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Staff members of the SCCF Native Plant Nursery load a cart with a plant order at their new location at the Bailey Homestead Preserve photos by Jeff Lysiak

Native Plant Nursery Opens At Bailey Homestead Preserve

by Jeff Lysiak

Last week, staff members of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's Native Plant Nursery welcomed islanders and curious visitors to their new location on the property of the Bailey Homestead Preserve, located at 1300 Periwinkle Way.

After spending 10 days moving office equipment and their inventory of native plants from their previous location – adjacent to the SCCF Nature Center, 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road – to the new space next to the former home of the Bailey family, nursery crews have been encouraged by the comments they've received from members of the public.

"We've heard a lot of really good feedback," said Jenny Evans, native plant nursery manager. "Everybody's been excited to see the space we moved to, and to see this beautiful property. For us, we're so excited to have much more space, which gives us the freedom to arrange our displays better. And we'll be able to move things around as we grow, so it doesn't look or feel static."

According to Evans, designing the layout for the new plant nursery, which encompasses almost nine acres south of the Shipley Trail within the 28.3-acre preserve, involved a process that took almost three years of planning. Staff offices are located in a small space on the east side of the main Bailey house overlooking the nursery, which is divided into sections including:

- Residential Plantings – Includes plants well suited for landscaping around residences (examples on display include thatch palms, muhley grass, horizontal cocoplum, Bahama coffee, coontie and *lignum vitae*)
- Wetland/Littoral – Plantings have been placed around the Devitt Pond, located on the western portion of the preserve, which showcase plants suitable for such soil conditions (SCCF's Marine Lab has also planted tapegrass at the pond)
- Beach & Dune Habitat – A display of plants that includes simulated sea turtle and

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Native Plant Nursery manager Jenny Evans inspects a rough lemon tree planting

Thanksgiving Celebration This Sunday



Standing in front of The Community House to promote their Thanksgiving event are, from left, Yvonne St. Clair, Nicole McHale, Kelly Koerpel, Fred Bondurant, Teresa Riska Hall, Mary Bondurant, Augustina Holtz and Stacy Gerhart photo by Jeff Lysiak

The annual Sanibel Thanksgiving Celebration service will take place this Sunday, November 22 at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, beginning at 6:45 p.m. All are invited to join this non-denominational service, which is a celebration of Thanksgiving in music, words and song. Admission is free.

Local community leaders and representatives from all the island churches will take part. Fellowship over cookies and apple cider will follow the celebration of thanks.

Mary Bondurant, chair of the celebration, encourages guests to bring non-perishable food or monetary donations for FISH of Sanibel-Captiva, a representative of which will speak of the continuing needs of islanders.

For more information, contact Mary Bondurant at Mary@BondurantRealtyGroup.com or 839-3633.✪

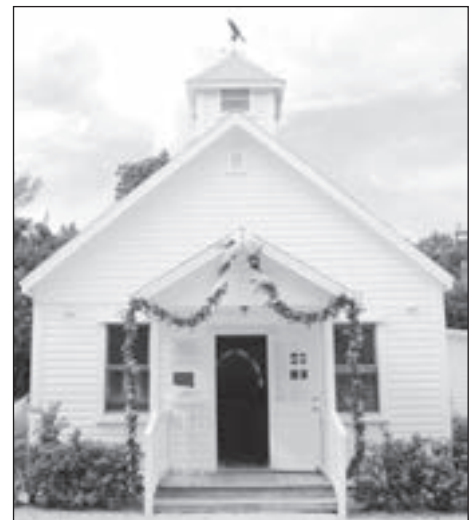
Thanksgiving Eve Service

Captiva Chapel by the Sea invites the public to share in a time of thanksgiving on Wednesday, November 25 at 4 p.m.

The service will include traditional seasonal hymns, readings from the Hebrew and Christian scriptures, prayers, and time for those present to offer words of thanksgiving.

The chapel is an interdenominational community of people from many traditions. It is considered a fitting setting for the observance of America's holiday, the national pause to give thanks for the blessings of family and country.

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Sanibel Historical Museum And Village Honors World War II Vets

submitted by Jeri Magg

On Saturday, December 5, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., the volunteers and staff of the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village will mark the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. Imagine Christmas – 1945 and everyone is welcoming home the country's war veterans. In keeping with this anniversary, the Village's holiday tribute, I'll Be Home for Christmas, will include musical and historic remembrances.

The islands of Sanibel and Captiva were a vital part of the war effort. A wooden tower, eight feet by 12 feet, was built on the beach. At Casa Ybel, two cottages were renovated into quarters for the military stationed there. Because of this presence, all residents had to be fingerprinted.

Stationary targets were set up on the beach and sentries were placed on the road behind Casa Ybel to warn the school bus driver and islanders during target practice. Bombers and gunners were supposed to wait until their planes were over the water before firing. However, one time a plane began shelling miles away as it passed over Punta Rassa. Some bullets splattered the rainwater tank at islander Rosa Bryant's house. Rosa was washing her hair when the bullets hit the roof and rolled onto the gutters. Undaunted, she quipped "It's too late to duck," and finished washing her hair. Bullets were still found years later.

Patriotic islanders were quick to come to the aid of their country. Charlotte Kinzie White, whose father and uncle ran the ferry for many years, enlisted after college. She became an active duty officer in the United States Navy from 1943-46. She attained the rank of Lt. JG and served as a medical technician at the United States Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia, and remained in the reserve from 1946 until 1957.

Elinore Dormer, the author of *The Sea Shell Islands*, was quick to join the forces following graduation and became a naval intelligence code breaker.



Charlotte Kinzie White



The Rutland House at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village

For this holiday presentation, the buildings in the Village will be decorated outside and inside era-appropriate, with toys, books, Christmas trees and music that should bring back some fond memories. Visualize a time when boys' toys were made of wood and plastic, trees had fewer lights and everyone made a white peace dove out of paper. And, of course, nylon stockings were the most sought after gift.

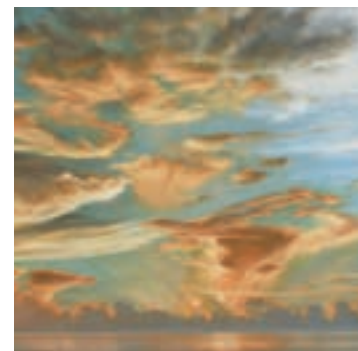
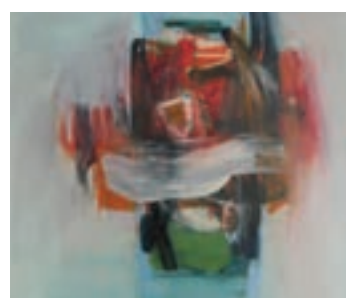
To put everyone in a celebratory mood, the Community Choir Carolers will be singing from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Don't miss this celebration. It's a perfect way to start off Luminary Night. For more information check the website: sanibelmuseum.org or call the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village at 472-4648.✧

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Christmas at Miss Charlotta's Tea Room at the Sanibel Historical Village

Historical Village Will Have WWII Christmas Theme

The Sanibel Historical Village will celebrate Christmas with the public at a free festive event from 3 to 5 p.m. on December 4 preceding Sanibel's Luminary Trail.

The theme will be I'll Be Home for Christmas, in recognition of the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. The event will highlight what it was like

on Sanibel during Christmas 1945, as well as what was taking place across the country.

Members of the community have contributed many WWII items and memorabilia for exhibition during the event. Letters, pictures, uniforms, posters and other items will be on display.

The village Christmas experience will include carolers from the Sanibel Community Chorus under the direction of Steve Cramer. Each village building will incorporate patriotic pieces of the time in celebration of the theme, with live interactive events. The Rutland House will be lively with docent Dave Richard at



Christmas at Burnap Cottage at the Sanibel Historical Village

the piano, along with an individual photo opportunity for guests.

The Sanibel Historical Village is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Full guided tours take place at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at no additional charge, depending on docent availability.

The Sanibel Historical Village is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS) and there is handicap access to all buildings. Admission is \$10 for adults (18 and over). Members and children are admitted free. For more information, call 472-4648 during museum hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.



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Where Sanibel's Community Began

The early days of The Community House: Today, we know Sanibel as a lively place with lots of things to do to keep you entertained and comfortable. However, if you lived here 90 years ago, it was a different story.



Curtis Perry



Life here in the 1920s was a simple and sometimes hard existence. Island population was sparse (the 1920 census counted only 9,540 in all of Lee County). The few hundred folks living on Sanibel and Captiva were mostly farmers and fishermen who lived in small, basic homes without pools or air conditioning. The “business community” was as simple as a few beachside inns and fishing cabins, a few restaurants, the ferry dock, and Bailey’s General Store. And overseeing



The original Community House

everything was the familiar Sanibel Light-house, which was first lighted in 1884. While the population may have been small, those who chose to live the “island life” were self-reliant people. So when they decided in the mid 1920s that Sanibel and Captiva needed a central gathering place where people could get together for social activities, civic meetings and special occasions, they took it upon themselves to make it happen. The result of their effort was the formation of The Sanibel Community Association and the creation of the The Community House, a facility that has since benefitted many generations of islanders. The idea for building The Community House was driven by local artist Curtis Perry, a bachelor from Maine, who lived on Captiva. Perry pushed the idea by walking the length of Sanibel and Captiva, knocking on doors to solicit support for the cause. He was quite a salesman, as he achieved near unanimous participation from his friends and neighbors. Cordelia Nutt, daughter of a Confederate

Army captain who lived with her sisters at the Grey Gables homestead on West Gulf Drive, donated the land for the project. Sam Woodring, who lived on Wodring Point, donated \$200, which was a considerable sum in those days. Other islanders donated cash, building materials and volunteer labor for the project.

What they built was a classic, “old Florida,” cottage-style structure, with white ship-lap siding, a great room and two fireplaces, just a few steps off Periwinkle Way. The front of the building featured a sun porch with a distinctive row of windows overlooking Periwinkle. All of that is still in place today, protected by its listing on the historical register. Originally, the building had no indoor restroom facilities. That function was provided by an outhouse in the back, screened by a vine-covered lattice. The Community House opened for business in 1927, and Curtis Perry, Cordelia Nutt and four other founders signed the articles of incorporation creating a time for Sanibel to step up and create a resource for the generations to come, much as those early islanders did back in 1927.

Colorful Sips

The Community House is hosting evening art and wine parties with local artist Sissi Janku, who will encourage the artist within to complete a masterpiece. Member price is \$45, non-members are \$55. The Colorful Sips painting classes will be held on the following Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.:

December 2, December 16, January 6, January 20, February 3, February 17, March 16, April 6 and April 20. No experience is necessary. All the materials will be provided. Bring your favorite wine and a snack for sharing with fellow artists. This is a relaxed opportunity to create an original work of art. For a detailed schedule of these and all other painting classes offered by Janku, visit www.sissijanku.com. Her work is on display at Island Style Gallery. Call 472-2155 for reservations.

Free Health Screenings

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club, in conjunction with The Community House, will be offering free health screenings for diabetes, vision and hearing at The Community House on Saturday, November 21, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Shell Crafters

Have you ever wondered what to do with all of those beautiful shells that you find? If you are interested in learning a new craft, meeting new people, and having fun, join the Sanibel Shell Crafters. No experience is necessary; there are instructors and assistants available. The lessons are free, all materials are provided but since the group is dependent on donations for the supply of shells, collections are welcome. You can make flowers, jewelry, animals and other creations out of shells and other sea life. Every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon

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(no classes in March), the Sanibel Shell Crafters instructors and assistants are at The Community House. Dessert and coffee are provided, but bring a brown-bag lunch if you choose, as the regulars meet until 3 p.m.

All shell creations made by volunteers remain at The Community House to be sold to assist in the non-profit Community House operating budget. They are sold during the annual Shell Festival in March, and every Monday.

The Sanibel Shell Crafters have been meeting weekly since the late 1920s. The group was created in order to prepare for the annual March Shell Fair.

Knife Sharpening

Are you looking for a simple, convenient way to get all of your kitchen knives, gardening tools and hair scissors sharpened? Come to The Community House on Monday, November 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., to drop off your knives and tools to be sharpened by the Keith Kappelman. Kappelman is a professional sharpener and will be at the house to sharpen any appliances you may have in your home. You may drop off your tools and knives the day of the event and then pick them up between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. the following week.

Regular low cost kitchen knives are \$2.50 per inch; high quality kitchen knives are \$3 per inch; kitchen scissors are \$7; upholstery scissors are \$12 (depending on quality); hair scissors are \$12; garden loppers are \$9; hedge scissors are \$10 (depending on length).

Beading Classes

All ages are invited to learn the intricate art of beading with shells and other treasures of the sea. Classes are kept small for one-on-one instruction. There is a minimum of three people and a maximum of 10 for these projects. Classes will be held on Wednesdays: November 25, December 2 and 16, January 20, February 3, March 23, April 6 and 20.

Anita Gober is the instructor. All supplies and tools are included in the price. If you typically wear reading glasses, you should bring them. The cost for each class is \$35 for members and \$40 for guests. Advanced classes will be scheduled ad hoc for \$50 for three hours for members. You can see some of Gober's work at Pandora's Box in Tahitian Gardens.

Call To Artists

The Community House is offering table space for rent to any local Sanibel crafters that might want to display and sell their crafts during Luminary. This year, the date is Friday, December 4. The rental fee is \$30. Limited table space is available; tables should be reserved prior to November 30. No shell crafts during this event, as the club will be selling them. Be sure to wear your ugly sweater for the contest.

Free Energy Workshops

Karen L. Semmelman, director of Semmelman Energy Center, will host a series of workshops on Optimizing Your Health, based on Eden

Energy Medicine (EEM). Six monthly two-hour workshops are on the agenda. All workshops are held and sponsored by The Community House.

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LOGOS Kids Honor Local Veterans

God Bless America Road Trip was the theme for the Logos families on Wednesday, November 11 at Sanibel Community Church. Veterans were invited to share dinner time and introduce themselves and say where they served in the military.

Dinner was hero sandwiches, chips and red, white and blue cookies. The kids sang *God Bless America* and Lindsay Rizzo, who attends The Sanibel School, read her winning essay about the importance of Veterans Day.

Family Time activity was a tricycle road trip where the kids collected items from all the states to show that heroes come from all 50 states.

This midweek program is for families with children ages three years through 5th grade. For more information, contact Kathy Cramer at 472-2684.*



Veterans shared dinner with the Logos families and shared where and when they had served in the military. Joining the kids November 11 were, from left, Pastor Ed VanderHey, Al Gettamy, George Varmuza, Red Anderson, Matt Evers and son Christian, Dave Hoggatt, Jim Freck and grandson Parker Freck, Jeff Boston and Jim Eriksson.

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Community House

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Luminary Night

Join neighbors, friends and family for Luminary. A tradition on the islands of Sanibel and Captiva for over two decades, this time of year is a great way to celebrate the start of the holiday season. The Community House is a stop on this year's Luminary trail, which takes place Friday, December 4.

From 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., The Community House will be home to various crafters selling homemade items, woven and wire jewelry, soaps, handcrafted linens, glass creations, pottery, island art, homemade cards and flower prints and shell craft items.

There will also be an ugly sweater contest at 7 p.m. There will be popcorn, snacks, and beverages by donation.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. For more information, visit www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or call 472-2155.*

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Piano Concert At St. Michael's

To celebrate the beginning of Advent, St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church invites one and all to a late afternoon Advent piano concert of spiritually themed music on Monday, November 30 at 4 p.m. The concert, titled *December Peace*, will take place in the church's Sanctuary. It features pianist Stanton Lanier performing traditional and original music for the holiday season.

Lanier performs the concert on a signature, Italian-made Fazioli grand piano. The piano – provided by Euro Piano of Naples – is signed by its maker Paolo Fazioli, and as such is designated as a collector's item.

"This piano has a wonderful dynamic range," Lanier said. "The notes really sing for much more effective emotional expression, and the ringing tones, particularly in the long strings of the bass, make the music intimate and personal."

Lanier is an award-winning concert pianist, composer and arranger with nine recordings to his credit, including his most recent *Treasures of Peace*, and his *December Peace* CD, which won the 2009 ZMR Award for Best Holiday Album. As he explained, his mission is to share music "to light the world and refresh the spirit."

Lanier holds fast to the words of Johann Sebastian Bach, arguably the greatest composer of sacred music, who believed that "the aim and final end of all music should be none other than the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul." In that spirit, Lanier's concert offers his own arrangements of such favorites as Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*, and the carols *Away in a Manger*, *In the Bleak Midwinter* and *O Come O Come Emmanuel*. He also performs two of his original compositions, *Thanksgiving* and *Shepherds and Stars*. The interactive concert also includes captivating visuals, inspiring stories, composing demonstrations and conversation with the audience.

Lanier's artistry has been described as "a tremendous gift in these troubled times" and an escape "to a place where peace prevails." According to Will Ackerman, Grammy Award-winning Founder of Windham Hill Records, Lanier's music "is filled with both soaring inspiration and a sense of remarkable peace."

The concert is free and open to the public. Tickets are not required. A Meet-the-Artist reception follows the concert in the church's Parish Hall.

The Stanton Lanier concert and the use of the Fazioli piano is a gift to St. Michael's and the Sanibel community by an anonymous donor.

The church is located at 2304 Periwinkle Way. For more information, call 472-2173 or visit saintmichaels-sanibel.org.



