for low-income children to receive child care in the six centers operated by Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc. and to support the mission of the non-profit agency.

The agency provides child care for children from infancy through age 8. In



Auctioneer Scott Robertson

addition, it offers training for early childhood professionals, and administers the federal food program for eligible centers and family child care homes throughout Southwest Florida.

The agency must rely on donations and volunteer efforts from members of the community, corporations and foundations to build and maintain programs that make a difference to low-income children. Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., is a United Way agency.

For more information about Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., or the Stars for Kids Celebrity Waiter Dinner

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From Florida Gulf Coast University To Major League Stardom In 15 Months



by Ed Frank

Only 15 months ago, Chris Sale, the lanky left-handed reliever for the Chicago White Sox, was pitching here for Florida Gulf Coast University.

What a difference these 15 months have had in the life of this youngster who has played a major role in the White Sox surge to within four games of first place in the American League Central Division early this week.

The 6-foot, 6-inch southpaw was the first round (13th overall) draft pick by the White Sox a year ago, signing for a modest \$1.65 million, low for a first-round selection. Although Sale was considered among the top left-handers in college baseball,

his talent was questioned by some because he pitched for a second-tier school.

However, after just two short stints in minor league baseball, Sale was called up by the White Sox within two months. And he has been a stalwart in the White Sox bullpen since.

The 22-year-old has appeared in 45 games for the White Sox this season, pitching 54-2/3 innings compiling a 2-1 record and holding hitters to a .209 batting average. His combined ERA in the two seasons in the majors is a sparkling 2.42.

As the week began, Sale had made nine straight scoreless appearances, including a perfect ninth-inning save, his fourth of the season, against the Kansas City Royals last Saturday.

The media questioned both Sale and his manager Ozzie Guillen whether he was being overworked considering this is his first full season in the majors.

"I feel great," he said, adding that he is taking care of himself and getting help from the team fitness coach.

And Guillen defended his heavy use of the youngster saying, "We never overuse him."

In the 2010 college baseball season, Sale pitched 102 innings for FGCU and then added 21 games and 23¹/₃ innings when called to the majors by the White Sox.

Sale possesses a nasty curve ball, change-up and fastball and unquestionably has a great future in baseball that will add millions to his signing bonus in the years ahead.

It has been a fast and amazing run to baseball stardom for this Lakeland native who was pitching for FGCU little more than a year ago.

Pitcher Cole Nelson Assigned to Miracle in Detroit Trade

With just three weeks remaining in the Fort Myers Miracle 2011 baseball season, left-hander Cole Nelson was assigned to the team in a trade by the Minnesota Twins that sent outfielder Delmon Young to the Detroit Tigers.

The 6-foot, 7-inch Nelson, out of Auburn University, was a 10th round selection by the Tigers in the 2010 major league draft and had made 26 appearances this season for Lakeland in the Florida State League where he posted a 5-11 mark with a 4.87 ERA.

The Miracle began the week with a second-half season record of 19-30 and essentially out of the post-season playoff picture. They were swept at home last weekend by the Palm Beach Cardinals and are on the road this week at Jupiter and Charlotte.

Fort Myers returns to Hammond Stadium Tuesday for four games against St. Lucie which begins with completion of a July 1 suspended game followed by a regular contest. Of the 20 remaining games, nine are at home and 11 on the road.

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Chris Sale

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Education Grants

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The charity event is open to the public. The entry for each player is \$100, which includes cart and green fees, two beverages on the course, and the Scoreboard Party following the tournament. Registration begins at 8 a.m., with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

All monetary proceeds will benefit the Harry Chapin Food Bank. Nonperishable food items will also be collected prior to the tournament. The event is being sponsored by Spectrum Contracting, Aquatic Systems, and Sherwin Williams. Other sponsorships are available.

Registration and payment may be made by sending checks payable to SERVPRO of Collier County/Fort Myers South, 5605 2nd Street W., Lehigh Acres, FL 33917. For more information about the event, contact Shannon O'Neill at 430-9300.

Additional information about or to contribute financially to the Harry Chapin Food Bank, contact 334-7007 or go to harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Classical Music Scholarship

BIG ARTS is now accepting applications for the BIG ARTS/Kenneth L. Nees Classical Music Scholarship Award.

The major goal is to provide scholarships to highly talented high school and college students who plan to continue classical music training. Students who study any classical musical instrument, composition, conducting, or teaching are eligible.

