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The Kiwanis Taste of Pine Island event goes at last year's Taste

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Taste Of Pine Island Returns This Weekend

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Pine Island will hold the annual Taste of Pine Island on Saturday, January 26 from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday, January 27 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. The event will take place at Phillips Park, 5675 Sesame Drive on Pine Island Road (behind the Pine Island Fire Station). Tickets are \$5 each, with children 10 and under admitted free. Two-day passes are available for \$8.

Event planners expect more than 5,000 people to attend the two-day event,

which features live music, entertainment and food.

The event will feature over 100 food and craft vendors. Live entertainment will include The Whole Tones, Strange Arrangement, Pine Island Dance, Pine Island Steel and Kip & Trailer Park Barbie. The Taste of Pine Island is family-friendly event with children's activities including rock climbing, face painting, bounce houses and rides.

The 10th annual Southwest Florida Chowder Cook-off Contest and the 2nd annual Chili Cook-off Contest will also be held, which the public can judge.

The Fish Drop Drawing will also take place at the event with a \$2,000 grand prize, \$500 second place prize

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Concert And Reception At Shell Point

The Concerts and Conversation Series at Shell Point

Retirement Community is open to the public, and the next concert in this series will be pianist Thomas Pandolfi on Thursday, January 31 at 7 p.m. This concert is unique in that following the concert, participants can attend a beverage and dessert reception with Pandolfi.

Pandolfi is piano virtuoso who has passionate artistry and amazing technique. His orchestral appearances often feature beloved masterpieces by Tchaikovsky, Rachmaninov, and Liszt. Pandolfi's career experiences include performances with such European orchestras as the George Enescu Philharmonic and the Cluj Philharmonic of the Republic of Moldova. He has also performed with American symphony orchestras throughout the country.

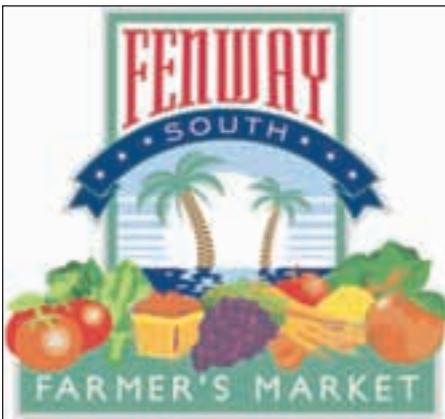
Pandolfi is a graduate of The Juilliard School, where he earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees as a scholarship student. *The Washington Post* acclaimed Pandolfi as "an artist who is a master of both the grand gesture and finesse."

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Thomas Pandolfi

Fenway South Farmer's Market Opens February 4



More than 35 vendors selling locally produced vegetables, native plants and flowers, prepared foods, fresh baked goods, all-natural products and crafts will converge on JetBlue Park for eight weeks in February and March.

Beginning February 4, each Monday

afternoon from 3 to 6 p.m., Fenway South Drive in front of JetBlue Park will be host to the Fenway South Farmer's Market that will include local produce, cheeses, flowers, fresh pastas, seafood, baked breads, meats, herbs, organic vegetables, crafts, soaps, candles, ready-to-eat meals and live music.

JetBlue Park at Fenway South, the Red Sox's new 106-acre Spring Training and Player Development Complex, is located at 11500 Daniels Parkway.

"The vendors are very excited to be able to utilize the space and location of JetBlue Park to promote their locally produced products and wares to neighboring communities as well as the Boston Red Sox fans," said Betsy Ventura, who along with Jean Baer owns Local Roots, LLC and will run the market at JetBlue each Monday. "Farmer's markets have been growing in popularity, and this is the perfect time of year to shop local in the open air and beautiful Florida sunshine."

Ventura and Baer also operate the Lakes Park and Sanibel Farmer's Markets.

"We are very excited that Lee County's newest open-air market is coming to JetBlue Park," said Katie Haas, director of Florida business operations. "This market is a great way to kick off the Spring

Training season and just another one of the unique ways Fenway South is being utilized for the Southwest Florida community."

According to Baer, they are expecting to add more vendors leading up to the February 4 start date. Anyone interested in becoming a vendor or providing live entertainment can call 691-9249 or email jmbaer@comcast.net.

The current list of vendors for the market include:

1. Barkies – organic dog treats
2. Beignets – made-to-order Beignets, a New Orleans treat
3. Big Cheese – artisan cheeses
4. Blue Sky Jewelry – hand-crafted jewelry
5. Calamondin Café – homemade treats made from the Calamondin fruit from Pine Island
6. Cat Paws Designs – hand-sewn pet beds
7. Chef Roberts Kitchen – Mediterranean foods including 11 types of hummus
8. Dominga Flowers – fresh-cut flowers and potted plants
9. Dragon Fly Soap – handmade soaps
10. Dynasty Guacamole – freshly made guacamole and salsa on site

11. Elfie's Deli – german deli foods
12. Ernesto and Luigi Sauces – homemade marinara sauce and pastas
13. Farmer Mike – Bonita Springs farmer's fresh fruit, veggies and flowers all locally grown
14. Frills – jewelry, art and funky clothes
15. Gallego's Farm Fresh – local produce
16. Gone Nuts – homemade peanut butters and roasted peanuts
17. Green Ivory – fair trade jewelry and hand-woven market baskets
18. Happy Pickle – many varieties of pickles and olives
19. Hemp Bamboo Clothing
20. Heritage Honey – local honey sold by the beekeeper
21. I love Oils – essential oils
22. Irene Veggies – fresh produce including organics and Asian veggies
23. JC's Bakery – artisan breads, danishes and cookies
24. Jones Barbecue – ready-to-eat or take home ribs and pulled pork
25. La French Gem – handmade Bohemian jewelry
26. Madagascar Hats – hand-woven

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Old Times At The Hall Of 50 States



by Gerri Reaves

Old Timers

This 1992 photo taken at the Hall of Fifty States captures only one of countless events that made it central to the social and civic life of Fort Myers for many years.

The occasion was the Southwest Florida Historical Society's annual fundraiser, "Old Times in Southwest Florida" or, alternately, "Old Timers Night."

The society was then in its 29th year and regularly held the event at the hall each February.

The hall, on the other hand, was 65 years old, but going strong. In fact, only 10 years before, it had been remodeled and

a grand opening held. It was marketed as equipped for everything from banquets and parties to conferences and dances. It also had catering facilities.

The Hall's pedigree dates from the boom-times of 1927, when it was a second-story auditorium, a segment of the grand Moorish-style Pleasure Pier that extended into the Caloosahatchee River near the foot of Heitman Street. The hall was moved to Edwards Drive in 1943 and renamed the Hall of Fifty States, thus the many flags in the photo.

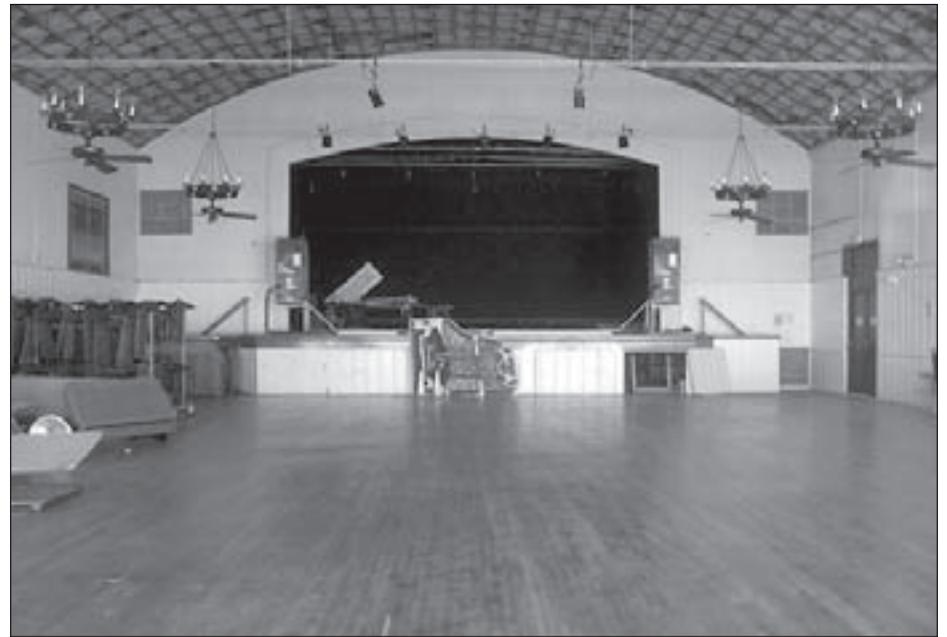
The Old Timers night had been held at the hall for many years. Typically, the format featured several speakers who spun yarns of old Fort Myers, as well as historical facts worthy of sharing and recording.

The 1992 event opened with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Vice-president Jim Congdon, and words of welcome from President Sara Nell Hendry Gran.

Prior to the main program, awards were presented to the winners of the Lee County Student Historical Essay Contest.

Among those onstage in the February 1992 photo are speakers Tommy Pursley, Mae Ola Nickson, Jimmy P. Porter and Joan Pigott Porter.

Pursley was the great grandson of Capt. Francis A. Hendry, "the father of Fort Myers," and grandson of Capt. J. Fred Menge.



Today, the Hall of Fifty States looks ready to be pressed back into service. Move some things out of the way, give it a good cleaning, set up the chairs, turn on the stage lights, and get on with the program photo by Gerri Reaves

Nickson (center), a Fort Myers native with local roots going back to the 1890s, had taught in the public schools for 38 years, 22 at South Boca Grande Elementary, a one-teacher black school.

Jimmy P. Porter spoke about his 25 years in the Fort Myers Fire Department. In addition, his wife, Joan Pigott Porter (second from right), teacher and Fort Myers City Council member, joined him in sharing their extensive research on the history of Buckingham Army Air Field.



Among those onstage for Old Times in Southwest Florida in February 1992 are speakers Tommy Pursley, Mae Ola Nickson, Jimmy P. Porter and Joan Pigott Porter. Note the many state flags on the right courtesy of Southwest Florida Historical Society

The evening ended with closing remarks by Stanley Hanson and raffle drawings for a painting of the historic Gardener-Kelly home and other items.

The historical society's traditional event lives on, but has evolved into today's Cracker Lunch and Cracker Dinner, which every February bring people together for food, socializing and a celebration of Fort Myers, past and present.

While the hall has not been open for several years, many lovers of Fort Myers hope for its renovation and return to a vital role in downtown life.

Walk down Edwards Drive and see a much-loved public building just waiting for a chance to help the community make more good memories.

Then walk a few blocks the Southwest Florida Museum of History to learn more about the history of the city's last remnant of the Pleasure Pier.

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Fort Myers Public Art Sculpture At Library



by Tom Hall

Hidden in the shrubs that screen the entry to the Fort Myers-Lee County Library lolls an injured young maiden named *Lorelei*. She's a 132-year-old enchantress who has been looking for her head since 1997.

The white marble sculpture was carved between 1876 and 1880 from a single block of stone measuring 60 to 68 inches high. The figure reclines on a pedestal carved in the shape of stacked shale, the type of rock found on the island in the Rhine River from which the sculpture takes her name. The workmanship is delicate, betraying that the hand that sculpted her was female. The artist was a Boston-born sculptress by the name of Emma Elisabeth Phinney.

Back in the 1880s, sculpture was uniquely the province of men. But Phinney traveled to Rome to study her craft at the prestigious Royal Academy of Fine Arts. It's there that she sculpted *Lorelei*, and it's there that Fort Myers' Evelyn Rhea found the statue 50 years later while on a trip to Italy.

Rhea brought her back to Fort Myers

and put her in the garden she kept at her home on the Caloosahatchee, where she showed her off to the likes of Thomas and Mina Edison. Some 20 years later, she donated *Lorelei* to the City of Fort Myers, which stored her unceremoniously beneath some stairs at the library.

That's where a junior at Fort Myers High found her while planning the senior prom. He persuaded the library to let him borrow her for the dance at Exhibition Hall. "There was so much dirt and dust on the piece that it was muddy grey," Butler explains. "When it was returned to the library, the staff was impressed by the newly cleaned marble and placed it outside."

Lorelei graced the library's entry without incident for 36 years, but in 1997, one or more vandals decapitated the poor girl, breaking off her left elbow and two toes in the process.

The library contemplated removing the damaged statue, but after the *News Press* received a slew of indignant letters, they chose to leave her be. Regrettably, the head has never been recovered and neither the library nor the city has restored *Lorelei* to her former glory.

But that's not fine with Jim Butler. Since 2008, he's been trying to cajole and even shame Fort Myers' Public Art Committee into repairing the headless siren. Although funding is unquestionably problematic, the PAC is looking into the matter of conserving *Lorelei*, along with half a dozen other public artworks in need of repair and maintenance.

Meanwhile, *Lorelei* would like her head back. If you have it, please return it,



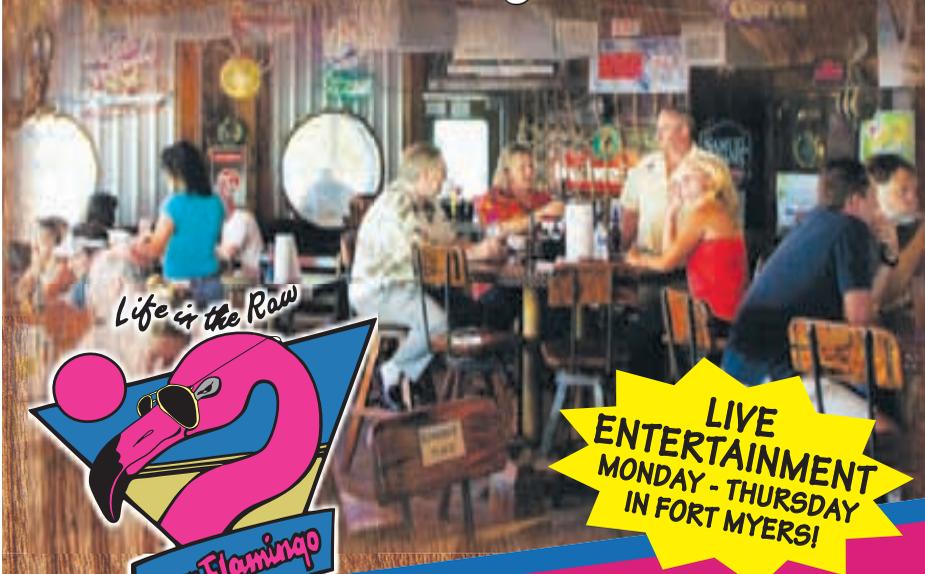
Lorelei can be seen at the entrance to the Fort Myers-Lee County Library

no questions asked.

An arts advocate, Tom Hall guides weekly walking tours of the River

District's public art collection in Fort Myers. For more information, go to www.truetours.net.✪

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Farmer's Market

hats from Madagascar

27. Magic Cauldron – freshly popped kettle corn and fruit smoothies

28. Moringa Tea – moringa tea and other products made from the Moringa plant

29. Paradise Gardens – locally made jams, marmalades and hot sauces

30. Pete's Mozzarella – locally made fresh mozzarella

31. Pitatopia – made-to-order pita sandwiches and salads

32. Ralph's Seafood – local seafood

33. Sift Bakery – homemade cookies, scones and biscotti

34. Smoke Signals – smoked meats, grass-fed beef, pork, chicken and turkey

35. Terry's Power Core – power Core bracelets

36. Two Pockets – an innovative idea created to free up your hands

37. Varnuts – cinnamon-roasted nuts

Produce at the market

38. Wissota Art – miniature art made by a local artist

The Red Sox will host 20 games in its second year at the state-of-the-art complex. The team begins its 2013 spring game schedule on Thursday, February 21, with the traditional, single-admission double-header against the Northeastern University Huskies and Boston College Eagles starting at 1:35 p.m.

The spring slate features eight scheduled night games at JetBlue, including a matchup on Tuesday, March 5 with Team Puerto Rico, which will be preparing for the third World Baseball Classic.

Fans are also welcome to attend the club's free, open-public workouts at the Fenway South Player Development Complex before games get underway.

The first workout for pitchers and catchers is scheduled for Tuesday, February 12, while the first full-squad workout is set for Friday, February 15.✪

Dominga's flowers



Betsy Ventura and Jean Baer

Canning Classes

Canning classes, presented by the UF/IFAS Lee County Extension, Family & Consumer Sciences, will be offered at the Terry Park Complex, located at 3406 Palm Beach Blvd. in Fort Myers. Cost is \$10 per person. You must be registered and paid in advance to attend the class (No walk-ins). Class is limited to nine participants.

Participants will learn the current science in USDA home food preservation recommendations through lecture and a hands-on pressure canning experience.

Class instructors will also have available for purchase the *So Easy To Preserve* canning book from the University of Georgia. The cost is \$18 per book.

Three classes will be offered:

- Thursday, January 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

For more information or to register for a class, contact Celia Hill at hillcb@leegov.com or 533-7510.✪

Homeless Service Day And Veterans Stand Down Event

In Lee County there are an estimated 2,800 persons without a place to call home. The Lee County Homeless Coalition, through a union of many diverse community groups and individuals, is working to end homelessness.

On Saturday, January 26, the Lee County Homeless Coalition is sponsoring our 13th annual Homeless Service Day and Veterans Stand Down. The event will take place at City of Palms Stadium, 2201 Edison Avenue in Fort Myers, from 8:45 a.m. to noon. (Stand Down is a military term referring to an opportunity to achieve a brief respite from combat. Troops would assemble in a base camp to receive a variety of services.)

This is a one-day event where a variety of services including food, hygiene kits, backpacks, flu shots, hair cuts, information on VA benefits, and referrals for substance abuse and mental health counseling will be available to anyone who is homeless. By providing these services, the Coalition hopes it may help to break the cycle of homelessness. The National Veterans Homeless Support has provided a grant to help fund this event and the Coalition will be conducting their Annual Homeless Census during this event.

Agencies and civic organizations currently signed up to provide services at the Stand Down are: The Housing Authority of the City of Ft. Myers, The Salvation Army, Family Health Centers, Lee Mental Health Center, Community Cooperative Ministries, Goodwill of SW Florida, Florida Rural Legal Services, Southwest Florida Addiction Services, Harry Chapin Food Banks, National Alliance on Mental Illness, We Care Ministries, Southwest Florida Works, Health Department, Lee Memorial Health Systems, Department of Veterans Affairs, Veteran's Administration, Jewish War Veterans, Lee County Sheriff Office, Cape Coral Police Department, Department of Children and Families ACCESS, St. Columbkille Catholic Church, Love and Compassion Ministries, Harlem Heights Improvement Association, Lee County Department of Human Services HMIS, Broadway Community Church, Safelink Cellular, Lee Tran, Lehigh Acres American Legion, Jobe's House, Alcoholics Anonymous, Division of Motorist Services, Harvest House Ministries, Next Level Church and the American Red Cross.

If you have any questions regarding support, donations or participation in this event, contact Janet Bartos, Executive Director of the Lee County Homeless Coalition at 322-6600 or leehomeless@gmail.com.✪

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Imaginarium Announces New Hours For Season

The Imaginarium Science Center announces new hours for the January through May season. The Imaginarium will be open Tuesday to Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Additionally, in an effort to meet the needs of busy families, Family Friday Nites began January 4 (offered every Friday) with an extension of hours from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and the option to purchase dinner from the new Rockin' Ray's Café.