Stanton Lanier



Paradise Coastmen Chorus

St. Peter Lutheran Christmas Concert

The Paradise Coastmen Chorus will present their annual Christmas Concert on Tuesday, December 1 beginning at 7 p.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church. The program by the 20-voice ensemble is a festive evening of holiday favorites in their wonderful four-part barbershop harmonies. The popular group has been entertaining Southwest Florida audiences for over 40 years. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free; donations will be accepted. St. Peter Lutheran Church is located at 3751 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach. Call 463-4251 for more information.✱

Help Church Feed The Hungry

Sanibel Community Church invites the community to participate in a Food Pack Event to help alleviate hunger in the greater Fort Myers area on Saturday, November 21, from 9 to 11 a.m. More than 60,000 meals will be packaged and given to Harry Chapin Food Bank and then distributed all over Southwest Florida. The SCC Missions Ministry is sponsoring the event and is working with Meals of Hope from Naples. This is a great opportunity for the whole family to participate in getting food to those that are less fortunate.

Sanibel Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market). For further information, or to sign up for the event, contact Pastor Brad Livermon (brad@sanibelchurch.com) or call the church office at 472-2684.✱

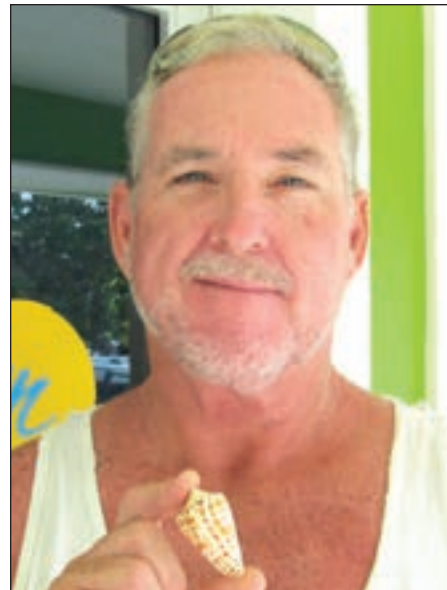
Fish Caught



Gene Taylor caught and released this oversized snook

Gene Taylor, golf pro at Sanibel Island Golf Club, took advantage of a little time away from the shop before season. He recently caught and released this oversize snook while fishing with Clarence on a Sea Reed Charter. The two fished around Pine Island Sound using whitebait to get a bunch of snook and redfish.✱

Shell Found



Ron Rosse

Ron Rosse from Captiva found an alphabet cone on Bowman Beach on November 16. He said, "I found this shell this morning on my 50th birthday."✱

Fish Caught



Dan Tidwell holding the 35-inch snook he caught

Dan Tidwell, from Delaware, caught and released a 35-inch snook while fishing with Sea Reed Charters.✱

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INSIDE CITY HALL

Commission Hears Application For Restaurant At The Village Shops

by Jeff Lysiak

During Tuesday's planning commission meeting, commissioners listened to more than three hours of testimony, evidence and public comment on a conditional use permit application that sought to add a restaurant within The Village Shops. However, at the request of the applicant's attorney, the public hearing on the permit request was continued to the commission's next session.

Attorney Beverly Grady, representing property owner RLR Investments, LLC, submitted evidence for the permit application which proposes to allow a 50-seat "high-end" restaurant with carry-out food service within three combined spaces at the shopping center – encompassing units B-1, B-2 and B-3 – which has never included an eatery in its 30 years of existence.

City Planner Benjamin Pople, in his presentation on the application, noted the planning department's concerns regarding the increased intensity of use a restaurant would have at the property, which includes a single residential unit. In addition to questions regarding the soundproofing materials proposed for the site and hours of operation, Pople noted his department's concern over increased

traffic within The Village Shops.

"It's up to the planning commission to determine if the increased intensity would be disruptive to the adjacent property owners," said Pople, who – in addition to the 13 proposed conditions for approval submitted by city staff – suggested a 14th condition which would require the applicant to raise the building in order to provide additional parking spaces underneath the structure.

Back in 2011, the commission approved an application that proposed raising the rear section of offices behind The Village Shops in order to add 33 parking spaces onsite. The approved permit has since expired.

"The 86 parking spaces (at the complex) is capable of handling the increased intensity of use," said Grady, who noted that the proposed eatery would provide a "small, intimate dining experience." She hoped the restaurant would be approved for a closing time of 10 p.m. and spoke against the suggested 14th condition. "There are other (parking) options out there," she added.

Planning chair Dr. Phillip Marks said even in the best-case scenarios, "There will be increased traffic... there will be noise (and) odors."

Lisa Bramm, property manager for RLR Investments, responded to a number of questions from the commission. She explained that the proposed restaurant would provide "an intimate dining experience" and that the wide open spaces within the shopping center provided plenty of space for foot traffic and outdoor seating opportunities.

"Of all the shopping centers on the

island, ours is one of the few that doesn't have a restaurant, which is one of the reasons The Village Shops has struggled over the years," she said. "We're looking for the perfect user for this space."

Maureen Watson, owner of the Watson-MacRae Gallery, testified that the proposed restaurant would force her to relocate her art gallery, which currently occupies units B-2 and B-3. RLR Investments has offered her units G-1 and G-2 on the other side of the complex. However, their proposed spaces aren't adequate for her gallery's needs.

"These spaces are separated by a firewall, narrow, all windows (a gallery needs walls), no storage, no office, a loft and staircase in one, old carpeting, etc. In other words, the space would need to be redesigned and renovated," Watson wrote in a letter to the planning commission. "As it stands now, my gallery will likely have to close, if this application is approved without a condition that requires RLR to provide me with suitable alternative space."

Carol Simcoe, the owner of the residential unit which adjoins the proposed restaurant, suggested that having an eatery adjacent to her home would bring foul odors, additional noise and increased traffic, which would likely result in devaluing her property.

"I'm not opposed to putting a restaurant in this shopping center, but I am opposed to it being built right up next to me," Simcoe told the commission. "I hope that you'll consider the person that lives there."

Several other citizens spoke in support of both Watson and Simcoe. Susan Mc-

Callion, an island realtor who is representing Simcoe's residence – which is currently listed for \$429,000 – said that if a restaurant is approved at the site, it would negatively impact the sale by "at least \$100,000."

"We have plenty of restaurants on this island, but we only have one Watson-MacRae Gallery," added resident Larry Schopp, who hoped that RLR would provide a "suitable alternative space" for Watson's business, refurbished at their expense.

Following additional speakers from the audience, commissioners weighed in with their opinions. Tom Krekel suggested that looking at all the evidence provided during the hearing, he was leaning towards voting against approving the permit. "Miss Simcoe, in this case, has nobody to speak for her except us," he added.

Commissioner Chuck Kettelman, who suggested he would vote in favor of the application, noted that he would prefer including a condition of conducting a "look-back" assessment in regards to traffic impacts at the property.

Instead of opting for the commissioners to vote, after a short break, Grady asked on behalf of her client to continue discussions on the permit application at their next meeting, on Tuesday, December 8 beginning at 9 a.m. Marks made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jason Maughan, to approve that request. Commissioners voted 6 to 0 in favor of continuing talks on the application, with Vice Chair Chris Heidrick abstaining.*



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On Sunday, November 22, American Legion Post 123 will serve ribs and chicken from 1 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$12 to \$14.

The Ladies Auxiliary is taking orders through November 22 for pumpkin pies, which will be available for pick up Wednesday, November 25.

A full turkey dinner will be offered on Thanksgiving Day, November 26.

The All City Ping Pong Championships will be held Sunday, November 25 from 4 to 9 p.m. All players are welcome.

On Mondays, the 8-Ball Pool League plays at 5 p.m.

Every Tuesday, tacos are served all day. Hump Day specials are served all day on Wednesdays.

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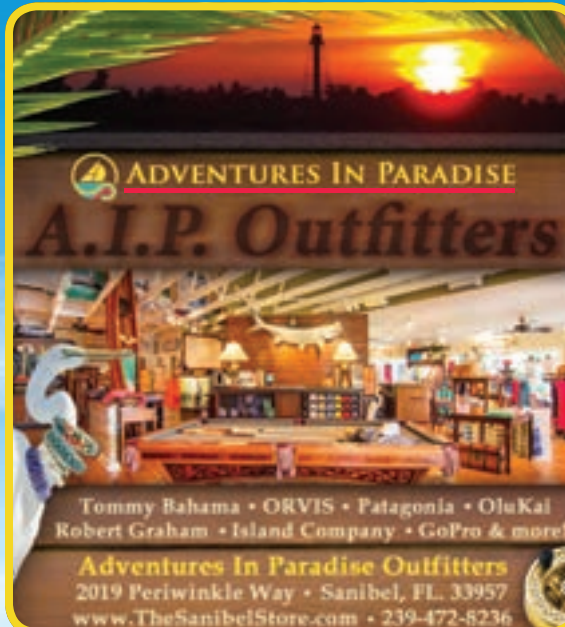
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OBITUARY



HELEN ELIZABETH KAY

Helen Elizabeth Kay (O'Leary)
passed away peacefully at
home on September 27, 2015
after a courageous 27-year battle with

breast cancer. She was born on March
18, 1939 in Waterbury, Connecticut
and was predeceased by her parents,
Malcom and Helen O'Leary.

Helen won the National Snipe Racing
Championship in 1955 as a high school
senior. She continued her love of the
water for her entire life and was an active
member of the Captiva Island Yacht Club
and St. Charles Harbour Yacht Club.

Helen raised her children in Westfield,
New Jersey and later moved to Sanibel
Island.

She will be missed by her lov-
ing husband Charles Kay and by her
daughter Kathryn E. Hall and husband
William J. Mullally, M.D., of Medfield,
Massachusetts and her son James D.
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Alfred D. Morin of Southlake, Texas, her
nephews, niece and many friends.

In accordance with her wishes, a pri-
vate family memorial celebration will be
held in Boston, Massachusetts. In lieu of
flowers, donations may be made to Hope
Hospice of Fort Myers.

Locals Wanted To Join Chancel Choir Rehearsal

The Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ cordially invites singers
who are not members of the church to participate in its chancel choir. The
choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and sings for
Sunday morning services from November through April.

Many active members of the choir are not members of the church. These include
several professional musicians who act as section leaders and soloists. As part of a
traditional music program, the choir performs works in a variety of styles from many
different periods. The director of the choir is Dr. Elwood Smith, formerly director of
choral activities at Northern Illinois University.

Anyone interested in joining the choir may call Dr. Smith at 939-3903 or come
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OBITUARY



DR. BRUCE BOSELLI

On November, 12, 2015 Dr. Bruce Boselli died at The Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pennsylvania, following a short illness. Dr. Boselli, 83, of Ridgebury Lake, Sayre, was born on July 21, 1932, to Dr. Emile Boselli and Constance Adams Boselli in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Living across the Hudson River from New York, he grew into a lifelong fan of the New York Yankees. He graduated from Blair Academy in Blairstown, New Jersey, and then attended Cornell University, where he was a member of the tennis team and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He earned his BS degree

while in his first year of medical school at The Cornell Medical College in New York, New York. While a medical student, he also met his wife of 59 years, the former Shirlee Zettle, who was studying at the Cornell Nursing School. They graduated from their respective medical programs in 1957, the same year the first of their five children was born.

Dr. Boselli completed an internal medicine internship at New York Hospital, after which he entered the U.S. Army Medical Corps as a first lieutenant and was assigned to Ludwigsburg, Germany.

In 1961, following a three-year tour, Dr. Boselli and his young family moved to Burlington, Vermont, and over the next three years he worked at the University of Vermont Medical Center as a resident in internal medicine. In 1964 he relocated to Athens, and joined the The Guthrie Clinic in the Internal Medicine Department. Dr. Boselli was the 58th physician hired by The Guthrie Clinic.

He served for 28 years as a physician at the medical center. He founded the Hematology and Oncology Department in 1965, and was its chief until his retirement in 1992. He was board certified in both internal medicine and hematology. Throughout his years of service, Dr. Boselli was a leader not only in patient care, but also in medical education and clinical research. He insisted upon compassionate care for the hundreds of patients he treated during his career, and he created a team approach to the care of the entire patient. Dr. Boselli championed the crucial role of nurses as they serve on the front line of patient care.

Dr. Boselli was the president of the Robert Packer Hospital staff in 1973. He also was a leader in management at The Guthrie Clinic, as a member of the board of directors from 1975 until 1990. He was its treasurer during the last 10 years of his board membership.

In addition to his professional accomplishments, Dr. Boselli was a leader in many civic organizations, including the first committee to develop Round Top Park, the Bradford County Regional Arts Council and the Spaulding Memorial Library Board. He was a founding member of the Valley Philosophical Society. He was an avid tennis player for his entire life. He also enjoyed golf and fishing. He and Shirlee developed their love of ornithology on Captiva Island in Florida, where they resided for many winters following his retirement in 1992.

They were long-time patrons of the Cornell Ornithology Laboratory and participated in its annual bird count. Dr. Boselli was also a history buff, with a particular interest in the American Civil War and Mark Twain.

Dr. Boselli is survived by his wife Shirlee, and his children, Kathryn Vizas and her husband Bob; Lisa Osborn and her husband Jim; Juliette Boselli; Robin Boselli; and John Boselli and his wife Lisa. He is also survived by his six grandchildren, Emily, Bruce and Brian Osborn; and Julia, Nicholas and Anika Kao. He is predeceased by his brothers Emile and Eugene Boselli, and by his parents.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, November 22 at Tomasso's Restaurant in Chemung, New York, from 1 to 4 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to the Dr. Bruce Boselli Compassionate Nursing Care Memorial Fund established in his memory at The Guthrie Clinic, c/o Guthrie Resource Development, One Guthrie Square, Sayre, PA 18840, to honor and remember Dr. Boselli's respect for quality compassionate nursing care.

Arrangements have been entrusted to The Thomas Cremation and Direct Burial Service, 110 Woodworth Street, Sayre, Pennsylvania.✽

OBITUARY



ANNA M. KRIVAS

Anna M. Krivas, 83, a longtime Sanibel/Fort Myers resident, passed away on November 6, 2015. She was born on March 17, 1932 in Long Branch, New Jersey, a daughter of Gilbert W. and Elizabeth Boyer.

She worked in retail sales at the Islander Trading Post on Sanibel for many years. She was a member of Columbkille Catholic Church and sang in the choir. She went with the choir to Rome and sang for Pope John Paul II.

Annie is preceded in death by her husband, Frank J. Krivas, and brothers, Gilbert and James Boyer. She is survived by her four children; Kathy Krivas, Frank (Donna) Krivas, Ken (Sharon) Krivas and George (Kathy) Krivas and her grandchildren, Ryan, Alyssa, Michael and Neil.

A memorial mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, December 5 in St. Columbkille Catholic Church, 12171 Iona Road in Fort Myers. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in memory of Annie to Hope Hospice, 9470 Healthpark Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33908. Friends may sign the guest book at www.horizonfunerals.com.✽

Meditation On The Beach

The newly-formed Sanibel Meditation Meetup is offering Group Meditation and Discussion gatherings on November 22, 29 and December 6 at 4:30 p.m. at Tarpon Bay Beach. At the end of the beach boardwalk, look to your left for the green and blue umbrella to find the group.

Sanibel Meditation Meetup is for anyone interested in learning or practicing meditation. It is open to everyone from different meditation traditions, ages and backgrounds. For beginners, basic meditation instructions will be provided. The format will vary and will include guided meditations and silent meditations. All meditation sessions are free.

For more information, visit <http://www.meetup.com/Sanibel-Meditation-Meetup/>.✽

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Director of music and organist Hank Glass and pianist Jan Holly will join together at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church to perform a unique, piano-organ arrangement of the popular hymn *Fairest Lord Jesus*. The piece will be played during the Prelude for the Holy Communion service on Sunday, November 22 at 10:30 a.m.

Glass, who begins his fifth year leading the music ministry at St. Michael's, said that the organ part – which carries the hymn tune – is not overly demanding technically, “but because it carries the pulse, it requires a steady, deliberate hand. If done well, the timbres of the two instruments go surprisingly well together.”

Holly, an experienced choral accompanist and collaborative pianist who served as the church's organist during the summer months, describes the arrangement as a pianistic challenge. “It is polyrhythmic – triplets against duplets. As these rhythms are played, the opening motive of the hymn tune must still shine through,” Holly said, “I love the arrangement's lyricism. It has its dramatic moments, but the overall effect is one of serenity.”

The performance of *Fairest Lord Jesus* observes the Feast Day of Christ the King. Individuals wishing to participate in the music ministry at St. Michael's can contact Glass at 472-2173. The church is located at 2304 Periwinkle Way. For more details, call 472-2173 or visit saintmichaels-sanibel.org.



Jan Holly and Mark Glass play a piano-organ duet at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church on November 22 immediately preceding the 10:30 a.m. service

Helping Neighbors: A Time Of Plenty

For most Americans, Thanksgiving is a time of plenty. But for those who worry about putting food on the table, the holiday can be stressful. The annual holiday food basket program by FISH of SanCap hopes to alleviate hunger and stress and to help to make the Thanksgiving holiday a bit more joyous for our neighbors.

The ailing economy and job cuts are the reasons that Jennifer's family was among those receiving a basket this year.

“My hours have been cut since May and my husband Bill's job as a pool technician isn't going so well either, so we need a little bit of help this year,” Jennifer said. “Hopefully, as season picks up, I will get more hours, and Bill will too. It's humbling to admit we need some help, but with soaring grocery prices, three kids and high rents that keep increasing, we just do.”

Jennifer and Bill are one of many island households who will cook a Thanksgiving meal this holiday thanks to FISH. While shelters and churches around the county serve hot meals, the donated Thanksgiving groceries allow families to celebrate in their own homes. Chuck Bergstrom, FISH supporter and advocate, donated to FISH to support the holiday food basket program, which includes Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter holidays.

“The meal baskets help during an otherwise difficult time,” said Christine

Swiersz, licensed clinical social worker at FISH. “We can't thank Chuck and others who donated toward this program enough. The families we work with really just want to have that normalcy; they want to have their family and loved ones close during the holidays. For our older population, those that no longer have family or loved ones close by, we provide a restaurant gift certificate for a holiday meal. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we are able to make the holidays brighter for our island families.”

