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Chef Eric Truglas of Lush French Bakery cooking at the GreenMarket

Local Chef Gets Creative At GreenMarket

Bring the family and your appetite to the Alliance for the Arts GreenMarket on Saturday, November 5, at 10 a.m. for the return of Chef Eric Truglas, owner of Lush French Bakery. He's back with his fun, free "cooking local" demonstration. Truglas, a classically trained French chef, will prepare seasonal creations during

this open-air gathering.

Truglas starts his cooking demonstrations by touring the GreenMarket to see what's available. He then combines the local produce, seafood, oils and condiments in a creative, spur-of-the-moment fashion, explaining what he's doing as he goes. When he's finished, everything is put on plates, bread from the bakery is added, and the public is invited to enjoy it all with him. The more adventurous can shop for similar ingredients right at the market and try to duplicate his creation at home.

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Kayak Festival To Focus On Causeway Island

Southwest Floridians will have an easier time navigating Lee County Parks & Recreation's canoe and kayak festival this year. Activities are planned throughout Lee County, but a new "hub" focusing on Sanibel Causeway Island A will make it easier for participants to gather in one central location to try out boats or hear speakers.

The annual Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival is set for now through Sunday, November 6, with signature sponsor *Canoe & Kayak* magazine. Festival organizers offer these tips to make the most of the event:

- Buy an \$8 day pass and take the trolley. The pass helps festival-goers avoid the \$6 causeway toll and is the green way to go since the island has limited parking. (An inclusive \$60 four-day pass also is available.) Passes are available now at the Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel, which is located on Summerlin Road across from Tanger Outlets, or on Island A. Free parking will be available at Tanger and Port Sanibel Marina. The pass provides admission onto Island A, where participants can demo kayaks and stand-

up paddleboards, hear national caliber speakers and taste local dishes from Gulf Seafood.

- Watch the races. The races in past festivals were in hard-to-view locations, but not this year. The November 5 Calusa Classic and November 6 Calusa Dash both start at noon from Island A. The first leg of the 10-mile Classic parallels the causeway islands. The four-mile Dash circumnavigates the islands. Adventures in Paradise is offering a spectator boat November 5. To reserve a spot, call 472-8443. Cost is \$15 to \$25. Race registration continues up to 10:30 a.m. on race days for \$45 to \$70. Call Race Director Brian Houston at 579-6000.

- Come by boat. Lee County Parks & Recreation is providing a kayak parking area so participants can paddle to Island A and leave their boats while enjoying the festivities. Powerboaters are welcome to anchor and wade ashore. Paddlers and boaters are urged to be aware of race-route areas and avoid them.

- Head north or west instead. The annual extravaganza at UpRiver RV Resort is hosting its North Fort Myers celebration of kayaking, manatees and Conservation 20/20 preserves at noon Friday, November 4. Greater Pine Island is hosting a trilogy of events Saturday, November 5, with the annual Calusa Blueway Kayak Fishing Tournament, A

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Taste Of The Arts



Budding artists at the recent Alliance for the Arts' Fall for the Arts festival

On Sunday, November 13, Taste of the Arts, an event for art enthusiasts, will be held at the Alliance for the Arts from 4 to 8 p.m. The collaborative arts event is designed to showcase the 2011 Lee County Season of the Arts.

There will be live performances by Dance Alliance, Edison State College Theatre Program, Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers, Gulf Coast Symphony, Gulfshore Ballet, Laboratory Theatre of Florida, Southwest Florida Symphony, Symphonic Chorale of Southwest Florida, BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater and Theatre Conspiracy.

Art exhibits by Art of the Olympians, ArtFest Fort Myers, BIG ARTS and the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center will be on view. Admission is \$35 per person, which includes stage performances, art exhibits, wine and food tastings as well as a cultural coupon book with coupons valued at over \$400.

Taste of the Arts 2011 is sponsored by the Alliance of the Arts, ArtFest Fort Myers and Florida Repertory Theatre. Last year's event sold out, so purchase early to ensure you can join the fun.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard. Call 939-2787 or go to artinlee.org.

Taste Of The Town/ Occupy Fort Myers News

The Junior League of Fort Myers has announced that Occupy Fort Myers has voluntarily agreed to relocate its demonstration from Centennial Park for the entire duration of the Junior League's Taste of the Town events. As such, the concert scheduled for Saturday, November 5 at 5 p.m. and Sunday, November 6th's Taste of the Town will go on without interruption.

Taste of the Town is the largest fundraiser the Junior League has to fund programs such as Kids in the Kitchen, WISH (Women Instilling Self-Hope and Determination), and The Harlem Heights Backpack Project. The Junior League and its members serve their

mission of promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community. More information about the Junior League of Fort Myers can be found at www.jlfm.org. Junior League members look forward to seeing a crowd for Phil Vassar on Saturday, November 5 and for the 29th Annual Taste of the Town Sunday, November 6.

Ticket prices for the Saturday concert are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the event. Tickets may be purchased at www.jlfm.org. The park entrance opens at 5 p.m. Saturday with opening performances beginning at 6:30 p.m. Vassar will take the stage at 8:30 p.m. This event will kick off the 2011 Taste of the Town, which will be held on Sunday, November 6, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Concert sponsors are Cat Country 107.1, Seminole Casino, Suncoast Beverage - Budweiser, Pepsi, and Racks & Tails.*

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now

Heitman-Evans Hardware, A Vital Part of Downtown: An Inside Look



by Gerri Reaves

For almost a century, the Heitman-Evans Hardware building on the northwest corner of First and Hendry Streets has been a vital part of downtown.

Built in 1914 by Harvie E. Heitman, it replaced ramshackle 19th century wooden structures with a two-story, 60- by 150-foot pressed-brick one. Equipped with a sprinkler system, it was deemed fireproof and cost \$20,000.

Edward L. Evans managed the famous hardware store until his death in 1934. In the historic photo, he stands amidst the store's world-class array of fishing gear. No one more than Evans was responsible for making Fort Myers a destination for

tarpon fishing, and the store was the headquarters for all things related to fishing and hunting.

He designed and supplied tackle to the likes of Zane Grey, Thomas Edison, Rex Beach, and EA Pike and even wrote articles extolling the waters of Southwest Florida. He was also a proponent of no-kill tarpon fishing.

The store also sold the standard items, such as building supplies, paint, cutlery, farm implements, and appliances.

But the solid historic structure had a shaky beginning, figuratively speaking, for the legendary Heitman encountered a spate of regulatory problems in his eagerness to modernize the corner.

In May of 1914, he proposed to the city a building that would be used exclusively as a hardware store.

The following month, a controversy erupted because Heitman had obtained only verbal permission to demolish the old buildings. Some members of the building



Edward L. Evans, manager of Heitman-Evans Hardware Co., amidst the store's world-renowned stock of fishing tackle

courtesy of the Southwest Florida Historical Society



Modern offices now exist where state-of-the-art fishing equipment was displayed



The tin ceiling has been preserved



The modern elevator contains the original hand-operated control installed by the Otis Elevator Co. almost a century ago

now photos by Gerri Reaves

committee objected, pointing out that a regulation permit for the demolition was required.

The Fort Myers City Council meeting on June 10 might be one of the most dramatic on record. The heated discussions sometimes became personal, as the council evaluated the proposals to construct not only the hardware building, but a garage behind it on Bay Street and the Earnhardt Building as well.

At one minute to midnight, W. Stanley Hanson successfully terminated a two-hour argument by making a motion to grant Heitman the permit necessary to construct all the proposed projects. The motion was passed with one dissent over the garage permit.

Since the building's reign as the headquarters for tarpon fishing, it has been Belk-Lindsey Department Store, Heritage Square, school board space, and now the offices of Fowler, White, and Boggs.

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The Estates' Garden Shop becomes a cornucopia of plants for sale November 19 and 20

Estates Garden Market Returns

Throughout the Edison & Ford Winter Estates' public gardens and under the Banyan Tree, the Estates Garden Shoppe on Saturday, November 19, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, November 20, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There will be dozens of vendors selling unique tropical heritage plants and trees and garden art; local vendors will be joined by several dozen Florida vendors. Gardeners will be delighted at this one-stop shopping for unique garden items



Local vendors and vendors from around the state will offer natives and exotics for sale

including flowering trees, unusual tropical plants and fruits, bougainvillea, orchids, roses, bromeliads, palms, cactus, herbs, bonsai, bamboo, fruit, ginger and butterfly plants as well as garden art, honey, and gardening supplies.

There will also be free gardening demonstration.

The sale will be at the Estates at 2350 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 334.7419, www.edisonfordwinterestates.org. It is free to the public with free parking. For directions and additional information, go to www.edisonfordwinterestates.org ✪

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Edison Annual Garden Market

November At Edison & Ford Winter Estates

November at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates is highlighted with the return of the Edison Annual Garden Market and Boat Tours from Captiva Island and The Past in Paintings: Edison & Ford Era exhibit opening as well as a variety of other special programs and activities throughout the month. The November schedule of programs and events include:

- New: Emerging Inventors Early Learning Class – November 3, The Wheels on the Ford; November 17, Gobble Gobble; 9 to 11 a.m.

The Edison & Ford Winter Estates' newest education program series is a child and parent learning class for children ages one to three years and their parents to involve children and families in informal learning. Grandparents and caregivers are invited and neighborhood groups are also encouraged to attend. The classes are theme-based and combine science, invention, storybook reading and hands-on activities as well as immersion into the historic gardens, buildings and

museum. The Early Learning Class continues twice a month throughout the year. Cost: Edison Ford Members \$5, non-members \$15 each class. Registration is required by calling 334-7419.

- Etiquette at Edison Ford: Mina & Mimi's Manners, November 5, 11 a.m.

Mina Edison, wife of Thomas Edison, was a gracious hostess and interested in the well-being of children and the community. Following in this tradition, Etiquette at the Edison Ford includes one day (two-hour) lessons in etiquette and social skills. Children will learn proper introductions, handshakes and dining etiquette during a three-course meal. Class will be taught by Suzanne Willis who has taught similar classes at the Ritz-Carlton hotels throughout the nation. Registration required. Edison Ford Members \$40; non-members \$50.

- Monthly Volunteer Meeting and New Volunteer Orientation, November 8, 9:30 a.m.

Join Edison Ford volunteer staff and Charles Sobczak, author of *Living Sanibel – A Nature Guide to Sanibel & Captiva Islands* and *The Living Gulf Coast – A Nature Guide to Southwest Florida*. Sobczak will present The Nature of Southwest Florida, chronicling the beauty of the region and state of the area's natural environment. This is a regular monthly volunteer meeting and mandatory training for all new Edison Ford volunteers, but potential volunteers are also welcome.

- Free Admission to Veterans and their Families, November 11.

The Edison Ford is offering free

admission to U.S. veterans and their families on November 11. Free admission includes a tour of the historic homes, botanical gardens, the Estates Museum and the Edison Research Lab. Veterans must present a VA identification card or their DD214 papers to receive free admission.

- Edison Ford Garden Talk – Growing Citrus, November 12, 9 a.m.

The Edison and Ford families grew many varieties of citrus on their winter estates and today the site flourishes with many of the same varieties. Edison Ford horticulturists will teach participants which varieties grow best in Southwest Florida, how to plant, prune and fertilize as well as recommend citrus to grow in containers to produce a plentiful harvest. Edison Ford members can attend free; non-members \$5; all participants will receive 20 percent off in the Edison Ford Garden Shoppe.

- Young Scientists and Inventors Fair for Homeschoolers, November 16, 9a.m. to noon awards presentation at 1 p.m.

The second annual Young Scientists & Inventors Fair is open to all 6th to 12th grade homeschool and virtual students. Students receiving the top awards will move on to the Southwest Florida Regional Fair, Thomas Alva Edison Kiwanis Science & Engineer Fair held in January at Germain Arena, as well as the opportunity to participate in state and international level competitions. Registration is required. There is no cost to register.

- Homeschoolers: Time After Time,

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Boat cruises and tours return for the season

November 6, 1 to 3 p.m.; or November 18, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 3 p.m.

Homeschooled students will explore time, space and temperature as they learn the importance of measurement in science. Students and their parents can enroll in a two-hour program with curriculum that follows the Next Generation Florida Sunshine State Standards. Pre-visit curriculum materials will be mailed to registered families. Registration required and costs Edison Ford members \$5; non-members \$15 (one adult, one child); additional \$5 per child.

- Homeschoolers: Cartooning with Doug MacGregor, November 8, 15, 22, grades kindergarten through sixth, 9:30 a.m.; then grades seven to twelve at 1 p.m.

In this three-part series of classes, homeschooled students will learn step-by-step the process of cartooning, from brainstorming to storyboarding, with author and artist Doug MacGregor. Each class will have a different topic and students can register for one or all three classes. Curriculum follows the Next Generation Florida Sunshine State Standards. Pre-visit curriculum materials will be mailed to registered families. Registration required; for the full series, Edison Ford Members pay \$75, non-members \$80. For one class, members pay \$20, non-members \$30.

- Boat Cruises and Tours return for season, Wednesdays, November 16, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Edison Ford and Captiva Cruises

will resume Boat Cruises and Tours from Captiva to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates. The cruise tour will provide a look at the Caloosahatchee River and its importance ecologically and culturally, a great view of the Edison Ford from the water, lunch at a private club and a tour of the Edison & Ford Winter Estates. Ticket costs for Edison Ford members are \$65 adults, \$55 children (ages 12 and under); non-members pay \$75 adults, \$65 children (ages 12 and under), plus tax. The fee includes cruise, lunch and tour of the Edison Ford. Seating is limited and reservations are suggested by calling 472-5300. Customized private tours can be scheduled for groups departing from various locations any day of the week. For more information contact Captiva Cruises at 472-5300.

- New Boat Cruise, Wednesdays, beginning November 16, 12:15 p.m.

Join Mr. and Mrs. Edison and Captiva Cruises for a boat trip on the Caloosahatchee. Visitors will see wildlife, a waterside view of the Edison & Ford estates and a historic tour of the river with a naturalist commentary. Cost is \$20 for adults, and \$15 for children ages 12 and under.

- Edison Annual Garden Market, November 19 and 20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Edison Garden Market attracts plant vendors from throughout the state to sell unique plants, orchids, herbs, trees and garden merchandise. The event also includes workshops, food, music and other activities. The Edison Garden Market is free to the public.

- Exhibit opening: The Past in Paintings, the Edison & Ford Era – November 19.

Florence Keene Sansom and Buell Whitehead are two regional artists whose work is reflective of the bygone history of Southwest Florida during the past hundred years. Sansom was born in the Edison Caretaker's House, the daughter of one of the family's garden staff; Whitehead grew up in North Fort Myers, was educated at the University of Florida and traveled the nation with his work. The exhibit will continue in the Edison Caretaker's House through January.

- Floorcloth Painting Class with Marie Dyer, November 19, 10 a.m.

Artist Marie Dyer, best known for her vivid floral and still-life paintings, will teach participants how to transform a piece of unfinished floorcloth into a tropical delight. No prior painting experience is necessary. Materials included. Cost: Edison Ford Members \$70; non-members \$75. Registration required.

- Edison Ford Thanksgiving Weekend Schedule:

Closed Thanksgiving Day, November 24

Open Friday, November 25, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

- Estates Creative Cottage Opens, November 25, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Edison Ford seasonal Creative Cottage is back in the historic Edison Caretaker's House with an assortment of culinary gifts and treats. Creative Cottage will be open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily until December 2. During Edison & Ford Holiday Nights, hours will be expanded to 9 p.m. Members are free and a shopper's pass may be issued at the main ticket



Artist Marie Dyer to teach floorcloth painting class November 19

office to visit the Creative Cottage.

- Edison & Ford Holiday Nights, Holiday Party, December 1, 6 p.m.

Kick off the holiday season with the third annual holiday party at the gloriously decorated homes and gardens of the Estates. Guests will see a special preview of the 36-year annual event, there will be food and beverages by the river, live music and much more. Price for Edison Ford members is \$60; non-members will pay \$75.

- Edison & Ford Holiday Nights, December 2 through 31, 5:30 to 9 p.m.; guided tours at 6 and 7 p.m.

The beloved holiday tradition continues with Edison & Ford Holiday Nights, Southwest Florida's 36-year annual event. The winter homes of the Edison and Ford families will be seasonally decorated. Guided tours of the homes and gardens take place at 6 and 7 p.m. (special ticket) and include period decorations and Edison and Ford family traditions. The Edison Ford Inventor's Museum will be open every evening with special exhibits as well as nightly holiday performances by area students and groups. Special discount nights available to Lee County residents on December 2, 3, 4 and 5. Group rates are available to groups of 20 or more people with advance reservations. Edison & Ford Holiday Nights was chosen one of the top 100 events in the nation by the American Bus Association.

The Edison Ford is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information call 334-7419 or visit the website at www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

Alva Community Yard Sale

The Alva Community Center is holding its annual yard sale on Saturday, November 5 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The sale will be held outside on the tennis court.

The Alva Community Center is at 21371 North River Road, Alva. For more information call 239-728-2882.

Kiwanis To Sponsor Fall Festival

The Kiwanis Club of Harney Point and the Cape Coral Parks & Recreation Department will sponsor the 14th Annual Fall Kids' Festival on Saturday, October 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Jaycee Park, 4125 SE 20th Place in Cape Coral. Over 1,000 families are expected to attend.

The Fall Kids' Festival will feature entertainment throughout the day as well as Halloween costume contests, pony rides, petting zoo, clowns, games and an inflatable slide. The festival will also offer health and safety information, family-oriented vendors, give-away items, crafts and food. Admission is free. Canned food donations will be collected for the Cape Coral Caring Center.

For more information festival call Zelma Slusser of the Harney Point Kiwanis Club at 542-1741 or email zslusser@comcast.net.

The Harney Point Kiwanis Club is looking for more service-minded individuals and business professionals who would like to make a direct impact on the community through volunteering. Meetings are held every Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. at The Dog in Cape Coral. Kiwanis is a global organization

of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Founded in 1915, Kiwanis and its sponsored service organizations dedicate more than six million volunteer hours annually to strengthen communities and provide service to children.

Trade Show To Highlight Area Attractions

On Wednesday, November 9, the Southwest Florida Attractions Association invites the public to stop by its annual trade show from 4 to 7 p.m.

The one-stop-shopping destination is held to learn about all the attractions Southwest Florida has to offer to residents, guests, families, and visitors. Attendees should feel free to bring guests.

The evening will be filled with prize drawings as well as complimentary light hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. Each guest will receive one free drink ticket at registration.

The SWFAA trade show is at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 13051 Bell Tower, Fort Myers. Admission is free. RSVP by November 7 via email to sssterner@miromar.com or fax to Shelley Pritt at 948-0814.

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Defending Terriers



Brutus

I saw your cartoon in the *Island Sun* of October 28, 2011. Just so you know: we terriers EAT GATORS for breakfast.....WOOF !!!...Brutus*

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Heitman-Evans

Walk to the intersection of First and Hendry and marvel at the building that's endured, despite its regulatory rough start.

Then visit the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about the modern hardware stores that helped to build 20th century Fort Myers.

Be sure to ask about the upcoming exhibit, *Learning from Modernism: A Celebration of Mid-Century Design*, co-hosted by the American Institute of Architects, FLASW.

For information, call 321-7430 or go to swflmuseumofhistory.com. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Then follow-up your museum adventure with a visit to one 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. Ask about the guided tour of the historic Buckingham Cemetery and Buckingham schoolhouse on November 10.

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

Sources: The archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer, and Randy Wayne White's *Ultimate Tarpon Book*.*

Annual Fashion Show Fundraiser

The Lee Republican Women Federated Annual Fashion Show Fundraiser takes place Wednesday, November 30. Social time and registration begins at 11 a.m. with the fashion show/lunch to follow. The location is Forest Country Club, 6100 Club Boulevard in Southwest Fort Myers 33908. The cost is \$35 all inclusive.