While the Imaginarium will be closed on Mondays, it will be open on national holiday Mondays including January 21 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day, February 16 for President's Day, and May 27 for Memorial Day.

Guests of all ages will enjoy a day of discovery at the Imaginarium with more than 60 hands-on science exhibits and favorites like science shows, live animal encounters, and a *Dinosaurs!* 3-D movie to complement the special exhibition, *Be The Dinosaur*, extended through March. Take on the virtual Cretaceous and *Be The Dinosaur* in the simulated survival game, dinosaur safari jeep simulator, paleontology field station, and models. Come face-to-face with a T-Rex and dig up a dinosaur or sift the sands for real local fossils in the Dino Discovery exhibit area,

Experiment with Newton's Laws of Motion in the Build Your Own Coaster exhibit and Science In Motion, and then wise up on storm safety at the Storm Smart Safety Hurricane House. Broadcast live from the IMAG-TV Studio and e-mail your video creation to friends and family, then get blown away in the Hurricane Experience. Get up close and personal with sea life in the SEA-TO-SEE Touch Tanks, then meet the residents of Animal Lab – large and small with scales, tails, feathers, fur and fins.

Outside, stop by the Fisheye Lagoon to feed the fish, turtles, ducks and geese, then check out the interactive Caloosahatchee Experience exhibit with new Lake Okeechobee aquarium complete with alligators. Relax under the Water Tower in the new Lipman Family Courtyard nestled amidst a beautiful butterfly garden, and walk the trail through the Backyard Nature: Living Green exhibit that highlights the importance of green spaces and how to best sustain them.

Museum admission is \$8 for students, \$10 for seniors (age 55 and up), and \$12 for adults. Museum members and children 2 and under are always admitted at no charge. The Imaginarium is located in historic Downtown Fort Myers at Cranford Avenue and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. and is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesdays through Saturdays, Fridays 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and noon to 5 p.m. on Sundays. Closed Mondays except January 21, February 16 and May 27.

For more information call 321-7420 or visit www.i-sci.org. "Like" us on

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Teen Battle Of The Bands

Teen bands of all genres can now enter the Reading Rocks! Teen Battle of the Bands. The top three finalist bands will receive prize packages and will perform live in at the Southwest Florida Reading Festival in March.

Bands are encouraged to upload an audio or video recording to YouTube and to provide the link and entry form by the deadline of February 15. The bands will be judged by a combination of a judges' panel (60 percent) and online voting (40 percent). Online voting will be open from February 16 to March 1. The first place prize includes an eight hour studio recording session at Sonic Recording Studios and a feature article in *Spot Music Magazine*. The event is presented by Howl Gallery and the Southwest Florida Reading Festival and is intended to encourage involvement in reading and the arts among high school and middle school age students.

"We hope this is a big draw for the area teens and that it becomes an annual event," said Andy Howl, Reading Rocks! Teen Battle of the Bands chairman and owner of Howl Gallery in Fort Myers. "We are very excited about the visibility and live performance opportunity this contest

offers the teens in this community."

The contest is open to teens from 13 to 19 years old who are Lee County residents. For more information or to enter a band, go to www.Howlgallery.com.

For more information about the Southwest Florida Reading Festival, call 337-READ (7323) or visit www.readfest.org. The Reading Festival is 100 percent community supported through generous donations, sponsorships and grants. To help ensure the continuation of this free community event, visit www.readfest.org to make a secure online donation.*

Architectural Tour Of Downtown Fort Myers Area

A special architectural tour of the Downtown Fort Myers area will be held on Friday, January 25. This 75-minute architecture tour highlights the most significant buildings in Downtown Fort Myers, from Beaux Arts, Neo Classical to Art Deco, with an emphasis on the most interesting elements of each building.

Architecture tours are \$12 per person and begin at 10:30 a.m. at the Franklin Shops, located at 2200 First Street in Fort Myers.

Call 945-0405 for more details and information. Reservations are required. Also, visit our website at www.TrueTours.net.*

Southwest Florida Historical Society Event

The Southwest Florida Historical Society will hold its annual fund-raisers, the Old Time Lunch and Cracker Dinner, on Monday, February 18 at the Riverside Community Center, 3061 East Riverside Drive in Fort Myers.

The program will highlight the nonprofit organization's half-century of history. It was founded in 1963, with Robert Halgrim as the first president. The lunch and dinner evolved from an event started in the same year that was originally called Old Times in Southwest Florida.

The country cooking will be provided by Cracker Caterin' and Cookin'.

Genevieve Bowen, board member and event chair, promises fun for all, including door prizes, raffles, games and music.

Doors open for the lunch at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. for the dinner.

Tickets are \$25 for lunch and \$30 for dinner. Seating is limited and reservations must be prepaid. No tickets will be sold at the door.

All profits support the mission of the historical society.

Call Pat Jungferman at 995-0897 or Genevieve Bowen at 939-1653 for information or to purchase tickets. They can also be purchased at the society headquarters on Wednesday or Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon.

The historical society is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts. The phone number is 939-4044. *



The Cracker Lunch and Dinner evolved from the historical society's annual event, *Old Times in Southwest Florida*

Lee County Preserve On Fort Myers Beach Closed For Improvements

Matanzas Pass Preserve, a popular walking and nature-watching location on Fort Myers Beach, will remain closed through February 4 for a boardwalk-expansion project.

This temporary closure of the 60-acre site will allow staff to complete the final link in the boardwalk's ADA accessibility from the preserve entrance to the pavilion that overlooks the Estero Bay. The \$35,000 project is designed and constructed by Lee County Construction and Design Department and funded with a Lee County Tourist Development Council grant.

Matanzas Pass Preserve has 1.5 miles of trails and several stops where visitors can enjoy its Old Florida feel, including its maritime oak hammock, transitional wetlands and mangrove forest. It is one of the few remaining natural habitats on Estero Island.

The preserve is located at 199 Bay Road in Fort Myers Beach. Its entrance is located behind Beach Elementary School. Normal operating hours are 7 a.m. to dusk year-round; guided tours are offered from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Thursdays during season. Visit www.leeparks.org or call 533-7444 for details.*



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Alva Community Center Activities

Alva Community Center is looking for craft vendors for their upcoming Annual Alva Craft Show taking place on Saturday, February 2. The show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Alva Community Park, 21471 North River Road in Alva.

Vendor spaces (10 feet by 10 feet) are available for a nominal fee of \$10 each. Tables, tents, chairs, etc. will not be provided. Public admission to the show will be free.

For further information on the event or to become a vendor, contact Sandra Bates at 728-2882 or BatesSW@leegov.com.

Dance Gymnastic, Baton and Jazz

Dance Gymnastic, Baton and Jazz

with Susan Katz is now being offered at the Alva Community Center.

- Thursday from 6 to 6:45 p.m. – Baton and Jazz. Cost is \$35.

- Thursday from 6:45 to 7 p.m. – Dance Gymnastic. Cost is \$35.

Classes are open to ages 5 to 16 years old.

For more information, call instructor Susan Katz at 369-0404.

Home School PE

Looking for an opportunity for your home school child/children to get out and make new friends, and take part in numerous physical activities? This Home School PE course offers an all-around good time in a non-competitive environment. Open to ages 5 to 15 years old.

- Session 101502-03 from February 5 to March 5 (no class on February 19).

- Session 101502-04 from April 2 to 30

The registration fee is \$10 per ses-

sion.

Sessions are held on Tuesdays from 1 to 2 p.m. at the Alva Community Center. Required: tennis shoes, water bottle, sunscreen, hats/shades to protect from the sun. Participants should expect to be outdoors for this program.

Fun Days

Spend your teacher in-service day having fun with friends. Fun Days may include games, swimming, crafts, music and/or a field trip. Please bring a bag lunch and/or snacks and wear tennis shoes.

Open to ages 6 to 13 years old.

- Monday, February 18

- Tuesday, February 19

- Friday, March 15

7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily

Cost is \$15 per participant/per day.

Price does not include trip cost (when applicable).

Call the Alva Community Center at 728-2882 for more information.✧

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Old Timers

For information, call 321-7430 or go to www.museumofhistory.org. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Then discover local history at one of the area's best research centers, the Southwest Florida Historical Society, celebrating its fiftieth birthday this year.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

Contact the society at 939-4044, or visit on Wednesday or Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon.

Sources: *The archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society.*✧

Winter Book Sale

Sponsored by the Friends of the Fort Myers Library, the annual Winter Book Sale will take place on Saturday, January 26 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please come and help support the library programs and services.

Available during the sale will be books, audiotapes, videos, DVDs, CDs and much more for all ages. Everything you can fit in a bag is just \$3. Bags are provided by the Friends.

Fort Myers Library is located at 2050 Central Avenue in Fort Myers. For additional information, call 549-9625 or visit www.fortmyersfriends.org.✧

Annual Alva Craft Show

Alva Community Center is looking for craft vendors for their upcoming Annual Alva Craft Show taking place on Saturday, February 2. The show will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Alva Community Park, 21471 North River Road in Alva.

Vendor spaces (10 feet by 10 feet) are available for a nominal fee of \$10 each. Tables, tents, chairs, etc. will not be provided.

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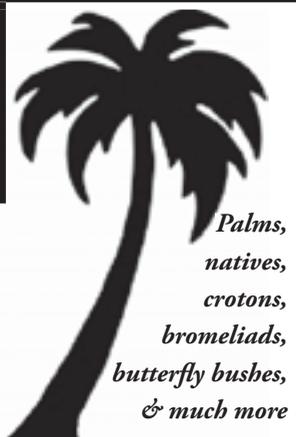
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Fashion Show

The Tea By The Sea and Fashion Show annual event sponsored by Ostego Bay is scheduled for Saturday, February 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 700 Fisherman's Wharf. A \$20 donation is suggested per person or \$75 for a table of four. This includes tea, lunch, raffles and an auction.

The San Carlos Island's Commercial Fishing Fleet Tour begins every Wednesday at 9 a.m. This 3-hour guided tour includes: a 1 1/2-hour tour of the Marine Science Center and a 1 1/2-hour guided tour of the commercial fishing industry, which includes visiting Erickson & Jensen Supply House, Trico Shrimp Company and ending the tour at Beach

Seafood. Experience firsthand how the boats are unloaded, the trawl doors are built, the shrimp nets are hand-sewn, the seafood is processed and other important factors used in this unique industry. The cost is \$15 per adult and \$10 for children over six years of age. Reservations are required. Call 765-8101 to make reservation and see our marine wonders firsthand.

For further information, visit www.info@ostegobay.org.

Volunteers are needed in the positions of docent, aquarium maintenance, office help and fund raising, publishing and distribution, plus some work outside in our local marine forest. If you can spare a few hours a week, call the Marine Science Center at 765-8101.*

Hunger Walk A Success

The fifth annual WINK News Feeds Families Hunger Walk raised \$340,000 on January 19, when 900 participants walked through the Miromar Outlet Mall to fight hunger in Southwest Florida. The event surpassed its \$270,000 goal, thanks to Billy Fuccillo, owner of Fuccillo Kia of Cape Coral. He challenged the community by offering to match \$50,000 for donations that were made to the event on Friday, January 18. Southwest Floridians responded by making

\$70,000 in pledges and donations, which came from sponsors, businesses, groups, schools and individuals.

The Hunger Walk has raised \$1 million in its five-year history. Funds from this year's event will help the food bank distribute more than \$2 million in food and supplies to children, families, seniors and others in need through more than 160 agencies in Southwest Florida.

For additional information about or to contribute financially to the Harry Chapin Food Bank, call 334-7007 or visit www.harrychapinfoodbank.org.*



The Calendar Girls pose at the MDA Muscle Walk & Ride

Calendar Girls At MDA Muscle Walk

The Calendar Girls put on their dance sneakers and performed during the 10th annual Jim Perno Muscle Walk & Ride at Hammond Stadium in Fort Myers on January 19. Harley-Davidson of Fort Myers/Naples was the major sponsor of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) fundraising event.

The Calendar Girls have been dancing across Southwest Florida since 2006. Last year, the girls "paid it forward" by performing at more than 130 events. For more information, visit www.calendargirlsflorida.com or call 850-6010.*

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Nervous Nellie's is the new winter home port of call for the historic ship *Lynx*

Along The River

On Saturday, January 26 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Celtic Heritage Productions, Inc and The City of Fort Myers Recreation Division present the **10th annual Caloosahatchee Celtic Festival**. Enjoy more than nine hours of continuous live Celtic music and dance along with authentic Irish food and vendor goods. Admission is \$7. Children 12 are free.

The Caloosahatchee Celtic Festival is at Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers. For more information, go to www.celticheritageproductions.com.

Learn about downtown Fort Myers' fascinating history on a walking tour with **True Tours**. Reservations are required.

Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery in Fort Myers Beach is a casual restaurant with a fun-loving staff. It boasts a large selection of appetizers, fresh seafood, sandwiches and entrées. Just upstairs from Nellie's is **Ugly's Waterside Bar**, the

America's Boating Course

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron will be offering America's Boating Course on Saturday, February 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The course is recognized by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators.

The State of Florida recently passed legislation requiring anyone born after January 1, 1988 to have passed a safe boating course and obtain a Boating Safety Education ID card, which is valid for life, in order to operate a boat with more than 10 HP. Each student will receive a card/certificate from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission upon completion of the class. The course consists of two sessions on consecutive Saturdays. The second session will be on Saturday, February 9, also from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Topics covered include hull design, docking, anchoring, handling boating emergencies, reading channel markers, and other topics to make each boating experience safer and more enjoyable. Successful completion of this course entitles the boater to six months free membership in a United States Power Squadron.

The cost is \$40 with a \$20 cost for a second person sharing the instruction materials.

The course is being taught at the

San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron classroom located at 16048 San Carlos Boulevard, at the corner of Kelly Road (across from ACE Hardware).

Register online at www.scbps.com or call the office 466-4040.*

Introduction To Using GPS Class

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons, will be offering a class in basic GPS operation on Saturday, January 19 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. This class will be offered again in March.

The class is designed to introduce new users to GPS and will include discussions of marine navigation, how the device works, and its limitations. There will be an extensive presentation on what a GPS can do and what a boater can do with a GPS. For those interested in purchasing a GPS, you will learn about key features to look for.

The cost of the class is \$30.

The class is being taught at the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron classroom at 16048 San Carlos Boulevard, at the corner of Kelly Road (across from ACE Hardware).

Students can register online at www.scbps.com or call 466-4040.*



Learn about the history of the former Greystone Hotel on True Tours' daytime Historical Walking Tours and on its nighttime Haunted History Tours of downtown Fort Myers

place where everyone gets prettier. Enjoy happy hour all day, every day at Ugly's. Go to Nellie's website for a schedule of musicians.

While relaxing on Nellie's expansive waterfront patio, enjoy the view of the historic *Lynx*, scheduled to winter at Nellie's Snug Harbour from February to March. Tours are also available that allow visitors to climb aboard and step back in time to relive history and feel the adventure of a vanished age of sail.

Whether you arrive by land or sea, parking for patrons of Nellie's and Ugly's is free. If you are traveling by boat, marine dockage is available at the Snug Harbour Marina with dock attendant's assistance. The GPS coordinates are 26°27'23.41" N • 81°57'15.18" W.

Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery is located at 1131 First Street, Fort Myers Beach in the historic Baywalk district. It is open for lunch, dinner and snacks in between. Call 463-8077 or go to www.nervousnellies.net.

Learn about the fascinating history and scandalous characters who shaped Fort Myers with **True Tours**. Reservations are required.

The 90-minute Historical Walking Tours will educate and entertain with stories of local history. Learn about the interesting personalities and founding fathers who built Fort Myers. Tours are held Wednesday and Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Price is \$10 + tax or \$6 for students.

Public Art Tours begin at 10 a.m. on Sundays. The 90-minute sojourn through artistic landmarks of downtown Fort Myers shine a spotlight on the artists and the inspiration behind *Fire Dance*, the art panels at the Justice Center parking garage, the light sculptures on the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center and a dozen more other art treasures. The new promotional price is \$10 or \$8.50 for students. For examples of the city's public art, read Tom Hall's *Fort Myers Art* in each issue of *The River Weekly*.

The Architecture Tour is a 75-minute walking tour highlighting the most significant architectural buildings in downtown Fort Myers., from Beaux arts, Neo Classical to Art Deco, with the emphasis on the most interesting elements of each building. The price is \$12 or \$7 for students.

Looking for something a bit more hair raising? The Haunted History Tour is a 90-minute tour that delves into the darker, more sinister side of our local history, including stories of both residential and commercial buildings reputed to have paranormal activity. Haunted History Tours start at 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Price is \$13.

True Tours also offers an Art Walk Tour at 5 p.m. on the first Friday of every month.

True Tours is located in the Franklin Shops, 2200 First Street in the heart of downtown Fort Myers' River District. For reservations, call 945-0405 or go to www.true-tours.net.*



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Kiwanis Taste of Pine Island crowds form to judge in the Southwest Florida Chowder Cook-off Contest

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Taste of Pine Island

and \$250 third place prize. Fish Drop raffle tickets and Taste of Pine Island tickets may be purchased at the event or in advance at Capital Bank in St. James City, Stonegate Bank in St. James City, Century 21 Sunbelt Realty in St. James City, Ad&PrintCraft Marketing in Bokeelia and the Greater Pine Island Chamber of Commerce in Matlacha.

The Taste of Pine Island is the primary fundraiser for the Kiwanis Pine Island Youth Scholarship Fund. This year, the club hopes to raise over \$25,000 at the

event to assist Pine Island students with their higher education costs. Since 1985, the Kiwanis Club of Greater Pine Island has provided more than \$200,000 in scholarships and has helped other island organizations as well.

The Kiwanis Club of Greater Pine Island is a community service organization that meets every Friday at Bert's of Matlacha. For more information on the Kiwanis Club of Greater Pine Island and the Taste of Pine Island, e-mail chairman Pat Burman at info@PineIslandKiwanis.com, call 283-0777 or visit www.TasteofPineIsland.com.✱



A crane drops brightly-colored fish from the sky for the Fish Drop Drawing at the Taste of Pine Island

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The cost is \$35 per member and \$40 per non-member which includes \$20 free play and a \$5 food voucher. Preregistration is required by February 1. For more information, contact the Kennedy Senior Center at 574-0575.✱

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Red Hatters at the Berne Davis Gardens in Fort Myers

Red Hatters Tour The Berne Davis Garden Grounds

The Queen Palm Red Hatters of Sun-N-Fun MHP in Fort Myers recently toured the scope and diversity of Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council's Berne Davis garden and grounds. Included in the tour were the "Plant It Pink Garden" and "Rare Fruit Garden." The tour also included the bromeliad garden, the Brazilian Cloak, herb mound and rare fruit. The members also had a tasting of a caram-

bola and received cuttings of the creeping coleus.

The Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council was formed in 1957 and now comprises various clubs, societies and affiliate members in the area. Membership provides an opportunity to learn about floral design, growing plants suitable for our locale, and conservation methods. The council assists in educating and beautifying the community, and improving the environment. A speakers bureau provides speakers for meetings and events.

