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## Quilters And Artists Are Featured In Exhibition



*Self Portrait* by Pam Richardson



*Meltdown* by Carol Holsopple



*Harriet & Dart* by Dale and Jeff Ocasio



*Gone With The Wind* by Rose Young

The Art Council of Southwest Florida is presenting works from the Alliance for the Arts and Art Quilters Unlimited in this month's Art & Community exhibit at the Southwest Florida Community Foundation's headquarters, located at 8771 College Parkway, Building 2, Suite 201 in Fort Myers.

The exhibition will include varied works of art including acrylic, fiber, mixed media, silk and even vinyl records from artists Dale and Jeff Ocasio, Carol Holsopple, Alisha Koyanis, Roseline Young and Pam Richardson.

All participating artists will give 35 percent of any sale to the Fund for the Arts in Southwest Florida, which benefits regional art organizations.

The foundation will hold a reception on Friday, April 25 from 4 to 6 p.m.

Reservations can be made by emailing [RSVP@floridacommunity.com](mailto:RSVP@floridacommunity.com).

The exhibit will run through May 30 and is available for public viewing Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. To schedule a tour, call Kim Williams of the SWFLCF office at 274-5900.

Founded in 1975 by community leaders such as David Robinson and Barbara B. Mann, the Alliance for the Arts is a nonprofit member-supported organization with a passion to facilitate and nurture the creation, development, promotion and education of arts and culture. Its membership includes more than 50 arts and cultural organizations. It supports local organizations by providing meeting and classroom space in the 12,000-square-foot William R. Frizzell Cultural Centre on a

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## Annual Stairclimb Is This Saturday

The 2014 Fight For Air Stairclimb will be held this Saturday, April 26 at the High Point Place, 2104 West First Street in Fort Myers.

Last year's event, hosted by the Gulf Coast Chapter of the American Lung Association (ALA), raised \$45,000 for the battle against lung diseases such as lung cancer and asthma. Lung cancer is the leading cancer-related death for men and women in the United States. Event organizers hope to top \$50,000 this year in part to fund lung cancer research.

During stairclimbs, which ALA hosts nationwide, climbers 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 all five years of the Fight For Air Climb. Participants ascend the high rise's 541 steps up 30 floors during the event.

"We have double the number of climbers and teams registered so far this year compared to this time last year," said Kurt Goerke, regional director of the

ALA's Gulf Coast Chapter. "The event is growing in popularity, and we hope to turn that interest into record participation and dollars raised."

As is the trend nationally, the Fort Myers stairclimb is attracting an increasing participation from local firefighters and police officers who are members of their departments' SWAT teams. Firefighters and SWAT officers don their full gear during the climb, providing a healthy competition between neighboring fire districts and law enforcement agencies, while at the same time inspiring non-public safety participants.

Fight For Air Climbs are unique fund-raising events for the ALA, usually occurring in prominent skyscrapers, stadiums or arenas and involve climbing multiple steps. Sometimes called a "vertical road race," teams and individual participants often use the event as a fitness target, as a race or as a way to be active and meet new friends. Many climbers participate to support someone who has lung disease or as a memorial to someone who has passed away. The lung association chapters in West Palm Beach, Tampa, Orlando, Miami, Jacksonville and Fort Lauderdale also host Fight For Air Climbs.

For more information, call 908-2685.\*

## Bird Watching On Bunche Beach

Experience Bunche Beach, one of the best birding sites in Lee County, on Thursday, May 15 at 5:30 p.m. Bunche Beach is an excellent viewing spot for both migrant and resident waders and shorebirds working the mudflats at low tide due to the diversity of micro-invertebrates. Waterfowl, raptors, and warblers also may be spotted.

This event is free with parking fee of \$1 per hour (tour is approximately two hours). Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet and a bottle of drinking water. Restrooms are available in the first parking lot.

No registration is necessary. Meet on the beach in South Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road. Drive south on John Morris Road until it dead-ends. For more information, call 707-3015 or go to [www.birdpatrol.org](http://www.birdpatrol.org).

The tour is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation.\*

## Morning Coffee And Conversation For Women

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation invites women in the community interested in the work of the foundation to join the team for Morning Joe & Art, a cup of coffee and the latest Arts & Community exhibit on display at the foundation's office on Friday, May 2 from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

"As we head into a new season, we encourage women to come together and share their hopes for the organizations they're passionate about while enjoying their peers among some of the finest artwork by regional and local artists," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the SWFLCF. "This casual gathering will be a great opportunity for women with similar interests and a love for philanthropy to pause and enjoy art and conversation."

The foundation is at 8771 College Parkway, Building 2, Suite 201.\*

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

# History Lovers Organize



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

**F**ifty-one years ago this month, a group of local-history devotees decided to formally organize an historical society.

A few weeks later, on May 14, 1963, Robert Halgrim was elected the first president at a meeting at the Lee County Courthouse.

At the first board meeting on May 29, three major recommendations were made: incorporate and aim for charter application in the late fall, consider anyone joining before that date a charter member, and adopt the name of the Southwest Florida Historical Society.

Among the charter members were authentic pioneers, such as Capt. EE Damkohler, who came to the area in 1882, when his family settled in Estero's Koreshan Unity community. He was considered an authority on local history, and his adventures included mining the Alaska gold rush and later working as a fishing guide for nearly 40 years.

Halgrim was the first curator of the Edison home and museum, a post he held for over 20 years.

Other charter members included former Fort Myers Mayor Florence Fritz, author of books such as *Unknown Florida* and *I Covered The Everglades*. She also founded and published the popular weekly, *Hello, Stranger!*, and would later serve as president of the historical society in the 1960s.

Committees were also established at that first meeting, with Fritz heading the by-laws committee. Bob McKelvey was appointed project chair and Ben Cunliff program chair. McKelvey and Cunliff also were elected vice presidents.

Damkohler and PA Geraci were designated membership chairs. Geraci, who with his wife Helene founded Geraci Travel, would later serve as a Lee County Commissioner.



The research center, aka "little yellow house," today

photo by Gerri Reaves

Charlotte Kinzie took charge of membership cards, and Pete Packett headed the curiously named "idea department," which involved publicity.

His seems a suitable appointment, for he had been a government and political reporter for the *Fort Myers News-Press* for several years. In the late 1960s, he became city editor, later going to work for the agriculture department.

Margaret Mickle, the popular writer for the *News-Press*, was elected treasurer. She had made local history herself when, at the age of 10, she interviewed and photographed former U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt.

Mrs. William Rawchuck was elected secretary.

So, the all-volunteer non-profit organization was formed, staffed and off to a running start.

One of the first things they did was work with the Florida Board of Parks and Historic Memorials to have three historical markers installed.

One stands at First and Jackson Streets, where the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is now. That site was U.S. Army Fort Harvie in the Second Seminole War (1841-42) and later the site of U.S. Army Fort Myers, established in 1850.

Another marker stands near Fowler Street just south of Second, marking the site of the military cemetery for soldiers of Fort Harvie and Fort Myers. (Remains were disinterred and relocated years ago.)

A third marker is located at Harney's Point near the Caloosahatchee River in Cape Coral, where, in 1839, a band of 160 indians attacked the fort and trading post of which Col. William S. Harney was commander of operations.

In the early years, the historical society met in the County Commissioners' meeting room in the courthouse. Archives and artifacts were stored at various locations, but the society eventually sought a permanent location.

The group was successful in securing the gift of a small house in December 1983. Built in the 1920s, it had been a private home on Cottage Street. It was then being used as a law firm but was going to be demolished.

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The Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center on dedication day in 1984

courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



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*Caloosahatchee Manuscripts* contains the text of a story told by a Maskoki Indian leader about the migration of Native Americans into Florida

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Fort Myers Public Art:

## Light Sculptor Is Featured Public Artist Of The Month



by Tom Hall

Every month, Manhattan-based online registry cultureNOW chooses a public art collection, artist and architect to feature in its online newsletter. This month, cultureNOW is placing its nationwide spotlight on *Caloosahatchee Manuscripts* light sculptor Jim Sanborn.

Sanborn was raised in Washington, D.C.," notes cultureNOW. "Both of his parents worked in the Library of Congress, his father as the director of exhibitions and his mother as a photo researcher, which gave him access to the collections. His early work was hidden or invisible natural forces. But things really changed when he received the commission for *Kryptos* for the CIA Headquarters in Langley, Virginia in the late 80s."

*Kryptos* means "hidden" in Greek, and Sanborn began to think about how to incorporate a code into the work. He teamed with Ed Scheit, a retired CIA cryptographer, to devise and embed four encryptions in the sculpture's curved copper panels as a challenge to the CIA's elite code breakers.

Within the first few years, a CIA physicist deciphered three of the encryptions using nothing more than a pen and paper. The first encryption was a poetic phrase containing an intentional misspelling that Sanborn composed; the second refers to the CIA agent who helped Sanborn with the four puzzles; and the third is a passage from archeologist Howard Carter's account of opening the tomb of King Tutankhamun in 1922.

But the fourth riddle has defied solution. "On *Kryptos*' 20th anniversary in 2010, Sanborn became so flummoxed by the CIA's inability to crack the code that he decided to give everyone a clue," cultureNOW reports. "He told the *New York Times* that the part of the sculpture that reads 'nyptvt' becomes Berlin once decoded."

In conjunction with the release of the new clue, Sanborn launched a website, *Kryptos Clue*, to provide an automated way for people to contact him with their proposed solutions to the puzzle. Over the years, numerous people who were convinced that they'd solved the final puzzle section have contacted him. One woman even showed up at his secluded island home. Most of the solutions people have offered have been wildly off-base.

Sanborn says that with the launch of his new site, anyone who thinks they've

solved the last section will have to submit what they believe are the first 10 characters of the final 97 before he will respond.

"Sanborn believes that secrecy is power even if it is just a little something kept from view, buried, so to speak, in the matrix of everyday life," the cultureNOW article relates. "He views his work as an artist is to release this hidden information at a rate commensurate with its importance, and at the time of his choosing so as to prolong the experience of discovery."

If anyone does manage to solve the last *Kryptos* it will end the hunt for the ultimate truth about the sculpture, he maintains, which is why he is careful to design his sculptures in a way that ensures that its content emerges slowly over time so that it will not soon be forgotten.

"Each work," notes cultureNOW, "has different texts encrypted into them which are site specific. At night, the theatricality of the works take over and the texts explode into their settings. Thus, *A, comma, A* in front of the MD Anderson Library has texts selected from the collections. *Caloosahatchee Manuscripts* contains the text of a story told by Maskoki Indian leader Tchikilli to James Oglethorpe about the migration of Native Americans into Florida. *Vocal Witness* on the Connecticut Veterans Home draws text from military citations, historians, and events.

The embedded puzzles not only explain why Sanborn's work holds enduring interest, but why his work is so popular. To date, he has completed more than 125 sculptural installations. However, his most famous work remains *Kryptos*, and only time will tell if and when its final encryption will ever be solved.

An arts advocate, *Tom Hall* guides weekly walking tours of the River District's public art collection in Fort Myers. For more information, go to [truetours.net](http://truetours.net).

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Nominees for last year's Scholar-Athlete Awards

## Rotary Club Of Fort Myers South Announces Scholar-Athlete Nominees

Rotary Club of Fort Myers South has announced the nominees to be honored at its 28th annual Scholar-Athlete Awards banquet on Wednesday, May 14 at the Crowne Plaza in Fort Myers. Eighteen Lee County-area high schools nominated one top male and female varsity letter winner who maintains a minimum 3.2 GPA, is involved in school and community activities and demonstrates leadership characteristics.

The 36 nominees are Annette Castaldo and Richard Doyle from Bishop Verot Catholic High School, Kathryn Flaharty and Alex Rabinowitz from Canterbury School, Matthew Aaron Hale and Melanie Lugo from Cape Coral High School, Samantha Damico and Jake Kilgore from Cypress Lake High School, Juan M. Benitez and Ireysa Morrison from Dunbar High School, Daniel Alvarez and Cynthia Auplant from East Lee County High School, Wesley J. Pruitt and Katie Slater from Estero High School, Sean Mazzola and Haley Pigott from Evangelical Christian School, Emily Edwards and Logan B. Samuelson from Fort Myers High School, Kelsey E. Anders and Nicholas Dunkelly-Allen from Gateway Charter School, Rebecca E. Cicoria and Trayvon Clarke from Ida S. Baker High School, Sean Gavitt and Morgan Cathleen Whitman from Island Coast High School, Bernard Edwards and Krysten Topliff from Lehigh Senior High School, Katsiaryna Khatskevich and Jomar Andres Restrepo from Mariner High School, Connor E. Black and Abigail Larson from North Fort Myers High School, Austin Tindle and Chenelle L. Walker from Riverdale High School, McKenzie Makar and Kyle E. Palmer from South Fort Myers High School, and Alexandra Hamilton and Whitman Bertram Wiggins from Southwest Florida Christian Academy.

A selection committee of Rotary South members interviews nominees and will select the two winners, who will each receive a \$5,000 scholarship underwritten by The SWFL Rheem Team. This is the 10th year this philanthropic group of HVAC professionals has served as a major sponsor of the event, and the fourth year it has served as the overall Scholarship Sponsor.

In addition to sponsoring the scholarships, the Rheem Team hosts an online People's Choice Scholar-Athlete Award, where visitors to [www.swflrheemteam.com](http://www.swflrheemteam.com) can vote for their favorite student, who then has a chance to win an iPad.

"Rotary South is pleased to once again have a part in recognizing our Scholar-Athletes," said Rotary South Scholar-Athlete Awards Chairman Rob Scharlau. "These young men and women do an excellent job of representing their schools and Southwest Florida. Each and every one has a bright future ahead."

Sponsorship opportunities are still available for the May 14 banquet, which will feature Lesley Bush as keynote speaker. The Olympic gold medalist and International Swimming Hall of Fame inductee later went on to become a middle and high school science teacher, and is sure to inspire all attendees.

For more information about the 28th annual Rotary Club of Fort Myers South's Scholar-Athlete Awards, contact Rob Scharlau at 689-7133.✪

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# Ronald McDonald House Campaign Requests Pennies From The Heart



Jack Moore helps "fill the house" with pennies

A little spare change can go a long way... and Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of Southwest Florida is counting on it. A Fill the House request is being held during the Pennies from the Heart campaign from April 1 to 30. The community is encouraged to bring their coins to RMHC all month long and to "raise the roof" to fill the house by the end of April. "Pennies from the Heart helps the Ronald McDonald House Fill the House in many ways, from covering the costs of housing a family in need to keeping our much needed supplies stocked," said Angela Katz, development director for RMHC. "The support of community partners is the key to making the Pennies from the Heart campaign a continued success... By working together, a little spare change can indeed go a long way in making a significant impact on the lives of the children and families in our care," she said.