The event is open to the public. For reservations, call 432-9389 or email cindyignelli222@gmail.com. Deadline for reservations is Friday, November 25.

Razzle Dazzle a locally owned and operated women's boutique, will supply the fashions. Door prizes, a money hat raffle, and a Chinese auction will also be part of the fun.

Participants are requested to bring along a gently used business attire outfit that will be donated to Southwest Florida Dress for Success.*

MOAA Meeting

The Lee Coast chapter of MOAA (Military Officers Association of America) will hold its November dinner meeting at the Crown Colony Golf and Country Club in Fort Myers on Monday, November 14, at 6 p.m. for cocktails and 7 p.m. for dinner. Speaker will be Douglas Malloy on human trafficking. Members should make reservations through the chapter website at www.leecoastmoaa.org/. Former, retired or active duty uniformed officers who are interested in joining MOAA should contact Joe Smaha at 395-0776 for membership information.*

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Brightest Horizons Needs Support To Keep Programs

For over 50 years, Brightest Horizons has been giving back to the Harlem Heights community. Since originally formed as the Lee County Migrant Mission in the late 1950s, the families of the surrounding area have been able to depend on a helping hand for the holidays.

As economic times have impacted these working families, they have also had a large impact on Brightest Horizons and its ability to continue its Holiday Giving Campaign.

Whether adopting a family for Thanksgiving so they can share a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, or supplying a child with a few presents to open Christmas morning, Brightest Horizons is in great need of community support to continue this tradition of giving.

You can make an impact on the life of a child:

- Sponsor a family in need for Thanksgiving.
- Host a holiday gathering with donations being made in your honor.
- Hold a small event at work, such as a wreath auction or 50/50 raffle with the proceeds adopting a student.
- Have a toy drive.
- Ask your child's school to have a holiday penny drive because every penny and every child can make a difference.
- Give a gift of your time, helping a student read after school.

Brightest Horizons Child Development Center is a 501(c)3, serving Lee County since 1958. The mission of Brightest Horizons is to provide educational and developmental child care for children of low-income working families and to strive to provide for the social, emotional, economic, and developmental needs of those children and their families. For more information or to find out how you can help, call 481-2100 or visit www.brightesthorizons.org.

Read Between The Wines

Enjoy an evening of fine wines and conversation with *The New York Times* best-selling author Andrew Gross at *Read Between the Wines*. Gross will discuss *Eyes Wide Open*, his most heart-stopping, mind-blowing story yet, as he interacts and connects with the audience.

Read Between the Wines is presented by the Lee County Library System and the Jewish Federation of Lee and Charlotte Counties. It will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Colonial Country Club on November 16.

Six exquisite wines, chef-carved sweet chile-glazed salmon, bruschetta, assorted cheeses, gourmet crackers and tropical fruit will be served. Hard copies of *Eyes Wide Open* will be available for sale and autographing by Andrew Gross.

Tickets are on sale now at \$50 each and can be purchased online at www.ReadBetweenTheWines.info. All proceeds go to fund the Southwest Florida Reading Festival. For more information call 533-4826 or go to www.ReadFest.org.

Greeter Club

Looking to make new friends and join in monthly activities? Attend the next luncheon meeting of The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers on November 17 at Colonial Country Club on 9181 Independence Way, Fort Myers FL 33913. Jennifer L. Basse, a certified financial planner will deliver the program. Call today to join this group of women of Lee County. Luncheon cost is \$18 with reservations required. Contacts: Janet Gambuzza, 454-5750 or Linda Fitzpatrick, 437-5653; email Greeters.Lunch@comcast.net.

Yard Sale To Help Children With Cancer

Over 450 Southwest Florida children receive support each year from the efforts of Candlelighters of Southwest Florida, a local nonprofit charity established in 1983 to provide support, education and family activities to children diagnosed with cancer and blood disorders.

People can help by donating any unused items suitable for selling at this year's yard sale. Volunteers are available to pick up donations; however, the deadline for pickup is November 12. Call 471-8702 to make arrangements or send an email request to tyler@youngselectric.biz.

Shop for bargains and help local children fighting cancer and blood disorders at the 2nd Annual Charity Yard Sale being held on Friday, November 25 and Saturday, November 26 at 5336 Southwest 11th Place in Cape Coral from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All proceeds from the weekend sale will benefit Candlelighters of Southwest Florida.

Any unsold items will be donated to the Cultural Park Theatre Company in Cape Coral for an upcoming fundraising sale to be held the following weekend.

For more information on Candlelighters, call 432-2223 or to make a monetary donation, visit www.CandlelightersSWFL.org.

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On Saturday, November 5, **Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery** is sponsoring Sand Fest 2011 in Fort Myers Beach. Listen to live music with no cover charge and enjoy free appetizers. Widen your adult beverage horizons with beer, wine and liquor tastings. Free parking is available at Nervous Nellie's and under the Mantazas Pass Bridge.

Nervous Nellie's band schedule includes No Way Jose from 1 to 5 p.m., Flash Forward from 6 to 10 p.m. and Mary Winner Band from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. (upstairs at **Ugly's Waterside Bar**). John Gowdy will perform his flying colors presentation twice during the evening. Proceeds from the sale of the paintings will go to purchase phone cards for our overseas military.

Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery is located at 1131 First Street, Fort Myers Beach in the historic Baywalk district. Call 463-8077.

Keith and Dawn Melvin have certainly come a long way since opening **Furniture World** in the storefront of an old Eckerd pharmacy in 1991. Keith, a third generation Fort Myers native, had something special about him; a keen business sense and ability to relate to customers.

It's been 20 years now and Furniture World has survived hurricanes and a devastating South Florida recession. In 2003, Melvin moved his showroom to a new



Dolphin playing in the wake of the boat on one of Captiva Cruises adventure trips

14,000-square-foot state-of-the-art showroom he built at the busy intersection of San Carlos Boulevard and Gladiolus Boulevard. Less than a mile from the showroom, Melvin built a 12,000-square-foot warehouse, allowing him to keep a full stock of almost everything on his showroom floor and meet the demands of next day delivery for his customers.

"My parents and my grandparents made a living and raised their families right here in the same place I am doing it today," Melvin said. "Nothing brings me more happiness than knowing I have added to the landscape of my hometown, and I hope even in a small way, by being a business that people have come to know and trust, I have made our community better."

Furniture World is located at 15631 San Carlos Boulevard, Fort Myers. It is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 489-3311.

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Zonta Announces MADE By US Fair

Submitted by: Dalia Jakubauskas

Area women will be raising funds and awareness for projects benefiting women both here and abroad at MADE by US: Women-made Fashions, Food and Social Change Event. To be held on Saturday, November 19 at the Unitarian-Universalist Church of Fort Myers (UUCFM), 13411 Shire Lane, the affair will feature clothing, jewelry, food and more – all made by local women.

MADE by US will also include a fashion show and speakers from Beauty From Ashes, a faith-based organization ministering to victims of the sex industry; and Abuse Counseling and Treatment Inc., a service provider for survivors of domestic violence. Speakers from the Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships Inc. (HTAP), and Guatemalan Rural Adult and Children Education (GRACE), will also make presentations. HTAP combats human trafficking by educating young people about the crime, while GRACE is a UUCFM project dedicated to improving the lives of Guatemalan women and their families through education.

The public can also see canvasses painted by area students for HTAP's ARTREACH project at the event. ARTREACH is designed to educate local children about the dangers of human trafficking through art and theater. The canvasses will be hanging at the church through the month of November.

The event is the brainchild of Sanibel resident Gari Grant Lewis, who for years dreamed of putting on an event that showcased the talents of women.

"I have a degree in fashion design and have been producing and modeling for fashion shows for 20 years using retail stores," Lewis said. "It was always my dream to use fashions women had designed and sewed themselves."

Lewis and her sister, Dr. Genelle Grant, director for GRACE, had talked extensively about putting on an event that would raise awareness surrounding projects combating violence against women. The idea crystalized when she became a member of The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva and a team member for the club's service partner, HTAP, Lewis said.

The fact that GRACE is also one of the club's service partners seemed like a perfect fit, said Lewis. Dr. Grant is also involved with the Zonta Club of Fort Myers, which will be the main sponsor of the event. Zonta clubs around the world are dedicated to advancing the status of women both locally and internationally.



Zontians Nola Theiss of HTAP (Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships Inc.), Nori Ann Reed and Gari Grant Lewis standing before several ARTREACH canvasses

In all, 32 women will be giving their energy to make MADE by US happen. The vendors will include 16 clothing and jewelry designers and four food booths. Purchases from the vendors will benefit the women directly but proceeds from ticket sales for the event will help HTAP and GRACE.

Admission to the event, which will run from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m., is \$20 for adults and \$10 for students. Buy a ticket and get a \$5 coupon good toward purchases from the vendors.

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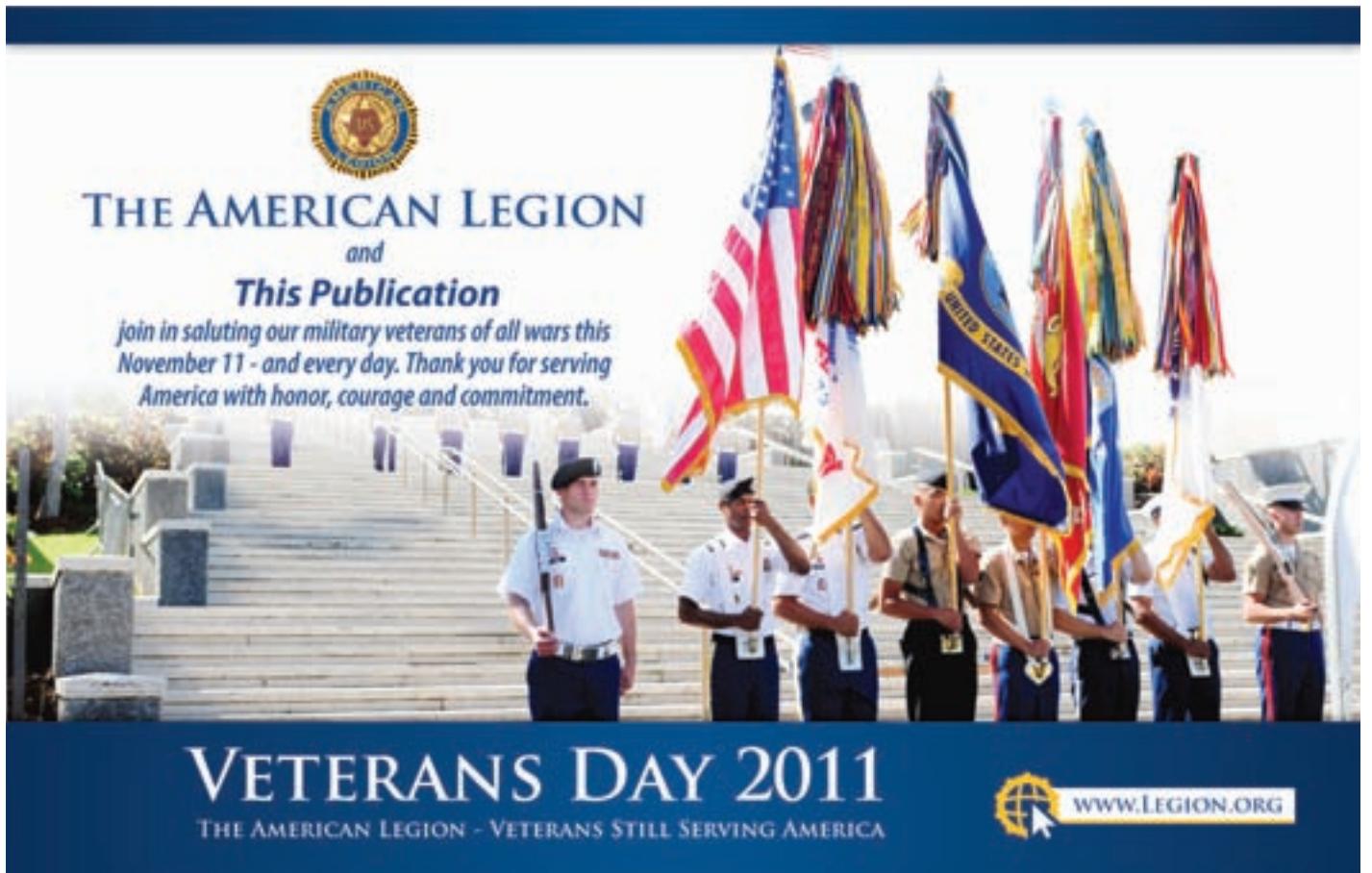
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Voices For Kids Gala To Honor Nanci DuBois

Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida Inc. and presenting sponsor ICI Insurance Center Inc. (Danielli Martel, agent) have announced the 2011 Voices' Red & White Gala to be held on Saturday, November 5 at 6 p.m. at the Royal Palm Yacht Club in Fort Myers. The evening includes a wine tasting, gourmet hors d'oeuvres, desserts and a special chocolate tasting by Norman Love Confections.

The 2011 Voice of the Year, Nancy DuBois, is executive director of Lee County Bar Association and a dedicated volunteer child advocate for the Florida Guardian ad Litem program.

A kaleidoscope of song and dance performed by Southwest Florida youth representing the Broadway Palm Children's Theater, Florida Repertory Theater and WGPU-TV Curious Kids will entertain guests throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$75 and may be pur-

chased online at www.voicesforkids.org.

Proceeds benefit Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida Inc., a nonprofit organization supporting the 20th Circuit Florida Guardian ad Litem Program in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties by providing volunteer advocates and resources for foster children not provided by any other source. The Guardian ad Litem Program supports volunteers who advocate for abused, neglected and abandoned children in court, the child welfare system and the community. For more information call 1.866.341.1425 or visit www.voicesforkids.org.*

Closet Treasures Auction And Sale

Closet Treasures Auction and Sale will be held on Saturday, November 12, from noon to 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of Light Parish Center, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers. VIP tickets are \$20. This includes tea sandwiches, tea and champagne, plus priority on the auction and sale. Prices range from \$9.99 nx up.

Items for sale include Ralph Lauren, Ellen Tracey blazers, designer dresses, formals valued from \$20 to \$2,000, plus a mink jacket valued at \$5,000, and a full-length mink coat valued at \$8,000. For information and tickets call Eileen at 947-4471, Jo or Connie at 494-6922.

At 2:30 p.m., doors will open to the general public for sales only.

Closet Treasures Auction and Sale is Sponsored by Our Lady's Society of Our Lady of Light Catholic Community.*

SWFL Christian Academy Captures Title

Southwest Florida Christian Academy's middle-school volleyball team has claimed the district title.

After a fierce battle this season, the team finished with a 21-1 record. They ended the season on Saturday, October 22, with a 2-0 victory over Community School of Naples in the district finals.

Congratulations to the following King's girls: Macy Hoesley, Olivia Jensen, Megan Thomas, Ally Frith, Lily Tessier, Meghan Todd, Kerry Linehan, Kristen Jacobs, Faith Harden, Lindsey Cox, Mikaela Toth, Abby Ferrell, Megan Derums, Krista Sciulla, Sarah Kate Sheffield, Lexi Shirey, and Tiffany Morina.*

Arts & Crafts Show Vendors Needed

Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center is looking for craft vendors for its upcoming Arts & Crafts Show to be held March 3.

The show will take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Wa-Ke Hatchee Park, 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers. Spaces are available for \$25. Tables, tents, and other supplies are not provided. Electric space is available.

Activities include a car show, live band, food vendors, demonstrations, Movie in the Park, and much more family fun. Admission is free.

For further information on this event or to become a vendor, contact Kristie Valone at 432-2154 or valonekn@leegov.com. For information about Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center & Park, go to www.leeparks.org.*

Saints Fall Bazaar

The PTL Organization at Saint Michael Lutheran School has scheduled its 6th Annual Saints Fall Bazaar for Thursday, November 10, from 2 to 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium at St. Michael Lutheran School in Fort Myers.

The event brings together school, church and local vendors to sell their goods to the public in a festive, safe and highly attended venue. The bazaar features jewelry, accessories, handmade items such as soap and crafts, candles, art, gourmet food, wine, meat rub, home decor, holiday gifts and many creative items from local families.

The bazaar continues on Friday, November 11 from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

in the school gymnasium.

A portion of all proceeds will be used to benefit St. Michael Lutheran School PTL projects.*

Grammar Granny

Join the Friends of Lakes Regional Library on November 10, at 1 p.m. to hear guest speaker Martha Jeffers who is known as the Grammar Granny.

Jeffers, who is a member of the Gulf Coast Writers Association, will present a humorous look at grammar, followed by a few practical rules everyone needs to know.

Lakes Regional Library is located at 15290 Bass Road.*

The Salvation Army, Toys For Tots Team With Norman Love To Make Christmas A Bit Sweeter

The Salvation Army and U.S. Marine Corps are once again working together to better serve needy families in Lee County. This year they have invited Norman Love Confections to partner with them on the annual Toys for Tots toy drive.

Saturday, November 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, toys will be collected at The Salvation Army and Norman Love Confections. To sweeten the deal, donors bringing new unwrapped toys to either location will receive a free four-piece box of Norman Love Confections.

The Salvation Army is located at 10291 McGregor Boulevard; Norman Love Confections is at 11380 Lindbergh Boulevard, east of I-75 off Daniels Parkway. Chocolates are limited and available while supplies last. One box per donation (not per toy), per family.

"Every year it seems like there is a greater need," said Norman Love. "I hope our chocolates serve to inspire our community to donate, as I can't imagine a child not receiving toys at Christmas."

Last year, The Salvation Army of Lee, Hendry and Glades counties provided nearly 47,000 children with gifts as part of its annual Christmas Cheer program.

Toys for Tots, run by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, collects unwrapped toys for distribution to children whose parents cannot afford to buy gifts for the holidays. For more information, visit www.toysfortots.org.*

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GREAT VENDORS

The Low Tides Of Winter Are Here



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

This week we experienced our first really big minus low tides of the winter season. These mega low tides showed sandbars and exposed grass flats I had not seen since

last winter. I have always enjoyed fishing these super low tides as they really seem to bunch the fish up tight.

Either back in small mangrove bays and natural creeks or out in the open sound, fishing the channels that run between the grass flats all these places produce fish on these lowest of low tides.

Out in the open sound I spent my time working narrow deeper channels and the grass edges of these channels. Free-lined live shiners and shrimp caught trout after trout. Though there were not too many keepers in the mix, it was non-stop action. Switching it up to weedless soft plastic jigs, the action continued.

The deeper channels held Spanish mackerel, jacks and ladyfish too.

Sea trout season in our area is closed November and December for the annual spawn. This really makes no sense to me as all the trout I clean this time of year have no roe in them at all. Early spring seems to be the time that trout in this region are full of roe.

The cooler clear water of winter will bring some of the best trout fishing of the

year, although you will have to wait until January to keep one again.

Deeper mangrove shorelines and channels with strong current in the 3- to 5-foot range were a better bet for snook, redfish and even a few gag grouper. Shiners, pinfish and shrimp fished close to or right on the bottom caught these fish.

The better bite for me this week came on the first hour or so of the low incoming tide. Chumming a few live shiners in these narrow creeks will let you know really quickly if it's worth sticking around and if you have picked the right shoreline to be fishing. If the channel has feeding fish they will explode on the freebees. This is mixed bag fishing at its best with so many species balled up tight together.

Out along the beaches this week, conditions finally laid down. Huge schools of Spanish mackerel could be found just on the outside of Blind Pass. After running from the Sanibel Lighthouse north one afternoon, I did not see one Spanish mackerel until I reached Blind Pass, then there was just acres of them feeding along with a few Kingfish crashing the party.

After lots of reports on the news of red tide, I was pleasantly surprised not to see any dead fish out to three or four miles.

Tripletail fishing was a little hit and miss with lots of small tripletail out there this week. After running hundreds of pots one afternoon, we ended up only catching a 12-pounder and a 7-pounder. The crab buoys on which these fish rest are still kind of clean and this fishery will only get better and better over the next few months.

