One of the many musical numbers from *Me and My Girl*

**Crowd Pleasing Show Staged At Broadway Palm**

by Di Saggau

*Me and My Girl* is a popular British stage musical, first performed in 1937 in London. Since that time, there have been numerous revivals of this happy show. I saw one on Broadway many years ago, starring the remarkable Tommy Tune. I thoroughly enjoyed it then and am happy to report that I can say the same about the production at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre.

Set in late 1930s England, it tells the tale of a snobby family (the Harefords) who find out that the long lost heir to their estate’s family fortune is Bill Snibson, a Cockney, happy-go-lucky kind of bloke from Lambeth. But there is a catch. In order to inherit the fortune, he must convince the snooty, aristocratic executors that he can become a proper gentleman. He must also give up his sweetheart Sally Smith, something Bill is determined not to do.

Vince Wingerter plays Bill with a disarming grin, footloose and fancy-free, whether he’s melting like the Wicked Witch of the West, or prowling around in a bear rug. He wins over the audience with his vigorous comic performance, pleasant voice and excellent comic timing.

He’s a wisecracking, practical joker, whose idea of a good time is pickpocketing the watch of Sir John Tremayne. Of course, the highlight of the show is the wildly contagious *Lambeth Walk*. It gives a rousing finish to the first act.

**Jennifer Weingarten and Vince Wingerter**

Professor to learn how to become a lord’s lady. It’s quite a transformation. Weingarten has a strong voice that is crystal clear in two solo songs, *Once You Lose Your Heart and Take It On The Chin*.

The Hareford clan is a group of insufferable aristocrats who want to cling to their snobbish ways. Regina Harbour is Maria, Duchess of Dene, with the right spin of pure British royalty noblesse oblige. Elizabeth Flanagan is the stunning, man-hunting vamp Lady Jacquie and Paul Glodfelter is Sir John Tremayne, an elegant, henpecked bumbler who loves the duchess in his own way. John Keating is the Honorable Gerald Bolingbroke, Jacquie’s fiancé, an upperclass English twit who is allergic to work. Paul Crane makes a perfect English butler who is never out of character, and Jeff Duncan is the barrister who steals the scene with his hysterical dance in *The Family Solicitor*.

A great comic presentation during *Song of Hareford* has each of the dancers/singers dressed in hilarious costumes as ancestors of the Earl of Hareford. Of course, the highlight of the show is the wild Lambeth Walk. It gives a rousing finish to the first act.

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Fort Myers and Lee County owe much to the pioneer teachers who endured the inconvenience – to put it mildly – of commuting to far-flung schools and teaching in buildings that were often Spartan at best. Inadequate facilities, lack of supplies, inclement weather, and underprepared students – none of it stopped teachers like Nell Gould who persevered and helped build the modern school system pupils experience today.

Gould started her teaching career at age 18. Arriving in Fort Myers in 1910 from Clay, West Virginia, she was first assigned to the one-room, seven-pupil schoolhouse at Punta Rassa that sat perched on stilts over the water at the mouth of the Caloosahatchee River.

In those days, there were no official emergency plans or experts to take over when storms blew in. She and her students survived the 1910 hurricane by seeking refuge aboard the steamer Mildred.

Gould further proved her worth as a kind of roaming teacher, taking posts at various schools scattered throughout largely unsettled Southwest Florida. Getting to schools in places like Chokoloskee and Captiva wasn’t easy in the days before good roads or a railway system.

When she rallied students at the Captiva schoolhouse and saved the building from burning, the school board raised her salary to $50 per month.

She assumed her last teaching post at Edgewood School in 1918. That school had opened in fast-growing East Fort Myers in 1911 in a wood-frame building with 50 students. It was understandable that she would want to be in the Edgewood area, for it was where her sister, Bertha Gould Hendry, and many of her Hendry relatives lived.

In the photo taken in 1920 or 1921, she is pictured with her first grade class. Oh, for the freedom of going barefoot to school. Notice that all but one of the front row students are shoeless. Also note the similar pixie-like haircut shared by the girls.

Students include, in the back row, from left, Margaret Marsh, ? Barwick, ? Cook, Allie Soloman, Lloyd Sheets, and Clayton Sumner; in the middle row, unidentified, Frank Hendry, George Lambert, two unidentified, ? Cook; and two unidentified; and in the front, ? Kenrow, Walter Thomas, ? Newell, ? Hankey, unidentified, Barbara Foster and Greetice Hendry.
Corning Museum Roadshow Added To Edison Ford Director’s Tour

Whitehall Estate

The public is invited to join Edison & Ford Winter Estates President and CEO Chris Pendleton and curatorial staff for a director’s tour to Palm Beach on January 21.

Palm Beach has been a winter tour destination since Henry Flagler brought the railroad there a century ago. Participants will tour the Flagler Museum and Whitehall Estate, which has recently expanded to include the Henry Flagler railroad car and new gallery areas. After lunch, the tour will move to the historic Society of the Four Arts Estate, which has recently expanded to include the Henry Flagler railroad car and new gallery areas. After lunch, the tour will move to the historic Society of the Four Arts Gardens, the adjacent Hulitar Sculpture Gardens, and the Norton Museum of Art to view the Corning Museum of Glass Roadshow. The Corning Roadshow is of interest to the Edison Ford as the Edison Botanic Research Laboratory has an important historical collection of early Corning Glass as part of its collection.

The Corning Museum Roadshow is the world’s premiere mobile glass blowing unit, a mobile “hotshop” at the Norton Museum of Art. The Norton Museum is internationally known for its permanent collection of American, Chinese, contemporary and European art, and photography.

The cost of the tour is $85 for Edison Ford volunteers, $90 for members, $95 for non-members and includes a charter bus ride, admission, lunch, taxes, gratuities, snacks and refreshments. To make reservations call 334-7419. Reservations are limited.

The Edison Ford is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information visit the website at www.edisonford-winterestates.org.

Drum Circle At Centennial Park

A weekly Drum Circle is flourishing in Fort Myers. It occurs every Sunday from 6 to 9 p.m. under the pavilion at Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Come enjoy an evening of dancing and drumming. If not at the large pavilion, look for us by the small one by the Friends fountain. There will be drummers, dancers, poi spinners and those who just enjoy the rhythm experience. Feel free to bring snacks, drinks (non-alcoholic), chairs and any percussion instrument (there are always extra drums available to play).

For more information about this and future meets, visit www.fortmyersdrumcircle.com.

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Republican Women To Host Harrington, Hart

Sharon Harrington, Lee County Elections Supervisor, and Larry Hart, Assistant Tax Collector, will be the speakers at the Tuesday, January 17 luncheon meeting of the Fort Myers Republican Women’s Club. They will discuss the responsibilities of their office and let the attendees know how those responsibilities affect Lee County citizens.

In addition, representatives of both the Mitt Romney and Newt Gingrich campaigns will speak briefly on behalf of their candidates. 2012 officers for the club are Galie Anthony, president, Nancy Eppe, first vice president, Claudia Silverman, second vice president, Tina Laurie, treasurer, Paulette McGuire, assistant treasurer, Diane Kinser, recording secretary and Claudia Zambor, corresponding secretary. Marilyn Stout serves as the immediate past president.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the program being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch, business meeting and program follow. Students will read their essays prior to recognition gifts being presented to them.

Cost to attend the luncheon is $16. Reservations are required by Thursday, January 12 and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie at 489-4701.

Nominations Sought For Citizen Of The Year

If you know of someone who is an exemplary civic-minded citizen, you can nominate that friend or neighbor for the 2011 Paulette Burton Citizen of the Year Award.

The Lee County Board of County Commissioners is looking for the kind of persons who get involved in the community and work diligently for causes in which they believe. The award strives to recognize a citizen who has provided outstanding civic contributions to Lee County government.

The selection criteria includes a positive attitude, knowledge of the objectives and activities of Lee County government, a demonstrated interest in community/county government partnerships and promotion of harmony between the community and county government. The board of county commissioners will select the winner. Nomination forms are available at Lee County libraries and recreation centers. Citizens can also complete and submit a form on the Lee County government website (www.lee-county.com and click on Paulette Burton Nomination Form under “Featured Content”). The nominations are due by Friday, January 20 at 4 p.m.

Cape Coral Cup Mini Golf Tournament

The second annual Cape Coral Cup Miniature Golf Tournament to benefit the United Way through the Combined Federal Campaign will be held on Sunday, February 12 at Mike Greenwell’s Bat-A-Ball Family Fun Park, 35 NE Pine Island Road in Cape Coral. Rounds of miniature golf will be played every two hours starting at 10 a.m.

Who will win the prestigious green jacket and green putter?

Trophies will be awarded in two categories: Family or Adult Team. The top adult golfer will be awarded the green jacket and top child golfer will be awarded the green putter.

Doors prizes will include a trip for two on the Key West Express, a free round of golf for two at Coral Oaks and more.

The adult registration fee of $10 includes a round of golf and trophies. A $5 registration fee for ages 5 to 10 applies, while children under 5 are free. The registration fee will be collected at the event (registration is tax-deductible; receipts will be provided).
Quilters Of Love Give To Babies Through United Way Day Of Caring

The “crafty” ladies at the Lee County Tax Collectors Office have once again delivered handmade infant and children’s blankets just as temperatures begin to fall in Lee County. According to organizer Judy Roach, “The women started crocheting and knitting squares in August and by December, 22 blankets and afghans had been assembled. This year, we donated them to Healthy Start Coalition of Southwest Florida. May each one be able to keep a baby or a small child warm this winter season and for many seasons to come.”

The United Way’s Days of Caring is a year-round program, coordinated by the United Way Volunteer Center which matches businesses’ desire to help with the needs of the community.

“They women put a great deal of time and love into making these wonderful blankets for the children in our local community,” said Cliff Smith, president of United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades.

Healthy Start Coalition of Southwest Florida, a United Way partner agency, works to reduce the number of infant deaths; reduce the number of premature or low birth weight babies, and improve health and developmental outcomes for young children up to age 3.

“We are so grateful to the United Way for their support and for the donation of the hand-crafted, beautiful baby blankets. These will be a great blessing to the families in our Healthy Start programs that do not have enough money for baby supplies,” said Cathy Tinituta, executive director of Healthy Start Coalition. “We are very appreciative of the volunteers who poured their hearts into this project. On behalf of the babies who will be born during the winter season because the generosity of these ladies, we say, ‘thank you.’”

The United Way Volunteer Center connects individuals and companies to volunteer opportunities throughout our community. You can reach The United Way Volunteer Center by calling 433-2000 ext. 260. Also available is United Way 211, a 24-hour non-emergency helpline. By simply dialing 2-1-1, Lee, Hendry, and Glades residents can reach a caring, trained specialist who will match their needs with local human services.

LCSO Safety And Security Tips: Jamaican Lottery

Scammers pretending to be with the “Jamaican lottery” have been busy preying on the elderly in Southwest Florida over the last several months, taking advantage of vulnerable seniors who believe they have hit the jackpot. To avoid the risk of being added to a list of easy targets circulated among a network of thieves, the Lee County Sheriff’s Office is warning anyone who receives a phone call from smooth talking predators to simply hang up.

The so-called Jamaican lottery is just one in a long line of either phone-related or Internet scams that prey on the compulsive impulses of the victim, the victim’s loneliness and/or their mental capacity. The scheme entices people to wire money in order to win enormous jackpots – or be rewarded for facilitating an account transfer for an overseas magnate who, in reality, doesn’t exist.

Once a victim makes a payment, the scammer will begin to request more and more money, which in turn becomes a vicious cycle that often times will result in the loss of the victim’s life savings. When the victim finally runs out of money, or realizes they’ve been scammed, the scammers may threaten the victim’s life, threaten to tell the victim’s family what they have done or bully the victim with relentless phone calls and harassment.