McDonald's restaurants, Fifth Third Bank branches, schools and businesses throughout Southwest Florida have already pledged support for the campaign. Anyone interested in making a donation is encouraged to contact Katz at 437-0202 for information.

Ronald McDonald House is a "home away from home" for families of seriously ill or injured children who are being treated at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, and other area hospitals.✱



Joann Bevins, Wayne Manning and Carol Davis of USA Dance prepare for the Food Drive Dance on April 27

## Dancing And Donating

USA Dance is offering three hours of dancing at a discounted price for anyone who donates to its food drive on Sunday, April 27 from 4 to 7 p.m.

The event will take place at Riverside Community Center, 3061 E. Riverside Drive, Fort Myers.

With a donation of three cans of food, admission is \$4 for USA Dance members and \$5 for non-members.

Ron Fucci, a professional instructor, will teach an hour of quickstep. Refreshments will be served.✱

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## Junior League's Taste Of The Town November 2

Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc.'s 32nd annual Taste of the Town food festival will take place on Sunday, November 2 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event will once again be held at JetBlue Park, the Boston Red Sox's 106-acre Spring Training and Player Development Complex, located at 11500 Fenway South Drive in Fort Myers.

Taste of the Town is one of Southwest Florida's largest outdoor food and entertainment festivals drawing nearly 10,000 people each year. The funds from this annual event benefit the JLFM, whose volunteer mission provides thousands of dollars annually in volunteer services and donations to programs supporting women and children in the region including the Junior League's national program Kids in the Kitchen to help fight childhood obesity, the ongoing work with at-risk girls in the juvenile justice system, as well as work throughout the community in partnership with many organizations through the League's Helping Hands program, which provides volunteer woman-power to organizations such as Big Brother Big Sisters, the Abuse Counseling & Treatment Shelter, Early Learning Coalition, the Supporting Independent Young Adults organization and many more. Last year's event raised more than \$114,000 for these organizations.

Event admission is \$5 per person, and children younger than 12 are free. Parking is \$5. Pets and coolers are not permitted.

Applications are now being accepted for local restaurants to showcase their fare in the 2014 Taste of the Town. Interested restaurants and vendors can directly contact the JLFM at 277-1197 or [totrestaurants@jlfm.org](mailto:totrestaurants@jlfm.org). Space is limited to 50 restaurants, and the deadline to participate is Wednesday, October 1.

"We are so excited to have an event like this to share with our community," said Anita Duenas, 2013-14 president of JLFM. "Many of our participating restaurants return year after year with already 21 restaurants committed to returning in 2014. To us, this speaks worlds about our vendors, as this event provides opportunities for them to not only connect with Southwest Florida on a business level but also to support our community neighbors in need on a personal level."

Prior to the annual Taste of the Town food festival, participating restaurants have the opportunity to present their dishes in the "Best of Taste" contest with local celebrities judging the following categories: Best Appetizer, Best Entrée and Best Dessert. Judging will take place on Tuesday, October 21 at JetBlue Park. The dish with the most overall points is also given the "Winners Circle" award for best overall dish. Winners in each category will be listed at each restaurant's booth, announced the day of the event, given a certificate to display in their restaurant and mentioned in a special press release announcing the winners in each category.

"This event is so much more than a fundraiser; it's a win-win for our community," Duenas added. "Taste of the Town promotes and supports local businesses and the musical arts, creates resources for community service and brings our community together."

For more information about the annual Taste of the Town food festival, call 277-1197 or email [tasteofthetown@jlfm.org](mailto:tasteofthetown@jlfm.org). For ongoing updates on Taste of the Town, visit [www.jlfmtaste.com](http://www.jlfmtaste.com).

## Republican Women To Host Candidates

Lee Republican Women Federated will have their next lunch meeting on Monday, May 12.

It will be held at The Edison Restaurant, 3583 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, starting at 11:15 a.m. with a social, followed by lunch and the program.

Candidates for State Representative have been invited to speak.

RSVP to 432-9389, e-mail [rmh738@aol.com](mailto:rmh738@aol.com) or log onto [www.leerepublicanwomen.com](http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com). Cost is \$18 all inclusive.

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## Winery And Museum Tour

The Kennedy Cruisers from Lake Kennedy Senior Center have planned a tour of Henscratch Farms/Winery, home of the award winning, foot-stomped wines and of Lake Placid. It will take place on Wednesday, April 30.

Activities include a tour and wine tasting, lunch at the Golden Corral, a guided historical tour of the Lake Placid murals and a tour of the historical clown museum.

Preregistration is required. Cost is \$60 for members, \$65 for non-members. Lake Kennedy Senior Center is at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard, Cape Coral. Call 574-0575 for reservations.

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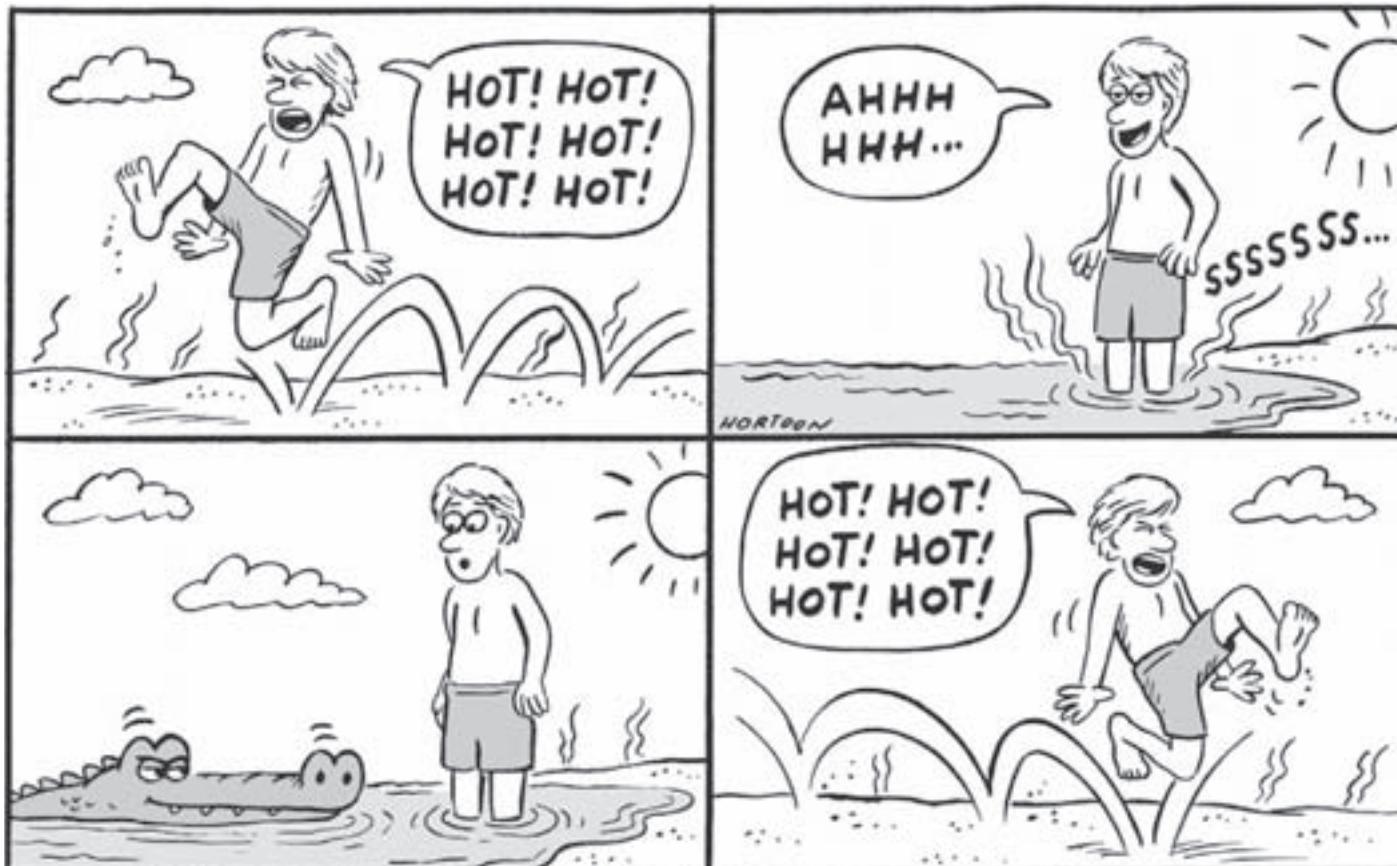
## Art Quilters

10-acre campus, which opened in 1992.

Art Quilters Unlimited is a group of fiber artists interested in expanding their knowledge and pushing the boundaries of their own creativity while inspiring and supporting one another. The group's purpose is to provide an opportunity to network with and learn from others in the fiber arts field while establishing a learning environment for all levels of art quilt makers by bringing in topnotch workshop instructors.

For more information, call 274-5900 or visit [www.floridacommunity.com](http://www.floridacommunity.com).

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## Affourtit, Cronin Reappointed To Tourism Council

Pamela Cronin, co-owner of the Shell Factory & Nature Park in North Fort Myers, and Rene Affourtit, general manager of the West Wind Inn on Sanibel, have been reappointed to the Lee County Tourist Development Council (TDC).

The Lee County Commission voted on the motion presented by Commissioner Frank Mann during its April 15 meeting.

Affourtit's appointment to the TDC began in January 2000. His extensive military career began with 23 years of service as an Army officer in the infantry, before retiring with the rank of colonel in 1985. Highlights included various command and staff positions in the U.S. and abroad, with tours in Vietnam; Berlin, Germany and a tour as commander of a Green Beret battalion.

Affourtit progressed to become executive secretary of the Department of Defense, in which he served as point of contact with the White House, the State Department, the National Security Council, and the CIA.

Twenty-eight years ago, Affourtit entered the tourism field as general manager of the West Wind Inn, a position he continues to hold today. In addition, he served as president of the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum and was an officer on the board of directors for the



**Pamela Cronin**

Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce for six years.

He earned his MBA from the University of Dayton and is a graduate of the National War College, the Department of Defense's senior service college, in Washington, D.C.

Cronin is a former president of the Greater Fort Myers chamber during its 20th anniversary this year, and also served as treasurer and vice president. She volunteers extensively with community and charity organizations.

She was first appointed to the TDC in March 1998. She worked in administra-



**Rene Affourtit**

tion, advertising and promotions for various real estate and property management companies and joined the Shell Factory in 1997. Cronin was active in the attraction's \$3 million renovation project and works on advertising, public relations, promotions, and event planning.

She received her undergraduate degree from Florida State University and her master's degree in Tourism Administration from George Washington University in Washington, D.C. The nine-member TDC was established in 1983 to increase off-season tourism and to serve in an advisory capacity in matters

of tourism and development. The tourist development tax collected on County accommodation rentals of six months or less is used for advertising and promoting Lee County as a tourist destination, the upkeep of beaches and shoreline projects and the maintenance of the City of Palms Park and Lee County Sports Complex.\*

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## Historical Society

The house was relocated (another donation) to the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts and was rehabilitated as the society's research center.

A well-attended dedication and a grand opening was held in 1984.

Visit that research center at 10091 McGregor Boulevard. Hours are Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon. Call the society at 939-4044.

If you love local history, you'll also love the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street. Enjoy the exhibits and ask about special events.

For information, call 321-7430 or go to [www.museumofhistory.org](http://www.museumofhistory.org). Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

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



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# Along the River



More than 60 colorful hot air balloons will take to the skies over Immokalee this weekend as part of the Balloons Over Paradise Festival. Above is a photo from last year's event.

Friday is opening night for ***A Little Murder Never Hurts Anybody*** at the **Cultural Park Theater** in Cape Coral. Friday's performance begins at 8 p.m. and the play runs through May 4.

Written by Ron Burnas, the play opens up with the rich, bored Matthew promising to kill his rich, bored wife Julia so he can become a jet setter like his friend, who recently lost his wife. Julia, who is always about three steps ahead of him, plays along. And so the game begins a hilarious year-long match of wits and the witless.

The Cultural Park Theater is located at 528 Cultural Park Boulevard, Cape Coral. For show times and ticket sales, call 772-5862 or go to [www.culturalparktheater.com](http://www.culturalparktheater.com).

On Saturday night, the **Car Cruise-In** returns to downtown Fort Myers. The monthly event is scheduled for 4 to 8 p.m. on the fourth Saturday and is free to the public.

All classic cars and show cars are welcome. A DJ spins classic rock with trivia.



Lee County boasts many farmers markets, several of which are open year-round. Above is Sanibel Market Manager Jean Baer holding fresh, local Brussels sprouts on the stalk.

Heavy rain or general nasty weather will typically cancel the outdoor event. Light rain will not.

For information, go to [www.riverdistrictevents.com](http://www.riverdistrictevents.com).

On Saturday and Sunday, drive out to Immokalee with your entire family for a wondrous sight as huge, colorful hot air balloons take to the skies as part of the third annual **Balloons Over Paradise Festival**. The two-day event features 60 hot air balloons and performances by Sister Hazel, Rachel/Hughes Band and JJ McCoy. Additionally, there will be food for sale, arts and crafts, tethered balloon rides, classic car show, dog agility performances, a polo exhibition and an equestrian drill team performance.

Gates open at 6 a.m. each day and admission is free to the all-ages festival. The one-of-a-kind event is sponsored by the Seminole Casino in Immokalee.

The vivid multi-hued balloons will kick off each morning with an illuminated light show to orchestral music. Attendees can stroll among the balloons as they inflate for a mass ascension into the sky between 7 and 9 a.m. The rising of the balloons – directed by the Balloonmeister and synchronized by coordinators – is scheduled in two waves (weather permitting).

Children can join in on the fun with storytelling, bounce houses and a climbing wall. Food vendors will be on hand with Amish donuts, kettle corn, crepes and grilled hamburgers, hot dogs and sausage. Attendees can also purchase funnel cakes, cotton candy and other treats. Parking is free. Pets and coolers are not permitted.

The Balloons Over Paradise Festival is located at the Seminole Tribe Youth Ranch 1195 State Road 29, Immokalee. For more information, call (800) 218-0007 or go to [www.paradisecoast.com](http://www.paradisecoast.com).

Why shop at a **farmers market**? Access to fresh, locally grown foods, for starters. That may be one of the best reasons, but there are many more. Farmers markets have fruits and vegetables at the peak of the growing season. This means produce is at its freshest and tastes the best and is typically grown near where you live, not thousands of miles away or in another country.

