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Refuge Adds Family Film Series To Free Summer Programs Calendar



Guided hikes along Indigo Trail to the Wildlife Education Boardwalk teach families about refuge wildlife and its habitat

Bi-weekly family nature films, weekly walks and nature crafts highlight the free programming to be offered June 6 through August 9 at JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel.

Films for the family will show on every other Sunday in the “Ding” Darling Visitor

& Education Center. Dates include June 7, 21; July 5, 19; and August 2. Titles will include *The Lorax* and *Turtle: The Incredible Journey*. For a schedule, visit dingdarlingsociety.org/summer-films.

Refuge summer programs begin on National Trails Day, Saturday, June 6. They also include Family Beach Walks, Indigo Trail Walks, and Reading in the Refuge craft activities. For a full schedule with descriptions, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/summer-programming.

National Trails Day will feature specially scheduled hikes on Indigo Trail and the Wildlife Education Boardwalk plus Reading in the Refuge and Animal Tracking 101 in the Visitor & Education Center, and Animal Olympics on Indigo Trail. Participants who complete the Animal Olympics challenge and return the sheet to the Visitor & Education Center are eligible to win a prize.

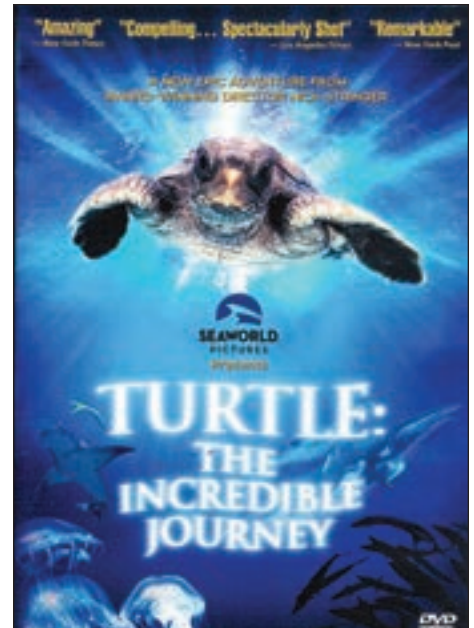
Summer programming is made possible by support from the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS).

The schedule of weekly activities follows. No pre-registration is necessary.

- Reading at the Refuge, every Tuesday and Saturday at 11 a.m.: Attendees of each 45-minute reading-and-crafts session learn about a refuge animal and make a take-home craft related to it. Meet in the Education Classroom.

- Indigo Trail Hike, every Thursday at 10 a.m.: Join refuge naturalists as they lead a one-hour tour to the Wildlife Education Boardwalk to identify and discuss the ecosystem’s plants, mammals, birds and reptiles – fun for adults and children alike. Bring water and bug spray. Meet at the flagpole in front of the Visitor & Education Center. Entry

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The inspirational film *Turtle: The Incredible Journey* shows on June 21 as part of the refuge’s new bi-weekly Summer Family Film Series

Register By May 31 For The Galloway Captiva Triathlon

Sign up by Sunday, May 31 to assure yourself a space in the popular Galloway Captiva Triathlon and avoid a registration increase to boot. Registration is strong for the 5th annual Galloway Captiva Triathlon, which has sold out earlier every year since its 2011 inception and is limited to 750 participants for the Sunday adult sprint event. Proceeds will benefit the Community Cooperative’s Healthy School Pantry program.

The adult event is scheduled for September 13 at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva and includes a quarter-mile open-water swim, 10-mile bike (on closed island roads) and 3.1-mile run along the gulf and Redfish Pass. Registration is available online at www.CaptivaTri.org. The non-refundable cost to register is \$75 for individuals, \$85 for elite amateur athletes and \$180 for relay teams of two or three people. Registration fees increase on June 1 to \$85, \$95 and \$200, respectively.

The Captiva Tri will host a shorter Children’s Fun Tri on September 12, also at South Seas Island Resort. The race will not be timed, and all finishers will earn a medal. Children will compete in three age groups – 6 to 8, 9 to 10 and 11 to 13 – with the distances of each race varying. Registration is \$25 (which does not increase on June 1). All three age groups are limited in size and have sold out even before the adult event in years’ past.

Information for both races is available at www.CaptivaTri.org. The Galloway Family of Dealerships is the title sponsor. CCMI uses the proceeds to benefit its program that provides backpacks of food to children who otherwise may not have easily accessible meals at home.✽

Chamber Announces Fourth Of July Fireworks Display

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce announced plans for the 4th of July Sanibel fireworks display, which is always a major draw for tourists and residents alike.

The fireworks display, which will begin at dusk on Saturday, July 4, will be launched from Bailey Road on the bay side. The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club is undergoing major construction this year and is not available as a public viewing location.

Many alternatives are available:

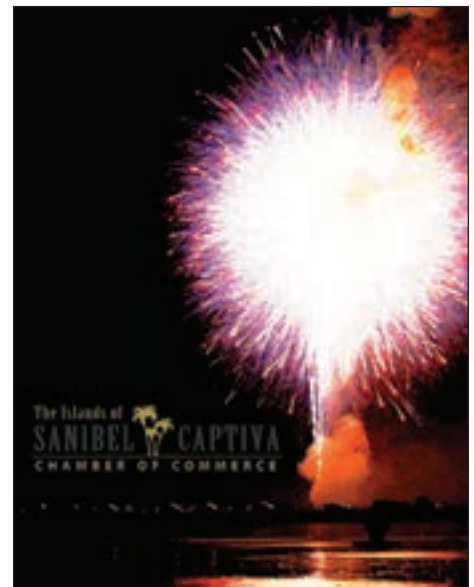
- SS Hookers – Live music and BBQ
- Adventures in Paradise Sanibel

Fireworks Cruise

- The Sanibel Causeway
- Sanibel Lighthouse Beach

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Looking Back:

Uncle Joe And Mary Wightman



Visit the History Gallery to learn more about the unique and diverse history of Captiva. Interpretive panels and touch screen access to historic photos are featured. Step aboard a wooden replica of the old mailboat, *Santiva*, to capture the spirit of the island. The History Gallery is accessed through the Captiva Memorial Library, located on Chapin Lane and open during library hours. This week's image is Uncle Joe and Mary Wightman outside of the Captiva Library, 1988. The Wightman family first came to Captiva in the early 1900s.

photo archives of the Captiva Island Historical Society

Public Invited
To June 1
Traffic Meeting

by Jeff Lysiak

The first of two public meetings discussing traffic concerns – as well as potential solutions – on Sanibel has been scheduled for Monday, June 1 at MacKenzie Hall. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m.

Last month, Mayor Kevin Ruane called for a special city council workshop meeting to discuss the island's traffic problems, most notably congestion along Periwinkle Way during peak periods in-season.

Ruane suggested on May 5 that the city council workshop session focus on looking at a number of subjects which may offer some relevant solutions for Sanibel, including:

- Technology – Signage, traffic alerts, Smartphone apps and commuter notifications
- Behavior Modification – Ride sharing/carpooling
- Education
- Route Alternatives – Roundabouts, causeway one-way traffic during peak periods
- Expectations

"Certainly, there is some good data out there, but there is some data that is outdated," Ruane said last month after reviewing more than 2,600 pages of traffic-related information compiled over the last quarter of a century. "I look forward to having some good discussions on this."

A second session between members of the council and the city's planning commission has been scheduled for Tuesday,

June 9 at 9 a.m., also at MacKenzie Hall. That meeting replaces the commission's regularly scheduled monthly session, which will instead take place on Tuesday, June 23.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend both meetings.✪✪

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Island Seniors At The Center 4 Life

Meet your friends and make some new ones at the Center 4 Life. Browse through the following activities, then stop by to sign up.

Trash & Treasures Sale will be back in November. The center is currently accepting donations of clean, gently used items. All items are tax deductible. Bring them to the Center 4 Life Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Please, no books, clothes, shoes, computers or old TVs. If you have any questions, call 472-5743.

Page Turners with Ann Rodman – If you would like to be on the Page Turners list, email annrodman@aol.com or contact the Center 4 Life.

The featured book on Wednesday, June 10 is *Atonement* by Ian McEwan. Bring your lunch and watch the movie at 12:30 p.m., followed by a discussion on the book and movie at 2:30 p.m.

Friday Collage Classes with Bea Pappas – June 5, 12, 19 and 26, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Pappas will be teaching an easy approach to collage, both figurative and abstract. Collage can be worked from torn magazines, found papers like book pages or handmade papers. Collage artists: bring a pint of fluid matte premium, scissors, papers, magazines and substrates (substrates can be watercolor paper, canvas, canvas board or mat board). Members are \$15, non-members

are \$20. Call the center to sign up.

Sunset Social on the Causeway – Tuesday, June 30, 6:30 p.m. Enjoy an evening relaxing and watching the sunset with friends. Meet on the causeway at 6:30 p.m. and bring an appetizer to share. Bring your beach chair. The gathering will be on the first island on your left as you are leaving Sanibel. Look for the Island Seniors banner (weather permitting).

Fourth of July at The Villages – Saturday and Sunday, July 4 and 5. Cost is \$169 per person double occupancy for members, \$219 single for members; \$189 per person double occupancy for non-members, \$239 single for non-members. Includes round trip transportation, overnight accommodations onsite at The Villages, guided tour at The Villages, visit to Eisenhower Center (tribute to the armed forces), shopping time, dinner at The Villages, Lakeridge Winery Tour, and other activities. Depart from Fort Myers at 9 a.m. Sign up at center by Friday, June 19.

Leisure Luncher's – Wednesday, June 3, *Church Basement Ladies* at Broadway Palm Dinner Theater. Lunch at 11:45 a.m. and show at 1:15 p.m. Members are \$51, non-members are \$56. The ever popular Church Basement Ladies are back to serve up some laughs. From the senior matriarch of the kitchen to the bride-to-be learning to arrange things in proper order, everyone will recognize the humorous and down-to-earth characters. Added is a little romantic stir for the new pastor, and the outcome is

heavenly entertainment.

Calling All Fishermen And Fisherwomen – Tuesday, June 9. Grab your hat and sunglasses for the 1st annual Island Seniors Fishing Tournament. Depart from Port Sanibel Marina aboard the *Miss Paradise* at 9 a.m. and return to the dock around noon. Drinks and snacks will be provided. Prizes will be awarded for biggest fish, most fish caught, and other categories. Cost is \$55 for members and \$65 for non-members. Get your friends together for a fun filled day out on the water. Awards will be presented during lunch at SS Hookers following the trip. Stop by the center to reserve your seat or call for more information.

Games Bridge – Monday and Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes will be awarded.

Mahjongg – Thursday at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes are awarded.

Tuesday and Thursday Kayaking – June 2 and 16 (weather permitting) at 8:30 a.m. There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and limited space for those who own their own kayaks. Island Seniors will provide kayaks, paddles and life jackets. Bring water, a small snack, sun lotion, bug spray, sunglasses, towel, hat and change of clothing. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. Advance registration is required.

Fitness Classes
Classes are available and all ages are

welcome. Cost is \$3.75 for members and \$6.75 for non-members. Annual membership is \$20. Sanibel Recreation Center members must show their membership card to attend.

Happy Hour Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m. This class keeps your brain fit and your heart, lungs and muscles strong with a combination of aerobics and muscle conditioning exercises and balance. Hand weights, stretch cords and your body weight will be used. Class begins with a joke and ends with a positive thought for the day. Athletic footwear required. Silvia Villanueva is the instructor.

Essential Total Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 a.m. Cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. Athletic footwear required. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Power Hour Fitness – Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m. Hand weights, stretch cords, stability balls and mats are used. Improve core strength and balance. Athletic footwear required. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Gentle Yoga – Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flexibility, proper alignment and circulation. Mats are used to meet the needs of varying experience levels. Bring a towel. Kim Kouril is the instructor.

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Schoolhouse, circa 1900s


Stories From The Historical Village

Throughout the Sanibel Historical Village’s buildings are binders inviting visitors to share their memories of Sanibel – as long-time residents, as visitors of many years, as students at the Old Schoolhouse, or whatever moves them – to record their Sanibel experiences. Loose-leaf pages (themselves a reminder of times past, having come into use around 1900) and pens are provided, and that’s all one needs to bring the past alive. Here are some

examples:
From Sanibel – “I used to go visit ‘Uncle Clarence’ with my aunt and my mom. Clarence would give us coconuts and bananas from his garden and we would give him a ride to the American Legion to play bingo.”
From Sanibel – “I learned to read reading Superman and Wonder Woman comics in the back of Bailey’s store. I spent many a day being educated (at the Old Schoolhouse), grades 1 through 4. I can remember my friends (never me, of course) getting their mouths taped shut by Miss McCann and playing baseball at recess.”
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Schoolhouse restored



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Zonta Learns About Dressing For Success



Barbara Dell, left, CEO of Dress For Success Southwest Florida, with Zontian Nancy Dreher

Success can come in many guises and with multiple definitions, but the one thing most people can agree on: in order to become successful, it helps to start by looking the part.

Barbara Dell, chief executive of Dress For Success of Southwest Florida, was the guest recently of the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva, charming her audience with a personal story that epitomized the Zonta mission of helping women improve

their lives. The mission of Dress For Success, an international non-profit with 140 establishments in the United States and 18 other countries worldwide, is to promote the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support and the career development tools to help them thrive, in work and in life.

In 2010, unemployed and not having any luck finding a suitable job, Dell discovered Dress For Success, was intrigued by the concept, and decided to launch her own facility. Dress For Success Southwest Florida was born, and along with it, a rewarding career for Dell.

"When a woman has secured that all-important job interview, that's where we come in," she said. "We help her select one outfit for her interview, including shoes and accessories, which she receives free of charge, and embark with her on a relationship that provides additional tools for building success in the workplace."

The clients are referred by an approved organization such as Career Source, the Salvation Army or ACT (Abuse Counseling & Treatment Center). Each works with a volunteer personal shopper, Dell said, and the boost in a woman's confidence through this experience is immeasurable. All the clothes, shoes and accessories are donated. Moving beyond helping women to secure that first job, Dress For Success also offers the Professional Women's Group, a job retention program, and Young Executives for Success (YES), providing its members with opportunities for volunteering, fundraising and championing the



Zonta members brought donations of clothing and accessories

mission of Dress For Success.

In addition to her first boutique at 12995 S. Cleveland Avenue in Fort Myers, Dell has opened an outlet in Naples and is expanding the Fort Myers facility to include a career center.

"We plan to move into actual placement, training in retail sales, and are looking for volunteers to serve as mentors and coaches," she said.

A fairly new adventure for the organization is the Entrepreneurial Spirit Program, for women who are interested in starting their own business. For more information, including how to volunteer

and donate, visit www.swflorida.dressforsuccess.org.

The Zonta Club has a history of partnering with local organizations whose mission mirrors their own, and has over the years provided volunteer support in addition to financial awards for approved programs. The club and its foundation, the Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida, are completing a new three-year strategic plan which will allow for expanded opportunities in service, funding and advocacy.

For more information about Zonta, visit www.zontasancap.com.✧

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SANIBEL BICYCLE CLUB



Dr. John Michael Domino

ABWA June Meeting

The American Business Women's Association Sanibel-Captiva Charter Chapter will welcome Dr. John Michael Domino, a university supervisor for interns at The College of Education for Florida Gulf Coast University, as their guest speaker on Tuesday, June 9 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Domino has also served at FGCU as the Coordinator of Academic Retention Programs where he specialized in mentoring and assisting students to

reach their full potential. A former USAF Major with 24 years of dedicated service, he has been active in education and training throughout his military and civilian careers. He has written several published and unpublished books about academic success while working for the United States Air Force Academy.

Dr. Domino and his wife, Elizabeth, reside in Fort Myers, where they enjoy church activities, mainly focusing on youth, mentoring programs and prison ministries. He wrote two books about prison ministries titled *Can't Wait To Go Back To Prison* and *Attica: A Survivor's Story*. His book titled *Mentoring To-Go* is used as a guide for mentoring programs in local churches and other institutions. John also writes Christian poetry and short stories, which can be found on-line on Authors Den.

Registration for the ABWA meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Sundial Beach Resort, 1451 Middle Gulf Drive on Sanibel. Both the meeting and dinner will begin at 6 p.m. The meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. Guests are welcome. Members can now use the new online reservation system at www.abwachelseareservations.com.

Non-members are welcome and if you are interested in attending, contact membership chair Carol Schapiro at 850-9495 or cschap00@yahoo.com. Reservations should be made no later than June 4. The cost for the dinner meeting is \$22, payable by check, cash or credit card.✧

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Summer Programs At 'Ding'

fees apply.

- Family Beach Walk, every Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m.: The one-hour program convenes at Gulfside City Park to explore the refuge's gulf-front Perry Tract. City parking fees apply.

- Family Film Series, every other Sunday at 2 p.m.: Spend family togetherness making a craft and enjoying kid-friendly environmental education films in the Visitor & Education Center auditorium.

For more information on the refuge summer programs, call 472-1100 ext. 236 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/summer-programming.✧

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Registration Open For Summer Camp



Students flex their crab claws during Under The Sea week



Children soak Ms. Cindy. The Children's Center of the Islands holds water days each Thursday and Friday during summer camp.

The Children's Education Center of the Islands (CECI) is getting ready for summer fun. The preschool is accepting applications for summer camp, which runs June 8 to August 7, for children from 18 months to rising kindergartners.

Activities will include arts and crafts, hands-on cooking, gardening, science experiments, music and movement, story time, teacher-directed activities, center time, water play and outside play. The summer curriculum also includes a block of academic – but still fun – time for children who will be entering kindergarten in August. The focus will be reading, writing and math readiness.

Parents can sign up their children on a weekly basis for a three-day, four-day or five-day program. The center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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Each week will be planned around a different theme:

- June 8-12: Dive into Summer – Summer safety on bikes, in the water and at the beach; water play days.
 - June 15-19: Under the Sea – Sea life exploration, sea life art, costume party.
 - June 22-26: Super, Slimy Bug Week – Collect and study different insects, bug scavenger hunt, craft bug art.
 - June 29-July 3: Fourth of July Field Day – Field day Olympics; everything red, white and blue.
 - July 6-10: Under the Big Top – Clowning around at the circus, face-painting, circus crafts, CECI's Greatest Show on Earth.
 - July 13-17: Let's Go Camping – Camping out on the playground, build your own tent, cooking by "campfire."
 - July 20-24: All Those Animals – Learn about pets, zoo and jungle animals; animal crafts; pet show & puppet show.
 - July 27-31: Let's Pretend – Western day, safari day, pirate day, sports day, PJ day.
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Should Public Opinion Have Carried The Day In The Doc Ford's Case?



by Larry Schopp, Board Member, Committee of the Islands

On April 28, the Sanibel Planning Commission approved a conditional use permit for a new Doc Ford's restaurant on Tarpon Bay Road, across from Bailey's plaza. Though the parcel has long been zoned for commercial use, restaurants are not listed as "permitted" uses. That's why a conditional use permit was required.

From the weight of public opinion expressed at the hearing, those opposed to the permit were in the clear majority. So why did the commissioners approve the application?

The answer may lie in the nature of the hearing. As the local planning agency and land regulation commission under the city charter and Florida Statutes, the planning commission has two basic functions. The first is to make recommendations to the city council about changes to the Sanibel Plan and Land Development Code, a legislative advisory function. Public opinion carries a fair amount of weight when new legislation is up for consideration, as it should, because it affects how we are to be governed.

A Quasi-Judicial Hearing

The second is what is known as a quasi-judicial' function. That's where the commissioners decide cases, like Doc Ford's, involving proposed land use permits in much the same way a court would, though without the formality of an actual court case.

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In the Doc Ford's case, the applicant was represented by an attorney who is a land use specialist. In support of the application, he offered a professional traffic impact evaluation, a formal landscaping plan and the applicant's agreement to some 20 conditions proposed by the planning department staff, conditions that would help ensure compliance with a wide range of issues, from parking to landscaping to noise, light and odor control.

As part of its review, the planning department staff retained its own independent experts to look at the issue of traffic. Those experts agreed in substance with the applicant's traffic impact analysis.

Those who organized in opposition to the application were not represented by an attorney. They, along with other members of the public, were sworn in en masse and given three minutes each to make their case, in no particular order. As time permitted, people were allowed to speak a second and third time. But presenting a cohesive argument in three-minute segments is hardly practical.

Though several knowledgeable speakers questioned the methodology of the applicant's professional traffic impact evaluation and even offered some data of their own, the commissioners were not provided with an alternative professional evaluation for their consideration. Looking at this case as a litigator might, I thought that was an important shortcoming.

In any court case, in order to have a level playing field, both sides are typically represented by attorneys who prepare their cases by lining up witnesses, soliciting the opinions of experts and questioning the other side's witnesses at the time of trial. A litigant who does not do that does not stand much chance of success. It's really not very different in a quasi-judicial hearing.

Another Case, Another Result

Here's an example of how different tactics produced a different result. Some of you may recall a case several years ago involving an application to construct a very large home in the Chateaux Sur Mer neighborhood. Several of the residents felt the home would be incompatible with the character of the neighborhood, in violation of Section 86-43 of the Land Development Code, and decided to oppose the application.