For additional information about the council, contact president Laura Jibben at 463-3690 or fmlcgpres@embarqmail.com.**

Up With People Helping Food Bank



Lorna Murphy and Isabel Belliard of Up With People's Advance Team

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Whether it has been sorting dried and canned goods or packing vegetables, the Up With People Advance Team has been busy helping to make a difference in Fort Myers.

"Up With People is very community service-oriented and while the advance team is setting up the town for the arrival of 120 international students, we are still doing service ourselves," said Lorna Murphy, Up With People promotion representative and member of the advance team. "Giving back is part of what we like to do. I feel like we're here to make a difference and that starts now."

Up With People, a global not-for-profit education organization aiming to bring the world together through service and music, is sending its cast to Fort Myers in February as part of its 2013 tour. One hundred twenty international students representing 20 countries are participating in Up With People's international global education program for young adults and are scheduled to arrive in Fort Myers on February 11.

The two members of the Up With People advance team have been in Fort Myers planning for the arrival of the organization's cast. In between the team's work and preparations, it has made time to volunteer at the Harry Chapin Food Bank.

"We love helping out," said Murphy as she sorted food at the Harry Chapin Food Bank. "It's a lot of fun because while we are helping out physically, we are also learning about these organizations and what they do in the community. It feels really good to be a part of it all."

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is one of the beneficiaries of Up With People's show, Voices. The two-hour musical performance will take place at North Fort Myers High School on Sunday, February 17 at 2 and 6 p.m. Local sponsors CLK Festivities, LCEC, Galloway Ford and Broadway Palm Theatre are bringing Up With People to Fort Myers to make a difference in the community and leave a positive impact through countless hours of volunteer work and a feel-good show that is sure to stay in the memory of Fort Myers for years to come. The media sponsors for the event are Renda Broadcasting, Waterman Broadcasting and the News-Press Media Group.

The advance team in Fort Myers, comprised of Isabel Belliard and Lorna Murphy, is recruiting host families for the 120 international volunteers from February 11 to 18. If you are interested in bringing the world into your home and sharing cultures, contact Lorna at 303-681-1295 or lmurphy@upwithpeople.org. Tickets for the show, Voices, are available online at upwithpeople.org/fortmyers! ✨

Chrysalis Chamber Players Concert



Chrysalis Chamber Players

New Hope Presbyterian Church welcomes the Chrysalis Chamber Players in concert on Saturday, February 2 at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary. Founded by Mary Bowden and Meghan Brachle in 2011, this highly sought after orchestra is local to south Florida.

Free and open to the public, this concert will feature music for flute, trumpet, violin and piano. They will perform works by Martinu, Stephenson and Ewazen.

New Hope Presbyterian Church is located at 3825 McGregor Blvd., just one block south of the Fort Myers Country Club. For more information, call the New Hope church office at 274-1230 or visit www.newhopefortmyers.org.

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Retreats At House Of Prayer

A retreat is a time to come away from ordinary activities, to rest, pray and invite God to renew our spirits. Mother of God House of Prayer is offering several unique opportunities in February to rejuvenate:

February 1 through 3 – Reverend Carla Palmer, an ordained minister in the Unity tradition, will direct a weekend retreat entitled Divine Feminine. She will explore ways in which the Divine is expressed through women and some of the masks women wear in various roles. This retreat will offer creative expression, reflection and authentic ceremony. Cost is \$200.

February 12 through 13 – A great way to begin Lent is offered in a two-day retreat “From Feast To Fast” directed by Barb Darling and Julie Talmage.

Experience the feasting and merriment of Mardi Gras along with the fasting and quiet of Ash Wednesday as you journey with fellow travelers. The traditions are about much more than food and the dichotomy that connects these two special days will be explored. Cost is \$100.

February 16 – In a one-day retreat, “Loving God or Loving As God Loves” will be discussed. The love which Jesus commands is not that we love God but that we love as God loves. Persons of all faith traditions are welcome. Cost is \$25.

Mother of God House of Prayer is

located at 17880 Cypress Creek Road in Alva. Call 728-3614 for more information and to make reservations, or email moghop@gmail.com.

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Community Hymn Sing

St. Peter Lutheran Church will present its annual Community Hymn Sing. The Great Hymns of the Church, Tuesday, January 29, at 7 p.m. The evening’s program will feature many of the best-loved hymns of all time and will be led by tenor Robert Beane of the Mastersingers. All are welcome. The church is located at 3751 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach. For more information call 463-4251.*



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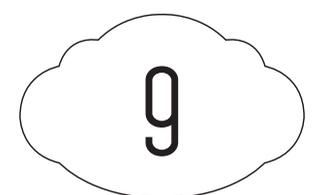
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Each United Methodist Church
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the Hibiscus Series, organist Dr. Robert
Reeves will be presenting a full concert
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Thirty years ago, BUMC installed a
Tracker Organ (the first pipe organ on
Fort Myers Beach) and Reeves was given
the honor of playing the dedicatory con-
cert. Now, as the organ celebrates its
30th birthday, Reeves has been asked to
once again present a concert.

Originally from Salisbury, Maryland,
Reeves studied at Northwestern
University, receiving his doctorate in
Organ and Harpsichord. He is the
retired head of the organ department at
Northern Illinois University, and served
as a staff accompanist for Chicago Lyric
Opera. He has traveled as a concert
organist in the United States, Canada
and Europe, and has performed with
major symphonies throughout the world.
He has been a featured artist and guest
lecturer in Bulgaria, Prague, Budapest,
Vienna, Israel and the United Kingdom.

While music director and organist at
St. Boniface Episcopal Church on Siesta
Key, Reeves also developed an ongoing
music exchange program with Exeter and
Creditor, England cathedrals. Locally,
he has accompanied professional choral
groups and has conducted multiple per-
formances of the opera *Amahl and the*

Night Visitors.

Joining Reeves will be tenor Steve
Diklich, who has a professional theatre
background in Chicago, and bass baritone
Douglas Renfroe. The concert will be
held in the Sanctuary of BUMC, located
at 155 Bay Road (behind the library) in
Fort Myers Beach. A free will offering will
be taken to assist with expenses.

In addition, Pastor Jeanne Davis will
offer a special reflective moment during
the concert to formally rededicate the
instrument. Organ students are encour-
aged to attend and sit in the Chancel area
to observe the pedal and keyboard work.
A reception will follow the concert.*

Wednesday Morning Live!

The next Wednesday Morning
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"The Play's The Thing" will be presented
by Will Prather, executive producer and
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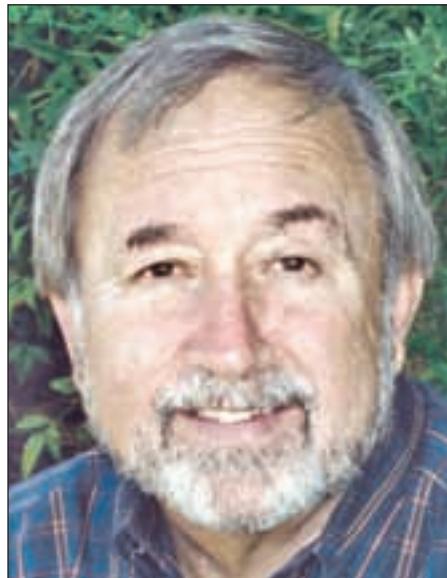
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Prayer And Health Lecture

On Sunday, February 3 at 2
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Gilbert is a practitioner and teacher
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Slow Daytime Tides And A Few Surprises



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Neither a cold front late in the week nor some of the worst daytime tide movement we have seen in months could slow the bite down this week. Deeper channels held a

good winter mixed bag of species for the first day or two after the front, then the action in and around the passes picked right back up as things quickly warmed.

With such non-existent tide movement, I concentrated my efforts most days within close proximity of the passes. If there was going to be any tide movement at all it was going to be in the passes. That paid off most days with a good variety of fish including a few off-the-wall catches of some of the largest black sea bass I have ever seen.

Fifteen-plus years ago I used to catch good numbers of small black sea bass while cast-netting for pinfish. In recent years I very rarely see any at all. Then, on back-to-back casts while fishing with live shrimp this week, I had a client catch a 13-inch and then a 15-inch black sea bass. Being a species I never see, I had to break out my smartphone and Google the regulations on this species at myfwc.



Zig Black and friend from Sea Isle, New Jersey, with two quality redfish caught while dock fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

com. After reading the complicated regulations, I found them to be legal fish.

Catch-and-release snook fishing around the passes was very consistent once things warmed up. Even with very slow moving water, we caught a half dozen or more 22- to 28-inch snook while targeting sheepshead. Although these snook are not where they should be at the end of January, it's always good to see them and add them to the species count for the day.

During slower tides, I also spent some time targeting docks up and down the sound. The lack of tide movement had me scrambling most days to find any kind of consistent bite. One day one dock would be good, often loaded up with sheepshead and a few redfish, then the next day it would be another dock.

Basically, any place you could find moving water and structure, there were fish to be caught.

Some of my favorite docks in the southern sound had more large sheepshead on them than I have seen all winter. A handful of shrimp chunks chummed up around the pilings and sheepshead would appear.

Some of the clearest water we have seen in the sound in months was a good set-up for trout fishing. Open water flats in the three- to five-foot range held lots of trout although most of them were on the small side or just at the 15-inch slot. Bigger trout seemed to be closer to and in the passes. When targeting deeper channels for other species I would catch a few 18-inch plus trout but it was really not consistent. Sand holes around Red

Light Shoal were a good choice to pop a cork with a live shrimp.

In the afternoons I was able to fish for redfish during a stronger incoming tide action, but it was slow to average. The big redfish of the week on my boat was a 29-incher but this fish did not really reflect most of the redfish action. Oyster bars and mangrove islands were the best places to target on the higher tides while the bigger fish of the week seemed to be few and far between and came while fishing docks.

Rarely do we have such a bad tide pattern for so many days in a row as we had this week. Most days I had pretty low expectations, although in the end things turned out pretty well.

As a fisherman, sometimes you just have to realize that if you are waiting for that perfect weather and good tides, you would never go fishing.

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

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CROW Case Of The Week
**One World,
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by Patricia Molloy

Soon after Dr. Heather began her position as CROW's hospital director last January, she broadened the clinic's focus to include the One World, One Health concept. It

recognizes wildlife science as an essential part of monitoring and preventing global disease trends. As a result, she frequently exchanges information with local, state and federal agencies and domestic animal veterinarians in an effort to recognize and create a first line of defense for new environmental trends.

One of the most significant trends that Dr. Heather noted was an increase of patients admitted with brevetoxicosis, a condition caused by red tide exposure. While red tide causes little more than respiratory and eye discomfort for most humans, exposure to the algal bloom can be dangerous – even fatal – to fish, sea turtles and birds. There is an ongoing, heated debate among scientists about how much of an effect man-made pollution has had on the severity and frequen-



This rare Kemp's ridley is regularly taken outside to a sea turtle tank for "day camp"

cy of these algal outbreaks.

Currently, there are three sea turtles undergoing treatment at the wildlife hospital for brevetoxicosis; two Kemp's ridleys and a Green sea turtle.

To learn more about the area's native and migratory wildlife and the reasons animals come to CROW, visit its Healing Winds Visitor Education Center. It offers hands-on exhibits, live video footage highlighting animal stories and special events suitable for guests of all ages. Visit CROW's website for the schedule.

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for native and migratory wildlife from our



This Green sea turtle is in a nearby tank. When it was admitted, it was unable to swallow due to smooth muscle damage in its throat caused by exposure to red tide

local area. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mail donations to P.O. Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 472-3644 or visit www.crowclinic.org.



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Guided History & Nature Walk

Walking trails that extoll both history and nature will be showcased during the Guided History & Nature Walk on Saturday, January 19 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Wild Turkey Strand Preserve, located at 11901 Rod & Gun Club Road in Fort Myers.

Just south of Lehigh Acres, this 3,137-acre Conservation 20/20 preserve sits atop portions of the former Buckingham Army Air Field, the state's largest airfield training base during World

War II. Walk a 1.8-mile trail that blends nature and history via boardwalks, observation decks overlooking wetlands and interpretive panels describing the gunnery training that once took place here.

Restrooms are available onsite. The degree of difficulty of this walk is moderate. Participants should bring water, hat, sunscreen, binoculars, camera, closed-toed shoes or boots, etc.). Provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation, the tour and parking are free.

For more information, call 707-3325 or visit www.conservation2020.org.*

Guided Walk At Flatwoods Preserve



Pine Warbler

A guided morning walk amongst the pines will be held on Saturday, January 26 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Pine Island Flatwoods Preserve.

Pine Island is one of only a couple of locations in Lee County where you will find naturalized Longleaf Pines. The tall, stately tree once covered 30 to 60 million acres of the southeastern United States Coastal Plain, but 200 years of logging and land clearing have greatly reduced its range. Fire plays a major role in the development of this community, and is essential to the survival of many of the plants and animals dependent on this habitat, the gopher tortoise being a primary example. Walk a 1.12-mile trail that leads you through low-growing saw palmetto, abundant grasses and flowering plants all characteristic of a healthy plant community shaped by fire.

The degree of difficulty of this walk is moderate. Participants should wear sturdy shoes or boots. Bring water, sunscreen, a hat (shade is scarce in some areas), binoculars and cameras. No restrooms are onsite. Participants should meet in the parking lot, located at 6351 Stringfellow Road in St. James City. Provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation, the tour and parking are free.

For more information, call 707-8251 or visit www.conservation2020.org. *

Conservancy Of Southwest Florida Receives Contribution

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida has received a contribution from AT&T in the amount of \$107,500 to launch the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Institute at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. The check was presented by AT&T Regional Director Matt Mucci to Conservancy President and CEO Andrew McElwaine during the Conservancy Annual Meeting on January 16 at the Naples Philharmonic Center for the Arts.

The contribution will provide funding for curriculum development, educational field trips and computer technology at the STEM Institute at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. In partnership with Florida Gulf Coast University's Whitaker Center for STEM Education and the Collier County School District, the STEM Institute will host specialized field trips for students in kindergarten through twelfth grade, adding to their existing school program options. Students will visit the Ferguson Learning Laboratory at the Conservancy where they will conduct real-world research and make predictions based on research, collect their own data, conduct experiments and create presentations on their conclusions.

"The Conservancy provides a real-world opportunity for students to better understand the scientific method and participate in STEM activities," said Conservancy Education Manager, David Webb. "Not only does the Ferguson Learning Lab provide the latest scientific technology, but our Nature Center serves as an outdoor lab as well. For example, students can set up monitoring stations in the Shotwell-Wavering Filter Marsh, collect water samples and measure how effectively the marsh reduces pollution. With the data they collect, they can construct graphs and create presentations that demonstrate independent study and enhance their understanding of science, technology, engineering and math. After all, the Filter Marsh is a success story in applying these areas to engineer a habitat that functions as a living machine."

The STEM Institute at the Conservancy is scheduled to launch in Fall 2013. In addition to AT&T's support, the Conservancy seeks additional community partners to help sustain the program.



AT&T Regional Director Matt Mucci presents a check for \$107,500 to Conservancy of Southwest Florida President and CEO Andrew McElwaine, Conservancy of Southwest Florida Chairman of the Board Robert Heidrick, Dr. Laura Frost of the Whitaker Center for STEM Education at Florida Gulf Coast University, and Conservancy Education Manager David Webb

"We are grateful to AT&T for their donation which will help us to develop much-needed science and technology programs that will greatly enhance STEM education for students in Southwest Florida," said Rob Moher, vice president of development and marketing at the Conservancy. "In addition, the STEM Institute offers a unique way for companies with an interest in the environment and STEM to become involved by pairing them with local middle and high schools where they will have the greatest impact. The STEM Institute is a great opportunity to enhance the mission of the Conservancy by educating and inspiring young people to better understand and protect the natural wonders of our region."*

Plant Smart

Oriental False Hawksbeard

by Gerri Reaves

Oriental false hawksbeard (*Youngia japonica*) is a member of the aster family and is native to Asia. Also known as Asiatic hawksbeard, it is categorized as a broadleaf weed.

So adept is it at spreading that it is naturalized – or sustaining itself without cultivation – in the warmer areas of every continent except Antarctica!

Depending on your perspective, this pretty flower might be the bane of existence or something not worth the trouble of eradicating.

Many homeowners determined to have the perfect lawn do not appreciate the wildflower and fund a regimen of herbicides.

On the other hand, homeowners with a live-and-let-live philosophy might secretly admire such a resourceful plant. One could argue that it's prettier than the turf grass it easily invades. And it's certainly maintenance-free.

At least the weed is not listed as invasive, and experts do not predict that it ever will be.

The clusters of lemon-yellow flowers appear on leafless branched stems. Only about a half-inch across, the flowers – which bloom all year – resemble tiny dandelions with fringed petals.



Oriental false hawksbeard' flowers amid the invasive asparagus fern

photos by Gerri Reaves

The branched stalks emerge from a basal rosette of dark-green lobed leaves of up to eight inches long.

The plant grows one-half to two feet tall, firmly anchored by a short taproot. Hand-pulling it is an option.

The fluffy dandelion-like seeds easily travel on the wind and colonize wherever they land. Thus, the flower is as common along roadsides as it is in well-manicured lawns.

Interestingly, the nursery industry played a role in spreading this wildflower.



Oriental false hawksbeard is a widespread non-native wildflower

Sprouts often travel unnoticed in plant shipments.

Medicinal uses for Oriental false hawksbeard include treatment for colds, diarrhea and sore throats.

Sources: *Wildflowers of Florida* by Jaret C. Daniels and Stan Tekiela, *National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida*, *Everglades Wildflowers* by

Roger L. Hammer, and freshfromflorida.com.

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

Caring For Your Plants

No Maintenance Plants: Truth Or Fiction

by Justen Dobbs



Technology in horticulture is improving by leaps and bounds in the 21st century, providing newly discovered species, hybrids, and other plants and trees that can be utilized in almost any

Florida landscape. Many of these new species are being grown for their visual appeal and low-maintenance attributes. Some examples are hybrid plants and trees, succulents, tropical air plants and uncommon natives. In our current economic climate, most homeowners are looking to cut monthly living expenses wherever possible. How about you? Have you ever considered how much time and money you spend to keep your landscape maintained?

So, do no-maintenance plants actually exist? The answer is yes. Technically, bromeliads (air-plants from South America) and succulents require no irrigation, trimming, fertilizer or pest-control and provide year-round color. And we can't forget Florida native plants and trees which can live off our rain and don't require any



Bromeliads, cycads, and flax lilies can be a bit more expensive initially, but save thousands on landscape maintenance in the long run.

maintenance (in most cases). But, Florida native plants limit you to green and silver foliage if you don't include flowers.