Support area farmers and practice good eating habits at these locations:

**Thursday:** The River District Farmers Market, under the US 41 Caloosahatchee bridge. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fruit, vegetables, local honey, bread, seafood, BBQ, flowers and plants. It is open year-round. Call 321-7100 or go to [www.cityftmyers.com](http://www.cityftmyers.com).

**Friday:** Lakes Park, 7330 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fruits, vegetables, breads, honey, soaps, jams and seafood. Call 533-7275.

April 25 is the last date of the season for the Lakes Park farmers market.

**Saturday:** GreenMarket at Alliance of the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard near the Colonial intersection. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. An exclusive selection of locally grown, caught and cultivated foods and other products available to sample and purchase. Enjoy live entertainment by local musicians and fun activities for kids. It is open year-round. Call 939-2787 or go to [www.artinlee.org](http://www.artinlee.org).

Cape Coral Farmers Market in Club Square, downtown Cape Coral. 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Locally grown produce, native plants, fresh gulf seafood, live music/entertainment and informative community presentations. Call 549-6900 or go to [www.capecoralfarmersmarket.com](http://www.capecoralfarmersmarket.com).

The last day of the season for Cape Coral's outdoor farmers market is May 3.

**Sunday:** Sanibel Island Farmers Market, 800 Dunlop Road (City Hall - next to the library). 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. until May. Call Crystal Mansell at 472-3700.

April 27 is the last date of the season for the Sanibel Island market. ✨

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Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Church School: 9:15 a.m.

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## Churches/Temples

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Pastor Peter Weeks. Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m. Traditional, 10 a.m. Blended.\*

## OBITUARY



### DANIEL WALTER BELTZ

Daniel Walter Beltz, 55, died on April 14 on Sanibel, Florida. Dan was born December 20, 1958 in Watertown, Wisconsin, to Leila Jane Arneson Beltz and the late Bertram Daniel Beltz. Dan grew up in Watertown, attending Watertown public schools, and he graduated magna cum laude from the University of Wisconsin - Stout in 1981, majoring in marketing and distributive education.

Dan married Kristin Laramie, daughter of James and Mary Laramie, on June 28, 1986 in Whitewater, Wisconsin. He and Kristin first lived in Watertown where Dan worked for Farm and Fleet before joining his father at Ray's Shoes. He and his father worked together at Ray's until 1989 when his father retired and Dan purchased the business. Together with Kristin, Dan brought freshness to the business and opened several new shoe stores in south-central Wisconsin. As part of the downtown Watertown

business community, Dan was an active member of the Watertown Chamber of Commerce.

Dan and Kristin have had close ties with Sanibel since they were children. Dan first visited the island with his parents as a 10-year-old and returned with them many times. Kristin also came to Sanibel frequently with her family, as they owned property on Sanibel. For each of them, this love affair with the island started early and has lasted their entire lives. They purchased a home on the island, which eventually became their permanent residence when Dan sold the shoe store in Watertown to Brown's Shoes.

On Sanibel, Dan continued to make use of his retailing expertise, focusing on advertising and helping local Sanibel businesses to develop advertising and marketing campaigns. He was a partner/owner in Paradise Advertising and Design, located on Sanibel.

Dan loved Sanibel, its people, environment and lifestyle. His parents, Lee and Bert, also became Sanibel residents, and Dan was very attentive to both of them, especially his mother in recent years. Dan is widely known in Sanibel's business community and became a visible fixture in their neighborhood walking his two boxer dogs, SonKist and Nudgie.

Dan was predeceased by his father, Bert. He is survived by his wife, mother, four siblings and their spouses: Christine and John Maas of Watertown, Wisconsin; Gerald and Barbara Beltz of Lexington, Massachusetts; Kathryn and Gerald Reason of Minnetonka, Minnesota; and John and Kelly Beltz of Watertown. He is also survived by Kristin's parents, James Laramie of Fort Myers and his wife Sue; Mary Laramie of Whitewater; Kristin's brother Steven Laramie of Fort Lauderdale; and her sister and brother-in-law Dr. Tammy Laramie and Monte Hanson of St. John's, Florida.

A memorial service will take place at 10:30 a.m., May 2, at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ.\*

## St. Francis Xavier School Holds 75th Anniversary Gala

St. Francis Xavier School, the first Catholic school in Southwest Florida, is gearing up to host its 75th anniversary gala on Saturday, May 3 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Lexington Country Club in Fort Myers. Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are available.

The school invites members of the community to join its festivities by participating in the gala, titled Celebrating Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. The event will feature live music, dinner and silent auction.

In addition, St. Francis Xavier School is accepting underwriting opportunities including sponsorships, gifts and in-kind donations. Proceeds from the silent auction, sponsorships, ticket sales and dedications will help fund tuition assistance

and technology upgrades.

"On behalf of our St. Francis Xavier School family, I thank all those involved very much for your generosity in helping us continue our tradition of 'Connecting Faith and Families,'" said St. Francis Xavier School Principal Janet E. Ortenzo. "Together we can ensure the future of our school and the fine quality education we provide our students."

It was 1938, when five Franciscan Sisters from Allegany, New York, arrived in Fort Myers with a mission to establish a small Catholic school where children would receive an excellent academic education strongly rooted in the Catholic faith. This year, the school commemorates their legacy and milestone in education while recognizing the school and its 75th anniversary. Throughout the year, the school has honored the anniversary with numerous events for students and alumni as well as members of the community.

For ticket and sponsorship information, call 334-7707.\*

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# Weather Woes, But Success For A Nine-Year-Old



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

**T**alk to anyone who spends any time boating or fishing and you will hear all about the funky weather we have been experiencing. Twice this week I was chased off the

two either landed or hooked on just about every trip.

Catching large numbers of trout, jacks, Spanish mackerel and ladyfish has not been the problem; it's more when you switch it up and try for redfish and snook. These species have really been much more work the last few weeks with the action being a little spotty at best. With consistent weather the bite will get a whole lot more consistent too.

My first scheduled tarpon trip of the year only lasted about a hour or so before the wind simply blew us out and we decided to switch it up and go mangrove fishing.

A few tarpon were caught though in the Marker 4 area of the sound during the week by other anglers willing to camp out and wait it out for a few early season hookups. Live threadfins and cut baits seemed to be what these few and far between tarpon wanted to eat.

Tarpon fishing will improve quickly as our weather continues to warm and the winds, hopefully, let up. There are tarpon here but the conditions are making them hard to fish and even harder to locate.

One memorable fish this week came – or almost came – while fishing with 9-year-old Jackson Rhoades who was on a trip with his grandfather and my long

time client Mel from Wisconsin. After Jackson had caught a few mangrove snapper and a 27-inch snook pretty early in the charter, things had slowed up some. We ended up trying for a redfish without success so we moved on to a sheltered grass flat catching a few trout to just bend the rods and add to the day's total. Jackson's main goal was to catch more than the 11 fish he had caught on last years fishing trip.

Pulling up to a favorite mangrove shoreline, it did not take us long to get on a big fish. Jackson's first cast was bit almost instantly although the bait pulled out of the fish before the fight even really got started. Putting on a fresh live bait I recast to the same mangrove limb handing off the rod. It did not take long at all for a monster snook to inhale his bait.

With the help of both Mel and me we all worked together to keep the snook out of the trees. One of us would help lift the rod while Jackson reeled. After a five-minute plus battle the big fish ran back and forth multiple times flirting with the mangroves as it pushed a submarine size wake off its back in the shallow water.

We had had several really close calls with the fish breaking us off then it gradu-



Jackson Rhoades age nine with a 27-inch snook caught fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

ally tired. just when it looked like we had the fish beat and clear of the danger it chuffed through the leader, swimming free. I know all three of us will remember this snook that got away for a long time. More important yet, after hitting one more trout flat on the way back to the dock, Jackson's total for the trip was 15 fish.

Way to go Jackson, see you next year, and that big snook is is still waiting for you.

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](mailto:captmattmitchell@aol.com).\*

## Send Us Your Fish Tales

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

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**CROW Case Of The Week:**

# Screech Owlets Tumble From Nest



by Patricia Molloy

**E**erie. Haunting. These words are often used to describe the low-pitched trill of the Eastern screech owl (*Megascops asio*). The unique avians also possess a large repertoire of vocalizations that includes rasps, barks, chuckles and whinnies. Their distinctive sounds are frequently used to “set the mood” in movie and television scenes.

Ranging in size from 6.3 to 9.8 inches, Eastern screech owls are one of the smallest species of owls in the world. Swooping down from a high perch under the cover of night, the superior hearing of these birds allows them to detect even the quietest movements of their tiny prey. Strictly nocturnal hunters, the owls are difficult to detect during daylight due to their habit of occupying old woodpecker holes and natural cavities of trees.

Several weeks ago, two baby Eastern screech owls apparently fell from their nest. The homeowner who found them was unable to locate their parents or their nest, so the siblings were scooped up and driven to CROW. Upon presentation, neither bruises nor broken bones were detected and each owlet was at a healthy weight.

When birds are first born, they look up for meals, as their mothers will place food directly into their mouths from above. The staff at CROW simulated this process by securing tiny pieces of food at the end of a pair of medical tongs and gently placing the bite-size bits into the open mouths of the owlets.

Once the two screech owls were old enough to chew effectively on their own, the human feeders began to offer them larger bites of food from under their beaks. The process of redirecting their attention down has taught the young birds that food naturally comes from below. They will likely grow up to hunt like most adult screech owls, by perching on a tree branch and waiting quietly to see or hear prey scurrying about on the ground below.



This screech owlet, patient #0505, watches its sibling from a perch

Last week, the youngsters graduated from the baby room to a spacious outdoor enclosure where they have begun flying lessons. Once their flight capabilities are on par with other owlets their age, Dr. Heather will make plans for their release.

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



It is natural for a young bird like this one, patient #0506, to look up in anticipation of a meal. In the wild, its mother would place food directly into its mouth until it was a bit older.

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Plant Smart

# Dogfennel

by Gerri Reaves

Some gardeners consider dogfennel (*Eupatorium capillifolium*) a wild-life-friendly wildflower. They love its vivid green color, graceful appearance and feathery aromatic foliage – so much that they cultivate it or just let it be.

But opinions differ.

Drought-tolerant dogfennel is the most common pasture weeds in Florida. Native to the state, it commonly occurs in pinelands, on roadsides and in disturbed areas, too.

It can be a problematic weed for farmers and ranchers. Although foraging cattle usually do not eat dogfennel, they will ingest it if other vegetation is not available. A toxin in the plant can cause dehydration.

Dogfennel's seeds, which are surrounded by hairs, easily disperse on the wind and self-sow. The plant also spreads laterally via underground rootstocks.

The delicate undivided leaves are composed of thread-like segments.

Single non-branching shoots can reach up to 10 feet high.

Arching clusters of tiny white fragrant flowers bloom in the late summer to fall, attracting bees, butterflies, and birds. When in flower, the plant vaguely resembles another member of the aster family, groundsel or saltbush (*Baccharis halimifolia*).



Many people love this native plant for its feathery vivid green foliage, while others consider it an unwanted weed

photos by Gerri Reaves

Sources: *National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida, Wildflowers of Florida* by Jaret C. Danels and Stan Tekiela, edis.ifas.ufl.edu, and davesgarden.com.

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Two hardy shoots of dogfennel rise amidst the ferns

## Garden Council Celebrates 5th Service Awards

Kay Holloway was named the winner of the 2014 Berne Davis Honorary Service Award during the 5th annual Service Award program of the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council, held at Fiddlesticks Country Club on April 11. Holloway is a member of the Periwinkle Garden Club, which is also Berne's home club. Berne Davis was also honored for her 100th birthday and continued support of garden clubs and the Garden Council.

Receiving Board of Directors awards were Judy Gore and Pat Grulke, Rainbow Award; Mitzi Marckensano, Busy Bee Award; and Sharon Thompson, Perennial Award. Five individuals received the Ena McGrattan Award: Mitzi Marckensano, Pat Grulke, Paula Novander, Carolee Drotos-Swailes and Sharon Thompson.

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

For additional information about the



Fort Myers Mayor Randy Handerson, standing with Garden Council President Debbie Wyatt-Stotter and honoree Berne Davis

council, contact President Debbie Wyatt-Stotter via email at [fmlcgpres@embarq-mail.com](mailto:fmlcgpres@embarq-mail.com).✧



Kay Holloway, right, the recipient of the 2014 Berne Davis Honorary Service Award, pictured with Berne Davis during the April 11 Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council's 5th annual Service Award program

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# The Red Sox's David Ortiz Is What 'Boston Strong' Is All About



by Ed Frank

He's a super-hero today. He represents everything that's good about baseball, but his impact goes far beyond baseball. Mention the name David Ortiz and it is synonymous with the words "Boston Strong."

It was 1997 when the 21-year-old Ortiz arrived in Fort Myers after he was obtained by the Minnesota Twins in a trade with the Seattle Mariners. Never, ever did anyone then imagine the Hall of Fame future for this young slugger.

He played here for the Miracle for just 61 games batting .331 with 13 home runs on his road to stardom. In that one year he advanced from A, to Double A, and to Triple A, making

it all the way to the Major League Twins in that one season.

He starred for the Twins for five seasons, and in one of the worst decisions ever made by the Twins, they allowed him to become a free agent after the 2002 season. Signed quickly by the Red Sox, his record-shattering play fills 17 pages in the Red Sox Media Guide including, of course, leading Boston to three World Series Championships in the last 10 years.

But the purpose of this column is not to dwell on his amazing baseball record. The purpose is something far more important – what David Ortiz has meant to the Boston community and the world beyond.

The running of the Boston Marathon last Monday brought back so many memories of the devastating bombing last year that took the lives of four and injured more than 200.

As tragic as that awful event was, it brought the Boston community together as never before. And the Dominican Republic-born Ortiz played a major role.

In a beautifully-written column in last week's *Sports Illustrated*, Ortiz described his feelings when he spoke before Boston's first home game after the bombing.

"I was emotional and maybe a little scared – I felt the same way everyone else did. I was looking for a hero to protect what was ours. Our city. Our marathon. Our way of life.

"I love the marathon. There's no chance in hell I could run such a long distance – I can barely run the bases anymore – so I have great respect for those runners.

"I always walked down near the finish line to watch when our game at Fenway was over, to cheer on the runners with my family. I'll be there again this year for sure."

"I've seen so many great things since coming to this country from the Dominican Republic, and one of them is how strong we can be in tough times. I will never forget that. Seeing Boston regroup the way it has over the last 12 months has been awesome," Ortiz wrote.

Whoever ever came up with the words "Boston Strong" must have had David (Big Papi) Ortiz in mind.

## Miracle Begin Nine-Game Home Stand

The Fort Myers Miracle baseball team began an eight-game home stand at Hammond Stadium that started Wednesday.