However, unlike those opposed to the Doc Ford's application, the Chateaux Sur Mer neighbors organized and retained an attorney to represent their interests before the planning commission. The result was a very different kind of hearing from the one at which the Doc Ford's application was considered.

In the Chateaux Sur Mer case, the playing field was even. Both the applicant and the neighbors were represented by well-qualified attorneys who offered expert evidence and questioned each other's witnesses. Members of the public were still given an opportunity to speak, but the outcome was determined by the evidence presented by the attorneys.

At the end of the day, the case presented by the neighbors who opposed the large home persuaded a majority on the planning commission that the home would violate Section 86-43 of the Land Development Code, and the application was denied.

I'm not saying the result would necessarily have been the same if those opposing the Doc Ford's application had been represented by counsel. But I'm suggesting that, if people are sufficiently concerned about an application to be considered at a quasi-judicial hearing before the planning commission, particularly one where the applicant is represented by counsel, they should retain counsel of their own and put on a case in opposition. Otherwise the applicant has a clear advantage, regardless of the weight of public opinion.

In legal matters, the party that presents the strongest case usually wins. That's the way the system was designed to work.

COTI invites your input on this and other issues affecting our island. Send an email to coti@coti.org. To read our past commentaries on island issues, visit www.coti.org. Or visit Committee of the Islands on Facebook.*

Business Climate Survey Released

The results from the Second Quarter 2015 Horizon Council FGCU Lee County Executive Business Climate Survey have been released. This survey is completed each quarter and provides insight into the Lee County economy and expected economic trends. The online survey was sent to 575 business executives in Lee County and the results are based on responses from 85 executives, resulting in a 15 percent response rate.

This survey provides a key economic indicator for Lee County, the Executive Business Climate Index. This index value is computed each quarter and released to the public as a way to provide an established economic indicator on the state of the local economy. The index is computed using the two questions concerning the current and future economic conditions, and a third question concerning the expected industry economic conditions. The index is an average of the responses with substantially better equal to 100, moderately better equal to 75, same equal to 50, moderately worse equal to 25, and substantially worse equal to zero. The index value can range from 0 to 100.

The key findings of the Business Climate Survey for the second quarter of 2015 are:

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What's Cooking at The House

All About
Those Mangoes

A fresh mango is prepped

Socialize with islanders and visitors at The Community House's upcoming Potluck Supper on Wednesday, June 24 at 6 p.m. Details will follow, but here is what the staff is cooking up:

Mango season is approaching, and by the looks of the trees all over town, it will be a bumper crop. What to do with this succulent fruit? Learn about the different varieties and flavors of this abundant Florida staple. The Community House's Kitchen Guild will be serving up different mango dishes to sample, along with your shared food.

Here is one easy recipe that was clipped from the *Island Sun* in 1997:

Fresh Mango and Papaya Salsa

- 1 cup diced fresh mango
- 1 cup fresh papaya

- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
 - 1 to 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro leaves
 - 1 tablespoon finely chopped jalapeno
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
- Combine all ingredients. Serve with fish, pork or vegetable quesadillas. Makes 2 cups.

If you have extra mangoes for the Kitchen Guild, call The Community House at 472-2155 and donate them. Guild members will even pick them.

There is no cost to attend the potluck, but you must bring an appetizer, entrée or dessert (enough for six) and your favorite beverage. Reservations are requested for planning purposes. ✨

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Fireworks Display

the fundraising for this important community event. We have received great support from the Sanibel and Captiva business community making this one of the best fireworks display in the area," said chamber president Ric Base.

For more information, visit www.sanibel-captiva.org. ✨

Library Programs

June Programs
At Captiva
Memorial Library

The Captiva Memorial Library is offering the following free programs for children in June:

Hero Horses

3 p.m. Thursday, June 11

Hear stories about these heroes and make paper bag horse puppets. Tickets available June 4.

The Misadventures of Sandy Trowles

3 p.m. Thursday, June 18

This summer, Sandy Trowles and her

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Fish Caught



Sean Quinn holds up his catch

Sean Quinn from Rochester, New York caught and released a 30-inch snook while on a Sea Reed Charter. ✨

WOW, what a wonderfully
busy season!

And now we are gearing up for the next big run, giving way to the island tradition where everyone has fun, so...as "Coach" would say,
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A Local Island Tradition

Subcommittee Hears CHR Annual Report

by Jeff Lysiak

During Tuesday's annual organizational meeting of the Below Market Rate Housing Review Subcommittee, representatives from Community Housing and Resources (CHR) delivered their annual report, recognized key members of their board and committees and petitioned the city for more office space as the proposed Civic Core plan continues to be developed.

Richard Johnson, president and chair of the board for CHR's board of directors, and Kelly Collini, executive director of CHR, reported \$1,202,940 in total income and \$876,362 in total expenses during fiscal year 2013-14. Johnson told the subcommittee that he was "happy and ecstatic" to be delivering "more good news."

CHR's annual report included a number of fundraising initiatives, including its Mardi Gras party held in March 2014. That event raised \$19,950 in sponsorships, \$7,295 in ticket sales and \$13,866 in silent auction items for a total of \$41,111. Less the event expenses of \$13,488.10, the Mardi Gras fundraiser generated a profit of \$27,622.90 for CHR.

Collini noted a number of partnerships within the community that helped CHR residents, including the Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club and RS Walsh Landscaping (\$2,500) for installing a playground at the Airport Way property; Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva (\$5,930) for women's education and Limited Equity Ownership downpayment; St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church women's group (\$10,000) grant; Sanibel Congregational

United Church of Christ (\$500) grant; Wells Fargo Bank (\$5,000) for gutters at Airport Way; as well as help from FISH of Sanibel-Captiva and the Community Foundation of the Islands.

"Everybody in city government has been so supportive in many ways," Collini told the subcommittee, adding that CHR was "on target" to meeting its fundraising goal in 2015 of \$126,000.

Johnson took time to thank former CHR board member Armand Ball for his work over the years. Ball stepped down recently due to moving off-island. He was replaced on the board by new members Dr. Steve Brown along with Les and Sandy Boyle. Johnson also recognized new members of CHR's Landlord-Tenant committee, including Chris Heidrick, Jason Maughan and Andy Boyle.

"Our buildings and grounds are in good shape and looking better than ever," said Collini, who noted CHR spans 25 buildings over 11 properties on Sanibel. "We're in good fiscal health, properties are in good shape and we've got a great board in place. Overall, the program is in excellent condition."

Subcommittee member Dr. Phillip Marks, who has worked with CHR for over 12 years, thanked volunteers Sue Denham and Claudia Burns for their efforts in helping publicize the program as well as property maintenance committee member Dorothy Donaldson for her "tireless" efforts.

In addition, both Johnson and Collini noted that CHR properties are currently operating at 100 percent, with 20 pre-approved candidate applications on the waiting list for residential units.

"This is a really exciting time for CHR," said subcommittee chair Holly Smith. "It is wonderful to see it becoming a part of this community."

Later, Johnson noted that CHR's current office space in the Center 4 Life on Library Way – shared with the City of

Sanibel's senior program offices – were "beyond capacity," and noted that as local leaders continue to discuss elements of the proposed Civic Core development, they consider providing space for CHR in those plans.

In other business, Smith was unanimously approved to continue as chair of the Below Market Rate Housing Review Subcommittee by a 4 to 0 vote, with subcommittee member Tom Krekel absent and excused from the meeting.✽

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Business Climate Survey

• The Lee County Business Climate Index was 73 for the second quarter survey (April 2015), which is an increase from 72 in the first quarter (January 2015);

• 81 percent of executives stated that the current economic conditions have improved over last year;

• 74 percent of the executives expect the economy to improve over the next year;

• 75 percent of the executives stated that the current economic conditions for their industry have improved over last year, but 22 percent stated that economic conditions remained approximately the same;

• 72 percent of executives expect economic conditions for their industry to improve over the next year;

• 55 percent of executives had increased employment over the last year, while four percent had reduced employment;

• 60 percent of executives expect to increase employment at their companies during the next year and only one percent of executives expect to reduce employment;

• 62 percent of companies expect to increase investment next year and only five percent expect to reduce their investment levels;

• Some of the challenges companies expect to face include finding qualified employees, increased regulations at the federal and local level, uncertainty in the timing of a possible rise in interest rates, and the uncertainty of the economy;

• Five percent of executives indicated that the cost of maintaining their capital has increased at a rate higher than the rate of inflation, and 75 percent state that the cost of maintaining capital has remained stable;

• 19 percent of executives indicated that they had easy access to capital while 28 percent indicated that accessing capital was difficult for them;

• 18 percent of executives indicated they were concerned about the effects that rising interest rates might have on their business while 34 percent indicated they were not concerned at all;

• 31 percent of executives indicated that they were concerned about the effects of a rise in interest rates over the next five years while 13 percent were not concerned at all;

• The executives indicated that 39 percent engaged in data security as a form of risk management, 20 percent engage in interest rate risk management, 17 percent engage in fuel price risk management, 12 percent engage in terrorism or national security risk management, and seven percent engage in exchange rate risk management; and

• The executives listed their company's primary risks to include increases in costs and regulations, adverse market conditions, a lack of qualified employees, economic instability and uncertainty, and increased future interest rates.

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OBITUARY



PATRICIA ANN KUJAWA

(Oregon, Ohio), Shari (Dan) Siampaus (Findlay, Ohio), and Larry (Diane) St. John (Oregon, Ohio). She grew up in Oregon, Ohio and spent her summers at Put-In-Bay. She married Stan J. Kujawa on March 4, 1977 and he survives. Also surviving are their six daughters, Kelly (Tony) Howell (Perrysburg, Ohio), Wendy Waggoner (Bowling Green, Ohio), Betsy (Brian) Hall (Findlay, Ohio), Kortney Schira (Fort Myers, Florida), Karoline and Anne Kujawa (Fort Myers, Florida). Together, they had 12 grandchildren including Amanda whom they loved and raised as their own, and a great granddaughter. She was preceded in death by her infant son Jonathon and her grandson Gabriel.

She was vice president of Findlay Ford LM for 26 years, but was most proud of opening Children's Wishing Star in San Salvador. She also participated in Hope House and Loudon Home. She was a co-chair, with her husband Stan, for the building of the new St. Michael's Church in Findlay. For the last 10 years, she has owned and operated Geez Leweez, a needlepoint and yarn shop in Fort Myers, Florida.

Pati will be remembered for her generosity, always helping others, and her shining sense of humor.

A visitation will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2 at St. Michael the

Archangel Parish, followed by mass at 11 a.m., 750 Bright Road, Findlay, Ohio. The family will host a gathering immediately following to celebrate the wonderful life of Pati. There will be a private burial service that afternoon for the family. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to the St. Michael's School (723 Sutton Place, Findlay, OH 45840) for tuition assistance.✱

Prayer And Potluck

All are welcome to attend St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church monthly Prayer and Potluck services, held at 6 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month. Organized by parishioners, the services are sometimes small and intimate, and take place in the chapel. Larger gatherings meet in the church's sanctuary.

The first gathering of the summer, on Wednesday, June 3, begins with a brief devotional service filled with music, inspirational messages and prayer. The Potluck follows at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Diners can share their recipes at the buffet. Bring a dish if you can or just stop by for the camaraderie. It's a great way to get acquainted with islanders.

The devotional services and dinners for the summer continue on July 1, August 5 and September 2✱

American Legion Post 123

On Sunday, May 31, American Legion Post 123 will serve barbecued ribs and chicken from 1 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$12 to \$14. Tuesday, June 2 is the Ladies Auxiliary meeting at 6 p.m. On Sunday, June 7, spaghetti and meatballs will be served all day.

Nine-ball pool tournaments are played every Monday starting at 5 p.m.

"Hump day" specials are served all day on Wednesdays.

On Fridays, a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich is available all day. There are daily specials as well as the popular half-pound burgers. Food is served from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. The public is welcome.

If you have a flag that needs to be retired, drop it off at your convenience.

Hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m.

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OBITUARY



RUTH BRIGHAM DEAN

Ruth Brigham Dean died on Monday, May 18 in Brunswick, Maine. Ruth had recently moved with her husband Jonathan to Sanibel Island, Florida, where the breast cancer she had been fighting since 2005 began to get the best of her. She and Jonathan moved to the small house they had bought many years ago in South Harpswell, Maine to be closer to family and childhood friends. Ruth was surrounded by family in her final weeks; her daughter Ann Dean and her sister

Anne Hayden held her hands as she died, and her son Alexander and her husband were nearby.

Ruth was strong and straightforward. Her gift for friendship flowed from her direct and positive disposition. She always cared from those who needed help, especially children. She spent one year at Bryn Mawr College where she studied Greek, and then married Jonathan and spent 15 years caring for their children. She earned a BA and MA in English from the University of Akron, writing a thesis on English mystery plays.

Ruth taught writing and ran the writing center at Wayne College in Orrville. She ascribed much of her success to Mary Tohill, with whom she worked while completing her studies. Later, her friend Peter Ryerson hired her as a writer as part of his health care consulting business. From there, she established her own writing business, The Writing Toolbox, with Melissa Thomson. The two of them wrote three books aimed at junior high students, as well as corporate histories and newsletters. In retirement, Ruth worked on a mystery story based on her experience with corporate histories.

Ruth sang in a community chorus conducted by Robert Quade at St. Paul's Church in Akron. She completed Leadership Akron, training in community service, which led her to accept a leadership role at the Women's Endowment Fund of the Akron Community Foundation. When she left that role, the fund had grown its endowment and successfully shifted leadership to a new generation. She also served on the board

of Hower House, inaugurating a dramatization of Notable Women of Akron in connection with the Theatre Department of Akron University.

Ruth loved her children and her grandchildren, Samantha and Tyler Dean and Nelle and Anju Feliciano. She was delighted to be spending her summer close to Nelle and Anju, and travelled to Madison as often as she could to spend

time with Samantha and Tyler. She also loved to race her family's Lightning sailboat at Pymatuning Yacht Club, where she spent summer weekends and made many friends.

Services were held in Topsham, Maine on Monday, May 25. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, gifts be sent to the Women's Endowment Fund of the Akron Community Foundation. ✨

OBITUARY



MIRIAM ANN PALIWODA MOODY

Miriam Ann Paliwoda Moody of Cranford, New Jersey and Sanibel, passed peacefully at her Sanibel home on Friday, May 15, 2015. She was born in Bayonne, New Jersey on October 9, 1923 to parents Julia Mohyla Paliwoda and William Paliwoda. Miriam was preceded in death by her loving husband, Dr. Leonard Ellsworth

Moody.

Miriam will be missed by her three loving sons, Ernest, William and Brian Moody; her grandchildren Amber Borner, Austin, Michelle, Peter and Melissa and Olivia Moody; her great-granddaughter Clara Borner; her beloved brother, Theodore Paliwoda; and her niece, Jane Moody Picker of Sanibel.

As a resident of Cranford for over 65 years, Miriam actively participated on many civic boards. A founder of the Cranford Floraphiles, she also remained an active member of and held positions on the Cranford Tree Advisory Board and the Hanson Park Conservancy.

Miriam's absence will be greatly felt by her many family, friends and neighbors, for she was respected and admired for her sharp intellect, proud, generous nature and sense of humor.

Visitation for family and friends will be held on Sunday, May 31 at Dooley's Funeral Home in Cranford, New Jersey. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, June 1 at St. Michael's Church, Cranford. Internment will be at Fairview Cemetery in Westfield, New Jersey.

In lieu of flowers, anyone wishing to honor Miriam may make a memorial contribution to FISH of Sanibel-Captiva, Inc., 1630-B Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, FL 33957. ✨

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UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF THE ISLANDS:

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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Seems like Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club and Florida SouthWestern (FSW) State College have formed some type of relationship. Just within the last two months, our Rotary club has had the honor of hearing from three fantastic speakers representing FSW: FSW President Jeff Albritten; FSW's Head Baseball Coach Jamie Corr; and last Friday, FSW Professor Dr. Roslyn Jester, PhD, ocean science.

Dr. Jester is the kind of professor that all of us might like to have in college. She truly is engaged with her students and encourages their studies in marine biology and biological oceanography from all angles. Of course, their studies include classroom time but Dr. Jester's classes offer opportunities for a great deal of field work alongside the many marine research and conservation studies in the area. Dr. Jester is also a visiting research scientist at SCCF here on the Sanibel.

Dr. Jester did not attend our meeting alone. She brought along four newly FSW graduate honor students: Kelsey Hoagland, Tori Frisina, Erin O'Neil, and Samantha Tawil; who had recently wrapped up their studies abroad in La Paz, Mexico. La Pas Isla Espiritu Santo, in Baja California, is a spectacular island with dozens of bays, rich marine life and land-based reptiles, birds and amphibians. Working with Ecology Project International nonprofit educational organization – "Ecology International combines travel to remarkable places, rigorous and exciting field science, conservation efforts, and authentic cultural exchange experience to improve students' awareness, understanding, knowledge, confidence and academic skill sets." Although the students got to design their own course of research on the island, emphasis was placed on endangered sea turtles, oceanography, research design, and statistical analysis and field data collection.

Frisina and Tawil designed a survey to measure social drivers of awareness of protection and conservation efforts regarding La Pas sea turtle population by a representative number of local fishermen and the general public in La Pas, and anthropogenic factors of environmental factors due to human activity. The survey results indicated that the fishermen were aware of conservation efforts but the practice of these efforts was never quite answered. The general population was aware of protection laws regarding the sea turtles but was leery of actual efforts to protect the turtles. The students concluded that more education was needed regarding sea turtle protection through education and enforcement activities.

Studies were also done on 39 sea stars, measuring the sea star size, longest arm measures, and growth and counting of current parasites. This record will be kept and used again in other research.



Tori Frisina, Samantha Tawil, Erin O'Neil and Kelsey Hoagland

O'Neil and Tawil's research study was to involve the invertebrate population on Espiritu Santo but was somewhat hindered by the recent hurricane that hit the area. Students camp for several nights on a beach located on Isla Espiritu

Santo in the gulf of California and, while snorkeling, collect data for local scientists as part of a marine invertebrate research project. They did do their count and that was then compared with before hurricane counts.

Probably the most exciting part of this trip was whale observation and study; monitoring the whales, noting the marking and spots, measuring growth, swimming along with the whales, measuring their tales and documenting information for further studies.

This is hands-on science and you could tell that this experience awakens the thrust for further knowledge and provides a platform for life-long learning. Isn't that what education is all about?

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club, 949 Sand Castle Road. If you have any questions regarding Rotary, e-mail President Scot Congress at scot@scongress.com. ✨

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Children shared their talents at the celebration

Students Show Their Talents

Students from Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ presented their Readers Theater as part of the Children and Youth Sunday celebration held by the congregation on Sunday, May 17. They also shared their musical talents, as well as helped in worship leadership. Participants included students from the Sunday School program, the Shine! midweek program for elementary age students, Journey youth group for middle and high school students, as well as the Sanibel Christian Preschool. Afterwards, the youth and congregation had ice cream sundaes served by members of the children and youth committee.*



Marty Harrity and Richard Johnson pose with students from the Children’s Education Center of the Islands while presenting a check for the scholarship program at the school

CECI Recieves Donation From Island Nights

The Children’s Education Center of the Islands proudly received a check from Islands Night in the amount of \$1,000, which will be used for their scholarship program for their students. Approximately 35 percent of the families who attend the preschool

receive some level of tuition assistance. This number is up from previous years. The Children’s Education Center of the Islands is a non-profit preschool offering full-time and part-time classes for children ages 18 months to age 5 during the school year and offers Summer Camps. Parents can sign up their children on a weekly basis for a three-day, four-day or five-day program. CECI is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.*

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Students Learn About Water Cycle

We all need to take a break, especially when one has been hard at work also learning letters and numbers, how to count and even the first steps in how to read. Sanibel Christian Preschool, as a ministry of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, provides a warm, caring environment for all children to learn, for our teachers and staff know that whatever a child's background or faith, all are beloved children of God. The preschool provides 2-year-old, 3-year-old and VPK 4-year-old classes five days a week during the school year, as well as aftercare. The quality education program nurtures preschoolers academically, socially, and emotionally as well as introduces preschoolers to classical music and the fine arts. Last week, youngsters enrolled there learned about the water cycle and had some fun splashing around.

The preschool is currently accepting applications for the term starting in August. Financial aid is also available. For more information, call 472-0497 or go to www.sanibelucc.org.✱



Sanibel Christian Preschoolers towel off after some water play

Thomas To Perform

Grammy Award-winning songwriter Randy Thomas will perform on Wednesday, June 3 from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Heights Center, located at 15570 Hagie Drive in Fort Myers. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free but advance registration is requested since there is limited space available.

Thomas and his wife, Lori, have performed dance and dinner music at many of the finer country clubs around Southwest Florida for the last eight years. When requested at special events, they perform some of Randy's original hit songs, such as *Butterfly Kisses* and *Why'd You Come in Here Lookin' Like That?* (recorded by Dolly Parton). Randy has racked up countless Christian, country and pop hit songs, produced records and toured with international acts (such as Shania Twain) while Lori has worked as studio vocalist.

