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## Honoring Those Who Served This Memorial Day

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From the Beaches to the River District downtown Fort Myers

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## U.S. Navy Submarine Memorial Rededicated

by Jeff Lysiak

Members of the United States Submarine Veterans USS Barb Base, Lee County Sheriff's Department, Lee County Board of County Commissioners and local Veterans of Foreign Wars members were all in attendance during the United States Navy Submarine Memorial rededication ceremony, which took place on May 14 in Fort Myers.

Located at the intersection of Colonial and McGregor boulevards in Fort Myers, the U.S. Navy Submarine Memorial underwent a major renovation and refurbishment project over the past year.

Sanibel sculptor Lucas Century, whose work on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC gained him international acclaim, contributed to the memorial with his artistry. Century etched the names of the 65 submarines (along with the dates the sub was put into service and when it was sunk) which have been



Members of the USS Barb Base, Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott, City of Fort Myers Mayor Randall Henderson, Lee County Commissioner Brian Hamman, BPOE Lodge Exalted Ruler Rosemarie Fallon, sculptor Lucas Century and local Veterans of Foreign Wars members attended the United States Navy Submarine Memorial rededication ceremony on May 14

lost over the past 114 years, along with the United States Submarine Veterans' logo and creed, on three black granite slabs.

"The brass plate on the original memorial had been destroyed by acid rain and tree sap," said Ken Jordan, a member

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The United States Navy Submarine Memorial is located at the intersection of Colonial and McGregor boulevards in Fort Myers



## Hibiscus Show And Plant Sale

The James E. Hendry Chapter of the American Hibiscus Society announces its 63rd annual Hibiscus Show and Plant Sale on Sunday, June 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Salvation Army Building, 10291 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers.

This free hibiscus show is the oldest, largest and best attended of all Florida's hibiscus shows, attracting several hundred people annually. This continuing show is made possible through the generosity of community sponsors Aterra Realty, Driftwood Garden Center, Edison National

Bank, Dr. Jacob Goldberger, Greenscapes, Dr. John Kagan, Hooters, Orr Insurance Group, Advanced Pain Management & Spine Specialists, Riverland Nursery, Dr. Darrick Saunders, Storm Shutter Warehouse, Tim's Tree Service and Wilford & Lee.

"The event will showcase hundreds of different hybrid hibiscus blooms in a variety of colors and forms which will be judged in several different classes including amateur, collector, open collector, commercial and seedlings," explained Wanda Schmoyer, president.

In addition, more than 700 hybrid hibiscus plants will be offered for sale. Free raffle tickets will be given away every 30 minutes for gift certificates from Oasis

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Team Boomer Sooners with the Blue Goose and DDWS Executive Director Birgie Miller

## 'Ding' Announces Tarpon Tourney Winners, Proceeds Total \$41,000

The 3rd annual "Ding" Darling & Doc Ford's Tarpon Tournament held on May 3 topped last year's fundraising efforts by netting \$41,000 from tournament sponsorships, donations and silent auction proceeds to benefit the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. The tournament also awarded \$23,875 in prize monies to five of 46 participating teams.

"One hundred percent of the anglers' registration fees goes to the awards purse," said tournament organizer Birgie Miller, executive director of "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). "That's why our sponsorship partners are so dear to us. They pay the costs for putting on the tourney and contribute to the charity proceeds."

DDWS hosted the tournament along with Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille of Sanibel Island, Fort Myers Beach and Captiva Island. Tournament social events took place at the Fort Myers Beach location.

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

# Thrifty Drugs On Main

by Gerri Reaves, PhD



**T**hrifty Drugs was described as downtown's newest and most modern drug store when it was built in 1949.

Owned and operated by L.F. Batastini and Cecil L. Bennett, the \$70,000 store was located on the southeast corner of Main and Hendry.

Thrifty's post-World War II modernity was emphasized by the fact that the landmark 1890s Carl F. Roberts Building was torn down to build it.

The store brought trendy architecture and design to the historic corner. The décor featured

turquoise and rose-coral paint and primavera woodwork, a blond-finish South American wood.

Like many of today's stores, it had no display windows. Instead, simple large plate-glass windows transformed the entire store into an alluring display.

The store had one-stop-shopping appeal, featuring a prescription department, soda fountain with booths, and more.

The food department's specialties included barbecue, hamburgers, Cuban sandwiches, chicken-in-the-basket and steaks.

There were also a beauty supplies and cosmetics department, which sold high-end cosmetics and perfume lines. A specialty hardware department sold hunting supplies, including ammunition, guns and tackle.

According to Sue Bennett Grimes, her father, Cecil L. Bennett, got the idea of starting Thrifty Drugs while the family was on a trip to California, Oregon and Washington.



Offices have replaced the soda fountain, cosmetics counter and pharmacy

photo by Gerri Reaves

"He was captivated by the big stores he saw out there," she says. Inspired by a store actually called Thrifty, he subsequently inquired about the use of the name.

He and pharmacist H.L. Batastini, whose names are visible over the store entrance, became partners. Carl R. Roberts (Carl F.'s son) built a new structure to their specifications.

It was the first air-conditioned business around, Grimes remembers. She recalls walking from the junior high school at Second and Royal Palm to attend the grand opening, at which she distributed mementos.

Thrifty moved into a larger new store on First Street around 1960.

As for the 1949 Thrifty Drugs on Main, law offices now occupy that one-story building – a rather sedate role for a building that began as a state-of-the-art drug store.

Walk down to Main and Hendry and imagine the time when you could fill a prescription, have an ice-cream soda, or buy fishing tackle at Main and Hendry.

Then take a short stroll to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street, where you can learn more about the many drug stores in downtown's history.

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.

Continue your research by visiting the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is open Wednesday or Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon. Call the society at 939-4044.

Sources: The archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society and the *Story of Fort Myers* by Karl S. Grismer.\*



Thrifty Drugs, pictured in the mid-1950s, stood on the southeast corner of Main at Hendry. Coley Westbrook Men's Clothing is next door, at right, and the four-story Richards Building in the background.

courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



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## Edison Research Lab To Be Recognized As Chemical Landmark

The American Chemical Society (ACS) will recognize the Edison Botanical Research Laboratory at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates as a National Historic Chemical Landmark on Sunday, May 25 from 2 to 4 p.m. The public is invited to attend the event.

"Because of Edison's contribution to chemistry, we have been designated as the first site in Florida and only one of a few in the nation. We are a scientific site as well as a beautiful estate and garden," said Edison Ford President and CEO Chris Pendleton.

Following World War I, Thomas Edison, Henry Ford and Harvey Firestone became concerned about America's dependence on foreign sources of rubber for its industrial enterprises. As a result, the three men formed the Edison Botanic Research Corporation in Fort Myers in 1927 to investigate a source of rubber that could be domestically produced. The following year, Edison built the botanic laboratory where more than 17,000 plant samples from the United States and the world were analyzed for their latex content. One group of plants – Solidago, commonly known as goldenrod – was selected as the most promising. Edison's team crossbred species to increase their rubber content and tested industrial production.

The celebration will include an unveiling of the plaque designating the site; family-friendly science activities and dem-

onstrations with the Edison Ford Wild Wizard, Chemists and Scientists from ACS; and continuous Inside The Lab tours led by curators and scientists.

As the primary research site, the Edison Ford curatorial team and consultants worked with other sites. Additional celebrations of Edison's work in chemistry will be held by the ACS at the present-day locations of his laboratories. Edison's West Orange laboratory complex will be commemorated at the Thomas Edison National Historical Park in West Orange, New Jersey on June 6. Edison's Menlo Park laboratory will be recognized at The Henry Ford, Greenfield Village, in Dearborn, Michigan on September 20.

"It was in Fort Myers that Edison was able to establish the seed collection system, raise the rubber plants, harvest them, formulate the chemical process and invent new processes and machinery to support the project," added Edison Ford Chief Curator Alison Giesen.

The American Chemical Society established the National Historic Chemical Landmarks program in 1992 to recognize important achievements in the history of the chemical sciences. Subjects recognized through this program have included Bakelite, the world's first synthetic plastic; the discovery and development of penicillin; and the work of historical figures such as Joseph Priestley, George Washington Carver and Rachel Carson. This will be the first National Historic



Edison Botanical Research Laboratory

photo by Mike Shapiro

Chemical Landmark recognized in Florida. For more information, visit [www.acs.org/landmarks](http://www.acs.org/landmarks).

The Edison Ford is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For additional information, call 334-7419 or visit [www.edisonfordwinterestates.org](http://www.edisonfordwinterestates.org).

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## Local World War II Veterans Honored At D-Day 70th Anniversary Ceremony

To commemorate the 70th anniversary of D-Day, Hodges University will hold a special ceremony on Friday, June 6 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Hodges Naples campus. The special honoree at the event will be Oscar-winning narrator and longtime Naples resident, Dr. Peter Thomas. The event will be sponsored by BMO Private Bank.

"It is always a pleasure to spend time with Peter and listen to him retell the stories of that most important time in American history," said Phil Memoli, vice president of University Advancement at Hodges. "He is a true patriot, and we are honored to have him join us for this special ceremony."

With the onset of World War II, Dr. Thomas volunteered for the United States Army in 1943, serving with the First Infantry Division in five major campaigns, including the Battle of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge. He was issued a Battle Star for each of the five campaigns. He was also awarded the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the French Legion of Honor, the Unit French Croix de guerre, and Belgian Fourragère. Hodges University named him its 2004 Humanitarian of the Year and bestowed on him an honorary Doctorate of Letters that same year.

"Peter has worked tirelessly for veteran causes, especially for the student veterans here at Hodges," said Dr. Jeanette Brock, president of Hodges University. "Peter has given both his time and treasures to help Hodges University in our pursuit of providing scholarship support for veterans. It is in this spirit that we have chosen to name our Veterans Services Center after Peter in recognition for all that he has done for our students."

The Veterans Services Center at Hodges provides a variety of resources for student veterans, including GI Bill processing and information, details on available counseling, workshops and Veterans organization contacts, peer to peer support groups for student veterans and community involvement.

Dr. Thomas has also been part of the American Military Veterans Education Fund (AMVEF) cabinet, a group of distinguished individuals raising crucial scholarship support to help returning veterans cover the costs of their education.

Hodges University is home to American Legion Post 397, the first Post established on a college campus in the United States run entirely by student veterans. The school has also been awarded 2014 Military Friendly Schools designation.

Hodges University welcomes everyone to attend the June 6 ceremony and extends a special invitation to local World War II veterans who will be recognized and honored during the event.

"We will never forget the spirit of sacrifice shown by our World War II veterans on that day," added Memoli. "We hope that many of our local veterans will join us for this solemn occasion."

Veterans who wish to attend are asked to respond to Alyssa DeLora at 938-7826.\*

## Zonta Foundation Awards Grant

The Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida has awarded an \$8,845 grant to SalusCare, Inc., to provide educational needs for women recovering from substance abuse at SalusCare's Transitional Living Center on Grand Avenue in Fort Myers. The money will be used to purchase a computer, software, educational materials and stipends for about 65 women in recovery to enable them to complete coursework and file job applications. The overall goal is to help women in recovery obtain the skills they need to earn a living wage and become self-sufficient in the workplace.

"We are so grateful to the women of Zonta who have so graciously supported our women for many years," said Transitional Living Center Director Rosemary Boisvert. "Our goal is to remove the barriers that prevent them from being successful. If they need financial assistance for tuition, we can help with that. If they need help with supplies or transportation to get to school or training, we can assist with that as well."

"While at SalusCare's Transitional Living Center, the women work very hard at learning skills for the job of living in sobriety. This grant will help them build on their newfound skills and give them something more to enhance their chances of maintaining their sobriety and self-sufficiency," Boisvert said.

"We have been very fortunate to have this long lasting relationship with the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva. The Zonta Club gives our women far more than dollars. They also give of themselves," Boisvert said.

Zonta has been a partner with the women in the SWFAS Transitional Living Center since 2000 and has provided grants totaling \$84,000 to support the needs of women recovering from substance abuse.\*

## County Library Has Magazines In Print For Downloading

You'll find hundreds of magazines are accessible in print at each library and online for downloading and reading anywhere and anytime. Leelibrary.net provides access to more than 250 popular magazines with both current and past editions with a Lee County Library card. The Lee County Library System subscribes to Zinio an application that allows patrons to download magazines to any Internet enabled device. Once downloaded the magazines are available on your device until you delete them. There is no limit on the number of magazines you can download at one time and they do not expire.

The Library System subscribes to the most popular magazines to make them available to patrons.

"The library is constantly testing and researching new methods to deliver content to our patrons whether they physically visit the libraries or visit leelibrary.net from their homes and offices," said Sheldon Kaye, Lee County Library System Director. "This app is just another service that is part of our robust website also know at the virtual library."