Applications are available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, FL 33957, online at www.BIGARTS.org, on the "About Us" tab, or e-mail info@BIGARTS.org.

All materials are due to BIG ARTS no later than Friday, September 2, to be considered for this scholarship.

Ken Nees is a BIG ARTS volunteer who not only works in the office every day, but is also the chair of the Workshop/Classes Committee; he also has served several terms on the board of directors. He is a fan of classical music and is devoted to helping talented young musicians continue to develop their musical talents.

BIG ARTS has several scholarship programs that are supported by generous donors. To learn more about establishing a scholarship fund to support your passion, and make a difference in the lives of others, contact Development Coordinator Kara Minoui at 472-9700.

FGCU Hosts 5K Fun Run

The Kleist Health Education Center at Florida Gulf Coast University invites the public to a 5K Fun Walk/Run event from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, September 17 on campus to help raise funds for future programming and transportation for school students in the Southwest Florida community.

Early registration begins August 28. Registration information for this event can be found at: www.fgcu.edu/khec/events.asp.

The Kleist Health Education Center is an educational, not-for-profit organization devoted to promoting healthy lifestyles. Its mission is to cultivate life-long habits that

empower individuals to make healthier lifestyle choices and reduce destructive decision making. Through the use of dynamic interactive educational programs, children and adults will begin a lifetime journey of healthy living.

For more information about the event, contact MaryAnn Adams at 590-7459.

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Join San-Cap Art League for a bus trip to see the Boston Red Sox take on the Tampa Bay Rays. Let us do the work as you sit back in your seat and enjoy all the sights and sounds of the game. Trip includes round trip

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

The game is Saturday, September 10, and the trip lasts from 3:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Cost is \$59 per person.

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers,

As we begin a new school year, I would like to discuss resiliency with you and how to work with your children to help them become resilient individuals.

Resiliency research teaches us to understand the factors that help children develop into mentally healthy adults, even if growing up in disadvantaged circumstances. All children have the same needs for care, competence, self-esteem, autonomy, and the other components of resiliency.

Promoting Resiliency in Your Child

Resiliency is essential to success. Resiliency gives us the ability to deal with life's challenges and adapt to new or dif-

ferent circumstances in a positive, productive manner. There are a number of ways that adults can help children become more resilient.

- Be loving and supportive. Feeling cared for and safe builds resiliency in children.
- Foster positive attitudes. Help children believe that they can succeed if they try. Frame failure as a learning opportunity. Teach them to re-evaluate and adjust strategies that may not be working.

- Nurture positive emotions. Demonstrate and give children the chance to practice positive emotions such as optimism, respect, forgiveness, and empathy. Praise them for successes and avoid judgmental or harsh criticism for failure.

- Reinforce emotional intelligence. Listen to and validate children's feelings. Label emotions in words they can understand. Teach appropriate ways to express positive and negative emotions and how to problem solve and deal with upsetting experiences.

- Develop their competence. Feelings

of competence come from success in school and other activities. Ensure regular attendance and homework completion. Help them develop a menu of homework and study strategies. Encourage them to develop talents in activities they enjoy. Teach them to set realistic goals and obtain necessary resources.

- Promote positive social connections. Children need a variety of friends, relatives and adults with whom they feel connected. Different people meet different needs and having a social network helps children feel supported and learn to develop and maintain healthy relationships.

- Provide consistent clear expectations. Set, explain, and enforce rules and expected behaviors consistently and fairly.

- Encourage helping others. Social competence and resilience are fostered by helping others at home, in school, and in the community.

- Teach peace-building skills. Learning how to be appropriately assertive without being aggressive, standing up to bullies, and avoiding violent games and entertain-

ment fosters resilience.

- Ensure healthy habits. Good physical health prepares the body and mind to be more resilient. Help children get good nutrition, adequate sleep, and exercise.

- Reduce stress. Controlling stress encourages resiliency. Practice positive stress control strategies such as meditation, controlled breathing, yoga, exercise, developing talents, and other "relaxation responses."

Adapted from *Resiliency: Strategies for Parents and Educators*, Virginia Smith Harvey, in *Helping Children at Home and School II: Information for Parents and Educators*, NASP, 2003.

Ms. Greggs is adjunct faculty at Edison State College where she teaches psychology and education courses.