I did have a report, though, this week of an 18-pound monster caught off of

to the Fort Myers area. Students will be using chart 11427 and must bring this chart to class. Optional on-the-water training will be offered at a later date; check with the class instructor for details.

The cost of the class is \$40. The location is the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron classroom, 16048 San Carlos Boulevard at the corner of Kelly Road (across from ACE Hardware). Students can register online at www.scbps.com or call 466-4040.✪



Trout season in our area is closed November and December

Fort Myers Beach in 21 feet of water.

Live shrimp are the best choice of bait for sightfishing these tasty fish.

Regulations on tripletail are two per angler per day with a 15-inch minimum length.

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.✪

Local Waters/Local Charts Class

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons, will be offering its Local Waters/Local Charts class on Saturday, November 5, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The class is directed at new boaters and boaters new to the area, as well as those wishing to learn chart reading. It will provide some of the basics of navigation, oriented

Send Us Your Fish Tales

The River Weekly would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the River Weekly, 1609 Hendry Street, Suite 15, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, or email to press@riverweekly.com.



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Morning Meander Atop The Marsh

Lee County Parks will hold a Guided Nature Walk from 9 to 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 5, on the Quarter-Mile Loop Boardwalk at Prairie Pines Preserve. Walkers should meet in the parking lot at 18400 North Tamiami Trail in North Fort Myers

From an ADA-compliant boardwalk, this hour-long stroll will traverse a seasonal marsh where walkers can learn more about the plants and animals that call it home. The walk covers one small section of a 2,654-acre Conservation 2020 wilderness oasis that includes hiking and equestrian trails and wildlife observation areas. Restrooms are available on site.

This free tour is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation. For more information, call 707-2206.*



Green tree frog at Prairie Pines Preserve

How To Find Fish

A question anglers always ask is, "Where are the fish?" Capt. George Howell will explain areas highly traveled by fish and how transition zones can help put you in the right place at the right time. Details will be provided about tidal flow and how fish use structure to ambush prey. These concepts will help you find more fish and the correct way to fish for them.

Students must be at least 16 years of age to take part in the class scheduled for Thursday, November 10, from 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$20 for Cape Coral residents, and \$30 for non-residents. The location is the Cape Coral Yacht Club. Pre-registration is required. Contact the Yacht Club at 574-0806.*

23rd Christmas Boat Parade

The Greater Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce Boat Parade will light up Fort Myers Beach on December 3. The event is expected to feature 25 to 30 illuminated boats decorated with an array of animated Christmas scenes and filling the air with Christmas carols.

This nighttime parade will be led by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus on the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce boat sponsored by Adventures in Paradise. The festive boats will navigate the intracoastal on a two-hour journey as thousands of spectators gather at local waterfront restaurants, public areas, and private homes to watch the parade and celebrate the holiday season.

"For me the Fort Myers Beach Boat Parade signifies the start of the Christmas season," said Dan Eaton, chairperson for the boat parade. "It is a fun and festive event that brings our community together. It is our Macy's Parade, Fort Myers Beach Style!"

The vessels will assemble in front of the docks at Salty Sam's Marina at 5:45 p.m. At 6:10 p.m. the boats will begin to leave Salty Sam's Marina going past Parrot Key Caribbean Grill and Big Game Waterfront Grill heading northwest and rounding the corner in front of Doc Ford's and under the sky bridge. The parade will travel in and out of the first two channels in Siesta Bay. Then

they'll take the Matanzas Pass channel towards Bowditch Point, turning in front of the Pink Shell Resort, passing Nervous Nellies, Matanzas Inn and finishing at Salty Sam's Marina for the Winners Circle Party at Big Game Waterfront Grill.

Salty Sam's Marina is offering free overnight dockage to all participating boats with advance registration. Boats will be required to pay for electricity if needed. Salty Sam's Marina is located at 2500 Main Street, Fort Myers Beach. For advance reservations, call 463-7333.

Awards will go to the first three places in the following categories: power-driven vessels up to 26 feet in length, power vessels 26 feet and over, and sailboats. There is no cost to enter the parade and businesses are encouraged to sponsor a boat.

This year will also include a People's Choice Award. Voting will take place at participating local restaurants including Big Game Waterfront Grill and Parrot Key Caribbean Grill. Other viewing areas include the fishing piers under Matanzas Pass, Baywalk Fountain Square, and the Siesta Bay canals.

To register to participate in the boat parade, contact the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce at 454-7500. Registration forms are available on the chamber website at <http://fortmyers-beachchamber.org>. Anyone who would like to be a sponsor, contact Nancy Eaton at the chamber office.*

Fall At The Six Mile Cypress Slough

Immerse yourself in nature this fall at the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve. Staff and volunteers will offer a wide variety of programs for the public. Opportunities to explore nature on the boardwalk include daily guided walks, monthly moon walks, a native plant uses walk, and an introduction to birding walk. Other activities include a photo contest, a pine needle basket-making class, a tracking club and an alligator detectives program. See below for more details and get outside!

Photo Contest

November 1 through February 1

Pick out your favorite slough photos and enter them into our photo contest beginning November 1. All entries must be submitted by February 1. Awards will be presented at a reception held at the slough on Saturday, February 25 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Winners will be announced at 11 a.m. Contest rules and entry forms are available at the Interpretive Center desk or online at www.sloughpreserve.org.

Full Moon Walk

Thursday, November 10, 5:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Friday, December 9, 5:30 to 7 p.m. Experience the slough in a new light – the light of the full moon, as visitors enjoy a guided sensory walk. Listen for some of the nightlife, smell night fragrances and get a new perspective of the slough. Experienced volunteer naturalists

lead small groups around the trail for this walk. The fee is \$5 per person aged six and older. Reservations are required; call 533-7440 or online at www.leeparks.org

Pine Needle Basket-Making Class

Saturday, November 12, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Make a basket from needles just in time for Thanksgiving. Participants will also learn collection and preparation techniques. All materials are provided. Class is \$15 per person aged 12 and older. Reservations are required by calling 533-7440 or online at www.leeparks.org

The Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is a Lee County Parks and Recreation wetland preserve with a raised boardwalk open to the public seven days a week from dawn until dusk. The trail is fully accessible and consists of a 3/4-mile lower loop; the entire trail is 1.2 miles long. Visitors to this site will see examples of old Florida in the plants and animals that live there. This natural setting provides the perfect backdrop for Florida wildlife such as wading birds, turtles, alligators, otters, squirrels, woodpeckers, butterflies, dragonflies and more. Opportunities to see wildlife are plentiful whether walking on the trail or sitting at a pond overlook.

For more information, visit www.leeparks.org or contact Heather Gienapp at 533-7556.*

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Earleaf Acacia



Ear-shaped pods split to reveal black seeds that birds disperse

by Gerri Reaves

Earleaf acacia (*Acacia auriculiformis*) is an evergreen tree of up to 50 feet tall with a 25-foot spread and spikes of tiny yellow-orange flowers.

The tree's curious name derived from the ear-shaped seed pod that upon maturity splits open to reveal flat black seeds.

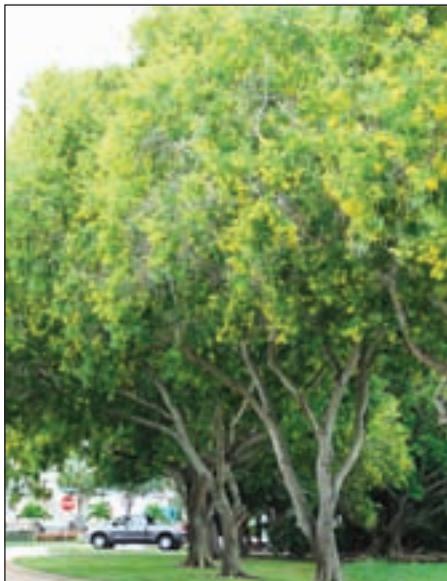
But this pretty tree is no friend of South Florida. A native of Australia, Papua New Guinea, and Indonesia, it invades pinelands, scrub habitat, and hammocks, posing a significant threat to native plants, even rare ones.

It is listed as a category-I invasive species by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council. Like many pests, this member of the pea family was introduced as an ornamental, arriving in Florida before 1932 and used to landscape streets.

One popular book on landscaping published in the 1980s describes it as a "favorite tree of many land developers for its fantastic growth and rock bottom purchase price."

Its ability to grow six to eight feet in one growing season earns it the distinction of being an "almost instant shade tree."

Unfortunately, it adapts superbly to Florida's dry-wet seasons and can thrive in habitats with nutrient-poor soil. In addition, it fruits prolifically and the seeds are dispersed by birds.



Earleaf acacia, a category-I pest plant, was once commonly used in street plantings

photos by Gerri Reaves



Spikes of yellow-orange flowers appear much of the year

The flat, stiff crescent-shaped leaves are dark green and five to eight inches long. The tree is most noticeable when the flowers appear at the tips of the stems or in the leaf axils.

It is advisable to remove this invasive tree from the landscape and hand-pull any seedlings. Another reason to remove it is a high susceptibility to wind breakage.

Because of its low-maintenance, earleaf acacia is used as a container plant. But care should be taken that no seeds escape and add to the ecological invasion.

Sources: plants.ifas.ufl.edu and Florida, My Eden by Frederic B. Stresau.

*Plant Smart explores sustainable gardening practices that will help you create an environmentally responsible, low-maintenance South Florida landscape.**

Economic Value Of Conservation Lands Reviewed

Florida Gulf Coast University's Whitaker Center for STEM Education hosts *Cela Tega 2011*, a conference to examine the economic benefits of conservation lands in Estero Bay Watershed, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 2, at the Student Union Ballroom. The conference is free and open to the general public, agency employees, local government staff and elected officials.

Plenary speaker is University of Miami economist Richard Weiskoff. Lunch keynote speaker is NPR Science correspondent Chris Joyce.

Topics include mechanisms to calculate economic values of conservation lands; comparing conservation lands to real estate values; the global economic value of conservation lands; benefits of unde-

veloped lands in saving transportation dollars; benefits on tourism, fishing and boating; ecosystem services; benefits on flood insurance rates; economics of water quality; and the value of local parks.

To register, go to: <http://itech.fgcu.edu>. Lunch and snacks provided by FGCU student club ECO-Action.

Sponsors include Estero Bay Agency on Bay Management, FGCU College of Arts and Sciences, Journalism Program, Honors Program, Center for Environmental & Sustainability Education, the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program, the Responsible Growth Management Coalition, Happehatchee Center, the League of Women Voters, and the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council.

For information, call Nora Egan Demers, associate professor of biology and interdisciplinary studies, 590-7211.*

Captiva Cruises Resuming Tour To Tarpon Lodge, Calusa Heritage Trail

Captiva Cruises' newest expedition in its Discover Southwest Florida History tours will focus on the fishing cultures in Pine Island Sound, a story of fascinating characters and traditions. This cruise will depart from McCarthy's Marina on Captiva and travel to Pineland on Pine Island.

Along the way, passengers will get an up-close look at historic fish houses of Pine Island Sound and discuss commercial fishing and the fishing cultures from the indigenous Calusa, to Spanish Cuban Ranchos, to the Punta Gorda Fish Company and to the spectacular tarpon and sport fishing of today. The tour will be greeted at The Tarpon Lodge and passengers will be oriented to this spectacular location, the family-run business and their tradition of fishing within Pine Island Sound and Charlotte Harbor. Passengers then will relax while enjoying the "old Florida" charm of the 1926 Tarpon Lodge where lunch will be served with waterfront views of the sound and its mangrove islands.

After lunch, the group will walk to The Randell Research Center (RRC), located across the street from The Tarpon Lodge. The RRC, a program of the Florida Museum of Natural History, aims to establish and maintain, at the internationally significant Pineland archeological and historical site, a permanent facility dedicated to learning and teaching the archeology, history and ecology of Southwest Florida. An RRC educator will guide the tour on The Calusa Heritage Trail to one of the pre-Columbian mounds of the ancient Calusa while elaborating on this unique fishing culture.

The resumption of the tour to Pine Island will occur on Saturday, October 15, at 10 a.m. Captiva Cruises has established Discover Southwest Florida History cruises to Cabbage Key, Useppa Island, Boca Grande and has recently added cruises to The Edison & Ford Winter Estates on the Caloosahatchee as well as this cruise to Pine Island. These are excellent opportunities for family and neighborhood outings to learn about the history of Southwest Florida and enjoy a day on the water.

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Red-Shouldered Hawk



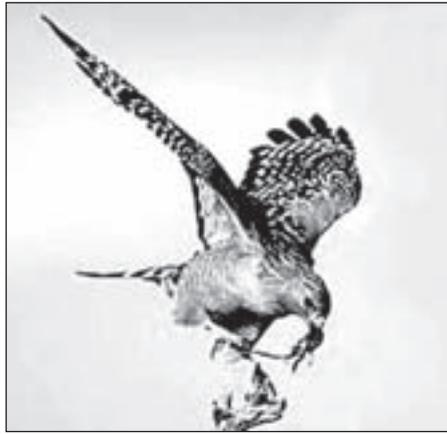
by Emilie Alfino

An adult red-shouldered hawk came in to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) on September 20. He was found in the Tanglewood development in South Fort Myers.

The hawk was found in a backyard just laying on his side. When he arrived at CROW, staff found him alert and responsive although quite dehydrated. "His body condition was fair, he just didn't want to stand," said CROW Wildlife Rehabilitator Robin Bast. "We were thinking he might have a fracture." Staff took X-rays, but nothing untoward showed up.

"He did have deep pain and sensitivity in his leg, which is a good sign that his nerves are still working," Bast explained. "We test for pain by using a hemostat, a surgical tool similar to forceps. We squeeze the animal gently, and he should feel it and pull back. If he doesn't, it means he can't feel it."

The bird had neurological deficits when he came in; he was weak and "not quite all there for some reason,"



Red-shouldered hawk in flight

according to Bast. "There was no sign of outward injuries so we thought it was likely trauma that caused neurologic symptoms".

Because the patient was so dehydrated, staff inserted an IO catheter (IO means *interosseous*, or "inside the bone") to more quickly deliver fluids, as opposed to subcutaneous absorption. The IO method is much faster at getting fluids through the body.

Staff ran some basic tests that are usually run on birds – for bacteria, infection, and other problems. "We found some unwanted bacteria in his gut," said Bast. "That could have been responsible for part of his weakness." She put her patient on Baytril, an antibiotic, and started basic supportive care.

It turned out that the bird's right leg had the most issues. By the next day, he could move his left leg but could



Close-up, red-shouldered hawk

only grip with his right leg. He couldn't perch but was making some improvement nonetheless.

Two days after his arrival at CROW, staff removed the catheter, as the hawk was hydrated enough to continue to care for him using subcutaneous and oral fluids.

"At this point he started being more eager to eat," said Bast. "We were still hand-feeding him, but instead of us having to open his mouth and actually place the food in, he was grabbing for it."

On September 26, the hawk was eating on his own quite well and also starting to perch on his own. He would fall off from time to time so he wasn't entirely "with it," as Bast explained, but he was getting better.

The patient completed his week's round of antibiotics on the 27th. He

stayed inside for one more day and then moved to one of the smaller outdoor flight cages.

"He was flying around really well out there so we decided to give him more space," Bast stated. "We wanted him to gain energy and stretch those flight muscles."

But it soon became clear that the hawk was feeling very stressed, according to Bast. "We entered the cage two times a day to clean and feed him and he would show stressed behavior."

He was ready to be free of his cage and was released October 4. "I would have liked him to stay three or four more days to get stronger, but it was better for him to go than to be as stressed as he was," Bast explained.

The bird was released in Tanglewood, where he was found. Bast was present for the release.

"I opened the carrier door and he didn't want to come out at first," Bast recounted. "I pulled out the towel that was on the bottom of the carrier. Then he made a nice, strong flight down the block and up into a palm tree. That last flight you see of a healthy bird makes the rehabilitation effort all worth it."

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a nonprofit 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. Visit www.crowclinic.org or call 472-3644.✱

Excitement Builds For TV's America's Darling

Excitement is building as production progresses on Marvo Entertainment Group LLC's latest national television project, *America's Darling*, the story of Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling (1876-1962), the *Des Moines Register* cartoonist and pioneering conservationist. The month of October brings the release of a new video preview of the interview with Darling's grandson, Christopher "Kip" Koss, at Darling-related events around the country.

After being shown October 8 at Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge in Prairie City, Iowa, as part of its annual "Ding" Darling Day, the video was presented during "Ding" Darling Days at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge in Sanibel October 16 at 1 p.m. The next stop for the preview was the National Duck Stamp Contest at the National Conservation Training Center in Shepherdstown, West Virginia, October 28 and 29.

Fall has also seen Executive Producer Samuel Koltinsky's travels for the project continue. Recently he met with Vaughn Collins, former Chief of the National Duck Stamp Program, currently director of government affairs for the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership in Washington, DC.

Collins is keenly aware of Darling's contributions to conservation. "'Ding' Darling was one of the great conservationists in America," he said. "Darling helped to create one of the most effective land conservation programs in the history of our country, the Federal Duck Stamp program. Since its inception in 1934, the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, commonly known as the Duck Stamp, has conserved over 5.3 million acres of critical wildlife in all 50 states. The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership is working to continue the spirit of Darling's conservation ethic through our work partnering with America's hunting and fishing community. Now more than ever, it is important to recognize 'Ding' Darling the conservationist, and hope that, through his legacy, the *America's Darling* production will inspire future generations to follow his path."

Koltinsky's travels next took him to Memphis, Tennessee, to the national headquarters of Ducks Unlimited, where he discussed *America's Darling* with H. Dale Hall, CEO of Ducks Unlimited and former director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "I am very excited about the *America's Darling* project, an effort to recognize a true leader in the realm of American wildlife conservation," Hall said. "JN 'Ding' Darling was highly influential in creating conservation management as we know it today. He marshaled support for the first duck stamp, which he personally drew. He brought the science of habitat management into the mainstream of the Biological Survey, the

predecessor of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. And he created the Cooperative Research Units in Universities in partnership with the Federal government and State Fish and Wildlife Agencies to train wildlife professionals. This project and recognition of the contributions made by "Ding" Darling are long overdue."

Marvo Entertainment Group has announced the latest addition to the *America's Darling* team, Associate Producer Tom Neff. Oscar-nominated and Emmy-winning filmmaker and founder of the Documentary Channel, Neff brings a host of experience and expertise to the project.

CROW Presents Wildlife Wonders

CROW, the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, will be presenting daily Wonders of Wildlife at its Healing Winds Visitor Education Center at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

All presentations begin at 11 a.m. and are free to members and children age 12 and younger. All others are asked for a \$5 donation to attend. Admission includes the opportunity to explore CROW's interactive visitor education center both before and/or after the presentation. The upcoming schedule of presentations for this week is as follows:

- Friday, November 4
Meet an Animal Ambassador pre-

Another new member of the Team is the *America's Darling* intern, Signe Mayland, a senior at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa. A triple major in history, sociology, and religion, Mayland brings with her research skills and a knowledge of Iowa's history.

Marvo Executive Producer Samuel Koltinsky's work is inspired by a passion for stories, history, preservation, and the environment. He may be contacted by phone at 270-625-6815 or email at sam@marvoentertainmentgroup.com.✱

presented by CROW wildlife partner Melinda Russek, public relations director with the Calusa Nature Center. Animal ambassadors cannot live in the wild due to physical or psychological injuries. Learn more about the personal and natural histories of these special animals. An Eastern Screech Owl will be the first ambassador story we will share.

- Saturday, November 5

Getting to Know CROW presented by volunteer Gail Seldess. An overview of who we are, what we do and how you can help.

- Tuesday, November 8

Armadillos and Raccoons: A Timeline from Injury to Release presented by CROW volunteers Dot Lee and Kyle Miller. Lee and Miller will explain the step-by-step process of rescuing, admitting,

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Southwest Florida Symphony Opens 2011-2012 Season

The Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra with Michael Hall as music director and conductor, will present the opening concert of the 2011-12 season on November 5 at 8 p.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall. A free pre-concert lecture about the evening's program will take place in the hall at 7:15 p.m.