Some of the magazines available via Zinio include *Audubon*, *Boating*, *Billboard*, *Consumer Reports*, *Discover*, *Family Circle*, *Forbes*, *Good Housekeeping*, *Hot Rod*, *Kiplinger's*, *Ladies' Home Journal*, *Men's Health*, *Motor Trend*, *Newsweek*, *PC World*, *Popular Science*, *Popular Mechanics*, *Prevention*, *Readers Digest*, *Redbook*, *Rolling Stone*, *Runners*, *Parent & Child*, *Science Illustrated*, *Scuba*,

*Shape*, *Sierra*, *Smithsonian*, *Sport Fishing*, *Tennis*, *Weight Watchers*, *Women's Day*, *Women's Health* and many more.

To find the Zinio app and portal to the magazines, go to [leelibrary.net/esources](http://leelibrary.net/esources). It is highly recommended that patrons read the Zinio user's guide before downloading Zinio to ensure a successful set up of the app and the associated accounts. After you subscribe to a magazine you will have access to all editions from that point forward, so if you want past editions be sure to begin the subscription with the oldest edition that you want to read.

For more information on the service, call Telephone Reference at 479-INFO (4636).\*

### Lake Kennedy Senior Center

## Karaoke Sunday

Karaoke Sunday Showcase will be starting on June 8 at the Lake Kennedy Senior Center.

Spend every Sunday afternoon sharing your talent in front of a live audience. All levels of karaoke performers are welcome. Come and listen to some of the best karaoke voices in Southwest Florida. The event host, Betty Dentzau, will have participants singing, dancing and having the best time. Performers are encouraged to bring their own CDs. Beverages are BYOB.

Doors open at 1:30 p.m. and performances will run from 2 to 4 p.m. every Sunday. Cost is \$3 per person.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard in Cape Coral. For more information, call 574-0575.\*

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Veron Ennis will hold the Closing Gallery Talk on Friday, May 23 at 5 p.m. It is free and open to the public. Pictured are the participating artists.

## Continental Women's Club Meeting June 5

Continental Women's Club of Greater Fort Myers meets on the first Thursday of every month beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Colonial Country Club. Lunch is served at noon. The cost is \$19 per person. Advance reservations are necessary.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 5. The speaker will be Judith Durant, director of visitor services for the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau. She will talk about how tourism affects Southwest Florida.

If you are interested in joining other women in various group activities both social and philanthropic, consider becoming a member. Numerous activities are offered.

For more information, call Margie Connor at 561-8973.✳

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Lake Kennedy Senior Center

## Wacky Wednesday Dance Jam

Enjoy an afternoon filled with music and dancing with DJ Juke Box Hero on Wednesdays beginning on June 4.

Chris Cammarota (Juke Box Hero) has been a popular disc jockey in the Southwest Florida community for many years. Every Wednesday from 2 to 5 p.m., he will be playing all of your favorite hits. His sound library contains a variety of music featuring the classics from the big band era into hit parade, rock and roll, oldies, classic rock of the '70s into new wave of the '80s, including vocals and dance. There will be trivia games with giveaways, line dancing and more. Beverage options include BYOB and free coffee.

Cost to attend the Wacky Wednesday Dance Jam is \$3 per person. Doors open at 2 p.m.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard in Cape Coral. For more information, call 574-0575.✳

Fort Myers Public Art:

## Free Aleatoric Art Gallery Talk At The Alliance



by Tom Hall

During the month of May, the Alliance for the Arts is featuring the inaugural gallery show including work by members of the avant-garde Movement of

Aleatoric Modern Artists, or MAMA. Aleatoric Art in the 21st Century includes works in a variety of disciplines, all with one thing in common – their collaboration with nature, chance and the laws that govern the universe.

The show was curated by Fort Myers aleatoric artist Veron Ennis. She will hold a Closing Gallery Talk on Friday, May 23 at 5 p.m. which is free and open to the public. Immediately following Ennis's Curator Talk, the conversation will continue in the Art Loft in the Edward's

Building next door for the bi-monthly Artist Talk event. All are welcome to attend.

The Art Loft is a new art destination that includes The Union Artist Studios, Veron Ennis's studio and gallery, VEMA, and David Acevedo and Xavier Brignoni's gallery, Room 205.

Aleatoric Art in the 21st Century remains on display until 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 24, and will be followed by the 28th annual All Florida Juried Exhibit, which opens with a reception from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 30. For more information about the exhibits, or about all of the things happening at the Alliance, visit [www.artinlee.org](http://www.artinlee.org) or call 939-2787.

The Alliance campus and galleries are open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Both are located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. Visit [www.artinlee.org](http://www.artinlee.org) for additional details.

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

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JROTC volunteers at the National Letter Carrier Food Drive on May 10



HCFB volunteers with one of the USPS letter carriers, at left



Stamp Out Hunger bins of food stacked at Harry Chapin Food Bank

## Food Bank Thanks Community For Food Donations

Lee County residents donated 366,067 pounds of food during the 22nd annual National Letter Carrier Food Drive on May 10, a 14 percent increase over last year, when Lee residents donated 319,935 pounds of food. As a lead recipient, the Harry Chapin Food Bank received 231,368 pounds of food to distribute to their partner agencies, almost 8 percent more food than last year.

The Stamp Out Hunger one-day food collection drive benefits the Harry Chapin Food Bank and partner agencies that operate pantries and other feeding programs. The food bank will distribute the

food collected from the drive to participating agencies at no cost.

In Lee County, 300 Harry Chapin Food Bank volunteers sorted donated food at eight collection points, and service volunteers helped letter carriers collect food left by mailboxes on various routes. George Sciascia coordinated postal volunteers and the United Way assisted in soliciting and assigning other volunteers. Publix Supermarkets provided collection bags and postcards reminding residents of the food drive. Publix employees also volunteered on Saturday.

"We are so thankful to the letter carriers, the U.S. Postal Service and the community for their tremendous support. In one day, they came together and made an exceptional contribution to the fight against hunger during the difficult summer season," said Al Brislain, Harry Chapin Food Bank president and CEO.

Those who were not able to participate in the food drive may still do so by taking nonperishable food items to the Harry Chapin Food Bank warehouse in Fort Myers. Checks can also be made payable to the Harry Chapin Food Bank and sent to 3760 Fowler Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

In the past fiscal year, the Harry Chapin Food Bank distributed more than 17.5 million pounds of food and other grocery items valued at more than \$29.6 million. This is roughly the equivalent of 14.6 million meals to people in need.

For additional information about or to contribute financially to the Harry Chapin Food Bank, call 334-7007 or visit [www.harrychapinfoodbank.org](http://www.harrychapinfoodbank.org).

## HORTOONS



Cape Central letter carrier Julia smiles



Veterans, guests and local dignitaries at the memorial rededication ceremony last week



Sanibel sculptor Lucas Century, pictured during work on one of the black granite slabs for the U.S. Navy Submarine Memorial



Team Law & Disorder placed fourth with this champion catch

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## Tarpon Tourney Winners

"We can't thank Doc Ford's enough for their incredible show of support these past three years," said Don Wildman, tournament chair. "They've already committed for the 2015 tourney along with our presenting sponsors - Diversified Yacht Services and Sanibel Bean."

Team Boomer Sooners took home a check for \$10,744 for first place and also won the Amateur Award in this year's tournament. Other placers included Team Fantastic Charters in second place, Team Fishing Divas in third, Team Operation

Open Arms/Jensen's Marina in fourth and Team Law & Disorder in fifth.

"How do four guys, average age 70, who have never participated in a tarpon tournament in their lives, compete against some of the best tarpon fishermen in the world and win? That's exactly what Team Boomer Sooners did," wrote tournament participant Les Boyle in his post-tourney blog.

Prizes were also awarded in amateur, senior, youth and female divisions. Cpl. Jon Carnes, a wounded veteran hosted by Operation Open Arms and Jensen's Marina, caught the first tarpon out of the 13 landed that day.

"We call it a 'catch, release and care' tournament because education and research are at the forefront of the event's mission," said John McCabe, DDWS president and tourney participant the last three years.

Next year's fourth annual tournament will be held on May 8 and 9, 2015. For more information on the tournament and this year's winners, visit [www.dingdarling-tarponentourney.org](http://www.dingdarling-tarponentourney.org).

Tournament sponsors for 2014 included Title Sponsor: Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille. Presenting Sponsor: Diversified Yacht Services of Fort Myers Beach and Sanibel Bean. Platinum Sponsor: *Florida Weekly*, Lamar Advertising and Suncoast Beverage. Gold Sponsors: Anisa Jewelry; Bella Signs & Designs; Congress Jewelers; Fort Myers Marine; Happy Foods of SWFL; Holiday Inn Sanibel Island Beach Resort; *Island Sun/River Weekly*; Media Source; Raisers Edge;

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## Submarine Memorial

of the local United States Submarine Veterans chapter, who collected \$4,090 to erect the new monument. Donations came from friends, relatives, neighbors, local businesses, members of the American Legion and Elks Club of Cape Coral Post #2596.

Veterans from USS Barb Base in Cape Coral, Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott, City of Fort Myers Mayor Randall Henderson, Lee County Commissioner Brian Hamman, BPOE Lodge Exalted Ruler Rosemarie Fallon and the Lee County Sheriff's Department's color guard all participated in the rededication.

The United States Submarine Veterans' creed is "To perpetuate the memory of our shipmates who gave their lives in the pursuit of their duties while serving their country. That their dedication, deeds, and supreme sacrifice be a constant source of motivation toward greater accomplishments. Pledge loyalty and patriotism to the United States of America and its Constitution."\*\*

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## Monthly Art Walk Seeks Participants

Fort Myers Art Walk is looking for new artists and performers to entertain on the sidewalks in the River District of the historic downtown every first Friday of the month. Past performers have included demo-artists, musicians (not bands), spoken word artists, jugglers, face painters, hula hoopers, belly dancers, statue artists, video artists, photo opt artists, installation artist and more.

If you are an artist who would like to create your art live at Fort Myers Art Walk, contact Claudia Goode at Arts for ACT Gallery by calling 337-5050 or emailing [cgoode@actabuse.com](mailto:cgoode@actabuse.com).\*\*

## Warm Weather Brings Pet Hazards

Warm weather brings about some real concerns for animals. Lee County Domestic Animal Services cautions pet owners and caretakers to take precautions to protect dogs from hot cars and to sterilize pets especially as kitten season begins.

Animal Services strongly advises pet owners not to ever leave an animal in a car even for a short period of time. On a mild day with outside temperatures in the low 70s, the inside of a car can reach 120 degrees within minutes. When temperatures are in the 90s, the inside temperature of a parked car can rise to over 160 degrees, causing permanent brain damage and/or death. Cracking a window has little or no effect on the inside temperature of the car.

Kitten season runs from May to November, so now is the time to prevent the unwanted litters of feral and free-roaming cats. Through Animal Services' Trap-Neuter-Return program, cats are trapped by their caretakers, spayed or neutered and vaccinated against rabies. The left ear of the cat is tipped which is the universal sign of a Trap-Neuter-Return cat. By tipping the left ear, caretakers will not re-trap the same cats. Following surgery, the cats are returned to their colony by their caretakers. The service is free through Animal Services' program to reduce feline overpopulation and the needless deaths of thousands of cats each year.

Help ensure a safe and compassionate community for people and pets by being a part of the solution. For more information on pet safety and the Trap-Neuter-Return program, go to [www.LeeLostPets.com](http://www.LeeLostPets.com).\*\*

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- July 28 to August 1: Sea Stars
- August 4 to 8: Loggerheads and Sea Stars

Ostego Bay Marine Science Center is located at 718 Fisherman Wharf, Fort Myers Beach. Call 765-0181 or go to [www.ostegobay.org](http://www.ostegobay.org).

On Saturday, join Fort Myers car enthusiasts at the **Downtown Car Cruise-In**. Held on the fourth Saturday of every month, the event features vintage, modern, and unique cars from 4 to 8 p.m. while a DJ spins classic rock with trivia. All classic cars and show cars are welcome.

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

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Scubavice Diving Center is located at 12600 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Call 481-4733 or go to [www.scubavicedivers.com](http://www.scubavicedivers.com).

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Captiva Cruises is located at McCarthy's Marina, 11401 Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva Island. For reservations, call 472-5300 or go to [www.captivacruises.com](http://www.captivacruises.com).

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www.annunciation.fl.goarch.org  
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5620 Winkler Road, Fort Myers  
Rabbi Yitzchok Minkowicz  
433-7708, E-mail: rabbi@chabadswf.org  
Web site: www.chabadswf.org  
Services: Friday 6:30 p.m.; Saturday  
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Worship times Sunday's 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Website: www.taecc.com

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Worship, 7 p.m., Wednesday Prayer

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Clint Cottrell, pastor

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Combined Traditional/Praise 10 a.m.

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Fort Myers, 482-2030

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Reverend Mark Condrey, Pastor

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Church School: 9:15 a.m.

