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First place in People on the Blueway Trail, *Caitlyn Loves Kayaking* by Sue Masters

Calusa Blueway Photography Contest Winners Announced

Three Lee County amateur photographers have been selected as first place winners in the 2012 Calusa Blueway Photo Contest, which included more than 120 submissions.

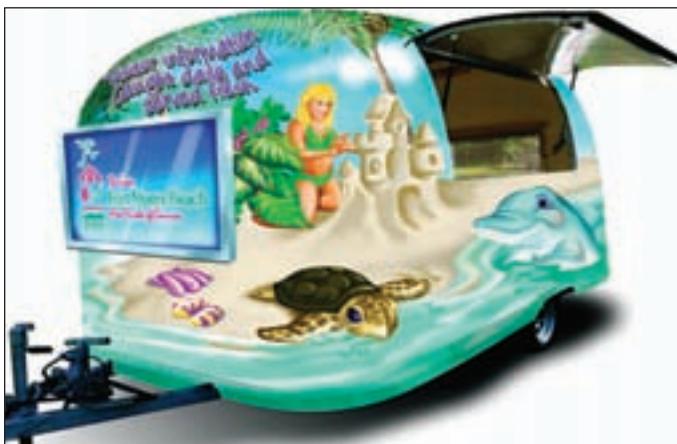
Sue Masters of Bonita Springs won first with her photo, *Caitlyn Loves Kayaking*, in the People on the Blueway Trail category. Cape Coral resident Dennis Von Linden took home first with *Bringing Home The Bacon* in Wildlife. Fort Myers' Keely Smith nabbed first place with *Blueway Sign* in the Signs on the Blueway Trail category.

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Community Dining Out For Bambi's Sake

Each restaurant are stepping up to help the Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce raise funds for tourist information centers. Shoals Restaurant and Wine Bar and the Sandy Butler Market will hold the first Bambi fundraiser, aptly named Vote For Bambi, on Tuesday, November 6. Ten percent of food and beverage sales between 11 a.m. and 9 p.m. will go towards the purchase two Airstream Bambi travel trailers which will be converted into mobile visitor information centers. These mobile chambers will enable the chamber to assist visitors in discovering local restaurants, attractions, and accommodations.

Bambi is the name of a 16-foot long classic Airstream travel trailer. The Bambi Trailers will be painted with scenes of Fort Myers Beach to make them fun and attract attention.



Proposed Airstream Bambi visitor center

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Young Artists Award Winners To Perform At November 2 Art Walk



The A Cappella Group performing at the 2011 Young Artists Awards Gala

On Friday, November 2, the Young Artists Awards group will present the award winning The A Cappella Group from Cypress Lake High School at the Reverie & Rock Art Gallery from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in conjunction with November's Art Walk in downtown Fort Myers.

The Young Artists Awards, beginning its 10th year of programming, is a not-for-profit education, performance, audition and scholarship program for students from throughout Southwest Florida. The organization is also a monthly partner with Art Walk. The A Cappella Group was featured at the 2011 Young Artists Awards Gala and will perform selections from their latest album, *Tag This*.

Reverie & Rock Art Gallery, the newest addition to Art Walk, is located at 1528 Jackson Street in the downtown Fort Myers River District. The performance is free and open to the public.

For more information on the Young Artists Awards, visit www.youngartistsawards.org or Young Artists Awards on Facebook.*



Wood carvings



Hand-crafted jewelry

Shell Point Invites Southwest Florida To Attend Holiday Craft Bazaar

The Shell Point Crafters Group will hold their annual holiday craft bazaar on Friday and Saturday, November 2 and 3 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Barbara Hilton, chairperson of the craft show, welcomes the public to view and purchase a variety of items created by the many talented crafters at Shell Point Retirement Community.

Over 50 booths will be set up on the first and second floors of the Woodlands Commons and will feature a large assortment of quality crafts for sale. All of the items are handmade by the residents of Shell Point, and include intricate wood sculptures, handbags, pottery, toys, books, paintings, jewelry and cards. This year's bazaar will also feature holiday items, home decorations, children's clothes and candy.

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Election Day, 40 Years Ago

by Gerri Reaves



The vivid memories of most election days quickly fade after the votes are counted – or recounted – and the victory-party confetti is swept away.

Looking back over the decades, however, certain elections emerge as pivotal.

Such was the general election on November 7, 1972. For one thing, it clearly signaled the shifting tide in local politics, as the Republican Party continued to gain ground in what had long been a mostly Democratic county.

In the U.S. presidential race, the county mirrored the nation in returning Republican Richard Nixon to office and rejecting Democrat George McGovern.

Unprecedented growth and the arrival of more “northern” permanent residents meant that small-town Fort Myers was shedding the last vestiges of its frontier-town identity.

A new era had started in more ways than one, and that election day – before the establishment of an early-voting period, remember – also had its share of problems.

Switched closing hours at some polls added to voters’ confusion. And even worse, some machines had the wrong ballots or were inoperable because they were locked up or the levers were misplaced and created voting errors. (Ahh... the days of levered voting machines!).

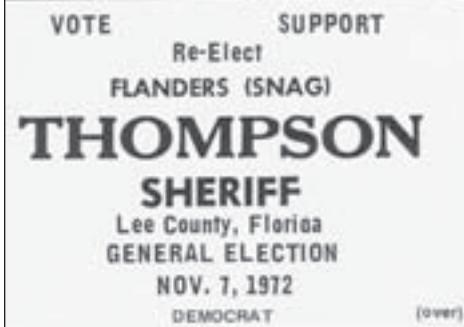
Lengthy delays ensued, as the elections office struggled to correct the problems and took some machines out of use altogether.

It’s not surprising that some voters, tired of waiting in line or disgruntled because they might have miscast a vote on a malfunctioning machine, filed complaints or used profanity in public.

Other voters simply refused to vote on their first poll visit and returned when problems were corrected.

The day after the election, talk about the county possibly purchasing electronic voting machines figured in news stories. Those new-fangled machines seemed to offer a solution to the voting demands of this rapidly growing area.

But what many locals remember most about Lee County’s 1972 election is that Flanders “Snag” Thompson’s 24-year run as Lee County sheriff came to an end.



This campaign literature is from Thompson’s last run for Lee County Sheriff after 24 years in office

courtesy of Southwest Florida Historical Society



In the 1956 photo, Thompson (right) and television star James Arness of Gunsmoke (left) face off. Visible in the background are (l to r) Win Ellis, owner of the Snack House Restaurant; unidentified; and Fort Myers Mayor Heard Edwards photo by Gerri Reaves

Frank Wanicka, Thompson’s former deputy, won with a roughly 3 to 2 advantage. Some people who remember Thompson explain his long tenure by saying that he was the right sheriff at the right time for the county.

The 1956 photo of Thompson with visiting television star James Arness of Gunsmoke captures something of the incumbent sheriff’s personality and flair and evokes Fort Myers’s history as a cowtown. “Snag” was known for a personal style and for remembering the names and faces of the community.

But even long and successful careers have glitches. For Thompson, that glitch had been a suspension from office in 1967, when Florida Gov. Claude Kirk accused him of knowingly over-looking illegal gambling in Lee County.

Thompson, a Democrat, publicly stated years later that the suspension was the Republican governor’s way of “making a name for himself.”

In any case, the sheriff triumphed, when 12 days later, the Florida Senate reinstated him after deciding that the charges were unfounded.

Nevertheless, in 1972, many voters responded to Wanicka’s promise of modernized law enforcement.

On Thompson’s last day as sheriff, the Fort Myers News-Press quoted his advice to his successor: “I just hope he is as fortunate as I’ve been in surrounding himself with men of character and dedication. This is a good county and it needs good men protecting it.”

When you go to the polls this election day, take a moment to recall the countless candidates, issues, amendments, squabbles, scandals, diatribes and principles that have littered Lee County history.

What in the world will people remember about the November 2012 election 40 years from now?

Travel a few blocks to the Southwest Florida Museum of History to learn more about the history of law enforcement in Fort Myers and Lee County.

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

Be sure to visit one of the area’s best research centers, the Southwest Florida Historical Society, where you can find out which other sheriff, combined with Thompson, served a total of 56 years in the twentieth century?

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 drop by on Wednesday or Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon.

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Fort Myers Public Art:

Uncommon Friends



by Tom Hall

After Mayor Art Hammel asked him to “make something special for our new Centennial Park” in 1987, North Fort Myers sculptor Don J. Wilkins spent a year researching the relationship shared by winter residents Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone. Among the people with whom Wilkins consulted was James D. Newton.

Newton was a close friend of the inventors and had written a book about them by the name of *Uncommon Friends*. “I asked him what he thought about me naming the piece I was planning for Centennial Park *Uncommon Friends*,” Wilkins relates. “He said ‘you’d be honoring me,’ but the honor was actually all mine.”

Wilkins claims that he intended to shine a light on the rare friendship shared by these three men and their spouses, but the campfire scene possesses special significance for the City of Fort Myers.

In 1914, the threesome began making camping trips into the Florida Everglades.



Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone fondly referred to themselves as the three “Vagabonds”

“We don’t know exactly how the idea for the first camping journey into Florida’s wild country first came about,” states the Edison Ford Winter Estates, “but it seems likely that Edison saw the trip as an adventure and an opportunity to share his beloved Eden with his friends.” Besides the three “Vagabonds,” the campers often included naturalist John Burroughs and later, Newton as well.

Each camper had a designated role. Edison arranged a storage battery assembly that provided light and electricity for the camp. Ford scouted the campsites, chopped the wood for their campfires and provided the cars they used to get

there. He even rigged two trucks with drinking water tanks and work tables. Firestone stocked the vehicles with the finest foods and hired cooks to prepare their feasts.

Edison and Ford rarely missed an opportunity to take advantage of their celebrity and promote themselves. They frequently took along members of the press and Ford even had the Ford Motor Company newsreel cameras film snippets. As the trips expanded to encompass the entire east coast, presidents joined the entourage, and the public mobbed the campers wherever they went.

People wanted to emulate the

Vagabonds and their friends, but they first needed to buy one of Ford’s cars. Sales soared. And the era of recreational travel was born.

So the next time you load the family into your car, van or truck to go on vacation, you’ll know that the City of Fort Myers was the birthplace and epicenter of recreational travel 98 years ago.

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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Goodwill's "Very Beary Christmas" tree has been a staple of Goodwill's annual Festival of Trees since the event's inception in 2006. Made up from bears donated by the community, the tree is one of 25 beautifully decorated trees that will be auctioned off at the festival's signature event, the Tux & Trees Gala, on December 1. Auction guests gather around this special tree to raise money for The Southwest Florida Goodwill Foundation. The tree is then traditionally donated to a children's hospital, where it will brighten the holidays of families who spend the season at the hospital.

"All of our trees are special," said Madison Mitchell, spokesperson at Goodwill. "However, there is something so heart-warming about this tree. Seeing the tree donated to such a wonderful home really evokes the true spirit of Christmas."

Goodwill is enlisting the community's help in collecting bears for this year's Very Beary Christmas. Several businesses



A "very beary" tree

are hosting teddy bear donation drives to support the cause:

- First Bank – Moore Haven Branch
- Tortoise & Hair Salon – Fort Myers
- ArtFest – Fort Myers
- Costco – Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers
- Hotel Indigo – Fort Myers
- Imaginarium Science Center – Fort Myers
- Riverside Reality Group – Fort Myers



A "teddy" tree

- Hogbody's – North Fort Myers
- FGCU – Estero
- Fred Astaire Dance Studio – Fort Myers

If you are interested in hosting a teddy bear drive, or have new bears that you would like to donate, contact Natalie Tursi at 995-2106 ext. 2249 or email natalietursi@goodwillswfl.org.

For more information on the Festival of Trees and Tux & Trees Gala, visit www.tuxandtrees.com or call 995-2106 ext. 2213.



A "teddy bear" tree at HealthPark in Fort Myers

Last year's Festival and Gala raised \$56,000 to support the Southwest Florida Goodwill Foundation, which provides long-term financial support to programs and services of Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida. In 2011, Goodwill helped 23,000 Southwest Floridians with disabilities and other disadvantages become more independent.✧

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Bambi Night

Parrot Key Caribbean Grill will host the second "Bambi Night" on Tuesday, November 13. Ten percent of the food and beverage sales will be donated to the cause.

"We are excited about the prospect of having these visitor centers on the beach to share information with our visitors. This will really enhance the experience for our visitors and certainly provide a boost for the economy," said Brian DeMartinis, general manager of Parrot Key Caribbean Grill. "We are pleased to be able to contribute to the purchase of the Bambi Information Centers and I hope that many area restaurants will step up and do the same."

Members of the community are invited to come out on both nights in support of program.

"We are very close to being able to get our first mobile visitor information center in place," said chamber president Bud Nocera. "We invite everyone on the beach to join for dinner on our Bambi Nights to get us over the top."

The Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce represents over 400 local businesses: working to promote a positive business climate in the Fort Myers Beach area by providing networking opportunities, community events and tourist information.

For more information about the chamber, call 454-7500 or visit www.fortmyersbeachchamber.org.✧

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Master Sand Sculptors To Attend Sand Sculpting Championships

World-renown sand sculptors will be participating in the 26th annual American Sand Sculpting Championship on Fort Myers Beach November 16 to 25. Over 1,000 tons of sand will be used in creating 30 works of art for the theme "Winder Wonderland." The event will be held at the Holiday Inn, 6890 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. daily.

The event is presented and managed this year by local organizations Big C Events, Pinchers Crab Shack, the Holiday Inn Fort Myers Beach and The Sand Lovers, all who are working in partnership with the Greater Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets purchased at the event are \$5 for adults and children 5 and older; children 4 and under are free. Advance discounted tickets are on sale for \$4 at any Pinchers Crab Shacks, Texas Tony's BBQ, and the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce. Participating 7-11 locations are selling advance discounted tickets for \$4, which include a \$20 discount on a Key West Express round trip ticket and \$10 off a food and beverage purchase at the Seminole Casino of Immokalee.

In addition to watching the sculptors compete and viewing the finished works of art, there will be various interactive activities during the event:

- Sculptors will compete for the title of American champion. The singles competition will take place the first week, followed by the doubles competition in week two.
- The Advanced Amateur Florida State Championship is open to amateur sculptors who have never competed at the master level and are not a professional and sculptor. For details, visit <http://fmbsandsculpting.com/states>.
- The Amateur Competition will take place on Sunday, November 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The amateur competition is a mixed team/solo event (categories for children and adults) intended as a venue for beginning or advanced amateurs and is open to all levels except masters and professionals. For more details, visit <http://fmbsandsculpting.com/amateur>.
- Guests have an opportunity to participate in the Junkanoo Sand Sculpting Luau on Friday, November 16 at Junkanoo, 4030 Estero Blvd. in Fort Myers Beach. Tickets are available for \$30 per person and include parking, dinner buffet, and live entertainment. For tickets, call Junkanoo at 463-2600 or the Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce at 454-7500.

Those attending the event are encouraged to arrive from the south in order to avoid traffic congestion. A revolving bus system will be available to transport attendees from the Lover's Key parking area to the site. Parking is also available in the Publix shopping center at Bonita Beach Road and U.S. 41, where the Lee County beach "Trollee" will pick up attendees.

For a full schedule of the daily events and information, visit <http://fmbsandsculpting.com> or the event's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SandSculptingFestival.*



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* Source: FloridaTaxWatch

Fort Myers Beach Community Foundation Charity Beach Ball

The Fort Myers Beach Community Foundation will host the first annual Fort Myers Beach Charity Beach Ball, scheduled to take place on Saturday, November 17 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the DiamondHead Beach Resort.

The Beach Ball will be a black tie optional dinner, with The Marc Vee Band providing entertainment and dance music. It will also feature a silent auction during the evening featuring donations from many local businesses. Fun silent auction items include once in a lifetime experiences and trips. Check out the website for more details.