The Sheriff’s Office encourages you to keep in mind the following tips to ensure you do not become a victim of the “Jamaican lottery”:

- If you did not enter a lottery, you will not win one
- Participating in foreign lotteries while in the U.S. is illegal
- It is illegal for any agency to require that a prize winner pay anything in order to be compensated
- Never wire or transfer money to someone that you do not know
- Unless you are expecting a call from someone in Jamaica, do not accept or return a call with a phone number beginning with 876, which is the local area code for that country.

This scam and others like it are taking a large toll on our seniors not only financially, but emotionally and physically as well. These brazen con artists are raking in millions and millions of dollars from our neighbors, friends and family members.

If you have been a victim of the “Jamaican lottery” scam or want information on how to protect a loved one who is being victimized, contact the Lee County Sheriff’s Office Fraud Line at 477-1242.

The Lee County Sheriff’s Office Community Relations Section proudly brings you this month’s Safety and Security Tip and reminds everyone to share this information with your co-workers, family, friends and neighbors. You never know when the information you share could help someone.

Should you like more information about this topic, or have any safety or security related questions, or would like to arrange a speaker to attend your meeting, call the LCSO Community Relations section at 477-1400.

To learn more about the Crime Prevention topics offered by the Lee County Sheriff’s Office, visit our www.sherifflee.org.

County Installs Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

The Lee County Board of County Commissioners, as part of its sustainability initiative, announced the installation of three electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in the downtown Fort Myers area to assist owners of electric vehicles who are visiting, conducting business or reporting for jury duty.

Each of the following locations has one EV charging station:

- Public parking lot on Hendry Street
- Public parking lot on Heitman Street
- Juror parking lot on Widman Way

To help drivers identify EV parking spaces, each space is outlined in green paint and posted with a “Reserved For Electric Vehicle Only” sign. The EV spaces are monitored to ensure their availability for electric vehicle use.

All the charging stations are on the ChargePoint Network, which is a monitoring and fee collection service. Users of the charging stations must be subscribers of the ChargePoint Network and use their own ChargePoint-issued ChargePass card to operate the stations. Information about ChargePoint can be found online at www.chargepoint.net.

In addition, Lee County has designated an EV space equipped with an electrical outlet for employees in the employee parking garage on Monroe Street and has the capability to increase the number of these spaces if the need arises.
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Love Fest 4 Pets

Cape Coral Resort & Veterinary is teaming up Animal Refuge Center and the City of Cape Coral to present what will certainly be Southwest Florida’s premiere pet adoption event.

Finding forever homes for the less fortunate pets in the area became the driving force in creating the first annual Love Fest 4 Pets, which will be held at the Sun Splash Fair Grounds in Cape Coral on Saturday, February 11.

When Pet Coral Resort & Vet opened their doors in October 2011, one of their first priorities was to make a difference in the community by helping local shelters, rescue organizations and adoption agencies promote better awareness as to the benefits of pet adoption and rescue. As a result, Pet Coral Resort & Veterinary formed an alliance with Animal Refuge Center to provide the best and most current information regarding pet adoptions, as well as creating various events throughout the year to give the public lots of opportunities to visit some of these furry little friends that truly need a forever home. All proceeds to benefit Animal Refuge Center and Pet Coral will provide free and discounted services to all adoptions on the event day and through ARC.

Features of Love Fest 4 Pets include animal adoptions/rescues, 50/50 raffles, free parking, canine agility and obedience demonstrations, vendor specials, Florida wiener dog derby exhibition, ultimate air dogs dock diving, police K-9 demonstrations, music food and refreshments.

Admission is a $2 donation, or a $5 donation for the entire family. Leashed pets are welcome to come, too.

Vendors Sought For Pet Expo

Grace Community Center will host a Pet Expo on Saturday, February 25 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Vendors are needed for this first annual event, with booths starting at $45. Proceeds will benefit the Grace Community Center and its pet ministries including Feed The Pack and PAWS.

“We are thrilled to offer this type of event to our community,” said Carol Musselman, event chair. “We are seeking pet vendors of all types to ensure we provide great value to our guests.”

If you are interested in being a vendor, contact Musselman by phone at 574-7161 or e-mail musselman@egracechurch.com.

Grace Community Center is a hub for the community, providing a path so that its neighbors can live lives of freedom and dignity. This 56,000-square-foot facility and its ministries impact the Cape Coral/North Fort Myers area and the Route 41 corridor between Tampa and Naples. Teams feed the hungry, clothe the needy, heal the sick and educate the uneducated.

For more information on Grace Community Center, call 244-1818 or visit www.egracecenter.org.

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

Free admission passes can be picked up at Pet Coral Resort and Veterinary, located at 924 Del Prado Blvd. South in Cape Coral. Visit www.petcoral.com for more information.

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Modern School

In 1924, Edgewood got a modern brick school, and that was where the beloved teacher finished out her career after a total of 47 years, 39 of them at Edgewood.

She died in 1984 at age 92. Visit the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about the ever-growing school system. Be sure to see the exhibit on local Mid-Century Modernist architecture while you’re there.

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

Then follow-up with a trip to one of the area’s best research centers, the Southwest Florida Historical Society, where you can learn about the county’s intrepid teachers.

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

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

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Companies can fill a can with gifts to bless a child or adult survivor.

Cattle Cans Offer Fun Way To Help Fight Cancer

Cattle Cans – decorated and treasure-filled metal trash cans – are one of the highlights of the American Cancer Society’s annual Cattle Barons’ Ball. There are only five empty cans left for this year’s event on Saturday, January 21, and the event committee is asking a few local businesses to start 2012 off right by sponsoring the last few cans.

A business can buy a can for $200, then rally employees to decorate it and fill it with items for a child or adult battling cancer. The cans, bearing the company’s name and logo, will be auctioned at the gala and then given to a survivor to enjoy the contents.

In past year, cans have been decorated as trucks, giant popcorn boxes, Hello Kitty and beach baskets and packed with games, toys and movies, fishing gear, or pampering spa products – even hotel and spa gift certificates.

The sponsoring companies have a lot of fun picking a theme and packing the cans with related items, said Beth Hayes with the American Cancer Society.

“Not only are they a wonderful gift to people with cancer, but many of the recipients keep the cans, so the sponsorship has a lot of longevity,” Hayes said.

“The cattle cans are one of the most popular features at the Cattle Barons’ Ball.”

The gala will feature a Wild West-themed night of gaming, silent and live auctions, gourmet “gnub” from Ruth’s Chris Steakhouse, and dancing to the great country sounds of One Night Rodeo.

Now in its ninth year, the Cattle Barons’ Ball has raised more than $3 million for research and services to survivors and their families. A portion of the proceeds is dedicated specifically for R.O.C.K. (Reaching Out to Cancer Kids) programs. Specialists in Urology is the 2012 Presenting Sponsor for the second year in a row.

More information about the Cattle Barons’ Ball and the American Cancer Society is available by e-mailing beth.hayes@cancer.org or by calling 936-1113 ext. 3909.

Spilman Makes Dean’s List

Cazenovia College recently released names of students honored for academic achievement during the fall semester of 2011. Among the students on Cazenovia College’s Dean’s List is Alexandra Spilman of Fort Myers, a freshman working toward a bachelor of professional studies degree in management specializing in fashion merchandising.

Cazenovia College, founded in 1824, is an independent, co-educational, baccalaureate college near Syracuse, N.Y., offering a comprehensive liberal arts education in an exceptional community environment, with academic and co-curricular programs devoted to developing leaders in their professional fields.

Albion To Study Overseas

Lake Forest College student Jacob Albion, Class of 2013, of Fort Myers, is spending the spring semester studying off-campus in Greece with the Lake Forest Greece Program.

To study the cultures of ancient and contemporary Greece, students begin this traveling, on-site, interdisciplinary humanities study program on campus and then explore major archaeological sites and modern cities in Greece.

Albion is a graduate of The Canterbury School in Fort Myers.
Sanibel's Island Cow: Corona and crayons are a great combination

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ichael Bratta and Brenda Biddle invite you to wine, dine and relax in their newly renovated dining room at Bratta's Piano Bar & Ristorante. The former Biddle's Restaurant and Piano Bar features seafood, steaks and pasta with live music nightly. Bratta's brings gourmet sensibility to a well-chosen array of dazzling dishes.

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At dinner time, dine under the stars while you listen to live music on one of Sanibel's only al fresco eating porches. Dinner service closes is when the music ends. For large parties or when you're in a hurry, feel free to call ahead for reservations.

Stop in at the bar anytime for a snack or take away orders.

Island Cow is located at 2163 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. Call 472-0606 or go to sanbelislandcow.com.

Nervous Nellie’s in Fort Myers Beach serves great food, good drinks and island jams every day at its waterfront eatery. Just upstairs from Nellie’s is Ugly’s Waterside Bar, the place where everyone gets prettier. Enjoy happy hour all day, every day at Ugly’s.

On Friday, January 13, Vytas Vibe performs 1 to 5 p.m.; Saturday, is No Way José 1 to 5 p.m. followed by Island Time 6 to 10 p.m. and Pasadena Blues Band plays upstairs at Ugly’s from 6 to 10 p.m.; Sunday, No Way José 1 to 9 p.m. followed by High Tide 6 to 10 p.m. and Just Jeff plays upstairs from 6 to 10 p.m.; Monday, Vytas Vibe 1 to 5 p.m. followed by Left of Center 6 to 10 p.m.; Tuesday, Just Jeff 1 to 5 p.m. followed by Harrold Antoinne 6 to 10 p.m. and Michael Pick plays upstairs 6 to 10 p.m.; Wednesday, Vytas Vibe 1 to 5 p.m. followed by High Tide 6 to 10 p.m. and Island Time plays upstairs 6 to 10 p.m.; and Thursday, Lori Star Duo 1 to 5 p.m. followed by Harrold Antoinne 6 to 10 p.m. and The Oysters play upstairs 6 to 10 p.m.

Nervous Nellie’s Crazy Waterfront Eatery is located at 1151 First Street, Fort Myers Beach in the historic Baywalk district. Parking for your car or boat is free for patrons. The GPS coordinates for Nellie’s Snub Harbour Marina are 26°27’23.41" N • 81°57’15.18" W. Call 463-8077 or go to nervousnellies.net

Starting at 5 p.m. on Thursday the 12th, The Edison Restaurant & Bar is premiering its 1.75 pound Maine lobster dinner while supplies last. The sweet, succulent shellfish is served with cole slaw and fries for $14.95. Pair it with an ice-cold Edison Light beer for an additional $3.25. Happy hour is daily from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Edison Restaurant & Bar is open seven days a week for lunch, dinner and cocktails. It is located at 3583 McGregor Boulevard overlooking the historic Fort Myers Country Club. Call 936-9348 or go to www.edisonfl.com.

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

Don’t have time to drive to Sanibel or Bokeelia for a Lazy fix? Stop by the Fort Myers location in the Bridge Plaza near the College Boulevard intersection. Happy hour is served daily from 3 to 5 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. to midnight.

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

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NEW LIFE CHURCH, 3265 San Carlos Boulevard, Fort Myers, 438-1285.

Sunday services: 9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. Traditional.

Senior Pastor: Walter Still, Senior Pastor.

ST. COLUMBKILLE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1217 Iona Road, Fort Myers.

Father Joseph Clifford: 8 a.m.

Weekly masses: 8:45 & 10:30 a.m. of 10 a.m. Weekend masses: Saturday 3 and 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7, 9, 11, and 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation is available at the church on Saturdays at noon and by appointment.

SAINT JOHN THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH, 3049 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 433-0018.

Parish office: 778-2301.

Sunday services: 8 and 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship; 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship.

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FORT MYERS MORMON CHURCH, 16940 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 454-3336.

Robert G. Kasten, Pastor.

Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m. Nursery available.

8 a.m. Early Grace Traditional.

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages.

Senior Pastor: Walter Still.

Chabad Lubavitch of SW Florida Orthodox Synagogue.