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST:

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Shores) 239 693 0818

Weekday masses: 9 a.m. Tuesday-Friday

Weekend masses: 4 p.m. Saturday

Sunday 9 & 11 a.m. All Are Welcome!

### SOUTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

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## Churches/Temples

### TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)

14486 A&W Bulb Road, Fort Myers, 433-0201, Rabbi: Rabbi Marc Sack  
Minyan: Monday at 9 a.m.  
Religious Education: Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings  
Services: Friday night at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday morning at 9 a.m.  
Web site: [www.tjswfl.org](http://www.tjswfl.org)

### THE NEW CHURCH

The New Church of SWFL is located 10811 Sunset Plaza Circ. #401, behind Zoomers. Rev. Gabriella Cahaley officiates worship services on Sundays at 11 a.m. during the season. Other worship events are held on the beach in Fort Myers Beach. See our webpage <http://www.newchurchflorida.com/> or call for more information 239-481-5535.

### UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH FORT MYERS

13411 Shire Lane (off Daniels Parkway one mile west of I-75). Minister: The Reverend Allison Farnum. Sunday services and religious education at 10:30 a.m. For information on all church events call 561-2700 or visit [www.uucfm.org](http://www.uucfm.org).

### UNITY OF BONITA SPRINGS

Family Service 10 to 11 a.m. Healing Circle 11 a.m. Hospitality and Fellowship, 11 a.m. Inspiring lesson, uplifting and dynamic music, meditation in a loving environment. Service held at 28285 Imperial Street, Bonita Springs. Call 947-3100.

### UNITY OF FORT MYERS

11120 Ranchette Rd, Fort Myers  
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Children's Sunday School 11 a.m.  
Reverend Jim Rosemergy. Our God is Love, Our religion is Oneness, Our Race is Human. 239-278-1511, [www.unityoffortmyers.org](http://www.unityoffortmyers.org).

### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9065 Ligon Court, Fort Myers, across from HealthPark Hospital, 481-2125  
Senior Pastor: Robert Brunson  
Sunday Service: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. 11 a.m. Blended Worship  
[www.westminsterfortmyers.org](http://www.westminsterfortmyers.org)

### WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

2120 Collier Ave, Fort Myers, 274-8881;  
Services: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m. Bishop Gaspar and Michele Anastasi  
**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
7401 Winkler Road, Fort Myers, 481-4040,  
Pastor Peter Weeks. Sunday Services: 8:30 a.m. Traditional, 10 a.m. Blended.\*

## Allbritten Steps Down At Foundation

The Immokalee Foundation chairman of the board Joe Zednik announced that Liz Allbritten announced at the April 24 board meeting her desire to step down as executive director.

Zednik noted that the decision to leave was Allbritten's. She has worked diligently on the organization's infrastructure over the past couple of years in order to prepare for new leadership. Allbritten is ready to spend more time with her husband, Dr. Jeffrey Allbritten, president of Edison State College, their children and grandchildren.

"While we are saddened to lose Liz, I am happy she will now be able to spend quality time with her family," said Zednik. "Her commitment and dedication to TIF during the last five years has been enormous. She will continue to help guide the board through the transition to a new executive director."

Allbritten has served as TIF executive director since January 2009. During her tenure at TIF, the organization expanded programs and services to the children of Immokalee; serving approximately 350 children in 2009 to over 900 students in 2014.

In addition, one of Allbritten's major goals was to completely transition TIF from a grant awarding foundation to a fully operational nonprofit. She is proud of the many accomplishments made over the years and is excited to watch the organization continue to excel.

"This is the ideal time for TIF to transfer to new leadership. The organization is on solid ground and positioned to grow to meet the needs of the community," stated Allbritten. "I am eternally grateful for the support and guidance of TIF's board, donors, volunteers and staff who share the same passion for helping the

children of Immokalee."

The search for Allbritten's successor will begin immediately.

The Immokalee Foundation has a range of programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and post-secondary training, mentoring and tutoring, and opportunities for broadening experiences, life skills development and economic independence.

To learn more about TIF, volunteering as a mentor or for additional information, call 430-9122 or visit [www.immokaleefoundation.org](http://www.immokaleefoundation.org).

## Lee Republican Women Meeting

The Lee Republican Women Federated will meet on Monday, June 9 at The Edison Restaurant, 3583 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. The social will begin at 5:15 p.m. followed by dinner and the program. The program will be a panel discussion on the pros and cons of the marijuana legislation. Cost is \$22 to attend. RSVP by calling 432-9389, email [rmh738@aol.com](mailto:rmh738@aol.com) or go to [www.leerepublicanwomen.com](http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com).

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## FGCU Names New Major Gifts Director

Florida Gulf Coast University has named Lindsey Touchette director of Major Gifts in University Advancement.

Previously FGCU's director of Alumni Relations, Touchette helped to expand the program to serve more than 18,000 graduates and build enduring relationships between alumni and the university community during her seven years in the position. In her new role, the 2005 FGCU graduate will cultivate individual and corporate gifts that have transformative impact on the university.

"I'm proud of the work we've done at my alma mater to establish a strong Alumni Association that engages and connects graduates with the university," Touchette said. "I'm looking forward to working with alumni and the community during this tremendous season of growth to bolster existing support and create new fundraising opportunities."

Touchette's appointment comes as University Advancement, the division that includes Alumni Relations and the FGCU Foundation, is strengthening its fundraising to support the university's continued development as the leading institution of higher education in Southwest Florida.

"Lindsey's institutional knowledge and connection to the community will further strengthen our position as we build on



Lindsey Touchette

a history of successful fundraising," said Christopher Simoneau, vice president of Advancement and executive director of the FGCU Foundation. "With new giving initiatives planned this year, we are prepared to take our community outreach to a higher level to ensure that our students continue to have first-rate programs and facilities."

Kimberly Wallace, an FGCU graduate who has worked in Alumni Relations since 2009, will serve as interim director until a permanent replacement is announced.\*

### Lee County Genealogical Society, Inc. June 19, 2014 Meeting

#### I Know She's Out There Somewhere! with Diana Crisman Smith

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Diana Crisman Smith is Treasurer of ISFIWE (International Society of Family History Writers and Editors); Founding Member of Great Lakes Chapter of APG; Treasurer of the Genealogical Speakers Guild; Treasurer of Florida State Genealogical Society; and past Director of APG. She currently teaches courses online at Family Tree University (Land Record 101; Using US Census Records; Using City Directories; Using US Military Records; Scandinavian Basics and Civil War Records Research), and the National Institute for Genealogical Studies (Research: Danish Ancestors).

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Business Meeting: 1:00 p.m.

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# More Winds



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

I know I'm starting to sound like a broken record with my weekly crying about the constant wind and just the far from typical May conditions we are experiencing. May

is usually one of my favorite months of year to fish our waters; this year, not so much. Hopefully it's just a weather thing and everything will really kick into high gear by June.

Despite catching some quality fish this week, things in the sound seem to be roughly about a month behind where they should be.

Catch and release snook action has been the best action for me this week. Along with the snook in the passes, there have been a few other species mixed in with them, including an occasional over slot redfish, goliath grouper and a



Gary Bitgen and son, Eric, each with a quality snook caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

few 20-inch plus trout. Good numbers of snook have made their way into the passes as they get ready to spawn. I'm glad to report that 20 to 30 snook days have become a normal trip.

Live pinfish and grunts of all sizes

worked well in the passes. Rig these baits with a small weight and either drift or cast while anchored cross current. We caught snook to 36 inches on charters this week, along with hooking several real monsters that just could not be turned. While fishing the passes, the lower water tide periods have produced the better bite... although if the water is moving, these fish will generally eat once you locate where they are staged up. Be as gentle as you can when handling these snook. Wet your hands before handling them, try not to use a landing net and watch out for dolphins. These pre-spawn

snook are the future of this fishery.

Redfish action did get a little better this week, with some huge high tides during periods of south winds. During these often windy periods, we had fast moving rain storms, so I opted to stay close to home working mangrove islands in the southern end of the sound. Both tail hooked pinfish and cut mullet caught these redfish, although we did not catch lots of them in any one place. If you kept working at it and moving around the windblown sides of the islands, all seemed to hold a few upper slot redfish.

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## 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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## Offshore Rodeo Kids Fishing Tournament Returns June 7

Reel in some fun with Ronald McDonald at the Offshore Rodeo Kids Fishing Tournament, to be held on Saturday, June 7 at Port Sanibel Marina, 14341 Port Comfort Road in Fort Myers. The event kicks off at 10 a.m. with various stations where young anglers will spend time learning, hooking and catching different types of fish. Lunch and a magic show with Ronald McDonald will follow at 11:30 a.m. The tournament is open to the first 50 kids, ages 12 and under, who are pre-registered. Registration is \$20 per child and includes tournament entry, T-shirt, fishing rod, trophy and lunch with Ronald McDonald. To register online, visit [www.rmhcswfl.org](http://www.rmhcswfl.org). For more information, contact Angela Katz at 437-0202. All donations from the tournament will benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida.✪



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## Hibiscus Show

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This is the best opportunity Southwest Floridians have to add to their hybrid hibiscus collection. This delicate and beautiful plant grows abundantly in Florida's tropical climate.

Members of the society who are experts in the care and growing of hibiscus will be available to provide advice. Should members of the public have questions regarding how the blooms are judged, there will also be several senior American Hibiscus Society judges available to respond.

Anyone who desires to learn more about how to grow, graft and hybridize this attractive tropical flowering plant can do so by joining the James E. Hendry Chapter, AHS at the show. The show is the highlight of the year for the society and no further meetings will take place until they resume in October.

The society meets at The Salvation Army Building, 10291 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 12 at 1:30 p.m. Parking and admission to the annual Hibiscus Show and Plant Sale is free. Visit [www.hendrychapterahs.com](http://www.hendrychapterahs.com) for more information.\*

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## Plant Smart

## Confederate Jasmine

by Gerri Reaves

Confederate jasmine (*Trachelospermum jasminoides*) is a woody, twining vine that is not a true jasmine or a native of the southern U.S. In fact, this member of the milkweed family is native to Asia.

But it is one of the most popular vines in Florida, indeed, in the southeastern U.S. Lovers of the plant look forward to the spring-time blooming period, when waves of heavy scent perfume the air.

But before you consider planting Confederate jasmine, make sure you like that intense fragrance. While some people think it's heavenly, others find it cloying and intolerable.

The vine is also called star jasmine because of its counter-clockwise pinwheel-shaped flowers, which are pure white and about an inch across.

It is a fast-grower – even invasive – producing a thick tangle of wiry stems that exude irritating milky latex when broken.

Shiny oval evergreen leaves of about two inches long have tapered points and a prominent midrib.



Many people love Confederate jasmine for its intense fragrance, but other people find it cloying

Dubbed Florida-friendly because of low maintenance, drought tolerance, moderate salt tolerance and pest-resistance, it nevertheless can suffer scales and sooty mold.

Give it a well-drained spot in full to partial sun. Propagate it from cuttings. The fruit is inconspicuous and pod-like.

Highly versatile and easily trained, it can be used to cover fences, posts, screens or trellises. It also serves as a good pot plant or even a groundcover.

The flowers will attract bees. However, if benefit to wildlife, not just fragrance, is a priority in your garden, consider vines that are butterfly host or nectar plants instead, such as coral honeysuckle (*Lonicera sempervirens*), corkystem passionflower (*Passiflora suberosa*), purple passionvine (*Passiflora incarnata*) and trumpet vine (*Campsis radicans*).

Sources: *Waterwise: South Florida Landscapes*; *Florida Landscape Plants* by John V. Watkins and Thomas J. Sheehan; *Florida, My Eden* by Frederic B. Stresau; ifas.ufl.edu; and floridata.com.

*Plant Smart* explores the plant life of South Florida and sustainable landscape practices.✧



Profuse pinwheel-shaped flowers bloom in spring

photos by Gerri Reaves

## Conservancy Of Southwest Florida Honors Veterans

Conservancy of Southwest Florida Nature Center is offering free admission on Memorial Day Weekend to all active and retired military on May 22, 23, 24 and 26. (Conservancy Nature Center is closed on Sundays, including May 25). Valid military ID is required. Regular admission prices apply to all guests.

"This is just one small way we can express thanks to those who are serving or have valiantly served this country," said Conservancy President and CEO Robert Moher. "We invite all veterans to enjoy the amenities of the \$20 million in renovations made to the Conservancy Nature Center."

New at the Nature Center Campus:

- Meet Betsy, the new loggerhead sea turtle in the Dalton Discovery Center
- Visit the Eva Sugden Gomez Sustainability Courtyard to learn all about their Sustainable Campus design
- Special Summer Programming including live animal presentations and feedings, von Arx Wildlife Hospital presentation and nursery viewing, and 45-minute guided tours along the Gordon River aboard electric boats
- Shop a new array of Conservancy of Southwest Florida items and jewelry in the Bradley Nature Store

The entrance to Conservancy of Southwest Florida Nature Center, Smith Preserve Way, is located just south of the Naples Zoo off Goodlette-Frank Road.