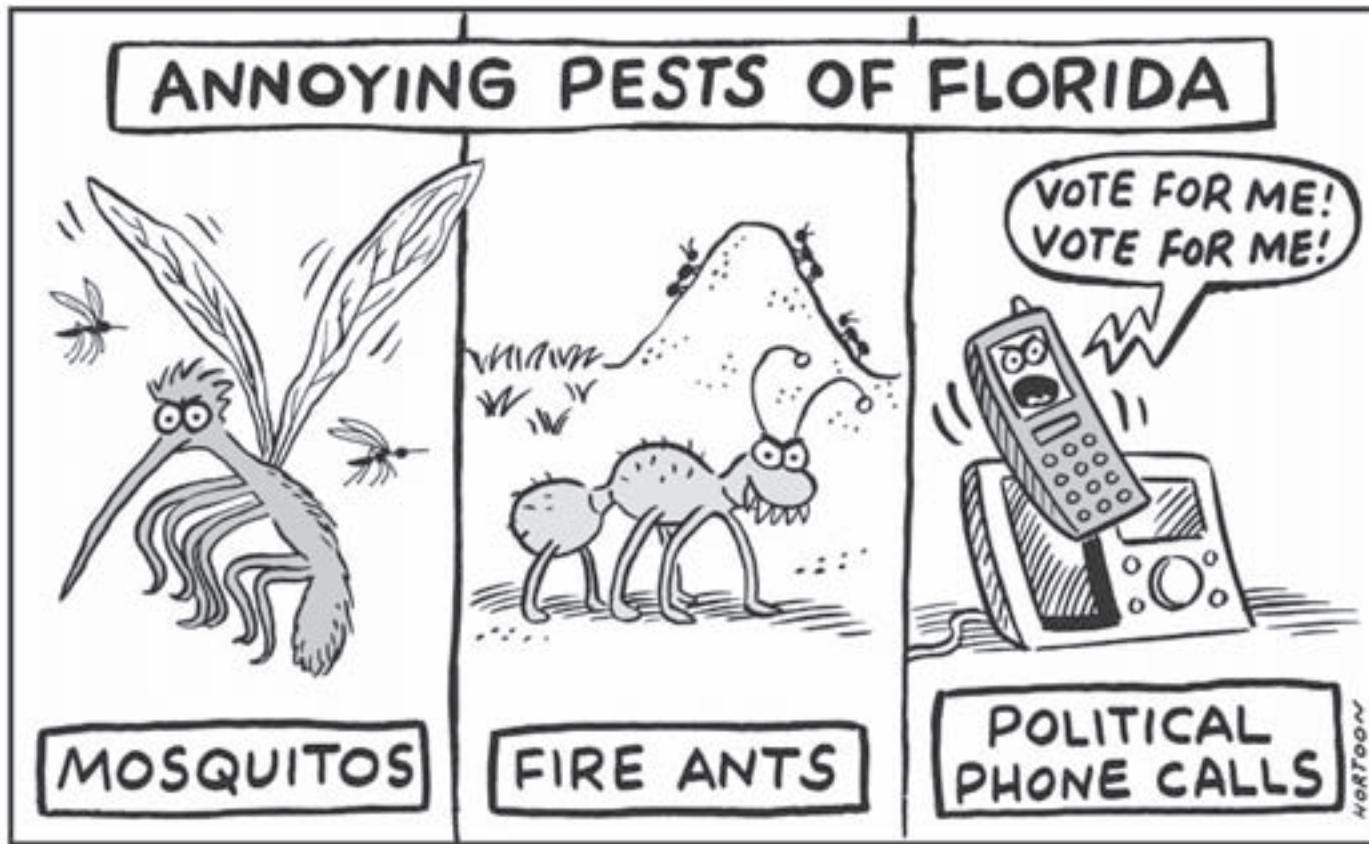
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Military Appreciation Day

In honor of military troops and their families, the Military Support Program of Lee Memorial Health System will take part in the 1st annual Military Appreciation Day on Saturday, November 3 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at First Christian Church, 2061 McGregor Boulevard.

"This day is about acknowledging what our veterans have done for us. It's about making sure they have what they need. It's our turn to take care of them," said Kim Gaide, coordinator of the Military Support Program of Lee Memorial Health System.

All military and their families are welcome to join in the festivities, which will begin with an opening ceremony by Honorary Chairpersons General James Shelton and Wounded Warrior Michael Araujo. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, as well as daycare services – with a reservation – allowing you freedom to take part in some of the many activities. Shop the free PX, receive assistance with VA benefits and health screenings.

Businesses and organizations who have stepped up for this event are: LeeSar, Busey Bank, Juniper Village, Latin American Motorcycle Association, St. Hilary's Church, Fort Myers Memorial Gardens, ABC Pest Control, Salon Professional Academy, South Seas Tees, Plastic Letters and Signs, Carl's Bicycle Repair, Fort Myers Police Department Bicycle Patrol and Hanser Family Foundation.

The Military Support Program began fundraising in 2003 and has won several awards in its endeavor to support the military. Much help is needed, as the program is volunteer based and sends care packages monthly to deployed troops.

For more information, or to make daycare reservations, call the Military Support Hotline at 343-2045.

Military Appreciation Day was created through a collaboration of efforts by Military Support Program of Lee Memorial Health System, Jewish War Veterans Post 400, Disabled American Vets #108, Vietnam Brotherhood Bravo Company, Vietnam Veterans of America Firebase #594, Veterans of the Glen, American Red Cross, American Legion Post #38, and First Christian Church.✪

Winter Mah Jongg Tourney

The Purple Dragon Mah Jongg Club will conduct their annual Winter Mah Jongg Tournament on February 1, 2 and 3 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Fort Myers.

A limited number of hotel reservations are currently available for players taking part in the Winter Mah Jongg Tournament. Packages includes:

- Two nights in a double or single nicely appointed room
- Saturday and Sunday full hot breakfast buffet at Shoeless Joe's Café for those staying at the hotel
- Saturday lunch (make choices on registration form)
- Snacks, beverages, prizes, registration fees and Mah Jongg.
- Tournament begins Friday at 6:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday at 9:30 a.m.
- Note: The Mah Jongg Room will be open after Friday's session and throughout the weekend for social play.

For additional information, visit www.cpfortmyers.com or www.PurpleDragonMahJongg.com.

For details about joining the Purple Dragon Mah Jongg Club, write to 15675-1 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33908, call 433-4474 or email MariAnne@PurpleDragonMahJongg.com.✪



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Rocks Fall Picnic Is Cancelled

Due to several schedule conflicts and unexpected family obligations, the Rocks Fall Picnic scheduled for Saturday, November 10 has been cancelled.

The Rocks' Board of Directors will meet on Wednesday, November 7 and will discuss neighborhood business. The Rocks annual meeting will be held in March 2013 (date, time and location to be announced). Call or email Jim Lynch at 395-2348 or jalcoquina@aol.com with any questions.✪



Two-time silver medalist in paired figure skating, Amanda Evora, joins the Celebration of Excellence with Sidney and Berne Davis Cotillion guests at Art of the Olympians

Two-Time Olympic Silver Medalist Attends Junior Cotillion At AOTO

Two-time Olympic silver medalist in paired figure skating, Amanda Evora, spoke during the Celebration of Excellence, an event attended by the third year members of the National League of Junior Cotillions, Sidney and Berne Davis Chapter. This event, held earlier this month at the Art of the Olympians in



Amanda Evora dances with Cotillion member Alec Worth at the Celebration of Excellence at the Art of the Olympians. Also pictured are Cotillion guests Ben Hambleton, Bethany Pearson (dancing with Art of the Olympian director, Sandy Talaga), Sophia Vardal and Chase Brown

photos by Betsy Williams

Fort Myers Arts And Culture Grant Received

The Fort Myers City Council recently awarded Community Cooperative Ministries, Inc. a \$2,500 grant under the City of Fort Myers 2012 Arts and Culture Grant Program.

This grant will help expand CCMi's Community Montessori Student Art Program by introducing the "Evolution of Art" project to incoming students and supporting the younger students through the process. The project illustrates how a child's vision and creativity evolve developmentally from ages 2 through 5, utilizing a basic form from nature – the image of a flower – which the children will design and create through an artistic medium.

CCMI's art teacher maintains an endless supply of project ideas that teach the students to use unique mediums for creating art, re-using art materials and learning

about famous artists. The art program provides weekly art instruction the students would not otherwise have access to.

"We are very excited about the progress our art program has made, thanks to the previous funding provided by the City of Fort Myers Arts and Culture grant," said Community Montessori Director Cindy Venezia. "It's a program that truly impacts the learning development of our students, and I look forward to seeing each of them advance with the success of the program."

The Community Montessori School is an early-childhood education program that serves 40 children, ages 2 to 5, from families who are working or in school and at 150 percent below the poverty level. Its education program provides students with a variety of creative opportunities through art, music and movement that strengthen students' developmental assets, excitement and curiosity about new experiences. The students typically have limited opportunity and access to arts in a safe environment otherwise.

For more information, call 332-7687 or visit www.ccmileecounty.com.*

downtown Fort Myers, focuses on the pursuit of excellence in sports and in life.

Evora gave an inspiring speech after which she witnessed the signing of the Cotillion Creed, a document that reinforces the commitment of all Cotillion graduates to treat others with fairness and respect and to approach all they do with honesty, integrity and fidelity.

Following the signing, Evora joined the Cotillion Circle, dancing the merengue and salsa with the delighted guests.

Founded in 1997 by Jim Griffith as Florida Arts, Inc., a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization, the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center provides programming to southwest Florida which includes concerts, theatrical performances, art exhibits, dance, independent film and cotillion. The Art Center regularly recruits award-winning artists who have performed worldwide at such prestigious venues as Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center. Its mission is to nurture innovation and excellence in the visual and performing arts through these events and community outreach programs.

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.*

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Along The River



Learn about butterflies and gardening techniques at the 12th annual Butterfly Conference and Garden Tour on Saturday in Fort Myers

On Saturday, November 3 the 12th annual **Southwest Florida Butterfly Conference and Garden Tour** is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration begins at 8:15 a.m. and costs \$15. Space is limited. The event is held in conjunction with the Lee County Extension and the University of Florida Master Gardner IFAS Extension.

The public is invited to tour the 17,345 square foot Crooked Garden and Butterfly Garden at Pelican Preserve. Jim Price is the founder and curator and will be on hand for the tour. In addition to presentations by butterfly experts and master gardeners, you may enjoy a pre-purchased lunch (\$5) or bring your own and relax while having the



Winter Wonderland is the theme for this year's 26th annual American Sand Sculpting Event of Fort Myers Beach

opportunity to talk with the speakers. Raffle prizes and specialty vendors are also available.

The Crooked Garden Butterfly Garden at Pelican Preserve are located at 3406 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers. For more information, call Gayle Edwards at 826-4103 or Peggy Cruz at 533-7504.

Nestled in the heart of downtown Fort Myers' River District, **Ichiban** is one of the only restaurants open for lunch and dinner seven days a week. It is a family-owned and operated Chinese and Japanese restaurant with an friendly staff and affordable prices. Whether you dine in or pick-up, the food is always fresh and made to order. With generous portions, it tastes just as good warmed up the next day!

Sit outside in the climate-controlled historic Post Office Arcade or sit inside at a table or at the sushi bar and watch the chefs create their culinary artwork. It's the perfect place for a quick but hearty lunch or a nice leisurely dinner enjoyed with a cold Kirin Ichiban beer or hot sake.

For sushi and sashimi lovers, order Tako (squid), Hamachi (Yellow Tail), Tuna Tataki, the Volcano Roll or the house Ichiban Special Roll. Chinese appetizers and entrees include Miso soup, General Tso Chicken (or tofu) and Mu Shu Pork.

Ichiban is located at 1520 Broadway, downtown Fort Myers, in the historic Post Office Arcade. Hours are Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. Free delivery is available within the River District. For more information, call 334-6991.

Mark your calendar for the 26th annual **American Sand Sculpting Championship** held on Fort Myers Beach from November 16 to 25. The main event will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Discounted tickets are on sale now at the Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce.

Master sand sculptors from around the world are scheduled to hit the beach to work with over 1,000 tons of sand to create 30 unbelievable works of sand sculpture art, all under the theme of Winter Wonderland. The event is the largest sand sculpting competition in Florida. Residents and visitors alike will have a remarkable opportunity to see a collection of some of the world's top sand sculptors create master sculptures and compete for the title of American champion. The singles competitions will take place the first week, followed by the doubles competition in week two.

In addition to watching the sculptors compete, there will be various interactive activities for all ages to participate in during the event. This year, from November 23 to 25, is the return of a long-standing tradition – the Advanced Amateur Florida State Championships. The competition is open to amateur sculptors who have never competed at the master level and are not a professional and sculptor.

Events include amateur mixed team and solo events with categories for adults and children. This year guests also have a chance to experience an exciting first-time event, the Junkanoo Sand Sculpting Luau held on Friday, November 16 from 6. to 9:00 p.m. at Junkanoo on the Beach. Tickets are \$30 per person and include parking, dinner buffet and live entertainment.

For tickets and a full schedule of events, call the Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce at 454-7500 or go to www.fmbandsculpting.com.*

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Photography By Olympian At Art Walk

On Friday, November 2, Art of the Olympians Museum and Gallery (AOTO) will celebrate Art Walk with Perspectives, an exhibit by Canadian Olympic athlete Nancy Lewington. In addition, the Heart & Soul dance group will perform a mix of numbers including rock, country, latin, jazz, pop and Broadway at the Art of the Olympians Sport gallery from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in celebration of Art Walk.

Perspectives showcases photographic perspectives of the Olympian, artist and individual. Lewington was born and raised in Hamilton, Ontario. Early in life, she discovered an appreciation for sport through a mother's love. Her mother, Canadian athlete Betty White, won gold in a medley relay as a member of the Canadian British Empire Games in 1934. Nancy's passion for sport was unleashed through running.

Early in her career, Lewington was Canadian Champion and record holder in the 100m sprint. Her determination and skill paved her way to the 1960 Rome Olympic Games, where she competed for Canada in the 100m sprint and 400m relay.

Like many Olympians, Lewington has a passion for art, sport and education. A graduate of Hamilton Teacher's College and McMaster University, she went on to teach physical education and coached girl's track in elementary, vocational and high school levels for 20 years. After her teaching career concluded, Lewington discovered the world of photography. Her interest in photography transformed from a hobby into a passion after she beat a battle with breast cancer in 1997.

Visitors may experience the exhibition for free during the November 2 Art Walk in downtown Fort Myers from 6 to 10 p.m. The exhibit will run until November 17 at the Art of the Olympians Museum and Gallery, 1300 Hendry Street in Fort Myers.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Gallery is closed to on Sundays, Mondays and holidays. Admission is \$5.

For more information, visit www.artoftheolympians.org or call 332-5055.*

Fall Sidewalk Book Sale

The Fort Myers Library will host their Fall Sidewalk Book Sale on Saturday, November 10 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The sale will feature books, audiotapes, CDs and DVDs for all ages.

All the books you can fit into a bag is just \$3. Bags are provided by the Friends of the Fort Myers Library.

The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Fort Myers Library, located at 2050 Central Avenue in Fort Myers.

For additional information, call 549-9625 or visit www.fortmyersfriends.org.*



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Edison & Ford Winter Estates Programs Coming In November



Edison & Ford Holiday Nights Pre-Holiday Party will be held on November 30

For the month of November at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates, there are special programs and activities planned for visitors and residents, as well as the daily offering of tours of the historic homes, gardens and museum. November events include the Annual Edison Garden Market, free admission to veterans and their families on Veteran's Day, the Edison & Ford Holiday Nights Holiday Pre-Party and monthly Garden Talks; as well as a variety of other special programs throughout the month.

Edison & Ford Winter Estates November programs and activities include:

- Emerging Inventors Early Learners, November 1 – Creative Colors, and November 15 – Gobble Gobble, 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Emerging Inventors Early Learners class for 1 to 3-year-old children and their parents, grandparents or other family members and includes socializing with others, education activities, story time, singing, crafts and exploring the homes, gardens and museum at the Edison Ford. Edison Ford members \$5; non-members \$15 (one adult, one child), additional \$5 per child

- Homeschool: Designing Submersibles, November 5 or 16, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. (student's grades 1 to 6)

Homeschool students will learn about density and volume while building a submersible that meets the required standards. Students and their parents can enroll in a two hour program with curriculum that follows the Next Generation Florida Sunshine State Standards. Pre-visit curriculum materials will be emailed to registered families. Registration required. Edison Ford members \$10; non-members \$20 (one adult, one child) additional \$10 per child.

- Garden Talk: Growing and Using Citrus, November 10, 9 a.m.

Fall is the season to plant citrus in Southwest Florida. The Edison family enjoyed growing citrus in their gardens and would eat, sell and ship their Florida citrus north. Join Edison Ford horticulturists and learn how to plant and use heirloom citrus varieties including meyer lemons, calamondins, kumquats and much more. Edison Ford members free; non-members \$5. Participants will receive 20 percent off in the Edison Ford Garden Shoppe.

- Etiquette at the Edison Ford, November 10, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Etiquette at the Edison Ford is for children ages 6 to 12 and includes a two-hour lesson in timeless etiquette and social skills. Children will learn proper dining etiquette during a three course meal, proper introductions and much more. Each student will receive a workbook and certificate of completion. Class is taught by Suzanne Willis, who has been teaching similar class at Ritz-Carlton hotels throughout the nation.



Annual Edison Garden Market will be held on November 17 and 18



Floorcloth Painting Class with Marie Dyer will be held on November 10

Registration required. Edison Ford members \$65; non members \$75.

- Floorcloth Painting Class with Marie Dyer, November 10, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

- Free Admission to Veterans and their Families, November 11, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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

- Edison Ford Monthly Volunteer Lecture & Meeting, November 13, 9:30 a.m.

Pat Adams, editor of her grandmothers' book, *Memoirs of an Everglades Pioneer* by Gertrude Petersen Winne, will present the history of the real life woman pioneer who created a life in the wilds of the Everglades many decades ago. Copies of the book will be available for sale and signing. Also, Edison Ford Registrar Matt Andres, will discuss how the Edisons adapted to Southwest Florida's environment. Meeting is open to current Edison Ford volunteers as well as prospective volunteers and the public.

- Edison Garden Market, November 17 and 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The 5th annual Edison Garden Market attracts plant vendors from throughout the state to sell unique plants, orchids, herbs, trees and garden merchandise. The event also includes workshops, food, music and other activities. The Edison Garden Market is a great event for family and friends and is free to the public. Space is still available for plant growers, fruit producers, garden art and garden supply vendors. New to the Garden Market is the Turkey Treasures Tent, with discounts on holiday ornaments, clearance Museum Store items, garden objects and plants in need of a little TLC. Find bargain treasures just in time for the holidays.