Volunteers will assemble baskets of canned food, stuffing, rolls and cookies in the next few weeks, adding pies – tirelessly baked and generously donated by The Episcopal Church Women – and other perishables right before baskets are picked up by families.

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Chris Lechowicz, herpetologist, releasing indigo snake Kurt

On Tuesday, November 24 at 10 a.m. all are invited to meet the SCCF Nature Center ambassadors. There's Indie the endangered indigo snake who recently laid nine eggs; Happy the snapping turtle; and Lucky the soft shell turtle. The diamondback terrapins have laid eggs again this summer and two young terrapins that hatched last August will be on view.

Take a tour with a biologist to learn about the SCCF research and projects associated with these local critters.

Sanibel And Captiva Bees



Bee on a passion flower

The Bees Of Sanibel and Captiva will be presented at SCCF ON Wednesday, November 25 a 10 a.m. Even though honeybees get all the credit for pollination, some experts believe that the native bees may be do-



Bee at work

ing 60 percent of the work. Join Dee Searge for an up-close and personal photographic story of the lives of the native and non-native bees of Sanibel and Captiva. Did you know that male bees do not have stingers?

You might also get to see live male green orchid bees at the scent station set up for them near the butterfly house.

Cruise The Historic Caloosahatchee

Tour the historic upriver Caloosahatchee on a 2.5-hour Caloosahatchee Oxbow and Riverlore Cruise, departing from the WP Franklin Lock at 1 p.m. Explore the meanders of the Caloosahatchee back to a time when a waterfall served as the headwaters of the Caloosahatchee and settlers braved living amongst the wilderness.

Cruises will be available the following dates: Friday, November 27; Sunday, January 24; Sunday, February 14; Sunday, February 28; Sunday, March 13; Sunday, April 10; and Sunday, May 8.

The adventure begins by locking through the WP Franklin Lock in Olga. Heading east towards Alva, participants enter the historic bends of the river and revisit the activities of the pioneers



Devil's Elbow Oxbow on the Caloosahatchee

who traveled the same river to find paradise. Stories of the settlements and their adventures are blended with an understanding of the river's oxbows, the wild creatures that call it home and the challenges the river faces.

Rae Ann Wessel, a river researcher, long-time river advocate, historian and SCCF natural resource policy director, guides the tour. The vessel is the stable and spacious 47-passenger *Manatee Rover* pontoon boat that hosts daily manatee tours. All seats have a great view for photographs and bird watching.

The WP Franklin Lock & Dam is off SR 80 in Olga. Private group cruises can be scheduled by appointment.

Advance reservations are required and payment is due at time of reservation. Cruises return by 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45 per person. Reservations must be made by noon Friday, May 6 for the May 8 cruise. Space is limited.

Red Tide Program

Dr. Jordon Beckler from Mote Marine will be at the SCCF Nature Center on December 4 at 10 a.m. to talk about red tide research. Dr. Beckler is a scientist in the Ocean Technology program at Mote Marine Labo-

ratory in Sarasota. His current research projects include using autonomous underwater vehicles (AUV) to understand the conditions that may lead to red tide blooms; developing in situ methods to measure Florida red tide toxins (brevetoxins); and remotely monitoring Florida red tide and dissolved organic matter using Mote's Optical Phytoplankton Discriminator (OPD) instruments.

In addition, Mote has several collaborations in progress or pending with the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation, including co-locating Mote's in situ instruments at RECON sites to better understand water quality in the Caloosahatchee estuary, and exploring the effects that sediment nutrient and trace metal release from Caloosahatchee sediments may have on phytoplankton blooms further downstream.

Jordon is also actively involved in developing STEM outreach programs to teach the next generation about how to use technology to better understand the ocean.

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Reddish Egret Featured At Annual 'Ding' Fundraiser

The 4th annual fundraiser for the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society - Friends of the Refuge will be held at The Community House on Tuesday, February 23.

This year's Go Wild for 'Ding: Dance of the Reddish Egret theme continues a series of bird-themed events to benefit the birds, other wildlife and conservation and education efforts at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel.

"Who doesn't love the reddish egret?" said Birgie Miller, DDWS executive director.

"With the recent expansion of the first-of-its-kind reddish egret study at the refuge, we pay homage to this crazy, beautiful, threatened and largely misunderstood wading bird at our annual fundraiser. Plan on joining us for tasty dishes from our local restaurants, a unique silent auction, live entertainment, maybe a little reddish egret dancing and a chance to meet Dr. Ken Meyer, who is conducting the reddish egret study at the refuge for the Avian Research & Conservation Institute (ARCI) in Gainesville."

"Seating is limited, and we once again anticipate a sold-out crowd," said event committee member and DDWS President Doris Hardy. "We encourage people to reserve early."

Event sponsorships are available. For more information, contact Birgie Miller at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.

Attendance to the February 23 event is by reservation only. Tickets to the Go Wild at "Ding" party are \$75 each. To receive an invitation, call 472-1100 (ext. 233) or email sarah@dingdarlingsociety.org.



One of the refuge reddish egrets tagged to participate in the ARCI study

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Shell Of The Week

Southern Quahog, Encore



by José H. Leal,
PhD, The Bailey-
Matthews National
Shell Museum
Science Director &
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The southern quahog, *Mercenaria campechiensis* (Gmelin, 1791), is a large member of

the venus clam family Veneridae that may grow to be more than six inches in size. This local species was originally covered in my column of August 22, 2014. I decided to write again about this magnificent clam after examining and taking a photo of the hinge of a very large specimen. The hinge represents the main connection between the valves, or halves, of the shell of a bivalve mollusk. It has a number of strongly interlocking "teeth," which in some cases may resemble the cogs in a gear wheel. The hinge prevents the clam's predators from sliding the shell valves past each other to reach the soft parts of the animal inside. It achieves that while still allowing the animal to slightly open the shell (by relaxing the adductor muscles that, when contracted, keep the shell shut) for feeding and



The southern quahog, *Mercenaria campechiensis*, left valve on top, right valve on bottom. The detail on the right shows the interlocking hinge teeth, with the left valve on bottom. photos by José H. Leal

breathing. The photo on the right was taken looking "up" on the inner part of the shell "beak;" it shows the distinctive hinge teeth as well as the distinct "scars" that represent former areas of contact between the clam's muscles and its shell. Learn more about the southern quahog at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/shelldetails.cfm?id=267>

Shell Museum Events

Daily Island Inn Morning Beach Walks (Advance booking required): 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 for adults and \$7 for children. Parking at the 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 guests receive half-off museum admission. (Current Island Inn guests please book through the Inn).

Mollusk movies and scavenger hunts run continuously throughout each day.

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 engaging look at quality shells of a private collector. (Please check shellmuseum.org to note any schedule changes)

Tuesday at 1:30 p.m.: Shell Bingo

Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.: Midday Tank Talk at the museum live mollusk tank.

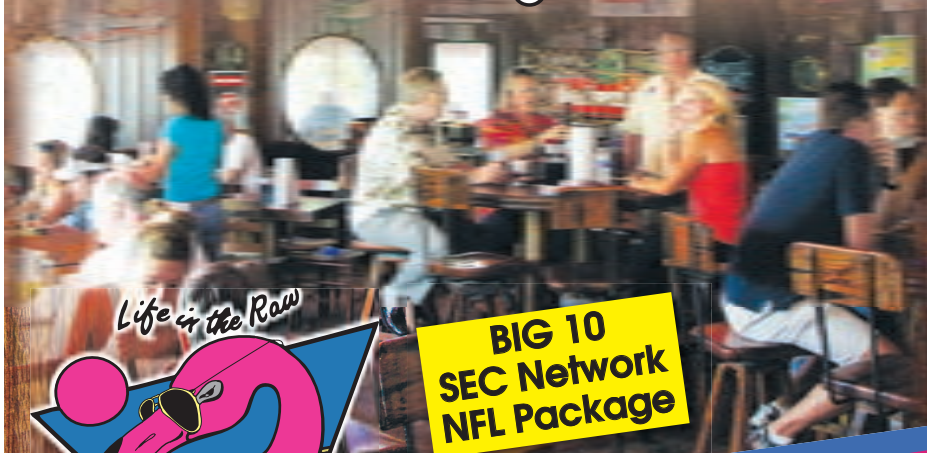
Thursday at 1:30 p.m.: Cool Shells – See some great shell treasures not on exhibit.

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The Center 4 Life will be closed Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27 for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

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 for Wednesday, December 9 is *Euphoria* by Lily King. "King immerses us so fully in the lives of her characters that they remain excellent company beyond the pages of this book. Her research is so well digested that she is able to drop us into the complexities of their work without being didactic," wrote Camilla Gibb in *The Guardian*.

Island Seniors, Inc. Annual Members Meeting – Friday, December 11 at 11:30 a.m. All Center 4 Life members are invited and encouraged to attend this informative and entertaining event. At the meeting, you will learn about the center's many activities throughout the year, the financial standing and you will have an opportunity to elect new board members.

The featured guest speaker will be Ray Fenton, local architect. He has been

in the area for over 30 years. A few of his island projects include Ferry Landing, Jerry's Shopping Center and Beachview Golf Club (now Sanibel Island Golf Club). He will discuss the current trend of Aging in Place, focusing on older adults wanting to continue to live a full life in their own homes. Fenton will explain ways to modify your home to continue living comfortably and safely.

Ostego Bay Walking Tour –

Monday, December 14. Cost is \$15 for the three-hour guided walking tour. Lunch is on your own. Tour the working waterfront. Learn about the shrimp industry from Ostego Bay working waterfront firsthand. You will also learn about Florida's "pink gold" (shrimp) and the oldest and largest fleet in Florida. The tour will also include 1.5-hour guided visit at the museum, which contains numerous hands-on exhibits. Depart from the Center 4 Life at 8 a.m. Call the Center 4 Life for more information, 472-5743. Registration deadline is Friday, December 11. Paid registration reserves your seat.

St. Petersburg Mural Tour & The Dali Museum – Tuesday, January 12. Cost is \$72 for members and \$77 for non-members. The trip includes round trip transportation, admission to Walking Mural Tour & The Dali Museum. Travel to St. Petersburg, Florida's leading art destination throughout the country. Embrace the blossoming street art movement. Feast your eyes at the Acropolis Restaurant and then head down to the

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Yellow-Billed Cuckoo



by Patricia Molloy

The yellow-billed cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*) can often be heard on hot, humid days in overgrown orchards, woodlands and marshes. Sometimes called a "rain crow,"

its stuttering, croaking calls are said to sound like a desperate call for rain. While common in most areas of the eastern U.S., they are difficult to observe due to their habit of remaining in dense foliage.

A severely injured yellow-billed cuckoo was brought to CROW after being rescued by a good Samaritan from the side of a road. The little bird had injuries consistent with a car collision – labored breathing, missing feathers, an open wound on its left elbow and swelling in several areas of its body. The cuckoo was admitted as patient #15-3182.

"He was really bad when he came in. I thought he might die in the middle of the night," said Melissa Fox, CVT, veterinary assistant. "But he was up and hopping around his cage (the next day)."

"Initially we just stabilized him with oxygen and supportive care," said Dr. Molly. "He also had blood coming from his mouth and the wound on the left elbow was pretty deep. He got some supportive fluids and a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory. He seems a little more alert."

Of all the injuries, the one that is most concerning is the one to the cuckoo's left eye. "I'm still not sure if he's visual in that eye, because it's still very swollen," Dr. Molly continued. "The right eye is completely visual. We anaesthetized him (the second day) for radiographs and bloodwork, and the radiographs looked fine. The wound on his elbow looks like it is going to heal, but all of his secondaries (feathers) are gone on that side. But the primaries still look good. I didn't see him when he came in, but the fact that the swelling is persistent is odd."

Even if one does not have the pleasure of observing the yellow-billed cuckoo, it is important that we protect the species. Population numbers of these small birds rise and fall with local insect outbreaks, and they are essential at keeping bug infestations at bay.

According to Dr. Heather, hospital director, cuckoos are particularly fond of one of the insect world's least desirable creatures – the cockroach. "Usually, cuckoos will eat cockroaches right off the tongue for me. And the grackles really love the roaches, too. Grackles and cuckoos – those are the two birds that love the roaches!"

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The yellow-billed cuckoo, patient #15-3182, was rescued by a good Samaritan from the side of a road. Its injuries are consistent with being hit by a car.

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Low Tides Of Winter Have Begun



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Snook, gag grouper, redfish and trout were just a few of the species bending clients' rods this week. Calm days and good moving water had fish of all varieties chewing.

The easy-to-catch abundance of perfect sized shiners out on the flats really helped make my job much easier than it has been.

Anchoring up in deeper mangrove channels was a good choice during the morning low tides. The low water we experienced this week was as low as we have seen since last winter and did wonders to bunch up the fish. Lightly live chumming these natural deep channels

just kept the activity building and building with many different species of fish taking part in the fun.

What would start off as ladyfish and jack bite would switch to snook and redfish and then even a few keeper-sized gag grouper and flounder would get in on the action too. Hooking into several big fish that just could not be turned before making it to the structure and parting ways was also part of the game. One such channel kept my anglers busy for over two hours before the tide got too high and the action slowed.

With our fish not quite all the way back in the sheltered mangrove creeks of winter yet due to the unseasonably warm water temperatures, open water channels through shallow grass flats and mangrove creek mouths have been the better areas to concentrate your fishing efforts. Shorelines and channels in the four- to six-foot range during the lowest tide periods that have good tide movement are what you're looking for. Find the right shoreline or channel with wind and tide moving in the same direction and you have probably nailed it. Free-lined shiners were the bait of choice and live chumming certainly helped to get these fish in



Chris Karns of Colorado with an 32-inch snook caught on a oyster bar while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

the eating mood.

Once the tide started to get up, I would switch gears and move to the oyster bars in the middle sound. Just like fishing the channels and deeper shorelines, finding the right oyster bar where the wind and tide were moving together was the perfect set-up to make all the difference in the world.

The biggest snook of the week was caught by Chris Karns, a long-time client from Colorado, while fishing these oyster bars and the potholes around them. These same bars also held lots of bigger jacks, mangrove snapper and trout larger than the ones I have been catching out

on the flats.

Grass flats in the Demere Key area of the sound were another good choice to find some open water action. Spanish mackerel, trout, ladyfish, jacks, blue runners, small gag grouper and even a few black sea bass were just a few of the awesome mixed bag species caught while fishing with popping cork rigs baited with shiners and shrimp. When the bite really got going we would switch it up to throwing soft plastic jigs.

When I have clients on board wanting non-stop action or to start a charter off with something crazy and fast-paced, this has been the place to go. The water in the middle to northern sound is clean, clear and just loaded with fish of all kinds.

November 15 marked the end of the manatee speed zones in Pine Island sound. Anglers now have access to waters that have been basically closed since April. Many of these controlled areas contain pristine grass flats, mangrove shorelines and outstanding fishing opportunities. Being able to access these areas again is a painful reminder of how good we used to have it before our public water access and fishing rights were taken away and then polluted.

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.✴

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"We're also looking forward to our annual tradition of releasing our worries to the sea," said camp coordinator Nicole Finnicum. "On New Year's Day, we all write our worries from the previous year on slips of paper, then burn them in a big bonfire and scatter the ashes into the ocean. It's the perfect way to begin a new year."

The camp program will also include surfing, arts and crafts, and plenty of hot chocolate and holiday cheer.

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Plant Smart
Talipot Palm

by Gerri Reaves

We in South Florida have the delight of seeing inflorescences, or flower stalks, on a variety of palm species throughout the year. Most palms flower on a regular basis and even more than one time per year, thus increasing their chances for reproduction.

But palms of the genus *Corypha*, such as the talipot palm (*Corypha umbraculifera*) are dramatic exceptions.

The talipot palm, also called fan palm and mountain palm, is native to Southeast Asia and Australia. This drought-tolerant species is not common in this area, although it will do well in suitable conditions, which include sun and moist but well-drained soil.

Reaching up to 100 feet high with a trunk diameter of more than a yard in its native habitat, the talipot can grow to be one of the largest palm species in the world.

The fan-shaped leaves can reach a whopping 21 feet across. The term *umbraculifera* is part of the tree's name because the leaves are used to make umbrellas – and, they are large enough to shelter 10 people from the rain.

Those long leaf stems are armed with daunting thorns.

Sometime between 30 and 80 years old, the tree produces the largest inflorescence in the plant kingdom.

After waiting until conditions are optimal for reproduction the tree makes one spectacular reproductive effort.

That will be the one and only time the tree flowers.

On a large tree, the inflorescence at the top of the stem contains as many as 24 million flowers and can be 25 feet long.

The round yellow-green or greenish brown fruit takes about a year to mature. Each fruit contains only one seed.

As the fruit grow, the inflorescence begins to resemble a Christmas tree bedecked with green ornaments.

After fruit-bearing, the leaves beneath the flowers fall away, and the tree soon dies.

In the wild, talipot palms grow in stands, where all the trees simultaneously experience the reproductive and dying cycle and leave behind millions of seeds on the ground.

Aside from its remarkable reproductive habit, this palm has practical and commercial uses, too. The fruit is an edible starch and has been used to stun fish. Beads and buttons are made with the seeds, wine from the sap, and thatch from the huge leaves.

A cautionary note: The tree is one of several reported to host the red palm mite, a serious pest threat in the Caribbean Region, including South Florida.

Sources: freshfromflorida.com, lflife.com, miamiherald.com and palmpedia.net.

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Non-native talipot palm is a large-scale species that produces an inflorescence only once, at the end of its lifecycle
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Friday, November 20, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – 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, November 20, 2 to 3:30 p.m., \$20 per person, advance registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff.

