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Retirement Party To Honor School Principal

by Jeff Lysiak

With two weeks remaining until The Sanibel School Principal Barbara Von Harten steps down from her position of 19 years, plans to honor the longtime educator have been revealed by her co-workers, friends and community supporters.

On Tuesday, May 3 from 3 to 6 p.m., a retirement party for Von Harten will be held at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club, 949 Sand Castle Road on Sanibel. Students, faculty and staff, as well as members of the public, are invited to attend.

“After 38 years of hard work and
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The Sanibel School Principal Barbara Von Harten

Biking, Hiking And Crafts For Earth Day At Refuge

Bike or hike Wildlife Drive for free, create earth-friendly crafts and follow guided tours at this year’s Earth Day at JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday, April 23.

The refuge will celebrate the 46th anniversary of Earth Day in partnership with “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) and Tarpon Bay Explorers.

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., families can do make-and-take Earth Day crafts including recycled soda-bottle butterflies and jelly fish, Mother Earth ornaments and baskets made from “plarn” – recycled
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Kids making Mother Earth ornaments at a previous Earth Day at the refuge

Speakers Eager To Discuss Current Threats During Mollusks In Peril Forum

by Jeff Lysiak

Next month, the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum will bring together some of the country’s foremost experts on current large-scale threats to molluscan populations to discuss – through presentations and panels – the challenges facing the second most diverse group of animals on earth.

Mollusks In Peril, which will take place on May 22, 23 and 24 at the Sanibel museum, will provide a forum for discussion on the possible ecological drivers of extinction risk, the synergies that enhance ecological stress, and the taxonomy, ontogeny and geography of change in and risk to marine, freshwater and terrestrial mollusks.

According to forum leaders, as our planet is subjected to unprecedented rates of human-induced environmental change, populations of mollusks inhabiting a wide range of habitats are being exposed to exceptional amounts of ecological stress. These stressors include, but are not limited to, alterations caused by climate change and other large-scale environmental disturbances.

The forum’s scientific advisory committee consists of the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum’s own science director and curator, Dr. José H. Leal, along with fellow doctors and shell experts Nina Bednaršek, Laura Parker, Robert H. Cowie, C. Mark Eakin, Richard A. Feely and Arthur E. Bogan.

“It is only natural that the shell museum should continue its leading role in education and the study of mollusks by designing and hosting Mollusks In Peril,” said Leal. “Hosting the event at the museum has also enhanced its visibility in the conservation and environmental studies community.”

Guest speakers at the three-day forum will include:

- Arthur E. Bogan, PhD, FLS, research curator of aquatic invertebrates at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences in Raleigh, North Carolina – Dr. Bogan is a malacologist specializing in freshwater mussel taxonomy, distribution, conservation and evolution. He has collaborated with the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), assessing the freshwater mollusk fauna of the Indo-Burma area. Dr. Bogan is interested in the conservation status and endangered species of freshwater mollusks and endangered species.

- Emily Carrington, PhD, professor of biology for the Friday Harbor Laboratories at the University of Washington in Friday Harbor, Washington – Dr. Carrington’s



The sea butterfly is considered the “canary in the coalmine” for issues such as ocean acidification
photo courtesy of NOAA/PMEL

research has focused on the mechanical design of marine invertebrates and macroalgae, especially those that thrive in one of the most physically challenging habitats on earth, the wave-swept rocky intertidal zone.

- Robert H. Cowie, PhD, research professor for the Pacific Biosciences Research Center at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawaii – The over-arching theme of Dr. Cowie’s research is to understand the sources and determinants of non-marine molluscan diversity, both native and invasive, primarily in the Pacific. He
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Historical Village Seeking 1950s Items For Christmas Display



Working on this year's Luminary celebration are, front row from left, Jeri Magg, Patti Daly, Nancy Travis and Judy McBroom; Back row, from left, Bonnie Frankel, Bill Bachman, Kevin O'Donnell, Karen Searles, Carol DiCorpo, Bluma Herman and Terry Jacob

The Historical Village is seeking to borrow 1950s memorabilia for its Christmas display this year. The theme will be Christmas Vacation: Coming to Sanibel for a 1950s Christmas. The festivities will take place from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Luminary Day, December 2.

The event will highlight what it was like here on Sanibel during Christmas in the 1950s.

"We want to include as many items as possible in each display so it will truly be a memorable experience for all visitors. To do this, we need the community's help," said event co-chair Gayle Pence.

Pence said the Christmas committee is looking for any and all 1950s-era items, including clothing (including poodle skirts). Also wanted are inner tubes, old life vests, big flippers, old snorkel masks, big swim goggles, big water skis, old floating inflatable beach toys, fishing lures and bobbers, trees with shell ornaments, tinsel,

bubble lights, fishing nets, rods and reels, old fishing baskets, bait pails, old Florida manuals on fishing, boating and tourist attractions, lots of shells and driftwood, beach hats, swim suits and bathing caps, and 1950s music. Old 1950s cameras would be appreciated as well.

"These are the items we need to borrow from friends, neighbors and family members," Pence said.

The village Christmas event will include carolers from the Sanibel Community Chorus under the direction of Steve Cramer. Each village building will incorporate period décor in celebration of the theme with live interactive events. The Rutland House will be lively with docent Dave Richard at the piano, along with an individual photo opportunity for guests.

The Sanibel Historical Village is open now through July 30. After the summer hiatus, the museum will re-open for season October 18. Hours now are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Full guided tours take place at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at no additional charge, depending on docent availability. Beginning in May, hours will be Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., with guided tours at 10:30 a.m.

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

Featured Speaker At Republican Caucus

Ray Rodrigues, who represents Sanibel and Captiva in the Florida House, will speak to the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus on Saturday, April 23 at 10 a.m. He will discuss major issues facing his district (#76), and results from the current session in the legislature.

Rodrigues' talk will be the second talk in the group's April candidate series, after the April 16 talk by Sharon Harrington,

Lee County supervisor of elections.

These sessions are held at the Sanibel Public Library, and the public is invited to attend.

Rodrigues is from Estero, and received his BA from Berry College in Georgia in 1992. He is the budget manager for the College of Arts and Sciences at Florida Gulf Coast University. He was first elected to the legislature in 2012, and re-elected in 2014. He is now vice chair of the Finance and Tax Committee, as well as serving on several subcommittees in the House of Representatives.

For more information, contact Will Smith at 395-0819 or email smi975@yahoo.com.

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Ms. Kerra's VPK class learned all about plants before planting the banana tree donated by Ben Dahlmann of Periwinkle Place

Children's Center Goes Bananas

The Children's Education Center of the Islands has gone totally bananas with the planting of their first – and, hopefully, first of many – banana tree. The VPK class assisted in planting the banana tree after learning about plants, trees and roots as well as what plants need to survive. They then consulting with each other for the best place for the banana tree to be planted. They are anxiously waiting for the first batch of bananas since they have already planned out a monkey party to celebrate. The preschool is excited for the students to learn, not only about plants and planting, but to be able to provide nutritious snack, giving them a real life lesson on where food comes from; an actual tree, not just the food store. Ben Dahlmann of Periwinkle Place donated the banana tree from his collection.✱

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Retirement Party To Honor Principal

dedication (30 years as an administrator in Lee County), it's time to take a permanent vacation," the party invitation emailed last week by school officials announced. "Please join us as we offer Barbara Von Harten best wishes on her retirement!"

During a recent interview, Von Harten spoke about her thoughts as her last day at work (May 5) approaches.

"What I like about my job is that every day is different," she explained. "Of course, there are going to be the goodbyes. I'll miss being with the children. I'll miss everyone here – the kids and the staff. But the school's in great shape. Whoever becomes the next principal is going to love The Sanibel School as much as I do. It's been an honor and a privilege to work here with such a great team. It's been fun."

Of the many happy memories Von Harten will carry with her, two of the most memorable she noted were the ribbon-cutting ceremony for The Sanibel School's expanded K-8 facility back in 2004 and – four short years later – becoming a National Blue Ribbon School.

For more information about the retirement party, contact Debra Howarth at The Sanibel School at 472-1617 or email debralho@leeschools.net.✱

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Earth Day

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The day's schedule:

- 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wildlife Drive is open free to bikers and hikers only (\$5 fee per vehicle);
- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. free bike rentals from Tarpon Bay Explorers at Tarpon Bay Road and Sanibel-Captiva Road;
- 9:30 to 11 a.m. Biking the Refuge Tour. Join a naturalist on the 4-mile Wildlife Drive/Indigo Trail Loop to learn about the refuge's bird life and ecology. Meet at the flagpole.

- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. More Earth Crafts in the education center classroom;
- 10 to 11 a.m. Guided hike along Indigo Trail with a refuge naturalist. Meet at the flagpole.
- 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Reading in the Refuge family storytime about sea turtles in the education center auditorium)

For more information on Earth Day at the Refuge, call 472-1100 ext. 236 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/earth-day.✱

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Mollusks In Peril

is particularly interested in understanding the origins, spread and impacts of alien snails.

- C. Mark Eakin, PhD, Coral Reef Watch coordinator at the Center for Satellite Applications and Research at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in College Park, Maryland – A coral reef specialist, Dr. Eakin has published on various topics in coral reef ecology, especially the impact of climate change and other disturbances on coral reefs, and was a contributing author to the most recent report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

- Kenneth A. Hayes, assistant professor in the department of biology at Howard University in Washington, DC – The ultimate goal of Dr. Hayes' work is to use this knowledge to help conserve biodiversity in the face of major threats (e.g. habitat destruction, invasive species and climate change). He will be speaking about threats to and extinction of insular land snails with a focus on role of habitat destruction, climate change, and the interactions of invasive species with native snails in the Hawaiian Islands.

- Charles Lydeard, PhD, professor and chair of biological sciences at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Illinois – Dr. Lydeard's research interests are focused on the systematics and conservation of freshwater mollusks. He has been particularly interested in delimiting species boundaries of imperiled freshwater mollusks using molecular techniques. He is now beginning to explore the biological diversity of freshwater mollusks of the upper Mississippi River basin and terrestrial gastropods of Illinois, and the major conservation issues faced by these animals.

- Brad Seibel, PhD, professor of biological oceanography for the College of Marine Sciences at the University of South Florida in St. Petersburg – Dr. Seibel's research is focused on the physiological response of marine animals to extreme environments, ocean acidification, deoxygenation and warming, polar and deep-sea biology, biology of mollusks.

- Julia Sigwart, PhD, associate professor and associate director for the Marine Laboratory at Queen's University in Belfast, Ireland – Dr. Sigwart is an evolutionary biologist who studies the evolution and diversification of mollusks and other marine invertebrates. One aspect of her research focuses on the specialist adaptations that enable mollusks to exploit extreme environments, and adapt to environmental change.

- George Waldbusser, PhD, assistant professor for the College of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon – Dr. Waldbusser has worked on fundamental science questions while maintaining a strong interest in informing policy makers and the public.

He has authored 30 publications, has an extensive record of student advising, and serves as an associate editor for the *Journal of Shellfish Research and Limnology and Oceanography*.

- Meredith White, PhD, visiting assistant professor of earth and oceanographic science at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine – Dr. White worked as a postdoc at Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Science in Maine in the laboratory of Barney Balch, investigating the effects of ocean acidification on coccolithophore-copepod interactions.

- Norine W. Yeung, PhD, malacology researcher at the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum in Honolulu, Hawaii – Dr. Yeung has extensive malacological research experience in Hawaii, focusing on Hawaiian land snail (native and invasive) systematics and ecology. As an educator of science, policy and management, she is interested in integrating research and education in novel approaches.

Several of the guest speakers are excited to address the importance of mollusks in the world's ecosystem.

"Invertebrates like mollusks help run the planet. They are often dominant members of the ecosystem and without them, things would change for the worse," said Lydeard, who will discuss how to distinguish different mollusk species. "If humans went extinct, the planet would go on quite nicely without us, but you can't say the same if we were to lose all mollusks."

According to Waldbusser, oysters serve a critically important role in human culture and cuisine. But oysters also provide many important ecological services, such as water filtration, habitat for other commercially important species, flood control, in addition to food.

"For many bivalve species, shells form incredibly important habitat and ocean acidification is sure to threaten the persistence of ultimately the habitat for shell aggregating species, like oysters," he explained.

"People should care because invertebrates, mollusks included, make up 97 percent of the animals on the planet and are vital components of functioning ecosystems," added Hayes. "These same ecosystems are essential for clean water, erosion control, food crops, disease prevention, etc. So, unless people want to live in some post-anthropocene dystopian world devoid of all but the most general of fauna, then they might want to care."

Carrington is looking forward to discussing the relative importance of the many threats to mollusks (e.g., ocean warming, ocean acidification, shoreline development). "There are a lot of elephants in the room, so which are charging at us the fastest?" she asked. "If we don't know, how do we find out?"

Even Dorrie Hipschman, executive director at the museum, is excited to bring together some of the world's leading authorities on mollusks to next month's forum.

"These animals, like canaries did for coal miners, and the research that will be presented at the forum, can help tell us about the health of our world," said Hipschman. "Our museum is proud to host this prestigious event and proud that the museum's unique collection helps researchers compare the historical record with the health of these amazing animals today."

The Mollusks In Peril forum will be held at the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum, located at 3075 Sanibel Captiva Road. To register for the conference, and for a complete list of presenters and topics, visit www.shellmuseum.org/learn/mollusks-in-peril-forum. For more information, call the museum at 395-2233.✱

Farmers Market Open In May

The Sanibel Island Farmers Market will remain open during the month of May on Sundays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the grounds of Sanibel City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road.

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Choir Pulls Out All The Stops

submitted by Barbara Freeman

Music is a vital element of worship at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, whether it's a piano prelude at the 7:45 a.m. chapel service, carols at Lighthouse Beach on Christmas Eve, meaningful additions to memorial gatherings, or hymns that set the tone for special holiday services. But from prelude to postlude, music plays the greatest role in the regular full services. This season in particular, the Chancel Choir, conducted by Dr. Elwood Smith, director of music, is reaching new levels of musicality.

"This year," explains Smith, "the choir has done a wide variety of anthems, including a 16th century Christmas carol; works by Monteverdi, Bach, Handel, Mozart, Berlioz, Holst, and Leonard Bernstein; hymns scored for choir and brass; jazz arrangements; and even a contemporary Christian song from Australia."

On April 10, for example, the choir performed three excerpts from *Son of God Mass*, written by British composer James Whitbourn in 2001. The complex piece featured solos by Shawn Allison on soprano saxophone and accompaniment by the church's organist, Norm Libby. Smith notes that this combination of organ, saxophone and choir is rare and quite striking. One of the three selections served



The choir at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ

photo by Deb Kunkel

as the offertory and was immediately followed by the *Doxology*, sung by the congregation and choir together. That transitioned seamlessly into two more sections of the piece for the anthem, which at the church is known as the Ministry of Music.

"One of the most satisfying aspects of singing with this choir is that Elwood chooses such a wide variety of sacred music," says Allison. "I think we did something from every century from the 16th to the 21st this year. Whitbourn's *Son of God Mass*, for choir, organ and soprano saxophone made a big splash in the concert choir world about 10 to 15 years ago, but it isn't really a staple of the church choir repertoire. It's great to get to do pieces that are a little off the beaten path."

In addition to playing the saxophone, Allison is one of four section leaders in the choir. While many other members of the choir have extensive backgrounds with choirs and choruses throughout the country, the section leaders

enhance the music and add balance to the ensemble, not only with their fine voices, but also through their expertise in many aspects of music.

Allison, the bass section leader, holds degrees in saxophone performance and music composition from St. Olaf College and Ithaca College and is completing his PhE in composition at the University of Chicago. He has performed on saxophone at The Tanglewood Festival of Contemporary Music and with numerous fine ensembles. As the Allison Duo, he and his wife, pianist Abbey Allison, play a wide variety of music. Shawn is an adjunct professor at FGCU, is on the faculty at the First Academy of Music in Bonita Springs, teaches private lessons, and is the artistic director of the Century Ensemble.

Sara Simon-Shult, the soprano section leader, received a bachelor of music and French from Vassar College and a master's in music education from The Crane School of Music. She

is a New York State-certified music educator, a piano and vocal coach, and in the summertime resident music director for Potsdam Music Theater. She teaches piano and voice at the Jay & Kay Music Studio in Fort Myers, specializing in classical and Broadway music.

Alto section leader Lauren Davis is a mezzo-soprano who received a bachelor's degree in vocal performance from the Bower School of Music at FGCU. She has performed several operatic roles, both nationally and internationally, and has won scholarships and competitions, including the Southwest Florida Symphony Jillian Prescott Music Awards. She has been a featured young artist with the Varna International Opera Academy, the Miami Summer Music Festival and Opera in the Ozarks, and is currently a resident artist with Gulfshore Opera in Naples.

