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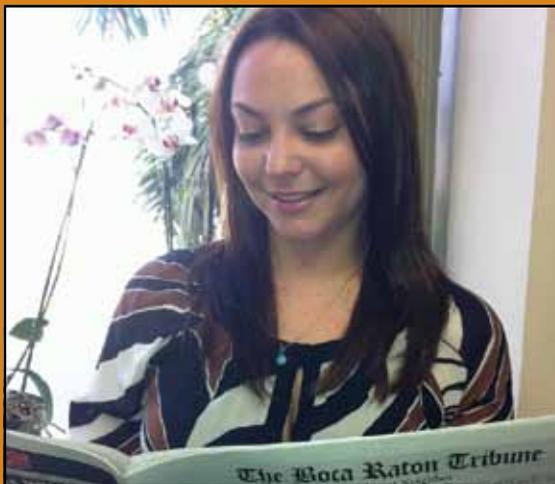
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By: Guadalupe Monarrez

Boca Raton, FL- On Tuesday May 8th, the Palm Beach County Convention & Visitors Bureau kicked off Travel Rally Day in Downtown Boca at Mizner Park. In celebration of the U.S Travel Association's National Travel and Tourism Week, a rally was held at the center fountain in Plaza Real to promote the message that travel matters.

Tourism has a tremendous impact on the economy of Palm Beach County. In 2011, nearly 5 million visitors generated 5 billion dollars for the local economy, each visitor contributing 1,100 dollars. Also, tourism creates many jobs within the community

that cannot be outsourced. Nearly 44,600 jobs in Palm Beach County are supported by tourism, while every 100 visitors creates one job.

Matthew B. Farmer, performer for the Delray Beach Arts Garage, kicked off the rally by singing two songs for the public. Following his performance, Fred Astaire's dance studio entertained the crowd by teaching them the official "Downtown Boca Bop" line dance.

Boca Raton mayor, Susan Whelchel, welcomed the crowd by conducting the opening remarks. She addressed the exciting tourism experiences offered by the city of Boca *cont. on pg.3*

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BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE 05/03/2012 16:34 PARK PLACE
Between the hours of 9:45AM and 10:45AM, unknown persons entered a home on Park Place and went through dresser drawers and kitchen cabinets. Nothing was taken from the home. Entry and exit was made through the master bathroom door on the south side of the home.

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THEFT FROM BUILDING 05/02/2012 16:37 6000 W GLADES RD
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BURGLARY TO RESIDENCE 05/04/2012 16:26 NE 45TH ST
On 05/04/12 officers responded to an audible alarm at 1347 hours (12-6173). At 1626 hours, the victim reported a burglary in which her laptop and jewelry were stolen. Point of entry was the rear open window. During the canvass, a witness observed two men running eastbound from the residence subsequent to the alarm.

OTHER THEFT 05/02/2012 19:04 NORTH MILITARY TRAIL
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Community News

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Palm Beach County Convention & Visitors Bureau Kicks Off Travel Rally Day in Downtown Boca

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Raton.

"Just look around you and see what organizations we have that came out this morning to show off what all Greater Boca Raton and Downtown Boca brings to the tourism table. From our historical and cultural attractions, including our museums, Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, our newly revitalized Downtown Boca's Mizner Park and Royal Palm Place, and our new pedestrian promenade that connects our Downtown Boca community to welcome visitors," said mayor Whelchel.

Boca Raton City Council member and Community Re-development Agency chair, Constance Scott, was also in attendance as she explained the importance of the Down-

town Boca area for tourism.

"We encourage visitors to come early and stay late, to explore and experience all there is to see and do in a walkable, pet-friendly Downtown Boca where "it's happening!" for all generations, from young professionals, families, and couples to seniors," said Scott.

After concluding her remarks, Scott helped to roll out the Downtown Boca "Welcome Mat," which is a pledge of the Downtown Boca spirit and hospitality to all who visit the area.

Jorge Pesquera, president and CEO of the Palm Beach County Convention and Visitors Bureau, acknowledged how the public have a significant role in contributing to the economy.

"Today we are celebrating the significance every individual in our community contributes to the destination's tourism identity and thanking each for their hard work and contribution to our economy. By rallying together today, we are emphasizing the importance of travel in this county, state, and country, and reinforcing our significance to policymakers during this election season," expressed Pesquera.

The National Travel & Tourism Week Travel Rally showcased a sampling of Boca Raton's tourism drivers, as various organizations were in attendance. They included, Allianz Championship (Allianz Champions Tour Tournament), the Boca Raton Children's Museum, Boca

Raton Museum of Art, Boca Ballet Theatre, Florida Atlantic University Athletics and Department of Theatre & Dance, Fred Astaire Dance Studio, Lynn University, and Palm Breeze Charters.

Ryan Dillon, tournament director of Allianz Championship, explained how the PGA tour has a large impact on tourism for Boca Raton.

"The tour showcases what we have in Boca Raton. It books 2,700 hotel room nights for the city. It is a televised event, expanding to over 180 countries. All net proceeds, including local and charity dollars, are given to the Boca Raton Regional Hospital," said Dillon.

These organizations also provided tourism experiences that would be raffled off to de-



Downtown Boca booth, surrounding the Center Fountain in Plaza Real.

termine the winners. Allianz Championship provided two executive skybox tickets to the 2013 Allianz Championship, FAU Athletics provided four tickets to any FAU 2012 regular season home football game, the Palm Beach Charters provided a gift certificate for two, and many more.

The goal of the National Travel & Tourism Week is to celebrate the tremendous contribution the tourism industry has locally and nationally, while recognizing that a healthy tourism industry impacts the quality of life for every individual.

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Beautification Committee of Boca Raton Presents its' 28th Annual Landscape Excellence Awards

By: **Guadalupe Monarrez**

Boca Raton, FL- On May 16th at 11 am, the Beautification Committee of Boca Raton will present its' 28th annual Landscape Excellence Awards in the Boca Raton City Hall Chamber. Susan Welchel, the mayor of Boca Raton, will present the awards to the winners.

The Beautification Committee determines the winners in a variety of landscaping categories. Those categories

include hotel & motel, large commercial, small commercial, residential low density gated, residential medium density un-gated, residential high density, institutional, industrial, LEED-Environmentally Green, place of worship, automotive services, and an open category.

The committee, which meets twice every month, considers many factors when choosing a winner for each category. When they find a

location with excellent landscaping, they take pictures from different angles of the front and sides of the building.

"We look at the amount of landscaping, how it enhances the appearance of the building, whether the trees have been properly trimmed, and whether it has any code violations from the city," mentions Barbara Benefield, chairman of the Landscape Excellence Awards.

"Sometimes the hedge has dead wood, trees have been hat-racked or plants have a neglected look. At times there is a new residential community with beautiful landscaping but we say, "Let's give them a year or two and see if they keep it looking good," this gives the plants a time to mature," said Benefield.

However, it can be a challenge for the committee to find a location with quality landscaping for each category.

Benefield explains, "We could never find a gas station with anything but a couple of trees and some grass. Then last year there was a gas station with very nice landscaping, which was taken care of very well. This year we have found more than one to look at!"

The primary goal of the committee is to have a working relationship with the city to make Boca Raton the most beautiful city in the United

States. The committee supports programs that educate the public about tree maintenance and landscaping within the community.

Lang Realty is sponsoring the event and a small luncheon will proceed after the presentation of the awards. Winners will receive a plaque, which includes a photograph of the site and the name of the location.

Boca Raton City Hall is located at 201 West Palmetto Park Road.

Student and Adult Volunteers Needed for Bon Festival at Morikami

DELRAY BEACH - Volunteers are needed for the popular annual Bon Festival at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens in August. Students 15 and older are also encouraged to volunteer. An application can be downloaded from the Morikami website.

Inspired by Obon, Japan's traditional three-day holi-

day honoring ancestors and thanking them for the quality of life enjoyed by the living, the Morikami celebrates Bon Festival in one fun-packed evening. Highlights include rousing taiko drum performances, traditional Japanese folk dancing with audience participation, ghost stories, and a street fair with games and shop stalls.

The highlight of the evening begins at sunset when Morikami Pond is transformed into a tranquil sea of lighted lanterns which, in accordance with Japanese custom, guide the departure of ancestors' souls who have come for a brief visit among the living. A special fireworks display caps the enchanting evening.

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Boca Police PAL Plans Golf Tournament to Raise Money to Help At-Risk Kids

BOCA RATON — The Boca Raton Police Athletic League (PAL) will hold its 6th Annual Charlie McCutcheon Golf Tournament May 31st at the Old Course at Broken Sound in Boca Raton. The community is invited to help

the cause by participating in the tournament, or becoming a corporate sponsor, donor or tee sponsor.

The Boca Raton Police Athletic League is a non-profit (501c3) organization that mentors at-risk youth through athletic and academic involvement with PAL's volunteer staff and board of directors. Activities include after school boxing, basketball, weight training, cheerleading, leadership and study hall. All proceeds from the golf tournament will go directly towards programing.

"PAL has played a major role in the positive development of many Boca Raton kids," said Robert Deneve, PAL Golf Committee Co-Chairman. "Many of the youth involved in PAL improve both academically and athletically. Some PAL participants have received schol-



Members of the PAL Golf Tournament Committee are, top, from left: Alan Newman, Tom Vladimir, Ed Gersh, Tom Dowd, Steve Forman; bottom, from left, Jeanie Simon, Nancy Chanin, Erica Reuter

arships to private middle and high schools, as well as colleges and universities."

"We make a difference in at-risk kid's lives," Coy Dixon, PAL Golf Committee Co-Chairman said.

Sponsorship opportunities include \$100 Tee Sponsors, \$1,000 Silver Sponsors (complimentary foursome,

recognition in tournament brochure and one tee sign) and \$2,000 Gold Sponsors (sponsor's name and logo featured prominently in the tournament brochure, banner placement, complimentary foursome and one tee sign). Also available are \$5,000 Platinum, \$7,500 Presenting and \$10,000 Title

Sponsorships, each with additional benefits.

Check in, registration and lunch are from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The Shotgun Start is at 1:00 p.m. and the award presentation will be held at 5:30 p.m. For questions about the Golf Tournament, please call Erica Reuter at 561-338-1271.

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Car Show Raises More Than \$18,000 for Boca Friends for Cancer Research

BOCA RATON — Broken Sound Club's First Annual Classic, Collector and Exotic Car Show raised more than \$18,000 which was presented on May 1 to the Boca Friends of the Pap Corps, Champions for Cancer Research.

The car show brought car participants from all over South Florida to show off their antique and classic cars. Spectators voted for the best car and club in show, won raffle prizes and enjoyed a barbecue. The club has plans to hold an even bigger event next year, and open the show to neighboring clubs.

Broken Sound Club's Chapter of the Pap Corps joyfully accepted



From left are John Crean, CCE, CHA, general manager of Broken Sound Club; Boca Friends executive board members Paula Karp and Roberta Oberman and Ivan Snyder, president of Broken Sound Club

the \$18,429.00 check. All proceeds will go to the Sylvester Comprehensive

Cancer Center at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine.

Dear Editor,

A few articles have been written recently about the new apartment community that Archstone will be building in Boca Raton, and some members of the community have expressed their concern about the project. We would like to correct a few mistaken beliefs about the project and about a referendum which has been proposed, that would, purportedly, prevent Archstone from building this project.

First, we would like you to know that the design of our project took into consideration a number of concerns expressed by the city council, city staff and community members in multiple meetings with Archstone throughout the design process. The initial design presented to the City had more apartments but was designed in compliance with the existing Downtown Master Plan and its implementing regulations, Ordinance No. 4035, which were approved by a referendum of the citizens of Boca Raton. During these various meetings, Archstone learned that the city council, city staff and community members preferred a project different than what Archstone would build under the existing code and requested that Archstone's project be designed pursuant to the Downtown Interim Design Guidelines based on an Updated Master Plan (also known as the Pattern Book). The Pattern Book requires increased sidewalks, increased building setbacks and greater variation in the design of building facades. The Interim Design Guidelines were implemented in a portion of the Downtown Community Redevelopment District, which did not include our project. We agreed and voluntarily redesigned our building to reflect the desires of the community and the Pattern Book de-

sign guidelines. As part of this process, the City of Boca Raton amended the City's Development code and extended the Pattern Book design guidelines to Palmetto Park Road and Archstone's project. This was accomplished with the passing of Ordinance No. 5203.

Recently, a few petitioners have challenged Ordinance No. 5203, and are seeking to have it overturned by referendum. If they are successful, it would simply result in Archstone developing the project under the old 4035 design guidelines — an outcome that no one prefers — and the project would lose the very design elements that the city and community requested that we include. The project would still be built, but the result would be a less aesthetically pleasing apartment community and a design that fails to reflect the City's vision of Downtown Boca. The City spent approximately \$1 million developing the Pattern Book. It eliminates big, boxy, flat buildings and creates buildings with varying roof lines, articulated facades, multiple textures, off-street courtyards and via's like Worth Ave, and fosters less intense development. Extending those guidelines (via Ordinance No. 5203) to include our development is good for our project, is good for the Downtown Community Redevelopment District and is good for Boca Raton.

We believe the City Council did the right thing by passing Ordinance No. 5203 and making it possible for us to design our project in accordance with the Pattern Book. We are confident that the apartment community that we will build will reflect the City's vision for Downtown Boca.

Jay Curran
Vice President, Development
Archstone



Megan Saslow Wins Top Vocal Honors – Again – in “Future Stars” Competition

By Dale King and Julia Hebert

BOCA RATON – It was like déjà vu all over again at this past Saturday's ninth annual “Future Stars” competition held at the Wold Performing Arts Center.

Megan Saslow who took first place in the middle school vocalist category last year, won high school vocalist prize this past weekend.

Saslow was one of 15 singers vying for the top spot among 31 acts, including middle school vocalist and dance group and

soloist.

Rotary President Douglas Mumshaw the show was “created, director and managed by Rotarian volunteers. This group of remarkably talented Rotarians, elite business professionals during the day, passionately strives to create a ‘Rotary Moment’ for the young artists and their families in the audience.” He said the Future Stars Committee worked six months to create the show.

To win first prize, Saslow sang, “Art is calling for me.” Second place

in the high school category went to Georgia Sackler who sang “Quando Me’n Vo.” Third place winner was Madison Langley who sang “Arms,” accompanying herself on the guitar.

In the dance category, Carley Wright took first place, dancing to the Beatles’s song, Eleanor Rigby. Taking second place honors was Litel Gelman, dancing to “Scared of Lonely.” Third place winner was Connor Yockus, who danced to the song, “Prestige.”

Among other honors the Director’s Choice

Award went to high school vocalist Maggie Wilkinson, who sang “This Place is Mind.” Group Dance accolades went to Real Dance, performing to the song, “Swingin’ Shepherd Blues.”

