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107 Years Old And Still Going Strong

by Di Saggau

In 1906, the average life expectancy for women in the United States was around 50. Jennie Truncale was born April 11, 1906 and she just celebrated her 107th birthday. The big celebration took place on April 4 during a luncheon meeting of the Continental Women's Club of Fort Myers at Colonial Country Club. Truncale received a huge basket of cards, her own birthday cake, and everyone sang *Happy Birthday* and wished her many more. She responded by telling her friends, "I wish you all health and happiness, and thank you, thank you."

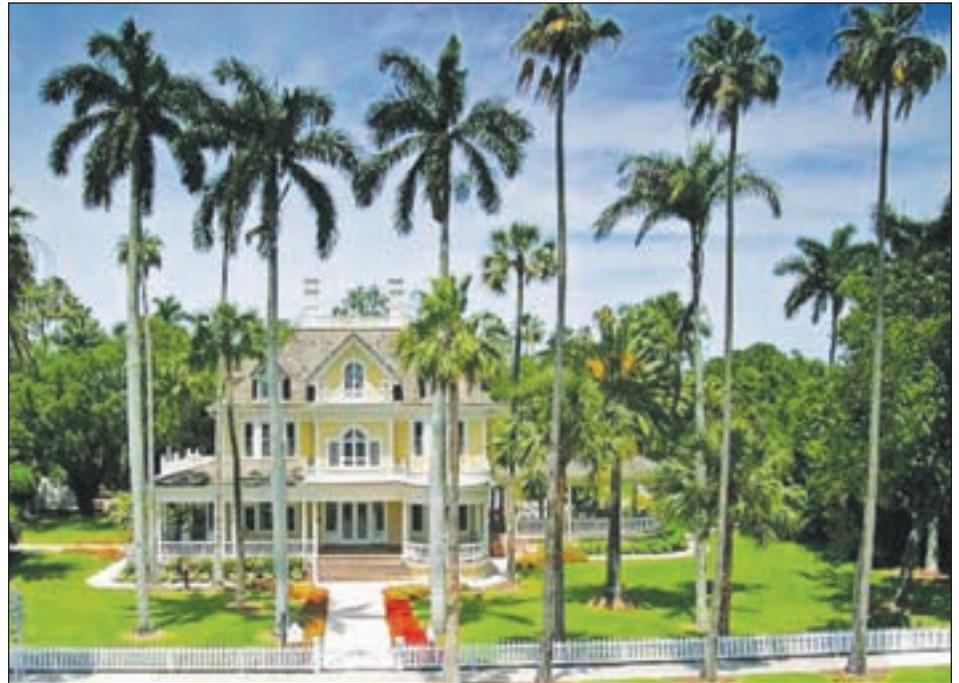
Truncale shares a home with her only daughter, Carrie Blair. During World II, Truncale made bullets and was featured on the cover of *Woman Power* magazine in 1942. She was one of the women who replaced two million men called into the army and navy that year. She continued working for the company Scovill Manufacturing in Waterbury, Connecticut for 38 years. As a result, she is a long-standing member of the Rosie the Riveter Association.

Truncale grew up on a farm in Connecticut, the oldest of 10 children.



Carrie Blair and her mother, Jennie Truncale

When asked what her secret is to longevity, she told me what she said on her 106th birthday, "I don't drink, I don't smoke, I walk the straight line."✱



The Burroughs Home, located on First Street in Fort Myers

Uncommon Friends Pavilion Kick-Off Event

The Uncommon Friends Foundation will add an outdoor pavilion to the premises to accommodate character education and business ethics conferences and corporate, nonprofit events and weddings.

The public is invited to participate in a Ladies and Gentleman's 1920s Style Barbecue as the kick-off to the Uncommon Friends Foundation's pavil-

ion capital campaign. The unique event will be held at the Burroughs Home, 2505 First Street in Fort Myers, on Saturday, April 20 at 5 p.m.

The barbecue will feature a roast pig with all the trimmings, fried chicken and seafood, and wine and beer. In addition, there will be single barrel, small batch bourbon tasting, Cuban-style cigar rolling with samples, along with 1920s music and dancing.

The Uncommon Friends Foundation has a 50-year lease from the City of Fort Myers to manage the Burroughs Home, one of the oldest homes in Fort Myers,

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Make a butterfly out of recycled plastic bottles during Earth Day's Earth Crafts activities

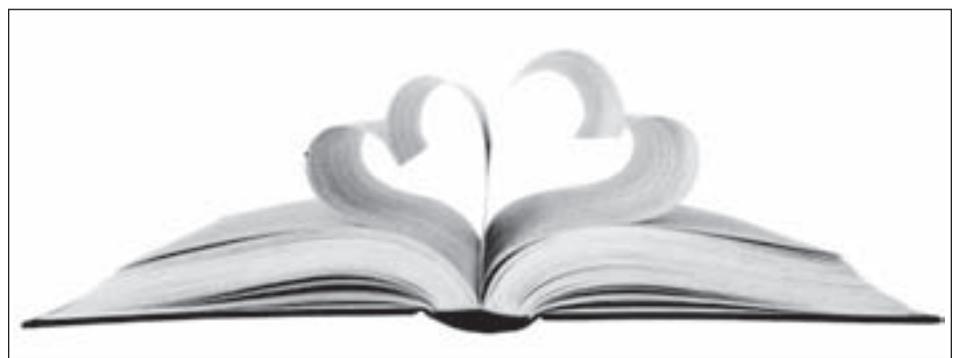
Earth Day At The Refuge

Talk trash, meet Bagzilla and create earth-friendly crafts at this year's Earth Day at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel on Saturday, April 20.

The refuge will celebrate the 43rd

anniversary of Earth Day in partnership with Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) and Tarpon Bay Explorers (TBE). The first 200 visitors to the refuge that day will receive a free reusable water bottle, courtesy of DDWS. Throughout the day, meet and greet "trashy" refuge educator Bagzilla, costumed in a year's worth of an average person's disposable bag consumption.

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For the love of books, don't miss the Fort Myers Library spring book sale

Big Spring Book Sale At The Library

On Saturday, April 20 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Friends of the Fort Myers Library are sponsoring a spring book sale at the public library located in the downtown River District. A variety of fiction, non-fiction and specialty books are available - everything you can fit into a bag - for \$3. Bags are provided by the Friends. The money raised will go toward children's programs and things not budgeted for by the library.

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

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Eliza Gwynne Home

by Gerri Reaves



In the first decades of Fort Myers history, First Street east of Fowler was a residential neighborhood with many large, well-built multi-stories homes, some of which still survive.

The structures on what was known as Millionaires Row were designed to be comfortable in a subtropical climate and beautiful as well.

Often built of native timber, they featured multiple porches, high ceilings, fireplaces

and windows positioned for cross-ventilation of winds off the Caloosahatchee River.

Pictured in this photo taken in the 19-teens is such a grand old house, where Eliza Gwynne – widow of Col. Andrew D. Gwynne – lived on the south side of First between Fowler and Hough. Her property extended south two-thirds of the way to Second Street.

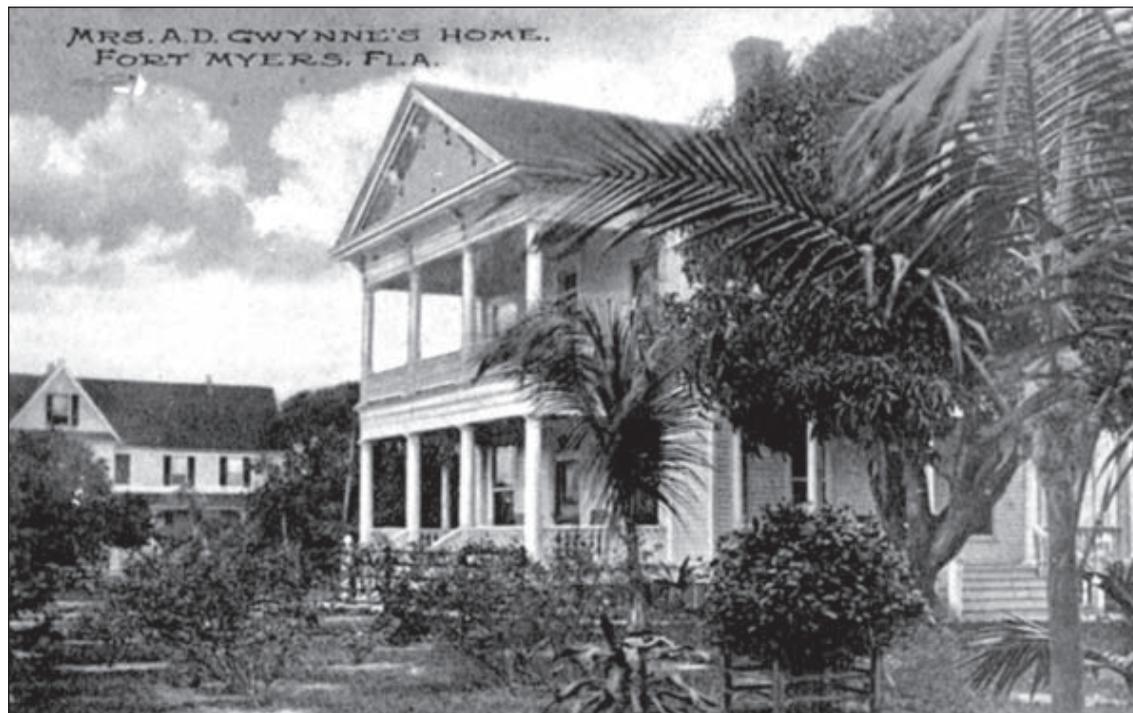
Over its long history, the house housed a succession of pioneer families who figure prominently in local history.

Construction plans for what became the Eliza Gwynne house began in September 1885, just weeks after the vote to incorporate the town of Fort Myers occurred.



The historic Langford-Kingston home was relocated to the former Gwynne site in 2003

photo by Gerri Reaves



This house Andrew D. and Eliza Gwynne bought in 1909 was built circa 1885 on First Street between Fowler and Hough. In this photo taken during the 1900s, the 1882 Jehu J. Blount house is visible in the background
courtesy of Florida State Archives

CW “Waddy” and Laura Jane Thompson brought a builder from Bartow to construct the house and a telegraph office on land given to Mrs. Thompson by her father, Capt. Francis A. Hendry, when he created Fowler Street.

In 1894, Edward L. and Carrie Belle Evans moved into the house. Mrs. Evans, sister of Laura Thompson, was to be in charge of the telegraph office.

In 1908, Col. Gwynne – a winter visitor and wealthy Memphis cotton broker and wholesale grocer – purchased the house for \$12,000.

The Gwynne family was to have a significant influence on the development of modern public education in early Fort Myers.

While visiting in 1909, Col. Gwynne observed the serious overcrowding of the inadequate public schools.

He remarked to his wife that if the town ever got motivated to build a better school, he would be happy to help fund it.

That chance remark ended up making history, even though Col. Gwynne died the following summer.

His wife, Eliza, along with her son, Capt. William F. Gwynne, honored the colonel’s promise to support public education.

The matching funds that the Gwynne family pledged made possible the town’s first modern school, the Andrew D. Gwynne Institute. When it opened in 1911, it was praised as one of the best facilities in the state.

The school building still stands on the southwest corner of Second and Jackson Streets, although classes have not been held there for many years.

Presumably after the death of Eliza Gwynne (c. 1919), her son and daughter-in-law, Katie Amelia Lloyd Gwynne, moved into the

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Earth Day

"We are gearing our activities for all ages," said Ranger Becky Wolff, refuge education specialist. "We'll bring back our disposable bag-costumed Bagzilla character, and teach people how to make yarn out of plastic bags to weave into their own sturdy, reusable shopping bags."

Below is the schedule for earth-friendly and free fun throughout the day:

Note: *Regular tram tour fees apply (buy tickets at booth in parking lot).

7 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Wildlife Drive is open free to bikers and hikers

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Free bike rentals from Tarpon Bay Explorers' site (returns by 6 p.m.)

9:30 to 11 a.m. – Refuge Caravan Tour. Join naturalists as they guide you on a car caravan tour of the refuge's four-mile Wildlife Drive. Meet at the flagpole.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Ongoing Earth Crafts in the Education Center Classroom

- "Mother Earth" ornaments
- Colorful plastic-bottle butterflies or jellyfish

- Beeswax candles
- Egg-carton Florida Bats
- "Plarn" (plastic bag "yarn") bracelets

10 to 11 a.m. – Guided hike along Indigo Trail. Join a refuge naturalist as he/she leads you on a guided nature hike through the refuge's Indigo Trail. Meet at the flagpole.

*10 to 11:30 a.m. – Narrated refuge tram tour

11 to 11:30 a.m. – Reading in the



Bagzilla and friend

Refuge: Family Story-time about sea turtles. (Education Center Auditorium)

*11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Narrated refuge tram tour

Lunch on your own
Noon to 12:30 p.m. – "Let's Talk Trash" Marine Timeline Competition for Kids. How long does it take that trash to biodegrade in a marine environment? (Education Center Auditorium)

1 to 1:30 p.m. – Reading in the Refuge: Family Story-time about Florida manatees.

(Education Center Auditorium)
*1 to 2:30 p.m. – Narrated refuge tram tour

2 to 2:30 p.m. – Make Your Own Plarn- Plastic bag overload? Learn how to make "plarn" (plastic-bag yarn) and weave reusable shopping bags that are 10 times stronger than regular plastic bags. (Education Center Auditorium)

*2:30 to 4 p.m. – Narrated refuge

tram tour

*4 to 5:30 p.m. – Narrated refuge tram tour

For more information on Earth Day at the Refuge, call 472-1100 ext. 236 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/earth-day.*

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Uncommon Friends

dating back to 1901. It was the scene of many social events that hosted the Fort Myers' elite, including the Edisons, Fords and Firestones. It was one of the first homes of quality built in Fort Myers and is situated in the historic riverfront section of town. It is an elegant two-and-a-half story home with over two acres of stately oak trees, which shade the lawn on the banks of the Caloosahatchee River.

The pavilion to be built will be an open-air structure constructed on the existing concrete slab known as the former tennis court. The architectural intent is to capture components prevalent within the existing adjacent open-air river pavilion while being complementary to the Burroughs Home. Roll-down fabric panels will be utilized for temporary enclosure for inclement weather. It will accommodate character education and business ethics conferences and corporate, nonprofit events and weddings.

The pavilion committee consists of Joseph Cati, Gray Davis, Todd Gates, Randall Henderson, Rose O'Dell King, Gary Krueger, Ronald Reitz, Arlene Roth, Robert Simpson and Steven R. Whitley.

Tickets are available for the event at \$150 for singles, \$300 for couples and \$1,200 for tables of eight. Relaxed, casual dress is suggested for the event. Reservations and additional information may be obtained by contacting Arlene Roth at 337-9503.

The Uncommon Friends Foundation, a not for profit 501(c)3 organization established in 1993, is dedicated to life-long 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 more information, call 239-337-9505 or visit www.uncommonfriends.org.

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Daughters Of The American Revolution Donate Books To Library



Reference Librarian Bryan Mulcahy and Shirley A. Nix, librarian for Bonita Springs Barefoot Beach Chapter of the DAR

Reference Librarian Bryan Mulcahy at the Fort Myers-Lee County Library has been presented with the books *Verner Families of the South Vols I & II* by Barefoot Beach Chapter Librarian Shirley A. Nix. The books were donated to the chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution by Vice Regent Rachel Moody and her father NSSAR Chaplain General Dr. Randy Moody.

The library has an extensive genealogy section and the hope is to expand even more with the building of the new library. There are many classes on genealogy given at the library by Mulcahy; Gina Hamister, retired librarian, Western Reserve Historical Society; Carol Weidlich, president and webmaster of the Lee County Genealogical Society; and Carolyn Ford a member of the New York/New England Group, Mid-West Roots Group, education chair at Lee County Genealogical Society and a volunteer who works with patrons by appointment.

Classes were Irish and German research, online genealogy, adoption research, census records, newspaper research, nicknames, courthouse research and library research, among others.

The Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library is located at 2050 Central Avenue, Fort Myers. For a schedule of classes, call Bryan Mulcahy at 533-4626.*

Napier To Speak At New Hope Church April 16

New Hope Presbyterian Church will host nationwide speaker Renee Napier on Tuesday, April 16 at 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary. Napier will share her Christian testimony of how she forgave the drunk driver who killed her daughter and daughter's best friend. Christian singer and songwriter Matthew West wrote the popular song *Forgiveness* based on Renee's story. This event is free and open to the public.