For this concert Maestro Hall has programmed three masterpieces from great 19th century Romantic composers.

A colorful and dramatic work, *Les Préludes* is the best known and most popular of Liszt's symphonic poems. Schumann's *Piano Concerto* is full of lyricism, tenderness and energy, a beautiful work from beginning to end. The cheerful and pastoral *Second Symphony* by Brahms is among the best-loved works by the composer.

Liszt's *Les Préludes* is the third and most famous of his 13 symphonic poems. The *Piano Concerto in A Minor* is Schumann's only piano concerto. The work is in three movements with no pause between movements two and three.

The soloist will be pianist Christopher Taylor. Among his generation of pianists, Taylor stands out as an innovative musician with a diverse array of talents and interests. During the past few years he has appeared regularly in many important concert halls and developed a loyal following throughout the United States and abroad; critics hail him as "one of the most impressive young pianists on the horizon today" (*The Washington Post*) and "frighteningly talented" (*The New York Times*). Whatever the genre or era of the composition, Taylor brings to it an active imagination and intellect coupled with heartfelt intensity and grace.

The program will conclude with the *Symphony No. 2* by Johannes Brahms. This is a four-movement work, one of only four symphonies by the master and according to the League of American Orchestras, the "most performed symphony" nearly every year in America.

The Southwest Florida Symphony Society will present the annual opening gala in the Judd Pavilion at the Barbara

B. Mann Performing Arts Hall prior to the November 5 concert from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the party are priced at \$30 or a special package (including party and concert ticket) may be purchased for \$60. All proceeds benefit the Southwest Florida Symphony. Patrons should make reservations by October 29 by calling 995-1261.

The performance of works by Liszt, Schumann and Brahms will be repeated at the Village Church at Shell Point on Monday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m. General admission tickets for the Shell Point performance are \$20.

Pianist Christopher Taylor will present a piano master class on Sunday, November 6 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Recital Hall of the Bower School of Music at Florida Gulf Coast University. Students and the public are invited. Those who attend the class are invited to attend the dress rehearsal on November 5 at 10 a.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall and may purchase tickets to the November 7 concert for \$5 each. To register for the master class, call the symphony office at 418-0996.

Highlights:

- Master Works 1 – Saturday, November 5, 8 p.m., Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall; Music of Liszt, Schumann and Brahms with Christopher Taylor as piano soloist

- Symphony Society Opening Gala – November 5, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Judd Pavilion

- Concert repeated on Monday, November 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Village Church at Shell Point

- Pianist Christopher Taylor presents a Master Class – Sunday, November 6, 1 to 3:30 p.m. at FGCU Bower School of Music Recital Hall

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Calendar Girls Fail To Scare



Members of Calendar Girls Florida donned a variety of Halloween costumes to dance at the 20th Annual Harvest Festival at the STARS Complex recently

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Kayak Festival

Taste of Matlacha and Bluegrass for a Blueway at Matlacha Park. Taste and Bluegrass have free admission. Anglers still can enter for \$60. Call coordinator Joy Hazell at 533-7518 or Josh Harvel at 233-0655.

- Head to the beach. The Southwest Florida Paddling Club, Tampa Bay Sea Kayakers and Paradise Coast Paddling Club are hosting free group paddles. Details are available on the festival website. On Fort Myers Beach, festival-goers can join the first-ever Jug Boat Race to raise funds for Wake Up America. The Saturday, November 5, event is at Bowditch Regional Park and involves homemade boats. Call organizer Wendy Rex at 810-4742.

- Make it an evening affair. The O'Brien Subaru Kickoff Reception is Thursday, November 3, and the *Canoe & Kayak Film Fest* is Friday, November 4. Both are at The Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Myers-Sanibel, providing opportunities to meet-and-greet VIPs in the paddling world, as well as food and beverages. Admission is \$15; four-day pass holders admitted free. Then Saturday, join paddlers at the San Carlos RV Resort to watch renowned backcountry gourmet Michael Gray whip up goodies and hear from the paddling adventurers called The WaterTribe. Food and live music provided; \$20 at the door; four-day pass holders admitted free. Details online.

This 6th Annual Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival has been selected as one of the Southeast Tourism Society's Top 20 Events for 2011. Complete details – including how to win one of three kayaks being given away – are online at www.CalusaBluewayPaddlingFestival.com or available by calling 533-7474.*

Art Walk Fort Myers Presents Saturday Art Fair

Art Walk Fort Myers is now a two-day event through April 2012!

Join Art Walk on Saturday, November 5, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the Saturday Art Fair in The River District. Local art vendors will be set up on the sidewalks on First Street selling their art.

Painters, potters, jewelry makers, photographers, Ho Ho Hats and more will be selling the works they created on the First Street sidewalks from Jackson Street to Dean Street. Thirty-seven local art vendors and of course the downtown galleries, shops and restaurants are open for participants' enjoyment. Shop early for the holiday season – and buy local.

There is no admission charge. Contact Claudia at 939-2553 or cgoode@actabuse.com for more information on this event.*



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Alliance For The Arts Announces Sunday Sunset Concert Series

The Alliance for the Arts announces the 2012 Bruce T. Gora Sunday Sunset Concert Series, which was established in memory of long-time Alliance board member, community arts advocate, architect and musician Bruce Gora. The three-show series kicks off Sunday, February 26 with Little Eddie & the Fat Fingers and is followed by Davina & the Vagabonds on March 18, and Rebekah Pulley on April 22. The outdoor shows begin at 5 p.m. with doors opening at 4 p.m. Lawn chairs, blankets, picnic baskets and coolers are welcome on the lawn at the Margaret Morrow Frizzell Amphitheater at the Alliance. The concert series is presented by the Alliance and LCEC.

Naples-based Little Eddie & The Fat Fingers will lead off the series on February 26 with a mix of Delta, Chicago, boogie woogie and rocking blues. The band is made up of Ryan Bladen on vocals and guitar, Peter Orifice on piano, Eric Jeffcoat on bass, Andrew Galler on drums and occasionally Marc Ferris on harmonica.

Next up, Davina & the Vagabonds are back by popular demand on Sunday, March 18. They're known in the Twin Cities, Minnesota as "the busiest band in town" because of their hard-working professionalism, high energy stage performances and original sound. Their music has been described as "hot jazz-blues-cabaret-soul-lounge-rock that warms the soul and just plain makes ya' wanna dance."

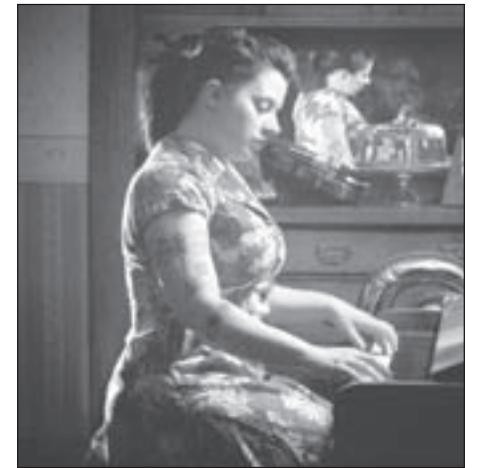
Then on April 22 Alaskan born singer/songwriter and guitarist Rebekah Pulley and her band will bring their rootsy blend of soulful, southern folk-rock to the stage. She has garnered numerous songwriting awards for her ethereal vocals and poetic lyrics since breaking into the Tampa music scene in 2000.

Tickets are available at www.artinlee.org. Pre-sale tickets for the three-concert series are on sale at a discounted rate of \$45. General admission is \$20. Alliance for the Arts is located on the corner of Colonial and McGregor boulevards. Food and beverages will be available for purchase but coolers are welcome. These events are presented in partnership with LCEC and Alliance media sponsor The News Press Media Group.

The Alliance for the Arts galleries are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard.*



Little Eddie & the Fat Fingers



Davina & the Vagabonds



Rebekah Pulley

Arts And Culture Grant Winners

The City of Fort Myers recognizes the importance of the arts to the cultural, educational, and economic well-being of its population. Ten years ago, City Council created the Arts and Culture Grants program for nonprofit arts and culture organizations, nonprofit organizations providing art and culture projects and programs, and individual artists serving Fort Myers.

To enhance access by all residents to a full range of cultural experiences, the city provides this funding through its annual budget process each year. The fiscal year 2010-2011 budget allocated \$100,000 for Arts and Culture Grants. The Public Art Committee awarded that \$100,000 to 37 arts organizations and individuals. Since beginning this grant program, the city has given more than \$750,000 to 176 individuals and organizations. The following artists and organizations were awarded grants this year:

Operating Grant Recipients
 Alliance for the Arts \$7,500
 ArtFest Fort Myers, Inc. \$7,500
 Art League of Fort Myers \$3,000
 Florida Art Center \$7,800
 Florida Repertory Theatre \$7,500
 Gulf Coast Symphony \$6,000
 Theatre Conspiracy \$7,500
 Woodturners of Southwest Florida \$2,000

Projects And Program Grant Recipients

Caloosa Nature Center and Planetarium \$2,000
 Community Cooperative Ministries, Inc. \$2,500
 Creative Theater Workshop, Inc. \$2,000
 Music Foundation of Southwest Florida \$2,500
 River District Alliance \$4,000
 Southwest Florida Historical Society \$2,500
 Southwest Florida Symphony \$4,000
 Young Artists Awards \$4,000
Individual Artist Grant Recipients
 Kellenn Beck Mills \$500
 Katherine Boren \$1,500
 James Brock \$1,000
 Barry Cavin \$1,000
 Patricia Collins \$2,000
 Mark Cranford \$800
 Jamie Golob \$1,000
 David Hatchett \$2,000
 Philip Heubeck \$1,000
 Mamie Holst \$1,500
 Krista Johnson \$2,000
 TLeo Johnson \$2,000
 Eric Levin \$800
 Doug MacGregor \$2,000
 Ann McCarty Sickels \$800
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 Sherry Rohl \$1,000
 Kenneth Rowe \$1,000
 Carl Schwartz \$1,500
 Tim Smith \$2,000
 Terry Lynn Spry \$800
 For information, call Donna Lovejoy, City of Fort Myers at 321-7217.*



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Lakes Regional Library Programs

Next month's roster of activities at Lakes Regional Library offers topics for all ages. The following activities are free to the public:

Adults

- English Café, 6 p.m. Mondays, November 7, 14, 21, 28

Practice your English with English Café, a free conversation session for adult ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) and ESL (English as a Second Language) students. Each 90-minute session provides adult learners an opportunity to practice speaking English with native speakers. Participants may start at any time. Advanced registration is not necessary.

- Book Discussion: Jaimy Gordon's *Lord of Misrule*, 2 p.m. Tuesday, November 15

Read and discuss this National Book Award Winner. At the rock-bottom end of the sport of kings sits the ruthless and often violent world of cheap horse racing, where trainers and jockeys, grooms and hotwalkers, loan sharks and touts all struggle to take an edge, or prove their luck, or just survive. Equal parts Nathanael West, Damon Runyon and Eudora Welty, *Lord of Misrule* follows five characters, scarred and lonely dreamers in the American grain, through a year and four races at Indian Mount Downs, downriver from Wheeling, West Virginia. Registration is required.

Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library Programs

Next month's roster of activities at Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library offers topics for all ages. The following activities are free to the public:

Adults

- Bedbugs!, 6 p.m. Wednesday, November 2

This CEU-eligible (Continuing Education Units) program is for day-care providers, teachers, and anyone who wants to know how to recognize a bedbug bite, what to do when you see one, and all the details on bedbugs in Southwest Florida. Registration is requested.

- Create a Beaded Snowflake, 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 4

Make a lovely beaded snowflake to hang in your window, sparkle on a package or adorn a card. It is easy and fun to make; it only looks complicated. All materials supplied. Registration is required.

- Evaluating Evidence: Do the Facts and Circumstances Fit?, 9:30 a.m. Saturday, November 5

Genealogical research generates discoveries made from a wide variety of sources. Examples would include family members, friends, neighbors and others who claim to have knowledge about an ancestor, family, or event related to your research. The facts presented may

Family

- Toddler Storytime, 10 a.m. Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30

Children two years old and their caregivers participate in song, fingerplays and short stories. The success of this age group depends on adult participation and encouragement. Toddler storytime lasts approximately 30 minutes.

- Family Storytime, 11 a.m. Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30

This program is for the whole family and lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is required.

- Baby-Parent Rhyme Time, 10 a.m. Mondays, November 7, 14, 28

Be prepared to tickle, jump and fly with your baby! These rhymes and songs are for infants up to 24 months, accompanied by an adult. This 20-minute program is filled with songs designed to introduce rhyming and movement to infants. Registration is required.

Children

- Preschool Storytime, 11 a.m. Mondays, November 7, 14, 28

Preschoolers (ages three to five) attend this storytime independently while parents or caregivers wait nearby in the library building. This storytime includes activities that require more participation and a longer attention span. Each preschool storytime lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is required.

- Medieval Mania, 4 p.m. Wednesday, November 9

Enter a medieval world of knights, dragons, and princesses. Explore this exciting era through stories, activities, and a craft.

or may not be valid. Eventually, you must begin the process of evaluating this information for accuracy. This seminar will discuss the most useful techniques used to test the accuracy of information. Registration is required.

- Holiday\$ on the Cheap!, 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 8

Celia Hill from the Lee County Extension Service will provide ideas for holiday planning without breaking the bank and ideas for low-cost, fun holidays when you haven't had time to plan. A door prize will be provided for all attendees. Registration is requested.

- Book Discussion: Olga Grushin's *The Line*, noon on Wednesday, November 16

Second Helpings: The books being read this year are the second novels of debut novelists read during the past several years. Whether or not you have read the author's first novel or this one, join us for a discussion of *The Line* by Olga Grushin.

- Card Stitching for the Holidays & All Year 'Round, 10 a.m. on Friday, November 18

Create beautiful cards using thread and simple straight stitches. You don't need to know how to sew to create lovely, unique cards. All materials supplied. Registration is requested.

- Small Business Series: What's the Best Form of Organization for My Business?, 2 p.m. Monday, November 28

Should you be a sole proprietor or LLC? What's the difference? Learn about sole proprietorship, partnerships,

For kindergarten through second grade. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lakes Regional Library. Registration is requested.

- Thanksgiving Crafts, 10:30 a.m. Thursday, November 17

Three Thanksgiving crafts and a turkey tale await you at this special program for children ages three to five. Sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. Registration is requested.

- Kids Read Down Fines, 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, November 17

Children and teens can earn a \$2 coupon for every 15 minutes of reading during the allotted time in the designated area of the library. For ages 18 and younger. Coupons may be applied only to cards issued to patrons age 18 and under.

- Everything Japanese, 4 p.m. Tuesday, November 22

Have you noticed how Japan has so many fascinating aspects of its unique culture? Come and journey through Japan and explore both the modern and ancient times of this wonderful country. There will be stories, legends, activities and a craft. For grades kindergarten through five. Sponsored by the Friends of the Lakes Regional Library. Registration is requested.

Teens

- Kids Read Down Fines, 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, November 17

Children and teens can earn a \$2 coupon for every 15 minutes of reading during the allotted time in the designated area of the library. For ages 18 and younger. Coupons may be applied only to cards issued to patrons age 18 and under.

The Lakes Regional Library is located

at 15290 Bass Road in Fort Myers. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4000. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days' notice to library staff. Assistive listening system available; request at desk.

Family

- Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, November 2, 9, 16, 30

This program is for the whole family and lasts about 30 minutes. Registration is required.

- Baby-Parent Rhyme Time, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays, November 10, 17

Be prepared to tickle, jump and fly with your baby! These rhymes and songs are for infants up to 24 months accompanied by an adult. This 20-minute program is filled with songs designed to introduce rhyming and movement to infants. Registration is required.

Children

- Native American Crafts, 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, November 16

Come celebrate at the library and make tribal chokers and bear claw necklaces. These crafts are fun to make and take home. All supplies provided. Register online for this free program.

- Kids Read Down Fines, 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, November 21

Children and teens can earn a \$2 coupon for every 15 minutes of reading during the allotted time in the designated area of the library. For ages 18 and younger. Coupons may be applied only to cards issued to patrons age 18 and younger. Registration and library card are required.

Teens

- Beading Gifts You Make, 5 p.m. Tuesday, November 8

Make a small beading project to go.

at 15290 Bass Road in Fort Myers. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4000. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days' notice to library staff. Assistive listening system available; request at desk.

Check the Lee County Library System's website at <http://library.leegov.com>, or pick up an events calendar on your next visit, to find out about programs at other locations. Call the host library, or Telephone Reference at 479-INFO (4636), for more information about a specific program.✱

Association Of University Women

The American Association of University Women will hold a luncheon with speaker November 17 at 11:30 a.m. This meeting is open to the public.

Janina Birtolo will present her one-woman show, *Woman Rebel*: Margaret Sanger.

This show traces Sanger's development from poor Irish-American girl to one of the world's leading advocates for women's rights to safe and reliable birth control.

Admission is \$18; make reservations by calling Sondra Marshall at 437-4570.

The luncheon will be held at Royal Palm Yacht Club, West First Street, Fort Myers.✱

Supplies are provided. For grades six through 12. Registration is required.

- Kids Read Down Fines, 6 to 7 p.m. Monday, November 21

Children and teens can earn a \$2 coupon for every 15 minutes of reading during the allotted time in the designated area of the library. For ages 18 and younger. Coupons may be applied only to cards issued to patrons age 18 and younger. Registration and library card are required.

- Minute to Win It for Teens, 5 p.m. Tuesday, November 22

Based on the television show *Minute to Win It*, there will be another session for those who like to play. Do you think you can toss that ball into that cup? Can you flip pennies? Are you able to Hula Hoop? Can you toss bean bags? Everyone will get a chance to play since we only need a "minute to win it!" For grades six through 12.

The Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library is located at 2050 Central Avenue in Fort Myers. For information about a program or to register, call 533-4600. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days' notice to library staff. Assistive listening system available; request at desk.

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Regional Premier At Gulfshore Playhouse

by Di Saggau



Handle With Care by Jason Odell Williams is a charming play about fate, love, destiny, "random occurrences" and "coincidences" that make up the journey of life.

This is only the second time the play has shown in the country. It opened in 2011 in Ithaca, New York under the old title *At A Loss*. The new title *Handle With Care* is credited to Gulfshore Director Kristen Coury, who worked with the playwright and cast "tweaking" the script during rehearsals.

The finished product stars Williams' wife Charlotte Cohn in a leading role. Williams wrote the play for his wife and calls it his "Jewish Christmas play." It opens in a chain motel on Christmas Eve, just outside of Roanoke, Virginia. A young Israeli beauty, Ayelet, (Cohn) is screaming in Hebrew at a thoroughly confused DHL deliveryman Terry (Justin Swain). He has misplaced a very important package, one containing the remains of the angry woman's late grandmother. They are unable to communicate with one



Charlotte Cohn stars as Ayelet in the Gulfshore Playhouse's production of *Handle with Care*

another. "I don't speak whatever you're speaking there," says the delivery man.

The next scene is a flashback to the night before when Grandmother Edna (Geraldine Librandi) is still alive in the same drab motel room with her granddaughter, a reluctant traveling companion. Grandma is content watching *Wheel of Fortune* while Ayelet is frustrated at not having visited the Statue of Liberty and Times Square. Grandma reveals that one reason she brought Ayelet to America is to find her a future husband.

The DHL deliveryman calls his buddy Josh (Michael Zlabinger) to help him out.



Playwright Jason Odell Williams will be in residence during Gulfshore Playhouse's production of *Handle with Care*

Josh knows very little Hebrew, but eventually he and Ayelet manage to communicate. Ayelet has just broken up with her boyfriend and Josh, who lost his wife in a car accident, is tired of being "set up" by friends. Will the two connect? It seems a strong possibility.