She is also Nationally Certified School Psychologist and consultant for School Consultation Services, a private educational consulting company. Questions for publication may be addressed to smgreggs@gmail.com. Not all questions submitted can be addressed through this publication.*

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United Way Campaign Names Chair

Tom Uhler, founding principal of Uhler and Vertich Financial Planners and a United Way board member, has been named 2011-2012 United Way campaign chair. As chair, Uhler will lead the campaign of thousands of volunteers working to meet the \$8,030,533 fundraising goal.

"I feel greatly honored to be selected as the United Way campaign chair. It is a big responsibility that I take on gladly and with enthusiasm because I believe in the United Way and what it does to strengthen our community," said Uhler.

Uhler is a 35-year veteran of the financial services profession. He has been in leadership positions with several nonprofit organizations and has served on the board of the Southwest Florida Symphony and was board president for two terms. In 2010 Uhler was named Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida Lee County Business Hall of Fame laureate.

The United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades was established in 1957. For more information, call 433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.org.*



Tom Uhler, 2011-2012 United Way Campaign Chair

Edison State College Foundation Board Of Directors Elects Vice-Chair

Tamara L. Surratt, owner and president of Legacy Family Office in Estero, was recently elected vice-chairman of Edison State College Foundation's board of directors. Surratt, a wealth advisor, has previously served two terms as the foundation's treasurer and Finance Committee chair, most recently from 2010 to 2011.

The nonprofit Edison State College Foundation attracts and manages contributions from individuals, organizations, businesses and private foundations to promote higher education in the five-county region served by Edison State College. The foundation supports student scholarships, academic programs, and technology and facility improvements.

Surratt works with high-net-worth clients throughout Southwest Florida to develop philanthropic, business and investment strategies. Her experience includes trust, fiduciary investment management and private client services.

Surratt earned undergraduate and graduate degrees from Florida Gulf Coast University, graduating with honors with a master's in business administration. She also serves on the Southwest Florida Community Foundation's scholarship committee and is a member of the Women's Legacy Fund.

Legacy Family Office is located at 23160 Fashion Drive, Suite 227 in Estero. For additional information, call 949-1982 or visit www.legacyfamilyoffice.com.*



Tamara L. Surratt

Financial Focus

Women Business Owners Need Retirement Plans



by Jennifer Basey

If you're a woman who owns a business, you've got plenty of company. In fact, women own more than 10 million U.S. companies, and women-owned businesses account for about

40 percent of all privately held firms in the U.S., according to the Center for Women's Business Research. Clearly, the good news is that women like you are entering the small-business arena at a rapid pace. The not-so-good news is that you may be facing a retirement savings gap in comparison to male business owners. To get a sense of this gap, consider these statistics:

- According to the U.S. Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy, 19.4 percent of male business owners have 401(k) or similar plans, compared with just 15.5 percent of women owners.

- The percentage of female business owners with Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) is about the same as that of male business owners – but the men have more money in their accounts. The average woman's IRA balance is about \$51,000, compared with \$91,000 for men, according to a recent report by the Employee Benefit Research Institute. Although these figures change constantly with the ebbs and flow of the market, the difference between the genders remains significant.

One way to help close this savings gap, of course, is to set up a retirement plan for your business. But for many women business owners (and male owners, too), the perceived cost of setting up and running a retirement plan has been an obstacle. However, the retirement plan market has opened up considerably for small business owners over the past several years, so you might be surprised at the ease and inexpensiveness of administering a quality plan that can help you build resources for your own retirement – and help you attract and retain good employees.

With the help of a financial professional, you can consider some of the myriad of plans that may be available to you:

- **Owner-only 401(k).** This plan, which is also known as an individual 401(k), is available to self-employed individuals and business owners with no full-time employees other than themselves or a spouse. You may even be able to choose a Roth option for your 401(k), which allows you to make after-tax contributions that can grow tax-free.

- **SEP IRA.** If you have just a few employees or are self-employed with no employees, you may want to consider a SEP IRA. You'll fund the plan with tax-deductible contributions, and you must

cover all eligible employees.

- **Solo defined benefit plan.** Pension plans, also known as defined benefit plans, are still around, and you can set one up for yourself if you are self-employed or own your own business. This plan has high contribution limits, which are determined by an actuarial calculation, and as is the case with other retirement plans, your contributions are typically tax-deductible.