Winners in the middle school vocal category were: Austin Gladstone, first place, with the song, “Bring Him Home”; Lizzie Sider, who sang “Seeing is believing” and accompanied herself on the guitar, second place, and Nick Aquillino, who sang “Keep Your Head Up.”

Nashville singer-song-

writer Patrick Thomas of “The Voice” performed three songs and was also one of the judges. Also on the judges’ panel this year were vocalist Kathleen Bell; dancer and choreographer Carlos De Barros; Oscar Diaz Jr., director of the Performer’s Music Institute; writer and actress Sharon Holt and opera singer Marilyn Mims.

Proceeds from this year’s show will benefit The Rotary Club of Boca Raton’s Changing Lives & Building Futures Scholarship Programs.

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Megan Saslow

Upcoming events at FAU, Greater Boca Chamber of Commerce

Thursday, May 10, 5 – 8 p.m., Friday, May 11 and Saturday, May 12, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. FAU Potters’ Guild Show and Sale

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Saturday, May 12, 2-8 p.m.

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Performances by faculty members Irena Kofman, Krisztina Kover and Heather Coltman will be joined by graduate student Dejan Daskalov

The following events are planned by the Greater

Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce:

M E M B E R S H I P BREAKFAST

Thursday, May 10 / 7:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Via Mizner Golf & Country Club (6200 Boca Del Mar Drive, Boca Raton)

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Thursday, May 10 / 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker: state Rep. Lori Berman, District 86

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2012 BUSINESS AWARDS LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 17 / 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Boca Raton Resort & Club’s Mizner Center (501 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton)

Disability Awareness Advocate will Graduate with BA From Lynn Saturday

BOCA RATON – Stephanie Hammerman, a 22-year-old senior, New York native and well-known disability awareness advocate who has cerebral palsy, will graduate from Lynn University with a Bachelor of Arts in advertising and public relations degree from the College of International Community during commencement exercises Saturday.

“There were people who doubted I would ever read, write or speak, let alone go off to college to gain a degree,” said Hammerman. “It’s hard to express how much this means to me – and to my family.”

Not only will she graduate from Lynn University with honors, but Hammerman, who generally uses a wheelchair to get around campus, will walk across the stage using her crutches to accept her degree.

“I am ecstatic about walking across the stage,” said Hammerman. “I have worked so hard and accomplished more than I could have ever dreamed of in four years. If I was able to do one thing with my life, it would have to be making sure that people’s perceptions of the ‘disabled’ are changed. Everyone is as capable as they choose to be.”

Fittingly, Lynn’s com-



mencement speaker, Peter Diamandis, will discuss innovation and inspiration during his presentation. Hammerman has used both innovation and inspiration to make a difference on campus during her four years as an undergraduate student.

“She changed Lynn’s culture,” said Dawn Simounet, coordinator of student involvement for leadership.

As a sophomore in October 2009, Hammerman organized activities and brought the first annual Disability Awareness Month to Lynn. She worked closely with Student Life to bring an accessible shuttle to campus so those with disabilities could easily access transportation; and she represents the university as an official Lynn blogger.

“I will forever take pride in all that I have accomplished when it comes to advocacy, but I worked for all of this so I could live a fulfilling life,” said

Hammerman. “I will never allow my different abilities to dictate my future, and I can only hope that this newfound awareness gives future students the confidence to live a life without limits despite a medical diagnosis.”

“People can believe in you all they want,” said Hammerman, “but it’s when you believe in yourself that the true transformations occur.”

Following graduation, Hammerman, will continue her education at Nova Southeastern University pursuing a master’s degree in higher education and student affairs.

“While at Lynn, I recognized how influential professionals in student life can be on students,” said Hammerman. In the future, she said she hopes to work in student affairs for a university and to make a positive difference in students’ lives.

Samantha Kerker of Boca Raton Named One of America's Top 10 Youth Volunteers

By: Guadalupe Monarrez

Samantha Kerker, 17, was named one of America's top 10 youth volunteers for 2012 in the 17th Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. In February, Kerker was chosen to represent Florida as one of the top youth volunteers in each state and the District of Columbia. On Sunday May 6th, she was officially recognized at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History, where she was awarded with \$1,000 and personal congratulations from New York Giants quarterback Eli Manning. In a separate ceremony, conducted at the U.S Chamber of Commerce, the Prudential Awards recognized the top 10 youth volunteers from 102 State Honories and 26,000 applicants. Samantha was chosen among those individuals and received a personal award of \$5,000, an engraved gold medalion, a crystal trophy for her school, and a \$5,000 grant from the Prudential Foundation for a non-profit charitable organization of her choice.

"Throughout the weekend, everyone shared their stories about their charitable efforts. I felt insignificant compared to them. I remember being depressed the whole day because I felt like I would not win. I did not have one ounce of expectation that I would win the award. When I heard my name and walked up to receive the award, I was in tears and in complete shock," said Kerker.

Kerker, a junior and

International Baccalaureate candidate at Atlantic High School in Delray Beach, started her own non-profit tie-dye business as part of a school assignment. She was able to raise nearly \$7,000, but she had a hard time deciding where she wanted to donate the proceeds. Inspired by Lynn University students and faculty who lost their lives in Haiti's devastating earthquake while aiding the poor, she decided to donate the proceeds to help build a home for a homeless family in Nicaragua.

"I traveled with my mom to Nicaragua, it was a very humbling experience for both of us. We lived and breathed what it is like to live in a third world country. But, what I enjoyed the most was seeing how humble the families were. Only one family would receive a home, but the others were so excited and happy for their neighbors to have a new home. It was priceless to witness," expressed Kerker.

When she returned to Florida, she shared her experiences of Nicaragua with her friends. She was shocked to find out how little they knew about poverty in third world countries. Kerker wanted to give every student the opportunity to learn about poverty in a local and international level.

She proposed to begin a "Students for the Poor" club in each of the 28 high schools located in Palm Beach County. She met with the school district's superintendent and the principal of each high school. The idea was

a success, nearly 450 students joined the club at Atlantic High School and there are more than 1,000 students involved in the 28 clubs throughout the county.

"My goal is to be able to raise enough money so that we can sponsor students to take a trip to a third world country. There is no feeling like physically being there. We want a melting pot of students from all 28 high schools in the county to be able to go, people that are deserving of having the experience. I want to inspire them to do something once they return to the states" explained Kerker.

Kelly Bruce, Kerker's guidance counselor, acknowledged her charitable success, "We are so proud of Samantha. Not only has she raised money and traveled to Nicaragua, but she has taught other students the importance of making a difference in the world. Sami's determination to help others and raise global awareness is inspirational."

Currently, Kerker was accepted into the Leadership in the Business World summer program at the University of Pennsylvania. She aspires to be admitted into the University of Pennsylvania to pursue a career in business, while engaging in civic work.

If you would like to donate to the "Students for the Poor" club or sponsor a student for a trip to a third world country, contact Samantha Kerker at tiedyeunique@gmail.com.

Sanctuary Medical Center Fundraiser

Sanctuary Medical Center in Boca Raton raised more than \$2,000 for Not My Daughter ... Find a Cure Now, which is affiliated with the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Miami-Fort Lauderdale chapter, at its recent "Passport to Beauty" event. The many women in attendance traveled through a journey of the latest beauty and wellness treatments including, mini-makeovers courtesy of Bobbi Brown @ Bloomingdale's, dry styles from Fly Dry Salon,



Bridget Seamen, Erika Iding, Dr. Allison Schwedelson

mini-massages, skin cancer screenings, Botox breaks, complimentary skin analysis, live treatment demonstrations, and a menopause minute with anti-aging expert Dr. Mark Rosenberg.

see pics on pg.16

Boca Children's Museum offers Adventure in the Arts Summer Camp

BOCA RATON – Starting July 2, Boca Raton Children's Museum is offering six one-week day camp sessions featuring an introduction to an exciting array of art forms, including the performing arts. Camp will be conducted from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily and will continue through August 10.

Each week, children ages 6 to 10 years old will enjoy exploring the arts with professional artists and producing their own work. Miniature artist, Katie Hahner, will teach campers how to construct a miniature playground. Clay sculpture, painting, and cartooning are also part of the agenda as well as music, drama, movement and dance.

Artists from Italy's Adriani Teatro return to Boca Raton to share their internationally acclaimed mask-making and drama workshops. Every Friday is Big Fun Friday! In the morning, campers will perform and demonstrate their talents for parents and friends, then prepare a delicious lunch with Chef Christopher Fread, and enjoy afternoon interactive programs with a variety of popular local entertainers.



Boca Raton's own Amber Leigh will visit the Boca Children's Museum summer camp this year.

This year the museum welcomes Amber Leigh, international violin sensation and hometown girl; enchanting percussionist Buckley Griffis; the wacky Bob the Balloon Guy and the entertaining DJ Big Smile!

The camp venue will be Jason's Music Hall located inside Rickards House, a newly constructed replica of the first house built in Boca Raton, by T.M. Rickards in 1897. All camp activities take place on the Children's Museum grounds.

Registration has already begun, and everyone pays the same great rate. Credit cards are accepted. Register early while space is

available at the Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton, FL 33432. For more information contact Jayne Morrison, Camp Director, at 561.368.6875, or email jayne@cmboca.org.

The Children's Museum is a hands-on museum specializing in programs for children, highlighting the arts, sciences and humanities. It is located at 498 Crawford Boulevard, Boca Raton. Museum hours are Tuesday through Saturday from noon to 4 p.m.

Admission is \$5 per person, (infants under 18 months get in free)

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CHRIS CATAGGIO: *C.M.O***EDITORIAL***By Dale King***Boca Raton's Got Talent, and Flossy Knows It**

Here's an indisputable fact. Boca Raton is populated with many talented people.

This is true for just about every vocation and avocation. But lately, the vocal, instrumental and dance talents of many people, young and old, have been featured on two local stages.

Flossy Keesely brought talented performers to the Mizner Park Amphitheatre April 22 for her annual "Pathway to the Stars" concert." And just this past Saturday night, the Rotary Club of Boca Raton presented its ninth annual "Future Stars" performing arts competition.

My wife and I attended both – and found them to be tops in entertainment. We both noted the common denominator. Ms. Keesely, who just turned 98, organized the "Pathway to the Stars" program and was also the Title Sponsor for "Future Stars."

Her love of entertainment may have developed when her husband, Nick, was involved in the production of radio and television programs many years ago. Many of you

may not know that Flossy was the co-host of TV's first morning talk show on the old Dumont network back in 1948. (This was the same network that originally produced "The Honeyymooners." I remember that because my family owned a Dumont television during the 1950s and 1960s.)

Let's talk a bit about these local shows. "Pathway to the Stars" offered entertainment of all sorts. The Broadway Ziegfeld Entertainers danced to "One" from "A Chorus Line." Mark and Rio combined for a beautiful duet. Betsy Wickard of the Florida Follies was aglow in a fan dance. The Vogans brought a garage band beat to Mizner Park.

But wait. There's more. Brett Loewentstern, discovered as a finalist on "American Idol," presented a couple of tunes. Margo Joy was an absolute joy, vocalizing a version of "Time to Say Goodbye" that rivaled Sarah Brightman. And 9-year-old Briana Kahane wowed the audience with violin expertise. It's said that Flossy calls her an "Angel of Music."

Also, Megan Saslow,

*Flossy Keesely*

Lizzie Sider and Melanie Sierra – all previous winners of the "Future Stars" show – were featured in the "Pathway" event to give the audience a taste of what was to come.

When the "Future Stars" show took place at the Wold Performing Arts Center at Lynn University this past Saturday, that trio was front and center – and Megan and Lizzie ended up taking home special awards.

It would be an injustice to name some of the performers and not list all of them. But as a group, they were incomparable. What was particularly remarkable was the fact that many were in middle school, and displayed talents indicative of those who are much more ma-

ture.

Overall, the vocalists didn't choose easy songs. Some of them composed their own. Two singers selected the same song, Barbra Streisand's famous tune from "Funny Girl," "Don't Rain on My Parade." I'm told that's a very difficult song to sing because of its quick-changing beat.

The show was amazing. It's hard to believe that any one community or region has so many young people who can sing, dance and emote so well. Bravo to the Rotary Club of Boca Raton for giving us a night of entertainment that we won't soon forget.

Boca, you should be proud of what these performers have done.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Dale:

The first year of the Boca Chamber's Young Entrepreneurs Academy is a huge success! The youth of the Boca Raton community created 12 solid businesses and became real and confident entrepreneurs. The students developed business ideas, wrote business plans, conducted market research, pitched their plans to a panel of investors and more. At this point, the students are learning how to "launch" their business and will graduate in June after 33 weeks of instruction. Chamber members volunteered their expertise to help these young entrepreneurs work through this process. We are now planning for the second year of the Boca Chamber Young Entrepreneurs Academy. For more information on YEA!, please call :561.395.4433 ext. 236, Chamber Executive Vice President or email:bjohnston@bocaratonchamber.com.

Sincerely,

Beth Johnson

Executive Vice President

Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce

To the editor:

Florida Atlantic University's University Galleries will host a series of public programs to mark the closing of the "Surfing Florida: A Photographic History" exhibition on Saturday, May 12 from 3 to 8 p.m. in the Schmidt Center Gallery. The event will include slide shows, a film screening, lecture and music. The public programs and the exhibition are free. For more information, call :561-297-2966 or visit www.fau.edu/galleries.

Sincerely,

Polly Burks

Coordinator of Public Relations

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THOUGHTS FROM THE PUBLISHER

By Douglas Heizer

What I Learned From My Mother About God



Several things we learn from our mothers. Truthfully, thanks to them, we walk our first steps in life. They worry about us and treat us with kindness, even after we are adults.

I was able to learn a lot about God from my mother. In fact, she gave me more practical lessons than theology. As a matter of fact, I could say 99% practical and 1% theological. I learned from her, everyday of our lives, while she raised my sister and me with difficulties. Thank God, I must be very honest that the lessons have not ended yet. My mother continues to teach me with her love, about God, every single day.

GOD IS LOVE: It was the first lesson I learned from my mother. I learned that there was someone who loved me more than she did (and that is something very hard for mothers to believe, the daughters' in law can tell that). Someone who wished and planned my birth more than she and my father did. Someone who already had a purpose for my life, even before she thought I could exist. He always wants the best for me, treats me with the kindness only possible to God. In the hardest moments of our lives, my mother never lost her belief that God loves us.

GOD WILL ALWAYS BE WITH ME: He will never leave me on my own. My mother taught me that too. Every morning, when I woke up to go to school, or better, when she woke me up to go to school, she taught me to be sure that God would be with me each moment of my day. He would be with me going down the stairs, crossing the street, getting together with my friends at school (and also with the ones that were not so close). Even after she separated from my father, when I was 11 years old, she guaranteed me that God would always be with us that He would not leave us on our own.