New Hope Presbyterian Church (EPC) is a reformed church which seeks to obey the Great Commission through family ministry, worship, instruction, and service. New Hope is located at 3825 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers, two blocks south of Fort Myers Country Club. Sunday worship services are at 8 and 9:30 a.m. (Traditional) and 11 a.m. (Contemporary). Sunday morning and Wednesday evening classes are available for adults, youth and children. Nursery



Renee Napier

care is provided.

For more information, contact the New Hope church office at 274-1230 or visit www.newhopefortmyers.org.*

Republican Women's Club Meeting

Lee County Commission Chair Cecil Pendergrass will be the featured speaker at the monthly luncheon of the Fort Myers Republican Women's Club on Tuesday, April 16. He will discuss current topics before the commission and recent actions taken. His formal presentation will be followed by a question and answer session.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the program, which will be held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins

at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch, business meeting and program follow. The luncheon cost is \$16. Reservations are required and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie at 489-4701.

The Fort Myers Republican Women's Club is affiliated with the Florida Federation of Republican Women and the National Federation of Republican Women. For more information, call Gaile Anthony at 292-5212.*

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Orchid Alliance Hosts Naturalist And Photographer Dave Graff

They call it "Fakahatchee Fever" – the irresistible urge to immerse oneself in the beauty and wilds of the Fakahatchee Strand – and Dave Graff has acquired an incurable strain, causing an acute passion for "some of nature's most improbable plants;" orchids... some of which call this enticing swamp their home.

The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance invites you to attend its Third Thursday Orchid Event on April 18, when Graff presents his unique visual perspective about Southwest Florida's native orchids.

Graff is a Florida Master Naturalist instructor who has been teaching about our region's environments for more than 15 years. After earning his degree in photo-communication and psychology, he spent four years in the Peace Corps as a health educator and environmental education specialist in West Africa before devoting himself to the natural wonders of south Florida. His compelling photographs convey the beauty, fragility, and improbable existence, of some of the flowered jewels that can be found in Collier County, including its swamps.

The Fakahatchee Strand in Southwest Florida is the orchid and bromeliad capital of North America where 44 native orchids and 14 native bromeliad species co-exist with panthers, white-tailed deer, black bears, minks, terrapins and snakes – as well as a resident and migratory bird population that attracts bird watchers from all over the world. All this bio-diversity is contained within a 20-mile by five-mile swath of land that has been sculpted by centuries of fresh slow-moving water – the very key to its existence. This alluring swamp has historically offered protection to many of our native orchid species. Land-use changes and over-collecting have threatened many species of orchids, but there are several projects currently working to improve some orchid populations.

Come and enjoy the beauty of these orchids and learn how everyday human actions – or inactions – affect the survival of these special plants, and how we can improve our own local environment by improving theirs. This program is offered as part of the Alliance's community outreach efforts to inspire others to learn about orchids and orchid conservation.

For more information, call 498-9741 or visit www.GulfCoastOrchidAlliance.com.*

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Meals On Wheels Drivers Needed

Community Cooperative Ministries, Inc. will soon see a 30 percent drop in volunteer drivers for its Meals On Wheels program as seasonal residents head back north.

"Unfortunately we see this every year at this time," said Tracey Galloway, CEO of CCMi. "We are so thankful for the wonderful seasonal residents who volunteer their time with us each winter, but we are at a critical point in needing volunteers to help us pack and deliver meals through the summer months so our seniors don't go hungry."

CCMI serves more than 400 homebound seniors and more than 8,000 meals each month through its Meals On Wheels program. The agency relies solely on volunteer drivers to cover its current 30 routes across Lehigh Acres, Cape Coral, Estero, Fort Myers and North Fort Myers that rely solely on volunteer drivers.

"A two-hour commitment once per week is all it takes to make a huge difference in the lives of our homebound seniors," Galloway said.

According to Galloway, CCMi currently has a waiting list of homebound seniors that can't be served until Meals On Wheels adds additional drivers.

"It is very upsetting to know we have hungry elders we cannot feed," she said. "My hope is we can recruit more drivers very soon to alleviate this issue."

With seven convenient pick-up loca-

tions across Lee County, an average Meals On Wheels route has 15 customers and takes approximately two hours to complete. Children are welcome to volunteer as well with adult supervision.

If volunteers are part of a company, church or organization, they and their co-workers can adopt a route and volunteer together.

Since 2010, the entire staff of Myers, Brettholtz & Company, PA has volunteered as Meals On Wheels drivers for the summer after hearing about CCMi's annual shortage.

"When we shared the need with our employees, 24 of them signed up to help deliver," said Steve Brettholtz, president and shareholder of the Fort Myers based firm. "It is the perfect scenario for us because the summer months are not as demanding as the season can be."

CCMI has continued to develop new and innovative ways to fight hunger and homelessness across Southwest Florida. They recently launched the Groceries On Wheels program to deliver food to approximately 30 senior clients currently in the Meals on Wheels program who cannot get to the grocery store or shop for themselves.

"Twenty dollars per month sponsors one senior for groceries for the month, and \$250 sponsors a senior for a year," said Laura Meyer, director of Food Outreach for CCMi.

Meals On Wheels drivers must have current license and insurance.

For more information on volunteering, contact Volunteers@CCMILeeCounty.com or call 332-0441.✪

Fort Myers, Cape Coral Post Offices Ready For Last Minute Tax Filers

With the 2013 tax filing deadline fast approaching, local post offices are ready for last minute tax filers on April 15.

Below is a list of post offices open later than 5 p.m., as well as a list of self service kiosks available for customer use in retail lobbies.

As in past tax seasons, The U.S Postal Service offers special services for tax returns such as Express Mail, Priority Mail, First-Class Mail, Certificate of Mailing, Certified Mail and Return Receipt.

Post Office Station	April 15 Closing Time	Address
Fort Myers Page Field	5:30 p.m.	2655 N. Airport Road
Cape Coral South	5:30 p.m.	4722 S.E. 17th Avenue
Cape Coral Central	6:30 p.m.	1030 S.E. 9th Avenue✪

Student Scholarship Exhibit

Each April, seniors from the local high school art programs at Cypress Lake High School and Cypress Lake Center for the Arts – who are going on to study art at the college or university level – are asked to submit artwork for judging in the Student Scholarship Exhibition hosted by Fort Myers Beach Art Association. The artwork submitted is hung in the main gallery for display and middle school artwork is hung in Gallery II.

Cash and prize money is raised throughout the year with special sales and raffles held by the art association and with a grant from the Town of Fort Myers

Beach. The group is grateful for the support of the community in this endeavor as well as the merchants of Santini Marina Plaza, who host the Art Bazaar held earlier this spring and the local newspapers.

Pat Fair, a gallery owner, and FMBAA members will judge the exhibit and determine scholarship winners. The exhibition will be open at the FMBAA gallery from April 13 to 17 during regular gallery hours, with a reception on April 14 from 3 to 5 p.m. to award the winners. Guests are welcome to attend the reception.

Regular gallery hours for the working gallery of Fort Myers Beach Art Association are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday. On April 17, summer hours go into effect: 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday and Thursday. For more information, call the gallery at 463-3909 or visit www.fortmyersbeachart.com.✪

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Member appreciation day picnic

Power Squadron Passes Beach Yacht Club Vessels With Flying Colors

submitted by past commodore Chris Christensen

On Wednesday, April 3, the Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club held its annual Membership Appreciation Day picnic at Bowditch Point Regional Park. Over 70 members were present. Most of them “boatpooled” to help reduce the traffic congestion this time of year and also to reduce the shortage of parking spaces.

Also present at their picnic were two members of the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron. By prior coordination, these two volunteers performed inspections on eight of the club members’ boats. Included within the inspections was all safety equipment required by the USCG and FWC along with valid Florida numbers, registration cards related equipment and paperwork. Seven of the eight boats passed with flying colors and were given the coveted safety decal to display on the port side. The only boat not to pass was because the anchor light would not work, due probably to some minor electrical contact corrosion which will be remedied real soon.

These inspections are available to anyone with no charge. The squadron can be reached at 466-4040 for either inspections or classes. If you don’t pass the inspection, you are given a listing of the items to correct. After corrections, if you wish, the power squadron will re-inspect at no charge.

The equipment and documentation required by law to be on board your boat depends in part on the type of boat and its size. Brochures explaining the requirements are available at many marinas, marine supply stores, governmental agencies and other boat-related locations. One of the more popular and easy to understand brochures is Florida’s Recreational Boating Requirements, published by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). You may also view the requirements on line by visiting MyFWC.com.

The Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club was formed in 1953 and incorporated as a not-for-profit organization for the purpose of promoting safe, enjoyable boating and good fellowship. This community-oriented club with over 140 members and 60 boats maintains a very active schedule of year-round activities. Meetings are held once a month – normally at the American Legion Post 274 on San Carlos Island.

Because the club does not have the expense of maintaining its own waterfront facility, dues are only \$100 per year per couple. Prospective new members wishing additional membership information may contact Commodore Fern Toomey at 463-4194 or Karat.Top@gmail.com or visit the club’s web site at www.FMBYachtClub.org.

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As the executive director of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, I would like to thank the following businesses and organizations for their amazing support of our first annual Bling Bash To Smash Slavery held on April 6.

On Sanibel, we received beautiful gift items, auction items and gift certificates from the following businesses:

Jewelry Stores – William E. Wilson Fine Jewelry Design, Shiny Objects and Cedar Chest Fine Jewelry.

Restaurants – The Jacaranda, The Lazy Flamingo, Doc Ford’s, Rosie’s Cafe & Grill and The Sanibel Cafe.

Salons – Tribeca Salon, Sanibel Beauty Salon, Tips & Toez

Resort – South Seas Island Resort
Attractions – Billy’s Bike Shop, Adventures In Paradise, Tarpon Bay Explorers

Art – Lucas Century Studio
Four fabulous jewelry designers exhibited their artistic designs and contributed a portion of their proceeds to HTAP and donated an item to the live auction.

From Lee County, the following businesses contributed to our cause:

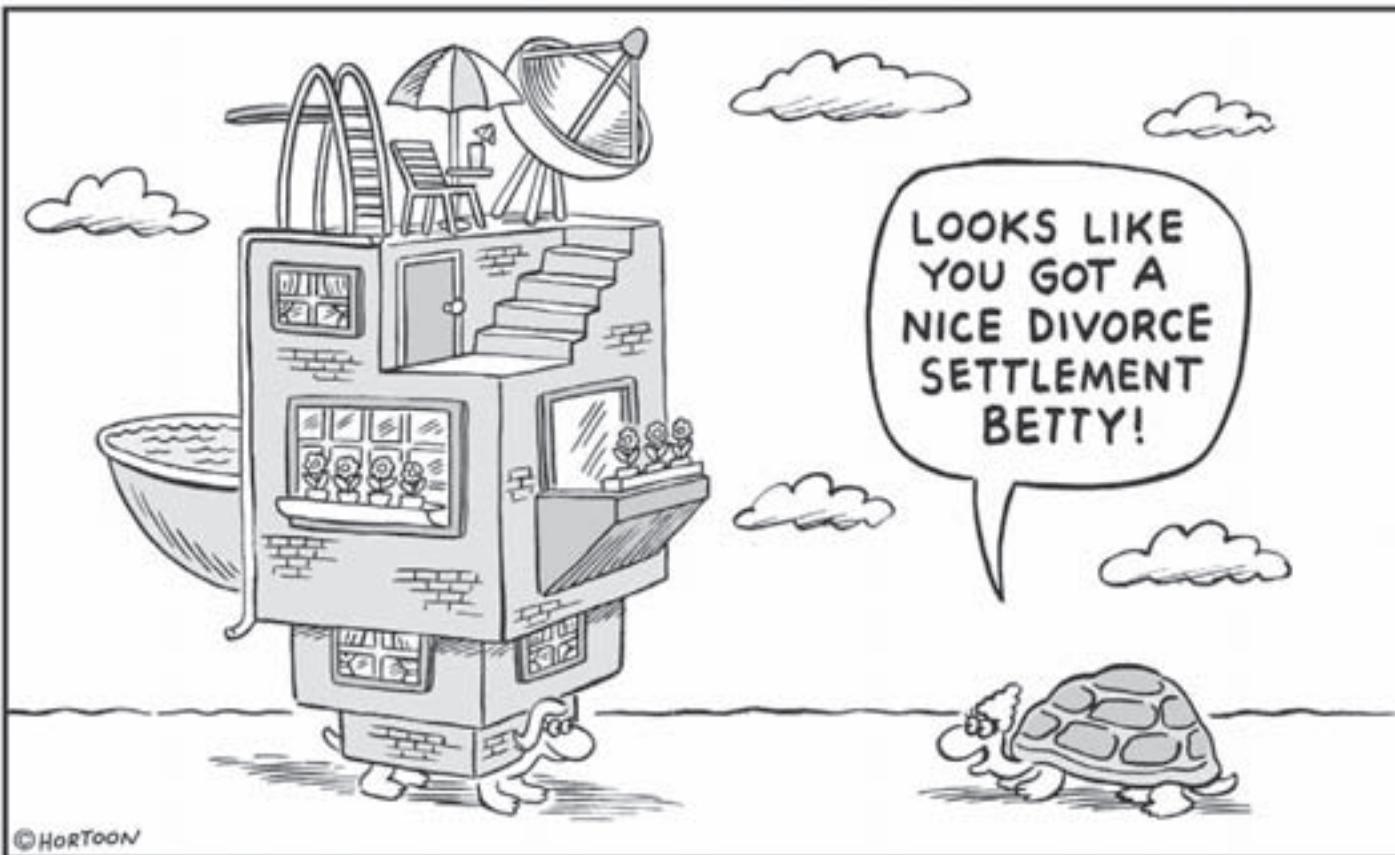
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Restaurants – Nervous Nellies and Parrot Key Caribbean Grill

Attractions – The Florida Repertory Theatre, Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Sanibel Harbour Resort & Spa, Princess Yacht, Key West Express

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HORTOONS



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Junior league members helping at the pantry

Junior League Partners With Harry Chapin For Mobile Food Pantry

On Saturday, April 13, the Junior League of Fort Myers will be at Clemente Park in Fort Myers from 9:30 a.m. to noon, providing fresh food to families, including children, adults and seniors.

Coordinating with the team at Harry Chapin Food Bank, the league is able to reach out to the community each month to help fight against childhood obesity and supplement children's and their families' diets by providing healthy food selections.

At each pantry there are free child-tailored activities and educational programming to address their needs as it relates to teaching the importance of eating healthy while living an active lifestyle.

During this particular pantry, the focus will be on dental health.

The league's Kids in the Kitchen initiative is nationally recognized. The Junior

League of Fort Myers took that program and restructured it to fit the needs of the Southwest Florida community to fight childhood obesity. By providing fresh, healthy food selections to the whole family, healthy lifestyle choices can help reverse the increased rate of childhood obesity and its associated health issues.

Over the past six months the league's pantry has provided close to a month's worth of food to approximately 200 families at every pantry.

The pantry is located at Clemente Park at 1936 Henderson Avenue off of Martin Luther King Boulevard in Fort Myers.

Another pantry event is scheduled for May 11.✧

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Gwynne Home

house pictured in the photo. (They had been living diagonally across First, in the former Floweree home, now demolished, which once stood on the east side of today's historic Murphy-Burroughs home.)

Widowed herself in the mid-1920s, Katie later remarried, became Mrs. Appleyard, and continued to live in the house for many years.

By the mid-1940s, the site was put to commercial use. In the following decades, filling stations and even a car dealership were located on the block.

The fate of the Gwynne house is unknown, although Fort Myers native Genevieve Bowen thinks it might have been relocated, as so many houses of that era were.

In 2003, the site acquired another historic structure when the Langford-Kingston home was relocated from the First United Methodist Church property just across Fowler Street.

Walk down First Street and imagine the scene of a century ago – large comfortable homes, slower traffic and maybe even a slower pace of life.

Then walk a few more blocks to the Southwest Florida Museum of History to learn more about the many seasonal visitors who discovered Fort Myers in its pioneer days and decided to build a house along First Street.

For information, call 321-7430 or go to www.museumofhistory.org. 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 see more photos of historic homes.

