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## Win A Trip To The Big Easy At CHR Mardi Gras Night

**T**ake a stroll down Sanibel CHR's Bourbon Street for a chance to win a trip to the real thing – a trip for two to The Big Easy. CHR's 4th annual fundraiser for Sanibel's Community Housing and Resources will be held on Saturday, February 6 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, with the support of over 60 businesses.

Music, traditional New Orleans fare, an open bar and the first-ever Swim for the Beads relay are highlights of the evening. Attendees will cheer on the teams of island celebrities Les Boyle, Craig Albert and Steve Greenstein.

Guests may purchase Bourbon Bucks to exchange for colored beads and raffle tickets to support the swim relay team of their choice. The team that wins the swim relay will select the first raffle tickets of the night, giving supporters the best shot at winning a number of prizes. At the end of the night, all remaining tickets will be pooled and a grand prize winner will be selected to win a trip for two to New Orleans with airfare, three-night stay in the French Quarter, and complimentary access to local dining and cultural activities.

Every patron buying beads in support of any or all of the teams will have a chance to win prizes from island businesses including Lily & Co. Jewelers, Sanibel Sea School, The Jacaranda, Sanibel Day Spa, Sanibel Service Center, Traders Cafe, Sanibel Sunglass Company, Blue Giraffe Restaurant and Cargo Trading Company. A private airplane charter over the island is one of the prizes.

Sponsors include Zurbruggen Financial, Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille and Sanibel

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## Noah's Ark Fashion Show Is Set For February 8

**N**oah's Ark volunteers are hard at work preparing for the annual fashion show, Sea Me Now, to be held at 2 p.m. Monday, February 8 in the sanctuary of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church. The show will feature women's fashions currently on sale at the popular island thrift shop.

Event organizer Gari Lewis says Ark staffers and members of the Women of St. Michael's will model casual wear as well as more dressy items, "basically anything on sale that they love." She says that nautical-themed styles are especially plentiful.

The show, which has free admission, will include raffle giveaways of new, donated items and music by Sanibel pianist Scott McDonald. Longtime Ark shoppers attend the event dressed in outfits that they have purchased there.



**Gari Lewis and Pat Jones model nautical-themed clothing for the Noah's Ark Sea Me Now fashion show that will take place at 2 p.m. on February 8 at St. Michael and All Angels Church**

"The show is our way of thanking those who support the Ark," Lewis said.

During the show, the Women of St. Michael's will present a check to Nola Theiss, executive director of Human

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## Potluck Fiesta On Captiva



**Captiva Civic Association members gather around the buffet table at a potluck supper last year**

**T**he Captiva Civic Association's seasonal potluck supper will have a Latin flavor – both figuratively and literally.

It is labeled a Mexican Fiesta and the CCA is asking everyone to bring a Mexican-inspired side dish, salad or casserole on Saturday, January 30 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Captiva Civic Center, located at 11550 Chapin Lane.

The CCA will provide a main dish of mojo pork loin, dessert, sangria and the traditional

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**Participants in the 2015 SCC Super Bowl Bash**

## Super Bowl Bash For All Families And All Ages

**O**n Super Bowl Sunday, February 7, Sanibel Community Church Student Ministries Program H2O is hosting a Super Bowl Pre-Game Bash at The Sanibel School athletic fields. The event goes from 2:30 to 5:15 p.m. and includes a free lunch of hot dogs and burgers, a punt, pass and kick competition and a two-hand touch football game for all ages and skill levels, as well as the main event, a students vs. adults game for the Golden Football.

This event is free and is open to all ages. Younger children will have their own opportunity to play activities and games for their age level as well.

"Last year, the teens were victorious and won the rights to the Golden Football for the next year. This year, the youth leaders, along with other adults, are ready to claim their title as champions again," said Kevin Schafer, youth pastor. "We have the wraps, ice and heat packs ready for this year's game... we are confident that the adults can win it this year after last year's loss." He added, "We hope a lot of families can join us for this fun event – and adults too."

Students who would like more information about the Sanibel Community Church Student Ministries may contact Schafer at 472-2684. Grades six to eight meet every Wednesday in the youth center from 5 to 7 p.m. High school teens meet Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m.

Sanibel Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market).✱

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Looking Back:

## Elias Knight Carter Home



The History Gallery, developed by the Captiva Island Historical Society, features many photos like this. All ages are welcome to step aboard a wooden replica of the old mailboat, *Santiva*, to capture the spirit of Captiva and learn through graphic and video panels about the events and people that shaped the island. The history gallery is accessed through the Captiva Memorial Library, located on Chapin Lane, Captiva. It is open during library hours. This week's image is Elias Knight Carter's home on Captiva, location unknown. Elias Carter was a descendent of George Washington Carter, one of the first homesteaders on Captiva. The Carters farmed land at the north end of Captiva from 1898 to the early 1900s. photo archives of the Captiva Island Historical Society

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## Optimists' Sanibel Uncorked Is Set For March 6

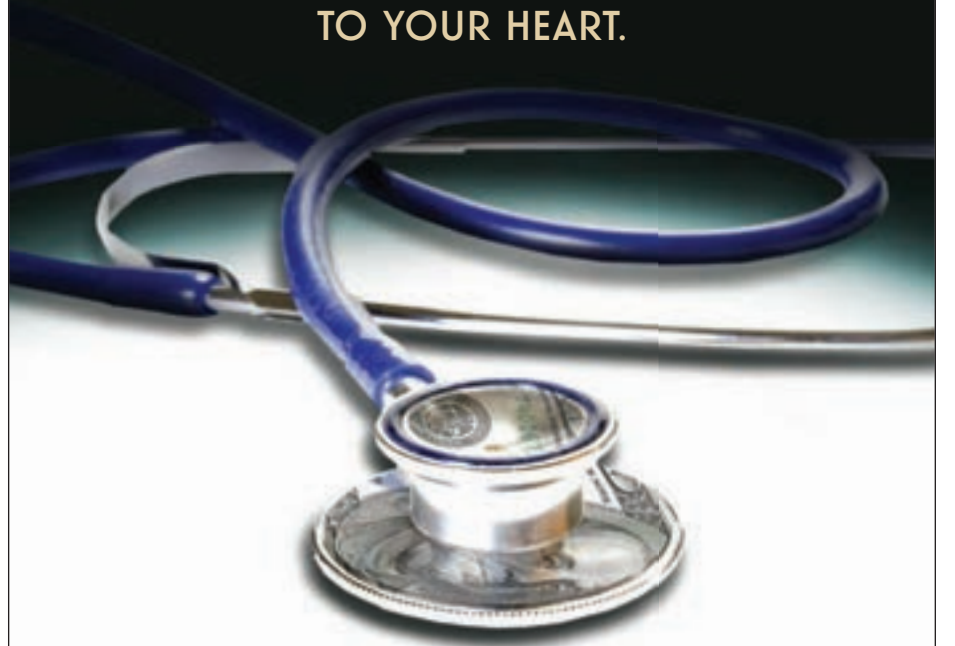
The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club's annual Wine and Food Fest – Sanibel Uncorked, will be held on Sunday, March 6 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Lily & Co. Jewelers, on Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel. There will be free valet parking as usual.

Distributors of many fine wines and craft beers will have tasting stations for

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A third city council priority is redevelopment, which must be framed within the Sanibel Plan. The mayor's occasional meetings with city father Porter Goss have illuminated possibilities and unforeseen limitations within the plan. One possible component of the city's redevelopment is a Civic Core. Currently, costs are being compiled and grants for funding are being explored. When this information is available and after public hearings, the



Building relationships off-island as well as on-island is viewed as a key to the city's success, legislatively and also for seeking grants. Council members actively seek positions on county, regional and state committees. They are keenly aware that of each dollar paid in property taxes, 13 cents go to Sanibel, the other 87 cents goes off-island. council's goal is to bring some of that money back to Sanibel. In addition to property taxes, Sanibel bed taxes contribute substantially to the County's Visitors and Convention Bureau. Inasmuch as the VCB agency promotes and advertises itself as "The Beaches of Sanibel and Fort Myers," the

Ruane reported that residents and guests alike are vexed by traffic. The Mayor has formed a committee of community leaders, including CASI president Linda Naton, to formulate solutions, which staff is now exploring. His message to the county's tourist industry has been to encourage guests to arrive early.

remain late and stay on Sanibel. Solutions that involve signage and hardscaping along county roads will take time to work through the DOT bureaucracy. The most immediate traffic solutions will come from technology. At this point, the short term solution is to influence the behavior of guests and residents by providing reliable traffic information in strategic ways. Data collected finds that traffic is lightest on Tuesdays and Sundays. Saturday is the worst day for traffic. In response to inquiries from the audience, the mayor said that public transportation – such as trolleys and buses – has been vetted at public meetings and those attending the meetings overwhelmingly objected to public transportation, which, Ruane noted, illustrates the importance of attending and



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speaking at such public city forums. Another question concerned AT&T on the cell tower. Although AT&T promised to have their dish mounted on the tower by year end 2015, that did not happen and they have stopped responding. Ruane is now encouraging residents and groups on the island to bombard AT&T with phone, text and e-mail messages. The person to contact is Maria Johnston, Regional Director, External Affairs at AT&T. Her phone number is 305-347-5481; mobile 305-582-9475; e-mail mariajohnston@att.com.

The financial impact of the Sanibel Recreation Center was questioned. The mayor responded that voters approved an \$8.3 million bond to build a new Rec Center; that bond has been paid down to \$5.8 million. The annual cost of the old recreation center was \$1.3 million a year which is the same amount in the current budget. To achieve this, fees at the center have been modestly increased.

In response to requests from CASI, Ruane has examined and supports extending permission for permeable pavers to more properties, noting that pavers add ambiance and value to properties. Staff has been directed to re-formulate the ordinance adopted 18 months ago for single family homes so that council can consider extending this benefit to multi-family and commercial properties.

The audience thanked the mayor and his wife, Doreen, for their service and sacrifice to the city, its residents and guests.

SanCap Management sponsored this CASI breakfast. Principal Sherry Snyder told those gathered that the newly-formed company provides condominium management services, as well as servicing the needs of owners who rent directly.

The next CASI breakfast will be held on Friday, February 26 at The Sundial Beach Resort & Spa and will feature City Manager Judie Zimomra.✱

## American Legion Post 123

On Sunday, January 31, American Legion Post 123 will serve corned beef and cabbage from 1 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$12 to \$14. On Tuesday, February 2, the Ladies Auxiliary will conduct their meeting beginning at 6 p.m.

On Sunday, February 7, Post 123 will host a Football Tailgate Party all day long, with a TV raffle, 9-Ball Tournament starting at 1 p.m. and lots of food.

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

Every Tuesday, tacos are served all day and on Fridays, it's a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich. There are daily specials as well as the popular half-pound burgers. Food is served from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. The public is welcome.

The Ladies Auxiliary has cookbooks available for a donation of \$15.

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

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

American Legion Post 123 is located at Mile Marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information, call 472-9979.✱



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## Captiva Community Meeting

The next meeting of the Captiva Community Panel will be at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, February 9 in the Cone Rooms at South Seas Island Resort, Captiva.

Those wishing to call in to hear the meeting may dial 877-603-2098, access code: 690183.

The Captiva Community Panel provides a public forum whereby Captiva property owners can present projects requiring variances and get feedback from and answer questions of the panel members and other Captiva neighbors attending the public meeting. The panel has no decision-making

authority on variance requests but does advise Lee County as to the point of view of the panel and the point of view expressed by other interested Captivans attending the public meeting at which the variance request was presented.✱

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# Vintage Fashion Show And Luncheon

submitted by Jeri Magg

On Wednesday, February 10, the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village will stage a Vintage Fashion Show at The Community House to help celebrate The Community House's importance to the history of Sanibel and Captiva.

This special occasion will showcase dressy fashions from the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s and 1950s. Models will portray many of the remarkable women who lived on Sanibel and Captiva during this period. Along with the fashions, wonderful stories about these women will be shared with guests. Parties, weddings and "fun-raisers" were always an important part of island life. Dottie Price Wakefield and Elnora Walker Gavin are just two of the women featured at this event.

Elnora Walker Gavin was born in Georgia in 1921, and moved to Sanibel with her parents and six siblings in 1926. In 1935, she married Edmond Gavin, and spent the next few decades raising 18 children. In 1985, the couple celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Her children and grandchildren have remained an integral part of the islands.

Dottie Price Wakefield was born in 1927 and grew up on Captiva, where her parents, Grace and Bowman Price, owned 'Tween Waters Inn. When she attended school



Dottie Wakefield



Edmond and Elnora Gavin

on Sanibel, there were six grades, two outhouses and one teacher. She met her husband Johnnie, a member of the United States Air Force, while he was stationed on the island. He ran the air-to-ground target range on Bowman's Beach. The couple had an island wedding at 'Tween Waters Inn in 1943, and many of their guests arrived by Air Force crash boats.

The vintage fashions for this show are courtesy of The Curiosity Shop in Fort Myers. Call The Community House at 472-2155 to make luncheon reservations. Tickets for the fashion show and luncheon are \$35 for SCA members and \$40 for non-members. Admission to the show only is \$20. Doors open at 11:30 a.m..✱✱

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## Sanibel Uncorked

guests to savor and compare the selections. In addition, a number of exceptional chefs will demonstrate methods for preparing some of their favorite dishes (with a taste for the onlookers). Guests will be served hors d'oeuvres to compliment the beverages.

A silent auction with many prizes will accompany the tastings. Items such as gourmet wines, jewelry, art work, hotel and golf packages and sports outings will be offered. There will also be an opportunity to bid on dinners prepared in your own home by several of the chefs present. A 50/50 raffle will be available also.

Tickets are available at Bailey's General Store, Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank, the Sanibel Café, at the door, and from members of the Optimist Club. Donation tickets are priced at \$30, \$25 for designated drivers.

Each paid guest receives an engraved, commemorative wine glass.

The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club is a non-profit organization with all proceeds from fundraising events going to help children in need. For more information call 472-0836 or visit [www.SanCapOptimist.org](http://www.SanCapOptimist.org).✱✱

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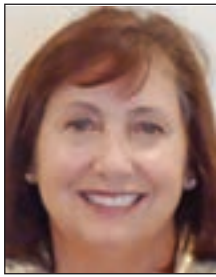
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# The Community House



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## Sanibel's New Reality Cooking Show

A cooking competition like no other is taking shape on Sanibel featuring five family chefs who were selected by a panel to be part of the inaugural Cooking with the Islands' Stars next month.

At 6 p.m. Wednesday, February 24, The Community House will be transformed into a reality cooking show atmosphere with music, lights, aromas of home cooked recipes and community spirit as residents and visitors help their favorite chef win a prize.

The public will have an opportunity to vote for their favorite chef by donating \$20, \$40, \$50, \$100, \$200 or more to help them win a television segment on *Real Food Real Kitchens*.

Rev. John Danner, the minister of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ; Carol Curcuro, who has a following of members of The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club; and Mary Romulus, who has been a dental hygienist on the island for 15 years will prepare their family's Italian dishes. A vegetarian dish will be prepared by artist Myra Roberts. The competition

will also include Bart Smith and Marc Yelenich, who will share their secrets of smoking meats.

In addition to the cooking, guests will be served appetizers and drinks from restaurants on the island including The Sanctuary Gold Club, The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club, The Jacaranda and Sanibel Catering Company by Bailey's.

Radio personalities Bennett and Birch will be the masters of ceremonies.

The chefs, who will be judged on their recipes, will discuss their techniques for a chance to be selected for the *Real Food Real Kitchens* Fall 2016 bookazine.

The judges include Craig Chapman, producer and director of *Real Food Real Kitchens*, who is supplying the prize of a television segment on his cable show to the family chef who raises the most money for The Community House; Melissa Talmage of Sweet Melissa's Cafe; and Marla Cohen, author, chef and spice company owner.

As the cooking comes to a close, Tommy Williams will put a few of The Community House kitchen items up for bid, followed by an intermission where guests will have desserts prepared by The Community House Kitchen Guild.

Additional items will be for sale, giving guests the opportunity to have their name displayed in the finished remodel of The Community House in November.

Chapman will share information about *Real Food Real Kitchens* while donations are counted. Winners will then be announced, as well as how much money was raised for the kitchen renovation.

Tickets are \$100 for assigned seating and \$125 for front row tasting seats. There are 20 front row seats available. For tickets, go to [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2491221](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2491221).

This is a fundraiser for The Community House kitchen remodel, which will cost \$300,000.

Sponsors include Mike Kelly, Billy's Rentals, Dan Hahn Custom Builders and Sanibel Design Center.

## Nutrition For Your Health

The instructor is Pamela B. Sullivan, RDN. Cost per session is \$10 for members, \$15 for guests.

Sullivan is a graduate of Cornell University with a degree in food and nutrition.

Sessions are:

- Super Greens – Thursday, February 11, 1 to 2 p.m. Learn the nutrition facts and health benefits of vegetables in your diet and preparation techniques to make greens a ritual in your menu planning.

- Healthful Snacking – Thursday, February 25, 1 to 2 p.m. Improve the nutritional value of your snacks with recipes featuring healthy ingredients.

- Anti-Inflammatory Foods – Thursday, March 10, 1 to 2 p.m. Discover foods with anti-inflammatory properties, their nutrition and health benefits, and how to include them in your meals.

## Shred Documents

Shred your unneeded documents and papers on Saturday, January 30, between 9 a.m. and noon at The Community House. Bring documents such as bank statements, credit cards receipts, old checks and income tax returns. Fee of \$5 for one or two boxes per car. Donations requested for more than two boxes. All proceeds go to The Community House operating fund.

## Shell Crafters

If you are interested in learning a new craft, join the Sanibel Shell Crafters. No experience is necessary. Lessons are free, all materials are provided but donations of shells are appreciated.

The group meets every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon (no classes in March). Dessert and coffee are provided, but bring a brown-bag lunch if you choose, as the regulars meet until 3 p.m.

All shell crafts made by volunteers are sold at the Sanibel Shell Festival in March to raise funds for operations.

## Silk Painting

Art instructor Jenny M. Licht will hold a silk pillow cover painting class on Monday, February 1 from 6 to 9 p.m. All materials



Painted silk pillow cover

are provided. Choose your design when you register and Licht will have it drawn on your pillow cover and ready for you to paint. Licht will take the pillow covers to her home for heat setting and washing and return them to The Community House (or to student for an additional shipping fee). Class size is limited.

Cost for members is \$70, guests are \$80 for one pillow cover. Two pillow covers can be made for an additional \$65 for members or \$75 for guests.

Pre-payment and registration required. Call 472-2155. Cancellation fees may apply. Minimum number of students required.

## 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 on the following Wednesdays:

- February 3, 6 to 8 p.m. Pain overriding your life? Loosen the congestion with Energy Medicine tools.

- March 9, 4 to 6 p.m. Use Energy Medicine tools to create movement and looseness for joints troubled by arthritis, stiffness and replacements.

- April 6, 6 to 8 p.m. Body, mind or spirit in overdrive? Unleash the innate ease with Energy Medicine

Semmelman, a matrimonial lawyer for 30-plus years, is an advanced Eden Energy practitioner, teacher and inspirational speaker.

For more information, email [ksemmelmanenergy@gmail.com](mailto:ksemmelmanenergy@gmail.com).

## Beading Classes

All ages are invited to learn the intricate art of beading with shells and other treasures of the sea with Anita Goyer. All supplies are included. If you wear reading glasses, you should bring them. There is a minimum of three students and a maximum of 10. Classes will be on Wednesdays: February 3, March 23, April 6 and April 20. Cost is \$35 for members and \$40 for guests. Advanced classes will be scheduled ad hoc for \$50 for three hours for members.

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## SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY HOUSE

<http://sanibelcommunityhouse.net/renovation-campaign/>



Tyler and Sue Schoenherr give \$30,000 to the Restoration campaign as they believe in the spirit of the house and want to be part of saving the house for future generations.

**\*57 Island Organizations use the facility to meet, share fun and laughter, fundraise, promote knowledge, and weave together the fabric of community.**

## Island Seniors At The Center 4 Life

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

**Sanibel-Captiva Heart Walk** – Carole Fallon, health professional and survivor, invites all Island Seniors and Center 4 Life members to join her team at the Sanibel-Captiva Heart Walk on Sunday, January 31. Stop by the center to sign up.

**Page Turners with Ann Rodman** – If you are not on the Page Turners list, and wish to be, email annrodman@aol.com or contact the Center 4 Life.

The featured book for Wednesday, February 10 is *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd. “Exhilarating... powerful... By humanizing these formidable women, *The Invention of Wings* furthers our essential understanding of what has happened among us as Americans – and why it still matters.” – *The Washington Post*.

**Sanibel Health Fair at the Center 4 Life** – Friday, January 29, 1 to 4 p.m.

Free screenings by health care professionals including memory screening, vein screening, balance test, pulse O2, vision test, blood pressure and glucose, skin cancer screening, hearing test, body mass index, plus ask the pharmacist.

There will be information about FISH of San-Cap, hospice services, heart health, advance directives, assisted living, brain health, injury prevention, in-home care, pharmaceuticals, skilled nursing care and other services. Senior resource guides, healthy snacks and door prizes will be provided.

**Edison & Ford Estates VIP Tour, Boat Cruise & Lunch** – Tuesday, February 2. Cost is \$65 for members and \$75 for non-members. This boat cruise river excursion will take passengers up the Caloosahatchee to the historic railroad bridge, with views of the island rookery filled with shorebirds. There will be a buffet lunch. Take a sneak peek inside Thomas Edison’s Seminole Lodge and Henry Ford’s The Mangoes. See rooms not seen on other tours, including the back areas of the laboratory. Advanced registration required. Registration deadline is Friday, January 29.

**Arts & Crafts Fair** – Saturday, February 6, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

More than 40 local vendors will be selling their creative designs. There will be pottery, shell designs, paintings, fabric art, jewelry, glass work, books, tropical plants, photography, wreaths, canned goods and plenty of other items. Sponsored by the Center 4 Life and Island Seniors, Inc. There will be a bargain priced hot dog lunch available.