As the week began, the Miracle had an early season record of 9-7 and were in second-place in the Florida State League South Division, two games behind Bradenton.

The Miracle faces Jupiter Wednesday in a two-game series. The Palm Beach Cardinals provide the opposition over the weekend with the first pitch Friday at 7:05 p.m. followed by 6:05 p.m. and 4 p.m. starts Saturday and Sunday.

First-place Bradenton arrives Monday for three 7:05 p.m. games, Monday through Wednesday.

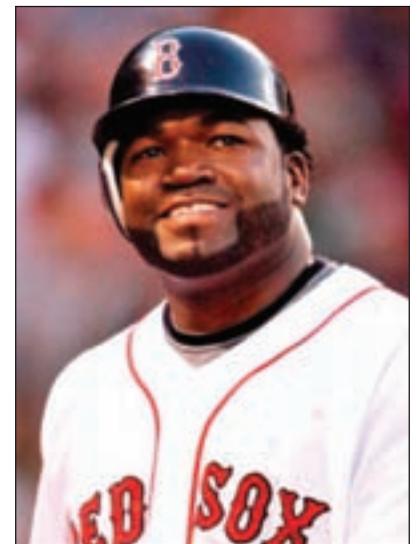
## Indoor Football League Down to Four Teams

Only four teams remain in the Ultimate Indoor Football League for the 2014 season that begins May 16 when the defending champion Florida Tarpons hosts the expansion Miami Inferno at Germain Arena.

The two other league teams are the Missouri Voodoo and the Corpus Christi Fury. Each team will play four home games.

The second week of the season will feature a rematch of Ultimate Bowl 3 between the Fury and the Tarpons. The Tarpons defeated the Fury to win the league title.

The Ultimate Football League was established in 2010 and has teams located in Texas, Missouri, South Carolina and Florida.✪



David Ortiz

## 10th Annual Ryan McCleskey Redfish Challenge

Ryan McCleskey ended his fight against cancer on February 3, 2006. Family, friends and acquaintances of Ryan wish to continue his battle with loving memory.

The objective of the 10th annual Ryan McCleskey Redfish Challenge is to build awareness of the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation and assist the children of Southwest Florida in their personal battles by donating the proceeds raised to Barbara's Friends, the Children's Hospital Cancer Fund.

The Golisano's Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida is building a new 292,000-square-foot, 128-bed children's hospital on the campus of Health Park Medical Center.

For more information, visit [www.ChildrensHospitalGoal.org](http://www.ChildrensHospitalGoal.org).

To date, the fishing tournament has raised over \$80,000 for Barbara's Friends.

### 2014 Tournament Schedule

Captain's Meeting: Friday, May 23

Check-in: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Food and drinks: 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Live music: 7 to 9:30 p.m.



Ryan McCleskey

Meeting location: Twisted Conch

### Tournament & Weigh-In

(at the Marina at Cape Harbour)

Saturday, May 24

Tournament time: 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Weigh-in time: 4 p.m.

Food, raffle and music: 4 to 7 p.m.

Contact Kristin McCleskey at 699-7426 for additional information or visit [www.ryansredfishchallenge.com](http://www.ryansredfishchallenge.com).✪

## Memorial Day 5K Run On The Green

The Fort Myers Recreation Division will hold its 5K Memorial Day Run on the Green Monday, May 26 at Eastwood Golf Course, located beside the Calusa Nature Center at 4600 Bruce Herd Lane in Fort Myers. Check in is at 6:30 a.m. and start time is 7:30 a.m. The route will go through the back nine and finish at the clubhouse.

Medals will be awarded for first, second and third place finish in each age group. Participants will receive a race T-shirt, post-race refreshments and will be eligible for door prizes if present after the race. Entry fee for adults 18 and over is \$20 prior to May 26 or \$30 on race day; under 18 is \$10 prior to May 26 or \$20 on race day.

Pre-registration by mail must be received no later than Friday, May 23. Entry forms are available online at [www.cityftmyers.com](http://www.cityftmyers.com), or at any City of Fort Myers recreation facility. Register online at [www.ftmyerstrackclub.com](http://www.ftmyerstrackclub.com).✪

## Miracle Hosts Inaugural Think Pink Night To Benefit Susan G. Komen

Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida has partnered with the Fort Myers Miracle baseball team for their 1st annual Think Pink Night at Hammond Stadium. A portion of the proceeds from each ticket will be donated to Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida. The event will take place on Thursday, April 24 at 7 p.m. The cost to attend the baseball game is \$17.50 and includes a general admission ticket, a Fort Myers Miracle baseball hat and a food and drink voucher. Tickets can be purchased at [www.miraclefun.com](http://www.miraclefun.com) and entering KOMEN as the password.

Hammond Stadium is located at 14400 Six Mile Cypress Parkway. For more information about the event, call Ashley Adams at 768-4210 or email at [aadams@miraclebaseball.com](mailto:aadams@miraclebaseball.com).✪

## A Trip To River City Now At Broadway Palm



by Di Saggau

No matter how many times you see it, there's just something about *The Music Man* that makes you love it all over again. Broadway Palm's rendition of Meredith Wilson's



The Broadway Palm cast of *The Music Man*

salesmen are bouncing around on a railway coach, and Professor Hill gets off at River City, Iowa to see if he can work his con job, the audience knows they are in for a musical treat. As he convinces the townsfolk that they need a band to keep their kids out of trouble, he runs into opposition from pompous Mayor Shinn, who tries his best to get his proper credentials. Rob Summers gives a great performance in this humorous role. Victor Legarreta is a gleeful trickster accomplice as Marcellus Washburn. He's a standout in the *Shipoopi* number. Then there's Winthrop (a role shared by Nicholas Best and Nicholas Salerno), Marion's bashful little brother who wails out *Gary, Indiana* as if he just made it up.

Set in 1912, the story is about a confidence man who bamboozles a ragtag boys' band into recreating the miracle of

music, a shy boy into speaking, a feuding quartet of school board members into a barbershop quartet, a bevy of local matrons into a classical dance troupe, and a town into believing in itself. You'll enjoy such hits as *Lida Rose*, *The Wells Fargo Wagon*, *Ya Got Trouble* and, of course, the ever-popular *76 Trombones*. The finale number is outstanding and by the musical's end one feels Hill has sold far more than he knows: A whole bunch of dreams for River City to grown on.

*The Music Man* plays through May 24 at Broadway Palm, Southwest Florida's premier dinner theatre. Reservations can be made by calling 278-4422, by visiting [www.BroadwayPalm.com](http://www.BroadwayPalm.com) or at the box office, 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.✪

## Highly Lauded Play Staged At Lab Theater

by Di Saggau

David Mamet's award-winning *Glengarry Glen Ross* is now showing at Laboratory Theater of Florida, and it's a masterpiece in how it's words, not deeds, that count. It's the story of two days in the lives of extremely competitive real estate agents who engage in threats, lying and intimidation in order to win an office sales contest. The salesmen are defined by how they speak, the pauses and repetitions, the rhythms of their monologues and conversations. Language is the weapon of these hustlers. The setting is Chicago, early 1980s.

The first act consists of three scenes. All take place in a Chinese restaurant where Shelly (Michael Hennessey) does some fast-talking to John (Todd Fleck), the office manager. Once a top seller, he's in a slump, and is willing to pay a percentage to John to get some good leads. The best leads go to high performing salesmen while low-end producers like Shelly – who was once a big shot – gets the dregs, increasing the chances he will fail and get fired.

Next we meet Dave (Jack Weld), who talks the ear off timid George (Joel Hawkins) and even suggests a robbery of the office to steal the leads. The third,

indelible scene, has the elegantly dressed Roma (Scott Carpenter) in a seemingly casual conversation with a potential client James (Chas Greer). Roma drifts into a long soliloquy about life, real estate and fate in sentences that hardly make sense. But before the unsuspecting James knows it, Roma whips out a brochure and makes a sale.

The second act takes place the next day in the real estate office. It has been ransacked overnight, and the leads stolen. Even the phones have been ripped out. A police officer (Michael Dinko) is interviewing everyone in an effort to find the culprit. Shelly comes in triumphantly to tell everyone he has managed to sell eight parcels to one couple, for \$82,000. He's back on top, for a while, and he can't wait to describe in delicious detail each part of his sales pitch.

*Glengarry Glen Ross* is a Tony Award winner and the 1984 Pulitzer Prize win-



Michael Hennessey, Joel Hawkins and Scott Carpenter

ner for drama. It's irresistibility deals with the staccato spray of dialogue delivered by Hennessey, Carpenter and Weld. Directed by Annette Trossbach, this is a play that delivers at a high-testosterone level. The language is harsh and realistic showing that the forces rallying against the little guy are as formidable as ever.

Laboratory Theater of Florida presents *Glengarry Glen Ross* through May 3. Located at 1634 Woodford in Fort Myers, tickets are available at [www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com](http://www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com) or by calling 218-0481.✪



## Member Gallery Book Club Discussion

The Alliance for the Arts' monthly Member Gallery Book Club continues on Tuesday, May 20 from 7 to 9 p.m. with a discussion of *The Lost Painting* by Jonathan Harr. The Member Book Club is an exploration of literature relating to artists, art history and art appreciation. It's one of the many benefits of membership at the Alliance for the Arts.

In *The Lost Painting*, prize-winning author Jonathan Harr embarks on an spellbinding journey to discover the long-lost painting known as *The Taking of Christ*, its mysterious fate and the circumstances of its disappearance have captivated Caravaggio devotees for years. After Francesca Cappelletti stumbles across a clue in that dusty archive, she tracks the painting across a continent and hundreds of years of history. But it is not until she meets Sergio Benedetti, an art restorer working in Ireland, that she finally manages to assemble all the pieces of the puzzle.

Told with consummate skill by the writer of the bestselling, award-winning *A Civil Action*, *The Lost Painting* is a remarkable synthesis of history and detective story. The fascinating details of Caravaggio's strange, turbulent career and the astonishing beauty of his work come to life in these pages. Harr's account is not unlike a Caravaggio painting: vivid, deftly wrought and enthralling.

The Member Gallery Book Club meets on the third Tuesday of every month. Club members must purchase their own copy of each book and pre-registration is encouraged. An active Alliance membership is required. Visit [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org) or call 239-939-2787 to learn more or become a member today.

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

## Tournament For Kids A Success



Ann Barney, Kay Swift, Barb Lombardo and Marcia Lopata

On Saturday, April 12, golfers lined up their carts at the newly renovated Shell Point Golf course to benefit the children of the Gladiolus Center. It was a bright and sunny day. Some of the families and their children came out to wave to the golfers as they went out to the green to begin the shotgun scramble.

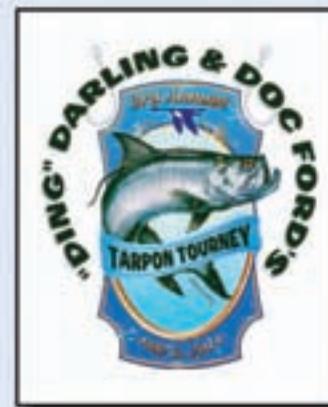
This was the inaugural Tee It Up Fore Kids golf scramble. The inaugural sponsors of were The Masiello Family Foundation, Frank Phillips/Merrill Lynch, Ed Roach, John and Judy Mauer, and Jose R. Zozaya. Scanlon Acura/Lexus provided the car to be awarded for a hole-in-one and BMW awarded prizes to the woman and man who came closest to the hole on one of the greens. Twenty-five businesses and individuals stepped up to be hole sponsors and Municipal Supply and Signs of Naples donated all the signs for the course.

Breakfast was donated by Perkins, Costco, The Bagel Factory and Publix. Jason's Deli provided lunch and the local Coca Cola distributor donated drinks. Many local businesses also contributed prizes for the raffle and auction. Over \$20,000 was raised to help the children and their families who attend the Gladiolus Center, which serves low income families as a childcare facility, school and after-school program.\*



The winners: Pam Lemon, Lynda Muench, Cory Warther and Frank Phillips

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

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6 p.m. Mondays, May 5, 12 and 19

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#### Hurricane Seminar

2 p.m. Thursday, May 8

Not sure what to do if a hurricane is headed your way? Join Lee County Emergency Management to find out how to protect and prepare yourself, your home and pets during a hurricane.

#### Book Discussion: *We Are All*

*Completely Beside Ourselves* by Karen Joy Fowler

2 p.m. Tuesday, May 20

Read and discuss this novel by *New York Times* bestselling author Karen Joy Fowler. Coming of age in middle America, 18-year-old Rosemary evaluates how her entire youth was defined by the presence and forced removal of an endearing chimpanzee who was secretly regarded as a family member and who

Rosemary loved as a sister. Registration required. Registration is required.

### Children

#### Preschool Lego Storytime

10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 1

Calling all preschoolers and caregivers – get ready to read, build and play at the library. This program will combine storytelling, music and building with LEGO DUPLO bricks for a fun new experience. This hands-on playtime will foster creativity and early literacy. For ages 2 to 5. Registration began April 10.

#### Special Needs Storytime

10 a.m. Saturday, May 3

This storytime emphasizes books, music and sensory experiences designed for children with special needs. The library's welcoming environment will create a positive experience for children. Each child must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver, who will be an active participant in the program. Class size is limited to 10 children, plus their parents or caregivers. For children from 3 to 12 years old with special needs. Registration begins three weeks prior to event.

#### Reading Academy

4:30 p.m. Wednesdays, May 7, 14 and 21

The library will bring out the mini drawing boards for this interactive event. Join the fun each week with new stories and activities. This program is designed for children who can read and write. Sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. For grades 1 to 5. Registration is required and begins one

week prior to event.

#### Drop-In Mother's Day Card Making Craft

2 to 4 p.m. Friday, May 9

Drop by the library and make a Mother's Day card to thank mom for all that she does. While supplies last. Sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. For ages 2 to 12. No registration necessary.

#### Kids Read Down Fines

2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10

Children and teens can earn a \$2 coupon for every 15 minutes of reading, during the allotted time. A total of \$8 per day may be earned. For ages 18 and younger. Coupons may be applied to cards issued to patrons age 18 and under only. Bring your library card with you. Your library card or library card number is required in order to access your account.

#### Baby And Me!

10 a.m. Monday, May 12

This special interactive program is a play-date designed just for babies and their caregivers. Come discover lots of new fun literacy activities, rhymes and even a craft that you and your baby can continue to enjoy at home. For ages up to 23 months. Sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. Registration began April 21.

#### Read Around America: Midwest Adventures

4:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 13

Take a trip to the Midwest through exciting books, games and crafts. Kids will explore the culture and attractions as well

as learn what makes the Midwest region truly remarkable. Perfect for homeschoolers or anyone who loves this area of the country. For grades K to 5. Sponsored by the Friends of Lakes Regional Library. Registration began April 22.