Keith Shult, the tenor section leader, also plays trumpet in some services. He has spent 32 years teaching music, done a couple of Broadway National Tours, lots of trumpet gigs – both jazz and classical – and a multitude of church choir chancels.

The choir, which numbers as many as 30 at times, rehearses on Wednesday evenings and sings from October through April, alternating month to month between the 9 and 11 a.m. services. The group is scheduled for both services on major holidays and Choir Sunday and holds convivial breakfasts in between. When the church welcomes Dixieland, bluegrass, and brass ensembles as guest musicians, the choir and the instrumentalists often perform together.

In collaboration with Senior Pastor Rev. Dr. John H. Danner and Associate Pastor Deb Kunkel, Smith carefully selects the choir's music to complement the sermons and scripture readings. He also takes into account the mix of voices that will be on hand on any given week.

Organist Norm Libby plays solo preludes, postludes, and offertories as well as accompanying the choir and soloists. Off season and during the services when the choir doesn't sing, vocal or instrumental soloists present the Ministry of Music.

"The choir has added so much to this year's worship," said Danner. "I have been impressed, as always, with their dedication and hard work."

While most of the choir singers are connected with the church, others are not. Some live on the island, while many live on the mainland, including at Shell Point. Anyone is welcome to join, whether or not they are church members.

As this season winds down, planning is already under way for fall.

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Noah's Ark Going To Summer Hours

Noah's Ark, a popular island thrift shop located on the grounds of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, has announced its business hours for the summer season. Beginning in May and continuing through Friday, August 12, it is open on Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

On August 12, the Ark will host its annual Bag Day sale. On that day, customers are invited to buy marked bags in the church parking lot for \$4 each, fill them with store goods and walk away with as many items as the bags carry. Items that don't fit in the bags are 80 percent off the regular price.

Bag Day marks the end of the summer season for the Ark, which, after August 12, is closed for six weeks for maintenance and restocking. The shop reopens in October, Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. In November, it resumes winter season hours, weekdays and the first Saturday of each month.

Noah's Ark does not take donations between August 12 and September 1. On September 1 and thereafter, donations are accepted. Furniture donations must have the approval of the furniture chairperson. Items should be clean and in good condition.

Operated by the Women of St. Michael's for more than 50 years, Noah's Ark offers for sale – at bargain prices – merchandise of all kinds, including women's and men's clothing, children's clothes, bedding, kitchen electronics and



Noah's Ark director, Adele Mattern, center, with staffers Carol Heath, left, and Dee Caldwell



An Ark customer ponders his beach reading options at Barnes & Noah within the thrift shop

housewares, furniture and home furnishings, plus books in its own book station, Barnes & Noah.

Proceeds, coupled with monies from the parish's annual budget, go to more than 25 local, regional and global charities and agencies. They include Habitat for Humanity, FiSH, the Harry Chapin Food Bank, Voices for Kids, El Hogar Honduras School and Interfaith Action of Southwest Florida. Most recently, the Women of St. Michael's presented a check for \$15,000 to the Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships.

The Ark staff and St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church extend heartfelt thanks to all donors who make the Ark's charitable mission a continuing success.

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Islanders Hear About 2016 Hurricane Forecast And How To Be Prepared



Participants at last week's 2016 Hurricane Seminar, sponsored by the Captiva Hurricane Preparation & Response Committee, included, from left, Celeste Fournier, Tom Bamford, Kristen Kirchhaine, Jim Bjostad, Rich Dickerson, Jeff Pawul and Sgt. Mike Sawicki.

by Jeff Lysiak

Those who follow the advice that you can never plan too early, especially for severe weather in Southwest Florida, gathered at the Captiva Civic Center last Wednesday afternoon for the 2016 Hurricane Seminar. Sponsored by the Captiva Hurricane Preparation & Response Committee, the 90-minute workshop included advice from local officials and community agencies on how to prepare for a tropical storm or hurricane, along with the upcoming season forecast from a local television meteorologist.

According to Kristen Kirchhaine, NBC-2 meteorologist, the 2016 hurricane season may be busier than islanders have experienced over the past few years. Last year, she explained, an El Nino weather pattern resulted in a rather calm Atlantic hurricane season, with only seven tropical storms and four hurricanes – none of which were major storms – reported.

For this upcoming season, which officially begins on June 1, forecasters are predicting that a La Nina weather pattern will bring increased activity in the Gulf of Mexico and western Caribbean region.

"In August through October, the enhanced upper-level easterly winds lead to reduced vertical wind shear and increased hurricane activity across the tropical North Atlantic," said Kirchhaine. "This hurricane season is a little tough to predict, but like we always say, it only takes one storm."

She presented the WeatherBell outlook for the 2016 season, which has forecast 11 to 14 total storms including six to eight hurricanes, of which two to five are predicted to become major hurricanes.

Other participants at the April 13 seminar included: Jim Bjostad, chief of Lee County Emergency Management; Celeste Fournier, Lee County emergency



Lt. William Dalton, left, of the Sanibel Police Department, registered several residents for their 2016 hurricane hangtag re-entry passes
photos by Jeff Lysiak

management coordinator; Tom Bamford, vice commander of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary; Rich Dickerson, chief, and Jeff Pawul, deputy chief, of the Captiva Fire Control District; Sgt. Mike Sawicki of the Lee County Sheriff's Office; Tim Babor of the sheriff's office Marine Unit; Lt. William Dalton of the Sanibel Police Department; and Maggie Goldsmith, director of operations at FISH of SanCap.

"If you live in Ohio and they're predicting a tornado, they give you between three and five minutes to prepare," said Bjostad. "But here in Southwest Florida, we'll give you three to five days to get ready, which should be enough time for everybody."

Bjostad discussed the hazards associated with hurricanes – including rainfall, wind and storm surge – along with tips for building a disaster supply kit and planning for an evacuation.

"After June 1, which is the first day of hurricane season, fill your car's tank with gas and don't let it ever get below half a tank," he added, before noting the importance of microchipping your pets. "During major disasters, one in three pets are lost. Pets

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Chief Rich Dickerson of the Captiva Fire Control District



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OBITUARY



FRANCES GRAVES NUELLE

Frances Graves Smiley Nuelle, journalist, poet and World War II veteran, 95, died peacefully at her home in Los Altos, California on April 3, 2016 in the company of her younger daughter, Frances Dorsett Nuelle.

Fran was born on a ranch near Hailey, Idaho on March 30, 1921 to David Berger Graves and Ethel (Doolittle) Graves. Her parents did not intend to give their daughter a middle name, but the physician who delivered her was intoxicated and mistakenly recorded the name Frances Grace Graves on her birth certificate, setting

up a long life of unexpected adventure and the love of a good story.

Fran was the eldest of five children. When Fran was 4, her paternal uncle bet the Idaho ranch in a poker game and lost. The family subsequently moved to Texas, where her father became a wildcatter. During the Great Depression, the family moved eastward, settling in Wood River, Illinois where Fran graduated from high school with a deep interest in books and sports. After a year at Illinois State Normal University, she surprised her parents by enlisting in the Women's Army Corps in 1942 and was sent to Germany, working first as a secretary, then as a writer (and occasional model) for the army newspaper. She marched in Paris in the Victory Day Parade in August 1944.

When she returned from the war, Fran worked as a beat reporter for the Memphis Press-Scimitar while at the same time being courted by an Army officer she met in Europe, Capt. James L. Smiley. They married and moved to Los Angeles. They had one child, Jane Graves Smiley, now an author.

Fran eventually returned to the Midwest, becoming the first female editor of the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*. She wrote features about local women, movie stars passing through town (she once interviewed Katharine Hepburn) and New York fashion shows. In September 1960, Fran married William J. Nuelle, a St. Louis business executive. They had two children, David

Stephen Graves Nuelle and Frances Nuelle. She quit her newspaper career and became an avid golfer and world traveler.

After her husband's death, Fran wrote a novel about her World War II experiences and began a freelance writing career. In 1986, she relocated to Sanibel Island, where she continued to play golf and host lively dinner parties, and wrote for newspapers in Sanibel and Fort Myers. In her later years, Fran moved to Los Altos to be close to her daughters and their children, and took up writing poetry and political verse.

Fran was remembered by her family as fascinating, glamorous, perfectly coiffed and occasionally intimidating. Independent and strong-willed to the end, she insisted on wearing lipstick, pearls and a colorful scarf until her last day on earth.