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

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

Sources: Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical and *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer.✧

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Card Of Thanks

Frantz Photography donated a \$900 photography package to the live auction and photographed the event at no cost.

Hotel/Resort – Hyatt Regency Coconut Point

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Nola Theiss
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Lee County Genealogical Society, Inc.

Thursday, April 18, 2013 Monthly Meeting

Fellowship Hall, Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church

4141 DeLeon Street, Fort Myers

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Along The River



The public is invited to celebrate Trouper's fourth birthday on Friday at a party hosted by CROW on Sanibel. The blind raccoon is pictured here with his caretaker Dot Lee

On Friday, April 12 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., help animal ambassador Trouper, a blind raccoon, celebrate his fourth birthday at Sanibel's **Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW)**. He will be there with his caretaker Dot Lee, a certified wildlife rehabilitator, and author friend Kyle Miller. With a photographic power point presentation, Miller and Lee will tell Trouper's



Enjoy live music Monday through Thursday on the patio at The Lazy Flamingo, Fort Myers

amazing story from his life-threatening head injury at eight weeks of age to becoming a certified animal ambassador for educational purposes. Reservations are necessary for the popular presentation.

CROW's Visitor Education Center is located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road, Sanibel Island. For reservations, call 472-3644, ext. 228 or go to www.crowclinic.org.

From Friday, April 12 through 27, the **Theatre Conspiracy** presents *The Nosemaker's Apprentice: Chronicles of a Medieval Plastic Surgeon*. Have you lost an ear or nose to duelling or plague? See Wulfric the Nosemaker, or his young but talented apprentice Gavin. The zany comedy whisks us through medieval England, Austria and Paris, France, as our young apprentice plastic surgeon learns the art of surgery in less than ideal conditions.

He repairs or replaces noses and other appendages lost to typical medieval circumstances: plague, battles, syphilis and rat bites. The play includes some adult language and mature humor.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$18.50 for seniors and \$12 for students with a valid ID.

The Theatre Conspiracy is located in Kiwanis Hall, 10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. For curtain times and tickets, call 218-0481 or go to www.theatreconspiracy.org.

Heading to Fort Myers Beach for a bit of fun in the sun? Relax at **Nervous Nellie's Crazy Waterfront Eatery**, a casual restaurant with a fun-loving staff. It boasts a large selection of appetizers, fresh seafood, sandwiches and entrées. Sit dockside on the restaurant's expansive waterfront patio or inside in air-conditioned comfort.

Just upstairs from Nellie's is **Ugly's Waterside Bar**, the place where everyone gets prettier. Enjoy happy hour all day, every day at Ugly's. Go to Nellie's website for a schedule of musicians.

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

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

Celebrate Fish Taco Tuesday at the **Lazy Flamingo Fort Myers**. Live music is available Monday through Thursday on the patio.

As local seafood lovers know, The Lazy is a great place for grouper sandwiches, raw oysters on the half-shell, conch chowder and mussels marinara served in a nautical-themed atmosphere. The restaurant is also known for its secret recipe Flamingo garlic bread, buffalo wings and giant burgers... and during the season, fresh stone crab claws!

With four locations in Lee county, the fun, casual restaurant has developed a loyal fan base. For family outings, the "little grown-ups" can choose from kid-approved dishes such as chicken fingers, pasta and hot dogs. All items on the children's menu include a Lazy Flamingo flying disk and collectors cup.

The Lazy Flamingo 4 is located at 12951 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. It is open daily from 11 a.m. to midnight. Call 476-9000 or go to www.lazyflamingo.com.*

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Rev. Edward and Roxanne Spencer

New Hope Church Appoints Senior Pastor

New Hope Presbyterian Church will welcome the Reverend Edward Spencer as the new senior pastor on Sunday, April 21. Reverend Spencer will preach at all three Sunday worship services that morning at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Previously, he served as the senior pastor of First Associate Reformed

Presbyterian (ARP) Church in Gastonia, North Carolina and senior pastor of Shepherd Road ARP Church in Lakeland, Florida.

New Hope Presbyterian Church is a reformed church which seeks to obey the Great Commission through family ministry, worship, instruction and service. New Hope is located at 3825 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. For more information, call 274-1230 or visit www.newhopefortmyers.org.

Movie Night In The Park

The Fort Myers Recreation Division invites families to a free Movie Night in the Park on Friday, April 19 at the STARS Complex, 2980 Edison Avenue in Fort Myers. The feature presentation is *Brave*.

Since ancient times, stories of epic battles and mystical legends have been passed through the generations across the rugged and mysterious Highlands of Scotland. In *Brave*, a new tale joins the lore when the courageous Merida confronts tradition, destiny and the fiercest of beasts.

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Churches/Temples

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Final Performance Of Shell Point Season Of Praise Concert Series

The final performance in the 2012-13 Season of Praise Concert Series will be a faith-based musical drama entitled *Women Who Dare To Believe* on Sunday, April 21 at 6:15 p.m. Veteran actresses Bonnie Keen and Nan Gurley will bring to life 21 women from the Scriptures whom God used to fulfill the covenant and bring in the Messiah in this thought provoking musical.

With cutting-edge dialogue, original music and creative interaction with the audience, this 90-minute musical will inspire viewers with the stories of women who dared to believe and pushed against the pressures and culture of their day. The scarlet thread of hope runs through the stories of Rahab, Tamar, Leah and Rachel, Deborah and Esther, Anna and Mary. Like women today, these women knew this was their hour, this was their moment.

On a bare stage, two women using 20 feet of scarlet fabric leave audiences breathless with the stories of the blood of Jesus running through time from the Garden to the empty tomb. Rich with personal application, this musical will be an inspiring conclusion to the Season of Praise series held at The Village Church.

The Village Church is located near the entrance of The Island at Shell Point Retirement Community in Fort Myers just off Summerlin Road, two miles before the Sanibel Causeway. Tickets for *Women Who Dare To Believe* are now on sale and are \$10 each. To purchase tickets online, go to www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise. For additional information about the concert, call 454-2147.*



Bonnie Keen and Nan Gurley

Email editorial copy to: press@riverweekly.com

Free Community Health Fair

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

The next community-wide health fair will take place on Saturday, April 13 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Faith Presbyterian Church, 4544 Coronado Parkway, Cape Coral.

Door prizes and healthy snacks will be provided for participants and wellness screenings will be available for:

Alzheimer's disease, asthma, balance, blood pressure, diabetes, foot health, hearing, injury prevention, obesity, oxygen levels, skin cancer, sleep apnea, spinal alignment, vision and pre-screening mammogram appointments.

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Spring Bait Migration Brings Great Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

The first signs of spring in Pine Island Sound really began to show this week. Birds, Spanish mackerel, ladyfish, trout and jacks all feeding on the surface are a sure sign

hatch. Just about any small spoon, soft plastic or plug will work. As for live bait, small shiners and live shrimp either free-lined or fished under a float will quickly be eaten.

My go-to rig has been a popping cork with a Berkley Gulp white shrimp rigged on a jig head. This rig is hard to beat as it gives you the best of both worlds. The bite is often so fast it's great not to have to put a live bait on after every bite; simply recast and keep on catching fish. Then, just to mix it up, I like to rig up a big spinning rod with a fresh caught live ladyfish hooked on a big circle hook under a float and let it drift out behind the boat.

Though tarpon fishing is far from being in full swing, a few fish are moving in mixed in with the mackerel and ladyfish and this rig will hook either a shark or a tarpon.

A few places in the bay that were on fire this week were the shoals inside Redfish Pass, the west side of the fish shacks in the northern sound and Red Light Shoal. Just about any place in the sound where there was a large number of feeding birds, hungry fish could be spotted breaking the surface under

that the spring bait migration has started to move into our local waters.

Several times this week, I even caught a few quick glimpses of rolling tarpon in the mix along with the first full-size sharks I have seen in months.

Getting in on this fast-paced action is as easy as finding the feeding birds. Once you locate the birds you can go one of two ways; either casting live baits or artificials. Match the size of the



Mike Brown with a pompano caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell

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.

them. Anywhere close to the passes, both inside and outside, is a good area to start your search but also look on shallow edges of grass flats and sand bars right off the intracoastal.

Out on the beaches during calm periods, big dark clouds of bait can be seen. This bite is more Spanish mackerel than anything else, but on some of the more wide open blitzes, sharks can be spotted finning through the feeding frenzy. Small heavy spoons either cast or trolled through the feeding frenzy will catch many, many fish. Big Spanish mackerel on light spinning tackle are a blast, often screaming the drag on the first blistering run after being hooked.

Spring has to be one of the best times to fish Pine Island sound. If you simply want to bend a rod and catch a

wide variety of species, the next month or so is the time. This week also marked the first trips since fall when I started carrying a few heavy spinning rods, just in case.

For the next month you just really never know what opportunities you might run into. The first reports of tarpon hooked by trout anglers have already started to come in and if you are lucky enough to run into some early season tarpon, you had better be rigged and ready.

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



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CROW Case Of The Week

A Great Horned Owllet Rescue

by Patricia Molloy



In February, Fort Myers resident Paul Ben-Susan investigated a report from neighbors that a three-day-old owllet had fallen from its nest, a dangerous place for such a young bird.



CROW re-nested this owllet in Fort Myers
photo courtesy of Doug Albert

parents were heard making clicks and squawks later that evening. They resumed caring for and feeding their baby. The owl has now fledged the nest, but has been observed recently spending quality time with mom and dad.

Dr. Heather Barron, hospital director, added, "Last year, we really reached out and expanded who we are working with. That has been incredibly successful for us. For example, there hasn't been barn owls on Sanibel since 2007. This year, with an amazing amount of cooperation with volunteer Doug Albert, "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge and a lot of state, federal and local authorities, CROW obtained permission to reintroduce barn owls on the island. These owls are now very well established; we already have an unrelated male and female who appear to be pairing up."

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation

"Owls, we have learned, are notorious for building substandard nests and it is far too much the norm for their eggs and baby owls to fall from the nest," said Ben-Susan. After his wife, Julie, donned heavy gloves in order to place the youngster in a box on their lanai overnight, he called the Sanibel wildlife clinic for assistance. Volunteer Doug Albert responded to the scene to assess the situation the following morning.

While the owllet was unharmed, it was determined that the entire nest had fallen out of the tree, rendering it useless. Colleen Goff, senior licensed wildlife rehabilitator, soon arrived on the scene. "She was armed with a ladder, a nest box with wood chips, bungee cords and mice to feed the baby," reported Ben-Susan.

After Goff fed and re-nested the owllet in a more sturdy, handmade nest, both



The same re-nested owl after it fledged the nest

photo courtesy of Paul Ben-Susan

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A banyan tree can grow to massive size

Plant Smart

Banyan Tree

by Gerri Reaves

The very name banyan tree (*Ficus benghalensis*) conjures up romanticized images of a tropical landscape.

It's understandable why the majestic tree was widely planted in the early 20th century in South Florida. It becomes a

shade tree in record time and has fascinating characteristics, too.

The banyan is one of several ficus, or fig, species found in Florida. Ficuses were introduced to Florida by renowned plant explorer, Dr. David Fairchild of the United States Department of Foreign Plant Introduction.

A native of India, the banyan can develop to an enormous size, with massive trunks and a height of 100 feet.

Traveling laterally from the original

trunk, prop roots, which in turn develop into trunks themselves, can spread the tree's canopy over acres of ground. Some specimens can justifiably be called a one-tree forest.

Fortunately, the banyan has not disrupted the environment to the extent that it is officially listed as invasive by the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council.

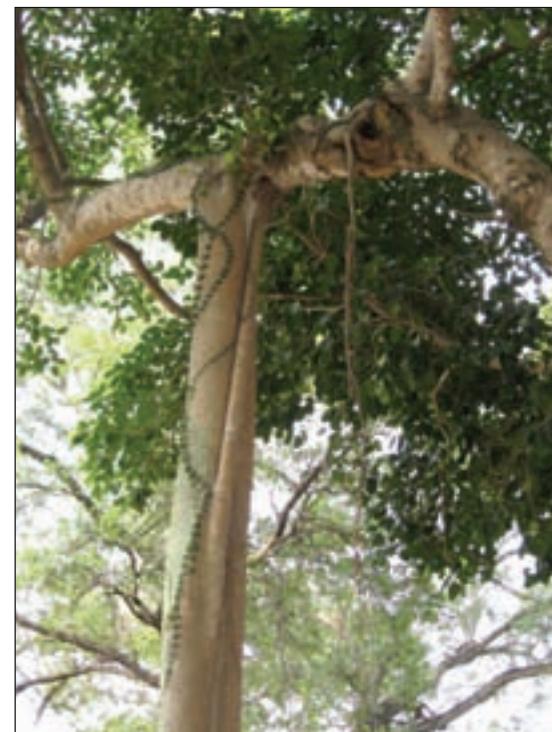
However, without management, the tree will gobble up as much space as it's allowed to. Few residential landscapes can accommodate it.

The banyan's leathery oval leaves are five to ten inches long. Those large leaves help distinguish it from some other common fig trees in South Florida, such as the highly invasive laurel fig (*Ficus microcarpa*), also called Cuban laurel.

Birds love the plentiful reddish fruit of the banyan, but some homeowners consider it messy.

The banyan – and other ficuses such as the ecologically valuable native strangler fig (*Ficus aurea*) – needn't begin life in the ground. A seed deposited by a bird in a tree crevice or on a wall or roof edge can send down aerial roots and start to develop a trunk.

The aggressive roots systems of ficuses are well-known threats to foundations, sidewalks, driveways and swimming pools, so think carefully about extending



This prop trunk began as a thread reaching toward the ground to establish itself

photos by Gerri Reaves

hospitality to the entrancing banyan tree. Sources: plants.ifas.ufl.edu, plantbook.org, asla.org, and floridata.com.

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

Caring For Your Plants

Safe Plants



by Justen Dobbs

I recently helped a friend transplant a bougainvillea bush (or as he calls it a "poke-in-kill-ya") to his backyard because it began crowding his walkway in the front yard.

In case you aren't familiar with bougainvillea bushes and trees, the small stems are armed with tiny thorns that can be annoying to adults and dangerous to children and pets.

Other plants that can harm you include crown-of-thorns, some bromeliads, century plants (agave), Everglades palms, saw palmetto, royal palms, coconut palms, and oleander (poisonous leaves). Such plants and trees that can pose a possible hazard to people and pets do have a place in the garden or landscape, but not near pathways, walkways, sidewalks, or sitting areas.

Royal palms drop dead fronds that can weigh up to 80 pounds, while coconut palms drop... you guessed it... coconuts!

The reason one of these species are planted near walkways is due to the ignorance of the homeowner or landscaper. Simply keeping the plants and trees trimmed correctly can help mitigate some of the danger they can inflict, but it is



Hibiscus trees and variegated flax lily are colorful and safe to use near walkways

much easier to plant them in the correct area so that safety is never an issue.

Large hardwood trees and tall, stately palms should usually be planted in a larger yard where they have room to grow freely and be appreciated from afar. These fit particularly well in ranch-style homes and estates where there is a lot of real estate to landscape.

All too often I have seen homeowners plant potentially dangerous palms in crowded planters, next to their roof, or alongside their driveway simply because they like the look of them only to later



Foxtail palms are impressive, stately trees that can be much safer than royal palms

discover that it was a big mistake. A good substitute for coconut palms is high plateau coconut palms which produce small coconuts about the size of a grape. These small coconuts will never pose a danger to people or property. A substitute for royal palms is foxtail palms which drop smaller fronds and smaller seeds.

With regard to thorny or sharp-edged plants, I recommend substituting them altogether for plants that are safer. Imperial bromeliads have soft leaves and no teeth. Hibiscus and ixora produce pretty flowers without the thorny stems

to go along with them. Variegated flax lily are tough, drought-tolerant, and safe to the touch making them ideal for smaller planter beds and walkway borders. Cat palms and bamboo palms thrive in sun or shade and do not have the razor sharp stems that saw palmetto and Chinese fan palms do.

Don't pick out your plant material simply because it is pretty and inexpensive. Consider where you are planting it and what the long-term effects are going to be. This could save you a lot of money and maybe prevent some scratches and bruises in the future!

*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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Bonsai Society

Bonsai enthusiasts can participate in a demonstration of styling a buttonwood tree during the Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida's April 20 meeting.