- Creative Cottage opens Thanksgiving Weekend, November 23, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Edison Ford Creative Cottage in the Edison Caretaker's House opens on Friday, November 23 and features "everything lights" items as well as artwork from Southwest Florida artists including Leoma Lovegrove, Doug MacGregor, Marie Adams and Augusta Crane. Creative Cottage will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily until December 1. During Edison & Ford Holiday Nights, hours will be expanded to 9 p.m. A "shoppers pass" may be issued at the main ticket office to visit the Creative Cottage.

- Edison Ford Holiday Party, November 30, 6 to 9 p.m.

Kick-off the holiday season with the fourth annual holiday party at the gloriously decorated homes and gardens at the Edison and Ford family estates. Guests will enjoy a special preview of the 37th annual event, food and beverages by the river, live music, silent auction and much more. Reservations required by calling 334-7419. Edison Ford members, sponsors and volunteers \$40; non-members \$50.

For additional information, call 334-7419 or visit www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

Movie Night In The Park

Fort Myers Recreation Division invites you to a free Movie Night in the Park on Friday, November 2. The feature presentation will be *Monster House*, where three teens discover that their neighbor's house is really a living, breathing, scary monster... but no adults will believe them. When they disturb the house, creepy

events start to take place and they must save the neighborhood in this animated adventure.

The film will be shown at Sam Fleishman Regional Sports Complex, located at 1700 Matthew Drive in Fort Myers beginning at 7:30 p.m. Free onsite parking is available.

Admission is free and all concessions are \$1. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for seating.

Caloosahatchee Oxbow And Riverlore Cruises Return



Telegraph Creek

Join SCCF for a riverboat adventure on the Oxbow and Riverlore Cruise to experience the historical Caloosahatchee on November 30, the Friday after Thanksgiving. This guided monthly cruise explores the meanders of the historic upriver Caloosahatchee. Follow the river back to a time when a waterfall served as the headwaters of the Caloosahatchee and settlers braved living amongst the wilderness.

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Community Foundation Art Exhibit Opens To The Public November 2

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation's art exhibit of local juried art will open to the public on Friday, November 2 from 4 to 6 p.m. The exhibit is located in the Community Foundation's public spaces, located at its office at 8771 College Parkway, Building 2, Suite 201 in Fort Myers. It will include pieces on loan and for sale from 32 local artists and one organization.

According to Cello Bennett, curator of the ongoing display, there will be 86 new pieces on display in addition to the current works from local artists Jacke McCurdy and Ellen Sheppard. The various works range from photography and carved wood to textiles, fused glass and various sculptures, as well as traditional acrylic, watercolor and medium paintings.

The exhibit was open to all artists from the foundation's five-county service area including Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and Hendry as space allowed. A share of the artworks' proceeds will be donated to the Fund for the Arts in Southwest Florida, which supports nonprofit art organizations in the area.

"This community has the great fortune of being the home to many incredible artists whose work has shaped both Southwest Florida and the nation," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the SWFLCF. "We are thrilled that our offices will host a collection that honors this tradition, inspire all who visit our offices and be a testament to our commitment to the arts in Southwest Florida."

Ms. Bennett is also donating two pieces by her late husband, Gale Bennett. One of the pieces will be for the permanent collection while the other will be auctioned off with all proceeds going to the foundation's arts fund.

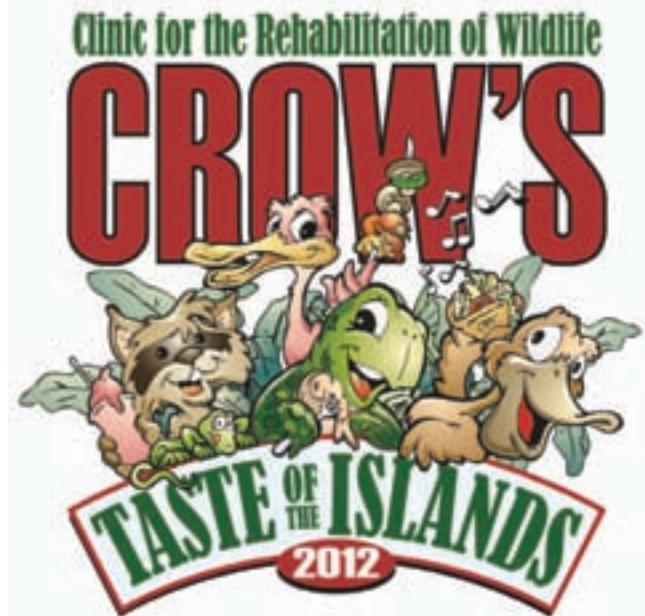
"I am thrilled at the response from artists all over Southwest Florida to our call for entries," said Bennett. "With the submission of these wonderful pieces, the exhibit will enhance the art scene in Southwest Florida as well as give these artists the opportunity to showcase their art and contribute to a fund where art is its main focus."

Cello Bennett operates Cello Bennett Artists LLC, an artists' portal for select visual and performing artists.

The next open house will be held on Friday, January 4, and continue to be held the first Friday of every month until next August.

For more information, call 274-5900 or visit www.floridacommunity.com.*

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ferent military conflicts.

The highlight of the event will be a
presentation by guest speaker Ileana
Katzker-Flores. Katzker-Flores enlisted in
the Women's Army Corps in 1972, fol-
lowing her father who served in Korea
and Vietnam, and her grandfather who
served during World War II. Flores served
as a journalist, earning Pentagon recogni-
tion for her newspaper reporting, and
winning two Freedom Foundation writ-
ing awards. She got her B.S. degree in
Communications Technology using the
GI Bill at Florida International University,
became a freelance writer in Miami, then
a vocational counselor and a teacher in
Fort Myers.

Katzker-Flores won the Golden Apple
teaching award in 2005, and achieved
National Board Certification. She has
also been recognized by the International
Businesswomen's Conference of the
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, was
named Journalism Teacher of the Year by
the Florida Scholastic Press Association,
and was recently inducted into the Florida
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Veterans Event To Honor Jewish Servicewomen



Pvt. Ileana Katzker-Flores

The Jewish Federation of Lee and
Charlotte Counties will hold an
event on Sunday, November 11
(Veteran's Day) at 9:45 a.m. honoring
Jewish women who have served in the
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The event, billed Uncommon
American Heroes, will take place in the
Crowne Plaza Hotel Ballroom at Bell
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CROW Case Of The Week:

Sanderling



by Patricia Molloy

Sanderlings (*Calidris alba*) are the comedians of our local shorebirds. The small, light-colored sandpipers are the quintessential surf-dodger, most recognized for their behavior of running



More food please!

down to the water's edge with an outgoing wave and racing back up the beach to avoid the next incoming wave.

the administration of a liver detox with milk thistle to stimulate the liver into filtering out the toxins. As evidenced by the photos, it can now stand and shows signs of a full recovery. It has become a voracious eater of worms, which it most enjoys in a bathtub containing a small amount of water.

CROW recently admitted a sanderling that was rescued because it was unable to stand or blink. It was quickly diagnosed with Brevetoxin. The condition is commonly contracted by shorebirds after scavenging beached fish that have died from toxic levels of exposure to red tide.

CROW hopes to release patient #2992 back to its home soon, as the clinic is well on its way to completing yet another successful rehabilitation.

Red tide is an ancient, natural phenomenon caused by tiny, single celled algae called *Gymnodinium breve*. While red tide causes little more than respiratory and eye discomfort for most humans, its has a more serious effect on marine wildlife. Exposure to the algal bloom can be dangerous, even fatal, to fish, sea turtles and birds.

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

The sanderling that the clinic is currently treating was quickly assessed for liver and kidney damage, as the toxin is fat soluble. During the early stages of care, it required daily tube feeding and



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Annual Free Bonsai Society Show & Sale

Bonsai enthusiasts throughout Southwest Florida are invited to the Annual Bonsai Show & Sale on Saturday and Sunday, November 17 and 18. The free event, sponsored by the Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida, will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days at the Lee County Election Center, 13180 S. Cleveland Avenue in Fort Myers (across from the Bell Tower Shops).

This annual event will feature bonsai exhibits and critiques, workshops and demonstrations, raffles, silent auctions and sales of bonsai trees and supplies. Vendors will be present to assist attendees with bonsai needs and supplies. Ed Trout, Toby Diaz, Ernie Fernandez, Mike Feduccia, Mike Cartrett and Dorothy Schmitz, all renowned bonsai artists, will be available to give lectures and provide demonstrations.

Bonsai is a horticultural art of growing trees in pots. It had its origins in China and Japan. Information about bonsai and the association will be available at the meeting.

For additional details about bonsai, the association or the annual show and sale, contact Jim Bremer at 482-7543.*



FGCU students who took part in this year's Monofilament Madness event

FGCU Students Help SCCF At Monofilament Madness Event

For the second year running, students from FGCU's Civic Engagement class lead the Monofilament Madness charge for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

For college credit, FGCU students promoted SCCF and the Monofilament Madness event at the university. They signed up and coordinated students to clean mangroves at a low tide walk on Woodring Point and removed fishing line from Captiva boat docks. Captiva Kayak provided boats and led the dock cleanup.

The group is now working on making Monofilament Madness an annual partnership event between SCCF and the local university.✪



Monofilament line, rope and other marine debris



Students with some of the items found at Dixie Beach

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Caloosahatchee Oxbow

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

The tour is guided by Rae Ann Wessel, a river researcher, long-time river advocate, historian and SCCF (Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation) Natural Resource Policy Director. The vessel is the stable and spacious 47-passenger Manatee Rover pontoon boat that features daily Manatee tours. All seats have a great view for photographs and bird watching.

Cruises depart at 1 p.m. from the W.P. Franklin Lock & Dam off SR 80 in Olga. Cruise dates in 2012 are: Friday, November 30; Sunday December 9; and the following Sundays in 2013: January 27, February 10, March 10, April 14, and Mothers Day, May 12.

Cruises depart at 1 p.m. and return by 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per person, with payment due at time of reservation. Also needed are the names of all passengers at the time of reservation. Call SCCF at 472-2329 and note that reservations must be made by Tuesday, November 27 for the November 30 cruise. Space is limited.✪

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Hiding From The Wind



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Most of this week on the water involved fishing though some crazy strong generally north winds as Hurricane Sandy moved offshore up the east coast of the

state. Once our winds finally let up, we went right into a winter cold front, bringing the coolest temperatures we have seen in at least six months. So basically put, I was already fishing the hide from the wind winter pattern before our first winter cold front hit.

November in Southwest Florida is usually the big transition month for our fishing. Depending on how many cold fronts we have, it can either be awesome action with many fishing options or it can be more of the same hiding from the wind with less options to bend a rod. It seems to me when we have a strong cold front so early in the season like this one in late October, it opens up the gates for a cold front to push through our area every week to 10 days for months to come and can often be a early sign of a colder than normal winter.

Despite what appears to be the start of a early winter, there are some things I really like about the month of November. The fact that the clocks finally fall back – giving us more light first thing in a

morning – is a long awaited event. After weeks of darkness until 7 a.m., it will be a much welcomed change from scrambling to catch bait before picking up clients at 8 a.m. and make my mornings a whole lot easier.

My most favorite date of the year continues to be November 15, the date that the slow speed manatee zones are over for Pine Island Sound.

With the zones coming to an end, it simply opens up a lot more water to fish. Not only does it mean burning less fuel to get to where you want to fish, it also means hiding from the winds of winter and staying comfortable is going to be much easier.

Live shiner and shrimp fishing was the staple for me this week. With conditions so windy and rough, catching shiners some mornings was a little hit or miss, so a 100 or so having a 100 live shrimp is more of a security blanket than anything else. Bouncing the bottom with a 1/4-ounce jig head and live shrimp caught a great mix bag of fish even during the toughest conditions. Chumming live shiners also had fish fired up throughout the southern sound this week.

Deeper mangrove creeks and sheltered small bays close to home made up the majority of my targeted area's this week.

Finding somewhere halfway comfortable to hide from the strong winds without having to cross any big open bodies of water was half the battle on most trips.

Shorelines that had wind and tide moving in the same direction where what I looked for. During low tides, I spent my time in deeper sheltered channels. Then when the tide was up, I worked shorelines. Hot spots this week included Chino Island Channel, Flamingo Bay Channel, St.

James Creek and Demere Key.

Until this week, it has been a long



Capt. Matt Mitchell with a 31-inch redfish caught and released this week

time since I fished with live shrimp. Although you have to deal with catching lots of small fish and having lots of bait stolen, it's amazing at the variety of species you catch. When conditions get tough for non-stop action, its hard to beat a live shrimp for bait.

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. ✨

Send Us Your Fish Tales

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

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Paddling Trail Launches SmartPhone App

A SmartPhone application that provides valuable Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail information will be available to both Android and iPhone users on Thursday, November 1, which is the opening day of the Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival.

Boaters and divers will see the launch of iPhone and Android apps for the Lee County Boaters Guide and Artificial Reef Guide at the Fort Myers Boat Show,

which opens on Thursday, November 8.

The Calusa Blueway application, a first-of-its-kind canoe and kayak navigational aid, provides real-time GPS coordinates and navigation, an interactive trail map with places of interest identified, boating tips and regulations and a key to the blueway's flora, fauna and wildlife. The application covers the 190-mile Great Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail.

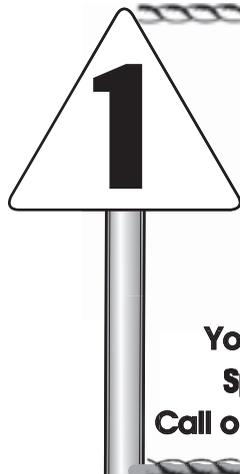
A pilot program launched at the 2011 Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival brought 50 miles of the paddling trail to iPhone users. This year's festival will complete the SmartPhone project with the entire blueway available in the application. Both the blueway and the boaters' applications were funded by a grant from the West

Coast Inland Navigation District.

The blueway application is available Thursday for free on Google Play and the iTunes store. The boating app will be free and ready for downloading on November 8.

The applications were designed by pearl, a Lee County-based creative advertising and digital agency with expertise in custom brand development and new technology applications.

To learn more about the Great Calusa Blueway Paddling Trail, visit www.CalusaBlueway.com. Festival details are available at www.CalusaBluewayPaddlingFestival.com. Fort Myers Boat Show information is at www.fortmyersboatshow.com. ✨



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Caring For Your Plants

Propagation
By Division

This Lady Palm (*Rhapis sp.*) has plenty of root for easy separation into two new plants



by Justen Dobbs

There are many plants and palm trees that have a clumping habit. This means that one single plant continuously produces new stems its entire life. Technically, as long

as this plant is kept alive in good soil and with ample water, it will live indefinitely.

Sometimes, in order to reduce the size of a plant or palm tree because it has overgrown its pot, it is beneficial to remove it from the pot and split it into two or three new plants. This can also be done if you would like to give one or two stems to a friend or neighbor and let them have a stab at growing the same plant. Some examples are grasses, bromeliads, orchids, Lady palms, Areca palms and Cat palms, just to name a few.

First, you must remove the plant from its container. (I don't recommend doing this procedure on plants growing in the ground, as they will have a much larger and/or deeper root system which is not ideal.) Then, rinse all of the soil from the rootball. Don't do this until you already have some new, fresh soil and a couple plastic containers ready to go. Make sure you pay attention to the soil needed – palms need palm mix, orchids need orchid mix, etc. Once you have rinsed all of the soil, locate the spot where the stems come together – this is the spot where the plants can potentially be divided.

Before separating the two or three plants, you need to consider how much root each one has. Ask yourself, "If I cut these two or three plants apart at the base near the roots where they are connected, will each new plant be left with

enough root to survive?" (This does not apply to bromeliads which need no root.) Generally, you want a new plant or palm individual to have at least a few roots or more in order to have a chance.

Now that you have selected the separation site, inspected the root systems, and have pots and soil ready to go, it is time to separate. I like to use a box cutter knife with a fresh blade, or my hand saw for larger plants. Make sure the blade on the knife or saw is either brand new or is

dipped in bleach or hydrogen peroxide to make sure it is sanitary (you wouldn't let a doctor cut into you with a used scalpel, would you?). Carefully cut the separation point while pulling the two plants apart and they should eventually separate.

Once you have two to three separate plants with their own root systems, you can place them in their new containers and add dirt or planting mix. Shake the container while planting so that the soil works its way down through all the roots.

Then, press down on the soil once finished in order to compact it down well. I recommend keeping the new, fresh cut area on each plant above the soil level to discourage rotting or fungal growth. Water the new plant with fresh tap water. It should not be given fertilizer for at least a month or so.

Dobbs is a landscape architect in south Florida specializing in custom, upscale landscapes. He can be reached at seabreezenurseries@gmail.com.*



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Plant Smart

Common Yellow Woodsorrel

by Gerri Reaves

Common yellow woodsorrel (*Oxalis corniculata*) is a native perennial with clover-like leaves and tiny yellow flowers. Distributed throughout Florida, this mat-forming wildflower can grow to more than a half-foot in height.

The oxalic acid in the plant gives it a sharp or pungent taste, thus another common name, sourgrass. In fact, the word oxalis derives from Latin and Greek words meaning "sour" or "acid."

The leaf shape and growth habit have earned the plant two other common names, Florida shamrock and creeping woodsorrel, respectively.