- **SIMPLE IRA.** A SIMPLE IRA, as its name suggests, is easy to set up and maintain, and it can be a good plan if your business has fewer than 10 employees. Still, while a SIMPLE IRA may be advantageous for your employees, it's less generous to you, as far as allowable contributions, than an owner-only 401(k), a SEP IRA or a defined benefit plan.

As a business owner, you spend a lot of time thinking about what needs to be done today, but you don't want to forget about tomorrow – so consider putting a retirement plan to work for you soon.

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Junior Achievement Of Southwest Florida Names Board Of Directors

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida has named its 2011-2012 board of directors. These individuals will provide leadership and support for local Junior Achievement programs, fulfilling its mission to educate young people in Southwest Florida about business, economics and free enterprise.

Officers on the executive committee include: David Hall, executive vice president/CFO of Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, as chair; Carl Howes, vice president/controller of Pachira Company, as chair-elect; Gerry Poppe, CFO of Waterman Broadcasting, as second chair-elect; Tom Pitser, senior investment consultant of Robert W. Baird & Co., as treasurer; and Lisa Barnett-Van Dien, attorney with Cheffy Passidomo, PA, as secretary.

Additional board members include: Betsy Alderman of Northern Trust Bank, Steve Brown of John Madden Company, Steve Buettel of Dawson Companies, Mark Graves of Comcast Cable, Candis Loving of BlueCross BlueShield of Florida, Butch McGovern of Smith Insurance & Bonds, Charlotte Miller of Florida Power & Light, Kim Presanzano of CenturyLink, Hudson Rogers of the Lutgert College of Business at Florida Gulf Coast University, William Price of McGarvey Development and Curt Todd of U.S. Trust.

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Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to inspiring and preparing young people to succeed in a global economy. Through a dedicated volunteer network, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida Inc. provides in-school and after-school programs for students in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties that focus on three key content areas: work readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy. Today, 126 individual area operations reach 4 million students in the United States, with an additional 5 million students served by operations in 120 other countries worldwide. For more information, contact the Southwest Florida office at 225-2590 or visit www.JASWFL.org. ✨

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What's In Your Wallet?



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

My wallet is the happy home to a torn \$5 bill, lint, my driver's license with a photo that would terrify small children and most pterodactyls, a ticket stub for Monster

Truck Rally, a photo of Raminator – the bestest truck of all, a Donna Summers Fan Club membership card, plastic, a receipt for a Raminator T-shirt and in a wee clear packet, tucked away near the lint, I keep some pills. Emergency pills just in case I happen upon a heart attack or a stroke, mine included. What is in that packet is a trade secret but I will reveal that of the three emergency pills I carry at all times, one of them is a "statin." (To know what the other two are you must either send me \$1,349 plus tax or go to www.wisequacks.org.)

By now most of you know of statins, commonly referred to in playgrounds as

"3-hydroxy-3 methylglutaryl-coenzyme A reductase inhibitors." But I will heretofore refer to them as statins, if you don't mind. Should one day you be wheeled into the ER in the throes of the common yet deadly heart attack or stroke, you will be given a statin immediately upon your arrival unless you happen to have been in my hockey rink and I happened to have remembered my wallet.

There are those who feel that statins should be in the water. They are just that helpful with dealing with these two very common killers.

But not always.

As doctors we love to see you get high. We also love to see dense patients as we strive to be dense doctors, some denser than others, eh Sealey?

HDL, High Density Lipoprotein, is a good... no it's a GREAT cholesterol. It reverses cholesterol transport and gobbles and scavenges up the foamy cholesterol that lurks about your blood system hoping to form plaques that lead to clots that lead to trouble that lead to me opening my wallet and digging through the lint. HDL is the anti-Crisco. Those of you with naturally high levels of HDL (thanks to your genes) are fortunate.

LDL. We despise the deadly Low Density Lipoprotein, the bad cholesterol. This is the main target of a statin. This is the anti-Christmas reunion. Those of you

with high levels of LDL are unfortunate.

While statins can help knock down LDL, they don't do much for HDL. For decades, medicine has searched for a way to help us elevate our HDL. Well...

In fact, wouldn't it be great if there was a medication that could elevate HDL and lower LDL all at once! Well...

Well, you read it here first folks. Finally there is! Every so often a medication comes along that has the potential to change medicine and our lives for the better.

There are some journals that always catch a doctor's attention. Anything with the word *New England* or *Lancet* on it means serious business. Anything with *Teen Tiger* on it means serious problems.