Ed Trout will provide the program, which will begin at 9 a.m. at Wigert's Bonsai Nursery, 2930 South Road, North Fort Myers. Admission to the demonstra-

tion, which includes a raffle ticket on the resulting tree, will be \$10.

For further information about the program, or directions to Wigert's Nursery, call 543-2234.

The Bonsai Society will hold its annual Picnic and Auction at the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council's Center, 2166 Virginia Avenue, Fort Myers (located one block east of the Edison Laboratory grounds) on Saturday, May 18. Sidewalk sales and viewing of auction items will

begin at 10 a.m., with the auction of trees and related materials beginning at 11 a.m. A lunch buffet will follow.

There is no admission fee, and parking and the buffet lunch are free. For further information about the lunch and auction, call Greg Lignelli at 560-3275.

Bonsai is a horticultural art of growing trees in pots.

The Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida is a non-profit organization formed to promote the knowledge and

appreciation of bonsai, the practice of raising small, artistic trees in containers, which originated in the Orient. Further information about the Society and its future events is available at its website, thebonsaiswfl.com or by calling Jim Bremer at 482-7543.*

Bird Walk At Bunche Beach



Piping plover photo by Meg Rousher

Bunche Beach is excellent for both migrant and resident waders and shorebirds working the mudflats at low tide due to the diversity of micro-invertebrates. Also waterfowl, raptors and warblers may be spotted.

The next bird walk at Bunche Beach will be held on Monday, April 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Participants will meet on the beach located in South Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road (drive south of John Morris Road until it deadends).

Provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation, this event is free, with a parking fee of \$1 per hour (tour is approximately two hours). Restrooms are available in the building at the first parking lot. Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet, a bottle of drinking water, your curiosity and a love of nature.

For more information, call 707-3015 or visit www.birdpatrol.org.*



Guided nature hikes will be provided by Conservation 20/20 Ranger Mickey Miller. Each hike is **limited to 15 people** so please R.S.V.P. at MMiller2@leegov.com or (239) 229-0522. Space for vehicles is **primitive & limited (please carpool)** and there are **no restroom facilities** on-site. Please remember to bring items you may need during the hike (i.e. water, hat, sunscreen, binoculars, camera, closed-toed shoes or boots, etc.).



All hikes meet at the Preserve's trailhead as scheduled below:

Thursday April 4th: Yellow Fever Creek Preserve @ 8 am

Del Prado Blvd., Cape Coral

Leisure hike ~2 miles — Degree of Difficulty: Easy

Trail Map: http://www.conservation2020.org/publishingimages/recreation/YFCP_trail_map.pdf

General Yellow Fever Creek Preserve info: <http://www.conservation2020.org/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=41>

Friday, April 12th: Estero Marsh Preserve @ 8 am

End of Island Park Rd., South Fort Myers

Leisure hike less than 1 mile — Degree of Difficulty: Moderate

Trail Map: http://www.conservation2020.org/publishingimages/recreation/EMP_fire_line_map.pdf

General Estero Marsh Preserve Info: <http://www.conservation2020.org/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=4>

Thursday, April 18th: Galt Preserve @ 8 am

St. James City, Pine Island

Leisure hike ~1.5 miles — Degree of Difficulty: Easy

Trail Map: http://www.conservation2020.org/publishingimages/recreation/GP_trail_map.pdf

General Galt Preserve Info: <http://www.conservation2020/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=13>

Monday, April 22nd (Earth Day): Gator Hole Preserve @ * 9 am

14291 Corkscrew Rd., Estero

Leisure hike ~1.5 miles — Degree of Difficulty: Easy

* This is also a Florida Trails Association hike so either contact Mickey directly or R.S.V.P. at:

http://www.meetup.com/Alligator_Amblers/events/106687982/

General Gator Hole Preserve Info: <http://www.conservation2020/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=3>

Thursday, April 25th: Telegraph Creek & Bob Janes Preserves (Cattle on-site) @ 8 am

16451 North River Rd., Alva

Leisure hike ~4 miles on marked trails — Degree of Difficulty: Moderate

Trail Map: http://www.conservation2020.org/publishingimages/recreation/TCP_trail_map.pdf

General Telegraph Creek Preserve Info: <http://www.conservation2020.org/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=40>

Saturday, April 27th: Daniels Preserve at Spanish Creek (Cattle on-site) @ 8 am

18500 Persimmon Ridge Rd., Alva

Leisure hike ~1.5 miles — Degree of Difficulty: Easy

Trail Map: http://www.conservation2020.org/publishingimages/recreation/DPSC_fire_line_map.pdf

General Daniels Preserve at Spanish Creek Info: <http://conservation2020.org/Pages/preservedetails.aspx?projid=29>

Native Plant Sale Set For April 20

The Coccoloba Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society (serving Lee County) is having a native plant sale on Saturday, April 20, co-sponsored by the City of Cape Coral.

It will take place in Rotary Park, 5505 Rose Garden Road, Cape Coral, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

During the sale, Lee County's Florida Yards and Neighborhoods Program and Master Gardeners will provide a rain barrel workshop and kit for \$45. To pre-register, call 533-7504.

Florimulch from Forestry Resources will be on sale for \$2 a bag and native plant experts will be on hand to help with plant choices.

Trees, shrubs, grasses, wildflowers and vines that provide nectar for pollinators, larval hosts for butterflies and healthy food for birds will be available in one- and three-gallon pots. A free native slash pine will be given with each order while supplies last, thanks to the Florida Forest Service!

Proceeds benefit the Coccoloba Chapter's grant programs.

For more information, contact John Sibley at john@nolawn.com or call 671-9663; or Sue Scott, suddensue@live.com, phone 292-7032.

A Florida native plant species that occurs within state boundaries and existed there prior to European contact, according to the best scientific and historical



The yard at Warren Bush's home is neat and attractive, and the pines create their own mulch

documentation. It includes those species generally considered to be indigenous, occurring in natural habitats that existed prior to significant human (including Calusa) impact and alteration to the landscape. Natives include those plants occurring in Florida natural communities converting the sun's energy to food energy for the complex of living things adapted to be part of Florida life support systems.

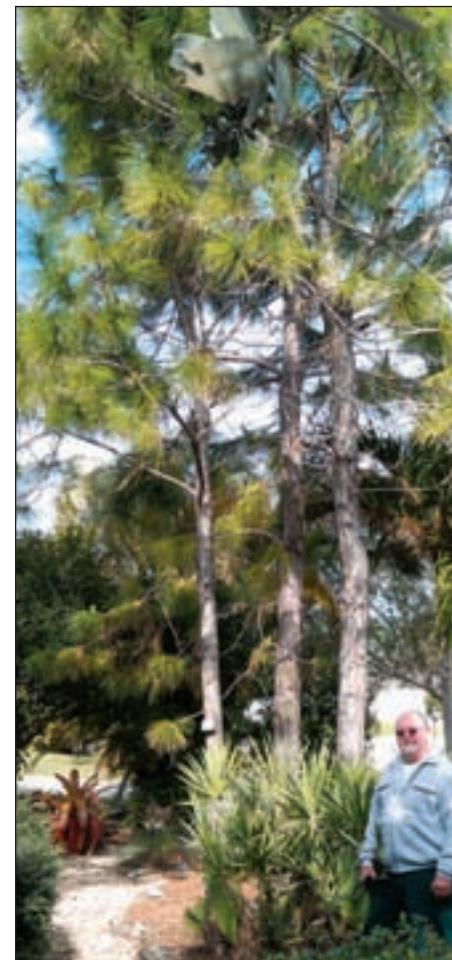
Plants from other parts of the planet don't fit with Florida's interactive life forms and can disrupt the quality of life.

Sibley, president of Coccoloba, says

Southwest Florida, especially Cape Coral, is in need of more pine trees. Native pine flatwoods are almost completely gone. Planting native pines in yards, business landscapes and public places can make a difference.

Slash pines & longleaf pines are native to Florida and provide housing and food for birds, mammals (including humans), reptiles and amphibians.

Sources: *Growing Native* by Richard Workman; *Priceless Florida* by Ellie Whitney, D. Bruce Means and Anne Rudloe.*



Warren Bush with his copse of native pines at his home in southwest Cape Coral. The pines are only about 10 years old.

Free Beach Walks At Lee County Parks Offered

Lee County Parks & Recreation free guided walks are winding down for the season – don't miss out on the fun!

Lynn Hall Park

Laughter is the best medicine and you don't need a doctor's prescription. Just open wide and say "Ha!" Laughter Yoga is fun and it's free. Join hosts Meg Scott and Jeanette Bevilacqua for simple rhythmic clapping, mild stretching, deep breathing and laughter exercises just for the health of it. Lift your mood and laugh away your stress every Friday at 8 a.m. Lynn Hall Park is located at 950 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach. Lighten up and learn to take yourself and life a little less seriously. No yoga experience needed. Bring a beach towel. The program is free. There is a parking fee of \$2 per hour. Visit www.laughteryogawithmegscott.com or www.laughteryoga.org for more information.

Matanzas Pass Preserve

• Last scheduled walk for this season is April 25

Join our naturalist on our Mangrove Walk, a leisurely, educational guided walk through Matanzas Pass Preserve and enjoy our newly accessible redesigned boardwalks. Learn about the diverse plant community including a maritime oak hammock, transitional wetlands and

a mangrove forest. Walks are held each Thursday beginning at 9:30 a.m. and last approximately 1.5 hours. This is a free walk and parking is free, but space is limited so come early. Meet at the entrance of the preserve. For those interested in learning more about the island's history, be sure to stop by the Historic Cottage, open every Wednesday and Saturday between 10 a.m. and noon. Guide maps and QR code cards are available at the entrance to the preserve if you prefer to take a self-guided visit or just stop to meditate at our peace pole. Matanzas Pass Preserve is located at 199 Bay Road in Fort Myers Beach. Visit www.leeparks.org for more information.

Bowditch Point Park

• Last scheduled walk for this season is April 30

Follow our naturalist on a Barrier Island Guided Walk as they lead you through the preserve and shoreline areas that make up Bowditch Point Park. If you're fortunate, you may even get an up close visit from one of our park gopher tortoises or see the young osprey peaking out of their nest. Our guide will show you the importance of the barrier islands, their unique ecosystem and how they protect the mainland. Explore the beach front tropical hardwoods, coastal scrub and wetland plant communities. Our walks take place each Tuesday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and Friday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and continue each week through April. Parking is \$2 per hour or free with a valid Lee County Parks & Recreation parking sticker. Meet on the upper patio

for this free walk. Bowditch Point Park is located at the north tip of Estero Island, 50 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach. Visit www.leeparks.org for more information.

Bunche Beach

Low Tide Loafing At Sunset – A Guided Exploration

Join a naturalist guide as you leisurely explore the mud flats to see what mysteries the low tide uncovers while enjoying a beautiful Florida sunset. Bunche Beach is a wonderful place to explore and learn about the amazing variety of shore birds, shells and possibly spot a manatee or dolphin playing along the shore. Bring a camera, shoes that can get wet, bug spray and drinking water. Our next walk will be held on Thursday, April 25 from 7 to 8 p.m. Bunche Beach Preserve is located at 18201 John Morris Road in Fort Myers Beach. Walks meet at the picnic tables on the beach. The walk is free. Parking is \$2 per hour or free with a valid Lee County Parks & Recreation parking sticker. Visit www.leeparks.org for more information.

Bird Patrol Tour

Bunche Beach is known as one of the best birding sites in Lee County. Join our Lee County Bird Patrol volunteers on this free tour as they share information on the contribution birds make to the delicate balance of our ecosystems. Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet, bug spray and drinking water. Our next walk will be held on Monday, April 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Meet at the picnic tables on the beach. Bunche Beach

Preserve is located at 18201 John Morris Road in Fort Myers Beach. This is a free walk. Parking is \$2 per hour or free with a valid Lee County Parks & Recreation parking sticker. Visit www.birdpatrol.org for more information.*

Take A Hike At Six Preserves

Guided nature hikes around Lee County will be led by Conservation 20/20 Ranger Mickey Miller. The hikes are designed to show the diversity these preserves have to offer.

The preserves are open to the public via existing pedestrian access gates and are scattered throughout Lee County, in Alva, Cape Coral, Estero, south Fort Myers and Pine Island.

Each guided hike is limited to 15 people. Contact Miller at MMiller2@leegov.com or call 229-0522 to reserve a place.

Space for vehicles is primitive and limited and participants are asked to carpool. There are no restroom facilities on site.

Bring supplies such as water, hat, sunscreen, binoculars, camera and closed-toed shoes or boots.

For more information, visit www.conservation2020.org or www.conservation2020.org/Documents/publications/2013-Ranger-Hikes.pdf.*

Celebration Of America's Composers

The Symphonic Chorale of Southwest Florida presents An American Rhapsody, a celebration of America's composers on Saturday, April 20, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults or \$10 for students and can be purchased by calling 560-5695, online at www.ticketriver.com (search Symphonic Chorale) or at the door. The concert will be held at First Christian Church, 2061 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers.

Under the direction of Dr. Timothy McDonnell, the evening will feature a sampling of works that express the American musical experience. The 80-voice chorale and the Ave Maria University Chamber Choir, accompanied by an orchestra, will perform a program that ranges from the music of Aaron Copland to opera choruses by ragtime composer Scott Joplin, as well as other national choral treasures.

The evening also will include a piano performance by Joseph Donovan, a senior at Ave Maria University, playing George Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue*, and the Kellyn Celtic Dancers' will salute



Symphonic Chorale of Southwest Florida

their American roots during a dance to *Appalachian Spring*. An estimated 70 percent of early Appalachia settlers came from Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

The chorale is dedicating this all-American concert to men and women who have served in the military. Donations of single-serving pop-top cans of food, non-perishable snacks and toilet paper will be collected for distribution to homeless vets through Lee Memorial Health System's Military Support Group. Local veterans' groups will host tables prior to the performance and during intermission to provide information about their services.

Celebrating its second season as an independent, not-for-profit group, this volunteer community chorale provides opportunities for talented area singers to work together to develop their singing techniques, performance skills and creative choral artistry in the interpretation of challenging and significant choral literature.

To learn more, visit www.symphonic-chorale.org.✱

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A Masterful Play At Gulfshore

by Di Saggau

Talk about ending their season on a high note, Gulfshore Playhouse is doing just that with their spectacular production of *Master Class*.

The Tony award-winning play takes place in an empty opera hall at Juilliard where opera diva Maria Callas subjects her students to constructive criticism. She reminds everyone that singing is serious business. She doesn't bite, she barks, however some of her students might disagree.

Marina Re, in the role of Callas, becomes Callas. It is a performance that blows you away. She shares her passion for opera and the tireless pursuit of perfection that resulted in one of the greatest opera voices of all time. Terrence McNally's play isn't just about a master class, it is a master class. Callas addresses the audience directly as if they were her students. The play is based on true events. Callas taught a series of master classes at Juilliard in the early 1970s, just before her untimely death in 1977. It was not long after Aristotle Onassis had left her for Jackie Kennedy in 1968.

Callas has a monologue in the first act where she shares thoughts of her relationship with Onassis. One could call it elegant revenge. The moment is made even more poignant hearing the real Callas singing in the background. For me, it was a highlight of the play.

Students accompanied by a live piano player (Charles Czarnnecki) come on and off stage to sing their chosen pieces.



Marina Re as Maria Callas in Gulfshore Playhouse production of *Master Class*

Marina Re gives an unforgettable performance as Callas, filling her with a humanity that makes you feel you know the woman. She orders the stagehand (Michael Turkzynski) around, wanting a footstool one minute and a cushion the next.

Clearly, Marina Re is the star of the production, but she is joined by an excellent supporting cast. Czarnnecki plays so beautifully I thought it was a recording at first. The three student singers; Glenn Steven Allen as Tony, Christine Cornell as Sophie, and Leah Edwards as Sharon all have beautiful voices, however, only Allen and Edwards have the chance to actually sing their chosen arias. Cornell only gets one note out of her mouth before Callas says, "Stop." Edwards shows up wearing a long, pink chiffon

gown to which Callas replies, "Are you going some place after this? This is a master class not Cinderella's Ball."

It is surprising and enjoyable that *Master Class* is so humorous. The subject matter – music – is taken very seriously, and although Callas is a passionate person, there is a playfulness to her that prevents things from being too heavy. She loves to say, "Poof, I am invisible." As if that could happen.