The center is open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Adult admission is \$12.95. Admission for children ages 3 to 12 is \$8.95. Admission for Conservancy members and children under the age of 3 is free. More information is available at [www.conservancy.org](http://www.conservancy.org) or by calling 262-0304.✧

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## More Winds

Most days have simply been too rough to even think about targeting a tarpon unless you were willing to camp out somewhere sheltered from the wind and soak some cut baits. I have heard a few reports of tarpon hooked in the marker 18 area of the southern sound, but personally until the conditions get better, I'm done fishing for what is simply not there. There is not a worse feeling than having a tarpon trip scheduled and waking up to strong winds with the sun not even up yet. Most of my tarpon trips this week, we have ended up switching up and going snook fishing until conditions get better.

As we are getting closer to June, hopefully conditions finally improve. This year's tarpon season has been one of the toughest I can ever remember, with the weather just fighting us every step of the way. Thanks for reading and until next week, I'm done crying about it.

*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).✧*



Staff and students at IMPACT are shown in the garden, which was financed by the Pilot Club of Fort Myers over several years

## Pilot Club Completes Garden

IMPACT staff and students recently were pleased with the completion of a colorful and practical garden, located at the facility on Medical Lane in Fort Myers. The garden was completed through financial support of several years of the Pilot Club of Fort Myers.

IMPACT is a private, non-profit program for infants and pre-schoolers who have special needs, such as brain related disorders, developmental delays and autism. It also serves some school age children through a contract with the public school system.

IMPACT is supported in part by the Pilot Club of Fort Myers. Club members volunteer at IMPACT and observe the use of equipment they have supplied and progress of the children.

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## CROW Case Of The Week:

## Red-Breasted Merganser



by Patricia Molloy

Found throughout the Northern Hemisphere, the red-breasted merganser (*Mergus serrator*) is a spectacularly beautiful diving duck. Preferring freshwater lakes and ponds from Alaska across northern Canada for breeding, it spends its winters primarily in and around saltwater from southern California to Florida.

In addition to being a strong flier, the red-breasted merganser is a proficient diver. Often seen searching for food alone, this medium size duck is quick to join large hunting parties in areas where fish are plentiful, working together to herd shoaling fish. Amazingly, a red-breasted merganser can propel itself to depths of 30 feet in order to capture fish, tadpoles and crustaceans in its long, brightly-colored serrated bill. The sharp, saw-like projections of its bill are the reason that these birds are frequently (and fondly) referred to as the "sawbill" duck.

Earlier this month, a red-breasted merganser was admitted to CROW's hospital from neighboring J. N. "Ding" Darling

National Wildlife Refuge. As Dr. Heather explained, "He came in for a hook and line injury. Radiographs did not show any internal hooks or other problems."

Severely depressed and dehydrated, Dr. Heather ordered rounds of antibiotics to stave off infection and pain medications to keep the patient comfortable. It was placed in a quiet room in the hospital's ICU where it received plenty of rest between treatments and meals. Despite its alarmingly grave condition upon admission, the red-breasted merganser, patient #1184, made a rapid recovery.

"He was treated and released a couple of days later back into the refuge," said Dr. Heather proudly.

With the continued, combined efforts of local agencies and concerned residents, Lee county's native and migratory wildlife will continue to prosper. Never underestimate the difference that you, as an individual, can make to impact change. Start by volunteering your time or donating money to support CROW in its mission to rehabilitate sick, injured and abandoned native and migratory wildlife for present and future generations to enjoy.

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) ✨



The red-breasted merganser is often referred to as a "sawbill" due to the serrated design of its long, orange-red bill. Above, student Lyndsay prepares to tube feed the patient

## ASBPA Releases Its Best Restored Beaches For 2014

From building sandcastles to walking on the beach with family, America's beaches are synonymous with celebrating summer. With the beginning of the summer beach season just around the corner, The American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA) released its annual list of the nation's best restored beaches. This year's list provides representation from the west, east and the gulf coasts of the United States.

The 2014 winners are:

- Aquia Landing County Park, Stafford County, Virginia;
- Cocoa Beach, Brevard County, Florida

- Iroquois Point Beach, Oahu, Hawaii
- North Topsail Beach, North Carolina

While Americans celebrate beaches by visiting them, few understand what it takes to keep that beach special. ASBPA created the Best Restored Beach award as a way of highlighting the value of restored beaches.

Many of America's most heavily used beaches are restored beaches – wide and sandy, providing abundant recreational opportunities for beachgoers.

"As Americans flock to our nation's coastline during the upcoming beach season, most don't even realize they may be enjoying a restored beach," said

ASBPA President Harry Simmons, who is mayor of Caswell Beach, North Carolina. "Coastal communities have restored more than 370 beaches in the United States, including such iconic beaches as Jones Beach in New York, Ocean City in Maryland, Virginia Beach, Miami Beach, Galveston Island in Texas and Waikiki Beach in Hawaii."

For the last 40 years, beach restoration has been the preferred method of shore protection in coastal communities. Beach restoration is the process of placing beach-quality sand on dwindling beaches to reverse or offset the effects of erosion.

The three main reasons for restoration are:

- Storm protection – A wide sandy beach helps separate storm waves from upland structures and infrastructure.
- Habitat restoration – Numerous species rely on wide, healthy beaches as a place to live, feed and nest.
- Recreation – America's beaches have twice as many visitors annually as all of America's national parks combined. Every year, there are more than two billion visitors to America's beaches. Beaches contribute an estimated \$322 billion annually to the America's economy. More importantly, for every dollar the federal government spends on beach nourishment, it gets an estimated \$320 back in tax revenues.

During times of economic hardship, the beach can be an even more desirable vacation destination than other domestic and foreign alternatives, offering families and visitors an accessible and affordable

getaway. It is also an employment and tax generator:

- More than twice as many people visit America's coasts as visit our state and national parks – all of them combined.
- Each year, governments take in \$320 in taxes from beach tourists for every dollar it spends on beach restoration.

• Well over half of the nation's gross domestic product (\$7.9 trillion) is generated in 673 counties along the oceans and Great Lakes, according to NOAA's National Ocean Economics Program.

To enter the Best Restored Beach competition, coastal communities nominated their projects for consideration, and an independent panel of coastal managers and scientists selected the winners. Judging was based on three criteria: the economic and ecological benefits the beach brings to its community; the short- and long-term success of the restoration project; and the challenges each community overcame during the course of the project.

According to Lee Weishar, PhD, chair of the Best Restored Beach Committee responsible for making the selections, "The Best Restored Beaches contest can be compared to an old-time beauty contest... if you like what you see, you vote for it. I look for commitment and dedication to the project. I want the applicant to make me love his or her beach."

For more information on ASBPA, go to [www.asbpa.org](http://www.asbpa.org), facebook or [www.twitter.com/asbpa](http://www.twitter.com/asbpa) ✨

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## Oxford School Of Music Presents Summer Camps

Oxford School of Music once again is conducting its very successful music camp, called It's All About Music. Students will play keyboards, guitars and drums. A mini musical will be written and performed by the students. Arts and crafts and music computer games will be offered.

Open to ages 6 to 16, the music camp will run June 2 to 30 and July 7 to August 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Cost is \$175 per weekly session. Campers must bring their own lunch.

"We are again very excited to have the students participate in our unique, fun and educational summer camps", stated Bernadette H. Billups, Owner and



### Summer camp 2013 participants

Executive Director of Oxford School of Music.

The enrollment deadline is May 23 for the June camp, and June 23 for the July camp.

Oxford School of Music, Fort Myers' most comprehensive music school since 1987, provides private piano, guitar, violin, woodwinds, brass, percussions and voice lessons. Call 275-8922 or visit [www.oxfordschoolofmusic.org](http://www.oxfordschoolofmusic.org) for more information.✽

## Call For Artists

Arts for ACT Gallery, owned by Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc., the domestic violence, human trafficking and sexual assault center serving Lee, Hendry and Glades counties, is counting on all artists to enter their juried themed group exhibit. Money raised supports ACT, a non-profit agency that provides safe shelter, counseling, a 24-hour hotline, information and referral, forensic examination, advocacy and education. This open juried group exhibit helps generate funds for the gallery in the slower summer season. Cash prizes will be awarded to four winning artists.

This year the themes for the group exhibit are:

1. "Famous Landmarks – Local, National and International"
2. "The Art of the Selfie"
3. "Create art that contains one or more of the following unique media: newspaper, rubber, plastic, metal, corrugated cardboard or comics"

Art delivery dates are from June 22 to 27 between 11 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Art pick-up dates (if art is not accepted) will be June 29 or 30 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The opening exhibit will be held on Friday, July 4 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Art not sold must be picked up on July 26 or 28.

Artists may submit two- or three-dimensional works in any media. The art must represent or evoke the artists interpretation of the three themes, use your imagination and creativity to express the themes.

ACT Gallery will retain 40 percent of the sale of any artwork sold and the artists will retain 60 percent.

A nonrefundable fee of \$10 per entry, two entries for \$15 or three entries for \$20 will be charged. Artists have the choice of any and all themes. The artists can mix the themes when submitting their works.

Cash prizes will be awarded, with \$100 for first place, \$75 for second place, \$50 for third place and \$25 for Honorable Mention. The exhibit judge will be announced.

For additional information, contact Claudia Goode of Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. at 939-2553

Arts for ACT Gallery, located at 2265 First Street in Fort Myers, may be contacted by calling 337-5050 or by visiting [www.artsforactgallery.com](http://www.artsforactgallery.com).✽

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## Fort Myer Fare

### SUNSHINE GRILLE

Formerly known as the Sunshine Seafood Cafe and Lounge, Sunshine Grille serves all of your favorite dishes for lunch and dinner. In addition to its previous menu, the restaurant is also serving gourmet flat breads prepared in a wood fire stove with fresh oak. Wood-fired steaks fill out the menu, including a ribeye and a porterhouse, to go along with our famous wood fired filet mignon.

Happy hour and live music are featured daily.

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The evening is proudly sponsored by Lee County Electric Cooperative (LCEC), the Betty Bireley Foundation and Investor's Security Trust, with media support from *Florida Weekly*, TOTI Media, Inc and WGPU Public Media. The aMUSEd culinary sponsors include Crave Culinaire, the Prawnbroker Restaurant Group and Gloria's La Trattoria Cafe Napoli. Additional support provided by FineMark National Bank & Trust. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. For more information, call 939-2787 or visit [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org).

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



Signe Wynne, Etta Smith and Chris Mason

## Spring Luncheon Raises More Than \$80,000 For Hope Hospice

Friends of Hope Women's Committee recently hosted its annual Spring Luncheon at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. The event, also honoring the organization's 30th anniversary, raised nearly \$85,000 to benefit Hope Hospice and it's Rainbow Trails bereavement camp, Pet Peace Of Mind and Hopeful Wishes programs.

Event chairs Etta Smith and Sally Barnes coordinated the celebration for more than 400 guests, along with event committee members and Hope HealthCare Services staff.

The afternoon's events included boutique shopping and raffle prizes, plus a fashion show produced by Michaela Vattimo that also featured the Hyatt's canine greeters Hoss and Honey Bear.

Event sponsors included BB&T Insurance Services, Currier Roofing Company, Global HR Research, Northern Trust, Office Furniture and Design Concepts and The Wynn Family.

Rainbow Trails is a free camp for children ages 6 to 16 who are coping with the loss of a loved one. Pet Peace Of Mind helps patients care for the pets they love. Hopeful Wishes grants special requests and creates memorable moments for Hope patients and their families.

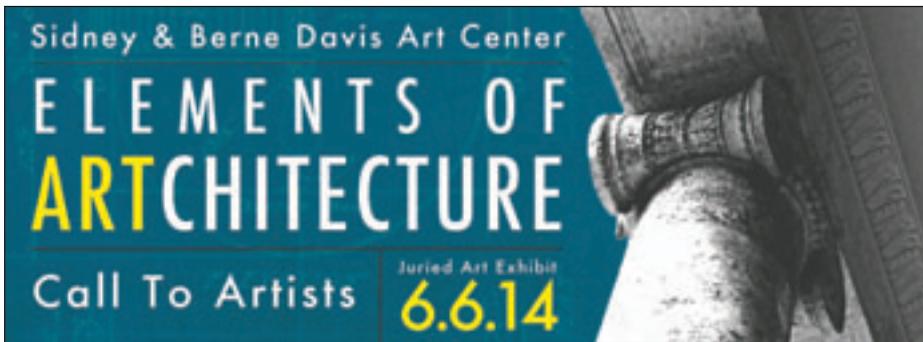
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Cathy McCormick, Harriet Harnar and Sandy Pambechy

## Prepare To Be Amused At The Alliance For The Arts

The Alliance for the Arts will present its fall fundraising extravaganza – aMUSEd – on Saturday, September 27. Guests will be treated to an evening filled with music, interactive art, amusing diversions and wandering muses. Fine tapas will be provided by Southwest Florida's best chefs. Come explore, nurture and liberate your inner muse during this unique art party. This provocative and highly interactive evening begins at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$100 and are available online at [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org) or onsite at the Alliance. Event proceeds will benefit educational and outreach programs.