The December 16, 2010 edition of *The New England Journal* reported on the results of use of a medication called anacetrapib. It astounded researchers by lowering LDL by 40 percent while raising HDL by a stunning 138 percent! It had a superb safety profile and those in the study on anacetrapib had significantly lower cardiovascular events than the others.

A medical event is not a good thing like a Monster Truck event. Medical events include heart attacks, strokes or your canoe flipping over while you're navigating rapids that you were unaware were ahead of you as your buddy, Roy, who sat in the bow, forgot to warn you that the river you were about to canoe was a Class 3 river. But this is so *New England Journal*-excitable that large international studies are being conducted now. In fact, the only way you can get anacetrapib is if you're chosen for a study. Go take care of your cholesterol. Don't be dense, go get dense.

Like the column? You'll LOVE the book the Doctor is In(sane), available at Sanibel Island Bookshop. Contact Dr. Dave or read more at www.wisequacks.org.

dearPharmacist

Sweet Relief For Coughing Children



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: My five-year-old daughter has developed a persistent cough. Can you recommend something to help?

LE, Seattle, Washington

Please make every effort to find out what's causing that cough and see your pediatrician. Likely triggers include pet dander, pollen, mildew spores, perfumes or scented products, and even chemicals used in crafts. And be sure to ask your child what she thinks makes her cough. Heres a good story. A friend of mine had a persistent cough that developed every winter when she was a child. She kept telling her parents that she was coughing because it felt like she had hair in her throat. That was back in the days when every other child in America, it seemed, had a tonsillectomy. Predictably, her pediatrician recommended a tonsillectomy.

To make a long story short, my friend had her tonsils removed. And it didn't make a bit of difference. She kept

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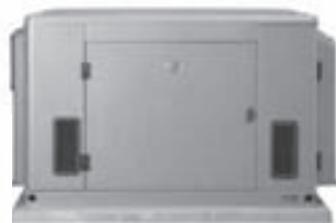
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DeTillio joins Lee Memorial Health System from West Palm Beach where he served as chief operating officer at St. Mary's Medical Center. Previously he served as chief operating officer at North Shore Medical Center in Miami. DeTillio holds a master's degree in public health

from Harvard University and a master's degree in business administration from Vanderbilt University. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and served in the United States Army for five years.

Kashman joins Lee Memorial Health System from St. Joseph Medical Center in Kansas City, Missouri, where he served as the chief executive officer.

Kashman has an extensive background in hospital management having served in leadership positions at Mercy Hospital Anderson in Cincinnati, Ohio, and St. Mary's of Michigan Medical Center in Saginaw, Mich. Kashman received a master's degree in health administration from Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana, and a bachelor's in psychology from the University of Pittsburgh.✪

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

I don't have the time to be friendly with my neighbors. But the other day I

was out gardening when a neighbor out walking her dog stopped to chat. She and her husband and his 13-year-old daughter moved into our neighborhood a year ago.

This is a second marriage for both and she is miserable. He is now diabetic, has high blood pressure, is obese and is a miserable, abusive man. She said she entered into this marriage because she was lonely, never had any children and loved his three-year-old daughter.

She became his daughter's mother as her natural mother had died one month after delivery – a suicide from post-delivery depression.

She doesn't want to leave this darling child, but she is having a terrible time and she does not know what to do.

I am old enough to be her mother and know that I lack the skills to give her the proper guidance.

Could you help me to help her?

Barbara

Dear Barbara,

I continue to be struck by individuals' public faces versus private faces. I am firmly convinced that not all is what it seems and there is always more to the

picture than what meets the eye. I do feel sorry for your neighbor. Listening to her issues does lend understanding to why second marriages are so very difficult or even marriages – first, second or third – that are entered into with unrealistic expectations. Counseling would be a good option for your neighbor, a professional who could assist her to sort out all of her issues and concerns.

Pryce

Dear Barbara,

Many people young and old think marriage will solve their personal problems. While marriage may relieve some personal problems it can also set up a new set of problems.

Her second husband seems like a very sick man and probably can't think beyond his own health problems to even realize or talk about her problems. She must decide for herself what is most important for her own happiness and going to a professional marriage counselor may help her come to the correct decision.