I hope everyone reads the actor bios in the program as they are most impressive. Director Kristen Coury is known

for bringing the right people to the right roles. *Master Class* is being performed in Daniels Pavilion at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts, 5833 Pelican Bay Boulevard in Naples. Tickets are available by calling Gulfshore Playhouse at 1-866-811-4111 or online at www.gulfshore-playhouse.org.

You don't have to be a fan of Maria Callas or of opera to like *Master Class*, but if you are a fan, like me, you will truly enjoy this masterful production.✱

Ballroom Dance Competition For Fifth Graders

Students from seven elementary schools in Lee County will compete in a ballroom dance competition at the Miromar Design Center, located at 10800 Corkscrew Road in Estero, on Saturday, April 13 beginning at 4 p.m. The event, known as Colors of the Rainbow, is the county-wide finale of the Dancing Classrooms program, a national program administered locally by The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools and sponsored by Miromar Outlets. The Colors of the Rainbow team match includes several rounds of competition where students are judged on various ballroom dance routines. Rodney Lopez, star of Mad Hot Ballroom, is the emcee of the event. Colors of the Rainbow is open to the public.

The Dancing Classrooms program kicked-off in January with more than 630 fifth grade students from Bonita Springs Elementary, Colonial Elementary, Edgewood Academy, J. Colin English Elementary, Lehigh Acres Elementary, Orange River Elementary and Spring Creek Elementary. Students were taught 20 dance lessons throughout a 10-week time period, and showcased their skills to the community on two separate occasions at Miromar Outlets.

"We are in the sixth year of the Dancing Classrooms program in Lee County yet every year it continues to amaze me," said Margaret Antonier, president and CEO of Miromar Development. "It is an incredible gift to see the transformation for the children into young ladies and gentlemen. This program not only impacts the students, but the teachers, the parents and everyone these children will come into contact with in the future. It is an opportunity that gives them important tools for the rest of their lives."

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Top Prospects Sano And Rosario Slug Miracle To 4-0 Season Start, But They May Not Be Here Long



by Ed Frank

If you're a baseball fan, you have the opportunity to watch two exciting youngsters on this season's Fort Myers Miracle team that are destined for bigger things – but you better act quickly, because Miquel Sano and Eddie Rosario might not be here long.

Sano and Rosario blasted the Miracle to a 4-0 season start and, as the week began, Sano, with back-to-back three-hit games, was batting .438 and Rosario .389.

We've written extensively about Sano in the past, but this is the first season where he will be competing in the tough High A Florida State League.

The Dominican Republic native is listed by *Baseball America* as the No. 1 prospect in the Minnesota Twins organization and No. 9 among all Major League prospects. Rosario is No. 7 in the Twins farm system.

Sano was signed by the Twins in 2009 for a whopping \$3.15 million, the highest international signing bonus in Twins history, more than the Twins spent on 70 international prospects from 2006 through 2008 combined. He was just 16 years old when he signed.

A lengthy investigation by Major League Baseball preceded his signing to confirm his young age, and that long probe actually reduced the multi-million dollar deal he was awarded.

Sano was the subject of the 2012 documentary *Pelotero* that followed the controversial period before his signing.

Still just 19 years old, the Twins have been cautious with his development in order to improve his defensive skills at third base and to reduce his propensity for striking out. That conservative approach is working as last season, the 6'4", 236-pound Sano hit 28 home runs and knocked in 100 runs while batting .258 at Low A Beloit.

Rosario, 20, also is moving up from Beloit where he hit .296 with 70 RBIs playing second base. He recently competed for his native Puerto Rico in the World Baseball Classic, where Puerto Rico finished runner-up to the Dominican Republic champions.

The purpose of minor league baseball is to develop youngsters for the majors. If Sano and Rosario continue to play the way they have the first week of the season, don't be surprised to see them move up soon to Double A New Britain.

In addition to Sano and Rosario, the 2013 edition of the Miracle, under first-year manager Doug Mientkiewicz, blends experience along with 11 players new to a Miracle uniform.

Of local interest is Florida Gulf Coast University alum Stephen Wickens, a center-fielder, who hit .307 last year with rookie-level Elizabethton and Beloit in 59 games.

The red-hot starting Miracle will be home Sunday at Hammond Stadium to begin a four-game homestand starting against Charlotte followed by Palm Beach on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Everblades 1-1 Against Elmira In First Round Of Playoffs

The Florida Everblades, the defending Kelly Cup champions of the ECHL, split the first two games against the Elmira Jackals in Round 1 of the playoffs.

Graham To Speak At Golden Halo Awards

In 1997, Earnest Graham was named Florida's "Mr. Football" and was named a *Parade* magazine high school All-American. Graham was born in Naples and graduated from Mariner High School in Cape Coral. The Florida High School Athletic Association recognized Graham was one of the 100 Greatest Players of the First 100 Years of Florida high school football.

Ranked as one of the best running backs for The University of Florida, the Gator graduate went on to play for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers from 2003 through 2011.

The 7th annual Golden Halo Awards is a signature event of the Christian Chamber of Southwest Florida. This event will be held on Saturday, April 20

at Pelican Preserve Country Club, 9802 Pelican Preserve Blvd. in Fort Myers at 6 p.m. Tickets are available by calling the chamber office at 481-1411 or online at www.hischamber.org.

The Golden Halo Vision is to "Inspire Christian teachers through recognition of excellence." Nominations are broken into three levels: kindergarten to fifth grade, sixth to eighth grade and ninth to 12th grade for Lee, Charlotte and Collier counties. With the 12 finalists in attendance, three winners will be announced and presented with a custom crafted pin donated by the Diamond District.

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The series moved to Elmira for the next three games that began Wednesday and will continue this weekend. If Games 6 and 7 are necessary, they will be played back here at Germain Arena next Monday and Wednesday.

The first game of the ECHL Eastern Conference quarterfinals began with a 5-1 Florida victory, but the Jackals skated back with an 8-2 win last Saturday.

Twins, Red Sox Off To Good Start

After writing last week that baseball experts had predicted last-place finishes for both the Minnesota Twins and the Boston Red Sox, both teams completed the first week of the season with 4-2 records and in first place in their respective divisions.

And on Monday of this week, the Red Sox improved to 5-2 with a shutout win over Baltimore.

The season is something like 25 weeks long, not just one week, but that first week sure was encouraging for both teams.*

15th Collegiate Roller Hockey Championships

The National Collegiate Roller Hockey Association will hold its 15th National Collegiate Roller Hockey Championships in Lee County this weekend, concluding on Sunday, April 14.

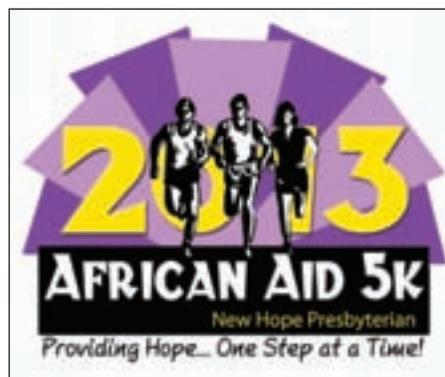
The event will feature 56 teams in three divisions (Division I, Division II, and B Division) together to compete for the title of Collegiate Roller Hockey National Champion. Games will be played at the Fort Myers Skatium from 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. (the last game starts at 11:45 p.m.) the first four days of the tournament and then 7:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the final day. Fans are welcome; admission fees vary from \$5 or \$12 for youth/adult day

passes to \$10 to \$30 for tournament passes. The Skatium is located at 2250 Broadway in Fort Myers.

Teams will represent each of the seven member organizations of the NCRHA. The format for the event includes three round robin games for each team, followed by a single-elimination bracket round leading up to the National Championship games. The Division I Championship Game will be held on at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, followed on Sunday, April 14 by the Division II Championship Game and B Division Championship Game, held at noon and 1:30 p.m., respectively.

For more information, a complete schedule and list of teams, visit http://ncrha.org/schedule.php?&event_id=1529&playoff_id=572&area=schedule. Or call 310-753-7285.*

African AID 5K Race



The African AID 5K Race is an annual fundraising event sponsored by New Hope Presbyterian Church and The Fort Myers Track Club for the children of South Africa who are affected by the HIV/AIDS pandemic. All of the proceeds raised will be donated to World Vision, a Christian relief, development, and advocacy organization dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

The race will begin at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 20 at New Hope Presbyterian Church, 3825 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. The route will run along McGregor Boulevard from Jefferson Street to El Prado Street and back to the church. McGregor

Boulevard will be closed to traffic from Jefferson Street to El Prado Street from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.

Awards will be given out to the top male and female runners in the following categories: Overall, Masters, Grand Master, and Senior Grand Master in age categories ranging from 9 and under to 70 and over. Scoring and results will be calculated with The ChronoTrack D-Tag System. Refreshments will be served and awards will be presented immediately following the race. Each participant will also receive a free African AID 5K Race T-shirt. Walkers are welcome, too.

A registration form can be completed online at www.ftmyerstrackclub.com, picked up at New Hope Presbyterian Church or filled out on-site on race day starting at 6:45 a.m. Early registration is \$25 for adults and \$10 for ages 17 and under. Race day registration is \$30 for adults and the same price for ages 17 and under. For more information, call the Fort Myers Track Club at 332-4786 or visit their website at www.ftmyerstrackclub.com.*

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From left, Kevin and Jennifer Hetherington (parents of Mikayla), Mikayla Hetherington, Sam Crimaldi, Abbi Smith and Capt. Morgan Bowden (representatives of the Hillmyer-Tremont Student Athlete Foundation, Inc.)

Student Gets Athletic Scholarship

Southwest Florida Christian Academy senior, Mikayla Hetherington, discovered on Thursday, April 4, that she will be one of the recipients of the Hillmyer-Tremont Student Athlete Scholarship.

The Hillmyer-Tremont Student Athlete Foundation Inc. was established to reward a

local male and female for his/her athletic and academic achievements. The scholarship is cumulative up to \$18,000.

Principal Emily Pigott said, "We are very proud of Mikayla and her accomplishments in athletics, academics and community service. We are grateful to the foundation for its support of our local student athletes." ✨

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Ballroom Dance

The mission of the Dancing Classrooms program is to build social awareness, confidence and self-esteem in children through the practice of social dance. The maturity necessary to dance together fosters respect, teamwork, confidence and a sense of joy and accomplishment in children, which in turn helps students succeed in schools as well as social settings.

"We see improvements in academics, attitude and self-confidence in students that participate in this program," added Marshall T. Bower, Esq., president and CEO of The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools. "It is amazing to see the changes that take place in the way these students treat each other, their parents, and other adults as the dancing lessons progress."

Miromar Outlets is the Major Sponsor of the Dancing Classrooms program. ✨

Area Chefs Cooking Up Support For Scholarship Fundraising Event

Chefs from some of the finest local restaurants will feature signature dishes at the Canterbury School annual fundraising gala, Dream Big – The Sky's The Limit, on Saturday, April 20 starting at 7 p.m. at the ACI Hangar at Page Field in Fort Myers. The event, presented by FineMark Bank, will support the school's need-based financial aid program, provide curriculum enrichment and classroom enhancements.

Chefs from Cru, Sunshine Grille, Hemingway's, Cristof's, Crave Culinaire, the Timbers, Reuben's Catering, Nevermind Awesome Bar & Eatery and Norman Love Confections will cook up their support with a menu of shrimp and grits, wild abalone, seared lamp chops, pork medallions, smoked fish dip, chicken and dumplings and crab spring rolls. The heavy hors d'oeuvres will set the stage for an evening of fun including entertainment by a live Bon Jovi tribute band, dancing, and both live and silent auctions.

More than 25 percent of Canterbury students receive some form of need-based merit scholarship and/or financial aid support. This year, Canterbury is providing nearly \$1.5 million in financial assistance to local students. The school adheres to the National Association of Independent School's Principles of Good Practice for Financial Aid in its granting processes.

In addition, students of promise can apply for need-based Merit Scholarship opportunities for students entering sixth and ninth grades. The students must apply and meet certain academic requirements, demonstrate leadership qualities and take a qualifying test at Canterbury School.

The net proceeds from the Dream Big event will benefit the Scholarship and Financial Aid programs. Tickets are \$150 per person, \$300 per couple or \$100 for Canterbury alumni. Sponsorships are available. For more information, contact the Development Office at 333-3294 or email LOzboyaci@canterburyfortmyers.org. ✨

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSPT

Dear Shelley, Exactly what is therapeutic horseback riding? How does it work? Someone has suggested it for my child who has cerebral palsy and I am

worried that it might be dangerous for her. Please explain.

Jannetta R, Cape Coral

Jannetta,

Therapeutic horseback riding has been widely recognized as a beneficial activity for disabled people for at least the past 20 years. In 1969, the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH), a nonprofit group, was founded to promote therapeutic horseback riding.

Experts say that from the physical perspective riding is a non weight-bearing activity that forces riders to use both sides of their bodies. For those with walking issues, a horse's gait mimics that of a human. The horse's motions may stimulate neurons that help enable riders to straighten their own movements. Physical strength improves significantly while riding the horses. Increased muscle tone is one of the benefits of horse therapy that is particularly beneficial for children with CP. Then there's the rhythmic part of riding a horse. The one, two, three, four

cadence helps organize a rider's coordination and thoughts.

The interaction with the horses may also help a student's social skills. Riders need to communicate with the horses and they begin to learn the interactive nature of this communication and learn how to extend it to human interaction. Sometimes student riders are allowed to learn groom, care and equip horses, as well as learn about horse breeds, nutrition and gait. These skills may lead a child to develop a life long interest in horses and riding which is very beneficial as it is often more difficult for handicapped children to develop life long interests.

Increased self-confidence is often a product of horseback riding therapy. Students need to get beyond any initial fears while mounting these large animals and they need to work hard to stay on the saddle. It's an exhilarating feeling to have a successful horseback ride and a big confidence builder.

Any necessary accommodation or assistance is available at therapeutic riding centers. The focus is on safety for the rider, which will bring the success of the experience.

At some therapeutic riding centers, family members are also encouraged to ride along side their sibling or child and assist in other chores in caring for the horse. Taking part in these experiences together helps families grow closer and may strengthen emotional bonds.

Ms. Greggs is adjunct faculty at Edison State College where she teaches psychology and education courses. She is also Nationally Certified School Psychologist and consultant for School

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Edison Students Named In National Registry

The national publication *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges & Universities* 2013 edition includes 72 Edison State College students.

More than 2,842 schools in the United States participate in the program, which for more than 76 years has recognized students who prove to be outstanding campus leaders.

"Through their hard work and active participation, these students are proving their commitment not only to their education but also their communities," said Dr. Jeff Allbritten, president, Edison State College.

The students are: Vladimyr Alce, Brittany Anderson, Stephanie Andrews, Natalie Artimez, Christina Berdeaux, Allison Blanco, Angela Boehnlein, Jessica Bruce, Marissa Butcosk, Andrea Cazares, Daphney Charelus, Myrline Charelus, Jason Cooper, Ian Cox, Lucero Delgado, Georgette Diaz, Toyoko Duna, Webster Duplessis, Jeremy Endter, Claudia Franco, Joshua Freiberg, Jonathan Fry, Jose Garita, Brian Gilmore, Angelica

Gonzales, Dayhanna Gonzales, Ana Gonzalez, Leonardo Gonzalez, Wyatt Hoffman, Shelby Hoskins, Kyle Houghton, Britney Ingram, Micheline Isme, Yurley Jauregui, Juvens Jeannot, Pedro Jimenez, Joseph Johnslly, Cierra Jones, Them Le, Renee Lepere, Guadalupe Lopez, Anthony Malagisi, Luke Marshall, Manuela Martinez, Erika McDermott, Dakendo Michel, Kimberly Miller, Stephanie Mock, Jenny Nicolas-Angrand, Amanda Peraza, Jahaira Perez, Paula Pierrelus, Elisa Pinero, Lienz Riano, Dominic Robinson, Anne Romelus, Howard Rompre, Jordan Russell, Jesse Ruth, Juan Saldivar, Oscar Santiago, Carla Swett, Stephanie Tirpak, Elizabeth Toth, Emilio Vasquez, Rafael Vega, Lira Vigo, Harry Wheat, Jeremiah Whited, David Wickstrom, Jacob Winge and Joy Wolfahrt.