Southwest Florida is filled with fascinating wildlife, and CROW provides a unique opportunity to look into wildlife rehabilitation and meet the staff responsible for their care. Wildlife walks are the best opportunity for visitors to get an in-depth look into the inner workings of the hospital and the treatment process. The program has two parts: an introductory presentation covering medical and

rehabilitation methods and a guided tour through treatment areas of the hospital, concluding on rehabilitation grounds. Wildlife Walks are approximately 1.5 hours: a 45-minute presentation with a 45-minute tour. This program is open to all, but it is not recommended for children under the age of 13. A photography opportunity is available following the tour with an animal ambassador.

Monday, November 23, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – 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.

Tuesday, November 24, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – 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.

Wednesday, November 25, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wildlife Rescue 101, presented by a CROW volunteer.

After a patient stabilizes in the hospital, CROW's rehabilitation staff provides them with a combination of balanced

diet, husbandry and physical therapy. Supportive care is necessary to ensure success during the final stage in the rehabilitation process. Live animal encounter following presentation.

Thursday, November 26 – closed for Thanksgiving.

Friday, November 27, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – 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.✧

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Island Seniors

Dali Museum for the Dali & Disney Exhibit. Call the Center 4 Life for more information, 472-5743. Registration deadline is Monday, January 4.

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 1 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes are awarded.

Tuesday Kayaking – and November 24 and December 1 (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. Island Seniors, Inc. members pay \$4 per class or visitors \$7 per class. 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.

Chair Yoga – Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. Similar to Gentle Yoga but all poses are done in a chair. Kim Kouril is the instructor.

For more information, call 472-5743 or stop by 2401 Library Way.✧

Shell Found



Karen Silverstein

Karen Silverstein found a Scotch bonnet on October 28 on a private beach near Bowman's Beach. It was one of three rare Sanibel shells she found, which included a junonia and lion's paw. She has been looking for a Scotch bonnet for 30 years.✧

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Sue Ramos waters a silver buttonwood tree

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Native Plant Nursery Opens

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and other insect pollinators

- Backyard Edible Garden – Encouraging locals who would like to grow their own fruits and vegetables, nursery staff have had success growing plants including varieties of lettuce, peppers, tomatoes and herbs.
 - Bird & Hardwood Hammock
 - Keys Hammock
- Evans also explained that the Bailey property included a single citrus tree,



Arrangements of native plants are available to view, inspect and purchase from SCCF

called a rough lemon, which yields a fruit loaded with juice. SCCF staff successfully used root stock to create additional plantings from the original tree. However, due to agricultural restrictions, they are not permitted to sell the plant.

“We’re not sure if the Bailey family planted that tree here or not,” said Evans, while inspecting the 10 rough lemon trees installed at the property. “We planted these here in September, and they appear to be the size which should yield fruit. If not this season, we should get some fruit from them next year.”

In addition to the large nursery area surrounding the main house, the former

Honey House – as members of The Hammerheads have dubbed it – now contains a modest gift shop which sells SCCF merchandise, an assortment of bird houses and owl boxes along with other goods. The shop features locally-harvested mangrove and seagrape honey along with elderberry jams and jellies.

SCCF’s Native Plant Nursery at the Bailey Homestead Preserve is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. Call 472-1932 or visit www.sccf.org for more information.

According to an SCCF press release, the 12-room Bailey family house will open to the public in early 2016.✧

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Smith Shares Stories About Father’s Writings At SCCF

by Jeff Lysiak

The son of one of the state’s most prolific authors, who wrote the landmark novel *A Land Remembered* more than 30 years ago, delivered a pair of standing-room-only presentations at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation’s (SCCF) Nature Center last week. He shared the history behind his father’s writing process as well as family stories about “the way Florida used to be.”

Patrick Smith, Jr. spoke for 90 minutes last Thursday afternoon about his father, Patrick D. Smith, who in 2002 was the recipient of the Florida Historical Society’s Fay Schweim Award as the Greatest Living Floridian. The one-time-only award was established to honor the individual who has contributed the most to Florida in recent history.

In addition to *A Land Remembered*, the elder Smith wrote six novels – including Pulitzer Prize nominees *Forever Island* (1973) and *Angel City* (1978) – as well as the non-fiction books *In Search Of The Russian Bear* (2001) and *The Last Ride* (2000), co-written with bull-riding champion Glen “Pee Wee” Mercer. Smith’s lifetime work was nominated for the 1985 Nobel Prize for literature. He passed away in 2014.

“Each of his early books were important for him to write, because they were steps towards writing *A Land Remembered*,” said Smith, Jr., who spends four months every year traveling the country speaking about his father’s accomplishments, personal recollections of “old Florida” and the lessons he learned from him.

“That one book will tell you what was going on in Florida back then,” he added, noting that the novel chronicles one Florida family’s history from 1858 to 1968. “I think that when people stop at the visitor center when they move here, they should be given that book along with a cup of orange juice.”

Since it was first published in 1984, *A Land Remembered* has been translated into dozens of languages around the world, is available in hardcover, softcover and two-volume student editions.

During his presentation, Smith, Jr. told a story about the different cover versions of the book, including the original edition – featuring an oval-shaped illustration of a swamp scene within a simple brown frame – and what he called the “Harlequin Romance Novel” cover version.

“Dad told me that they made Tobias MacIvey so good looking that people would buy the book just for the cover... and he was right,” Smith, Jr. said with a laugh. “The book has been in print for over 30 years, and every year it sells more copies than the previous year.”

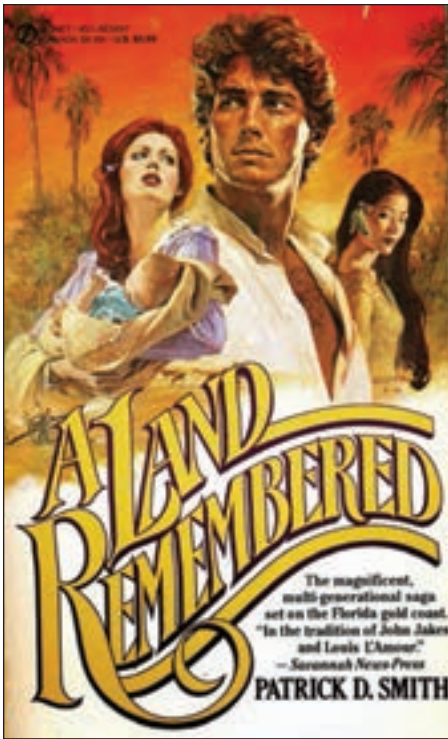
Smith, Jr. and his wife, Kim Miller, live in Cambria, California, where they own Panorama Studios, a video and media production company. His 30-year career in media and video production began with an interest in photography he developed dur-



Patrick Smith, Jr. appeared at the SCCF Nature Center on November 12 to talk about his father’s writings and recollections of “old Florida” photos by Jeff Lysiak



During his lecture, Patrick Smith, Jr. shows off a cow whip



The “Harlequin Romance Novel” cover version of the book *A Land Remembered*

ing his youth while living in Florida. A few years before his father’s passing, the son sat down with his father on his front porch, videotaping their conversation which was shown throughout last week’s presentation.

Having written books about the Seminole Indians, migrant workers, working as a merchant marine and the American civil rights movement, Patrick D. Smith shared with his son the stories behind the novels, and how he spent weeks, months and even years researching his subjects. Among the most humorous tales he told was how to make “Cracker Coffee,” which – according to the gentleman he interviewed for one of his books – included the recipe of “four handfuls of ground coffee and one handful of chicory.”

According to the author, the resulting brew “had the consistency and color of liquid asphalt.” And, after drinking a cup of Cracker Coffee, he felt like he had just eaten five bars of chocolate laxative.

The evening before his appearance at SCCF, Smith, Jr. had the pleasure of meeting acclaimed island author Randy Wayne White during a chance encounter at Doc Ford’s Sanibel Rum Bar & Grille. When Smith told White who his father was, the local literary icon responded, “You’re Patrick Smith’s son? That’s incredible, because *A Land Remembered* is my favorite book!”

Smith, Jr.’s presentation at SCCF was co-sponsored by the Florida Humanities Council Speakers Bureau and the Captiva Island Historical Society.*

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Dancing during the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club's 2nd annual Eye Ball, held at The Community House last Saturday evening, where all monies raised were donated to Southeastern Guide Dogs

photos by Jeff Lysiak



From left, Alan and Helene Gordon with Christine and Jan Pirrong



Lisa Newmeyer-Cochrane and Toby Clark checked guests in at the Eye Ball



Wendy and George Schnap, left, with Debi Almeida



Uptown Express performed a number of toe-tapping doo-wop tunes



San-Cap Lions Club officers, from left, President Kurt Peters, 1st Vice President Debi Almeida and 2nd Vice President Toby Clark



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Monday Night Movie

Iris



by Di Saggau

The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for November 23 is *Iris*, a fascinating documentary about a fascinating and super cool fashionista who is 93. Iris Apfel puts effort into finding

every item she owns. We see her everywhere from an African clothing store in Harlem to a Palm Beach vintage shop to a swap meet. Apfel has multiple rooms with double-height clothing racks filled with clothes in her New York apartment, with plenty more housed in her Palm Beach place.



Apfel is a beloved New York fashion icon and self-styled “geriatric starlet.” She is famous for dressing with delirious, eye-searing panache. “I like to improvise,” she says, “Try this, try that, as though I’m playing jazz.” You will follow Apfel on her shopping expeditions, explore the clutter filled Aladdin’s cave of a home she shares with her husband and interior-design partner Carl, who celebrates his 100th birthday in the film. Rather than being an eccentric show-off, Apfel emerges as a down-to-earth, self-mocking, savvy philosopher.

For Apfel, accessories are everything. Her clanging armfuls of bracelets and multiple layers of colorful, chunky beads are her trademark along with oversized, bold owl spectacles. She spends hours tracking down pieces of jewelry and haggling with shop owners over fabric. She says she would never judge another person’s outfit if they are happy that way. “It’s better to be happy than to be well dressed.” Iris Apfel’s whole being, like this entertaining documentary, is a refreshing advertisement for the pleasures of living large, and loud, into old age. The documentary runs 80 minutes and you are

going to love it. Admission to BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series is \$10 and all screenings begin at 7 p.m. in Schein Performance Hall. Each film is followed by a complimentary reception and discussion. Film Patrons: June Rosner and Russ Bilgore. Film Sponsors: Bank of the Islands, Stan and Visnja Gembicki, John R. Wood Properties, Penny Wilkinson, Hyde Tucker. Film Supporters: Sanibel Taxi, Jerry’s Foods of Sanibel. BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road. Tickets are available at the door or by calling 395-0900.✴

Highfield Book Signing

Local author WC Highfield will be signing copies of his three novels – *Sanibel’s Secret Bank*, *In Sun Down Far and Streets* – on Saturday, November 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Suncatchers’ Dream, located in the Olde Sanibel Shoppes at 630 Tarpon Bay Road, Unit 2 on Sanibel. For more information, call Suncatchers’ Dream at 472-7860.✴



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Call 395-0900 or stop by the BIG ARTS Center at 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, to enroll. For complete course descriptions and the full season's workshops and seminars schedule, visit www.bigarts.org/workshops, or email info@bigarts.org to request the Workshops & Seminars Guide.*

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Mermaids Tears Can Be Found On Beaches And At Art Festival

submitted by Richard Sullivan

There are more treasures found along the beaches of Sanibel besides all of those wonderful shells.

When she was 20 years old, Kathryn Bell began collecting sea glass, which she calls Mermaids' Tears, on Cape Cod. At first she displayed the beautiful shards in glass jars and lamp bases. When she and her husband Loren moved to Florida in 2000, they started taking classes in jewelry making with the goal of creating unique sea glass jewelry.

You can meet the Bells and see their sea glass jewelry at this year's Sanibel Masters Art Festival November 27 and 28 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the grounds of The Community House on Sanibel. They will be selling and displaying cre-



Loren and Kathryn Bell

ations from their treasured finds.

On trips, they spend their days walking the beaches of the east coast of the United States, including two of their favorites, Sanibel and Captiva. The get tips from the locals. Constantly, their customers suggest special beaches to



Cobalt blue english seaglass in a sterling silver basket with lapis and sterling silver chain

explore.

They use those tips each summer to select a particular area of the world to investigate. The character, texture and colors of the glass vary in different parts of the world. Some glass is velvety, some has more historical significance and some is quite thick, indicating its age. An old amber Clorox shard found on Sanibel is between 50 and 95 years old. Clorox has

not been manufactured in a bottle since 1958.

Beachcombing and finding sea glass along the world's beaches is their passion. The Bells work as a team sorting the pieces of their collection and combining it with precious metals to create one-of-a-kind pieces. They produce sea glass necklaces, earrings, bracelets, pendants and limited edition sea glass jewelry items for the true beach lover. Some of it is taken right here on Sanibel and Captiva.

Sea glass starts its journey as broken glass thrown carelessly in the ocean. There it is tumbled by water and sand to create a wonderful gem. Each piece is unique and intriguing with a mysterious past. Many pieces can be traced back over 100 years. Sea glass is becoming more and more difficult to locate due to diminishing supply.

A good first tip if you are searching for sea glass is to go beachcombing after a storm has passed, but you had best get there early as you will be met by many avid sea glass hunters.

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Ray Judah

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As a graduate of California State University of Humboldt with a master of science in natural resources and bachelor of arts in zoology, Judah served as the land planner with the Lee County Department of Community Development and championed water issues throughout his tenure as Lee County commissioner.

He will speak on Everglade's restoration and the status of cleaning up the Caloosahatchee. Judah will explain how Governor Scott's support of the \$1,000,000,000 C-43 West Basin Storage Reservoir Project will not address excessive releases with no water quality component. So what should be done with all the fresh water coming down the Caloosahatchee dumping into our San Carlos Bay, killing the sea grass, oyster bars and fish habitat? He will explain how restoring flow to the south of Lake Okeechobee is the natural long term solution, and how Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam's HB 7003 "Water Bill" fits into this long term solution.

Judah will also address concerns about the specter looming over the state's clean, fresh water with hydraulic fracturing. Attendees are urged to bring their questions and comments on this very important water discussion.

All members of the Democratic Club are urged to attend, as well as progressive thinkers wishing to become informed voters on this topic which is critical to all Sanibel residents. Anyone wishing to join the Democratic Club is asked to bring a check for \$25 made out to DCI. For more information, contact demclubislands@gmail.com or call 395-9078.✱

Poet's Corner



We invite submissions from local poets. Anyone interested may submit their work via email to tutsie@centurylink.net. Each week, individual work will be showcased.

selected by Tanya Hochschild

Outside In

by Jean Jensen

I want to be...
On a beach,
In the ebb and flow of
Endless sea and sky.

Painful thoughts whisked away
On currents of wind and water.
Let healing happen
From the outside in.

Drenched in the color wash
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Until all that is outside...
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Jean Jensen belongs to a writers group on Sanibel, loves living here and writing poetry about nature.✱



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During last week's Veterans Day service at Sanibel City Hall, island residents who served during the Vietnam War were recognized in a special ceremony

photos by Jeff Lysiak



World War II veteran Ed Sieber, left, was honored with a Luc Century sculpture, presented by Master of Ceremonies Fred Bondurant



The official flag raising ceremony was conducted by members of the Sanibel Police Department and Cub Scouts Pack 140



Sanibel's Cub Scout Pack 140 is joined by members of the Sanibel Police Department and Air Force veteran Fred Bondurant

City Honors Veterans In Somber Service

by Jeff Lysiak

Offering personal tributes to the men and women who have served their country – in spoken word, with patriotic music and in somber silence – the City of Sanibel saluted veterans past and present last Wednesday morning during an hour-long Veterans Day service at City Hall.

Lt. Col. Fred Bondurant, president of the Lee Coast Chapter, Military Officers Association of America, served as master of ceremonies for the event. Following the presentation of the colors and the raising of the flag by the Sanibel Police Department Color Guard and members of Cub Scout Pack 140, supervised by Lt. Anthony Thompson, Carley Ross, president of The Sanibel School's National



Mayor Kevin Ruane makes his opening remarks

Junior Honor Society, led the crowd in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

Following the invocation by Pastor John Danner of the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, Mayor Kevin Ruane offered opening remarks to welcome the crowd to the service.



Veterans Day essay contest winners Lindsay Rizzo and Kyle Klaric

The Sanibel School fourth grade students Lindsay Rizzo and Kyle Klaric read their award-winning essays about respecting America's veterans. Each received a \$100 check donated by Bank of the Islands.

Former U.S. Navy Air Corps pilot Ed Sieber delivered the keynote address dur-



ing the service. He shared several stories about his experience as a pilot during World War II, including his participation in the attack, and the eventual sinking, of the *Yamato* – a 70,000-ton battleship hailed as unsinkable and considered the pride

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Kiwanis Club Awards Grants For Youth Education And Recreation



Allan Marcus, right, of Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis presents a check to Donna Clarke and Tim Jones of Fort Myers Kiwanis for support of the Thomas Alva Edison Science Fair

At its recent Tuesday morning breakfast meeting, members of the local Kiwanis Club took time from their usual socializing and exaggerating about golf scores and fishing catches to get down to business. The Kiwanians welcomed representatives of several local organizations selected to receive Kiwanis grants for educational and recreational programs this year.

As a service organization, the business of the island Kiwanis Club is its mission

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Don Feiner of Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis presents a grant to Community Housing and Resources' staff and board members for support of CHR's new playground at Airport Way. Receiving the check, from left, are Arlene Dillon, Chris Heidrick, Melissa Rice, Les Boyle, Kelly Collini, Steve Brown and George Campean.

to support the activities and well-being of island youth, with a concentration on programs that will help local young people develop into a strong next generation.