Both Randy and Lori lead worship at Westminster Presbyterian Church, find-



Lori and Randy Thomas

ing their second musical home with local favorites Alter Ego band, Highway 41 band, or as a duo. For more information, visit www.randyandlori.com.

Visit www.heightsfoundation.org/randyandlori to reserve your tickets. For more information, call 823-5555 or email randythomasmusic@yahoo.com.✱

Sea Turtle Nesting Statistics

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF) reported the following sea turtle nesting statistics as of May 22:

- Sanibel East: 21 nests, 47 false crawls
- Sanibel West*: 43 nests, 145 false crawls
- Captiva: 17 nests, 27 false crawls
- Total: 81 nests, 219 false crawls

The first green sea turtle false crawl of the season was on May 16 on Sanibel's west end.

There are now coyotes on Sanibel and SCCF is screening as many nests as possible to discourage coyote depredation.

*false crawl – a failed nesting attempt
If you have questions, or would like to know more about nesting statistics on Sanibel, contact seaturtle@sccf.org or call SCCF at 472-2329.✱



Most of the sea turtle nests on Sanibel and Captiva are loggerheads. However, there are usually a handful of green sea turtle nests. This is a photo of the false crawl on May 16. Loggerheads leave an alternating pattern in the flipper marks, which also have a slight comma shape. Green sea turtles move both flippers simultaneously, giving a symmetrical gait, and the flipper marks are more slash-like. photo by SCCF

FGCU Summer 2015 Lecture And Life Enrichment Program

Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) Renaissance Academy for adults announces its 2015 summer schedule featuring an extensive and diverse curriculum of single lectures and short courses. The Renaissance Academy's summer program will include topics such as iPad/iPhone, Windows 8, Tai Chi, Yoga, writing programs, a foreign and classic film discussion series, astronomy, World War II, spies and espionage, orchids, birding and much more.

A free, complete catalog of the Naples, Bonita Springs, Estero and Fort Myers offerings may be found at local libraries or by calling 425-3272. Online registration is available at <https://RegisterRA.fgcu.edu> where participants may browse and register for courses safely and securely online.

Among the Renaissance Academy's offerings are affordable, non-credit single lectures, short courses, day trips and other special events. There are no exams or grades, just learning for the joy of learning with friends, neighbors and peers. Course fees are typically \$25 per lecture, and provide access to Academy programs located at 12 locations throughout Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties.

For more information, contact John Guerra, director of FGCU Renaissance Academy, at 434-4838 or jguerra@fgcu.edu.✱

Community Foundation’s Women’s Legacy Fund Hosts Spring Luncheon



From left, Aline Flynn, Mary Robertson and Ellen Sheppard

More than 60 Women’s Legacy Fund contributors gathered at Gulf Harbour Yacht & Country Club on May 14 to discuss causes involving local women and girls.

A fund of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, the Women’s Legacy Fund is a group of women who foster the immersion of women in philanthropy and develop the region’s next philanthropic leaders. In just eight years of existence, the WLF has been able to provide \$100,000 in grants to benefit people and communities in Southwest Florida. Currently, the Fund has nearly \$400,000 in endowment that will continue to help fund local issues now and in the future.

Open exclusively to WLF contributors and Prima Donors, this year’s spring luncheon included facilitated discussions around the grant focus areas selected by the WLF grants committee, focusing more on the causes and specific needs. The causes included youth programs for girls, safety for women and girls, and improved access to goods



Carolyn Rogers, Dawn-Marie Driscoll and Winnie Balingier



Judith Biddle, Margaret Crishal and Marian Borneman



Elaine Hawkins, Vicki Pitbladdo and Betsy Alderman

and services in neighborhoods.

“We prepared for this grant cycle conversation by going to the end users, women and girls in Southwest Florida to hear directly from them the barriers they face in our community,” said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation. “This close-up research will allow the contributors to the fund to discern greatest need and then help us to inspire nonprofits to design programs to work toward creating change based on this research.”

Contributors to the WLF give a minimum of \$250 each year (\$100 for women under 25 years of age). The first half of contributions is pooled for the purpose of immediate annual grants, while the second half is pooled into the WLF’s endowment fund, which provides additional grants to be made both now and in years to come. Prima Donors are local women who have contributed \$10,000 or more to the WLF endowment and are committed to making an impact in their community through charitable giving.

As leaders, conveners, grant makers and concierges of philanthropy, the Southwest Florida Community Foundation is a foundation built on community leadership with an inspired history of fostering regional change for the common good in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. With assets of more than \$88 million, the Foundation has provided \$61.2 million in grants and scholarships to the communities it serves. Last year, it granted more than \$2.9 million to nonprofit organizations supporting education, animal welfare, arts, healthcare and human services. It granted \$782,000 in nonprofit grants including more than \$551,000 in regional community



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Get Sandy At Sanibel Sea School This Summer

submitted by Jesse Woodhull

The bright sunshine and afternoon showers signaling the approach of Florida's summer also signal that Sanibel Sea School is gearing up for our 2015 Summer Camp programs. Living in a place that is home to hundreds of fish, birds, and shells, we never have a shortage of new species to study and admire. This summer, Sanibel Sea School is offering camps that range in topic from spotted eagle rays to marine worms to baby sea turtles, and we'll spend our days learning about these magnificent creatures, paddling around on our surfboards, and making plenty of ocean art.

For our campers ages 4 to 6, we are planning Gator Babies week and Turtle Hatchlings week, where we will explore what it's like to be a newborn in the oceanic animal kingdom. There are also camps scheduled from June 8 to August 31 for campers ages 6 to 13 and counselors in training ages 13 to 15, as well as expeditions to the Keys and Bahamas, and three weeks of paddleboarding and Survival Camp for older teenagers. We will spend our days outside, and each week will be filled to the brim with hands-on activities and experiences. All of our participants will leave with an enhanced appreciation for our beautiful barrier island habitats, and will gain new skills like cast-netting, raft-building and fish identification.

There is still space available in some weeks, so have your little explorer join Sanibel Sea School for a week of camp that's sure to leave them with sandy feet and a new love for the ocean we all share.

Call 472-8585 or visit www.sanibelseaschool.org for more information. Sanibel Sea School is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the ocean's future, one person at a time.✱

Free Hibiscus Show And Sale

The James E. Hendry Chapter of the American Hibiscus Society announces its 64th annual Hibiscus Show/Plant Sale on Saturday, June 6 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at CityGate Ministries (formerly First Baptist Church), 1735 Jackson Street, in Fort Myers.

The free hibiscus show is the oldest, largest and best attended of all Florida's hibiscus shows, attracting several hundred people annually. This continuing show is made possible through the generosity of community sponsors; Driftwood Garden Center, Edison National Bank, Dr. Jacob Goldberger, Greenscapes, Dr. John Kagan, Hooters, Orr Insurance Group, Advanced Pain Management & Spine Specialists, Riverland Nursery, Storm Shutter Warehouse, Tim's Tree Service and Wilford & Lee.

"The event will showcase hundreds of different hybrid hibiscus blooms in a variety of colors and forms which will be judged in several different classes including amateur, collector, open collector, commercial and seedlings," said Wanda Schmoeyer, president. In addition, more than 600 hybrid hibiscus plants will be for sale. Free raffle tickets will be given away every 30 minutes for gift certificates from The Oasis Restaurant, Hooters, Outback Steakhouse, Salon Nicholas donated by Jane Kolczun, Gavins Ace Hardware, Snyderman's Shoes, BandD Organics, Sandi Haimbaugh at Hair Ink Studio, Imaginarium, Butterfly Estates, Pinchers Crab Shack, PGA Golf, Bennett's Fresh Roast, Eager Beaver Car Wash, The Spa at La-Te-Da Salon, Edison/Ford Estates, Edison/Ford Estates Garden, Ruth Messmer Florist, Wisteria Tea Room, SPADA Salon & Day Spa, The Fussy Female, Tanger Outlets, Cip's Place, Natalies Skin Solutions & Baskets by Patricia.

This is the best opportunity Southwest Floridians have to add to their hybrid hibiscus collection. This delicate and beautiful plant grows abundantly in Florida's tropical climate. Members of the society who are experts in the care and growing of hibiscus will be available to provide advice. Should members of the public have questions regarding how the blooms are judged, there will also be several senior American Hibiscus Society judges available to respond.

Anyone who desires to learn more about how to grow, graft and hybridize this attractive tropical flowering plant can do so by joining the James E. Hendry Chapter, AHS at the show.

The show is the highlight of the year for the society and no further meetings will take place until they resume in October. The society meets at The Salvation Army Building, 10291 McGregor Boulevard on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Anyone interested is invited to attend the next meeting Sunday, October 9 at 1:30 p.m. Parking and admission to the Hibiscus Show/Plant Sale is free. For more information, visit www.hendrychapterahs.com.✱

Amberjack Harvesting Closes June 1

The recreational harvest of greater amberjack in Gulf of Mexico state waters closes June 1 and will remain closed through July 31, reopening August 1. Seasonal harvest closures help conserve Florida's valuable greater amberjack populations and improve these fisheries for the future.

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Eye To The Sky For Thunderstorms



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Fast moving strong afternoon thunderstorms had boaters and fishermen keeping a eye to the sky and to I-Phone weather radar. Our summer rains have kicked

into high gear early and things can get dangerous very quickly if you get caught out. We experienced one such event over the past holiday weekend with lots of lightening, hard rain that caused what seemed like almost zero visibility and crazy strong wind gusts right on the leading edge of this storm.

Running from this nasty weather, I made a speedy return crossing from Captiva to St. James City trying to outrun the fast approaching storm. Things turned wet and windy three quarters

of the way back as we just managed to get tucked in tight safely against the mangroves while the brunt of the storm whipped up. Strong afternoon storms like this one, and worse, can happen on just about any summer day. Our weather can get dangerous very quickly, changing from what was a sunny light wind day into tropical storm-like conditions within a few minutes.

Good numbers of tarpon were located out along the beaches all week. Getting shots to rolling fish was not a problem but getting one to eat an even perfectly presented bait was a totally different story. After anchoring out off the beach roughly a hundred yards, we had three tarpon flash as they picked up our crabs and then just never came tight. Tarpon fishing this week was frustrating, to say the least. Better reports of hooked tarpon came from anglers fishing the hill tides at Boca Grande and Captiva passes although rough conditions due to the hard falling water and west wind just did not make fishing the passes sound like fun. Huge concentrations of pass crabs, aka tarpon snacks, were pulled out of the pass on these hill tides late afternoon



While snook fishing with Vicky and Leon Walden of Arkansas this week, we had an unexpected bonus double header of matching 25-inch redfish

until after sunset.

Bay fishing for tarpon was slow for most anglers this week with the only consistent fish reports being of them showing up in the afternoons at Foster's Point up to Cabbage Key. These bay tarpon fed no better than the beach fish, with very few hook-ups reported. As the early evening hill tide pattern came to a end, our tarpon bite can only get better, both on the beaches and in the bay.

Catch and release snook fishing was the best show in town with snook being caught all over the area from out on

the beaches to the passes and still even deep in the mangrove creeks. Thirty plus snook trips on basically any moving tide made a great change from tarpon fishing for anglers and guides alike. Free-lined live shiners caught snook just about any place you fished with them. Bring shiners and they will come!

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 *Island Sun* 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 *Island Sun*, 1640 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, Sanibel, or email to press@islandsunnews.com; or call 395-1213.

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CROW Case Of The Week:

The Indelible Blue Jay



by Patricia Molloy

If you've ever asked yourself why CROW's team of specialized veterinarians goes to such lengths to save the lives of wild birds, reptiles and mammals, just think of the blue jay. Blue jays

– which are just one of approximately 10,000 species of birds on the planet – have left an indelible mark on Earth's evolution; they are credited with helping to spread oak trees after the last glacial period in North America (which peaked 21,500 years ago). Talk about a legacy!

As one of the most common songbirds in North America, they are also one of the easiest to identify. Larger than most of the birds that frequent the backyard feeders of Southwest Florida, they have a bright blue crest along with blue, black and white plumage. While best known for their loud "Jay! Jay!" call, it's their remarkable intellect that is most impressive.

A group of blue jays – known as a "party" – consists of a complex social system in which individuals maintain

close bonds with family members to which they are fiercely loyal. While most people believe that tool-use in the wild kingdom is limited to primates, according to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, captive blue jays have been observed shredding newspaper into strips in order to drag food pellets within reach.

Approximately one month ago, a blue jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*) was delivered to CROW by a local resident. Upon presentation, Dr. Brittany discovered injuries that were consistent with being hit by a car. The adult male – patient #15-1039 – was anesthetized so that radiographs could be taken. "This guy had a left ulna (elbow joint) fracture as well as head trauma," explained the DVM intern.

After several weeks of being tube-fed an insectivore slurry, along with plenty of cage rest, the blue jay's condition has improved. "He's looking better in terms of his head trauma and he's much brighter and moving around. He's been losing weight, so we are making sure that the tube is all the way down (his throat)," Dr. Brittany concluded.

Thanks to the incredible medical care he has received at CROW, the blue jay is on track for a full recovery. To celebrate his upcoming release, grab a seat under the cool shade of an oak tree and raise your glass in honor of this remarkable bird.

CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife, Inc.) is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for native and migratory wildlife from our



Here, the blue jay – patient #15-1039 – is being tube-fed an insectivore slurry

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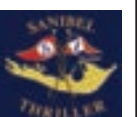


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Gator And Crocodile Tales

The biology of alligators and crocodiles is an ancient tale of survival. On Wednesday, June 3 at 10 a.m., come to the SCCF Nature Center and learn about these living dinosaurs to ensure our safety and their survival on the islands. With warmer temperatures, island alligators are very active and it is mating season. Take a walk on the trails to the Sanibel River following the program or visit the butterfly house. Cost of the program is \$5 for adults, with SCCF members and children are admitted free. Remember... never feed an alligator!



Alligator water dance



Snowy plover with newborn chick



Pair of snowy plover chicks

photo by Wanda Leisinger

Snowy Plovers

Watch where you walk there are plovers on the beach and nesting has begun. SCCF has been monitoring and staking the nests of this shorebird on Sanibel beaches for 15 years. Join SCCF biologists to learn about this threatened species and what you can do to protect their small nesting populations. Cost of the program is \$5, with SCCF members admitted free. This program will be offered on Thursday, June 4 and Thursday, June 18 at 1:30 p.m. Call 472-2329 for more information on these programs. Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is located at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road.☼

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CROW is not permitted to display its patients to the public, so this hour-long presentation offers the next best thing:



Baby mocking birds gaping

numerous candid snapshots of current and past patients, with commentary by Claudia Burns, a veteran clinic volunteer.

The next CROW Picture Show is on Friday June 5 at 11 a.m. in CROW's Visitor Education Center at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road, across from The Sanibel School. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for teens, free for members and children 12 or under. The entry fee also includes access to the Visitor Education Center, which exhibits CROW's efforts to save wildlife through care, education and collaboration.

For more information, call 472-3644, ext. 228. To learn more about CROW, visit www.crowclinic.org.

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Captiva Memorial Library Programs

trusty sidekick, Buckets, are on an adventure to discover Florida archaeology. You can learn how to be a superhero of history, too. Provided by Florida Public Archeology Network. Tickets available June 11.

American Tall Tale Heroes: Storytelling

3 p.m. Wednesday, June 24

Young audiences will sing-a-long and thrill as Katie Adams spins the big, bold stories of Paul Bunyan, Sally Ann Thunder Ann Whirlwind Crockett and Pecos Bill. Tickets available June 18.

The Captiva Memorial Library is located at 11560 Chapin Lane in Captiva. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4890. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days notice to library staff.

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

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First Annual Lionfish Removal And Awareness Day A Success

Florida's first annual Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day, held on the first Saturday after Mother's Day, was a success, from statewide lionfish removal efforts to unveiling the new Reef Rangers lionfish removal program to educating the public about lionfish.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) celebrated the day by hosting a festival in Pensacola, supporting and promoting other lionfish removal events across the state, and asking divers and anglers to remove lionfish wherever they could. Lionfish are a nonnative, invasive species that have a potential negative impact on Florida's native wildlife and habitat.

A major goal of raising awareness about lionfish was reached as more than 3,000 people attended the festival in Pensacola. Visitors learned not only about lionfish, but many got to taste them for the first time. Other activities included art and conservation booths, fillet demonstrations, celebrity chefs, kids' activities and guest speakers such as artist and conservationist Dr. Guy Harvey and Pensacola Mayor Ashton Hayward. Some participants even walked away with gear signed that day by Harvey.

"The inaugural Lionfish Awareness and Removal Day was a success," said Harvey. "Well over 1,000 lionfish were speared statewide. At the Pensacola festival, local chefs did a great job demonstrating how to prepare and cook lionfish. Everyone seemed to enjoy tasting them."

And even though high winds and bad weather made it difficult, plenty of lionfish were still removed across the state. While the average derby in 2014 removed about 600 lionfish, Florida visitors and residents across the state came together to remove 2,399* lionfish in anticipation of and on the weekend of Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day (*includes 704 lionfish collected May 1 to 18 at the month-long Northeast Lionfish Blast in Jacksonville). Lionfish were removed at derbies and tourna-

ments as well as by individuals who reported their catch on the Report Florida Lionfish app or online at MyFWC.com/Lionfish by clicking "Report Lionfish." At the Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day Tournament in Pensacola, 877 lionfish were removed by three teams in two days. This tournament was hosted by the Gulf Coast Lionfish Coalition.

The FWC also had 45 people sign up this past weekend to become a Reef Ranger. Participants in the new Reef Rangers program pledge to adopt a reef and remove lionfish from it on a regular basis. Research has shown that consistent lionfish removal efforts can reverse some of the negative impact lionfish have on affected reefs. To sign up to become a Reef Ranger, visit Reefrangers.com.

Lionfish Removal and Awareness Day was created by FWC Commissioners to raise awareness about lionfish – non-native, invasive species that have a potential negative impact on native species and habitat.

The FWC thanks all of the sponsors and organizations across the state that helped make this day possible.

The FWC also wants to remind everyone that lionfish or other exotic pets that can no longer be cared for should never be released into Florida waters or lands. To learn more about FWC's Exotic Pet Amnesty Day program, where people can surrender an exotic pet for adoption, visit MyFWC.com/WildlifeHabitats and click on "Nonnative Species" and "Exotic Pet Amnesty Program."

For more about lionfish, visit MyFWC.com/Lionfish. For more on Reef Rangers, visit Reefrangers.com.✧

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CROW Calendar Of Events

The Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) has specialty programs available for residents and visitors. Meet the staff and learn what it takes to rescue, rehabilitate and release wildlife in Southwest Florida.

For reservations, contact Rachel Rainbolt at rainbolt@crowclinic.org or 472-3644 ext. 229. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed weekends. CROW is located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Friday, May 29, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff.

After a patient stabilizes in the hospital, CROW's rehabilitation staff provides them with a combination of balanced diet, husbandry and physical therapy. This supportive care is necessary to ensure success during the final step in the rehabilitation process. Ask the staff how they work their magic.

Monday, June 1, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff (features an animal ambassador).

After a patient stabilizes in the hospital, CROW's rehabilitation staff provides them with a combination of balanced diet, husbandry and physical therapy. This supportive care is necessary to ensure success during the final step in the rehabilitation process. Ask the staff how they work their magic.

Tuesday, June 2, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – Patient Profiles: Sea Turtles, presented by CROW staff.

CROW is the only licensed sea turtle facility from Sarasota to Miami on the southwest coast of Florida. One of CROW's team members will explain why they are admitted and how the medical staff treats this species.

Wednesday, June 3, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – CROW Case of the Week, presented by a CROW student.

CROW's teaching hospital offers externship, fellowship and internship opportunities for natural science and veterinary medicine students. While on site, students learn the ins and outs of conservation medicine and wildlife

rehabilitation, and share their favorite patient stories.

Thursday, June 4, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – Patient Profiles: Gopher Tortoises, presented by a CROW volunteer.

The life of a gopher tortoise revolves around its burrow. These tortoises are found digging from southern Georgia to southeast Florida. Because of its contributions to the ecosystem, it is classified as a "Keystone Species." CROW's presenter will explain why they are admitted and how the medical staff treats this species.

Friday, June 5, 11 a.m., \$5 included with admission – Why Animals Come to CROW, presented by a CROW volunteer.

CROW hospital treats over 3,500 patients a year, but not all of the animals admitted need assistance. Facilities like CROW should be an animal's last resort, not their first. This presentation uses past case studies, rescues and releases to teach you about safe interactions with wildlife in the community.

Friday, June 5, 2 p.m., \$20 advance registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff.