The delicate heart-shaped leaflets fold at the center crease at night or when they are stressed by direct sunlight or a storm, for example.

The five-petaled flowers bloom throughout the year, appearing in clusters on hairy stems. Symmetrical and funnel-shaped, the flowers measure less than a half-inch across.

Yellow woodsorrel spreads via underground stems called rhizomes. The seeds are dispersed by the exploding seed capsules and by songbirds. It prefers moist areas and crops up in open fields, woodlands, on roadsides, and in yards.

Despite the oxalic acid and strong taste, the plant has many medicinal and culinary uses. It can be added to sauces and salads, for instance, or used as a diuretic or digestive aid. However, use it moderately, for the oxalic acid can cause serious kidney problems, among other concerns.

This wildflower is very resistant to herbicides, so if it volunteers in your yard, why not live and let live? Enjoy those cheerful yellow flowers and shamrocks.

Sources: *Everglades Wildflowers* by Roger L. Hammer, *Florida Wildflowers and Roadside Plants* by C. Ritchie Bell and Bryan J. Taylor, *Wildflowers of Florida Field Guide* by Jaret C. Daniels and Stan Tekiela, *The Guide to Florida Wildflowers* by Walter Kingsley Taylor, edis.ifas.ufl.edu, kingdomplantae.net, and the *National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida*.

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



Common yellow woodsorrel is a clover-like native wildflower

photo by Gerri Reaves



Common yellowthroat

Morning Meander At Lakes Park

A free nature walk with a bird patrol guide will take place on Saturday, November 3 starting at 8:30 a.m. at Lakes Regional Park, 7330 Gladiolus Drive in Fort Myers.

This easy walk along clear paths offers an opportunity to see birds in native vegetation with experienced bird patrol guides pointing out the many species in Lakes Park, a Lee County birding "hot spot" and crucial nesting area for many birds. Participants are asked to arrive a few minutes after 8 a.m. for a brief introduction and to sign waivers. Tours start promptly at 8:30 a.m. Please wear comfortable shoes and dress to be outside. Bring water, sunscreen and binoculars.

Participants should meet at Shelter A7. Enter Lakes Park gate from Gladiolus and turn right. Drive to end of road, continue through the parking lot. Shelter A7 is located near the Lakes Park Train Station.

This tour is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation. It's free with paid parking, which is \$1 per hour or \$5 for all day.

For more information, call 533-7580 or 533-7576 or visit www.birdpatrol.org.✽

Public Input Preserve Sought

Hidden Cypress Preserve now has a restoration plan the public can view and offer input, including attending a public meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13 in the first-floor conference room at the Lee County Public Works building, 1500 Monroe Street in Fort Myers.

The plan is available for review until Monday, November 12 at the Bonita Springs Public Library, 26876 Pine Avenue in Bonita Springs; South County Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Pkwy. in Estero; and online at <http://www.conservation2020.org/documents/LSP/HCP.pdf>

The preserve is located in Bonita Springs just east of I-75. Called a land stewardship plan, the preserve document is the product of Lee County Conservation 20/20 staff. It describes the preserve, planned stewardship activities and future public amenities. The plan is important because the preserve is home to numerous state and federally listed plant and animal species including Florida sandhill cranes, American bald eagles, swallow-tailed kites, and Florida panthers. After public review, the plan will be presented to the Lee County Board of County Commissioners for approval.

Written comments are encouraged and can be given at the meeting, online or through the mail.

For more information, visit www.conservation2020.org.✽

Season Closures To Begin

The recreational harvest season for gag grouper in most Gulf of Mexico waters and vermilion snapper in the Atlantic Ocean will close on November 1. These closures are intended to reduce overfishing and increase the population of gag grouper and vermilion snapper.

The gag grouper recreational harvest season in Gulf of Mexico state and federal waters will close on November 1, with the final day of harvest being October 31. This closure does not include state waters off Franklin, Jefferson, Wakulla and Taylor counties, which were open April 1 through June 30 this year, or state waters off Monroe County, which is currently open through December 31 and is included in Atlantic gag grouper seasons and rules. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) manages marine fish from the shore to nine nautical miles in the Gulf of Mexico.

The recreational harvest of vermilion snapper closes on November 1 in all state and federal Atlantic waters off Florida. State and federal waters off Monroe County that are south and east of U.S. 1 are included in this closure. The FWC manages marine fish from the shore to three nautical miles in the Atlantic.

Learn more about the Florida recreational saltwater fishing at www.MyFWC.com/Fishing (click on "Saltwater" and "Recreational Regulations").✽



The Marching Mullet Parade is one of the most popular activities on Captiva

Captiva Holiday Village Hoteliers Announce Special Packages

Captiva Island resorts, inns, cottages and vacation homes will be offering lodging specials in conjunction with this year's third annual Captiva Holiday Village event.

The two-week-long Captiva Holiday Village launches its 2012 spectacular the Friday after Thanksgiving with fireworks, tree lightings, holiday readings, musical performances and more.

Now in its third year, Captiva Holiday Village is a cooperative event sponsored by hoteliers, merchants, attraction owners and restaurateurs of Captiva Island.

From November 23 until December 11, South Seas Island Resort is offering a special discount of \$20 off the resort's best available rate.

Captiva Island Inn offers a special three-day, two-night holiday rate that includes a \$50 resort credit to enjoy at one of five award-winning restaurants. Complimentary gourmet breakfast served at Keylime Bistro or R.C. Otters as well as complimentary beach chairs and umbrellas.

American Realty of Captiva has homes available for every budget and group size from beachfront to bayfront, luxury mansions to affordable cottages, tennis, pools, boat docks and more. Special packages include event and concert tickets.

Royal Shell Vacations' elves have designated a limited number of properties for Captiva Holiday Village experiences. From December 2 to 23, selected home and condo rentals are being offered on a Friday-to-Friday rental basis. A few lucky guests will win a weekly golf-cart rental or special event tickets to activities.

Jensen's Historic Cottages and Marina is offering special rates for two to four guests from December 1 to 18 starting from \$180 per night, including a free private one-hour boat ride.

From November 30 to December 9, guests at 'Tween Waters Inn Island Resort can enjoy 15 percent off regular rates on Friday and Saturdays and 50 percent off regular rates Sunday through Thursdays.

Each special-themed weekend, beginning November 23 through December 8, will be a fun-filled extravaganza of sight and sound, set against the backdrop of the Gulf of Mexico and evening sunsets. During the event weekends, visitors will enjoy everything from decorated golf-cart and lighted boat parades to Junkanoo and fire dancers, live music and even a Marching Mullet Parade.

All three weekends of events take place in Captiva's "village" center, where its col-



Decorated tree at South Seas Island Resort



Captiva's Chapel by the Sea decorated for the holidays

orful restaurants and shops will be festively decorated.

The village is the heart of the island: a quirky, colorful, pedestrian-friendly hub where people stroll from place to place, enjoying live music, tropical food and drink and the island's legendary sunsets.

Back by popular demand, a feature of this year's Captiva Holiday Village is community Chautauqua, offering educational workshops, entertainment, films, a carol sing, boat cruises, tastings and natural history talks, all offering locals and visitors a chance to learn more about quirky Captiva.

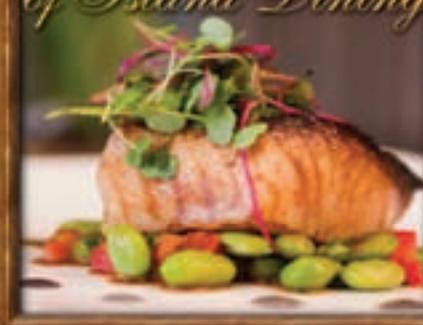
In addition to Holiday Village festivities, the island offers easy access to an abundance of water sports: kayaking, guided fishing, parasailing, world-renowned shelling and wildlife cruises to the outer islands. In 2011, Captiva ranked as one of TripAdvisor's Top 10 Travelers' Choice U.S. Beach Destinations.

This year's sponsors include the Golf Cart Parade sponsor - The Royal Shell Companies, the Boat Parade Sponsor - Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, the Junkanoo Parade sponsor - American Realty of Captiva and the Fire Dancing on the Beach sponsor - VIP Realty. Media sponsors include the *Island Sun*, *Sanibel-Captiva Beaches & Keys* and the News-Press Media Group.

As a highlight of this annual event, local hoteliers and restaurants have once again teamed up to offer six free two-night Captiva Holiday Village weekends for the 2012 event. Online entries are now being accepted at www.captivaholidayvillage.com.

For a list of all events and hotel packages, visit www.CaptivaHolidayVillage.com.✪

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'Faces Of Floridians' Art Exhibition

The Portrait & Figure Painters Society of Southwest Florida, Inc. announced that their first exhibition in 2012, entitled "Faces Of Floridians," opened on October 30 and will run through December 3 at Lee County Commissioner Tammy Hall's office. Hall's office is located in the Old Lee County Courthouse, 2120 Main Street in Fort Myers.

Depicting only original portrait paintings/drawings done for this show from PFPS members, some of which are available for purchase or commission, artwork has been contributed by Betsy Koscher, Renate M. Reuter, Julie Olander, Shelly Salter, Tracy Owen Cullimore, Dorothy Salcedo and Toni Dattwyler.✪

Winners' Circle Biennial Show At The Alliance For The Arts



Clothes Line in Croatia by Lee Ackert

On Friday, November 16, an exhibit will go on display at the Alliance for the Arts in Fort Myers featuring award winning work by some of southwest Florida's finest visual artists.

The Art Council of Southwest Florida's Winners' Circle Show 2012 is a biennial exhibit in which only recent award winners from the Art Council's 18 member organizations are invited to participate. The exhibit will feature more than 70 pieces in a variety of mediums. All entries will be judged and cash prizes given for first, second and third places in both 2D and 3D categories.

Art Council of Southwest Florida president, Sandra F. Mark, says she's

proud of the quality and diversity of work represented in the show. She calls it the "cream of the cream" of artwork being created in Southwest Florida.

The Art Council of Southwest Florida has been the voice of Southwest Florida's non-profit visual arts community for 50 years, providing opportunities for education, exhibitions and demonstrations. It has grown from a small group of art leagues to now include 18 groups with a combined membership of more than 6,750 artists in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties.

During the Winners Circle Show, paintings by Barbara Valentine will be on display in the Member Gallery. The opening reception is Friday, December 7 from



Barbara Valentine's Key West series, Oil

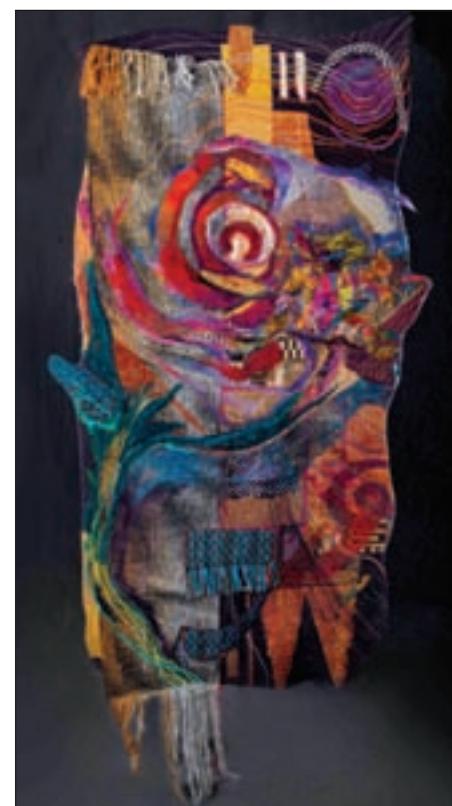


Nagaraj by John Merchant

5 to 7:30 p.m. Jan-Ellen Atkielski will lead a gallery walk and talk on Saturday, December 8 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The exhibit will remain on display until December 27. For more information, visit www.artinlee.org or call 939-2787.

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



Blooming Rose away from her Cheating Husband by Rose Young



Just Dropped In II by Cheryl Fausel

Mastersingers Rehearsing For Season



Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers, under the direction of Artistic Director Jeff Faux, rehearse Beethoven's 9th Symphony for a January 13 concert at the Barbara B. Mann

Sounds of Beethoven, Mozart and Handel come to life every Monday evening at Fort Myers Congregational United Church of Christ. The Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers rehearse at the church for their 12th season of bringing masterful classical works to Southwest Florida.

Between December 2 and May 24, the Mastersingers will be performing in Cape Coral, Bonita Springs, Pine Island, Naples, Fort Myers Beach and Sanibel.

Eight concerts are scheduled, beginning with a performance of "Messiah and More" on December 2 at Sanibel Community Church, followed by a "Messiah Sing-

a-Long" on December 7 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Fort Myers.

In January, the chorus will sing Beethoven's joyous 9th Symphony with the Gulf Coast Symphony at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.

A "Sounds of Spring" program will be presented at the Pine Island United Methodist Church on March 3 and at the BIG ARTS on Sanibel on April 14.

The annual spring concert will feature Mozart's *Missa Brevis in D*, Finzi's *Magnificat*, *Three Nocturnes* by Forrest and Bernstein's *Chichester Palms*.

A Memorial Day Observance at Bower Chapel Moorings Park in Naples will conclude the season.

The Mastersingers add new voices on a regular basis. Any singers interested in joining the 70-member group may call 288-2535 or email info@mastersingersfm.com.*

Edison State Concert Dates

The Edison State College music department has announced its fall and spring concert dates for 2012-13. All concerts are free and open to the public, and they are held at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.

The fall concert dates are:

Sunday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m. – Concert Band
Wednesday, November 14 at 7:30 p.m. – Jazz Band
Tuesday, November 20 at 7:30 p.m. – Choir and Orchestra

The spring concert dates are:

Monday, April 15 at 7:30 p.m. – Jazz Band
Sunday, April 21 at 3 p.m. – Concert Band
Sunday, April 28 at 3 p.m. – Choir and Orchestra
For more information, contact Joyce VanDeusen at 489-9332.*



The server race at last year's Taste of the Islands



Kids can get their faces painted

CROW Event Offers Finger-Lickin' Tasties

The Taste of the Islands presented by Edison National Bank/Bank of the Islands is an annual event to benefit the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW). CROW not only benefits from the money raised but by helping attendees better understand the organization's mission of saving wildlife through compassion, care and education.

"We are pleased that as a non-profit organization, we can host an event that draws a group from across all of Southwest Florida," said Steve Greenstein, executive director of CROW.

This year's event on Sunday, November 11 from 12:30 to 5 p.m. at Sanibel Community Park celebrates the 31st year of the tradition in which 20 restaurants from Sanibel and Captiva participate.

"We draw from the best local independent eateries in all of Florida and that is what makes the event so special," said event chair Melissa Congress.

This year's Taste features two acclaimed local bands, Rocker and Stolen Fruit, as well as face painting by Ms. Sylvia and specialty T-shirts with the Taste logo designed this year by Dave Drotleff.



The best food on the islands will be served

The server competition run by the City of Sanibel's Recreation Department has become a favorite in recent years, with relay teams sprinting to deliver drinks without spilling. Another popular recent addition to the event is a silent auction offering a diversity of items from gift certificates for various fine jewelry stores to stays in nearby beach resorts, to services and even a year's social membership at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, or golf and tennis lessons.

This annual treat is only possible through the support of sponsors like Edison National Bank/Bank of the Islands and the many other supporters including:

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Lakes Park Announces Judges' Top Picks For Scarecrows In The Park



"No Time To Rock" by Cypress Cove at HealthPark was selected Most Creative

Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation announced the winners of the Scarecrows in the Park contest, chosen by local celebrity judges during a kick-off event held on October 19.

The winners were selected from three categories:

- Cypress Cove at HealthPark won the award for Most Creative for their scarecrow presentation titled, "No Time To Rock."

- Community Cooperative Ministries Incorporated (CCMI) was awarded Best Theme/Company Correlation for their scarecrow scene titled, "Hope Grows Here."

- Villas Elementary School won Best Youth-Created Entry for "Following The Yellow Brick Road To Learning," which was sponsored by Costco.

The contest is part of the annual Lakes Park Fall Festival and Halloween Extravaganza. In addition to the celebrity judges' votes, the festival attendees vote for their favorite scarecrow to determine the final winners.

"Creativity is at an all-time high this year. We have 44 scarecrow entries this year, up from 32 received last year," said Marsha Asp, chairperson for the Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation. "More than 16,000 people attended the festival during the opening weekend. The contest and festival are off to a great start."

In addition to Scarecrows in the Park, the festival included a pumpkin patch, bounce houses, hayrides and a Halloween Express train.

The Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable corporation established in 2004 by a group of Lee County business leaders and dedicated citizens who recognize Lakes Park as an extremely important green area in Lee County. The foundation's main focus is to assist Lee County Parks and Recreation in the continued implementation of the \$30 million Lakes Park Master Plan, enhancing the park's envi-



"Following The Yellow Brick Road To Learning," created by Villas Elementary and sponsored by Costco, won Best Youth-Created Entry



"Hope Grows Here" by CCMI was awarded Best Theme/Company Correlation

ronmental aesthetics, wildlife habitat and recreational amenities for the community to enjoy for many years to come. Currently, the Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation is focusing its fundraising on creating a botanical garden at Lakes Park and adding wildlife viewers to improve visibility of birds in the rookery.

For more information on the foundation, visit www.LakesParkEnrichmentFoundation.org.