Kiwanis does this by providing grants to worthy youth educational, recreational and health programs, all of them right here in the local community. In addition, the club administers its own program of scholarships to deserving island youth headed for college and other career preparation courses. The club raises funds for these grants and scholarships through distribution of its annual Diners Delight 2-for-1 coupon books, released in late spring, and by hosting the popular Kiwanis Spaghetti Dinner, Raffle & Auction the last Saturday in February.

Programs receiving grants from Kiwanis at the recent meeting were:

- The Thomas Alva Edison Science Fair. The Science Fair, held in February at FGCU's Alico Arena as part of the Fort Myers Festival of Light, is an opportunity for young scientists, engineers and inventors to demonstrate their knowledge and creativity. In the past, Kiwanis Club members have helped with judging at this event.
- CROW Youth Summer Camp. This will be the inaugural year for this program, which will give young people an opportunity to learn about local wildlife as they observe and assist in rehabilitation work at the clinic.
- Community Housing and Resources (CHR) new playground. A grant from Kiwanis enabled construction of a new playground at CHR's Airport Way facility, providing an outdoor recreation opportunity for children living in the neighborhood. The playground opened earlier this year, to the delight of local kids.

Kiwanis holds weekly breakfast meetings on Tuesday mornings at 8 a.m. Those interested in becoming members are invited to attend. For information about meeting locations or memberships, call 677-7299 or check the Facebook page at Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club.✴



Don Feiner of Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis presents a check to Rachel Rainbolt, CROW education and visitor center coordinator, to support CROW's new Youth Summer Camp program.



Children from Airport Way having fun on the new playground made possible by a Kiwanis grant



Carol Gestwicki, grants co-chair; Peek at the Unique co-chair Barbara Beran; and club president Virginia Jones

Zonta Home Tour Planning And Grants Process Under Way

submitted by Sue Denham

As the remaining "snowbird" Zontians make their way back to Sanibel, the Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva is plunging into its busiest time of the year, with two major activities involving most of the membership. On Monday, November 9, co-chairs held the first full team meeting for the 2016 A Peek at the Unique home tour and three days later, the Zonta Foundation Grants Committee met to begin deliberations on which local non-profit organizations will benefit from this year's grant distribution.

The two events are indelibly linked, as the funds raised during one Peek at the Unique event are distributed during the following season. This year, as Zonta looks back on 14 increasingly successful home tours, funds available for local grants stand at \$87,570, the highest amount ever, in addition to \$29,190 already pledged to Zonta International for global initiatives targeted at empowering women.

"The most recent Peek was our finest yet, netting over \$110,000 for our causes," said club president Virginia Jones. "With the support we enjoy from the local business community and from many generous individuals, including our 'Peekers', we hope to match or exceed that total as we go into the 15th annual Peek at the Unique."

The tour is scheduled for Saturday, March 12. An annual sell-out, the Peek at the Unique involves a guided bus tour of four unique island homes and special food treats from island restaurants and caterers. Over the years, the event has developed a devoted following. While over 600 Peekers can be accommodated on Peek day, tickets go fast. Experienced Peekers know they can expect an email alert in early January. Then, tickets will go on sale to the general public in mid-January. Information will be announced in the island newspapers and, on or after January 13, posted on the club web site at www.zontasancap.com.

"The tour has a history of selling out quickly. Tickets are sold on a first come, first served, basis so it is important to act fast, especially for those who want to secure preferred departure times," said Peek co-chair Barbara Beran, Zonta president-elect, who has also served as chair of Peek tickets in past years.

Meanwhile, the Peek house team is working on its selection of the four homes to be offered on the tour this year. "Always, our goal is to create balance and variety," said team member Orlene Shimberg. "With so many unusual and fascinating homes on our islands, and with generous homeowners willing to share their residences in support of the cause, making final selections is both a delight and a challenge."

Over the coming weeks, the grants committee will evaluate applications from 15 finalists. Through a carefully designed committee process, final recommendations will be ready for membership vote in early January. "This is the hardest part of the job," said grants committee co-chair Carol Gestwicki, "and also the most rewarding. Our recommendations will reflect organizations that are doing outstanding work in the empowerment of women in Southwest Florida."

The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva is a service organization that empowers women through service, advocacy and funds in Lee County and around the world through Zonta International. To learn more, visit www.zonta.org.✧



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Every dollar Stern saved – more than \$4 million during a 14-year span – was endowed to a donor-advised fund at the Southwest Florida Community Foundation upon his death at age 95 in February 2014.

Stern’s frugal nature, savvy investing and hard work help him save millions to donate back to the community.

“It is people like Frank who inspire us in our work to do everything we can as effectively and efficiently as possible to create change in our region,” said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

Stern followed a low-key and healthy lifestyle, and he remained active in his businesses until a few years before his passing.

“I think he took the bridge once or twice,” said Larry Sickler, a long-time supervisor for FTE Developers, one of several local businesses operated by Stern and his brother, Ed Stern. “He never went across the Midpoint Bridge because he didn’t want to pay the toll. He always said, ‘I can get where I want to go without paying a dollar.’”

“Frank was really into investing and making sure his money did a lot of good when he was gone,” said Michael Davis, a financial advisor who met Stern 12 years ago and helped him plan his charitable giving. “Frank was extremely frugal, and he wanted to make sure he didn’t run out of money.”

Stern made his fortune in real estate investment and development during the first wave of seasonal residents to Fort Myers and Cape Coral in the mid 1900s. He discovered Southwest Florida after his father, a butcher, retired to the area and started purchasing land.



Frank Stern

“Frank never had anything handed to him,” said Sickler. “Every dollar he had he gained by working hard.”

Born in Wisconsin, Stern tapped into his entrepreneurial spirit in high school, renovating and selling Ford motorcars. He was working toward a business degree at the University of Texas during the onset of World War II.

“He figured if he volunteered, he would get a better job,” said Charles Marble, a long-time friend and Stern’s caregiver. “He didn’t want to be in the infantry, so he went to flight school.”

Stern was stationed in England and flew unarmed reconnaissance missions into enemy territory.

“He was like Forest Gump because he witnessed a lot of history,” Davis recalled fondly. “Frank had so many stories about the war in Europe. He even took a picture of one of his friends with Churchill and Eisenhower. He was a real gentleman and very interesting to talk to.”

Stern retired as a major in the U.S. Air Force and was active in its reserve program for 20 years. He established his permanent roots in the Fort Myers area in the 1960s. He never married or had children.

Stern was committed to giving back to the community where he’d made his fortune.

“He was thinking about starting his own foundation until he learned the Southwest Florida Community Foundation was right here and basically doing the same thing,” Marble said. “Frank donated to a number of projects but would never accept a plaque or have anything named after him. That wasn’t Frank’s style. He was not looking for accolades from anyone.”

And, he left a never-ending legacy for Southwest Florida.

“Frank was a fine man. He was honest and fair, a very good person,” said Sickler. “Once he opened up, you’d see all these great qualities. We started off as business partners and ended up as family.”

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. The Community Foundation, founded in 1976, connects donors and their philanthropic aspirations with evolving community needs. With assets of more than \$93 million, the Community Foundation has provided more than \$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 also granted \$782,000 in nonprofit grants, including more than \$551,000 in regional community impact grants and additional \$450,000 in scholarship grants.

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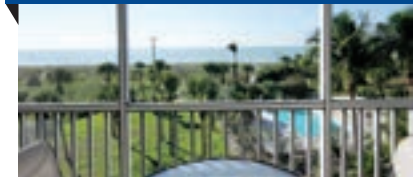
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Known for its stunning natural beauty, the locale has long served as an inspiration to musicians, artists and writers. The impressive list includes the musical group Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young and acclaimed artist Robert Rauschenberg to iconic inventors Thomas Edison and Henry Ford to best-selling author Anne Morrow Lindbergh, who penned the book *Gift from the Sea*, based on her many visits to Captiva Island. Visitors and locals should stop by some of the destination's more popular attractions and locations within the six categories for their own inspiration and to snap the perfect photo. Categories include:

- Bird's Eye View – Grab aerial-specific shots from one of the area's many light-houses, bridges and rooftops, such as the Boca Grande Lighthouse & Museum and isolated Cabbage Key Water Tower. For the adventurous soul, grab a waterproof camera to capture the perfect parasailing shot from 38 stories above the water.
- Wild & Natural – Get up close to natural environments, from beaches and preserves to mangroves and reefs, and the many animals that call them home. Walk along Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve, a 3,500-acre wetland ecosystem filled with myriad animals, like otters, alligators and turtles; bird watch at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge or learn about mollusks at the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum.
- From The Shore – Snag candid shots of beach goers enjoying the destination's most popular activity of shell collecting and the uniqueness of shell shapes, varieties and colors. Or, capture the beauty of a palm tree, a vibrant sunset or iconic attractions such as the Sanibel or Boca Grande Lighthouses, Fort Myers Beach Pier or rustic setting of Cayo Costa.
- Urban Flavor – Showcase the array of local foods, chefs, breweries and distilleries in locations such as Cape Coral, Fort Myers River District and Greater Fort Myers. Foodies will certainly enjoy a visit to Doc Ford's Bar & Grille, Key Lime Bistro or The Bubble Room, which is nationally-recognized for its quirky menu items. Those with a sweet tooth can swing by Norman Love Confections as the hand-painted chocolates boast the perfect opportunity for a colorful shot.

- Arts, Culture & Free Spirits – Capture the local museums, galleries, boutiques, artisans and innovators at locations such as Edison & Ford Winter Estates, Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center and Leoma Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens, whose colorful gallery and workspace is housed on a lush, verdant part of the back bay.
 - In & On The Water – Spend time on the water to capture images of locals and visitors boating, fishing, kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding, sailing, snorkeling and riding wave runners at locations such as Boca Grande Pass, Pine Island Sound and the Caloosahatchee River. Or, check out Cayo Costa State Park, which boasts nine miles of white-sand beaches, pine forests, oak-palm hammocks and mangrove swamps.
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Veteran Herb Hoover shares a story about his experiences during the Korean War
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City Honors Veterans

of the Japanese naval fleet – on April 7, 1945. Sieber concluded his military service after two years and 10 months, retiring as a lieutenant junior grade. For his efforts, he was awarded the Navy Cross, Silver Star, four air medals and two distinguished flying crosses. Following his speech, Bondurant presented Sieber with a sculpture created by island artist Luc Century. Last week’s ceremony was dedicated to the memory of PFC Willie Michael Rhodes, Sanibel Island’s only casualty of the war in Vietnam. A member of the U.S. Army’s Infantry Division, Rhodes was killed by a sniper only 16 days into his tour of duty, on August 8, 1967. He



John Boone shared a story about his service with the Marines during World War II was awarded the Combat Infantry Badge, Purple Heart, National Defense, Vietnam Service and Vietnam Campaign medals.

To commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War, all island veterans in attendance were invited to join Bondurant in front of city hall, where each was presented a commemorative pin in honor of their service. The group was also greeted with a long and generous standing ovation. Following a patriotic sing-along led by Kathy Lamade and accompanied by the BIG ARTS Concert Band, personal remembrances of their service were shared by several veterans in attendance. The program closed with the playing of *Taps* by Gary Eertmoed and Fred Henry.✱



Each veteran of the Vietnam War was given a commemorative pin in honor of their service

Cracker Fest Fundraiser Deemed A Hit By Participants

The annual Cracker Fest fundraiser of the Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of Solutions To Avoid Red Tide (START) held on November 6 was a hit with guests listening to the live music of The Apple Butter Band, sampling “cracker style” food provided by the Sanibel Catering Company, and bidding on silent and live auction items. The evening raised over \$35,000 that will go directly to funding water quality and conservation initiatives through START, whose mission is to preserve and improve marine environments through research, public outreach and programs that restore marine habitats. SanCap START would like to extend its gratitude to this year’s event sponsors: Sanibel Air and Electric, Bailey’s General Store, The Bait Box, *Times of the Islands*, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, Billy’s Rentals, Doc Ford’s Rum Bar and Grill, Island Cow, Sanibel Sea School, Sooncome Inc., Tween Waters Resort and Spa, Big Red Q, Caloosa Charters, Dan Hahn Custom Builders, Gulf Coast Landscape Nursery, Heidrick & Co. Insurance, Jensen’s Twin Palm Resort and Marina, John Grey Painting, Lazy Flamingo, the McCullough Family, Lee County Electric Cooperative, Sanibel Island Fishing Club, Sanibel Off-shore Fishing Charters, South Seas Island Resort, Tim Smith Brick Pavers, Tropical Tradesmen, Captiva Cruises, Clyde Butcher, Coca-Cola, *Island Sun*, Island Therapy Center, Luc Century, Miss Britt Fishing Charters, Sanibel Art & Frame Company, Suncoast Beverage and Tarpon Lodge.✱

HORTOONS



Performance At The Sanibel School

The Sanibel School music department, headed by music director Joseph Giangreco, will present the premiere *Music Showcase* on Thursday, November 19 at 7 p.m. in the cafetorium. *Music Showcase* will feature the different ensembles that are offered at the school and will be free to the public. The steel drumming band, elementary choir, and middle school choir will be featured, along with a sneak peak of performing arts’ upcoming production of *Getting to Know... The Sound of Music*. Giangreco said the students have been working very hard this year and are looking forward to performing fun and exciting music. For more information, call 472-1617.✱

Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Our Snowbird Rotarians are back on island and it was time for a club assembly. Assemblies focus on upcoming fundraising events or provide committee updates. This past week Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Trust board members Scott Congress and Chet Sadler and immediate past president Bill Rahe put together a presentation regarding the giving practices of our Rotary Club. Requests come to this committee in a couple of ways: member submission or applications from organizations and non-profits seeking funding for special projects. Once a funding application is brought to the committee a member is chosen as an internal sponsor with responsibility for making sure necessary paperwork is in place, requests are reviewed by the committee, following status of request and following-up on grants approved. Sadler also serves on the committee as Rotary Foundation representative basically centering in on partnering projects that seek matching funds from Rotary District #6960 or Rotary International. Since this assembly involved internal information, this column will not go



into detail regarding grant requests sought, pending, declined, or approved.

Therefore, I am re-submitting a column published in July on The Community House:

If the walls of The Community House could talk, they would reveal stories of island politics, social gatherings and about the founding of many civic organizations and cultural activities on the island. The original structure of about 1,500 square feet was built in 1927, now called the North Room, added onto twice after, in the 1950s the middle room, and in 1979 the auditorium.

There has been much speculation about whether the Community Association would move The Community House across Periwinkle to become part of the proposed Common Core project. After much thoughtful consideration and pressing needs for improvements, the Sanibel Community Association board and Community Association membership determined that they would not move The Community House but would keep this historic part of Sanibel's history right where the community placed it in 1927.

With that decision made, it was time to discuss the actual condition and functionality of the present building. The historic part of the building works extremely well and is in relatively good standing but not so with the 1950s and 1970s add-ons. The problems: building

flow, electrical and sound system, fire and air system, restroom functionality, kitchen layout, and storage. After internal discussions and with community members, construction professionals, and the city, an architect was called in to draw up some plans. There was tweaking, more tweaking, re-tweaking, city input, change of architect and finally a plan.

Stop by the lobby of The Community House, check the beautiful architectural drawings by architect Amy Nowacki. You will be duly impressed, from the restoration of the original historic structure, opening back up the front window area to extending the width of that entrance side and replacing the now very worn floor with similarly aged wood. The most extensive area to be renovated will be the center part of the building; major changes will happen here; a portico style structure and entrance will bring you into a new welcoming entry-way lobby. To relocate the lobby the current hall and storage areas now leading to the North Room will be opened up and combined. There will be complete rebuilding of the middle room including new electrical and sound system and a complete remodeling of the kitchen expanding the footprint into the storage and hall space nearby, stealing floor space wherever possible. The auditorium will pretty much stay the same with new electrical and sound systems but both outside walls of the auditorium will be

reconfigured. The current lobby space will be rebuilt to house restrooms; a corridor, storage space and an abutted expansion on this side of the building will include a small boardroom and outside vestibule. On the opposite outside wall of the auditorium, the plans calls to add on storage space for the Shellcrafters.

Even before the Common Core idea was put forth, the Community Association was beginning to put aside funding for some of these updates but it became more and more apparent that it was time to go ahead and bite the bullet. Major renovation was needed. Estimated cost is around \$3 million.

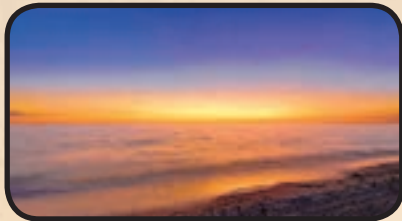
The Community Association is asking the community to rally around this project. The land The Community House sits on was donated by an islander. The original structure was built with funds raised by the community. Subsequent additions were funded by the community, and now it's time to do it again. Three million dollars should not be that hard to raise and will guarantee that this historic place will continue to be here for many generations to come. Stop by The Community House, look at the plans, ask questions ...oh, and bring your checkbook.

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary meets at 7 a.m. Friday mornings at The Community House on Periwinkle Way. Guests are welcome.✱



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The Case for...The First Tee Open

By Alan Shipnuck

(For sure, I was moved during a dinner earlier in the week when the 81 kids from around the country gathered to hear First Tee alums share their own stories; the words were so powerful that Ben Crenshaw said, "Seeing the character of these young people gives me hope for the future of this country.")

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Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting at the new location for FISH at 2430B Periwinkle Way

Chamber Hosts Ribbon Cutting At New FISH Location

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce held a ribbon cutting at the new location for Friends In Service Here (FISH) at 2430B Periwinkle Way, adjacent to Bleu Rendez-Vous Bistro. The event was hosted at their new office and was attended by many chamber members and FISH supporters and staff.