Lizzie

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Sweet Relief For Coughing Children

on coughing, year after year, every winter. As an adult, my friend had a light bulb go off inside her head. That cough really was from hair, or rather fur. Her mother used to cover her against the cold with a squirrel coat. She went to sleep every night with her face buried in the folds of that old fur coat – that old shedding fur coat. If her parents had only listened to her about the “hair,” she might have been spared the surgeon’s scalpel.

I don’t suggest using over-the-counter cough remedies for your child although cough drops are okay. That may sound like an odd recommendation coming from a pharmacist. But medical researchers have shown that most of the time they don’t work well on children, plus they can have some serious side effects. For example, in a 2007 study at the Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine groups of children with upper respiratory tract infections received either remedies containing the cough suppressant dextromethorphan or a spoonful of honey or no treatment at all before going to bed.

Researchers had parents report

on both coughing and whether the child got a good night’s sleep. Guess which remedy won the day? That old-fashioned, tried-and-true remedy- a teaspoon of honey. Here’s what the researchers said: “Parents rated honey most favorably for symptomatic relief of their child’s nocturnal cough and sleep difficulty due to upper respiratory tract infection.”

You should never give honey to children under the age of one or two, there’s even debate on that. It may trigger allergic reactions in very young children and has been associated with various toxins, depending on the type of honey. However, let me be clear that you should also never give cough suppressant medication to young children either, unless recommended by a pediatrician because it can slow breathing.

DID YOU KNOW:

Researchers just found that GABA receptors in the retinal cells stopped functioning properly when vitamin C was deficient, so taking vitamin C may help preserve vision.

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.

New Headmaster At Academy

Southwest Florida Christian Academy’s new headmaster Eric Munn comes with 26 years of educational experience. He has been a teacher, coach, principal, and headmaster. Munn comes to SFCA from Fellowship Christian School in Roswell, Georgia, where he served as headmaster for seven years. During his tenure, that school experienced a 40 percent increase in enrollment, built all new athletic fields, and is considered one of the top academic performing schools in the Atlanta metroplex. Munn is a trained accreditation chairman and member of the Paul Young Headmaster’s Roundtable. He has a bachelor’s in elementary education from Gwynedd-Mercy College and a master’s in educational leadership from Stephen F. Austin State University. He is a former teacher of the year nominee and holds a lifetime All-levels Administrators certificate from the state of Texas. He has a passion for academic excellence and said he is excited about the future for SFCA. Munn has been married to his wife Kathy for 33 years. They have four children and three grandchildren.✱



Eric Munn

Junior Achievement Of Southwest Florida President Retires

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida President Victoria Stephan is retiring after an 11-year term of service that has resulted in 425 percent growth for the organization. Stephan will step down December 2.

“The board is very grateful for Vicki’s 11 years of dedicated service to our community and our students,” said David Hall, chair of the 2011-2012 board of directors. “She has done a wonderful job in teaching the principles of JA to our students, including a strong sense of ethics and morals, fundamentals of good business and how to be an entrepreneur. We hope that she enjoys her retirement as she has worked diligently to reach this goal.”

During Stephan’s 11-year tenure with Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida, student participation in its programs designed to promote work readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy have grown more than fourfold. These programs now serve 10,079 students in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties. Today, JA programs are officially part of the mandated curriculum in both Collier and Lee counties. Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida also launched its CEO Academy summer camp program for high school students under Stephan’s leadership.

The Southwest Florida office has received numerous honors from JA Worldwide because of its outstanding program growth and operating surplus. JA Worldwide awarded the office with a Bronze Summit Award in 2004 and Silver Summit Awards in 2005, 2007 and 2008. In 2009, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida received its first Gold Summit Award and a Peak Performance Award from JA Worldwide. Most recently, the organization earned the 2011 Gold Summit Award, which recognized program growth reaching an additional 1,500 students in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties during the 2010-2011 school year.

The board of directors has established a search committee, which is currently engaged in identifying candidates for the top position at Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida. The committee’s goal is to have a successor in place within approximately three months to allow for a brief overlap in service with Stephan and a smooth transition of leadership.

For more information about Junior Achievement, contact the Southwest Florida office at 225-2590 or visit www.JASWFL.org.✱



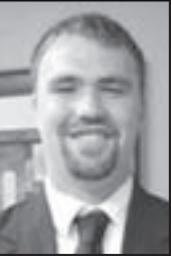
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Adoption fee is \$25 during Awesome August Adoptions.