### Teens

#### Kids Read Down Fines

2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, May 10

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#### Make A Vision Board

6:30 p.m. Monday, May 12

Create a visual reminder of personal goals and dreams with a vision board. Magazines will be provided for this fun collage craft. Registration is not required but the program is limited to 24 participants.

The Lakes Regional Library is located at 15290 Bass Road in Fort Myers. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4000. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days notice to library staff.

Check the Lee County Library System's website at [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net) to find out about programs at other locations. Call the host library, or Telephone Reference at 479-INFO (4636), for more information about a specific program.\*

## Fort Myers Regional Library Programs

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

### Adults

#### How To Apply For A Habitat For Humanity Home

9:30 a.m. Thursday, May 15

Location: Meeting Room AB

Get started on the path to a new home. Habitat For Humanity representative Tanya Soholt will offer instructions and information on applying for affordable housing through the Habitat program.

#### May Beadwork

9:30 a.m. Friday, May 16

Location: Meeting Room CD

Wow your friends with this lovely beaded treasure. All materials supplied. Registration is required.

#### Small Business Series: Overview Of Doing Business With The Federal Government

1 p.m. Monday, May 19

Location: Meeting Room AB

Geared toward current small businesses, this program provides an overview of contracting, grants and pricing. Learn how to take the mystery out of doing business with the federal government and go after government contracts. Registration is required.

#### Cards For Everyday Use

10 a.m. Tuesday, May 20

Location: Meeting Room CD

Make general purpose cards that will be a delight to share with friends and family. Try new techniques, have fun and take home great cards to send. All materials supplied. Registration is requested.

#### Book Discussion: *Pope Joan* by

Donna Woolfolk Cross

Noon Wednesday, May 21

Location: Main Library Building

#### Conference Room

Historical Fiction can span time and distance. You never know where (or when) our book discussion selections will take you. Registration is required.

### Family

#### Baby-Parent Rhyme Time

10:30 a.m. Thursdays, May 15 and 22

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

### Children

#### Reading Academy

4 p.m. Tuesdays, May 6, 13, 20 and 27

Reading, spelling, puppets and games! Get a reading boost at this fun-filled program. For grades K to 5. Children participating are expected to know how to read and write. Sponsored by the Friends of the Fort Myers Library. Registration is required.

#### Kids Read Down Fines

3 to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 10

4 to 5 p.m. Monday, May 12

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### Teens

#### Fort Myers Library Teen Chess Club

5 p.m. Wednesday, May 7

Enjoy chess? Come to the Teen area and hang out with new friends and play a game of chess. Open to kids of all ages to play. No registration is needed. Space is limited. Bring a chess board or use one of the library's.

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#### Perler Beads To The Max!

5 p.m. Wednesday, May 14

Perler Beads are an awesome accessory. Use hot glue, Perler Beads, your imagination and a little skill to create a pair of sunglasses that is as individual as you are. Or bring in your favorite ear buds and decorate them. The craft is for teens only! Register online.

#### Board Games

5 p.m. Wednesday, May 28

Teens, school is over so get together and play some games at the library! No registration is required. Come hang out, pick a favorite board game and relax. The fun is on us.

The Fort Myers Regional is located at 2450 First Street in Fort Myers. Adult programs are held in the meeting room building located across the library campus at 1651 Lee Street. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4600. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days notice to library staff.

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## AppleJuice

OS X 10.9 –  
Mavericks

by Carol Rooksby Weidlich, President, SWACKS

**L**ate in 2013, Apple introduced their new operating system called Mavericks for the iMac (mid 2007 or newer), MacBook (late

2008 Aluminum, Early 2009 or newer), MacBook Pro (mid/2007 or newer), MacBook Air (late 2008 or newer), Mac mini (early 2009 or newer), MacPro (early 2008 or newer) and Xserve (early 2009).

To check whether you can upgrade to this free operating system upgrade, check the details about your Mac model by clicking the Apple icon at the top left of your screen. Choose "About this Mac," then "More Info." Check to see what version of OS X your Mac is running, which will be listed below your serial number. You can upgrade from earlier operating systems, Snow Leopard (10.6.8), Lion (10.7) or Mountain Lion (10.8).

To download this upgrade, click on the Mac App Store icon on your Mac, download the OS X Mavericks and your Mac does the rest. If you do not have broadband access, you can make an appointment with the Genius Bar at your local Apple Retail Store for assistance.

Mavericks has added over 200 new features and capabilities, along with powerful technology to power your

Mac. Features include greater accessibility; automation enhancements; a new streamlined calendar app that includes calculation of travel time, weather information and maps; client management with advanced passcode policies; contacts sports a new look, includes maps and improved Google contacts support; core technology improvements; enhanced dictation functions; new Finder options; iCloud keychain with advanced security settings; ability to connect to LinkedIn; Mac App Store improvements for downloads, installations and upgrades; an updated mail application; maps application allows you to plan your trip on your Mac and send directions to your iPhone; use multiple displays running full-screen apps on each screen and using AirPlay with Apple TV allows you to use your HDTV as a second display; a new notifications center gives you multiple options; improved annotations can be found in Preview; reminders has more sorting options including a Today reminder list; Safari, Apple's web browser updates include third party data blocking, a smart Safari plug-in prevents wasting power; screen sharing allows you to use multi-touch gestures; upgraded security; sharing offers file, photo and video updates; tags can be used in documents, the Finder sidebar, search for items by tags; and lastly, new fonts, languages, export options, dictionaries, new apps in Launchpad, power information in your battery menu and activity monitor. For more information, visit [www.apple.com/osx/whats-new/features.html#accessibility](http://www.apple.com/osx/whats-new/features.html#accessibility) to see more information on these features.

South West Florida Apple Computer Knowledge Society or SWACKS. For more information, visit [www.swacks.org](http://www.swacks.org).

Food Bank Helps  
Feed Furry Friends

**W**inn-Dixie has launched the first PAWS Feed The Love community donation program to benefit area food banks and non-profit partners dedicated to eliminating hunger for pets in their local communities.

"It is awful to imagine, but there are many people with limited financial means who face a difficult dilemma each week: feed themselves or feed their pets," said Rondel Hartwell, director of community involvement and charitable giving for Winn-Dixie. "Each year, we dedicate countless resources to our area food partners to help feed the hungry. In the month of April, we want to do a little more for our furry friends."

Now through Tuesday, April 29, Winn-Dixie customers can purchase a \$5 pre-packaged bag of pet food with their Winn-Dixie Reward Card or give a monetary donation of their choice at any store register. Each bag contains a week's worth of dry and canned packages of PAWS Premium, Winn-Dixie's own brand of high-quality, nutritious cat and dog food. For every bag purchased, Winn-Dixie customers will receive an additional five cents per gallon in fuelperks!



Rewards, Winn-Dixie's program that saves customers money on gas just for buying groceries.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank will distribute the cat and dog food to partner agencies that, along with operating food pantries for families, also provide emergency food for pets.

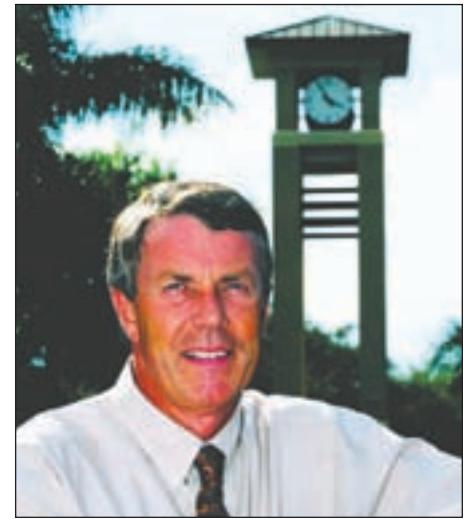
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Lecture  
On Pakistan,  
Afghanistan

**T**he Academy of Lifelong Learning welcomes Professor Adrian Kerr for The Story of Pakistan and Afghanistan, which will be offered on Tuesday, May 6 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. in the Grand Cypress Room of The Woodlands at Shell Point Retirement Community.

Kerr will lead the group through the history and colorful cultures of Pakistan and Afghanistan. Although they are often overshadowed by their neighbors – the giant India to their south, and Iran to their north – Pakistan and Afghanistan remain two of the most enigmatic countries that have emerged into high profile as a result of the post-9/11 conflicts in the Middle East.

Tickets for this class are \$10 each and can be purchased by calling 489-8472.



Adrian Kerr

Seating is limited, and reservations are required.

To learn more about Shell Point Retirement Community, visit [www.shellpoint.org](http://www.shellpoint.org) or call 1-800-780-1131.

Dress For Success Joins With  
Law Firms To Aid Jobless Women

**D**ress for Success SW Florida is partnering with Law Suits, a sponsorship program that gives the legal community an opportunity to transform disadvantaged women into empowered professionals.

Dress for Success solves the catch-22 that confronts such women trying to enter the workforce: without a job how can you afford a suit? Without a suit, how can you get a job?

A law firm's Law Suit sponsorship provides one or more women with a complete suit and accessories, including shoes, handbag or briefcase, jewelry and a scarf. The Civil Suit sponsorship provides a complete wardrobe of up to 15 pieces of clothing plus accessories to wear on the job.

Different levels of sponsorships and information on clothing drives are available. Call Mary McDonough, business development manager, at 689-4992 or email [Mary@dfsswflorida.org](mailto:Mary@dfsswflorida.org).

"I was an unemployed paralegal student without an income and needed to support my family. Thanks to the support of Dress for Success, I had the confidence to succeed, landed a job and went on to law school," said Trish Ryan, a graduate of Dress for Success. "In 2013, I passed the Florida Bar exam and recently opened my own law firm."

For information on Dress for Success SW Florida located at 12995 S. Cleveland Avenue, Suite 153, Fort Myers, email [swflorida@dressforsuccess.org](mailto:swflorida@dressforsuccess.org), call 689-4992 or visit [www.DressForSuccess.org/swflorida](http://www.DressForSuccess.org/swflorida).

Riders Wanted  
For Charity  
Poker Run

**O**n Saturday, May 3, more than 100 motorcycle riders are expected to participate in the 2nd annual Lyle McCreary Memorial Poker Run.

McCreary, a former employee of Parr Moto and towering figure in the local riding community, lost his battle with cancer in 2011. Money raised during the ride to remember Lyle – and all those affected by cancer – will benefit Hope Hospice.

All riders will meet at The Hut in Buckingham for an optional breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. and kickstands go up at 10:30 a.m. From there, riders will then continue on to the Fort Myers Brewery in Gateway, Rusty's Raw Bar in Estero, the Royal Scoop in Bonita Springs and end at Pinchers Tiki Hut on Fort Myers Beach

(located behind the Wyndham Garden Hotel).

Along the way, riders will draw cards as part of the poker run. In addition, they can also win prizes by participating in a cornhole toss at the brewery and a dart throw at Rusty's.

At the final stop, Pinchers Tiki Hut, riders will enjoy food and live music, participate in a raffle and determine the best poker hand drawn during the run.

To make this charity event a success, Parr Moto is seeking prize donations from area businesses and greater participation in the poker run – from riders and non-riders alike. To donate a prize for the raffle, contact Dana Parr at 866-772-1381 ext. 225 or at [danaparr@parrmoto.com](mailto:danaparr@parrmoto.com).

To donate to Hope Hospice in the name of Lyle McCreary, go to [www.hopehospice.org/donate](http://www.hopehospice.org/donate) and click on the butterfly prompt that reads Donate Now. Be sure to fill out the tribute information at the bottom of the donations page.



Members of the Metro-McGregor Kiwanis sponsored and executed a mobile food pantry



Kiwanis member Everett Shell collects registered participants vouchers



Matthew Toomey packs and unloads chicken from a Harry Chapin Food Bank truck



Members of the Metro-McGregor Kiwanis work to pack and distribute food during the mobile food pantry on April 5

## Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Sponsors Mobile Pantry

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis sponsored a mobile food pantry with the Harry Chapin Food Bank on April 5 at the Suncoast Estates Community Center in North Fort Myers. The project was in conjunction with Kiwanis One Day, which is a day that the entire Kiwanis family – Kiwanis Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, CKI, Aktion Club and Kiwanis clubs – across the world joins forces for a large-scale service project. The mobile food pantry impacted 269 households with a total of 10,477 pounds of food distributed.

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis and the Harry Chapin Food Bank brought the food right to the residents of Suncoast Estates, including fresh vegetables, grains, non-perishables and chicken. Residents were identified and pre-registered by the Suncoast Estates Community Center to ensure the food was going to those most in need.

According to Feeding America's 2010 study, 63 percent of client households in Southwest Florida lack access to nutritious food and adequate amounts of it, as opposed to 46 percent statewide and 36 percent nationally.

"Studies have shown that low-income families are the first to be impacted by a recession, and the last to recover," said Kim Berghs, volunteer center manager for the United Way of Lee, Henry, Glades and Okeechobee counties and member of the Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club.

"People were very friendly, appreciative, and it gave Kiwanis an opportunity to connect with the community," added club member Barbara Hartman, "It was awesome to bring such good, healthy food to those residents."

The Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club is looking for more service-minded individuals and business professionals who would like to make a direct impact on the community through volunteering. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in Fort Myers. For details on joining the Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club, call club president Harris Segel at 939-4027 or email harris@pampered-pooch.com. The Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club can be



Barbara Hartman, Shea Cunningham and Heather Chouinard distribute food to the Suncoast community

found on Facebook or online at [www.metro-mcgregor.com](http://www.metro-mcgregor.com).\*

## Chihuahua Dress-Up Contest

Fort Myers' best-dressed Chihuahuas will take center stage May 4 at Fleamasters in the second annual Chihuahua Contest

Registration starts at 11 a.m. and the contest is at 1:30 p.m.

There will be a performance by the Calendar Girls dance team at noon.

"The event serves a dual purpose: to celebrate Cinco de Mayo, and one of our favorite spunky little dogs. Dress up and enter your pint-sized pup," said Linda Steele, Fleamasters' marketing director. "Whether fancy, wild, funky, or a mix of styles, this contest is your Chihuahua's chance to strut its stuff. It's a guaranteed good time for spectators and contestants."

According to the American Kennel Club, "The Chihuahua's history is shrouded in mystery, but some believe he originated from the Fennec Fox, a very small animal with big eyes and ears. The breed derives its name from the Mexican State of Chihuahua."

A Chihuahua does not need to be AKC-registered or even a purebred to enter the contest. But the dog must look like a Chihuahua to win.