Many and many struggles! But my mother was always certain that God was in charge. I then learned that God would be with me my en-

tire life. If I was in any kind of difficulty, whatever it would be, I could be tranquil because He would never leave me by myself, he would show me the best path and teach me.

GOOD LISTENS TO ME: God is always ready to listen to me. As a matter of fact, He really wants to listen to me. Although I know that He is able to do all, He wants to hear from my mouth what I need, He wants to know that I trust Him, He wants to know what worries me, what I plan for the future. How many hours, my mother, my sister and myself spent talking to God! Honestly I don't remember of one single night that we would not speak to God. Our conversation was very frank, with an open heart and I learned that God listened to us for sure! That is why I am certain that He is always ready to listen to me. And I do not miss the opportunity.

GOD SPEAKS WITH ME: I also learned that God speaks with me, always. I don't need to wait for something marvelous or pyrotechnical. He speaks through simple ways, not only complicated ways. One thing is for sure, he always speaks to me. I just need to keep alert to listen to what he tells me. I saw my mother making decisions because she listened to God, I saw that He really had spoken to her. I learned then to listen to God! What a wonderful thing! Several times He spoke to me through the weirdest and different ways; through a boy on the street looking for a place to stay, through a comment that I heard on the line at the bank, in other instances through a very humble

person making a comment that I would never imagined to hear. Incredible the ways God spoke to me! Shame that a lot of people wait for something supernatural in order to hear God and forget that our everyday lives are more than supernatural, and God uses all of it. God speaks through pain and unpleasant situations, that a lot of times, because we are a stubborn son, we do not listen to him before making decisions. If I learn to listen to him, He is ready to teach me and guide me every day. Do you think I want anything different?

GOD IS FAIR AND TAKES CARE OF ME: My mother taught me that God is fair. I should trust to him the justice. But also, by Him, wait to be judged. I learned that He sees my heart and not what I say or do. I learned that he will always judge me every day and that's why I must seek to follow his commandments. I learned that nobody escapes from God's justice. I should not worry if I am injusticed, slandered, offended, my God will come to my defense; the battle is the Lord's. He will guard me each day of my life.

GOD HAS A PLAN: Because he loves me, He has only one plan for me! Therefore he gave me a digital that is just mine, a DNA, only mine, He made me unique! He drew me a plan that only I can achieve. Now it leaves me to be certain of that plan. In order to do that, I must talk to him, trust His justice and be ready to listen to Him! I can be sure that He will never abandon me and no matter what happens, He will not give up the plan He has for me.

And most importantly, **GOD IS FAITHFUL** and I can truly count on His promises. I thank Him for the mother He gave me, for His loyalty, for the plan He has for my life, He chose her, knowing that she would have a very difficult boy to raise! After all, that is part of His plan for her life!

To all mothers, and especially to my Mom Elza, have a **Happy Mother's Day!**



POSITIVE LIVING

By Dr. Synesio Lyra, Jr.

How do You Communicate?

Every human being comes into the world with communication mechanisms. Even newborn babies know how to share pressing needs to a parent or guardian, capable to supply their request.

What many adults fail to understand, even after several years on planet earth, is that communication among fellow humans is a task that demands continued improvement. The mere utterance of words or expression of feelings does not necessarily indicate that a communication has been effectively achieved.

Those who are eager to be understood by others, so as to anticipate a response from them, are responsible to convey their message with clarity, free from interfering noises, and at a moment which offers the best chances of comprehension, and the provision of some form of response.

Not only serious issues, but also less significant matters, have the greatest probability of being heard, understood, and acted upon when timing, surroundings, and emotional wellbeing of those engaged in the conversation are key factors taken into consideration. A dialogue does it best!

It is the one communicating to another who has the primary responsibility of ascertaining that the message has been heard and understood. While using the vacuum cleaner, when the television or radio are blasting, or when children are fighting or crying nearby, is not the right time to convey

messages.

The moment a spouse enters the house after a long day at work is never the best time to address any issue of importance to be grasped by the hearer, especially when that issue entails potentially bad news.

I once heard of a wise wife who studiously avoided greeting her husband after his long day at work with any bad news, regardless of the seriousness of the issue. So, one day, as soon as her husband arrived home, with a welcoming smile she went to kiss him and proclaimed: "Hi, honey; you should be happy to know that three of our four children are not in the hospital at the moment!" With that creative approach, and the blow softened, she was able gradually to explain that one of the kids had broken a leg during a ball game, but all else was okay!

You can avoid being misunderstood, not being heard, or sharing your thoughts at an inappropriate moment but seeking the right time, the best setting, and the most clear and adequate words which effectively and exhaustively express what you desire to convey.

It is not late at night, much less when you are tired in bed ready to sleep, or at moments when other pressing sirens beckon another's attention that you should spill your concerns or seek an answer to significant matters. Communication is not hard, but it needs to be done effectively!

Dr. Synesio Lyra, Jr. is a Florida resident who, for many years, was a professor at the post-graduate level. He is a writer, a sought-after conference speaker, a man who lived in five continents of the world, having received his education in four of them. When he resided in southern California, he wrote a weekly column for the daily "Anaheim Bulletin," which was carried for about six years, until he moved to south Florida.

So Much is Happening at County Parks in May

Many free and low-cost events and activities are offered at Palm Beach County parks throughout the month of May. For more information about parks programs and services available through the Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department, visit us online at www.pb-cgov.com/parks.

May 21 - 27 is National Beach Safety Week

Swim safely in the South Florida surf at 13 county-operated beach parks staffed by Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue personnel. They provide rescue, emergency medical, and drowning prevention services and programs for over three million beach patrons each year.

Waterparks open weekends and holidays

Each waterpark has a full-service concession featuring pizza, hot dogs, chicken nuggets, and more. Affordable birthday party packages are available, too.

Solo exhibit will feature AJ Brockman

Hosted by VSA Florida-Palm Beach County, a solo exhibit featuring the unique digital artwork of AJ Brockman opens May 18. He doesn't let spinal muscular atrophy get in the way of his art.

Space still available in



Sushi & Stroll evenings at Morikami Museum in Delray Beach.

youth fishing camps

...but you'll need to reserve your space soon. Campers will receive a free rod and reel, and they'll learn to tie knots, bait hooks, identify freshwater fish, and more.

Four-person amateur golf scramble

Join the fun on Saturday, May 19, at Okeetee Golf Course. This scramble will include a long drive contest, closest to the pin, and an optional cash skins game!

Whoooo Am I?

A new Eastern screech owl has taken up residence at Daggerwing Nature Center, and he needs a name. Visit the nature center before June 1 to submit a name for a chance to win a one-on-one Owl Encounter, an original owl painting by local artist Paul Cummings,

and the honor of naming the owl.

Bojutsu Karate

Improve your flexibility and boost your self-confidence in this martial arts program offered at West Boynton Recreation Center.

Children's stories are inspired by nature

Little ones can enjoy animal stories, hands-on craft activities, and a live animal encounter on Saturday morning, May 26, at Green Cay Nature Center.

Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk

Enjoy a memorable evening strolling the gardens of the Morikami Museum at your own pace. It will provide a unique, relaxing opportunity to enjoy a summer night here in South Florida.

"Stamp Out Hunger Drive" Will be Held Saturday Throughout the Nation

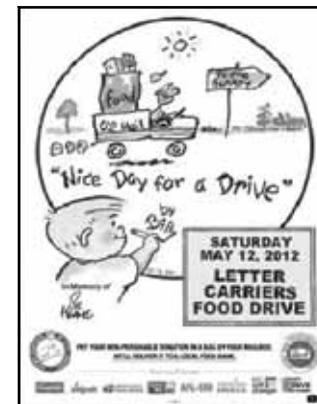
BOCA RATON - The National Association of Letter Carriers, Publix, AFL-CIO and United Way will sponsor the 20th annual National Food Drive to "Stamp out Hunger", the largest one-day food drive in the nation.

On Saturday, May 12, letter carriers will collect non-perishable donations from homes as they deliver mail along their postal routes. Donations should be left on the mailbox.

Carriers collected 70.1 million pounds of food in last year's drive. "Stamp

out Hunger" is held annually on the second Saturday in May in over 10,000 cities and towns in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam. All food collected is distributed to local food banks and organizations. Sponsors are Publix, United Way and AFL-CIO.

For more than 80 years, United Way of Palm Beach County has been dedicated to improving lives and advancing the common good in our community. Funded by donors and volunteers, United Way strategically



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Boca Fire Rescue Services Plans Open House at All Stations Saturday

BOCA RATON - On Saturday May 12, Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services hosts its annual Fire Station Open House.

From 10 a.m. to noon, residents throughout the city are invited to visit their neighborhood fire station. Families and friends are invited to stop by for a visit, take a complete tour

of the facilities, see a demonstration of firefighting and emergency medical vehicles and equipment and meet the men and women who protect their city.

Traditionally, neighborhood fire stations throughout the country have been a safe haven and often a focal point for adults and children. These fire stations

would open their truck room doors to find children waiting to see the trucks, and say hello to their firefighters.

Boca Raton Fire Rescue is hoping to bring neighborhoods, families and firefighters closer together by offering them an inside, up close and personal look into their fire station.

Municipal News

The Boca Raton Tribune

Abrams Reports on Progress of New Addition for Waste-to-Energy Plant



By Commissioner
Steven L. Abrams
District 4

As chairman of the Solid Waste Authority (SWA), I am pleased to report that we recently broke ground for a new addition to the existing waste-to-energy facility in West Palm Beach that will more than double the county's ability to turn our garbage into electricity.

When completed in 32 months, the plant will process 1 million tons of municipal solid waste per year and generate enough electricity to power 56,000 homes. The new facility will

also have some of the lowest emission levels in the nation.

The energy produced at this facility will not only help our country in its goal of moving towards domestic sources of renewable energy, but will also eliminate the need for an additional landfill over the next 40 years.

The SWA is working with Babcock & Wilcox Company and KBR Corp. as the prime contractors on this project and their subcontractor CDM Smith. To-

gether they bring a proven track record of successful projects here in the United States and around the world.

The project will also provide a sorely needed boost to our local economy. There is a comprehensive program in place that focuses on hiring locally and using local businesses, including small businesses.

My goal as chairman of the SWA is for Palm Beach County to be the biggest producer of renewable energy in the United States,

second only to the county where the Tennessee Valley Authority is located and we are well on our way with this new waste-to-energy facility.

For more information on the new facility and the Solid Waste Authority, please visit www.swapbc.org.

With approximately 400 employees, the SWA provides solid waste disposal and recycling services and programs to the county's 1.3 million residents and businesses.

Please contact me if I can be of assistance or if you have any comments and/or suggestions. I can be reached at sabrams@pbcgov.org or in my office at 561-355-2204 (West Palm Beach) or 561-276-1220 (Delray Beach).

Also, please visit my website at www.pbcgov.com/countycommissioners/district4 for updates and links to county divisions and other governmental agencies.

Property Tax Delinquencies Increase for 2011, Says Gannon

Palm Beach County Tax Collector Anne Gannon reports that 33,270 property owners are currently delinquent. That represents \$108,479,992.50 in uncollected revenue. Last year, she said, 26,709 tax certificates were sold for \$99.6 million.

Gannon reminds property owners that the deadline to

pay delinquent property taxes is 5 p.m. Wednesday, June 6. After that date, all unpaid taxes will be listed for sale at the annual tax certificate auction on June 7.

"The law requires tax collectors to hold an annual tax certificate auction to recover the uncollected revenue," says Gannon. "This revenue has

already been obligated to fund essential services to our community such as law enforcement, fire, EMS, public health and education.

A tax certificate, also called a first lien, is placed on a delinquent property and sold through a competitive bid process. The party who purchases a tax certificate

does not own the property. They own the tax certificate, the first lien.

By law, a property owner has 2 years to redeem a tax certificate. Once a tax certificate is sold, interest and advertising fees are applied to the amount owed. On average the amount owed increases by a minimum of 10 percent.

These costs can rise due to increases in interest rates awarded during the period of time between the tax certificate sale and the redemption date.

Payments may be made either in person at a service center or by mail. Mailed payments must be received, not postmarked, at Gannon's

office no later than 5 p.m. June 6, 2012.

Delinquent taxes cannot be paid online. Payments must be made with cash, bank draft, certified check, money order, cashier's check or US bank wire transfer. Property owners can stop by a service center to pay. There are drop boxes at each location.

Armed Gunmen Rob Table 42 Restaurant in Boca Raton

BOCA RATON – Police are searching for two men who robbed Table 42 restaurant at 399 SE Mizner Blvd. just after midnight on Saturday, May 5.

Arriving officers met with several restaurant employees.

A female kitchen worker told police that two males entered the restaurant through an unlocked rear door. The police report said the suspects, both armed with black, semi-automatic handguns, pistol whipped the victim and de-

manded to know the location of the safe.

The suspects then entered the main part of the restaurant, where they ran into the manager and a bartender. Police said the manager led the suspects to the safe, opened it,

and gave them the cash that was inside. The suspects left the restaurant through the rear door.

Police said the suspects may have fled the scene in a small silver car, which was seen leaving the area with its

lights off about the time of the crime. The female employee was transported to Boca Raton Regional Hospital, where she was treated and released.

The suspects, police said, were both black, medium

build wearing dark clothing and black ski-type masks.

If anyone has information about this crime, they are asked to call Detective Ron Mello at (561) 620-6186 or Palm Beach County Crime Stoppers at (800) 458-TIPS.

Boca Raton Police Seek Suspect Who Robbed Customer Outside Kmart

BOCA RATON -- Detectives from the Boca Raton Police Services Department are investigating an armed robbery which occurred in the Palmetto Park Square Plaza on Palmetto Park Road around 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 2.

A police report said

the victim was loading shopping bags into her car south of the Kmart in the parking lot when she was approached by a black male who pointed a handgun at her and forcibly took her purse. The suspect was last seen fleeing west through the parking lot.

The report described the suspect as a short black male, 5'8"-5'10", 170 pounds, baggy pants, wearing a blue baseball cap and a black polo shirt with an emblem on the left pocket over a white t-shirt and dark shoes. He also had a bandage on his left hand.

The suspect used the victim's credit card at a Mobil gas station on Glades Road west of the Turnpike shortly after the robbery, police said. The suspect was wearing the same pants and shoes but was wearing a tank top instead of a polo shirt. He was seen leav-

ing in a green midsize SUV with tinted windows.

Anyone with information is asked call Detective Ron Mello at 561-620-6186 or Crime Stoppers at 800-458-TIPS

Surveillance photo shows suspect in robbery outside Kmart in Boca Raton.



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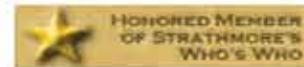


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Executive Women of the Palm Beaches Honors Women In Leadership Award Recipients

WEST PALM BEACH (May 9, 2012) – In the 21st Century adults can expect to change jobs 12 times, so you'd better be prepared, Joan Lunden advised guests and honorees at the 29th Annual Women In Leadership Awards Luncheon May 3 at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts.