Following the 2 p.m. presentation in the Visitor Education Center, visitors will be escorted to the rehabilitation grounds for an exclusive look at what it takes to rehabilitate more than 3,500 wildlife patients per year.*

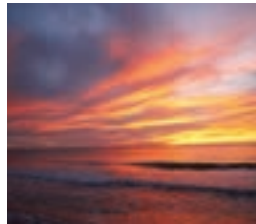
Optimists Club Scholarships

The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club is pleased to offer two 4-yr college scholarships to 2015 graduating seniors. The new scholarships replace two of the current six (since two current scholarship recipients are graduating college). Each scholarship is \$1750 per year (\$7000 total). The competition for the scholarships is open to all seniors graduating from high schools in Lee County in 2015.

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Shell Of The Week

Mangrove Periwinkle



by José H. Leal, PhD, The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum Science Director & Curator

The mangrove periwinkle, *Littoraria angulifera* (Lamarck, 1822), is an inch-long

marine gastropod that inhabits the fringes of mangrove forests of the western Atlantic Ocean, including the barrier islands of Southwest Florida. Unlike its close relative, the cloudy periwinkle, which forms aggregations on dead tree trunks and other dead wood, the mangrove periwinkle prefers to live on live mangrove trees, in particular on the prop roots, trunk and branches of red mangrove trees, as seen in the photo on the right. Mangrove periwinkles browse on the film of fungi and algae that grows on the mangrove bark. Individuals in this and other periwinkle species spend all their lives out of water, except for the first couple of months of their larval life. Learn more about the mangrove periwinkle at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/southwest-florida-shells/>



The mangrove periwinkle, *Littoraria angulifera*, shell and live animal on red mangrove tree photos by José H. Leal and Amy Tripp

littoraria-angulifera.

Shell Museum Events

Daily Island Inn Morning Beach Walks: Join our marine biologist for a beach walk near Island Inn on Sanibel. Walks depart daily from the Island Inn lobby at 9 a.m. The cost is \$10, and parking at Island Inn is free for beach walk participants. Space is limited; book online at shellmuseum.org/events or call 395-2233 to make a reservation. All beach walk participants receive half-off museum admission. (Current Island Inn guests: Please book through the Inn).

New Programs At The Museum

Daily Tank Talks, 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Gain great insights into the fascinating world of mollusks.

Monday at 1:30 p.m.: Carolyn's Collection – A fun and entertaining look at gem-quality shells. (Please check shellmuseum.org to note any schedule

changes)

Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.: What is a Mollusk? Learn about the shell makers in this hands-on presentation.

Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.: Mid-Day Tank Talk with a marine biologist.

Thursday at 1:30 p.m.: Shell ID Clinic – Bring in your mystery finds for identification from an expert.

Friday at 1:30 p.m.: Shell Arts and Crafts – Create shell art and take it home with you.

Saturday at 1:30 p.m.: Sanibel Shells – Discover the look, feel and minute differences of local shells.

Sunday at 1:30 p.m.: Shell BINGO!

Weekly Marine Naturalist Cruise (Thursdays): The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum and Captiva Cruises present a one-of-a-kind experience that will excite nature lovers of all ages. Join our marine biologist for an

unforgettable day with a small group aboard the 40-foot sailing catamaran *Adventure*. Trips set sail Thursdays at 9 a.m. from South Seas Island Resort on Captiva. The four-hour cruise costs \$100 for adults and \$75 for children and includes the boat trip, lunch and museum admission. Call 472-5300 to book. (Water shoes required, no flip flops. Prepare to get wet.)

The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum is located at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Call 395-2233 or visit www.shellmuseum.org.

Rotary Volunteers At CROW Flight Enclosure

Rotary International District 6960 recently held their district conference at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva and chose CROW for their day of service. The Rotarians spent the afternoon of May 15 renovating the large flight enclosure by removing weeds and placing new sand throughout the 1,500-square-foot cage. Without their assistance, the procedure would have taken the CROW staff a couple days to complete.

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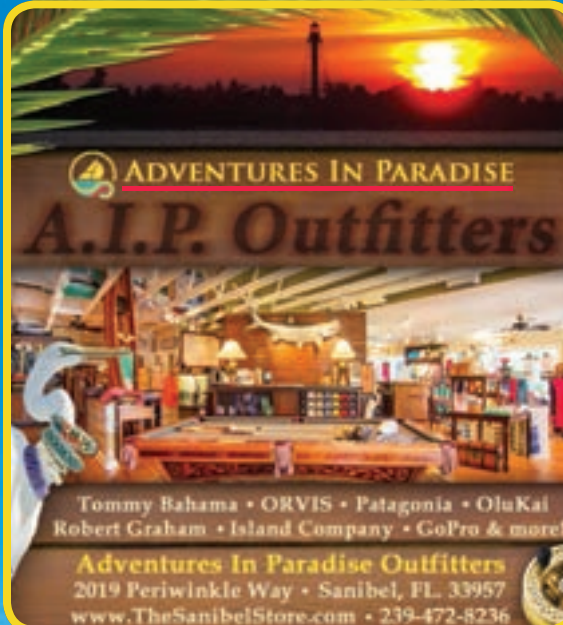
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Society Garlic

by Gerri Reaves

Society garlic (*Tulbaghia violacea*) is a low-maintenance, fast-growing perennial used as a border, groundcover, filler or pot plant.

A native of South Africa and a member of the amaryllis family, it blooms much of the year, mostly during the warmer months. It is also known as pink agapanthus.

The narrow, blue-green strap-like leaves are about a foot long and only a fraction of an inch wide. They form grass-like clumps and resemble garlic leaves or chives, thus the common name.

They grow from an underground fleshy rhizome resembling a bulb. The plant spreads via the rhizomes but is not invasive.



Society garlic's strap-like leaves resemble chives and smell like garlic
photos by Gerri Reaves

Both the leaves and rhizomes have a garlicky odor and can be used in cooking. The flowers are edible as well, and the plant has a host of medicinal uses.

A single flower stalk, which is taller than the leaves, grows from the center of a rosette of four to nine leaves.

The six-petaled star-like flowers are lavender or pink. The flower stalks of individual flowers arise from a common point to form an umbel cluster.

The eight to 20 tubular flowers in the clusters provide nectar for various butterflies.

Society garlic's delicate appearance belies its resilience and ability to survive the summer heat.

Give it well-drained soil and plenty of sun for maximum blooming.

Sources: eattheweeds.com; Florida, *My Eden* by Frederic B. Strasau; floridata.com; ifas.ufl.edu, and naba.org.





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Refuge Welcomes Boost In Summer Staffing



Dana DeSousa



Davis Horton

With the federal budget currently restricting refuge hiring, JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge is happy to welcome temporary staffers through funding from the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) and other programs.

Recently, three summer interns joined the refuge team and two interns from last season extended their stints. Once school is out, a STAR (Summer Teachers Assisting Refuges) teacher and three YCC (Youth Conservation Corps) high school students will also be on hand to assist refuge and DDWS staff.

Elise Waite, a senior at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, Illinois, has a major in environmental studies with an emphasis on nongovernmental organizations and a minor in Southeast Asian studies.

She will be assisting DDWS with marketing, public relations, event and volunteer management, retail operations, social media, fundraising and donor stewardship.

“I really like the refuge so far,” said Waite. “I’m loving being surrounded by people who are passionate about the environment and wildlife. I’m looking forward to kayaking around the mangroves and brushing up on my wildlife identification skills. On my viewing list are especially bats, manatees, sea turtles and armadillos – and all of the other things you don’t find when you’re surrounded by corn!”

Kaylee Brant joins the refuge team through the Student Conservation Association (SCA), which connects students studying wildlife management with potential employers. Originally from Buffalo, New York, she is entering her second year of studies at State University of New York at Cobleskill.

“I am loving the refuge, I really hit the jackpot for my first internship,” Brant said. “I’m looking forward to being able to help with and experience as much as the refuge can offer, working under Toni (Westland, supervisory refuge ranger) in visitor services.”

Fourth-year environmental science student at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, Davis Horton returns for his second summer interning at “Ding” Darling. This year, he will assist education ranger Becky Larkins with the refuge’s inaugural summer camp program.

Jen LoDico has extended her six-month education internship for another six months. Former SCA visitor services intern Dana DeSousa is staying on to work as an intern in the biology department.

“Our temporary summer staff is so valuable to us – not only in providing needed



Kaylee Bryant and Elise Waite

manpower, but also because it brings youthful energy, enthusiasm and creativity to the refuge family,” said Supervisory Refuge Ranger Toni Westland. “At the same time, it gives these students and educators an opportunity to learn about the environment and refuge operations.”

For more information about the refuge’s internship programs, contact Westland at 472-1100 ext. 237.

As a non-profit 501(c)3 organization, DDWS works to support JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge’s mission of conservation, wildlife and habitat protection, research, and public education through charitable donations and Refuge Nature Shop proceeds.

To support DDWS and the refuge with a tax-deductible gift, visit www.dingdarling-society.org or contact Birgie Miller at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.✱



Jen LoDico

Nature Walk With Bird Patrol Guide

A free nature walk with a bird patrol guide is being offered on Saturday, June 6 at Lakes Regional Park, located at 7330 Gladiolus Drive in Fort Myers. The walk will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Participants will meet at Shelter A7. Enter the Lakes Park gate from Gladiolus, then turn right. Drive to the end of the road, continuing through the parking lot. Shelter A7 is located near the Train Station.

This easy walk along clear paths offers an opportunity to see birds in native vegetation with experienced bird patrol guides pointing out the many species in Lakes Park, a Lee County birding hot spot and crucial nesting area for many birds. Participants are asked to arrive a few minutes after 8 a.m. for a brief introduction and to sign waivers. Tours start promptly at 8:30 a.m. Please wear comfortable shoes and dress to be outside. Bring water, sunscreen and binoculars.

This tour is provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation and is free with paid parking. For more information, call 533-7580 or 533-7576, or visit www.birdpatrol.org. ✱



Eastern phoebe

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In this column, each week you will be able to stay updated on our local dining establishments and what they’re offering and get the scoop on the island dining scene, whether it’s fine or casual, take-out or frozen desserts.

AMONG THE FLOWERS CAFE

Among the Flowers Cafe features local and organic vegetarian/vegan fare. Some of the featured items are fresh pressed juices and smoothies, fresh organic coffee and an espresso drink bar, fresh house-made nut milks, raw protein gems and chocolates, organic egg sandwiches and salads, Queenie’s local ice cream, local beers and organic/sustainably farmed wines, gluten free bakery with custom layered cakes and complete party catering. You’ll also find original art with uplifting messages as well as salt lamps, sage wands, handmade jewelry, T-shirts and gift-baskets.

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BAILEY’S GENERAL STORE

Bailey’s General Store has a full deli, bakery, daily lunch specials, take out and catering for cook-outs, picnics and parties. This is the oldest supermarket on the islands, established long before a causeway linked Sanibel to the mainland.

The bakery has freshly made donuts, scones and breads. The deli offers a variety of hot foods for breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as catering services for special events. Services include shopping for your groceries and delivering them to your home or vacation destination. If you are on a gluten-free diet, pick up the extensive list of gluten-free products near the entrance to the supermarket.

The Coffee Bar at Bailey’s serves espresso based drinks, hot chocolate, smoothies and specialty coffees.

BEACH PIEZ

Beach Piez New York style pizza offers carry out and delivery on Sanibel and Captiva. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. With fresh ingredients, mouth watering mozzarella, “secret recipe” dough and homemade pizza sauce, Beach Piez will deliver the best pizza the island has to offer. Stop in for the slice of the day.

BENNETT’S FRESH ROAST

Bennett’s Fresh Roast at 1020 Periwinkle Way prides itself on its fresh-from-scratch doughnuts made daily and being the only Southwest Florida doughnut shop offering fresh roasted coffee from the finest beans. They also offer fresh desserts including praline bread pudding and lemon bars, packaged whole bean or ground coffees, breakfast muffins, oatmeal, breakfast sandwiches, strata (a layered baked breakfast dish) and a large variety of Harney & Sons Fine Teas. Lunch offerings including paninis, soups, sandwiches, signature salads and Bennett’s Chicken & Donut, Donut Dog and a Lobster Roll are available Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



JoHanna Mills at The Green Flash

BLUE GIRAFFE

Blue Giraffe serves breakfast, lunch and dinner from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. This restaurant offers casual island dining seven days a week from a menu featuring fresh local seafood, chowders, salads and steaks. Besides dessert choices, you can get hand-dipped Edy’s Grand Ice Cream.

Dine outside on the boardwalk or inside at hand-painted tables decorated by a local artist, or sit at the full liquor bar for a mixed drink, glass of wine or cold beer.

CIP’S PLACE

Cip’s Place is named for the late Jimmy Cipriani, a longtime islander and owner of the property on which the restaurant sits. Jimmy always made time for a good conversation, good company and great food. In Jimmy’s memory, Cip’s styles itself as a local watering hole. A mural that takes up an entire wall shows lots of islanders through the ages – including Cip – and if you don’t recognize them all, ask to see the “key.”

Food choices range from “comfort” to culinary with some Caribbean and island favorites as well. And do try the home-made potato chips, the fried buttermilk chicken with sage gravy and the snapper tacos.

Choose between the outdoor garden patio or front porch. Indoor seating and full bar are also available. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m.

CHIP’S SANIBEL STEAKHOUSE

Chip’s Sanibel Steakhouse has many great options for locals and tourists alike. It is open seven nights a week with daily happy hour from 5 to 6 p.m., featuring two-for-one drinks and \$4.95 appetizers. For early diners, there’s a three-course prix fixe menu for \$35 including a cocktail. In addition to an updated

wine list, seasonal house-infused liquors such as strawberry-jalapeno tequila, blood orange vodka and cucumber gin are available.

The menu features steaks and seafood, including a six-ounce filet mignon topped with jumbo lump crabmeat finished with Hollandaise and served with of asparagus and choice of potato; Parmesan-crusted seabass served with mushroom risotto and finished with a creamy dill sauce. Save room for dessert though, because whether you are a chocolate lover or Key lime pie fan, Chip’s has something for every sweet tooth.

CROW'S NEST AT 'TWEEN WATERS INN

The Crow’s Nest at ‘Tween Waters Inn is a more casual place than its sister the Old Captiva House. It’s home to the famed Captiva Crab Races on Mondays and Thursdays and is a popular venue for live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays.

There is a nightly happy hour.

DOC FORD'S RUM BAR & GRILLE

Doc Ford’s Rum Bar & Grille is named for the Doc Ford character in local author Randy Wayne White’s best-selling mystery novels.

In addition to its Sanibel restaurant, Doc Ford’s has a Captiva location in Chadwick’s Square.

It’s a well known gathering place and tropical theme sports bar with indoor and outdoor patio seating. The combined menu offers all the lunch and dinner items from 11 a.m. until closing. It includes cedar plank salmon topped with a mango chipotle glaze or a marinated grilled chicken sandwich. The fish tacos are an island favorite and there’s a well provisioned raw bar. Tropical drinks are a specialty, notably the signature rum drink, Island Mojito.

THE DUNES RESTAURANT

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club is open to the public and serves lunch daily from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chef specials include an assortment of salads, wraps and sandwiches, soup buffet Monday through Friday, and the popular the Shrimp Po’ Boy.

Featured monthly events include Trivia Night, Corks & Canvas, Comedy Night, dinner, dancing and live entertainment, and bridge. There is a Friday a la carte dinner menu with featured selections each week such as fish fry, prime rib, seafood and pasta nights.

Take in the sunset views while sipping on your favorite drink. Happy hour is every day from 3 to 6 p.m.

GRAMMA DOT’S

Gramma Dot’s, the only dockside dining on Sanibel, offers a lunch and dinner menu seven days a week from “Sanibel’s only Seaside Saloon” where you can leisurely dine at the Sanibel Marina in view of luxury yachts and modest fishing boats and watch the comings and goings of seagoing folk and fishermen. The menu features a full line of “only fresh” seafood, salads, sandwiches and more. Appropriate dress is required.

If you’re arriving by boat, check in with dockmaster for a lunch slip, monitor VHF 16. You can tie up for a night or two at the available dockage if you wish. Gramma Dot’s is open daily at 11:30 a.m. For dinner, arrive before 8 p.m.

GREAT WHITE GRILL

The Great White Grill is a sports bar featuring 29 beers on tap and a good wine list. It’s home of The Steel Curtain Pizza. There’s free pizza delivery too. The Great White carries the TV Baseball package and the NFL package for sports enthusiasts and has arcade games for kids of all ages.

The regular menu includes hand-cast fresh dough pizza, wings, fries, chicken fingers, salads, gyros, sandwiches and burgers. Check out the Pittsburgh Salad, which consists of grilled chicken, French fries, cheddar cheese, cucumbers, tomatoes and onions on a bed of lettuce.

GREEN FLASH

The Green Flash has marvelous waterfront views of Captiva’s bayside and Pine Island Sound. The Green Flash was built on the site of the historic Timmy’s Nook, opened in 1950. Fittingly, seafood dominates the menu, although other options are offered as well. The Green Flash is easily navigable by boat and is located southwest of Marker 38 on the Intracoastal Waterway.

Hours are daily from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for lunch and 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. for dinner.

GREENHOUSE GRILL

The Greenhouse Grill has happy hour daily that includes \$2 off house wine, \$1 off draft beer and half price special of the day appetizer from 4 to 6 p.m. There are vegan and gluten free options available. Fresh, local, seasonal ingredients are used to flavor steaks, seafood, pasta, salads and burgers. The signature Bouillabaisse is a seafood lover’s delight with fresh shrimp, mussels, clams, scallops, grouper and calamari. Homemade lemonade and green tea with pomegranate are a favorite among guests. Grand finales include Chocolate Fondant, Tiramisu, Crème Brulee, Cannoli and other delectables. Pet-friendly patio seating available.

The Greenhouse Grill is open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Reservations are appreciated and carry out orders are welcome.

IL TESORO

Il Tesoro serves authentic Italian food “with the taste and feel of a Tuscan holiday,” according to owner Chef AJ Black. He infuses flavors from the old world to the new world of cooking using only fresh seasonal ingredients to bring his dishes to life. Daily specials focus on pairing authentic meals with a bold array of fine Italian wines.

Il Tesoro (The Treasure) serves dinner seven nights a week from 5 to 10 p.m.

ISLAND COW

The Island Cow is a family favorite with its colorful indoor and outdoor seating and live entertainment. “Come as our guests... leave as our friends!” is the motto. The Cow serves breakfast, lunch and dinner featuring fresh local seafood and meats and has an extensive children’s menu. Starbucks coffee is also on the menu.

Breakfast is served between 7 and 11 a.m. Hours are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

JACARANDA

The Jac, as it is known to regulars, has been serving excellent seafood for three decades and offers the best of two worlds: dining room seating or dinner under the stars in the screened garden patio. The patio lounge is home to some of the best nightlife on the islands, seven nights a week. Bands include Renata, Wildfire, and Cruzan Vibes’ reggae on the weekends.

The patio lounge menu includes a selection of “happy apps” for \$5.95 and half price drinks during happy hour, 5 to 7 p.m.

Dinner reservations are suggested.

JERRY’S RESTAURANT AND DELI

Jerry’s Restaurant and Deli in Jerry’s Market is the next best thing to dining in a tropical garden. This family-style restaurant has large windows to view the lush garden with caged tropical birds that are favorites with visitors and residents. Daily specials are offered in the spacious restaurant and you can order a sandwich or hot food from the deli or help yourself at the well-stocked salad bar to take out.

The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

LAZY FLAMINGO

The Lazy Flamingo is a famed island hang-out with two Sanibel locations: one at 1036 Periwinkle Way, the other – the original – at 6520 Pine Avenue, near Blind Pass. “If our seafood were any fresher, we would be serving it under water!” is the Flamingo’s motto. And that includes, shrimp, grouper, oysters, conch fritters and chowder as well as chicken.

The Flamingo Bread and the Caesar Salad are signature items. Pull up a stool to the rustic bar or take a high or low table. The interior feels like the inside of an old pirate ship with its portholes and hewn wood surfaces. The atmosphere is definitely casual and beer is available by the bottle, on draft or by the pitcher.

LIGHTHOUSE CAFE

Sanibel’s popular breakfast and lunch restaurant on the east end also serves dinner from December 15 until the end of April. Owner Mike Billheimer, Sanibel native and member of a family operating one of Sanibel’s first restaurants back in the 1950s, took over this legendary cafe in 1988 and has been mentioned in *Gourmet*, *Bon Appetit*, *Country Living*, *Southern Living* magazines for their outstanding food quality and service. Try one of the selections of eggs Benedict, homemade wholewheat granola hotcakes or one of the three-egg omelets.

The French toast is made with a rich custard batter and real French bread. Breakfast is served until 3 p.m. The most popular lunch item is the fresh, local grouper sandwich served crunchy fried, chargrilled, blackened, sautéed or broiled. Open 7 days. Call ahead seating for breakfast and lunch, and reservations accepted for dinner.

MATZALUNA ITALIAN KITCHEN

In the mood for pizza? Matzaluna Italian Kitchen has a wood-fired oven to bake authentic pizzas, including gluten-free ones. That’s in addition to a big selection including over 20 combinations of pasta dinners from \$11.95 (including soup or salad and fresh baked bread), affordable veal, tender chicken, choice steaks and seafood (Italian style) in a casual market-like setting. Gluten-free pizza is also available.