Registration is \$10 per dog. All contestants can receive freebies and a T-shirt for the dog owner. Dogs and their costumes will be judged on originality, creativity and overall appearance. Owners can add to the fun by dressing themselves up, as well. The Grand Champion, first, second and third place winners will take home rosette ribbons and prize baskets of dog treats and gift certificates for market stores. Visit [fleamall.com](http://fleamall.com) for more contest information.\*

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## School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

**D**ear Shelley,  
My 5-year-old daughter is extremely shy in front of adults including her pre-school teachers, although she is fine with my husband

and me, siblings, grandparents and other children. In fact, she is often a leader with other children. The problem is that she will not speak to adults in her environment. She does obey them and follows directions, but there is no communication from her.

Her preschool teachers have been very patient with her and very understanding and I thought she would grow out of this, but I can't imagine that once she goes to kindergarten, things will go well for her if she continues not to talk to adults.

Erin N., Fort Myers Beach

### Erin,

You are facing a challenge with your daughter. Her difficulty initiating social interactions with a specific group of people (i.e. adults) is often associated with selective mutism (SM).

Selective mutism (formerly known as elective mutism) usually happens during childhood. A child with SM does not speak in certain situations, like at school, but speaks at other times, like at home or with friends. SM often starts before a child is 5 years old and is usually first noticed when the child starts school.

There is some good research on SM and the most recent studies indicate on SM have now led us to better understand SM as an anxiety disorder and/or social phobia disorder. For many kids with SM, their anxiety may go beyond the ability to

speak and even affect their ability to non-verbally engage with other people.

Many parents of children who have an SM diagnosis describe feeling confused by what appears to be a deliberate difference of who their child speaks to or not. Psychologists from the SM Program at the Child Mind Institute typically list three variables that can affect a child's ability to speak, "people, places and situations and state that kids with SM will verbalize to different degrees across these three variables." So perhaps then it is not such a surprise that she becomes the leader when she's with a group of kids. However, it is important to understand that just because she feels comfortable socializing when she's around people her own age it does not rule out SM.

It is very important for you to contact a professional who can properly assess your daughter, determine a diagnosis and initiate treatment. You may want to start with a referral from your family doctor.

The good news is that behavioral treatment is very effective in treating children with SM. Most school personnel have some familiarity with SM and can help with her treatment as she enters kindergarten. Research indicates that the earlier the intervention is provided the better response a child is likely to have to treatment.

For more background and in-depth information on SM visit the American Speech-Language Hearing Association's website at [www.asha.org/public/speech/disorders/selectivemutism/#causes](http://www.asha.org/public/speech/disorders/selectivemutism/#causes).

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## Fundraiser To Support Science Fair

The Fort Myers Kiwanis Club will conduct a Kool Science fundraiser on Thursday, May 8 from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at The Edison restaurant, located at 3583 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Proceeds from the event will help to fund the Thomas Alva Edison Kiwanis Science and Engineering Fair.

The Kool Science event will include buffet dinner and silent auction. Tickets are \$58 per person or \$464 for a table of eight, and must be purchased in advance at [www.koolsienceevent.com](http://www.koolsienceevent.com) or by contacting [kiwanisdonna@gmail.com](mailto:kiwanisdonna@gmail.com) by May 1.

The Fort Myers Kiwanis Club annually supports the Thomas Alva Edison Kiwanis Science and Engineering Fair by providing volunteer staff and fundraising to pay in excess of \$15,000 for travel expenses of winners to the state and international competitions, scholarships, trophies and other awards at the local level. The fair is tied to the Edison Festival of Light Celebration, and more than 20,000 middle school and high school students in Lee and Charlotte counties participate each year.

"In addition to learning about their specific project, students learn logic, scientific method, organizational skills, creativity and presentation skills," said Nathan Fred Shaw of the Fort Myers Kiwanis Club. "We are counting on the public to help support our fundraisers or become a sponsor to keep the fair going for our local students."

The Fort Myers Kiwanis Club is a community service organization that meets every Wednesday at noon at Kiwanis Hall located at 2nd Street and Woodford Avenue. For more information on the club or the Kool Science event, e-mail Nathan Fred Shaw at [nathanfmkiwanis@gmail.com](mailto:nathanfmkiwanis@gmail.com) or call 297-1551.✪

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## Gearing Up For The Largest Big Backpack Event

Leonardo Garcia, founder of The Multicultural Centre of Southwest Florida, announce the event committee for the 15th annual Big Backpack Event. Celebrating 15 years and 30,000 smiles in 2014, the committee is gearing up for their biggest event ever. They are setting the bar high and hope to raise necessary funds to serve 2,500 deserving Lee County students in need with a new backpack and supplies to start the 2014-15 school year with confidence and pride.

"It's the dedicated support of our event committee that makes this outreach event such a success each year," said Leonardo Garcia. "In our first year we served 100 students, then 500, 1,000 and 2,000-plus in consecutive years, but with the vision and tireless efforts of our committee we will have served more than 30,000 students in need in our 15th year."

The 2014 Big Backpack event committee chairs and members are Leonardo Garcia and Holly A. Bell are event and sponsorship co-chairs; Connie Ramos-Williams will serve as media chair; Jack Pohlman, treasurer; Evelyn Rivera, entertainment chair; Ingrid Molina, volunteer chair; Felicitia Sanyet, church outreach chair; Javier Fuller, security chair; Holly A. Bell and April Ketron, vendor co-chairs; Rick Williams at school supply chair and Dr. Ruthie Lohmeyer and Ronda Amaya, schools co-chairs. The event committee also includes Dr. Robert

J. Brueck, Kenny Dobson, Sue Robbins, Vanessa Cardona, Maribel Sanchez, Beth A. Gedde, Lila Gutstein and Steven Orozco.

The Big Backpack Event is free to the community and will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, July 27 at the Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers. Guests will enjoy live multicultural youth entertainment on the main stage, including hip-hop, salsa and Irish step dance. There will be inflatable bounce houses and slides, face painting, a bookmobile, giveaways and vendors. In addition, kids will receive free haircuts, eye exams and fingerprinting.

In its first year, approximately 200 people attended the event, serving 100 children in need with back-to-school supplies and backpacks. The Multicultural Centre expects to serve 2,500 or more children aged five to 12 this year. In 15 years, the event will have served 30,000 needy students with school supplies and backpacks and near 300,000 parents and children with valuable educational and wellness services, multicultural entertainment and plenty of fun.

"As the need in our community grows, the Multicultural Centre of Southwest Florida is pleased to step up to serve more children than ever before. Helping young people achieve success while celebrating diversity in the community is extremely gratifying for all of us involved," Garcia said.

For more information on how to become an event sponsor, adopt a student, vendor or volunteer, email [info@multiculturalcentre.org](mailto:info@multiculturalcentre.org) or visit [www.multiculturalcentre.org](http://www.multiculturalcentre.org).✪

## Komen Grant Recipients Announced

At a celebratory luncheon held on April 10 that set the tone with Pharrell Williams' *Happy*, Susan G. Komen for the Cure announced the recipients of 10 grants to non-profit organizations providing education, screening, treatment and support to the medically underserved in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. The grant award ceremony took place at a luncheon at Vi at Bentley Village.

The grant application process ended in February for programs taking place from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015. Seventy-five percent of the net proceeds raised by the affiliate remain at the local level, one of the factors enabling non-profit organizations in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties to benefit from the grant distribution.

The 2014 grantees are:	
Cancer Alliance of Naples	\$33,395
Family Health Centers	\$62,797
Healthcare Network of SWFL	\$53,372
Lee Memorial Regional Cancer Center	\$90,840
Lymphedema Resources	\$28,230
NCH Healthcare System	\$89,835
Neighborhood Health Clinic	\$27,081
Partners For Breast Cancer Care	\$90,807
Friendship Centers	\$9,175
Virginia B. Andes Volunteer Health Clinic	\$64,468

The \$550,000 allocation signified a milestone for the local affiliate; more than \$6 million has been given back to the community and more than \$2 million to research since the inception of Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida in 2002. The top fundraising teams, volunteers and sponsors were also recognized at the luncheon.

"We are very happy," said Charlie Myrick, executive director of Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida. "For us, this is the best day of the year. We get to put the dollars back into our community to expand education, screening, treatment and support throughout Southwest Florida."

For additional information on the grants allocation, the luncheon or Susan G. Komen Southwest Florida, visit [www.komenswfl.org](http://www.komenswfl.org) or call 498-0016.✪

Financial Focus

# Observe Tax Freedom Day By Making Tax-Smart Investments



by Jennifer Basey

**Y**ou didn't see it on your calendar, but Tax Freedom Day fell on April 21 this year. So, why not mark the occasion by beginning to look for ways to become a "tax-smart" investor?

Tax Freedom Day, calculated annually by the Tax Foundation, is the day on which Americans have earned enough money to pay this year's federal, state and local taxes. Of course, Tax Freedom Day is something of a fiction, because most people pay their taxes throughout the year, via their paychecks. Furthermore, as famed Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., said: "Taxes are what we pay for civilized society." When you pay taxes, you help fund public education, the police, the fire department, food inspection, college scholarships and many other elements of society. Nonetheless, you may want to use the concept of Tax Freedom Day to find ways to reduce the taxes associated with your investments.

Here are some suggestions:

- Boost your 401(k) contributions. Your 401(k) contributions are typically made with pre-tax dollars, so the more you put in, the lower your taxable income. (Some employers allow a "Roth" option, under which you can make post-tax contributions.) In 2014, you can put in up to \$17,500 to a 401(k) or similar plan, such as a 403(b) or 457(b), and if you are 50 or older, you can contribute an additional \$5,500.

- Fully fund your IRA. No matter which type of IRA you have – traditional or Roth – you will gain some valuable

tax benefits. With a Roth IRA, your contributions are not deductible, but your earnings can grow tax free, provided you don't start taking withdrawals until you are 59-1/2 and you've had your IRA for at least five years. If you own a traditional IRA, your earnings can grow tax-deferred, and your contributions may be deductible, depending on your income level. So, similar to a 401(k), the more you put in to your traditional IRA, the lower your taxable income may be. In 2014, you can contribute up to \$5,500 to an IRA, or \$6,500 if you are 50 or older.

- Contribute to a college savings plan. Many college savings plans offer some type of tax advantage. For example, if you contribute to a 529 plan, your earnings can grow tax free, provided all withdrawals are only used to help pay qualified higher education expenses (529 plan distributions not used for qualified expenses may be subject to federal and state income tax and a 10 percent IRS penalty). Furthermore, your 529 plan contributions may be deductible from your state taxes.

- Avoid excessive buying and selling. If you are constantly buying and selling investments, you may find it "taxing," because short-term gains (gains on assets owned for less than one year) will be taxed at your ordinary income tax rate, which could be as high as 39.6 percent (and you may also be subject to a 3.8 percent Medicare surtax). However, if you hold your investments longer than a year before selling them, you'll pay the more favorable long-term capital gains rate, which will likely be 15 or 20 percent, depending on your income, though you might still be assessed the Medicare surtax.

Tax Freedom Day is here, and then it's gone. But by taking the steps described above, you may be able to brighten your tax picture for years to come.

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# May Caregivers Support Meetings

**T**he Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center offers monthly support group meetings for caregivers throughout Lee County and neighboring areas. The caregivers support group meetings include an opportunity for caregivers to meet others who are facing similar challenges and to learn more about Alzheimer's disease and effective coping strategies. Select meeting locations feature a guest speaker as well as an informal time for sharing.

### Fort Myers

Tuesday, May 13 at 2 p.m., Broadway Community Church, 3309 Broadway Ave, 437-3007.

Wednesday, May 14 at 9:45 a.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 9065 Ligon Court, 437-3007.

Wednesday, May 28 at 9:45 a.m., Westminster Presbyterian Church, 9065 Ligon Court, 437-3007.

Wednesday, May 21 at 10 a.m., Fort Myers Congregational United, Church of Christ, 8210 College Parkway, 437-3007.

Tuesday, May 27 at 2 p.m., Riverside Church of Fort Myers, 8660 Daniels Parkway, 437-3007.

Thursday, May 15 at 6:15 p.m., Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, 12468 Brantley Commons Court, 437-3007.

### North Fort Myers

Thursday, May 22 at 2 p.m., Pine Lakes Country Club, 10200 Pine Lakes Blvd., 3.5 miles north of The Shell Factory on U.S. 41, 437-3007.

### Cape Coral

Thursday, May 1 at 2 p.m. Gulf Coast Village, 1333 Santa Barbara Blvd., 437-3007.

Thursday, May 15 at 2 p.m., Gulf Coast Village, 1333 Santa Barbara Blvd., 437-3007.

### Pine Island

Thursday, May 1 at 10:30 a.m. Pine Island United Methodist, 5701 Pine Island Road, Bokeelia, 437-3007.

### Lehigh Acres

Monday, May 5 at 2 p.m. Lehigh Acres United Way House., 201 Plaza Drive, Suite 3, 437-3007.

Monday, May 19 at 2 p.m., Lehigh Acres United Way House, 201 Plaza Drive, Suite 3, 437-3007.

### Bonita Springs

Monday, May 12 at 2 p.m., The Terraces at Bonita Springs, 26455 S. Tamiami Trail, 437-3007.

### Sanibel

Wednesday, May 28 at 1:30 p.m., Sanibel Congregational United, Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way, 437-3007.

### Labelle

Wednesday, May 7 at 1 p.m., First Christian Church, 89 Ford Avenue, 437-3007.

### Punta Gorda

Thursday, May 8 at 2 p.m., The Palms of Punta Gorda, 2295 Shreve Street, 437-3007.\*

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# Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
St. Charles Harbour	Fort Myers	1991	6,722	\$3,335,000	\$3,000,000	568
Tuscany Isle	Bonita Springs	2004	5,429	\$2,495,000	\$2,000,000	293
Bay Creek	Bonita Springs	1996	4,621	\$1,499,900	\$1,365,000	879
Woodsedge	Bonita Springs	2006	3,400	\$1,349,000	\$1,275,000	48
Orchid Ridge	Bonita Springs	2001	3,635	\$1,250,000	\$1,168,000	6
Volterra	Miromar Lakes	2007	3,092	\$1,295,000	\$1,133,000	438
Ravista	Bonita Springs	2003	3,339	\$979,000	\$917,000	372
Catalpa Cove	Fort Myers	2011	4,552	\$974,900	\$915,000	171
Oak Knoll	Fort Myers	2003	3,822	\$999,000	\$900,000	78
Sanctuary	Bonita Springs	1991	3,189	\$995,000	\$860,000	30

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dearPharmacist

## What Everyone Should Know About Estrogen



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

**Dear Pharmacist:**

I started bioidentical hormones thanks to you, and feel dramatically better. I can't convince my sister who still takes a prescription estrogen drug from horse urine.