And the key to success is transferable skills, said Lunden, who speaks from experience. Her run as host of Good Morning America ended 15 years ago, but she has continued to work in TV and has been able to transfer her skills into roles as author, entrepreneur, health advocate and businesswoman, while raising seven children, including two sets of twins. Her remarks about her trials and tribulations as she attempted to "have it all," were greeted with nods of understanding and laughter.

Executive Women of the Palm Beaches was the first organization in Palm Beach County to honor professional women leaders in the community who also are adept at transferring their skills. The Women In Leadership Awards are presented to women in three community sectors -- volunteer, public and private -- whose

talents and qualities have an impact in their business and charitable activities. The luncheon is regarded as the premier event of its kind in the county, and this year was no exception. Honorees included Rena Blades, Dorothy Bradshaw and Dr. Maureen Whelihan.

Bradshaw, Procurement Bureau Chief for the South Florida Water Management District was honored for her volunteer work. She has served as president of the Boys and Girls Clubs, on the board of Junior Achievement, on countless projects for the American Lung Association, as co-chair and chair of the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk, and more recently as chair of the 2010 Walk To Defeat ALS and the 2011 Heart Walk. She's also on the board of the West Palm Beach Library Foundation, the Women's Chamber of Commerce and Speak Up for Children.

In the public sector, Blades, CEO of the Palm Beach County Cultural Council since 2004, has overseen its unprecedented growth, securing new grants and funding for arts education and the strengthening of cultural organizations throughout the county, expand-



Honorary Chair Patricia Lebow with Women In Leadership recipients Dorothy Bradshaw and Dr. Maureen Whelihan, keynote speaker, Joan Lunden and WILA recipient Rena Blades at the Women In Leadership Awards at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts.

ing services to artists and spearheading the Council's move to new headquarters in Lake Worth. She also has served as a board member and treasurer of the Florida Cultural Alliance, a member of the Palm Beach County Six Pillars Community Plan committee, a member of Palm Beach County's Overall Economic Development Program Committee (2006-10) and a volunteer at St. Mark's Episcopal School, 2005-2011.

A practicing gynecologist in West Palm Beach,

Whelihan, nominated in the private sector, is only the fourth woman to serve as president of the Palm Beach County Medical Society (2009). She co-founded the society's Services Project Access, a program that coordinates voluntary physician and hospital care, diagnostic services and medication assistance for low-income residents. Since 2005, Project Access has donated more than \$8 million in care to help more than 5,500 residents. She serves on the board of the International Society

for the Study of Women's Sexual Health, co-chaired Lupus Foundation's Models of Success, and was named the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's woman of the year in 2003 for raising \$50,000 in eight weeks.

Additionally, Executive Women of the Palm Beaches presented a special Inspirational Leadership Award to its founder and first president Cynthia Allen Gracey for her lifelong example and service. She received a standing ovation. Despite deal-

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ing with CMT, a lifelong neuromuscular disorder, Gracey has raised two sons, served as a caregiver to her parents and other family members, practiced law and been a visionary community activist.

Executive Women's

mission is to promote the professional and personal advancement of women through networking and resource sharing and by helping them to develop and realize their potential as leaders. Proceeds from the luncheon support the scholarship and grant

programs administered through its charitable foundation, Executive Women Outreach.

For information about Executive Women of the Palm Beaches, call (561) 684-9117, email info@ewpb.org or visit www.ewpb.org. *see pics on pg. 17*

Words...Alive to Present Special Mother's Day Show at Willow Theatre

BOCA RATON – "Words...Alive" will present, "Mothers and Daughters," a special Mothers Day show Sunday, May 13 at 2 p.m. at the Willow Theatre in Sugar Sand Park, Boca Raton. Tickets are \$15.

"Mothers and Daughters" features three talented actresses who present dramatic readings about the complex relationship that exists between mothers and their daughters.

"Some of the readings will make you laugh out loud, while others will touch your heart," according to Eunice Bernard, director at Words...Alive!

"This is a unique chance to bring your mother or grandmother to this show on Mother's Day to celebrate your special bond," said Debbie Shockey, booking coordinator at Sugar Sand Community Center. "Since the Willow Theatre is such an intimate

setting, this is a great opportunity for the women in a family to get together and enjoy each other as well as a beautiful show."

Mothers and Daughters takes place at the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail. Tickets can be purchased at the Willow Theatre Box Office at 561-347-3948. Visit www.willowtheatre.org for more information.

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Quantum House "Portrait of a Woman" Spring Luncheon Honors Leading Palm Beach Ladies

The inaugural Portrait of a Woman Spring Luncheon was held at a private club in Palm Beach.

"More than 115 supporters attended the successful fundraising luncheon for Quantum House while simultaneously honoring nine incredible local ladies during Women's History Month," said benefit founder Renee D. Plevy, who is also a celebrated portrait artist.

"This event saluted accomplished women throughout Palm Beach County for their major long-term contributions to our communities, as well as to individuals, businesses, civic organizations and charities," agreed event Co-Chair Bobbi Shorr.

"We wanted to inspire others to get involved just like our matriarchs and hon-

orees have throughout their lives," added Plevy.

The ladies honored at the recent Portrait of a Woman Spring Luncheon were Dorothy Sullivan (Grand Honoree), the Countess Henrietta de Hoernle (Grand Honorary Matriarch), Honorary Matriarchs Helen Babione and Suzy Minkoff and five special Honorees, Bobbi Horwich, Lynda Levitsky, Jacqueline Keeley, Sherry Frankel and Dr. Maria M. Vallejo.

The distinguished ladies were honored in a unique and very personal way at the luncheon with the official unveiling of original oil portraits of the honorees, all painted by artist and businesswoman Renee Plevy, who founded the event.

"We are very pleased to announce that the first Portrait of a Woman Spring Luncheon raised significant funds to benefit Quantum House, a nonprofit hospital hospitality house, the only facility of its kind between Fort Lauderdale and Orlando. Quantum House was established in May 2001 to provide a caring and supportive home that lessens the burden for families whose children are receiving treatment in Palm Beach County for a serious medical condition," said Plevy.

Luncheon highlights included emcee Tim Byrd (The Byrdman), singer Philippe, a moving video tribute to Countess de Hoernle and the other honorees by videographer Jack Schulman, and the emotional display of all

the beautiful portraits of the honorees. Gina Sullivan unveiled the 24 x 30 oil portrait of her grandmother, Grand Honoree Dorothy Sullivan.

Committee members for the first Portrait of a Woman Spring Luncheon include Lani Click, Lina Blanco Jankus, Maya Johnson, Roberta Jurney, Peggy Kelleher and Patricia Turner. Event sponsors were Sherry Plevy Arenstein, Etonella Christlieb, Monica Erickson, Dolly Hand and the Palm Beach State College Foundation.

The Portrait of a Woman Exhibition opened May 3 and runs through June 3 at the Jan & Gary Dario Gallery, located on the Lake Worth campus of Palm Beach State College.

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Portrait of Grand Matriarch Countess Henrietta de Hoernle

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Quantum House "Portrait of a Woman" Spring Luncheon Honors Leading Palm Beach Ladies



Honorees Helen Babione and Jacquelyn Keeley with Yvonne Boice (center)



Helen Babione and Ruth Olsson (sitting); Mary Veccia and Linda Olsson (standing)



Felicity Noel Keeley and Jacquelyn Keeley



From left, Susan Holzschuh, Gwen Herb, Yvonne Boice, Ashley Haliko (sitting); Maggie Alarcon, Felice Levine, Felicity Noel Keeley, Jacquelyn Keeley, Julie Caldwell (standing)

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Jeanne Matullo with FPL's Ethel Isaacs Williams and Sandra Kaplan at the Women In Leadership Awards at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts.



Cynthia Allen Gracey, recipient of the Women In Leadership Award for Inspirational Leadership and long-time friend and WILA supporter, Julie Kime at the sponsor's reception at Frenchman's Harbor.



Joanne Berkow and Beverly Levine, co-chair and chair of the 2012 Women In Leadership Awards at the sponsor's reception held at Toll Brothers' Frenchman's Harbor in North Palm Beach.



Honorary Chair Patricia Lebow with Women In Leadership recipients Dorothy Bradshaw and Dr. Maureen Whelihan, keynote speaker, Joan Lunden and WILA recipient Rena Blades at the Women In Leadership Awards at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts.

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FOOD REVIEW

By Marc Kent

Smokey Bones - Delicious True American Foods

Smokey Bones Bar + Fire Grill presents a wide variety of favorites done with creativity and flair.

Start, as we did, with homemade Brunswick stew – a soup with smoked BBQ, corn niblets and tomatoes – very tasty with its trace of spice. The soup of the day was a rich chicken noodle with plenty of both – smooth and hearty.

Of the 11 starters, we sampled Southwest spring rolls, fried rolls filled with chicken, corn, black beans and spices for a crunchy spicy treat. A must try, as well, is the crispy shrimp dunkers, a half dozen good size shrimp, battered lightly and drizzled with a fine teriyaki glaze!

There are 8 salad offerings – we chose the charbroiled chicken Caesar – crisp shards of romaine with Asiago cheese in an excellent Caesar dressing. We also tried the chicken cob combining smoked chicken with hardboiled egg, hickory bacon bits, bleu cheese crumbles, avocado and tiny tomatoes plus cream blue cheese dressing. Both large portions with bright tastes.

The Fish and Chips – two huge portions of beer battered and fried cod was light, crispy and very tender. The chips, French fried yet not crispy, was not our preference.

Smokey Bones Flame – seared salmon was a winner with a sweet teri-

yaki glaze (a citrus butter sauce is also available) – try it! 6 other choices in this grouping also listed.

Emphasis is on slow smoked BBQ and we chose to sample “Double Trouble”, a one third rack of their Baby Back ribs plus a one-third rack of ribs, smoked St. Louis style. Both are marinated for hours and available with any of three fire-grill flavors. Some 15 side dishes are on the menu – your choice! Other BBQ platters include hand-pulled pork, smoked beef brisket or smoked turkey breast – these we’ll try another time.

We elected to try the fire-grilled marinated rib eye – our favorite cut. The one prepared “medium” was juicy and tender, the “medium-rare” was stringy and less tender. Talk to your server! Other listings included a sirloin, available in 7 ounce or 10 ounce sizes, a 12 ounce New York strip and both a teriyaki pork tenderloin and charbroiled pork tenderloin.

Bones burgers list 6 beef and 1 turkey burger with lettuce, tomato, red onion slices and pickles. You can build your own burger from a roster of different patties, buns, cheeses, hot or cold toppings plus any of 7 sauces. Be creative!

We did not sample any of the 6 sandwiches offered at this time – the selection is quite varied.

The dessert menu has “wicked apple wontons”, three crisp apple filled mini wontons with two scoops of vanilla ice cream and a drizzle of caramel sauce – excellent taste and texture. Chocoholics take notice – the “Leaning Tower of Chocolate Cake” is just that – 6 layers of chocolate cake, smothered in dark fudge and sweet chocolate frosting – rich enough for two – or more!

We have sampled individual “Sweet Shots” in the past – this selection included bread pudding, banana, key lime, cheesecake and chocolate. Try one, try all!

Smokey Bones dessert secret is “Hot Bag O’Donuts”, a bag of fresh, fluffy, round, cinnamon-sugary donuts served with both a chocolate dipping sauce and a strawberry cream dipping sauce. If you try no other fine dessert – pick these donuts.

With over 60 restaurants, the set menu changes bi-monthly, keeping the diners favorites. There is a child’s menu as well. Open 7 days from 11AM to 2AM, Smokey Bones seats 280 diners at 21733 State Road 7 in Boca Raton (561-852-7870). We found excellent food at reasonable pricing and an efficient, knowledgeable wait staff. We strongly recommend you – Go and Enjoy!

Houdini Show Will Disappear From Miami on May 20

By Skip Sheffield

“Death and Harry Houdini” makes the round-trip from Boca Raton to Miami entirely worthwhile, because through May 20, the only place you can see this amazing show is the Arsht Center for the Performing Arts.

“Houdini” is a play with music, magic, comedy and a great sense of history, written and directed by Nathan Allen of the House Theatre of Chicago.

The playwright-director himself introduced “Houdini,” which is a collaborative effort developed over the past ten years. It is a technically complex show, yet the cast and crew in Miami made it look easy; even Houdini’s most famous and dangerous trick, the escape from the “Water Torture Cell” locked under water, upside down.

Harry Houdini (1874-1926) was the greatest escape artist of all time, and during the earliest part of the 20th century, the highest-paid performer in vaudeville.

There was a lot more to Houdini the man, which the audience learns in the exposition of the play.

Houdini, played by award-winning magician Dennis Watkins, was born Erik Weisz in Budapest, Hungary, the son of a rabbi. The family emigrated to America; first to Wisconsin and later to New York City.

Houdini began as a brothers act with younger brother Theodore (Shawn Pfautsch). When a show-girl named Bess (Carolyn Defrin) danced into his life, she became his onstage partner and assistant.

There was a great love between Harry and Bess, but there was a third part



to a triangle: Harry’s mother Cecilia (Marika Mashburn), whom he adored. In fact you could call Houdini a mama’s boy. Mashburn plays the scowling matriarch to great comic effect.

Each of the supporting cast serves as a musician and onstage assistant on the illusions that are performed as part of the show. They include a Ringmaster, played by Johnny Arena, a Death figure who doubles as a rival magician (Kevin Stangler) and two female ensemble members (Abu Ansari and Trista Smith).

Houdini was not only one of the greatest magicians who ever lived; he also debunked fraudulent magicians and so-called spiritualists. Yet Houdini was convinced there is an “other side” in which it

could be possible to communicate with the dead. A subtheme of the play is the defeat of the inevitability of death.

Houdini inevitably did die at the young age of 52 in 1926, but America and the world are richer for his artistry and imagination. My brother Richard and I have a special fondness for Houdini, as our paternal grandfather used to tell us how he saw Houdini perform live when he was a young man, executing his famed escape from chains underwater in the Hudson River. You don’t have to be that kind of special fan, but “Houdini” is wonderful entertainment for anyone who enjoys amazement and surprise.

Tickets start at \$40. Call 305-949-6722 or go to www.arshtcenter.org.



ENTERTAINMENT

By Skip Sheffield

A Furiously Funny "Marvel's The Avengers"

The idea of comic book super heroes has always seemed silly to me. Sure I like Superman, the grand daddy of them all, but the increasingly outlandish characters concocted by Marvel Comics don't really interest me.

So I went to "Marvel's The Avengers" with low expectations. Surprise! It's a ton of fun and very funny, and that's why I enjoyed this absurd adventure. Writer-director Joss Whedon ("Serenity") has a great sense of humor. His cast has taken a tongue-in-cheek comic approach that mocks the ridiculousness of the plot line and lame character development.