8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship; 8 & 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship; 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship.

Wednesday services: 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Mid-Week Service.

Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

ST. MICHAEL LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL (LCMS), 3595 Broadway, Fort Myers, 239-939-4711.

Sunday services: 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m. Sunday School.

For more information visit: www.fumcftmyers.org.

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Sunday: 10 a.m. Traditional Worship.

7 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study.

Monthly Teen Events.

see website for podcasts, special events, ministries, calendar, blogs, etc.

NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER, New Home Church, 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, Fort Myers, 239-656-0416.

Weekly Friday Meeting Meet & Greet: 6:30 p.m.

Worship: Saturday, 5:30 p.m., 3595 Broadway, Fort Myers.

CHAD LUBAVITCH OF SW FLORIDA ORTHODOX SYNAGOGUE, 3533 Winkler Rd, Fort Myers, 433-7708.

Rabbi Zvi Chaim Kowalsky.

200 W. First Street, River District.

www.chabad.com/florida.

Ph. text: 220-8519.

website: messiahreformed.com

6:30 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study.

Monday School Lunch

Worship Gathering - Sunday 10 a.m.

Pastor: Rabbi Jeremy Barras

E-mail: rabbi.barras@templebethel.com

Cantorial soloist: Lawrence Dermer

Temple educator: Dale Cohen.

EMAIL: rabbi.barras@templebethel.com

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and Pine Ridge Roads, behind Zoomers.

The New Church of SWFL is located at 10811 Sunset Plaza Circle, by Summerlin and Pine Ridge roads, behind Zoomers and the ponds.

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Spiritual Recovery, Wednesdays 10 a.m.
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Fridays 6:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship Services, 11 a.m.
Call for information 481-5535.
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Ford Winter Estates 334-4978
Senior Minister: Douglas Kelchner
Traditional Worship Sunday’s 10:15 a.m.
Website: www.edisonchurch.org
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CHURCH FORT MYERS
13411 Shire Lane (off Daniels Parkway
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The Shell Point Speaker Series brings top-notch speakers
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A Story of the Resilience of the Human Spirit
JOEL SONNENBERG
Monday, January 16, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
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car, Joel was burned beyond recognition. He has learned to
accept his circumstances and excel beyond all expectations.
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grasp if you walk forward with true faith and courage.

New lower ticket price: $60 Series/$25 Single

Surviving the World Trade Center Collapse
RICHARD PICCIOTTO
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11, 2001. Trapped in the smoldering rubble of the north
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account provides a firefighter’s view of the 9/11 World Trade
Center catastrophe and emergency response.

The Miracle on the Hudson
DAVE SANDERSON
Tuesday, March 6, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.
Returning home from a routine business trip on January 15,
2009, Dave Sanderson survived The Miracle on the Hudson.
After a bird struck flight 1549, there was no choice for the
crew but to ditch the plane in the Hudson River. Sitting on
the plane, in what many would consider to be the wrong
place at the wrong time, Dave knew he was exactly where
he was supposed to be. Thinking only of helping others in
the crisis, Dave became the last person off the plane that
day, and was responsible for ensuring others got off safely.

Visit www.shellpoint.org/concerts
to get tickets or call (239) 454-2067 for information.

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Tradition And Youth In Concert

Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church on Fort Myers Beach will hold a concert on Sunday, January 22 at 2 p.m. featuring Joyce Waltman (dulcimer and fiddle), several young pianists, and Selena Masters (soprano). The concert is open to the public with a free will offering.

Waltman actively teaches and performs in the area with her dulcimer and fiddle. She performs for the Florida State Fair, the Harry Chapin Food Bank, Mrs. Edison sings events, and civic and church groups. Waltman enjoys writing her own arrangements and will be sharing groups. Waltman enjoys writing her own arrangements and will be sharing groups. Waltman enjoys writing her own arrangements and will be sharing groups. Waltman enjoys writing her own arrangements and will be sharing groups.

Several young pianists from Michael Melnikov’s studio will also be playing. Selena Masters will perform with her vocal teacher Helen Niedung as accompanist. Selena is a high school senior who has won vocal competitions at the local, state, and national levels. In 2010, she attended the Walnut Hill School for Performing Arts Summer Opera Program (near Boston), which included a week of intensive training in the art of vocal and opera performance and culminated in a one-week trip to Italy. In 2011, Selena was part of the Naples Bach Ensemble for a performance tour to Prague and Berlin.

Joyce Waltman

Recently, she won the Senior Concerto Competition for Voice from the Florida State Music Teachers Association. Her dream is to continue to improve on her existing talents and to pursue her dream of becoming an opera singer.

Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church is at Chapel Street and Estero Boulevard. For more information call 463-3173.

Selena Masters

Prom Fashion Show At CCYC

Looking for a dress for prom, quinceanera or other special event? Prom is just around the corner.

“I DO” Bridals and Tuxedos will present the Once Upon A Prom Fashion Show on Sunday, January 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. at Cape Coral Yacht Club, located at 5819 Driftwood Plwy., in Cape Coral. More than 150 dresses will be on display and for sale from various fashion lines. Models will display the latest tuxedos and dresses for prom season.

Vendors will be on hand to take care of all your prom day needs, plus there will be great giveaways.

Admission to the Once Upon A Prom Fashion Show is $2 per person.

Call 574-0806 for more details or information about how to become a vendor at the show.

Florida Friendly Landscaping Series

Florida Friendly Landscaping Series, celebrating FYN’s 10th anniversary in Lee County, will be held every Wednesday through March 7 starting at 9 a.m. at the Eco Living Center at Rutenberg Park, 6490 South Pointe Blvd. in Fort Myers. Cost is $7 per household per session.

“Watering Efficiently,” which covers watering the right way in the dry season, will be taught on January 18. The class will be followed by a 10:30 a.m. walking tour in the demonstration garden.

Other upcoming classes include:
• “Attract Wildlife, What, Where, How and Why” on January 25
• “Mulching Methods and Products Used in a Florida Yard” on February 1
• “Manage Yard Pests Responsibly” on February 8
• “Plants and Practices for Protecting the Waterfront” on February 15

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Community Lecture Series

Robert Cacioppo, producing artistic director at Florida Repertory Theatre, will lead the Wednesday Morning Live! Community Lecture at Covenant Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, January 18. The one-hour lecture, titled For Theater Lovers, begins at 10 a.m. preceded by coffee and snacks at 9:30. There is no charge to attend.

Covenant Presbyterian Church is at 2439 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Call 334-8937 for more information or go to info@covpcfm.com.

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Vietnam Wall

the 2012 Ryder Cup at Medinah Country Club in Medinah, Illinois.
• A two-bedroom condominium for four to seven days.

For further information, call Chuck Wininger at 994-6494 or e-mail hucklewin@yahoo.com.

Checks can be made payable to: Cajun Classic Foundation LLC, 14541 Legends Boulevard North #104, Fort Myers, FL 33912.

Hammond Stadium is on Six Mile Cypress Parkway in Fort Myers.

Protect Your Precious Cargo

The Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida Kohl’s Center for Safety Program will be providing free car seat safety inspections at two locations this month:
• Saturday, January 14 from 9 a.m. to noon at the LaBelle Fire Department, 270 S. Main Street, LaBelle.
• Saturday, January 28 from 9 a.m. to noon at Kohl’s 19600 Cochran Boulevard, Fort Charlotte.

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

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

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

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

It has already been a busy and exciting year for the staff at CROW. On January 1, they welcomed Heather Barron, DVM as clinic director. Dr. Heather brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the wildlife clinic. She has devoted her life and career to rehabilitating injured wildlife so that they can be released, whenever possible, back into their natural environment.

Dr. Heather was most recently department head of Veterinary Clinical Sciences and a professor of Exotic Animal Medicine at St. Matthew’s University, School of Veterinary Medicine in Grand Cayman. Additionally, she is one of less than 200 boarded specialists in avian medicine and is the immediate past-president of the Association of Avian Veterinarians. Fortunately for CROW, Dr. Heather needed little time to acclimate to her new home. She was performing examinations and operations within hours of her arrival.

On January 6, a baby Eastern cottontail was brought to CROW even though he exhibited no signs of injury. The three to four week old bunny was found alone and assumed to have been orphaned. No other history was available. It was quickly determined that the Eastern cottontail was perfectly healthy. Baby animals are frequently brought into CROW by well-meaning citizens after discovering what they believe to be an “abandoned” nest. In the case of wild rabbits, a mother rabbit spends most of the day away from her nest to avoid drawing the attention of predators. If a nest looks undisturbed and the mother is nowhere in sight, that is her plan. As skilled as the wildlife rehabilitators at CROW are, nothing can replace mom’s tender loving care.

As Dr. Heather cautioned, “If you happen upon an abandoned bunny, leave it alone. If you have already moved the rabbit, place it right back where you found it. Mom will come back once or twice a day to check on her babies.”

If you do find an injured wild animal, immediately contact CROW or one of the nine domestic veterinarian clinics it has partnered with in Lee County. CROW volunteers make daily pick-up excursions. While monetary donations are invaluable, it is the volunteers that have made CROW successful for more than four decades. They collectively donate thousands of hours each year performing necessary tasks that allow the doctors and medical interns (who often work more than 12 hours per day) to care for the thousands of sick, injured and orphaned patients that have been treated at CROW. If you are interested in grazing tortoises, feeding baby raccoons and exotic birds, go to their website or contact the volunteer coordinator for details.

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for native and migratory wildlife from the Gulf Coast of Florida. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mail donations to P.O. Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957, call 472-3644 or visit www.crowclinic.org.

Join CROW for a Smooth Jazz Cruise Party

February 12, 2012 5pm

For more information, visit www.crowclinic.org or phone 472-3644 ext. 227

Please thank our Case of the Week ad sponsor for supporting CROW:
Awesome Winter Redfish Action

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Checking back through my fishing logs of years past, I can not remember ever catching so many quality size redfish during the month of January as I caught last week.

In previous years most of our winter redfish have been on the small side even though they can often be in huge numbers when located.

Although there are plenty of these rat reds around this year too, there seem to be more many quality fish in the mix too. Anywhere from the passes to deeper mangrove shorelines, the redfish bite was wide open all week long. Even the coldest temperatures of this winter so far could not slow the bite down.

One of the many wide open redfish bites this week came, as expected, as the last big cold front went through. Not expecting much action two days after the front with morning low temperatures in the high 30s, I returned to the same places I had caught fish during the front passing and crossed my fingers. I was at least hoping sheepshead and trout would be feeding in the cold, stirred-up water.

Unbelievably to me, the redfish were still thick and feeding hard. A few up in the seven-pound range were the big ones of that trip with even a few snook in the mix too. With conditions that cold, I had very low expectations for this trip but came out smelling like a rose.

Fishing later in the week as temperatures struggled to recover, I boated a limit of redfish for my clients at the first stop of the trip, so I decided to head up to Redfish Pass to see if I could get them on some sheepshead action along the wall. Same deal here: everyone was hooked up with redfish. In the pack of a dozen or so boats, just about someone on every boat was hooked up. Captiva Pass was the same way. This huge amount of redfish we are currently experiencing is an awesome thing with 30-plus redfish being the normal catch all week long. If this keeps going it’s going to be a great winter on the water.

Personally, I am not very tolerant of bitter cold out on the water but with the water temperature getting away with wearing shorts, in a sheltered spot, you might only until we get under way. It generally takes but a few minutes for them to feel the chill and start to wrap up.

Once out on an open boat and running 30 mph in mid-50 to 60-degree temperatures, it feels cold no matter where you are from. Once stopped in a sheltered spot, you might get away with wearing shorts, but with the water temperature in the low 60s the air temperature is going to be close to that and you can add in a wind chill factor. Some days are just bitterly cold out on the water this time of year. If you’re taking a charter, take my advice: it’s better to bring too many clothes than not enough.