Predeceased by her sisters Jane Graves Childs and Ruth Graves Baxley, Fran is survived by her brother, David B. Graves, Jr.; a sister, Nancy Graves Stiles; her three children; seven grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; and ten beloved nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Poetry Foundation, 61 W. Superior Street, Chicago, IL 60654.✱

Survivor Story
Opens Sunday
Seminar Series

The Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ's Summer Seminar Series will begin on Sunday, May 1 with a presentation by Irene Skolnick. Her talk, titled *In The Shadow of Majdanek: A Holocaust Survival Story*, will be offered at 9 a.m. in the church's Heron Hall.

Skolnick's presentation will focus on her family's struggle to survive during World War II as they came first under communist, then Nazi, occupation. Her family posed as Catholic Poles, and as part of his job her father had almost daily interactions with the Gestapo. She will describe the challenges of living with their new identities, especially since during all this time her parents hid her father's family in a primitive two-room house located less than a mile from Majdanek, the second largest concentration camp in Poland.

Born in Poland, Skolnick was 2 years old when WWII broke out. She and her family survived the Holocaust by changing their identity and passing themselves off as Catholics. After the war, the family emigrated to France and in 1952, when she was 14 years old, came to the United States.

Skolnick graduated from Brooklyn College with a major in chemistry and from Columbia University with



Irene Skolnick

a masters in library service. After moving to Pittsburgh, she attended the University of Pittsburgh. She obtained an MBA and used it to co-found a medical manufacturing company, which she sold in 1998. Irene and her husband, Leon, have three children and seven grandchildren. They split their time between Sanibel and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The talk is free and open to the public. For more information, call the church office at 472-0497 or visit www.sanibelucc.org.✱



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LOGOS Fifth Graders Recognized



Fifth graders Kaitlin Abellar, Lilly Doster and Burke White share their favorite parts of the weekly LOGOS family program



Kelyse Schafer loved eating breakfast for dinner at LOGOS Backward Night



Vincas Jankauskas ponders all the things he has loved about LOGOS after Kaitlin Abellar explained that Bible time with Pastor Daryl was her favorite part

April 13 was a special night of celebrating fifth graders at LOGOS, held at Sanibel Community Church. They were rewarded with gifts, special table seating and decorations along with an opportunity to share with the other kids what their favorite part of being a LOGOS kid was. The youngsters also observed Backwards Night and had breakfast for dinner and ran a reverse relay race.

The LOGOS Intergenerational Family program concluded its season on April 20 with a family banquet and musical presentation of *Once Upon A Parable*.*

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Hurricane Prep

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"When there is an evacuation, take it seriously. Believe me when I tell you that we're not interested in keeping you off this island any longer than we have to," said Sawicki. "And please don't come out here (after a storm) to assess your property or to look at the damage... it will be a very, very dangerous situation out here."

Bamford talked about properly securing boats, preparing a safety equipment checklist and knowing which evacuation routes – if a boater chooses



More than 30 people attended last week's seminar at the Captiva Civic Center

to attempt to flee an impending storm by water – may include closed drawbridges. "If you decide to run away from the storm, chances are you'll be on your own... because we're not coming after you," he added.

Also, Babor talked about the dangers of derelict vessels both before and after

a storm, Goldsmith shared information regarding the social service agency's emergency services, and Dalton explained how island residents and businesses can apply for their 2016 hurricane hangtag re-entry passes.

For more information on disaster planning, visit leeecoc.com.

New Business Reception

Officials from the City of Sanibel are hosting a New Business Reception in May.

If you are a new business on Sanibel and want to meet your local officials, plan to attend the reception on Wednesday, May 4 from 9 to 11 a.m. at Sanibel City Hall, located at 800 Dunlop Road.

The reception is hosted by Mayor Kevin Ruane, Vice Mayor Mick Denham and City Councilmembers Chauncey Goss, Marty Harritty and Jim Jennings

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San-Cap Lions Club Official Attends Leadership Institute

Longtime Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club member and incoming president Debi Almeida participated in the Southeastern Lions Leadership Institute, a four-day conference on leadership training April 7 to 10 at the Life Enrichment Center in Fruitland Park, near Orlando. Sponsored by the Lions Club's Area 1E Global Leadership Team, the conference was attended by board members and officers of local chapters, as well as district governors and state and national Lions club leaders from the southeastern United States, encompassing Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Alabama.

Attendees participated in a variety of workshops on such essential topics as team building, public speaking, diversity, Lions fundamentals, local issues and opportunities, club member motivation, goal setting and personal mission statements. The sole participant from the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club, Almeida declared the conference to be "extremely helpful, providing information about Lions Club International and important resources that will benefit our local chapter."

According to Almeida, the goal of the institute is to build a dynamic leadership base at the local level and bring new leaders to Lions clubs around the world. Founded in 1917 in Chicago, Illinois, Lions Club International is the



Sanibel Captiva Lions Club incoming president Debi Almeida second greets fellow participants, from left, Chuck Bailey, Maryville, Tennessee; Dr. Joe Pitts, Greenwood, South Carolina; and Randy Edwards, Little River, South Carolina

world's largest service organization, with 1.3 million members worldwide. The group is dedicated to serve "wherever need exists," Almeida says. "We focus especially on help for the visually impaired, to honor

a commitment that the club made in 1925 to Helen Keller." Almeida assumes the Sanibel Captiva Lions Club presidency in June.

The Sanibel Captiva Lions Club meets the first and third Wednesday

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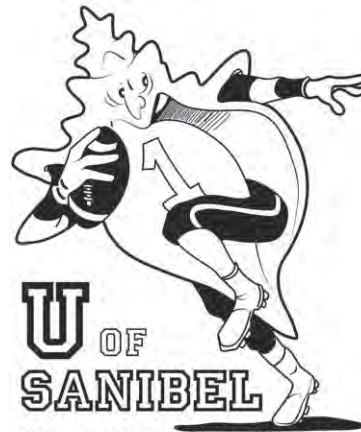
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Fish Caught



Dawn and Robby Barnier

Island Sun reader Robby Barnier reported catching his first sea trout on April 12. "I was sitting in my chair when I felt a tug in my line," Robby said. "I was using a spinning rod and reel, then I reeled in my first sea trout I ever caught." The angler added that the fish was 18 inches and weighed three pounds, caught on live shrimp bait at Beach Access #7 on Middle Gulf Drive off Tarpon Bay Road.✱



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by Gerri Reaves

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This large slow-growing native grows up to 60 feet high with a spreading, open form. A member of the same family as the white and black mangrove, it is also called button mangrove.

Its native habitat includes coastal prairies and brackish swamps, on the landward side of the mangrove zone.

Often multi-branched, it is used as a hedge, particularly the popular silver form (var. *sericeus*). Unfortunately, buttonwood hedges are typically flat-topped repeatedly, often to their detriment.

A better use, perhaps, is as a shade tree or screen so it can assume its natural shape.

Panicles of very small greenish flowers are borne in dense rounded heads. They flower any time of year but peak in summer. Male and female flowers can appear on different plants.

The round reddish brown cones are made up of many scale-like one-seeded fruits and measure only about a half-inch across. They too can be found on the tree nearly year-round. Seeds are dispersed by water.

High salt- and wind-tolerance, as well as low maintenance, make it a good choice for coastal landscapes. The wood is strong, adding to storm resistance, and it protects shorelines from erosion.

Wildlife find food and cover amid the branches. It is the occasional larval host and nectar plant for the martial scrub hairstreak butterfly and tantalus sphinx moth, and also a nectar plant for the amethyst hairstreak and other butterflies.

The leathery evergreen leaves are oval, lance-like, or oblong and up to four inches long with pointed tips. They have slightly winged leaf stalks, or petioles, with two tiny glands or breathing holes that are visible with a magnifying glass.

The trunk can be twisted and gnarled on older trees. The rough vertically furrowed bark on mature specimens provides a platform for epiphytes such as orchids and bromeliads.

Give green mangrove full sun. It prefers soil with some organic content, but also grows in nutrient-poor soil.

It is pest-resistant, but sooty mold can be a problem for inland trees deprived of a salty environment.

Propagate it with seeds or cuttings.

Historically, green-mangrove timber was used in cabinetry, boat-making, and other industries. It was also used to make high-quality charcoal and smoke meats and fish. The medicinal bark is used in tanning.

Sources: *500 Plants of South Florida* by Julia F. Morton; *Florida, My Eden* by Frederic B. Stresau; *A Gardener's Guild 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; *Trees of the Everglades National Park and the Florida Keys* by George B. Stevenson; eol.org; ifas.ufl.edu; and regionalconservation.org.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧

Plant Right Tree In Right Place On Earth Day

Many people around Southwest Florida plant a tree for Earth Day, which is recognized each year on April 22. This yearly tradition is great for the environment, but can mean trouble for you, your neighbors and LCEC depending on the type of tree and where you plant it. Here are some things to keep in mind when selecting a tree or planting site which will help maintain electric reliability for you and your neighbors.