What can I tell her since she won't switch medicines?

*TW, Decatur, Illinois*

Forget the horse urine if you can, the bigger problem with estrogen is their by-products! Most doctors agree, the human body preferentially breaks down estrogen hormone into cancer-promoting by-products (termed metabolites) instead of anti-cancer metabolites. This is more apt to happen if you tax your liver with a poor diet, household chemicals and other toxins. Your liver is always on overdrive and it has to break down the estrogen that you take, eat or make. When I say "take," I mean take as medicine; when I say "eat," I mean eat from commercial meats or drink from plastic water bottles with BPA and when I say "make," I mean the estrogen hormone that men and women naturally produce. As women,

we make estrogen for years (or take it or eat it). Men with prostate problems can benefit from what I'm about to say too. The goal for all of us is to create more of the safer estrogen by-products, and less of the harmful by-products. Here's how to do that:

**Methionine** – This dietary supplement supports pancreatic health, so I often recommend it for people who drink alcohol. Methionine provides sulfur (not to be confused with sulfa drugs) so it acts as a cellular cleanser. We call methionine a "methyl donor" because it literally donates methyl groups for a biochemical reaction in your body that rids you of poisons and harmful estrogen by-products. Foods that donate methyl groups are good for you like beets, broccoli, leafy greens and sunflower seeds.

**Methylcobalamin** – This over-the-counter form of vitamin B12 reduces nerve pain and helps spark energy. It provides that "methyl" group I mentioned above which clears poisons from your body. It's this specific "methylcobalamin" form of B12 that helps you, so read labels before purchasing. If you take a drug mugger of B12, you may need more than the dosage recommended on the label, but ask your doctor if that's okay. Antacids, some diabetes medications, certain cholesterol binding medicines and alcohol wipe out your stash.

**Calcium D-Glucarate** – This supplement is not the same as plain calcium. Toxins and carcinogens have to combine with water-soluble substances to leave your body so this one combines with estrogen to help it get out. Folks with cancer often have high levels of a bad enzyme, B-glucuronidase, and low levels of a pro-

TECTIVE substance called "D-glucaric acid." This is yet another benefit to taking calcium D-glucarate supplements.

**Iodine** – Deficiency of this protective mineral is common in women with fibrocystic breast pain and breast cancer. Iodine is essential for you to produce thyroxine thyroid hormone, plus iodine has broad antifungal and antimicrobial benefits. It helps you make safer forms of estrogen.

*This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit [www.dearpharmacist.com](http://www.dearpharmacist.com).*

## Meals On Wheels Needs Drivers And Volunteers

**C**ommunity Cooperative is in need of 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 Community Cooperative. "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."

Community Cooperative 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.

With seven convenient pick-up locations 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. Community Cooperative has a variety of opportunities for volunteering within the organization. If volunteers are part of a company, church or organization, they and their co-workers can adopt a route and volunteer together. Community Cooperative currently has several businesses that enlist their employees to volunteer and share a volunteer position.

"If a person doesn't have the time resources available, they could consider supporting the Meals On Wheels program with a monetary donation," said Galloway. "One hundred twenty five dollars per month sponsors one senior for the month and \$1,500 sponsors a senior for a year."

The Meals On Wheels home delivered meal program delivers hot, nutritious and well-balanced meals weekday mornings, including extras for the weekend, to Lee County residents who are elderly, ill or disabled and are unable to shop or prepare their own food. Drivers provide daily nutrition and contact for homebound residents regardless of their ability to pay.

Meals On Wheels drivers must have current drivers license and insurance.

For more information, contact Jen Larsen by email at [Jen@CCMILeeCounty.com](mailto:Jen@CCMILeeCounty.com) or call 332-7687, ext. 7112. For more information about Community Cooperative or to donate, go to [www.ccmileecounty.com](http://www.ccmileecounty.com).

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

**L**izzie 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 aunt is trying hard to stay independent. She receives so much junk mail, containing what looks like real checks, that I am becoming very concerned for her safety.

Once, she was scammed by a painting contractor who demanded payment up front, then did not do the work, so she has reason to be afraid.

She says she receives so many phone calls and people coming to her front door, all trying to sell services, that she is

getting very fearful. I am becoming very concerned for her welfare.

What do you suggest she do?

*Regina*

**Dear Regina,**

There seems to be a growing segment of people ready and waiting to scam all people, especially the elderly. If your aunt is living alone in an isolated place, she will certainly be a target.

She could consider moving to an apartment in a gated community, where there is a degree of protection. Buy her an answering machine and show her how to screen calls. Try to tell her to ignore the junk mail or try to have it stopped, and tell her not to open the front door unless she knows the person calling.

*Lizzie*

**Dear Regina,**

Scam artists are very good at what they do. Once they have someone's number and believe them to be vulnerable, they can be relentless. It is my understanding that scam artists are very difficult to locate – and even if they are located and put out of business, 20 more will take their place. So the best defense is consumer knowledge and protection.

Call your local attorney general's office. Talk with the staff responsible for consumer protection. Where I live, the attorney general's office is very active in education and protection of consumers. I suggest you contact your local office for assistance.

Pryce

*Lizzie and Pryce's email address is [momandmeaging@hotmail.com](mailto:momandmeaging@hotmail.com).*

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# College Honors Vets, Emergency Workers

Edison State College Veteran Affairs, The Office of Student Life and Armed Service Members Continuing Education, offered a pre-Memorial day tribute on April 16 on the Fort Myers Campus. Veterans, students, faculty and staff honored those who have served and who currently serve with a ceremonial presentation.

Local veterans and first line responders were recognized during the ceremony, and WWII Colonel Bouchles was on hand to speak to those in attendance about his experiences. Students from Edison State College presented awards to Bouchles as well as to all the first line responders in attendance.

The Korean War Veterans presented a check to the



Korean war veterans



WWII Veteran Colonial Bouchles



Riverdale High School presenting the Missing Man Table



Cape Coral Police Department officers



Fire fighters from South Trail Fire Department



Dunbar High School Color Guard and Dallas Bel, a patriotic performer

Edison State College Foundation Director Kevin Miller, to assist with scholarships for local veterans. A Color Guard presentation from Dunbar High School students opened the ceremony and the Riverdale High School JROTC students presented the Missing Man table display to honor those who are still missing in action.

"This event meant so much to our students, faculty and staff," said Denise Thompson, Veterans Affairs specialist for Edison State College. "It was such an honor to offer this tribute to our veterans and first line responders, and humbling to speak to those who have and currently serve our great nation to protect our freedoms."

For more information, visit [www.edison.edu](http://www.edison.edu).✪





**Florida Grouper and Roasted Vegetables**

1 large grouper fillet (approximately 1 pound)  
 3 tablespoons olive oil  
 1 small zucchini, chopped into thin rounds  
 1 carrot, chopped into small rounds  
 1/2 red pepper, chopped  
 1/2 yellow pepper, chopped  
 1 medium onion, chopped  
 8 cherry tomatoes, quartered  
 1 tablespoon ketchup  
 1 1/2 cups tomato juice  
 1 tablespoon brown or natural sugar  
 1 lemon, freshly squeezed  
 Freshly ground pepper  
 1 teaspoon dried oregano  
 3/4 teaspoon dried sweet basil  
 1 teaspoon kosher salt

Preheat oven to 350°. Place the cleaned fish in the middle of a baking pan. Spread 1 tablespoon of olive oil on fish, making sure to cover both sides. Squeeze the lemon on both sides of the fish and sprinkle with the cracked black pepper.

Sauté the chopped vegetables in the remaining olive oil just enough to soften a little and set aside. In a small cup, mix

**Florida Grouper and Roasted Vegetables**

the oregano, basil and salt, and spread on both sides of the fish. Pour the sautéed vegetables over the fish.

In a bowl, mix the sugar, ketchup and tomato juice and pour over the fish.

Cover and place in the oven until it is done all the way; the flesh should be soft and flaky. Do not overcook. A general rule for cooking fish is 10 minutes per inch of thickness.\*

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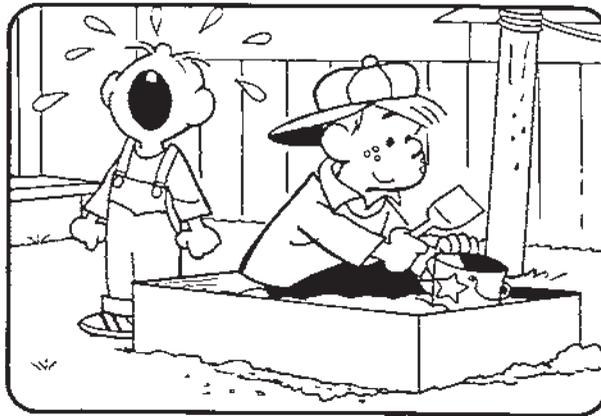
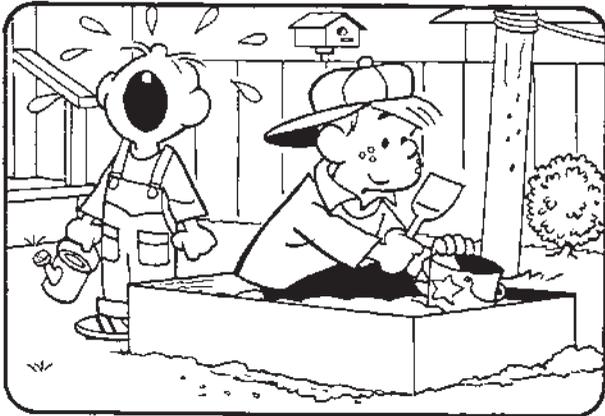
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**PUZZLE ANSWERS**

**SUDOKU**

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

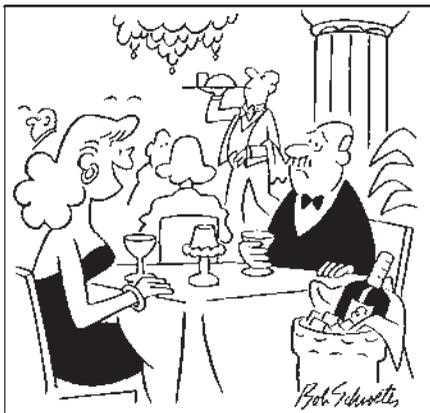
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- 1. Prance; 2. Weird;
- 3. Covert; 4. Defend

*Today's Word:*  
**WINNER**

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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!



"You must be mistaken—I just can't  
imagine a million-dollar lottery  
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**Shore Fishing:  
Don't Harm The Fish**

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Landings a big fish from the beach can be hard on the fish. Dragging a fish up onto the sand if you're going to release it is not an option as it usually damages or kills the fish.

- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.
- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.
- If you want a picture with the fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.
- Before releasing, revive the fish while holding it in the water; moving it slowly back and forth so water goes over its gills. The fish will let you know when it's ready to swim off.
- Florida just recently changed the regulations on fishing from shore. Florida residents as well as out of state visitors need a fishing license to fish from shore.

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seeking Annual Rental home of at least  
3 bedrooms on Sanibel or Captiva.  
No pets and non smokers.  
Looking for end of May/beginning  
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Please call or text Gina at 407-595-8295.  
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**SANIBEL ANNUAL  
RENTAL WANTED**

Married couple with daughter seeking  
3+ BR Single Family House  
East of Rabbit Road  
Starting after May 15, 2014.  
No smoking. No pets.  
Please contact Bart at bzaatcke@gmail.  
com or (239)579-0640  
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SANIBEL  
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Couple seeking 8-12 month rental house/  
condo on Sanibel, preferably located on  
a quiet street on the north west side of  
the island, between Rabbit Road and  
Blind Pass. Rental to begin October 1,  
2014. Non-smoking, no pets. Require  
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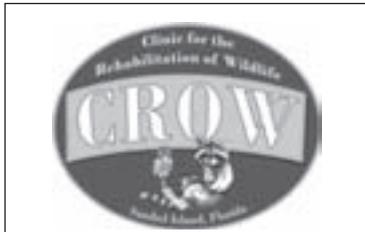
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**WANTED - BOAT SLIP**  
To rent. Must have lift. East end Sanibel preferred. Accommodate 24' boat. Seasonal or annual. 239-395-8803.  
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**GARAGE SALE**  
1401 Sandpiper Circle, Sanibel. Saturday April 26, 8 am to 12 pm.  
\*NS 4/25 PC 4/25

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Volunteers needed for light general maintenance. Call (CHR) Community Housing & Resources, Inc. 472-1189.  
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**LOST AND FOUND**

**FOUND**  
Prescription sunglasses found in parking lot of Limetree Center on Wednesday, February 27. Claim at Island Sun newspaper, suite 2 in Limetree Center, or call 395-1213.  
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**GARAGE / YARD SALE**  
FURNITURE, CHINA, RUGS, ART (Limoge, Wedgwood, Drexel Heritage, Handpainted Tiles, lamps) 750 Sand Dollar (Shell Harbor) Saturday, April 26, 9 am to 2 pm  
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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**  
The Sunshine Ambassador Program is a new and exciting volunteer opportunity offered at the Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida located within HealthPark Medical Center. The Sunshine Ambassadors will greet, assist and be a positive first point of contact for patients, families and visitors entering the hospital. The Ambassadors also make a difference to families by providing educational and healthful resources to assist in GRANDparenting for GRANDchildren. We are currently seeking year-round volunteers to work one 4-hour shift Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm or 12:00pm to 4:00 pm. If you would be interested in learning more about this wonderful new opportunity, please contact Lisa Ellinwood, Volunteer Resources Coordinator at 239-343-5062 at the Golisano Children's Hospital.  
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# SUDOKU

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

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## Pets Of The Week

Hello, my name is Sheila. I'm a 1-year-old spayed female American Staffordshire Terrier Mix. Most of us have seen what hoarding conditions look like on the news. Life has certainly improved for me since I was rescued from one of those situations. Despite my past, I am a very sweet and affectionate girl. My tan and white markings make me look like a delicious marble cake. What makes me so sweet is the frosting. I would like my next home to be a healthy one with a family who gives me plenty of fresh food, water, sunshine and patience.

My adoption fee is \$40 (regularly \$75) during Lee County Domestic Animal Services' "Everybunny Needs Somebunny" adoption promotion.

Hello, my name is Grande. I'm a 2-year-old neutered male domestic short hair orange tabby with white socks. They say I'm a lover boy. I guess that's because I'm so sweet and will follow you anywhere, anytime, to show you my affection. If you want a big lap cat, I'm your boy!

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$50) during Lee County Domestic Animal Services' "Everybunny Needs Somebunny" 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](http://www.LeeLostPets.com). When calling, refer to the animal's ID number. The website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available.