Act Two opens with a moving scene where Edna reveals a secret to her granddaughter about a lost love. This scene grabs you and starts to put everything in place. The question arises, "If you had it to do over again, what would you do?" We can all relate to that in some way.

Kristen Coury says the play is about

all of us. "Have you ever had to deal with being in another land, another culture, and speaking another language, striving desperately to be understood, and feeling judged, or maybe even a little judgmental, as a result? Have you ever felt like your life was an endless series of twists and turns, with no rhyme or reason, ending in a random result, unplanned and unforeseen?" If so, you will enjoy the journey that takes place on stage.

Handle With Care, a Gulfshore Playhouse production, plays through November 20 at the Norris Center, 755 8th Avenue South in Naples. For tickets call 1-866-811-4111.*

English Country Dancing

Learn the social dances of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries at the Wa-ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers.

Dress is casual – wear flat shoes with non-slip soles; no flip-flops. Partners are not necessary and beginners are welcome. This family-friendly event has live music.

Lessons are Tuesdays, 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. (year-round) and are free after a one-time payment of \$10 which covers lifetime membership to Wa-ke Hatchee Recreation Center. Call for driving directions.

Contact Gillian Carney, 603-9828, Email fortmyersdancers@hotmail.com, or website: <http://dancefl.us/ecd/FtMyersECD.shtml>.*

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Chaotic Hilarity At Florida Rep



by Di Saggau

Neil Simon has been bringing laughter into the lives of theatergoers for many years. One of his best comedic plays, *Rumors*, is showing at Florida Rep.

This production is the funniest and cleverest I've ever seen. It sparkles from beginning to end.

The cast is spot-on in portraying their respective roles: four couples who desperately try to survive a high-brow 10th anniversary dinner party as the guest of honor is busy bleeding upstairs and his wife is nowhere to be found. What follows is a series of increasingly ludicrous events that have the audience laughing out loud over and over again.

Director Robert Cacioppo has assembled a cast that perfectly complements each other.

First to arrive at the party are lawyers Chris and Ken Gorman (Michelle Damato and Brad DePlanche), who discover that their hostess, along with the household staff, has taken off for parts unknown, and their host is upstairs in the bedroom, nursing a bullet wound in his earlobe, presumably following an unsuccessful



The entire cast of Neil Simon's *Rumors*, now showing at Florida Rep

suicide attempt. They concoct a confusing explanation for the situation, one that continues to change as others arrive for the party. Lies upon lies, and confusion over which fiction is the currently operable one has the audience in stitches.

Next come Claire and Lenny Ganz (Carrie Lund and David Breitbarth).

They have the cleverest lines and their delivery, facial expression, timing and charm are exceptional. Breitbarth is hysterical as a man suffering from whip-

lash, and gives a final monologue, the supreme lie of the evening, that totally wins over the audience. Lund is perfect in her role as a jaded suburban housewife, nailing her lines with a deadpan delivery. And wait until you see her dance to *La Bamba*, a show-stopping scene involving the entire cast.

Ernie and Cookie Cusack (David S. Howard and Viki Boyle), portray a dotting, baby-talking husband and a television cooking show host, who add considerable

hilarity to the production.

Glenn and Cassie Cooper, played by Peter Thomasson and Jackie Schram, are the most polished of the elite dinner guests and are wholly believable in their roles as the state senatorial candidate and his disillusioned, distrusting bride.

The two police officers who enter the action during the second act are played by Mark Chambers and Julianne Avolio. Chambers does a nice job showing us how perturbed he is with the dinner party guests and Avolio, who has few lines, picked up laughs for her interaction with the police radio on her shoulder.

Rumors is unapologetically and delightfully silly, a zany, frantic energy show that provides a totally entertaining evening for the audience. It's a pleasure to watch an ensemble whose members bring each other's performances to new heights. To top things off, Set Designer Jim Hunter has put together a detailed, complete set that supports all of the crazy action on stage.

The show plays through November 18 at Florida Repertory Theatre, in the Historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street between Jackson and Hendry. Tickets are available online at floridarep.org or by calling 332-4488.*

Southwest Florida Symphony Pops Season Opens

The Southwest Florida Symphony will present the opening pops concert of the 2011-12 season, *The American Songbook* on Friday, November 11 and Saturday, November 12, at 8 p.m. at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall. Guest vocalists Destan Owens and Sarah Pfisterer will join the orchestra under the direction of Music Director Michael Hall in a program of music from Broadway, Hollywood and Tin Pan Alley. The program will include works by Arlen,

Berlin, Ellington, Gershwin, Kern, Mercer, Porter, Rodgers, Hart and Hammerstein.

Owens is an Oklahoma native with a bachelor's in musical theater from Oklahoma City University. He has appeared as soloist with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic and as a member of Broadway Inspirational Voices as well as in film and on stage.

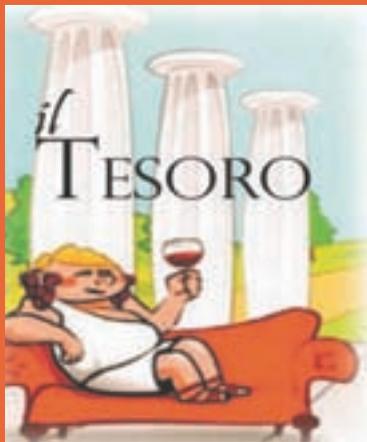
Pfisterer has played over 1,000 performances in the role of Christine in *The Phantom of the Opera* on Broadway and across the country. A Metropolitan Opera semi-finalist, Pfisterer has worked with conductors such as Michael Tilson Thomas and John McGlinn and did a recording of Jerome Kern's *Oh Boy* in London under the direction of McGlinn. She has appeared on *The Today Show*

and *The Rosie O'Donnell Show*. In addition to numerous commercials and industrial films, she is featured in the music video *Beggar's Waltz*.

This concert is sponsored by a gift from Charles B. Munsch.

The Southwest Florida Symphony offers single tickets to its performances at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall starting at \$20. Tickets are available at the Symphony Box office at 12651 McGregor Boulevard, Bldg. 4-403 in Fort Myers, by calling 418-1500 or online at www.swflso.org

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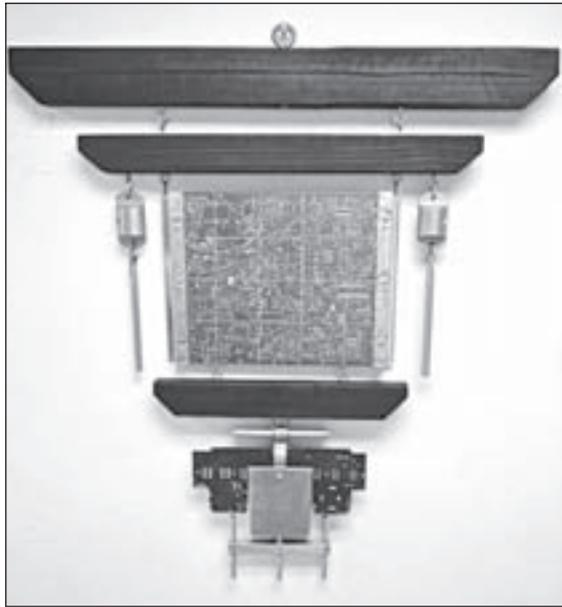
Julie Markytan In The Alliance Member Gallery

The Alliance for the Arts presents sculptures by Alliance member Julie Markytan. The wall-hung pieces are mostly created using disused circuit boards and other electrical and metallic items. If you missed the recent Refuse Repurposed opening you can still view Markytan's work in the Alliance Member Gallery throughout the Refuse Repurposed exhibition and also during Taste of the Arts November 13.

"I love using recycled materials. A journey to the salvage yard is like finding buried treasure," said Markytan. "Each item an inspirational jewel. To everything there is a purpose and then the potential to become art."

Markytan's work is being featured during this year's Taste of the Arts on Sunday, November 13. Tickets are available online or at the Alliance for the Arts on the corner of McGregor and Colonial in Fort Myers.

The Alliance for the Arts galleries are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard.*



Trans Mitter Betta, Julie Markytan

Fort Myers Art Walk And Art Fair

The first weekend of November will see new art exhibits and an expanded art fair in downtown Fort Myers.

The next monthly Art Walk will take place on Friday, November 4, with local art galleries and art stops featuring new exhibits and shows. This regular cultural event draws between 1,500 and 2,500 people each month to the downtown River District.

On Saturday, November 5, the organizers of Art Walk present the seasonal Saturday Art Fair. A new twist this year is the art fair is now a juried event and showcases individual artists at tables along the sidewalks of First Street. The Saturday Art Fair runs from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is free to attend. Thirty-seven artists and art vendors are scheduled to be at November's Saturday Art Fair.

The monthly Art Walk is held on the first Friday of every month from 6 to 10 p.m. The November Art Walk will include more than a dozen art galleries and art stops and will feature new art shows, live music, and the traditional after-party.

Some highlights of Friday's Art Walk:

- Art of the Olympians: Opening of its newest exhibition, Legends of '68, featuring art from four U.S. Olympians from the 1968 games (Rink Babka, Bob Beamon, Peggy Fleming, and Al Oerter).
- Art League of Fort Myers: Opening reception for Welcome Back exhibit.

• Arts for ACT Gallery: Opening reception for new show featuring artists Mark Cranford, Cindy Jane, and Heidi Schmitz.

• Coloring The World: The gallery welcomes local high school student and cartoonist Shelby Nawalaniec as its guest artist.

• daas Gallery: Opening reception for Artifacts of the Black Rain: The Art of Tony "Chainsaw" Myles.

• Gallery Showcase and Information Center at IberiaBank (Bayview Court at First Street). Art Walk T-shirts are available at this location as well as buttons, maps and brochures.

• HOWL Gallery/Tattoo: Opening reception for Modern Tiki exhibit by Miami pop/lowbrow artist N! Satterfield.

• In One Instant: Opening of Beauty Everywhere: The Photography of Bettina Edwards.

• Market America Realty and Investments: Courtyard reception for exhibit by artist Doug Heslep called A Stunning Perspective – Fine Art Nudes.

• Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center: Opening of Edison State College Art Show, 8 on Eighteen.

• Savvy on First: Featuring artists Kyra Jachode and Tracy Theriault, fiber arts, fine jewelry, and jewelry holders.

• Space 39 Gallery: Group art show.

• Syzygy Gallery: Opening for exhibit featuring artist Zaki.

Nearly 50 participants make Art Walk successful each month.

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Tennis Challenge At Bonita Bay

Winner of the 31st Annual Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge, scheduled for Saturday, November 12, at Bonita Bay Club, will get bragging rights and possession of the Naples-Fort Myers Cup for the next year. The first round of matches will start at 2:30 p.m., pitting the best tennis players of Lee County against the best of Collier County. The challenge is open to the public free.

This year's invitational competition includes 22 men's and women's singles, doubles and mixed-doubles matches. Team captains individually selected players, many of whom are state and nationally ranked and teaching professionals with college and/or tour experience.

Captaining this year's Fort Myers team is Jeff Timmer, director of tennis at Colonial Country Club. A long-time resident of Fort Myers, Timmer played tennis at Edison State College and ranks nationally in the top 10 of the 45-year age group. His staff developed the tennis program at the eight-year-old Colonial Country Club from scratch.

"Given their successful record over the past several years," Timmer said, "definitely makes the Naples team the favorite going into the tournament. However, we have a lot of support from our strong base of talented players in the Fort Myers area, so we have a few surprises in store for this year's challenge."



Bonita Bay Club Tennis Center

Pete Minarich, director of tennis at Pelican Marsh, will head the Naples team. He is a graduate of Wake Forest, and his singles ranking has been as high as No. 3 in Florida Men's 35s. He has worked with many young ranked players and coached at both the Wimbledon and U.S. Open championships.

Minarich thinks the growth and development of tennis clubs and players in the Naples area gives his team an advantage over the Fort Myers team.

"It's my job to field the absolute best players on each of the 18 courts," said Minarich. "If I can do that, it will come down to the last three or four matches, but I'm confident we will have the edge."

Paula Scheb, director of tennis at Bonita Bay Club, said, "We expect several hundred tennis fans as well as friends and relatives of the 76 players who are taking part in this fantastic, high-level tennis competition. This year's event fea-

tures a party for all the players and their significant others to celebrate the winning team. More than anything we are thrilled to host this super-charged and always fun competitive event at Bonita Bay."

The Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge is sponsored again by Ritzman Tennis, Southwest Florida's largest tennis court contractor; Allen Systems Group Software Solutions, the Naples-based international leader in business software; and Carrabba's Italian Grill of Bonita Springs. Page & Tuttle is the event shirt sponsor. Lee County Tennis Association will be on hand to promote its charitable activities.

The tournament site is the Bonita Bay Club Tennis Center, which was rebuilt in 2010 and has 18 Har-Tru courts. The tennis center is located in Bonita Bay, at the corner of West Terry Street and U.S. 41 in Bonita Springs.*

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Fort Myers Art Walk

from 6 to 10 p.m., Art Walk features local and national artwork in the downtown art galleries and several art stops in the Fort Myers River District. The evening culminates with an after-party at 10 p.m. The November after-party will be held at Spirits of Bacchus on Hendry Street.

Another highlight of the evening is the weekly Friday Night Live free concert series which takes place in the Patio de Leon. Memphis 56 will perform from 6 to 9 p.m.

New Art Walk buttons will be available at galleries that night. Art Walk has its own T-shirt (in red or black). Shirts are available for a \$12 donation at the IberiaBank gallery showcase during Art Walk.

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

A map of Art Walk showing transportation and parking will be distributed by participating galleries. Art Walk is a rain-or-shine event.

Art Walk was started by a group of art galleries and art enthusiasts and debuted in October of 2008. It is a River District Alliance event. For more information, visit www.fortmyersartwalk.com.*

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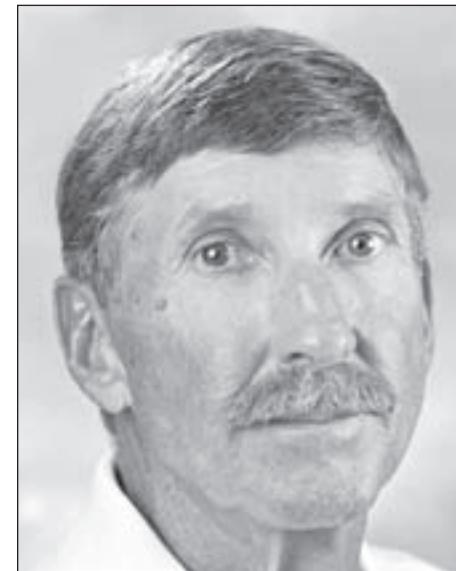
Award-Winning Tennis Pro Joins Cypress Lake

Cypress Lake Country Club has hired tennis professional Terry See as its director of tennis. A level one certified instructor by the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA), See will provide members of all ages with individual and group tennis lessons at a variety of experience levels from beginning to advanced instruction.

Prior to joining Cypress Lake Country Club, See was head teaching professional at another local country club. In addition, he serves as the lead tennis coordinator for Lee County Schools, offering free tennis lessons to students at schools throughout the county.

"With more than 40 years of experience in tennis instruction, Terry brings both expertise and passion for the game," said Ed Rodgers, general manager, Cypress Lake Country Club. "We are pleased to provide our members with the opportunity to receive the highest level of tennis instruction from a skilled and talented professional."

In addition to his USPTA level one instruction certification, See is a member of a variety of local and national professional organizations including the Florida USPTA, the United States



Terry See

Tennis Association and United States Professional Tennis Registry. He has both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in physical education and has earned a number of professional tennis awards including the district USPTA Pro of the Year in 2006.

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With The Coming Next Year Of A Major LPGA Event, Area Hosts Tournaments For All Three Pro Tours.



by Ed Frank

If there were any doubts that our area has become a red-hot hub of professional golf, those doubts were erased last week with the announcement that the prestigious LPGA CME Group Titleholders featuring the world's best female golfers will be held here beginning next year.

The season-ending \$1.5 million tournament, with a \$500,000 first-place check, will be played November 15 through 18 at TwinEagles in Naples.

This brings to three the number of annual professional tournaments played here – the Champions Tour Ace Group Classic, the post-season PGA Shark Shootout and now the

ladies Titleholders. The LPGA has been absent from Southwest Florida since 2001, the final year of the Subaru Memorial.

The format of the Titleholders is unique to tournament golf. The field consists of three qualifiers from every tournament on the LPGA Tour, thus creating a season-long competitive program never before used in professional golf.

This format will be introduced next month at the Titleholders in Orlando.

When moving here next November, the Titleholders will be the first professional event at the completely redesigned Eagle course, one of two at TwinEagles. The course was first designed by Hall of Famer Gary Player.

TwinEagles also is home to the Champions Tour Ace Group Classic that will celebrate its 25th anniversary in Southwest Florida next February 13-19.

One of the most popular events on the senior circuit that annually draws the biggest names in 50-and-over professional golf, the Ace Group Classic has raised millions for local charities. The 2011 tournament provided more than \$200,000 to 10 charitable organizations in the area.

Next month, the 23d edition of Greg Norman's Shark Shootout will feature 24 of the best golfers from the PGA Tour when it returns to the Tiburon Golf Club in Naples.

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Twelve players in the field recorded 15 victories in 2011, twelve on the PGA Tour, and three on the Champions Tour. Headlining the field is PGA champion Keegan Bradley who earned a notch in golf history when he won playing in his first major tournament.

The Shark Shootout consists of 12 two-man teams competing for a purse of \$3 million in a mixed format of alternate shots, better ball and scramble.

The team pairings for the Shark Shootout will be announced in the next couple of weeks.

It is doubtful whether there is another locale in America that can call home to tournaments of all three professional tours – testimony to the strong following of professional golf in Southwest Florida.

Losses Mount for Everblades on Long Road Trip.

It has been a tough road trip for the Florida Everblades hockey team, losing twice last weekend to Greenville, 7-4 and 5-3. The Everblades began the week with a 1-4 record in a nine-game road trip that continues this week.

The local team completes the 5,000-mile journey with four games this week at Gwinnett, two at South Carolina and one at Greenville.

Florida returns to home ice at Germain Arena next week hosting Wheeling for three games – Wednesday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Through last weekend, Florida had a 2-4-1 season record and a fourth place standing in the ECHL South Division.✪



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- ½ cup whole milk
- 2 large egg yolks
- ½ cup blueberries

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F and line six 1/3-cup muffin cups with paper liners. Melt butter and cool. Into a large bowl sift together flour and baking powder and whisk in cornmeal, ½ cup sugar, lemon zest, and a generous pinch salt. In a bowl whisk together melted butter, milk, and yolks and add to flour mixture with half of blueberries, gently stirring until just combined.

Divide batter evenly among cups (batter will fill cups) and press remaining blueberries into tops of muffins. Sprinkle tops of muffins evenly with remaining tablespoon sugar. Bake muffins in

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GreenMarket Chef

Visit the GreenMarket to see what's cooking on November 5 at 10 a.m. Or come out any Saturday morning for fresh, local ingredients, handicrafts, gardening supplies, free gardening classes, live music, coffee, pastries and free Wi-Fi and art exhibits in the main Alliance for the Arts building.

The GreenMarket supports a more sustainable lifestyle by encouraging people to grow their own food. It's also a hub for everything locally grown, caught and cultivated, with vendors offering fresh local produce, breads, seafood, organic sprouts, tropical fruit, free-range eggs, honey, gardening supplies and more. It's every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Alliance for the Arts.

More information is available at www.ArtInLee.org or by calling 939-2787.✧

DePasquale. "We'll have a refrigerated truck here and would love to fill it to the brim all three days. The need is so great this year and we urge our friends and neighbors to help us feed those who are struggling to put food on their Thanksgiving tables."