## June Juried Art Exhibit Coming To Davis Art Center

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, located at 2301 First Street downtown River District, will host the juried art exhibition, Elements Of ARTchitecture, an exploration of all elements of architecture – and how we relate to architecture socially, structurally and artistically – with an opening reception held on Friday, June 6 at 6 p.m. during Downtown Fort Myers' Art Walk.

Art Walk, held on the first Fridays of the month from 6 to 10 p.m., features art exhibits, live artist demonstrations and offers fun shopping and delicious dining in the historic River District.

Prizes include Overall Best of Show, with a cash prize of \$500; People's Choice, with a cash prize of \$250; and Berne's Pick, with a cash prize of \$250. The entry deadline is May 9.

### Submission Details

Submit your two- and three-dimensional artwork for the Davis Art Center's juried art exhibit, Elements Of ARTchitecture. Artwork should explore all elements of architecture constructed and deconstructed in both 2D and 3D pieces. While there are no specific guidelines for dimensions or sizes of the pieces that will be accepted for exhibit, the curator encourages innovative and unique installations – artwork of immense proportions can be hung from either its massive walls or from its 20-foot ceiling, or displayed on its magnificent granite floors. If your piece is in progress and you do not have

images of the completed artwork, please submit a detailed description of your entry and images of examples of your work.

### Preparing Your Entry

Online Entries Only: When preparing your entry, send one image per piece of artwork with up to three entries per person. All entries must be digital files uploaded via our official entry form on [www.sbdac.com](http://www.sbdac.com). Image files cannot exceed 500KB or 800 pixels. The file format must be JPEG.

Digital images of submissions must be received via e-mail no later than May 9.

### Entry Fee And Payment

\$30 for up to two pieces of artwork. You may enter online using a credit card. Credit cards will be charged within 30 days of contest deadline. Your credit card charge will be notification for receipt of your entry.

Each piece of artwork must include the following information: Title of work, artist name, medium, dimensions, weight, sales price and artist statement (250 words or less).

### Acceptance

Artwork in this exhibition will be judged according to presentation, artistic merit, creativity and excellence. Entries will be pre-judged and then finalists will be chosen by our panel. All work may be accepted or rejected for display at the discretion of Florida Arts, Inc.

Artists whose pieces are selected for the exhibit will be notified via e-mail on May 16. The results will not otherwise be made public until they are published on the SBDAC website.

### Judging

On June 6, a special panel of jurors will select the winner of the Best In Show. All properly prepared entries will be viewed and judged. The decision of the jurors is final. The winning piece will be announced at the opening reception. The Best in Show and Berne's Pick winners will be announced in the e-newsletter on June 11. The People's Choice winner will be announced on June 20 during Music Walk.

### Delivery Of Artwork

All accepted pieces must be delivered ready to hang, including any special hanging or displaying devices that need to be used. Attach a copy of the completed entry form to each piece. Please note that you must include return shipping and reusable packaging.

Artwork must arrive on June 2 to: Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center  
2301 First Street  
Fort Myers, FL 33902

### Liability

By submitting an entry to this exhibition, participants agree that Florida Arts, Inc./Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, will insure all artwork for the full sales price while the pieces are in its physical possession. The artist is responsible for all shipping costs and insurance costs during shipping to and from the Davis Art Center. We will have no liability for the protection of submitted work during shipping. We are not responsible for lost mail.

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The exhibition closes on June 25.

For additional information, visit [www.sbdac.com](http://www.sbdac.com) or call 333-1933. For more details about Art Walk, visit [www.fortmyersartwalk.com](http://www.fortmyersartwalk.com).✪



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## A New Ruth At Lab Theater



by Di Saggau

Laboratory Theater of Florida is presenting a world premier of *The 2nd Book of Ruth* by award winning playwright and novelist Zalman Velvel. Ruth was the first convert

and her story is part of the Bible. In the play, Ruth Preston (Jennifer Grant) is a modern woman born thousands of years later, and her story is told here. It is one of love, drama and heart-warming humor as Ruth gets married and divorced twice – almost three times – and deals with the problems of an evolving woman with timeless values in an ever-changing world.

Each scene opens with the rabbi (Jonathan Best) listening to the radio for the latest news while working on either a eulogy or an acceptance speech. When Ruth first comes into his office, she asks him to help her convert to Judaism. He suggests another rabbi, but she says she had already checked him out. “I wanted to shop around, isn’t that what Jewish people do?” The play is full of Jewish humor but as Yossi Yablonski of Fort Myers said, “Like a bagel, you don’t have to be Jewish to enjoy this very funny and touching play.” He’s right. The audience laughs a lot as they watch Ruth with her two husbands, played by Mike Dinko. He also plays her almost third husband. All three are Jewish and complete opposites.

Ruth is very outspoken and rattles the rabbi more than once as she coaches him on how to write a speech and tells him



Jennifer Grant, Mike Dinko and Jonathan Best

what she is looking for in life. He gives her books to read. She says “What I want to know is not in these books.” Over the years a friendship grows between the two. One day, the rabbi receives a phone call that soon changes the playing field.

I see the play as a lighthearted homage to the *Book of Ruth*. The cast does a great job. It is especially fun to watch Dinko portray a drunken self-absorbed husband, another one who lies about his age and leaves Ruth a widow, and a con-man who almost becomes her third. The scenes between Ruth and the rabbi are also a treat. Playwright Velvel hopes that the Fort Myers audience will take away lots of laughs, and even a few “ah-ha’s” about spirituality. In my opinion, he succeeds.

*The 2nd Book of Ruth* plays through June 1 at Laboratory Theater of Florida, located at 1634 Woodford Avenue in Downtown Fort Myers. For tickets, call 218-0481.\*

## Accident Prone Friends Reunite

by Di Saggau

“Does it hurt?” asks 8-year-old Kayleen (Hanny Zuniga) when she meets Doug (Joshua Johnson) in the nurse’s office. She’s there with an upset stomach. He rode his bike off the school roof trying to imitate Evel Knievel. Over 30 years, in non-chronological order, we glimpse the two during eight different scenes as their paths cross. The 90-minute play has no intermission so the actors have to do their costume changes on stage as the lights dim. A blackboard serves as the instrument telling us the ages of the characters and their location at that time.

The play *Gruesome Playground*

*Injuries* by Rajiv Joseph is full of pathos and meaning with both tender and funny moments. Zuniga and Johnson are extremely capable of filling their personas. They are convincing as 8-year-olds and every other age they portray. Kayleen’s injuries are internal due to external forces. Doug, on the other hand, is accident prone with a zest for life and adventures that repeatedly land him in harm’s way.

As the two reunite over and over again, we learn what is behind the scars of their existence. We feel as if we are right there with them watching their every move. We end up studying the symptoms and behavior of the characters. As director Brittney Brady said, “This may be our most intimate production yet.”

Ghostbird Theatre is the resident theater company of the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center. It is dedicated to bringing new and magical performances to Fort Myers and beyond. They succeed with *Gruesome Playground Injuries*. It continues through May 25 at The Davis Art Center in downtown Fort Myers. Tickets are \$10 available at the door or by calling 333-1933.\*

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The Calendar Girls

## Calendar Girls Perform At Patriots In Paradise Dinner

The Calendar Girls performed at the annual Patriots in Paradise dinner/dance in support of Special Operations Warrior Foundation on Saturday, May 17. Special Operations Warrior Foundation provides assistance and college educa-



The Calendar Girls

tions to those families left behind after the death of a loved one serving with special forces. The emcee for the evening was ABC-7 anchor Courtney Robinson, who is a Special Operations kid.\*

## Twins Top Three Prospects Sidelined, But Team Shows Big Improvement From Past Three Losing Seasons



by Ed Frank

The three top prospects for the Minnesota Twins – outfielder Byron Buxton and infielders Miquel Sano and Eddie Rosario – were expected to lift the Twins from the doldrums of the last three years, when the team lost more than 95 games each season.

All three were set to begin the season at Class AA New Britain, with the strong possibility they could advance to the Majors yet this year. At the present, however, none of them are even playing.

Despite their absence, look at the surprising resurgence of the Twins after 42 games of the 162-game season.

The Twins began the week with a respectable 21-21 (.500) record and appeared to have rectified the awful starting pitching that plagued the team for the last three years. They had won five of seven the last week.

As for Buxton, Sano and Rosario, they are losing valuable development time for a variety of reasons.

Buxton is the consensus top prospect in all of baseball. But he has played just five games this year due to a wrist injury suffered in spring training and reinjured this past week.

Sano is considered the top power hitter in the minors. He is out for the year recovering from Tommy John surgery on his injured right elbow. Tommy John surgery is common among pitchers, but rare for position players.

And Rosario is serving a 50-game suspension for failing a drug test, admitting he smoked marijuana. His suspension is scheduled to end on May 28.

"It's important time they are missing," said Brad Steil, the Twins director of minor league operations. "They will have to make that up."

When the Twins left here seven weeks ago at the end of spring training, the team

was universally expected to finish last in the American League's Central Division.

But their climb from the depths of the AL Central is due for several reasons, chief of which is solid starting pitching.

Newly-acquired Phil Hughes is 4-1 with a sparkling 3.61 ERA in 47.1 innings pitched.

Right-hander Kyle Gibson, the Twins first-round draft pick four years ago, is 4-3 after having hurled 45 innings. He pitched briefly for the Twins last year, but was sent down to Triple A Rochester for further seasoning.

In addition to Hughes, the Twins also acquired Ricky Nolasco in the off-season, signing him to a four-year deal for \$49 million, the largest free-agent signing in club history. He is one of the most durable pitchers in baseball. He already leads the Twins in innings pitched at 55.2.

There are numerous other reasons for the early-season improvement of the Twins. Second baseman Brian Dozier leads the American League in runs scored at 40 and is third in stolen bases with 12.

Closer Glen Perkins is atop the American League with 12 saves and catcher Kurt Suzuki, also acquired in the off-season, is among the top 10 hitters in the AL, starting the week with a .312 average.

Finally, the multi-talented centerfielder Aaron Hicks, drafted out of high school as the Twins first-round pick in 2008, is finally making good progress by hitting .400 in his last five games.

Few would have predicted two months into the season that the Twins would have a better record than the World Champion Boston Red Sox. The struggling Red Sox were 20-23 at the start of the week.

It's a long, long season. But for the first time in four years, Twins fans are encouraged. And better times are ahead once Sano, Buxton and Rosario arrive in the "big show."

### Miracle Starts Week One-Half Game Out Of First

The Fort Myers Miracle, with a 4-3 record this past week, trailed first-place St. Lucie by just one-half game in the Florida State League's South Division as the week began.

After losing 4-2 Monday night to the Daytona Cubs, the Miracle will be on the road for eight of their next 10 games at Dunedin and Clearwater.

Fort Myers will, however, be home this weekend at Hammond Stadium facing Jupiter on Saturday at 6:05 p.m. and Sunday at 4:05 p.m.\*



Cliff Smith, president of United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee, Jim Nolte, one of the 2013-14 sponsors, and Jim Hafner, River Hall Director of Golf

## Summer Golf Series To Benefit The United Way

For the second year, River Hall Country Club has organized a Summer Golf Series to raise money for the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee.

The Summer Golf Series begins on May 31, with additional events on August 9 and October 11 at River Hall, a beautiful Davis Love III championship golf course located in Alva at Palm Beach Boulevard (SR 80). Each event will be a scramble with a warm-up clinic, continen-

tal breakfast, prizes, an awards ceremony and barbecue lunch.

The cost per event is \$70 per person, or \$195 for all three events. All players who sign up for the entire series will be placed in a drawing to win a one year single invitational membership at River Hall.

Last year, the Summer Golf Series for United Way raised over \$6,800. Current sponsors include Barraco & Associates, and Uhler and Vertich Financial Partners. United Way is seeking additional sponsorships. To inquire about sponsorships, call Louise Hawthorne at 433-2000 ext. 225.

"We are happy for the way the first Summer Golf Series turned out last year,

but hope to make it bigger and better this year to raise more money for the United Way. United Way does so much for our community, we're proud to help in any way we can," said Jim Hafner of River Hall Country Club. "We hope a full field of golfers will come out to River Hall, enjoy a great golf course, have some fun, and help us to help the United Way."

To sign up for golf or for more information about the Summer Golf Series, call 313-4653.

For more information, call United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades at 433-2000 or visit [www.unitedwaylee.org](http://www.unitedwaylee.org).



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Chico's employees packing food for a United Way Day of Caring

## Chico's Employees Help Pack Meals For Families In Need

Sixty-three Chico's employees gave back to their community through a United Way Day of Caring by packing food for families in need. The food will be distributed to pantries by Harry Chapin Food Bank, a United Way Partner Agency.