Most people believe that you have to plant flowering bushes and annuals in order to get a splash of color when they bloom. These typically require a lot of maintenance and only bloom part of the year. If you enjoy planting these types of bushes and live here year-round, that's fine. But, if you are interested in lower maintenance alternatives, there are many available if you know what to ask for. For the tropical look, I suggest drought-tolerant exotic palms, bromeliads, cordylines and crotons. All of these have colorful foliage year-round so you



This colorful landscape on Fort Myers Beach has no irrigation and requires no maintenance except for lawn mowing.

don't have to wait for them to bloom. If planted in fall or winter, they will need to be watered often for the first 45 to 60 days, then they're ready to live off rain alone. If planted in May or June, these plants will not need any water and will depend on our rainy season to establish. Once established, these drought-tolerant palms, bromeliads, cordylines and crotons require almost zero maintenance:

- If the palms are self-cleaning, you only need to pick up a few dead fronds per year.
- The bromeliads require zero maintenance.
- The cordylines and crotons will shed a handful of leaves per year on their own.

These fallen leaves can be left alone to turn into mulch, or you can go through once a month and collect them by hand with no equipment needed.

In addition, these plants require no fertilizer and only the crotons may require some occasional pest control for scale or sooty mold. You may want to ask your landscaping company about some of these. If they can't provide them, a simple Google search such as "buy bromeliads" or "low-maintenance plants" should point you in the right direction.

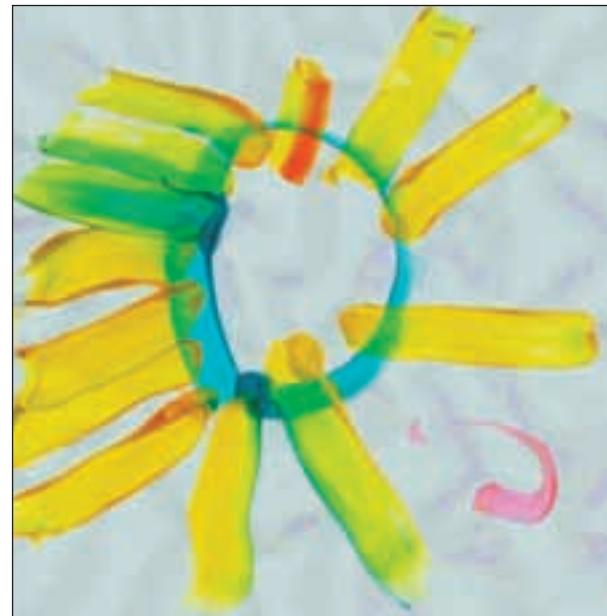
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Faces in a French Garden by Pat Dunn



Beth Ivens' koala art donation for Hearts For ACT



Art by a member of the Kids With Cancer project

Arts For ACT Gallery Exhibit

Join Arts for ACT Gallery, located at 2265 First Street in downtown Fort Myers, on Friday, February 1 from 6 to 10 p.m. for the opening reception and Art Walk for February 2013.

This month, ACT Gallery will feature artist Pat Dunn, along with a fundraiser featuring more than 20 local artists that have donated art to help the gallery and Kids With Cancer supporting the Young Artists Awards.

"To paint with passion the colors and light that reflects an inner joy enabling me to creatively express the simple pleasure of life," said Dunn, who finds the smell of paint, the expressive colors of her palette and the sound of a moving brush across the canvas as a way to discover the simple pleasures of a visible adventure in her everyday life. She has learned to appreciate the beauty of God's creation in sun-bursting skies, silent shadows, gentle sea breezes, overcast mornings, dancing waters and vibrant colors of a simple garden. She enjoys capturing sensitive moments of people discovering the

beauty of our world whether in a gallery or on the sea shore. These are the sensations that drive her to the canvas.

Nature is Dunn's studio and beckons her to seek the ever changing light and colors that always excites the working artist. She finds that is more fascinating to observe the expression of beauty in the simple things of life. Pat enjoys seeking the sensitive quality of what she feels rather than what she sees. Painting to her is more than recording the visual moment but more what she feels in her heart and soul.

Dunn loves painting on location in the early mornings when the light is ever changing and the world is beginning to come into focus. She likes to take a chance on her emotions and finds real joy in expressing her fulfillment of being a visual communicator through her creative responses.

Her life has not always been linked to art. Dunn moved from Louisiana to Florida after a career in the medical field. She has since been transplanted to Tennessee and knows her love for the expression of light and color will always be a vital part of her artistic expression, no matter where she sets up her easel.

Dunn has exhibited in Sarasota, Bonita Springs, Sanibel Island, Useppa Island, Giverny France and Fort Myers. She has traveled to France to study with Gale Bennett at ArtStudy Giverny and has participated in numerous exhibitions in Southwest Florida. Painting is her passion pursued with a great desire to glorify her Creator!

ACT Gallery is a project of Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc., which has two shelters in Lee County, supporting and housing the victims of human trafficking, domestic violence, sexual assault and their children. So far, 16 artists have paid it forward and have completed and delivered over 30 pieces of heartfelt works. Exhibiting artists include Cheryl Fausel, Honey Costa, Paula Eckerty, Kim Roenigk, JoAnne Bedient, Linda Benson, Claudia Goode, Peg Cullen, Barb Mintz, Vicki Baker, Karen Jarsted, Beth Ivens, Pat Cleveland, Katherine Boren, the artist Zaki, Helen Andrejev and more.

Art By Kids With Cancer is a project of the Young Arts Awards, which delivers art supplies for use by pediatric oncology patients throughout the year in conjunction with the Child Life Specialists at the Pediatric Oncology/Hematology program at the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, while also showcasing the artwork of children with cancer. They provide monetary assistance to local families in crisis facing the financial challenges of childhood, assisting those families with expenses such as groceries, transportation, and prescription costs.

The program's collaboration with trained specialists at the hospital utilizes art in a therapeutic setting to assist children with cancer. The art supplies purchased and donated are delivered for specialized instruction and are available for both art projects and the children's personal use.

In addition, the program's multiple Art By Kids With Cancer exhibits throughout the community raise awareness in the general community as to the importance of the arts in healing and the challenges faced by local families of children diagnosed with cancer.

The Young Artists Awards nonprofit organization mats and frames and then showcases, sells, or auctions selected pieces of the children's artwork at numerous venues throughout Southwest Florida. For the past four years Arts for ACT Gallery has hosted an art exhibit for The Kids with Cancer. Trained volunteers are available to talk about the artwork and program during the exhibit.

More information can be found at www.youngartistsawards.org.

These exhibits continue through Tuesday, February 26. ✨

Father-Daughter Dinner Dance

Gulfshore Ballet, Southwest Florida's premier not-for-profit school of Classical Ballet, will be hosting a Father-Daughter Dinner Dance on Saturday, February 9. The dance will be held at Edison State College in Room U-102 from 6 to 9 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Gulfshore Ballet Scholarship Fund.

The evening will include a dinner catered by a chef who is also a Gulfshore Ballet parent. A professional DJ will provide the entertainment. There will be Father-Daughter photos, party favors and raffles. All couples are welcome.

Edison State College is located at 8099 College Pkwy, Fort Myers. Room U102 is located in the Classroom Building near the Summerlin Road entrance. The closest parking is in Parking Lot #6. Edison State College can be contacted at 489-9300.

Tickets are \$70 per couple. Call the Gulfshore Ballet office at 590-6191 or email gulfshoreballet@gmail.com for reservations. Space is limited and reservations must be made in advance. More information about Gulfshore Ballet can be found at www.gsballet.org. ✨

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Find Unique Gifts, Support Local Artists At The Alliance For The Arts



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The Alliance for the Arts gift shop is expanding once again on Saturday, February 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. when more than a dozen local artists display their hand-crafted items throughout the gallery. Find a wide variety of locally made, truly unique Valentine's Day gifts for your loved ones and support artists at the same time. This is guilt-free shopping at its best! In addition, Alliance members get a 10 percent discount on all purchases. Coffee and refreshments will be served throughout the day.

Participating artists include Aborigines, Gay Cable, Katie Gardenia, David Hammel, Tom Haydock, Shawn Holiday, Lucia Garcia Designs, Susan Mills, Marta Sicajan, Studio 201 Artists, Vibrant Stained Glass and Union Artist Studios.

Located in the Alliance for the Arts lobby, the gift shop supports local, independent artists and features jewelry, hand bags, pottery, paintings, fabric art, repurposed art, hand-made books, photography and much more.



Purses, hand bags and totes of many sizes



The Alliance gift shop has something for all

During the gift shop sale, the Alliance GreenMarket will be taking place outside until 1 p.m., with a free yoga session at 9:30 a.m. and a community drum circle at 11 a.m. And the Relay For Life Family Fun Day is on February 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the amphitheater field.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.*

Florida Premiere At Theatre Conspiracy

Theatre Conspiracy announced the opening of the Florida premiere of *Call Me Waldo* by Rob Ackerman on Friday, February 15 at the Foulds Theatre, Lee County Alliance of the Arts

What happens when the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson spill uncontrollably from the mouth of an ordinary working guy? A contemporary comedy about love, construction work, and transcendental understanding. Lee Fountain is an ordinary electrician: his boss doesn't appreciate him, his wife keeps correcting him, and his life seems to have lost all meaning. But when Lee starts channeling the spirit of Ralph Waldo Emerson, everyone wakes up. *Call Me Waldo* shows us how one person's poetic yearnings can change everyone and everything – even our imperfect world.

Call Me Waldo plays February 15 through March 2 Thursday, Friday and Saturdays at 8 p.m., with one Sunday matinee at 2 p.m. on March 24. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased by calling the box office at 936-3239 or going to www.theatreconspiracy.org.*



The Screaming Orphans return to Fort Myers' historic River District this Saturday

Screaming Orphans In Concert

On Saturday, January 26, the Rotary Club of Fort Myers presents the fourth Annual Screaming Orphans concert at the Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center.

The Screaming Orphans are four talented, funny, high-spirited, musically obsessed sisters who had the good fortune to be raised in the magical city of Bundoran in County Donegal, Ireland. The quartet has a big following across the United States, and is quite popular in Fort

Myers, having played there several times in the past. The 2012 event sold out and offered guests a fantastic show.

The band Kilt the Messenger will perform outside in front of the Sidney and Berne Davis Arts Center beginning at 6 p.m. followed by the Screaming Orphans on the inside stage at 8 p.m. Valet parking is available.

All proceeds benefit The Lee County Alliance for the Arts, the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center and the Rotary Trust Fund. Food will be provided by Reuben's Catering and Special Deserts by Norman Love Confections. Tickets are \$60 and include dinner and the performances.

For tickets, call the Rotary Club of Fort Myers at 332-8158 or go to www.sbdac.com.*

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Comedy Appears At Foulds Theatre

After an acclaimed five-star run at the 2012 Edinburgh Festival Fringe, and sold out performances from New York to Hollywood, writer/performer Peter Michael Marino comes to Fort Myers with this comic autopsy on his \$6-million West End musical fiasco *Desperately Seeking Susan* in *Desperately Seeking The Exit*. Directed by Obie Award winner John Clancy, performances of this solo tell-all comedy run January 28 and February 2 at the Foulds Theatre.

In 2007, American playwright Peter Michael Marino wrote a musical based on the film "Desperately Seeking Susan" featuring the music of Blondie. It opened on London's West End... and closed a month later. *Desperately Seeking The Exit* offers a behind-the-scenes peek at how this \$6-million musical was made and unmade: hatching the idea, deals with MGM, Debbie Harry and even Madonna; the workshops, the previews, the scathing reviews, closing night and beyond. This true story is both comical and touching, as Peter takes us through the many highs and lows of creating this West End musical. Whether you love musical theatre or wouldn't know your workshop from your overture, this story will enlighten and entertain.

Direct from New York, *Desperately*



Peter Michael Marino

Seeking The Exit has a preview performance January 28 at 8 p.m. for only \$10. Seating is very limited for January 28. There will also be a performance on February 2 at 8 p.m. Ticket for February 2 are \$20. To make a reservation or for more information, call Theatre Conspiracy's box office at 936-3239 or visit www SeekingTheExit.com or www.theatreconspiracy.org

Peter is also bringing his award-winning writing and performance solo show workshops to BIG Arts on Sanibel

Island January 23 through February 4. These five, 3-hour workshops aim to bring autobiographical stories to theatrical life through creative writing exercises and performance techniques, resulting in a short piece to be performed for a live audience. Registration ends January 21. For more information, visit www.bigarts.org

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Broadway Baby, Edinburgh

Peter Michael Marino is a writer, actor, director and teacher. He received the 2010 and 2011 Backstage Reader's Choice Award for Favorite Comedy Teacher for his acclaimed *Flying Solo*

classes at The PIT. He also received the Back Stage Bistro Award for his cabaret spoof, *Lance Jonathan: More About Me!* He is the co-writer of the lesbian pulp homage *Hollywood Nurses*. He has directed and developed shows with Delilah Dix (Ars Nova, Laurie Beechman Theatre and Edinburgh Fringe), Mark Giordano's *Mad Man* (The PIT), Sheila Head's *Head Games* (IO West, Ars Nova), and Alicia Levy's *Chickapalooza* (The PIT, Ars Nova). As a performer, he appeared in *Stomp* for five years off-Broadway and on tour, as well as in numerous regional productions and workshops.

John Clancy is an Obie Award-winning director, playwright, and a partner in Clancy Productions, an acclaimed international theatrical touring and production company. He is the founding Artistic Director of The Present Company and a founding Artistic Director of The New York International Fringe Festival. He has directed six Scotsman Fringe First winning productions at the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, including *Americana Absurdum* (Brian Parks), *Cincinnati* (Don Nigro), *Horse Country* (C.J. Hopkins), *screwmachine/eycandy* (C.J. Hopkins) and his own *Fatboy*. Both *Horse Country* and *Cincinnati* went on to win The Best of the Fringe Award at the Adelaide Fringe in 2004. John was awarded *The New York Magazine* Award in 1997 for "creativity, enterprise and vision." ✨



Amernet String Quartet

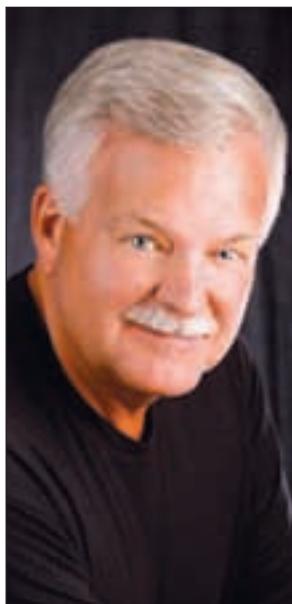
Concerts And Conversation Series Returns

The Concerts and Conversation Series at Shell Point Retirement Community will again be open to the public announced Dawn Boren, director of resident life for Shell Point Retirement Community. This series will feature four concerts, and following each concert participants will enjoy a beverage and dessert reception with

the performers. The list of performers includes:

- Thomas Pandolfi – Thursday, January 31 at 7 p.m.
- Amernet String Quartet – Thursday, February 21 at 7 p.m.
- Douglas Renfro, Bass Baritone and LaVon Mattson, Pianist – Thursday, March 28 at 7 p.m.

"The Concerts and Conversation Series is different from other concerts because it allows the guests the exclusive opportunity to mingle with the artist following the performance," said Boren. "Attendees for this concert series are able



Douglas Renfro



LaVon Mattson



Thomas Pandolfi

to enjoy an hour of classical music in a small intimate setting since we only offer a select number of tickets for each performance. In the last few years, we decided to open ticket sales to the general public, and it has been a great success."

Space is very limited, so tickets and reservations are required to attend any of the concerts in this series, which will be held in the Grand Cypress Room of the Woodlands.

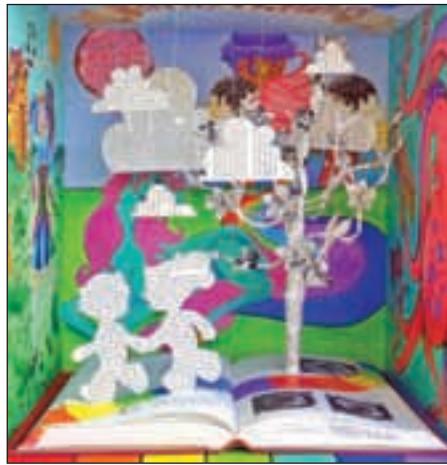
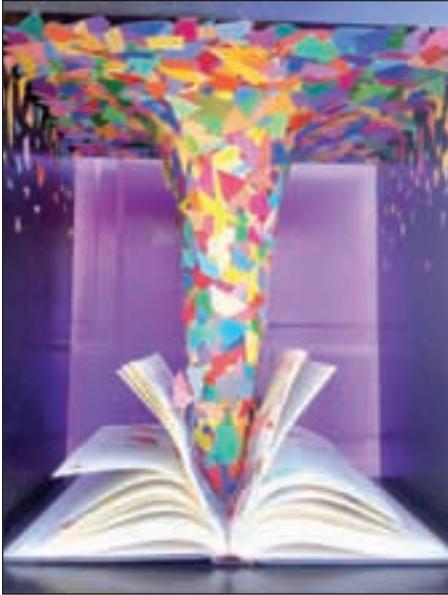
Tickets for each concert are \$25, or all four concerts can be purchased for a series price of \$80. To purchase tickets, or receive more information, visit www.shellpoint.org/concerts or call 454-2067.

shellpoint.org/concerts or call 454-2067.

Shell Point Retirement Community is a not-for-profit continuing care retirement community located in Fort Myers just off Summerlin Road and McGregor Boulevard, two miles before the Sanibel Causeway. To learn more, visit www.shellpoint.org or call 1-800-780-1131. ✨

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Art Of The Book Juried Exhibition



Sculptures made of altered book art by Fort Myers artist Alisha Koyanis

show. It opens to the public on Friday, February 1 with the opening reception the following week on Friday, February 8 from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The juried exhibit is presented in partnership with the Southwest Florida Reading Festival. Prizes will be awarded during the reception, including \$300 for Best in Show. Selected pieces from the exhibit will be on display at the Reading Festival on March 16 at Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers. Artwork by Mary Ann Czarnecki will be on display in the Member Gallery during the exhibit. She will also be teaching a new adult class, called Art of the Recycled, Repurposed beginning Thursday, February 14, and a new youth class, called Journey Through the Art of the Book: Recycled, Rebound, Repurposed beginning Saturday, February 9. She will offer adult & youth Try It Classes, which are free for Alliance members or just \$5

Altered book art by Fort Myers artist Alisha Koyanis

For its next juried exhibition, the Alliance for the Arts asked artists to literally create artwork out of books. Altered Book Art has become increasingly popular in recent years. As the publishing world turns to digital, artists are utilizing bound books as a new medium. According to Alliance exhibitions coordinator Krista Johnson, everything from scrapbook-style assemblages to sculptures literally carved from the pages of old, hardbound books are considered Altered Book Art. This is the first time the Alliance has hosted such a

for nonmembers, on Saturday, March 16. Visit www.artinlee.org or call 939-2787 for more information about these educational opportunities or on the Art of the Book exhibit.

The Alliance campus and galleries

are open to the public from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays and is at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.✱

Art Association February Events

Upcoming events during the month of February at the Fort Myers Beach Art Association gallery building, located on Donora at the corner of Shell Mound in Fort Myers Beach (unless otherwise noted), are as follows:

February 2-28 - Fort Myers Beach Art Association members' works will hang in FMB Library. Free.

February 3 - Winter Juried Show Gallery Talk 1 to 2:15 p.m. and Reception Sponsored by Red Coconut RV Park. 2:15 to 3 p.m. Refreshments. Free.