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

Send Us Your Fish Tales

The River Weekly would like to hear from anglers about their catches.

Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification.

Drop them at the River Weekly, 1609 Hendry Street, Suite 15, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, or email to press@riverweekly.com.
The public is invited to Edison National Bank to visit an award-winning display of nature photography. The photos will be available for viewing throughout January during banking hours at the 13000 S. Cleveland Avenue office in Fort Myers. All students participating in the contest will receive a $1 U.S. Mint Native American gold coin from Edison National Bank when they visit the lobby photo display.

As a Reddish Egret sponsor for the 2011 “Ding” Darling Days, Edison National Bank provided awards and underwrote expenses for a Cypress Lake Middle School digital photography contest, as well as providing overall support to this annual event.

The students’ photographs, taken at the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel, were judged by local nature photographer Don Parsons. “It was very difficult to judge the photographs as I was amazed at the composition,” said Schultz. “Thirty students participated in the photography field trip and they all found so many different things.”

The awards ceremony for the photo contest took place on December 15 at Cypress Lake Middle School. Edison National Bank Vice President John Ammons presented award medals and $75, $50 and $25 gift certificates so the top three photog-

Elizabeth Flanagan and Vince Wingerter perform

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Me And My Girl

The show is filled with dance numbers that include tap, even tap on a table top. There is a warm-hearted exuberance emitted from the cast throughout the show. Ann Nieman is both director and choreographer for the show.

The many costumes are a treat to the eye, ranging from formal ball gowns to beach and leisure wear and the huge red investiture cloak with a “vermin” collar, which Wingerter uses in a tour de force of remarkable, pantomime inventiveness.

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Landscaping Series Returns

- “Fertilizing Your Lawn or Landscape Correctly” on February 22
- “Composting in the Backyard or in a Worm Box” on February 29 (Cost is $7 per household or $35 with a complete worm bin kit)
- “Stormwater Runoff with a Rain Barrel or Cistern” on March 7 (Cost is $7 per household or $45 with a rain barrel kit)

For more information about the Florida Friendly Landscaping Series, contact Claudia Silveira at 533-7514 or cpiotrowicz@leegov.com.

Join Everglades Volunteer Team

Everglades National Park will host a volunteer event to maintain viewing areas around Paurotis Pond in the Flamingo District on Saturday, January 14. In commemoration of the Martin Luther King Jr. weekend, fulfill a dream and join the volunteer team in celebrating this special weekend by helping to preserve one of America’s special places.

Volunteers will clip back native vegetation along the shoreline, pull cattails and remove invasive plant species such as the Brazilian pepper. Since vegetation in the Everglades grows constantly throughout the year, the viewing areas are somewhat overgrown and need to be trimmed back. Paurotis Pond provides excellent opportunities for bird watching during the winter season.

Volunteers will meet at 8 a.m. in the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center parking lot. We will leave at 8:15 a.m. to car-avan to Paurotis Pond, 24 miles away. Participants are required to wear long-sleeved shirts, sneakers and long pants to protect against exposure to sun, biting insects, poisonwood and poison ivy. Please bring a lunch, water bottle, hat and sunglasses. Participating volunteers will receive a free entry pass, enabling each volunteer to visit the Everglades for free again and share this unique National Park with their family and friends.

The address of the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center is 40001 SR 9336 in Homestead. Volunteers coming from the Miami area and northern destinations should take the Florida Turnpike (Route 821) south until it ends merging with U.S. 1 at Florida City. Turn right at the first traffic light onto Palm Drive (State Road 9336/SW 344th St.) and follow the signs to the park. The Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center will be on the right.

For more information, visit www.nps.gov.

rappers judged in the contest can open Edison National Bank savings accounts. The honors went to:
1st Place – Analiese Thomas-Laroque, 8th grade
2nd Place – Nicole Prancik, 8th grade
3rd Place – Leah Rittenburg, 8th grade
Student Choice Award – Molly Duggin, 8th grade

“It is truly an honor for Edison National Bank to sponsor this event,” said Ammons. “They all captured such beautiful images, I’m just grateful I wasn’t asked to judge. Our thanks are extended to 8th grade teacher Carolyn Gora for supervising the contest.”

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Sanibel’s Best HAPPY HOUR
4 - 7 p.m. Nightly in the lounge
1/2 Price Drinks
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Ospreyfest! To Benefit CROW

submitted by Claudia Burns

Local ospreys will soon be sitting on eggs, so the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) is celebrating the beginning of the breeding season with Ospreyfest! on Sunday, January 15.

Ospreyfest! is sponsored by the Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, with Bailey’s General Store as wine sponsor, and will take place at Traditions on the Beach in Sanibel’s historic Island Inn on West Gulf Drive at 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 15.

Prior to a delicious three-course dinner, a silent auction will offer a number of osprey-related items, including an elegant carving of an osprey leather by Jim Sprankle on a slide donated by Congress Jewelers, a striking Luc Century vase with osprey and chicks delicately etched in half-inch thick crystal glass and assorted artwork depicting ospreys, plus a $500 gift certificate from Lily’s & Co. Jewelry Gallery.

The event features CROW’s popular Story of Ospreys, presented by Mark “Bird” Westall, founder of The International Osprey Foundation (TIOF), Claudia Burns, longtime CROW/TIOF volunteer, and Dave Horton, well-known Island cartoonist and illustrator of Look Who’s Flying, an educational coloring book about ospreys.

During dinner, a Jim Sprankle original carving of an osprey head, on a slide donated by Congress Jewelers, will be offered to the highest bidder. An oil painting of a young osprey, which Darryl Pottorf created especially for CROW, will be auctioned after dinner. This stunning artwork is valued at $22,000 and is currently on display at Bank of the Islands, along with other Ospreyfest! auction items. Following the auction, Burns will present The Story of Ospreys, punctuated with lifelike osprey calls performed by Bird Westall.

All proceeds from the event go towards the care and feeding of wildlife patients at CROW. Sponsorships are still available for $500 (Fledgling) and $1,000 (Fish Hawk). The Fledgling sponsorship admits two to the event; Fish Hawk includes tickets for four.

Admission to Ospreyfest! is $75 per person and limited to 175. For more information and to reserve your place, contact Debbie Friedlund, co-chair of the event, at 472-6667 or SanibelFL@hotmail.com.

‘Hollywood Canteen’ Gala

Tickets On Sale

Evoking the golden days of Hollywood, when the stars entertained the troops in clubs called canteens, the fourth annual 2012 USO-inspired “Hollywood Canteen” Gala takes guests back in time to the 1940s with this unique event supporting the Southwest Florida Museum of History.

On Saturday, January 28 at 6 p.m., the Southwest Florida Museum of History Foundation hosts its annual signature fundraising event. This year, the gala returns to historic Page Field at the new Paragon Flight School Hangar. Guests will be treated to an evening of food, dancing and entertainment in the tradition of USO hangar dances.

The Hollywood Canteen saw many stars, some who served in the military and others who simply “served” the troops, as it welcomed service men and women for some food and entertainment with music and lots of dancing. It was film star Bette Davis who, with a huge cadre of volunteers, created the canteen – or “club” – for service personnel during World War II.

In addition to a new theme, this USO-style dance and dinner features a new band – Sarasota Gold – and promises to be an event to remember complete with live music, a delicious dinner, World War II memorabilia, vintage aircraft, auctions

15th Annual Tropical Cooking Extravaganza With Loretta Paganini

This year, chef Loretta Paganini will host and celebrate her Annual Tropical Cooking Extravaganza at Sanibel’s newest fine-dining establishment, Il Cielo, located at 1224 Periwinkle Way. The new home will be a comfortable fit for the world-renowned chef, as she was instrumental in the design and development of this exciting restaurant concept.

Il Cielo, which means “The Sky” in Italian, will open its doors on January 16, and will deliver a definitive gourmet experience in an elegant European setting. Chef Loretta has created an authentic Italian restaurant and menu that showcases the area’s abundance of fresh, local products. Open for dinner and cocktails, the Il Cielo experience will also include live music.

“I’m thrilled to be part of this exciting new restaurant,” said Paganini. “Sanibel will soon be home to a beautiful restaurant that reflects my traditional Italian culinary roots and high standards of hospitality, while keeping in mind the island’s culture, tastes and lifestyle.”

Paganini knows the Sanibel culture well, having hosted her Annual Tropical Cooking Extravaganza on the island since 1998, much to the delight of both year-round and seasonal residents. Like many, she has made the annual trip to Sanibel a highlight of her year.

“I love everything about Sanibel – the people, the beautiful island. I spend most mornings walking the beach to see all the incredible seashells that wash ashore,” she added before continuing to explain what makes her stays on the island a little bit different. “It is a common practice for Clevelanders to escape the sleet and mountains of snow for a nice week of sunshine in Florida – I just don’t think they all travel with their culinary tool kits.”

This year’s classes will be held Monday through Saturday, January 23 to 28. The three-hour classes are scheduled from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost for the classes is $525 for the six-class series or $95 per class. Those registered for the entire series will receive a complimentary apron.

Classes will include “Postcards from Rome” on Monday, January 23; “Italian Surf & Turf” on Tuesday, January 24; “Elegant and Easy Appetizers” on Wednesday, January 25; “An Italian Intermezzo” on Thursday, January 26; “An Italian Spring Fling” on Friday, January 27; and “A Sparkling Brunch” on Saturday, January 28.

For reservations, call the Loretta Paganini School of Cooking at 888-748-4063 or 440-729-1110.
Snowberry
by Gerri Reaves

Snowberry’s (*Chiococca alba*) fruit lends a wintery touch to the South Florida landscape.

Those clusters of berries that resemble little snowballs are a boon for migrating and native birds looking for a meal on a chilly day.

The common name derives not only from the shiny white color of the fruit, but from the fleshy interior that glistens like snow in the sunlight.

Also called milkberry, this relative of the gardenia grows to 10 feet or more. A native of hardwood hammocks, it has a multi-trunked sprawling structure and can even creep along the ground.

The oval evergreen leaves of two to four inches long contrast prettily with the bright white berries.

The five-petaled tubular flowers bloom year round, but mostly in summer. The panicles of six to eight fragrant flowers turn from white to creamy yellow with age.

The fruit appears chiefly in late summer to winter.

Snowberry has value beyond the ornamental. The fruit is a food source for the white-crowned pigeon and other wildlife, and the flowers a nectar source for Julia and other butterflies.

Snowberry prefers full sun and well-drained soil, but can be planted in partial shade. A tendency to scramble and climb made it useful as a buffer or trellis plant.

Pruning is likely to be the only maintenance required for this highly drought-tolerant and pest-resistant native.

Propagate it with seeds.


Plant Smart explores sustainable gardening practices that will help you create an environmentally responsible, low-maintenance Southwest Florida landscape.
As guest curator, Barbara Anderson Hill’s intent for the Theo Wujcik: A Ten Year Retrospective (2001-2011) exhibition was to expand on the 30 year Theo Wujcik retrospective (1970-2000) co-curated by James Rosenquist and Margaret Miller, which premiered at Florida’s Gulf Coast Museum of Art.

"Wujcik is masterful at combining appropriated images and patterns from our contemporary culture into a confluence of fragmented, complex works filled with symbolism, metaphor, humor and irony," said Hill. "Wujcik is led by his passionate curiosity to examine seemingly unrelated subject matter, ranging from interior décor to global warming to hero worship. Wujcik’s mental archive of loose associations converges with his technical precision to produce riffs of brilliantly painted canvases. Using visual clues, portraits are obscured by pixels or chain link fencing. Sensuous lines of a desk leg morph into dripping paint. Looming large are animated mythical heroes.

In a significant departure from his paintings, Wujcik, in 2011 began his Jade series of intimate works. Remnants from Asian and American culture – carved jade and wood, t-shirts and bottle caps – are incorporated into a discarded Japanese wood screen he found in a dumpster. Wujcik paints fulltime, continuing his lifelong investigation of popular culture, associating its idiosyncrasies and disconnects in remarkable and visually poetic ways.