Chico's, in conjunction with an employee recognition day, wanted not only to recognize hard working employees but empower them to give back to their community. They packed 3,125 nutritious meals from 75 50 pound bags of rice and pinto beans. The meals will be part of the food that Harry Chapin Food Bank distributes to over 150 nonprofit agencies in Southwest Florida.

"Chico's FAS, Inc. has a long tradition of giving back to the community in which

## 2014 Chrysalis Awards Luncheon & Trade Show

For the fifth consecutive year, the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) and the Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce will host the annual Celebration of Business & Tourism Chrysalis Awards Luncheon & Trade Show in commemoration of National Travel & Tourism Week.

The event will be held at Harborside Event Center in Fort Myers on Thursday, May 15. This year's event is projected to attract approximately 400 attendees for the trade show from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the awards luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. At the luncheon, six award recipients will be announced from among the more than 50 nominations.

Nominees include area attractions, accommodations, retailers, educational institutions, non-profit organizations and a variety of local businesses in six categories: Business Development, Sustainability, Cultural Achievement, Education, Sports and Sales & Marketing. A panel of local business community leaders judged the nominations and selected one award recipient for each of the six categories.

The Chrysalis Awards signify an ongoing partnership between the business and tourism communities that are working together to increase the business community's awareness of the tourism industry and to help tourism partners better understand the needs of non-hospitality businesses. This collaboration is creating stronger resources for the good of the area's diverse communities and destination.

In addition to the Chrysalis Awards, the VCB will present its long-standing annual Junonia Award. This honor, awarded solely at the discretion of the VCB, was created in 2006 to recognize individuals in tourism who have demonstrated unique capabilities, leadership, commitment and dedication throughout the local tourism community.

The Celebration of Business & Tourism Chrysalis Awards Luncheon & Trade Show is part of the VCB's year-round Team Tourism program, which recognizes the value of tourism and the community teamwork involved in maintaining and enhancing tourism as a major economic engine for Lee County.

The cost to attend is \$40 per person. Register online at [www.chrysalisawards.com](http://www.chrysalisawards.com). For more information, contact Christine Davlin at [cdavlin@leegov.com](mailto:cdavlin@leegov.com) or 338-3500; John Lai at [johnl@tween-waters.com](mailto:johnl@tween-waters.com) or 472-5166; or Colleen DePasquale at [colleen@fortmyers.org](mailto:colleen@fortmyers.org) or 332-2930.\*



Some of the Chico's employees who helped out

we live and have called home for 30 years. Community service is one of the guiding principles that all of our associates hold dear to their hearts, and we are proud to support United Way," said Chico's FAS, Inc. President and CEO David Dyer.

"Chico's is a great corporate partner, and we are very thankful for their support and participation of Chico's employees in this United Way Day of Caring. The volunteer spirit is very much alive at Chico's. Volunteers make it possible for agencies like Harry Chapin Food Bank to accomplish much more than otherwise possible," said Cliff Smith, president of the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee.

The United Way's Days of Caring is a year-round program that connects businesses with nonprofit agencies in need of assistance. Businesses have many choices as they select projects as needed by the agencies, including the type of project, location in the community, degree of physical labor and time commitment.

The United Way Volunteer Center creates connections between volunteer opportunities and individuals, families, businesses and groups to help them serve their community. For more information, call 433-2000 ext. 260.\*



Mark Peirce

## Peirce Honored As Breakthrough Achiever

Mark Peirce was honored at Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida's Breakthrough Awards Luncheon. The annual event honors businesses and members in the community who have assisted others, or themselves, in overcoming disabilities or barriers on their path to employment and independence. Peirce received the Breakthrough Achiever Award.

According to Peirce, he never had trouble finding jobs. Keeping them was another issue.

"Here I am, doing my best, but one place after the next, they were just letting me go," said Peirce. "It looked bad on my resume, to be two weeks here, four

weeks there. It frustrated me because I didn't know what else to do."

Peirce, who has learning disabilities, went to the Florida Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) for help finding long-term employment. VR referred him to Goodwill in 2010, where he met employment consultant Maryjane Nickerson.

After assessing Peirce's skills, she suggested he apply for a position working as a processor at the Goodwill Retail & Donation Center in Punta Gorda. He earned the job, and has now worked there for more than three years.

"When Mark first started, he was living with his parents and he had an old jalopy car," said Nickerson. "He told me that one day when he works long enough, he'd love to own his own home. At the time he didn't think it was possible."

Since starting his job at Goodwill, Peirce has not only bought a new car, but also purchased a house near his parents.

"I can live on my own, and I can actually be independent," added Peirce. "You don't have a lot of people that can afford a house, much less pay for it in cash like I did. If I didn't have this job for so long, I wouldn't be independent like this."

Other Goodwill Breakthrough Award winners include Breakthrough Employer Broadway Palm, Breakthrough Business GCG Construction, and Breakthrough Graduate Tamsyn Reedus. Goodwill also celebrated Volunteer of the Year Melissa Mannon.

For more information about Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, visit [www.goodwillswfl.org](http://www.goodwillswfl.org).\*

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## School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSPP

**D**ear Readers, May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Not surprisingly, good mental health in children has been correlated with better

life outcomes including higher academic achievement. Here are some facts about children and mental health from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). Let's support our children by removing the stigma associated with mental health problems and by advocating for more resources for quality mental health care for them.

### Prevalence of Child and Adolescent Mental Disorders

- Four million children and adolescents in this country suffer from a serious mental disorder that causes significant functional impairments at home, at school and with peers. Of children ages 9 to 17, 21 percent have a diagnosable mental or addictive disorder that causes at least minimal impairment.
- Half of all lifetime cases of men-

tal disorders begin by age 14. Despite effective treatments, there are long delays, sometimes decades, between the first onset of symptoms and when people seek and receive treatment. An untreated mental disorder can lead to a more severe, more difficult to treat illness and to the development of co-occurring mental illnesses.

- In any given year, only 20 percent of children with mental disorders are identified and receive mental health services.

### Consequences of Untreated Mental Disorders in Children and Adolescents Suicide

- Suicide is the third leading cause of death in youth ages 15 to 24. More teenagers and young adults die from suicide than from cancer, heart disease, AIDS, birth defects, stroke, pneumonia, influenza and chronic lung disease combined. Over 90 percent of children and adolescents who commit suicide have a mental disorder.

- In the United States in the year 2002, almost 4,300 young people ages 10 to 24 died by suicide.

- States spend nearly \$1 billion annually on medical costs associated with completed suicides and suicide attempts by youth up to 20 years of age.

### School Failure

- Approximately 50 percent of students age 14 and older who are living

with a mental illness drop out of high school. This is the highest dropout rate of any disability group.

### Juvenile and Criminal Justice Involvement

- Youth with unidentified and untreated mental disorders also tragically end up in jails and prisons. According to a study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health – the largest ever undertaken – an alarming 65 percent of boys and 75 percent of girls in juvenile detention have at least one mental illness. We are incarcerating youth living with mental illness, some as young as eight years old, rather than identifying their conditions early and intervening with appropriate treatment.

### Higher Health Care Utilization

- When children with untreated mental disorders become adults, they use more health care services and incur higher health care costs than other adults. Left untreated, childhood disorders are likely to persist and lead to a downward spiral of school failure, limited or non-existent employment opportunities and poverty in adulthood. No other illnesses harm so many children so seriously.

### Early Identification, Evaluation and Treatment are Essential to Recovery and Resiliency

- Research shows that early identification and intervention can minimize

the long-term disability of mental disorders.

- Mental disorders in children and adolescents are real and can be effectively treated, especially when identified and treated early.

- Research has yielded important advances in the development of effective treatment for children and adolescents living with mental illness. Early identification and treatment prevents the loss of critical developmental years that cannot be recovered and helps youth avoid years of unnecessary suffering.

- Early and effective mental health treatment can prevent a significant proportion of delinquent and violent youth from future violence and crime. It also enables children and adolescents to succeed in school, to develop socially and to fully experience the developmental opportunities of childhood.

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## Financial Educational Sessions

Community Cooperative has partnered with the staff of Florida Community Bank to create a series of financial education classes for the benefit of Community Cooperative Social Services clients. The twice monthly classes are held at Community Cooperative locations in Fort Myers and Cape Coral. The next sessions are June 6 and June 20; 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in Fort Myers and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Cape Coral.

According to Community Cooperative CEO Tracey Galloway, "Our partnership with Florida Community Bank and the resources they bring to this important program greatly enhances the potential of the program. The financial education classes provide our clients an opportunity to gain hands-on financial guidance to promote financial responsibility and we believe this is a level of mentoring and education otherwise unavailable to these individuals."

According to Florida Community Bank Senior Vice President Cheryl Lake, "We believe the knowledge gained from a financial education program enables people to overcome financial obstacles and make sound financial decisions. Providing access to the tools and insight into the components of a banking relationship gives our audience a genuine head start on a responsible financial future."

Florida Community Bank recently provided a \$5,000 grant to Community Cooperative. The money from the grant is funding education programs for

Community Cooperative clients. Florida Community Bank utilized Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) funds to make the grant.

For more information on the financial classes, call 332-7687 in Fort Myers or 242-0401 in Cape Coral.\*

## Foundation Receives \$500,000 Gift

Thanks to the generosity of the Lehigh Community Health Association, students from Lehigh Acres can earn a scholarship to help pay for college at Edison State College, which will change its name to Florida Southwestern State College on July 1. "The Lehigh Community Health Association has been a longtime supporter of our college, but this incredible \$500,000 gift will benefit students and the community for years to come," said Dr. Jeff Allbritten, president of Edison State College. "This gift will positively impact the lives of students as they realize their dreams of a career in a health-related or education field."

"Our students work hard, and having the scholarship available to help with their college expenses will make the difference for them," said Dr. Marie Collins, dean of the School of Health Professions at Edison State College. "There is a consistent demand for healthcare professionals in this region."

"This scholarship fund will help our students become the teachers of tomorrow," added Dr. Erin Harrel, dean of the School of Education at Edison State College. "Many of our graduates are

teachers in our five-county region."

For more information about all scholarships offered at Edison State College, go to [www.edison.edu/wp/foundation/scholarships/](http://www.edison.edu/wp/foundation/scholarships/).\*

## Area Students Earn Dean's List

Austin Benacquisto and Matthew Kordonowy, both residents of Fort Myers, have earned dean's list status for the recently ended 2014 winter term at Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia.\*

## Local Students Graduate From Clemson

A pair of local students, including Alex Andrew Kellum of Cape Coral, who graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science in chemistry, and Amanda Jane Hobbs of Fort Myers, who graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science in industrial engineering, graduated from Clemson University on May 9.\*

## Francois Graduates

Jacques Francois, a resident of Fort Myers, has graduated from Louisburg College in North Carolina. Francois was among the 103 graduates honored at the commencement ceremony held on May 2.\*

## 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.

## Financial Focus

# Free Yourself From Cycle Of Emotional Investing

by Jennifer Basey



In many areas of your life, you're probably aware that it's useful to keep emotions out of your decision-making – and that's certainly the case with investing. However, it can be difficult to

keep your feelings from influencing your investment decisions. But you may find it easier to invest with your head, rather than your heart, if you know a little something about two different cycles: the market cycle and your emotional cycle.

Let's start with the market cycle. If you've been investing for a while, you're aware (probably highly aware) that the financial markets are rarely static – they are always moving up and down, at least in the short term. (Over the very long term, a period of many decades, the markets have trended up.) But these short-term movements, while perhaps appearing as “zigs” and “zags” on a daily basis, actually form a pattern, or a cycle, that can last for months or years. These cycles are known as bull (up) or bear (down) markets. Going back to the Great Depression, the average bear market has lasted 21 months, while the average bull market has extended for 57 months, according to research from Standard and Poor's Index Services.

These market cycles greatly influence investors' attitudes and behavior. In fact, they lead to the formation of investors' emotional cycles. During bull markets, investors tend to feel optimism, excitement and even euphoria. But once a bull

market ends and a bear market begins, investors start getting nervous. And the longer and deeper the bear market, the greater the depth of emotion felt by investors. These emotions can begin as anxiety and then progress to denial, fear, desperation and panic.

Furthermore, market cycles and emotional cycles don't really align. For example, investors may well experience euphoria when the market has reached its high point and a bear market has just begun. For a while, then, these investors, fueled by their euphoric feelings over the big gains they've achieved, may continue pouring money into the market, even as it's declining. This type of behavior, though, is probably better suited for when the market is already at a low, when investors' dollars will buy more shares.

Conversely, investors may reach the peak of their fearfulness at the end of a bear market, just when things are about to turn around. At this point, their fear may hold them back from investing – even though, with prices low, it can be a good time to invest. Clearly, basing investment decisions on emotions can lead to poor choices.