Dazzling Dialogue At Gulfshore Playhouse

by Di Saggau

Two Tony Award-winning plays by Yasmina Reza are being performed in Repertory at Gulfshore Playhouse in Naples. *Art* is sharing billing with *God of Carnage*. Both plays are performed Saturdays with alternating performances during the week.

I had the pleasure of seeing *Art* last weekend, and I absolutely loved it. Artistic director Kristen Coury has put together a crowd-pleasing production with three fantastic actors who deliver non-stop cross-fire, cracking language as they discuss some very serious issues about life and friendship and of course art.

Art is called an actors play. The three men in this production handle Reza's dialogue with punch and pizzazz. Insults whisk through the air hitting their target head-on. It's a riot.

For 15 years, Marc, Serge and Yvan have been friends going to movies, out to dinner and socializing until the "apocalypse" erupts among them. It all centers around the fact that Serge (Brit Whittle) has purchased a three-foot by four-foot painting by a supposedly famous artist for a mere \$200,000. He first shows it to his friend Marc (Cody Nickell), who can't believe his eyes. It's all white, mostly, with occasional diagonal stripes running through it. The audience does not see the stripes, it's just plain white all over.

Marc is totally unimpressed, in fact he thinks his friend is crazy for buying it. He convinces their friend Yvan (Scott Greer) to check it out. Yvan, rather than offend Serge, pretends to like the painting.

Watching his expressions as he looks at the painting tell you that he, too, thinks that perhaps Serge is a bit crazy for buying it.

One moment that brings down the house is Yvan's diatribe about his upcoming wedding, the in-laws, who should be seated with whom and the rest of his domestic woes. It goes on non-stop for what seems like 10 minutes and is absolutely hysterical. The three men are entirely different characters and it's such fun watching them interact. The casting could not have been better and the staging is also well crafted.

To me the play is more about friendship than it is about art. I attended with three friends, and we had a lot of fun talking about the play afterwards. We all agreed that Coury is at the top of her game in what she brings to Gulfshore Playhouse.

Art plays through November 17 at the Norris Center, 755 8th Avenue South in Naples. For tickets, call 866-811-4111.

In a week or so, I'll be back with a review of *God of Carnage*.

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First place in Signs on the Blueway Trail, *Blueway Sign* by Keely Smith

Calusa Blueway Photo Winners

From page 1
The public is invited to see winning photographs at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 1, at the conference room of the Residence Inn by Marriot Fort Myers-Sanibel, 20371 Summerlin Road in Fort Myers. The free event will be in the hotel

conference room. Come swap photography information with the judges, local artists, photographers and local vendors and enjoy a slide show presentation of all entries. First-place winners' pictures will be framed and on display courtesy of sponsors Harmon Photography and ABC Framing. All nine people who placed will be recognized at 6 p.m.

Second place winners include Fred Capparelli of Bonita Springs in the



First place in Wildlife on the Blueway Trail, *Bringing Home The Bacon* by Dennis Von Linden

People category, Don McMullen of Fort Myers for Wildlife and Estero's Peggy Egan for Signs on the Blueway Trail. The contest's third place winners were Steve Wohnoutka of Highland Village, Texas, for his submission in the People category, Fort Myers' Cheryl Black for Wildlife and Don McMullen again in the Signs category. Judges were Mark Renz of Lehigh Acres, Rod Clarke of Cape Coral and Josh Manring of Naples.

The November 1 photo reception, which also features West Marine as a sponsor, will run on the same night and just down the hall from the Fort Myers

Toyota Kickoff Reception for the Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival, coordinated by Lee County Parks & Recreation. That event starts at 6 p.m., and requires a \$15 ticket that can be purchased at the door or a pre-paid four-day admission pass.

The kickoff reception will feature a raffle with prizes supplied by Suspenz, food and drink provided by Fort Myers Toyota and a meet and greet with VIPs, vendors, sponsors, exhibitors and any paddlers who wish to mingle. Check out the rest of the 2012 Calusa Blueway Paddling Festival's events at www.calusablueway-paddlingfestival.com.✧

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Artists at work during a plein air painting session

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Artists Painting All Around Town

The third annual Paint The Beach: Sandcastles To Shrimptoats will be bringing artists from all over the country and as far away as Equador to the beautiful town of Fort Myers Beach. They will check-in Monday evening, November 5 and meet each other at South Beach Grill. Then, they will paint for the next three days at locations of their choosing around town. If the artists want to capture the image of your business or home, please welcome them and enjoy the experience. They may even ask you to pose while they paint!

The festival, sponsored by the Fort Myers Beach Art Association, Santini Marina Plaza and Fish-Tale Marina, is highlighted by the Gala Collectors Preview Party on Friday, November 9, where the framed artwork is displayed for show and sale. The ticketed event from 6 to 9 p.m. is a lively showcase of talent enhanced by hors d'ouvres from the Santini Plaza restaurants and music by the Cypress Lake String Quartet. A live auction will be held for a half-day fishing trip donated by Capt. Phil Pica, a trip to Key West on the Key West Express and two-night stay at the Comfort Inn donated by each, and a tapas party for 40 donated by Skye's. Prizes will be awarded to the artists after being judged by Kevin Dean from Selby Gallery at the Ringling College of Art and Design. Tickets for this event can be purchased at the Fish-Tale Marina office, Fort Myers Beach Art Association or online at www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

The Fort Myers Beach Elementary School will again display work created by the school children in the festival tent. Principal Larry Wood and art teacher Holly Nichols have worked with the FMBAA outdoor painters to learn about "plein air" or outdoor painting. The fifth graders worked with the artists outside to paint their own scene. Be sure to see what these budding artists of the future created when you visit the festival tent.

Times Square will be the subject for artists participating in the Quick Draw event on Saturday morning, with just two hours to complete a painting. They will be there from 9 to 11 a.m. painting, then take their finished work to the festival tent in Santini Marina Plaza to be judged at noon.

The North Fort Myers Academy Steel Drum Band will play at 1 p.m. The festival tent will be open for view and sales from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and the Imagination Station will be set up from 1 to 4 p.m. for children to produce their own artwork. Artists will be demonstrating outside the tent. At 6 p.m., the tent becomes a Jazz Cafe with singer Jo List performing accompanied by a pianist. Food and beverages will be available through Skye's.

The FMBAA will be selling raffle tickets throughout this event for paintings donated by Randon Eddy, Mary Klunk, Pauline Healey and Mary Chaikowsky. Proceeds from these sales benefit the art association directly. Paintings are on display at the gallery at Donora and Shellmound and can be seen during gallery hours.

On Sunday, the tent will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the festival concludes with the raffle drawing. Artists will remove their work at that time.

For more information, call the gallery at 463-3909 or visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com.

New Round Of Try It Workshops At The Alliance

The Alliance for the Arts will offer another round of Try It Workshops beginning Wednesday, November 7 with two drawing classes for adults and kids taught by Megan Kissinger.

Longtime Alliance instructor David Hammel offers two Pottery Try Its for adults and kids on Thursday, November 8. On Saturday, November 10, Sue Hansen presents her next Art Attack workshop, which allows kids to dabble in painting, drawing and sculpting, while being exposed to classical music and jazz. On Tuesday, November 20, Terry Lynn Spry offers a Try It of her Painting Studio class.

The Alliance Try It program offers free single sessions for members, or \$5 for non-members. Additional November classes include Beginner and Advanced DSLR Photography, Memoir Writing, Fair Use & The Visual Art, Fine Art Acrylics, Youth Painting, Mixed Media and Palm Art. Be sure to visit the Alliance website to download the entire catalog of adult classes. For more information, go to www.artinlee.org or call 939-2787.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. Visit www.artinlee.org for additional details.



David Hammel at the pottery wheel

Friends Of Lakes Regional Library

Rusty Brown, well known writer-dramatist in Southwest Florida, will speak at 1 p.m. at the Friday, November 9 meeting of the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. The free program is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend.

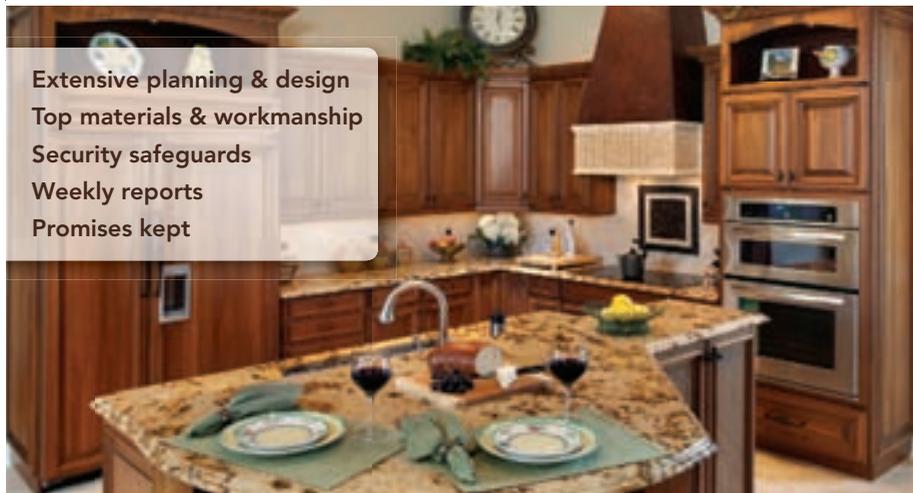
Ms. Brown will tell the captivating story of Emma Lazarus, whose poem is etched on the Statue of Liberty.

Rusty Brown has been writing and performing her original one-woman shows for nearly 20 years. Before returning to theatre, her first love, Rusty wrote a nationally syndicated column on women's issues that ran in 200 newspapers.

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Laugh Out Loud At Florida Rep



by Di Saggau

A well done farce depends on not-very smart characters making silly assumptions during absolutely ridiculous situations. Such is the case in Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me



a Tenor", currently showing at Florida Repertory Theatre. Directed by Chris Clavelli, the show is so well-constructed, audiences burst out laughing at the many improbable circumstances.

Let's start with the set, it's a beautifully done Art Deco style hotel suite in rich purple and red hues. There's a living room on one side and bedroom on the other and the characters bounce back and forth between the two with split second timing.

The action takes place in Cleveland, Ohio in 1934. The plot involves a famous tenor Tito Morelli, played by David Breitbarth, who arrives late on the day of the performance where he is scheduled to play the lead in "Othello" for a gala fundraiser. Max (Michael Satow) has the job of babysitting Tito and making sure he gets to the theater on time. An aspiring tenor himself, Max accidentally overdoses Tito with sleeping pills causing him to fall into a deep sleep. So deep that Max and the impressario of the Cleveland Opera, Saunders (Craig Bockhorn) think Tito is dead.

From this point on there are multiple complications that include two Othellos being pursued by the police, by several women and an ambitious bellhop. Bockhorn nails every explosive outburst as Saunders. Satow plays Max with geeky charm and Breitbarth is terrific as the egotistical and confused Tito.

Carrie Lund is superb as Maria, Tito's jealous, fiery wife. You miss her when she's not on stage. Lindsay Clemmons is Maggie, Max's wacky fiancée, Jason Parrish is the star-struck bellhop, and rounding out the cast are Kate Hampton as Diana, an aggressive soprano, and Kate Young as Julia, the head of the gala committee. It's a strong cast that lends itself well to absurd situations with perfect comic timing. "Lend Me a Tenor" by Ken Ludwig, is a farce that delivers plenty of

SWFL Symphony Orchestra Events For November

The Southwest Florida Symphony Orchestra announced a number of events taking place during the month of November.

- Masterworks 1 (season opener)
Saturday, November 17 at 8 p.m.
Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall
Leif Bjaland, Conductor
Strauss Roses from the South
Schubert Incidental Music from
Rosamunde with Symphonic Chorale of
Southwest Florida
Chopin Grande Polonaise featuring
Priscila Navarro, winner of the 2012
Young Artist Competition
Strauss Der Rosenkavalier Suite
Tickets \$20 to \$62
- Youth Orchestra Concert
Sunday November 4 at 3:30pm
Faith Presbyterian Church, Cape Coral
Roland Forti, Conductor
This will be the debut premiere performance of the newest ensemble, the Concert Orchestra. The concert will also featuring the Youth Orchestra, Woodwind Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble and Sinfonietta.

Music assisting the generations, a concert to benefit local seniors and youth.

Tickets \$10 for adults, \$5 for children
• Miracle of the Season: *Amahl and the Night Visitors*

Wednesday, November 14
Cape Coral Yacht Club, 5819
Driftwood Parkway, Cape Coral
Wine and hors d'oeuvres at 5 p.m.,
buffet dinner at 6 p.m.

The stage is being set for a holiday season fundraiser presented by the Southwest Florida Symphony Society. *Amahl and the Night Visitors* is written by acclaimed Pulitzer Prize winning operatic composer Gian Carlo Menotti. *Amahl*, the most performed opera of all time, was inspired by Borcht's painting *The Adoration of the Magi*, and tells of the healing of a poor crippled shepherd boy who offers his crutch as a gift to the Christ child.

Tickets \$50 each
Series subscriptions are available for the 2012-13 season. Subscriptions for the five-concert classical series start at \$82, the three-concert pops series starts at \$49 and the Sanibel Series is \$90. (Prices do not include handling fees.) Subscriptions may be purchased online at www.swflos.org or by calling the box office at 418-1500.*

laughs. I can't remember when I've heard an audience laugh out loud so often.

"Lend Me a Tenor" plays through November 17. Tickets are available online at www.floridarep.org or by calling

332-4488. Florida Repertory Theatre performs in the Historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street between Jackson and Hendry in the Fort Myers River District.*



Seated from left is Linda Floyd, D. D. Dorr and Barbie Graff; standing is Pat Benner, Tina Pegler, Joy Baker, Pat Webber, Katherine Shortlidge, Deb Watch, Frances Kirkbride and Marianne McSweeney

Calendar Girls Florida Entertain At Unity In The Community BBQ

The Calendar Girls Florida song and dance team entertained at the Unity In The Community BBQ at Riverside Community Center in Fort Myers. The event was sponsored by Emmaus House, a long-term residential recovery program for men, to bring community resources together.*

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Florida International Senior Games And State Championships Return

The 21st annual Florida International Senior Games & State Championships is an Olympic-style competition for athletes age 50 and over. The Florida Senior Games is a program of Florida Sports, a division of Enterprise Florida, Inc., which serves as the state's lead organization in promoting and developing Florida's Sports Industry.

Competition dates are Saturday, December 1 through Sunday, December 9. Two sports, Slow-Pitch Softball and a 10K Road Race, will be held on alternate dates. Softball will be held on November 3 and 4 and the 10K Road Race will be run on November 17, in conjunction with the Lakeland Runners Club Lake-To-Lake Annual Race. Both alternate date events are qualifiers for the 2013 National Senior Games.

Competition for 22 sports and events will be held at various sites throughout Polk County, including the cities of Auburndale, Lakeland, Fort Meade and Winter Haven.

More than 2,000 senior athletes are expected to compete during the nine days of competition. Athletes of the 2012 Florida International Senior Games & State Championships will be competing to qualify for the 2013 National Senior Games, to be held in Cleveland, Ohio from July 21 through August 5, 2013.

Qualifying To Compete

Florida residents must qualify at one of 19 Florida Local Senior Games in most sports. Local Senior Games competitions are held January through May and September through November. Athletes must finish in the top five of their age group in their sport to qualify for the Florida International Senior Games & State Championships. Out-of-state athletes are not required to qualify.

Prospective athletes of the 2012 Florida Senior Games State Championships have nine opportunities remaining before the State Games to qualify. A list of Local Senior Games and contact information follows:

Ormond Beach Senior Games – October 20 to 28 - www.ormondbeach.org

Martin County Senior Games – November 2 to 11 - <http://parks.martin.fl.us>

Golden Age Games – November 10 and 11 - www.sanfordfl.gov

Senior athletes have the opportunity to compete in 22 sports at the 2012 Florida International Senior Games & State Championships. Certain sports and events require a qualifying performance at a Local Senior Games while others have no qualifying standards and are open to all senior athletes wishing to participate.

Archery, Billiards, Pickleball, Powerlifting, Power Walk/Race Walk, Racquetball, Road Race (5K and 10K), Softball and Volleyball are open competitions with no qualifying performance required.

Sports needing a qualifying performance include Badminton, Basketball Shooting, Basketball (3-On-3), Bowling, Cycling, Golf, Horseshoes, Shuffleboard, Swimming, Table Tennis, Tennis and Track & Field.

Beginning in 2011, a new concept was added to the annual State Championships and all out-of-state domestic and international competitors are allowed to compete, without first qualifying.

There are three easy ways to register for future Florida International Senior Games & State Championships. The most convenient way is online registration, which is available at www.flasports.com. Also at www.flasports.com is registration and competition information available to print out and send back to the Florida Sports Foundation office in Tallahassee. Finally, the Florida International Senior Games & State Championships Registration Book will have been mailed to athletes who qualified at Spring and select Fall Local Games and past participants.

Awards

Divisions with no out of state athletes: One set of awards will be awarded, since only in-state athletes are competing in that division.

Divisions with in-state and out of state athletes: In the event that out of state athlete(s) are competing in a division and finish in the top three, then two sets of medals will be awarded; 1) International/Overall – which is the top three athletes overall, and 2) State Championships – which is the top three Floridians.

If a division as out of state athlete(s) that do not finish in the top three, then only one set of medals will be awarded, since the out of state athlete did not affect the in-state athlete from placing.