February 7-9 - Plein Air Painting with Neil Walling 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Class will

meet on painting sites.

February 10 - Art on the Boulevard annual sale at Century 21/TriPower Realty, 2011 Estero Blvd., 12 to 3 p.m. Refreshments. Free.

February 14 - Painting on Yupo with Julie Nusbaum. h

February 24 - Spring Juried Show opens at 4 p.m. and runs until March 14. Sponsored by Fish Tale Marina, Santini Marina Plaza & Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Friends of the Arts. Free.

February 24 - Painting demonstration by Eydi Lampasona 4 to 6 p.m. Fee \$10.

February 25-28 - Painting workshop with Eydi Lampasona 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com or call 463-3909 for more information and fees. ✱

English Country Dancing

Learn the social dances of the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries on Tuesdays, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., year round at Wa-ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers.

Dress is casual, and flat shoes with non-slip soles are recommended. Partners are not necessary and beginners are welcomed. The atmosphere is family friendly, with live music provided.

Lessons are free after a one-time payment of \$10, which covers lifetime membership to Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center.

For more information, contact Gillian Carney at 603-9828 or email fortmyersdancers@hotmail.com.✱

Community Pig Roast And Food Drive

The Cape Coral Elder's Quorum of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is sponsoring a community-wide pig roast for the purpose of a canned food collection for local middle school children. The Women's Relief Society organization will be providing side dishes. A free lunch will be provided for every item donated. The church is linking with Not In My City for this food drive purpose and the total goal of collection efforts is 600,000 pounds of food.

The church in Cape Coral is focusing on collecting canned chicken, canned ham, oatmeal and cereal in individual serving packets, individual fruit snack packages, hamburger helper, tuna helper, peanut butter and Ramen noodles.

This is an emergency food drive for the backpack program offered to children in Skyline Elementary and Patriot Elementary in Cape Coral, Bonita Springs Elementary and Bonita Springs Middle School, Tropic Isles Elementary in North Fort Myers, Treeline Elementary and Fort Myers Middle School in Fort Myers, and Lehigh Elementary School. This will result in over 1,500 low-income children receiving new access to emergency food assistance.

The food collection will be gathered together with other churches' and businesses' donations on Saturday, February 23 at Schooner Bay Realty, 1210 Del Prado Boulevard South in Cape Coral. There will be a live band and kids' activities.

For more information, contact Guynell Krzak at 677-8833 or email guynellk@yahoo.com.✱

Navarro In Concert

BIG ARTS will present a classical concert featuring pianist Priscila Navarro on Sunday, January 27, at 3:30 p.m. BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road. Tickets are general admission \$32, student/child free with paying adult.

Navarro, winner of the 2011 and 2012 BIG ARTS/Kenneth L. Nees Classical Music Scholarship Award, currently studies piano performance at Florida Gulf Coast University's Bower School of Music. A native of Peru, she has performed at the Corsi Internazionali di Musica in Perugia, Italy, and is a past winner of the Florida Music Teachers Association Gray Perry and Byrd Piano Competition. In January 2012, she won the 20th Annual International Chopin Competition in Corpus Christi, Texas. She was the youngest contestant in the competition. As part of the prize, she will perform at Carnegie Hall in March.

Navarro's BIG ARTS program will include Bach: *Tocatta in C minor, BWV 911, Op. 11*; Chopin: *Sonata No. 3 in B Minor, Op. 58*; Liszt: *Liebestraum No. 3 in A-flat major, Op. 62*; Schumann and Liszt: *Widmung*; Wagner and Franz: *Liebstedt* from "Tristan und Isolde;" and Liszt: *Spanish Rhapsody*.



Pianist Priscila Navarro

The final Classical Afternoon Series concert is the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music Starling Chamber Players, Sunday, February 12.

Classical Afternoons supported by Grand Patron Series Sponsor Deborah and John La Gorce.

For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.BIGARTS.org, stop by BIG ARTS or call Marks Box Office at 395-0900.✱

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First place winner Madison Brewer

Bank Honors Student Nature Photography Contest Winners



Pictured from left are nature photography contest winners with teacher Joy Williams, Edison National Bank President Robbie Roepstorff, Ranger Becky Wolff and Edison National Bank Vice President John Ammons

The public is invited to visit Edison National Bank to see an award-winning display of student nature photography. The photos and a video about the contest are available for viewing starting on Friday, January 25 during banking hours at the 13000 S. Cleveland Avenue office.

Cypress Lake Middle School students visited the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel with their teachers to photograph the wildlife and native plants they saw there. Edison National Bank provides overall financial support for this annual event, including providing medals and prizes for the winners.

The awards ceremony for the photo contest took place on January 11 at the school.

At the awards ceremony, Edison National Bank President Robbie Roepstorff and Vice President John Ammons presented award medals and \$100, \$50 and \$25 cashier's checks to the top three student photographers judged in the contest.

The honors went to:

- First place: Madison Brewer
- Second place: Kameron Smith
- Third place: Paige Schneider
- Honorable mention: Allie Feicke

"It is truly an honor for Edison National Bank to sponsor this event," said Edison Bank President Robbie Roepstorff. "I loved studying photography in college. These middle school photographers have captured some very beautiful images. I hope everyone will come see their work in our lobby display."

Every student participating in the contest will receive a \$1 U.S. Mint gold coin from Edison National Bank when they visit the bank's lobby photo display.

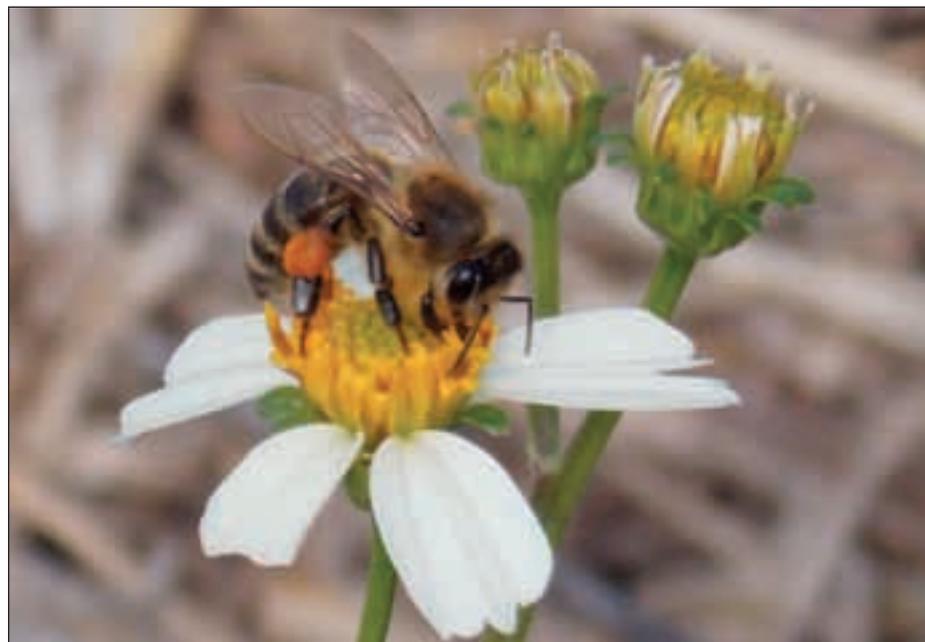
All winners and honorable mention were eighth graders this year. Thanks are extended to eighth grade teacher, Joy Williams, for supervising the contest.

Edison National Bank is Lee County's oldest locally owned and managed community bank, serving individuals and business owners with two offices in Fort Myers, as well as the Bank of the Islands office on Sanibel. Founded in 1997, Edison National Bank is strongly rooted in the community and actively supports civic and charitable causes through both donations and volunteerism.

For more information, call 466-1800 or visit www.edisonnationalbank.com.✧



Second place winner Kameron Smith



Third place winner Paige Schneider

Gulfshore Ballet Master Classes

Gulfshore Ballet, Southwest Florida's premier not-for-profit school of Classical Ballet, is pleased to announce a master class series with jazz/contemporary dancer, choreographer and instructor Amy Marie McCleary on Wednesday evenings through April 17, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. The classes take place at the Gulfshore Ballet training facility, located at 2155 Andrea Lane C5-6 in South Fort Myers.

This opportunity is open to students who are intermediate and advanced level. The cost is \$180 per student for the semester and \$90 for the quarter. Class size is limited, so call the Gulfshore Ballet office at 590-6191 or email gulfshoreballet@gmail.com to reserve your space. Registration and payment must be made in advance.

McCleary holds a BFA in Theatre from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts and now works

as the resident choreographer for Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. She has also been teaching singing, acting and dance for the past decade. She co-founded the Triple Threat Theatre camp in Fort Myers, which trained junior high students in singing, acting and dance each summer. As a dancer, Amy was trained in Royal Academy of Dance ballet technique, Fosse and Jack Cole jazz styles, rhythm tap and ballroom. As a performer she has starred in numerous regional theatre productions including Chicago (Velma Kelly), *Damn Yankees* (Lola) and *Seussical* (Mayzie LaBird). Other favorite roles include Bombalurina in *Cats*, Velma Von Tussle in *Hairspray*, Fraulein Kost in *Cabaret*, Tiger Lily/Mrs. Darling in *Peter Pan* and Gladys in *The Pajama Game*. Favorite choreography credits include *High School Musical*, *Peter Pan*, *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, *Schoolhouse Rock Live*, *Cabaret*, *Forbidden Broadway*, *Annie*, *Seussical*, *Footloose* and the second national tour of *The Wedding Singer*.

For more information, visit www.amymariemcclearyonstage.com.✧



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New Exhibit To Open At The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

On Friday, February 1, a solo exhibition by Fort Myers artist Cindy Jane will open at 6 p.m. during Art Walk at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center. Titled *Morphic Adaptations*, it will feature a series of large scale works that delve into a world of transgenic and geomorphic landscapes made up of biomorphic and abstract shapes that merge terrestrial, aquatic, and celestial environments. The exhibit will be on view through February 22.

In Jane's latest paintings, she creates an ambiguous terrain with forms reminiscent of anatomic and botanic structures. Motifs of birth and decay combine with fragments of modern culture and representations of the human figure while organic formations take center stage with lyrical eloquence and compositional mastery. Figurative and erotic elements help to shape a futuristic and ecological narrative. Her paintings take us on a sinuous path into what seems to be the regenerative aftermath of a new world.

Born in 1969, Jane attended Edison College for drawing, basic design and art history. Her paintings range in theme from the highly personal to the socio-political, and more recently, the metaphysical. She draws inspiration from subconscious experience as it relates to the human condition, current events, and evolutionary processes. Jane's work has been shown throughout Southwest Florida. Having recently been awarded Best in Show during daas gallery's Skin 2011 exhibition, and with her upcoming solo show at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, she is quickly becoming recognized as an artist of distinction.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is at 2301 First Street in the downtown Fort Myers River District. For more information, visit www.sbdac.com or call 333-1933.

Volunteers are needed at the center to assist in the office and with regularly scheduled seasonal events. Contact Sally Joslyn at 333-1933 or email sally.sbdac@gmail.com for more information.✱



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Florida Snapper And Shrimp Scampi

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
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- 3 shallots, minced
- 1 tablespoon capers
- 1 tablespoon pimento, diced
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 1/2 cup bottled clam juice
- 1/2 teaspoon coarse ground black pepper
- 4 6-ounce snapper fillets
- 1/2 pound medium shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1/2 cup fresh parsley, minced
- Sea salt to taste
- 12 ounces vermicelli or angel hair pasta, cooked

Heat the oil and butter in a large sauté pan. Add garlic and shallots and sauté for two minutes over low heat, stirring often. Raise heat to medium, add capers, pimento, wine, clam juice and pepper; simmer for two minutes. Add fillets and simmer over medium-low heat for about five minutes. Add shrimp, spreading them evenly over the skillet; simmer for three minutes until fillets and shrimp are cooked through. Stir in parsley; add salt to taste. Place fillets and shrimp on pasta on indi-



Florida Snapper And Shrimp Scampi

vidual plates. Spoon scampi sauce over all and serve.

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Shell Point Academy Classes Focus On The Forgotten War

The Academy at Shell Point welcomes back award-winning maritime author and lecturer Robert Macomber to present three informative sessions on The Forgotten War. These presentations are open to the public, and tickets are required for each session.

The first session will take place on Monday, January 28 at 2 p.m. in the Grand Cypress Room of The Woodlands at Shell Point Retirement Community. Sessions two and three will take place on February 4 and 11 at 2 p.m. in the Grand Cypress Room of the Woodlands at Shell Point. Tickets are \$10 each and to purchase tickets for these presentations, call 489-8472.

In the first session, Macomber will cover an overview of Germany's Pacific Empire from the 1870's to 1914, which stretched across a huge area from China to Saipan, New Guinea to Samoa, and greatly influenced the rest of the Pacific. The second session includes the story of the Imperial German Navy's Asiatic Squadron and its naval campaign across the Pacific in the opening months of World War I.

The final session in the series begins after the initial carnage in 1914, as World War I in the Pacific changed into a cat-and-mouse game between the German raiders and the Royal Navy.

"We are so happy to welcome Robert Macomber back to present in the Academy," said Teri Kollath, manager of Academy and Volunteer Services. "His presentations are always intriguing and informative."

The Academy of Life Long Learning at Shell Point is an educational initiative for the residents of the retirement community. The Academy provides anywhere from 70



Robert N Macomber

to 90 classes each semester that encompass a well-rounded curriculum of educational opportunities for senior adults. The Academy of Life Long Learning at Shell Point was named as one of 2008's most innovative active aging programs by the International Council on Active Aging (ICAA), an association that supports professionals who develop wellness/fitness facilities and services for age 50-plus adults.

To learn more about Shell Point Retirement Community, visit www.shellpoint.org or call 1-800-780-1131.*

Gulfshore Ballet Seeks Volunteers

Gulfshore Ballet, Southwest Florida's premier not-for-profit school of Classical Ballet, is looking for volunteers who have sewing expertise to help with costumes for ballet productions throughout the year. The work needed is mostly alterations and adding embellishments to costumes as well as creating hairpieces. Experience with costumes would be very helpful, but not necessary.

Under the artistic direction of Franklin Gamero and Iliana Lopez, former principal dancers of the Miami City Ballet, Gulfshore Ballet provides the opportunity for local students to learn from an international faculty of the highest caliber. It also brings excellence to the community by providing exposure to the performing arts and its participation in local fundraisers and cultural events such as ArtFest, Taste of the Arts, the Shakespeare Festival and collaboration with other non-profits throughout

Southwest Florida including Alliance for the Arts, BIG ARTS and the Gulf Coast Symphony.

Gulfshore Ballet performs two annual shows, the Spring Performance and *The Nutcracker* performance at BIG ARTS on Sanibel, as well as other performances as part of community outreach.

In addition to help with costumes, Gulfshore Ballet is looking for volunteers for a number of projects and opportunities. If you are interested to share your talents with us, call the Gulfshore Ballet office at 590-6191 for more information.*

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A Tour De Force At Gulfshore



by Di Saggau

Gulfshore Playhouse in Naples is serving up a thrilling performance by actor Kraig Swartz in *I Am My Own Wife*. Swartz plays over 35 different characters in this one-man show,

the most memorable being Charlotte von Mahlsdorf, born Lothar Berfelde, a remarkable German transvestite.

The story involves an American journalist John Marks, who learns about Charlotte in 1990 and passes the information along to playwright Doug Wright, who then travels to Germany and interviews the eccentric transvestite from the summer of 1992 until his death in 2002.

Charlotte managed to survive the repressive regimes of both the Nazis and the Communist Stassi Secret Police.

Charlotte is obsessed with many things, including phonographs and recordings. In fact, the first words uttered on stage are "Thomas Alva Edison." He then goes on to extoll Edison's virtues and explains why he has a painting of Nipper, the famous dog featured in RCA's famous logo "His Master's Voice." Charlotte owns 12,000 recordings.

Charlotte's story is an incredible one. Some question remains as to his involvement as an informer for the Stassi in East Berlin. Did he or didn't he collaborate? An associate of his, Alfred Kirchner, whom he dealt with in black-market goods, was arrested and jailed and officials claim he informed on him. Charlotte insists Kirchner persuaded her to name him so that both would not go to prison. Alfred willed all his belongings to Charlotte, but they were confiscated by the Stassi before his death.

"She doesn't run a museum," remarks the author's friend, John Marks, "she is a museum." It soon becomes clear that all of recent German history resides in this retiring figure. Most of East Berlin's homosexuals, hounded by the police, found community in her house for 30

years. When the Berlin Wall finally falls, Charlotte is awarded the Medal of Honor by a grateful nation.

Swartz is enthralling as Charlotte, and I had a chance to tell him so when I spotted him outside the theater. He moves with ease and rapid speed at times, from one character to another. Being interviewed by reporters from around the world, he takes on each role and language and it is quite amazing.

The title of the play comes from a statement the real Lothar gave his mother when she told him that dress-up was okay for a while, but at age 40, he ought to think about marriage. Lothar replied, "I am my own wife."

The play has won a Pulitzer Prize and a Tony Award, and you can see it now through February 3 at Gulfshore Playhouse in Naples. Directed by Kristen Coury, *I Am My Own Wife* offers an electrifying tour de force, unquestionably one of the most mesmerizing theatrical events in Southwest Florida.

Gulfshore Playhouse is located in the Norris Center, 755 8th Avenue South in Naples. For tickets, call 866-811-4111.✱

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Pandolfi Concert

"We look forward to having Thomas Pandolfi perform in the Concert and Conversations Series," said Dawn Boren, director of resident life for Shell Point Retirement Community. "It is amazing to hear his music, and then the guests will have an opportunity to spend time with him following the performance."

Space is very limited, so tickets and reservations are required to attend any of the concerts in this series, which will be held in the Grand Cypress Room of the Woodlands. Tickets for this concert are \$25 each. To purchase tickets or receive more information, visit www.shellpoint.org/concerts or call 454-2067.✱

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Networking Thursdays At The Davis Art Center

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is hosting two new "networking" events this season. The Davis' Connect Networking evenings are the second Thursday of every month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Gulf Coast Leisure's Art & Poetry Networking events are on the fourth Thursday of each month from 8 to 11 p.m. Enjoy both of these events in the Grand Atrium of the historic Davis Art Center, located at 2301 First Street in the downtown Fort Myers River District.

Expand your business and personal relationships, get to know each other, and connect in your community at the "Connect" events. They are open to business professionals and the community as a whole. The evenings begin with a thought provoking question that you fill out and answer and put in the raffle jar to win prizes. People are sharing some amazing things in their lives: things they are excited about, things they are thankful for, accomplishments they've achieved and some things they enjoy doing in life. Usually there is a twist... such as a dramatic reading of someone's exciting life adventure, or an acting out, as in charades, of some of the things others wrote down that they enjoy in life, with guests calling out to win a prize.

Each month there will be featured speakers, appetizers, raffle prizes, music, drinks and mingling. Admission is \$5; networking/promotional space is available for \$25. For tickets or more information, call 333-1933 or visit www.sbdac.com.