There are six, count 'em six, super heroes in "Avengers," starting with another grand daddy figure: Captain America.

Chris Evans has already starred as the mythical hero, created in 1940, in his own feature. Writer-director Whedon and Zak Penn



otic, anti-Nazi mode, but in this case the villain is not a Nazi but simply the nasty, destructive god Loki (Tom Hiddleston), who happens to be the brother of fellow god Thor (Chris Hemsworth), who wields a mean hammer. Loki is a sneering, sniveling scoundrel just born to be booed.

The chief quipster on the super team is unflappable Tony Stark/Iron Man, played to deadpan perfection by Robert Downey, Jr.

Giving Downey a run for his money is Mark Ruffalo as a more human, subtle Bruce Banner, who mutates

Gwyneth Paltrow, reprising her loyal girlfriend Pepper Potts, and everyone is upstaged by spectacular CGI special effects. How many times will New York City be destroyed in these capers? It just wouldn't be science fiction without the Chrysler Building and Empire State Building being menaced. Grand Central Station gets some good screen time too. "Avengers" goes on a bit long and there are lulls between the laughs, but it's great fun- a lot more fun than most super hero adventures.

Three stars

30th SunFest in West Palm Beach

A reminder that the 30th annual SunFest celebration of art, music and waterfront fun continues through Sunday, May 6 along Flagler Drive in downtown West Palm Beach.

Florida's own Creed with Scott Stapp and former Bad Company and Free vocalist Paul Rodgers are headliners Friday. Southern rockers Marshall Tucker and The Outlaws and progressive rockers Third Eye Blind are headliners Saturday. The festival wraps up with Foreigner and Matiasyahu on Sunday.

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("The Hulk," "X-men" 2 and 3) have provided a back story that refers to the Captain being frozen in ice. The real story is that the rah-rah all-American hero, who was the most popular comic book hero of the World War II era, was retired in the early 1960s when he went out of fashion.

Evans' America is very much stuck in the patri-

into the green, giant, computer-generated Hulk every time he gets angry enough.

Jeremy Renner plays the deadly archer Clint Barton, who has an endless supply of lethal arrows as Hawkeye, and Scarlett Johansson is the vaguely Russian Natasha Romanoff, aka Black Widow.

Natasha is not given a whole lot to do, nor is

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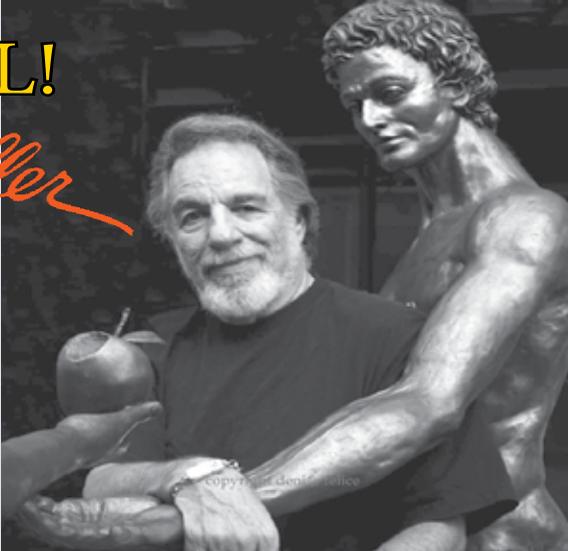


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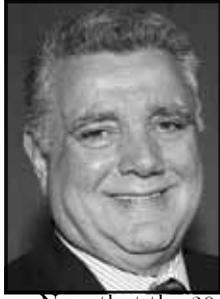
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THE CITIZENS VOICE

By Al Zucaro

Fireworks in Politics Campaign 2012

Now that the 2012 Presidential Campaign has officially begun with both sides drawn and the political rhetoric in full force, I thought sharing two sentiments recently shown on my internet broadcast show by Ira Sabin, a friend and political commentator, would be appropriate.

I realize that not all of us are of the same political persuasion but fail to see how any of us can forcefully disagree with the ideals contained below.

A letter written by a friend to his son.....

"Some refer to us as senior citizens, old fogies, geezers, some of us are also known as baby boomers.

We walk a little slower. our eyes and hearing are not what they once were. We worked hard, raised our children, worshipped our god, and have grown old together. Some refer to us as the over the hill gang, but don't write us off just yet.

In school, we studied English, History, Math and Science, and that education enabled us to lead America into the technological age.

We can quote the Pledge of Allegiance, and know where to place our hand when doing so. We wore the uniform of our country with pride and lost many friends and loved ones on the battlefield.

We didn't fight for the "Socialists States of America", we fought for the home of the free and the land of the brave. We know the words to the Star Spangled Banner by heart, and feel no need to apologize to anyone or any country for the United States of America.

Yes, we may be slowing down, but rest assured we have at least one good fight left in us. We have loved this country, fought for it, died for it, and now we are going

to save it.

It is our country and nobody is going to take it away without one heck of a fight. We took an oath to defend America against all enemies foreign and domestic, and we plan to keep that oath.

There are those who want to destroy this nation from without and from within. To this, we will not remain silent.

It was mostly the young people of this country who fell for the great line of "Hope and Change" which turned out to be nothing more than "Hype and Lie". You have stared Socialism in the eye, and may have decided you do not like it. Are you now having Buyers' Remorse? With all the education we gave you, you didn't read between the lines but instead chose to drink the Kool Aid and you voted for it.

Well, don't worry youngsters, the old fogies are here and in 2012 we are going to take back our country. We will be going to the polls in the millions. This nation does not belong to Obama, Pelosi and Reid. It belongs to 'We The People', and 'We The People' plan to get our freedom back.

So the next time you have the chance to say The Pledge of Allegiance or sing the Star Spangled Banner, stand up, put your hand on your heart, honor your country, and thank God for the old geezers.

With regards to the Pledge of Allegiance, perhaps Red Skelton on his 1960'S TV show stated it best with the following recital:

I...me, an individual, a Committee of one.

Pledge...Dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self pity.

Allegiance...My Love and my devotion.

To the Flag...Our Standard, Old Glory, a symbol of freedom....

Of The United...That means we have all come together.

States...Individual communities coming together with pride and dignity united to a common purpose, love of country.

Of America and to the Republic...A State where Sovereign power is vested in Representatives chosen by the people...government from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

For which it stands, one nation...meaning, so blessed by God.

Indivisible...incapable of being divided.

With liberty...freedom and the right to live one's life without threat, fear or any sort of retaliation.

For all...meaning it is as much your country as mine.

Mr. Skelton's rendition of the Pledge has been modified since to add two words, *under God*.

The sentiments contained in this timeless pledge are based in the natural laws that this nation of law was built upon.

For that reason, it is difficult to see how any American can disagree and sit back watching as our great nation is changed and transformed into something other than what it was and still is....

So get up, get involved, and take the message to the streets, to the polls and to the leaders that we, the people, are to be heard and not herded.

AL ZUCARO

See Al's Internet Broadcast Show 'Citizens of the World' On WRPBITV.COM and visit his website at WWW.ALZUCARO.COM.

Hager Receives AIF Financial Services Council Legislator of the Year Award

BOCA RATON -- The Associated Industries of Florida (AIF) Financial Services Council has named Rep. Bill Hager its Legislator of the Year for his sponsorship of legislation, HB 803, aimed at "right sizing" Florida's Hurricane Catastrophe Fund.

Currently, Florida's Cat-Fund is overexposed and, if a storm or series of storms were to hit Florida, this fund could potentially default on its responsibilities.

"I am humbled to receive this recognition as AIF's Financial Services Council as the House Legislator of the Year," said Rep. Hager. "AIF stands for the best of this nation and state. They stand for opportunity and free markets and financial responsibility at all levels of government."

"These are my values," he said. "As a member of the Florida House, my colleagues and I are responsible for creating policies and regulations that enhance and protect the state. Through HB 803 we were able to bring attention to the problems with the Cat-Fund and the need to ensure our citizens, businesses and state are protected in the event of a natural disaster. I look forward to continuing to work with AIF on these efforts."

"One of the largest threats to Florida's businesses and economy are the massive, self-implementing 'hurricane tax' assessments that will follow any relatively large hurricane. Despite it being politically unpopular, Rep. Hager remained dedi-



State Rep. Bill Hager cated to addressing this crisis and truly demonstrated his commitment to the future of Florida," said Tom Feeney, AIF president and CEO.

Hager will be formally presented with his award during a ceremony held in conjunction with AIF's Annual Conference in September.

Hasner Gets eEndorsement From Clay Shaw; Opens Boca HQ

BOCA RATON -- District 22 House candidate Adam Hasner announced that he has received the endorsement of former Congressman Clay Shaw.

"Clay Shaw is a statesman and a bi-partisan problem solver who served the people of Palm Beach and Broward with distinction, and I am honored to have earned his endorsement," said Hasner.

"Adam Hasner is someone who has a proven record of fighting for Flo-

ridians," said Shaw, who served in the U.S. House from 1981 to 2007. "He's a principled leader who'll go to Washington to stop runaway spending, responsibly balance our nation's budget and create jobs for our area."

In another matter, Hasner recently opened a House campaign office in Boca Raton. A political rally featuring former Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty was held on opening day.



The office is located at 4800 Boca Raton Blvd, Suite 3 in Boca Raton.

Boca Raton Police Identify Woman Killed by Train

BOCA RATON -- A woman struck and killed by a northbound Florida East Coast Railway train near 1500 South Dixie Highway April 25 has been identified by police.

Police said the woman was identified as 52 year

old Leonor Rojas De Cuervo of Boca Raton. Police said she was identified from belongings found at the scene, the clothing she was wearing and physical characteristics.

Detectives are await-

ing toxicology results from the Medical Examiner's Office to conclude the investigation. If anyone has information about this incident, they are asked to call Detective Jeff Clare at (561) 338-1246.

Business

The Boca Raton Tribune

Latinos Restaurante, A Taste of Latin America!

By: Guadalupe Monarrez

Latinos Restaurante, located in Deerfield Beach, offers Latin inspired cuisine to the South Florida community.

Wilson Aguilar Cárdenas, Colombian businessman and restaurant owner, immigrated to the United States when he was 21 years old. He settled in New York, but decided to move to South Florida in order to be closer to his family. He began working in a local supermarket, and as a result opened his own business, Latinos Meat Market. As his business grew, he ventured into the restaurant industry and opened Latinos Restaurante nearly 5 years ago.

"I love the food business, I grew up in the restaurant business with my family. I built the restaurant from zero and made everything to what it is today" acclaimed Cárdenas.

Latinos Restaurante provides dishes from a variety of Latin American countries, including Peru, Colombia, Brazil, and Mexico.

"We have Peruvian and Colombian chefs, Brazilian butchers, and Latin waiters

and waitresses. Customers are surprised by the taste of the food and whatever they choose they love, they especially enjoy the meat," acknowledged Cárdenas.

Cárdenas owns other businesses in the same plaza, including Latinos Spa & Beauty Salon and Avenida Brazil, a Brazilian supermarket. The supermarket, adjacent to the restaurant, allows the restaurant to always have fresh produce and ingredients needed to prepare the food. Therefore, it also allows the customer to purchase ingredients from their favorite dishes in the same locale.

"It was a very good idea to place the market next to the restaurant. We do not use any frozen, canned, or processed foods, very organic. Everything we serve is fresh and imported from Peru, Colombia, and other countries. Meats are imported from Australia. The quality of the food is very important to the restaurant," explained Cárdenas.

Tatiana Gonzalez, who has worked for the business for more than 2 years, credits the location and their staff for



the restaurant's continuous success within the community.

"Many people come to the restaurant, it is located in a large business area, and we are always busy during lunch hours. But, we work well as a team, I enjoy my coworkers. Customers who come to the restaurant are very diverse

and they are very friendly."

After 10 pm, Friday and Saturday nights, the restaurant becomes much livelier as customers enjoy the sounds of Brazilian and Latin music fill the air. The restaurant features a stage for musical groups to provide live entertainment for customers.

The average price for a meal is between 13 and 14 dollars. The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Customers can enjoy 2 for 1 cocktails during Happy Hour, Monday through Friday, from 3pm to 7pm.

While at Cárdenas' Latinos Restaurante, customers

can expect to enjoy authentic dishes that preserve the quality and richness that is so prevalent within Latin America.

Latinos Restaurante is located at 1754 West Hillsboro Blvd. in Deerfield Beach, FL. For more information about the menu call (954) 428-7411.

Boca Raton Regional Hospital One of 10 Sites for New Breast Ultrasound Study



BOCA RATON -- The Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute (LWHWI) at Boca Raton Regional Hospital is one of only 10 leading clinical centers across the nation to have participated in an important new breast ultrasound study in women with dense breasts.

The study was conducted over a three and one-half year prospective multi-center trial process. Nearly 10 percent of the nation's breast ultrasounds in the study were conducted at the Institute.

Based on the study, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA)

Radiological Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of U-System's *somo•v*® Automated Breast Ultrasound (ABUS) System for use in women with dense breast tissue who had a normal screening mammogram.

The government panel publically recognized the limitations of mammography in women with dense breast, and that by adding whole breast ultrasound, the cancer detection rate can be doubled in this population of women.

"Recently, several scientific studies have demonstrated that supplementing mammography with ultrasound for women with dense breasts finds a statistically significant number of additional cancers," said Kathy Schilling, MD, medical director of the institute.

"We are telling women about the breast ultrasound services being offered at our hospital and encourage patients to talk to their doctors for the need of supplemental exams. Patients are starting to realize the importance of breast ultrasounds in

dense breasts and are asking questions."

For women aged 40 and older, mammography has traditionally been the most important tool for the early detection of breast cancer. But for women who have dense breast tissue, the procedure has known limitation in detecting cancers.

Dense breast tissue not only increases the risk of breast cancer up to 4-6 times but also makes cancer more difficult to detect via mammography, according to multiple large studies.

One study, published in

the New England Journal of Medicine, showed 35 percent of breast cancer goes undetected by mammography in women with dense breasts, as density masks appearance of tumors. As breast density goes up, the accuracy of the mammogram goes down.

"This was a landmark decision for women's health," says Dr. Schilling. "We have changed the way women will be screened in the future. It makes me feel good that we, at Boca Regional, can enhance breast care for women across the world."



CARLO BARBIERI

By Carlo Barbieri

The Real Estate Crisis – A More Accurate Approach

The epigraph theme has been sung in prose and verse for four years, always from the same observational viewpoint. If we, however, do not consider other perspectives on the housing situation as reported in the media, we will have great difficulty in understanding the big picture and consequently, the future expectations related to price and value. We will, instead, be left with narrow-minded and short-term observations.

So as not to make this article too long, we have excluded high price residential properties and commercial ones. We will instead concentrate on fundamentals and the international overview of the situation.