Matzaluna has craft beers on tap. On Wine Wednesdays, every bottle priced \$25 and over will be discounted by \$8 all evening. Hours are 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. daily and happy hour is from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

MUCKY DUCK

The Mucky Duck may well be the most famous restaurant on Captiva due to its longevity and quirky name. Then there’s the fabulous sunsets. Patrons gladly wait on the beach for tables. This place draws crowds – sipping cocktails and beverages until they can take their seats. Reservations are not accepted.

The Duck is open for lunch and dinner, serving fresh seafood, pub-style food, sandwiches, steaks and other items.

OLD CAPTIVA HOUSE AT ‘TWEEN WATERS INN

Old Captiva House at ‘Tween Waters Inn, Captiva, offers romantic sunset dining in an historic setting with live piano music. Executive Chef Jason Miller prepares New Florida island favorites, tropical seafoods, classic meats and daily fresh-baked breads and pastries, served with an extensive selection of wines, liquors and coffees.

First built as a one-room school for children of Captiva’s pioneer settlers, the Old Captiva House still reflects much of its original charm – from white French doors to hardwood floors to the Gulf of Mexico sunset that streams through the western windows. Its collection of famed cartoonist JN “Ding” Darling’s 1930s whimsical vacation illustrations has led to its designation as a landmark in Southwest Florida.

OVER EASY CAFÉ

Over Easy Café is a pet-friendly place with indoor and outdoor dining for breakfast and lunch. The covered patio is a popular spot. Choose from 22 different Eggs Benedict, scramblers and omelettes, 11 pancakes and French toast choices, 15 egg specialties and wraps, eight salads and 26 sandwiches and burgers, plus baked goods. Beer and wine is available.

Breakfast is served all day. Hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PECKING ORDER

The Pecking Order, features tender, juicy, broasted fried chicken and the fixins. The chicken is marinated and seasoned, and the high-pressure deep-frying system produces a crispy coating and holds in the juices without allowing the fat to penetrate.

Homemade sides include slow-cooked collard greens, sweet and spicy baked beans, cheesy shell mac, rice and beans, cole slaw, red mashed and gravy, fried pickles and veggie chili. Try the Black Betty, a warm, dark chocolate cupcake filled with liquid dark chocolate, sprinkled with sea salt flakes and confectioners sugar.

Take out and outdoor dining available. .

POCOLOCO

Need a pick-me-up? Looking for some downtime? Either way, your best bet is PocoLoco on the tropical courtyard at Jerry’s Center. Indoors or out you will savor gourmet coffee, tea, signature sandwiches, pastries, or a cone of the region’s most popular ice cream, Love Boat. PocoLoco is the Sanibel source for this ice cream and always features a couple dozen delicious favors. Stop by, sit in the sunshine and chatter with six cheerful parrots for a unique and memorable experience.

RC OTTER’S, CANTINA CAPTIVA, SUNSHINE SEAFOOD, KEYLIME BISTRO AND CAPTIVA PIZZA, YOGURT & GIFTS

Five Captiva eateries under the same ownership – RC Otter’s, Cantina Captiva, Sunshine Seafood, Keylime Bistro and Captiva Pizza, Yogurt & Gifts – offer a fun and casual dining experience with a tropical flair reminiscent of Key West.

RC Otter’s and Keylime Bistro have live music outdoors most of the day. Cantina Captiva serves Mexican food. Sunshine Seafood Cafe Wine Bar specializes in fine dining with a very respectable wine list. You have your choice of dining inside or outdoors.

ROSIE’S CAFÉ & GRILL

Rosie’s repertoire includes crab cakes, grouper and shrimp entrees and steaks with all the trimmings, Southwestern dishes such as burritos and fajitas, soup and sandwich combos, and salads. Among the most popular items is Rosie’s Famous Cheese Steak made from shaved rib eye, grilled mushrooms, onions and green peppers, Ultimate Cuban and Classic Reuben, home-made muffins and cinnamon rolls and Key lime pie, root beer floats and banana splits. A children’s menu and carry-out are also available and outdoor seating is available.

Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and happy hour is from 3 to 6 p.m. seven days a week with two-for-one draft beer and wine and a menu that starts at \$4.50 for items such as nachos with cheese and salsa and \$5.50 wings and chicken tenders. The ice cream bar has 20+ flavors of locally made Royal Scoop ice cream.

SANDBAR

Currently serving happy hour from 4 to 5:30 p.m. every day in the lounge only, and dinner from 5 to 9 p.m. Since opening in 2013, The Sandbar has become known for its fresh seafood and choice cuts of beef and pork.

SANIBEL BEAN

The Sanibel Bean coffee shop is java central on Sanibel Island. With its indoor and outdoor seating and free wi-fi, it’s a popular venue for laptop-toting coffee lovers to relax and check their inboxes, have breakfast or lunch or recharge the batteries in the afternoon.

Besides a big selection of coffee from around the globe and a variety of coffee drinks, The Bean has tea and other beverages and a variety of hearty sandwiches, pastries and muffins, plus other light fare.

SANIBEL DELI & COFFEE FACTORY

Sanibel Deli & Coffee Factory offers a gluten free menu in addition to regular choices, along with pizza and wings, Boar’s Head meats, frozen yogurt and ice cream. There is indoor seating as well as outdoor tables shaded with umbrellas, and free wi-fi.

SANIBEL FISH HOUSE

Find out why Sanibel Fish House is such a great addition to the list of Sanibel restaurants. We offer a wide range of fresh seafood as well as our great alternative choices at reasonable prices.

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SANIBEL GRILL

The Sanibel Grill has 19 big screen TVs with satellite TV tuned to every televised sporting event. The Grill shares a kitchen with The Timbers, serving the same fresh seafood, along with burgers, sandwiches, pizzas and salads. Crunchy Grouper and Crunchy Shrimp are signature dishes.

SANIBEL SPROUT

The Sanibel Sprout is the island’s only vegan cafe and organic juice bar. There is comfortable seating for friends to socialize and taste Chef Nikki’s extended menu of plant-based gourmet cuisine. The soups – lentil, Vietnamese Pho, etc. – are popular year-round, as are vegan lasagna, Mexican taco salad, kale salad with avocado chipotle dressing and numerous desserts. The extended menu is posted on the Sprout’s Facebook page.

The organic juice bar is popular with locals and visitors of all ages. Kids love the Strawberry Kiss or the Chocolate Bliss Smoothie, whereas adults favor the Coffee Sproutaccino or the green Emerald Mermaid Smoothie. Those are just a few of the juice bar favorites from an extensive menu.

The Sprout is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner 8.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

SUNDIAL BEACH RESORT & SPA

The Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa is open 7 days a week, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Dine indoors or al fresco, overlooking the gulf. Choose from classic tavern fare, fresh seafood, innovative entrees, salads and sandwiches. There is a daily happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m. with drink specials and bar menu. Every Monday is Margarita Monday with \$5 margaritas from 4 to 10 p.m. and live island-style entertainment from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Turtle’s Pool & Beach Bar serves imported and domestic beer, wine and tropical drinks in a casual outdoor island setting just steps from the gulf. A full menu is available at the poolside dining patio from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., including seafood, award-winning burgers and fresh salads. Happy hour is 3 to 5 p.m. every day.

Create your own custom pizza or grab a quick snack at Slice of Paradise, Sundial’s newest poolside dining option, featuring slices, specialty and custom pizzas, grab and go salads, hot dogs and hand scooped ice cream, including Sundial’s signature flavor, Island Delight. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

All restaurants and bars are open to the public.

TIMBERS RESTAURANT & FISH MARKET

The Timbers Restaurant & Fish Market and the adjoining Sanibel Grill are mainstays of the island dining scene, boasting 35 years of fresh fish on Sanibel Island. The restaurant offers 13 dinners for \$15 daily before 5:30 p.m. plus a large selection of local seafood such as grilled shrimp, fried grouper, oysters, clams and crab cakes.

Besides specializing in fresh local seafood, the restaurant has a seafood market that opens at 11 a.m. (except Sunday, when it’s 2 p.m.)

TRADITIONS ON THE BEACH

Traditions on the Beach is one of the few Sanibel restaurants with beachfront dining. Located in the historic Island Inn, the recently updated restaurant sits on 10 acres with gulf views, perfect for watching the sunset over the water while you dine. The menu features Italian and Mediterranean cuisine prepared by Chef Aziz and his team. Traditions’ dishes are made with fresh ingredients, from seafood and meats, to produce from local vendors. On the menu you will find the classics and specialties including Moroccan lamb, roast duck, lobster and veal. Pasta, grilled items and a raw bar are also available. In addition to the regular menu, specials are offered daily. There’s an attractive bar and lounge area that also serves food and an extensive wine and cocktail list. Dining begins at 5 p.m. and continues until late. Reservations are suggested.

ZEBRA TREATS

This bold and bright cafe/store offers a variety of frozen yogurt flavors – try the caramel sea salt pretzel – with more than 50 toppings such as strawberries, blueberries, chopped candy and sprinkles. Other offerings include milk shakes, smoothies and frappes.

Zebra has indoor and outdoor seating.

The store recently added frozen yogurt to go, by the pint and quart.

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LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

The Crow's Nest Beach Bar & Grille at Tween Waters Inn has live entertainment with The New Vinyls on Friday and Saturday; Taylor Stokes plays on Tuesday; Bobby Blakely plays on Wednesday. Crab shows are on Mondays and Thursdays.
George & Wendy's Seafood Grille has live music

Friday and Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight. Friday is John Allender Band, playing blues. Saturday is Rex Bongo Band, playing rock and blues. Saturday is Ladies Night with half-price drinks for the ladies from 9 p.m. to midnight. On Sunday, it's Robby Hutto, playing guitar variety from 6 to 9 p.m. On Tuesday, it's open mic night from 8 to 11 p.m. Karaoke is Thursday from 9 p.m. to midnight.
The Jacaranda has live entertainment on Friday and Saturday with The Midlife Chryslers, playing classic rock and dance. Sunday is Jamaica Dave & Co., playing reggae and dance. On Monday, it's Renata, playing funk, jazz and contemporary; on Tuesday, it's The New Vinyls, playing classic rock and dance; Wednesday is Barbara Dexter, playing contemporary, top 40s and dance; Thursday is Eric Malibu, playing contemporary, reggae and dance.
The Mucky Duck on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva features music by Gary Earle on Thursday and Friday; Gene Federico plays on Saturday; Gary Earle plays Sunday; Mark Dupuy plays on Monday; Perry English plays on Tuesday; and Gene Federico plays on Wednesday.
Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa features Margarita Mondays from 4 to 10 p.m. with \$5 margaritas and live entertainment from 5:30

to 8:30 p.m. Happy hour is daily from 4 to 6 p.m. with drink specials.
Traditions on the Beach at Island Inn has live music Friday with Joe McCormick and Barbara Smith, playing classic R&B, contemporary dance and disco. On Saturday, it's Joe McCormick and Marvilla Marzan. Mike Arnone, "The Jersey Kid," performs selections from Motown to the Rat Pack on Monday. Woody Brubaker and Barbara Smith perform on Tuesday and Wednesday; Joe McCormick and Marvilla Marzan play on Thursday.
The Island Cow on Periwinkle Way has live entertainment on Friday with Gene Federico; Saturday, Jay Helt; and Sunday, Dan Confrey.
RC Otter's on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, has live music daily with dining inside and out.
Restaurant owners/managers, please email or fax any changes to your entertainment schedule to press@islandsunnews.com or 395-2299.



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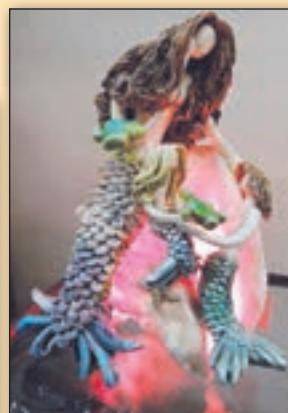
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1 cup zucchini or yellow squash, seeds removed, chopped fine
 1 cup snap beans, diced small
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 1 cup natural flour
 1 cup cornmeal
 1 tablespoon fresh sage, chopped fine, or 1 teaspoon dried
 1 teaspoon baking powder
 1 cup garbanzo beans, cooked and mashed
 Slightly warm water, as needed
 Vegetable oil, for frying

Sea salt to taste
 Fresh ground pepper to taste
 In a large mixing bowl, combine cornmeal, flour, baking powder and sage. Stir in the mashed garbanzo beans and the squash, snap beans and corn.
 Add 1 teaspoon of warm water (may need to add more, a little at a time) and mix until a dough-like substance is formed (mixture should be soft but not runny).
 Form patties with the mixture or drop them with a spoon.
 Preheat a medium-sized sauté pan. Add 1 or 2 tablespoons of oil to the hot pan.
 Form patties with the mixture or drop them with a spoon.
 Cook the fry bread until crispy on both sides and done in the middle. Remove from pan and let drain on paper towels.
 Season the fry bread with salt and pepper to taste. Continue this process until all the dough mixture is gone.
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On Saturday, June 13 at 10 a.m. the Sanibel Public Library kicks off the annual Summer Reading Program. Teens and grammar school-aged children can enroll in the Summer Reading Program, enjoy games, crafts and popcorn at the kickoff. Families can still sign up any time in June if they cannot attend the party on June 13. Participants will receive a special gift from the Sanibel Public Library Foundation when they sign up.

The Sanibel Public Library presents its summer reading program each year. Barbara Dunkle, Youth Librarian, helps children set reading goals. Whether the kids reach the goals or not a book is earned to build their home library. The Sanibel Public Library Foundation matches each book earned so the child also earns a book for Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. Last summer, island readers earned more than 1,000 books for the hospital.

Every Tuesday from June 16 to July



Pictured with Barb Dunkle, Max Stone read more than 50 hours for Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida in 2014



Middle schoolers enjoy being silly during VIP After Hours last year

28, there will be a program held in the Children's Area at 3 p.m. Children's weekly summer programs run on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. These programs are free and for kids of all ages. On Tuesdays at 6 p.m., there will be a VIP After Hours for kids entering sixth grade and older. There will be games, the Wii, crafts and snacks available. A complete list of youth programs is listed on the library's website.

The Sanibel Public Library Foundation, along with the Joan Hunt Cory Children's Fund, underwrites the summer reading program.

From June through the end of August, the Sanibel Public Library's Saturday hours change; the library is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the summer.

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Upcoming Events At Edison Ford



Tea with Mina Edison and Clara Ford

A number of upcoming events have been planned for the Edison Ford Winter Estates in Fort Myers, including:

Saturday Morning Tea with Mina Edison and Clara Ford – June 6, July 18 and August 22 at 10:30 a.m. in the Edison Caretaker's House

Join "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford" for iced tea and pastries in the Edison Caretaker's House as they reminisce about family and friends, living part-time in Florida as well as their helpful hints for their marriage, gardening and menu interests. This program features two "seasoned" Edison Ford docents and living history characters who will greet the audience and welcome them into their conversation. The Edison Caretaker's House is air conditioned and set in the beautiful Edison gardens. Reservations are required. Contact Leeanne Criswell at 334-7419 or lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org.



KIDding Around returns on June 6

Cost for Edison Ford members \$8; non-members \$12.

Groups may schedule morning tea at other times and dates and substitute lunch or other refreshments. For group reservations, call 334-7419.

KIDding Around – Saturday, June 6 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Bell Tower Shops, in front of the Edison Ford Shoppe

Bring the entire family for free kid's activities at The Bell Tower Shops. Join Edison Ford at the KIDding Around event on June 6. The Edison Ford "Professors" will be making the very popular "slime." There is always something new to experience at this event. Other activities on-site include a bounce house, face painting, refreshments and musical fun. Make sure to stop in the Edison Ford Shoppe at Bell Tower and check out the collection of educational toys and books for young readers. Edison Ford Members can show their membership card to receive a 10



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Inside The Lab Tours – Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. (new time for summer)

This in-depth exploration inside the Edison Botanic Research Lab, a National Historic Chemical Landmark, includes areas of the laboratory which are normally closed off to the public.

Inside The Home Tours – Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. (new time for summer)

An Inside The Homes tour takes you inside and up close in the historic homes with curators. Reservations suggested by calling 334-7419. Free to Edison Ford members (one time) and non-members ticket required.

Young Inventors Tour – Saturdays at 11 a.m.

Children of all ages will have fun while participating in hands-on science activities based on the inventions of Thomas Edison and Henry Ford. Activities include an assembly line, phonograph demonstrations and much more.



Fathers Day



Lab Hours at the Edison Ford

Monthly Edison Ford Lecture Series: The Royal Palms on McGregor – Tuesday, June 9 at 10 a.m. in the South Florida Water Management Building

Cynthia Williams, local freelance writer, will speak about her article *The Horticultural Gem that is the City of Fort Myers*. She will be joined by JB Schuetz, manager for the City of Fort Myers Parks and Beautification Department and Edison Ford Senior Horticulturist Debbie Hughes, who will share with you how to care for your royal palms. The program is also open to current volunteers and the general public who are interested in becoming a volunteer at Edison Ford. Edison Ford Garden Shoppe has royal palms for sale with discounts for members and volunteers

Garden Talk: Hibiscus and Other Plants Suited for Hot Florida Summers – Saturday, June 13 at 10 a.m. on the museum's West Porch

A favorite plant year-round in Florida is the hibiscus which is noted for its many colors and varieties. Edison Ford horticulturists Janice Schmidt and Debbie Hughes will present hibiscus know-how and also some of their other resilient summer blooming plants.

Note: Participants might want to park at the new Edison Ford Botanical Garden Shoppe entrance at the corner of McGregor and Larchmont. Look for the new walkway and a new historic wood pergola is being built. Park and enter through the bougainvillea hedge. Participants will receive a 20 percent discount in the Garden Shoppe. Cost to Edison Ford members \$5; non-members \$10. (Pre-register by calling Leeanne Criswell at 334-7419 or by email at lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org or register on the day of the class.)

Father's Day – Sunday, June 21
Celebrate Father's Day with free admission for dads all day long at Edison

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Crossroads Quartet is a world champion a cappella quartet that will perform at Shell Point Retirement Community on June 13

Shell Point Kicks Off 2015 Summer Concert Series

Shell Point Retirement Community kicks off its 2015 Summer Concert Series with Crossroads Quartet performing on Saturday, June 13 at 7:30 p.m. in The Village Church on The Island, located at 15100 Shell Point Blvd. in Fort Myers.

Crossroads Quartet is a world-champion, a cappella quartet made up of four versatile, award-winning vocalists. Though steeped in traditional barbershop harmony, Crossroads Quartet sings a variety of

musical styles, including vocal jazz, blues, gospel, pop classics and standards from the Great American Songbook.

"Many residents of Southwest Florida live here year round and are searching for activities during the slower summer months," said Dawn Boren, director of Resident Life at Shell Point. "Based on positive feedback from previous seasons, Shell Point's Summer Concert Series is back with an engaging lineup of highly acclaimed, talented musicians."

Individual concert tickets cost \$20, or advance series tickets are still available for the entire 2015 Summer Concert Series of four performances for just \$60, a savings of \$20. Purchase tickets online at www.shellpoint.org/concerts or by calling 454-2067. ✱

Summer Show At FSW Opens Friday



Theo Wujcik, *RAUSCHENBERG (from The Blue Chip Series)*, 2014

courtesy of Susan Johnson, Tampa

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern (FSW) State College will open its summer show, titled THEO WUJCIK: Artist's Artist on Friday, May 29 from 6 to 8 p.m.

The focus of a 10-year retrospective at FSW in 2012, the late artist Theo Wujcik's current exhibition combines his final group of large-scale paintings (the so-called Blue Chip Series) with work in a variety of media created with fellow artist Bob Rauschenberg as his primary subject. Representing the culmination

of exchanges originating in the 1970s between Wujcik and the Gallery name-sake, *RAUSCHENBERG (Blue Chip Series)*, 2014 was completed in Wujcik's final months of life, while battling cancer. The last portrait of Rauschenberg in a small series of editioned prints, silverpoint drawings and paintings included in this exhibition, this Blue Chip series canvas is featured alongside Wujcik's brightly-colored interpretations of Jim Rosenquist, Takashi Murakami, Damien Hirst, Jeff Koons and numerous other artist-colleagues and friends.