FISH of Sanibel-Captiva, Inc. is a human services organization. Its mission is to lend a helping hand to those who live, work or visit here. The vision is to enrich the lives of everyone on Sanibel and Captiva through an array of food programs, island-based workshops, social services and helping hands.

"Over the years, we at FISH have valued our relationship with The Sanibel & Captiva Chamber," said John Pryor, board chair. "We were delighted to be able to welcome fellow chamber members to tour our new facility. It gave them the opportunity to become familiar with our many programs which enable us to assist community members," he added.

Ric Base, chamber president, said, "The Chamber congratulates FISH on the new location and wishes them continued success in their important mission."

For more information on FISH, visit www.fishofsancap.org.

The Dunes Golf Club

Two Net Better Of Four

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club Men's Golf Association held a 2 Net Better of 4 tournament on Wednesday, November 11. Results:

Flight 1

1st Place
Peter Kaplan 115
Joe Miller
Norbert Kunz
Bruce Sprinkle

2nd Place

Don Denecke 119
Skip Jewett
Tom Browning
Flight 2

1st Place
Jerry Nichols 119**
Tom Winkler
Joe Mason
Gary Dutton
2nd Place
Jim Burkholder 119**
Bob Lindman
Jack Strothman
Jack Cohen

**Scorecard playoff.

Turkey Bowl At Community Park

A fun game of touch football at Sanibel Community Park, located off of Periwinkle Way across from the Sanibel Bean, is planned for Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26 from 9 to 11 a.m. It will be a casual and fun pick-up game that will be enjoyed by the whole family. This event is hosted by Sanibel Community Church, and everyone is welcome to attend and participate.



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Highlights Of SCCF's Wines In The Wild



Tyler Haas, left, is offered a sample tasting of a Chardonnay during Wines In The Wild, a fundraiser for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation held on November 14
photos by Jeff Lysick



From left, Laurie Tilbury, Paul and Rachel Tritaik and Julie Combs



Mary Ellen Pfeifer, center, served wine with Doug and Kris Ryckman



From left, Andy Boyle, Heidi Wegryn Gross, Lee Ellen Harder and Ken Boyce



Linda and Greg Jennings with Lesley Simmons and Jim Boughton



Pam Miller, left, shows a starfish to Pam Scott



Linda and Jim Wynn



SCCF's Yolande Welch and Diane Neitzel sign in event guest Susan Beittel

Sanibel Library Children's Librarian Retires

Most every week for the past 12 years, Librarian Ms. Barb Dunkle has entertained hundreds of children at the Children's Education Center of the Islands with her songs, stories and felt board games. She has read new books that have just arrived at the library, books relating to the season or theme being taught in the preschool and taught the children songs that they go home singing, leaving many parents wondering what in the world is "Ram Sam Sam"? This is an answer only a student of Ms. Barb's would know.

Dunkle has been a go-to person for many locals and visitors at the Sanibel Public Library, by always having advice for parents and students on good books to read. She also created a play space for the children of Sanibel, making the library a destination, rather than a pit stop to grab a book. She will definitely be missed by not just the Children's Education Center of the Islands preschoolers, but by many families from all over. ☆



Children's Librarian Barb Dunkle at the Children's Education Center

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Ko And Park, World’s Top Women Golfers, Vie For \$1.5 Million In Naples



by Ed Frank

The two best women golfers in the world, 18-year-old Lydia Ko and 27-year-old Inbee Park, lead the field in the richest tournament of the year in the season-ending CME Group Tour Championship this weekend at the Tiburon Golf Club in Naples.

You'll be missing some great golf if you don't watch this event where it's possible, and even likely, that one of these women will leave Naples Sunday \$1.5 million richer.

Here's the scenario:

The winner of the tournament itself will earn \$500,000. In addition, there is a \$1 million jackpot for capturing the Race to the CME Globe, a season-long points competition where Park and Ko are separated by only 500 points – Ko with 5,000 and Park with 4,500.

The winner of this weekend's tournament grabs 3,500 CME points.

Then just 17 years old, Ko pocketed the \$1.5 million last year in what was the largest purse in LPGA history.

Park and Ko arrived in Naples this week with unbelievably close records for the current season.

With her victory last Sunday at the Lorena Ochoa Invitational in Mexico City, Park claimed her fifth LPGA title of the year including two Majors, the Women's PGA and the Women's British Open.

Ko also won five times this year including the Evian Championship where her final round of 63 some say was the greatest round ever played in a women's Major. And remember she is just 18 years old.

She also tops the 2015 money list with \$2,758,417 in earnings, just ahead of Park's \$2,570,096. Ko also leads Park by just three points in the Rolex Player of the

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who was the first National League shortstop to twice hit 20 or more home runs in a season?
2. Two Boston Red Sox pitchers threw no-hitters in 1962. Name them.
3. Who was the last Tampa Bay quarterback to rush for two TDs in a game before Josh McCown in 2014?
4. Name the player who tallied the most career points in Southern Cal men's basketball history.
5. Two NHL teams have won a Stanley Cup after losing the first two games of the series at home. Name either one.
6. Who was the last driver before Nico Rosberg (2013-15) to win the Monaco Grand Prix at least three consecutive years?
7. How many Grand Slam doubles titles have Bob and Mike Bryan won together?

ANSWERS

1. The Giants' Alvin Dark, in 1953 and 1954. 2. Earl Wilson and Bill Monbouquette. 3. Steve Young, in 1986. 4. Harold Miner, with 2,048 points in three seasons. 5. The Toronto Maple Leafs in 1942 and the Montreal Canadiens in 1966. 6. Ayrtion Senna won five in a row (1989-93). 7. Sixteen -- six Australian Opens, five U.S. Opens, three Wimbledon and two French Opens.



Lydia Ko



Inbee Park

Year Award.

Now you can see why the stakes are so high this weekend.

While Ko and Park are the tournament favorites, American Stacy Lewis is in the hunt with 4,000 points. And there are six others statistically eligible to win the huge purse – Sei Young Kim, Lexi Thompson, So Yeon Ryu, Amy Yang, Anna Nordqvist and Shanshan Feng.

The four days of competition will be televised Thursday through Saturday from 4 to 6 p.m. on the Golf Channel with the final round Sunday on ABC from 2 to 4 p.m.

Winter's Hot Stove League Heats Up as Twins and Red Sox Make Moves

Dave Dombrowski, the new president of baseball operations for the Boston Red Sox, made his first major move last week when he acquired four-time All-Star closer Craig Kimbrel from the San Diego Padres for four prospects. They have Kimbrel, 27 years old, under contract for three years.

Koji Uehara, the Red Sox closer for the last three seasons, will move down to the eighth inning set-up role, according to Dombrowski.

The Twins, in a deal with the New York Yankees, traded former first-round draft pick Aaron Hicks in exchange for catcher John Ryan Murphy.

The trade fills a badly needed void on the Twins roster. Murphy will split time with Kurt Suzuki behind the plate.

The trade was somewhat of a surprise as Hicks, an outfielder, recently was voted the most improved player on the Twins team. However, Minnesota is stocked with outfielders.

The Twins also won the bid for Korean first-baseman Byung Ho Park.*

SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE 2015-16 Standings through November 16, 2015

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bunt's Ball Busters	74	46
Second	Sandycappers	59	61
Third	Sanibel Café	58	62
Fourth	Fresh Legion Crew	49	71

November 16 Results

Bunt's Ball Busters	17	Sanibel Café	3
Fresh Legion Crew	11	Sandycappers	9

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

High Stakes And Onions Propel Ball Busters To Win

In addition to the league lead being on the line, the match between Bunt's Ball Busters and Sanibel Café was played for additional super high stakes.

Café Captain Rich McCurry tried to shark Ball Buster Captain Bob Buntrock with a promise of lifetime free onions at his Café if the Ball Busters could win the match and score more than Café's season high 14 wins in an evening.

The final score was 17-3 and McCurry immediately called his supplier to order more onions.

Rich Ennis, Terry Ricotta and Buntrock posted 4-0 wins over Kelly Greten, Pete

Mindel and the team of Rich McCurry and Randy Carson. Jimbo Gabautz was high scorer for the Café guys with two wins over Jack Cunningham.

Gator Gates and Becky Skog surprised John Bates and Kevin Pottorf by notching three wins each to propel the last place Fresh Legion Crew to 11-9 victory over Sandycappers. After losing to Skog, Pottorf sat by himself at the bar for some time wondering how a girl could win three games from him. When you see him this week give him a hug. He needs support from his friends to ease the pain.

Chip Gelpi won both of his games for the Legion Crew over an astounded John Riegert. Despite the loss the Sandycapper team took over second place from Sanibel Café.

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Manage Yourself, Not The Correction



by Timothy P. Vick, Senior Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager

It's official: the stock market has suffered a "correction" of more than 10 percent, the first since spring 2012. The

porary, but routine. A correction of 10 percent tends to happen, on average, once every 11 months, and is followed by a rally. The stock market was near its all-time high as recently as mid-August, which means that every correction since 2009 was quickly dispelled. Corrections often arise out of nowhere, from the collective selling of levered, panicked traders, and serve to take some air out of inflated prices. More to the point, they are usually buying opportunities, not selling opportunities.

Meet with your advisor and address your financial plan to avoid reflexive decisions. Make sure that your asset allocation, income needs, growth goals, and risk tolerances are being well communicated and served. Market corrections not only test whether your portfolio is behaving under stress as you expected, but also test your own ability to withstand price fluctuations.

History plays a big role in how investors react to declining prices. Since 2008-09, investors have been on a seven-year lookout for signs of the next bubble – even when no bubble existed. We've had many turbulent events since then, but on a relative scale, none were as remotely damaging to asset values as our housing collapse. If 2008 was a 50-year flood, Greece was only a two-year flood.

obvious question for investors is, now what?

Avoid trying to predict corrections. To market-time a correction, you have to make three guesses – when the correction begins, when it ends and how deep it will be. All three need to be right or your decisions can ultimately hurt portfolio results. Instead, we ask two questions:

- 1) What is causing the correction?
- 2) Will those causes impact stock values long term, or short term?

Corrections, by definition, are tem-

Dysfunction is the norm around the world, not the exception. Count on a political, economic, military or weather-related crisis every week, somewhere.

Don't engage in avoidance behavior today, because very few investors can hit their financial goals sitting in cash or owning bonds yielding just two percent. Many of you need sufficient income to live off of, and need your investments to grow. Just because it's going to rain today doesn't mean you don't go outside. You just learn to take an umbrella.

Focus on "probable" outcomes, not "possible" outcomes. Anything is possible: Russia could default again; an earthquake could hit California; the two Koreas could go to war next week, and on and on.

Living in fear of those media-hyped, low-probability events will do your portfolio no good. Rather, we invest based on probable outcomes.

As you will glean from our commentaries in this newsletter, we think the U.S. should do relatively well and is expanding in the right places, such as auto sales, housing, health care and in employment and wages. The U.S. banking system is as healthy as it has been in memory, so we see just scant risk of another credit bubble. Meanwhile, plunging oil and commodities prices around the world are going to be a net boon to consumers, businesses and most governments. Those are good legs to support business values.✱

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Holiday Stroll

Luminary on December 5, lighted boat parade on December 12 and decorated golf cart parade on December 19, among others.

Open to the public, tickets to the South Seas Holiday Stroll can be purchased at the door with a \$10 donation to Community Cooperative, Inc. Children

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Get In the Spirit



by Linda Coin

The holidays are just around the corner, and if you're looking for ways to decorate beyond the traditional trappings, then here are a few great ideas for your consideration:

Consider Your Lighting

Is your family one that does Thanksgiving in a big way? Then you may want to consider making some changes to traditional accent lamps with white or cream colored shades. Perhaps a lampshade style in one of today's rich harvest hues would be the perfect "new" accent? Rich gold shades, for instance, will cast a beautiful warm glow throughout any room. On the other hand, if you enjoy going all out for Christmas, you might want to exchange your current lampshades for ones with red or green shades. This kind of lighting design can be particularly appropriate in a room already decked out in a red and green color scheme.

Beautiful Tabletops

Today, fresh is in. So why not consider decorating your holiday table with a beautiful fresh flower arrangement? Even floating a few carefully chosen flowers in a beautiful ceramic or fine

art glass bowl would definitely help your tabletop take center stage.

At Thanksgiving time, a beautifully designed bowl might be carefully filled with nature's bounty of squash, gourds and miniature pumpkins. Or you could even take a more decorative approach and fill your centerpiece bowl with seed studded balls in a variety of colors. And at Christmas time, this same bowl could then be filled with glass balls mixed with gold and silver leafed fruit, and even foods that reflect the shades of the season, like artichokes and pomegranates.

To complete your table settings, take a cue from the objects you've used to fill your decorative bowl to designate each place setting. If, for instance, miniature pumpkins are a part of your thanksgiving mix, give each guest his or her own. Carve out the centers and use them as mini-vases for appropriately scaled flowers. Or make openings large enough to accommodate votive candles. The same concept works equally well with artichokes for Christmas settings. You might even feature seasonally-themed stationery as place cards, finishing each one with a keepsake stickpin.

Glowing Candles

If one pair of candlesticks on your fireplace mantle is good, then a collection is even better. If you collect crystal, for example, pull together a grouping in all shapes and sizes, old and new. Add candles of varying heights and you're ready to set a romantic holiday mood in any room. And as the seasons change, simply change the color of

your candles. Don't be afraid to mix and match the style of your candlesticks either. An eclectic collection invariably says something about your personal style – something that's sure to make any holiday decorating scheme more memorable.

Linda Coin is an Interior Designer for Sanibel/Captiva Islands and can be reached at linda@coindecaden.com.*

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- 1 cup chopped celery
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 1 loaf of bread or cornbread equivalent cubed
- 2 cups low-sodium chicken broth

Cook sausage and onion together until sausage is completely done. Drain well and set aside.

Melt butter in a large skillet, and cook celery and garlic until tender. In large bowl add remaining ingredients, adding sausage and onions last. Mix together well and pour into a large baking dish. Bake at 350° for about 45 minutes.*



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School Smart

by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP



Dear Shelley,
My child who is in second grade is struggling with social skills. He has a hard time recognizing emotions and understanding them in others. We home school him. Do you have any suggestions for me on how to teach him these skills?
Lucy G, Fort Myers

Lucy,

Social and emotional learning does not come naturally for many people, and sometimes we need to teach the skills that compromise emotional intelligence concretely. Typically, young children acquire and utilize their initial social skills mostly in the context of play and shared activities. Through play, they form their first interpersonal interactions and develop important social skills related to empathy, cooperation, conflict resolution and self-control, which will be used throughout life to maintain healthy relationships with others. Many children do not have the opportunity to learn these skills for a variety of reasons, and that is why schools are adding social-emotional curriculums in their classrooms.

We know through research that when a school adopts a social-emotional curriculum everyone benefits. There is improved student behavior, reduced classroom disruptions and greater academic engagement and achievement. CASEL, a Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning, is dedicated to advancing the science and practice of school-based social and emotional learning has identified the core groups of skills needed for developing emotional intelligence. They are as follows:

Self-awareness – Accurately assessing one's feelings, interests, values and strengths; maintaining a well-grounded sense of self-confidence.

Self-management – Regulating one's emotions to handle stress, control impulses and persevere in overcoming obstacles; setting and monitoring progress toward personal and academic goals; expressing emotions appropriately.

Social awareness – Being able to take the perspective of and empathize with others; recognizing and appreciating individual and group similarities and differences; recognizing and using family, school and community resources

Relationship skills – Establishing and maintaining healthy and rewarding relationships based on cooperation; resisting inappropriate social pressure; preventing, managing and resolving interpersonal conflict; seeking help when needed.

Responsible decision-making – Making decisions based on consideration of ethical standards, safety concerns, appropriate social norms, respect for others and likely consequences of various actions; applying decision-making skills to academic and social situations; contributing to the well-being of one's school and community.

There are hundreds of social and emotional learning curriculums to choose from when implementing this type of curriculum. I would suggest that you look at CASEL's Guide online at <https://casel.squarespace.com/s/2013-casel-guide.pdf> for information. They have rated numerous programs very carefully and have published their results in pdf form, online and at no cost to the public. It is a very thorough document that clearly identifies the pros and cons of many different curriculums. CASEL used numerous criteria in their evaluations of SEL programs including the requirement that the curriculum was evidence-based with at least one carefully conducted evaluation that documents positive impacts on student behavior and/or academic performance.

You may also want to check with your local school to see if they are using a specific SEL program. It might be beneficial for you to know what they are teaching. Often times SEL curriculums use a unique vocabulary. If your son is socializing with the local school children it would help him to be able to use the same vocabulary as his peers.

Shelley Greggs is adjunct faculty at Florida SouthWestern State College, where she teaches psychology and education courses. She is also a nationally certified school psychologist and consultant for School Consultation Services, a private educational consulting company. Questions for publication may be addressed to smgreggs@gmail.com. Not all questions submitted can be addressed through this publication.✱

Enrollment Assistance Week At FSW

Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) will host Enrollment Assistance Week from 3 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, November 19 in Fort Myers. Attendees are encouraged to register online at www.FSW.edu/admissions/events. The location is:

• November 19 – Thomas Edison (Lee) Campus, 8099 College Parkway, Fort Myers, Building S

"We realize that students may have additional questions regarding the enrollment process after they submit

an admissions application," said Amber McCown, director of admissions at FSW. "Enrollment Assistance Week will allow future students to get answers about the enrollment process including information about admissions, in-state residency for tuition purposes, orientation, financial aid and more."