Fundamentals are among the most important factors, more emphasized by the professor at Pennsylvania Real Estate University, Joseph Gyourko. Fundamentals are factors to be taken into account when it comes to our examination of the "housing bubble" and its implications.

In general, the contractors who build homes normally construct enough to supply the market's needs for the current year and to meet the predictable needs for the upcoming year or two.

In the 'bubble' these contractors reached a volume equivalent to a predicted demand for the next seven years. But when the 'bubble' burst, it was not possible for demand to keep up with supply. And it will not until supply reaches a compatible level with the demand.

Another point to be taken into consideration is not only the price for home lots but also for the necessary construction materials to finish the work. With an explosive demand, lots had a price increase that skyrocketed.

On the other hand, basic products for the construction industry became unavailable for the desired volume as well as the logistics because there was no preparation for this housing boom. As a result, it caused an extraordinary increase in the product costs – with some items reaching three times the initial

costs.

In short, this model had no sustainability, not because of the simple financial aspect, but because the fundamentals were completely impacted and compromised.

Bank World and Excessive Liquidity

Another outstanding point refers to the international economy influence – about what has been happening and about what will happen in the future. Without exempting the errors and internal abuses, our 'bubble' happened at a time when the rest of the world experienced great financial flow in most markets.

There was an excess of money and greed on one side, and a lack of rules and controls as well as ethical parameters on the other.

This explosive conjunction pressed its financial advisors to issue more paper than the money available, taking a risk much greater than the economy would allow. Banks started "playing" with the market as if they were speculators on Wall Street. This was activity they were not prepared to handle.

The basic rules of bank loans were not followed, neither the form nor its security level. Banks all over the world were holding high profitability paper and disregarded completely their analysis, as the demand surpassed the market availability exponentially.

Literally, money was issued as if it were toilet paper. The International Drag-on searching for profit needed to be fed to satisfy its voracious and endless hunger. We are all aware of the consequence. Banks, cities and countries went into bankruptcy.

Now, we have a different situation, but one equally important

to the real estate market. The reduction of the Chinese economy due to the loss of investments in that country and the European financial crisis must lead the whole continent to a stagnation for at least two years. This will make in-

ternational investors return to their initial growth demands which are best found within the USA. This movement will remain for a couple years.

As the appetite for risks in the US is being reduced, the natural spillway to these resources is and will be the real estate business. This should also shorten the recovery time.

Let's look at the international and fundamental aspects which must be taken into account as we move into the future of the real estate market.

The Negative Facts

- The first residence is no longer the essence of the American

dream;

- There is no money available for the "down payment";

- We still have at least two years for the basic real estate solution which is or will be reflected in foreclosures.

- The demand for residences is high, as millions of people

have lost their homes through foreclosure. But these people do not have access to the financial resources as their credit has been severely damaged with the crisis.

- The prices today are equivalent to 20 years ago, which really takes motivation away from housing contractors as the sales value of newly built homes would be too low.

The Good News:

- Today we have a market that is approaching stability, but it's still weak.

- With this change, the growth must increase and more jobs will be generated as the demand for houses increases.

- The small American investors and investors from other countries, aware of the excellent equity, will return to the US marketplace and invest in small properties for rent.

- The lack of international alternatives will increase the influx of resources to the USA which includes a significant portion of revenue for the real estate market.

Well, it appears to be a great time for investors to put their money into rental property.

BUSINESS BITS

BOCA RATON – John Ray, III, a Boca Raton resident and president and CEO of Sonitrol of Fort Lauderdale, has been elected president of the Sonitrol National Dealers Association (SNDA). Based in Orlando, the association represents Sonitrol's network of 60 dealers across the country that market and service the company's fully integrated verified electronic security solutions. Under Ray's leadership, a key SNDA goal will be educating the public about verified alarm technology's ability to enhance police officers' safety, conserve law enforcement resources and increase the odds of arrest while crimes are underway. "Knowing that more than 90 percent of alarm activations nationwide are false alarms, 30 cities have enacted verified response laws in recent years," Ray said.

COCONUT CREEK – The Coconut Creek Chamber will hold a luncheon sponsored by Al Hendrickson Toyota/Scion May 15 at noon at the Coconut Creek Community Center, 1100 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek. Cost is \$15 for members/1st time guests with RSVP by Friday, May 11th 5pm or \$25 w/o RSVP or returning guests. Contact Shireen at :creekchamber@bellsouth.net or call 954-419-1050.

BOCA RATON– Bluegreen Corporation, a leading timeshare sales, marketing and resort management company, announced that on May 4, it completed the sale of its Bluegreen Communities business to Southstar Development Partners, Inc. for a purchase price of \$29 million in cash and certain other contingent consideration. In connection with the sale, Bluegreen satisfied Communities' debt obligations, primarily its H4BG Communities Facility, which had an outstanding balance of approximately \$20.2 million. Bluegreen satisfied this obligation in full, along with accrued interest and a \$2 million deferred fee.

BOCA RATON – Joel L. Altman, chairman and CEO of The Altman Companies, a national leader in the development of exceptional quality rental communities, has been inducted into the Nova Southeastern University H. Wayne Huizenga Business School's Entrepreneur Hall of Fame. More than 500 guests gathered at the Signature Grand in Davie to honor the Huizenga Business School's 2012 Entrepreneur Hall of Fame inductees. The Altman Companies, headquartered in Boca Raton, has, since 1968, developed, constructed, acquired and managed more than 22,000 multifamily units in Florida, Michigan, Illinois, Tennessee, Georgia, Texas and North Carolina.

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If You do Business With the Feds, Have a Capability Statement in Your "Toolbox"

BOCA RATON – If you are a business and wish to have the government as a customer you must have a capability statement in your "Marketing Toolbox."

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The capabilities statement outlines your business's primary strengths and experience.

Many times, your capabilities statement will be the first time a potential buyer has ever heard of your business so it is of the utmost importance to make a good first impression. PTAC can assist you in this effort by helping you create a capabilities statement that separates you from the competition.

For more on this topic, contact the SBDC at 561-862-4726 or email sbdc@palmbeachstate.edu. Certified Business Analysts, including PTAC specialists,

Commissioners Mark Small Business Month



At the May 1 Board of County Commissioners meeting, Ted Kramer, regional director of the Small Business Development Center at Palm Beach State College, accepts a proclamation from Commissioner Karen Marcus declaring May as Small Business Month in Palm Beach County.

Boca Chamber to Present its Annual Business Awards Luncheon May 17

BOCA RATON -- The Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce will present its annual Business Awards Luncheon May 17 from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Boca Raton Resort and Club, 501 E. Camino Real.

Business of the Year for 2012 is Florida Atlantic University, which is celebrating its 50th year of operations this year.

At FAU's dedication ceremony in 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson

challenged the university's pioneers: "It is time now...for a new, adventurous, imaginative, courageous breakthrough for a new revolution in education in America."

With those words, FAU opened its doors as the first public university in southeast Florida and the first in America designed for upper division students only.

At FAU, people from every walk of life find a place. Students choose from more than 170 de-

gree programs, faculty researchers utilize more than 40 research centers and the community engages hundreds of cultural and educational events every year.

The Chamber's Business Leader of the Year is Rick Konsavage of Ocean Properties, Ltd.

Rick has been the regional director of operations with Ocean Properties Ltd. for over 25 years and has experience in all phases of the hospitality industry.

Currently, he is responsible for over 30 hotels from St. Croix-USVI to Vero Beach. He serves on numerous advisory boards and is currently the Past Chairman of the Palm Beach County CVB and past President of the Hotel and Lodging Association.

Presently on the Board of Directors of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, he is a board member of the BPAT for Palm Beach County hotels. His fa-

vorite sports team is the Philadelphia Eagles and then any other Philadelphia team. His favorite hobby is playing golf and collecting and tasting fine wine, and he says the latter is his specialty! He resides in Boynton Beach and loves living in Palm Beach County.

The 2012 Small Business Leader of the Year is Jason Doherty of R2 Unified Technologies.

As a partner and director of sales for R2 Unified Technologies,

Doherty has been responsible for the company's growth from its 2008 startup to 2011 when the multi-million dollar company was recognized as the 6th fastest growing technology company in the South Florida Business Journal's 2011 Fast-Tech awards.

R2 Unified Technologies has also been recognized in Inc. 5000, two years running, ranking #814 in the country and #29 in South Florida.

Suncoast, Spanish River High Schools Win Business Ethics Competition

BOCA RATON -- The Florida Council on Economic Education (FCEE) has announced the winners of the Competition of Decision-making with Ethics (CODE). Suncoast High School and Spanish River High took top honors.

Out of 56 team videos submitted from three school districts, the top nine videos were uploaded to Youtube for public voting. Voting for this new state-wide program to introduce busi-

ness ethics education in Florida classrooms has just been completed and the top three student videos can be viewed at: www.youtube.com/user/OwnYourCODE?feature=mhee.

Winners are:

Statewide Champions: Team Virtuosos: Corinee Thomas, Gerald Djajaputra, Brian Callahan, Matthew Bleefeld, Jillian Herman

Teacher: Tazeen Rashid -- Suncoast Community High School, Riv-

iera Beach

Business Partner/Mentor: Jonathon Lowe, Predictive Consulting, LLC

2nd Place: Skynet: Raoul Dolcine, Christopher Basara, Melanie Gold, Hayle Henderson, Aleksandar Iricanin

Teacher: Tazeen Rashid -- Suncoast Community High School, Riviera Beach

Business Partner/Mentor: Jona-

thon Lowe, Predictive Consulting, LLC

3rd Place: BusyNest: Ellyn Snider, Brandon Thal, Andrew Santos, Elizabeth Oester, and Marisa Rosen

Teacher: Deb Carter -- Spanish River High School, Boca Raton

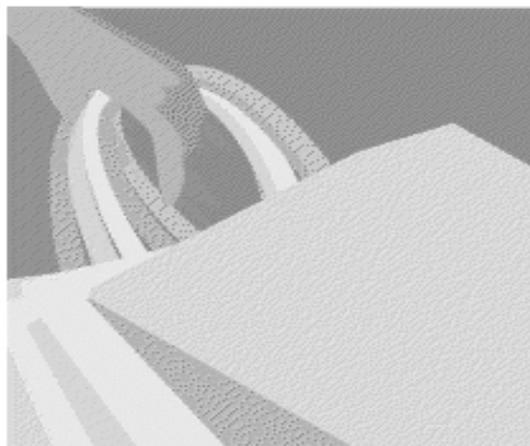
Business Partner/Mentor: Christina Morrison, Christina Morrison Pearce, P.A., CPM, CDPE

Together, with leading educators, ethicists, and business leaders,

the FCEE has developed an interactive program that puts high school students on the front lines of a hypothetical business, where they have to make critical ethical and competitive business decisions.

After a series of lessons and classroom instruction, students were presented with a business case study and a dilemma in which they made a series of key business and ethical decisions.

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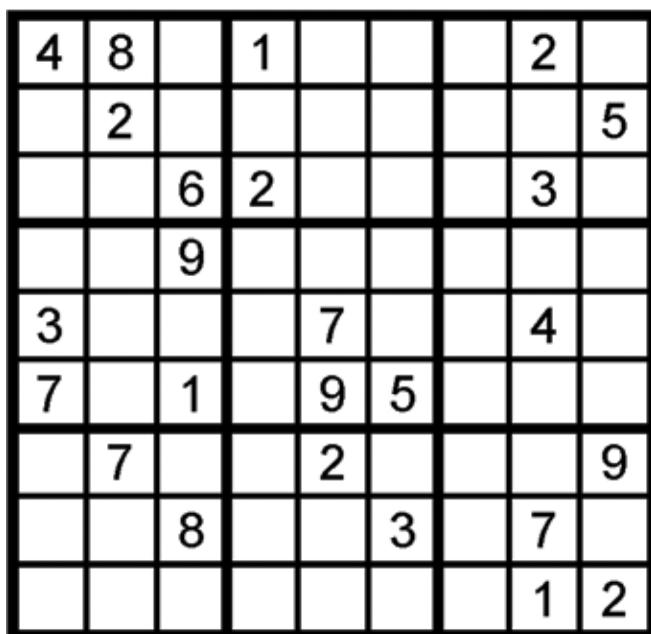
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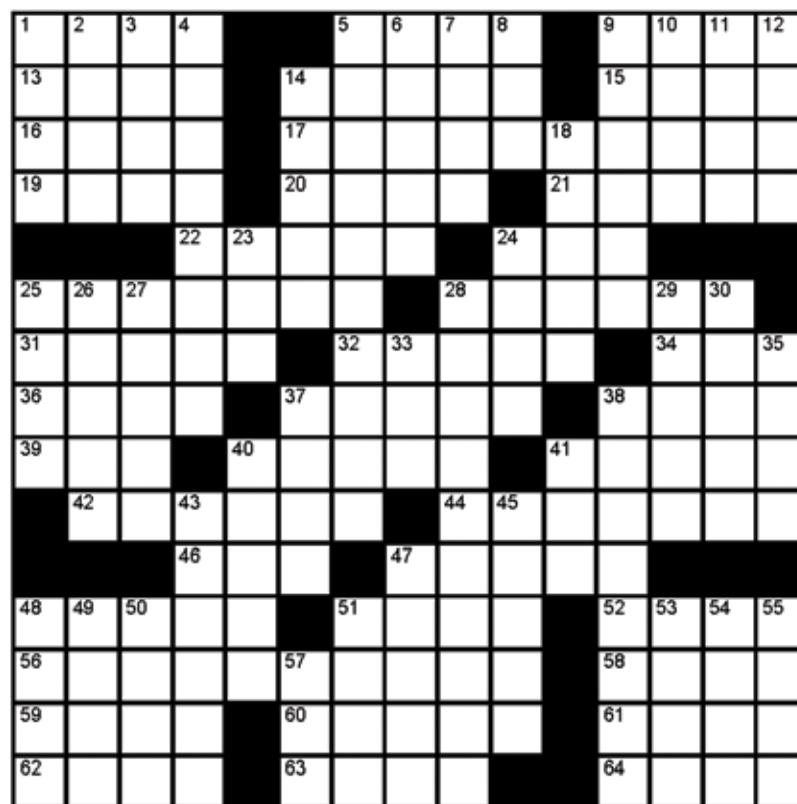
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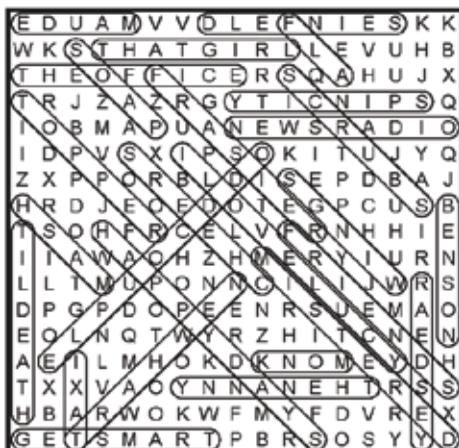
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FAITH

By Rick Warren

Self-Discipline: A Key Ingredient For Success

Over my many years of working with people, it has been my observation that high achievers usually have at least one obvious thing in common: Personal discipline. Successful people are willing to do the difficult things that average people are unwilling to do.