So don't get caught up in this pattern. Instead, strive to follow a disciplined approach to investing. Build an investment portfolio that reflects your objectives, risk tolerance and time horizon, and seek to hold appropriate investments for the long term. Of course, you may well need to make adjustments along the way, but do it for the right reasons – such as a change in your goals or in the investments themselves – rather than as a reaction to the current market cycle.

Our emotions are powerful, and their power can increase when applied to such a meaningful aspect of our life as our finances. But if you can detach yourself, as much as possible, from the emotional cycle of investing, you can avoid considerable angst – while helping clear the path to pursue your goals.

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## AppleJuice

# Organize Files And Folders With Tags On Your Mac



by Carol Rooksby Weidlich, President, SWACKS

Mac users who have upgraded to OS X Mavericks have more opportunities using the “Save” panel in all system-owned menus for tag-

ging folders and files. This works in the Finder as well as the iCloud file browser. Using tags makes viewing, searching and sorting easier.

Tags in Mavericks reuse the organizing system of colored tags seen in previous generations of OS X. In Finder > Preferences (or press Command + comma) > Tags. Now your tags are visible.

Right-click on any tag to delete it. Deleting a tag will remove that tag from a file, but does not remove the actual file. Click on any of the tag titles to rename the tag to a more appropriate meaning. You can drag any of your most-used tags to the bottom portion of the view automatically adding them to the list that appears when right-clicking a file in the Finder, for easier tagging.

Tagging files in the Finder is as easy as managing your Tags. Command-click on any file in the Finder, and select one of your favorite tags from the tags listing. If you want to create a new tag, then click the “Tags” item, and a popover dialog will appear, letting you name the new tag.

Tagging can also be done through the Save dialog in almost any application that uses the standard OS X save dialog. When saving a file, you'll see the new Tag field that lets you specify the name of the tag. As you start typing, your existing tags will be filtered, and you can select

any of them from the auto completion to have the document tagged with that tag.

To search for a tagged file using Spotlight, enter a search term for the item that you're looking for, then type “tag:tagname,” replacing “tagname” with the tag you wish to filter using. Spotlight would then search through all of the files tagged “mytag” with the search term “myfile.”

There are many ways to display all tagged files for a specific tag within the Finder. Here's two:

Through the Search bar in the upper right corner of your computer screen, type in the name of that tag what you wish to view the files for, then select the tag that appears in the autocompletion drop down. All files for that specific tag will be shown in the search results.

You can also view your most recent tags from the Finder sidebar by first enabling this feature by going to Finder > Preferences > Sidebar, and checking the box labeled, “Recent Tags.” Most recent tags will appear in the Finder sidebar, and selecting one of them will display all of the files associated with that tag.

Workshops are held the second Tuesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m., and meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m., with the exception of July and August at Zion Lutheran Church, 7401 Winkler Road in Fort Myers.

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Shell Harbor	Sanibel	2005	2,600	\$1,199,999	\$1,142,700	0
Del Sega	Sanibel	1986	2,386	\$1,149,000	\$1,000,000	382
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Imperial Shores	Bonita Springs	2002	4,386	\$975,000	\$975,000	5
Sanctuary	Bonita Springs	1992	3,250	\$949,000	\$905,000	43
Riverwalk	Bonita Springs	1995	4,391	\$999,500	\$875,000	97
Marblehead Manor	Fort Myers	1995	3,199	\$840,000	\$750,000	38
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dearPharmacist

## 10 Questions To Ponder Before Taking Medicine



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

**Dear Pharmacist:** What does it mean when it says "take on an empty stomach" or "take with food" because I never adhere to those warnings and I'm still alive. Does it really matter?

JJ, Denver, Colorado

It matters in most cases, but not all. With antibiotics, it may be that your medicine reaches a higher blood level when you take it on an empty stomach, but over the course of therapy, it doesn't change the outcome, meaning the pathogens are killed. With other medications, for example sleeping pills, a warning to avoid alcohol is important and should be adhered to because the combination could be fatal. Same thing with certain antidepressants (MAO inhibitors) that can't be combined with cheese, or death could result.

For your safety, let me give you the proper questions to ask your doctor and/or pharmacist:

1. What is the name of the condition

that you are treating me for?

2. What is the brand name and generic name of the medication that you're prescribing?

3. Do I take it in the morning, or at night, or divide the dose throughout the day?

4. Better with food or empty stomach?

5. About how long before I begin to see results?

6. Is there a less expensive generic alternative?

7. Are there any supplements that could help this medicine work better, or any to avoid?

8. Is it OK to drink wine (if that applies) with my medicine?

9. Will coffee, dairy or mineral supplements inactivate my medicine?

10. How long do I stay on this medication?

Some medications are only intended for a few days or weeks, but people remain on them indefinitely. This is the most important question to ask. If the caution label states "on an empty stomach" that means two hours after you eat, or one hour beforehand. If it states "take with food" it means to take it while eating or right after. If it says "do not operate machinery or equipment..." that is your clue that your medicine makes you drowsy or clumsy. It means to avoid driving, using a chainsaw, mowing your lawn or anything that requires you to focus.

Here's another good rule of thumb: Start low and go slow. With medications, the lowest effective dose is ideal. You don't need to kill a fly with a shotgun

irritable and resentful and this is causing other family problems. Please help us.

Cornelia

**Dear Cornelia,**

This is a very common complaint I hear. I have found it is of the utmost importance to work as a team with the assisted living staff. First, you must understand what policies and rules the community must adhere to according to regulatory guidelines. Second, you must – within the guidelines – set appropriate boundaries or expectations, give positive feedback when things go well, and appropriately discuss areas of concern.

I have seen situations where there is positive teamwork with families and staff. If the community your mother is in will not work as a team with you, I suggest you investigate other options.

Pryce

**Dear Cornelia,**

In spite of our very best efforts, sometimes the solutions to our problems just don't work out as planned. We also can have preconceived ideas that are just not reality.

I suggest you and your husband have a meeting with the facility director and express your concerns and disappointments.

If you are not satisfied, then try to explore other facilities or consider having day help in your home.

Lizzie

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

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

**Dear Mom & Me,**

We moved my mother into an assisted living facility because she was more than I could handle. She has a colostomy and is having great difficulty getting it regulated. I am no nurse and don't seem able to help her.

The facility is not helping our stress level because they think nothing of phoning us at 3 a.m. to tell us something that could wait until the morning.

I seem to have changed, as all this extra care is robbing me of sleep. I am

and if you try, you could wind up with side effects that you would not experience with a lower dose. And finally, if you notice your medication keeps you up at night, then don't take it too late in the day. Examples of medicines that are best taken in the morning include thyroid medicine, steroids like prednisone, attention-deficit drugs like Ritalin or the fatigue buster Provigil. Examples of medicine that should be taken at night include certain antihistamines (like diphenhydramine), anxiolytics like alprazolam, pain medicines like hydrocodone and muscle relaxers. If in doubt, call your local pharmacist or physician.

*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.SuzyCohen.com.\**

## Abdominal Pain Seminar Offered

Physicians Regional Hospital and Dr. Peter Denk are offering a free seminar, entitled Abdominal Pain – Common Causes, Evaluation and Treatment, on Tuesday, June 24. The one-hour seminar will be held in the lobby at the Pine Ridge Road location beginning at 6 p.m. Reservations are requested and may be made by calling 348-4180.

Participants will learn about common causes of abdominal pain based upon the location, the evaluation of these problems, and the treatment options available. Problems with the stomach, gallbladder, intestines, appendix, colon and hernias will be discussed followed by a lively question and answer session.

Dr. Denk's practice, GI Surgical Specialists, includes minimally invasive surgical care for problems of the GI system, hernias, weight loss, and endoscopic surgery. His offices are located at 13710 Metropolis Avenue, #101 in Fort Myers and 8340 Collier Blvd., #205 in Naples. Call 313-7522 or visit www.gisurgical.com for more information.\*

## Cypress Cove Appoints Campus Medical Director

Vasyl Kasiyan, MD, a member of the Lee Physician Group, has been appointed Campus Medical Director at Cypress Cove at HealthPark Florida.

Dr. Kasiyan, whose expertise include the medical conditions of dementia, Alzheimer's and other types of memory loss, will help direct health and medical service policies and practices at this south Fort Myers continuing care retirement community located within HealthPark Florida.

Dr. Kasiyan, formerly of Manchester, New Hampshire, will be accompanied by Mary Lewis, ARNP (Nurse Practitioner). Besides assisting Cypress Cove Director of Health Services David Gray in administrative tasks, Dr. Kasiyan will serve as an attending campus physician and serve an instrumental role in coordinating care between a physician and their resident patient.

Lewis will be on campus five days per week working with Cypress Cove's assisted living and skilled nursing staff. Dr. Kasiyan plans to be on campus two to three days each week. Former Medical Director Robert Pritt, MD will remain on the Cypress Cove staff as an attending physician.\*

## Transportation Volunteers Needed

Senior volunteers (over age 55) are needed to transport the elderly who need a ride to the doctor, dentist, pharmacy, dialysis or other treatments. Volunteers drive clients only when it fits in with their schedules, and are located in same ZIP code.

We are also in need of summer volunteer drivers to replace seasonal volunteers for the "off-season," April through November. Any time you can give will be appreciated.

The reward is knowing you helped someone remain independent. Make a difference in your community and put your time and talents to use.

Call Leslie Jander at 332-5346 at The Dr. Piper Center for Social Services, Inc.\*

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## Pilot Club Completes Garden

The focus of the Pilot Club of Fort Myers is helping organizations seeking to improve the quality of life for individuals with brain-related disorders through volunteer activities, education, and financial support. For information about the club, contact Cindy Lopez at 565-5043 or Lozycyn@gmail.com.\*

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# Grand Opening For SalusCare's Cape Coral Office

Cape Coral Mayor Marni Sawicki and Lee County Commission vice chairman Brian Hamman were among the dignitaries who participated in the grand opening ceremony and open house at the SalusCare, Inc. Cape Coral office on May 14.

Business and community leaders and the general public attended the open house, located at 1105 Cultural Park Boulevard.

SalusCare, Inc., the region's leading provider of treatment for mental health and substance use disorders, began offering screenings for first-time, non-emergency patients at the Cape Coral office at the end of April. During the first week of the opening, 307 screenings were completed.

The screenings are offered for both children and adults on a walk-in basis from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is no cost for the initial screening. Subsequent assessments do have a cost, which is dependent upon family income.

"Our goal is to make access to treatment as easy as possible for our residents. One in four people has a mental health disorder at some time in their lives and one in eight is impacted by someone with a substance use issue in their family. We're here to help," said SalusCare CEO Kevin B. Lewis.



SalusCare President and CEO Kevin B. Lewis and Cape Coral Mayor Marni Sawicki



Pam Carnahan of the PACE Center For Girls of Lee County and Lee School board member Mary Fischer



SalusCare President and CEO Kevin B. Lewis and Lee County Commission vice-chair Brian Hamman



Maria Hartzell of HeadStart and Toni Leshar of the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

SalusCare services are not free. Fees are charged on a sliding scale, based on family income. In many cases, private insurance is accepted. SalusCare is a United Way agency.



Michelle Sutherland and Todd Cordisco of SalusCare



Tim McCormick of the Salvation Army and Natalie Moppett of SalusCare

For more information, call 275-3222 or visit [www.SalusCareFlorida.org](http://www.SalusCareFlorida.org).



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**Southern Fried Grouper**

2 large eggs  
 1/2 teaspoon salt  
 1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper  
 1 cup all-purpose flour  
 Salt and pepper to taste  
 1 cup cornmeal  
 4 (six-ounce) grouper fillets  
 1/2 cup vegetable oil for deep-frying  
 Beat eggs, salt and cayenne together in a shallow dish. Place flour mixture and cornmeal in separate shallow dishes. Dredge each fillet in flour mixture and dip in egg wash. Dredge again in cornmeal.  
 In a deep fry pan, heat 1 inch of the oil to 375 degrees F on a deep-fat thermometer. Fry the fillets in batches for 2 to 4 minutes on each side, or until browned and fish flakes easily with a fork. Transfer fillets to paper towels to drain; serve immediately.\*



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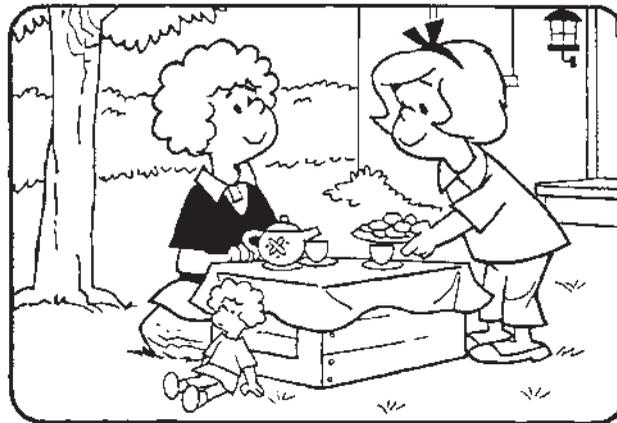
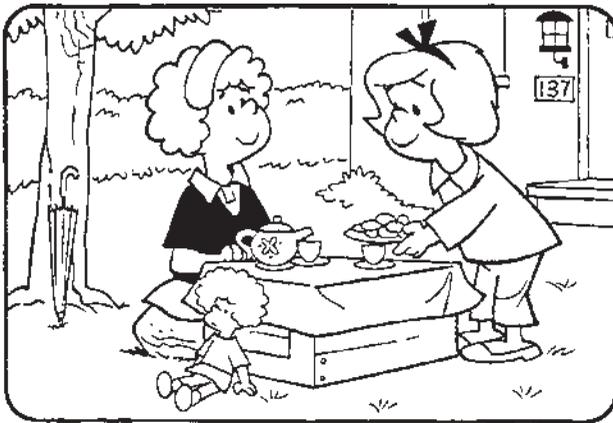
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8	7	5	4	3	1	9	2	6

**SCRAMBLERS**

*solution*

- 1. Feature; 2. Scarce;
- 3. Invoke; 4. Entice

*Today's Word:*  
**VACATION**

**SCRAMBLERS**

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



"Lucky guy! I wish I was on \_\_\_\_\_!"