My name is Smudge and I am a domestic short hair female cat, age two. I'm white with a gray smudge on my head.

I was very shy when I first arrived at the shelter. I love the volunteers because they know how to make us feel secure when we are scared. My favorite activity is to cuddle in someone's lap. I'm a calm kitty with a very soft coat and I like to be brushed. The best home for me would be a quiet one.



Smudge, ID #508668

Adoption fee: \$10 during Awesome August Adoptions. Cats and kittens can be adopted two for the price of one.

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

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

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

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Volunteers

Marrero said she is happy to help out at the museum, and having a buddy with her makes the volunteer time even more enjoyable.

"Chrissy told me she was having a really good experience here and it was pretty easygoing, so I figured it was fun getting your service hours done with your friend," Marrero said. "I like meeting people and I like learning a lot. I've already learned a lot about mollusks and the live tank is really cool."

According to the student volunteers, their docent duties at the shell museum have been rewarding, thanks to Diane Thomas.

"Diane's great to work with," Lowery said. "She's very helpful and very nice and easygoing, so it's fun to work with her."*

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Kids Program

If so, this program is perfect. Drop the children off and enjoy 2½ hours of guilt-free adult time. The children won't even know you're gone because they will be reading about mollusks and their friends, playing educational games, creating shell craft projects, making fact wheels or pop-up books, and doing creative writing.

The program is appropriate for ages five through 12. The cost is \$15 per child.

Classes will be held at the museum from 9 to 11:30 a.m. on the following Tuesdays and Thursdays in August (and September 1):

In August: Tuesday/Thursday the 23, 25, 30

In September: September 1

To register call Diane Thomas, the museum's public programs specialist, at 395-2233, or forward an email to dothomas@shellmuseum.org.

Registration is required by 3 p.m. Monday for Tuesday sessions, and by 3 p.m. Wednesday for Thursday sessions.*

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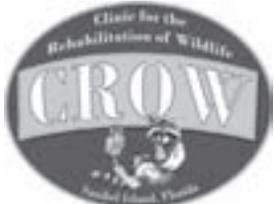
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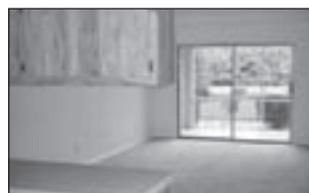
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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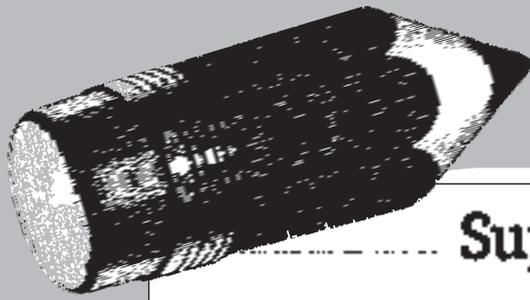
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Super Crossword