In order to be named to *Who's Who*, students must be enrolled full time with at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, be at least a sophomore, hold participation and leadership roles in college clubs and extracurricular activities, and have community involvement. Students are nominated by college faculty and staff and are also eligible to win one of three scholarships, which are chosen by a random drawing in May.*



MicroEnterprise Lehigh Acres graduates

Small Business Training Program

The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute hopes to increase the number of veterans and others owning small businesses in the region. The MicroEnterprise Institute, which provides small business training and opportunities for individuals with low-to-moderate income or are disadvantaged will begin a new session on April 15. Applications are available online at www.goodwillswfl.org/micro

enterprise.

Program participants will complete a six-week training course, made up of three-hour classes, two evenings a week. Mentors will work directly with participants to help these potential small business owners prepare a business plan.

"This class, which is open to everyone, is a little unique in that we really reached out to the veteran community to find aspiring entrepreneurs," said Madison Mitchell, spokesperson for Goodwill. "It will be taught by members of the business community as well as veterans who also have a background in business."

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

Veterans who participate will also be eligible for a free membership to the Veterans Military Museum in Cape Coral (4820 Leonard Street), where the classes will also be held.

"Our mission is to serve our veterans and our community," said Ralph Santillo,

founder and president of the museum, who will also be a coach for the session. "We want to show our commitment to growing the economy by helping small businesses be successful."

The Goodwill MicroEnterprise Institute is administered by Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. Persons interested in applying to the Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise project or who would like to mentor future small business owners can call 995-2106 ext. 2219. Visit www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise for more information.*

Financial Focus

Put Your Tax Refund To Work



by Jennifer Basey

Not everyone gets one, but it's always a welcome sight – a tax refund. If you receive a refund this year, how can you best put it to work?

The answer depends, to a large extent, on the size of your refund. In 2012, the average tax refund was about \$3,000, according to the IRS. Let's look at a few possibilities for how you might use this amount:

- **Help fund your IRA** – In 2013, you can now put in up to \$5,500 per year (up from \$5,000 in 2012) to a traditional or Roth IRA. And if you're 50 or older, you can put in an additional \$1,000 per year above the new contribution limit. Consequently, your \$3,000 refund could cover more than half of your maximum IRA contributions, or slightly less than half if you're 50 or older. And if you don't think that \$3,000 would make much of a difference, consider this: If you invested the \$3,000 in an IRA that earned a hypothetical 7 percent annual return, and you never put in another dime, you'd end up with nearly \$23,000

after 30 years. And if you put in that same \$3,000 per year to your IRA – well below the maximum – every year for 30 years, earning that same 7 percent annual return, you'd accumulate more than \$303,000. (Keep in mind that you'd eventually be taxed on your traditional IRA earnings; Roth IRA earnings grow tax-free, provided you meet certain conditions.)

- **Pay Off Some Debts** – In the last few years, Americans have done a pretty good job of lowering their individual debt loads, according to the Federal Reserve. But if you still have some outstanding loans or a credit card balance that carries a high interest rate, you might want to consider applying your tax refund to these debts. The lower your monthly debt payments, the better your cash flow – and the more money you'll have available to invest for your future.

- **Help Build An Emergency Fund** – Life is full of unexpected events. If you need to purchase a new furnace or pay for an expensive car repair or incur a hospital bill, will you have the money available? If you don't, you might be forced to dip into your IRA or other investments. This move could result in taxes and fees; more importantly, it will reduce the financial resources you're counting on to help meet your long-term goals. You can help avoid this problem by building an emergency fund containing six to 12 months' worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid, low-risk account. Your tax refund could give you a nice start to this fund.

- **Invest In A 529 Plan** – If you have children (or grandchildren) whom you'd like to send to college, you may want to invest in a 529 plan. Your earnings grow tax-free, provided withdrawals are used for qualified higher education expenses. (Withdrawals for other purposes will result in taxes and possible penalties.) Contribution limits are quite high, so you can put in significant amounts each year – including a \$3,000 tax refund.

As you can see, you've got some attractive options for using your tax refund – so consider them carefully. If you can apply more resources to your various financial goals, you may find yourself in a better position in the future.

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

Summer Housing Scholarships

Edison State College is offering housing scholarships for students who wish to live on campus during the summer term of 2013 and who may have a financial need. The priority application deadline is April 19. To receive details on how to apply, visit <http://www.edison.edu/financialaid/housingscholarship/>.

Criteria to receive a scholarship will be determined on a case by case basis, and award amounts can be up to \$3,000 for the summer 2013 term only. Individual award amounts are dependent on each student's circumstances.

For more information, visit www.edison.edu.✪

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Lung Association Launches Annual Stairclimb Event

The 2013 Fight For Air Stairclimb has been scheduled for Saturday, April 27 at the High Point Place, 2104 West First Street in Fort Myers, and will be hosted by the Gulfcoast Chapter of the American Lung Association.

Last year's event raised \$45,000 for the battle against lung diseases such as asthma and lung cancer, which is the leading cancer-related death for men and women in the United States. Event organizers hope to up the fundraising effort to \$50,000 this year.

During stairclimbs, which the American Lung Association (ALA) hosts throughout the country, participants raise money by collecting pledges to ascend the stairway in a high-rise tower. High Point Place, the tallest building between Tampa and Miami, has donated access to one of its towers for the Fight For Air Climb. Climbers ascend the high rise's 30 floors and 514 steps.

"Nearly 250 climbers participated last year, and we anticipate that number to increase substantially this year," said Kurt Goerke, regional director of the ALA's Gulfcoast Chapter.

As is the trend nationally, the Fort Myers stairclimb is attracting an increasing level of support and participation from local firefighters. Firefighters don

their full gear during the climb, providing a healthy competition between neighboring fire districts while at the same time inspiring non-firefighting participants.

"A very healthy rivalry has developed among the local fire departments," Goerke said. "The firefighters all want to be the fastest up the stairs and generate the most donations. The event and our important cause certainly benefit from their involvement."

Teams who have registered for the event are invited to begin training, and practice climbs are scheduled weekly on Saturday mornings beginning this month. The cost to register for the event is \$25, and each climber must raise \$100. More information and online registration is available at www.FightForAirClimb.org.

Sponsor of the local event include Lee Memorial Health System, High Point Place, Lee County Electric Cooperative, Bagel Bagel, Simplified Technologies, Culligan Water, Starbucks, Allyn International, Story Book Realty, McDonald's, Kings Brand, The Morgan House and Sun Harvest Citrus. For more information or to get involved, call 908-2685.*

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Food Bank Seeks Votes To Receive Walmart Grant

The public's "vote" is needed to help the Harry Chapin Food Bank click its way to a grant from Walmart by voting for the food bank in the "ighting Hunger Together initiative. This is a national campaign with funds awarded to organizations receiving the most votes for their innovative and effective programs that help alleviate child hunger.

The public is asked to go to the Harry Chapin Food Bank's web site, www.harrychapinfoodbank.org and click on the Walmart Fighting Hunger Together logo. Visitors to the page are allowed one vote a day. At the conclusion of the voting, organizations receiving the most votes will split \$3 million in funding from Walmart.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is a member of Feeding America and has the opportunity to receive one of 40 grants of \$45,000 each; this would result in the food bank being able to distribute \$270,000 worth of food to those children in need.

Voting is live from April 1 through April 3. More than 300 hunger relief organizations across the country are in competition for votes. The more votes a Feeding America food bank or partner agency receives the better the chances it has of winning the money.

The child hunger projects submitted

through this grant opportunity will be voted on by the general public as part of the Walmart Fighting Hunger Together Spring 2013 program. Funds received must be used for national child hunger programs (i.e., Backpack, School Pantry, Summer Food Service, Kids Cafe, and Afterschool Snack) and/or other initiatives that have a clear, direct, and measurable impact on reducing child hunger in the communities served.

According to the USDA, more than 16 million children in the United States struggle with hunger. Locally, over 60,000 children struggle with hunger.

For more information and to vote for the Harry Chapin Food Bank, go to www.harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Over a million pounds of food is distributed by the Harry Chapin Food Bank monthly. For every dollar donated, about \$6 in food value goes back to the community. In the past fiscal year, the Harry Chapin Food Bank distributed more than 15.1 million pounds of food and other grocery items valued at more than \$25 million. This is roughly the equivalent of 12.5 million meals to people in need.*

Bureau Plans Family Reunion Workshop

The staff at the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau wants to make your next family reunion as successful as possible.

The bureau will host the 2013 Family Reunion Workshop on April 13 at the Crowne Plaza Fort Myers at Bell Tower Shops.

"The seminar equips local residents with expert ideas for keeping each age group in the family entertained with inventive projects and activities," said Candice Cocco, tourism group sales manager.

Topics include:

- Identify the who, what, where and when for your event;
- Get tips for planning a reunion on a tight budget;
- Discover creative activities for guests during your reunion;
- Speak with experts about reunion planning; and
- Find out about the best group hotel accommodations and recreational venues.

The experts include Candice Cocco, who has conducted dozens of family reunion workshops, and Nancy MacPhee, the bureau's tourism development manager.

This 101-style seminar is free to anyone planning a reunion in Lee County; seating is limited to two guests per reunion. The workshop runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reservations are required.

For more information, contact Cocco at ccocco@leegov.com or call 338-3500.*

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,

My husband's mother came to live with us because she was no longer able to care for herself and her home after she was widowed. She was getting very forgetful, missed taking her medicines – or took them twice – and forgot to do many of her responsibilities.

We had a dreadful time when she came to live with us. This once very articulate woman was dirty and we had difficulty with her extreme irritability. We

did our best to give her the medicines her doctor had ordered and do it on a regular basis as was necessary. We finally found it was just too difficult and we researched the available retirement and nursing homes, and she was able to be admitted. Her condition deteriorated. She would doze in her wheelchair in front of the television all day and I guess would sleep all night. One day while I was there visiting, I saw she had a terrible bed sore, and I told my husband she would have to be moved.

Her care in the new residence was outstanding. Under the care of a new physician, almost all of her medications were discontinued and she has made a complete reversal. She is now alert, wants her makeup case, and is no longer irritable. When she came to our house on a recent visit, she wanted to stay.

She now wants to go shopping for new clothes, she is no longer incontinent, the bed sore has finally healed and she is becoming the articulate, outgoing, well groomed woman that I knew in earlier years. The staff says her only problem now is that she wants to leave and go home and be with her family. We are very pleased that she has improved but in the interim of time, we have moved to a much smaller house and don't have the room for her. It would appear to us that her condition was the result of being extremely over medicated. What do you suggest we do?

Kathleen

Dear Kathleen,

If assisted living is not the living environment appropriate for your mother-in-law and your home is not appropriate consider independent senior housing. This type of living environment is independent living with some support services, such as dining service, that serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. Residents purchase a monthly meal plan that fits their schedule. Transportation to appointments, shopping and trips are available. Also, other support services may be available for purchase. Independent senior living is for individuals who do not want, or cannot keep up the responsibilities of a home, but do not need assisted living. You can begin your search by looking under apartments in the telephone book Pryce

Dear Kathleen,

There is little doubt that many people are over medicated. Some people use their prescription drugs, plus over the counter drugs, and then wash them all down with alcohol. The results can be disastrous. People can be misdiagnosed as being mentally impaired when they are just overloaded with drugs.

Your mother-in-law may be eligible for some kind of group home. Consult with geriatric services in the area where you live.

Lizzie

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

Dr. Dave

Vaccination Confusion



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

I recall sitting with my mother in a veterinarian's waiting room with our Rottweiler-Doberman-Mike Tyson cross, Petunia. I was busy reading *I Am Joe's Ovary* while

Petunia was trying to gnaw through his Hannibal Lecter muzzle in order to better scratch 'n sniff/maul 'n ingest the skittish waiting room clients. Suddenly, around the corner wheeled the nurse of my dreams.

"Hi, my name's Kitty. What's his?"

"Petunia" my mother replied, "Pet for short."

"No, I mean your son."

"Oh, David. He's going to be a doctor one day."

"Really? How old is he?"

"37."

"No, the dog."

"Oh, 3."

"Is he fixed?"

"Who?" replied my mother, a concerned furrow puckering her brow.

"I see he slobbers quite a bit. Does he do any tricks?"

"Well, he knows a little magic..."

"No, I mean the dog."

By the time the interview was over, I was so confused I wasn't sure if I was free of fleas, was house trained or liked my belly rubbed. But we were really stumped by the question, "Has he had all his shots?" I'm not certain how the confusion was finally sorted out, but I do know that to this day I have never had heartworms or distemper (though I once threw a tantrum when *Josie and the Pussycats* was cancelled). Petunia has never had the mumps or whooping cough.

Confusion still reigns in the world of vaccinations.

Have you had all your shots? Are you even aware of what they are now? Should you have more? Should you have less?

Vaccination has become a victim of its own success. There are those who mistakenly feel that diseases such as polio or diphtheria appear to be eradicated, hence vaccination is no longer necessary. Why must we start filling our kids up with vaccines as soon as they are hatched? But

in 1990, after an easing up in measles vaccination, the usual 1,500 cases of measles per year in the U.S. ballooned to 55,000 cases. Hundreds were hospitalized and 132 unvaccinated children died. In addition, every pediatrician, it seems, can recall a horror story involving an unvaccinated infant who contracted pertussis.

And so, yes, vaccination remains the cornerstone of public health. A vaccine's goal ultimately is to render itself obsolete. To the few fear mongers still left, i.e., those who consider science an inconvenient nuisance or who yap that vaccines are a CIA plot to turn law abiding citizens into Leaf fans, and yet have never had to deal with these diseases... you're welcome. Some examples:

Smallpox: "What's that scar on your shoulder, dad?" "I was shot." "Cool!" Those of us with the Sea of Tranquility crater stamped on our deltoids are apparently now safe from Smallpox. And because of us, so is everyone else. Smallpox, all but gone.

Diphtheria: With only five cases a year in North America, vaccination has all but wiped out this dreaded and dangerous disease.

Polio: A once devastating paralyzing illness that claimed FDR amongst its victims, polio is now very close to becoming

the next disease that will join smallpox on the eradicated list. Though there have been no wild cases since 1979 in North America, a few pockets, such as a recent outbreak in Haiti, still exist. The amazing polio story of Salk and Sabin has virtually resulted in vaccination victory over a very vicious virus.

HiB: Another marvelous vaccination success story since it was introduced in the 1990s as routine immunization. Where HiB meningitis killed five percent and left another 25 percent of its many victims brain damaged, the HiB vaccine is already close to actually making this common form of childhood meningitis a disease of the past.

Tetanus: Though there are now only 50 to 100 cases of "lockjaw" per year, 30 percent of those who contract tetanus will die. A booster (along with diphtheria) every 10 years is recommended for everyone but Petunia. Lockjaw would certainly save on muzzles.

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

dearPharmacist

Natural Script To Relieve Pain



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: I live in chronic pain, but no one is sure why. I take hydrocodone and ibuprofen daily, but I'm still in pain. Can you recommend any vitamins to help me?

MC, Dallas, Texas

I'm sorry you are going through this. Luckily, your doctor prescribes pain medicine for you; many won't out for fear of addiction. Every day, I receive letters from people feeling helpless (and hopeless) because their physicians are not compassionate enough to prescribe analgesics.

Anyway, there are many herbs, spices, teas and supplements for you. First, some background on why pain happens. Your body cranks out substances (called cytokines) in response to an injury which help patch you up. One well-known cytokine is called "Tumor Necrosis Factor Alpha" or TNFa.

Don't let the name scare you, it doesn't cause tumors, it actually tries to prevent them by causing cancer cells to commit suicide called "apoptosis." So when your body makes TNFa, it's your god-given cancer fighter. It also helps fight infection.

Problem is, too much causes backlash and you begin to hurt all over. Elevated TNFa levels are associated with rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis, migraines,

type 2 diabetes, heart failure, COPD, Lyme disease, depression, narcolepsy, ankylosing spondylitis, inflammatory bowel disease, psoriasis and dozens more.

People with high amounts of TNFa often have a hyper-reactive immune system and are diagnosed with conditions such as rheumatoid arthritis, ankylosing spondylitis, lupus and multiple sclerosis. Drugs like Remicade and Enbrel are TNF blockers, but they are thousands of dollars if you pay out of pocket. There are natural TNF blockers.

This will interest you: A deficiency of either magnesium or CoQ10 drives up TNFa. Yes, running out of either nutrient contributes to pain and sadly, there are hundreds of medications that rob these nutrients from your body. Refer to my Drug Muggers book for the lists.