As the pastor of a church with over 20,000 attendees under my care, I have had the opportunity to know and counsel many of our area's most successful business and professional leaders. As we have met together, they have taught me a lot about success and the traits necessary to achieve it.

I have observed that successful people express self-discipline in six key ways:

Successful people master their moods. They live by their commitments, not their emotions. People who do the right thing, even when they don't feel like it, accomplish most of what gets done in the world! "A person without self-control is as defenseless as a city with broken down walls" (Proverbs 25:28).

Successful people watch their words. They put their minds in gear

before opening their mouths. "He who guards his lips guards his life" (Proverbs 13:3).

Successful people restrain their reactions. How much can you withstand before you lose your "cool," before your emotions take control? "If you are sensible you will control your temper. When someone wrongs you, it is a great virtue to ignore it" (Proverbs 19:11).

Successful people stick to their schedules. If you don't determine how you will spend your time, you can be sure that others will decide for you! "Live life with a due sense of responsibility...make the best use of your time" (Ephesians 5:15-16).

Successful people manage their money. They learn to live on less than what they make and they invest the difference. The value of a budget is that it tells your money where you want it to go, rather than wondering where it went! "The wise man saves for the future, but the foolish man spends whatever he gets" (Proverbs 21:20).

Successful people maintain their health. By taking care of them-

selves physically, they can accomplish more and enjoy their achievements. "Each of you should control his own body, keeping it pure and treating it with respect" (1 Thessalonians 4:4).

Where do YOU need to develop more self-control? The disciplines you establish today will determine your level of success tomorrow. But it takes more than just willpower for lasting self-control. It takes a power greater than yourself. Good intentions, by themselves, often are not enough. Think about this promise from the Bible: "God does not give us a spirit of fear, but a spirit of power, love and self-control" (2 Timothy 1:7). He can give us the strength and resolve to do the things we cannot do in our own power.

Rick Warren is the author of the highly acclaimed, best-selling book, The Purpose-Drive Life, which has been translated into many languages and sold throughout the world. It affirms the importance of having a carefully considered, clearly expressed purpose to guide everyday life.



DIVORCE FLORIDA STYLE

By Mike Gora

Gone Tomorrow

Q My father, who is 65-years-old, married three years ago after divorcing my mother. At the time of his divorce, my brother and I believed that he was acting peculiarly, but attributed it to the fact that our mother chose to divorce him after a 45-year marriage.

Their divorce seemed to go well, at least from a distance, as I live in New York, and my brother in Atlanta. We were surprised when, a year later he remarried a woman he met after the divorce. Shortly after they were married, we were told by his new wife that our father had early stage Alzheimer's disease. At that point, we became more involved and very concerned.

Our father had saved a large amount of money, including several million that he received when he sold his business in New York and retired. He and his new wife own a home, which was bought with his money, after they married.

He is now much further into his disease. His new wife just filed for divorce against him, and served him. We do not know what to do, and how his disease will affect the proceedings, or whether his wife can claim part of his money or get alimony. Can you explain what happens next?

A Whether or not your father's wife will be entitled to a share of his property, and if so what share, will be determined by the usual rules that govern dissolution of marriage

in Florida. Their home, and other assets he put in joint names, will be presumed to be marital, and subject to equal division.

There are defenses to such a result, such as a claim for an unequal distribution. Florida statutes contain several bases for an unequal distribution and your father's condition when the house was bought may help you. If you can prove that transfers were made based upon undue influence because of his mental condition, transactions might be reversed.

His new wife's alimony claim would be limited because of the shortness of the marriage. However, because of certain restrictions delaying the dissolution of the marriage of an incompetent person for three years, and other Florida law regarding a duty of support, she might be able to receive alimony for the three years.

If the wife is successful in having your father declared incompetent, a guardian will have to be appointed by the probate court judge. The wife will not be allowed to be the guardian because of the dissolution of marriage preceding, which she has filed.

No dissolution of their marriage can take place, after such a determination for three years. The appointed guardian can negotiate a marital settlement agreement for him. If the guardian is an attorney, that attorney can proceed as his guardian and his attorney.

He or she could, theoretically, negotiate such an agreement, and sign it for him. If the guardian is not an attorney, an attorney can be hired for the dissolution case.

Regarding the distribution of his property, if your father put his new house or anything else, in joint names, the rights to the property could be negotiated to a conclusion, and, if approved by the court, transferred in completion of the agreement. The guardian and your father's wife could conclude an agreement on alimony or any other aspect of the case, and conclude those agreements, with the approval of the Court.

The only thing that the judge cannot do during the three-year period described above, is to terminate the marriage. You have not said whether or not your father and the woman entered into a prenuptial agreement, or if they had developed an estate plan that conformed to the agreement.

What rights the woman might have to your father's estate, should your father die before the divorce could become final, during the three-year period, would depend on whether or not there was such a valid agreement. If there was no valid agreement, and no will, or a will leaving her nothing she could make a claim to 30% of your father's estate under Florida statutes. Speak to his trust and estate lawyer at once.

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Sports

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Heath Bell Temporarily Out as Marlins Closer, Steve Cishek In

By **Pedro Heizer**

Miami Marlins \$27 Million closer Heath Bell has been temporarily removed as the closer for the Marlins due to his recent struggles.

Bell, who blew his fourth save of the season on May 4, will be used earlier in the games until he can get back in rhythm, "Right now, we are going through a tough time," Marlins manager Ozzie Guillen said. "It happens to the best of them. We are going to move him down for maybe a few days. It's not like we are removing him from the job. ... I made it very clear, it's not a punishment."

Bell understands his demotion and has said he's not

getting the job done, "It's not like I am hurt or anything. But I have to figure this out and get better. I owe that to everyone in here."

The three-time all-star is 0-3 with an 11.42 ERA in 11 games with his new ballclub so far this season and has allowed 15 hits in 8 2/3 with 10 walks and only six strikeouts.

With the Padres from 2009-11, Bell recorded 132 saves, the most in the Major Leagues. Last year, he converted 43 of 48 chances. So far this season he has blown four of seven opportunities.

Taking over the closer role for now is 25-year old Steve Cishek who is 4-0 with

a 0.63 ERA in 13 games this season for the Marlins.

Cishek has struck out 15 while allowing just seven hits in 14 1/3 innings. Cishek has three career saves.

Cishek has the makings of being a closer for the long term, "This kid can be a closer very soon," Guillen said of the 25-year-old Cishek.

Although Cishek has the makings of a closer, Guillen is not ready to throw in the towel on a seasoned, all-star caliber closer like Heath Bell, whose 132 saves for the Padres the past three seasons led the majors.

"I have the faith that he will come up out of this and he will be back to what he is,"

Guillen said. "I don't think he's that far away. This guy has been the best closer in the game for the last three years, numbers wise."

Every athlete has struggles, just look at Albert Pujols. Heath Bell being demoted will be a great opportunity for the Marlins. Not only will they let Steve Cishek get some Major League experience in a closer roll, which can help the club in the long run, but Heath Bell will work harder than everyone else to prove to not only his teammates but the fans that he is worth every single penny of that three-year \$27 Million deal he signed this offseason.



Why You Can't Blame Carmelo Anthony for the Knicks First-Round Exit

By **Steve Rawnsley**

Carmelo Anthony is the biggest fool's gold in the NBA. He takes other teammates out of rhythm. The way he handled his situation last year was disrespectful to his team. It is no coincidence that the Nuggets have had a better record than the Knicks since the trade last year. In fact, the including the playoffs, the Knicks are 51-51 with Melo. According to Elias Sports Bureau, Melo has the worst record in playoff history for those that have played more than fifty playoff games. These are just some of the complaints Melo's biggest critics say about him, including myself. He will take a ton of heat for the Knicks getting beat; however, he does not deserve it this time.

First, the Heat are just a much better team than the Knicks. The Heat are the favorites to represent the East in the Finals again. Look at the starting lineups and the Knicks only have the advan-

tage at center. (No offense, Haslem fans.) The Knicks are just a mess, plain and simple. Stoudemire is not a max salary player. He was a great player in Phoenix, but he has fallen off because of two things the Knicks knew about before they offered him the max offer.

First, he is elite at finishing on the move, and he was getting a lot of good opportunities to finish, set up

by Steve Nash. He is now, being asked to do his own work, and he is no longer set up by an elite PG. He also has bad knees, and this was not a secret when he signed. He has lost some of his explosiveness because of his knees. Don't blame this bad contract on Melo.

There is no denying that the biggest x-factor in sports is health. For the most part, there is very little you can do to prevent injuries. Look at this Knicks team and you see injuries up and down this roster. No matter how you view Linca-

nity, there is no denying the Knicks season turned when he became a starter, and they are a better team with him. Baron Davis is not a good starter at this point in his career. Now, he is out for about a year. The fact that Mike Bibby is getting playing time, and could start at point guard tells you how much they miss Lin.

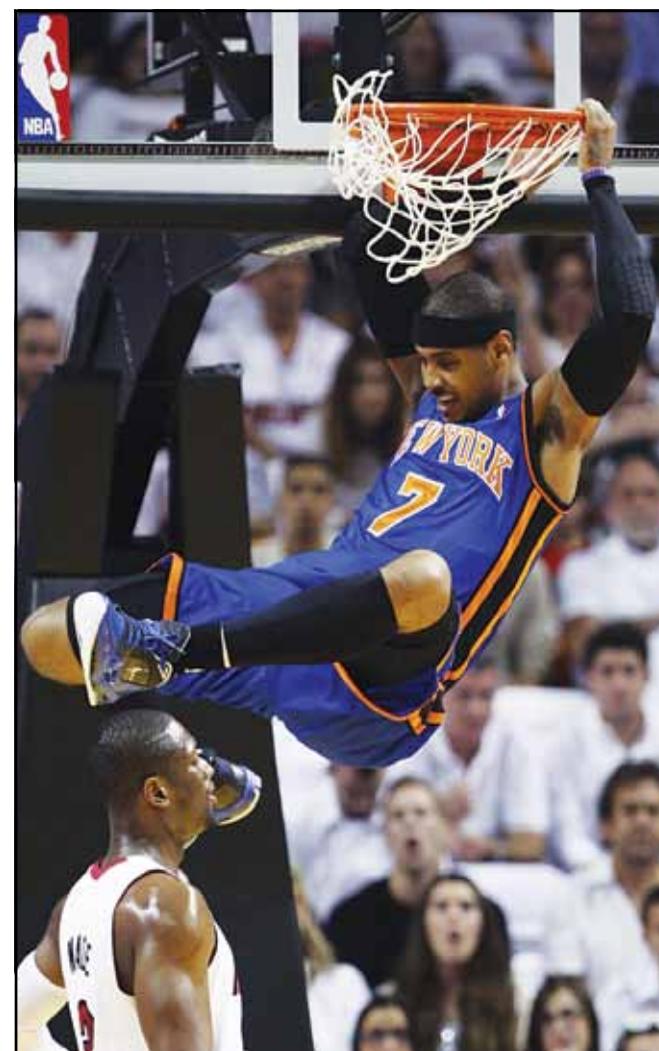
As stated before, the only clear cut advantage the Knicks had in the lineup was center. Tyson Chandler was a game time decision for game one, and even said he was not 100% heading into game two. That took away the only clear cut advantage the Knicks had heading into the series for at least the first two games. In typical Knicks fashion, Amar'e Stoudemire has to do one of the most idiotic things I have ever heard anybody doing after game two. Apparently, Amar'e thought nothing would happen after punching glass, or that he could beat glass. Of course

Amar'e Stoudemire lost that battle. The player the Knicks wanted to compliment Melo, is hobbled.

The forgotten piece for the Knicks is Iman Shumpert who tore his ACL in game one. He is a very versatile defender, and is probably the Knicks best perimeter defender. He was the starting SG for the Knicks in the final month of the season.

Now, Melo was the only healthy starter for the whole series. I do not care what team you are. If you only have one healthy starter for a series, you are not winning much in the playoffs. Do not blame Melo for Amar'e Stoudemire's contract.

Are these injuries that have piled up for the Knicks Melo's fault? Are the Knicks a better team than the Heat? If you said no to these questions, can you really blame Melo for another first round exit?



Baseball Sweep the Streets with Lions

By: Chad Beattie

BOCA RATON, Fla. - Lynn University's baseball team mounted a pair of comeback victories over Saint Leo on Saturday afternoon, taking game one of the doubleheader 4-2 before rallying to win the second contest 3-2 in the regular season finale. Austin Smith went 4-for-8 and contributed to three of the four runs in the opening game while Mike Diorio and Cory Elasiik scored the pivotal runs in game two, to help the Fighting Knights complete the sweep. Lynn improves to 34-13 overall and 16-6 in the Sunshine State Conference.

The Blue & White set a new school record for SSC wins in a season and will finish a program-best second in the league, behind Tampa who was 18-6 in conference play. Lynn's previous top-finish was third in 2003 when it boasted a 13-8 SSC mark while its previous best win total was 14 done in 2005 and 2009.

Looking to complete the sweep over Saint Leo (22-23, 5-16 SSC), the Fighting Knights had an uphill battle in game two as they trailed 2-1 in the top of the eighth inning after Chris Newcomb

smacked a solo home run. Diorio started the rally by legging out a bunt single down the third base line. Boza followed with a base hit but was called out when Elasiik's ground ball up the middle was tossed behind the head of the shortstop to second base for the force.

With the count 1-1 on Jason Matusik and two outs, head coach Rudy Garbalosa went with a gutsy double-steal call. Saint Leo threw down to second in hopes of catching Elasiik and Diorio took off for home, sliding under the tag to tie the game. Two pitches later, shortstop Nick Gill threw a ball into the ground at first and Elasiik scored from second to win the game.

Anthony Santa gave the Lions a 1-0 lead in the first but his team was stymied the rest of the way by Jerad Harvey, who tossed five innings, scattering six hits with a walk and four strikeouts. Austin Bailey came on in relief in the eighth, pitching 2/3 of an inning to pick up his team-leading seventh win of the season.

Lynn sent the game into extra innings after finally getting to starter Aaron Brandt in the sixth. Joey

Sharkey led off the frame with a double and his pinch runner, Kamm Washington, scored a few batters later on a bases loaded sacrifice fly by Elasiik.

Smith was the star of the opener, leading off the first with a base hit and later scoring on a sacrifice fly from Elasiik. Saint Leo answered with a home run by Santa in the second but Boza responded with his 18th double of the year to drive in his SSC-leading 50th RBI in the third.