The right tree:

- The trees you select should depend on a number of characteristics: growth rate, leaf persistence, shape and salt tolerance (if you live near saltwater).

- Visit the University of Florida's website for a list of recommended trees in your area or view LCEC's list of trees common to Southwest Florida at <https://www.lcec.net/reliability/vegetation-management/planting-trees>.

The right place:

- Remember that trees need space to grow. Vegetation that could potentially interfere with power lines at its mature height should not be planted below power lines or near electric utilities. Some trees may appear to be a safe distance from power lines. However, that may not be the case during a storm or when the lines are carrying a heavy demand.

- LCEC asks that customers leave an eight-foot space in front of the door side of the transformer so utility employees can work quickly and safely. They also ask that you maintain a three-foot cleared area around the electric meter and a three-foot-wide approach to the meter.

Tree planting and power lines:

- Shrubs up to six feet high at maturity should be planted five feet away from the pole.
- Shrubs up to 10 feet high should be planted 10 feet from the pole.
- Small trees and large shrubs up to 20 feet high should be planted 15 feet from the pole.
- Medium trees up to 40 feet high should be planted 30 feet from the pole.
- Large trees over 40 feet high should be planted 45 feet from the pole.

- The distances given are the minimum distance the plant should be placed away from the pole.

- Transmission lines require a wider right-of-way area, but landscaping can be done if careful attention is paid to the mature height of shrubs and trees.

If you plan on planting a tree this April 22 or have questions on determining the right tree and right place, call LCEC at 656-2300.✧



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CROW Case Of The Week:

Snapping Turtle Hatchlings

by Bob Petcher



The common snapping turtle (*Chelydra serpentina*) has a reputation derived from its name that one must take heed of in case of encounters with the large, heavy-bodied reptile. One of country's most aquatic turtles has a respected disposition for being somewhat short-tempered and highly aggressive.

With a large head that features a pointed snout and a hooked upper jaw, its yellow-to-cream-colored powerful jaws and large, powerful limbs can do some damage. These heavily clawed and webbed-toe creatures mean business. Just look at their long tail sporting a row of large, saw-tooth scales along the top. Not your average gentle-looking turtle that you see at

the pet store.

While many of its "cousin" species of sea turtle are endangered or threatened, the snapping turtle is not considered in either category. In fact, it is comparatively widespread and adaptable.

The hatchlings of the common snapping turtles have a white patterning that disappears as the turtle gets older. Another temporary feature is a point on the end of the snout – known as an "egg tooth" – that is used to break through the eggshell when hatching. The point usually sheds within the first three weeks of life.

Hatchlings of the common snapping turtles generally feed on worms, fish and tadpoles. Young common snapping turtles are known for actively foraging for food – unlike adults, who tend to focus on a more strategic and casual approach by ambushing their prey as it swims past during a waiting period.

At CROW, a recent tragic story involving a common snapping turtle produced a silver lining. Back in January, a female adult was admitted to the rehabilitation clinic from North Fort Myers after she was struck by a vehicle. Unfortunately, due to significant damage to her face and shell, she did not survive the injuries.

The positive spin to the otherwise fatal situation was found by CROW's hospital staff during scans of the radiographs when it was realized that the patient was carrying 15 eggs. After the snapping turtle passed away, the eggs were removed and placed in an incubator in CROW's visitor education center.

On April 1, CROW officials stated the first of five viable eggs began to "pip." Three of the eggs eventually hatched on consecutive days. The three hatchlings were aptly named April 1, April 2 and April 3.

During their stay, the three hatchlings will receive supportive care from the rehabilitation staff until they are released in North Fort Myers and introduced to their deceased mother's former environment. Actual feeding takes place only after they are one week old.

"When they are born, they have a yolk sack that provides nutrition for the first week," said CROW Education Coordinator Rachel Rainbolt. "After that, they are fed approximately every three days. They are omnivores (eat meat and plants) and are fed small pieces of fish and mice."

Since they do not require medical care, the youngsters are not technically called patients. Staff members are "basically keeping an eye on them to make sure they are progressing in the right direction."

According to the CROW medical staff, their care will also include a general exam prior to their release.

The three hatchlings will remain at CROW's visitor education center for approximately one month. The complete incubation for common snapping turtles ranges from 80 to 90 days in the wild.

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



These snapping turtle hatchlings in CROW's care were named April 1, April 2 and April 3

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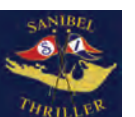
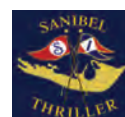


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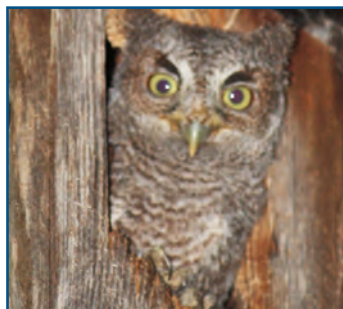


cruise of the season. *Advance reservations and payment required. \$45 per person. Call 472-2329.*

Owl Tales — April 27

The nesting season for Great Horned, Barn, and Screech Owls of the islands has begun. The Great Horned Owl uses a nest built by an osprey, hawk, or eagle. The Screech and Barn Owls nest in tree cavities.

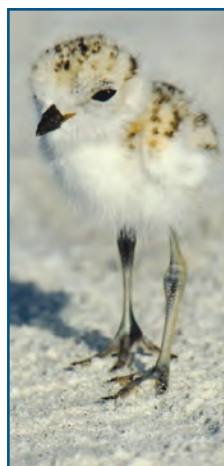
Wednesday, April 27 at 10 a.m. \$5 adults.



Snowy Plovers — April 28

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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 or 472-3644 ext. 229 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, April 22, 11 a.m. adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW Staff.

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

Friday, April 22, 2 to 3:30 p.m., \$20 per person, advance registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff.

Wildlife walks are the best opportunity for visitors to get an in-depth look into the inner workings of the hospital and the treatment process. The program has two parts: an introductory presentation covering medical and rehabilitation methods and then a guided tour through treatment areas of the hospital, concluding on rehabilitation grounds. Wildlife Walks are approximately 1.5 hours: a 45-minute presentation with a 45-minute tour. This program is open to all, but it is not recommended for children under the age of 13. Photography opportunity available following the tour with an animal ambassador.

Saturday, April 23, 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, April 23, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff.

Monday, April 25, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff.

Monday, April 25, 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.

Tuesday, April 26, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff.

Tuesday, April 26, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff.

Tuesday, April 26, 4:15 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge, advance registration required – Speaker Series: Birding in the Refuge with Education Ranger Becky Larkins of the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

The JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge was created to safeguard and enhance the pristine wildlife habitat of Sanibel, to protect endangered and threatened species, and to provide feeding, nesting and roosting areas for migratory birds. Today, the refuge provides important habitat to over 220 species of birds. Larkins, an avid birder, will share her knowledge about birding at the refuge, add insight into the best times, discuss the most common species found on the refuge and how to better your chances to view rare bird species like the roseate spoonbill or elusive mangrove cuckoo.

Wednesday, April 27, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wildlife Rescue 101, presented by a CROW volunteer. Live animal encounter following the presentation.

Wednesday, April 27, 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.

Thursday, April 28, 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.

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Ready The Tarpon Gear



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

This week, I put my tarpon gear together and gave it a shot. Due to the crazy windy conditions, after only about an hour we switched up our target species and

went snook fishing. Getting back into the swing of tarpon fishing definitely felt good, even though we did not get a hook-up. In the short amount of time we sat anchored up, we did see a few rolling tarpon and free jumpers. Seeing these fish was just enough to keep our interest and get our hearts racing a little faster.

During calm conditions, my favorite way to fish for tarpon is to sight fish them from a slow drifting boat while gently using the trolling motor. This method requires pitching live baits into the path of the moving fish and without

a doubt is the most visual and exciting way to catch them. The first step is to locate pods of rolling fish, either along the beaches or in the bay. Once you find them, work out which direction they are moving, then position the boat so the fish will approach you within casting range on their projected path. Racing up on or casting right at rolling fish spooks them really quickly; let them do their thing and come to you and you will be much more successful. Staying calm – even though your heart is beating out of your chest – is what tarpon fishing is all about.