Gulf Coast Leisure proudly invites you to attend the Art & Poetry Networking Events on the fourth Thursday of every



month. Come bear witness to the evolution of Gulf Coast Leisure and enjoy an evening of local art, poetry, and much more. Artists will have the opportunity to showcase their work and share it with the local community. Also, this is a chance for anyone and everyone to come and meet upcoming artists and poets in the area.

There is a \$5 cover charge. For more information, call Marco at 895-5790, Brian at 738-8418 or email gulfcoastleisure@gmail.com. For tickets, visit www.sbdac.com.

In addition, volunteers are needed for the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center to assist in the office and with regularly scheduled seasonal events. Contact Sally Joslyn at 333-1933 or sally.sbdac@gmail.com for more information.✱

Winter Juried Show Opens

On Sunday, January 27, the annual Fort Myers Beach Art Association Winter Juried Show will open to all members of the Art Council of Southwest Florida.

The show kicks off with a painting demonstration by Jamie Cordero, the workshop instructor for January 28 to 31. Guests are welcome to attend the demonstration from 4 to 6 p.m. at the gallery, located on Donora and Shellmound. The fee to attend the demo is \$10 and refreshments will be served.

On Sunday, February 3 at 1 p.m., Cheryl Fausel will do a gallery talk about the paintings displayed in this show. From 2:30 to 4 p.m., the reception will begin and awards will be given to the winners selected by judge Jamie Cordero. Fran Meyer from sponsor Red Coconut RV Park will assist the chairman. The work will hang until February 21. Guests are welcome.

On Sunday, February 10, Century 21 TriPower Realty will host members of the art association for the annual Art On The Boulevard sale at the office, 2001 Estero Blvd., from noon to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served as guests peruse the fine art hung throughout the offices and outside under umbrellas. Fourteen artists featured in FMBAA shows will have work for sale at this event. This is a fundraiser for the non-profit organization.

Fort Myers Beach Art Association has planned several workshops and classes open to interested artists and budding artists. Along with the Cordero workshop starting January 29, which has a few openings, and the Edy Lampasona Mixed Media workshop starting February 25 to 28, there are short workshops taught by member artists. For more information on the workshops, visit [\[beachart.com\]\(http://beachart.com\).](http://www.fortmyers-</p>
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Patty Kane teaches watercolor on Mondays and will have a class that has started running for six weeks and another series starting on March 4 for five weeks. She teaches both beginners and intermediate students. Contact Patty at 321-277-9880.

Julie Nusbaum will teach Experimenting with Watercolors on Yupo Paper workshop on Thursday, February 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$50. Her workshop will include discussion and techniques using regular watercolor supplies on yupo paper to create convincing landscapes based on organic designs and abstract patterns. Call Julie at 262-442-0338 or visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

Patty O'Kane will again hold her Make & Take workshop on Friday, February 15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$50. All supplies will be furnished to make wonderful small paintings with direction from Patty, director of Artisin Studio in Galesburg, Illinois. Come have fun and learn some new techniques. Visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com for details.

Florence Zdanowitz will teach a Batik workshop on Thursday and Friday, March 7 and 8. Cost is \$105. Java is coming to Fort Myers Beach! Zdanowitz will be leading the class in creating a Batik painting, *Let's Have Tea*, ready for framing. She was awarded the "Bold Spontaneity-Expressive Power Award" from the Von Lieberg Art Center in Naples for this painting last November. Learn the steps to complete a Batik painting.

To register, send a check to Florence Zdanowitz, 4713 Tahiti Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 34134. Call 676-5506 (evenings). A supply list will be forwarded upon receipt of payment. Minimum class size is 10 students.

For more information on any FMBAA activity, visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com or call the gallery at 463-3909.✱



The November 2012 graduates of the Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute

Now Accepting Applications For SWFL MicroEnterprise Session

The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute hopes to increase the number of successful small businesses in Fort Myers and throughout the Southwest Florida region. The program, which provides small business training for individuals with low-to-moderate income or are otherwise disadvantaged, will begin a new session on Monday, February 18. Applications are available online at www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise.

Program participants will complete a six-week training course, made up of three-hour classes, two nights a week. Mentors will work directly with participants to help these potential small business owners prepare a business plan. Since the launch of the program in 2010, 109 entrepreneurs have graduated from the program.

"MicroEnterprise opened the door for me," said Natalie Valencia, a November 2012 graduate from MicroEnterprise. "This class made me feel like a million bucks. I

took a lot of notes and I'll be reviewing them when I'm working on my business."

At the end of the six-week program, graduates will have the opportunity to apply for small startup grants and microloans to help launch their new business ventures. Program managers hope that by providing small business training and avenues for funding, The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute will spark economic growth in our community.

The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute is administered by Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. Persons interested in applying to the Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise project, or who would like to mentor future small business owners may call 995-2106 ext. 2215. Visit www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise for more information.

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. serves Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties, and helps people with disabilities and other disadvantages overcome their barriers to employment and independence. Programs supported by Goodwill include Job-Link, career training and placement, the L.I.F.E. Academy Charter School, income-subsidized housing for senior citizens and people with disabilities, and others. More information is available at www.goodwillswfl.org.

JLFM Mini-Grant Applications Now Available

The Junior League Fort Myers will be providing mini-grants to their community partners. Throughout

its 46-year history, JLFM has given out thousands of dollars in mini-grants. Since 1966, JLFM has been committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. JLFM supports local nonprofit organizations having 501 (c) (3) status, in the

process of obtaining 501 (c) (3) status, or be under the umbrella of an agency with 501 (c) (3) status by awarding mini-grant funding projects consistent with JLFM's focus on women and children within the local community, including Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. Nonprofit organizations that meet the above guidelines and who agree to the

grant agreement included in the application packet are invited to submit applications. JLFM will review the applications and award grants of up to \$3,000.

Applications are due no later than 5 p.m. on February 1, 2013. Visit www.jlfm.org/?nd+minigrants to print out applications.

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Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days on Market
FH Tichnors Silver King	Captiva	2010	4,224	4,500,000	4,000,000	1047
Caloosa Cove	Fort Myers	2003	3,836	1,499,000	1,300,000	72
St. Charles Harbour	Fort Myers	2006	4,783	1,300,000	1,018,500	98
North Captiva Sands	Captiva	1985	4,268	1,099,000	980,000	134
Sweet Bay at Shadow Wood	Bonita Springs	2003	2,771	995,000	890,000	250
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2007	3,628	895,000	855,000	1
Copperleaf At The Brooks	Bonita Springs	2002	2,855	680,000	650,000	20
West Bay Club	Estero	2000	2,762	624,900	607,450	601
The Forest	Fort Myers	1990	3,286	599,900	599,900	10
Gulf Harbour Yacht & CC	Fort Myers	1996	2,761	598,000	588,000	45

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A Touching Comedy At Off Broadway Palm

by Di Saggau

Lasting friendship is the theme of *Dixie Swim Club*, now playing at The Off Broadway Palm Theatre. Five Southern women, who have been friends since college, set aside one weekend every August to renew their relationships in a beach cottage on the Outer Banks of North Carolina.

The show begins 22 years after the characters' college graduation. They are all 42. As the scenes progress, we go through another 33 years... and a lot of emotion.

The women have distinct personalities, and each handles them with great skill. The cast is exceptional. Sheree (Kathryn Cintron) is the organized member of the group, who seems to have it all put together. That is, except for her organic appetizers that taste like moldy grass.

Lexie (Amy Marie McCleary) is the sex pot who goes through almost as many divorces as she does plastic surgeries. One of her best lines, "I gave that man the thinnest years of my life." Dinah (ML Graham) is a successful lawyer who believes in having a cocktail whenever she feels like it and Jeri Neal (Jessica Unice) is a former nun who makes life changing decisions starting with her first "jaw-dropping" appearance on stage.



Kelly Legarreta, ML Graham, Amy Marie McCleary and Kathryn Cintron in *Dixie Swim Club*

Then there is Vernadette (Kelly Legarreta), a woman who is unhappy in her marriage and with her children and she's accident prone. However, she has a great sense of humor. One of her choice lines, "I never knew what happiness was until I got married and then it was too late." Not only does Legarreta have the choicest lines in the play, she delivers them with perfect timing in a show-steal-

ing role. I laughed out loud at every one. The exception is the last line she utters, which is so touching it brought tears to my eyes.

It is great fun to watch how these friends rely on one another over the years through all that life has to offer. They have their secrets and their faults, but through thick and thin their friendships prevail.

Directed by Paul Bernier, the hilarious *Dixie Swim Club* plays through March 9 at The Off Broadway Palm Theatre, located in the main lobby of Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. For tickets, visit www.BroadwayPalm.com, call 278-4422 or stop by the box office at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. ✪



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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers, I recently read a letter where a parent was struggling with the impact of a decision that her son's friend's parent had made. Her son has

initial shock of the horrific events in Newtown, Connecticut begins to subside, the nation is left to contemplate why such a terrible tragedy occurred. There have been frequent reports in the news that the perpetrator had been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder, and this may have been related to his homicidal behavior. While it is natural for people to want to understand why such an event occurred, speculating on possible causes at this time would be irresponsible. To conclude that the presence of such a diagnosis predisposes someone to commit this type of violence perpetuates an incorrect stereotype and maintains a stigma that often creates a reluctance to seek treatment.

Homicidal or sociopathic behaviors are often the result of a complex combination and interaction of risk factors, which may be environmental, biological or both. In most cases, the presence of a diagnosable disorder or disability alone does not predispose someone to extreme or calculated violence. Implying so risks undermining the important efforts to reduce stigma around mental health problems and disabilities and may discourage individuals and families from seeking appropriate treatment. With appropriate treatment, especially early intervention, people with mental health issues can lead rich, full

and productive lives.

The same is true for children exhibiting problem behaviors and learning difficulties. With proper interventions, children can overcome barriers to learning, display positive behavior and engage in positive socialization. Indeed, the primary focus of school-based mental health services is to provide students with the necessary supports to thrive in school and throughout life. Providing ongoing access to these services also promotes school safety by helping students feel connected and supported and by helping to identify students who may need more intensive services. In these cases, collaboration among school, community providers and families is critical to ensuring continuity and effectiveness of supports. Improved access to mental health services in schools remains among the most critical factors in preventing and responding to school crises.

Our nation must engage in a serious discussion about how we can improve our efforts to provide for the mental health needs of our children and youth; not just to prevent horrific acts of violence, but to support their well-being, academic achievement and success in life. Speculating or circulating misinformation can be harmful and distracting to the mission of providing a safe school environ-

ment for our children. Numerous organizations have accurate information on the real risk factors and interventions for specific disorders and disabilities. These include, among others: the National Association of School Psychologists (NASP), The Child Mind Institute, the American Psychological Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, the National Council for Behavioral Health and the Autism Society of America.

NASP believes that ongoing efforts to improve school safety and to create safe and welcoming school environments are vital to promoting the well being of all of our children. Eliminating stigma and providing needed mental health services and accurate information is critical to this mission.

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Asperger's and he had just lost his best friend of six years because the friend's parents, after the Sandy Hook shooting, wouldn't allow them to play together anymore. They said my son might do something when they're older. This is heartbreaking for all involved. Most likely, this is not an isolated event as parents struggle to protect their children at all costs, however, we need to become better educated and mindful about stigmatizing mental health and developmental disorders so we can dispel misinformation, fears and stereotypes and promote an environment that encourages mental health treatment as needed.

From The National Association Of School Psychologists – As the

Hodges University Announces Diversity Festival

The Hodges University Diversity Festival will return to the Sugden Regional Park in Naples on February 23. The festival, which runs from 12 to 6 p.m., will bring together a broad array of vendors, entertainers and local artisans representing the cultural diversity of the Naples and Fort Myers communities.

The festival will feature local high school marching bands, drummers, singers and dance performers from our diverse communities; an arts and crafts area; as well as a fine art gallery and several multi-cultural heritage exhibits.

Local restaurants will provide a vast array of multi-cultural food samples for a small fee, and for the fifth consecutive year, the Parade of Nations will be the event's highlight, presenting clothing and fashions from around the world, as well as providing historical information regarding the clothes worn in different countries.

Now in its sixth year, the Diversity Festival is an outreach of the Hodges University Diversity Committee, chaired by Gail Williams, chief diversity officer at Hodges University. The Committee strives to increase awareness of cultural diversity among Hodges University students, faculty and staff, and creates opportunities for diversity education and dialogue among members of the Hodges community.

"The theme for the festival is Embrace Diversity, Empower Our World," said Williams. "It reflects our commitment to the Hodges University Diversity Initiative, which is a comprehensive, campus-wide

endeavor devoted to enhancing and promoting diversity and inclusion at Hodges University via the development and implementation of school-wide programs related to diversity.

"Our major focus is to build bridges to the larger community and to work with groups to bring a wider and more highlighted focus to the experience of diversity and inclusion. Diversity is the one true thing we all have in common, and we celebrate it every day. The festival is an excellent way we at Hodges can create a space for members of the public to celebrate diversity with us."

Eagle Advocacy

Florida Gulf Coast University recently launched "Eagle Advocacy," an organization designed to engage the community to participate in advancing FGCU's legislative agenda in Tallahassee.

The program's goals are to create an informed and energized FGCU community; develop a stronger, united voice in Tallahassee; and provide essential information to volunteers so that they can effectively convey their views about issues affecting FGCU.

"FGCU receives tremendous support in Southwest Florida, and I encourage the community to join me as an Eagle Advocate to help expand and build on that support," said FGCU President Wilson G. Bradshaw. "Members of this important advocacy organization can help ensure that our FGCU future remains bright."

As an Eagle Advocate, members will be part of a proud and committed group of FGCU alumni, students and supporters who articulate the University's priorities

Sugden Regional Park offers many amenities for guests to enjoy during the festival, including a beach open to swimming, an open play area, a sand volleyball court, a 60-mile lake with two fishing piers, paddleboats and kayaks. Sugden Regional Park is located at 4284 Avalon Dr., Naples.

For more information on the Diversity Festival or the HU Diversity Committee, contact Gail Williams at 598-6135 or gwilliams@hodges.edu.

For more information on Hodges University, call 513-1122 or visit www.hodges.edu.*

to those in positions to affect its future.

FGCU Honorary Eagle Advocate, Tax Collector and former chair of FGCU Board of Trustees Larry Hart said, "As a proud Eagle Advocate, your voice can make a difference to our state legislators and other elected members by providing them with valuable information at strategic times during the 60-day legislative session and throughout the year."

"With a focused involvement by FGCU supporters, Eagle Advocacy will support our local elected officials by carrying a strong message to Tallahassee about the importance of higher education, FGCU's mission and the critical need for reliable state funding to accomplish that mission," said Director of Government Relations Jennifer Goen.

Membership is free and only takes a few minutes. Those who join will receive the latest information on proposed legislation and other governmental activities that could potentially impact FGCU.

To become a member of Eagle Advocacy, sign up at www.ciclt.net.fgcu. For more information, contact Goen at 590-7410.*

President's List

Sarah Anne Weber, a resident of Fort Myers, was one of 106 students named to the President's List at Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas during the fall 2012 semester.*

Dean's List

Florida Institute of Technology students Nicole Ballman, a resident of Cape Coral majoring in Software Engineering, and Alexis Tebo, a resident of Fort Myers majoring in General Studies, were named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at the Melbourne campus.*

Dean's List

The honor roll lists for Graceland University's 2012 Fall Term have been announced. Graceland University commends students who have devoted their efforts and talents to academics. Students with a perfect 4.0 grade point average are named to the President's list. Students with a GPA between 3.65 and 3.99 are named to the Honor's list. Students with a GPA between 3.25 and 3.64 are named to the Dean's list.

Weston Heintz of Fort Myers was named to Graceland University's Dean's List.*

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Financial Focus

Help Children Avoid Student Debt Burden



by Jennifer Basey

It's not so easy being a college kid these days. The job market for recent graduates has been shaky while, at the same time, students are leaving school with more debt than ever before. If you

have children who will someday be attending college, should you be worried?

You might indeed have cause for concern. Americans now owe more on student loans than on credit cards, according to the Federal Bank of New York, the U.S. Department of Education and other sources. For the college class of 2011, the most recent year for which figures are available, the average student loan debt was about \$26,500, according to the Institute for College Access and Success's

Project on Student Debt.

This type of debt load, coupled with the struggles to find a well-paying job commensurate with their education, is causing many recent graduates to get off on the wrong foot in terms of developing savings and investment strategies that could help them throughout their lives.

So, what can you do?

If you want to help your kids pay for college, you may want to consider a 529 plan. When you invest in a 529 plan, all withdrawals will be free from federal income taxes, as long as the money is used for qualified college expenses. (However, non-qualified withdrawals may be subject to ordinary income tax plus a 10% penalty on the earnings portion.) Contribution limits are high, and, contributions may be eligible for a tax deduction or credit for residents in certain states.

A 529 plan, while valuable, is not the only college savings vehicle available. You may also want to consider a Coverdell Education Savings Account, which, like a 529 plan, can generate tax-free earnings if the money is used for higher education expenses. However, a Coverdell account's contribution limits are much lower than those of a 529 plan. You could also establish a custodial account, known as an UGMA or UTMA, which offers some

tax benefits and no contribution limits.

Nonetheless, while these vehicles may help you save and invest for college, they may also divert resources that you might have used for other financial goals – such as a comfortable retirement. Of course, it's not an either-or situation – there's nothing stopping you from contributing to a 529 plan, Coverdell account or custodial account along with your 401k and IRA.

Clearly, though, it will take discipline and perseverance on your part to save and invest for both your children's education and your own retirement. Like everyone else, you don't have unlimited resources. But you do have another ally – time. The earlier you begin investing for education and retirement, the greater your chances of achieving your goals in these areas. And by understanding how your goals interact, you can work to make sure you don't inadvertently derail one when saving for another.

Avoiding the student loan debt trap while still making progress toward your retirement savings will require creative thinking, and both you and your children may have to make some sacrifices along the way. But the ultimate goals – a college degree that isn't one big IOU and a comfortable retirement – are worth the effort.

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

Pendergrass Elected Chair Of Airport Board

The Lee County Board of Port Commissioners elected Cecil L. Pendergrass as chair for 2013 during its first meeting on January 14. Larry Kiker was appointed as vice chair by Commissioner Pendergrass.

The board, composed of the five Lee County commissioners, meets bi-monthly as the Board of Port Commissioners to set policy and direct the operations of Southwest Florida International Airport and Page Field in Fort Myers.

The other commissioners include Tammy Hall, Frank Mann and John E. Manning.

Southwest Florida International Airport served more than 7.5 million passengers in 2011 and is one of the top 50 U.S. airports for passenger traffic. Page Field provides services to corporate, commercial and private aviators and accommodated more than 78,000 aircraft operations in 2011. No ad valorem (property) taxes are used for airport operation or construction and both airports are funded solely with revenue generated from their operations.

For more information, visit www.flylcpa.com.



A VITA volunteer preparing a tax return at the Estero-San Carlos United Way House

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Start Date Changed To January 30

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) services will be available beginning on Wednesday, January 30. The start date was pushed back from January 19 to January 30 by the IRS. VITA is a free tax filing service available to individuals and families making \$50,000 or less. A partnership among United Way 211, the IRS, and United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades makes the free service available at United Way Neighborhood Houses and other locations in Lee, Hendry and Glades counties.