Ryan Gibbard turned in yet another quality start, tossing six innings and surrendering two runs while fanning five batters. He left in the seventh for Jason Whalen and the senior righty tossed two scoreless innings of relief.

Smith broke a 2-2 tie in the seventh with his third home run of the season. The senior center fielder turned on a 1-2 fastball, sending it into the trees in left center for a game-winning two-run home run.

Andre Colon picked up his seventh save of the year when he struck Newcomb with runners on first and second. He is now tied for second in the SSC in saves.

Atlantic Defeats West Boca Raton to Advance to Regional Finals

In their first playoff appearance in 10 seasons, the Atlantic High School Eagles are making up for lost time. Led by its balanced lineup, the Eagles defeated West Boca Raton High School 6-4 in the region 4-7A baseball semifinal on May 8 at Miller Park in Delray Beach. Atlantic (21-7) will face either Coconut Creek Monarch High School or Davie Nova High School in the regional final.

"Everyone in this lineup contributes. We all can come up in clutch situations," first baseman Rigo Beltran said. "That is the best asset about this team."

Beltran led the Eagles by going 3-for-4 with an RBI. Jesse Kieffer followed by going 2-for-4 with two RBIs. Brad Myott went 2-for-4 with two RBIs.

West Boca Raton (16-12) took advantage of an Eagles error to get on the scoreboard in the first inning. Atlantic starting pitcher Sam Bergida hit two of the first three batters he faced. A throwing error by Bobby Bourque pulled the first baseman off the bag to

load the bases with no outs. Thomas Stallone, who went 2-for-3, lined a double into the left center field gap to give the Bulls a 2-0 lead.

"We were rushing things a little bit. When you play a team like West Boca, it is so difficult to slow the game down," Atlantic coach Steve Wilson said. "I [told] them to let the game come to us."

Atlantic countered with three consecutive hits by Kieffer (infield single), Beltran (Double), and Myott (Single) in the bottom of the first inning to tie the game. In the bottom of the second inning, the bottom of the lineup set the table for the Eagles to take the lead.

Consecutive singles by Joey Ohannesian, Chris Brown and Bourque loaded the bases with one out when a tough hop on a ground ball hit by Kieffer ate up shortstop Ian Tfirm, which allowed two runs to cross the plate to give Atlantic a 4-2 lead.

On the mound, Matt Warren for the Bulls battled throughout the game. He pitched 5 1/3 innings,



giving up six runs and recorded three strikeouts. Defensively, West Boca Raton let down their pitcher. "He gave everything that he had," Bulls coach Nick Siano said of Warren. "Unfortunately we had some errors behind him."

The 2012 season for West Boca Raton would not produce another state championship after they won the championship in Class 5A in 2011. "It's really hard to defend a state championship, especially in 7A baseball in South Florida," Siano said. "There are so many good teams. This ballclub had too many ups-and-downs to sustain a good roll for us." The season marked the sixth consecutive season the Bulls have made the state playoffs.

Men's Tennis Punches Ticket to NCAA Championships

By Lance Thomas

BOCA RATON, Fla.— In the third meeting of the season between No. 3 Lynn University and No. 4 Barry University, Lynn's men's tennis team rallied from behind without the help of one of its top singles players to defeat Barry 5-2 and advance to the NCAA Championships for the first time in three years.

Despite falling behind 2-1 after doubles, Lynn (20-3) answered with incredible play throughout its singles lineup.

The Blue & White posted an early lead and the first point of the overall match with an 8-5 win at the top doubles flight. Lynn's No. 3 team of

Willi Wolfer and Vlad Cirila dropped Barry's No. 9 duo of Marco Mokrzycki and Leo Vivas. The LU combo moves to 13-1 on the year.

Down 4-1 in the set, Max Kouyate and Amaury Van Haelen, at number two doubles against the Bucs' Fabian Groetsch and Daniel Schmidt rallied and tied things up at 4-4.

The match saw a tie again at 6-6 then 7-7 before the Barry team broke the Fighting Knights and totaled a 9-7 win at the second doubles flight to tie the overall match.

The Italian combo of Luca Pavanelli and Alessio Iannozzi found themselves in a close,

back-and-forth, contest at number three doubles versus Romain Costamagna and Ollie Lamaitre. The Lynn tandem amassed a 6-5 advantage with service to Iannozzi. Barry's team broke Iannozzi and then held to collect a 7-6 tilt. Serving to continue the match, Pavanelli could not hold with number three doubles suffering an 8-6 loss and the Buccaneers taking a 2-1 advantage in the overall match.

After the completion of number three doubles, Pavanelli received a conduct penalty and was pulled from the singles lineup; forcing Lynn's four through seven singles players to play one position

higher in the singles lineup.

Playing at one of the highest positions of his career, Ben Kendall, at number three singles jumped out with a dominant 6-1, 6-2 win over Costamagna to tie the overall match at 2-2.

With two losses already this season to No. 5 Mokrzycki, No. 13 Wolfer rolled to a 6-1 first set win but then fell behind Mokrzycki in set two 4-3. Wolfer broke the dominate serve of Mokrzycki then grabbed a 5-4 tilt. Holding serve, Wolfer closed out his opponent with a 6-1, 7-5 victory and gave the Fighting Knights the 3-2 advantage in the overall match.

In the fifth singles flight, Van Halen cruised to a 6-3, 6-2 win over Vivas and put LU within one point of an overall match victory.

Cirila at number two singles, Iannozzi and number four singles and Kouyate at the sixth singles flight represented the last matches remaining on the courts.

Both Iannozzi and Kouyate suffered first set losses but then came back with a 6-4 win in set two for Iannozzi and a 6-1 second-set win for Kouyate.

At the second singles flight, No. 18 Cirila faced No. 19 Groetsch. Groetsch took a 4-3 advantage in set one before

Cirila rallied with a 7-5 first-set win.

Cirila, pulled out to a 5-3 advantage in the second set with Groetsch serving. Groetsch held serve then broke Cirila to tie the set at 5-5. Cirila could not break his opponent and fell behind 6-5 but gained the next point on serve to send the match to a tiebreaker.

With the thoughts of last season's ousting by Barry at these very courts in the 2011 NCAA Regional Tournament in mind, Cirila collected a 7-4 tiebreak win to punch the Fighting Knights' ticket to Louisville, Ky, and the NCAA Championships.

FAU names Kellie Lewis-Jay Head Women's Basketball Coach

BOCA RATON, FL - Florida Atlantic University has named Kellie Lewis-Jay as its women's basketball head coach, announced Melissa Dawson, FAU's interim director of athletics. Lewis-Jay, who has signed a five-year contract, is the fourth head coach in the young program's 28-year existence.

"We are excited to welcome Kellie Lewis-Jay into the FAU family," Dawson said. "Coach Jay has achieved success at every level as a player, club and high school head coach, and most importantly, as an assistant at the collegiate level. It was important for us to find a coach that would be passionate about developing our student-athletes as individuals, students and athletes. We have found that in Kellie."

Lewis-Jay has vast playing, coaching and NCAA Tournament experience across three major conferences and comes to FAU as an accomplished student, athlete, coach and mentor. She spent the last five seasons at Nebraska, where she coordinated the Cornhuskers' recruiting efforts resulting in a top-25 recruiting class in 2011. Lewis-Jay also assisted with on-court coaching responsibilities, including opponent scouting, and was responsible for developing Nebraska's guard play.

"Today marks a new beginning for the FAU women's basketball team, and I am happy that Kellie Lewis-Jay will be at the helm as the leader," said FAU President

Mary Jane Saunders. "I look forward to what lies ahead for FAU women's basketball, as well as the excitement she will bring for the team and its fans."

In her five seasons in Lincoln, Lewis-Jay helped the Huskers to four postseason tournament appearances, including three trips to the NCAA Tournament and the program's first Sweet Sixteen. In 2009-10, the Huskers recorded the best season in school history with a 32-2 record, a perfect 16-0 conference mark, and the school's first Big 12 regular-season crown.

"I would like to thank FAU President Mary Jane Saunders and Melissa Dawson for the opportunity presented to me," said Lewis-Jay, FAU's newly hired head women's basketball coach. "I look forward to building a foundation of success starting with the young women currently representing our program. I also would like to thank the University of Nebraska and Connie Yori for an amazing five years and June Daugherty, at the University of Washington, for giving me a great opportunity. Florida Atlantic University has a bright future, I am honored to represent this program and lead it to a championship level."

Prior to joining Connie Yori's staff at Nebraska in 2007, Lewis-Jay spent four seasons as an assistant coach at the University of Washington where she helped guide the Huskies to back-

to-back NCAA Tournament appearances in 2006 and 2007. Lewis-Jay's duties at Washington included opponent scouting, coordinating the Husky defense, recruiting, on-floor coaching and serving as the team's academic coordinator. She was also instrumental in signing one of the nation's top recruiting classes for the 2007-08 season, as Washington's six-player class was ranked eighth nationally by Blue Star Basketball.

A native of Auburn, California, Lewis-Jay was a standout player at Placer High School and went on to have a successful collegiate career at Boise State University. She was a four-year letter winner and two-time team captain for the Broncos and earned All-Big West Conference honors and team MVP honors in 1997 and 1998. During her senior campaign, Lewis-Jay earned Big West Conference

All-Tournament honors. Her name still appears among many single-season and career top-10 lists in Boise State women's basketball history. Along with achieving excellence on the court, Lewis-Jay performed well in the classroom. She was a 1997 and 1998 recipient of the National Arthur Ashe Scholar Athlete Award and a four-time academic all-conference pick.

Lewis-Jay earned her bachelor's degree in social science/public affairs with an emphasis in sociology and psychology from Boise State

in 1998 and began her coaching career at the high school and club levels before breaking into the collegiate ranks in 2003.

"The FAU women's basketball team is about to embark on an exciting new chapter of its 28-year history," said Robert J. Stilley, chair of FAU's Board of Trustees. "FAU's Board of Trustees welcomes Kellie Lewis-Jay to the FAU family."

Lewis-Jay and her husband Chris Jay have a daughter, Kobie, who is 8.

FAU athletics will host a press conference and meet and greet with the new coach on Monday, May 7 at 4 p.m. in the Tom Oxley Center Founders' Lounge, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton campus. All media members and fans are welcome.

Lewis-Jay's Coaching Resumé

Assistant Coach, Nebraska (2007-2012)

Assistant Coach, Washington (2003-07)

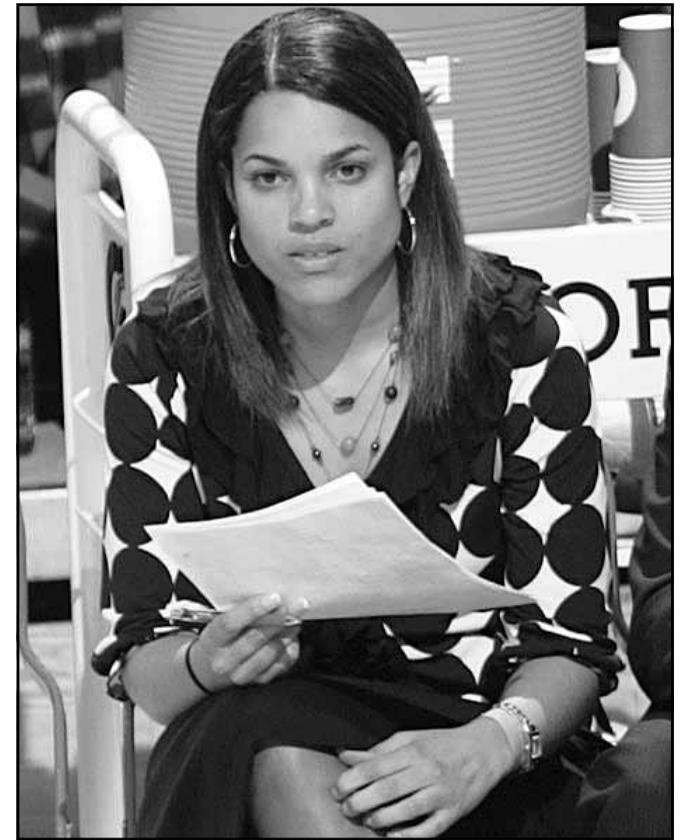
Head Coach/Co-Founder, Idaho Elite (1999-2003)

Head Coach, Bishop Kelly High School (1998-2003)

What They're Saying About Lewis-Jay

Quote from Connie Yori - University of Nebraska

"Everybody here at Nebraska is excited that Kellie is becoming a head coach. Kellie has done a tremendous job in building our program. She is a tireless worker and she is dedicated to excellence in everything in the coaching profession."



On Basketball: "She is a tremendous teacher of the game. She has a brilliant basketball mind. Her character is unmatched. Florida Atlantic is getting an outstanding coach and person of character."

Quote from June Daugherty - Head Coach Washington State University

"Kellie is an outstanding individual and a wonderful person. She is a mother and that is a big part of her life. Kellie knows the game inside and out. She played point guard for me at Boise State. Kellie then went on to be on my staff at the University of Washington. She has been

associated with good programs and consistent winners."

"Kellie has really solidified her recruiting not just regionally, but nationally. She even has done a good job recruiting internationally, as well. Kellie is a diamond in the rough in the coaching profession."

Quote from Karl Smesko - Head Coach at Florida Gulf Coast University

"I feel Kellie is one of the best recruiters in the country. She has a very strong basketball background and IQ. She is very eager to be a Division I basketball head coach and I expect her to have great success at Florida Atlantic."

West Boca Youth Baseball to Present "Pink Ball" Event for Mother's Day

BOCA RATON - Boca Raton Regional Hospital will be hitting a home-run as West Boca Youth Baseball League holds its Third Annual Pink Ball event Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the South County Regional Park baseball fields in West Boca Raton.

"This year's event is in honor of Mother's Day," said Michelle Stallone, mammography technologist at the Women's Health & Wellness Institute, league participant, event founder and organizer. "Major League Baseball players wear pink on Mother's day and

that is how I originally came up with the idea. We plan to do the same with 600 kids by raising money for breast cancer."

Proceeds from the event will benefit the Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute at Boca Raton Regional Hospital for

women in need of a mammogram or breast ultrasound but lack health insurance. Players will don pink T-shirts and wristbands, as well as using pink bats and softballs, to show support of breast cancer awareness.

Two teams from the Women's Institute will

be playing. The event is being dedicated to Maria Valasquez, MD, radiologist at Boca Regional, who is a breast cancer survivor.

The Boca Raton Regional Hospital Kathryn Krickstein Pressel MammoVan will be at the Pink Ball event providing mammograms from 10

am to 2 pm. Other event highlights include the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office pink patrol car, a DJ, bake sales and raffles with prizes.

"Last year the event raised over \$20,000," said Michelle. "We're hoping to exceed those proceeds this year."



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