In talking about his recent work, Wujcik noted, “The dominant motif focuses on a cross cultural, visual dialogue with prominent Chinese artists, which is ongoing. Noteworthy, due to the dramatic shift from painting, are the works in the Jade series which tie into my present American/Asian interests on another level. The jade and teak wood carvings and the bottle caps are all found objects, which I’ve combined in an ‘east meets west’ marriage of like circumstances. With a considerable inventory of these objects still in hand, exploring the inherent potential of these materials will continue in expansive ways.

Wujcik is a professor emeritus of University of South Florida, where he taught from 1972 to 2003. Wujcik’s works have been included in exhibitions and in the permanent collections of America’s premier art institutions such as New York’s Whitney Museum of American Art, Museum of Modern Art, Brooklyn Museum of Art, the Detroit Institute of Arts and Yale University Art Gallery.

Wujcik is the recipient of two National Endowment for the Arts Fellowships, a Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Award, University of South Florida Research and Creative Scholarship Grant, Florida Division of Cultural Affairs Individual Artist Fellowship, Edwin Austin Abbey Memorial Fund for Mural Painting and a Fellowship Award from the National Academy of Design.

Wujcik was a master lithographic printer for Tamarind and Gemini G.E.L. print studios, both in Los Angeles and the Detroit Lithography Workshop, and a shop manager for the University of South Florida’s Graphicstudio. He has worked with internationally renowned artists such as Robert Morris, James Rosenquist, Ed Ruscha, Richard Anuszkiewicz and Nicholas Krushenick.

Barbara Anderson Hill is a fine art consultant with more than 30 years of professional expertise as a curator, collection manager, writer and advisor for Florida’s art institutions.

Robert Rauschenberg Gallery hours are Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and 14 as well as January 20 and 21 at 7 p.m. Matinees will be staged on January 15 and 22 at 2 p.m.

Arsenic And Old Lace At Firehouse

Begin your new year at the Firehouse Community Theatre with everyone’s the favorite, Arsenic And Old Lace by Joseph Kesselring, playing January 13 and 14 as well as January 20 and 21 at 7 p.m. Matinees will be staged on January 15 and 22 at 2 p.m.

Arsenic And Old Lace, directed by long-time Theatre member Julie Wilkins, is a combination of humor and bizarre situations that centers on two elderly sisters who are famous in their Brooklyn neighborhood for their numerous acts of charity. Unfortunately, their charity includes poisoning lonely old men who come to their home looking for lodging. The two sisters are assisted in their crimes by their nephew who believes he is Teddy Roosevelt. The situation becomes more complex when a second nephew discovers the murders and a third nephew appears after having just escaped from a mental institution!
Arsenic And Old Lace

The cast includes Barb Brandenburg McDowell as Abby Brewster, Janice Groves as Martha Brewster, Mike Shough as Mortimer Brewster, Henry Avery as Teddy Brewster, Deb Kik as Dr. Einstein, Sonja Steadman as Elaine Harper, Dennis Rock as Officer O’Hara, Sam Medina as Officer Brophy, Troy Avery as Officer Klein, Robert Wilk as Rev. Harper, Raoul Battaler as Lt. Rooney, Wayne Wilkins as Mr. Witherspoon and Travis Dowhen as Mr. Gibbs.

Tickets are $12 in advance and $14 at the window. For advance ticket sales, call 863-675-3066 or e-mail info@firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

The Firehouse Community Theatre is located at 241 North Bridge Street in historic downtown LaBelle. For more information, visit www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

Arsenic And Old Lace is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York.

World Famous Musician To Perform

A little wine and music can go a long way - 1,500 miles to be exact.

On Friday, January 13 and Saturday, January 14, Paul Cullen of Bad Company fame is playing Fort Myers for the first time since 1992 as part of his Unplugged and Uncorked tour. He is performing both nights at the Twisted Vine Bistro.

Cullen is packing up two-thirds of his Unplugged and Uncorked brand – his guitar and his new private wine label, Sonata – and making the journey from his base in Lower Delaware to Fort Myers. He is sharing his white, rosé and red wines and his jazzy cool acoustic sounds with patrons at Twisted Vine Bistro.

Cullen, based in Slower Lower, Delaware, is a musician, wine and food expert, and entrepreneur. His company, Unplugged and Uncorked combines his background as a musician with his expertise in wine and food. Cullen’s 30 years of music experience includes a stint with the English rock band Bad Company in the 1990s and three solo records. His latest CD release is Eleven Sundays.

In 2011, Unplugged and Uncorked has been expanding throughout, and beyond the Mid-Atlantic region, landing in multiple retail establishments and restaurants in Maryland, DC, Delaware and California. His wine label, Sonata is California produced wine by a family run vineyard in the Sierra Foothills. Cullen also recently joined the editorial staff of Coastal Style magazine as food editor, providing him an opportunity to showcase the third prong of his company: Italian-inspired food, which he has been sharing through recipes and cooking videos via the online version of the publication.

For more information about Cullen’s Florida journey – amongst other Unplugged and Uncorked escapades – go to tuneyourpalate.wordpress.com.

Twisted Vine Bistro is located at 2214 Bay Street in the historic downtown Fort Myers River District. Call 226-1687.

email your editorial copy to: press@riverweekly.com
Walt Whitman On Stage At Theatre Conspiracy
by Di Saggau

Will Stutts is back on stage at Theatre Conspiracy, this time as famous American poet, Walt Whitman. Stutts has enthralled audiences with his earlier portrayals of Edgar Allan Poe and Frank Lloyd Wright at Theatre Conspiracy. In Walt Whitman: Liberal and Lusty as Nature, he totally captures the character of the famous poet with his long flowing grey hair, beard and mustache.

Whitman is among the most influential poets in the American canon, often called the father of free verse. Through Stutt's narrative and acting we learn about the man, not just the poet.

The play begins with Whitman in his older years at his home in Camden, New Jersey. His left arm hangs limply as his side, the result of one of his many strokes. It's early spring 1891 and Whitman is speaking to his unseen biographer, Horace Traubel. He talks about growing up in Long Island, about his strained relationship with his stern father, and his love for his mother.

Whitman grew up in Long Island. He recalls teaching 60 children in a one room schoolhouse. On a very hot day he took the kids to a nearby pond to fish. A disruptive boy was boxed in the ears by Whitman, which got him arrested. The jury deliberated for 10 minutes and then said, "We find he didn't hit him hard enough."

Whitman was exonerated. His career included journalism, working in field hospitals during the Civil War, with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Justice Department. He finally moved to Camden, New Jersey in 1873, paying $1,700 for his house, which he says was way too much. He remained there until his death on March 26, 1892.

Whitman tells Horace about a lecture he was to give in Montana, when an early season blizzard arrived. He assumed the lecture would be cancelled, but as he was luxuriating in his hotel room there was a knock on the door. Three little old ladies had traveled a long way to hear his poetry. He invited them in and they read poetry until midnight. They also drank every drop of his sherry. They made him an honorary member of the Missouri Valley, Montana Auxiliary League. He kept in touch with the ladies over the years and is now the only living member of the auxiliary.

He often refers to Washington City, as the Fort Myers River District. Tickets are in the Historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street, January 22 at Florida Repertory Theatre, in Fort Myers. For tickets or more information, visit www.theatreconspiracy.org or call 956-3239.

Parenting Skills Collide At Florida Rep Theatre
by Di Saggau

The Tony Award winning play God of Carnage is one of the most entertaining plays I've seen at Florida Rep. It's a dark adult comedy with some very strong language, and yet I haven't laughed this hard in a long time.

Director Dennis Lee Delaney has assembled a formidable cast. Carrie Lund and Craig Bockhorn are Veronica and Michael Novak. Chris Clavelli and Shelley Delaney are Alan and Annette Raleigh. Each of these actors has the ability to inhabit their characters perfectly. They are totally committed to the material and each has memorable moments.

Veronica is a writer of sorts, working on a book about the crisis in Darfur. Michael runs a plumbing hardware store. Alan is a lawyer representing a huge pharmaceutical company involved in a potentially dangerous drug that could lead to lawsuits. His cell phone rings constantly and he becomes increasingly manic with each call. Annette, works in "wealth management" and is barely able to control her loathing for her husband's cell phone addition.

The play is performed for 90 minutes without an intermission. It's a rollercoaster ride that has the audience glued to their seats as they watch the unraveling of four seemingly civil parents who are upset over an unfortunate playground incident involving their 11-year-old sons.

One kid has hit the other in the mouth, damaging two teeth. As the play opens, Veronica – it's her son who was attacked – is reading a statement about the incident that she hopes both couples can agree upon. She also feels it's important for the two kids to meet and work out their differences.

As the evening unravels, alliances are formed and dissolved in the blink of an eye. At first it's couple against couple, then it's women against the men and men against the women. Before all is said and done, there are confrontations from all angles. Tulips flown in from Holland end up flying through the air. Everyone behaves badly.

One situation that comes up from time to time involves Michael's casual confession about throwing his daughter's pet hamster out in the street. He hates rodents. Annette, after thinking about this scenario, screams at him "When you saw that hamster sitting there paralyzed, why didn't you pick it up?" Annette has a delicate digestive system that literally explodes at one point all over Veronica's priceless art books.

The play by Yasmina Reza and Christopher Hampton has dialogue that grabs you by the collar and goes for laughs big time as the couples become increasingly hostile and eventually embittered. They speak truths that most people only think about. It's Veronica who has the last word during a very dramatic ending.

The set by Robert F. Wolin is definitive up to Florida Rep standards. It's an upscale living room with African masks and lots of books. The chairs and ottomans are leopard print. The walls have large holes and mirrors that seem to go nowhere. To me, it represents the volatility of the characters in the play.

God of Carnage is a smartly acted show, funny, very entertaining and one I highly recommend. It plays through January 22 at Florida Repertory Theatre, in the Historic Arcade Theatre on Bay Street, between Jackson and Hendry in the Fort Myers River District. Tickets are available online at www.floridarep.org, at the box office or by calling 332-4488.
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Ceramic Work At Commissioner Hall’s Office

Bunny McBride

Lee County Commissioner Tammy Hall is supporting local artists by giving them an opportunity to display their artwork in her Fort Myers office.

This month, ceramic artist Bunny McBride will display his work in the District 4 Office located at the Old County Courthouse in downtown Fort Myers. The display includes several utilitarian, functional and one-of-a-kind ceramic pieces. The work will be on display until February 10. The public is welcome to stop by and view the work and learn more about the artist. Call 533-2226 to confirm office hours for viewing the artwork.

“Art is an important part of the cultural and development of our community,” said Hall. “I believe that government can play an important role in public awareness, developing the use of public spaces for display and interaction of art, and for the encouragement and commitment of continued financial support both public and private of all the arts.”

Other local artists will be featured every six weeks at Hall’s office, located on the first floor of the Old County Courthouse, 2120 Main Street in downtown Fort Myers.

Ringling College Glass Exhibition

Ringling College of Art and Design is pleased to present the third exhibition of exceptional glass from the collection of Richard and Barbara Basch. American Studio Glass: Fifty Years of Extraordinary Achievement is on view in the Richard and Barbara Basch Gallery of the Academic Center through March 24.

This exhibition of more than 30 works will focus on some of the major figures in the American Studio Glass movement and their work over the past 50 years. Some of the important artists included in the exhibition are Oben Abright, Martin Blank, Sonja Blomdahl, Jose Chardiet, Dale Chihuly, Keke Cribbs, Dan Dailey, Laura Donefer, Michael Glancy, Baldwin Guggisberg, Richard Jolley, Shayna Lieb, Richard Marquis, Robert Mickelsen, Benjamin Moore, William Morris, Donna Perkin, Stephen Powell, Richard Royal, Paul Stankard, Chris Tarpley, Leah Wingfield and Toots Zynsky.