### Games

Cost for all games is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes are awarded.

**Bridge** – Monday and Wednesday at 1 p.m.

**Mahjongg** – Thursday at 1 p.m.

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

**Hand & Foot** – Thursday at 1 p.m.  
**Intermediate Bridge Lessons** – Refresh your Bridge playing skills with Christl and Bruce Smith. Class is limited to 16 students. Cost is \$5 for members per class, \$10 for non-members per class. Advance registration is required.

• **Strong Opening Bids** – Monday, February 15, 9 to 11:30 a.m. The use of a 2 of clubs bid to indicate an opening hand of 22 or more points. Discussion items are: the Strong artificial 2 of clubs bid; bids by Responder; rebids by Opener; and the 2 NT bid.

• **Slam Bidding** – Wednesday, February 17, 9 to 11:30 a.m. Small and Grand Slam bidding requirements. Discussion items are: How high and where; the Blackwood convention; and the Gerber Convention.

**Beginner Bridge Basics Lessons with Christl & Bruce Smith** – 9 to 11:30 a.m., February 1, 2, 3 and 4; Cost is \$12.50 for members and \$25 for non-members. Class is limited to eight students and you must be able to attend all four classes. Advanced registration is required.

**Learn to Play Mahjongg with Katie Reid** – 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., February 8 to 12. Cost is \$12.50 for members, \$25 for non-members. Class is limited to eight students. You must be able to attend all five classes. All supplies are provided. Contact the center to reserve your seat.

**Tuesday Kayaking** – February 2 and 4 (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. and 11 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, continued on page 16

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The Sanibel Captiva Optimist Club held its annual Island Temptations drawing on December 18 at The Sanibel Grill (Timbers). This year, two winners shared the prizes of gift certificates donated by island restaurants totaling \$1,000 for each winner.

Many thanks are owed to the thirty-one restaurants that donated: American Legion Post 123, Sanibel Sprout, Zebra Frozen Yogurt, The Jacaranda, Sweet Melissa's, Timbers, Traditions on the Beach, Sanibel Fish House, The Sandbar, Lighthouse Café, The Great White Grill, Bennett's Fresh Roast, Starfish Grill, Sanibel Sweet Shoppe, Rosie's Grill, Sanibel Deli, Traders, The Clam Shak, Over Easy Café, The Bubble Room, Cheeburger Cheeburger, Doc Ford's, Lazy Flamingo, Pinocchio's Original Italian Ice Cream, Sanibel Café, Cip's, George & Wendy's Seafood Grille, Island Pizza, Bailey's General Store and The Pecking Order.

The funds received for donation tickets are being used for the need of kids, the main activity of the San-Cap Optimist Club.✽

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## Mardi Gras

Captiva Community Bank. Organizers say it's not too late to become a donor to assist in CHR's mission of providing affordable housing on Sanibel.

To donate or purchase tickets, visit SanibelCHR.org/mardi-gras-2016, or call 472-1189.

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For more information, call Arlene Dillon at 472-4932 or Melissa Rice at 398-0404 or visit SanibelCHR.org/Mardi-Gras-2016.

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

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## Noah's Ark

Trafficking Awareness Partnerships of Fort Myers.

Judy Pryor, chair of the allocations committee, says, "We are delighted that the phenomenal success of the Ark enables us to award grants to such critically important causes."

The modeled clothing will be offered for sale at a reception following the show in the parish hall.

In operation for more than 50 years, Noah's Ark is run by the Women of St. Michael's. Proceeds from Ark sales, coupled with the monies from the parish's annual budget, go to numerous local, regional and global charities. To inquire about the activities of the Women of St. Michaels or Noah's Ark, contact women's president Norma Emerson or Rector Ellen Sloan at 472-2173 or log onto saintmichaels-sanibel.org. The church is at 2304 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.✽

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## Potluck Fiesta

CCA bar, all for \$10 per person, payable at the door. CCA members or those interested in exploring the organization are all invited.

While enjoying the food, fiesta and fellowship, attendees can also view an exhibition of historical Southwestern Florida photographs taken by Julian and AW Dimock. The black and white photos, taken between 1904 and 1913, are part of the American Museum of Natural History collection.

On February 17 – the final day of the exhibition – Jerald Milanich will visit the Captiva Civic Center to show photographs and discuss his two books *Enchantments: Julian Dimock's Early Florida Photographs* and *Hidden Seminole: Julian Dimock's Historic Florida Photographs*.

The show can be viewed Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Civic Center, located at 11550 Chapin Lane, or by appointment by calling 472-2111.

To make reservations for the Mexican Fiesta, RSVP to Erin at 472-2111 or erin@ccaCaptiva.org.✽

## Police Report Condo Burglaries

Sanibel Police Department has reported that three condominium rental units located along the beach have been burglarized two Saturdays in a row, January 16 and January 23. These burglaries occurred between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Two of these condos were occupied at the time of the burglary.

"We are looking for a male, approximately 20 to 30 years of age, approximately 6 feet tall, slender,

wearing all black," said a police spokesperson. These burglaries happened on East Gulf Drive and West Gulf Drive. All of the units were unlocked.

Police Chief Bill Tomlinson said "All of the burglaries could have been avoided if people had locked their doors."

He advises residents and visitors to take precautionary measures to safeguard their property and valuables by making sure to lock all doors and windows and to hide all valuables.

Chief Tomlinson requests that if any suspicious persons or activity is observed or if anyone has any information that could help solve these crimes, to call the department at 472-3111 or dial 911 in case of a life-threatening emergency.✽

## Worship Service

All are welcome as Sanibel Community Church celebrates one combined worship service under the big tent at the back of its church campus on Sunday, January 31 beginning at 10 a.m.

The service will include the pledges to the flags and the Bible led by Sanibel's new scout troop. Worship will be a blend of traditional hymns led by the Chancel Choir and contemporary songs led by the Contemporary Praise Team. A special children's moment will be given for all of the children, including a special gift for each child. Pastor Daryl Donovan will preach a practical and encouraging message about God's grace. The service will conclude with the Lord's Supper.

Following the service under the big tent, there will be a potluck picnic on the church grounds. All are welcome to stay for the feast. Overflow parking, with shuttle service will be available at Bank of the Islands.

Sanibel Community Church is a non-denominational evangelical congregation serving the islands for more than 100 years. The church campus is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market). For more information, call 472-2684 or visit [www.sanibelchurch.com](http://www.sanibelchurch.com).✽



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## Open House For New Captiva Fire Station March 5

On Saturday, March 5, the Captiva Island Fire Control District's new headquarters – located at 14981 Captiva Drive – will stage an open house to welcome the community to their new fire station. The open house will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

Captiva's new 6,110-square-foot facility includes three bays for fire trucks and emergency vehicles (the previous station had two bays), an administration building with living quarters, offices, reception area, treatment rooms, a training room and break rooms.

During the open house, tours of the facility will be given in addition to displays of firefighting tools and equipment, family activities and a cookout, with complimentary food and refreshments.✱

### CORRECTION

In the December 18, 2015 issue of the *Island Sun*, in a series of photos titled Students Rewarded For Quarterly Reading Scores, caption information stated that snow cones were given as a reward for "achieving high scores in their quarterly reading retention test." According to reading coach Wendy Wassman, the reward was given for "students meeting their goals for reading informational text."✱✱



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For information call President Martin  
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Meets on the first Sunday of each month  
from December through April at the  
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at a member's home on the third Sunday  
of each month. email [ryi39@aol.com](mailto:ryi39@aol.com) or  
433-4901.✽

## February Prayer And Potluck

St. Michael and All Angels  
Episcopal Church invites islanders  
and island visitors to its regular  
First Wednesday Prayer and Potluck at  
6 p.m. on February 3. The gathering  
meets first in the church sanctuary for a  
half-hour devotional service.

The service, Remembering Friends,  
is a meditation on the value of friends  
in our lives and of angels in the helping  
professions who use their talents to advise  
and sustain us. It features a reading of the  
Luke story of a paralyzed man who met  
Jesus with the help of friends who low-  
ered him into a room through a roof.

The service will also feature a solo per-  
formance by soprano Debi Almeida, who  
will sing *The Covenant*, accompanied by  
pianist Jan Holly.

The congregation will join together  
for prayers and hymn singing. Organizer  
and lead reciter is Gillian Bath. Diane  
McGinley will also serve as reciter.

The potluck dinner follows at 6:30  
p.m. in the parish hall. Diners share their



**Soprano Debi Almeida will sing at the St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church's February Prayer and Potluck service**

photo by Jan Holly

recipes at a buffet. Everyone is welcome  
and all are asked to bring their favorite  
dish to the dinner, with dinnerware if  
possible.

For more information, call the church  
at 472-2173. The church is located at  
2304 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel.✽

## OBITUARY



### ROBERT (BOB) CHENEY

Robert (Bob) Cheney passed away  
on January 19, 2016. Born in  
1947 in New Britain, Connecticut  
to Robert and Mary Cheney, graduate  
of New Britain High, where he was  
captain on the basketball team, and  
married his childhood sweetheart, Sally.  
Later, they moved to Fort Lauderdale  
and raised a family. Bob attended Fort  
Lauderdale University and graduated  
with a BA degree in business. He had a  
longtime career in the furniture business  
and as property manager on Sanibel.

As a Sanibel resident and member of  
Kiwanis, Bob also loved fishing, golf and  
all types of sports. Bob and Sally loved  
walking the beach with their cockapoo,  
Bo Diddle. He was a loving husband,  
father, son and brother, a gentle giant  
who was loved by so many.

He is survived by his wife, Sally,  
daughter Jennifer "Sunshine" Cheney

## OBITUARY



### DANIEL VOLTSMANN

Daniel Voltmann, a resident of  
Sanibel, peacefully passed away  
on January 20, 2016. Dan  
was a loving and caring father to son  
Zachary Voltmann and daughter Sarah  
Johnston (Matthew). He found true love  
with Candy Scothorn, his "heart and  
soul," and loved the life they shared on  
the island. He was also an interesting,  
lovable and loyal friend to so many in  
the area and back in his hometown of  
Buffalo, New York. Dan had a way mak-  
ing people around him feel comfortable  
and loved, and his kind hearted and  
easy going spirit will live on through  
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## Community House Colorful Sips



*Pelican a la van Gogh*

Evening art and wine parties with local artist Sissi Janku are designed to encourage the artist within to complete a masterpiece. Member price is \$45, non-members, \$55. Classes will be held on the following Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m.: February 3, February 17, March 16, April 6 and April 20.

No experience is necessary. All materials will be provided. Bring your favorite wine and a snack for sharing.

## Wood Painting



Hand painted wooden tray

Art instructor Jenny M. Licht will show you how to paint a sea turtle on a wooden tray on Monday, February 8 from 6 to 9 p.m. All materials are provided. Cost for members is \$60, guests are \$70. Pre-payment and registration required. Call 472-2155. Cancellation fees may apply. Minimum number of students required.

## Fashion Show And Luncheon

See historic fashions and hear anecdotes about the women who were part of the formation of The Community House on Wednesday, February 10, beginning at noon.

Cost for members is \$35 including lunch, guests are \$40; \$20 show only. Pre-payment and registration required. Pre-payment due by Friday, February 5 for lunch. Call 472-2155. Cancellation fees may apply.

The nonprofit partner is Sanibel Historical Museum & Village.

## Love Your iPhone/iPad

The course covers set-up, navigation, use of the Cloud, exploration of high value apps and how to utilize Siri. Cost is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members.

Classes are from 9:30 to 11 a.m. with an hour open for questions. Beginner classes are on Thursdays: February 11 and April 7. The intermediate class is on Thursday, March 10. Update your iPhone's operating system to the most recent iOS option prior to class.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. For information and reservations, visit [www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net](http://www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net) or call 472-2155.\*

## Mental Health Presentations At Sanibel Church

Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ will host two programs in which guest speakers will discuss aspects of mental health specific to their areas of expertise. Both presentations will be held in Fellowship Hall starting at 12:45 p.m. A light lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. prior to the each session.



Marcel Saghir

During the program on Sunday, February 7, Dr. Marcel Saghir will discuss his experience treating patients with psychiatric illnesses. His enlightening presentation, *Psychiatric Illness Today: Present Status and Future Possibilities*, will equip the audience with knowledge about mental health and psychiatry's role in dealing with mental illness.

Dr. Saghir is a retired psychiatrist who practiced adult psychiatry at the prestigious Barnes Hospital in St. Louis for more than 40 years. His relaxed demeanor and humor, as well as his extensive experience in working with the elderly, will contribute to a very meaningful session for all.

Then on Sunday, February 14, Cindi Ryerson, RN, BSN, will present *Memory Strategies*, one of her most popular interactive lectures. She has extensive experience working with the elderly who have dementia and Alzheimer's disease. The brain fitness center she established in Bonita Springs is the base from which she and her staff provide the community with important tools for maintaining memory and optimum brain health. This session will be fun, informative and life-changing.

These programs are free and open to the public. However, anyone who'd like to attend is asked to sign up by January 31, either on the sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall or by calling the church office at 472-0497.\*

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## Barefoot Academy

Take an in-depth look at Sanibel's marine ecosystems, led by marine biologist Dr. Bruce Neill. Program time will be split between the classroom and the field. Wednesdays, 9 am – 12 pm at Sanibel Sea School.

- 1/20/2016: Endangered Species: Creatures that need our care
- 1/27/2016: Juvenile Horseshoe Crabs: One of Sanibel's best-kept secrets
- 2/3/2016: Seahorses: The ocean's own Mr. Mom
- 2/10/2016: Gopher Tortoises and Bailey's General Store: Grazing the historical aisles
- 2/17/2016: Spring Break! (No class scheduled today)
- 2/24/2016: Blind Pass: The ever-changing opening
- 3/2/2016: The Canals of Sanibel's East End: Secret island passages
- 3/9/2016: The Causeway Islands: A man-made paradise

## Fishing from a Biological Perspective

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Fridays 2/5, 2/12, 2/26 and 3/4/2016, 1 – 4 pm at the Sanibel Sea School.

## Evening Lecture Series: Understanding the Ocean Around Us

Learn more about the waters that surround us in a casual classroom setting. 6:30 – 8 pm at the Sanibel Recreation Center (Heron Room). FREE.

- 2/3/2016: What's so Amazing about Sand Dollars?
- 2/10/2016: Solving Sanibel's Sand Dollar Mysteries: What we've learned so far
- 2/24/2016: How to be a Better Ocean Steward: What is truly important?
- 3/2/2016: Sea Level Change: What every islander should know and do

## Saturday Beach Walks

Come along for a guided Saturday morning stroll to discover what has washed ashore. Led by marine biologist Dr. Bruce Neill. 2/13 and 3/12/2016, 9 – 11 am at Sanibel Sea School. FREE.

To register or learn more, visit [www.sanibelseaschool.org](http://www.sanibelseaschool.org) or call (239) 472-8585.

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Chloe Abellar loved the sweet, gooey, chocolatey taste of a s'mores at Logos Survivor Camp Night

## Survivor Camp Night At Church

The LOGOS kids gathered on Wednesday, January 20 in eager anticipation of the upcoming summer camping program. They will experience a four-day, three-night camp at Riverside Retreat in Alva.

The theme was Survivor Camp Night. After a foil dinner of burger, potatoes, bacon and cheese all melted together plus and apple sauce, they savored s'mores. Then the Family Fun Time game was on. Which team could seize the win in a spirited game of Red Rover Bean Bag Toss, one of their favorite camp games.

Families with children who age three through 5th grade are welcome to join LOGOS each Wednesday from 3:30 to 7 p.m.

For information about registration, contact Kathy Cramer at 472-2684.✱

## Two Clergy And Congregations Share Pulpit



Rabbi Myra Soifer II



John H Danner

Pastor John Danner and Rabbi Myra Soifer refer to it as a Pulpit Exchange Weekend. Pastor Danner preaches at Temple Bat Yam's Shabbat Service on Friday, January 29, at 7:30 p.m.; Rabbi Soifer preaches at two of the services, 9 and 11 a.m., at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ. But the reality is, at least in terms of furniture, there is only one actual pulpit. The two religious leaders and their respective congregations share the same building and the same sanctuary.

Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, founded in the mid-seventies, built the church facility in 1986, but ever since its inception 25 years ago as the only Jewish congregation on Sanibel, Temple Bat Yam has called the same building home as well.

While not a unique arrangement, it is unusual for two congregations of two different faith traditions to share a space. Pastor Danner points to the practicality of the arrangement: "Bat Yam worships on Friday nights, when most of my parishioners are home or at the movies! We worship on Sunday mornings, when Bat Yam congregants are enjoying their Sunday newspaper and brunch!" He also notes, however, the real significant symbol that such an arrangement provides. "The world needs to know," he says, "that people of different beliefs can live and work together in harmony."

Rabbi Soifer offers her own take on the arrangement as well. "The mutual learning that happens as a result of our sharing life together in this manner is outstanding!"

Indeed, the two clergy have joined forces to present various educational programs for their congregations as well as for other interested members of the wider community. Over the month of January, for instance, they have been participating in a three-week course titled "After Abraham," and along with Imam Mohamed Al-Darsani of the Islamic Center for Peace, Fort Myers, they have explored a variety of theological issues from the varying perspectives of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Additionally, both congregations are founding partners in Sanibel's annual Shared Scholar Lecture Series.

Rabbi Soifer was one of the first 10 women ordained as rabbi after Reform Judaism accepted them in 1972. Born in 1950 in Miami, Soifer attended Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin, earned a master of arts in Hebrew Letters at Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati in 1977 and was ordained there a year later. She served as student rabbi at the Jewish Community Center in Union City, Tennessee, and at Temple Beth Shalom in Charlotte, North Carolina, before becoming assistant rabbi in New Orleans in 1978. She served Temple Sinai in Reno beginning in 1984 until she formally retired after 25 years there. Rabbi Soifer began her tenure at Temple Bat Yam in 2013.

Pastor Danner has served at the church since January of 2010. Dr. Danner has degrees from Bradford (Massachusetts) College and the University of Maine Theological Seminary and a PhD in Religious Studies from Boston University. Dr. Danner was ordained in 1980 by the United Church of Christ. He is a Fellow in the American Association of Pastoral Counselors and has studied at the Shalem Institute of Spiritual Formation. He served congregations in New England, New York and New Jersey before moving to Sanibel. He has contributed to two volumes of liturgical materials and has been published in The Christian Century and other journals.

All services, both Friday night and Sunday morning, are open to the public. The church and synagogue are both located at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, Florida. For further information contact the church office at 472-0497.✱

## Church Book Sale

The popular Recycled Book Sale at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ will be open to the public on Sunday, January 31 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Included in the sale will be gently used books, CDs, DVDs and assorted small gift items. Most of the books are priced from 50 cents to \$1, except for newer editions.

Proceeds from the sale will be donated to local non-profit agencies offering support for children, women and families.

Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ is located at 2050 Periwinkle Way, across the street from Periwinkle Place Shopping Center.✱

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## Center 4 Life

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.✱

## BIG ARTS Women's Seminar

### Panel Discussion On LGBT Issues

As part of the BIG ARTS Women's Seminar, there will be a panel discussion entitled Coming Out and Beyond: Parent and Gay Perspectives, on Thursday, February 4 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Phillips Gallery. Introduced by Carol Scheiber and moderated by Charles Lindholm, PhD, professor emeritus of anthropology at Boston University, it will deal with issues that gay, lesbian and bisexual people continue to deal with despite the U.S. Supreme Court's latest decision which legalized gay marriage. The panel will consist of parents of gay people and the founder and co-president of the Fort Myers PFLAG group (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays). After the first hour of presentations, refreshments will be served, followed by a Q&A session which will include gay students from local colleges who will be guests of BIG ARTS.

The public is invited but you should arrive early as seating is limited. There is a guest fee of \$5 per person for the use of the gallery. Pick up your ticket at the BIG ARTS office, 900 Dunlop Road.✱

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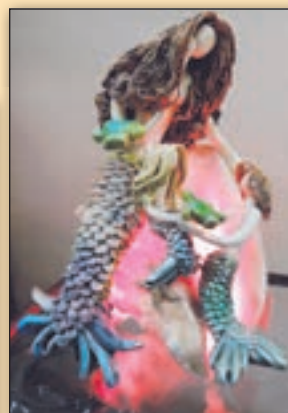
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### The City That Almost Wasn't & the Sanibel Plan — Feb. 3

The City of Sanibel was the first in the country to adopt a comprehensive land use plan based on the island's natural systems. Learn about the City's creation and the shaping of its future through the Sanibel Report. Wednesday, February 3 at 1 p.m. \$5 adults.

### Gator & Crocodile Tales — February 3

Florida's history of gators and humans is closely intertwined, and Sanibel has one crocodile. Learn about what we must do to ensure our safety and their survival. Wednesday, February 3 at 10 a.m. \$5 adults

### Watershed Adventure at the Babcock Ranch — Feb. 4

In 2006 the State of Florida and Lee County purchased 73,239 Acres of the 91,361-acre Crescent B Ranch, now called The Babcock Ranch Preserve. The Preserve protects regionally important water resources with outflow into the Caloosahatchee river. The beautiful Telegraph Cypress Swamp and Telegraph Creek are at the heart of this preserve. Join SCCF for a Watershed Adventure and swamp buggy tour of this working ranch on Thursday, February 4. \$40 with lunch included. Reservations are required. Call 472-2329. For more information, ask for Dee.

### Coming up next week...

Lighthouse Beach, Bay & Birds — Feb. 10

\*Wildflower & Pollinator Walk at the Bailey Homestead — Feb. 9

Weeds, Seeds & Birds at the Preserves — Feb. 8

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### SCCF's Native Landscapes & Garden Center

Come visit our Native Landscapes & Garden Center at their new location at the Bailey Homestead Preserve, 1300 Periwinkle Way. The larger space now offers demonstration gardens of different island habitats. Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Sat.

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## Garden Club Holds Fundraiser

The Shell Islands Garden Club held its annual fundraiser auction on January 12 at The Community House. The money collected provides financial support to many foundations on Sanibel along with other garden related societies.