Turkeys can be dropped off from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Fort Myers Floral Designs, www.fortmyersfloraldesigns.com, located at 11480 South Cleveland Avenue in Fort Myers at the Beacon Manor traffic light. For more information, call 278-0770 or stop by its drive-up window for fast, convenient service.✧

Bring A Can Of Food To Aviation Day Saturday

Enjoy a free family fun day on Saturday, November 5 by attending the annual Aviation Day at Page Field and help relieve hunger in Southwest Florida by bringing nonperishable food items to be donated to the Harry Chapin Food Bank. There is no admission charge.

Aviation Day is a perennial favorite for the community and is held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. You can view experimental, antique, and military plane exhibits and take plane rides. There will also be plenty of activities for the children. Demonstrations will be offered by airport police and fire departments. Aviation-themed shopping and food vendors will be on site.✧

Blooms For Birds

Blooms for Birds will be held November 8 through 10, when Fort Myers Floral Designs will give away a fresh bouquet of flowers to those who bring in a fresh or frozen turkey to benefit Harry Chapin Food Bank's Thanksgiving Turkey Drive.

"Colleen and I would like to help the Harry Chapin Food Bank provide turkeys at Thanksgiving to its many nonprofit agencies that distribute food directly to help needy families at Thanksgiving," said owner Floral Designs owner Greg

Elementary School Children Learn To Paint Plein Air



Holly Nichols, art teacher, Ulises Santiago and Ben Sohner painting plein air

This week, art teacher Holly Nichols began working with the students at Beach Elementary School on Fort Myers Beach to give them a taste of painting outdoors or "plein air."

On Wednesday morning the Fort Myers Beach Art Association Outdoor Painting group met at the school for their weekly plein air session. As the children came outside for classes they were able to watch the artists at work and ask questions about the whole process. They were fascinated by the equipment, the paint, how to mix colors, and how each artist interpreted the scene differently even if they were looking at the same subject. All the artists had fun and felt like rock stars, and the children had a great learning experience.

Artists returned to the school in the following days to help Nichols as she took the fifth graders outside to paint. They learned to use a viewfinder and began their artwork in watercolor. Work will continue next week as the children prepare for the display in the Paint the Beach...Sandcastles to Shrimpboats festival tent. All the students at the school will have a piece of artwork displayed there, thanks to Nichols and Principal Wood.

Students will participate on Saturday November 19 at 9 a.m. in another plein air event at the festival under the supervision of Mimi Little from the art association as

New Journalism Course At FGCU Receives Grant

Florida Gulf Coast University's newly created journalism program has been awarded a \$42,000 grant from the Robert R. McCormick Foundation to launch Face-to-Face: Conversations with Journalists. The grant will allow high school, undergraduate and graduate students from across the United States to talk virtually with journalists who have covered news in hard-to-reach areas.

"These are journalists whom students would never otherwise meet," said Lyn Millner, who leads FGCU's journalism program and who created the project. "Students will learn how these reporters make decisions, verify information and report the truth - especially in challenging environments."

FGCU will partner with Poynter's News University in St. Petersburg, Florida, and with Stony Brook University's Center for News Literacy in Long Island, New York, to produce the Face-to-Face conversations. Millner and new Associate Professor Of Journalism

Rick Kenney will develop companion teaching resource materials as part of the project.

"We welcome FGCU to our grantee portfolio," said McCormick Foundation Journalism Program Director Clark Bell. "News literacy anchors our strategy of building a more informed, news-literate and engaged citizenry. We expect the FGCU-Stony Brook-Poynter collaboration will make a major contribution to the effort."

Face-to-Face is part of a national news literacy education movement FGCU has brought to Southwest Florida. FGCU is one of only two higher-education institutions in Florida that are formally involved with Stony Brook's Center for News Literacy.

"Poynter NewsU is excited that these conversations will be a resource for teachers from around the world," said Howard Finberg, News University's Director of Interactive Learning.

The first Face-to-Face conversation will be held in January 2012. High schools and universities may apply to participate in a Face-to-Face conversation at Poynter's NewsU at www.newsu.org/fgcu_face2face.

For information contact Lyn Millner at 590-7257 or lmillner@fgcu.edu.



Pauline Healey and Kathy Taylor painting at Beach Elementary

photos by Michele Buelow

well as Nichols and Wood. They must be accompanied by an adult and sign up at their school. Beach Elementary School students will do a vocal performance on November 19 at 6 p.m. in the festival tent.

The 2nd Annual Paint the Beach...Sandcastles to Shrimpboats, a plein air festival in Fort Myers Beach runs November 14 through 20 with an Afterglow Show November 21 and 22 at the Santini Marina Plaza. Plein air artists are coming 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, Diamondhead Resort and World Championship Sandsculpting are once again bringing in music and fine food to enhance the experience of the plein air artists and visitors.

Artists will be painting around town November 14 through 17 and present their work at the Collectors Preview Gala on November 18 from 6 to 9 p.m. A quick draw event will be held on Saturday near the tent. There will be bands, plays and art for all to enjoy.

Tickets for the gala are on sale at the Fish Tale Marina Office and the Fort Myers Beach Art Association gallery.

Tickets are \$20. in advance or \$25 at the door. An order form for tickets is on the website, www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers,

Many of you will be facing your son or daughter's transition from high school to the outside world in a few months. For many students the

transition is easy. They will be going to college, the military, or a vocational setting and they are looking forward to this new phase in their lives.

For students who have special needs, transitioning out of public school is a lengthy and complex process. Legally, transition planning for special needs students should begin at age 14. Typically, however, the planning is minimal and needs and goals of the student are rarely developed and implemented successfully. This topic is much too big for this column so instead I have provided a book review for you that tells of one family's challenges in helping their son, who has Asperger's Syndrome, transition to the world beyond school.

Right from the start with the cover

design and title, *Right Address... Wrong Planet, Children With Asperger Syndrome Becoming Adults*, author Dr. Gena Barnhill immediately conveys the isolation and difficulties that people identified with Asperger Syndrome (AS) must endure.

Barnhill is a well-known and published advocate for individuals identified with Asperger Syndrome. This book is the poignant account of Brent Barnhill's experiences as an adolescent and young adult with AS. As well, it is the story of the struggles that Barnhill and her husband experience as parents of an AS child trying to find help for their son.

The book begins with an excellent preface and introduction from Barnhill. Then Brent's passage from adolescence to adulthood propels the reader through 13 highly readable chapters. The book is divided into five parts with each part focusing on a particular set of issues. It includes chapters on the Barnhill's search for recognition and diagnosis of AS and a knowledgeable professional with whom to work. Several chapters recount the challenges that Brent has experienced with dating, college, work, and psychological concerns. There is also a very helpful chapter on navigating the social services system.

Each chapter concludes with a special summary highlighting the main points

and references. The final sections of this book offer remarks and insights from other families who are struggling with AS. There is also an extensive resource section with phone numbers, organizations, and website addresses that will be helpful to families and professionals who work with anyone diagnosed with AS.

Right Address... Wrong Planet, Children With Asperger Syndrome Becoming Adults is a book for both parents and professionals. It provides a history of Asperger Syndrome and embeds recent research findings within the text. The tone and language of the book not only reflect Barnhill's professional expertise but also the vulnerability and perceptions of caring, devoted parents. I recommend it to all who are interested in learning more about the range of issues associated with Asperger's Syndrome.

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.✱

Canterbury Seventh Grader A Semifinalist



Jay Chandar

Jay Chandar, a seventh grader at Canterbury School, is a semifinalist in the Broadcom Masters Competition for science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The competition is open to sixth, seventh and eighth graders in the United States who competed in a local science fair.

Chandar was one of the 300 semifinalists from a pool of 6,000 students who were nominated for the competition. His project was titled Do Magnets Make Animal Cells Grow Faster? "I read that magnetic fields might accelerate the healing rate of injured animals, so I decided to research it," Chandar said.

This young researcher studied freshwater planaria, making microscopic cuts in the tails of the worms. He then took two Petri dishes filled with spring water and put half of the planaria into one and half into the other dish. On the bottom of one dish, Chandar taped very powerful magnets (2,500 gauss).

"The magnets increased the blood flow and the 'magnetized' worms healed about 50 percent faster than the animals without the magnet," Chandar explained.

Last year, Chandar competed at the regional science fair, and his project was chosen to go on to the state level. It was at the state level, where his project won fourth place, that triggered the invitation to enter the Broadcom Masters Competition.

Because Chandar received semifinalist status from that contest, Canterbury School received \$250 in Elmer's products and Chandar received a gift card from Walmart.

Chandar is the son of Mr. Periaswamy Chandar and Ms. Madapusi Usha of Fort Myers.✱



Adjunct Interior Design Instructor Jeannette Dera; full-time Interior Design Instructor Tamara Chesney; Program Manager of Interior Design for the Institute of Interior Design at Southwest Florida College Linda Petersen; 2011 ASID Design Excellence Award Winners Vicki Clay, Alexandra Hutchinson, Christopher Robinson, and Lina Abril

Student Winners For Interior Design

Alexandra Hutchinson, Lina Abril, Christopher Robinson and Vicki Clay, all students at the Institute of Interior Design at Southwest Florida College in Bonita Springs, won all but one award at the 2011 American Association of Interior Designers (ASID) Design Excellence Awards, Student Design Competition.

President-elect for the Southwest Florida chapter of ASID Peggy Oberlin came out to Southwest Florida College to present the winners. "There were so many who won awards from Southwest Florida College, that we thought it would be nice to come out and present the awards all together," Oberlin said.

According to Oberlin, "Southwest Florida College has shown to be a much more well-balanced college regarding the technical and creative skills. The interior

design program at Southwest Florida College is an all-around quality program," she said.

The 2011 ASID Student Design Competition was open to all colleges with certified interior design programs in the South Florida area. Participating schools include the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale, Florida State University, Miami International University of Art & Design, Indian River State College, Palm Beach Community College, and the Art Institute of Miami, to name a few. Projects are judged on the overall professionalism of the design, the presentation of the design, and the appropriateness of the design in relation to the design requirements.

Commercial Design awards:

- Alexandra Hutchinson, Commercial Project: "Dupree Family Law," 1st Place
- Vicki Clay, Commercial Project: "Tanglewood Elementary Library," 2nd Place
- Alexandra Hutchinson, Commercial Project: "Community College,"

Honorable Mention

Residential Design awards:

- Alexandra Hutchinson, Residential Project: "Lawson Residence," 1st Place
- Christopher Robinson, Residential Project: "Russell Residence," 2nd Place
- Lina Abril, Residential Project: "Osborne Residence," 3rd Place
- Alexandra Hutchinson, Residential Project: "Tyler Master Suite," Honorable Mention

"Among nine other schools in the South Florida area that entered the competition, Southwest Florida College demonstrated the broadest area of skill," Oberlin said. "Judging was completely blind and the criteria is very broad. It's not just about the artistic presentation, but how well the student carried out the principles of design in their project, including technical skills, a basic understanding of lighting and an understanding of code, among other areas."✱

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Financial Focus

Open Enrollment Can Improve Financial Picture



by Jennifer Basey

Late fall marks the beginning of the holiday season, which probably means that you'll have a lot going on over the next couple of months. However, busy as you are, you'll want to take

the time to review your employee benefits package, since November also is a popular month for employers to offer open enrollment – and the decisions you make now could have a big impact on your financial outlook for years to come.

So, if you are in an open enrollment period, here are some steps you may want to take:

- Boost your 401(k) contributions. It's almost always a good idea to put in as much as you can, up to the contribution limit, in your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. After all, you typically contribute pre-tax dollars, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. Also, your money can grow on a tax-deferred basis, which means it has the potential to grow faster than an investment for which you paid taxes every year. At the very least, contribute enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered. For example, if you work for an organization that will match 50 percent of everything you put in up to, say, 6 percent of your salary, then you should contribute 6 percent of your salary – which is like getting a three percent raise.

- Rebalance your 401(k) portfolio. You may have a dozen or more investment options in your 401(k). Ideally, you'll want to spread your money among these options in a way that's appropri-

ate for your risk tolerance, time horizon and long-term goals. But over time, your 401(k) portfolio can become "unbalanced," even if you made no changes. For example, if you've invested in a couple of aggressive-growth accounts, and these accounts have gained significantly in value, they may now be taking up a greater percentage of your portfolio than you had originally intended, exposing you to more risk than you'd like. Consequently, if your plan doesn't offer an automatic rebalance option, you may need to rebalance your portfolio by moving some of your assets into less aggressive vehicles.

- Be cautious about adding company stock. You may be loyal to your employer, but try not to hold too much company stock in your 401(k). After all, your company, like all businesses, may go through ups and downs, and if your portfolio is dominated by this single stock, you may experience considerable volatility. And if your company matches your 401(k) contributions with its own stock, you may want to invest all your own money in vehicles other than company stock.

- Take all the insurance that's offered. Typically, when employers offer life insurance as a benefit, it's at little or no cost to you, so you'll probably want to take all that's offered. However, this amount may still be less than what you really need to fully protect your family, so you may well need to purchase an individual policy to supplement your employer's coverage. And always be aware if your employer reduces or eliminates the insurance that's offered as an employee benefit, because you'll then need to adjust the policy that you've bought outside work.

You can review and improve your financial picture during open enrollment – so take advantage of this opportunity.

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Regional Job Fair

Southwest Florida College, in partnership with Southwest Florida Works, has announced that Fort Myers Broadcasting and its affiliates, WINK-TV, WINK-FM, WINK-AM, and WTLQ Radio will function as the Broadcast Television and Radio Partner for the upcoming first Regional Job Fair at the Holiday Inn Airport Town Center in Fort Myers on Friday, November 18.

According to Roberta Voelker, local sales manager at Fort Myers Broadcasting, "We understand that we can help connect job seekers and employers through our support of this innovative Regional Job Fair. Our company wants to lend a hand in this project and make it a successful effort for all concerned. In addition to advance promotion, we will be there on the day of the event, meeting and greeting job seekers. After all, we are a company currently seeking talent to add to our organization!"

Dr. Stephen Calabro, president of Southwest Florida College offered these words in response to the Fort Myers Broadcasting commitment: "We are grateful for the generous support we see from Fort Myers Broadcasting. They are doing a wonderful thing by partnering with the college and Southwest Florida Works to ensure the success of this event. At the end of the day, job seekers and employers will be the beneficiaries of this collaboration. Working together, we can make a difference!"

The event will be open to the public between the hours of 1 and 4 p.m. and is complimentary to both employers and job seekers. The college is providing a special morning session and luncheon for participating employers. Limited Underwriter opportunities are still available. For more information, contact Betsy Richards with the Industry Relations and Graduate Placement Department of Southwest Florida College at 939-4766 or email erichards@swfc.edu.

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Dr. Dave

Articles Archive



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

“**W**here can I get a copy of your articles, Dr. Dave?”
 “Why would you want those?”
 “Why do you answer a question with a question?”

“What do you mean?”

“Well, I’m doing a study to show that a couple of degrees beside your name does not necessarily make you literate.”

“I see. Well certainly we post a few new articles every week on <http://wisequacks.org>

“Once posted, they remain there in an archive for your heckling pleasure. But if you want to see how literacy is not like something we doctors spend like lots of time focussing on, take a look at some of our latest tweets. Four times a week we peruse the medical literature and bring you all the highlights, complete with comprehensive and detailed commentary, all within 140 keystrokes.”

- Married men are twice as likely as single men to be alive 15 years after coronary bypass surgery. Results vary depending on insurance policy.

- Studies now show that children breast fed to six months have less asthma. Children breast fed to six years have less friends.

- Alcohol actually damages the frontal

lobe, the very part of the brain critical to quit drinking! That would be full frontal stupidity.

- Studies prove colon cleansing has no health benefit and can cause harm. For those of you who undergo that pleasantry, you’re being hosed.

- New study shows that a whopping Half of Canadians will suffer mental health problems. Had no idea that there were that many Leaf fans.

- Gluten sensitivity (celiac) becoming more widespread in North America. Something to do with glutes becoming more widespread in America?

- 60 percent of women get uterine fibroids. Fibroids recently found to be caused by a genetic mutation. Thus 60 percent of women are mutants. I knew it!

- Every single U.S. state reported more obesity than last year! The obesity epidemic is so widespread as Americans continue to spread so wide.

- Startling new scientific evidence: No Such Thing As a Hypoallergenic Dog! And here I thought I had a cold for seven years. Goodbye, TinkyMuffin.

- Eating baked goods may reduce the symptoms of a milk allergy... ask your doctor for a prescription éclair.

- Kids from unplanned pregnancies lag behind intellectually which may be why Mom kept signing me up to play goalie for the dart team... and I did.

- Teeth plaque – arterial plaque – plaque on a hospital wall. For fewer fatalities floss your fangs frequently. see <http://wisequacks.org/>.

- Chronic pain gene discovered but it’s also the gene responsible for heart rate. Good news Bloggins, we can now treat your pain. Bad news...

- Report: “Men Who Smoke Have Lower Risk of Joint Replacement” Given that joint replacements occur in later life... I think I know the reason.

- Beer has only just been classified as an alcoholic drink in Russia. What was it before? Baby formula?

- Trichomonas, an STD, was found in 8.3 percent of women age 20 to 29 but in 13 percent of women 50 to 89! Told they can either ignore their trick or treat.

- Statistics reveal that people who read health articles live longer... log in to <http://wisequacks.org> and you may wonder if it’s worth it.

- Statistics reveal that only 15 percent of doctors wash their hands after examining a patient... another reason why proctologists have no friends.

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

- New medical research shows that bellybuttons are full of friendly skin bacteria. And to think they could have wasted research funds on cancer.

- A new medical study indicates that music eases both anxiety and pain in cancer patients. Results varied depending on... Alanis Morissette.

- Zinc acetate – best lozenge for cold. Catching a cold can make you fat! Particularly if you use the zinc pizza lozenges. <http://wisequacks.org/>.

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.✳

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

We have a lovely cottage in the woods on a large lake that we love and enjoy and, to our good fortune, it has also appreciated almost tenfold since our purchase.

We are getting older now and the upkeep and taxes are beginning to cause us problems.

Our daughter-in-law loves the cottage but our relationship with her has always been strained. My husband wants to sell rather than let her enjoy the fruits of his good fortune, but I hate to sell it and deprive our son and grandchildren of the pleasure the cottage might give them. What can you suggest we do?

Muriel

Dear Muriel,

Perhaps you can work out an option for your son to assist with the taxes and upkeep of the cottage for the use of the cottage. On another note, why would you want to deprive your son and grandchildren the cottage because you do not like your daughter-in-law? Seems to be a choice based on spite. Decisions motivated by spite might feel good in the immediate but do not reflect well on one’s character and there are most always unforeseen hurtful consequences.

Pryce

Dear Muriel,

Your husband seems to have a real problem – so bad that he is willing to deprive your son and grandchildren the pleasure the cottage could bring them.

He made the money and the financial investment so I guess he feels he has the right to do as he pleases.

We all have the right to make our own decisions and you can’t change him so I would suggest you don’t even try, because it will only make your life more stressful, but it is a most unfortunate situation.

Lizzie

Lizzie and Pryce’s email address is momandmeaging@hotmail.com.✳

dearRPharmacist

Hot Flashes, PMS? Progesterone To The Rescue



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: I met you at a book signing, and didn’t want to hold up the line to elaborate on my health concerns. You said I should not be taking “unopposed estrogen”

and I don’t know what that means. If you recall, I’m post-menopausal; I had a hysterectomy, and my doctor prescribes estradiol tablets.

LY, Baltimore, Maryland

I do recall saying that. It scares me that millions of women are taking unopposed estrogen medications (meaning, estrogen therapy without any natural progesterone to go with it). Excess estrogen has been linked to breast cancer and other hormonally driven disorders.

Natural progesterone balances estrogen and is sold without prescription at health food stores, as a skin cream. I feel strongly that no woman should

EVER be taking unopposed estrogen meds, even if she has had her uterus removed. Of course, everyone reading this should get physician approval to use progesterone, because my opinion columns are intended for educational purposes, not advice.