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**Shore Fishing:  
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by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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- 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.
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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 Sasha. I'm a 2-year-old white and brown spayed female hound/Am staff/pointer mix. People choose a dog for a lot of different reasons such as looks, personality, size and breed. Here is why you should choose me: I'm beautiful, athletic, smart, affectionate and fun. I can run with the speed and elegance of a greyhound. I'm responsive to your commands and personable to other dogs. I'd love to interview for a "paw-sition" in your home. I'd make a great addition to your family!

My adoption fee (regularly \$75) is \$40 during Lee County Domestic Animal Services' Real Housepets of Lee County May adoption promotion.

Hello, my name is Smarty Pants. I'm a 3-year-old neutered male white and black domestic short hair. I'm not really a "smarty pants." It's just my name. Actually, I'm the total package. I'm an active, playful lap cat that's everybody's friend. Oh, and I'm really cute, too!

My adoption fee (regularly \$50) is equal to the day of the month (\$1 on May 1 to \$30 on May 30) during Animal Services' Real Housepets of Lee County May 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.\*



Sasha ID# 586494



Smarty Pants ID# 58493



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

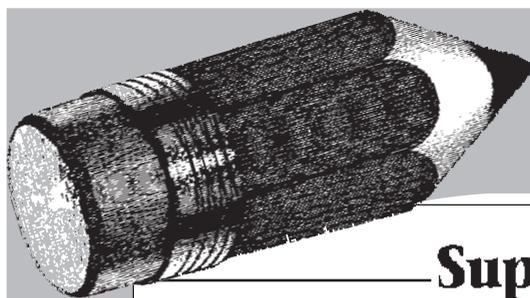
### Lions Clubs:

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



# BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

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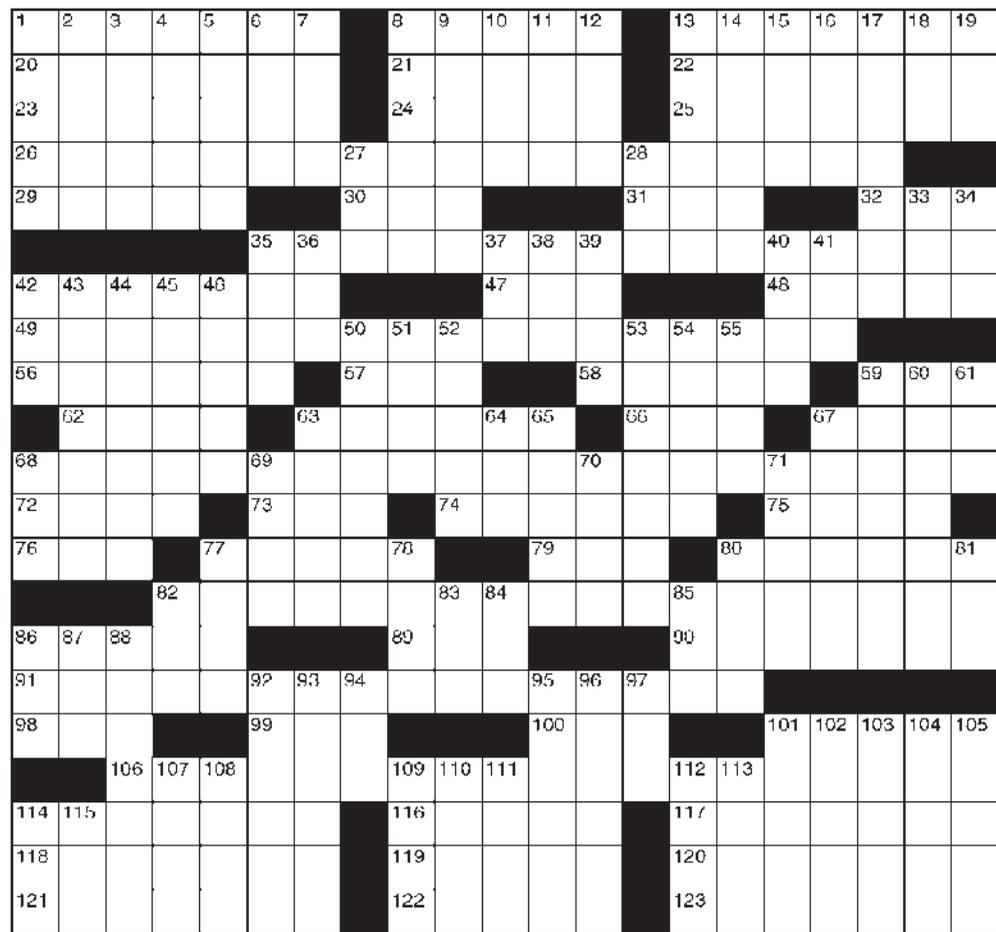
## Super Crossword

### MOVIE HEADS

- ACROSS**
- 1 Lightly ionized gases
  - 8 More dreadful
  - 13 Gourmand
  - 20 Opera house in Milan
  - 21 "Uncle!"
  - 22 Dispositions
  - 23 Cushioned footstool
  - 24 Movie director — B. DeMille
  - 25 Long-running comic strip
  - 26 Start of a riddle
  - 29 Mattress company
  - 30 Yes, to Henri
  - 31 Prefix meaning "egg"
  - 32 Miami Heat's org.
  - 35 Riddle, part 2
  - 42 Volcano in the N. Cascades
  - 47 Fed. air monitor
  - 48 Blood lines
  - 49 Riddle, part 3
  - 56 Royal earners
  - 57 Simian beast
  - 58 "You — big trouble!"
  - 59 Additionally
  - 62 "Last one a rotten egg!"
  - 63 Arrangement
  - 66 Cookie-selling gp.
  - 67 Eyebrow, c.g.
  - 68 Riddle, part 4
  - 72 Poor marks
  - 73 Arachnid trap
  - 74 Last leftover
  - 75 "— boy!" ("All right!")
  - 76 Unusual
  - 77 Positive-thinking pastor
  - 79 Poetic P.M.
  - 80 Took pains
  - 82 Riddle, part 5
  - 86 Fabled man?
  - 89 Ox of Tibet
  - 90 Least sparse
  - 91 End of the riddle
  - 98 Viral misery
  - 99 Pal, to Henri
  - 100 Hip '60s type
  - 101 Musty
  - 106 Riddle's answer
  - 114 Most chichi
  - 116 Insults
  - 117 City WSW of Richmond
  - 118 Tennis great
  - 119 Pivotal point
  - 120 Person making a bid
  - 121 Forgives
  - 122 Affirmative replies
  - 123 Roof channels
  - 15 Tiling type: Abbr.
  - 16 Rubik's —
  - 17 Pope after Gregory XI
  - 18 Christianity, e.g.: Abbr.
  - 19 Suffix with Brooklyn
  - 27 Christmas or Easter: Abbr.
  - 28 Rocky hilltop
  - 33 Movie rat
  - 34 Pack-toting equine
  - 35 T-men, say
  - 36 Playwright
  - 37 Bit of a titter
  - 38 Cruellest mo., to Eliot
  - 39 Novelist
  - 40 Kitchen heat source
  - 41 Rent out
  - 42 Males of pas
  - 43 Coached
  - 44 Leap!
  - 45 IRS visits
  - 46 Jewish doli snack
  - 50 Not too difficult to pronounce
  - 51 "— -daisy!"
  - 52 — four (small cake)
  - 53 Embattled forest in World War I
  - 54 Turf anew
  - 55 Cars such as the Rio and Soul
  - 59 Interval of three whole steps
  - 60 Books with a 6x9-inch size
  - 61 Surprised cries
  - 63 Say "#@%!"
  - 64 Seventh
  - 65 Greek letter
  - 65 "Me and Bobby —" (#1 hit for Janis Joplin)
  - 67 Houston ball club
  - 68 Hoo ha
  - 69 Washstand
  - 70 See 83-Down
  - 71 I have a meal at home
  - 77 platter
  - 78 "Only Time" singer
  - 80 Some Fr. martyresses
  - 81 New newt
  - 82 Foldable bed
  - 83 With 70-Down, North Carolinian's nickname
  - 84 Aprés-
  - 85 B-F linkup
  - 86 TV alien
  - 87 Grig or elver
  - 88 Speak like
  - 92 Leno took his place
  - 93 Is theatrical
  - 94 — and vigor
  - 95 Materialize
  - 96 Throws lightly
  - 97 Altar reply
  - 101 Golf club part
  - 102 Core belief
  - 103 Cherish
  - 104 Los Angeles NBAer
  - 105 Ogling types
  - 107 Rear
  - 108 Architect
  - 109 Pale-faced
  - 110 "Would — You?" (1985 pop hit)
  - 111 "Sister Act" sisters
  - 112 Toad's kin
  - 113 Vegan staple
  - 114 Hoadie's tote
  - 115 EMI rival

**DOWN**

- 1 Tilling tools
- 2 Shaping tool
- 3 "Swinging on —"
- 4 Actor Dakula
- 5 "— mia!"
- 6 Jai (sport like handball)
- 7 Warbled
- 8 Declaration
- 9 "No need to explain"
- 10 Well to do
- 11 1960s pop singer
- 12 Depend (on)
- 13 Alternative to escarole
- 14 Tetralogy ender
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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Boar's mate
- 4 Deteriorate
- 7 Blender setting
- 12 N.A. section
- 13 GI's mail address
- 14 Game venue
- 15 Transgression
- 16 Precursor
- 18 Coop dweller
- 19 Calamari
- 20 Mideast nation
- 22 Sailors' org.
- 23 Existed
- 27 Handle
- 29 Alluring quality (Var.)
- 31 Nome dome home
- 34 Duck
- 35 Escargots
- 37 Strike
- 38 Hybrid pooch
- 39 — Baba
- 41 Region
- 45 Production number?
- 47 Japanese pond carp
- 48 Snack for Wimpy
- 52 Tractor-trailer
- 53 Pong creator
- 54 "Rocks"
- 55 Tray contents?
- 56 Knapsack part
- 57 Dance syllable?
- 58 Prepared
- 9 Rule, for short
- 10 Away from WSW
- 11 Corn spike
- 17 Bob's longtime pal
- 21 Ring used in a throwing game
- 23 Matilda's dance
- 24 Flightless bird
- 25 Scepter
- 26 Before
- 28 Scale member
- 30 Wahine's accessory
- 31 Doctrine
- 32 Wildebeest
- 33 Long. crosser
- 36 Dino's tail?
- 37 Full of modern gadgetry
- 40 Reason
- 42 Gumbo ingredients
- 43 Din
- 44 Two-by-four?
- 45 Witticism
- 46 Vicinity
- 48 Owns
- 49 Lawyer (Abbr.)
- 50 Scratch
- 51 Underwear with under wire

**DOWN**

- 1 Futomaki e.g.
- 2 Wickerwork willow
- 3 Would like to, colloquially
- 4 Bleacherites' calls
- 5 Not transparent
- 6 Doughnut shape
- 7 Picked up the tab
- 8 Grecian
- 9 Rule, for short
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 V U T R R P L M N O L J H E C  
 A Y C H I S T Y A K O V A W V  
 T L R S H M P N L I K I G E C  
 B Z G C E X S W U L L S R P O  
 M D E E L N N U G Z C L A U S  
 J R N I I G O E C J T G I O V  
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 Y E E S R E K X I M O T I H W

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Chistyakova
- Gunn
- Mejzlikova
- Siegl
- Claus
- Hitomi
- Rand
- Voigt
- Cusmir
- Ionescu
- Rosendahl
- Williams
- Drechsler
- Krzysińska
- Schultz



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