Volunteers at United Way Houses have prepared thousands of tax returns for area residents in the last four years. Volunteer tax preparers come from many walks of life and include college students, retired accountants and others who all receive training and certification from the IRS. Their service to the community helps people of low to middle income file their taxes free and with the speedy e-file returns.

"We are beginning our fifth year of VITA service, said Dawn Russell, United Way House and VITA Coordinator. Taxes are e-filed and refunds arrive quickly. Participants frequently receive refunds over \$2,000 which may have prevented the foreclosure of someone's home, or purchased groceries for a poor family for several months."

For more information about VITA such as times and locations, call United Way 211 by dialing 211 or 433-3900.

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Conspiracy



by Dr. Dave
Hepburn

I have a patient/friend/victim who, to say he is a conspiracy theorist, is like saying my dog needs a breath mint. Turns out that JFK was shot by a deranged gay whale named

Hank. Pizza Hut is controlled by Mother Theresa and Pfizer. Freddie Mercury was the legitimate heir to the throne of Zanzibar... and so on.

But he is also a bit of a maven. He knows a lot of intricate details about a lot of stuff, usually useless stuff. So when he told me that the US made marijuana illegal as a substitute for making liquor legal back in the 1930's, I wondered what he'd been smoking.

Marijuana is back in the news again with Washington and Colorado recently making marijuana illegal. Talk about a change of hemp heart. One minute, Bloggins is being chrome-domed for the electric chair for having the scent of sativa in his saliva, the next, the governor is rolling his peace pipe.

Washington has approved of hemp. In fact, George Washington approved of hemp. Grew it as one of his three primary crops. "Umm, ya, for rope Martha.

Helps me floss these wooden teeth."

In 1619, Jamestown colony law declared that all settlers were required to grow hemp. "Excuse me, sir, but it appears that you are not growing pot. You will be drawn and quarte... what?... we gave that up over here?"

Medicinal preparations of cannabis became available in America in the 1850s. Could buy it any Rexalls. "Jonathan, run down to the five and dime and grab some lye, a revolver and a dozen fatties."

But newspaper mogul, William Randolph Hearst, mistakenly believing that hemp hurds were a better source of pulp and paper, felt that his huge timber empire was threatened.

He began publishing stories about the "killer weed of Mexico," demonizing the cannabis plant that caused folks to commit violent crimes, act irrationally and overtly sexual.

He then downed a bottle of rye.

Andrew Mellon, the wealthiest man in America and conveniently enough Secretary of the Treasury (motto: "one for you, one for me") had invested heavily in the Dupont family's nylon (motto: our leggs fit your wallet) business. So, and I know this will come as a shock to many of you, in 1937 they used their influence to get the first federal law passed against cannabis.

The American Medical Association (AMA) screamed bloody (pick any body part). "The AMA knows of no evidence that marijuana is a dangerous drug" and warned that a prohibition "loses sight

of the fact that investigation may show that there are substantial medical uses for Cannabis."

But the law passed, one that states, and I paraphrase a little here "We, the government have decided to lift prohibition on booze given how many tommy guns are being stolen from our personal stashes. Plus, we like martinis. But we need to prohibit something to keep our G-men in fedoras. Given that we liked Citizen Kane and the phrase "killer week of Mexico" gives us goosebumps, we're gonna prohibit cannabis."

New York Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia who was a strong opponent of this 1937 Marijuana Act, formed the LaGuardia Commission. They determined that the reports of addiction, madness, and overt sexuality were "as silly as my own first name, which I wish was Hank or Freddie." They noted the therapeutic potentials of marijuana, such as the "euphoria-producing action which might be applicable in the treatment of mental depression and the rather unique property which results in the stimulation of appetite."

dearPharmacist

Suggestions For Avoiding The Flu

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



Dear Pharmacist:

What are some suggestions to avoid catching cold this season?

RP, Albany, New York

The common cold has been around for

eon, even though it has morphed a bazillion times. It's brilliant at outsmarting us, this is why we don't have an effective remedy to cure or prevent it.

Health experts will tell you the obvious, get enough rest, allow your body to sleep more if it wants to, drink plenty of water, take cough drops, take vitamin C, sip chicken broth and keep a trash bin near the bed in case you have to throw up in a hurry.

These are all great suggestions, especially the last one, but if you've been there and got the T-shirt, you know this is not nearly enough.

Job one is to wash your hands frequently. Keep them away from your face, and don't use them to cover a sneeze or a cough. This is so simple and yet whenever I people-watch, I notice everyone fidgeting with their face and heaven forbid picking stuff out of their teeth or nose. Yeah, seriously, that was going on in the car next to me yesterday. Instead, use a tissue and then throw it out. Don't opt for a hanky, it's kind of gross to reuse those. No tissue? Use the crook of your elbow to cover your nose or mouth.

Vitamin C – I mentioned this earlier because it is used commonly to prevent cold, and alleviate certain symptoms, particularly those involving mucous membranes. It improves your white blood cell

In 1988, the DEA's Chief Administrative Law Judge, Francis L. Young, ruled that, "Marijuana, in its natural form, is one of the safest therapeutically active substances known... It would be unreasonable, arbitrary and capricious for the DEA to continue to stand between those sufferers and the benefits of this substance."

Personally I have NEVER used it. Honest. And I live in BC where it is against the law not to have tried it at least once. But I'm not sure why some doctors refuse to help patients with legitimate problems with this possible option, all the while cranking them full of narcotics. Some patients benefit tremendously from it, patients not necessarily named Hank.. or Freddie...or Cheech.

Now you know the... rest ...of the story.

*Dr. Dave's book The Doctor is In(sane) is now available for those with a sense of humor and half a sense of health. Pick up a copy at Sanibel Island Bookshop. Contact Dr. Dave or read more at www.wisequacks.org.**

count and assists your body in making glutathione, a very strong antioxidant that escorts poisons out of your body.

Probiotics – The only way for you to have a strong immune system is to build one. Good clinical science proves a healthy gut barrier protects your body from pathogenic invaders and revs immune function.

Mushrooms (the medicinal sort) – Look for maitake extract at the health food store, or beta-glucan. These mushrooms provide compounds to your body that fight germs. Their incredible immune-boosting effects are well documented in medical research.

Vitamin A – Keeps your mucous membranes wet and strong, which helps soothe your nose, mouth, and throat. When the delicate membranes are functioning properly, they will trap particles and pathogens before they enter the body.

Vitamin D – It's great for most immune disorders because it enhances your T cells and helps you keep all sorts of bugs at bay. Usually, doctors suggest about 5,000 to 10,000 IU during the winter months, but it depends on your serum levels. Ask your physician.

Zinc – This prostate-loving mineral also reduces the duration of illness, and severity of symptoms. The trick is to start zinc at the very first sneeze. Luckily for you, zinc is found in nuts, dark chocolate and seafood so you can eat your way to better levels.

Certain spices like thyme, garlic and saffron. These possess anti-bacterial, anti-fungal and anti-viral compounds making them strong medicine in my kitchen.

*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.**

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,

Headaches are ruining my social life. We retired to a lovely area and have a home on the water. For no apparent reason, I wake up in the middle of the night with a severe headache. Nothing I take over the counter or prescription medicine seems to help – but 24 hours of bed rest, and it is all over till the next time, maybe in three weeks or two days.

I have gone to doctors, one says I am affected by change in atmospheric conditions, and the other says I have food allergy.

I find it very embarrassing having to cancel a lot of social commitments at the last minute, and my bridge partners are furious with me. What do you think I should do now?

Dottie

Dear Dottie,

Headaches can take the fun out of life. You have not told us if this is a long term problem, or just since you moved to live by the water.

Now is the time for you to be your own health detective and look for clues.

Start immediately to keep a daily log of what you eat and atmospheric conditions. Mark the days in red that you are most troubled; after a while you may see a definite pattern developing. Your health may be influenced by your intake of chocolate, red wine, cheese, processed meats, monosodium glutamate, etc., etc. These foods may be contributing to your discomfort.

Some people are troubled by molds, and living in wooded areas or by the water can cause them problems. If your problem continues and for your own information write to: The National Migraine Foundation, 5252 North Western Avenue, Chicago IL 60625. New treatments, drugs and procedures are constantly being developed. Contact a neurologist at a treatment center near you for evaluation, and be sure to take your log with you as it will help your attending physician.

Lizzie & Pryce

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

Free Community Health Fairs



The Lee Memorial Health System Parish Nurse Program is teaming with Right At Home In-Home Care & Assistance and Shell Point Retirement Community to provide a series of free health fairs open to the public. With the help of sponsors, the Parish Nurse program will provide wellness screenings to the Southwest Florida community at churches throughout the area.

"This is the 11th year the Parish Nurse program has provided this service to the community and we anticipate a large turnout," said Nancy Roberts, manager of the Parish Nurse program. "At every health fair we've ever done, the screenings have identified the need for immediate care in at least one or two people. Problems such as high blood pressure and heart disease often have no symptoms even though they're life-threatening conditions. These free screenings truly save lives."

The community-wide health fairs will take place at the following locations:

- Friday, February 1 – Sanibel Center4Life, corner of Library Way and Palm Ridge Road, 1 to 4 p.m.
- Thursday, February 28 – Hope Lutheran Church, 25999 Old 41 Road in Bonita Springs, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Saturday, March 16 – King's Way Christian Center, 2016 Kismet Parkway in Cape Coral, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Friday, March 22 – Zion Lutheran Church, 7401 Winkler Road in Fort Myers, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Saturday, April 13 – Faith Presbyterian Church, 4544 Coronado Parkway in Cape Coral, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Door prizes and healthy snacks will be provided for participants, and each health fair will hold wellness screenings for: Alzheimer's disease; balance; blood pressure; diabetes; foot health; hearing; obesity; oxygen levels; skin cancer; sleep apnea; spinal alignment; vision; pre-screening mammogram appointments.

Information about advance directives, assisted living, brain health, injury prevention, in-home care, pharmaceuticals, skilled nursing care and other services will be available to area seniors.

LifeLine Cardiovascular Wellness Screenings will be held at select locations for a reasonable cost. Pre-registration is required by calling 272-2817.

"Parish nursing plays an important part in the continuum of care between our health care system and the community by connecting healing and faith," said Roberts.

The Parish Nurse program is part of the Spiritual Services Department of Lee Memorial Health System. The Parish Nurse program promotes holistic care of the body, mind, and spirit by addressing the spiritual and emotional needs of patients, families, employees, volunteers and faith communities. More information is available at www.leememorial.org/spiritualservices or by calling 343-5182.

Right At Home provides in-home care to seniors and others throughout Lee and Collier Counties who need help maintaining their independence and a healthy lifestyle; and offers caregiving services for most any situation. For further information, contact Danielle at 949-1070 or visit www.rightathome.net.

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JLFM Mini-Grant

Grants will be awarded approximately 60 days after the application due date. Electronic applications will not be accepted. Verification of delivery is the responsibility of the applicant. JLFM will not notify applicants of receipt of applications.

For more information about applying for a Junior League of Fort Myers Community Mini Grant, email mini-grants@jlfm.org. ✨



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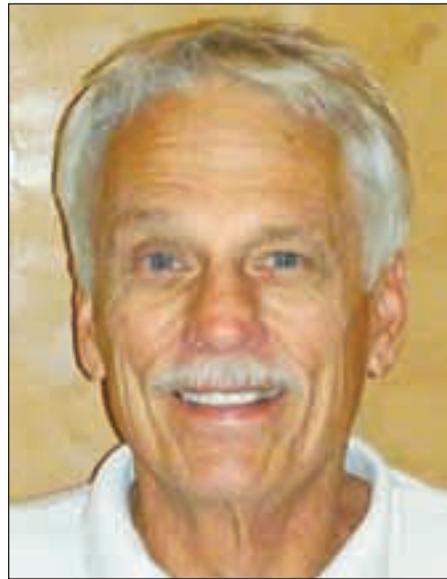
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After





Caryn Clark

Orv Curry

John Grey

Foundation Announces New Board Members

Caryn Clark, Orv Curry and John Grey have been elected to the Heights Foundation Board of Directors. Each serves a three-year term beginning this month. The Heights Foundation supports the Heights Center, a place for education, opportunity and enrichment. The Center's mission is to promote family and com-

munity development, support education, health and wellness, and provide the benefits of enrichment, expressive and cultural arts in the Harlem Heights neighborhood.

Clark is a voice-over actress with national television and radio credits. She received a BA in English from the University of Florida and has lived in Fort Myers for over 13 years. Clark has mentored young women Girls Going Places and is a member of the 20th Judicial Circuit's Grievance Committee for The Florida Bar. She spent nine years as an active member of the Junior League of Fort Myers, serving on the Board of

Directors in a number of roles. In 2009, she was recognized as an Outstanding Young Alumna by the University of Florida, and in 2012, was the Key Note Speaker at University of Florida's Outstanding Young Alumni Awards. Clark has been volunteering as a Homework Helper in the Heights Foundation after school program for the past two years.

Curry works as an Information Technology Manager for BB&T. Originally from Illinois, Curry moved to Southwest Florida in 1988. He received his AA from Edison College and his BS in Computer Information Systems from Florida Gulf Coast University. Curry was

a member of the United Way Allocations team for ten years, serving as team leader for three years. He has been a board member of the Alliance for the Arts since 2003 and the Fort Myers Flying Club since 2011. Curry, his wife and son live in Fort Myers.

Grey is managing partner of John Grey Painting. He and his family moved to Fort Myers Beach in 1967. After attending business school at Youngstown State University, majoring in Financial Management and Economics, John returned to Fort Myers Beach in 1972 to continue the painting business he began in college. John and his wife, Patty, have two sons who work in the family's business on Sanibel Island. John has been active in the community as a Little League coach and Boy Scout leader. He is the 2012-13 President of the Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva.

"Caryn, Orv and John bring a wealth of experience and skill to the Foundation," said Kathryn Kelly, President and CEO of The Heights Foundation. "We eagerly welcome them to our Board as we continue our mission to build strong, self-sufficient families in the Harlem Heights community."*

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Builders Care representatives present award to City of Fort Myers Council. From L to R: (back) Councilman Michael Flanders, Councilwoman Teresa Watkins Brown, Councilman Levon Simms, Mayor Randy Henderson, Councilman Johnny Streets, Councilman Forrest Banks, and Councilman Tom Leonardo. (front) Annette Nilles, Butch Ritter, Randy Thibaut and Heidi Taulman of Lee BIA Builders Care.



Heidi Taulman, Butch Ritter, Randy Thibaut and Michael Reitmann, Lee BIA Builders Care (front), pose with Lee County Commissioners, (left to right) John Manning, Larry Kiker, Cecil Pendergrass and Frank Mann, after presenting plaque recognizing partnership leading to \$2 million in construction services. (not pictured Commissioner Tammy Hall)

Builders Care Celebrates \$2 Million By Honoring Lee County Commission And City Of Fort Myers City Council

Builders Care, the nonprofit charitable arm of the Lee Building Industry Association (BIA), recently honored its partnerships with local government in recognition of their service and commitment to Southwest Florida's elderly and individuals with disabilities and their families.

Builders Care hit a milestone, completing more than \$2 million in construction services in November 2012, and celebrated it by recognizing their corporate and community partners and volunteers.

Lee BIA Builders Care president, Butch Ritter said, "Through this partnership, Builders Care has worked very closely with all departments in Lee County and City of

Fort Myers Community Development and wants to acknowledge the staff in all departments - Planning, Building, Permitting, Inspections and Code Enforcement. They have played an integral role in the process of helping local citizens in need."

"We are so blessed to have the hands-on support of so many individuals and companies," said Heidi Taulman, executive director, of Lee BIA Builders Care. "We simply could not do it without their continued support."

Builders Care's objective is to provide emergency repairs and construction services to elderly, disabled and economically disadvantaged people who are unable to obtain home repairs through traditional means. Builders Care enlists the volunteer services of Lee BIA members and leverages grants and donated materials to provide construction and remodeling services to qualified homeowners throughout Lee County. Builders Care is headquartered at the Lee BIA offices at 10501 Six Mile Cypress Pkwy., Suite 104, in Fort Myers. Donations can be made online at www.LeeBuildersCare.org, or to the Builders Care general fund at BB&T Page Field branch at 4959 South Cleveland Ave. in Fort Myers. More information is available by calling 938-0056.*

Pugfest's Theme Is Cirque Du Pug

PugFest VIII will be held from noon until 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 27 at the Bell Tower Shops, located on the corner of U.S. 41 and Daniels Parkway in Fort Myers. Now in its eighth year, PugFest is a fun, dog-friendly fundraiser for the Lee County Library System's annual Southwest Florida Reading Festival.

This year's theme is Cirque du Pug. Morningstar Dog Training will run the three captivating cirque-related contests open to any dog breed, including Best Cirque Performer Costume, Ring of Fire Jump, Statuesque and a Pug-only Best Pug Cirque Performer contest. Additionally, there will be a dog fashion show presented by Discount Pets & Supplies, a chance auction with dog-gone good prizes and a large variety of pet products to browse or buy. More than 1,500 animal lovers and 500 dogs attended the event last year.

"This will be another great PugFest. The cirque theme will provide for a very entertaining afternoon," said event organizer Margie Byers. "We can't wait to see all the dogs dressed up for the circus!"

Lee County PugFest organizers are grateful to their sponsors, including Bell Tower Shops, LITE 93.7, Morningstar Dog Training and Discount Pets & Supplies, as well as Master of Ceremonies John T. Hulbert III, whose fun commentaries and music soundtracks make the contests and fashion show so comical.

Admission is free, but a \$5 donation per family is suggested. All funds raised benefit the Southwest Florida Reading Festival, a free community event to showcase the library's programs and resources, and to promote reading and literacy.

The Lee County PugFest started when Dan Yaccarino, author and illustrator of

the book *Unlovable* about a Pug, was scheduled to attend the Southwest Florida Reading Festival in 2005. Festival coordinators asked Yaccarino to stay an extra day for PugFest, which would be modeled after the original PugFest event in Cincinnati, Ohio. Since 2005, the event has taken off and attracts about 1,200 people and 500 dogs and has raised more than \$13,000.

For more information about PugFest or the Southwest Florida Reading Festival, call 239-337-READ (7323) or visit www.readfest.org.

The Reading Festival is 100 percent community supported through generous donations, sponsorships and grants. To help ensure the continuation of this free community event, visit www.readfest.org to make a secure online donation.*

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Trap-Neuter-Return Task Force Meeting: Volunteers Needed For Program To Save Cats

Lee County Domestic Animal Services will hold a Task Force Meeting for Lee County residents interested in participating in a Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Program for feral and community cats on Wednesday, February 6 from 2 to 3 p.m. The meeting will be held in the agency's Lost and Found Pet Center Conference Room, 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Dept. The TNR program is aimed at reducing the number of feral cats currently estimated at 98,000 in Lee County.

The Lee County Board of County Commissioners approved a TNR Program in 2009 to provide sterilization and vaccination of feral (wild) outdoor community cats to reduce overpopulation and euthanasia. A Task Force was also formed in 2009 to handle the demand for the program but additional volunteers are needed.