Wujcik moved from Detroit, Michigan to Tampa, Florida in 1970, the same year that Rauschenberg relocated to Captiva Island. Wujcik, a celebrated artist and Tamarind Lithography Workshop-trained Master Printer, had been recruited by USF Graphicstudio founder Donald Saff to apply his many talents in the collaborative environment of the then budding editions atelier and, shortly thereafter, to share his knowledge by teaching art at the University of South Florida. Much loved and respected by all who knew him, Wujcik's influence on students over decades and within his community and the region was profound. Like Rauschenberg, Wujcik's original works are represented in the permanent collections of major institutions including the Museum of Modern Art and Whitney Museum of American Art in New York, the Chicago Art Institute, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, Los Angeles County Museum of Art and The National

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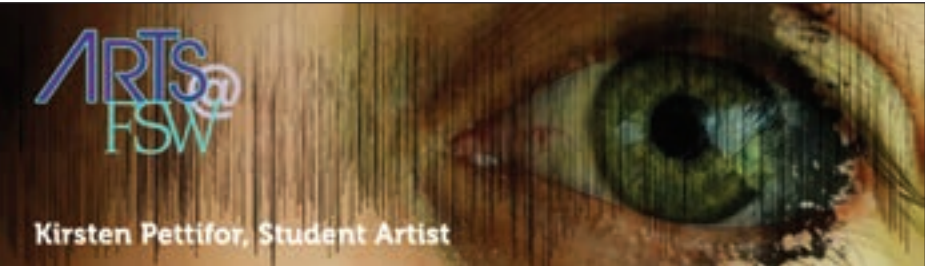
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College Student Artwork To Appear On Digital Billboards



Kirsten Pettifor's billboard artwork, which won Best of Show

Three Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) art students will see their work displayed on digital billboards in Lee County this summer thanks to a partnership between the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery and Lamar Advertising. Gallery Director Jade Dellinger worked with Lamar Advertising to secure donated billboard spots for juried student art pieces. He also organized the FSW Student Billboard Art Show to find the best designs that could be displayed for two weeks in June, and tapped internationally-acclaimed artist Dave Muller as a judge.

Sixty entries were received for the FSW Student Billboard Art Show this spring and winners included:

- Kirsten Pettifor – Best of Show with \$250 prize and billboard
- Carina Favale and Luis Mederos – Winners with \$150 prize and billboard
- Angelina Zuniga-Reed, Hannah Anderson, Chris Lacoste, Ranford Campbell – Honorable Mentions with \$100 prize

“I don’t know of any other example of a juried student art exhibition transpiring in the public realm in this way,” said Dellinger. “This is an extraordinary opportunity for students. While it’s always great for them to show work in galleries, our billboard show has them thinking beyond that context on how their work may impact the broader public.”

“We are very pleased with the partnership that has developed with Florida



Carina Favale's winning billboard artwork



Luis Mederos' winning billboard artwork

SouthWestern State College and the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery. The Arts@FSW program has done a great job utilizing outdoor advertising. The digital platform is an excellent medium to showcase the tremendously talented students of the FSW arts program,” said Stephen Sanford, sales manager at Lamar Advertising.

Over the 2015 spring semester, the gallery purchased Lamar billboard space to promote Muller’s Everything Sounds Good Right Now, just as it did to highlight Yoko Ono’s Imagine Peace exhibition in January 2014. Not only did these billboards serve as an advertisement for upcoming exhibitions, but they were considered stand-alone pieces of public art created by the gallery’s featured artists.

For more information about the gallery or upcoming events, visit www.RauschenbergGallery.com or call 489-9313. Learn more about Arts@FSW and the exciting things happening at the college by visiting www.fsw.edu/artsfsw.

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by Ogden Nash

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Look, my darling, that’s July.

Though the grassy lawn be leather,
And prickly temper tug the tether,
Shall we postpone our love for weather?
If we must melt, let’s melt together!

Ogden Nash published humorous poems in *The New Yorker*, he published more than two dozen books of verse, screenplays, lyrics and scripts for the theater, children’s stories and essays. He performed on radio and at lecture platforms around the U.S., but the bedrock of his art are his poems and their wit.✧

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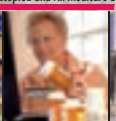
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From left, 10K Race 4 FISH committee member Pete Bender, race committee co-chair Nancy Bender, creator of the 10K logo Dave Horton, FISH board vice chair Ed Ridlehoover, FISH board chair and race committee member John Pryor and FISH board director and committee member Bill Griffin

Hortoons Creator Lends Humor, Talent To 10K Race 4 FISH Logo

Dave Horton, creator of Hortoons, revealed the 7th annual 10K Race 4 FISH logo depicting runners as cute starfish on the beach with the historic Sanibel Lighthouse in the background.

Horton has created the previous five 10K race logos, all bearing the loveable characters from his cartoons and marked with his wit. "I saw a starfish with curved legs and thought it looked like a person running," he said. "Then, I remembered the 10K Race 4 FISH and presto! A running starfish."

Horton has been cartooning since he was a child growing up in Illinois. His father, who worked for the government, would bring home scores of unwanted paper – from

letterheads to newsletters. Horton would draw on them, "as much as he wanted to," he said.

Horton doesn't have a favorite place to draw. "The good thing about being a cartoonist is all you need is paper and pencil," he said. "You can make cartoons just about anywhere."

Awarded Best College Comic Strip from his alma mater Illinois State University, Horton went on to be an artist and writer for Hallmark Cards. As a member of the National Cartoonists Society, Horton has had the pleasure of meeting some of the most respected names in cartooning such as Peanuts creator Charles Schultz.

"I was playing golf with Charles Schultz and two others," Horton recalled. "There was a foursome of cartoonists ahead of us. I hit a long drive that barely missed Mort Walker. I could see the papers now, 'Cartoonist kills creator of Beetle Bailey.'"

Horton said it would have been fun to meet the late Walt Disney, who is regarded as an international icon in animation.

Horton is now creator of Hortoons, a popular comic in which he gives wildlife human characteristics in humorous settings. When he first moved to Florida, Horton was developing a cartoon called Petshop. He tried to sell it to the papers, but they suggested he try a Florida-themed cartoon.

"I'm obsessed with alligators, raccoons, turtles and birds and other wildlife," Horton said. "Giving them human characteristics sometimes makes funny conflicts with people."

While most cartoonists use computerized drawing pads to create their work, Horton uses the old-fashion technique of brush and ink. His cartoons can be found at hortoon.com, where a complete collection of prints, books and T-shirts is available for purchase.

The Hortoon 10K Race 4 FISH logo will appear on the front of T-shirts worn by runners, race posters, as well as make an appearance in each announcement published for qualifying race sponsors.

"We enjoy the logos Dave creates," 10K Race 4 FISH committee co-chair Nancy Bender said. "His artistic talent and sense of humor are undeniable. We are grateful for his contribution."

The 10K Race 4 FISH is set for Saturday, October 17, with the start and finish line at The Community House on Periwinkle Way. The race is a main fund-raising event for the non-profit FISH of Sanibel-Captiva, Inc., which provides human services programs to those in need who live, work or visit the islands.

"It is through the tremendous support from businesses and individuals like Dave Horton that allows FISH to fulfill its mission of lending a helping hand to our neighbors in need," Bender said.

There are a variety of race sponsorship slots available – Gold, Silver, Bronze or Friend. For Gold to Bronze sponsorships, your name or logo will appear on the back of T-shirts featuring the Hortoon race logo and worn by the runners, as well as all banners and printed race materials. Friend sponsors will be included on all banners and race materials.

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From left, 10K Race 4 FISH committee co-chairman Ed Riddlehoover and co-chair Nancy Bender, committee member Pete Bender with Lazy Flamingo general manager Ron Rich and restaurant staff members Shannon Williams, Colin Heard, Crissy Berti, Jessica Ralston and Bryce Geek

Lazy Flamingo Is Silver Sponsor Of 10K Race 4 FISH

Lazy Flamingo was recently added as a Silver Sponsor of the 7th annual 10K Race 4 FISH. “It is always important to support non-profit organizations in our community,” Lazy Flamingo general manager Ron Rich said. “These organizations and the people they assist are an integral part of what makes Sanibel and Captiva Islands so unique.”

“The Lazy Flamingo is a strong advocate of our community,” FISH board vice chair and race committee co-chairman Ed Riddlehoover said. “Their support of the 10K race helps us continue our mission of lending a helping hand to those in need and we are grateful.” The 10K Race 4 FISH is set for Saturday, October 17, with the start and finish line at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. Anyone who is interested in becoming a race sponsor should contact Nancy or Pete Bender at benderlaw@juno.com or 472-5220. The deadline is September 15.✱



From left, Richard Johnson, Kelly Collini, Maria DeEspinosa and Marty Harrity

Islands Night Benefits CHR

Community Housing and Resources was recently a recipient of a portion of donations collected at the last Sam Bailey’s Island Night event. Richard Johnson of Bailey’s General Store and Marty Harrity of Doc Ford’s Rum Bar & Grille handed a check for \$1,000 to CHR executive director Kelly Collini while touring CHR’s Casa Mariposa property. “Casa Mariposa has been in the news

lately because of the volunteer spirit of its residents,” Collini said. “They’ve been working very hard on the gardens and landscaping improvements. Donations like this from Islands Night helps CHR to support the work of these residents.” Among the residents who were at hand during the visit was 90-year-old Maria DeEspinosa, who said that she likes to spend her mornings tending to the gardens and enjoying the beauty and quiet of her neighborhood. “When people give, they’re giving to the greater mission of CHR, which is to

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Twins Continue To Astound Two Months Into The Season



by Ed Frank

I know we wrote about the surprising, even amazing, resurgence of the Minnesota Twins just two weeks ago, but that continued rebound from four consecutive seasons of 90-plus losses now has the entire baseball world talking. This is the team that in Spring Training was predicted to again finish last in the American League Central Division. This is the team that the odds-makers calculated as a 100-1 shot to win the World Series.

And despite these dire predictions, the Twins brilliant general manager, Terry Ryan, told us during Spring Training, he wouldn't be satisfied with a .500 club – only satisfied when his

team reached post-season play. Just look at these figures early this week as the 2015 season neared the one-third mark.

- At 26-18 (.591), the Twins had the third best record in the American League and the best home record at 15-6.
- Having won seven or their last nine games, the Twins trailed first-place Kansas City by just two games in the AL Central.
- And if the season had ended after Monday's Memorial Day 7-2 thumping of the Boston Red Sox, Ryan would have had his post-season satisfaction with a Wild Card slot. And rookie manager Paul Molitor would be in the running for AL Manager of the Year.

This early season two-month success has been accomplished without the pitching of Ervan Santana, the highest paid free agent in Twins history, who was suspended for half the season for failing a drug test. He will return in little more than a month. The 2015 Twins are a run-scoring machine despite lacking a .300 hitter among their regulars. In Monday's win over the Red Sox, each Twin in the starting lineup had at least one hit, and the bottom six batters in the lineup had at least two hits apiece. That Monday victory was also a career milestone for hurler Ricky Nolasco who notched his 100th victory in a 10-year Major League career.

Solid, if not spectacular batting averages, belong to first-baseman Joe Mauer, .275 with 26 RBIs, right-fielder Torri Hunter, .280; 27 RBIs, and third-baseman Trevor Plouffe, .270; 25 RBIs.

When Ryan began his second stint as GM in 2011, he rebuilt the Twins farm system that today is recognized as one of the very best in baseball.

In fact, columnist Jim Souhan of the *Minneapolis Star-Tribune* wrote recently that Ryan now has the pleasing dilemma of having too many good players down on the farm with too few openings available on the Major League roster.

The number one prospect in baseball, center-fielder Byron Buxton, is rounding into shape at Double A Chattanooga after missing most of last year to injuries. He is expected to reach the "big show" this year or next season at the latest.

And then there is the highly regarded Miquel Sano, a third-baseman, also at Chattanooga, who missed a season due to Tommy John surgery. As well as Plouffe is playing at third base, how could Sano, when he is ready to be called up, replace Plouffe?

There is a raft of promising pitchers also in the Twins Minor League system such as Tommy Milone at Triple A Rochester and Jose Berrios at Chattanooga.

The list goes on and on. Perhaps we're overly praiseworthy of the 2015 Twins just two months into the six-month season. But it sure has been exciting. Stay tuned as the season approaches the dog days of summer.

Miracle Back to .500

Behind a complete game 4-0 shutout over Brevard County by Fort Myers Pitcher Aaron Slegers last Sunday, the Miracle improved their season record to 22-22 to move into second-place in the Florida State League South Division.

The six-foot, 10-inch Slegers, the tallest player in the Minnesota Twins organization, lowered his season ERA to 2.59 with the shutout and upped his season record to 3-2. He limited Brevard County to three hits and didn't walk a batter in his pitching gem.

The Miracle are on a seven-game road trip this week at Clearwater and St. Lucie.✴

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who holds the major-league record for most home runs in a season by a rookie?
2. Three different New York Yankees each won at least one MVP award during the 1940s. Name two of them.
3. Who was the last Ivy Leaguer to win the Heisman Trophy?
4. Name the only eighth-seeded team to reach the NBA Finals.
5. Who was the first player in NHL history to tally five goals while accounting for all of his team's scoring in a game?
6. When was the last time the Russian men's hockey team won a medal at the Winter Olympics?
7. Who was the last PGA golfer before Rory McIlroy (2014) to win consecutive major championships in the same year?

ANSWERS

1. Mark McGwire hit 49 homers for Oakland in 1987. 2. Joe DiMaggio (1941, '47), Joe Gordon (1942) and Spud Chandler (1943). 3. Dick Kazmaier of Princeton in 1951. 4. The New York Knicks in 1999. 5. Sergei Fedorov, for Detroit in 1996. 6. The Russians won the bronze medal in 2002. 7. Padraig Harrington won the British Open and PGA Championship in 2008.

Upcoming Events At Edison Ford

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Ford. Dad's free admission includes an audio tour of the historic homes, botanical gardens, museum and Edison Research Lab.

Fathers cruise free with Pure Fort Myers with a full price child or spouse ticket. Take a break and enjoy a relaxing experience on the river with your family. Fathers and their families will be able to enjoy this special cruise discount on Saturday, June 20 and Sunday, June 21.

Ask The Curator – Wednesdays at 1 p.m. (starting in July)

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Senior Choice at Home by Gulf Coast Village will host a free luncheon on Thursday, June 4 at 11 a.m. to present senior living options that are available to maturing adults. The event will be held at The Landings Yacht, Golf and Tennis Club, located at 4420 Flagship Drive in Fort Myers. The lunch-and-learn session will provide information about Senior Choice at Home's membership-based program that provides mature adults with necessary care and assistance while promoting independent living. Advance registration is required by May 28 by calling 349-3004.

The Senior Choice at Home by Gulf Coast Village program allows seniors to take advantage of the many services offered by Gulf Coast Village while retaining their independent lifestyle. This first-of-its-kind program provides families with the reassurance that their aging loved ones are receiving the best care available. The seminar will focus on the wide spectrum of senior living options including certified home health aide, live-in assistance, assisted living and nursing homes.

Senior Choice at Home by Gulf Coast Village is a membership-based program that provides comprehensive long-term care and personal services for older adults enabling them to live independently at home. Services include personal care coordination, home inspections, medically necessary transportation and emergency response system services. In addition, referral services are offered for social and wellness programs, home health services and companion care.

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More than 75 cyclists took part in this year's Ride of Silence

Ride Of Silence Honors Fallen Cyclists

by Jeff Lysiak

Last Wednesday evening, the Sanibel Bicycle Club – along with several members of neighboring bike clubs and visitors to the islands – took part in the Ride of Silence, an annual tradition to honor fallen bicyclists. More than 75 cyclists took part in the somber tribute.

Beginning at 7 p.m., participants departed from the Matzaluna parking lot, rode along Periwinkle Way, Bailey Road and Causeway Road before traveling across the Sanibel Causeway before returning to the island.

Prior to the start of the ride, bicyclists gathered for an informal meet-and-greet,



Participants in last week's Ride of Silence, an annual tradition to honor fallen bicyclists, which departed from the Matzaluna parking lot and traveled across the Sanibel Causeway before returning to the island

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The second home, built in 2006, has a great room with formal dining area and kitchen nook. 3 bedrooms plus den and 2 baths. Tropical pool and Lanai area. The property has been operating as a Nursery Landscape Company. Horses are allowed, or land may be used for redevelopment. Numerous possibilities for this beautiful lush 5 acres. This property is being sold with all tree and plant inventory.



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reviewed safety information, performed tire pressure checks and snacked on appetizers provided by Matzaluna. Visiting cyclists also signed safety waivers in order to participate in the ride.

The Ride of Silence, founded in Dallas, Texas following the death of cyclist Larry Schwartz in 2003, is a global event held on the third Wednesday in May. The Sanibel Bike Club has hosted the event each year since 2008.

"Every state has a Ride of Silence each year in honor of cyclists who have died or have been injured on the road," Patti Sousa announced during the pre-ride reception. "This is especially important right here in Lee County."



Patti Sousa of the Sanibel Bicycle Club gives instructions to the participants prior to the start of the ride



Bicyclists traveling back towards the island

In 2014, eight cyclists were killed in Lee County, which ranks third overall in the state of Florida for bicyclist fatalities. Statewide, 120 cyclists were killed last year.

In 2015, there has been one bicyclist fatality in Lee County.

Prior to the start of the Ride of Silence, a poem was read:

The road is there for all to share

To those not with us or by our side,

May God be your partner on your final ride.

Tim Potter, volunteer webmaster for the international Ride of Silence organization, offered his thanks to participants at Sanibel's Ride of Silence event, which this year was held in 335 locations worldwide.

"Your determination, perseverance and passion for this event to remember and memorialize those who have gone before us is applauded and greatly appreciated with a humble head bowed," said Potter. "You are creating an amazing experience for others and yourself in the process. It is very moving, and also brings light to a special shared healing experience."

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What Is A Testamentary Trust?



by Craig R. Hersch, Florida Bar Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates Attorney; CPA

My office frequently interacts with compliance officers of major banks and brokerage firms. From time to time, we receive curious inquiries from their offices after a client dies. This is because the deceased client's trust may subdivide into one or more "testamentary trusts" that continue on to benefit the client's spouse, children or other beneficiaries. The brokerage office will ask me for a copy of the trust for the spouse, children or other beneficiaries – when they already have it! You see, the testamentary trust was built inside of the revocable trust that they already possess.

If compliance officers inside of major banks and brokerage offices don't understand what a testamentary trust is, I thought that this might be a good topic for today's column.

A testamentary trust (sometimes referred to as a trust under will) is a trust which arises upon the death of the testator, and which is specified in his or her will or revocable living trust. A will or revocable living trust may contain more than one testamentary trust, and may address all or any portion of the estate.

There are four parties involved in a testamentary trust: (1) the person (referred to as the "grantor" or "settlor") who specifies that the trust be created, usually as a part of his or her will or revocable living trust - from which the testamentary trust "springs into being" upon the settlor's death; (2) the trustee, whose duty is to carry out the terms of the testamentary trust; (3) the beneficiary(s), who will receive the benefits of the testamentary trust; and possibly (4) The probate court where the testamentary trust is created by a will as opposed to when a testamentary trust automatically is created under the terms of an inter vivos (commonly referred to as a "revocable living") trust.

A "marital trust" that benefits a surviving spouse inside of someone's will is a testamentary trust, as is a "credit shelter" trust which may be used to consume the decedent's federal estate tax exemption. A continuing trust for a child or grandchild for educational, health or general needs is another example of a testamentary trust. So is a charitable remainder trust that springs out a revocable trust or will as of the settlor's death.

You can readily determine now that a testamentary trust is one that doesn't come

into being until the settlor's death, and is usually found inside of an existing document such as a revocable living trust or a last will and testament.

When the compliance office of the bank or brokerage house asks for a copy of the testamentary trust instrument, I can usually tell them that they already have it. They just need to look inside of the revocable living trust to one of the Articles. An Article that is entitled "Marital Trust," for example, is a testamentary trust. Same for a "Family Trust" or "Educational Trust" found within the pages of the original instrument.

The trustee of the testamentary trust may be a different party than the one who serves as the trustee of a revocable living trust. Typically, the settlor of a revocable living trust serves as his or her own trustee during the course of his or her lifetime. Upon the settlor's death, however, that person can obviously no longer serve as their own trustee. When the trust therefore divides into the testamentary trust shares, another person, bank or trust company serves.

There may even be a different trustee for each different testamentary trust formed. The spouse, for example, might be named as the trustee of the marital trust. An adult child who is the beneficiary of a continuing general needs trust formed for his or her own benefit may serve as the trustee of his or her own trust share.

Testamentary trusts are usually irrevocable, meaning that the terms cannot be changed or altered. This is because the settlor who created the trust has died. Even if the settlor reserved the power to amend the trust, since he or she is now dead the trust becomes irrevocable. The exception to this is when the testamentary trust grants a "power of appointment" to a beneficiary to change the terms of the trust. I've written about powers of appointment in other columns.

After reading this I hope that you are better informed as to what a testamentary trust is. If so, I offer you my hearty congratulations! You're ahead of several compliance officers at major banks and brokerage houses that I've dealt with in the past few months!