The exhibition will allow the visitor to see a wide range of studio glass assembled by Richard and Barbara Basch.

Southwest Florida Symphony Society Announces Photography Contest

The Southwest Florida Symphony Society is looking for images that best represent the downtown Fort Myers River District with City Lights – A Photography Contest. The deadline for digital entries is Monday, January 23.

“We are inviting the public to use their creativity highlighting our beautiful River District,” said Pamela Templeton, honorary chair for the Symphony Society’s event, Girls Night Out.

The contest is open to everyone, with a limit of three entries per participant. Entries will be judged on overall impact, creativity, composition and keeping with the contest theme. There is no entry fee.

Finalists will be selected by a panel of judges and the selected photos will be on display at the 2012 Symphony Designer Showcase at High Point Place, located at 2090 West First Street, from February 3 to 12. Cash prizes will be awarded on February 7 for first, second and third place. A “Pamela’s Choice” and “People’s Choice” award will also be announced. Judges include local cartoonist Doug MacGregor, gallery owners Terry Tinker and Paul Rodino, and the “Downtown Diva” Stephanie Davis.

Go to www.myriverdistrict.com and click on City Lights for contest rules and the online submission form, or visit the Alliance for the Arts website at www.artinlee.org. All entries must be submitted online.

The contest is held in conjunction with The Designer Showcase, a 10-day fundraiser at High Point Place in the River District. Admission is $15. Evening events are also planned including Girls’ Night Out on February 7 and Mad Martini Nite After 5 on February 9. Admission to the evening events is $35. All proceeds benefit the Southwest Florida Symphony.

For more information on these events, go to www.swflso.org and click on the Symphony Society tab.

Hidden History Of Everglades City Book Signing

Naples author Maureen Sullivan-Hartung

Attention, history buffs. On Saturday, January 21, the Friends of the Fort Myers Library are hosting a book signing at the Fort Myers-Lee County Public Library from 10 am. to noon.

Naples author Maureen Sullivan-Hartung is sharing stories from Hidden History of Everglades City and Points continued on page 23
**Asiago Pepper Shrimp**

24 large shrimp, peeled and deveined
8 ounces Asiago cheese
1 tablespoon chopped jalapeno pepper
12 slices bacon

Wash the shrimp and pat them dry. Butterfly shrimp by cutting lengthwise along the back – don’t cut all the way through, leaving the tail section intact. Grate the cheese and mix with jalapeno pepper. Cut each piece of bacon in half. Fill the open section of each shrimp with about 1 teaspoon cheese mix. Wrap each shrimp with a piece of bacon, and secure with a wooden pick. Place shrimp on a broiler pan and broil until bacon is crisp. Turn the shrimp and broil until bacon is done.

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Copies of the book are available for purchase following the author’s presentation. The program is free, however, space is limited. Reservations are recommended by calling 533-4600.

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A New Stadium, New All-Star Personnel, A New Manager And A New Name – The Miami Marlins

by Ed Frank

When the 2012 Major League baseball seasons starts in little more than two months, there will be an all new look to the renamed Miami Marlins, formerly the Florida Marlins, both physically and personnel wise.

In fact, you might want to drive across Alligator Alley to see a game in their brand new stadium, Marlins Ballpark, and a team that will be vastly improved from year’s past.

Set to open in April, the 37,000-seat air conditioned stadium with a retractable roof was designed with sightlines that will provide excellent views of the field from every seat. There is parking for 5,700 cars, aquariums behind home plate and a private seating area in left field with a swimming pool. Yes, you can watch the game from the pool, a bar or field-level seats.

In anticipation of added revenue from increased attendance generated by the new stadium, the Marlins have spent a staggering $191 million in the off-season to sign three All-Stars: shortstop Jose Reyes, closer Heath Bell and veteran starting pitcher Mark Buehler.

Then, to further bolster an already solid pitching corps, the Marlins traded for the volatile, often-suspended Carlos Zambrano from the Chicago Cubs. The Cubs are paying $15 million of the $18 million owed Zambrano this year, but had tired of the year-in and year-out antics of the pitcher.

In addition to the new stadium and new personnel, the Marlins also have a new manager, the fiery Ozzie Guillen, whose job it will be to keep Zambrano’s temper in check as well as the egos of his other players.

A fellow native of Venezuela, Zambrano is a close friend of Guillen who urged Marlins president of baseball operations, Larry Beinfest, to make the trade, giving up a promising young pitcher Chris Volstad, a former first round draft selection.

Not only will Guillen have the responsibility of keeping Zambrano in check, he also must calm a simmering situation involving his three-time All-Star Hanley Ramirez who must switch to third base with the acquisition of Reyes.

“Good players move,” Guillen said recently. “Bad players, they get released.”

With Ramirez and Reyes anchoring the left side of the infield, the Marlins have perhaps the best left side in baseball.

There is little doubt that the expensive revamping of the Marlins roster should make them strong contenders in the National League East. The Marlins have not reached post-season play since 2003 when they won their second World Series, defeating the New York Yankees in six games.

Just as a new ballpark enabled the Minnesota Twins to nearly double their payroll two years ago, the Marlins feel they can work the same magic via their new South Beach stadium.

Last year, the Marlins drew only 1.4 million fans, ranking 29th out of the 30 Major League teams. Their payroll of $56.9 million was 24th.

But this year will be different. The Marlins, with the often-entertaining Guillen at the helm, should be an exciting team to watch.

**Everblades Slip To Third With Double Loss To Gwinnett**

The Florida Everblades were defeated twice on the road last weekend by the first-place Gwinnett Gladiators, 4-3 and 6-2, dropping the local hockey team into third place, four points in back of Gwinnett in the ECHL North Division.

The Everblades began the week with an 18-14-3 season record. Despite their first year, Chicago comes here with an above .500 record of 16-13-5, and in second place in the ECHL North Division.

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FPU will be held locally:
- Cypress Lake United Methodist Church, located at 8570 Cypress Lake Drive in Fort Myers. The classes will begin Sunday, January 22 at 10:45 a.m. Contact Carol Herdic at 482-1250 for more information or to register.
- Daybreak Fellowship Church, located at 4513 Orange Grove Blvd. in North Fort Myers. The classes will begin Monday, January 23 at 7 p.m. Contact Anastasia Frangalis at 573-9009 for more information or to register.

Dave Ramsey knows first-hand what it is like to be broke and hopeless. Because of his experiences, he decided to help other people change the way they handle their money and began teaching FPU in 1994.

“Because of the lessons we learned in FPU, we have been able to pay off $36,000 in just 17 months!” said Christine Cohn, a former FPU participant. “Debt had caused us to stop dreaming because we couldn’t look into the future without feeling stressed. Now we have a plan for our money and working together for our future.”

After each lesson there is a small group discussion that provides accountability and encouragement. Topics include saving for emergencies, budgeting, relationships and money, and getting out of debt.

“FPU is a fun and easy to understand program. Whether you are deeply in debt or financially secure, FPU will help you gain a new perspective on how to handle your money,” commented Ramsey. “These lessons are especially essential right now as people are trying to regain control of their finances.

The current economy has people feeling more hopeless than ever when it comes to their money. In an effort to help turn the economy around, Ramsey has begun The Great Recovery that challenges individuals to take personal responsibility for their finances and leaders to educate others about finances through programs such as FPU.

Each class participant needs a kit that includes a lifetime family membership to FPU, an FPU workbook, an FPU envelope system, 13 audio lessons, bonus CD, budgeting forms, debit card holders and Ramsey’s best-selling book, Financial Peace. Kits can be purchased online at www.daveramsey.com or by calling 888-227-3223.

Alliance Offers Technology Classes

The Alliance for the Arts is offering classes and workshops for people who may have received new high tech toys and tools this holiday season. Maybe you’ve got with a new fancy phone or tablet but don’t know how to begin to harness its artistic potential.

Instructor Gerard Damiano is offering a wide variety of courses on using Mac products, such as The Art of the i-Pad, i-Tunes Crash Course and a Mac Power Users Workshop.

There are also classes on using digital SLRs for photographers of all levels, as well as on using Adobe Photoshop.

Find out more or download the complete Winter Catalog at Artinlee.org, stop by the Alliance to pick one up, or call 939-2787 to request a copy by mail.

Registration for all classes is now open and pre-registration is required. Alliance members receive discounts on all classes and workshops.

The Alliance campus and galleries are open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.

SBRN Hosts Best Ways To Protect Your Intellectual Property At Panel

The Southwest Florida Small Business Resource Network (SBRN) hosts a networking and roundtable panel discussion on the best ways to protect your intellectual property from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 19 at the Lee County Economic Development Office, 2201 Second Street in Fort Myers. SBRN, a statewide organization, is sponsored locally by Florida Gulf Coast University’s Small Business Development Center.

Presenters are Edward M. Livingston and Bryan L. Loeffler, U.S. registered patent attorneys and SBRN members. They practice patent law and other areas of intellectual property law, including trademarks/service marks, trade dress, trade secrets, copyrights, franchising and litigation. Livingston is also board certified by the Florida Bar in intellectual property law.

Both Livingston and Loeffler will provide a general overview of intellectual property law, and discuss issues to protect small business owners and their clients.

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Q. Can my association allow owners to have pets but not renters?
A. Yes. If the recorded covenants expressly prohibit renters from keeping pets this provision is enforceable and legal. This type of rule would not be enforceable if it is just a rule adopted by the Board of Directors without approval of the owners and recorded in the public record. So, the first questions to determine enforceability of such a rule are, “How was the rule adopted, and by who?”

Q. Can an association force my renter to pay the rent to the association if I am behind in my assessment payments?
A. Yes. In both condominiums and homeowner associations the law allows an association to claim the rent money from a tenant under these circumstances. If the tenant fails to pay, the association can evict him or her. Also, if the tenant does pay the rent as demanded, the owner/landlord cannot evict the tenant.

Q. Can I get my question answered in this column?
A. Yes, send your question to inquiry@condoandhoaalawgroup.com and I will try to answer it in the next column.

This information is general and is not intended as specific legal advice applicable to your association. DeBoest recently co-authored a chapter in Florida Condominium and Community Association Law published by The Florida Bar and he regularly speaks and writes on community association law topics. He can be contacted at inquiry@condoandhoaalawgroup.com.

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Space Still Available For Myers, Brettholtz & Co. Nonprofit Workshop

Myers, Brettholtz & Company, PA, Certified Public Accountants & Business Consultants, will hold a nonprofit workshop on Tuesday, January 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Since 2001, Myers, Brettholtz & Company, PA has sponsored seminars focused on the needs of nonprofits in the areas of human resources, fundraising, accounting practices and finance.

Emily Furlong of Rollins College Philanthropy & Nonprofit Leadership Center will facilitate this seminar, “How Risk Management, Planning and Fundraising Can Build a Strong Nonprofit.” Special guest speaker Scott Gregory, CIC CRM, vice president, business insurance agent with BB&T-Oswald Tripp & Company, will address risk management through insurance.

The presentation will include information on how risk management, planning and fundraising can build a strong nonprofit.

“We are very excited to once again bring a Florida-based resource to our program,” said Lori Wilson, shareholder with Myers, Brettholtz & Company, PA. “Rollins College has a diverse program for nonprofits in their Philanthropy & Nonprofit Leadership Center, and Emily is always a popular presenter.”

“United Way is pleased to once again partner with Myers, Brettholtz and the Southwest Florida Community Foundation,” said Cliff Smith, president of United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades. “Nonprofits can benefit greatly from a facilitated workshop where they can evaluate their effectiveness and plan for the future. This is an easy, affordable way to create change that results in real progress.”

The seminar will be held at United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades at 7273 Concourse Drive in Fort Myers and is coordinated with the Southwest Florida Community Foundation. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served.

Space is limited. Registration is $25 per person and can be made by contacting Shamera Rye at 939-5775, e-mailing shamera.rye@mmbcpa.com or online at www.mmbcpa.com.