Schedule Of Events

Archery: Saturday, December 1 – Central Florida Archers, Fort Meade

Badminton: Sunday, December 2 – Kelly Recreation Center, Lakeland

Basketball Shooting: Sunday, December 2 – Simpson Community Park, Lakeland

Basketball 3-On-3: Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2 (if needed) – Simpson Community Park, Lakeland

Billiards: Friday to Sunday, December 7 to 9 – Indigo's Bowling, Billiards and Games, Winter Haven

Bowling, Individual: Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2 – AMF Lakeland Lanes

Bowling, Team: Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2 – AMF Lakeland Lanes

Cycling
5K and 10K Time Trials: Saturday, December 8 – West Pipkin Road and County Line Road, Lakeland

20K and 40K Road Race: Sunday, December 9 – Lake Hollingsworth, Lakeland

Golf, Men's: Tuesday, December 4 – Huntington Hills Country Club, Lakeland
Golf, Women's: Wednesday,

December 5 – Huntington Hills Country Club, Lakeland

Horseshoes: Wednesday, December 5 – Rotary Park, Winter Haven

Pickleball: Saturday to Monday, December 1 to 3 – Kelly Recreation Center, Lakeland

Powerlifting: Sunday, December 9 – The Lakeland Center

Race Walk/Power Walk, 1,500 Meter: Sunday, December 9 – All Saints Academy, Winter Haven

5K Race Walk/Power Walk: Saturday, December 8 – Lake Hollingsworth, Lakeland

Racquetball: Saturday and Sunday, December 8 and 9, Lakeland Family YMCA

Road Race, 5K: Saturday, December 8 – Lake Hollingsworth, Lakeland

Road Race, 10K: Saturday, November 17 – Peggy Brown Center, Lake Mirror
Shuffleboard: Saturday and Sunday, December 8 and 9 – Lake Parker Park, Lakeland

Softball: Saturday and Sunday, November 3 and 4 – Auburndale Softball Complex

Swimming: Saturday and Sunday, December 1 and 2 – Gandy Pool, Lakeland

Table Tennis: Monday and Tuesday, December 3 and 4 – Simpson Community Park, Lakeland

Tennis: Tuesday to Sunday, December 4 to 9 – Beerman Family Tennis Center, Lakeland

Track & Field: Saturday, December 8 (Field Events only) Tenoroc High School, Lakeland; Sunday, December 9 (Running Events) All Saints Academy, Winter Haven

Volleyball: Saturday, December 8 (Men) and Sunday, December 9 (Women) – Polk State College, Winter Haven

For the second consecutive year, the Sunshine State Games Winter Sports Festival sports of Badminton and the 5K Road Race provides an opportunity for Sunshine State Games and Senior Games athletes to compete alongside one another.

Sunshine State Games Badminton competition will be held on Sunday, December 2 at the Kelly Recreation Center. Senior Games and Sunshine State Games athletes have the opportunity to face off in doubles or singles competitions.

The 5K Road Race will be run on Saturday, December 8 around Lake Hollingsworth in downtown Lakeland and participants of all ages will run neck-in-neck for the finish line. A Fastest Overall Male and Female Award will be provided for athletes 50 and over and for athletes 49 and younger.

Sunshine State Games Powerlifting will be contested at The Lakeland Center on Saturday, December 8. Each age division will be divided into weight classes and squat, bench press, and deadlift events. A special "Champion of Champions" award will be presented to the best overall male and female lifter.

For competition and registration information, visit www.flasports.com.*

WCI Communities Golf Promotion Nets Nearly \$11K For Local Charities



WCI Communities presents a check to Al Brislain, executive director for Harry Chapin Food Bank. Pictured from left are Kim Ackley, Al Brislain, Anne Lehotsky, Laura Drescher, Micah Anderson, Ruth Marianetti and Carrie Horner

WCI Communities created a unique way to support several local charities in Lee, Hendry, Glades, Sarasota and Desoto counties. Supporters who donated \$100 to United Way, Harry Chapin Food Bank and All Faiths Food Bank through the www.WCIGolf.com website received a certificate for a free foursome at one of four WCI golf courses in Southwest Florida: Pelican Preserve Golf Club in Fort Myers; Raptor Bay Golf Club and The Colony Golf & Country Club in Bonita Springs; and Venetian Golf & River Club in Venice.

The promotion turned out to be a great success, with \$10,563 raised for the following charities:

- United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades – \$5,000
- Harry Chapin Food Bank – \$4,978

Giants Proved They Could Win Without All-Star Cabrera, But Will They Bring Him Back Next Season?

by Ed Frank



Amid the celebration by the San Francisco Giants over their World Series sweep of the Detroit Tigers, nowhere to be seen or heard was steroid-tainted Melky Cabrera, who had been suspended in August for 50 games after failing a drug test.

The All-Star outfielder was eligible to return to the Giants lineup prior to the World Series, but the Giants sent a clear, stern message that he was persona non-grata.

Although he was baseball's top hitter when suspended with a .346 average, a .390 on-base percentage, .516 slugging and 60 RBIs, San Francisco proved they could win without the cheating

Cabrera.

Now, the biggest off-season question is whether the Giants will bring the free agent Cabrera back next season, or let him go?

Either way, his value is likely to be far less as a result of his admitted use of performance enhancing drugs.

Interestingly, his absence from post-season play nevertheless was a factor in the Giants winning their second World Series title in the last three years.

Cabrera was the MVP in the 2012 All-Star Game, leading the National League team to an 8-0 victory with two hits and two RBIs. That National League win gave the National League champion Giants home field advantage in the World Series.

And San Francisco jump-started their World Series sweep over the Tigers by winning those first two games at home.

Baseball insiders say that the Giants management has not ruled out offering Cabrera a new contract. He is just 28 years old and certainly is among baseball's elite hitters.

And why not bring him back if you can get him at half the price he would have demanded prior to his suspension?

Do the Giants' fans, however, want their beloved team tainted by a player who admitted taking illegal drugs?

Unlike other players who denied taking drugs even after being tested positive, Cabrera, freely admitted to his mistake and accepted his suspension without an appeal.

"I am deeply sorry for my mistake and I apologize to my teammates, to the San Francisco organization and to the fans for letting them down," he said at the time of his suspension.

Cabrera's baseball future is an intriguing question. Winter's Hot Stove League could provide the answer.

Everblades On The Road This Weekend

The Florida Everblades hockey team began the week with a 3-2 early season record after splitting a pair of games last week against South Carolina and losing 3-2 to Greenville at Germain Arena last Saturday.

The Everblades are on the road this weekend facing Greenville for two games.

The local hockey team returns to Germain next week with Wednesday and Friday games versus Elmira and a Saturday faceoff against Gwinnett.✪



Melky Cabrera

Celebrities Tee Off During Practice Round For The AOTO Golf Classic



Russ Rogers, Harvey Glance, Mel Pender, Bob Beamon, Renaldo Nehemiah and Ryan Sherry

Celebrity golfers participating in the 2012 Art of the Olympians College of Life Foundation Premiere Golf Classic recently participated in a practice round at The Colony Golf & Country Club.

Celebrity golfers included Russ Rogers, USA Olympic coach and World University Games head coach; Harvey Glance, USA Olympic gold medalist in 4x100 relay; Mel Pender, USA Olympic gold medalist in 4x100 relay; Bob Beamon, USA Olympic gold medalist and long jump record holder; and Renaldo "Skeets" Nehemiah, six-time hurdles world record holder and San Francisco 49ers wide receiver.

"It was once in a lifetime experience to play with the distinguished athletes," said Ryan Sherry, AOTO Golf Classic committee member. "They are still very competitive and will provide a spirited exhibition."

To be played December 2 to 4 at The Colony Golf & Country Club in Bonita Springs, the tournament pairs celebrity-athletes with amateurs in a fundraiser for Art of the Olympians Foundation Inc., the Fort Myers-based museum and gallery.

Professional golfers, football and basketball players, as well as Olympic athletes have signed up to participate in the inaugural tournament that recognizes the return of golf to the games at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the nonprofit Art of the Olympians Foundation in promoting the highest ideals of humanity with their creative talents through the sport/art relationship by providing programs of art, education, sport and cultural outreach to inspire the world.

The exclusive event is slated to include 29 foursomes, plus pros. Player golf packages begin at \$5,000 per foursome and include eight tickets to the Golf Classic dinner

and auction, practice round, golf for four with a celebrity-athlete plus tournament food and beverage.

The title sponsor of the inaugural tournament is College of Life Foundation Inc.

The presenting sponsor is WCI Communities. Other sponsors currently committed to the tournament are The Colony Golf & Country Club and The News-Press Media Group. Additional sponsorship packages are available.

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Financial Focus

Scary Investment Moves To Avoid



by Jennifer Basey

A presidential election is almost upon us. But if you have young children or grandchildren, you know what's really important this week is Butterfingers, not ballots, and Pop Rocks, not the

popular vote.

Yes, it's Halloween time again, which means you'll see plenty of witches and vampires scurrying around. You'll no doubt find these characters more amusing than frightening, but you don't have to look far to find things that are a bit more alarming – such as these scary investment moves:

- Paying too much attention to the headlines – Some headlines may seem unnerving, but don't abandon your investment strategy just because the news of the day appears grim.

- Chasing "hot" investments – You can get "hot" investment tips from the talking heads on television, your next-door neighbor or just about anybody. But even if the tip was accurate at one point, by the time you get to a "hot" investment, it may already be cooling down.

And, even more importantly, it simply may not be appropriate for your individual risk tolerance and goals.

- Ignoring different types of investment risk – Most investors are aware of the risk of losing principal when investing in stocks. But if you shun stocks totally in favor of perceived "risk-free" investments, you'd be making a mistake because all investments carry some type of risk.

For example, with fixed-income investments, including CDs and bonds, one risk you will encounter is inflation risk – the risk that your investment will provide you with returns that won't even keep up with inflation and will, therefore, result in a loss of purchasing power over time.

Another risk you will incur is interest-rate risk – the risk that new bonds will be issued at higher rates, driving down the price of your bonds. Bonds also carry the risk of default, though you can reduce this risk by sticking with bonds that receive the highest ratings from independent rating agencies.

- Failing to diversify – If you only own one type of investment, and a market downturn affects that particular asset class, your portfolio could take a big hit. But by spreading your dollars among an array of vehicles, such as stocks, bonds and government securities, you can reduce the effects of volatility on your holdings. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification cannot guarantee profits or protect against loss.)

- Focusing on the short term – If you concentrate too much on short-term results, you may react to a piece of bad

news, or to a period of extreme price gyrations, by making investment moves that are counterproductive to your goals.

Furthermore, if you're constantly seeking to instantaneously turn around losses, you'll likely rack up fees, commissions and possibly taxes. Avoid all these hassles by keeping your eyes on the future and sticking to a long-term, personalized strategy.

You can't always make the perfect investment choices. But by steering clear of the "scary" moves described above, you can work toward your long-term goals and hopefully avoid some of the more fearsome results.

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Miller Elected To Board Of Trustees Of Edison & Ford



Michael P. Miller

Mike Miller, owner and president of Michael P. Miller CPA P.L. - SanCap CPA, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the Edison & Ford Winter Estates, located in Fort Myers, effective October 1, 2012.✪

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AOTO Golf Classic

The Art of the Olympians Museum and Gallery at the Al Oerter Center for Excellence is a nonprofit organization home to unique exhibitions of Olympian art, Olympic memorabilia and educational activities. The museum and gallery opened in 2010 and has since secured the rights to display the USA Olympic rings, an act protected by Congress.

For additional information, call 332-5055 or visit www.artoftheolympians.org. Art of the Olympians is located at 1300 Hendry Street, on the waterfront in downtown Fort Myers.✪



Enjoying the camaraderie at Nervous Nellie's were John Bennett, Bennett Chiropractic; Chris Heidrick, Heidrick & Co. Insurance; Dr. Nicole Bennett, Bennett Chiropractic; and Ellis Etter, Pink Shell Spa and Resort



Enjoying the refreshments at Nervous Nellie's were Eryka Aptaker, East Commerce Solutions; Debbie Montiel and Kim Nash, Pro Files Salon; and Sandy Lepley, Century 21 Tripower

Chamber Holds Business After Hours

The monthly Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours event was held at Nervous Nellie's on the beach on October 18. Members had the opportunity of getting acquainted with each other and sharing business experiences.

The Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce represents more than 400 local businesses, working to promote a positive business climate in the Fort Myers Beach area by



Georgia Reinmuth, Majestic Transportation, and Barry Back, Times of the Islands, enjoyed refreshments while sharing business experiences



Phil and Kitty Yacks, Perkins Restaurant, with Elise Silvestri, hibu, at Nervous Nellie's



New Fort Myers Beach Chamber members Nicole Rizzo and Jack Reading of Baymont Inn and Suites were at Nervous Nellie's Business After Hours to get acquainted with other chamber members

providing networking opportunities, community events, and tourist information.

For more information about the chamber, call 454-7500 or visit

FortMyersBeachChamber.org.✪



Vocal Artistry, under the direction of Joseph Caulkins performed at the United Way Campaign Kick-Off at Harborside Event Center

United Way Launches 2012-13 Campaign

More than 700 volunteers and community leaders gathered at the Harborside Event Center to celebrate the 2012-13 Campaign Kick-Off of the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades. Robert Wilson, United Way Campaign Chair, and vice president of Enterprise Holdings, encouraged everyone to “Live United” and to “Give, Advocate and Volunteer.”

“Our United Way has met its fundraising goals year after year, even during the difficult economic times of the past few years. While there are some signs of improvement in the economy, the needs of our neighbors have not lessened,” said Wilson. “Many individuals and families who have never asked for help in the past are coming to United Way partner

agencies or calling United Way 211 due to loss of jobs, and other overwhelming financial or medical issues.”

“United Way 211, the help-line for human services has experienced dramatic increase in the number of calls it receives requesting help with food, counseling, medical care, utilities and other issues. Before the economic downturn, United Way 211 received an average of 2,500 calls per month. Last month, United Way 211 handled more than 5,000 calls for help.

“I am passionate about the United Way and look forward to a successful campaign,” added Wilson. “With your help, we will meet our campaign goal. With your help, we can change lives. With your help, we can make our community stronger.”

Laurel Smith, United Way Pacesetter Chair and partner in Gravina, Smith, Matte and Arnold, Public Relations and Marketing announced that the Pacesetter Companies – those who run their cam-

paigns early to demonstrate United Way support and to encourage others – along with early leadership gifts, have already raised a total of \$4,690,125. This represents 58 percent of the goal.

“These results show that our community does ‘Live United’ and supports the ‘Give, Advocate, Volunteer’ theme of this campaign,” said Smith. “Reaching 58 percent of the total goal at this point in the campaign is extraordinary, especially this year. My company supports the United Way, and this community supports the United Way because it’s the most effective way to help our neighbors and strengthen our community.”

Publix again broke the \$1 million mark by raising the most of any of the Pacesetter Companies with \$1,350,555.

- The top 15 Pacesetter companies include the following:
1. Publix Super Markets – \$1,350,555
 2. Bonita Bay Group – \$354,304
 3. Chico’s FAS – \$350,000



United Way Campaign Chair Robert Wilson announces the new United Way goal of \$8,060,193

4. LCEC – \$186,000
5. FineMark National Bank and Trust – \$174,886
6. WCI – \$150,000
7. Enterprise Holdings – \$138,865
8. Lee Memorial Health System – \$116,191
9. SymMetric Revenue Solutions – \$62,989
10. Turbine Generator Maintenance – \$56,000
11. Tween Waters Inn – \$50,204
12. Target – \$45,402

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5th World Wine Tour Will Benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities

Myers Brettholtz & Company will present the 5th annual World Wine Tour at the Bell Tower Shops on Thursday, November 8, benefiting Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida.

From 6 to 8 p.m., wine lovers will embark on a journey through the Bell Tower Shops enjoying wines from around the world and appetizers from participating Bell Tower Shops merchants and restaurants. In addition to being the first night for the spectacular Bell Tower Shops holiday lights, there will be live music by Randy Stephens Band playing American guitar and blues plus a fabulous “Champagne Raffle” sponsored by Mark Loren Designs.

Tickets are \$25 per person which includes a keepsake wine glass compliments of Burch Corporation that will serve as your “passport” through the evening’s festivities and a swag bag provided by Aubuchon Team of Companies. Pre-registered guests will have preferred check-in at 5:30 p.m.

Advance tickets are available by contacting Ronald McDonald House at 437-0202 or online at www.rmhcswfl.org. Most major credit cards are accepted.

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida’s mission is to create, find and support programs that improve the health and well being of children in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and Hendry counties. Ronald McDonald House provides a “home away from home” for families of hospitalized children; Ronald McDonald Care Mobile delivers medical and dental services to underserved children; RMHC Scholarships are awarded to deserving high school seniors; and a Grants Program, provides assistance to other local children’s charities.

For more information, visit www.rmhcswfl.org or call 437-0202.*

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCS P

Dear Shelley, My 4th and 6th grade children are getting more homework assignments that make them do revising and editing.

Working on their writing with them is difficult because they think I am being too critical, but I am only trying to help them. I need some tips to help with this situation. Thank you.

Jolene P., Fort Myers

Jolene,

Writing is such a personal experience. I know how difficult it can be to make constructive comments to your children so that they accept your advice instead of feel as if you are criticizing them.