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

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.✪



Sheila ID# 583793

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Grande ID# 585130



Emergency.....	911
Lee County Sheriff's Office.....	477-1200
Florida Marine Patrol.....	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol.....	278-7100
Poison Control.....	1-800-282-3171
HealthPark Medical Center.....	1-800-936-5321
Ft. Myers Chamber of Commerce.....	332-3624
Foundation for Quality Childcare.....	425-2685
Ft. Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce.....	454-7500
Fort Myers Beach Library.....	463-9691
Lakes Regional Library.....	533-4000
Lee County Chamber of Commerce.....	931-0931
Post Office.....	1-800-275-8777
Visitor & Convention Bureau.....	338-3500
<b>ARTS</b>	
Alliance for the Arts.....	939-2787
Arts For ACT Gallery & Studio.....	337-5050
Art League Of Fort Myers.....	275-3970
Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.....	481-4849
BIG ARTS.....	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre.....	278-4422
Cultural Park Theatre.....	772-5862
Edison Festival of Light.....	334-2999
Florida Repertory Theatre at the Arcade.....	332-4488
Florida West Arts.....	948-4427
Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers.....	472-0168
Gulf Coast Symphony.....	489-1800
Harmony Chorus, Charles Sutter, Pres.....	481-8059
Naples Philharmonic.....	239-597-1111
The Schoolhouse Theater.....	472-6862
S.W. Florida Symphony.....	418-0996
Theatre Conspiracy.....	936-3239
Young Artists Awards.....	574-9321

### CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

Angel Flight.....	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Animal Refuge Center.....	731-3535
American Business Women Association.....	357-6755
Audubon of SWFL.....	339-8046
Audubon Society.....	472-3156
Caloosahatchee Chapter DAR.....	482-1366
Caloosahatchee Folk Society.....	321-4620
Cape Chorale Barbershop Chorus.....	1-855-425-3631
Cape Coral Stamp Club.....	542-9153
duPont Company Retirees.....	454-1083
Edison Porcelain Artists.....	415-2484
Ft Myers UDC Chapter 2614	
(United Daughters of the Confederacy®).....	728-3743
Friendship Force Of SW FL.....	561-9164
The Horticulture and Tea Society.....	472-8334
Horticultural Society.....	472-6940
Lee County Genealogical Society.....	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation.....	939-7278
NARFE(National Active & Retired Federal Employees.....	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America.....	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL.....	667-1354
Sons of Confederate Veterans.....	332-2408
Southwest Florida Fencing Academy.....	939-1338
Southwest Florida Music Association.....	561-2118
<b>Kiwanis Clubs:</b>	
Fort Myers Beach.....	765-4254 or 454-8090
Fort Myers Edison.....	694-1056
Fort Myers South.....	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands.....	415-3100
Iona-McGregor.....	482-0869

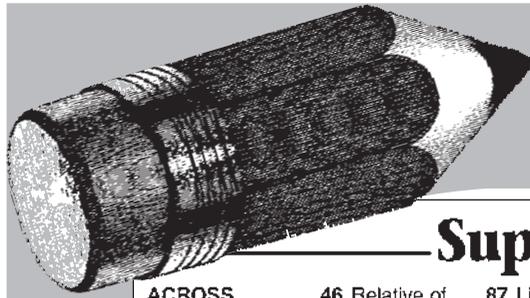
### Lions Clubs:

Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon.....	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers.....	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County.....	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers.....	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society.....	472-6940
United Way of Lee County.....	433-2000
United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour).....	211 or 433-3900

### AREA ATTRACTIONS

Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.....	395-2233
Burrough's Home.....	337-9505
Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium.....	275-3435
Edison & Ford Winter Estates.....	334-3614
Fort Myers Skate Park.....	321-7558
Imaginarium Hands-On Museum & Aquarium.....	321-7420
JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.....	472-1100
Koreshan State Historic Site.....	239-992-0311
Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center.....	765-8101
Skatium.....	321-7510
Southwest Florida Historical Society.....	939-4044
Southwest Florida Museum of History.....	321-7430
True Tours.....	945-0405

If you would like your club/organization listed in The River Calling Card, phone 415-7732

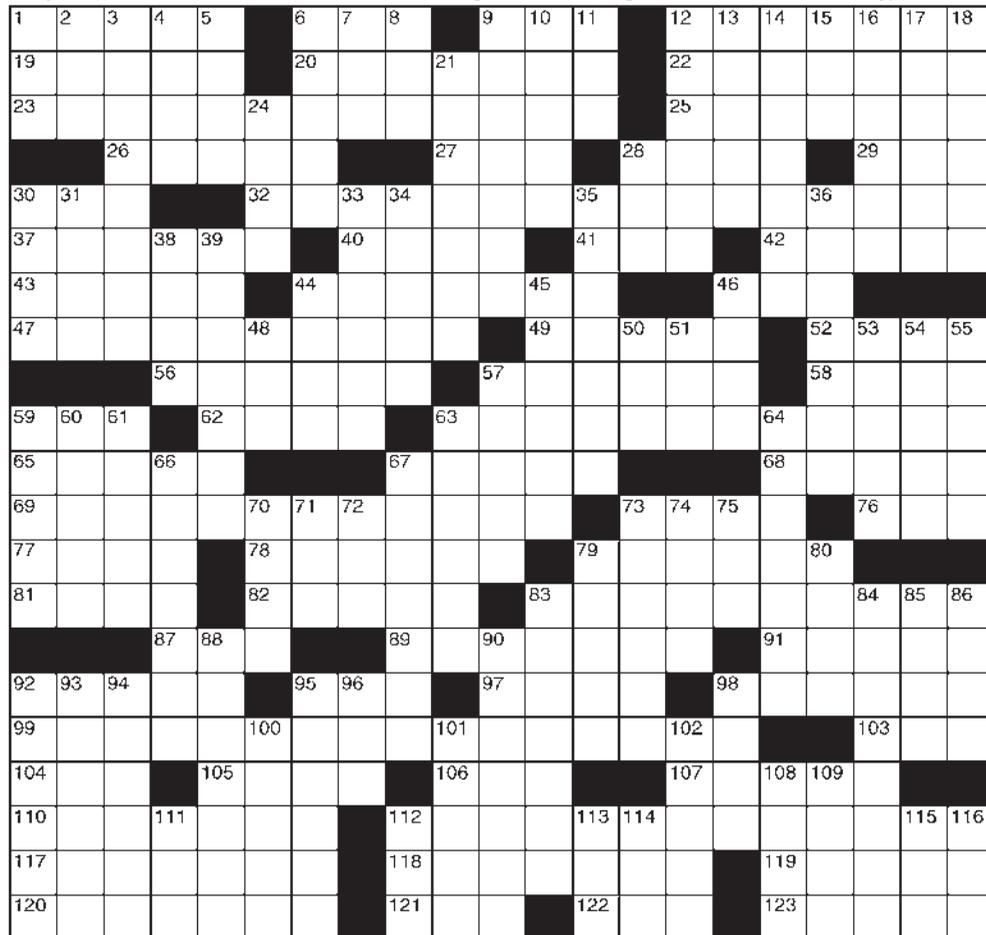


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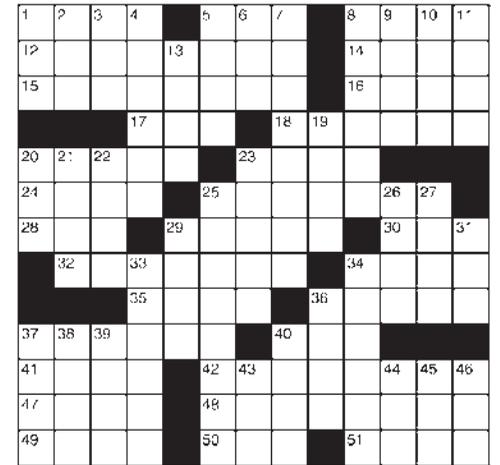
## Super Crossword AND OR

- ACROSS**
- 1 Verboten
  - 6 Did lunch target
  - 9 Uppercut
  - 12 Warm and friendly
  - 19 Singer Bryan
  - 20 — Trench (very deep Pacific point)
  - 22 Where Polynesia is
  - 23 Forming ties by showing team spirit?
  - 25 Molting animal, e.g.
  - 26 Cave dwarf of folklore
  - 27 Water, in Wassy
  - 28 "How true!"
  - 29 Overhead urban trains
  - 30 "That's all — wrote"
  - 32 Like things you can categorize in your head?
  - 37 Torment
  - 40 Crimson Tide school, for short
  - 41 Raises
  - 42 Singer John
  - 43 Last Oldsmobile model
  - 44 Tibetan Buddhists' practice
  - 46 Relative of .edu or .gov
  - 47 Ruling eel?
  - 49 "Burnt" pigment
  - 52 "Oh, woe —"
  - 56 A sysadmin might maintain one
  - 57 Simple piano chords
  - 58 Athenian H's
  - 59 Retired JFK jet
  - 62 Big birds of the outback
  - 63 Stream, after a long downpour?
  - 65 Honda's luxury line
  - 67 Light beer
  - 68 Employment
  - 69 Unflavorful sundae
  - 73 Flows back
  - 76 One of three stooges
  - 77 Grand-scale
  - 78 Head-hiding sweatshirt
  - 79 Slender and graceful
  - 81 Nevada city near Sparks
  - 82 Folding poker player's comment
  - 83 Raids made during hog wars?
  - 87 Lilted song syllable
  - 89 Minerals that look like gold
  - 91 Film director Lubitsch
  - 92 Quite mad
  - 95 Thicken, as Jell-O
  - 97 Open up — of worms
  - 98 City in Texas or Ukraine
  - 99 Emergence of a swamp?
  - 103 Negative particle, e.g.
  - 104 "Annabel Lee" poet
  - 105 Bakery stock
  - 106 British rocker Brian
  - 107 Actress Day
  - 110 Reduce to a fine spray
  - 112 What a ranger's niece calls him?
  - 117 Akin
  - 118 Erudite type
  - 119 Indiana's state flower
  - 120 Disaster
  - 121 Unassertive
  - 122 Audit gp.
  - 123 Intuit
- DOWN**
- 1 Highlander's cap
  - 2 Hullabaloo
  - 3 One trading
  - 4 Epps of the screen
  - 5 Norway port
  - 6 Go at a slow, easy pace
  - 7 "The — of Steve" (2000 film)
  - 8 Suffix with south
  - 9 Game similar to handball
  - 10 Render void
  - 11 Jestng type
  - 12 Carl Sagan's fascination
  - 13 Autumn color
  - 14 Go back in
  - 15 "Old man"
  - 16 Owing money
  - 17 "Ruby" star
  - 18 Pitcher Don
  - 21 Guy in a think tank
  - 24 Tall shade trees
  - 28 Cleo's killer
  - 30 Pretense
  - 31 Angelic circle
  - 33 Cavs, Mavs and Knicks
  - 34 Made gentle
  - 35 More scrumptious
  - 36 North African capital
  - 38 Abu Dhabi native, e.g.
  - 39 Tofu source
  - 44 Hawaiian feast
  - 45 Opinion poll
  - 46 Estimator's words
  - 48 Iranian city of almost 1,000,000
  - 50 Gin joint
  - 51 N.Y. summer hrs.
  - 53 Iron emission
  - 54 Tropical fruit
  - 55 Lauder of cosmetics
  - 57 Jungle cat, in Spanish
  - 59 Fencing sword
  - 60 Mouthwash brand
  - 61 City in Italy
  - 63 One-in-a-million thing
  - 64 Autumn color
  - 66 Ravioli filling
  - 67 Paved the way for
  - 70 Karmann — (old VW)
  - 71 Relative of .edu or .gov
  - 72 "Yoo- —"
  - 73 Figure skater Plushenko
  - 74 Porgy's love
  - 75 Slo- — (kind of fuse)
  - 79 Join, as a table
  - 80 To be, to Fili or Gigi
  - 83 High-pitched flute
  - 84 Be obstinate about
  - 85 Gas brand north of the U.S.
  - 86 Comic Laurel
  - 88 Brief relief
  - 90 Earthy and vulgar
  - 92 Give, as knowledge
  - 93 Cheering fan
  - 94 Pupil ringer
  - 95 Rapid
  - 96 Triage sites, for short
  - 98 — about (circa)
  - 100 Evaluated, with "up"
  - 101 "Wetherby" actress Judi
  - 102 Stenches count them
  - 109 "It's all clear"
  - 111 GQ, for one
  - 112 Abbr. on a navy vessel
  - 113 Connecticut Ivy Leaguer
  - 114 "So —, so good"
  - 115 Low-ranking off.
  - 116 Whiskey type



## King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Pickle flavor
  - 5 Collection
  - 8 Lingerie items
  - 12 Fragrant climbing plant
  - 14 40-Across part
  - 15 Outing for Neil Armstrong
  - 16 Addict
  - 17 Little louse
  - 18 Mistakes in print
  - 20 Confuse
  - 23 Ignore
  - 24 Not closed
  - 25 Under-the-table flirtation
  - 28 Golfer Michelle
  - 29 A deadly sin
  - 30 Wet dirt
  - 32 Weather conditions
  - 34 Challenge
  - 35 Downs or Grant
  - 36 Devilish sort
  - 37 Armadas
  - 40 Listener
  - 41 Small bit
  - 42 Henry Hudson's ship
  - 47 Tea hour
  - 48 Natural aptitude
  - 49 Oklahoma city
  - 50 Bakery buy
  - 51 Third son
  - 9 quotes
  - 10 Passenger Parks
  - 11 Help a crook
  - 13 Tiny branch
  - 19 "The Sultan of Swat"
  - 20 Arrow launcher
  - 21 Grand-scale tale
  - 22 Sense
  - 23 Reality, old-style
  - 25 Largest store in a chain
  - 26 Mosque VIP
  - 27 Continental
  - 29 Pornography
  - 31 Lair
  - 33 "— It Through the Grapevine"
  - 34 Skin
  - 36 Crazy
  - 37 Mini-flute?
  - 38 Exemplar of craziness
  - 39 Needle case
  - 40 Otherwise
  - 43 Blackbird
  - 44 Individual
  - 45 Autumn mo.
  - 46 To the — degree
- DOWN**
- 1 Brit. mil. award
  - 2 — Jima
  - 3 Zodiac feline
  - 4 One of the Beatles
  - 5 Argument
  - 6 Conger, for one
  - 7 Pay heed
  - 8 Book jacket
  - 109 "It's all clear"
  - 111 GQ, for one
  - 112 Abbr. on a navy vessel
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 Z X W U S K I R A A N T E P E  
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Abatyse
- Induk
- Majka
- Moeder
- Ammee
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- Māna
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- Māe
- Matka
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