While at Enrollment Assistance Week, visitors will receive information about the steps new applicants and students must take to be admitted to FSW and register for classes. Information sessions will provide assistance with topics such as financial aid and the orientation process. Staff will also be available to take documents and answer questions at information tables. For more information, visit www.FSW.edu/admissions/events.✱

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Sanibel Captiva Community Bank is sponsoring the World's Greatest Baby Shower! hosted by the Gateway to the Islands Kiwanis Club. The event, for low-income expectant mothers in the Fort Myers area, provides practical information and assistance through presentations and information booths, along with many fun baby shower games and door prizes. "Kiwanis volunteers are dedicated to changing the world, one child and one

community at a time," said bank President and CEO Craig Albert. "Supporting the efforts of our local Kiwanis Club and this worthwhile event is great for our neighborhood and provides help directly to those who need it." Membership of Gateway to the Islands Kiwanis Club, chartered in 2008, includes professional women and men, employed and retired, who work and/or live in the San Carlos Boulevard/McGregor Boulevard/Summerlin Road area. Members raise funds needed for community-service projects. To learn more, log onto www.kiwanis-gtti.com or visit www.sancapbank.com.



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Rose Dakos



Mary Lou Bailey



Lynda and Kit Traverso

VIP Realty Group announced their top agents and sales teams for the month of October. Rose Dakos was recognized as the top sales agent, Lynda and Kit Traverso were recognized as the top listing agents, and Mary Lou Bailey was recognized as the top producing agent.✧

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Cindy Sifton



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The Five Things You Need To Know About Transferring Florida Homestead Into Your Trust



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

Many Floridians have a revocable living trust as the base document for their estate plan. There is some confusion over the effects of transferring one's Florida homestead into that trust. Is it advisable? Do you lose your homestead property tax exemption and the Save Our Homes property tax cap? What about any mortgages that may exist that encumber the residence?

So, today I offer to you the five things you need to know when transferring your Florida homestead into your revocable living trust.

1. Transferring the homestead into your trust should not affect the homestead tax exemptions. Because assets transferred into your trust are still deemed to be yours – as you have the right to amend the trust, to consume or encumber the trust assets, transferring your Florida homestead into your revocable living trust should not affect your property tax exemptions. A transfer to a revocable trust should also not jeopardize the Save Our Homes property tax cap. It is important that your Florida residence remains your primary residence as of January 1 of each year, or these benefits will be lost.

2. Your Trust Must Comply with the Florida Homestead Descent and Devise Provisions. The Florida Constitution and the Florida Statutes limit who you can bequeath your homestead to if you are married or survived by a minor child. If your trust does not comply with those laws, then it may trigger an "invalid devise," which means that state law then dictates who owns the residence upon the owner's death. Generally speaking, one does not want those laws to apply to the disposition of one's homestead.

3. The Mortgage Due on Transfer Clause Should Not Apply on a Transfer to a Revocable Living Trust. Whenever one transfers a property encumbered by a mortgage, the unpaid balance under the promissory note generally becomes due in full under a "due on transfer" clause. This is standard operating procedure for lenders since they don't want properties sold or gifted without being paid in full for any outstanding indebtedness. A transfer to a revocable trust, however, is not really a transfer to another. Thankfully, federal lending law provides that such a transfer should not trigger the payment in full. It is always a good idea, however, to notify the lender of the transaction and why it should not trigger the due on transfer clause prior to recording the new deed.

4. One Should be Careful to Name the Trust Correctly. I've seen numerous deeds that transfer a homestead to "The John Smith Trust" without naming a trustee or the date of the trust. This is a recipe for disaster. Unlike corporations and partnerships which are legal entities, trusts do not exist without a trustee. Consequently, the proper way to name a trust is to name the trustee, the name of the trust and the date of the trust. Without this vital information properly identified on the face of the deed, subsequent sales, dispositions, gifts or transfers of the residence could become expensive and problematic.

5. The Florida Statute Granting Trustee Power to Transfer Should Appear on Face of Deed. I've also seen many deeds that don't properly contain the Florida Statute §689.073 powers granting the trustee of the trust to subsequently transfer, mortgage, encumber or otherwise convey an interest in the residence. Whenever one transfers a Florida residence or other Florida real property into a trust, these statutory powers should appear on the face of the deed. Without these powers, a title examiner has no way of knowing whether the trustee of the trust has the requisite authority to transfer, mortgage, encumber or convey the residence or other real property. If this isn't done, then it becomes more expensive at the back end as a new deed may be prepared (if the original grantor is still around and amenable to so signing one), or the trust has to be recorded (at great expense), or affidavits prepared, signed, notarized and recorded. This is probably the most common omission I find with deeds prepared by those who aren't knowledgeable with these matters.

So there you have it. While preparing and recording a deed transferring a Florida homestead to a revocable trust may, on its surface, seem like a relatively easy thing to do, now you see some of the complications that might arise.

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Ronald McDonald House To Conduct 22nd Storybook Ball

NBC-2 Anchor Kellie Burns will emcee Ronald McDonald House Charities' signature event, the 22nd annual Storybook Ball, scheduled for Saturday, February 6 at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. The evening will be a special celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Fort Myers Ronald McDonald House.

The black-tie evening will begin with cocktails and silent auction at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and dancing to the Robert Williamson Band and a live auction, themed to an interpretation of *Cinderella*. All proceeds support Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida in its mission to create, find and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children.

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Those interested in learning more about the donation and matching program are asked to call Joe or Linda Mondelli of John R Wood Properties Island Real Estate direct at 472- 2411. Information on the Golisano Children's Hospital capital campaign is available by visiting childrenshospitalgoal.org.✱

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Medicinal Herbs From The Bible



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers: Many of you are convinced that prescription medicine is the best way to heal. As a pharmacist, I would agree with that at times, but not every time. Don't

forget that before man pulled the plant from the ground, took it to a lab and attached a synthetic chemical by force to the plant (just to get it patented), we all used Mother Earth. Last week, I did a health segment with television evangelist Pat Robertson on *The 700 Club*, and I showed viewers how ancient herbs were used to improve health.

I'll recap several herbs today, and if the topic interests you, go to my website (suzycohen.com) and sign up for my newsletter. My brand new ebook on the topic will be immediately emailed to you, *Medicinal Herbs from the Bible*. Everything I mention in that ebook is available at a health food store. Now, let's go back in time:

Bitter Herbs – If you just had a salad of leafy greens, chances are you had some plants that are considered bitter herbs. The most common bitter herbs are romaine lettuce, parsley, green

onions and horseradish. These contain antioxidants and support detoxification, while stimulating saliva, gastric and intestinal enzymes to help with digestion and high amounts of minerals. Horseradish root contains an enzyme called horseradish peroxidase which is thought to kill cancer cells.

Garlic – Mentioned in the Bible after the Israelites escaped from slavery in Egypt, it's dubbed "the stinking rose." The odor comes from sulfur-based compounds known today to promote heart health and reduce cholesterol and blood pressure. The journal Cancer Prevention Research shows that the sulfur compounds found in garlic deactivate cancer causing compounds.

Almond – Also known as *Prunus dulcis*, these nuts contain salicin, which acts like modern aspirin. Eat 10 to 15 almonds per day to get mild pain relief. The almond is a popular symbol of resurrection because the flowers bloom in January or February. The magnesium in almonds lessen nerve excitability and induce muscle relaxation.

Black Cumin Seeds – Known as *Nigella sativa* and mentioned in Isaiah 28:23, these jet black seeds help reduce blood glucose by improving beta cell function in the pancreas. It could be a great addition to a diabetes protocol. Further, a study suggests black cumin seeds help reduce the frequency of seizures, possibly in those who are resistant to drug therapy. Black cumin seed is not the same as cumin; that is something else.

Cinnamon – There are two types of cinnamon derived from closely related

plants but they are not exactly the same. I explain which cinnamon to use in my ebook (mentioned above). Generally speaking, cinnamon can help with athletes foot, indigestion, cognition and blood glucose.

Frankincense – Goes by another name on supplement labels called "boswellia." This "Gift of the Magi" has been shown in studies to help with ovarian and bladder cancer. It works a little bit like

celecoxib (Celebrex), the prescription blockbuster drug for arthritis. It helps reduce a nerve toxin called Th-17, so if you have cognitive problems, consider boswellia.

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.✱

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,

Six months ago, I had a heart attack. I was told that it was severe but in spite

of the prognosis given, I have done very well.

My wife is making me miserable out of concern and worry. She monitors my every move, what I eat, where I go, and if I am five minutes late, she calls. I can't stop for a beer with my old friends and she expects me to be in bed asleep by 8:30 p.m. every night.

I have tried to talk to her, but her behavior never changes. What can I do?

Carl

Dear Carl,

We would suggest you tell your cardiologist your problem and he/she may suggest a counselor to help. You don't need the added stress that your wife is causing and you should be out enjoying life. Your wife's behavior is out of concern, but her concern has gone beyond what is helpful.

You may have to change some of your lifestyle on the advice of professionals, but not the severe restrictions your wife has imposed.

Lizzie and Pryce

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Food For Exercise Recovery



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

If you're an athlete you know the importance of proper muscle recovery, especially after a big race or intense game. Regular physical activity has many beneficial effects on health promotion and reduction of the risk of cardiovascular disease, cancer, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic disease. However, exercise itself causes damage to cells, which releases free radicals. Athletes need antioxidants for repair. Fresh foods such as vegetables, fruits, oils and fish all contain antioxidants. Proper diet is the best way to access these antioxidants.

One study encourages the use of non-alcoholic wheat beer during the weeks be-

fore and after strenuous exercise, because of particular antioxidants it contains called polyphenols. Polyphenols are natural phytochemical compounds found in whole plant foods. Fortunately, you don't have to drink non-alcoholic beer to get them, since they are also found in various berries, grains and herbs.

So, should non-alcoholic beer be part of your recovery diet? Due to a high carbohydrate and low protein content, non-alcoholic beer could lead to blood sugar swings and decreased energy production. We would instead recommend fresh food as the source for polyphenols and other antioxidants to help with tissue recovery.

Regular consumption of various fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains, legumes and beans, sprouts and seeds is an effective and safe source of antioxidants for physically active individuals and athletes.

Your body is a machine that needs regular fueling and upkeep. It takes work to keep it running smoothly, especially after you have taken it out on a long road trip. Fresh organic food is the best fuel, so eat up!

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@caringmedical.com.✱

Disconnected, Dizzy, Feeling Ungrounded? Be An Elephant



by Karen L. Semmelman,
Certified EEM,
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Be an elephant? Thinking she has really lost it? An elephant is a huge animal that is very solid and grounded to the earth, right?

And grounding is imperative to our survival as humans, correct? If we aren't pulling the electromagnetic energy from the Earth through the only acupoint on the bottom of our foot (the kidney meridian beginning point), our entire body will go haywire, since each single cell of our body needs to be polarized, recognizing its north and south pole. If it doesn't get fed its electromagnetic fix, be prepared for more and more dis-ease to develop, popping up everywhere. This is so essential to our well-being.

Yes, you have read about it before, how to be grounded. Let's just review some of the tools you already know: spoon the bottom of your feet with a stainless steel spoon; open the gaits of

your feet; walk barefoot in the sand or the grass; hug a tree; pinch and stretch the body of the feet, etc.

Today you will learn two more. While with Donna in San Diego last month, she demonstrated how effective and fun these two tools can be. The first: stomp your feet as if you are a big, huge elephant. Pick up each foot and bring it to the Earth with as much intention and force as you can muster. Continue for several minutes until you take a nice deep breath. Wouldn't this be a great fun tool to use with kids or grand-kids to help them ground? Living in high-rise buildings, wearing insulated shoes made of synthetic materials, holding cell phones to our ear or carrying them in pockets, being absorbed by the computer or video games for hours at a time, using the microwave to literally zap all the energy from our food (making it a pile of glob) and zapping our own energy when we are near it, flying in airplanes... the list goes on and on. We are interfering with being grounded all of the time.

The second tool from Donna, who sees this immediately begin connecting to Earth's energy: Place both hands on the sides of your body at the pelvis. With firm pressure, begin squeezing your hands as you slide the hands down the legs. If you feel the need for more, do it again but this time, move your hands so they are squeezing another section of the leg (side, front, back, inside). Then, hug yourself for a great job.

Have fun with your energy! Next week's topic is Insomnia? Close Your Third Eye.

*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.**

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: How can I have more commitment and closeness in my relationship?

A: Relationships can be so wonderful when there is compatibility, friendship, fun and they seem effort-

less. When you have these goodies, chances are you want a commitment because you feel you have "found the right match." So what happens when you want more of a commitment and your man doesn't seem ready to commit?

You might want to check in with yourself and see if you are feeling great about yourself and you know what it is that you want. How you feel in your relationship is a good indicator of having a commitment with this person. If you feel compatible and you are feeling that you and your partner are equal and

there is genuineness and authenticity, then you are on the path toward a commitment. If you notice any insecurity, inadequacy, fear or desperately wanting it to work, then perhaps you are trying too hard for a commitment; then it is most likely there is an imbalance in your relationship.

It's OK to have imperfections and acknowledge them. You don't ever have to try to be perfect, as it won't work. Be who you are, with confidence and clarity and your man will be attracted to your true self. Ask yourself what gifts are you bringing to the table to enhance and expand the relationship? It takes both of you giving and receiving as that adds to the balance that you both want. Know what your man values and place your energy toward helping him realize his gifts and greatest potential and deepest aspirations. He will love you for that and it's appealing to him if you have your own aspirations and passions. Talk about what is meaningful and has purpose for him.

This can go a long way rather than worrying or being self-absorbed. Bottom line, when you want him to commit to you, he will value you as you love him for what is deeply meaningful for him and you maintain your own positive self-worth.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This year, instead of jumping into the whole holiday prep scene, move in a little at a time. You'll appreciate the sense of control you're more likely to enjoy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The separation between the Bovine's head and heart is never as far apart as it seems. Both senses work best when they come out of logic and honesty.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The best way to keep those pre-holiday pressures under control is to just say no to taking on new tasks while you're still trying to work with a heap of others.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) News means a change might be on its way, but what does it hold? Don't just ask questions; make sure you get answers you can trust.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Old friends and new have one thing in common: Both your longtime and newly minted pals have much wisdom to impart.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) With time running out, this is a good time for you to show 'em all what those Virgo super-organizational skills can do.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Librans and holidays are made for each other, especially if children and animals are going to be part of your joyous season.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Time is getting too short to allow a spat to taint the holiday season. Restart your relationship and reschedule holiday fun times.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to

December 21) Seeking advice is laudable. You might learn far more than you thought you could. Stay with it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Continuing to assess changes works toward your getting your new project up and ready. Trusted colleagues remain ready to help.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That new situation needs a lot of attention, but it's worth it. This is a very good time for you to involve the arts in what you do.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It might be a good idea to slow your hectic holiday pace so that you don't rush past what -- or who -- you're hoping to rush toward.

BORN THIS WEEK: Others pick up on your confidence in yourself, which inspires them to believe in you and your special gifts.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Nov. 28, 1582, William Shakespeare, 18, and Anne Hathaway, 26, pay a 40-pound bond for their marriage license in Stratford-upon-Avon. Six months later, Anne gives birth to their daughter, Susanna, and two years later, to twins.

- On Nov. 27, 1703, an unusual freak storm finally dissipates over England after wreaking havoc for two weeks. Packing hurricane-strength winds, the storm killed between 10,000 and 30,000 people, and sank hundreds of Royal Navy ships.

- On Nov. 29, 1929, American explorer Richard Byrd and three companions make the first flight over the South Pole. In 1996, a diary of Byrd's was found that

seemed to suggest his plane had turned back 150 miles short of its goal because of an oil leak.

- On Nov. 23, 1936, the first issue of Life magazine is published, featuring a cover photo of the Fort Peck Dam. When it folded during the Great Depression, publisher Henry Luce bought the name and re-launched Life as a picture-based periodical.

- On Nov. 26, 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signs a bill officially establishing the fourth Thursday in November as Thanksgiving Day. In 1789, President George Washington had proclaimed a holiday of national thanksgiving for the U.S. Constitution.

- On Nov. 24, 1971, a hijacker calling himself D.B. Cooper -- wearing only wraparound sunglasses, a thin suit and a raincoat -- parachutes from an airplane into a thunderstorm with 100-mph winds and temperatures well below zero over Washington state. Despite a massive search, no trace of Cooper or the \$200,000 in ransom money he carried was ever found.

- On Nov. 25, 1990, after a howling wind- and rainstorm on Thanksgiving Day, Washington state's historic floating Lacey V. Murrow Memorial Bridge breaks apart and sinks to the bottom of Lake Washington. The bridge had been made of 22 floating pontoons.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was 20th-century American journalist Walter Lippmann who made the following sage observation: "Our conscience is not the vessel of eternal verities. It grows with our social life, and a new social condition means a radical

change in conscience."

- According to a recent analysis of data from the online music streaming service Spotify and artist popularity data from a website called The Echo Nest, Americans tend to stop listening to new music at the age of 33.

- John Tyler, born March 29, 1790, was the 10th president of the United States. He was married twice and had a total of 15 children. These children, collectively, were witness to a surprisingly large swath of American history. The oldest, Mary Tyler Jones, was born in 1815, the year that saw the end of the War of 1812; the youngest, Pearl Tyler Ellis, survived until 1947, two years after the end of World War II. President Tyler even has two grandsons who are still alive today.

- You might be surprised to learn that it costs the U.S. government nearly 2 cents to mint a single penny.

- Unless you've been to Crater Lake National Park in Oregon, it's difficult to believe just how blue the water of that lake appears. In fact, there was a time when the rich blues made the professionals at Kodak believe the photos to be overdeveloped, and the pictures would be returned at no charge.