Start by explaining that revising writing isn't a matter of having done something wrong: It's a chance to make something that's already great even better. Make sure that your children understand the functions of editing and revising. Revising involves making changes like adding or deleting words, reorganizing sentences, or ideas, while editing involves reviewing spelling, punctuation, capitalization, sentence structure, grammar and correcting any mistakes.

Below are some tips from www.read-writethink.org, a great website on this very topic:

With beginning writers, the revising and editing process will be simpler. Start by reading your child's piece aloud exactly as it is written, having your child listen for the following things: Are any words missing? Are any important facts or events missing? Is there a beginning, middle and end to your work? Read the piece aloud again, and if any of these things are missing, have your child write them.

Ask your child to underline words that

s/he used more than once in their writing. Then, using a thesaurus, dictionary, or word list, help find different words to replace the underlined words. You can also use these tools to check spelling and capitalization.

With a child who has more writing experience, you should do all of the things listed above. But when you first read the piece aloud to him or her, you might also ask him or her to think about the following revising questions: Do I describe what my characters look and feel like? Do I use the right action words with my nouns? Ask your child to fill in any details s/he may have left out.

Have your child reread the piece and think about the order of sentences and paragraphs. You might ask whether reordering one or two sentences helps communicate an idea more logically. Ask if ideas are repeated in the same paragraph. If so, is there a way to make the point once? Finally, have your child check that each paragraph has one main idea.

Now it's time to edit the piece for spelling and grammar. Ask your child to reread the piece and ask the following questions: Are there any words I think I might not have spelled correctly? Do I capitalize proper nouns, like the names of people, pets, and places? Can I think of different words to replace ones that I used a lot? Have the writer also check for apostrophes in contractions and possessives, fixing any mistakes s/he finds. You may also want to use a checklist for this process.

Using these tips should make the writing process easier for both you and your children.

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New Classes At Veterans Park Rec Center

Veterans Park Recreation Center, located at 55 Homestead Road South in Lehigh Acres, is offering the following upcoming classes:

- **Strength Training & Toning Class** (adults 18 and older) – Safely build muscles and tone your body through a variety of techniques and stretches. This one-hour class will teach you basics techniques, such as squats, lunges, bicep curls, push-ups and more. You will improve your muscle mass, bone density and metabolism with simple exercises that yield big results. (Bring ankle weights, if desired.) Classes fill up quickly, register early (12 people maximum).

Cost is \$28 for eight classes, \$15 for four classes, or drop-in one class for \$4. A \$10 facility membership fee is required to participate in all programs.

Tuesdays and Fridays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Register online at www.leeparks.org (activity #124216). Call Christine at 369-1521 for more information.

- **Home School Recreation** (open to children ages 5 to 16 years old) – This is your opportunity for your homeschooled child to get out, get active and make new friends. Physical games and lots of activities played inside and outdoors. Bring a water bottle; wear comfortable clothing and tennis shoes.

Cost is \$10 for four classes. A \$10 facility membership fee is required to participate in all programs.

Tuesdays from 10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

Register online at www.leeparks.org (activity #124402). Call Christine at 369-1521 for more information.

- **Basic Computer Classes** – This new computer class will introduce you to effective techniques to develop basic necessary computer skills. You will not want to miss this opportunity to expand your

computer knowledge. This is an ongoing progressive class; the more sessions you attend, the more you will learn. Classes fill up quickly, register early (6 people maximum).

Cost is \$60 for four two-hour sessions. A \$10 facility membership fee is required to participate in all programs.

Tuesdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. or Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

Register online at www.leeparks.org (activity #124702). Call Christine at 369-1521 for more information.*

Bruno Begins Pharmacy School

Thomas Bruno, a resident of Fort Meyers, recently participated in a White Coat ceremony for members of the Class of 2016 at Samford University's McWhorter School of Pharmacy. Bruno is beginning a four-year professional curriculum that leads to a Doctor of Pharmacy degree.

The ceremony at Shades Mountain Baptist Church on October 5 included the presentation of a white coat to each student prior to their taking the pledge to the American Pharmaceutical Association's code of professionalism. Each student selected a professional mentor to assist with the ceremony. Bruno selected Wes Frydendahl, friend and pharmacy student as his coater.

This year's entering pharmacy class includes 122 students from 12 states and one foreign nation. Samford's McWhorter School of Pharmacy enrolls a total of 497 students.*

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Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days on Market
Gores A M	Captiva	1970	2,212	1,995,000	1,700,000	532
Renaissance	Fort Myers	2007	3,013	750,000	662,000	159
Renaissance	Fort Myers	2007	4,007	645,000	645,000	217
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2006	2,519	625,000	605,000	53
Caloosa Creek	Fort Myers	2007	3,523	524,900	500,000	495
Stillwater Cay	Bonita Springs	2001	2,231	489,000	446,000	179
Palm Lake	Sanibel	1969	1,177	430,000	426,000	539
Southwind Subdivision	Fort Myers	2002	2,315	434,900	425,000	9
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	1997	2,069	393,000	384,000	17
Logan Woods	Naples	1995	2,485	400,000	375,000	9

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Dr. Dave

Self Triage



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

It isn't in any of the travel brochures. Fodor's forgot and Lonely Planet left it lonely. We were in Budapest, a tale of two cities with Pest (not pest as in silverfish or Kanye West) on

the flat side of the Danube and Buda (not Buddha, as in large following and larger navel force) on the hilly other.

While strolling aimlessly down the back streets of Buda (translated: we were really, really lost), we bumped into a young Hungarian who gestured to us in a manner that meant he wanted to help us out or possibly rob us. I attempted to communicate in my best Hungarian, but as the only words I actually knew were "paprika" and "goulash," this would have been a very short and confusing culinary conversation except that he handed me a photo of some caves/rocks and said the word "hospital."

Remarkably, prior to WWII, a hospital had been built into a massive rock, a series of caves that ran for some 10 kilometers. An amazing place with a horrific story! We found it and were given a tour of this hospital that had been used

to treat Hungarian soldiers and their German allies. The caves were cold and rooms small, yet there was an entire operating room, which at the time was state of the art. An x-ray machine, a lab, some wards complete with gas masks and first aid kits. A triage room where soldiers lay cold and wounded, and hospital wards where so many soldiers were treated that bunk beds were jammed together so three bodies could lie on two mattresses. Though made for 200 patients, there were usually 800 at a time. Deceased bodies were sent up a back tunnel to the churchyard and buried in a bomb crater to be excavated after the Russian siege.

While under siege by the Russians, Hitler commanded those 20,000 Hungarians holed up in the rock to stay put and provide some resistance, even though, initially, they could have escaped at any time. He wanted the Russians delayed long enough to prevent them taking Vienna. On the day they finally broke out, the Russians were waiting for them, courtesy of spies, and killed all but 750 who escaped to the German lines 6 km away. An incredible, tragic and unheard of story as it was kept behind the iron curtain for decades.

The Russians then took over the hospital and kept it through the Hungarian uprising of 1956 where both Hungarians and Russians were treated. A couple of years later it was converted into a nuclear bunker and kept top secret until I, Indiana Dave, discovered it.

In our hospitals, emergency staff are

mercilessly over worked because, in part, they spend no shortage of time dealing with ridiculous, non-emergency stuff ranging from colds (man colds excluded, as they are deemed life threatening) to acne to ingrown toenails to bladder infections to prescription refills. It is the mundane non-emergent nonsense of the "worried well," that clogs up our system like your in-laws clog up your plumbing.

"Excuse me, sir, but your crushing chest pain will have to wait as there is a case in front of you of a paper cut, apparently on the thumb." Fortunately, the ER has expert triage personnel who are well trained to sift out those with true emergencies from those with chronic yet severe wimp-itis.

When you're not sure where, or even if, you need to be seen for a "medical issue," take a moment and triage yourself. Those of you who listen to Wisequacks will now be so knowledgeable that you can perform your own lobotomies, like Sealey has. Assuming the answer isn't on wisequacks.org (a safe assumption), then follow this protocol:

Step one – Do you have a friend who is a distant relative of a doctor, one who might be in the throes of landing a record sturgeon from the Fraser or in the midst of tightrope walking across the Sooke potholes. Call him immediately, of course. "Doc, I have a cough..."

Step two – Call the 24-hour Healthlink BC line. 8-1-1. You can get a nurse, pharmacist and even a dietician here.

Step three – When your own doctor

isn't available due to the fact that he/she is busy, likely taking a course (Bear Mountain being my favourite), then walk in clinics are invaluable in helping deal with those issues that don't need to clog up emerg.

Step four – Try a different friend with a different relative.

Step five – Emerg

NOTE: Reverse that order if you have symptoms of a heart attack, stroke, appendicitis, paprika-itis or your left leg is in a different room than your left arm. But otherwise, don't be a Pest.

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

* Dr. Dave is returning to Africa on safari in September 2013. If interested in going with him, call 888-432-8344 to find out more.*

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dearPharmacist

How To Look 15 Years Younger



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: I met you at a book signing and was in awe of how good you look at 47 years old. Your skin was radiant and you look 30-something... not a deep wrinkle on you. What's your secret?

LJ, San Diego, California

Thank you, that warms my heart because I work at that. It's harder to maintain skin in Colorado, compared to humid Florida, out here it's a desert. Soon, I'll offer supplement ideas.

I don't believe in making yourself look like a mannequin with all sorts of shots, plumpers or designer lotions. Skin hydration tops my list. I'm constantly spraying facial toner (alcohol-free) and I keep a miniature sprayer in my purse to spritz myself and Sam... he never sees it coming, just gets it in the face with cold spray, ha-ha! He says this habit of mine reminds him of Gus from *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, who sprayed Windex on everybody. Yeah, totally me but hey, it works. FYI, this habit helps prevent razor bumps and it's fabulous right after a bikini wax.

What you eat will either nourish or damage your cells, and influence your appearance. If you consume processed foods, or smoke and drink things that are "oxidants," you unleash free-radicals which do one thing, and only one thing, rust you. Wrinkling is just rusting of the skin. This is why ANTI-oxidants are beneficial.

Here are my other secrets:

Exercise – Nothing detoxifies the body like sweating. For me, it's yoga, Zumba dance or my infrared sauna.

Astaxanthin – The "king" of carotenoids, this natural algae acts as an internal sunscreen. I take 12mg daily and never go a day without it. I'm athletic, and astaxanthin is clinically proven to support joint health, giving me bang for the buck. Several well-designed studies conclude that natural astaxanthin prevents skin damage from the sun's ultraviolet rays and this reduces signs of sagging, wrinkles and dryness.

Zinc – I take a 20 mg lozenge every day, for 3 to 4 months each year, beginning in the fall or winter (because it also improves immunity). Zinc is known to help with wound healing.

Plant Oils (or Fish Oils) – These "lubricants" add moisture to your skin, reducing fine lines and supporting heart health.

Probiotics – You may associate beneficial bacteria (probiotics) with digestive health, but they are extremely helpful for skin conditions like psoriasis or eczema, and fungal conditions. Isn't skin your body's first line of defense against germs?

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AFTER FACELIFT
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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,

Over the years, I often wondered why my husband chose to marry me. It hasn't been wedded bliss for 50 years, but I have finally decided why.

My husband bosses me around like a child. I never initiate anything because he always does everything for me. He does what he wants, gets what he wants and I have never complained. I realize now I have no personality, no interest, no opinions... even when I am sick, he tells me how I feel. This arrangement has always

been exactly what he wanted and rather than argue, I just went along to get along.

Our two daughters are like their father. They argue a lot with him, rebelled a lot but they both boss their husbands around, just like their father has done to me.

Our sons-in-law are both fed up, they have had it and want out of this family. My husband is completely mystified and can't understand why. Please tell me, what has happened?

Vivian

Dear Vivian,

You are a passive follower, but maybe a victim of your own social conditioning. Men were the leaders and they were considered to be so much more intelligent, they made the decisions; women were supposed to keep the house and care for the children. But times have changed.

Your daughters may have inherited your husband's personality type, and with more progressive thinking "that women can do anything" with some, it has been taken to extremes. Some women are so aggressive, their husbands just get fed up being pushed around, so they leave. The pendulum for some has just gone to far.

Marriage counseling is a suggestion for your daughters and their husbands. So far as you and your husband are concerned, I doubt that change can ever happen. You have tolerated it for 50 years, accept the fact that he will never change because I don't think he ever will.

Lizzie

Dear Vivian,

By today's standards, you are still in middle age, and you have your health.

If you are unhappy with your current situation, while you cannot change your husband, perhaps there are things you can do to change yourself so you can find more joy and contentment in life. It is never too late to explore change and growth for yourself.

For your adult children, they need to find their own way. It is probably true they learned their interpersonal and relationship skills at the feet of your husband. However, exploring growth, if any, is their decision.

Pryce

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

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dearPharmacist

French green or Rose clay – A great overall cleanser, which I do once a month. Add one drop of lavender, clary sage and tea tree essential oil for added benefit.

I use a peel every month to diminish fine lines and reduce pores. The product I like comes in towelettes called Alpha Beta Peel by Dr. Dennis Gross. It's paraben-free. That's good because parabens are endocrine disruptors and mess with hormone balance. In fact, elevated estrogen may cause cystic acne and heavy periods.

*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.**

Kohl's Car Seat Safety Program

The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida Kohl's Center For Safety Program will be providing free car seat safety inspections on Saturday, November 3 from 9 a.m. to noon at Kohl's, located at 9357 Ben C. Pratt/Six Mile Cypress Parkway in Fort Myers.

Research shows that an estimated 30 percent of children still continue to ride unrestrained and 80 percent of all car seats are used incorrectly. More than 1,700 children have been saved since 1996 just because they were riding in a properly fitted car seat and in the back seat.

Education and information to improve these numbers is of critical need in our community. According to Safe Kids and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, a correctly used safety seat reduces fatality risk by 71 percent and serious injury risk by 67 percent.

Car seats will be available at a reduced price if your car seat is part of a recall, outdated or not the appropriate car seat for the child.

Bilingual fitting technicians will be available. Appointments are strongly encouraged and may be made by calling 343-5224 for a time that's convenient for you.*

HealthPark Medical Center Accreditation

HealthPark Medical Center received full Heart Failure Accreditation status from the Society of Cardiovascular Patient Care (SCPC) on October 12.

"Earning this accreditation from SCPC is confirmation of our dedication to quality care and our commitment to success through innovation and improvement," said Cindy Brown, RN MSN, Vice President of Patient Care Services at HealthPark Medical Center.

HealthPark Medical Center has demonstrated its expertise and commitment to quality patient care by meeting or exceeding a wide set of stringent criteria and undergoing an onsite review by a team of SCPC's accreditation review specialists. HealthPark's protocol-driven and systematic approach to patient management allows physicians to reduce time to treatment and to risk stratify patients to decrease their length of stay.

Key areas in which a facility with Heart Failure Accreditation must demonstrate expertise include the following:

- Emergency Department Integration with Emergency Medical Services
- Emergency Assessment of Patients with Symptoms of Acute Decompensated Heart Failure-Diagnosis
- Risk Stratification of the Heart Failure Patient

- Treatment for Patients Presenting to the Emergency Department in Heart Failure
- Heart Failure Discharge Criteria from the Emergency Department, Observation Stay or Inpatient Stay
- Heart Failure Patient Education in the Emergency Department, Observation and Inpatient Unit
- Personnel, Competencies and Training
- Process Improvement
- Organizational Structure and Commitment
- Heart Failure Community Outreach

Approximately five million patients in the United States have heart failure. In addition, heart failure patients are responsible for 12 to 15 million physician office visits per year and 6.5 million hospital days. SCPC's goal is to help facilities manage the heart failure patient more efficiently and improve patient outcomes.*

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Support Group For Adult Children Of Alzheimer's Persons

A support group specifically for adults who have a parent with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder will meet at the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, 12468 Brantley Commons Court, Fort Myers. Interested caregivers can attend on Tuesday, November 6 at 6:15 p.m.

Meetings are held each month on the first Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. The meetings are sponsored by the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center.

The focus of this support group meeting is issues, concerns, and questions adult children face as they provide care to a parent with memory loss or strive to learn more about Alzheimer's disease. The group is open to all interested individuals at no charge.

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, a United Way partner agency, provides informational, educational, and supportive assistance to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and their caregivers.

For more information, the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center can be contacted at 437-3007.*

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United Way

13. SunTrust – \$45,252
14. CRS Technology Consultants – \$40,000
15. Hilliard Brothers – \$40,000

All money raised in the United Way campaign stays in the local community to help support the local human service network of partner agencies. United Way partner agencies like Harry Chapin Food Bank, CCMi, Bonita Springs Assistance Office, Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, Children's Advocacy Center, Boys and Girls Clubs, and LARC serve a diverse range of needs in our community.

The United Way advances the common good by creating opportunities for a better life for everyone in our community, focusing on education, income, and health, as they are the building blocks for a better quality of life.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives.

The United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades has been "the way the community cares" since it was established in 1957. For more information, call 433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.org.*



Frank J. Aloia

Rotary Club Of Fort Myers Welcomes Aloia

Frank J. Aloia, Jr., a partner at the law firm of Aloia, Roland & Lubell, LLP, recently spoke to the Rotary Club of Fort Myers about the \$15 billion BP Oil Spill Settlement and how local business owners can qualify to recover money that was lost between April 2010 and December 2010 due to the oil spill disaster.