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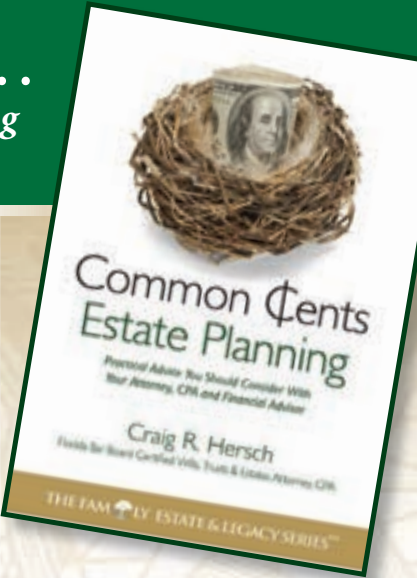
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Stories From The Historical Village

From Mesa, Arizona – “Helen McCullough Beebe tells the story of staying in Florida during winters to escape Cincinnati winters and attended school with the local children. In their bathroom at home lived a spider named Emily, and Emily was in charge of bug extermination. A visitor came and used the bathroom and came out and exclaimed, ‘Oh my, I’ve just killed the biggest spider you’ve ever seen!’ ‘Oh, no,’ the family exclaimed. ‘You’ve killed Emily!’”

From Terre Haute, Indiana – “In the

mid-1950s, my family traveled from Indiana to Sanibel and Captiva. At that time, we boarded the ferry and arrived on foot to walk everywhere. As I recall, there was a store and a telephone where the ferry docked. The beaches were strewn with wonderful shells in every direction. And the mail boat provided mail service/tours for a small fee. There was a bakery (possibly restaurant, too) run by two men who also rented rooms out back. I have never forgotten the beauty of this place and am so pleased and happy to return 50 years later!”

Read more about people’s experiences living on and visiting Sanibel at the Sanibel Historical Village. In addition, the Old Bailey Store contains copies of

old newspapers and just about all the buildings have plenty of reading material explaining their history.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday through August 1, and reopens October 20 on a full schedule, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. It is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$10 for adults 18 and older; those under 18 and members are free. Docent-guided tours are available at 10:30 a.m. at no extra charge, based upon docent availability. There is handicap access to all buildings. For information, call 472-4648 during business hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.

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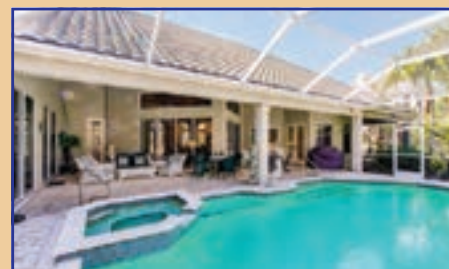
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School Smart



by Shelley M. Gregg, NCSP

Dear Readers, Here is the second article in this series about school readiness. We will be covering a number of important developmental areas that

are critical for school success. With the increased academic pressure we have now, parents seem most concerned about reading skills, so today's article will focus on children's readiness to read and what you can do at home to promote this readiness.

Children's readiness to read has gained greater attention recently as it has become clear that children's developmental experiences lead to more preparedness for reading. Children are ready to read when they have developed an ear for the way words sound, can identify rhyme and alliteration, can blend sounds, recognize initial sounds, and can identify sound units in words. Together, these skills are called phonological awareness and usually emerge in children between ages 2 and 6. Children with good phonological awareness skills usually learn to read quickly. Children who are poor readers often have weak phonological skills.

Phonological awareness – There are

many things that parents can do to facilitate phonological awareness and improve their child's readiness to read:

- Read nursery rhymes, sing songs and clap along with the rhythm.
- Play games with words that sound alike as you experience them in everyday life. ("We're passing Mark's Park... that's a funny name because they sound alike!")
- Play a game where the goal is to find objects with names that begin with a certain initial sound; this is a great game for walks or car rides.
- Play clapping games and clap with each distinct sound. ("C-a-t" is a three clap word)

Comprehension – Parents can build the following comprehension skills: attending to short stories by reading the normal wide variation in young children's development and learning, and the extent to which the school's expectations of beginning kindergarten children are appropriate and respect individual differences.

Print awareness – Another important readiness skill that helps children learn to read is called print awareness. Print awareness means that the child:

- Knows the difference between pictures and print.
- Recognizes environmental print (stop signs, grocery)
- Understands that print can appear alone or with pictures.
- Recognizes that print occurs in different mediums (pencil, crayon, ink).
- Recognizes that print occurs on different

surfaces (paper, computer screen, billboard).

- Understands that words are read left to right.
- Understands the lines of text are read top to bottom.
- Understands the function of white space between words.
- Understands that print corresponds to speech word-for-word.
- Knows the difference between letters and words.

Parents can build print awareness by pointing out print as distinct from pictures in everyday life pointing out store and restaurant marquees; pointing out print with and without pictures (e.g., "Here's a page with just words!"); pointing out words written in different media and on different surfaces (e.g., "Look, someone wrote on that wall with spray paint!"); occasionally tracing words with your finger as you read; note that we begin reading at the top (point to the top and say, "Here's where we start!"); playing find the word games with your child; and teaching the alphabet via songs and rhymes and talking about which letters make up familiar words.

Book handling – Children also need to learn book-handling skills such as orienting a book correctly and recognizing the beginning and the end. Giving children their own books or letting them take books from the local library helps. Allowing children to hold books while being read to and asking them to open the book at the beginning and close the book at the end of the story facilitate book-handling skills.

** The information in this article was adapted from NASP's School and Home Handouts by Mary Ann Rafoth, PhD, NCSP, Erin L. Buchenauer, MEd, Katherine Kolb Crissman, MEd, & Jennifer L. Halko, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

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Buck Graduates From Creighton

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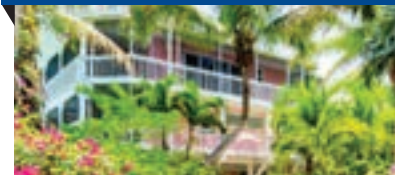
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Superior Interiors

Planning Your Outdoor Spaces



by Linda Coin

With so many of today's new homes being built to incorporate gorgeous patio spaces, doesn't it stand to reason that with a little thought and pre-planning these spaces can

become an exciting extension of your home's indoor space?

So, where do you begin, and how do you master the design of flowing your indoor and outdoor spaces together? Here are a few things to take into consideration before creating the outdoor space of your dreams:

It all starts with a plan. It's generally a good idea to begin this process by first taking into consideration all the possible events your family will want to plan for when they use your new outdoor haven. Large gatherings and family events will call for one type of plan. And conversely, an outdoor space designed for two to relax and unwind will dictate a totally different set of priorities.

As you consider all the activities you want to accommodate in your new outdoor space, you might consider creating specific spaces for specific events. Activi-

ties such as outdoor cooking – on a grill or customized outdoor kitchen – might be best suited in one area, and dining in another. And just as on the inside of your home, area rugs are a great way to help separate and definite spaces. Today's selection of outdoor area rugs is wide and varied, in many shapes, sizes and colors.

Secondly, creating the right landscape plan to surround your outdoor space is extremely important. Plantings, flowers and architectural accents will all play an important part in the overall design as you finalize your landscape plan. You'll find that stonework and carpentry choices will be critical components to aid you in creating your perfect outdoor retreat. Why not give special consideration to the plants you chose to surround your space? Just think of the delicious scents you could add to your outdoor space with the right plantings.

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Top Sales Associate

Kimberley Andrews was honored as the top sales associate during the month of April for RE/MAX of the Islands. She began her real estate career in 1999 and joined RE/MAX of the Islands as a Realtor in 2000. Since then, she has become one of the most consistent top agents on Sanibel and Captiva Islands and in all of Lee County.✽

Goodwill Breakthrough Award Winners Announced



Goodwill's Breakthrough Awards ceremony was held on May 7

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida honored its annual Breakthrough Award winners on May 7 at the Goodwill Opportunity Center, the organization's Southwest Florida headquarters in East Fort Myers.

The Breakthrough Awards honor the non-profit agency's top achievers and supporters in the community.

"Last year, Goodwill helped nearly 40,000 people with disabilities and disadvantages to overcome their barriers to employment and independence," explained Kirsten O'Donnell, Goodwill's Director of Public Relations. "The Breakthrough Awards event allows us to honor people who have overcome their own barriers. The ceremony also gives us a chance to say 'thank you' to the people who are involved in our programs and support our mission."

This year's Breakthrough Award recipients are:

- Breakthrough Graduate – Mike Drouin, Goodwill SWFL MicroEnterprise Institute graduate and owner of Drouin's Helping Hands, LLC
- Breakthrough Achiever – Jennifer Glawe, Goodwill vocational rehabilitation client and custodian for Goodwill Services
- Breakthrough Employer – John Talmage, owner of Sweet Melissa's Café and Island Pizza

Breakthrough Business – Communication & Data Solutions (owner Butch Borchert)

Breakthrough Volunteer – Amanda Lynch, Goodwill Trailways Camp and Festival of Trees volunteer

This year's ceremony was held during Goodwill Industries Week, which is celebrated nationwide during the first full week of May. Video tributes of each of the award winners can be viewed on the agency's website: www.goodwillswfl.org.

Goodwill has already begun planning next year's Breakthrough Awards.

"Goodwill of Southwest Florida was founded in 1966, so next year will be our 50th anniversary," added O'Donnell. "We're working on some exciting additions to the Breakthrough Awards for our golden anniversary."

For more information, visit www.goodwillswfl.org.✽



Breakthrough Achiever Jennifer Glawe, a Cape Coral resident who received her award from Goodwill janitorial/floor care manager Brad Ellena

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Eden Energy Medicine

Boost Thyroid Resilience With A 'Thyroid Smoothie'



by Karen L. Semmelman, Certified EEM, JD, AAML (03-12)

How many people do you know with a thyroid disorder? Part of our endocrine system, our thyroid plays a vital role

in regulating hormones and chemicals in our body to keep our body's homeostasis balanced, yet stress is the primary culprit for thyroid imbalance. A recent article in *The New Yorker* by Atul Gawande, MD, entitled *Overkill*, lamented 25 to 42 percent of Medicare patients receive useless tests and treatments. He commented that finding micro-carcinoma lumps in a thyroid biopsy – which one-third of the population has – is not cause for surgical removal, but rather expert guidelines recommend no further treatment. Yet the majority of patients receive surgical removal, and often of the entire thyroid. Cause for pause? Perhaps uses of complementary modalities – like EEM – are

worth exploration.

So if you have concerns about your thyroid, or just want to help balance your systems, try the EEM thyroid booster (of course, proper sleep, exercise and balanced nutrition help, too):

1. Place both palms on the jaw line while resting all fingers on the temples and thumb in front of ear opening. Hold for three breaths, in through nose and out through mouth

2. Place a middle finger above Adam's apple and other middle finger below. Stretch apart. Move fingers about one inch out on either side of apple and stretch apart. Now place fingers on both sides and stretch diagonally and then stretch diagonally the other way. Lastly stretch horizontally.

3. With a three-finger notch (thumb, index finger and middle finger clustered together), place one notch on hollow below Adam's apple and the other notch on one temple for four breaths. Repeat by holding the other side.

Why does this work? Because Triple Warmer (the system that controls all of the Energetic Anatomy), which governs the endocrine system of which the thyroid is part, calms down as you hold the points at the throat and the temples. These points, called neurovascular reflex points, control emotions and assist in the regulation of hormones and chemical production.

Have fun with your energy! Next week's topic is Dowsing The Fire: Hot Flash & Thyroid Relief.

If you have a question, email Karen Semmelman at SemmEnergyCenter@gmail.com. Learn more at www.semmelmanenergy.com. EEM does not diagnose or cure illness, but working with subtle energies of the body has been shown to help many conditions.✧

ISLAND SUN BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Realtor Earns Certification

John Naumann & Associates announced that LeAne Taylor Suarez, a broker associate and partner at John Naumann & Associates, has achieved the Sanibel Captiva Island Specialist certification for Realtors.



LeAne Suarez

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Specialist Designation is a local, island-oriented program designed specifically for Realtor members of the Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors. Those choosing to complete the program and earn the designation demonstrate that they have enhanced their knowledge of the islands and their expertise in selling island real estate.✧

TripAdvisor Gives Award To Blue Dolphin Cottages

Last week, TripAdvisor announced the winners of their 2015 Certificate of Excellence Hall of Fame, which included Blue Dolphin Cottages on Sanibel. The property, located at 4227 West Gulf Drive, is now a five-time winner of the award.

"The Blue Dolphin is pleased to receive this award," said Lynne Stern, longtime island resident and co-owner of the boutique motel along with her husband, Jerry.

The Blue Dolphin Cottage's nine units are nestled among beautiful tropical landscaping. Guests are served a complementary continental breakfast under the palms and wine and cheese parties are frequently held to watch the sunset. The ambiance and unique amenities make this property a small jewel on the Sanibel beach.

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Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

We have a lovely cottage in the woods on a large lake that we love and enjoy and – to our good fortune – it has also appreciated almost tenfold since our purchase. We are getting older now and the upkeep and taxes are beginning to cause us problems.

Our daughter-in-law loves the cottage, but our relationship with her has always been strained. My husband wants to sell rather than let her enjoy the fruits of his good fortune, but I hate to sell it and deprive our son and grandchildren of the pleasure the cottage might give them. What can you suggest we do?

Muriel

Dear Muriel,

Perhaps you can work out an option for your son to assist with the taxes and upkeep of the cottage for the use of the cottage.

On another note, why would you want to deprive your son and grandchildren the cottage because you do not like your daughter-in-law? Seems to be a choice based on spite. Decisions motivated by spite might feel good in the immediate but do not reflect well on one's character and there are most always unforeseen hurtful consequences.

Pryce

Dear Muriel,

Your husband seems to have a real problem – so bad that he is willing to deprive your son and grandchildren the pleasure the cottage could bring them.

He made the money and the financial investment, so I guess he feels he has the right to do as he pleases.

We all have the right to make our own decisions and you can't change him, so I would suggest you don't even try because it will only make your life more stressful, but it is a most unfortunate situation.

Lizzie

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

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: My friend and I have discussed what purpose animals serve in our lives. Is there an overall purpose?

A: Animals may serve many purposes in the life of a human. Many

animals come in as service animals, i.e. guiding eyes for the blind, emotional handicaps, soldiers who may have PTSD or physical handicaps, and pet therapy animals for hospitals. Their purpose overall is to teach us unconditional love for they are unconditional love to us. They are so loyal and caring, and are by our side through the good times and the not-so-good times, and they love us no matter what.

Animals help us heal in many ways. It is evidenced that when we pet an animal, our stress levels are greatly reduced and we feel a sense of calm. I happen to be a pet owner and I have evidence that my pets actually chose me. We can be grateful for the many purposes animals serve in our lives.

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Doctor and Dietitian

Keep Your Balance



by Ross Hauser, MD
and Marion Hauser, MS, RD

Most of us take our balance for granted, but we depend on it every day of our lives. Losing our balance can be a frightening experience, and is a common concern for older adults.

Balance can decline as we age along with decreased muscle strength and lack of physical fitness, but balance exercises and training can limit the decline or even improve performance, therefore reducing one's chances of falling.

Our balance is an incredible system. When we get up out of a chair, climb up some stairs or take a walk outside, our brain, nervous system, muscles and bones all work in harmony to keep us from falling. But we have to use the system. If

we sit in a recliner all day, this intricate system gets used to sitting in a recliner all day.

Move about! Practice! Use your eyes so they can stay alert, your ears to give you information about movement and gravity. Try something new. Keeping things fresh heightens orientation to your surroundings and improves balance.

Balance is a skill that many of us can keep during our adult life. Much of the decline that occurs in balance is due to our inactivity. Strengthening the upper and lower body combined with balance activities can make a difference. But you have to practice!

Regular physical activity is essential for healthy aging, because it provides substantial health benefits throughout our lives. Get involved in group or individual programs that combine strength and balance training, such as Tai Chi. Classes should be challenging and progress in difficulty. Community programs are commonly offered that promote healthy adult living, balance and fall prevention.

Consult with your physician to find out what level of activity is right for you, and get started on your personal strength and balance program.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Caring Medical and Rehabilitation Services has two locations: one in Oak Park, Illinois, and one in Fort Myers. It was established in 1991 by Ross Hauser, MD, and Marion Hauser, MS, RD. They can be reached at info@carimgmedical.com.✱

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Optimists Club Scholarships

at Sanibel Café, both on Sanibel, and on the SanCap Optimist website (www.san-capoptimist.org). Additional information is available by email at san-capoptimist@comcast.net or from Stan Howard, 239-472-0836. Scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than Thursday, June 11, 2015. The scholarship committee plans to make the final decision by the end of June.

Applicants should be aware that academic records, financial need, extracurricular activities, civic/community service records, and references are integral parts of the selection criteria. The application package gives exact procedures.

Because of the generosity of local residents and businesses, these scholarships have increased from \$6000 to \$7000; existing scholarships will benefit by increasing future payments from \$1500 to \$1750 per year. The SanCap Optimist Club also sponsors and supports a number of other activities on the islands with emphasis on kids' welfare and education. The Club is a 501(c)3 organization.✱



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dearPharmacist

Your Brain Loves Magnesium L-Threonate



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist:

Have you ever forgotten a word or someone's name that you should know? It happens to all of us, but what if you frequently find that you have trouble with

"word finding" or you keep forgetting to pay bills or get lost easily? Your kids will tell say you had a "brain fart" or "senior moment" but honestly, it's nothing to kid about. Cooking, housework and daily self care skills start to decline. Next comes the conversation about senior living facilities, but wait... you are only 40 or 50 something! What's going on?

Don't be hard on yourself; keep in mind we live in an 'information stimulation' age. Watch the news for an hour; you'll be so wired from all the sad stories ticking by, you will notice the silence as soon as you shut off the TV. Devices? Mmm... love 'em and hate 'em. All these tweets, posts, emails and streaming thoughts allow for virtually no space between your own thoughts.

Aging matters because the older we get, the more rust (free radicals) we accumulate. Let's talk about kids for a

moment. Inability to focus quickly gets diagnosed as ADHD. In comes the Adderall. It's easy to blame sugar, or the parents or television but the fact is, healthy cognition cannot occur unless you have the nutrients to feed each and every brain cell, and the cell membrane. As a population, we don't do that very well. Magnesium is known to help both memory and attention as well as depression and anxiety.

Did you know over 200 popular medications block magnesium, contributing to deficiencies. Diuretics and acid blockers are big offenders stealing magnesium to an almost dangerous point. Deficiency of magnesium causes memory loss, inability to focus, widespread muscle pain, leg cramps, spasms, sadness, hypertension, insulin swings and cardiac arrhythmias galore.

Most forms of magnesium irritate your stomach, or induce diarrhea. Many do not easily get into your bloodstream or your brain where you need it most. Several animal studies show that the patented form Magnesium L-threonate can actually reduce cognitive deficits and therefore, increase synaptic plasticity (good) and reduce beta amyloid plaques in the brain which lead to Alzheimer's.

Magnesium L-threonate can enter the hippocampus, which is a big deal; that is your memory center. The turn around was fairly dramatic even when the treatment was given during the end-stage of the disease state.

An earlier study in 2013 showed how well Magnesium L-threonate worked to improve memory deficit in people with chronic pain by inhibiting TNFα which is a pain-causing chemical (in high amounts). If you feel you're deficient,

consider taking magnesium L-threonate; dosages range from 100 to 200 mg taken once or twice daily, usually in the evening.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit www.SuzyCohen.com.✧

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Islands Night Benefits CHR

provide affordable housing on the island for people like Maria, who has been part of this community for over forty years," added Collini. "Thanks to our program, seniors like Maria, disabled island residents, and people who work full-time on Sanibel can take part in our unique community."

The next Sam Bailey's Islands Night will be held on Wednesday, June 17 from 5:30 until 10 p.m. at the CenturyLink Sports Complex in Fort Myers. For event details, call 472-1516.

Community Housing and Resources, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that is dedicated to providing affordable housing for families and individuals who work full-time on Sanibel and for long-time or disabled residents of Sanibel. For more information, visit SanibelCHR.org or call 472-1189. Donations and contributions to CHR are tax deductible.✧

Free Autism Screening For Young Children

Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, in partnership with Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida, offers a free monthly autism spectrum disorder screening for toddlers 18 months to 5 years of age.

The next screening on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile will be held on Friday, June 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Family Health Center, located at 2256 Heitman Street in Fort Myers.

It is estimated that one in every 68 children is diagnosed with some form of Autism Spectrum Disorder, making it more common than childhood cancer, juvenile diabetes and pediatric AIDS combined.

Medical consultants for the project stress that an early diagnosis can make a vast difference for toddlers and their families. They say early intensive behavioral intervention can make

The ASD screening is conducted by the Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The screenings are administered by an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, who has extensive training and experience in typical child development and developmental disorders.

A physician referral is not required. To schedule a screening, call 343-6838.✧

LMHS Opens Breast Milk Banks

Lee Memorial Health System is excited to announce it has opened two breast milk banks located at Cape Coral Hospital and HealthPark Medical Center. Babies in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) depend on this life saving nourishment to thrive when their mother's milk is not available. Knowing the positive impact that breast milk can have on babies for a lifetime, the health system is asking lactating mothers in the community to consider donating their milk.

"Every drop of breast milk can make a difference in the long-term survival and outcome of a sick baby," said Nancy Travis, Director of Women's and Children's Services. "Donors to a non-profit milk bank, such as ours, find comfort and pride in knowing that they are providing life-saving milk to babies in need. We're very excited to be able to provide this service to our community."