- Those who study such things say that if you were (for reasons unspecified) to eat the liver of a polar bear, you'd die. The amount of vitamin A stored in that organ constitutes a fatal dose for humans.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"You never know what you'll want to write until it starts writing itself in your head." -- Jill Ker Conway

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The Postal Service expects to deliver a total of approximately 15.5 billion cards, letters, flats and packages during the 2015 holiday season. In addition, it is projecting approximately 600 million packages will be delivered between Thanksgiving and New Year's Eve, an increase of 10.5 percent over last year.

The Postal Service will offer real-time delivery notifications – meaning custom-

ers who sign up for alerts at myusps.com will receive notification within a few minutes of the delivery scan for select packages.

"Customers can count on the Postal Service and our more than 600,000 dedicated employees to deliver their holiday gifts, cards and letters," said Megan J. Brennan, Postmaster General and CEO. "We have been investing in our infrastructure including package sortation equipment, new delivery vehicles and scanning technology to expand our capacity, improve operating efficiency and provide real-time visibility."

Additionally, the Postal Service plans to hire 30,000 employees for the 2015

holiday season to meet the needs of its customers.

The Postal Service will again deliver packages seven days a week in select major cities and high-volume areas beginning November 29, for the four Sundays before Christmas and expects to deliver about 5 million packages every Sunday during December.

Monday, December 14 will be the busiest mailing and shipping day for holiday packages, letters and cards as well as the busiest day online with more than 7 million customers predicted to visit usps.com.

Monday, December 21 will be the busiest delivery day for holiday packages,

cards and letters with more than 30 million packages delivered.

Consumers can also visit usps.com/holiday for more information.

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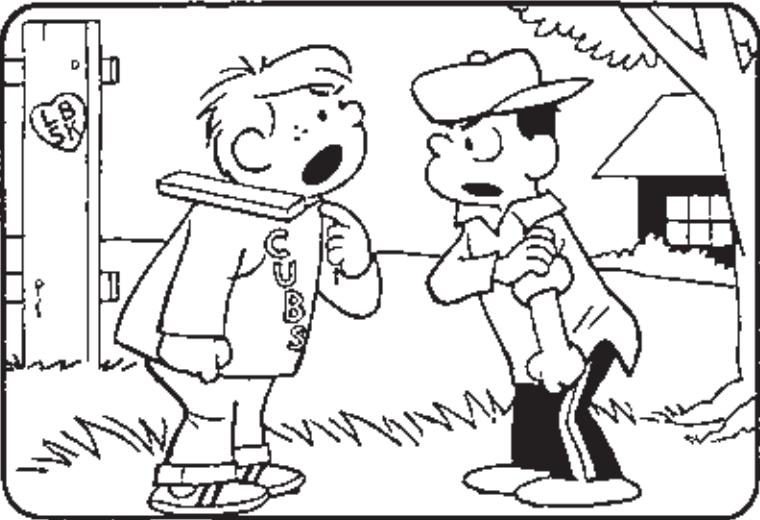
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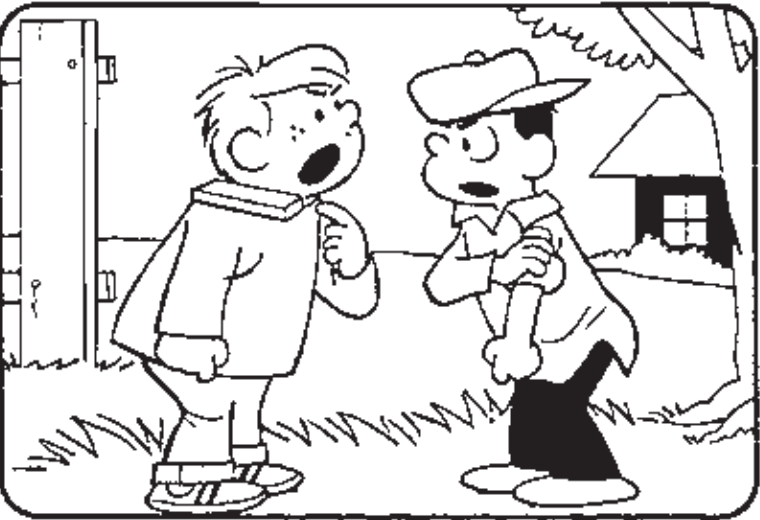
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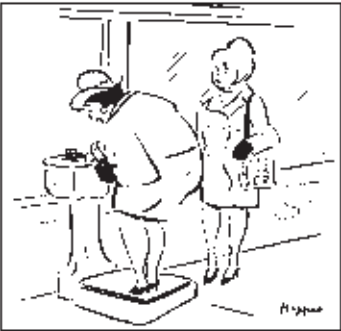
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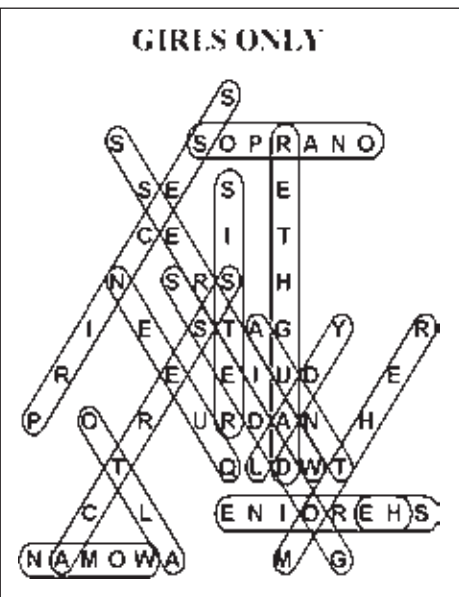
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Shore Fishing:
Don't Harm The Fish
by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

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

fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.

- Before releasing, revive the fish while holding it in the water; moving it slowly back and forth so water goes over its gills. The fish will let you know when it's ready to swim off.
- Florida just recently changed the regulations on fishing from shore. Florida residents as well as out of state visitors need a fishing license to fish from shore.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

The Jacaranda has live entertainment Friday and Saturday with DVS, playing classic rock and dance. Sunday is Average Joe, playing rock, soul, contemporary and dance. Renata plays funk, jazz, contemporary and dance on Monday. On Tuesday, it's Sir Mitch, playing classic rock, R&B and dance. Wednesday is Barbara Dexter, playing contemporary, oldies and current hits. Thursday is Eric Malibu, playing contemporary, reggae and dance.

The Crow's Nest Beach Bar & Grille at 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva has live entertainment with Stolen Fruit on Friday and Saturday. Crab shows are on Mondays and Thursdays.

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 has live island style entertainment on Mondays and a Spanish guitarist on Wednesdays.

Traditions on the Beach at Island Inn has live music Friday and Saturday with Joe McCormick and Marvilla Marzan, playing R&B, jazz and pop. Jazz Night is back on Wednesday with quartet Dana Paul, Barbara Smith, Woody Brubaker and Joey Dio. One of Southwest Florida's favorite duos, Dusk, plays on Thanksgiving.

Il Cielo has live entertainment with Scott McDonald on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Island Cow on Periwinkle Way has live entertainment on Friday with Gene Federico. Jay Helt plays on Saturday. Dan Confrey plays on Sunday.

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. ☆

Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
Tuscany Isle	Bonita Springs	2012	4,616	\$2,650,000	\$2,450,000	22
York Manor	Fort Myers	1930	5,138	\$1,125,000	\$950,000	157
Natures Cove	Estero	2006	2,974	\$925,000	\$850,000	173
Crescent Park Addition	Fort Myers Beach	1941	2,672	\$848,000	\$790,000	29
Shell Mound Park	Fort Myers Beach	1972	1,554	\$724,000	\$686,000	90
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2007	3,270	\$699,900	\$683,000	42
Bayland Heights	Fort Myers Beach	1975	1,664	\$699,900	\$675,000	56
River Point	Fort Myers	2007	2,914	\$664,500	\$655,000	56
Island Acres	St. James City	2004	3,890	\$649,000	\$625,000	195
Crown Colony	Fort Myers	2003	2,479	\$569,000	\$565,000	0

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Pets Of The Week

Hi, my name is Sammy and I am a six-year-old spayed female white and brown beagle mix. You may wonder how a sweet, lovable little dog like me ended up homeless. Well, my owner passed away so, sadly, I need to find another “forever” home. Beagles make wonderful family dogs because we are so easygoing and low maintenance. In return I will lower your blood pressure and supply you with joy and laughter. I’m a sweet, lovable girl.

Adoption fee: \$25 for all pets six years and over
 My name is Majestic and I am a black with white socks domestic short hair male age three months. I know you are looking for an adorable little kitten so why not adopt me? I’m cute and love playing with the other kittens at the shelter. I especially love volunteers – they have the best laps for cuddling. I could cuddle with you too!

Adoption fee: \$20 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services’ Pet’acular Thanksgiving adoption promo. Cats and kittens are also available for a two-for-one adoption fee.

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 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff’s Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.*



Sammy, ID# 528099



Majestic, ID# 642272

PAWS Of Sanibel

Chopper



Chopper

Now I walk alone. At least, that’s how it looks.
 For 13 years I followed a red sesame Shiba Inu named Chopper all over the Iona Lakes area of Fort Myers. On vacation a month or so every year, I followed him around Bethel Village when he wasn’t hanging out with the dogs at Wilson’s Kennel.

I came to Fort Myers in 1998 with a fiancée. Two years later, she bought a condo by herself. I was left with plenty of time to work on history projects I knew I had to finish before I die. In the meantime, one of her first purchases for the condo was a black and tan Shiba named Chloe.

I walked Chloe a few times a week for two years. When I got tired of having her taken away when the former fiancée was mad at me, I bought Chopper at Pet Paradise in Edison Mall.

Not more than a couple of tenants at Iona Lakes Apartments have been there longer than Chopper and me. Not more than a couple of

people there know my name. Most everybody knows Chopper.

Chloe had a stroke in December 2013. She died after a second stroke in September 2014 while Chopper and I were in Bethel Village the last time.


I knew Chopper’s time was coming. I went on vacation in late September, leaving him with a friend on Sanibel Island. Chopper pulled out of his collar on a Sunday morning. Four hours later he was picked up by Sanibel Police. It was Thursday before I found out what had happened.

After several calls the next morning, I learned he was in a foster home. so I cut vacation short two days to head home from Burlington, Colorado. Shibas are easily bored, so I think Chopper’s adventure was good for him, I know it was good for me. I spent October 5 and 6, the last two vacation days, at home with him. I got two more Fridays, my normal day off work, at home with him before he died at 3:15 Sunday morning, October 18.

I took Chopper to South Trail Animal Hospital Monday morning for cremation. Before I left there I made the walk at one he and I always made after visits with Dr. Ford. Our last walk along Hendry Creek Drive had been six weeks earlier after vaccinations. That time, Chopper had walked only about 200 yards before going back to the car. This time, I walked to the first intersection. I smiled at the street sign: Chloe Circle. I’d noticed it before, but I’d forgotten.

Chopper normally passed another three houses before turning around. I remembered going to the next intersection at least once, so I went on. I smiled again at the street sign Heaven Lane.

Back in Bethel Village next September, someone’s bound to say. “My, that guy’s walking around thinking he’s talking to a dog? He must be crazy! I told the ex-fiancée when that happens in Fort Myers, just tell them, “He’s not crazy. He just never learned to walk alone.*

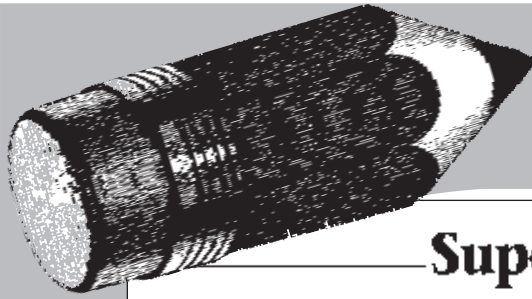


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BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

answers on page 27B

Super Crossword

BIRD WATCHING

ACROSS

- 1 Singer Bocelli
7 Almond-flavored liqueurs
16 Backyard building
20 Talking amorously
21 Picked up while hitchhiking, say
22 Island off Scotland
23 1969 Liza Minnelli film
25 Scrawny
26 Locality
27 -TASS (news agency)
28 Nation whose capital is Abuja
30 1975 Robert Redford film
37 Highway hauler
38 Málaga Mrs.
39 Boozehound
40 "C" la vie!
43 Actress Sofer
45 Cake coating
47 Asia's largest desert
51 1997 Helena Bonham Carter film
57 Con's place
58 Like an angel's head

- 59 Grammy nominee
60 Iraq neighbor
61 Guling animal
62 Foal's heavier cousin
63 Common jazz chords
66 Suffix with hotel or front
67 Gore and Franken
68 Cong. member
69 2001 Josh Hartnett film
73 Columnist
74 "Sands of — Jima"
75 Tore on foot
76 Dined at a diner
77 Meat stamping org.
78 Baden article
79 Bar assoc. member's
82 Roman 700
83 Conan of TV
85 Houd's pistol
86 1976 Michael Caine film
90 Lead-in for "white"
92 Avant-garde composer
Erik

- 93 Rock's Jethro
94 Hecht hosp. areas
95 Clumsy ox
98 Cuts again, as a plank
101 Alternative to Alpo
103 1970 Barbra Streisand film
110 Hues about legal wrongs
111 Bites from puppets
112 Tennis champion
Arthur
114 1977 Scott Turow book
115 1941 Humphrey Bogart film
122 Purplish brown
123 Schedule
124 City in west Texas
125 Former Brit. Airways jets
126 Sachlike larval stage of some flatworms
127 Scatter and drive away

DOWN

- 1 Drama units
2 Rare kind of ball game

- 3 Performs, biblically
4 Choir platforms
5 Strop treater Abbr.
6 Era
7 Heartburn
8 Neighbors of Ithas
9 Disinclined (to)
10 — room (place for air hockey)
11 — de cologne
12 "Toddler & Tiaras" zurer
13 "Tok"
(2009 #1 hit for Ke\$ha)
14 — mind (in agreement)
15 Unemotional sons
16 Feature of the word "sign"
17 Stash away
18 Film composer
Morrison
19 Senegal's capital
24 In a cab, say
29 Sliny stuff
31 Hair-raising
32 Correct, as a manuscript
33 Taking care of the issue

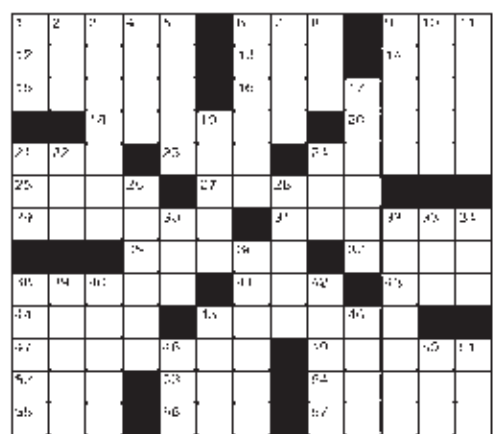
- 34 Actress Nina
35 Makes an effort
36 Within reach
40 Rock singer
Melissa
41 Some lurch-shifting garments
42 Moves instantly in sci-fi
44 Meat-stock jelly
46 "Le Père (Balzac novel)
48 Area next to the sea
49 Love song singer
50 Places to dip earl pens
52 Calamity
53 Sty noise
54 Jazz pianist
Earl — Hines
55 Outlook
56 Make money
57 City on the Loire
64 Bowler, e.g.
65 Krona earner
69 Impish tyke
70 Narrow strip of wood
71 Former Big Apple mayaw
Ed
72 Gold corn of yore

- 77 Tea holder
80 Ache (for)
81 Tally full
83 Earthen pots
84 Like mild weather
87 Basic point
88 Jacob's wife
89 Genève's country
91 Flute sources
96 Be'l pierce
97 Hascal — (country group)
99 Flapsed
100 Hucksters' pitches
102 Bad people have visible ones
103 Alternatives to sunroofs
104 Baseball's Wagner
105 Assemble
106 Smart as
107 Ruffled
108 Music industry gp.
109 "For" inter-ested ...
113 Chemical compound
116 Punk music offshoot
117 Sea, to Yves
118 -Z
119 Ford cu —
120 Nourished
121 — Baba

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Colorado ski mecca
6 Aries
9 Bookkeeper (Abbr.)
12 Camel's cousin
13 "The Greatest"
14 Chance
15 Hammerstein's contribution
16 Decorative floor
18 Knapsack parts
20 Kazakhstan over
21 Buddhist sect
23 Lamb's dam
24 Minimal change
25 Winter Kingsley
27 Rice, on a Mexican menu
29 Minnesota
31 Fled to wed
35 Heat
37 Appellate
38 Miss USA adornment
41 Neighbor of Ukr.
43 Abrade
44 Con
45 Off repeated word
47 Layered dessert
49 Carnival



- 23 attractions
24 Blackbird
25 Bird player
26 Old market place
27 Vast expense
28 Listener
29 Grew
30 station
31 Make butter
32 Spring of joy
33 As deemed fit
34 City (former Philippine capital)
35 Trophy for one
36 Sharp turn
37 Comedian
38 Phil ps
39 D.C. type
40 "Doctor Zhivago" star
41 Same old story?
42 Detergent brand
43 Baffling
44 contradiction
45 Flightless bird
46 Society newcomer
47 Demos themes, for one
48 Sixty sh appetizers
49 Foolish
50 Places in the heart
51 Malt shop item
52 Actress
53 Serv no
54 Latvia's capital
55 Gorilla
56 Prior to
57 Blue

DOWN

- 1 Every iota
2 Crafty
3 Carrot's cousin
4 Send forth
5 Mother-of-pearl
6 50 Cent, e.g.
7 "Sad to say..."
8 Bygone space

MAGIC MAZE

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N A C L L K I E N I O R E H S
N A M O W A H F D M C G A Z X

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

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