Members of the Rotary Club of Fort Myers pictured with Frank J. Aloia, center, following a recent meeting

Most businesses and individuals in Southwest Florida were impacted in one way or another by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill disaster in April 2010. Some businesses had to layoff workers, or file for bankruptcy. BP has taken full responsibility, and allocated these funds to help small businesses with their recovery. Thousands of businesses affected by the disaster will be compensated for their economic losses. Aloia has made it his mission to let business owners and indi-

viduals know that the funds are available, and help them determine if they may qualify for these funds.

"I am hoping to reach out to as many business owners as possible to inform them that they may qualify for this money, which could essentially stimulate the local economy," said Aloia. "My goal is to successfully put money back in the hands of small business, create jobs and get Southwest Florida back to work."

Rotarian Tom Brown added, "On

behalf of the Fort Myers Rotary Club, thank you for speaking at our meeting today. Your topic was timely, interesting, and potentially beneficial to several of our members, especially those who are business owners".

For more information, visit www.FloridaLegalRights.com, email BPClaims@FloridaLegalRights.com or call 1-855-SWFL-BIZ (855-793-5249) or 791-7950.*



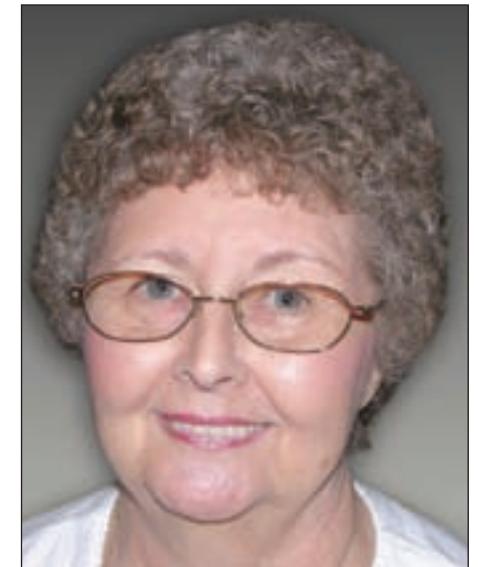
Gray Davis



Tom Gunderson



Brad Schultz



Jody Van Cooney

Uncommon Friends Elects Foundation Board Officers

Four Lee County residents have been elected to serve as officers of the Uncommon Friends Foundation. They include:

- President – Gray Davis, Agency Manager, BB&T-Oswald Trippe and Company

- Vice President – Tom Gunderson, Chair, Henderson Franklin Real Estate
- Treasurer – Brad Schultz, Senior Business Relationship Manager, Wells Fargo
- Secretary – Jody Van Cooney, retired educator

The Uncommon Friends Foundation, a not for profit 501(c)3 organization established in 1993, is dedicated to lifelong character building among today's youth and business leaders. Its mission is to promote character education in schools, business ethics in the workplace and historic preservation of the Burroughs Home and James Newton Archives.

For information, call 337-9505 or visit www.uncommonfriends.org.*

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WCI Golf

- United Way of South Sarasota County – \$292.50
- All Faiths Food Bank – \$292.50

"This is the third consecutive year we've partnered with these charities to help families in need in our local community," said CEO David Fry. "The response each year has been overwhelming and we are extremely thankful to the many golfers in the area who have welcomed the offer and continue to support these worthy organizations."

The cash donations will be leveraged into more than \$29,000 in food products for Harry Chapin Food Bank clients, and will provide nearly 500 meals for families in need through All Faiths Food Bank.

For more information or to make a donation to one of these local charities, visit www.unitedwaylee.org, www.uwssc.org, www.allfaithsfoodbank.org or www.harrychapinfoodbank.org.*

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

1. GEOGRAPHY: Where are the Balearic Islands located?
2. ANATOMY: Where is the ulna located in the human body?
3. ANCIENT WORLD: Who kidnapped Helen of Troy, an event that started the Trojan War?
4. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "Light in August"?
5. HISTORY: In what year was the first Zeppelin flight?
6. INVENTIONS: What did Elisha Otis invent?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where is original Mayo Clinic located?
8. U.S. STATES: In what state is Mount Rushmore located?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a group of ducks called?
10. RELIGION: What is a more common name for the religious group called United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing?

ANSWERS

1. Mediterranean Sea 2. Forearm 3. Paris 4. William Faulkner 5. 1900 6. Elevator safety brake 7. Rochester, Minn. 8. South Dakota 9. Gaggle 10. Shakers.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name the only siblings to each toss a no-hitter in the major leagues.
2. Who was the last Baltimore Oriole to lead the American League in batting average for a season?
3. Oklahoma State's Justin Blackmon set an NCAA record for most consecutive games with at least 100 yards receiving and a touchdown. How many?
4. When was the last time before 2011 (Miami Heat) that a team had three players who each tallied at least 30 points and 10 rebounds in the same game?
5. In 2012, goalie Jonathan Quick of the Los Angeles Kings became the third American player to win the Conn Smythe Trophy (playoffs MVP). Who were the first two to do it?
6. Name the driver who won the first Indianapolis 500 in 1911.
7. Who were the last tennis sisters before the Williamses (2002-03, 2008-09) to meet in Wimbledon's women's singles final?

ANSWERS

1. Bob Forsch (1978, 1983) and Ken Forsch (1979). 2. Frank Robinson hit .316 in 1966. 3. Twelve consecutive games (2010). 4. Portland's Isiah Rider, Brian Grant and Arvydas Sabonis in 1997 (in quadruple overtime). 5. Brian Leetch (1994) and Tim Thomas (2011). 6. Ray Harroun. 7. Maud and Lillian Watson, in 1884.

My Stars ★★★★★

FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5, 2012

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your honesty continues to impress everyone who needs reassurance about a project. But be careful you don't lose patience with those who are still not ready to act.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Pushing others too hard to do things your way could cause resentment and raise more doubts. Instead, take more time to explain why your methods will work.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be more considerate of those close to you before making a decision that could have a serious effect on their lives. Explain your intentions and ask for their advice.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might have to defend a workplace decision you plan to make. Colleagues might back you up on this, but it's the facts that will ultimately win the day for you. Good luck.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The Big Cat's co-workers might not be doing enough to help get that project finished. Your roars might stir things up, but gentle purr-suasion will prove to be more effective.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Someone you care for needs help with a problem. Give it lovingly and without judging the situation. Whatever you feel you should know will be revealed later.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) While you're to be admired for how you handled recent workplace problems, be careful not to react the same way to a new situation until all the facts are in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Rely on your keen instincts as well as the facts at hand when dealing with a troubling situation. Be patient. Take things one step at a time as you work through it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your curiosity leads you to ask questions. However, the answers might not be what you hoped to hear. Don't reject them without checking them out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be careful not to tackle a problem without sufficient facts. Even sure-footed Goats need to know where they'll land before leaping off a mountain path.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Appearances can be deceiving. You need to do more investigating before investing your time, let alone your money, in something that might have some hidden

flaws.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your recent stand on an issue could make you the focus of more attention than you would like. But you'll regain your privacy, as well as more time with loved ones by week's end.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're a good friend and a trusted confidante. You would be a wonderful teacher or a respected member of the clergy.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Nov. 7, 1776, Congress chooses Richard Bache to succeed his father-in-law, Benjamin Franklin, as postmaster general. Franklin invested nearly 40 years in the establishment of a reliable system of delivering mail. He was fired in 1774 for opening and publishing Massachusetts Royal Governor Thomas Hutchinson's correspondence.

- On Nov. 5, 1895, Rochester, N.Y., patent attorney George Selden wins U.S. Patent No. 549,160 for an "improved road engine" powered by a "liquid-hydrocarbon engine of the compression type." With that, as far as the government was concerned, George Selden had invented the car -- though he had never built a single one.

- On Nov. 10, 1928, the first installment of "All Quiet on the Western Front," Erich Maria Remarque's acclaimed novel of World War I, is first published in serial form. Remarque's realistic depiction of trench warfare from the perspective of young soldiers was eventually translated into more than 20 languages.

- On Nov. 11, 1942, Congress approves lowering the draft age to 18 and raising the number of draftees. During the first draft in 1940, 50 percent were rejected for health reasons and 20 percent of those who registered were illiterate.

- On Nov. 8, 1951, Yankees catcher Yogi Berra is voted the American League's most valuable player for the first time in his career. He went on to be the league MVP twice more, in 1954 and 1955.

- On Nov. 9, 1965, the biggest power failure in U.S. history occurs as all of New York state, and parts of seven neighboring states and eastern Canada are plunged into darkness. The blackout during the evening rush hour trapped 800,000 people in New York's subways and stranded thousands

more in office buildings and elevators.

- On Nov. 6, 1977, the earthen Toccoa Falls Dam in northeastern Georgia gives way, and 39 people die in the resulting flood. A volunteer fireman had inspected the dam and found everything in order just hours before it suddenly failed, sending water approaching speeds of 120 mph thundering down the canyon and creek.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- In this season of bitter partisan rivalries, it would be well to remember the following sage observation: "Do not trust to the cheering, for those persons would cheer just as much if you and I were going to be hanged." The man who first made that observation was Lord Protector of England Oliver Cromwell, considered by some to be a hero of liberty, by others to be a regicidal dictator. He died in 1658, probably from septicemia. He was so reviled that, three years later, he body was exhumed so that he could be posthumously executed, his body thrown into a pit and his head displayed on a pole outside Westminster Hall.

- Those who study such things say that if all the gold in the world were combined in one lump, it would result in a cube that measures 20 yards on each side.

- If you're planning a trip to Lima, Peru, you might want to add Puente de Piedra to your sightseeing list. Though the Spanish name means "Bridge of Stone," the span is popularly known as the Bridge of Eggs. Legend has it that in 1608, the builders the used the whites of 10,000 seabird eggs in the mortar that holds the stones together.

- Pumpkins are native to the Americas, not Europe. This is why the original jack-o'-lantern was a turnip.

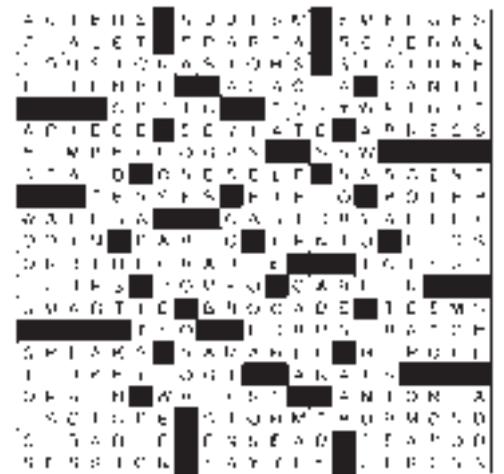
- What do the words "obscene," "tranquil," "mediate," "catastrophe," "dire," "critical," "vast" and "apostrophe" have in common? All of them appeared in print for the first time in the works of William Shakespeare.

- If you're contemplating a move to Corpus Christi, Texas, be sure to keep in mind that in that town, it's illegal to raise alligators in your home.

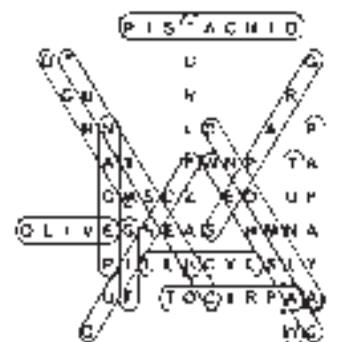
THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"One fool can ask more questions in a minute than 12 wise men can answer in an hour." -- Vladimir Lenin

PUZZLE ANSWERS

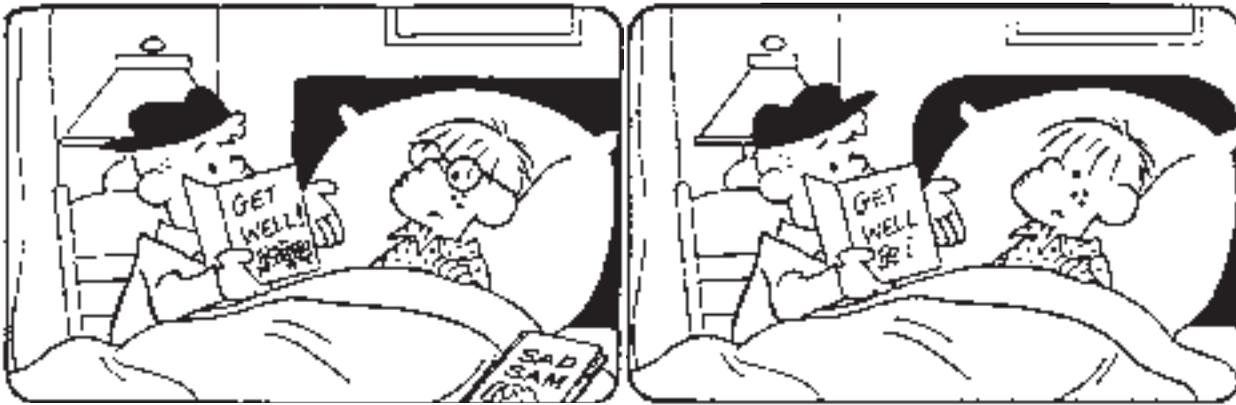


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HOCUS-FOCUS

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Slight; 2. Order;
3. Beacon; 4. Trail

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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.

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Pets Of The Week

Hello, my name: is Falafel and I am a 3-year-old spayed female cream and black shepherd mix. You can call me "Mellow Yellow!" I'm calm, obedient and loving. I will be happy just to have your attention and companionship, whether we're taking a walk or just being couch potatoes together.

My adoption fee is \$48 during Animal Services' Dogtober and Caturday adoption special (regularly \$75).

Hi, my name is Marquise and I am a 1-year-old female gray tabby domestic short hair. I am so good-natured and gentle, you will fall in love with me. After all, I love everything and everybody! Each morning, I jump out of my cage just to rub on someone's leg. Then, I wait to be picked up for my daily dose of love. I enjoy playtime and cuddling and can't wait until I have a real home so I can be your sidekick.

My adoption fee is \$25 during Animal Services' Dogtober and Caturday adoption special (regularly \$75).

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

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

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.★



Falafel ID# 454943

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Marquise ID# 547408



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Lee County Sheriff's Office.....	477-1200
Florida Marine Patrol.....	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol.....	278-7100
Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
HealthPark Medical Center.....	1-800-936-5321
Ft. Myers Chamber of Commerce.....	332-3624
Foundation for Quality Childcare.....	425-2685
Ft. Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce.....	454-7500
Fort Myers Beach Library.....	463-9691
Lakes Regional Library.....	533-4000
Lee County Chamber of Commerce.....	931-0931
Post Office.....	1-800-275-8777
Visitor & Convention Bureau.....	338-3500
ARTS	
Alliance for the Arts.....	939-2787
Art of the Olympians Museum & Gallery.....	332-5055
Arts For ACT Gallery & Studio.....	337-5050
Art League Of Fort Myers.....	275-3970
Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.....	481-4849
BIG ARTS.....	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre.....	278-4422
Cultural Park Theatre.....	772-5862
Edison Festival of Light.....	334-2999
Florida Repertory Theatre at the Arcade.....	332-4488
Florida West Arts.....	948-4427
Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers.....	472-0168
Gulf Coast Symphony.....	489-1800
Harmony Chorus, Charles Sutter, Pres.....	481-8059
Naples Philharmonic.....	239-597-1111
The Schoolhouse Theater.....	472-6862
S.W. Florida Symphony.....	418-0996
Theatre Conspiracy.....	936-3239
Young Artists Awards.....	574-9321
CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS	
Angel Flight.....	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Animal Refuge Center.....	731-3535
American Business Women Association.....	357-6755
Audubon of SWFL.....	339-8046
Audubon Society.....	472-3156
Caloosahatchee Chapter DAR.....	482-1366
Caloosahatchee Folk Society.....	321-4620
Cape Chorale Barbershop Chorus.....	1-855-425-3631
Cape Coral Stamp Club.....	542-9153
duPont Company Retirees.....	454-1083
Edison Porcelain Artists.....	415-2484
Ft Myers UDC Chapter 2614.....	
(United Daughters of the Confederacy®).....	728-3743
Friendship Force Of SW FL.....	561-9164
The Horticulture and Tea Society.....	472-8334
Horticultural Society.....	472-6940
Lee County Genealogical Society.....	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation.....	939-7278
NARFE(National Active & Retired Federal Employees.....	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America.....	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL.....	667-1354
Sons of Confederate Veterans.....	332-2408
Southwest Florida Fencing Academy.....	939-1338
Southwest Florida Music Association.....	561-2118
Kiwanis Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach.....	765-4254 or 454-8090
Fort Myers Edison.....	694-1056
Fort Myers South.....	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands.....	415-3100
Iona-McGregor.....	482-0869
Lions Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon.....	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers.....	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County.....	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers.....	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society.....	472-6940
United Way of Lee County.....	433-2000
United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour).....	211 or 433-3900
AREA ATTRACTIONS	
Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.....	395-2233
Burrough's Home.....	337-9505
Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium.....	275-3435
Edison & Ford Winter Estates.....	334-3614
Fort Myers Skate Park.....	321-7558
Imaginarium Hands-On Museum & Aquarium.....	321-7420
JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.....	472-1100
Koreshan State Historic Site.....	239-992-0311
Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center.....	765-8101
Skatium.....	321-7510
Southwest Florida Museum of History.....	321-7430
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