Long time member Fay Carney was the auctioneer who encouraged bids from members

and guests to generate a healthy addition to the club's treasury. The organizing committee was chaired by Maggie Butcher and Jeannine Brinkerhoff along with members Dotty Mount, Linda Miller, Karen Alleger and Pat Haggerty. Hospitality co-chairs Nancy DeBenedictis and Judy Harding and committee provided desserts and drinks along with the lunch brought by each member. Other members helping to make this event a success were Sally Parsons, Barbara Wilgus, Anita Smith, Gerri Perkins, Sandie Travas, Margie Lee, Peg McGann, Mimie DiRico, Kathy Veratti and Chris Salerno.

The club thanks all the members for its many donations and the following businesses for their support: Suncatchers' Dream, RS Walsh Landscaping, SCCF, Judy Hicks' Bromeliads and The Mad Hatter Restaurant.\*



Dotty Mount, Nancy DiBenedictis and Maggie Butcher

## Sanibel Sea School To Celebrate 10 Years At Octifest On The Beach

Sanibel Sea School's annual fundraiser, Octifest on the Beach, will be held on Saturday, March

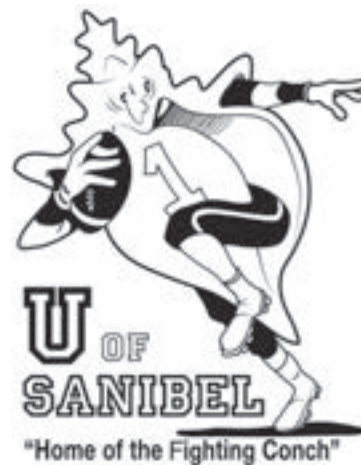
19. The 501(c)3 nonprofit organization is celebrating 10 years of providing outstanding ocean education programs in Southwest Florida, and the event committee is planning a very special evening for all who attend.

The event is unique among island fundraisers for its bayside location on Causeway Island A, where guests enjoy sunset views over San Carlos Bay and an evening of stargazing. Once again this year, there will be great music, a delicious and sustainable dinner, and a variety of opportunities to support the school's ocean conservation mission, along with a few 10th birthday surprises.

"It's hard to believe that 10 years have gone by," said the school's Executive Director, Dr. Bruce Neill, "We are so thankful to our community of supporters, who have made it possible for us to help thousands of kids fall in love with the ocean."

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## Audubon Bird Walk

The next Sanibel-Captiva Audubon bird walk will be Saturday, January 30 at The Bailey Tract. Participants must note a new place to meet. Take Island Inn Road across from Bailey's General Store and meet at the back entrance to the Bailey Tract at 8 a.m. Free parking is offered in the field. These bird walks are open to the public and all levels of experience. A \$2 donation is appreciated. Call Hugh Verry at 395-3798 for details.\*



Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling at work at the desk that is on display in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center

## Refuge To Air Film Sneak Peek

Another chapter in the Jay Norwood "Ding" Darling story will unfold on Tuesday, February 9 at the free sneak preview of the film *Darling Is Back* in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center at J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel. The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) is co-hosting the 1 p.m. showing.

The film, produced by Marvo Entertainment Group, makes the connection between Darling's life in Iowa and Florida. Director Samuel Koltinsky, who also brought the bio-documentary *America's Darling* to the refuge in 2012, follows the grassroots restoration of Lake Darling State Park in Brighton, Iowa.

Darling, a two-time Pulitzer Prize winning political cartoonist, lived much of his life in Iowa, where he created for the *Des Moines Register*. Like "Ding" Darling Refuge, the Iowa state park pays homage to the strong conservation ethic apparent in his cartoons.

Darling later served as the head of the U.S. Biological Survey, precursor to today's U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS). While in office, he inaugurated the Federal Duck Stamp Program to purchase wetlands for preservation. He designed the first duck stamp and the blue goose logo still used by the FWS.

"In November of 2013, I made my way to Brighton, Iowa, the day after learning of the death of my friend and mentor, Christopher 'Kip' Koss, Jay N. 'Ding' Darling's grandson," said Koltinsky. "I called Andrea, Kip's wife, and asked 'should I continue my journey?' She agreed that Kip would want me to continue with my plans to visit the small rural community."

The filmmaker discovered that Lake Darling was dying and that a local orga-

nization was working to restore it and the park. He decided to document the project for Iowa Public Television.

"Our story is one for the nation and demonstrates what communities can do when working together in the good ol' Darling way," Koltinsky said. "The documentary also features footage from 1950 when 'Ding' was attending the Lake Darling Park opening. What a treasure! 'Ding' Darling Refuge manager Paul Tritaik is also featured in the show, along with a host of others who have helped to enrich the continuing legacy of Jay. N. 'Ding' Darling."

Admission to the film preview is free and on a first-come basis.\*

## Old Glory Flies Again

The American flag that since May 2014 has flown from the Verizon cell phone tower on Donax Road, Sanibel, is now back and flying high.

The City of Sanibel has received many calls of concern since the flag was temporarily removed due to a broken halyard.

City Manager Judie Zimomra reported that as of Tuesday morning, Verizon had completed this repair, which required a high lift be brought on to the island.

The cell phone tower, at Sanibel's request, was designed to look like a flagpole and, other than during turtle nesting season, the stars and stripes flies from it by means of a special pulley system.\*

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- ¼ teaspoon fresh ground black pepper
- ¼ cup dry white wine
- fresh Florida dill for garnish (optional)

Rinse fillets; pat dry with a paper towel. Score the skin side of fillets with a sharp knife. Coat fillets with rice flour; set aside. Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a large sauté pan over medium-high heat. Add fennel, onion, carrot and garlic and sauté for 5 to 6 minutes until vegetables are tender and slightly browned. Stir in dill, salt, pepper and wine; cook for 1 minute more. Remove fennel-carrot sauté to a serving platter; keep warm. Wipe pan clean and heat remaining oil over medium-high heat. Sauté fillets 3 to 4 minutes per side until browned and cooked through. Serve fillets and vegetables garnished with fresh dill.

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## CROW Case Of The Week:

## Red-Tailed Hawk Needs Special Medicine



by Patricia Molloy

A red-tailed hawk was found down and unable to fly. The injured bird was wrapped in a towel and driven to CROW by a good Samaritan. The adult male was admitted as patient #16-143.

"He has kind of a strange history: just down, don't really know why. He's bright and alert and very mentally aware, but he can't really stand," said Dr. Andrea. "He's got motor sensation in his limbs, but he doesn't have a really good perching reflex. When I was trying to get him to talon a pen, he just stood there."

While palpating the hawk's right wing during its entrance exam, Dr. Andrea detected two hard objects under the skin. Radiographs revealed that the tiny pellets were metal: the hawk appeared to have been hit with buckshot.

"One is clearly just superficial and I just need to pull it out. It's under a layer of skin so I just couldn't get it without irritating him because he was awake. The other one looks like it might be in the bone. My plan is to (anesthetize) him and try to get those out," she explained.

While the hawk's blood work looks relatively normal, Dr. Andrea fears that the patient may have developed lead poisoning from the buckshot.

"To cause lead toxicity, you have to ingest lead. Just being shot with lead isn't going to cause lead toxicity, but he's showing neurological signs (consistent with the condition) so it's on my list. Just because you don't see that



Radiographs revealed tiny pellets imbedded in the right wing of this red-tailed hawk. As a result of being shot, it is too weak to perch but is alert and mentally aware. The patient (#16-143) will undergo more tests, including one for lead toxicity. CROW does not have the funds to purchase the medicine it needs to treat lead toxicity.

they have ingested it, doesn't mean he didn't. And the problem is that we don't really have the medication we would need to treat lead toxicity, if that's what it turns out to be. It's expensive. So, I'm trying to see if we can figure out a way around that issue."

If you would like to help this red-tailed hawk get the medicine that he needs to make a full recovery, go to CROW's website ([www.CrowClinic.org](http://www.CrowClinic.org)) and click on

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by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Plan on going fishing when the weather is as cold and windy as this past week was? To catch fish in these far from perfect weather conditions that we have been

dealing with, target the one species that feeds best during these nasty days: the sheepshead. Coolers full of these striped porgies are hitting fillet tables – then dinner tables – everywhere. Although sheepshead are not one of our more glamorous species, they can be relatively easy to catch, fight well on light tackle and make for great action – and a great meal – when no other

species will even think about taking a bait. When I have to catch fish during the worst the winter throws at us, the sheepshead is the go-to fish.

Our annual winter sheepshead spawn is now in full swing. Fishing for them has been on fire and will continue to go off all next month, too. Sheepshead are a shore anglers' delight and can be successfully caught in huge numbers from the many docks, piers, bridges and jetties throughout the area. The Sanibel Fishing Pier, Blind Pass bridge and the causeway are just a few of the places that quickly come to mind. Any coastal structure is holding fish; the bigger the structure, the more fish it will attract and hold. Along the beaches, look for blow downs to be loaded up with schools of sheepshead that during clear, calm water periods can even be sight-fished.

Take advantage of the coldest windy conditions Mother Nature throws at us, tough it out and go fish one of the well known sheepshead landing spots. If you can take the cold, this can be some of the best sheepshead fishing of the year. And better yet, during bad weather, you



The biggest one of the week, a 21-inch sheepshead

will often have it all to yourself. Hands down, shrimp catch more sheepshead than any other bait as they are the most easily accessible, although the true die-hard sheepshead fisherman swear by sand fleas, barnacles, oysters, tube worms and fiddler crabs to catch a real "Sheepzilla."

After just starting to think we might have escaped the worst of winter, this past two weeks our winter weather arrived in a major way, bringing dangerous thunderstorms, record

January rainfall, strong winds and cold front after cold front. No matter what the rest of our winter weather pattern holds for us, we can still go catch sheepshead until conditions improve.

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

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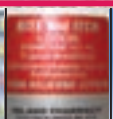
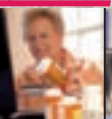
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Beau's vitrinella, *Cyclostremiscus beaulti*, in three views  
Shell Of The Week

Beau's Vitrinella



by José H. Leal, PhD, The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum Science Director & Curator  
**B**eau's vitrinella, *Cyclostremiscus beaulti* (P. Fischer, 1857), at about

12 mm in diameter (about 0.5 inch), is most likely the largest local member of the micro-gastropod family Tornidae, commonly known as vitrinellas. Small sizes, sometimes never reaching beyond 1/8 inch, and strong similarity among species render vitrinellas difficult to study, but the "larger" size, characteristically "keeled" shell outline, and typical spiral cords make Beau's vitrinella relatively easy to identify. This species lives in deeper waters off Southwest Florida, but empty shells may be found along our local beaches. Learn more about local shells in the museum's website ([www.shellmuseum.org](http://www.shellmuseum.org)).

photos by José H. Leal  
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## Plant Smart

## Satinleaf

by Gerri Reaves

**S**atinleaf (*Chrysophyllum oliviforme*) is a wildlife-friendly evergreen tree native to South Florida's hammocks and pinelands. Many native-plant experts and enthusiasts agree that this tree should be planted more because of its ornamental and environmental value.

Although this member of the sapote family is widely cultivated for residential and commercial landscapes, its population in the wild justifies a "threatened" listing in the State of Florida. It is also on Lee County's Protected Tree List.

The tree's other common names include wild star-apple, damson plum and olive plum.

It can reach 40 feet or higher in South Florida, with an upright slender trunk with rough and thin reddish brown bark. It can also be trained as a shrub.

The crown is narrow and symmetrical and the branches arching.

The oval evergreen leaves are pointed and measure two to six inches long.

A breeze fluttering through the leaves creates a lovely effect, as their satiny bronze undersides – a coating of dense hairs – contrast with the glossy dark-green



**Threatened native satinleaf's leaves have bronzy undersides and dark-green uppersides.**

They are used medicinally to treat cuts and abrasions. The fragrant five-lobed yellow-white flowers appear in inconspicuous clusters at the leaf-stem junctions. They bloom sporadically during the year but peak in summer to fall.

The small, olive-shaped purple-black fruit are sweet, edible, and full of milky latex juice. They are about an inch long and contain one or two seeds.

The rubbery skins can be chewed like chewing gum, and the fruit, can be used to make jam or left on the tree for wildlife.

Satinleaf has a slow to moderate growth rate and is long-lived. Other assets include moderate drought tolerance and disease-, pest- and storm-resistance.

It is virtually maintenance-free, but has low tolerance for salt water, salt wind or cold.

The tree prefers moist fertile well-drained soil in full sun to partial shade. Use it as a specimen, accent, background plant, or shade tree.

Satinleaf is a bit difficult to cultivate from the seeds, so it might be a species you'll want to purchase from a native-plant nursery.

Sources: *Florida Plants for Wildlife* by Craig N. Huegel, *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell, *The Shrubs and Woody Vines of Florida* by Gil Nelson, *Wild Plants for Survival in South Florida* and *500 Plants of South Florida* by Julia F. Morton, [eattheweeds.com](http://eattheweeds.com), [edis.ifas.ufl.edu](http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu), [fs.fed.us](http://fs.fed.us), [fnps.org](http://fnps.org), [freshfromflorida.com](http://freshfromflorida.com), [ntbg.org](http://ntbg.org), and [regionalconservation.org](http://regionalconservation.org).

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Hidden beneath the sea's waves, a staggering abundance and variety of active creatures engage in the never-ending struggles of life—to reproduce, eat, and avoid being eaten. *Sex, Drugs, and Sea Slime* takes an entertaining look at marine biodiversity, its relevance to the average person, and why ocean life and resources are now at risk.

Dr. Prager is a sought-after speaker widely recognized for her expertise and ability to bring science to the layman. She has appeared on the *Today Show* and *NBC News*, *Good Morning America*, *Fox News*, *CBS Early Show*, *CNN American Morning*, *Larry King*, *The Weather Channel* and *Discovery Channel*.

Formerly the chief scientist for the Aquarius Reef Base program in Key Largo, which includes the world's only undersea research station, Dr. Prager is

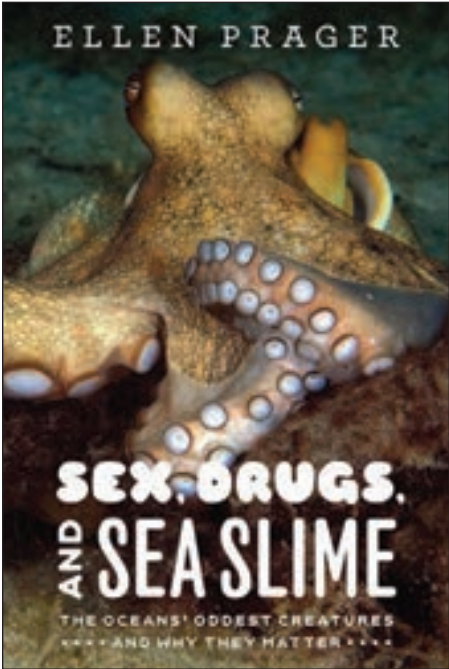


**Ellen Prager**

currently a freelance writer, consultant, science advisor to CelebrityXpedition in the Galapagos Islands and a Safina Center Fellow.

Following her presentations, Prager will sign copies of her book, which is available for purchase in the Refuge Nature Store. All proceeds benefit refuge wildlife and conservation and education programs.

Admission is free to the lectures, which are sponsored by HighTower Advisors Fort Myers along with Mike and Terry Baldwin and support from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS).



The season's complete schedule is listed below. Book signings follow all of the starred (\*) lectures.

Seating for the lectures is limited and available on a first-come basis. Arrive one hour early to assure seating. Early arrivals can save one seat each and then may explore the Visitor & Education Center or Indigo Trail before the lecture starts. Saved seats must be filled 15 minutes before lecture time or risk reassigning.

As usual, Wildlife Drive is closed on Friday, but visitors are welcome to enjoy the free "Ding" Darling Visitor &

Education Center, Indigo Trail, and recreational opportunities at Tarpon Bay Explorers, the refuge's official concessionaire located at its Tarpon Bay Recreation Area.

Note: Opinions expressed in guest lectures do not necessarily reflect the views of refuge and DDWS management, staff and board of directors.

For more information, call 472-1100 ext. 241 or log on to [dingdarlingsociety.org/lectures](http://dingdarlingsociety.org/lectures). For the schedule of the 2016 DDWS Film Series, visit [dingdarlingsociety.org/films](http://dingdarlingsociety.org/films).

\*Feb. 5 – Ellen Prager – *Sex, Drugs and Sea Slime: The Oceans' Oddest Creatures and Why They Matter*

\*Feb. 12 – Don & Lillian Stokes – *Better Birding*

Feb. 19- No Lecture

Feb. 26 – Jerry Lorenz –*Roseate Spoonbills in Florida Bay: Pink Canaries in a Coal Mine*

\*March 4 – Steve Noll – *Ditch of Dreams: The Cross Florida Barge Canal and the Struggle for Florida's Future*

\*March 11 – Leslie Kemp Poole – *Saving Florida: Women's Fight for the Environment in the Twentieth Century*

March 18 – Emily Stokes, Reef.org – *Invasion of the Lionfish*

March 25 – Ian Bartoszek – *Pythons in Paradise: Collaborative Burmese Python Research in SW Florida*

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# Rare Flamingo Photos On Display At ‘Ding’

by Jeff Lysiak

September 1, 2015 started out like nearly any other day on Sanibel. But over at the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge, birders were buzzing about a very rare visitor: an American flamingo.

“Flamingos are one of the first birds that people think of when they think about coming to Florida, but the reality is that they’re really hard to find,” said Toni Westland, supervisory refuge ranger. “All of a sudden, a flamingo shows up here and it causes a big ruckus. And ironically, I wasn’t even here to see it.”

Thankfully, wildlife photographer Al Hoffacker was there.

Over the course of the following six days, Hoffacker and his camera captured a series of stunning images of the flamingo as it ventured alone in the waters within the refuge as well as along the coast of Bunche Beach in Fort Myers Beach. His photographs from that rare visit are currently on display inside the refuge’s Visitor & Education Center.

“I was fortunate enough to have five days to photograph this statuesque American flamingo from ‘parts unknown,’” said Hoffacker, a retired marine scientist, consultant and back-country guide who has lived in South



Photographer Al Hoffacker will be displaying some of his most stunning wildlife photographs through the end of February inside the Visitor & Education Center at the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel

Florida for more than 60 years. “There is no question that this is the most satisfying and memorable experience in my short-lived wildlife photography career.”

According to Hoffacker, it wasn’t until the third of his encounter with the flamingo that he began taking photographs. As the hours and days together passed, the Fort Myers resident claims that he and the bird “bonded.” In gaining mutual trust and respect for each other’s territory, the photographer was able to position himself closer and closer to his subject.

“On the third wonderful day of my

weeklong encounter with the flamingo, I was 20 feet away... and went no further. Over the next 10 minutes, the bird laid its head back and looked very relaxed,” Hoffacker recalled. “For the next hour, the beautiful flamingo fell in and out of sleep, and I wondered ‘Where in the world did you come from? And why am I the lucky one that found you and have been given this once in a lifetime opportunity?’”

Over the next several days, which stretched from dawn through dusk, Hoffacker captured images of the fla-

mingo feeding, preening, sleeping and flying across the sky. The photographer noted his amazement of how flexible the “awkward and gawky” visitor was.

The refuge gallery of Hoffacker’s images includes photographs titled Getting Pretty, Shore-Bound, Welcoming Committee, That Lovin’ Look and Portrait Of An American Flamingo.

“On the occasion he would wake, I would see his precious little sleepy-eyed look that will be etched in my memory for a lifetime,” Hoffacker added. “On the boat ride home in the dark, I was thankful

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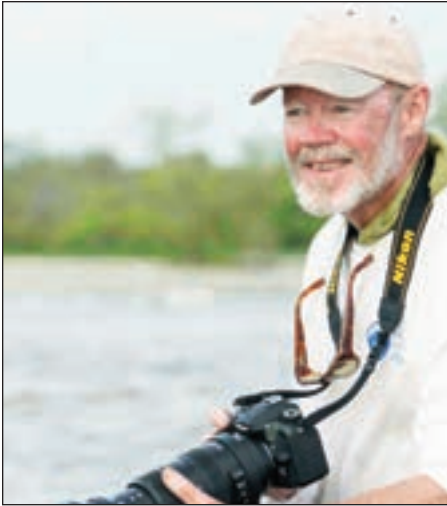
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On January 13, Al Hoffacker captured this image of a Florida panther hunting for deer in a remote portion of the Everglades

that he allowed me to spend so much time photographing a beautiful animal that is not supposed to be here.”

As if Hoffacker’s time with the flamingo weren’t special enough, he recently encountered another animal equally revered among Southwest Florida wildlife, which is considered even more difficult to photograph.

On January 13, Hoffacker captured an image of a Florida panther hunting for deer in a remote portion of the Everglades. The photo, entitled A Beyond Special Moment, was taken shortly after daylight.

“Just as the morning approached ‘civil twilight,’ the panther appeared on the far side of the marsh,” the photographer recalled. “Off its left were two unsuspecting feeding deer. While the panther intently watched the deer, I was able to crawl within range for a series of photos.”

Once both the panther and deer spotted Hoffacker in the distance, the deer ran off into the wilderness.

“That panther sort of gave me this look, like ‘There goes my breakfast... thanks a lot,’” Hoffacker chuckled.

All of the images featured in

**Photographer Al Hoffacker in the field**

Hoffacker’s gallery exhibit will be available to purchase at the Nature Gift Store, with a generous portion of the proceeds being donated to the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge. Photographs are available in both 12x18 and 18x24 sizes (glossy or matte finish) and priced at \$130 to \$200. The photographer will sign each limited edition image, printed locally using “100 Year Archival Life” technology.

Al Hoffacker’s The American Flamingo series of photographs, along with more than two dozen additional images, will be on display inside the Visitor & Education Center at the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge through the end of February. Admission to the gallery is free.\*

Several of Al Hoffacker’s photographs on display at the refuge



The Pose by Al Hoffacker

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# Shell Point Upcoming Concerts Offer Memorable Musical Entertainment



Southwest Florida Symphony and Maestro Nir Kabaretti  
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Shell Point Retirement Community invites Southwest Florida music lovers to three entertaining professional performances in February that take place in the heart of the continuing care retirement community's 600-acre campus.