Task Force members donate a few hours or a few days per week. Responsibilities include assisting residents with setting traps, transporting trapped cats for sterilization appointments, returning sterilized and vaccinated cats to their original trapping site and providing education. Representatives are needed for all areas of Lee County.

Each year in Lee County thousands of feral and community cats in good health face unnecessary euthanasia without a TNR program. The University of Florida School of Veterinary Medicine advocates that TNR is the most humane and effective solution for preventing pet overpopulation and reducing euthanasia. Further studies also support that eradication as a method to reduce overpopulation has been a failure.

For information about TNR or to make a reservation for the Task Force Meeting contact Lee County Domestic Animal Services at 533-9227 or email arothwell@leegov.com.*



Gail Markham

Business Hall Of Fame Adds New Members

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida will induct Gail Markham of Markham Norton Mosteller Wright & Company PA and Bob Simpson of LeeSar into the 2013 Business of Hall of Fame, Lee County, at a dinner and awards ceremony on April 10 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa.

The prestigious award recognizes outstanding entrepreneurs who serve as role models for youth through their professional accomplishments and commitment to the community. Markham and Simpson will join a distinguished group of individuals who have been inducted into the Business Hall of Fame since it was founded in 1987.

Markham serves as valuation, litigation and mediation services partner for the certified public accounting firm which she founded in 1979. Today, the firm provides comprehensive business advice as well as a wide range of accounting services with offices in Fort Myers, Naples and Fort Lauderdale. Markham has received many awards during her business career including the Uncommon Friends Foundation Business Ethics Award, Florida Accountant Advocate of the Year and Lee County Career Woman of the Year. Her business has been recognized as one of the best places to work

Fast And The Furriest 5K Run And Walk

The Gulf Coast Humane Society announces the 3rd annual Fast And The Furriest 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Walk at Coconut Point Mall. Sponsorship and vendor opportunities are now available.

Avid runners can race to compete followed by those who like to leisurely run or walk with their dogs. Krista Fogelsong will be onsite as Master of Ceremonies.



Bob Simpson

by both the Collier County Economic Development Council and Florida Trend magazine. Markham was also instrumental in establishing the PACE Center for Girls in Lee County, a center for at-risk girls. She is currently board president of PACE Center for Girls and is active in its capital campaign for campus expansion.

Since March 1, 2002, Simpson has served as president and CEO of LeeSar's Supply Chain Management Division and Cooperative Services of Florida, the Group Purchasing Organization for Lee Memorial Health System and Sarasota Memorial Healthcare System. He came to LeeSar with more than 35 years of leadership experience, serving several major health care organizations throughout the Northeastern U.S. He also holds a bachelor's degree in healthcare administration from Stonehill College in Easton, Massachusetts, and has advanced training in negotiation from Wharton School of Management and Harvard University. He is a graduate of the Georgetown University Leadership Training Program and a Champion of the Six Sigma process. In 1995, he was the International President of the Association for Healthcare Resource and Materials Management, and in 1997 received the association's George R. Gossett Leadership Award. He is also the founder and president of Project Perfect World, which takes medical teams around the world to provide free surgery for needy children.

For more information, including sponsorship opportunities and individual tickets, visit www.jaswfl.org.*

Race time begins at 7 a.m. with awards to begin at 10 a.m. All proceeds will benefit the Gulf Coast Humane Society.

This year, participants in all three local Humane Society 5K races will receive a special Triple Crown Certificate upon completion of the Fast and The Furriest 5K Run and 1 Mile Fun Walk.

For more information about the Fast And The Furriest, contact 332-0364 ext. 309, e-mail courtney@gulfcoasthumane-society.org or online at www.gulfcoast-humane-society.org/the-fast-the-furriest.html.*

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

1. **PERSONALITIES:** Who wrote the 1960s book "Unsafe at Any Speed," which detailed safety shortcomings in the auto industry?
2. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What color is lapis lazuli?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** The Falkland Islands lie off the coast of which continent?
4. **HOBBIES:** What does a spelunker do?
5. **U.S. STATES:** What is the official nickname of the state of Illinois?
6. **LANGUAGE:** What does the Latin term "ipso facto" mean?
7. **ART:** What is chiaroscuro?
8. **CARTOONS:** What is the name of Porky Pig's girlfriend?
9. **SCIENCE:** What kind of gases are neon and helium?
10. **MOVIES:** Which three comedians starred in the film comedy "Three Amigos!"

ANSWERS

1. Ralph Nader 2. Blue 3. South America 4. Explore caves 5. Land of Lincoln 6. By the fact itself 7. Use of light and shadow in artwork 8. Petunia 9. Noble gases 10. Noble gases 11. Steve Martin, Chevy Chase and Martin Short.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name the last pair of A.L. teammates before Boston's Adrian Gonzalez (213) and Jacoby Ellsbury (212) in 2011 to each have more than 210 hits in the same season.
2. Four players who started their major-league careers in the 1970s played in four decades. Name two of them.
3. Name the only Michigan State player to be taken No. 1 overall in the NFL draft.
4. Between 1956 and 2000, only one player 6 feet 3 inches or shorter won an NBA Most Valuable Player Award. Name him.
5. Name the NHL team that allowed the fewest goals in an 82-game season.
6. Of the nine NASCAR Chase for the Cup playoffs through 2012, how many drivers have made at least eight of them?
7. In 2012, Serena Williams became the second woman to have won all four of tennis' Grand Slam titles along with Olympic singles gold. Who was the first?

ANSWERS

1. Jimmie Foxx (213) and Al Simmons (216) did it for the 1932 Philadelphia A's. 2. Rickey Henderson, Mike Morgan, Jesse Orosco and Tim Lincecum. 3. Defensive end Bubba Smith, in 1967. 4. Bob Cousy, in 1957. 5. New Jersey allowed 164 goals in 1988. 6. Jeff Gordon, Jimmie Johnson, Matt Kenseth and Tony Stewart. 7. Steffi Graf completed her "Golden Slam" in 1988.

My Stars ★★★★★

FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 28, 2013

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're eager to take on that new opportunity opening up as January gives way to February. Now all you need to do is resist quitting too early. Do your best to stay with it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Doff a bit of that careful, conservative outlook and let your brave Bovine self take a chance on meeting that new challenge. You could be surprised at how well you do.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might not want to return to the more serious tasks facing you. But you know it's what you must do. Cheer up. Something more pleasant soon will occupy your time.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) As you dutifully tidy up your end-of-the-month tasks, your fun self emerges to urge you to do something special: A trip (or a cruise, maybe?) could be just what you need.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your achievements are admirable as you close out the month with a roar. Now you can treat yourself to some well-earned time off for fun with family or friends. (Or both!)

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be sure you know the facts before you assume someone is holding back on your project. Try to open your mind before you give someone a piece of it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel comfortable in your familiar surroundings, but it might be time to venture into something new. There's a challenge out there that's just right for you.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your love of things that are new gets a big boost as you encounter a situation that opens up new and exciting vistas. How far you go with it depends on you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That recent workplace shift might not seem to be paying off as you expected. But be patient. There are changes coming that could make a big difference.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While few can match the Goat's fiscal wizardry, you still need to be wary in your dealings. There might be a problem you should know about sooner rather than later.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Easy does it when it comes to love and all the other good things in life. Don't try to force them to develop on your schedule.

Best to let it happen naturally.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A surprise decision by someone you trust causes some stormy moments. But a frank discussion explains everything, and helps save a cherished relationship.

BORN THIS WEEK: Sometimes you forget to take care of yourself, because you're so busy caring for others. But you wouldn't have it any other way.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Jan. 31, 1606, in London, Guy Fawkes, a chief conspirator in the plot to blow up the British Parliament building, jumps to his death moments before his execution for treason. He had been found lurking in a cellar of the Parliament building with 2 tons of gunpowder.

- On Feb. 1, 1884, the first portion of the Oxford English Dictionary is published. In 1857, members of London's Philological Society decided to produce a dictionary that would cover all vocabulary from 1150 A.D. to the present. It took more than 40 years to complete.

- On Jan. 28, 1915, the captain of a German cruiser orders the destruction of the William P. Frye, an American merchant ship off the Brazilian coast. He had ordered the Frye to jettison its cargo as a contraband, but the ship's crew refused. It was the first American merchant vessel lost to Germany's aggression during World War I.

- On Jan. 29, 1922, in the middle of a film, the Knickerbocker Theatre in Washington, D.C., collapses, killing 108 people and sending another 133 to the hospital. Accumulated snowfall from a blizzard collapsed the theater's roof, which fell down on top of theatergoers.

- On Jan. 30, 1933, President Paul von Hindenburg names Adolf Hitler -- fuhrer (leader) of the National Socialist German Workers Party (or Nazi Party) -- as chancellor of Germany. Hitler's meteoric rise to prominence in Germany was spurred largely by the German people's frustration with dismal economic conditions.

- On Feb. 3, 1950, Klaus Fuchs, a German-born British scientist who helped developed the atomic bomb, is arrested in Great Britain for passing top-secret information about the bomb to the Soviet Union. The arrest of Fuchs led authorities to several other individuals, including Julius and Ethel Rosenberg in the U.S.

- On Feb. 2, 1991, Hurley Haywood begins his quest for his fifth win at the 24 Hours of Daytona. In 2008, Haywood retired from full-time racing with more endurance victories (10) than any other driver.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was Martin Luther King Jr. who made the following sage observation: "Shallow understanding from people of good will is more frustrating than absolute misunderstanding from people of ill will."

- Are you a dromomaniac? If you travel compulsively, you are.

- The famed statue Venus de Milo was lost to history for nearly 2,000 years. No one knew of its existence until 1820, when a Greek peasant tilling a field on the island of Milos hit stone -- several carved blocks of stone, to be specific. Within a few weeks, archaeologists arrived and took the statue of Aphrodite to France. King Louis XVIII dubbed it the Venus de Milo and donated it to the Louvre, where it remains today.

- You might be surprised to learn that Humphrey Bogart wasn't the producers' first choice for the role of Rick in "Casablanca." An actor named George Raft was originally offered the part, but he turned it down because he didn't like the script.

- In 2010, a new species of slug was discovered in the mountains of Borneo. It is distinguished from other species of slug by its novel method of mating: It shoots its mate with a so-called love dart made of calcium carbonate and containing hormones. The researchers nicknamed the gastropods "ninja slugs."

- If you're traveling to Kansas anytime soon, be sure to remember that it is against the law in that state to catch fish with your bare hands.

- During the original run of the classic 1960s TV series "Gilligan's Island," some viewers took the show rather too seriously. Several telegrams were sent to the U.S. Coast Guard asking why the poor people hadn't yet been rescued.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I want a man who is kind and understanding. Is that too much to ask of a millionaire?" -- Zsa Zsa Gabor

PUZZLE ANSWERS



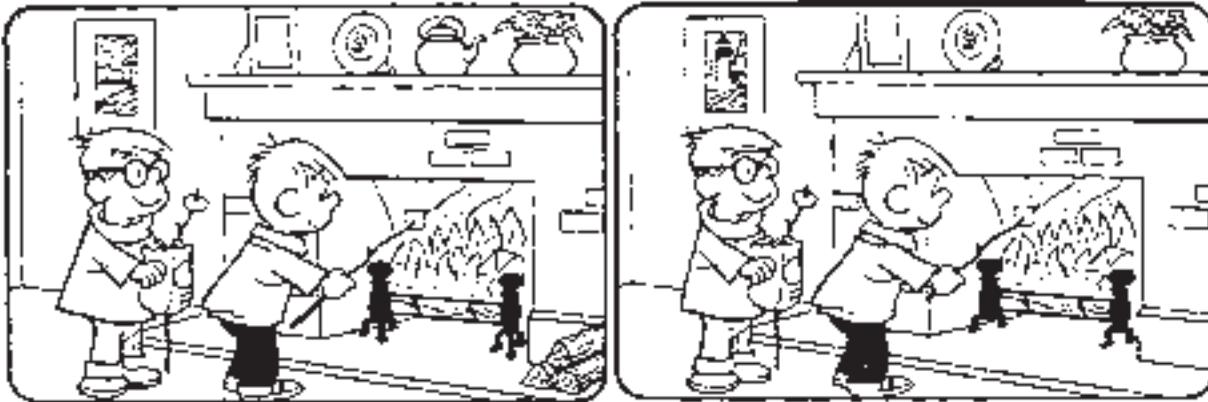
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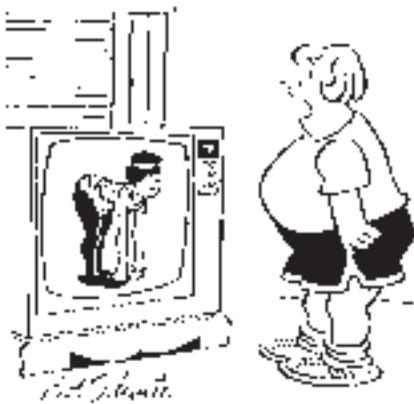
1. Admire; 2. Linger;
3. Smock; 4. Leaden

Today's Word:

KIDDING

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



"You're _____
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TODAY'S WORD

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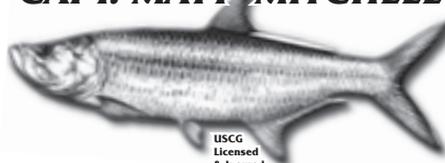
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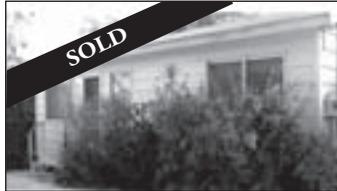
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SUDOKU

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 27

Pets Of The Week

Hello, my name is Lulu. I'm a 3-year-old female brindle and white Rhodesian Ridgeback and hound mix.

I was abandoned with my eight four-week-old puppies. I was very thin and neglected. Fortunately, I was nursed back to health in a wonderful foster home. They also house-trained me and taught me how to lie down. I love people and I'm one of the favorite dogs of the staff and volunteers. I could be your special companion, too, if you would adopt me.

My adoption fee is \$55 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' "Real Housepets of Lee County" adoption promotion.

Hello, my name is Dasher. I'm a 2-year-old male brown tabby domestic shorthair. I came to the shelter right before the holiday season and was hoping to dash right out into a new home. Well, we have rung in the new year... and I'm still here.

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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.

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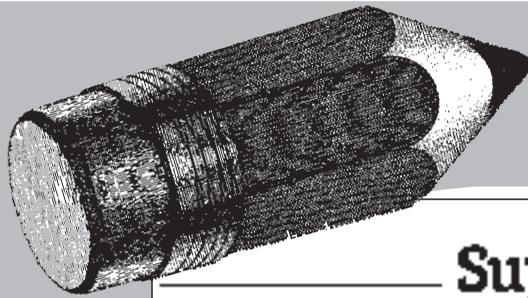


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Super Crossword

IT'S A SMALL WORLD

- ACROSS**
- 1 Pizza-topping fish
 - 8 Topographical
 - 15 Dining partner
 - 20 Jewels of Wyoming city
 - 21 Shelter
 - 22 Kawaii cat
 - 23 In-laws' action
 - 25 Broom and deck
 - 26 Jet that last flew in 2000
 - 27 Pupa's parent
 - 28 X-ray
 - 30 One with a barn
 - 31 The French's
 - 33 The traffic
 - 35 Publisher owned by Random House
 - 38 The 100-year-old Salt
 - 40 "What the Time"
 - 42 "The Only" — Tumblr
 - 43 Shortest recording bird
 - 44 What is very rough
 - 47 Follow-up
 - 48 Finger food
 - 49 Earth heater
 - 50 Brain support
 - 52 all-anger for steel
 - 55 in "November"
 - 56 Arctic dump
 - 59 "Star"
 - 61 Theater type
 - 62 Trench type
 - 66 Playable deck
 - 69 Sack
 - 70 Toed the
 - 71 Haddock
 - 74 Salsa partner
 - 75 "M" or "F"
 - 76 A Dawn in France
 - 77 Very very salty in milk
 - 80 "A" or "B"
 - 81 Other nose
 - 82 Young kid
 - 85 Melted, Ontario
 - 87 M of cotton
 - 89 Speed, great for eyes
 - 91 We lived garth
 - 94 Brother, post
 - 96 Letter of "Mama"
 - 97 Poppy
 - 98 Don't hit
 - 101 See 103-Address
 - 102 No cheer of Michigan II
 - 103 M of a 2nd
 - 104 Very small battery
 - 105 Sulfur with orange
 - 107 Water in Arizona July
 - 108 Fing. Dry
 - 109 A dessert
 - 111 A dessert
 - 117 Migrate
 - 118 Salt in an acid
 - 119 Slightly
 - 120 Water in
 - 121 Pure larger
 - 122 12 times per year
 - 7 Thrust "light"
 - 8 Meteoroid components
 - 9 In — aging new beer
 - 10 Word stock, originally
 - 11 Suffix with little
 - 12 Leprechaun's job
 - 13 List of types
 - 14 "Map"
 - 15 — in Texas
 - 16 An American cartoon
 - 17 100 weeks
 - 18 Memory of events
 - 19 Most common
 - 24 Rich dessert
 - 29 Salt
 - 31 Wine days
 - 32 Ice skater
 - 33 One of the 12 apostles
 - 34 Base of a mountain
 - 36 Final
 - 37 "Buddies"
 - 39 Four men
 - 41 In Greece
 - 45 Driveway
 - 46 Complicated
 - 47 Purple
 - 48 event
 - 50 Resurrected
 - 51 Largest city in Ghana
 - 52 Like beam
 - 53 "Oh, so much"
 - 54 Egg pair
 - 58 Adjective
 - 59 Designer or musician
 - 60 "L" or "A" in News
 - 61 Fairy
 - 62 Lower in face
 - 63 Synthetic animal
 - 64 Y2K or 21st
 - 65 Don't mind
 - 66 Rock
 - 67 Early
 - 68 Kinky
 - 72 Golfing legend
 - 73 "Hole"
 - 77 Verb to describe a speaker
 - 78 Early name
 - 79 Push
 - 81 City in Italy
 - 83 "The" — verb
 - 84 Soda sold in 1920
 - 86 On the podium
 - 87 Use a portable
 - 88 The flavor
 - 89 The flavor
 - 90 To "end" a letter
 - 91 Hammer
 - 92 Catch of fish
 - 93 Back to back
 - 94 Don't get
 - 95 Mashed potato
 - 99 1903
 - 100 Gusty dark
 - 100 The "T" of SNL
 - 107 Gen
 - 108 Mashed potato
 - 110 Art in a line
 - 112 1903 for Bob Hope
 - 113 All kinds of
 - 114 "Both"
 - 115 Buy
 - 116 Symbols — California

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King Crossword

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SOUTH SEAS BAYSIDE VILLAS #5144

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3 Bedroom, 3 Bath home across the street from the beach located in Palm Lake Subdivision off of prestigious West Gulf Drive. This home has an open floor plan, wood burning fireplace, 2 car garage, extra Murphy beds, screened sundeck and a separate attached pod that can be used as a private office or a private guest bedroom with full bath. **Offered for \$529,000 Contact Connie Walters "Ms Listr" 239/841-4540 or Tracy Walters "Mr. Listr" 239/994-7975**



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



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



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