Day-in and day-out, though, most of my tarpon fishing is done from a stern-anchored boat using a four-rod spread. This is a combination of both live bait and cut bait fishing methods. Clients cast two live bait rods out to the sides of the boat and let them naturally drift forward. Once the live bait lines get all the way forward, they are reeled in and re-cast. Having these live baits drift naturally on the current is key. Out of the back of the boat, I cast two cut bait rods out and place them in the stern rod holders. When there are lots of fish around, I also like to have a pitch rod ready to go just in case you get a shot at rolling fish.

Baits for tarpon include live crabs, threadfin herring, pinfish and a wide variety of cut bait, with fresh mullet being my favorite. Several commercial fisherman on Pine Island supply these baits to guides and recreational anglers. Getting bait is as simple as picking up the phone, and live crabs and mullet are delivered at the end of the day to my boat. During tarpon season, I keep a large cooler with ice set up at the end of my dock for mullet and also a floating wire holding pen in the water for crabs. In the morning before picking up clients, it's then just a matter of catching large live pinfish and/or threadfin herring to add to the crabs and cut bait, and it's off we go. Being all set up on baits the night before lets you take advantage of that first few hours of daylight when tarpon show themselves best.

My tarpon tackle consists of eight spinning rods. four live bait rods which are eight-foot medium heavy rods 20-40# class with 6500 series spinning reels. These reels are loaded up with



A tarpon leaedered and released from last spring

250 yards minimum of 50# braid and rigged with a four- to six-foot piece of 60# fluorocarbon leader and a 5/0-7/0 live bait circle hook. I rig two of these rods with a removable float just above the leader and the others are set up ready to go without a float. My four cut-bait rods are a little shorter and stouter, seven foot medium heavy rod 30-50# class with 7500 series spinning reels filled with 250-plus yards of 50# braid, a five- to six-foot piece of 80# fluorocarbon leader and a 12/0 cut bait circle hook.

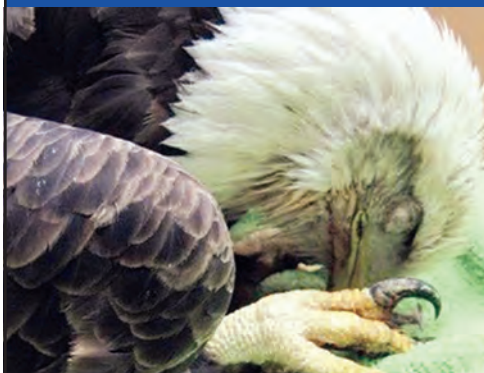
We are getting closer by the day to prime time spring tarpon fishing action kicking into high gear. Tarpon anglers and guides are feeling the excitement that comes with the annual arrival of the tarpon. No other fish that swims in our waters is so eagerly awaited by so many.

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

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The lecture may be the only chance to learn about insect issues for the coming warm, wet season on Sanibel – the usual “bad boys,” new destructive insects and recently introduced predator insects which attack the bad ones. Dr. AD Ali, senior scientist at the Davey Tree Institute (founded in 1880) is a PhD in entomology and will illustrate his program with incredible color PowerPoint digital photographs.

Dr. Ali has more than 30 years of experience in the green industry (including a BS, MS and PhD) and provides support to offices and field staff in seven southern states. His research has resulted in more than 350 published scientific papers and he has presented programs at over 350 seminars, conferences and workshops. More importantly, he is widely acknowledged as one of the most dynamic and articulate speakers in his field.

Dr. Ali is a hybrid scientist, a respected expert with a solid career of scientific research and published papers and books who has taken his knowledge and training out of the

“ivory tower” and has used it in a practical way as a consultant, trainer and educator to the general public.

“In my 13 years organizing these programs, I would place him in the top two or three speakers out of 78,” said lecture organizer Dr. Phillip Marks. “Don’t miss this preview of our coming insect issues.”

The Master Gardener lecture is free and open to the public. Seating at the library is limited, so early arrival is advised.✱

City Of Sanibel Vegetation Committee

Guided Vegetation Tours At City Hall

The City of Sanibel Vegetation Committee is offering guided native vegetation and landscaping tours of Sanibel City Hall grounds, planted exclusively with native plants. The next tour of is on Saturday, April 23 beginning at 10 a.m.

Walk the grounds for ideas on planting native vegetation that requires no fertilizer. See how you can plant a garden that reseeds itself with very little maintenance, is good for the environment and will attract birds and butterflies.

Vegetation committee members will provide information on proper planting and care of native vegetation. The City of Sanibel encourages planting of

vegetation that is indigenous to the area as it requires very little maintenance, no fertilizer, and no supplemental irrigation.

Registration is not required. Attendees meet at the main entrance to city hall, 800 Dunlop Road, in front of the main staircase. For more information, contact the City of Sanibel Natural Resources Department at 472-3700.

Attendees are encouraged to enjoy the island’s good nature and bicycle to these events.

The Natural Resources Department section of the city’s website, www.mysanibel.com, offers information and photos of native plants, a listing of licensed contractors, Sanibel’s vegetation standards and codes, and the Environmental Reference Handbook prepared by the city’s vegetation committee. The vegetation committee also offers free native plant tours of the grounds at city hall at 10 a.m. on the second Wednesday and fourth Saturday of the month from November to April. For more information, contact the Sanibel Natural Resources Department at 472-3700.✱

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Indigo Buntings Return To Island



Male indigo bunting photo by Bob Gyurik

A pair of indigo buntings have returned to their feeder on Sanibel for the third year at the home of Bob Gyurik. The birds arrived on April 12, which Gyurik reported as “the usual time for them.”

“A pair of painted buntings use our feeder (arrived in March), along with cardinals, pine warblers and ground doves (year-round),” said Gyurik, whose residence is located adjacent to the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on West Gulf Drive near Rabbit Road.✱

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Shell Of The Week

Mauve-Mouth Drill



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

The mauve-mouth drill, *Calliotrophon ostrearum* (Conrad, 1846), is one of the local

species of drills in the family Muricidae of gastropod mollusks. Reaching about an inch in length, mauve-mouth drills prey on small mollusks, showing a preference for bivalves such as the coquina shown in the picture on the right. The mauve-mouth drill must not be confused with its “cousin,” the Gulf oyster drill. This latter, also a member of the Muricidae family, has a slightly smaller shell, with shorter anterior canal (the tube-like projection of the shell), and more delicate shell surface. Learn more about local mollusks at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/southwest-florida-shells>.

Shell Museum Events

Daily Island Inn Morning Beach Walks (Advance booking required): Join our marine biologist for a beach walk near Island Inn on Sanibel. Walks



The mauve-mouth drill

depart daily from the Island Inn lobby at 9 a.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$7 for children. Parking at the Island Inn is free for beach walk participants. Space is limited; book online at shellmuseum.org/events or call 395-2233 to make a reservation. All beach walk guests receive half-off museum admission. (Current Island Inn guests please book through the Inn).

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Monday at 1:30 p.m.: Carolyn’s Collection – A fun and engaging look at quality shells of a private collector. (Please check shellmuseum.org to note any schedule changes.)

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

Wednesday at 1:30: Mollusk Matinéés – A series of nature-related lectures presented by local experts. (Please check shellmuseum.org for weekly topics.)



photo on the right, by Amy Tripp, shows a drill in the act of eating a coquina photo on left by José H. Leal

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

Friday at 1:30 p.m.: Arts & Crafts – Create marine-themed art and take it home with you.

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

Sunday at 1:30 p.m.: Shell Bingo. The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum is located at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road. Call 395-2233 or visit www.shellmuseum.org.✱

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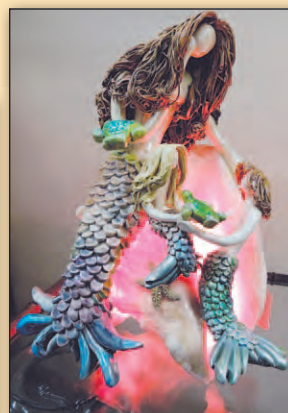
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A student raises his hand to answer a question asked by Dr. Heather Barron of CROW

Sanibel Christian Preschool welcomed Dr. Heather Wilson Barron, hospital director of Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW), to classes last Tuesday. The students are learning about wildlife and their homes. Dr. Barron brought some stuffed toys representing different animals that live on Sanibel and offered a little information about each animal and bird.



Dr. Heather Barron of CROW, rear on right, with students and teachers of the Sanibel Christian Preschool

The children shared their thoughts when she gave them the opportunity to touch and see the difference in different animal furs. They also learned about what to do, as well as what not to do, if they encounter any of these animals while on their own or with their families. The students thanked Dr. Barron for taking the time to come see them and teach them more about Sanibel wildlife.