On Thursday, February 4 at 7:30 p.m., Shell Point partners with the Southwest Florida Symphony and Maestro Nir Kabaretti to present *Symphonic Folklore*: an evening of symphonic storytelling with featured performances of Mendelssohn's *Italian Symphony*, De Falla's *El Amor Brujo* and Copland's *Old American Songs*. Tickets cost \$25 and may be purchased by calling the box office at 454-2067 or visiting [www.shellpoint.org/concerts](http://www.shellpoint.org/concerts).

Shell Point's Fine and Performing Arts Series puts the Hollywood Concert



The Irrera Brothers Duo revive the classics for music lovers at Shell Point Retirement Community on February 22 at 7 p.m.



**Spend A Night at the Oscars with the Hollywood Concert Orchestra at Shell Point Retirement Community on February 9 at 7:30 p.m.**

Orchestra on center stage at The Village Church on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:30 p.m. Attendees will enjoy special musical arrangements of current and classic movie, television and Broadway favorites during this renowned international program, *A Night at The Oscars*. Tickets cost \$35 and may be purchased at [www.shellpoint.org/concerts](http://www.shellpoint.org/concerts) or by calling the box office at 454-2067.

Revive the classics with the critically acclaimed Irrera Brothers Duo, presented by Shell Point's Concerts & Conversations Series on Monday, February 22 at 7 p.m. in the Grand Cypress Room at The Woodlands. Joseph Irrera, on piano, and brother John, on violin, have captivated audiences throughout the United States and abroad from a young age. Tickets cost \$25 and may be bought online at [www.shellpoint.org/concerts](http://www.shellpoint.org/concerts) or by calling 454-2067.✱

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## Master Gardeners Lecture Series

Attention Sanibel-Captiva gardeners, Stephen Brown returns to the Sanibel-Captiva Master Gardeners lecture series. The University of Florida horticultural program leader for Lee County for over 25 years will discuss the topic Landscaping with Florida Natives: Design, Selections and Pleasure on Thursday February 4 at 10 a.m. at the Sanibel Library.

Sanibel is a haven for Florida native plants. Brown will take attendees step by step in selecting and planting some of our most outstanding native plants. He will show the right plants for sun, shade, salty or dry conditions including trees, shrubs, palms ground cover and wild flowers.

Learn about some familiar natives in a new way and become familiar with some relatively unknown but proven natives.

"After seeing what you have been missing, you will find those extra spaces in your yard and gardens for more native plants. The learning never stops, says Dr. Phillip Marks, organizer.

Brown is an acknowledged expert on native horticultural topics and has been called the Dali Lama of Southwest Florida's native plant population. During his career in Lee county he has graduated over 250 Florida certified Master Gardeners. He also instructs and certifies landscape profes-

sionals who apply fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides in the county.

He writes a weekly column in the *News Press*, Fort Myers, a monthly column in *Florida Gardening* magazine and maintains an informative web site with downloadable fact sheets and videos of timely subjects.

Brown's presentations are lively, informative and state of the art and are accompanied by excellent digital power point photography.

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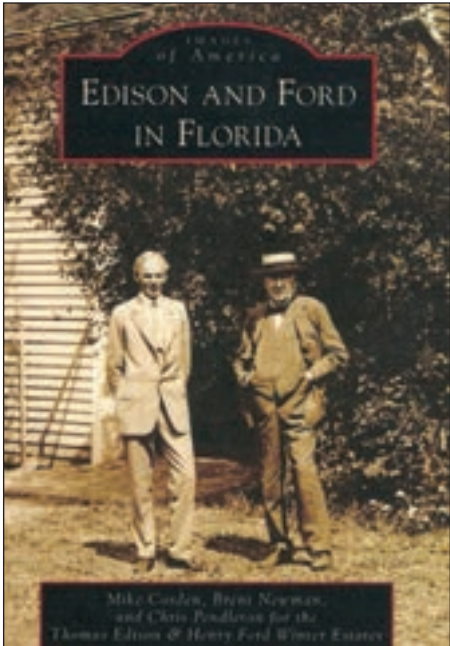




Aircraft spotter on the roof of a building in London in WWII  
photo courtesy National Archives



WWII dive bomber pilot, Ed Sieber



Mike Cosden, Brent Newman and Chris Pendleton's book, *Edison and Ford in Florida*

# Programs At Sanibel Public Library

submitted by Maureen Tesoro, Sanibel Public Library

Sanibel Public Library is hosting a book signing with Mike Cosden, Brent Newman and Chris Pendleton, who co-wrote *Edison and Ford in Florida*. Inventor Thomas Edison and automobile pioneer Henry Ford shaped our modern world like no others. Their lives intersected in Fort Myers where they both maintained winter homes. Their story will be told at the library at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2. This program is supported in part by the Florida Department of State's Viva Florida 500, a multi-year campaign that celebrates 12,000 years of Florida's people, places and cultural achievements.

WWII Lectures with Sanibel Library staffer Duane E. Shaffer return by popular demand at 10 a.m. on Friday, February 5 with Battle of Britain. This battle was the air campaign waged by the German Air Force against the U.K. in 1940. It was the first major campaign to be fought entirely by air forces, and resulted in thwarting Operation Sea Lion, the planned amphibious and airborne invasion of England.

February 5 is First Fridays – Stories for Grownups at 2 p.m. February's theme will be Storytellers from Periwinkle Park and Campground. Four of the Park's best storytellers will be presenting: Nancy Carlisle, Chris Boesen, Beth Warner and Paul Roney. Stories for Grownups meets on the first Friday of next month, March 5.

On Monday, February 8, WWII veteran and Sanibel resident Ed Sieber relates his role in sinking the Japanese battleship *Yamato* in April 1945. *Yamato*, along with her sister ship *Musashi*, were the largest battleships ever built. Weighing 72,800 tons and outfitted with nine 18.1-inch guns, the *Yamato* was Japan's only hope of destroying

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## Got The Blues For The Great Blue Heron? Attend Audubon Lecture

Photographic journalist Rick Bunting returns to present a program entitled, *On Heron Time (I've Got the Blues)* as part of the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Lecture Series, at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 4 at The Community House at 2173 Periwinkle Way. Bunting will utilize his unique perspective to create a photo essay on the family activities of the favorite bird of many, the great blue heron.

From his vantage point near a rookery close to his upstate New York home, he spent countless hours created a chronological, photographic record of the private family life of the magnificent great blue heron. He will share the intimate details of their activities with the audience, showing the superb photos for which he has become known.



Rick Bunting

Bunting is professor emeritus from the Crane School of Music at SUNY Potsdam, where he served as chair of music education and conductor of the renowned Crane Chorus. His retirement has allowed him to pursue his interest in birds and other wildlife. The idea of taking pictures evolved from a simple desire to share what he was seeing. That sharing has become programs presented to a wide variety of organizations including bird, garden and naturalist clubs, Audubon groups and service, social and church groups.

He has also developed a personal online following of those who receive his almost daily photographic email updates.

This is the fifth of eight Sanibel-Captiva Audubon lectures to be held in 2016 on



Great blue herons and a chick on the nest

Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at The Community House. As always, all are welcome to attend. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and parking is available at The Community House as well as across Periwinkle Way in the Herb Strauss Theater parking area. A \$5 donation is appreciated with proceeds after costs being used to promote conservation on Sanibel and in Florida.

For additional information, call Bill Jacobson at 395-1878 or visit the San-Cap Audubon Web site at [www.san-capaudubon.org](http://www.san-capaudubon.org).✱

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# 'Ding' Film Seeks Solutions To Collapsing Honeybee Population

The film *Vanishing of the Bees* continues the 4th annual "Ding" Darling Wednesday Film Series on February 3 at 2:30 p.m. in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center auditorium.

Honeybees pollinate one-third of the food we eat, and they are threatened by a worldwide phenomenon known as Colony Collapse Disorder. This 87-minute film chronicles the fight and potential solutions to keep honeybees in our lives. While it investigates the alarming disappearance of honeybees, it also examines the greater meaning it holds about the relationship between mankind and mother earth.

"Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge hosts the free eight-film, biweekly series with sponsorship from Sanibel-Captiva Beach Resorts. Seating is free, but limited and on a first-come basis.

Below are the season's remaining scheduled films. All showings begin at 2:30 p.m. For full descriptions of the films, visit [dingdarling-society.org/films](http://dingdarling-society.org/films).

February 17: *Sand Wars*

March 2: *Plastic Paradise: The Great Pacific Garbage Patch*

March 16: *Crash: The Tale of Two Species*

March 30: *The End of the Line: Where Have All the Fish Gone?*

April 13: *Bag It: Is Your Life Too Plastic?* ✱



"Ding" Darling's next film of the season

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## Sanibel Library

the allied fleet off the coast of Okinawa. Sieber received the Navy Cross for helping sink the Japanese supershhip. He was also awarded the Silver Star, two Distinguished Flying Crosses and four Air Medals. Sieber will speak at the library at 2 p.m. on February 8.

Let the good times roll and celebrate Fat Tuesday (Mardi Gras) with Sanibel Public Library staffer Betsy Eidem, as she cooks up another culinary program. Stirring Stories with Betsy: Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler is on Tuesday, February 9 at 10 a.m.

David Kilbride returns to the library to perform live music on his guitar at 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 9. He sings popular favorites from the 40s, 50s, and 60s.

Make cool Steampunk charm bracelets with Cathy Cameron 2 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10. No supplies are necessary but if you have small metal parts or chains from unwanted or broken machinery, bring it along. Steampunk style combines retro and futuristic sensibilities with an industrial and Victorian aesthetic.

The library's Maureen Tesoro will teach the basics of social media at 10 a.m. February 11. Participants can learn the basics of social networking, how to protect personal information and ways to explore and cultivate interests online. It would be helpful if attendees bring portable devices such as iPads and also sign up for a Facebook

account prior to the session, but it's not mandatory. Prerequisites to this class are basic computer skills, use of email, navigating websites and uploading photos.

Joanne Wessels of Sanibel Public Library presents Managing Wolf Populations at 2 p.m. February 12. Wessels, a volunteer at the Ely, Minnesota 'International Wolf Center, will talk about how the center acquires new wolf pups, the selection process, and the laws governing animals that are on the endangered list. Her presentation reviews how the staff and "nannies" prepare, the building modifications necessary and the socialization process of the pups.

Library programming is supported by a grant from Sanibel Public Library Foundation. The public is invited to these lrary programs. No registration is required and there is no additional cost to participate. A complete list of programs is on the library's website.

The library is located at 770 Dunlop Road, Sanibel. For more information call 472-2483 or visit [www.sanlib.org](http://www.sanlib.org).✱

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## CROW Calendar Of Events

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

For reservations, contact Rachel Rainbolt at [rrainbolt@crowclinic.org](mailto:rrainbolt@crowclinic.org) or 472-3644 ext. 228 to register. Hours are Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; closed weekends. CROW is located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

**Friday, January 29, 11 a.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Why Animals Come to CROW, presented by a CROW volunteer.

From fishing line entanglement to abducted babies, this presentation will address the most likely reasons patients are admitted to the hospital.

**Friday, January 29, 2 to 3:30 p.m.,** \$20 per person, advance registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff.

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. Photography opportunity following the tour with an animal ambassador.

**Saturday, January 30, 11 a.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no

charge – Baby Care at CROW, presented by a CROW volunteer.

Wildlife parents are devoted to the care of their young and rarely abandon them. Juveniles found “abandoned” might actually be in a natural stage of development. Those needing assistance are placed in a specialized wing of the wildlife hospital and are provided supportive care around the clock until they are old enough to care for themselves.

**Saturday, January 30, 2 p.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. Ask the staff how they work their magic. Live animal encounter following the presentation.

**Monday, February 1, 9 to 10 a.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge, advance registration required – Ambassador Monday.

A presentation by one of CROW’s staff members in with one of the education residents. Animal ambassadors have received an injury preventing their release back into the wild. The program includes their species’ natural biology, guest appearance and a continental breakfast. Photography opportunity with animal ambassador and CROW staff.

**Monday, February 1, 11 a.m. and 2 p.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.

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**Tuesday, February 2, 4:15 to 5:15 p.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Speaker Series: Amazing Manatees with guest speaker Nancy Kilmartin, programmer for Lee County Manatee Park.

Learn all about the biological characteristics and habitats of the Florida manatee. Discover where they live, what they eat and the challenges they face in the shallow coastal waters of Florida.

**Wednesday, February 3, 11 a.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wildlife Rescue 101, presented by a CROW volunteer. Live animal

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**Thursday, February 4, 11 a.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Patient Profiles: Gopher Tortoises, presented by a CROW volunteer.

The life of a gopher tortoise revolves around its burrow. These tortoises are found digging from Southern Georgia to Southeast Florida. Because of its contributions to the ecosystem, it is classified as a “Keystone Species.” CROW’s presenter explains why they are admitted and how the medical staff treats this species.

**Thursday, February 4, 2 p.m.,** adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Orphaned versus Abducted Wildlife, presented by a CROW volunteer.

**Thursday, February 4, 4 to 6 p.m.** – Valentine’s Day Gift Shop Open House, featuring CROW’s new cookbook, *Recipes to CROW About*. Free wine, appetizers and desserts from the cookbook along with discounts on select items in the gift shop.\*

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### BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series

## Wild Tales



by Di Saggau

The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for February 1 is *Wild Tales*, a collection of movie tales

from the dark heart of Argentina. *Wild Tales* is a great rage at the complacency and mediocrity of Argentina's ruling classes. Each of the six stories here, which average 20 minutes, is thoroughly enthralling, and all are united by a mordant black humor. They are connected thematically in dealing with revenge and retribution, and each segment sets up expectations that its successor ingeniously fulfills or surpasses. It is a lethally sharp movie. It was nominated in Best Foreign Language Film category for last year's Oscars.

In *Pasternak*, some airline passengers realize what they have in common. In *The Rats*, a waitress recognizes a customer from her past. A corrupt official who drove her father to suicide. In *Road to Hell*, a road-rage incident escalates. In another, a wealthy man covers up his son's crime. Comedy both leads and bleeds in *Wild Tales*.

As you watch the film you feel it can't possibly top what you've just seen, but it does. *Til Death Us Do Part* is a corker.

This one starts out with a fancy wedding reception. The bride and groom are in love until she discovers he's cheated on her with a woman in the room. The prospect of vengeance hardens her and soon he's the one who's groveling and sobbing. You may not like all of the stories but this film is considered one of the best multi-story features ever produced.

Any of these tales separated from one another could surely win prizes in short-film competitions. This is a great collection with tiny details to savor. The director creates inhabited worlds with comic timing and visual flair, but you can hear him chortling as he shovels his people into the grinder. The film opens on a savage note and ends, well, that's for you to find out. In between its shocker start and equally startling ending, this Argentine anthology offers up an unsettlingly comic look at human behavior. It churns with men and women who are eager to do the worst to one another. The movie will stir up strong emotions. It feels like an experiment in human psychology. It's rated R for violence, language and brief sexuality. The film runs 122 minutes.

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.

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selected by Tanya Hochschild

### An Untitled Poem

Author Unknown

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## Academy Award Contender's Series *The Revenant*



by Stan Gembicki

On Wednesday, February 3 at 11:30 p.m., the Island Cinema will show the fifth movie in this year's BIG ARTS Academy Awards Contenders Film Series.

*The Revenant* is an American frontier film directed by Alejandro G. Iñárritu. Written by Iñárritu and Mark L. Smith, based in part on Michael Punke's *The Revenant: A Novel of Revenge*, the film is inspired by the experiences of frontiersman and fur trapper Hugh Glass. Set in 1823 Montana and South Dakota, the film stars Leonardo DiCaprio as Glass and co-stars Tom Hardy, Will Poulter and Domhnall Gleeson. The film is an immersive and visceral cinematic experience capturing one man's epic adventure of survival and the extraordinary power of the human spirit. In an expedition of the uncharted

American wilderness, Glass is brutally attacked by a bear and left for dead by members of his own hunting team. In a quest to survive, Glass endures unimaginable grief as well as the betrayal of his confidant John Fitzgerald (Hardy). Guided by sheer will, Glass must navigate a vicious winter in a relentless pursuit to live and find redemption.

"The Revenant" received 12 Oscar nominations including Best Picture, Best Director and Best Actor.

The film is 2 hours and 36 minutes in length. Due to the length of the film, the show time will be at 11:30 p.m.

After the movie, a discussion will take place. Tickets are available at the cinema. Other movies in the series will be announced prior to the weekly showing.\*

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## Zonta Awards Over \$87,000 In Local Grants

With excitement building for the 2016 Peek at the Unique, Zonta's annual home tour, people ask: What happens to the money donated during the Peek? Through the generosity of island businesses and individuals and the success of the home tour, Zonta is again about to impact the lives of many women in Southwest Florida – more than ever before.

Each January, the previous year's Peek proceeds are awarded in grants, through the Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida, Inc./Sanibel-Captiva – a 501(c)3 – to organizations that share Zonta's mission of empowering women. This year, Zonta expanded the grants process to attract new applications, receiving 31. Fifteen organizations eventually qualified through a rigorous selection process. With total requests of \$129,998 and a net amount available of \$87,600 (the highest ever), the committee faced a daunting challenge.

Barbara Beran, president-elect and Peek co-chair, said, "Our success has grown consistently, but we can never take



Some of the 2016 grant recipients with their Zonta "champions," who guided applicants through the approval process, receiving their checks at the Zonta meeting of January 20

this for granted. With a larger number of organizations needing funds, our members are out in the community generating support from sponsors and benefactors, and we all stress that only with continued community support can we meet needs that grow every year."

Separately, Zonta also pledged \$29,190 to Zonta International for its

global initiatives empowering women. Local projects supported by Zonta for 2016, with grants ranging from \$1,500 to \$9,000, are:

- Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT): partial salary of a bilingual counselor
- \*Children's Service Network: outreach program for teen mothers
- Community Housing & Resources

(CHR): down payment on LEO home and education support

- \*Disabled Veterans Insurance Careers: partial training for one female disabled vet
- \*Dress For Success/Fort Myers: to equip a new career center
- \*FGCU GEMS Project: programs introducing STEM subjects to middle-school girls

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### HeartWalk Series:

## The Little Girl Who Will Steal Your Heart

submitted by Sandy Teger

When your child or grandchild is barely past their first birthday, illnesses are usually minor ones. When Mari's mom saw her 15-month-old daughter running a fever, she thought it was probably a cold or virus that she had picked up at day care. Instead, it was the beginning of a long saga that went on for several months, and culminated in Mari having open heart surgery and a long hospitalization.

The Sanibel-Captiva Heart Walk series over the last few months has profiled island residents who have successfully overcome cardiac and stroke problems. This year, we've told more stories about men than women, even though women are equally affected by cardiac issues. The stories that are least told, however, are the ones about kids. You can understand why. As a parent, you'd probably be hesitant to have your child's picture and information shared in a local newspaper or online.

We were fortunate that Mari's parents were generous enough to share their and her story with us and with you. We are not using Mari's last name or those of her parents,



Mari

so we can insure her safety and privacy. But her parents do want you to hear what happened and the happy ending that eventually has resulted.

Mari was a preemie – she was born at 30 weeks. As a result, she had some of the typical preemie problems, especially with breathing and asthma. She also had an ASD (atrial septal defect; a hole in the wall between the top chambers of her heart). These are among the most common congenital heart problems, and some will spontaneously close as the child grows. During her first year, she was hospitalized several times for breathing problems.

This past September, a few months after her first birthday, Mari seemed to have a cold. She was running a fever that kept spiking. The doctor put her on antibiotics, but her fever recurred, she seemed miserable and then stopped eating or drinking.

Her mom was on her way to take Mari to the doctor again, but during her drive, decided that something was really wrong, and took her to the emergency room at HealthPark. Tests there revealed that her blood counts were way off and she was admitted. The period that followed was awful for everyone as they struggled with seemingly interminable blood tests, MRIs and echocardiograms to determine what was wrong.

Eventually, the doctors identified the Kingella bacterial infection which was starting to result in open lesions in her throat. She wasn't eating because it was too painful.

The bacterial infection found its way to the weak point in her heart and endocarditis (infection of the inner heart lining) resulted. This can have life-threatening complications, so it was decided to keep her in the hospital for a six-week course of intravenous antibiotics. The pediatric cardiology team at HealthPark, including Dr. Eason and his associate, Dr. Lam, was deeply involved in Mari's treatment and provided excellent care.

Because of potential complications, the doctors were sharing Mari's test results with Nicklaus Children's Hospital in Miami, which specializes in complicated pediatric cardiac cases. After 3.5 weeks of hospital treatment, the doctors decided that things were not progressing well, so Mari and her mom were airlifted to Miami. Her dad drove down to join them and was an integral part of her care.

On October 23, Mari had open heart surgery. The operation took less than two hours

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# City Manager Talks About Traffic At Kiwanis Meeting

City Manager Judie Zimomra has become a familiar face at Kiwanis Club meetings over the years. When she became Sanibel's City Manager in 2001, Zimomra's first speaking engagement with a community group was at the club's weekly breakfast meeting, and she has returned each year to update club members on the latest developments at city hall.

In addition to her role as a featured speaker, Zimomra has been a faithful volunteer at the annual Kiwanians Spaghetti Dinner, helping serve hungry Sanibel diners for the past 15 years, more than many club members can boast. So her recent talk to the club was a welcome reunion.

In her remarks to Kiwanians this year, the Zimomra concentrated on the city's recent focus on Sanibel's traffic issues. The city manager received 43,000 emails in the past year (not a typo!), and a growing number of them express concerns about traffic congestion.