Sadly, some physicians insist that women who do not have a uterus (i.e.; hysterectomy) no longer need progesterone, so they only prescribe estrogen drugs. This is short-sighted because there are progesterone receptors all over the body, not just in the reproductive organs. So even if you have your uterus removed, other organs are left starving for progesterone! It supports healthy bones, breasts, heart, liver and brain tissue in both men and women. Progesterone protects the breasts, and may relieve fibrocystic breast pain and reduce risk of breast cancer, studies prove it. This hormone may improve sleep, anxiety and cholesterol levels. Remarkably, progesterone feeds the brain, and a new study points to its benefit during the first few hours after a stroke.

Natural progesterone is not the same thing as progestin drugs like methoxyprogesterone, which is sold by prescription. The medications are not bio-identical to what your body makes, and there are no receptor sites on your cells that exactly match the drugs. Because synthetic drugs are not bio-identical, there is a higher risk of side effects. Your local

pharmacist can explain more. What you learn about progestin drugs does not at all apply to bio-identical, natural progesterone hormone.

When you take unopposed estrogen, you could tilt yourself, hormonally speaking, and wind up with excess estrogen, a condition termed “estrogen dominance” or “progesterone deficiency.” Symptoms in post-menopausal women include anxiety, depression, irritability, hot flashes, night sweats, weight gain, insomnia, bone loss or low sex drive. In pre-menopausal women, you might expect PMS, breast tenderness, migraines, fibroids, mood swings, bloating, or heavy periods. Using progesterone cream properly is critical. Application depends on your age and menstrual cycle. It’s too complicated to get into here. I’ve explained progesterone usage, and outlined other natural ways to support hormone health in my ebook, *Breast/Prostate Cancer Protection* sold at my website.

DID YOU KNOW:

A new study suggests that drinking three cups of regular coffee per day may reduce risk of basal skin carcinoma by up to 20 percent.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit www.dearpharmacist.com.✳

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Senior Friendship Adult Day Service Center Opening

Senior Friendship Centers invites families to attend a grand opening of Senior Friendship Centers' Adult Day Service Center in Fort Myers on Wednesday, November 16, from 4 to 6 p.m. at 5272 Summerlin Commons Way. The center, previously located on Evans Avenue, moved into the new building in August. Senior Friendship Centers is a long-standing provider of adult day services and has offered programs for seniors in Lee County for 32 years.

The Living Room facility is brand new, bright and open. "Participants love the warm, friendly atmosphere," said Lisa Gates, director of the program. "It's cozy with a comfortable environment for socializing".

The Living Room offers daily companionship, nutritious meals and snacks, exercise and other activities for seniors who need daily support to stay healthy and engaged in community life. It also offers a break for other family members who provide daily care. Caregivers can rest easy knowing their loved one will receive personalized attention and nursing services in a secure, family environment. Lunch and snacks are planned by a licensed dietician and meet the special needs of elders.

November is both National Family

Caregivers Month and national Alzheimer's Awareness month. The grand opening of the Living Room coincides with these two key events. Information will be available on caregiving and other resources for families.

"We want the community to know how valuable adult day services can be for caregivers, our daily participants and the health of the community at large," added Gates.

According to the U.S. Administration on Aging, 65 percent of aging adults rely exclusively on family and friends to provide assistance. Caregivers often face emotional and financial stress. A number of employed caregivers make changes in their work schedules to continue giving care to a family member.

The caregiver role can affect anyone at any age. One local caregiver encountered challenges of caring for his dad while attending college and maintaining a part-time job. "If it weren't for the help of Senior Friendship Centers, my father would have been home alone during the day," said William Harris, III.

The average cost of using adult day services is less than half of in-home health care. Financial assistance may be available through calling the Elder Helpline at 652-6901 which is managed by Senior Choices of Southwest Florida and funded through the Department of Elder Affairs.

Beginning November 26, The Living Room will offer a weekly daytime Holiday Respite Service on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Pre-registration is required. The Holiday Respite Program offers care-

Judicial Nominating Commission by former Gov. Charlie Crist. Humphrey's appointment will run for a term ending July 1, 2014.

Jim Nathan, president of Lee Memorial Health System, said of the gift, "Children's hospitals across our nation are dependent on philanthropic support from the communities they serve. We are deeply grateful to Fowler White Boggs and Jim and Nancy Humphrey for sharing in our passion of excellence in pediatric care and for stepping forward with this generous gift. Through their loving support we are working together to build this incredible new life-saving facility for children, America's Newest Children's Hospital!"

Chief Foundation Officer for Lee Memorial Health System Sharon A. MacDonald added, "While serving as a mayor of the great City of Fort Myers, Jim Humphrey was very active in preserving history. We thank him for helping us to now make history through the lives we will save and the children we are able to keep close to home for care."

"I'm celebrating over 20 years of having the honor to represent the board of directors of Lee Memorial Health System," said Humphrey. "Through those years, I've had many opportunities to observe the quality of care that Lee Memorial provides. My grandchildren were born at Lee Memorial. It is my hope that this combined gift with Fowler White Boggs will become part of a lasting legacy for our children and their care."✽✽

givers the opportunity to leave their relative in the care of professional staff while they prepare for the upcoming holidays.

Senior Friendship Centers of Lee County has been providing quality supportive services to seniors in Lee County since 1979. It is a one-stop shop for healthy aging services providing friendly, compassionate, and caring support in this rapidly growing community. Services include: supportive aging services, including care management and in-home services, congregate and home-delivered meals, adult day services, volunteer programs, and health and wellness programs.

Senior Friendship Centers of Lee County is funded in part by the Department of Elder Affairs, Senior Choices of Southwest Florida, the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades Counties and Lee County Department of Human Services and the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

For more information call 275-1881 ext. 220.✽✽

Family Health And Safety Fair

Good health is more than eating right and exercising. It also includes safety, support for others in the community and a sense of fun. The Wellness Center of Cape Coral has brought that message to the community in a health and safety fair for more than four years.

This year's event falls on Saturday, November 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Wellness Center, 609 SE 13th Court, Cape Coral.

A special presentation by Cape Coral Police Department Sgt. Allan Kolak has been added to this year's fair. Sgt. Kolak will address issues of substance abuse. Attendees will be able to view drug paraphernalia and learn what to do if they find something. This is an educational program for parents and teens that may enhance efforts to realize a healthy and safe community.

System staff members and other not-for-profit community agencies will be available to answer questions and provide health information and resources. Attendees are eligible for free chair massage, prizes and food.

Guests will also have the opportunity to donate blood. Each donor will receive a non-fasting cholesterol test, blood pressure, pulse reading, iron level test and iron typing.

Donations of wet wipes, hand sanitizer, bug spray, chapstick, camo socks, dark baseball caps, small blankets and tarps, sewing kits, toilet paper, beef jerky, snacks, shake-and-light flashlights, foot lotion, foot powder, DVD movies and blank Christmas cards will be accepted to send to America's troops.

All contributions to the annual food drive will be appreciated.

"This event started out five years ago to make a difference in the community," Debbie Fasenmyer from Heart and Soul Massage Therapy said. "It is meant to bring awareness to the community about programs, services and organizations or resources that they may not have otherwise known existed."

For information, call 573-4800.✽✽

Attention All Family Caregivers

Do you worry what would happen to the loved one you care for if something happened to you?

Want to know how to protect your assets and get your legal affairs in order?

Want to find out if there's help available for you in the community and how to access it?

If you are caring for a loved one, you are invited to attend Caregiver Community Resource & Education Day. It takes place at Peace Lutheran Church, 15840 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers.

The date is November 29 from 12:30 to 5 p.m. Lunch will be provided by Right at Home. Call immediately to register, 343-2751.

Funded by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs & Senior Choices of Southwest Florida in collaboration with Lee Memorial Health System - Older Adult Services & Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center.✽✽

Turkeys Needed For Thanksgiving

Are you planning a family and/or friends gathering for Thanksgiving this year? Are you planning on having the traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings? Are you aware that there are thousands of families in Southwest Florida who won't have that opportunity because they can't afford to purchase the turkey and trimmings.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank needs to supply 9,000 turkeys to their participating agencies for distribution to families. The food bank would like to find partners to assist by planning a drive to collect turkeys or cash so the food bank can purchase the turkeys to provide to children, seniors, and their families.

Anyone who can help with this endeavor, please call Marta Hodson at the food bank, 334-7007, ext. 132, or martahodson@harrychapinfoodbank.org and let her know you'll assist with a Turkey Drive. Funds and turkeys need to be received by November 20.

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

Lee Pediatric Facility Capital Campaign

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation has announced that it has received an outstanding gift of \$100,000 from Fowler White Boggs and Jim and Nancy Humphrey. Fowler White Boggs serves as legal counsel for the board of directors of Lee Memorial Health System and Jim Humphrey is a shareholder at the firm.

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation is currently reaching out to the Southwest Florida community for philanthropic support in the building of a new six-story, 148-bed Children's Hospital to be located on the grounds of HealthPark Medical Center in Fort Myers. The new state-of-the-art facility will provide for the increased pediatric health care needs of the Southwest Florida community and will provide additional specialty services to treat the most critically ill children and their families.

The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida receives no direct tax support and treats all children regardless of their families' ability to pay. Fowler White Boggs has stepped forward in response to corporate philanthropy outreach by Lee Memorial Health System Foundation.

Former Mayor of Fort Myers and long-time historical preservation activist, Jim Humphrey has recently been appointed to the Second District Court of Appeal

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Understanding Sustainable Living: A Conference And Exhibition Proposing New, Green Solutions

The 3rd Annual Sustainability Conference and Educational Exhibition to learn about green solutions for a sustainable future will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Thursday, November 10 at the Lee County Elections Center, 13180 South Cleveland Avenue, Fort Myers.

The University of Florida, IFAS Extension and Lee County's Pollution Prevention Program are bringing scientists, entrepreneurs and leaders from academia, industry and government together to share information on mitigating the impact of climate

change and building a green economy. Hear innovative solutions for clean energy, energy efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions, financial and policy opportunities and resource management strategies.

The exhibition is an opportunity to meet the region's investors, farmers, developers, engineers, purchasing agents, and representatives from state and local government agencies. They will be showcasing products, services and programs that promote climate change solutions through recycling, efficient water use, sustainable transportation, biofuels and renewable alternative energy development.

View exhibitions for free; it costs \$20 to register for the conference (includes lunch). Register by making checks payable to LCBOCC, 3406 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33916 or online at <http://lee.ifas.ufl.edu>. Read the conference agenda on the website; click on the WebTRAC icon.✧

Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge

The 31st Annual Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge, being played at Bonita Bay Club Tennis Center Saturday, November 12, and the Lee County Community Tennis Association, a 501(c) nonprofit organization benefiting area youth, will partner at this year's tournament.

Prior to the Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge team matches at 2:30 p.m., promising young tennis players sponsored by the Lee County Tennis Association will take to the courts of Bonita Bay for some fun tennis. The organization also will have an exhibition area with sponsor-provided door prizes and the chance for fans and participants to learn more.

Harriett Bohannon, executive director of the Lee County Tennis Association, said, "Our mission is to provide to area youths, whatever their economic situation, opportunities through the great sport of tennis to develop athletic skills and, particularly, values they need to be successful as they grow." She added, "With the critical assistance of our volunteer board and staff, area tennis professionals and generous members, we help manage youth tennis programs at all county recreational parks by providing professionals, equipment and financial support."

Paula Scheb, director of tennis at Bonita Bay Club, said, "Putting the two organizations together at this venue is a natural. Many of the top-notch competitors taking part in the battle of the best between Naples and Fort Myers volunteer their time to help develop the tennis skills of the very same kids served by the Lee County Tennis Association. It will certainly add to the fun experience of the fans coming out for this great annual tennis tradition."

For more information about the organization, including memberships and sponsorships for kids, go to the Lee County Tennis Association website at www.leecountytennis.com.

The Naples-Fort Myers Tennis Challenge is sponsored by Ritzman Tennis, Southwest Florida's largest tennis court contractor, ASG Software Solutions, the Naples-based international leader in business software, and Carrabba's Italian Grill of Bonita Springs. Page & Tuttle will provide player clothing.

Bonita Bay Club Tennis Center was extensively refurbished in 2010 and has 18 Har-Tru courts. The tennis center is located in Bonita Bay, at the corner of West Terry St. and U.S. 41 in Bonita Springs.✧



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ANSWERS

1. Eucalyptus leaves 2. Pebbles 3. Woody Allen 4. Mountaineers are always free (Montani semper liberi) 5. Tina Fey 6. 42 7. Between England and France 8. The Lorraine Motel 9. 1993 10. Three

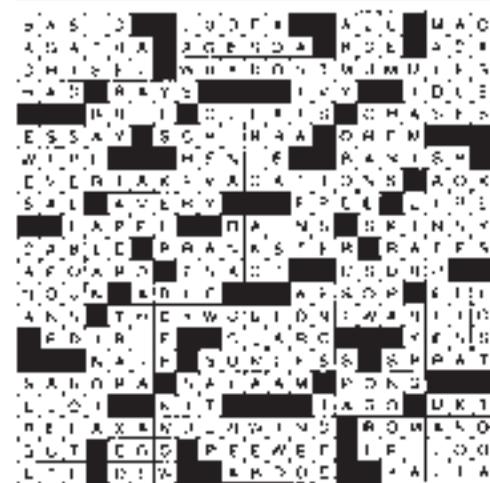
SPORTS QUIZ

1. Which Hall of Fame third baseman was on more All-Star Game rosters during his career: George Brett or Mike Schmidt?
2. Name the last National League MVP before Jimmy Rollins in 2007 who was a switch-hitter.
3. When was the last time before 2007 that the University of Cincinnati football team won 10-plus games in a season?
4. In 2009-10, the Orlando Magic set an NBA record for most three-point field goals by a team for a season -- 841. What team held the old mark?
5. Who was the youngest player to make an NHL All-Star team before Carolina's Jeff Skinner (18 years, 259 days) did it in 2011?
6. Name the first Alpine skier to win the same event at two Winter Olympics.
7. Before Charl Schwartzel won the 2011 Masters by finishing with four birdies, who were the only two golfers to win the Masters by finishing with two birdies?

ANSWERS

1. Brett was on 13 All-Star rosters, while Schmidt was on 12. 2. Chipper Jones of the Atlanta Braves in 1999. 3. It was 1951. 4. Phoenix hit 837 three-pointers in 2005-06. 5. Detroit's Steve Yzerman was 18 years, 267 days old when he played in the NHL All-Star Game in 1984. 6. Alberto Tomba of Italy won the giant slalom in 1988 and 1992. 7. Arnold Palmer (1960) and Mark O'Meara (1998).

PUZZLE ANSWERS



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FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2011

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A work-related situation that started last month takes on increasing importance this week. The choice is still yours as to how it will evolve. Be careful not to make quick judgments.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) "Careful" is the watchword for the prudent Bovine this week. Don't let your emotions overwhelm your logic. Try for balance as you maneuver through a touchy situation.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your energy levels rise to meet the challenges that will mark much of this month. New opportunities beckon. Look them over, but proceed cautiously before making any kind of decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your private life can be a problem this week, as a partner becomes more difficult. Resist a reaction you might regret. Instead of walking away, try to talk things out.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You should be your usual sunny self these days, as you bask in the admiration you adore. Enjoy it as you move into a new arena to confront an exciting upcoming challenge.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your perseverance reserves will be tapped frequently this week as you deal with the problems involved in making a new situation work for you. But it'll all be worth it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You'll find fewer roadblocks turning up as you continue to move ahead with your plans. Expect some important news to come your way by mid-November.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Good news -- you finally get to the bottom of that pesky mystery you've been trying to solve for weeks by using some gentle persuasion to get someone to break his or her silence.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The best time to take on that important task is now. Move forward one step at a time so you can assess your progress and, if need be, change direction.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The new opportunities you hoped to find this month are beginning to open up. Study them carefully to be sure you make the choice that's best for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Turn a disappointment into a learning

experience. Check out possible weaknesses in your approach and strengthen them. A loyal colleague offers good advice.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your new situation offers opportunities to help you get the skills you'll need in order to stop swimming in circles and finally move straight toward your goals. Go for it.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a sharp, logical mind and a quick intellect. You would make an excellent mystery writer.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Nov. 8, 1847, Bram Stoker, author of the horror novel "Dracula," is born in Clontarf, Dublin, Ireland. Stoker's villainous, blood-sucking creation, the vampire Count Dracula, became a pop-culture icon and has been featured in hundreds of movies, books and plays.

- On Nov. 10, 1903, Mary Anderson receives patent No. 743,801 for her "window cleaning device for electric cars and other vehicles to remove snow, ice or sleet from the window." Anderson tried to sell it to a Canadian manufacturing firm, but the company said the device had no practical value.

- On Nov. 11, 1921, three years after the end of World War I, the Tomb of the Unknowns is dedicated at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia when an unknown American soldier is buried. A 2-inch layer of soil brought from France was placed below the coffin so that the soldier might rest forever atop the earth on which he died.

- On Nov. 7, 1940, the Tacoma Narrows Bridge collapses due to high winds. At the time, wind forces were not taken into consideration by engineers and designers. The remains of the bridge, at the bottom of Puget Sound, form one of the largest man-made reefs in the world.

- On Nov. 12, 1954, Ellis Island, the gateway to America, shuts its doors after processing more than 12 million immigrants since opening in 1892. First- and second-class passengers had easily passed through customs, but those in third class underwent medical inspections to ensure they didn't have a contagious disease.

- On Nov. 9, 1965, Roger Allen LaPorte, a 22-year-old member of the Catholic Worker movement, immolates himself in front of the United Nations headquarters in New York. Before dying, LaPorte, who was against war, declared that he did it as a religious act.

- On Nov. 13, 1982, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is dedicated in Washington, D.C. The long-awaited memorial was a simple V-shaped black-granite wall inscribed with the names of the 57,939 Americans who died in the conflict, arranged in order of death, not rank, as was common in other memorials.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was French Renaissance essayist Michel de Montaigne who made the following sage observation: "Nothing is so firmly believed as what is least known."

- If someone called you a "mumpsimus," would you be flattered or insulted? It seems that the appropriate reaction would be to take offense. According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, a mumpsimus is "a stubborn person who insists on making an error in spite of being shown that it is wrong."

- The English language is unique in the number of collective nouns it possesses. For instance, a group of frogs is known as an "army" and a group of crows is called a "murder." We have a "shrewdness" of apes, a "wisdom" of wombats, a "congregation" of crocodiles, a "smack" of jellyfish, a "wigggle" of worms, a "crash" of rhinoceroses, a "waddle" of penguins and a "scourge" of mosquitoes, to name a few. Geese flock together in "gaggles," unless they're in flight, in which case they are collectively known as a "skein."

- In the Baltic region, it's traditional for a bride to wear black.

- You've probably never heard of Harvey Lowe, but in the 1930s he enjoyed a certain amount of notoriety; in 1934 he won the first World Yo-Yo Contest. Now that you know who he is, can you imagine what he had in common with Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards and notoriously flamboyant entertainer Liberace? It turns out that all three took out insurance policies on their hands.

- If you're like 20 percent of the respondents in a recent poll, you find it embarrassing to order tap water when you're in a restaurant.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"A great deal of intelligence can be invested in ignorance when the need for illusion is deep." -- Saul Bellow



Eden Fort Myers School children with staff, parents and Lee County Commissioners (missing is Commissioner Brian Bigelow)

Eden Autism Services Anniversary

Eden Autism Services is a national center providing treatment and training for children and adults with autism.

It began with one mom looking for some help for her daughter. Fifteen years later, Eden Autism Services is one of the largest autism service organizations in Southwest Florida, providing a wide range of community-based services to improve the lives of children and adults with autism and their families.

Eden Florida was founded in 1996 shortly after MerryLee Kandel met a speech therapist, Leslie Sinclair, who worked for the Eden Institute of New Jersey and had relocated to Fort Myers. They saw the state's growing need for specialized services for children and adults with autism and began fundraising efforts to form a division of the Eden Institute in Southwest Florida.