If I were writing you a "script" to ease your pain, I would recommend natural TNF blockers. I'd pen out the following, but before buying anything, ask your physician if this is reasonable, and what dose is best for you:

- Magnesium malate – 250 mg three times daily
- Astaxanthin – 12mg every morning
- Ubiquinol (this is activated CoQ10) – 200mg at lunch
- Boswellia – 250 to 350mg two or three times daily
- Slippery Elm lozenges or tea (protects stomach from ibuprofen)

In addition, I recommend probiotics, the sort that contain prebiotics as well as organic acids. I suggest you drink green tea (or matcha) every day and eliminate foods that contain refined sugar/corn syrup, MSG, artificial dyes and artificial sweeteners. I'd sprinkle turmeric spice on everything. Give this protocol a few weeks and then send me a love note, you should feel better. It should be fine to

integrate this while taking your analgesics (hopefully over time, you'll need less of that). Ask your doctor what's right for you.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condi-

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The Springs

The Springs Assisted Living Celebrates First Anniversary

Shell Point Retirement Community, a non-profit organization dedicated to serving seniors in Southwest Florida, opened its third assisted living venture, The Springs, one year ago. New to the Shell Point lifecare tradition, The Springs offers assisted living services to the public on a month-to-month private pay basis. Assisted living services at The Springs are available at an affordable rate while maintaining the high quality care for which Shell Point is well known. By providing assisted living services on a month-to-month basis, The Springs allows residents a higher degree of flexibility including seasonal and respite stays.

When the newest assisted living facility (ALF) at Shell Point officially opened its doors for new residents, Virginia Moore was the first person to move into the facility. On April 11, 2012, Moore moved into her comfortable apartment to enjoy the services and lifestyle offered at Shell Point.

"I first heard about The Springs construction and renovation plan from good friends of mine that are Shell Point residents," said Moore. "I had always dreamed of coming to Shell Point, but never thought it would be possible. On the day that I moved in, I was met by all of the staff welcoming me to my new home; it is something that I will never forget. I was overwhelmed with emotion and was so excited to move in."

"A year later, I couldn't be happier with my decision to come to The Springs. I love my third floor apartment, which gives me a beautiful view of the fountain. I have met so many nice people and value the very special friendships I have made since moving here. The care is excellent and I really appreciate the daily support I receive," she added.



Rita Southern



The Springs is located at the entrance to Shell Point Retirement Community

"Our entire first year has truly been a year of celebration," said Rita Southern, director of assisted living. "The Springs has become a warm and inviting home to more than fifty residents that have chosen to join the Shell Point family, and we are very honored that both the residents and their families trust us and have placed their care in our hands."

The location of The Springs at the entrance to Shell Point is less than two miles from the Sanibel Island causeway. This location, plus Shell Point's comprehensive resident activities and healthcare services, are just some of the many benefits that residents of the facility enjoy. The Springs comprehensive monthly rate (excluding personal laundry), helps residents and their families plan for the most effective use of their resources. This new assisted living option provides the added security of access to the network of quality health care services provided by the Shell Point healthcare team, when and if those services are needed. The facility's amenities and services include a heated swimming pool, exercise facilities, transportation, dining, 24-hour healthcare staffing and a professional activities leader who coordinates high-quality events and activities, educational and entertainment programs, and opportunities for socialization and personal growth.

Representatives of The Springs are available to assist individuals or families through the steps involved in making the transition as smooth and simple as possible. For information about The Springs at Shell Point or to request a brochure, call 454-2077, email thesprings@shellpoint.org or visit www.shellpoint.org/assistedliving.*

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Against The Odds: Making A Difference In Global Health

The exhibition Against The Odds: Making A Difference In Global Health highlights a revolution in global health that is taking place in villages and towns around the world. Communities in collaboration with scientists, advocates, governments and international organizations, are taking up the challenge to prevent disease and improve the quality of life. The exhibit will be on display from April 8 to May 18 at the Northwest Regional Library, located at 519 Chiquita Boulevard in North Cape Coral. The exhibition is presented by the National Library of Medicine National Institutes of Health and is sponsored by the Friends of Northwest Regional Library. It tells a few of the many stories of this revolution drawing upon the legacy of success, often based on the simplest means. People are working on a wide range of issues, from community health to conflict, disease to discrimination.

"We as Americans take so much for granted. It is very interesting to see how local and global partners are changing the world for the better," said Sheldon Kaye, Director of the Lee County Library System. "We should all be committed to global health for the future because the world has become so small."

The library is also presenting several programs that highlight local organizations that are making a difference to prevent disease and improve the quality of life locally. The programs include:

Tuesday, April 16 at 4 p.m.

World Hunger: Real Needs; Real Solutions

Our planet is now host to 7 billion people. Sociologists and economists tell us that one in seven people goes to bed malnourished. ECHO equips people with agricultural resources and skills to reduce hunger and improve the lives of the less fortunate. Learn

about this global organization and the impact they make on our community and the world.

Tuesday, April 23 at 4 p.m.

Keeping The Mosquitoes Away!

Lee County Mosquito Control District is committed to improving the quality of life, facilitating outdoor activities and protecting the public health in our community by implementing environmentally sound practices that control mosquitoes throughout Lee County. Learn how the Lee County Mosquito Control serves the residents and visitors of Lee County and helps to make our community a safe and enjoyable place to live and work.

Tuesday, April 30 at 4 p.m.

Community Health – Providing Care and Promoting Wellness

Learn about how the Cape Coral community is partnering to work on an innovative primary health care center for the working uninsured and under insured. Nurse Practitioner Sue Hook will present the history and vision of the Samaritan Health and Wellness Center, a first-of-its-kind facility in Cape Coral. The professional, licensed health care providers at the Center will offer physical, mental and spiritual care to individuals and families.

The Northwest Regional Library is located at 519 Chiquita Blvd. N. in Cape Coral and is open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday from noon to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Sundays. The exhibit is available during all open hours. All programs are free and open to the public. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days notice to library staff. Information about Lee County Library System is available for your convenience 24/7 at www.leelibrary.net where you can find out about library services, programs, locations, view an online events calendar or place a hold on library items. Telephone reference is available at 479-INFO (4636).*

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

1. **INVENTIONS:** When were the first canvas “sneakers” known as Keds mass marketed?
2. **ANIMAL KINGDOM:** What is a group of dragons known as?
3. **AWARDS:** In what field are the CLIO awards given?
4. **OPERA:** What was the name of the tragic female lead in “La Traviata”?
5. **MEASUREMENTS:** What is a baker’s dozen?
6. **FOLKLORE:** What tool is Paul Bunyan most often depicted as holding?
7. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is cereology?
8. **MUSIC:** Who sang the famous theme “Goldfinger”?
9. **U.S. STATES:** What two states’ official popular dance is the shag?
10. **HISTORY:** Who was the first U.S. president to appear on television?

ANSWERS

1. 1917 2. A weyr 3. Advertising 4. Violetta 5. 13 6. An ax 7. The study of crop circles 8. Shireley Basssey 9. South and North Carolina 10. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name the two players who have hit home runs in a Game Seven of the World Series three times each.
2. In 2004, Andy Lopez became the third baseball coach to take three different teams to the College World Series. Name the first two.
3. Who was the first 1,000-yard rusher in AFL history?
4. The 2012 NCAA men’s basketball tournament saw the biggest comeback in its history, as BYU came from 25 points down to win. What had been the biggest rally?
5. Who was the last Buffalo Sabres player before Thomas Vanek in 2013 to tally five points in a game?
6. Carmelo Anthony set a USA Basketball record in 2012 for most points in an Olympic game (37). Who had held the record?
7. Who was the oldest golfer to play in the Ryder Cup?

ANSWERS

1. Bill “Moose” Skowron and Yogi Berra. 2. Larry Cocheil and Ron Polk. 3. Cookie Gilchrist ran for 1,096 yards for Buffalo in 1962. 4. Duke came back from 22 down against Maryland in 2001. 5. Drew Stafford had five points in a game in 2008. 6. Stephen Marbury tallied 31 points in 2004. 7. Raymond Floyd was 51 years old when he played in the Ryder Cup in 1993.

My Stars ★★★★★

FOR WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2013

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A little woolgathering is OK. But don’t let that dreamy state linger beyond midweek, when you’ll want to be ready to take on new workplace responsibilities.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Love rules the week for single Bovines seeking romance. Attached pairs also find new joy in their relationships. Friday should bring news about a business opportunity.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Home becomes the center of a new social whirl, as you show your talent for hosting great parties. You can expect to impress a lot of people who’ve never seen this side of you.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child might have to raise those powers of persuasion a notch to get a still-wary colleague to agree to go along. Finding more facts to back up your position helps.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Hold off trying to fix the blame for an apparent mishandling of a work situation. A full investigation could reveal surprising facts on how and why it really happened.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your ability to find details others might overlook gives you an advantage in assessing a possibly too-good-to-be-true offer. A trusted colleague has advice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Expect to be called on once again to act as peacemaker in a long-simmering dispute that suddenly flares up. Offer advice, but be careful to stay out of the fray.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your organizational skills help you line up your priorities so that you get things done without added pressure. The weekend could hold a special surprise.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) New ventures are favored. But don’t launch yours before rechecking all facts and sources. Also, be sure you can rely on support from certain people.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don’t be pushed into renegotiating an agreement, even though it might help avoid a potential impasse. Get legal advice before you sign or agree to anything.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Helping others is what Aquarians do so well. But this time, someone wants to

help you. Expect to hear some news that will both surprise and delight you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Things go so swimmingly that you’re tempted to take on more tasks. Best advice: Finish what you have now, then enjoy a well-earned relaxing weekend.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your understanding of human nature helps you make wise decisions that are appreciated by all. You would make a fine judge.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On April 18, 1775, Paul Revere and William Dawes set out on horseback from Boston to warn leaders Samuel Adams and John Hancock that British troops were marching on Concord on a mission to confiscate the Massachusetts militia arsenal and capture Adams and Hancock.

- On April 19, 1876, a Wichita, Kan., commission votes not to rehire policeman Wyatt Earp after he beats up a candidate for county sheriff. Earp’s Remington pistol made an effective club: Whenever possible, he preferred to pistol-whip his opponents rather than shoot them.

- On April 16, 1897, Frederick Winterbotham, one of Britain’s top code breakers, is born. Winterbotham would play a decisive role in the World War II Ultra code-breaking project, enabling British intelligence to intercept top-secret messages (even from Hitler) transmitted to and between German armed forces.

- On April 21, 1930, a fire at an Ohio prison kills 320 inmates, some of whom burn to death when they are not unlocked from their cells. The prison, built to hold 1,500 people, housed 4,300 prisoners at the time of the fire.

- On April 15, 1947, Jackie Robinson, age 28, becomes the first black player in Major League Baseball when he steps onto Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, N.Y., to compete for the Dodgers. Baseball had been segregated for more than 50 years.

- On April 17, 1964, the Ford Mustang is officially unveiled by Henry Ford II at the World’s Fair in Flushing Meadows, N.Y. That same day, the new car also debuted in Ford showrooms across America, and almost 22,000 Mustangs were immediately snapped up by buyers. Ford sold more than 400,000 Mustangs in its first year.

- On April 20, 1971, the Pentagon releases figures confirming that “fragging”

is on the rise in Vietnam, with hundreds of reported incidents. Fragging was a slang term used to describe U.S. military personnel tossing a fragmentation hand grenade (hence the term “fragging”) to kill or wound or a fellow soldier, usually a superior officer or NCO.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was pioneering British director of suspense films Alfred Hitchcock who made the following sage observation: “The length of a film should be directly related to the endurance of the human bladder.”

- If you’re an arachnophobe, you probably don’t want to know that a tarantula can live for up to two years without eating a single thing.

- If you’re like the average American man with a job, you spend 8 minutes per day cooking. If you’re like the average American woman who works, you spend 50 minutes a day preparing meals.

- There are four times more astrologers than astronomers in the United States.

- You may not think it significant that in 1921, Earle Dickson’s wife had a tendency to injure herself while working in the kitchen. He kept bandaging her wounds with gauze and adhesive tape, but the bandages always seemed to be slipping off. Finally, in exasperation, he put a small piece of gauze in the center of a piece of adhesive tape, which worked beautifully. None of this would have made any difference to us today, except that Dickson was an employee of Johnson & Johnson. He took some samples of his invention into work, where the owner, James Johnson, loved the idea. The Band-Aid went into production shortly thereafter.

- In the 1979 gubernatorial election in Louisiana, a man named Luther Knox was fed up with the candidates on the ballot. In order to give like-minded Louisianans an option, he ran for the office himself -- after legally changing his name to “None of the Above.”

- You might be surprised to learn that rock star Elvis Presley’s idol was General Douglas MacArthur.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

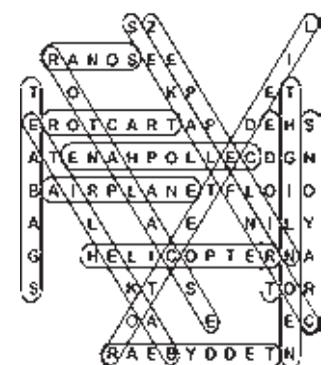
“The hardest thing in the world to understand is income taxes.” -- Albert Einstein

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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Pan Grilled Red Snapper with Avocado-Strawberry Salsa

Pan Grilled Red Snapper with Avocado-Strawberry Salsa

- 1 jalapeño pepper, finely chopped
- 1 ripe avocado, diced
- 2 cups strawberries, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup red onion, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons cilantro, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- sea salt, to taste
- 4 six-ounce red snapper fillets
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 1/2 tablespoons fresh lime zest
- salt and pepper to taste

Stir jalapeño, avocado, strawberries, onion, cilantro, lime juice, sugar and sea salt together in a bowl. Cover and set aside. Salsa may be made several hours ahead and chilled. When making ahead, add the sugar, salt and avocado when ready to serve.

Preheat stovetop grill pan over high heat. Pat fillets dry then brush both sides with the oil; sprinkle with the lime zest, salt and pepper. Lay fillets on grill pan skin side down and cook 4-5 minutes on each side, turning once, until cooked through.

Transfer fillets skin side up to individual serving plates. Carefully remove skin; top with avocado-strawberry salsa.✪

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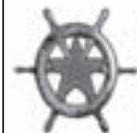
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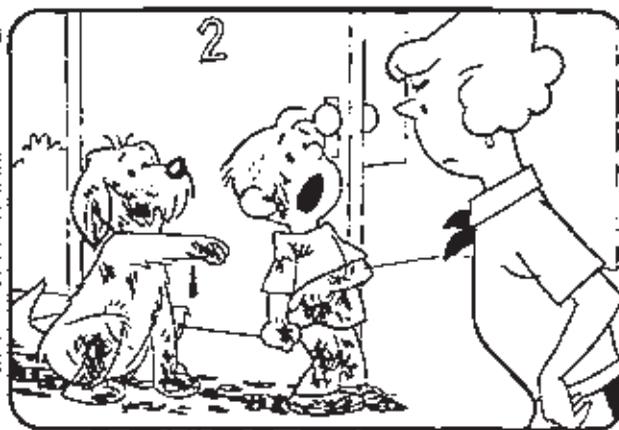
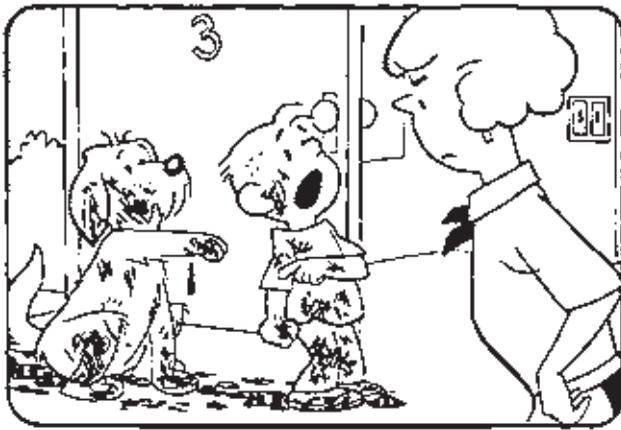
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FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

DIFFERENCES: 1. Tail is shorter 2. Number 2. Number 3. Switch is missing 4. Hair is different 5. Shoes are shorter 6. Left switch is missing

PUZZLE ANSWERS

SUDOKU

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4	1	2	8	3	9	7	6	5
6	7	9	1	5	2	8	4	3

SCRAMBLERS

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

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ALPPED

Satisfy

SLEEPA

Charge

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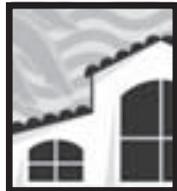
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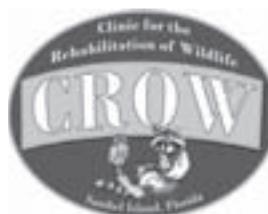
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

At The Sanibel School
Call Michelle Wesley
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SUDOKU

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

answer on page 27

Pets Of The Week



Karma ID# 555638

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Hello, my name is Karma and I am a 4-year-old spayed female black with black and white speckles terrier mix. You might be wondering what kind of dog I am. Well, I'm a true mix, so I can be whatever you want me to be. My one blue eye and one brown eye complete my unique and quirky look. One thing's for sure... I'm cute! I have a lovable personality, I walk well on a leash and love to roll over for belly rubs. I'm looking for a best friend. How about you?