With the number of vehicles entering the island during season approaching 12,000 per day, Sanibel may have reached a tipping that could result in a negative experience for visitors, in addition to frustration for island residents. To address this matter, city council has conducted a series of work group meetings on the traffic situation, seeking to collect and evaluate data and identify steps that can be taken to alleviate the prob-



City Manager Judie Zimomra and Wally Kain

lem. That process is ongoing. An immediate result of this focus was the city's recent announcement of a 2016 Traffic Communications Strategy. This new effort includes media interviews and a new video message from the mayor advising potential visitors to: avoid driving on and off the island during peak periods; stay on-island during the dinner hour to avoid traffic; use bikes and walking to get around; and if possible staying in island accommodations to avoid a commute. This message is being reinforced with fliers at off-island hotels, guest editorials in local print media and postings on travel websites.

- Longer term, even more actions are being considered including:
- Using technology to provide real-time information to motorists. This may include live-streaming of traffic conditions, instant-messaging traffic alert systems, and electronic signage before the toll booth advising motorists of on-island traffic conditions;
  - Hardscape to change traffic patterns. The city of Sanibel is participating in a regional study to determine the feasibility various road design adjustments to alleviate stop-and-go traffic;
  - Behavior modifications, including developing a culture of employers utilizing flex-time schedules and carpooling during the weeks of peak season; and
  - Information sharing to help residents and visitors make informed decisions. The city has already begun to share detailed information on Sanibel traffic patterns so motorists can best plan their island travel to avoid peak congestion.

Those interested in learning more about the Kiwanis Club or becoming a member can come to one of the club's weekly breakfast meetings at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, Tuesdays at 8 a.m., or check out the Kiwanis page on facebook.com.✱



City Manager Zimomra and Kiwanian Marty Arnowitz staff the beverage line at 2009 Spaghetti Dinner.

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# Memorial Gathering Salutes Island Icon



Friends, neighbors and business colleagues took part in Remembering Lloyd Wright, a 90-minute memorial and tribute held at the Captiva Community Center last week

photos by Jeff Lysiak

On January 19, an evening filled with fond memories of the late, Captiva legend Lloyd Wright was held at the Captiva Community Center, with more than 75 people gathered to share their stories and recollections of the businessman, world traveler and philanthropist.

The 90-minute tribute, Remembering Lloyd Wright, included a number of Wright's neighbors, friends and business associates – from both here on the islands and in his native Rochester, New York – recounting some of their favorite memories. Wright passed away in 2001 at the age of 75.

Rochester Resorts, the company founded by Wright, purchased their first Captiva property – Tween Waters Inn – back in 1976. In the years that followed, Wright oversaw the acquisition of other island accommodations including Beachview Cottages, Castaways and the West Wind Inn.

"Lloyd was a visionary," said Tony Lapi, current company president. "He could see the potential for great things."

In addition to his business acumen, Wright was also known for being an adventurous world traveler. A slideshow of photographs depicted the island icon visiting Galapagos Islands, Thailand, Turkey, Italy, Alaska and Botswana.

"Lloyd loved elephants," noted Jeff Shuff, general manager of Tween Waters Inn. "He visited Africa 14 times."

Wright's fellow employees at Tween Waters Inn remembered receiving postcards from his many travels; oftentimes, Wright would add a humorous note to his well wishes from around the globe.

In addition to Lapi and Shuff, recollections were shared by Paul McCarthy, commodore of the Captiva Island Yacht Club, who spoke about Wright's assistance in getting the club off the ground; Erick Lindblad, executive director of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, who talked about Wright's philanthropy and setting aside a portion of Buck Key for conservation (now known as Lloyd's Lagoon); Mike Boris added a few words about Wright's long-time support for the Captiva Chapel by the Sea; Wright lending a hand in helping establish The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum; and Bob Cacciopo and Carrie Lund-Cacciopo talking about how Wright always supported the efforts of the Pirate Playhouse and (later) the Florida Repertory Theater.

"I don't think that Florida Rep would be here if it weren't for Lloyd Wright," Cacciopo stated in a video clip.

Jim Pigott of the Captiva Island



Jim Pigott of the Captiva Island Historical Society talks about Lloyd Wright



Paul McCarthy, commodore of the Captiva Island Yacht Club, spoke about the beginnings of the club



Lloyd Wright was remembered as a smart businessman and generous philanthropist

Historical Society also shared that Lloyd Wright has the largest headstone in the Chapel by the Sea's historic cemetery "because he didn't want to float away and wind up on Pine Island."✧

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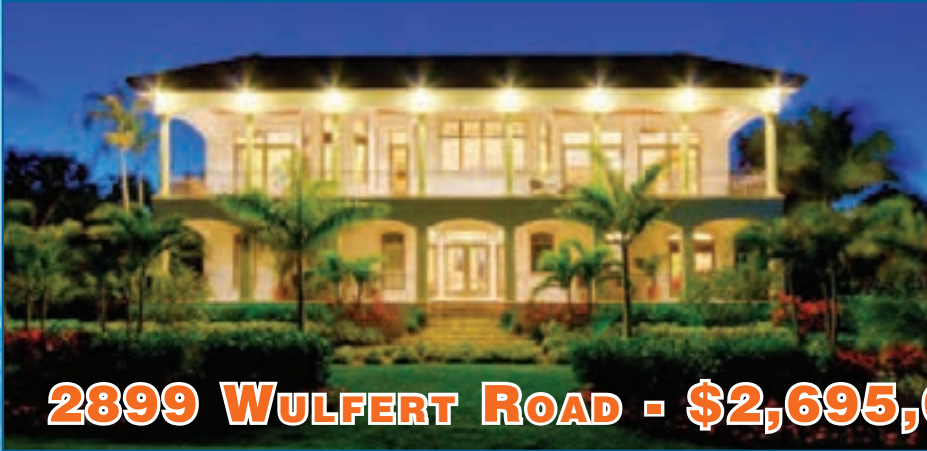
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Dana Carr, vice president of Air Trek, speaks during the Sanibel Captiva Chamber monthly business lunch of which it was a sponsor

## Chamber Hears About CROW

Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife’s Hospital Director Dr. Heather Barron was the guest speaker at the Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce business lunch on January 12 at Tween Waters Inn on Captiva. Barron spoke about the effects of Red Tide on local wildlife and CROW’s research into those effects and treatments based on individual cases.

CROW has been a place of rehabilitation for thousands of wildlife patients since moving into its 12.5-acre campus more than three decades ago. It has become one of the country’s leading wildlife rehabilitation facilities and, today, leads the way in research applicable to conservation and wildlife medicine.

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said Barron.

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The monthly luncheon was sponsored by Air Trek, Inc., one of the nation’s oldest private executive charter services. Air Trek also offers medical transportation with its air ambulance service.

“We want to thank Dr. Heather Barron for her time, along with our lunch sponsor Air Trek and Tween Waters Inn for the space and wonderful food,” Chamber President Ric Base said. “We look forward to the February lunch.”

The next lunch will be held on Tuesday, February 9 at the Sanibel Recreation Center, with Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane as the guest speaker. Business members can make reservations at [www.sanibel-captiva.org](http://www.sanibel-captiva.org).

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## Zonta Awards Local Grants

• FISH of Sanibel-Captiva: mammography and medical costs

• Guatemalan Adult & Children’s education (GRACE): with OILE, sewing classes for immigrant women

• \*Habitat For Humanity Lee County: Women Build 2016

• Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships (HTAP): ArtReach programs teaching awareness to middle-school students

• PACE Center for Girls Lee County: partial salary of a volunteer coordinator

• Parent University at Head Start: literacy classes for immigrant women

• \*Partners for Breast Cancer Care: mammograms in at-risk communities

• SalusCare: ongoing education for women in recovery

• \*Bailey Matthews National Shell Museum: attendance at a national conference for one female staff member  
\* = new for 2016

The Foundation’s Grants Committee pays careful attention each year to ensure each request fits with Zonta’s mission and will impact the largest possible number of women. Once awards are made, there are accountability measures such as half-year and year-end reports.

The 2016 Peek at the Unique is set for Saturday, March 12. Tickets for the tour have already sold out, but seats are

still available on the exciting new VIP tour departing at 8:30 a.m. – send an email to [zontaVIPtour@gmail.com](mailto:zontaVIPtour@gmail.com). Also, there are other ways to support the club and foundation. Visit [www.zontasancap.com](http://www.zontasancap.com) for more information.✱

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## HeartWalk Series

and she spent three days in the ICU. After 10 days in Miami, Mari and the family were brought back to Golisano Children’s Hospital by ambulance, where she had to remain to continue receiving antibiotics.

Mari is doing great now. She is back at home and once again going to day care so her mom and dad can be back at work.

The enormous stress of the past few months is still apparent when talking with her parents. The experience was one that was endured by the whole family. Fortunately, Mari is young enough she will probably not remember much of the trauma. Her parents described coming back to Golisano after Miami as “feeling like they were coming home.” They are effusive in their praise of her doctors and the staff there, which collectively helped them make it to the other side of their nightmare.

To learn more or become a sponsor contact Kelly Goodwien at [kelly.goodwien@heart.org](mailto:kelly.goodwien@heart.org), phone 495-4901 or visit [www.SanibelCaptivaHeartWalk.org](http://www.SanibelCaptivaHeartWalk.org).✱

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Gifts and diapers for younger babies will go to the Community Pregnancy Clinics in Fort Myers. Larger clothes, diapers and the baby food collected will go to the Guadalupe Social Services Center in Immokalee.

## St. Isabel's Women's Guild January Meeting

On January 21, the women of St. Isabel Catholic Church gathered to start the new year, welcoming back many of the group's snowbirds as well as greeting newly recruited members.

There was good news to report about the activities that rounded out 2015. A successful Angel Tree project fulfilled wish list items for 100 children and 25 seniors.

The gifts, which had been purchased and wrapped by parishioners, were supplemented by the generosity of those attending St. Isabel's on the weekend of December 13. Regulars and visitors responded to the collection that rounded out the gift to those served by Catholic Charities of the Venice Diocese. In addition, beautifully decorated bags full of toiletries were included in this Christmas opportunity for sharing.

The January gathering provided another opportunity for addressing the needs within the area. A baby shower theme inspired a collection of clothing and baby products as well as diapers of



Carol Bytnar, Mary Lou Krukar and Sue Zembko

all sizes. Since the Community Pregnancy Clinic provides ongoing support to the women it helps, it needs layette items and supplies to give its clients. The guild amassed an impressive and colorful array of outfits for various ages and stages of growth. Larger outfits and diapers will go to the Guadalupe Social Service Center, which aids the migrant workers and others in Imokalee.

The center will also be the beneficiary of the meeting's food collection, which was dedicated to baby food this month. Chris Kroger, a member of the guild and a volunteer for the Community Pregnancy Clinics, shared some thoughts about her work with the organization. She expressed the organization's gratitude for the support St. Isabel's has provided.

The women attending the baby show-

er had a breakfast of quiche, fruit and pastries. Everyone also had the chance to visit with long time friends and meet new members. The membership count continues to expand. Upcoming plans for the group include a Mardi Gras karaoke potluck dinner and a trip to the Florida Repertory Theatre. The Valentine-themed February meeting will highlight the history of the guild and honor some of its founding members.✱



Event chairwoman Dottie McGovern thanks attendees for coming and for their generosity

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# Will A Religious Clause Establishing How Trust Disputes Are To Be Settled Hold Up In Court?



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

Courts of law normally handle disputes between citizens. Our American court system has evolved over the years to have its own method of procedures, evidence and tribunals. But what happens when a trust mandates that disputes are to be handled not by a secular state court but instead by a religious court? Is that legal? Moreover, what happens when complex tax laws become an issue? Can the IRS declare the imposition of a religious court as something contrary to rights under state law, causing adverse tax consequences?

These issues were recently decided in the Mikel v.

Commissioner.

Israel and Erna Mikel made large gifts to an irrevocable trust totaling \$3.62 million. The Mikels took advantage of something known as a “Crummey” withdrawal right, meaning that when a contribution is made to the trust, to the extent that a beneficiary has a limited window to withdraw his or her interest, then all or some part of the contribution to the trust is considered gift tax free.

The Mikels had an unusually large number of family members as beneficiaries - 60 in fact. Under the then current gift tax laws, \$1.4 million could be contributed annually gift tax free to the trust annually using these “Crummey” powers. The trust was therefore able to accumulate many millions of dollars gift tax free.

Under the terms of the trust which were consistent with the federal tax law, each of the 60 beneficiaries had a limited period of time to withdraw their share of any contribution to the trust, subject to a cap based on the federal gift tax exclusion amount (then \$12,000 per donee) at the time of the gift. The trust required the trustee to give notice to each beneficiary when any contribution was received by the trust, and the trustee gave these notices in a timely manner.

Instead of ending there, however, according to the terms of the trust any dispute that arose between the beneficiaries was to be arbitrated by a “Bet Din” before

commencing a lawsuit. A “Bet Din” is a panel consisting of three men of Orthodox Jewish faith. Under the terms of the trust, the panel was directed to enforce the rights that the parties had under New York law, but the Halachah (Rabbinic Jewish law) was the primary gateway to the beneficiary’s rights.

These provisions read, in part, “It is the Grantor’s express intent that certain provisions of this Trust instrument be interpreted in accordance with Orthodox Jewish Law, or a “Halachah” including [that] by an Orthodox Jewish Bet Din convened by [Rabbinic Organization]... The Bet Din shall determine and resolve any issue arising as to the interpretation... or the application of Halacha... Grantor expressly directs and authorizes the Trustee to consult with the Bet Din concerning the resolution of such matters...

The IRS took issue with whether the withdrawal rights were valid under the gift tax rules, arguing that the mandatory use of a Jewish court constrained a beneficiary’s ability to compel the trustee to make a distribution. It is important to know that under the federal tax law, the right of a beneficiary to withdraw his or her share of a contribution to the trust under the limited time window must be absolute and not subject to any contingency. The IRS argued that this Bet Din requirement imposed a gatekeeper that could impinge the beneficiaries’ rights of withdrawal.

Not only that, but the Mikel trust also contained an in terrorem clause (no challenge) that would result in a contesting beneficiary forfeiting his or her beneficial interests in the trust. The IRS argued that this provision undermined a beneficiary’s ability to challenge the trustee’s direction as to distributions. If the IRS won their arguments, then none of the contributions to the trust would have been free of gift tax.

As a side note – in terrorem clauses or unenforceable under Florida law. But this was a New York-based trust.

The Tax Court rejected the IRS arguments, holding in favor of the taxpayers, accepting the Bet Din as not inhibiting the beneficiaries’ rights. The Court held that the Bet Din was there to interpret state law, and provided a means to resolve disputes outside of the Court system. Just because the resolution mechanism was not secular did not invalidate it.

I found this case interesting, and look forward to reading the outcomes of similar cases as they arise.

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# A Shared Connection With A Blind Raccoon

by Jeff Lysiak

An accomplished deep sea diver who worked for more than a decade as an underwater cartographer for renowned marine researcher Jacques Cousteau has many stories to share.

While tales of tagging bull sharks in Mexico to witnessing humpback whale migrations off the coast of Hawaii may seem intriguing enough, the former Greenpeace volunteer enjoys telling a simple – yet remarkable – story about the first time he met Trouper, the blind raccoon.

"I had been married twice, and both times I lost my wife to cancer," said Cunningham, who lives in McKinney, Texas. "As a result, I was angry for a long time. But all of that went away after I held him for the first time."

The scuba veteran and Trouper, perhaps the best-known wildlife ambassador in Southwest Florida, will team up for a presentation on Friday, February 5 at Lakes Regional Library in Fort Myers. They will share their story of a special connection and subsequent friendship in a free program that starts at 2 p.m.

Trouper's caretaker, Dot Lee, recalled when she met Cunningham.

"I had asked him if he had any experi-



Underwater cartographer Dave Cunningham cradles Trouper the blind raccoon in his lap. Both will take part in a special program at Lake Regional Library on February 5.

ence with wildlife and he told me that he had, working with Jacques Cousteau," said Lee. "But I knew from the expression on his face that I had to let him hold Trouper."

Cunningham described the moment, too.

"The love that comes from that little guy is simply amazing," he added. "And he recognizes my voice every time I visit him."

During his professional career, which



Dave Cunningham pictured during one of his dives in the waters off Hawaii

photos courtesy of Dave Cunningham

Cunningham will share during his library presentation, he joined Jacques Cousteau's marine research team, going on several expeditions with the famed scientist, filmmaker, author and inventor. In fact, Cunningham helped inspire the invention of one of Cousteau's diving masks.

According to Cunningham, one day Cousteau sat down next to the young

diver, asking if he felt OK. "He said, 'You look very green' and began asking me about my experiences, what I liked about being in the ocean... and what I didn't like about being in the ocean," he recalled. "I told him that I was kind of claustrophobic and said that I didn't like the way my mask felt. And he took a few notes while I was talking with him about my mask."

Approximately six to eight weeks later, Cunningham received a package in the mail.

"It was from Jacques Cousteau... it was a mask that he designed, with a hose connection at the nose which allows you to breathe in through the nose and out through the mouth," he added. "I think he called it the Evangelista model. It was a great honor to have influenced one of his inventions."

At the library, in addition to talking about his camaraderie with Trouper, Cunningham will also tell stories about his adventures with The Cousteau Society and Greenpeace, developing a "friendship" with a female humpback whale and her calf, and a harrowing experience diving inside an ancient Mayan underwater sacrificial pit filled with decapitated skulls and other human remains.

"I felt like I had encountered pure evil," said Cunningham, only the second Caucasian "outsider" to be invited to dive at Chichen Itza, in the Yucatan Peninsula. "It was very intimidating."

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## Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Sanibel-Captiva Rotarians had a big decision to make last Friday morning. Rotarian, Charlie Emerson had sponsored a request to the Rotary trust board, for funding from the Sanibel Community Association directly related to the current SCA capital campaign for the restoration and rebuilding of The Community House.

Before this request was submitted, careful consideration was given to the amount requested and whether this project fit within the perimeters of our club's giving policy. The request was for a pledge of \$15,000 per year for five years, totaling \$75,000 to be used for restoration/rebuilding with a portion of these funds allocated to support educational programming at The Community House. Because of the amount and length of this \$75,000, multi-year pledge, the trust board members decided they would bring a recommendation to grant the request before the membership-at-large for discussion and questions and for club vote approval.

To help with the understanding of this request, on January 22, Teresa Riska-Hall, executive director of The Community House, was invited to outline the project to our membership. Extensive repairs are an absolute necessity and bringing the building up to current city building codes would have to be satisfied during any construction project. Addressing these repair problems was put off for a couple of years because of the opportunity to be part of the proposed new Sanibel Cultural Center across the street from the Community House on Periwinkle Way.

The move and the building of a new community house was considered but in the end the SCA board decided against that idea and decided to restore and renovate the current building. Plans include restoring the historic North Room, building a new entrance portico, redesigning the interior space including middle room, kitchen, auditorium, restrooms, halls, stor-



age rooms and offices, adding some additional space for a larger kitchen and shell crafters storage. Electrical, sound and technical equipment will be upgraded in all rooms for both current and future needs.

The stage in the auditorium will have new curtains, lights and sound system. The redesign of the interior space will address the functionality of all interior space and update the look overall.

So, there definitely was discussion.

There were concerns regarding the amount and length of this commitment with some questions regarding what this commitment of future funds would have on other giving by the trust board, especially our international projects. The answer to that was there is a 50/50 split between international/national-local for Rotary of Sanibel-Captiva Trust Fund giving. International projects will still receive 50 percent of available funds disbursed by the trust board.

There were concerns about whether this really is the type of project the club should be funding. The answer was that The Community House makes itself available to all. It allows many non-profit organizations to hold fundraising events that benefit those in need on our islands and throughout Lee County. Supporting organizations and non-profits servicing those in need everywhere is part of Rotary's overall principle. The SCA promotes cultural, social, educational and civic activities for island residents and visitors.

How would it affect our giving to other local non-profits? In some manner it will, but past fundraising by our Rotary club seems to indicate not so much.

After about 45 minutes of discussion, a vote was called for. The club voted yes in support of the application for funding of \$15,000 per year for five years for a total of \$75,000 submitted by the SCA for restoration and renovation of The Community House.

The pledge has given Sanibel-Captiva Rotary the naming rights for The Community House stage and it has been agreed upon that upon completion of the restored and renovated house, the auditorium stage will be designated the Rotary Stage with a prominently displayed plaque and marketing and oral reference for all future events whenever the stage is used.

*The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary meets at 7 a.m., Fridays at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club. Guests are always welcomed.\**

## Preview Of Rotary Silent Auction Items

The San/Cap Rotary Club will be previewing a few of the over 100 silent auction items for the club's February 13 to 14 Arts & Crafts Show at The Community House. Some items will be on view at Congress Jewelers, 2075 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel beginning at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 6 through Friday, February 12. Bid sheets will be available.

Items will include:

- Sterling silver sand dollar collage in 14k gold and sterling, reversible Omega

necklace, value \$950. Donated by Congress Jewelers

- Silver Sealife Sterling by Congress, original conch shell bracelet, value \$625. Donated by Congress Jewelers

- Six bottles of 2012 Opus One wine, value: \$1,500. Donated by San Carlos Liquors

- Stowe Vermont Von Trapp Lodge 2017 ski vacation, Week 4, January 21 to 28 or Week 5, January 28 to February 4, value \$2,200. Donated by Roger Triftshauser

- Golden Ocala Getaway, two-night stay and round of golf for four, includes golf cart, valid May 1 through November 30, 2016, value \$1,250. Donated by Royal Shell companies

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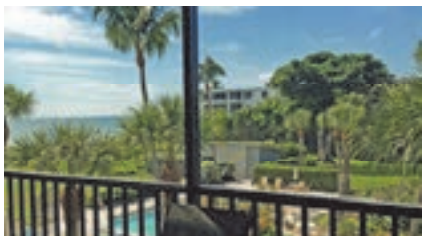
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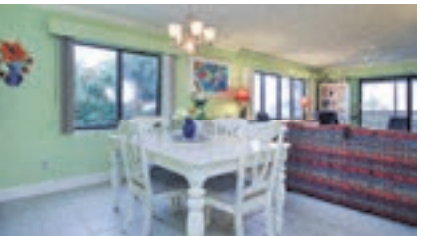
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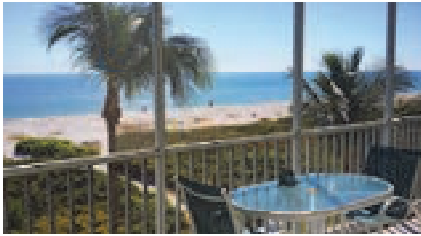
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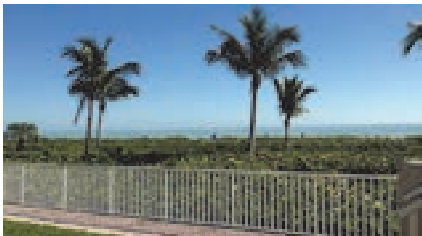
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# Florida Tarpons Prepare To Defend Arena Football Title In Fifth Season



by Ed Frank

The Denver Broncos and the Carolina Panthers square off next Sunday for sports' biggest prize, the Super Bowl Championship. But did you know that a local champion, the Florida Tarpons of the American Indoor Football League, known as the X-League, will begin defense of their own title in this 25-team league in just a few weeks?