Today, Eden Autism Services provides program consultations, early intervention and other clinical services, education for

school-age students and residential and employment services for adults. They operate day schools in Fort Myers and in Naples, fully accredited by the National Private Schools Accreditation Alliance to serve children and adults with autism from Pre-K to grade 12 (ages 5 to 22).

"Within the past 15 years, Eden has dramatically expanded both its scope of services and the geographic areas being served," said Susan Suarez, executive director of Eden's Florida operations. "We are particularly proud of our early intervention efforts, which are vital for a child's long-term success. We are working with parents and healthcare professionals to get appropriate diagnosis at an early age. Beginning training as early as 1 1/2 years of age can greatly impact their developmental progress. "Eden offers both in-person and online support and training programs for families and professionals. The Eden Curriculum has been upgraded and reformatted to be available through electronic download in such formats as IPAD, Nook and Kindle.

"Autism spectrum disorders are diagnosed in one in 110 children in the United States. The number diagnosed in Florida has tripled over the last 10 years. Our ability to grow and service the grow-

ing need in Southwest Florida is solely due to the generosity of our donors, volunteers and staff," Suarez said.

To learn more about Eden Autism Services, contact Susan Suarez at 992-4680 extension 5010 or Eden.florida@edenautism.org.

The Eden Schools teach students who are within the full range of Autism Spectrum Disorder. They are staffed by experienced professionals trained in the techniques of Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA). The Eden Autism Curriculum is a comprehensive series of teaching programs covering essential skill areas that include academic instruction as well as self-care skills, and domestic and vocational skills. All students receive instruction in a low student-to-teacher ratio to provide an environment that maximizes each student's potential for learning.



Susan Suarez, executive director of Eden, with City Councilman Michael Flanders, accepts a proclamation from the City of Fort Myers to honor Eden's 15th anniversary

The Eden School Naples is located at the Eimerman Education Center where swimming and safety instruction is taught in the school's heated pool. Other physical education activities include tennis and basketball. The Eden School Fort Myers is located downtown in the Education Wing of the First Presbyterian Church.

Autism is a complex neurobiological disorder that inhibits a person's ability to communicate and develop social relationships, and is often accompanied by behavioral challenges. Autism spectrum disorders are diagnosed in one in 110 children in the United States, and one in 70 boys. The prevalence of autism has increased 600 percent in the past two decades. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have called autism a national public health crisis whose cause and cure remain unknown.*

January Wishmaker's Ball Set To Benefit Make-A-Wish Foundation

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida has announced the 6th Annual Wishmaker's Ball will be held on January 20 at the Hilton Naples located at 5111 Tamiami Trail North in Naples.

The theme this year is a magical Black & White evening that will create a rainbow of wishes for children facing life-threatening medical conditions in the local community. Guests will have cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, followed by dinner and live entertainment provided by The Steve Chase Society. There will also be a wide array of silent and live auction items for bidders of every age and personality type.

"There are children facing life-threatening medical conditions in Southwest Florida who are waiting for their wishes to be granted. Events like the Wishmaker's Ball are an essential part of making wishes come true," said Norm Wedderburn, president and CEO of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida. "We hope to raise enough funds through this event to grant the wishes of 11 children in the local community."

Community involvement is needed to make the Wishmaker's Ball a success. There are many ways to show support - by becoming a sponsor, donating an auction item or attending the event, added Sandra Buxton, this year's ball chair.

The presenting sponsor for this year's ball will be BNY Mellon Wealth Management. Other major sponsors include Arthrex, Vein Specialists, Dr. Laquis, Seminole Casino, First National Bank of the Gulf Coast, The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, Capital Bank, Avow Hospice, Norman Love Confections, Charlie McDonald Photography, Hilton Naples, and Soderquist Photography.

To purchase a ticket, donate an auction item or request a sponsorship packet, call 992-9474. Tickets cost \$200 per individual, \$2,000 for tables of 10, and sponsorships are still available starting at \$2,200. In keeping with the theme, guests are encouraged to wear black-and-white formal attire. RSVP to Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474 or by emailing lcolantonio@sflawish.org.

To find out more about the Wishmaker's Ball, visit www.wishmakersball.net. For more information about the Make-A-Wish Foundation, to make a donation, volunteer or become a wish sponsor, visit www.sfla.wish.org or call Make-A-Wish Foundation of Southern Florida at 992-9474.*



Eden Executive Director Susan Suarez with Eden grandparent Suzie Galloway, parent and Advisory Board member Elly Hagen, and Eden student Max Memoli

Pets Of The Week

My name is Ringo and I am an 11-month-old male Florida Curr, color tan and black.

Comments: I may not be an iconic rock 'n roll star like my namesake but I could be a shining star in your life if you make me part of your family. I'm a young happy boy who's eager to be a companion to someone special. I would be honored to be adopted by a veteran as part of Animal Services Pets for Vets adoption promotion.

Adoption fee is \$30 during November or free to a military veteran.

My name is Tanner and I am a neutered male Bengal cat, aged five. I am brown and spotted.

Comments: I have "wild-looking" markings but I'm not related to the Bengal tiger. Nevertheless, I'm quite handsome. Besides my striking good looks I'm pretty smart too! I've been in foster care where I have to baby-sit some kittens but I don't mind. After some tips from me they'll grow up to be "cool cats" too!

Adoption fee is \$10 during November's Jazz Up Your Life adoption promotion.



Ringo ID #513425

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Tanner ID #490723

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 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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• Thursday, November 10

Clinic Rounds presented by CROW medical staff. Every week, meet the veterinarian, rehabbers or students, who will give you insight to the inner-workings of CROW's wildlife hospital, which admits more than 4,000 patients a year.

• Friday, November 11

WOW, Wonders of Wildlife: Why Animals Come to CROW presented by volunteer Claudia Burns. Do you ever wonder why and how animals wind up at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife? Or what kinds of wildlife patients find themselves at CROW? Find out!✧

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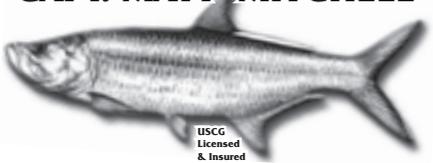
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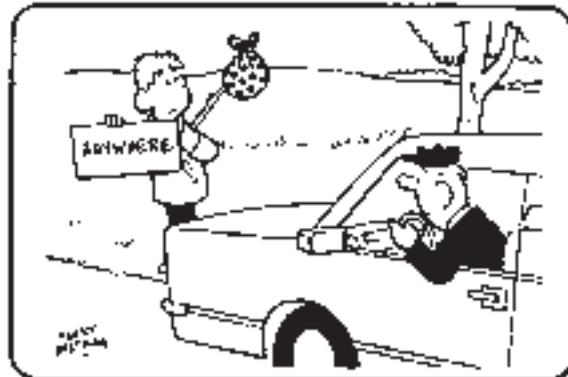
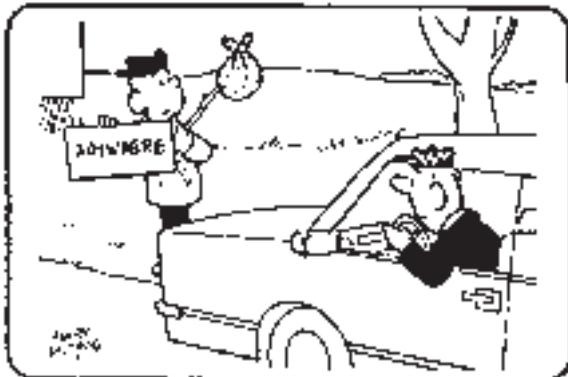
SUDOKU

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

answer on page 35

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Directions: 1. Boy's hat is gone & Keatspark is different. 2. There are leaves & Mantis that is different. 3. The sign is different. 4. The sign is different. 5. The sign is different. 6. The sign is different.

SCRAMBLERS

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



"Plead Johnny!"

- Expert STAVAN
- Peave YANNO
- Welcome VINITE
- Absorb SNIGET

TODAY'S WORD

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Lee County Sheriff's Office.....	477-1200
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Florida Highway Patrol.....	278-7100
Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
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Lee County Chamber of Commerce.....	931-0931
Post Office.....	1-800-275-8777
Visitor & Convention Bureau.....	338-3500

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Alliance for the Arts.....	939-2787
Arts For ACT Gallery & Studio.....	337-5050
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Edison Festival of Light.....	334-2999
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Florida West Arts.....	948-4427
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Lee County Genealogical Society.....	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation.....	939-7278
NARFE (National Active & Retired Federal Employees).....	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America.....	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL.....	667-1354
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Southwest Florida Music Association.....	561-2118

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Fort Myers Edison.....	694-1056
Fort Myers South.....	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands.....	415-3100
Iona-McGregor.....	482-0869

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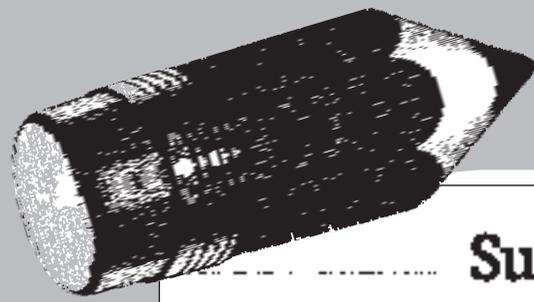
Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon.....	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers.....	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County.....	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers.....	332-8158
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United Way 211 Helpline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

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BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

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Super Crossword

ALL WRAPPED UP

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| ACROSS | 59 Brooks or Schmebcr | 107 Little Lake | 9 Reinhardt | 43 "Bang Bang" (song) | 88 Live some sheep |
| 1 "Instinct" (92' film) | 60 Fiction | 109 Walk | 10 Revue | 44 Hooty | 90 If I give you a bill |
| 6 Boreal region | 61 Brenda's friend | 110 Visuals | 11 Director's assistant | 48 Head Apollo | 91 Word form for "eye" |
| 11 Orly's "I'm for Love" | 62 Stephen's wife | 111 Fiance's husband | 12 Christie or Christie | 49 Mazza | 92 Folklore term |
| 14 "Zedong" | 64 Claws of "The" | 112 Shopping for | 13 Moon | 51 Came to a point | 93 Fra |
| 17 Hercules' mother | 65 Answer to "Who's Part 2?" | 115 Answer to "Who's Part 2?" | 14 "Masters, Down stairs" | 52 Bread of | 94 TV's "Blue" |
| 19 Scrooge | 67 Gizmo | 122 Parmesan alternative | 15 Suspense of lasher | 53 Indie | 96 "White to eat" by one |
| 21 "Lizzy" singer | 69 Naïveté | 124 Super hero | 16 Design | 54 "Gross Day" song | 100 Took in the job show |
| 22 Oklahoma City | 71 Trick or treaters, perhaps | 125 Inhabitable? | 17 Ja — | 55 "—" song | 101 Ball, e.g. |
| 23 Wood working tool | 75 Bank | 126 Herman or Nease | 20 Sanger | 57 Harshard features | 102 "Raiders" |
| 24 Paddy "Part 1" | 76 On the QB II | 127 Afterword | 21 Day | 58 Leg-pole | 103 It's not many |
| 27 A.C. city | 78 Pass into law | 128 Summer abroad | 25 Family room features | 60 Richard or "Rock" | 104 Indigenous A. Asian |
| 28 States | 79 Sewer | 129 Marling moisture | 26 Orange Bowl site | 64 General idea | 105 Hack of "The Prince of Toss" |
| 30 Ornamental vine | 81 It may be common | 130 Dyeing | 29 "By a means" | 65 Curious group | 106 Story Caesar |
| 31 Sew | 82 Competent chess player | 131 Back Sea city | 32 Down Max | 66 Adherent | 108 Grimm |
| 32 French cheese region | 84 Famed festival | DOWN | 33 First name in comedy | 68 Legendary drummer | 110 Feel better |
| 33 Sports shoe features | 86 "Sea Hunt" character | 1 Big name in Rialto | 34 Director | 69 "Goin' in" | 111 "—" song |
| 37 Jack | 89 Across | 2 Eastern leader | 35 With 31 | 70 "—" (not "paw" dog) | 112 Shopper's paradise |
| 39 Lunch product | 90 Answer to "Who's Part 1" | 3 "You —" "My Party" | 36 Back on | 72 Depend on | 113 "Know them, for one" |
| 42 High-flying Willy | 95 Fill to least | 4 "—" My Party | 37 Slices one's neck out | 73 Once again | 114 From west |
| 44 Glitch | 97 Paralegal | 5 Wood with bomb or tomato | 38 Layers | 74 Autumn color | 116 Made one's mark |
| 45 Held with swashes | 98 Liches | 6 Being item? | 39 Lamps' curio | 77 Snowy flower | 117 Season in wood |
| 46 Skater | 99 Trusting son | 7 "Gross" | 40 Hindu deity | 80 Boat's deck | 118 Teachers' org |
| 47 Fair | 100 Drama | 8 "The Partridge Family" actress | 41 AS | 83 Fast food item | 119 page |
| 50 Rio de Part 2 | 102 Herring | | 42 AS | 84 Payment | 120 — song |
| 56 Perfect | 103 Deer | | 43 AS | 85 Sach's son | 121 Beatty or Brooks |
| 58 Bands of bassist | 106 Llama greeting | | 44 AS | 87 Slay's highest point | 122 Across 59 |

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Common	7 Melody	14 Escalate
4 "Doo" follow	8 Latin phrase	23 For
7 First name	11 Catch	26 "King of Feet" in
8 "Achy" "Ben"	15 Gal song and love	Headlines
10 Sweet	18 The whole orchestra	28 Mountain ridge
11 Walked on	21 Lumpy big wigs	29 begins
13 Solo	22 Crowned	30 "The Book of Daniel"
14 Not in, although, etc.	24 Ok, fine	31 Award of
15 New Guinea port	25 M-d-Mae	32 to
17 Animated animal	26 "Work with Supply"	33 Tom Tom, e.g.
19 Spectacle in Twenty	27 Cobblers	34 Christmas
19 "Hunt"	28 Chain	
20 Ann bone		
21 Cracked for one		
24 Performs high-tech surgery		
25 "She's —"		
26 Swift		
27 Elev		
29 "Cart and A on"		
30 "She's" mother		
33 Querswork		
34 Leg name		
37 "Gaming" game		

DOWN

1 Orchard	7 Address	14 Christmas
2 Address	8 Make	18 Ok, fine
3 Street	9 Sinner	19 M-d-Mae
4 Support	10 Sinner	20 "Work with Supply"
5 Musical	11 Supply	21 Cobblers
6 Address	12 Chain	22 Chain

MAGIC MAZE • SONG TITLES CONTAINING MALE NAMES

HYWYNNHOJRAIDUR
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 MOUTELOLEKEIG
 LCAYWLDUYLHLE
 IRAEFOEKIDSDRIQ
 PNSINOYVESACEAL
 JHFECCOAYNEBGHN
 VUSQDREVELLUGCP
 NMKAJHYLLLELLE
 FCSBYELOODMOLMB
 ZYXVITROPOMISKI

Use the letters in the maze to find the names of the artists who wrote the songs.

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| Alfie | Dave | Hey Jude | Michael |
| Ben | Dear John | July | Stagger Lee |
| Big Bad John | Duke of Earl | Judas | Tom Dooley |
| Cosy Canyon | Guilty | Love Train | |



The Santaland Diaries by David Sedaris

Schedule For Taste Of The Arts Performances

The performance schedule is now available for Taste of the Arts, presented FineMark National Bank & Trust. This event will be a way for art enthusiasts to sample Southwest Florida's arts and culture scene.

It will be held in Fort Myers at the Alliance for the Arts on November 13 from 4 to 8 p.m. and will showcase Lee County's upcoming cultural season

with exhibits and live performances on three stages by members of BIG ARTS Herb Strauss Theater, Dance Alliance, Edison State College Theatre Program, Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers, Gulf Coast Symphony, Gulfshore Ballet, Laboratory Theater of Florida, Southwest Florida Symphony, Symphonic Chorale of Southwest Florida and Theatre Conspiracy.

Patrons will see dozens of performances including music from the Southwest Florida Symphony Brass Quintet. These professional musicians from the brass section of the SWFLSO will perform selections from the Baroque and Renaissance



eras all the way up to present-day pop and jazz. This program highlights the music from the Music in the Schools educational series.

Theatre Conspiracy will present Samuel Beckett's *Act Without Words I*, one of the few slighted works in the Beckett canon. This short piece features a mime sitting in a desert struggling to reach a flask of water and other objects that remain stubbornly out of reach; performed by Jordan Wilson and directed by Theatre Conspiracy's Producing Artistic Director Bill Taylor.

The Chamber Chorus of the Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers will perform several pieces that explore the a capella choral tradition. *Fyre Fyre*, a 16th century madrigal by Morley; *Mon coeur se recommande a vous*, a French madrigal; and a motet by Gasparini together represent the roots of our present choral tradition. *Loch Lomond*, a Scottish folk song, and *Deep River*, an American spiritual, will reflect the beauty



of the folk song that choral music captures. Enjoy a taste of the choral arts with the Mastersingers Chamber Chorus, directed by Jeff Faux.

In addition, Florida Rep will present three performances including David Sedaris' *The Santaland Diaries* made popular by the public radio show *This American Life*; and *The Imaginators* by Dwayne Hartford, which is a story about three children and the power of their imaginations.

Taste of the Arts will also feature visual arts displays by artists from ArtFest Fort Myers, Art of the Olympians, BIG ARTS and the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center. Go to www.tasteofthearts.com for more information and to see a complete performance schedule.

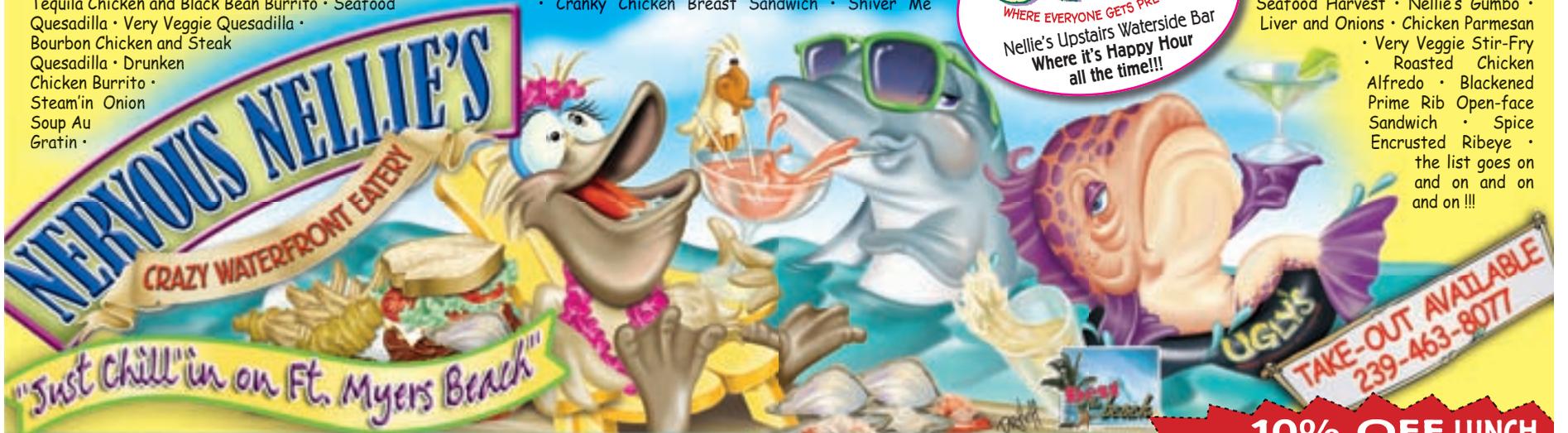
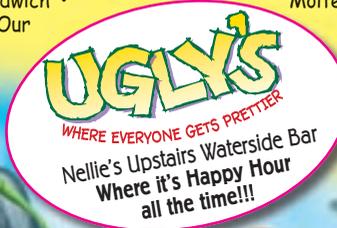
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