Sanibel Christian Preschool is a ministry of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ. It offers classes for children age 2 to 4 of all backgrounds, and is a VPK approved provider. Call Laura Miltner, director, at 472-0497 for more information, to schedule a tour, or for applications for the school year starting in August.✱

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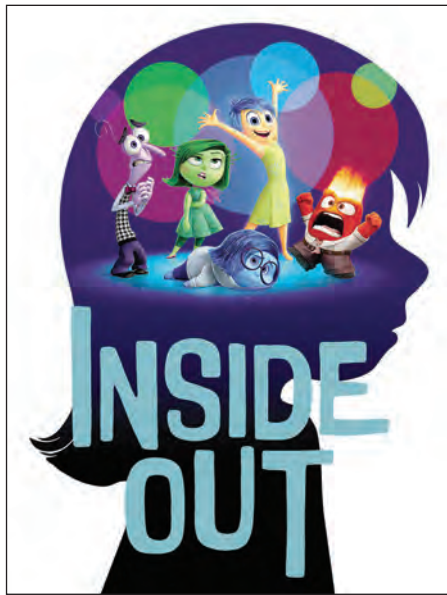
BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series

Lava And
Inside Out

The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for April 25 is a double-header for "Family Night." Bring the kids to see a charming short animated

film called *Lava*, about a pair of lovelorn volcanoes. It will be followed by the Academy Award-winning *Inside Out*, Pixar's animated comedy-adventure set inside the mind of an 11-year-old girl. Adults love this film as much as the younger generation. I heard a grown man say, "It's the best film out this year." Admission for children 17 and under is \$5. Children 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult. There will be popcorn and candy for everyone.

Inside Out is mostly set inside the brain of young Riley who's depressed



about her parents decision to move from Minnesota to San Francisco. She doesn't want to be separated from her friends. Her emotions are determined by the interplay of five "cartoonish" characters: Joy, who looks a little like Tinkerbell without wings; Sadness, who's soft and blue; Fear, a scrawny, purple, bug-eyed character; Disgust, who's a rich green with a bit of a mean girl vibe; and Anger, a flat-topped



fireplug with devilish red skin. A master control room has a board that the five major emotions jostle against each other to control.

When Riley goes to her new school she is filled with anguish. Worst of all, pizzas come topped with broccoli. Her trauma triggers the collapse of "personality islands" that define who she is, devoted to such themes as family, friendship and

hockey, *Inside Out* appeals to children and adults alike. In depicting the fading of childhood's mental furniture, and exploring the mechanics of forgetting, the film achieves a universal significance. The eventual message, that sorrow is as valuable an emotion as happiness, is well delivered. Sadness and Joy are the two dominant emotions in the film. It's clear that the filmmakers have studied actual psychology. At first it seems as if it's favoring Joy's interpretation of what things mean, but we soon realize that Sadness has just as much value. Fear and Disgust are useful as well. The film also shows how things can be remembered with joy, sadness, anger, fear or disgust, depending on where we are in our lives and what memories we focus on.

Inside Out has the intricate interplay of image and sound that you've come to expect from Pixar. You'll also love Riley's imaginary friend, Bing-Bong. A kind creature who only wants Riley to have fun and be happy. He has a body of cotton candy, and a red wagon that can fly and leave a rainbow trail. Another thing adults will appreciate is the no-fuss way the film riffs on poetic and psychological concepts. *Inside Out* runs 1 hour, 42 minutes. Wendy Humphrey will lead the discussion.

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Blues By The Bay To Support Kids



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Blues by the Bay, an evening of live music, food and drinks, will be held at 1253 Anhinga Lane on Sanibel on Thursday, April 28, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. There will be samplings from Sanibel restaurants, fine wines, a signature Blue Bay Martini, champagne and entertainment. Participating restaurants include Blue Coyote Supper Club, Cantina Captiva, Key Lime Bistro and Sanibel Catering Company by Bailey's. The beverage sponsor is The Lighthouse Resort & Tiki Bar. Live auction items will be offered and all proceeds will benefit the School Success programs for at-risk children in the Harlem Heights neighborhood in Fort Myers. Chico's is the presenting sponsor. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Dress is resort casual.



Previous attendees Ron Fitzgerald, Debbie Ringdahl, Wayne Wiles and Randy Mercer

"Our School Success program includes academic tutoring, after school and summer camp programs, scholarship and college access assistance, school supplies and tuition support", said Kathryn Kelly, president and CEO of The Heights Foundation. "Each program is geared to meet the specific needs of children and young adults who seek to further their education." Tickets are now on sale for \$125 each and space is limited. VIP opportunities and sponsorships that include an exclusive pre-party at the Sanibel Sea School are also available. Purchase tickets at www.heightsfoundation.org/blues or call Karen Lesza at 482-7706.✪



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This summer CROW will be offering its first summer camp in collaboration with the JN Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge, Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum and Tarpon Bay Explorers.

The One World Conservation Camp offers an approach to conservation and identifies that we are all connected. CROW's counselors will teach its participants about the importance of environmental stewardship.

The two sessions this summer will be offered in a half-day format, and all camp lessons and activities are designed for students who will be entering the 6th and 7th grade age level.

Throughout the week campers will engage in projects independently to develop critical thinking skills as well as in groups to promote team building. Content will be delivered with an awareness of different learning styles, and participants will be encouraged to participate in all activities.

Session 1: June 13 to June 16

Session 2: August 1 to August 4

Space is limited and registration will be open until Monday, May 30 at 5 p.m. Campers must meet all program requirements to participate.

Participants must be a resident of Sanibel, Captiva or Cape Coral, and individuals will only be able to sign-up for one of the sessions.

The One World Conservation Camp has been generously sponsored by the Sanibel Captiva Kiwanis Club and the Cape Coral Kiwanis Club.

To register, contact Rachel Rainbolt, CROW's education and outreach coordinator, at 472-3644 ext. 228 or rrainbolt@crowclinic.org.✱

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Monday Movie

Admission to BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series is \$10 for adults 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.

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Shell Found



Maryann Bell with her first alphabet cone

Maryann Bell, visiting with her family from Missoula, Montana at Tortuga Beach Club Resort, found her first alphabet cone while shelling near Lighthouse Beach.✱

Shell Found



Elan Schwalbach displays the junonia he found

Elan Schwalbach, 4, of Cincinnati, Ohio found an almost whole junonia on April 14 at Blind Pass.

His mother, Jill Schwalbach, said, "He has been studying shelling for months leading up to our trip, and he was in a competition with his daddy for who could find the best shell. Obviously, Elan was the winner!" The family was vacationing on Captiva.✱



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by Carol H Ehrlich

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of conditions –
just the sheer joy of being alive,
doing what dolphin naturally do;
doing what they've always done.

They leap and dive, leap and dive
in hypnotic ballet.
Time holds its breath as they dance.
I watch; in synchrony
my muscles awaken
Unbidden.

Then, with no warning
The dolphin slide away
through a dent in the water.
Gone. No sign remains
Except in me.

Carol Erlich retired audiologist and clinic administrator, writes and paints. She co-authored All Kinds Of Love – Experiencing Hospice.*



John Clark borrows a laptop to use inside the Sanibel Public Library

Library Adds New Laptop Lending Machine

The Sanibel Public Library announced the new Tech IT Out service, offering library cardholders an easy and fast way to borrow a Dell laptop or MacBook Air for use inside the building. It is a pilot project funded in part by the Sanibel Public Library Foundation as part of its investment in innovative technology to enhance and enrich your library experience.

“Sanibel Public Library is the first public library in the state of Florida to offer this service,” said Sanibel Public Library Director Margaret Mohundro. “The foundation helps us keep up with technology with hopes to keep library patrons up-to-date as well.”



Kay Cangelosi using one of the library's laptops

The Tech IT Out kiosk offers adult cardholders a choice of six Dell laptops and six Macbooks. Experienced computer users can select a device to borrow, scan their library card to use the laptop or tablet anywhere in the Sanibel Public Library for up to three hours. All devices feature cloud-based word processing and various mobile apps and are connected to the library's free Wi-Fi. Printers are available to print black and white, at 10 cents per page. The Tech IT Out kiosk also stores, recharges and wipes clean the data of each device after a patron borrows it.

Many of the technology and electronic service programs began as pilot projects funded in part by the Library Foundation.