The Tarpons start their fifth season having proven that high-scoring arena football is popular in our area where we have two other highly successful minor league professional teams: hockey's Florida Everblades and baseball's Fort Myers Miracle.

The Tarpons won the league championship in 2015 in just their first year as a member of the X-League when the league merged with the Ultimate Indoor Football League, where the Tarpons had been a member for the three previous seasons.

Florida begins its eight-game regular season on March 12 on the road in Lakeland against the newly-named Central Florida Jags, formerly the Florida Marine Raiders.

It was the Marine Raiders that the Tarpons walloped 65-23 in the X-Bowl II Championship last year.

The Tarpons home opener in Germain Arena is April 10 against the same Central Florida Jags.

The team is owned and coached by Michael Taylor, who brought arena football back here in 2012 after the demise of the old Florida Firecats which competed here from 2001 to 2009 in the now-defunct af2 League.

Taylor has compiled a 29-9 record over the past four seasons, including league championships in 2013 and 2015.

The team announced recently that two-time championship winning quarterback Chris Wallace will return this season for his fourth year after playing eight seasons for the Firecats. He has thrown for more than 22,000 yards in the 100-plus games he has started. He owns league records for touchdown passes, completions and passing yards.

Wallace will have familiar targets to throw to this season with the return of veteran wide receivers Carlos Singleton and Joshua Young.

The following is the Tarpons 2016 regular season schedule:

- March 12 – Tarpons at Central Florida Jags
  - April 3 – Tarpons at Atlanta Vultures
  - April 10 – Central Florida Jags at Tarpons
  - April 17 – Georgia Firebirds at Tarpons
  - April 23 – Tarpons at Columbus Lions
  - April 30 – Tarpons at Central Florida Jags
  - May 13 – Central Florida Jags at Tarpons
  - May 22 – Savannah Steam at Tarpons
- The kickoff for all home games is 5:30 p.m.

## Another Sad Football Injury

We've written several columns on the mounting concern over head injuries in football, including the movie *Concussion* that disclosed in detail how the National Football League denied the accusations for years.

Just last week, 36-year-old Antwaan Randle El, a star quarterback at Indiana University who later played for the Pittsburgh Steelers, said he has memory lapses and has difficulty walking down stairs.

"I ask my wife things over and over again," he said in an interview with the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*. "If I could go back, I wouldn't play football. I would play baseball."

Randle El was drafted in the 14th round (in 1997) by the Chicago Cubs. "Don't get me wrong, I love football. But right now, I could still be playing baseball," he said in the interview

"I wouldn't be surprised if football isn't around in 20, 25 years," he added.✱

## Monday Yoga Classes Added At Civic Center

Yoga instructor Susan Pataky is adding a series of six Monday classes to the Thursday classes she is now offering at the Captiva Civic Center, located at 11550 Chapin Lane.

The first Monday class will be February 22, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Dates for the remaining series of Monday ses-

sions are: March 1, March 20, April 4, April 11 and April 25. Thursday classes, which began January 14, already are underway at the Civic Center.

These all-level yoga classes, designed both for beginners and those used to more vigorous yoga styles, are



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Yoga instructor Susan Pataky assumes a yoga position at the Captiva Civic Center

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## Yoga Classes At Civic Center

open to the public.

There is a fee of \$15 a session for CCA members and \$17 a session for non-members.

According to Pataky, who has been a yoga instructor for nearly four decades and holds a doctorate in Naturopathic Medicine, the sessions will incorporate the fundamentals of basic yoga poses designed to improve range of motion, stretching and strengthening. Sessions also will teach breathing techniques designed to improve relaxation, improve posture, create a sense of well-being, release tension, improve breathing and help participants experience a body/mind connection.

The sessions also will teach alignment principles and help participants learn how to safely tailor yoga poses for their bodies.

Existing Thursday classes meet weekly at the Civic Center from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

More information about the classes can be obtained by calling the Captiva Civic Association at 472-2111 or Dr. Pataky at 738-3856. ✨

## Teen's Choice Open Gym Game Night

Teenagers are invited to come to the Sanibel Recreation Center on Friday, January 29 for a variety of active games in the Rec Center gymnasium, followed up with pizza in the teen room from 6 to 9 p.m. Specialty prizes will be awarded throughout the night. Closed-toe footwear is required. Refreshments will be served. Non-members will require a day pass for entry. There is no charge for Rec Center members; non-members will need to purchase a day pass.

The Sanibel Recreation Center is located at 3880 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information, call 472-0345 or visit [www.mysanibel.com](http://www.mysanibel.com). ✨

## Bob Janes Memorial Golf Outing

On Tuesday, April 12, the 3rd annual Bob Janes Memorial Golf Outing, hosted by the Lee Coast Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), will be held at the Shell Point Golf Course in South Fort Myers. There will be many gifts and prizes available as well as some spectacular awards for holes-in-one. Mark your calendars now and organize your foursome. Last year's golf outing raised more than \$27,500. The cost, same as last year, will be \$125 per individual golfer.

Organizers anticipate a full field of 144 golfers. The deadline for all entries is April 4; golfers should include their handicap or average 18-hole scores and a telephone number. Checks should be made payable to Lee Coast Chapter MOAA Foundation and mailed to P.O. Box 682, Sanibel, FL 33957.

For an entry form to participate in the 3rd annual Bob Janes Memorial Golf Outing, contact John A. Bathke, entries coordinator, by calling 651-503-8893.

In addition, if you would like to help financially in sponsoring this event, several opportunities remain available. Call Roger Triftshauser at 585-704-9486 for more information. ✨

## Yard Sale

The Children's Education Center of the Islands is holding its annual yard sale on Saturday, February 6 from 8 a.m. to noon. This huge, multi-family sale will feature many gently-loved items, including children's and adult's clothing; toys; bicycles; books; furniture; strollers and baby gear; and goodies for grown-ups.

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# School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

**D**ear Shelley, I know that there are physical reasons that teenagers don't get much sleep at night, but my teenager is making me crazy.

He is up late and then it's a horrible struggle for me to get him up for school. What can I do?

Stasi J., Fort Myers Beach

**Stasi,**

Sleep issues with teens can be overwhelming because biological shifts during the teenage years drive the need for longer sleep durations and later wake times, research shows. This alone makes going to bed and getting

up at a reasonable hour a real problem. However, recent research has revealed an even more problematic issue with teens and sleep – the effect of smartphones. National surveys indicate that upwards of 65 percent of the teen population owns a smartphone so this is a pervasive concern for a majority of adolescents.

The JFK Medical Center in New Jersey has just completed a very important study, on this topic. The study was comprised of 3,000 students, and is the largest in the U.S. of its type. This one-year study in the Edison, New Jersey school district showed that over 60 percent of students are not getting enough sleep because of late night texting or phone use, and 20 to 25 percent are awakened from their sleep responding to texts.

"We're talking about a chronically sleep deprived adolescent and, in my opinion, adult population," Dr. Polos, sleep study expert and research leader reported. He further recounted

that, more than 70 percent of the participants reported getting less than the recommended eight hours of sleep a night, usually just five to six.

"Quality and quantity of sleep are important for brain development, for organizing thoughts of the day, helping with memory consolidation," he said. "We know that normal sleep is critical for development, physiological development." The sleep deprivation is causing problems with brain development and academic performance for adolescents in their prime for growth.

Video evidence from the study revealed that teens are so overly engaged with their phones that they are willing to lose sleep so that they can text. Most of these high school students weren't even able to make it through a sleep study session without resisting the urge to respond to that late night text.

"Quality and quantity of sleep are important for brain development, for organizing thoughts of the day, helping with memory consolidation," he said. "We know that normal sleep is critical for development, physiological development."

Cognitively teens understand that they should switch off their phones at night but having the will power to go against the current teen social norms and expectations of all night texting is difficult. One teen in the study said, "I feel like using my phone is so distracting and if I'm responding to a text then I'm thinking about that text and I'm waiting for the other person

to respond. Then before you know it I lost like an hour of sleep, so it's really important for me to just keep it on silent."

Polos said there's a real effect from that. "Your brain needs time to unwind and disconnect before bed. Not to mention delayed sleep onset caused by staring at screens with blue light, or any light waves, interrupts the release of melatonin. It really becomes incumbent upon the parent to say, 'OK, there is a set off time and set on time for the phones.'"

According to Dr. Polos, we don't yet know about the long-term effects of this all-night tech use, but doctors are concerned about changes in brain development and performance. We need to curb this now in the teenage years because those habits tend to trickle over to adulthood.

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.✱

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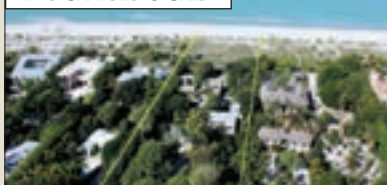


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## Sanibel Police Analysis Shows Rise In Assaults

A staff analysis of the reports taken by the Sanibel Police Department during 2015 shows that federal reportable crimes – among the most serious – decreased approximately 10 percent from 125 in 2014 to 112 last year.

But assaults were on the rise.

“The most concerning statistic observed is the significant increase in assaults, according to Bill Tomlinson, police chief, who released the report on January 26. Assaults went from 17 in 2014 to 27 in 2015, an increase of 60 percent. “The increase is significant and this trend has been observed over the past seven years,” Tomlinson added.

Assaults went from 17 in 2014 to 27 in 2015, up 60 percent. Analysis shows that 48 percent were domestics and 37 percent were from spontaneous interactions. Four were the result of activities of one perpetrator at locations on or around Island Inn Road and the perpetrator was arrested for the offenses, Tomlinson noted.

The crimes category includes all non-reported crimes, such as trespass, drug violations, DUI, fraud, criminal traffic violations, criminal mischief and harassment. It also includes city ordinance violations and criminal citations. The total number

of crimes reported in 2015 was down 8 percent from 559 in 2014 to 514 in 2015.

Noteworthy, Tomlinson said, was a 24 percent decrease in the report of thefts, a 25 percent drop in reported burglaries and a 31 percent rise in total calls.

Also, the number of accidents increased 15 percent from 197 in 2014 to 228 in 2015 and remains consistent with traffic crash numbers from the historical period 2005-14, according to Tomlinson.

Additionally, staff tracks ordinance violations. This statistic gives another barometer for evaluating violation trends and helps guide staff deployment. Ordinance violations have decreased from 423 in 2014 to 379 in 2015. The top 10 such violations observed were noise violations (67), roadside parking (55), dogs at large (40), live shelling (27), overnight camping (23), furniture on the beach (23), fireworks (20), marine – idle speed (17), tour bus (16) and fire on the beach (14).

The residency of those arrested on Sanibel in 2015 remains similar to past years with 25 percent of those arrested as Sanibel residents, 57 percent were from other areas in Lee County (non-Sanibel), 7 percent were from other locations in Florida and 11 percent were from all other states and countries.

DUI and drug arrests for 2015 are trending higher over the past five years, from 2010-14, the report shows. Staff believes this is due to focused traffic enforcement to reduce speeding.

In the past year, the Sanibel Police Department has experienced a 31 percent rise in total calls for service; from 21,606 in 2014 to 28,346 in 2015. The calls for service statistic includes every criminal report, ordinance violation, arrest, call for service and proactive area check completed by the police department. Proactive area checks are initiated to prevent criminal acts from occurring in higher risk areas, such as the fishing pier, beach accesses, business zones and

speed detection details. “This breaks the trend we have observed over the past five years,” Tomlinson said in the report. “This is primarily due to an increase of self-initiated area checks, radar details and traffic enforcement due to the road patrol at full staffing levels.”

Proactive initiatives have resulted in a 20 percent increase in traffic citations.

Tomlinson said the analysis is used to establish department priorities and staff deployment.✱

## Realtor Of The Year Honored

Eric Pfeifer, broker-owner of Pfeifer Realty Group was named the 2015 Realtor of the Year and also given the Sanibel Captiva Community Service Award by the Sanibel Captiva Islands Association of Realtors (SCIAR). This is Pfeifer’s fifth year to be recognized for his strong commitment to service.

“Giving back to the island community is something I strive to do on a personal



Eric Pfeifer

as well as professional level,” said Pfeifer.

A Baltimore native, Pfeifer holds an engineering degree from Vanderbilt University as well as a contractor license in the State of Florida. Wanting to raise his young children in a small community, Pfeifer moved to Sanibel Island in 2001 with wife Mary Ellen, 2-year-old son John, and 3-year-old daughter Darby. His community involvement began quickly as he started the Sanibel NFL Youth Flag Football League, and became the commissioner of both Flag Football and Little League Baseball for many years.

“Every day, I strive to set an example for my children and hope that they will have the opportunity to also live where they love, work where they live, and love what they do,” added Pfeifer. “I truly am blessed to be a part of the Sanibel Captiva community and call these islands home.”✱



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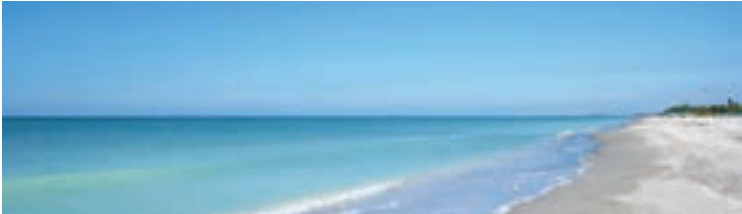


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San-Cap Kiwanis President Eric Pfeifer presents a grant check for Rec Center youth athletic programs to Andrea Miller, City of Sanibel Director of Recreation

## Arts In Healthcare Programs Boosted By Kiwanis Club

In January, the Kiwanis Foundation of Sanibel & Captiva provided grants to two more worthy programs that benefit local young people – one focused on



San-Cap Kiwanis President Eric Pfeifer delivers a grant check for Lee Memorial's Arts In Healthcare program to local artist Lee Horton

youth sports and one in the health care field. San-Cap Kiwanis Club President Eric Pfeifer presented grant checks to the happy recipients.

The Sanibel Recreation Center's Youth Athletics Program was awarded a grant in support of its archery, basketball and SWAT youth swim team programs. Kiwanis has long supported youth sports as a means of helping young people develop physically and to learn teamwork and leadership skills. On hand to receive the grant was Rec Center Director Andrea Miller.

Lee Memorial Hospital received a grant for its Arts In Healthcare program, which brings drawing, painting, music and other expressive arts into the hospital setting to promote the well-being of those who are ill and their caregivers. This approach has been found to be particularly effective with younger patients. On hand to receive the grant for Lee Memorial was local artist Lee Horton, who works with the program.

The local Kiwanis Club has a long history of supporting youth-related programs in the local community, raising funds for this purpose through its yearly sale of Diners Delight Coupon Books and the Kiwanis Spaghetti Dinner event. This year's Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 27 at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel.

Those interested in learning more about the Kiwanis Club or becoming a member can drop in to the club's weekly breakfast meetings at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, Tuesdays at 8 a.m. or check out the San-Cap Kiwanis Club on Facebook.✱

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## Suite Dreams

by Jeanie Tinch



If your bedroom doesn't offer you a respite from the hustle and bustle of the day, then now's the time to transform it. It's a new year, filled with wonderfully exciting and new possibilities. The time and money you consider investing now will definitely pay off in big dividends in your future. Especially because your bedroom redecorating project might just mean that you'll find yourself being just a little happier, a bit more joyful and – most importantly – at peace with yourself and your surroundings.

Decorating your master bedroom is probably more fun than decorating any other room in your home. Why? Because it's the one room in your home that you can truly allow your personality to shine. Remember, this is your space... and you deserve the best!

And, as with every decorating project, first things first. It's important to develop a decorating plan that fits your needs, your lifestyle and most importantly your

pocketbook.

Consider taking these three simple and easy steps:

Step #1 – Begin your project by visualizing, and then listing, all the types of activities you'll want to conduct in your "get-away" haven. Perhaps it's writing thought-provoking entries in your daily journal; reading your favorite books; knitting; needlework; watching old romantic movies; daily meditation; or contemplating your plans for the next day. Whatever the activity, think through what types of things will make you the happiest in your new master bedroom retreat.

Step #2 – Look at your bedroom space with a "critical" eye. Ask yourself: Can your bedroom, with your given amount of space, accommodate all of the activities you listed? While the answer is usually yes, you may still need to take advantage of some clever pre-planning.

Step #3 – Think about "coloring your world," especially your soon-to-be-redeigned master bedroom. As with almost all decorating projects, one of your first priorities is locking in a color scheme. Color sets the stage and provides harmony to everything else that will eventually find its way into your new bedroom. It's the backdrop that surrounds all of your furnishings, fabrics and accessories, lighting – everything!

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## Bank Gives To Community House Campaign

Bank of the Islands has donated \$3,000.00 to the campaign to restore Sanibel's historic Community House.

"When we opened Bank of the Islands' Captiva office in 2012, we were happy to become a donor for the Captiva Civic Association's building campaign," said Sanibel/Captiva office manager Willy Ocasio. "Now that the Sanibel Community House is also in need of building improvements, we are very honored to help. It's a great way to show how much we appreciate being your island bank."

Since 1927, The Community House has been a gathering place for generations of islanders. It is now run by the Sanibel Community Association (SCA), a non-profit organization whose mission is to enrich community spirit through educational, cultural and social gatherings in the historic Community House. SCA has launched a \$3 million capital campaign to restore, improve and bring the facility and its historical house up to current code. SCA hopes to complete its fundraising and begin construction by this summer.

"We are very grateful for Bank of the Islands' generous support," said SCA Executive Director Teresa Riska-Hall. "It will take many hands and hearts to complete this labor of love! We hope all islanders will get involved now - before it is too late. Please call me at 472-2155 to learn more about how you can help." ✨

### Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

## Steamrolling And Whitewashing At League Night

Sanibel Café steamrolled over Fresh Legion Crew 14-6 to pull within striking distance of second place Sandycappers. The two teams meet on Monday night and Café captain Rich McCurry is looking for extraordinary effort from his shooters to continue his team's move toward the top.

Star of Sanibel Café's win against the Legion Crew was Pete Mindel, who posted his second 4-0 effort in a row and the only 4-0 of the night for all shooters. He was backed up by Joe Mason and Graham Sell with 3-1 victories over Doc

Lubinski and Nate Buffam. The Café's Randy Carson lost two of his four games against Matt Hall when he put the 8-ball in out of turn. Hall was happy. Carson was sad.

Four players from league-leading Bunt's Ball Busters posted 3-1 wins in the 14-6 whitewashing of Sandycappers. Rich Ennis, Mike DeWitt, Steve Gordon, and Terry Ricotta emerged victorious over Jack Dalton, John Bates, John Riegert and Gary Murza.

The shot of the night came from Sandycapper captain Kevin Pottorf. With cue ball in hand after a foul by Dave Doane, Pottorf selected the wrong group - ing to shoot at, missed the shot anyway, then stood dazed as Doane explained why it was a foul and why Doane now had ball in hand. Doane won the game but evidently felt sorry for Pottorf and lost his last two games. ✨

### SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE 2015-16 Standings through January 25

| Standing | Team Name           | Won | Lost |
|----------|---------------------|-----|------|
| First    | Bunt's Ball Busters | 207 | 113  |
| Second   | Sandycappers        | 165 | 155  |
| Third    | Sanibel Café        | 156 | 164  |
| Fourth   | Fresh Legion Crew   | 112 | 208  |

### January 25 Results

|                     |    |                   |   |
|---------------------|----|-------------------|---|
| Bunt's Ball Busters | 14 | Sandycappers      | 6 |
| Sanibel Café        | 14 | Fresh Legion Crew | 6 |

## Comparing The Venus And Mars Approaches To Investing



Members of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company greeted guests at the WOW 2016 program. From left, Phyllis Gibson, Al Hanser, Robin Cook and Mandy Greenstein

The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company hosted an educational program entitled The Venus and Mars of Investing. Speakers Timothy P. Vick, senior portfolio manager and Robin L. Cook, executive vice president of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company held this town hall-style program for over 60 women of the Sanibel-Captiva and Fort Myers communities at The Sanctuary Golf Club.

The program opened with a video of a humorous lecture depicting the male and female brains' deductive reasoning approaches, which sent the audience into peals of laughter.

"Investing can be an intense topic for anyone, but highlighting the differing approaches from a male or female perspective has some natural humor in it, as well," said Vick. "Seriously, studies show that, overall, women tend to average better returns on their portfolios because they are usually more patient than men and trade less - even during volatile times as we're experiencing now."

The presentation was followed by an energetic question and answer period, generating tremendous discussion and valuable insights, Cook said, "and we're happy to help women put what they learned today to work for them."