My adoption fee is \$35 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' It's Raining Cats & Dogs adoption promotion.

My name is Spock and I am a 2-year-old male white and black domestic medium hair. I can't explain why I haven't found my forever home. It's simply illogical. After all, I'm handsome, personable and very affectionate. I would make a great first mate and I promise life with me would be fascinating!

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Spock ID# 559425

Animal Services' It's Raining Cats & Dogs adoption promotion.

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

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

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

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Lee County Sheriff's Office.....	477-1200
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Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
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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
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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
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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
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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
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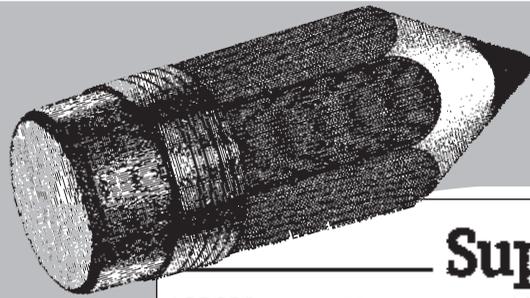
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Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon.....	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers.....	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County.....	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers.....	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid 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
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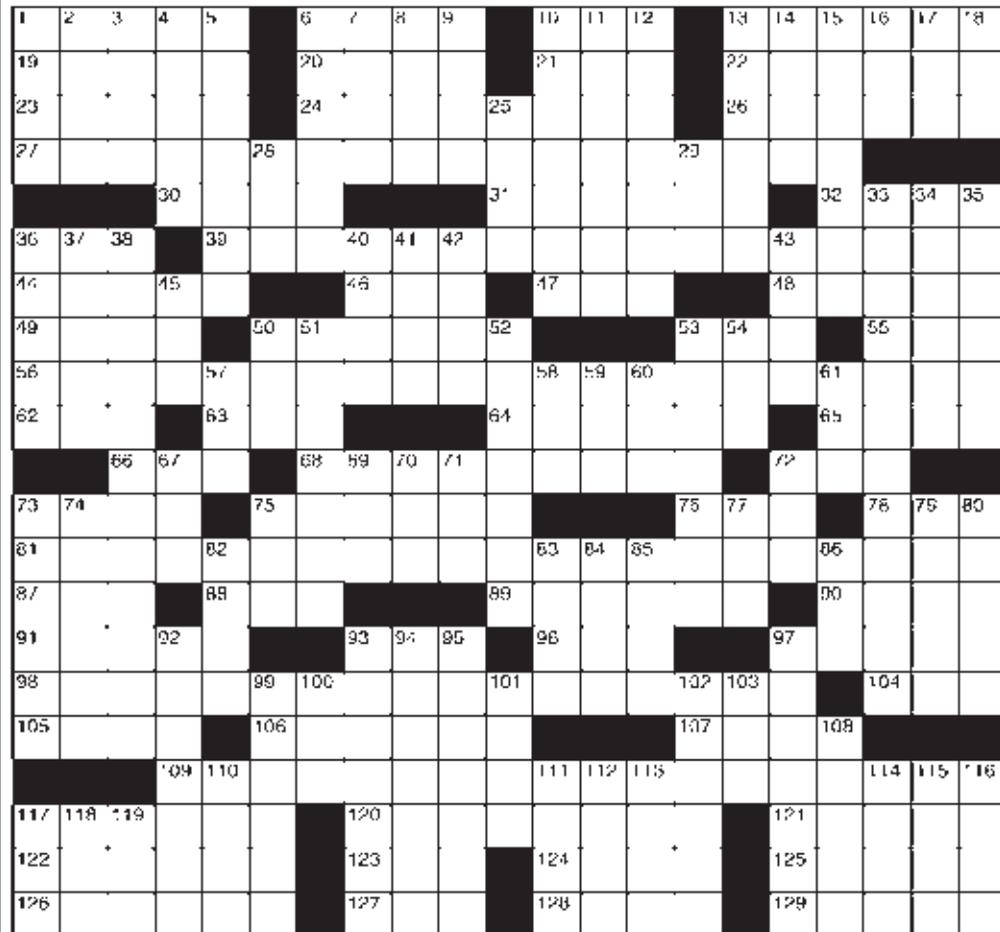
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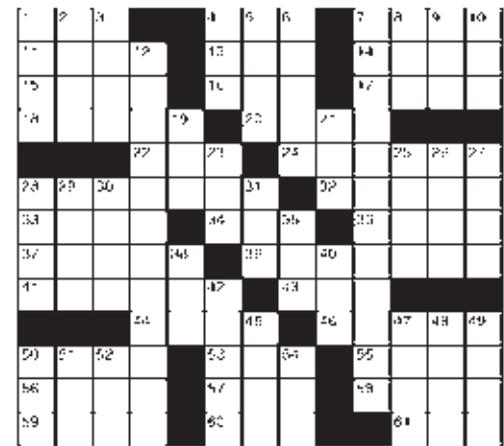
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Blouse, e.g.
 - 6 Mourning
 - 10 Part of Mac's name
 - 13 Modern
 - 19 Wood-turning tool
 - 20 Of the 123-Across abbr.
 - 21 List-ending abbr.
 - 22 Skilled public speaker
 - 23 Baffled
 - 24 Gatherly
 - 26 Series of church petitions
 - 27 Start of a riddle
 - 30 Ballet outfit
 - 31 Male wig
 - 32 Fanciful desire
 - 36 Alert to squad cars, briefly
 - 39 Riddle, part?
 - 44 Rural retreat
 - 48 Plural "is"
 - 47 Catch sight of
 - 48 Polo
 - 49 Southern Sioux
 - 50 Full of negatives
 - 53 With 96-Across, fruity rum cocktail
 - 55 Gullible type
 - 56 Riddle, part?
 - 62 Barrett of the original Pink Floyd
 - 63 Crooner "King" Cole
 - 64 Franklin with son
 - 65 H-bombs and the like
 - 66 Bee partner
 - 68 Riddle, part?
 - 72 Miss, mite
 - 73 Cast off, as leaflets
 - 75 Shops
 - 76 Kwon do (martial art)
 - 78 Memphis-to-Chicago dir.
 - 81 Riddle, part?
 - 87 — Mae Brown (Whoop! Whoop!) Goldberg's Oscar-winning "Ghost" role
 - 88 A Stodge
 - 89 Shearer and Palmadge
 - 90 Gambler's IOU
 - 91 Wyoming's — Range
 - 93 "How awful!"
 - 96 See 53-Across
 - 97 Savor-
 - 98 End of the riddle
 - 104 capita
 - 105 "Star Wars" sage
 - 106 Typos, e.g.
 - 107 Curling tool
 - 109 Riddle's answer
 - 117 Reason
 - 120 Ma I rat, typically
 - 121 Amazed
 - 122 Eye piece?
 - 123 Lobe locale
 - 124 Rice-A-
 - 125 Signs over
 - 126 In the hub of
 - 127 Rd. crossers
 - 128 Wet blanket dir.
 - 129 Artery in sc1
 - 8 Gaa!e glove
 - 9 — oelicy
 - 10 Lacking a sound base
 - 11 Regulation
 - 12 Sun block?
 - 13 Flick director's cry
 - 14 One of the Great Lakes
 - 15 American Indian or wine
 - 16 Homer's H
 - 17 Prefix with proliferation
 - 18 Take a crack at
 - 25 Old paper section
 - 28 "Who am — say?"
 - 29 Jazz saxophonist
 - 33 Equestrian skill
 - 34 Bouncer's door request
 - 35 Nearsighted people
 - 36 Assers
 - 37 Succinct, as a saying
 - 38 Like kinkfolk
 - 40 Missies
 - 41 Wall St. mavens
 - 42 Lower boy
 - 43 Radiate
 - 45 Old NASA "ander
 - 50 Atlas letters
 - 51 Beatles hit
 - 52 Lures
 - 53 Title for Gandhi
 - 54 — low ebb
 - 57 Plus
 - 58 Notable time period
 - 59 Mystery novelist Josephine
 - 60 Bklyn., N.Y.
 - 61 Numbered rd.
 - 67 Keats' feat
 - 69 Without a — (permissible)
 - 70 Opp. of departure
 - 71 Spy novelist
 - 72 Stringer
 - 73 Not uniform
 - 74 Signature line of Cap Calloway
 - 75 Airport northwest of LAX
 - 77 "Six-pack" muscles
 - 79 French for "black"
 - 80 Step into
 - 82 1970s-'80s
 - 83 Post-it item
 - 84 Steff of tennis
 - 85 Jannings of old times
 - 86 Sony rival
 - 92 Inclined (to)
 - 93 Increases the value of, as a benefit
 - 94 Eye angled
 - 95 Milners
 - 97 Plays friskily
 - 99 Warm up again
 - 100 Prior to, in 67-Downs
 - 101 Songwriter Sammy
 - 102 Well-drilling equipment
 - 103 Part of NOW! Aobr
 - 108 Tro angled
 - 110 Fashion's Saint Laurent
 - 111 Hospital unit
 - 112 Assistant of Frankenstein
 - 113 Musical Horne
 - 114 Roe v
 - 115 "Acolander" actor Wilson
 - 116 It's bird-built
 - 117 Major record label, once
 - 118 — -pal based
 - 119 Cycle or angle starter



King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Science workplace
 - 4 One of the Seven Dwarfs
 - 7 Campus area, for short
 - 11 Baghdad's nation
 - 13 Gorilla
 - 14 Cold War country (Abbr.)
 - 15 List of options
 - 16 — canto
 - 17 Simple
 - 18 Avd
 - 20 Result of overspending
 - 22 P. glol's magma
 - 24 Mideastern marketplace
 - 28 Donkey's yokemate
 - 32 Cut in two
 - 33 Places
 - 34 Rock band, Lollipop
 - 36 Symbol of craziness
 - 37 Know like —
 - 39 Drop
 - 41 Easter chapeau
 - 43 Menagerie
 - 44 "Heckin'-ridge"
 - 46 Rudimentary
 - 50 Midwestern state
 - 53 One's years
 - 55 — list
 - 56 Burn some what
 - 57 Pool-room stick
 - 58 Calm before the storm
 - 59 Part of NYC
 - 60 Barbie's companion
 - 61 Pod ocean
 - 5 Newspaper
 - 6 Star, for short
 - 7 Chief Aztec god
 - 8 14 Across! 'oe
 - 9 Fool
 - 10 Parched
 - 12 It shares a key with the slash
 - 19 Carlton st. Chest
 - 21 "Humbug!"
 - 23 Marry
 - 25 Lotion additive
 - 26 Shake spears' river
 - 27 Tear in two
 - 28 Spill the beans
 - 29 Timber wolf
 - 30 PC picture
 - 31 Actor Beatty
 - 35 Tasseled hat
 - 38 Crucial
 - 40 Weep loudly
 - 42 — and the d
 - 45 Chills and fever
 - 47 Campbell's product
 - 48 Not working
 - 49 Soda flavor
 - 50 Frige
 - 51 Discoverer's city
 - 52 Kids' card game
 - 54 Sit. in verse



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- Neon light
- Tractor
- Bakelite
- Escalator
- Sonar
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- Zeppelin
- Cornflakes
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2611 Beach Villa

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BANYAN BAY- SOUTH FT. MYERS NEW DEVELOPMENT

8630 Banyan Bay Blvd
Beautifully appointed recently completed 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home with pool overlooking the lake and preserve area. Magnificent sunsets from the lanai and pool area. Upgraded cabinets, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, high ceilings with crown moulding and upgraded tile. Immediate occupancy available. **Offered for \$355,000. Contact John Naumann 239/851-4281.**



NEAR BEACH HOME IN EAST ROCKS.

Enjoy lake views from this beautifully updated 3 bedrooms, 2 bathroom home with a completely renovated kitchen. All new flooring, paint, lighting and numerous other additions create a bright and inviting atmosphere. The large back deck leads to a beautiful pool and patio area, perfect for entertaining. The lower level also includes a 2 car garage, workshop, a poolside bar and plenty of storage. The expert landscaping adds to the great curb appeal. A very short stroll leads to Beach Access #2 and the wonderful Gulf of Mexico. **Offered for \$615,000. Contact Bob Berning at 239/ 699-9597 or Ken Colter 239/851-1357**



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You'll love this large, gorgeous direct Gulf access Sanibel home across from San Carlos Bay. Over 2500 square feet of living space. 2 BR, 2 1/2 bath; (with bonus space you must see). Mid-Island deep water canal only 1000 ft to San Carlos Bay. This home boasts a beautiful kitchen with custom wood cabinetry, wet bar, plus a wood burning fireplace in the great room with soaring cathedral ceiling and wonderful wood floors. Very private pool area, with nicely maintained lush landscaping that leads you to your private dock. Multiple porches, great views from every room including views of THE BAY from LR and front porch. A TRUE must see, soon, it won't last. True Sanibel Living **Offered for \$899,000. Contact Nancy Finch 239/822-7825**



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HISTORIC FORT MYERS

Rare opportunity to own 3 adjacent lots in exclusive, historical area of Fort Myers. Very close to Downtown, River District, shopping and entertainment. Just steps to Historic Edison & Ford Winter Estates. **Offered for \$360,000. Contact Steve Harrell 239/565-1277, Toby Tolp 239/848-0433 or Kasey Harrell 239/850-7602.**



GULF HARBOUR RIVER VIEW CONDO

This is the floor plan you were looking for! Superb floorplan - seldom available. The views from this home are uninterrupted and your 31'x15' lanai is completely private. Professionally decorated by Robb and Stuckey. From the moment you step into this spacious open floor plan you enjoy the beautiful view of the river, waterway into Gulf Harbour's spectacular marina and private preserve island park. The 'Nantucket Shores' residences also feature a myriad of waterfront amenities from a private beach with tiki hut sunshades, resort style riverfront pool and spa, outdoor grills and even golf carts! This is the community, the location and the home you've been looking for! Furnishings and Golf Membership also available! **Offered for \$729,000 Contact Debra Hobbs 239/565-0549**



ENJOY THE LIFESTYLE WITHOUT THE HIGH ASSOCIATION FEES.

Quiet South Ft. Myers neighborhood near Cypress Lake Country Club. Close to everything. This home features marble flooring, wood burning fireplace, 3 car garage with tile flooring, central vac, beautiful pool large kitchen with granite. Formal and informal dining rooms, and a laundry room and a wonderful entertainment area in great room with surround sound. Large master suite features a huge walk-in closet and built-ins, and jacuzzi tub. Separate wing for your guests, nanny or mother-in-law. **Offered for \$478,500. Contact Connie Walters "Ms Lister" 239/841-4540**



JONATHAN HARBOUR BUILDING SITE

Cleared filled and ready to go. Large waterfront lot with dock in place in private gated community. House plans included. **Offered for \$550,000. Contact Ralph or Cathy Galietti 239/828-5897.**



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Enjoy Gulf Views From Your Lanai! Very Nicely Appointed 2 Bed/2 Bath with King Bed in the Master Suite, 2 Full Beds in the Guest Bedroom and a Pull Out Couch in Living Room. Newer Upgrades in the Kitchen Include, Raised Panel Cabinetry, Tray/Crown Molding Ceiling and Solid Surface Counter Tops with Integrated Sink. Truly Must See! **Offered for \$490,000. Contact Brian Murty 239/565-1272.**