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| ACROSS | 56 Course foul | 103 Calligraphy supply | 5 Part of NATO | agly | 86 Gan's victim |
| 1 Buddy | 58 "— on My Pillow" (58 song) | 106 Land in the sea | 6 Hayes of westerns | 48 Comment wear | 88 — brave |
| 4 Verne hero | 60 Salier's partner | 106 Longing | 7 Crater's head | 50 Dennis's foe? | 89 Bring up |
| 8 Cantata composer | 62 Tread the boards | 107 Jess, Mats, or Nels | 8 Publisher | 51 vestige | 102 Groggum setting |
| 12 Gon | 63 Mgr from Munich | 109 Rhythmic | 9 Ginger — | 53 George | 104 Emanuel's name |
| 17 "— copy as Kansas" | 65 Ponderosa, for one | 111 Highway | 10 Security grp | 55 Cook | 108 Pho ingredient? |
| 19 Donburg's "ve" | 68 Mrs. Zeus | 114 Dishonest anchorman? | 11 Coughn't | 57 Make cher legs | 110 Greek sandwich |
| 20 Literary goadonym | 71 M.era suffix | 118 New Jersey's flag — | 12 Cannonized M.C. | 59 Only powder? | 112 Neighbor of Turkey |
| 21 Like Schoenberg's music | 72 Sgl., e.g. | 121 Port abbr | 13 King's "Salem's —" | 61 Social worker? | 113 Variety show |
| 22 Lud. Fea. singer? | 73 Gamble | 122 Director | 14 Mole-less | 64 Swava | 114 Tigni |
| 25 Act like Holmes | 75 Extremely encouraging individual? | 123 "Dus —" | 16 "— Man" (78 song) | 66 Word with pork or karate | 115 Actress Berry |
| 26 "— Card" (90 film) | 78 Kites & comment | 125 Re. of use | 18 Singer John | 67 Toast start | 116 Slezak or Alexander |
| 27 Comic Orson | 80 Shapiro and Yankov | 127 Bring to light | 16 Farm signt | 69 Dietary abbr | 117 Consumer advocate |
| 28 Bungle | 81 Hockey great | 130 Conjur. college official? | 21 Director-less | 70 TV's "Heads —" | 118 Sticking shade |
| 30 Sweater sweater | 82 A sweeping success? | 132 Writer Hunter | 23 Native Penman | 73 Big party | 119 Creolous |
| 31 On the nose | 83 Cabana's sister | 137 Ice cream thickness | 24 Yam | 74 Cary of "The Princess Bride" | 120 Indian instrument |
| 34 Skinny howler? | 85 66 Tommy Roe's tune | 138 White Hunter | 29 Singer Chris | 75 Et. of a beach? | 124 Way over yonder |
| 38 Gal on | 88 Mer no male | 139 Jane birthstone | 32 Sofia | 77 Laundry, la. Leontevich | 126 Director Adrian |
| 40 Rocker Tom | 90 Throw worshiper exits | 140 Paper quantity | 33 Caron's successor | 78 Team scream | 128 Raker, cosseter unit |
| 41 Curly col | 91 The Ramayana? heroine | 141 Sbnk | 35 Particle | 84 Papi od? | 129 Under the weather |
| 42 "Sawing Private Ryan" | 92 Throw forcefully | 142 Praz. to. sb. prior | 37 Scooch of "The Player" | 86 Lloyd Webber | 131 Hook's mate |
| 43 Momo or Magnani | 94 The Ramayana? heroine | DOWN | 38 Seascape painter | 87 Pinopla | 132 Southern cone's lation |
| 47 Reggae's Polar | 97 Across Gamma the | 1 BB-gun sound | 40 Oaxac's chum | 89 Booker T's group | 133 Scotch refusal |
| 49 Offer an apple? | 100 July number | 2 "Yah's —" | 42 Pin | 91 Billy — Williams | 134 Annoy |
| 52 Pinacle | 101 Economize | 3 Part ingredient | 43 The — Capades | 92 Fancy partner | |
| 54 Dams to Donna | | 4 Lots of laughs | 44 Einstein's car? | 95 Slope | |

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Crossword by	64 East Eye	4 Get over's meaning	33 Depend on
2 Gritty	65 South media member	5 Bears	34 West Nile
3 Brouhaha	66 Agrees	6 Rhythmic	35 Having
4 Association	67 Variety	7 2011	36 A. Mas's
5 A. Mas's		8 Director	38 A. Mas's
6 Interact		9 Adrian	39 A. Mas's
7 Fly		10 Raker	40 Green out
8 Brand		11 Cosseter unit	41 Not sure
9 Only		12 Under the weather	42 Under the
10 Streamline		13 Hook's mate	43 Under the
11 Embrace		14 Southern cone's lation	44 Under the
12 Variety show		15 Scotch refusal	45 Under the
13 Tigni			46 Under the
14 Actress Berry			47 Under the
15 Slezak or Alexander			48 Under the
16 Consumer advocate			49 Under the
17 Ralph			50 Under the
18 Sticking shade			51 Under the
19 Creolous			52 Under the
20 Indian instrument			53 Under the
21 Way over yonder			54 Under the
22 Director Adrian			55 Under the
23 Raker			56 Under the
24 Cosseter unit			57 Under the
25 Under the weather			58 Under the
26 Hook's mate			59 Under the
27 Southern cone's lation			60 Under the
28 Scotch refusal			61 Under the
29 Annoy			62 Under the

DOWN

1 Soaked 100%	19 A. Mas's	40 Green out
2 Pin	20 Not sure	41 Not sure
3 The under	21 Under the	42 Under the
4 The under	22 Under the	43 Under the
5 The under	23 Under the	44 Under the
6 The under	24 Under the	45 Under the
7 The under	25 Under the	46 Under the
8 The under	26 Under the	47 Under the
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