Under the physician prescription, donated milk is sent to babies in hospitals. It is used by preemies and older babies who cannot tolerate formula, have a weakened immune system, or have special dietary needs. Donor milk greatly reduces the incidence of digestive tract

infections and many other infections as well. One ounce of your milk can feed a tiny preemie for an entire day.

Donating extra milk is a wonderful life-saving gift to a sick baby. Once you've established your milk supply and your own baby's needs are met, you are likely to qualify as a donor if:

- You are in generally good health.
- You are a non-smoker.
- You are not taking medications on a regular basis.

To get started, mothers who are interested in donating can call 407-303-2599 to complete a telephone screening. Once it is determined that you are eligible to donate, a blood draw is required (the cost is covered by the milk bank); and you, your doctor and your baby's pediatrician will need to sign medical release forms. Your milk can then be dropped off at either of Lee Memorial Health System's Human Milk Banking Association of North America (HMBANA) milk banks:

- Cape Coral Hospital – 424-2217
- Family Birth Suites, 636 Del Prado Blvd., Cape Coral

Drop off times: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and by appointment.

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FOR WEEK OF JUNE 1, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your Aries self-esteem level is high, as is your impatience to see more action come your way in the workplace. Good news, Lamb: It could start to happen sooner than you think.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Changing things now could upset a lot of people. But if you feel you're acting because you believe it's the right thing to do, others will understand and even come to support you.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A change of mind might not necessarily be a change of heart. You still want to go ahead with your plans, but you might see a better way to make them happen. So go for it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) An old business dispute could re-emerge and possibly affect upcoming negotiations. Consider opening up the situation to include suggestions from others on both sides of the issue.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Some Leos and Leonas might find it somewhat difficult to get their ideas accepted or even considered. But that's only for a while. Things will soon return to the way you like them.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The pace seems to be slowing down from the hectic on-the-job run you recently enjoyed. But be assured that you're still in the race to pick up new workplace-related goodies.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Seasonal changes create opportunities for busy Librans. However, be sure to balance your workload with your personal life so that you don't overdo it on one end or the other.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A former critic could make a surprise turnaround and become a supporter. But if your Scorpion sense suspects a questionable motive, who are the rest of us to doubt it?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Data on a new project seems less than dependable. But it might turn out to be just the opposite. Consult with someone who knows how you might best be able to check it out.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Capricorneans face many decisions this week, with the Sea Goat's kids rating high on the consideration scale, especially regarding vacations and upcoming school matters.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Showing that you care is what Aquarians do so well. It's your very special skill. And this week, you'll have several chances to show off that gift for a very special person. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 21) That streak of Piscean wariness should serve you well this week should you be among those who come up against a slippery character offering a fishy deal with nothing to back it up.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an artist's sense of how to help others see, as you do, the beautiful things about the world.

- On June 6, 1944, known as D-Day, 160,000 Allied troops land on the beaches of Normandy, France, beginning the liberation of Western Europe from control of Nazi Germany. Within three months, the northern part of France would be freed and Allied forces would be preparing to enter Germany.

- On June 2, 1774, the British Parliament renews the Quartering Act, allowing Redcoats to stay in private American homes. Disgusted by the dumping of 342 chests of tea into Boston Harbor six months earlier, Parliament reasserted British control over the colonies, especially Boston.

- On June 7, 1893, Mohandas K. Gandhi, a young Indian lawyer working in South Africa, commits his first act of civil disobedience when he refuses to comply with racial segregation rules on a train and is forcibly ejected. The British-educated Gandhi influenced leaders of civil-rights movements around the world.

- On June 3, 1936, bestselling novelist Larry McMurtry is born in Texas. In the late 1990s, he began filling abandoned buildings in Archer, Texas, with hundreds of thousands of used books for sale in an attempt to create a haven for book lovers.

- On June 1, 1968, Helen Keller dies in Connecticut at the age of 87. Blind and deaf from infancy, Keller circumvented her disabilities to become a world-renowned writer and lecturer. In 1904, she graduated cum laude from Radcliffe.

- On June 4, 1986, Jonathan Pollard pleads guilty to espionage for selling U.S. intelligence information to Israel and is sentenced to life in prison. The former Navy intelligence analyst sold enough classified documents to fill a medium-size room. Israel continues to negotiate for Pollard's release.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- On June 5, 1993, Julie Krone rides Colonial Affair to victory in the Belmont Stakes to become the first female jockey ever to win a Triple Crown race. Krone won her first horse race at just 5 years old in a 21-and-under race.

- It was the fourth U.S. president, James Madison, who made the following sage observation: "I believe there are more instances of the abridgement of the rights of the people by the gradual and silent encroachments of those in power than by violent and sudden usurpations."

- Jimmy Carter was the first American president to be born in a hospital.

- Though the reasons are unclear, researchers have found that children of Mexican descent are less likely to have attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) than children of other ethnicities.

- In some cultures, slurping your soup is considered to be a compliment to the chef, while here in the U.S., it's frowned upon as demonstrating bad manners. In New Jersey, however, it goes a bit further; in that state, public slurping of soup is illegal.

- What do Mark Twain, Thomas Edison, Noel Coward and Charles Dickens have in common? None of them ever graduated from grade school.

- If you suffer from pupaphobia, you experience an unreasonable fear of puppets and dolls.

- During the 14th century, so many people in the city of Avignon, France, died from the Black Plague that Pope Clement consecrated the Rhone River to allow masses of bodies to be laid to rest in its waters.

- Before the middle of the 18th century, it was not unusual for members of a play's audience to be seated onstage, just a few feet from the performance. If viewers thought an actor's performance was particularly bad, they might even try to bump the performer off the stage.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"The best way to predict the future is to invent it." -- Alan Kay

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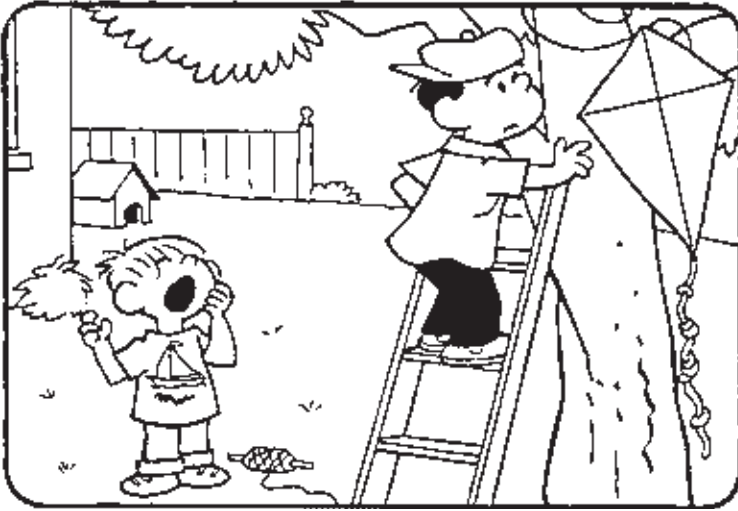
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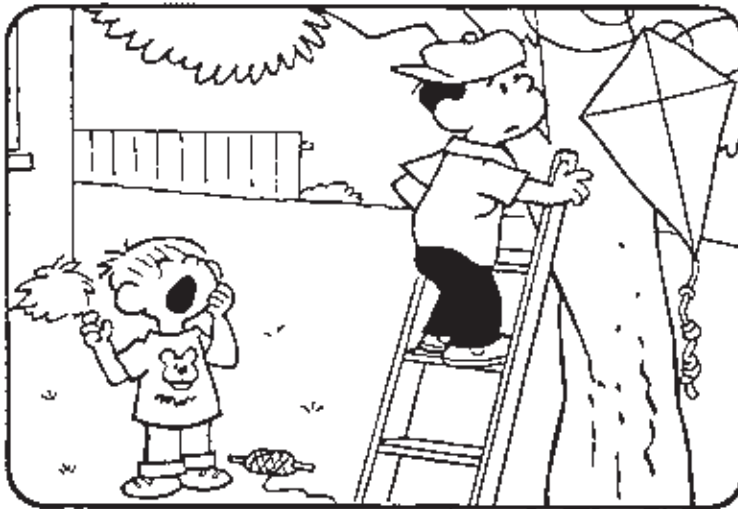
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Origin

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Forge

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Smudge

REAMS

Trap

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TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 59

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SUDOKU**To play Sudoku:**

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

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Verona Lago	Miromar Lakes	2003	3,442	\$1,695,000	\$1,610,000	0
Admiral's Isle	Fort Myers	2002	5,769	\$1,995,000	\$1,500,000	176
Not Applicable	Fort Myers	1951	4,494	\$1,595,000	\$1,495,000	165
Woodsedge	Bonita Springs	2007	3,506	\$1,399,000	\$1,325,000	46
Island Shores	Fort Myers Beach	2015	2,500	\$1,395,000	\$1,300,000	24
Renaissance	Fort Myers	2013	3,834	\$1,349,000	\$1,240,000	542
Harbour Cottages	Sanibel	1987	2,356	\$1,195,000	\$1,050,000	170
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2015	2,706	\$949,850	\$952,000	68
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2008	3,470	\$935,000	\$890,000	210

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- Keep musty smells out of your linen closet by stashing a box of baking soda on one of the shelves, just as you would in the kitchen.

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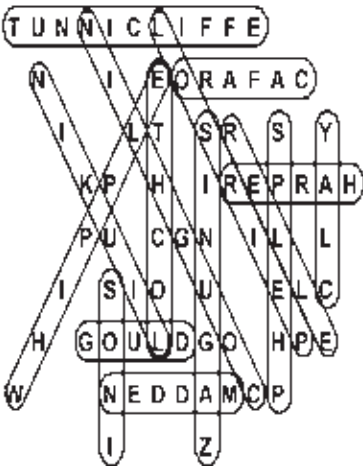
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- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.
- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.

- If you want a picture with the fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.

- Before releasing, revive the fish while holding it in the water; moving it slowly back and forth so water goes over its gills. The fish will let you know when it's ready to swim off.

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Pets Of The Week

“A rose by any other name would smell as sweet.” That’s certainly true of me. They call me Rose and I am young, fun and beautiful. I have really blossomed since arriving at the shelter now that I get to play with other young dogs. Please take some time to nurture, love and train me and I could be the best dog you ever had. My adoption fee is \$75. I’m Morrison and did you know that tabbies are known for their friendly, easy going personalities? It certainly describes me and my brother, who is also available for adoption. If you’re looking for two loving and independent guys, you can take us both home since all cats are two-for-one adoption fee of \$50 (get \$20 off when you donate an item for kitten care during Animal Services’ Spring Fever adoption promotion).

For information about this week’s pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services’ website at www.LeeLostPets.com. When calling, refer to the animal’s ID number. The website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available. The shelter is open for adoptions from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff’s Office, off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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Pippi Longstocking

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Queenie

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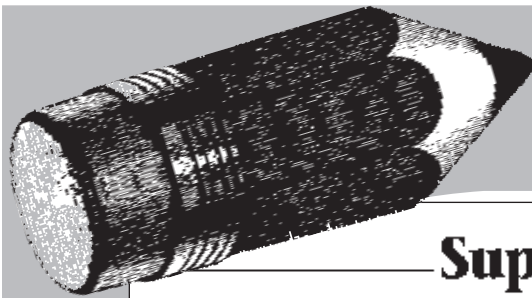
Queenie is a pretty dilute calico kitten, a young adult female (1 to 2 years old) who was found on Wild Lime Drive in the area of the back gate of the Wildlife Drive on April 4. PAWS of Sanibel has no place to keep her, so they are boarding her at Coral Vet in Fort Myers. She’s not a happy camper with all the noise from dogs, cats and birds, plus the construction sounds from the renovation of the clinic. Since being found, Queenie’s combo test was negative and she is now spayed and has all of her shots. If you’re interested in adopting this beauty, contact Pam at PAWS of Sanibel at 472-4823. ✱

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BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

answers on page 59

Super Crossword

SELF
DESCRIPTIONS

ACROSS

- 1 Completed
4 Tea leaf
readers, e.g.
9 Title for
Macbeth
14 Places to
sit on tents
19 Transgress
20 Bow go-with
21 Dignity
22 Largest city
in Nebraska
23 Arthur of TV
24 White of TV
25 Water Dillard
26 Prohibited
acts
27 Cougars
charge
them
30 Warrants
31 Sioux
division
32 Just OK
33 Papa Doc's
country
35 First-aid flora
36 No-see-ums
38 Symptom of
mumps
41 Tumult
44 Air safety gp.
45 1492, o.g.
46 Pesto
ingredient
51 Portable
enlarging
bridge

- 56 Banos.
California
57 All tangled
up
58 Friction
59 degree or
another
62 Arthur of
tennis
64 Home of
lowa State
65 Organisms
of a region
66 Chew the
sconery
67 Hand
softened
"superfood"
dish
71 "1492"
director
Ridley
73 Pierces
74 Conde —
75 Cyborgs
78 More ticked
79 A Great Lake
80 Turns back
to 000
82 Sci-fi hoverer
83 Like paradise
85 Result of
dropping a
bushel
88 Plant "pet"
91 45s' relatives
92 Flimsy
pancakes

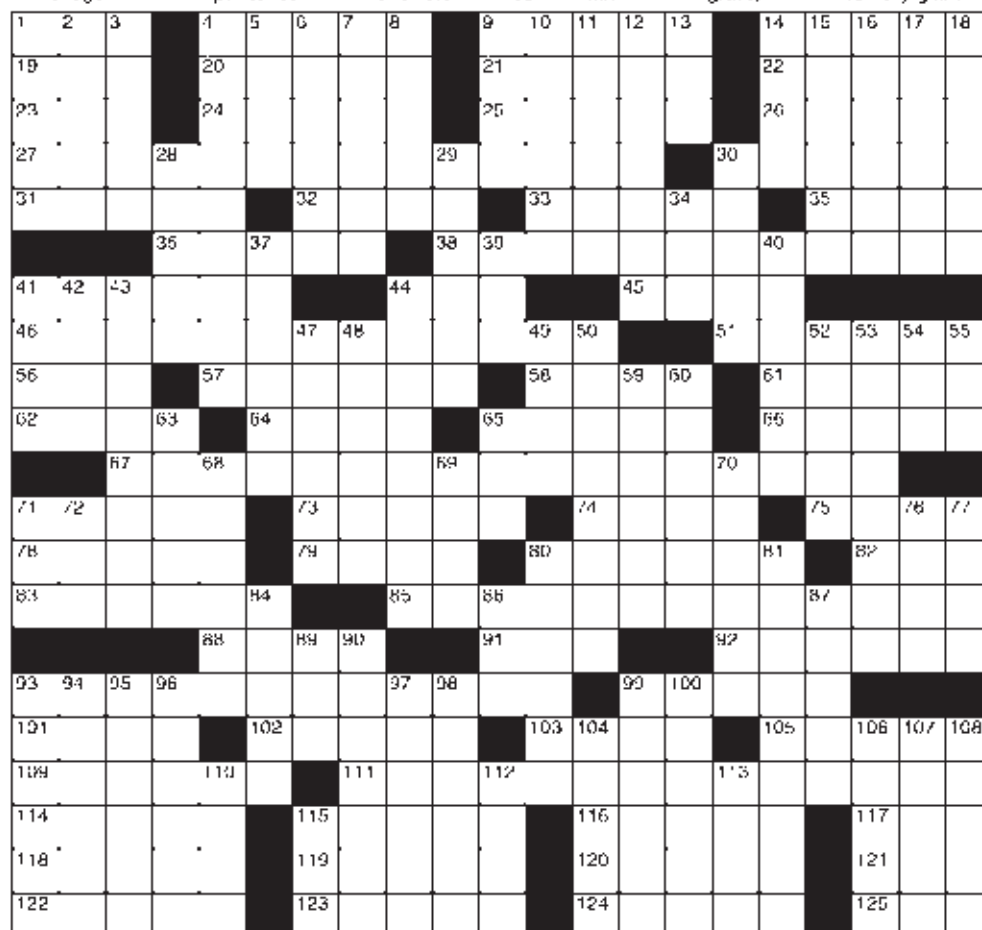
- 93 What a great
ad campaign
leads to
99 Plant pest
101 Grimm nasty
102 Pan-fry
103 Lane of song
105 Gymnast
Comaneci
109 Encoo-
e ioring cres
111 What many
shards are
114 Handle the
party food
115 Lake
Vista, Florida
116 George who
played Sulu
117 Suffix with
neat
118 Love to bits
119 Scourges
120 Sister of
Fred Astaire
121 Blasting aid
122 Car rollers, in
London
123 Actor Gable
124 Jewish ritual
meal
125 Something
associated
with the first
words of this
puzzle's
sevent
longest
answers

DOWN

- 1 Credit's
opposite
2 2011
hurricane
3 Air current
4 Safari sites
5 Part of QED
6 "Marty" star
Borgnine
7 Sonata
parts
8 Exchanges
9 Hot cuisine
10 Bigwig
11 Head to
prevent
stress
12 In a racket-
fied way
13 Prior to, in
poems
14 Py on shape
15 Indifferent to
ethics
16 Capital of the
Philippines
17 Light
particle
18 Wised off to
28 Corporate
symbols
29 Nun's beads
30 Rapper
Nicki
34 Driving range
peg
37 Concert sites
39 — "Mar"

- 40 Sister of
Hansel
41 Sch. near
Beverly Hills
42 Experts
43 Mount with
presidents'
heads
44 Bone of the
lower chest
47 Bring harm
to
48 Mendel of
genetics
49 Skater Kulik
50 Fonzi's
qual ly
52 "Traffic" actor
Milan
53 Fiber for
newsprint
54 Wee colonist
55 "— hawl"
59 "Relax, Gil"
60 Assembled
as one body
63 All gone, as
dinner
65 Bible divs
66 Not lax
at all
69 Elk's kin
70 Faster
71 Reno-to-
A verside dir.
72 Chowder
fish
76 Far — (not
gratis)

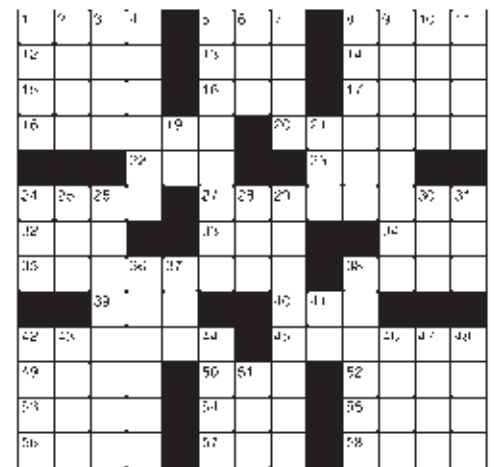
- 77 Feet source
80 Tries to
shred
81 More
classic
84 Fischer's skill
86 Suffix with
glob or duct
87 Apt rhyme
for "treadle"
89 Lupino
of film
90 Like always
93 Lynx variety
94 "Hollcats"
address
Gail
95 Expert
talker
96 Interse
97 Goddess
with an
owl
98 Less lat
99 Chale
100 Snuck
a look
104 Test models
106 "Purgatorio"
poet
107 "Of
Thee —"
108 Invite to join
at
110 Mined finds
112 Duty
113 Editor's
strike-out
115 Telly giant



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Talk show
host Kelly
5 Urban
transport
8 Bridge
coup
12 "American
13 Tramcar fill
14 Blood
(Pret.)
15 Cat call?
16 "Gosh!"
17 State with
conviction
18 Hero meat
20 Dervishes
22 Still
23 Profit
24 Intends
27 Butt
holders
32 "The Raven"
writer
33 Placekicker's
pride
34 Ball bearing
item
35 Discourtesy
38 With 3-
Down, info
for inter-
breeding
39 Rage
40 Altar
affirmative
42 Canada's
capital
45 Rang out
49 Bygone flock



- of New
Zealand
50 Coll. tran
script no.
52 Irrating
vapor
53 Initial chip
54 Last (Abbr.)
55 Great Lake
56 Carinet's
need
57 Storm center
58 On pension
(Abbr.)
Across
4 Nonstop
5 Think deeply
6 Exist
7 Vegan's
no-no
8 Half a
dinner-table
part
9 Rise
10 Cupid's
specialty
11 Takes blades
to blades
19 Yours truly
21 Pismire
24 Spring mo
25 Chit
26 Pander
28 "Help!"
29 Re indecisive
30 Longing
31 Witness
36 Got the lead
out?
37 Fresh
38 Happy
G more, e.g.
41 Accomplish
42 Mr. Sharif
43 Color quality
44 Malaria
symptom
46 Entice
47 Send forth
48 Landowner's
paper
51 Thickness

DOWN

- 1 Edges
2 Concept
3 See 38-

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Q N W O I M E O R A F A C K I
F D I B Z L T X S R W S U Y S
Q O L K P N H L I R E P R A H
J H L P U F C G N D I L C L A
Y W I V S I O T U S Q E L C P
N H A G O U L D G O L H P E K
W I M B N E D D A M C P F E C
B Z S Y I W V U Z S R Q P N M

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

Cafaro
Clay
Coughlin
Eller

Gould
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