Algenol Biofuels Inc. Establishes New Scholarship Fund At FGCU

The Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation has received a $250,000 pledge from Algenol Biofuels Inc. to create the Algenol Biofuels Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Scholarship Fund.

Juniors and seniors at the university who are majoring in biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental engineering and mathematics are eligible for the scholarship.

“STEM education has long been a priority at FGCU – from our academic programs to sponsored outreach from our Whitaker Center for STEM Education,” said FGCU President Wilson G. Bradshaw. “This generous gift from Algenol Biofuels to create a scholarship allows the University to reaffirm its commitment to helping deserving students realize their dreams of earning degrees in the science and technological fields.”

FGCU graduated 264 students in STEM subjects in 2010-2011, up from 58 in 2006-2007.

“Algenol Biofuels is committed to developing our future scientists and engineers,” said Paul Woods, founder and Chief Executive Officer of Algenol Biofuels Inc. “As a premier industrial biotechnology company using enhanced algae to produce ethanol from carbon dioxide for under a $1 per gallon, we are a prime example of how advanced biology and innovative engineering can drive economic growth and job creation in our community. We have long benefited from a partnership with FGCU for our STEM needs, drawing upon current students as interns and hiring graduates for full-time positions. We are honored by this opportunity to further promote FGCU’s growing STEM initiative.”

“STEM education transforms the typical teacher-centered classroom through a curriculum that is driven by problem-solving, discovery, and exploratory learning. It requires students to actively engage in and analyze a situation to formulate and implement solutions.”

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Lawyer Publishes Does Every Divorce Need A Shark?

Attorney Keith Grossman announced the publication of his book, Does Every Divorce Need A Shark?, a comprehensive guide through divorce that emphasizes conflict resolution.

The book is available for purchase at the offices of Grossman Law & Conflict Management, 7270 College Parkway, Suite 1 in Fort Myers or can be downloaded as an eBook free from the firm’s website www.AttorneyGrossman.com. It will also soon be available for purchase on the Amazon Kindle.

“Our goal is always to help our clients preserve their family after the divorce,” Grossman said. “There are specific ideas and suggestions to foster peaceful resolution. Putting them in a book was a great way to make them easily available and helpful to anyone who is going through a divorce or considering divorce.”

Does Every Divorce Need A Shark?
Abuse Counseling And Treatment Launches Community Stalking Awareness Campaign For January

January is National Stalking Awareness Month, a time to focus on a crime that affects 3.4 million victims a year. This year’s theme – “Stalking: Know It. Name It. Stop It.” – challenges the nation to fight this dangerous crime by learning more about it.

Stalking is a crime in all 50 states and the state of Florida, yet many victims and criminal justice professionals underestimate its seriousness and impact. In one of five cases, stalkers use weapons to harm or threaten victims, and stalking is one of the significant risk factors for homicide of women in abusive relationships. Victims suffer anxiety, social dysfunction, and severe depression at much higher rates than the general population, and many lose time from work or have to move as a result of their victimization.

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Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. will offer a free training program to help promote awareness and public education about stalking during the annual observance. For more information, contact Colleen Henderson at 939-2553 or chenderson@actabuse.com.

For additional resources to help promote National Stalking Awareness Month, visit www.ovw.usdoj.gov.

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The sights, sounds, smells, touches and tastes that a doctor has to endure are not exactly a weekend in the spa (OK, perhaps some of the sights). The smells alone can be bad enough to cover all the senses when you can virtually taste them, see them, touch them and – on occasion – hear them. And sister, do they hum!

I surveyed a few doctors, asking which smells are the worst. Answers included: anaerobic abscesses, prostate checks, gingivitis, feet, hospital cafeteria, teenage socks, burnt skin, amniotic fluid, sebaceous cysts of Sealey, strep throat, vomit, trichomonas, stale urine, peri-rectal abscesses, etc.

Being grateful for small victories, I would like to see what I can do for mankind by attempting to reduce the evils associated with malodorous feet, the pulsating paws of putridness, the festering feet of fetor. Though this column is ostensibly to help you with your problem, it also helps us with your problem. Foot odor is caused from a flood of sweat... and then, tears.

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RL, Plantation, Florida

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1. Avoid polyester or nylon socks. Go with cotton or wool that will ventilate (and absorb) better, leaving you to sweat only small stuff.
2. Rotate your shoes every day and avoid boots. Those boots were made for rock your nostrils, and that’s just what they’ll do.
3. Wash your feet with an antibacterial soap or use a powder with menthol, tea tree, Charlie Sheen, etc.
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Local Events Planned For Slavery, Human Trafficking Prevention Month

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Flores is a survivor of human trafficking. While living in her affluent home in Michigan during the 1980’s, she was drugged and raped by an older classmate who then coerced her into the sex trade by threatening to show photos to her parents, principal, friends and priest. The abuse continued over 18 months until her family moved away.

Today, Flores is a licensed social worker who works with victims of sex trafficking and domestic violence and speaks around the country about the ever increasing threat to young American girls who are now the group most targeted by traffickers in the United States. Her story has been featured in her book, The Slave Across The Street, on MSNBC human trafficking specials and many other TV and radio shows and she has presented at national and international conferences.

Nola Theiss of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships of Sanibel said about Theresa, “I was privileged to co-present with Theresa at a conference in Alabama last year so when the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva wanted to sponsor events to build awareness of the crime, especially as it affects our own children, she immediately came to mind.”

Theresa will be speaking on Sanibel and in Fort Myers next week. The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships (HTAP), Edison State College and a number of student groups have worked together to organize a number of events.

On Thursday, January 19 at Edison State College, Building U in Room 102, Flores will tell her story and talk about her work as a social worker and advocate for domestic minor sex trafficking victims.

Local anti-human trafficking organizations will display information about Southwest Florida activities to prevent, prosecute and protect victims and build awareness at 6 p.m. and Ms. Flores will speak at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge although contributions to organize future events are accepted.

On Sanibel, Flores will also be speaking at the Women Studies class at BIG Arts at 10 a.m. in Shein Hall. Guests are invited for a $5 admission charge. There will be an opportunity to ask questions. In addition, Theiss will present information about local efforts.

The Eileen Fisher Store on Sanibel is hosting a benefit on January 18. Ten percent of all proceeds go to HTAP. A presentation by HTAP will be made at 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva will also host Flores at two Zonta events on January 17 and 18. If you would like to attend these Zonta events and for further information about all events, contact Nola Theiss at 395-2635 or e-mail info@humantraffickingawareness.org.

Product Recalls

Safe Kids Lee/Collier County wants to keep Southwest Florida families safe by providing new information to inform the public of the latest product recalls. These items include toys, clothing, furniture and other children’s products that have been determined by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to pose a risk of injury or death to the consumer.

The CPSC investigates products that carry a potential fire, chemical, electrical or mechanical hazard or can injure children.

During the month of December, the following products were recalled:

- Halloween Projection flashlights recalled by Ngyla Corporation due to fire and burn hazards
- Toys Distribution Inc. recalled rattles due to choking hazard
- Target recalled Circo Children’s Travel Cases due to violation of lead paint standard
- Bugaboo Bee Strollers recalled by Bugaboo Americas due to fall hazard
- Bugaboo Car Seat Adapter recalled due to fall hazard
- BRP recalled ATV’s due to loss of control hazard
- Build-A-Bear recalled Colorful Hearts Teddy Bears due to choking hazard
- Children’s robes recalled by Hanna Andersson due to violation of the Federal Flammability Standard
- Petit Lem Children’s pajamas recalled due to violation of Federal Flammability Standard
- Navien recalled tankless water heaters due to risk of carbon monoxide poisoning
- Maddie Bex canopy recalled by Pottery Barn Kids due to impact hazard
- “It’s important for parents to be aware of recalled products that may pose a risk to children so they can determine the proper course for removing, replacing or repairing these products to avoid the potential for injury,” said Rick Virdinia, coordinator Safe Kids Lee/Collier Counties. “Our mission is to keep kids safe and by keeping parents informed, we are helping to do that. With so many new gifts after the holidays, we want to remind parents to stay current on the latest recalls.”

Additional information about any of the product recalls listed is available from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission at www.cpsc.gov. To find product recalls not specific to child injury, visit www.recalls.gov.

For more information, visit www.SafeKidsLeeCollier.org.

SWFL Wine & Food Fest Returns

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The invitations are going out to purchase tickets for the 2012 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest, returning on February 24 and 25 at Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club in Bonita Springs.

This year’s signature painting, A Few of My Favorite Things, was created by Olivia Ramsey of Fort Myers for the 2012 Wine & Food Fest. Olivia – “Liv” – is 7 years old and an oncology patient at The Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida.

Liv’s original watercolor and acrylic painting for the 2012 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest signature poster will be auctioned off among many enticing items.

Tickets for Saturday’s Grand Tasting & Auction are $500 per person and very limited reservations are available. For tickets to attend The Grand Tasting & Auction only, please send a check with your name and guest’s name, address, telephone number and e-mail address to the address below. Your check is your reservation.

Please make checks payable to: SWFL Children’s Charities Inc., 12881 Terabella Way, Fort Myers, FL 33912.

A portion of your ticket purchase may be tax deductible. You will receive $300 in goods and services for your purchase of the Wine & Food Fest weekend tickets including a Chef Vintner Dinner and Grand Tasting & Auction.

For more information, visit www svensflwinefest.org.

Send your editorial copy to: press@riverweekly.com
Hunger Walk

Time is short for individuals to sign up – either as an individual or as part of a team – to participate in the fourth annual WINK News Feeds Families Hunger Walk. The walk will be held on Saturday, January 21 at Miromar Outlets in Estero. The walk is a major fund raiser for the Harry Chapin Food Bank, and currently they are $100,000 short of their goal.

This year’s goal for the Hunger Walk is $250,000, which will result in $1,500,000 in food being distributed to our area’s hungry through the Harry Chapin Food Bank’s more than 150 participating agencies in the five-county area of Southwest Florida.

Presenting sponsors of the event are Panera Bread, Garden Street Iron & Metal, Inc. and Jo Anna & Wilson Bradshaw.

Gold level sponsors are FGCU Foundation, Smart Companies, Uncle Bob’s Self Storage, SWFL Tech Group and The News-Press.

To register as an individual or to set up a team, go to www.harrychapinfoodbank.org and on the home page, click to register for the walk. For more information, contact Marta Hodson at 334-7007 ext. 132 or martahodson@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Serving as co-chairs of the 2012 Hunger Walk are Sandy Robinson, Northern Trust Bank and Dr. Brian Schwartz, MD, 21st Century Oncology. Additional information about or to contribute financially to the Harry Chapin Food Bank, call 334-7007 or visit www.harrychapinfoodbank.org.

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5K Bug Chase

The Calusa 5K BUG Chase will be held on Saturday, January 21. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. and the race begins at 7:30 a.m. It will take place at the Calusa Nature Center, 3460 Ortiz Avenue, in Fort Myers.

The 5K race will follow along the trails at the nature center – and a portion of the asphalt bike path on Ortiz – and will be timed with Chrono Track Bib Tag Technology. A variety of food and drink will be available.

Awards will be given to the top male and female overall winners. All awards will be based on gun time. Top male and female master winners (40 and over), top male and female grand master winners (50 and over) and top male and female senior grand masters (60 and over).

Adult pre-registration fees (up to January 12) are $20 and youth discount (17 and under) are $10. Register between January 13 to 20 and adults cost $25 and youth cost $15. On race day, adults cost $35 and youth cost $25. Registration for the 5K run will be $10.

Signup online at www.fortmyerstrackclub.com. A commemorative long sleeve T-shirt will be given to all registered participants.

International Women’s Night

The Multicultural Centre of Southwest Florida and Hispanic American Business Alliance (HABA) announced the first Annual International Women’s Night, a gala to honor and celebrate economic, political and social achievements of women throughout Southwest Florida.