Anyone interested in attending WOW may contact Frances Steger at The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company at 472-8300 or FSteger@sancaptrustco.com. This season's complimentary events are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at The Sanctuary and seating is limited. WOW sessions are designed for qualified attendees who have \$2 million of investable assets or more. ✨

## Duplicate Bridge

On Tuesday, January 19, there were 10 tables in play at The Community House. The winners were:

**North/South**

1. Joan and Bob Kent
2. (tie) Elaine Jass and Will Smith
3. Kenneth Appel and Albert Simon
4. Jane Witte and Tom Giles

**East/West**

1. Helen and Jim McCartney
2. Karen and Geoffrey Moss
3. Ann Cooper and Lee Cooper
4. Dorothy and Irwin Levy

On Thursday, January 21, there were four tables in play. The winners were:

1. Kenneth Appel and Albert Simon
2. (tie) Karen and Geoffrey Moss and Mary and Dick Butler

There are two ACBL-sanctioned games per week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 4:30 p.m. at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. The Tuesday game runs from the beginning of January through the end of April; the Thursday game runs from the beginning of January through the end of March.

For further information, contact Susan Willoughby at 281-3258. ✨



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Wayne Boyd, Jill and her friend Heidi Thyssen and Ann-Marie Wildman



Shell Harbor Property Owners Association's Welcome Back Party

## Shell Harbor Property Owners Association's Welcome Back Party

The Shell Harbor Property Owners Association (SHPOA) held their annual Welcome Back Party on January 14 at their beach access on East Gulf Drive. The gathering was attended by more than 125 members. Board members Roger Grogman, David Essig, Roger Timm, Steve Day, Ann-Marie Wildman, Bill Gibney, Jack Waterman and Butch Long welcomed members to the event. The Welcome Back Party was catered by Sanibel Catering by Bailey's and provided an opportunity for members to greet, meet and eat near the SHPOA beach access area.✽



Marie Dipeso samples some of the food available

## Kiwanis Scholarship Applications

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club is accepting scholarship applications for the 2016-17 school year. Scholarships of \$3,000 per year, over a period of four years, will be awarded. Two of the scholarships being awarded are the Sam Bailey Memorial Scholarship and the Francis Bailey Memorial Scholarship. Additionally, several one-year scholarships in varying amounts are available. To be eligible, applicants must be Sanibel-Captiva residents, employed full-time on the islands or a family member of such (of any age) attending a college or vocational school. The club collects the applications and an independent committee makes the selection. Applications must be submitted by March 25, 2016. They can be obtained by contacting any of the following: Tami Treuheit, 579-0660 or [reception@sanibelinsurance.com](mailto:reception@sanibelinsurance.com); Bill Traum, 561-2900 or [billtraum@me.com](mailto:billtraum@me.com); or Chris Heidrick, 579-0660 or [chris@sanibelinsurance.com](mailto:chris@sanibelinsurance.com).✽

## The Sanibel Sprout The Conscious Kitchen



by Chef Nikki Rood

The key to eating consciously and healthfully is creativity. There are so many varieties of plant-based food out there that all you have to do is use your imagination so you don't get bored.

Become a kitchen artist. Think about going to your local supermarket and exploring the organic produce section. Check out the goodies at your local farmer's markets and your local food co-ops (like ours) for some inspiration. Peruse the aisles, read labels, ask store clerks and vendors for some creative ideas on preparing a vegetable or grain you know nothing about. Talk to chefs you admire; we are glad to share tips. Life only gets boring the minute you stop exploring it. Food only gets boring the minute you stop exploring it, too. Inspire yourself. Some healthy tips: Start replacing white starches and carbs (like white rice, white bread, potatoes) with healthier, whole food counterparts like brown or wild rice, quinoa (full of protein), millet, sprouted bread and sweet potatoes. Try to eat different colors of the rainbow every day. The more colorful your food, the more you are benefiting from phytonutrients. Remember to chew your food well. Digestion begins in the mouth.

If you feel organic food is too expensive, consider volunteering at a local urban/community garden project and start learning how to plant your own organic produce in your own backyard. If you don't have your own backyard, there are many websites and resources for tips and ideas to start planting herbs and veggies out of your condo or apartment window. Indoor plant towers are a great idea, too. If you have children, this is a wonderful way to begin teaching them about natural and sustainable living. Cut up raw veggies ahead of time and store them in ziplock bags so that you can have healthy snacks on hand when you're hungry. Sprinkle them with a bit of Herbs De Provence and sea salt for some zing. Likewise, bring raw food nutrition bars, such as Lydia's, Pure or Lara bars to work with you in your bag or purse so you're never tempted to grab a vending machine or other fast-food snack. Better yet, learn how to make your own coconut date truffles with the recipe I'll be posting next week.

Lastly, find a go-to meal that's easy to make and a no-brainer in the kitchen for when you're tired and need premium fuel. I call mine the Tropical Mash-Up, and I always have the ingredients in my frig. It keeps me going for hours and is super-delish. I just throw layers of spinach, sliced avocado, hemp seeds, lemon juice, hummus, guacamole, crumbled up organic corn chips, bananas and strawberries in a bowl. It's a veritable mash-up of flavors and keeps me full of energy. Eat well, laugh well, sleep well and love well. Until next time... Chef Nikki. Please join me in creating this Conscious Kitchen Community and feel free to reach me at [www.sanibelfoodcoop.com](http://www.sanibelfoodcoop.com).✽



Island intra-club tennis participants at The Dunes

## The Dunes Adds Tennis Tourney, Bridge And Yoga

Roger Blouin led The Dunes in hosting the first island intra-club tournament when The Sanctuary players came out for an afternoon of tennis. The Dunes won four out of five courts. Afterwards, teams headed to the new clubhouse for appetizers, cocktails and bocce ball on the greens. Yoga on the Green with Sacha, a resident of Sanibel, native Floridian who was raised on the island of Maui, Hawaii, will take place Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. RSVP by calling 472-3355. Price is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members

Open Bridge Night will be held in the clubhouse from 7 to 9 p.m. the second Tuesday of every month, admission \$5 per player. Reservations may be made for the \$25 bridge night pre fixe dinner menu.

Those needing a little more bridge knowledge before joining open bridge night may attend Thursdays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. when Rick Covalciuc from the McGregor Bridge Club will be at there to help. Cost is \$20 for members per session, \$25 for on-members. Six weeks on Defense or six weeks on Declarer costs \$20 per member per session and \$25 per non-member. For a private tour of The Dunes, call Denise McKee to schedule at 472-3355✽



Sacha

# Off-Duty Firefighter Receives Phoenix Award

by Jeff Lysiak

What started as a casual evening out with his wife and grandmother turned into a very memorable evening for Zack Van Dyck, an off-duty firefighter/EMT for the Captiva Island Fire Control District.

Last month, the 27-year-old Cape Coral resident was enjoying a dinner out with family when he overheard some sort of commotion going on elsewhere in the sports bar.

"There was a bunch of noise, and I didn't really understand what was happening," recalled Van Dyck. "But all of a sudden, I heard somebody ask, 'Does anybody know how to do the Heimlich (maneuver)?'"

That's when the eight-year firefighter veteran spring into action.

At another table, a man was attempting to perform the Heimlich maneuver on his wife, who was choking on her food. Van Dyck immediately stepped in and tried his best to dislodge the obstruction from the women's throat.

"She had a complete blockage, so I attempted to do some abdominal thrusts without any success," said Van Dyck. "By this time, she was completely unresponsive... she had started to turn purple and was going down the drain."

Using his emergency medical technician training, Van Dyck then began doing chest compressions. For the next two to three minutes, with the victim still unresponsive, the firefighter never gave up hope.

"Then, all of a sudden, I could see the obstruction starting to move in her esophagus," said Van Dyck. "Her color started coming back, too."

The obstruction – a large piece of steak – immediately popped out. Then, the woman opened her eyes.

"She said 'Oh my God, I'm so sorry.' I think she thought she had just passed out," the firefighter noted. "It wasn't until later that everyone told her that she had been choking and had passed out."

For his heroic effort, Van Dyck received his second Phoenix Award, an honor given to emergency personnel who helped bring a victim back to life through their professional training. His previous Phoenix Award was given during an on-duty call with the Captiva Island Fire Control District.

Since the incident, which occurred three weeks before Christmas, Van Dyck has spoken with the victim by phone.

"She called me the following week, and we spoke for like 15 or 20 minutes," he said. "She kept asking me what do you do for somebody who saved your life? I'm just happy to know that she's fine. An experience like that really puts things into perspective."

Van Dyck also said that since the incident, both his wife and grandmother – who recently relocated to Southwest Florida from California – look at him a little differently.

"That was the first time my wife saw me doing my job... working on a real patient," said Van Dyck, who explained that his wife, Krista, is currently studying to become a registered nurse. "You never expect something like that to happen, but when it does, your instincts really kick in."\*



**Captiva Island Fire Control District firefighter/EMT Zack Van Dyck demonstrates how to perform CPR compressions on a patient**

photo by Jeff Lysiak

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## Eden Energy Medicine

# Warts Be Gone – Circle The Dragon



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

**R**ecently I had a client who suddenly had warts appear on her feet and wanted to know what we could do energetically to remove

them... What I learned is that warts are caused by a virus. In fact, according to [www.webmd.com/skin-problems-and-.../viruses-cause-skin-warts](http://www.webmd.com/skin-problems-and-.../viruses-cause-skin-warts), "common warts are actually an infection in the top layer of skin, caused by viruses in the human papillomavirus, or HPV, family. When the virus invades this outer layer of skin, usually through a tiny scratch, it causes rapid growth of cells on the outer layer of skin – creating the wart". . . It was a timely inquiry, since I had just participated in a webathon with Donna Eden, and she was discussing how to get rid of warts.

As with any virus, we first want to make sure the body's energies are crossed, so that the right hemisphere of the brain moves energy to the left side of the body and vice versa. A quick way to accomplish crossing: place the left hand

on the right shoulder and with firm pressure pull the left hand across the chest, belly and abdomen to the left hip. Do this three times and on the third swipe, take the hand all the way down the left leg to the foot. Repeat on the other side. This will start to get your energies crossed so the body is now more receptive to moving out the unwanted virus.

Circling (or Surrounding) the Dragon is a Traditional Chinese Medicine Concept. If you have a hot spot in the body (the dragon's hot breathe), then to remove the heat of the dragon (or the virus or the inflammation), we want to get the chi (life force energy) around the hot spot so it may dissipate and disperse the blockages. Begin by placing you index or middle finger on the side of the wart with firm pressure as you inhale deeply through the nose and exhale through the mouth. Move you finger to the spot next to its prior location and repeat the breathing. Continue moving around the wart until you get back to the area you started. You are surrounding the wart with energy, removing the trapped chi and saying goodbye to the wart. Oh, we did try it with my client and, after 12 days, the warts were gone!!

Have fun with your energy! Next week's topic is Give Yourself a Big Hug to Reduce Stress.

*If you have a question, email Karen Semmelman at [SemmEnergyCenter@gmail.com](mailto:SemmEnergyCenter@gmail.com). Learn more at [www.semmelmanenergy.com](http://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.✧*

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

### Dear Mom & Me,

We gave our son and daughter the advantage of top educations, hoping it would equip them for happy successful lives.

They both married and moved a hundred miles from one another on the east coast. We thought they were both happy. Suddenly both were making many complaints, so we moved to be closer because we thought we could help.

No matter what we did or said, it was wrong. We couldn't understand what was happening and finally they both told us.

To our complete surprise our son is gay and our daughter's husband is dual addicted. We tried to do our best, but nothing we did helped. And now we are in a retirement community on the west coast.

After they solve their problems, we hope we can reconnect, but until then we want peace.

What do others do?

Charlotte

### Dear Charlotte,

You have done your best so you should have no regrets. I think their problems are beyond Ma and Pa advice and need professional intervention. You could also benefit from talking a couple of times to a professional who specializes in family relations. It's a whole new world out there.

Lizzie

### Dear Charlotte,

It seems to me that you are supportive, realistic and hopeful about your adult children resolving their problems. Please keep the doors open for future reconciliation after they solve their own problems. You have done a great job.

Pryce

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# Are The Girls Sore? Fibrocystic Breast Pain Relief Tips



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

**Dear Pharmacist:** I hugged a friend who I hadn't seen in two years and she didn't hug me back. I thought it strange, but she quickly offered that her breasts were just incredibly sore.

I remember experiencing that for a few months when I was a younger girl, so I totally understood.

So if your "girls" ache, feel bruised or heavy on the inside, have you considered why it's happening? My friend did not, she just accepted it. They were so painful, she couldn't even hug her children. Sleeping was painful.

The technical term is "fibrocystic breast pain," and an estimated 30 to 60 percent of women experience this. Simply put, our "boobs" are two large milk glands (some larger than others, congratulations to those ladies!). Really sexy, huh? All kidding aside, all breasts contain some degree of lumps (or "cysts"), however, some breasts will contain more lumps than others due to hormonal changes. It's the lumps that cause your breasts to get uncomfortable, sometimes even painful.

Symptoms of fibrocystic breasts will be the most intense before your period and then usually leave immediately following the period. Estrogen, progesterone and prolactin (all girly hormones) cause cells in the breast tissue to swell. This is a normal hormonal change during menstruation. Some clinicians may try to prescribe oral contraceptives or hormone replacement

therapy, however, it is a bit controversial and the jury is still out on whether or not those help or make the condition worse. Certain supplements may be helpful, so please ask your practitioner about any or all of these:

**Iodine** – Iodine is a mineral antioxidant that comprises your thyroid hormone, but it's absolutely needed to maintain healthy breast tissue. When you are iodine deficient, your hormones are affected causing otherwise healthy breast tissue to become cystic and painful. A study of 111 healthy women with a history of breast pain and discomfort were given iodine for six months and 50 percent of the patients who took 6 mg of iodine daily were reported to have clinically significant reduction in overall breast pain.

**Vitamin E** – A double-blind published study found Vitamin E supplementation had a significant decrease in breast symptoms related to PMS (Premenstrual syndrome). If you can't find a high-quality supplement of natural, mixed vitamin E, just eat a lot of sunflowers and nuts.

**Evening Primrose Oil** – Evening primrose oil is an herb and is extracted from the plant, *Oenothera biennis*. The seeds of the plant contain oil called gamma linolenic acid (GLA). GLA helps reduce inflammation during menstruation, so it could be very adept at reducing the pain associated with breast tenderness and menstrual cramps.

**Caffeine Elimination** – Don't hate the messenger! I'm sorry to have to tell you that your "Cup of Love" could be doing more harm than good. Caffeine contains a chemical called methylxanthine, which makes blood vessels open up and the dilation causes breast discomfort. Instituting these supplements and dietary changes could improve your huggability within weeks.

*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](http://www.SuzyCohen.com).✱*

## SPORTS QUIZ

1. In 2000, Ken Griffey Jr. became the youngest major-league player to hit 400 career home runs (30 years, 141 days). Who had been the youngest?
2. Who was the last pitcher before the Dodgers' Zack Greinke in 2015 to have a major-league-leading ERA of 1.66 or lower?
3. Name the first quarterback in NFL history to have two 500-yard passing games.
4. How many losing seasons did Dean Smith have during his 36 years of coaching the North Carolina men's basketball team?
5. In 2015, Max Pacioretty became the third American to be named captain of the NHL's Montreal Canadiens. Name either of the first two.
6. Name the all-time leading goal scorer in soccer's Women's World Cup.
7. When was the last time before 2015 that former heavyweight boxing champion Wladimir Klitschko lost a bout, and to whom?

## ANSWERS

1. In 1938, Jimmie Foxx hit his 400th home run at 30 years, 248 days old. 2. Atlanta's Greg Maddux had a 1.63 ERA in the 1995 season. 3. Pittsburgh's Ben Roethlisberger, with one 500-yard game in 2009 and another in 2014. 4. Once -- he was 8-9 during his first season (1961-62). 5. Chris Chelios (1989-90) and Brian Gionta (2010-14). 6. Brazil's Marta, with 15 goals. 7. He lost to Lamont Brewster in 2004.

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Guess what, Lamb? You're about to experience a new perspective on a situation you long regarded quite differently. What you learn could open more opportunities later.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) The Bold Bovine is tempted to charge into a new venture. But it might be best to take things one step at a time so that you know just where you are at any given point.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to go on that fun getaway you've been planning. You'll return refreshed, ready and, yes, even eager to tackle the new challenge that awaits you.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child loves to fantasize about magical happenings in the early part of the week. But the sensible Crab gets down to serious business by week's end.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) What goes around comes around for those lucky Leos and Leonas whose acts of generos-

ity could be repaid with opportunities to expand into new and exciting areas of interest.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your concern about your job responsibilities is commendable. But you need to take some quiet time to share with someone who has really missed being with you.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Aspects favor getting out and meeting new people. And as a bonus, you could find that some of your newly made

friends could offer important business contacts.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You might take pride in wanting to do everything yourself. But now's a good time to ask family members to help with a demanding personal situation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Pay more attention to the possibilities in that workplace change. It could show the way to make that long-sought turn on your career path.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to

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January 19) Your need to succeed might overwhelm obligations to your loved ones. Ease up on that workload and into some well-deserved time with family and friends.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Love rules for amorous Aquarians who can make good use of their ability to communicate feelings. Don't be surprised if they're reciprocated in kind.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Fishing for compliments? No doubt, you probably earned them. But it's best to let others believe they were the ones who uncovered the treasure you really are.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Your good works flow from an open, generous heart. Nothing makes you happier than to see others happy as well.

### THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Feb. 7, 1881, plea bargaining gains favor in American courts when Albert McKenzie pleads guilty to a misdemeanor count of embezzlement instead of a felony. Today, over 90 percent of criminal cases are resolved through plea bargain in many jurisdictions.

- On Feb. 5, 1917, Congress overrides President Woodrow Wilson's veto and passes the Immigration Act, requiring a literacy test for immigrants.

- On Feb. 6, 1928, a woman calling herself Anastasia Tschaikovsky and claiming to be the daughter of the murdered czar of Russia arrives in New York City hoping to claim the Romanov fortune. In 1994, DNA analysis finally showed that Anastasia was not a Romanov, but was in fact a Polish-German factory worker.

- On Feb. 1, 1951, the United Nations General Assembly condemns the communist government of the People's Republic of China for acts of aggression in Korea. It was the first time the United Nations condemned a nation.

- On Feb. 4, 1976, a 7.5-magnitude earthquake levels one-third of Guatemala City, killing 23,000 people and leaving 1 million others homeless. Roads and bridges leading to the area sustained extensive damage, making it difficult for help to arrive.

- On Feb. 2, 1980, details of ABSCAM, an FBI sting operation to uncover political corruption in government, are released. Thirty-one public officials were targeted. FBI agents had posed as representatives of Abdul Enterprises, Ltd., a fictional business owned by an Arab sheik.

- On Feb. 3, 1998, a U.S. Marine jet flying low over the town of Cavalese in the Italian Alps severs a ski-lift cable, sending a tram crashing 250 feet to the ground and killing 20 people. The pilot and navigator destroyed a videotape that had recorded their flight. They were court-martialed for obstruction of justice and dismissed from the Marines.

### STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was beloved American astrophysicist and science communicator Carl Sagan who made the following sage observation: "If it can be destroyed by the truth, it deserves to be destroyed by the truth."

- You probably are well aware of the fact that caffeine enhances memory and learning in humans -- if you're not a coffee addict yourself, you almost certainly know someone who is. But you probably didn't know that the substance has the same effect on bees. More than half of all flowering plants produce caffeinated nectar, and tests recently conducted by researchers at the University of Sussex in the United Kingdom demonstrate that bees strongly prefer nectar with caffeine to the decaf version.

- Some ancient Greeks believed that baldness could be cured by applying to the hairless area a mixture of horseradish and pigeon droppings.

- Parents of younger children probably will not be surprised by the following factoid: Six eight-stud Lego bricks can be put together in a whopping 915,103,765 different ways -- and at least one of those bricks will end up being stepped on by a barefoot adult.

- If you're planning a trip to Nevada, you might want to keep in mind that in that state, it is technically illegal to kiss if you have a mustache.

- For reasons that are not entirely clear at present, in the spring of 2010 a 28-year-old man in South Korea married a large pillow printed with the image of an anime character. At the wedding, the pillow wore a white dress. The man has been seen taking his "wife" to an amusement park and out to dinner -- he even orders "her" a meal.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"A man's life is interesting primarily when he has failed -- I well know. For it is a sign that he has tried to surpass himself." -- Georges Clemenceau



Baby bobcat (#15-1646)

## Bobcat Release

An orphaned female baby bobcat (#15-1646) that was found by a local news crew covering a brush fire near the Southwest Florida International Airport in May was released recently in Collier County. After the fire, the bobcat was brought to Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission with slightly burned paws and dehydration. The bobcat successfully recovered and was paired with an older female orphaned bobcat (#15-1536) at CROW, who acted as her surrogate.

After their rehabilitation and recovery at CROW, both bobcats were transferred to Big Cat Rescue in Tampa at the end of June for extended rehabilitation and care. After seven months, both bobcats were successfully rehabilitated and returned to the wild by Big Cat Rescue with assistance from Florida Fish and Wildlife.\*

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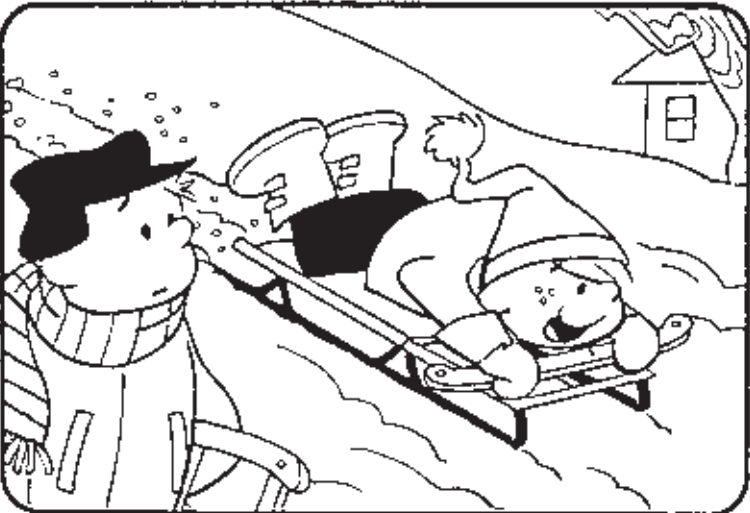
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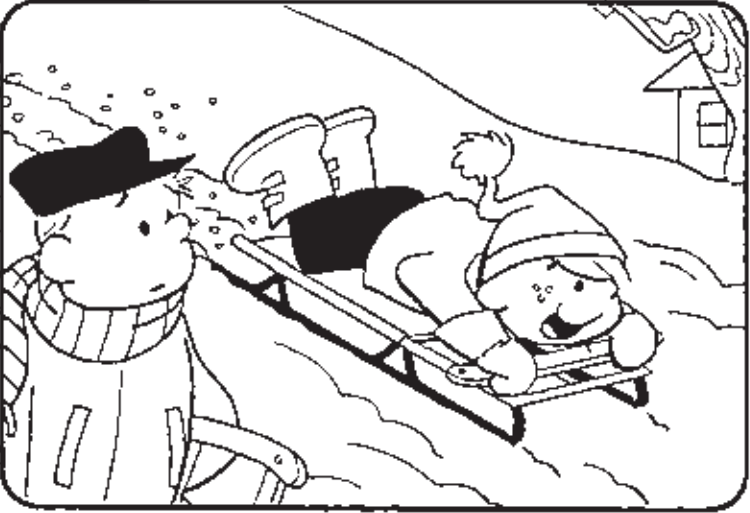
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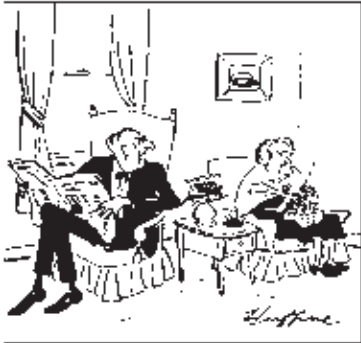
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FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Earlap is missing. 2. Scarf is moved. 3. Leg is smaller. 4. Cap tassels is shorter. 5. House is moved. 6. Steering bar is smaller.



"Will you pipe down for a while? These are my years, remember?"

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Annoy     
BARGED     
Prod     
DUEGN     
Master     
TORNLOC     
Disort     
GELMAN

TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 29B

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SUDOKU

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

answer on page 27B

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**HELP WANTED**  
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Volunteers needed for light general maintenance. Call (CHR) Community Housing & Resources, Inc. 472-1189.  
\*NS 11/1 NC TFN

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum needs Education and Great Hall volunteers. No experience necessary, will train. Please contact Melanie at (239) 395-2233 ext 11.  
\*NS 7/11 NC TFN

**SCRAMBLERS**

*solution*

1. Badger; 2. Nudge;  
3. Control; 4. Mangle

*Today's Word*

**GOLDEN**

HELP WANTED

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LOST AND FOUND

**HELP FIND SOOKIE**



A Sanibel family is seeking help in finding their beloved cat, Sookie. The 2-year-old female black cat (with one white toe) is very friendly. She was last seen on December 29 in the Angel Drive/Dixie Beach Boulevard area. If found, please contact Holli Martin at 618-401-0674 or holli@floridamartins.com.  
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**GARAGE SALE**  
Multifamily garage sale: Lots of household items, golf balls, silver plated punch bowl set, women's clothing, etc. Friday Jan.29,9-3, Saturday Jan.30, 10-3. 1212 Par View Drive, Sanibel  
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LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

**The Jacaranda** has live entertainment Friday and Saturday with DVS, playing classic rock and dance. Sunday is Cruzan Vibes, playing reggae and dance. Renata plays funk, jazz and contemporary 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 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 entertainment Friday and Saturday with Joe McCormick on piano and Marvilla Marzan on vocals. On Sunday, Dusk Duo plays classic pop and rock plus '40s and '50s style jazz. The "Jersey Kid" Mike Arnone performs on Monday, playing everything from Billy Joel to Motown to The Rat Pack. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Woody Brubaker and Barbara Smith perform. On Thursday, it's Joe McCormick and Marvilla Marzan.

**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@islandsun-news.com](mailto:press@islandsun-news.com) or 395-2299. ✪

Top 10 Real Estate Sales

| Development          | City             | Year Built | Square Footage | Listing Price | Selling Price | Days On Market |
|----------------------|------------------|------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| FA Lanes Bayview     | Captiva          | 2002       | 2,724          | \$2,290,000   | \$2,150,000   | 333            |
| Salerno              | Miromar Lakes    | 2015       | 3,994          | \$2,195,000   | \$1,975,000   | 237            |
| Cape Coral           | Cape Coral       | 2002       | 4,408          | \$1,290,000   | \$1,175,000   | 262            |
| Rivercreek           | Alva             | 2002       | 4,342          | \$1,170,000   | \$1,050,000   | 55             |
| Hérons Landings II   | Sanibel          | 1990       | 2,415          | \$989,000     | \$950,000     | 64             |
| Town And River       | Fort Myers       | 1972       | 2,060          | \$719,000     | \$690,000     | 4              |
| Bellezza             | Bonita Springs   | 2006       | 2,465          | \$739,000     | \$680,000     | 131            |
| Cape Coral           | Cape Coral       | 2003       | 3,121          | \$599,000     | \$585,000     | 110            |
| Martin & Lewis Unrec | Fort Myers Beach | 2003       | 1,604          | \$589,900     | \$576,000     | 23             |
| Cape Coral           | Cape Coral       | 1997       | 2,884          | \$639,000     | \$570,000     | 238            |

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# Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

**Q:** I have been seeing someone for about four weeks and I really like him, but I don't know if he is just seeing me. Should I ask him if we are exclusive?

**A:** There are many things to consider when you have been dating someone not that long.

When you find someone whom you are very attracted to, it is natural to want to be exclusively with him and forget about the others on the dating service or whomever you have recently been dating. I have some concerns about this because how do you really know if he is still dating others unless he flat out asks you to be his exclusive girlfriend? If you have no indication of this, it is wise to continue to leave the door open to other opportunities rather than put all of your eggs in one basket. I have seen women do the later too many times only to be dumped by the guy they were madly in love with only to end up

hurt with no one.

It's imperative that you take your time when getting to know someone. Take a good month or more to spend quality time with him before assessing if it is time for exclusivity.

My rule of thumb is watch their behavior. In other words, he may say certain things that make you feel he is interested in only you, but is he in alignment with what he tells you through his actions? If so, then take time to make sure he is worthy of being your boyfriend and know that it's okay to see other men because you are not yet exclusive.

After a couple months of dating him and he is consistent behaviorally, you should begin to feel more secure in giving him a chance for a mutually exclusive relationship. If he is calling you and seeing you several times a week, then it is already happening naturally, your relationship is deepening. No need to bring it up. If you feel the need to have the confirmation that you are indeed his girlfriend, then go with your feelings and my guess is that he already feels that you are.

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## Pets Of The Week

**H**ello, my name is Charlie. I'm a 9-month-old neutered male Pit Bull Terrier/Labrador Retriever mix. I'm just cute as a bug and smart as a whip – they should have named me Einstein! I'm a happy-go-lucky pup who always has a smile on my face and a bounce in my step. I love to play but am also content to sit on your lap. I like to play with other dogs and greet them politely. If you adopt me, I can be the best dog ever because I love to learn and please!

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services Yappy New Year Adoption Promotion.

Hello, my name is Theo. I'm a 2-year-old neutered male domestic short hair black tabby with white feet. I am a very quiet but quite lovable lap cat. I will make someone or some family a very nice companion. I'm no trouble, just lots of love.

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services Yappy New Year Adoption Promotion.

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

The shelter is open for adoptions from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.✴



Charlie ID# 650102



Theo ID# 650211

# Island Sun

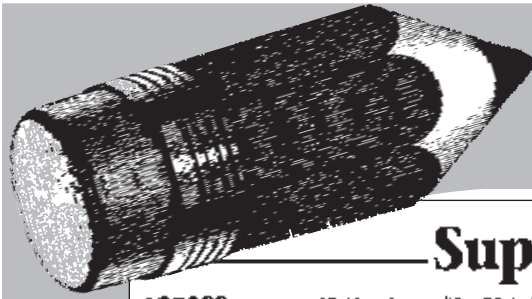
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Sanibel & Captiva Islands

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|  |  |
|--|--|
| Emergency .....  | 911  |
| Sanibel Police .....   | 472-3111   |
| Lee County Sheriff's Office .....                              | 477-1200   |
| On Call Captiva Deputy .....                                   | 477-1000   |
| Fire Department - Sanibel .....                                | 472-5525   |
| Fire Department - Captiva .....                                | 472-9494   |
| Florida Marine Patrol .....                                    | 332-6966   |
| Florida Highway Patrol .....                                   | 278-7100   |
| Poison Control .....   | 1-800-282-3171   |
| Chamber of Commerce .....                                      | 472-1080   |
| City of Sanibel .....  | 472-4135   |
| Administrative Office .....                                    | 472-3700   |
| Building Department .....                                      | 472-4555   |
| Planning Department .....                                      | 472-4136   |
| Library - Sanibel .....  | 472-2483   |
| Library - Captiva .....  | 239-533-4890   |
| Post Office - Sanibel .....                                    | 472-1573   |
| Post Office - Sanibel (toll free) .....                        | 800-275-8777   |
| Post Office - Captiva .....                                    | 472-1674   |
| Sanibel Community Association .....                            | 472-2155   |
| Center 4 Life - Senior Center .....                            | 472-5743   |
| ARTS   |  |
| Arcade Theater .....   | 332-4488   |
| Art League Of Fort Myers .....                                 | 275-3970   |
| BIG ARTS - Barrier Island Group for the Arts .....             | 395-0900   |
| Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre .....                             | 278-4422   |
| Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers .....                       | 288-2535   |
| Gulf Coast Symphony .....                                      | 472-6197   |
| Lee County Alliance for the Arts .....                         | 939-2787   |
| Naples Philharmonic .....                                      | 597-1111   |
| The Herb Strauss Schoolhouse Theater .....                     | 472-6862   |
| Sanibel Music Festival .....                                   | 336-7999   |
| Sanibel-Captiva Art League .....                               | <a href="http://sancapart.com">sancapart.com</a>                                 |
| SW Florida Symphony .....                                      | 418-0996   |
| CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS  |  |
| ABWA - American Business Women's Assoc. ....                   | 565-7872 or 433-7798   |
| American Legion Post 123 .....                                 | 472-9979   |
| Angel Flight SE .....  | 1-877-4AN-ANGEL  |
| Audubon Society .....  | 472-3744   |
| CHR Community Housing & Resources .....                        | 472-1189   |
| Community Foundation of Sanibel-Captiva .....                  | 274-5900   |
| CROW - Clinic For The Rehabilitation of Wildlife .....         | 472-3644   |
| FISH of Sanibel - Friends in Service Here .....                | 472-4775   |
| Sanibel Island Fishing Club .....                              | 472-8994   |
| Horticultural Society of the Islands .....                     | 472-6940   |
| Horticulture and Tea Society of Sanibel and Captiva .....      | 472-8334   |
| Kiwanis Club .....   | 677-7299   |
| League of Women Voters .....                                   | <a href="mailto:sanibelLWV@gmail.com">sanibelLWV@gmail.com</a>                   |
| Lions Club, Jeff MacDonald .....                               | 302-521-1158   |
| Master Gardeners of the Islands .....                          | 472-6940   |
| MOAA - Military Officers Assc. of America, Alex MacKenzie .... | 395-9232   |
| Newcomers .....  | 472-9332   |
| Notre Dame Club of Southwest Florida .....                     | 768-0417   |
| Optimist Club .....  | 472-0836   |
| PAWS .....   | 472-4823   |
| Rotary Club .....  | 472-7257 or 472-0141   |
| Sanibel Bike Club .....  | <a href="http://sanibelbicycleclub.org">sanibelbicycleclub.org</a>               |
| Sanibel Beautification Inc. ....                               | 470-2866   |
| Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society .....                           | 472-6940   |
| Sanibel-Captiva Power Squadron .....                           | <a href="http://www.usps.org/localusps/sancap">www.usps.org/localusps/sancap</a> |
| Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus .....                        | 395-1202   |
| Sanibel-Captiva Shell Club .....                               | 395-1770   |
| Sanibel Youth Soccer .....                                     | <a href="http://www.sanibelsoccer.org">www.sanibelsoccer.org</a>                 |
| United Way of Lee County .....                                 | 433-2000   |
| United Way 211 Helpline 24 hour .....                          | 211 or 433-3900  |
| Zonta Club .....   | 728-1971   |
| ISLAND ATTRACTIONS   |  |
| Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum .....                    | 395-2233   |
| JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge .....               | 472-1100   |
| Sanibel Historical Museum & Village .....                      | 472-4648   |
| SCCF Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation .....             | 472-2329   |

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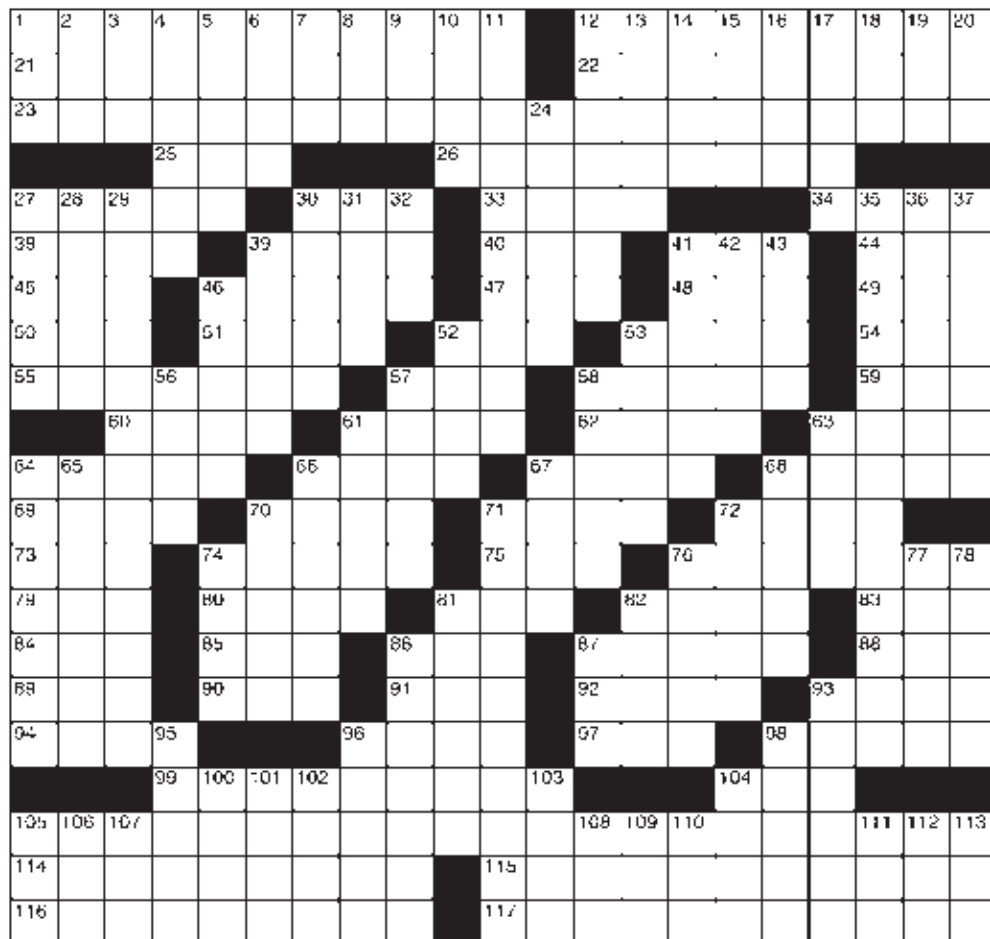
# BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

answers on page 27B

## Super Crossword

**DANGEROUS  
CURVES AHEAD**

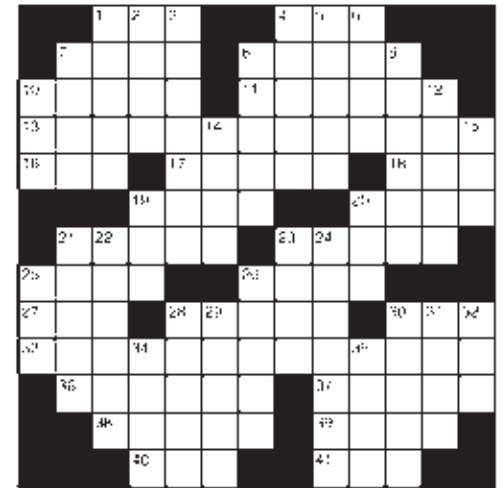
- ACROSS**
- 1 Allured by  
12 Where water remains after an ebb  
21 Direct results  
22 Big band singer called "The Jazzebel of Jazz"  
23 Common types of thin rides  
25 Co.'s top dog  
26 S.F. thoroughfare famous for its hairpin curves  
27 Fog or mist  
30 Bulge (out)  
33 Gas in signs  
34 State north of Neb.  
38 Oahu, e.g.  
39 Flower-holding jar  
40 Boston Bruin Bobby  
41 Status  
44 Kimono sealer  
45 Disco fan on "The Simpsons"  
46 Mended a hem, e.g.  
47 Port in Brazil, for short  
48 Indohirite article in Italy
- 49 Psycho gift  
50 Troops site  
51 Fired  
52 Hooting bird  
53 — Van Dyke  
54 Maple stuff  
55 Dried out, with "up"  
57 Constraining serpent  
58 Window components  
59 Pub draft  
60 "Zounds!"  
61 Thickly fibrous  
62 Sneaky guy?  
63 Lab helper with a hump  
64 "Hammann" Hank  
66 Sharp changes of direction  
67 Sharp changes of direction  
68 Seniors' canoes  
69 Reduced  
70 Zestfulness  
71 Claudius's successor  
72 Italian "Bye"  
73 Audit org.  
74 Zestful  
75 Limestone, e.g.  
76 Dad's dad  
79 Jon — Jovi  
80 Scottish port
- 81 L-P middle  
82 Penion of film  
83 Put a label on  
84 Quiet — mouse  
85 Bush spokesman  
86 Holiday tree  
87 Bizarre, sanely  
88 Capacious coffee pot  
89 — chuy  
90 Viking's place  
91 Verb suffix in Sussex  
92 Amiss  
93 Inbe of Canada  
94 Baldwin of "To Rome With Love"  
96 Spritful  
97 Suffix with infant  
98 Frog locales  
99 Really hitting the sauce  
104 Water in Toulon  
105 #1 Beatles hit of 1970  
114 Actress who co-starred in "The Help"  
115 Very simple  
116 Unfinished business
- 117 2011-13 secretary of defense
- DOWN**
- 1 Deed  
2 AAA job  
3 Prefix for "three"  
4 Revolver, in old slang  
5 With 56-Down, secondary personalities  
6 Classic Liz Taylor role  
7 Pothole fill  
8 Four up  
9 Italian for "God"  
10 Relate  
11 Capital in Scandinavia  
12 Seat of North Carolina's Edgemont County  
13 Old Peruvian  
14 Christ on  
15 Somewhat  
16 Scottish gill  
17 Actress Annie  
18 Poem type  
19 Boat paddle  
20 Fleur-de —  
24 "Bant" chef  
27 Entry stamps  
28 Houston ballplayer  
29 Pipe-cleaning tool  
30 Chatted  
31 "Get to it!"  
32 A Kennedy  
35 Acts the Samanton  
36 Favorite son of David  
37 Some cured herrings  
39 Tormented  
41 See 42-Down  
42 Outlier's cry  
43 Acom bearers  
46 Hood wrap  
52 "My bad"  
53 See — Zoo  
56 See 5-Down  
57 Swamplike  
58 Meager  
61 Rock Star?  
63 Shah's and  
64 "Arabian Nights" figure  
65 Spray can suspension  
66 Bright, showy flower  
67 Not a one  
68 Spinel say  
70 Old name of the Congo  
71 Bad news for magazine publishers  
72 With 41-Down, patchworks  
74 "the night before..."  
76 Music class  
77 Whittled  
78 De Mille of dance  
81 Total up incorrectly  
82 Dowlap  
86 Actor Ralph  
87 Moo goo — pain  
93 Route  
95 Tab and RC  
96 "— my big mouth!"  
98 Wiccan, e.g.  
100 Shout  
101 Opening bet  
102 Weed — (lawn care product)  
103 Go upward  
104 New Age superstar  
105 Holodex no.  
106 Med. service  
107 Comic Philips  
108 Prefix with conservative  
109 Veep Quayle  
110 MSN, e.g.  
111 Go (for)  
112 Bit of land in a river  
113 Narc's agency



## King Crossword

### ACROSS

- 1 Moo goo  
4 Snitch  
7 Prep for  
8 Intrinsically  
10 Insertion mark  
11 Mountain-eering tool  
13 New Orleans section  
16 Scoundrel  
17 Storefront sign info  
18 Raw rock  
19 Olympic sled  
20 Desert-like  
21 Harvests  
23 Ski trail  
25 Nevada city  
26 Sex Pistol's genre  
27 Suitable  
28 Highlanders  
30 Island garland  
33 "3rd Rock From the Sun" cast member  
36 Baltimore bird  
37 Change  
38 Fairies



- 39 Carry  
40 Mimic  
41 Crafty
- legal or medic  
8 Resentment  
9 Blackmail  
10 Ozone detector (Abbr.)  
12 Word  
14 Swine  
15 Scarlet  
19 "I Faces of Dr."  
20 Request  
21 Copy for short  
22 Goes in  
23 Green shot
- 24 Entomologist's study  
25 U.K. flies  
26 Sat for a picture  
28 Ice cream tool  
29 Actress  
30 Non clergy  
31 Sea eagle  
32 "Impossible"  
34 NPR's  
35 Sweater material

## MAGIC MAZE • ANAGRAMS OF MLB TEAMS

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

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

- |                |           |           |         |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| A lions and    | Hill pies | Roasts    | Sly car |
| Band aid smock | Mrs. Nail | Rose oil  | Snag it |
| Car island     | Parties   | Show exit | Stem    |
| Garners        | Red dogs  | Ski core  |         |



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