The event will be held from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday, March 10 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 13051 Bell Tower Drive in Fort Myers. Tickets are $50 per person or $500 for a table of 10 and can be purchased online at www.iwsfl.com. The event is tied to the International Women’s Day worldwide celebration on March 8.

The International Women’s Night committee is seeking nominations of outstanding women from each of the area’s five counties: Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades. A finalist will be chosen from each county, with one woman selected as the Southwest Florida International Woman of the Year.

Special guests at the event will include congresswomen from the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico, along with prominent women business and civic leaders from the Southwest Florida region. The evening will include networking, dinner, cocktails and live entertainment.

The event is sponsored by the Multicultural Center of Southwest Florida and the Hispanic American Business Alliance.

For additional information or nomination forms, e-mail Leonardo Garcia at LGarciaHaba@gmail.com or call Nathan Shaw at 239-297-1551. Nominations can be mailed to the Multicultural Centre of SW Florida, Inc., P.O. Box 61713, Fort Myers, FL 33906.

Family Caregivers

Are you caring for a loved one? If you are, it is essential to care for yourself. It is not uncommon for caregivers to experience feelings of anxiety, guilt and exhaustion. The good news is you are not alone.

The CARE Program (Caregiver Assistance and Regional Education) is offering a monthly health and wellness group, where the focus is on you.

Come join our group – take a break, relax, learn, laugh... and enjoy a much deserved break.

The Family Caregivers program is presented by Monica Dunkley, RN, BC, clinical educator for the Lee Memorial Health System. It is held on the second Tuesday of each month at Sterling House of Cape Coral, 1416 Country Club Blvd., from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

To reserve your space, call Gerry Salvia at 573-7777.

Family Caregivers is funded by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and Senior Choices of Southwest Florida in collaboration with Lee Memorial Health System – Older Adult Services.

Financial Focus

When Should You Start Taking Social Security

by Jennifer Basey

If you’re of a certain age, the new year means you’re that much closer to a day you may have anticipated with a combination of humor and resignation – specifically, the day you’re eligible for Social Security. But just because you can take Social Security, it doesn’t mean you must take it. So, should you?

Before we get to that question, let’s review the basic rules governing Social Security payments. You can typically start collecting benefits at age 62, but you’ll get only about 75 percent of what you’d receive if you waited until your “full” retirement age, which varies according to your birth year but is most likely 66.

You’ll get to an “early” monthly check if you delay collecting them until you’re past 66, and you’ll “max out” on your payments once you reach 70.

So, the question boils down to this: Should you start collecting Social Security early – thereby receiving smaller, but more numerous, checks – or later, when your checks will be bigger but fewer?

If you really need the money once you reach 62, you’ve already got your answer. But if you could potentially afford to wait, we recommend you view your decision through a LENS:

L: Your projected lifespan – You can’t see into the future, but given your family history and general health, you can make an educated guess about your projected longevity. If you’re fairly confident that, once you reach 66, you’ve still got another two or more decades in front of you, you may want to consider delaying taking Social Security past age 62.

E: Your employment status – If you’re under full retirement age – between 62 and 66 – then for every two dollars you earn over $4,640 (in 2012), you’ll lose one dollar in benefits. But starting in the month you reach your full retirement age, the Social Security benefits you can earn as much as you want without losing any benefits.

N: Your need, including your other sources of retirement income – If you have a pension, or you’ve built substantial resources in your IRA, your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan, and you can support your income needs with modest withdrawals from these accounts, you might decide it’s worthwhile to delay taking Social Security to maximize your benefits. Remember that regardless of your Social Security decision, you typically would have to pay a 10 percent early withdrawal penalty if you started taking withdrawals from these accounts before you reach age 59 1/2.

S: Your spouse/marital status – If you’re single, you basically just need to think of yourself when making this decision. But it’s a different story if you’re married. If you die first, your spouse can keep receiving his or her own Social Security benefit or receive yours – whichever is larger. Consequently, you and your spouse will want to coordinate when you take Social Security benefits so that you can maximize the benefit for the spouse likeliest to live longer.

The choice of when to start taking Social Security can affect your lifestyle throughout your retirement years – so weigh all the factors and make the choice that’s right for you.

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

‘Setting Your Business Goals For 2012’ With Jan Kantor And Susan Bennett

This month’s Above Board Chamber meeting on Tuesday, January 17 in Fort Myers will help set the stage for a successful year with a panel of experts discussing ‘Setting Your Business Goals For 2012.’ Networking begins at 11:30 a.m., the program starts 11:50 a.m. and ends at 1 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn, located at 12600 University Drive in Fort Myers. The cost is $17 for members and $20 for non-members.

Featured panelists include Jan Kantor, president of Success Systems, a business consulting firm helping growth-oriented companies and individuals improve and enhance their work habits and organizational structure. The company will be celebrating its 30th anniversary in Southwest Florida. Kantor’s column, Workplace Solutions, is published Tuesdays in the Naples Daily News.

Also featured will be Susan Bennett, president of Susan Bennett Marketing and Media, LLC. She operates a full service marketing and public relations firm, specializing in not-for-profits and health care marketing. Bennett worked for Gannett and was responsible for launching a weekly newspaper and managing two others and was also part of the launch team of USA TODAY in its first 15 markets around the country.

The emcee will be Connie B. Ramos-Williams, president of Conric PR & Marketing.

Members pay just $17 and friends are $20; pre-payment is preferred. Reserve your place by registering online at www.AboveBoardChamber.com or call 910-7426 by Friday, January 13.

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FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 17, 2012

My Stars

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1. COMICS: What is the name of Hi and Lois’ youngest daughter?
2. HISTORY: Which Allied general defeated German field marshal Erwin Rommel in North Africa during World War II?
3. POETRY: Who was the Greek creator of pastoral poetry?
4. ART: Which Early Renaissance artist painted “The Birth of Venus”?
5. TELEVISION: Who were the only witnesses to the shooting of Mr. Burns on “The Simpsons”?
6. EXPLORERS: What was the nationality of explorer Edmund Hillary?
7. MUSIC: Which actress/singer’s theme song was “Que Sera, Sera”?
8. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the only bachelor to serve as U.S. president?
9. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: What famous 20th-century leader once said, “If I had no sense of humor, I would long ago have committed suicide”?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the meaning of the word “aplomb”?

ANSWERS

1. LUCY
2. CLAYTON MOORE
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4. GIORGIONE
5. MARY
6. EISENHOWER
7. JUDY GARLAND
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10. INDIFFERENCE

Do it yourself

Your plans and see where you might need to move toward your goal. Use this time to re-examine the “just friends” level to one that will be as serious as possible, without committing yourself to any position. But you’ll have to paw the time to play judge. Bow out as gracefully as possible, without committing yourself to any position.

On Jan. 22, 1779, famed Tory outlaw Robert Falcon Scott arrives at the South Pole, triggered by a desire to be the first to make the ascent. Although he won’t reach the summit, he will establish a new provincial government in Sincelejo, Colombia, collapse, killing 222 people. The deadliest tragedy at a sporting event in Colombia’s history was the result of overcrowding and poor construction.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was 19th-century German philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche who made the following sage observation: One will rarely err if extreme actions are ascribed to vanity, ordinary actions to habit, and mean actions to fear.
- Are you an agelast or an abderian? If you never laugh, you’re the latter; if you laugh too much, you’re the former.
- There is one species of frog, found in the Southeast Asian country of Indonesia, that has no lungs; it breathes entirely through its skin.
- You might be surprised to learn that the largest employer in the United States is the Department of Defense. Wal-Mart is No. 2, followed by the U.S. Postal Service.
- Those who study such things say that as we age, a man’s brain shrinks more rapidly than a woman’s.
- According to Tibetan tradition, a man must get permission from his lady love’s maternal uncle before the couple can get married.
- If you’re in Florida and make a trip to the hair salon, keep in mind that in that state, it’s illegal to fall asleep under a hair dryer. Both the client and the salon can be fined.
- It seems that almost every little girl has a Barbie doll, but have you ever thought about what a life-size Barbie would look like? She would be 7 feet, 2 inches tall, weigh 125 pounds and have bust-waist-hip measurements of 40-22-36.
- The white rhinoceros is not actually white. The white part of the name comes from the Afrikaans word wijd, which means wide; it describes the animal’s lips.
- Iconic German-American actress Marlene Dietrich once said that her favorite meal was hot dogs and champagne.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We all have strength enough to endure the misfortunes of others. — Francois de La Rochefoucauld
Simply go to IslandSunNews.com and click on to read.

Links are now available to any business or organization in our area:
Call 395-1213 on Island, or 415-7732 Along the River.

Less than $6 per week!
My name is Brownie (ID #525027) and I am an 11 month old male brown and white hound mix. Don’t let my sad hound dog eyes fool you. I’m really a happy puppy, but I’d be much happier if I could find a good home. I’m young and eager to learn new things. I’d be a great companion for a family or someone who wants a best buddy. I love to play so we could have lots of fun!

My adoption fee is $29.99 during Animal Services’ Blue Light Special.

My name is Zorro (ID #523939) and I am a 7 month old male black and white domestic short hair.

If you want lots of love and a companion to keep you company, then you definitely want to take me home! I can entertain myself for hours or cuddle up and keep you warm. I also like to play with other pets. Now is a great time to take a kitty like me home.

My adoption fee is $19.99 during Animal Services’ Blue Light Special. Cats and kittens are 2-for-1, so be sure to pick out a second kitty to keep me company.

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

The shelter is open for adoptions from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers. All adoptions include spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, rabies vaccination and county license if 3 months or older, flea treatment, worming, heartworm test for dogs 6 months and over, Jeline AIDS and leukemia test for cats, training DVD, 10-day health guarantee and a bag of Science Diet pet food.

The adoption package is valued at $500.
Blue Light Special
Spotlights Pets

The holidays have come and gone, but many
homeless shelter pets are still waiting for their
forever homes. January’s Blue Light Special at
Lee County Domestic Animal Services will shine the
spotlight on the exceptional pets that were overlooked
during the holidays.

Adopters can take home an adult cat for just $19.99
and get a second cat or kitten free. Adult dogs are only
$29.99. All adoptions include the same veterinary ser-
vice as full-priced adoptions.

“We had an unusually high intake of cats in
December,” reports Glenn Johnson, LCDAS operations
manager. “Because we had so many animals for adopt-
tors to choose from, many highly adoptable pets were
overlooked.”

At LCDAS, the adoption fee covers spay or neuter
surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, deworming, flea
treatment, heartworm test for dogs 6 months and older,
feline aids and leukemia test for cats, Lee County pet
license for pets 3 months and older, microchip ID, a
10-day health guarantee and a bag of Science Diet pet
food. The adoption package is a $500 value.

For more information about Lee County Domestic
Animal Services’ pets for adoption, go to www.

LeeLostPets.com or call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS). If you are
inquiring about a pet you have seen online, please
have the animal ID number ready for faster assistance.
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Intellectual Property

The evening begins with the Resource Network’s
monthly “Network After Five” social event, where mem-
ers and guests network and exchange ideas for growing
their business.

Cost for SBRN members is $15 per person, which
includes hors d’oeuvres. Guests and unaffiliated small
business owners pay $20 per person.

Space is limited and reservations are required. To
register online, visit www.sbdceminars.org. Deadline for
registration is Wednesday, January 18.

The Small Business Resource Network (SBRN) pro-
vides a reliable connection between seasoned profession-
als who service the small business arena and the small
business owner. In addition to offering consulting ser-
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For more information on the resource network, visit
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To play Sudoku:
Complete the grid so that every row, column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (the same number cannot appear more than once in a row, column or 3x3 box.)
There is no guessing and no math involved, just logic.

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HOCUS-FOCUS

SCRAMBLERS

Hey sir, tall, dark and is here.

TODAY’S WORD

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New Listing:
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