“We are fortunate to have an elected library board that encourages access to leading edge technology for Sanibel residents, and a library foundation that supports pilot projects and start-up services. We leverage tax investment with foundation grants and donations to keep Sanibel Library as a service leader in Florida and nationally. It's

a wonderful example of a successful public-private partnership that benefits us all,” added Mohundro. “In 2014, the Sanibel Library Foundation supported a pilot project to start the eMagazine service, and it has grown into a popular service.”

“We want to provide an option for computer users where and when people want to use it within the building – at a desk, a comfortable chair by the window, a study carrel, the stacks, etc.” said Joanne Wessels, the library's technology manager. “Tech IT Out is a complement to and in support of the existing computer lab, where less experienced computer users have access to staff and personal help.”

In the TeenSpace, there is also access to two MacBooks Air so teens and 'tweens have their own area for homework, school projects, research, socializing and reading. Patrons may ask for a Tech IT Out demonstration to learn how to borrow a laptop.

Sanibel Public Library's eShelf was originally funded in 2010 with a grant from the foundation focusing on bestselling and popular eBooks and downloadable audiobooks. The following year, the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club provided funds for a special eBook business collection. Since 2011 the eShelf usage has grown by 20 percent every year. Sanibel Public Library offers Hoopla for downloadable eBooks, movies, music and audiobooks as well as Overdrive for eBooks, and offers online magazines through Zinio. For island patrons who prefer paper, there are more than 300 magazines and periodicals available in print at the library.

Wireless Internet access is available throughout the library for patrons bringing their personal laptops and mobile devices. Patrons who need technical assistance with using their own personal devices to download magazines, movies or books can stop by the library's technology area to make an appointment with one of the technicians.

Major funding for new technology is provided by the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc. and its generous donors. For more information about the foundation or to make a donation, call 472-2483 or visit www.sanlib.org.*



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New Youth Services Librarian Seeks Kids' Input

If you haven't been to the Sanibel Public Library recently, you might see a new face on your next visit. Deanna Evans, the new youth service librarian, invites families to come in and participate in a weekly program or just stop by to meet her.

Evans is working on expanded programs for children and teens and would love to hear ideas about their interests, hobbies and favorite books.

Many locals will already know Evans, who grew up on Sanibel and most recently worked in youth services at the Lee County's Pine Island Public Library. Evans, who was known as Dede Schultz when she was younger, moved to Sanibel in 1976 with her parents, Dean and Barb, and her younger sister, Dana. She started school on the island in third grade at Sanibel Elementary, now known as The Sanibel School, where she met her future husband, Peter. She then went on to Cypress Lake middle and high schools.

Having been part of the Sanibel Girl Scout Troop though Cadet-level, Evans said, "I used to sell Girl Scout cookies outside the original Bank of the Islands." Additionally, "I worked as part of the opening crew of the brand-new Jerry's grocery store – it was my first job after babysitting!" she said. Through the years, Evans has worked at various locations on the island, including The



Deanna Evans, youth services librarian at the Sanibel Public Library

Sanibel School.

Some families might remember her as Mrs. Tusack or as Ms. Evans from when she assisted in the kindergartens at The Sanibel School from 1999 until February 2004. She could also be seen working in the lunchroom and before-school program.

After earning her bachelor's and master's degrees, she returned to the Sanibel school to teach the 2009 to 2010 fourth grade class. She then taught in Cape Coral for two more years and in 2012 started working at Pine Island Public Library, first as a page and then as the youth services associate.

Now that Evans is back on Sanibel, she is looking forward to enhancing children's services saying, "I am looking for teens to give input and suggestions

– what will draw them in to the library? What books, graphic novels, comics or movies, games, do teens like, and what hobbies or interests do teens have?"

She asks that teens attend a Teen Advisory Group (TAG) meet-up on Tuesday, April 26 from 4 to 5 p.m. to share their thoughts and ideas.

The library's teen space has two MacBook Airs, which can be used for research, printing assignments or web browsing. The library has recently added many new teen and children's books to the collection in print as well as eBooks.

Evans has planned weekly children's programs through the end of May, summer programs are to be announced.

For April and May the After-school Clique meets Tuesdays from 3 to 4 p.m. to share new books, never-knew-existed

books, puzzles, games and crafts designed specifically for children in third through fifth grades.

Family Storytime is Wednesdays at 10 a.m. This all-ages program encourages the development of pre-reading skills through songs, rhymes, finger-plays and stories and lasts about 30 minutes plus the activities that follow.

After-school Crew meets Thursdays from 3 to 4 p.m. Similar to Tuesday's After-school Clique, but the program will have activities designed for children in Kindergarten through second grade.

If kids love dogs and books, they might like reading to Bessie, a bearded collie and a Reading Education Assistance Dog. The READ program encourages children to read by providing a non-judgmental listener and furry friend. Bessie will continue to be at the library at 4 p.m. on rain-free Thursday afternoons. Readers can sign up on the spot. The program finishes by 5 p.m. Parents can also call to request a READ appointment for a different day.

The annual Summer Reading Program will start after the end of the school year, with details to be announced.

Those with questions about the youth programs may contact Evans at the library at 472-2483.

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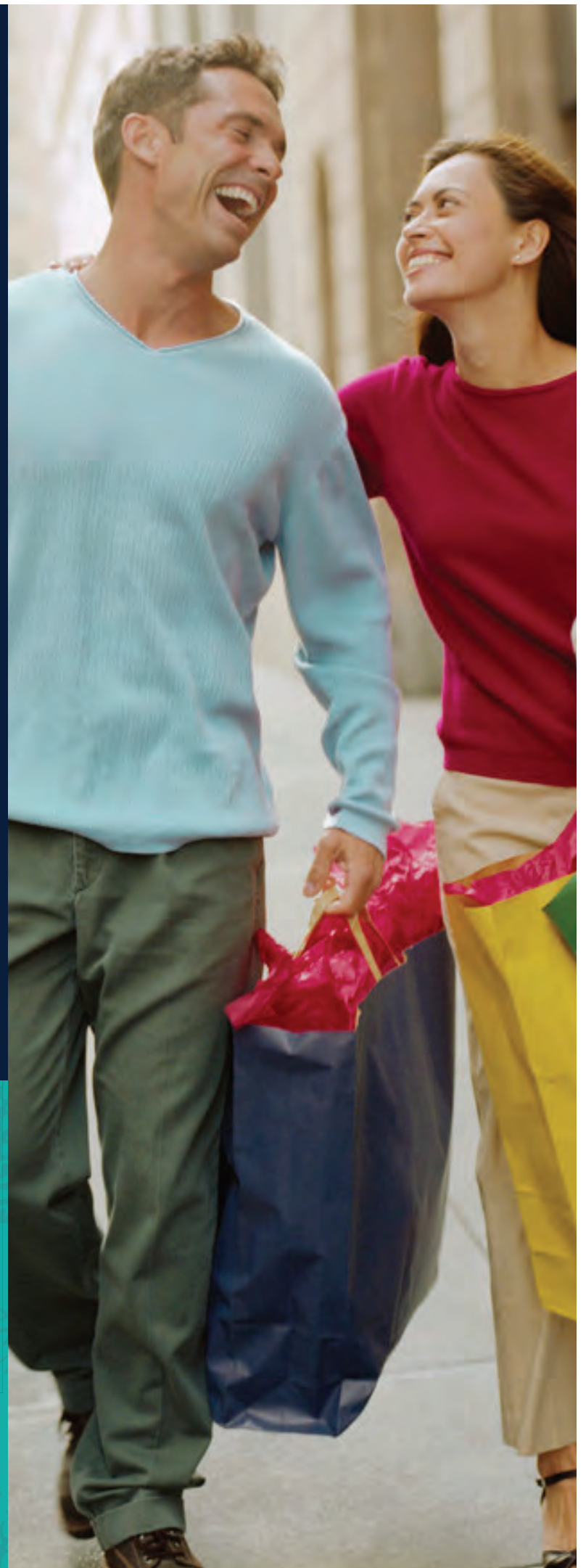
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Highlights Of 2nd Annual Sanibel-Captiva Relay For Life



Participants at last week's 2nd annual Sanibel-Captiva Relay For Life, an American Cancer Society fundraiser held at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club

photos by Jeff Lysiak



For the second lap of last Friday's Relay For Life, caregivers join participating cancer survivors



Carol Strange and Joan Brusch of the Surviving Sisters and Friends group



Joan Brusch, Carol Strange and Marguerite Fillion-Demos look at some of the silent auction items on display



The first lap of the Relay For Life is completed by cancer survivors

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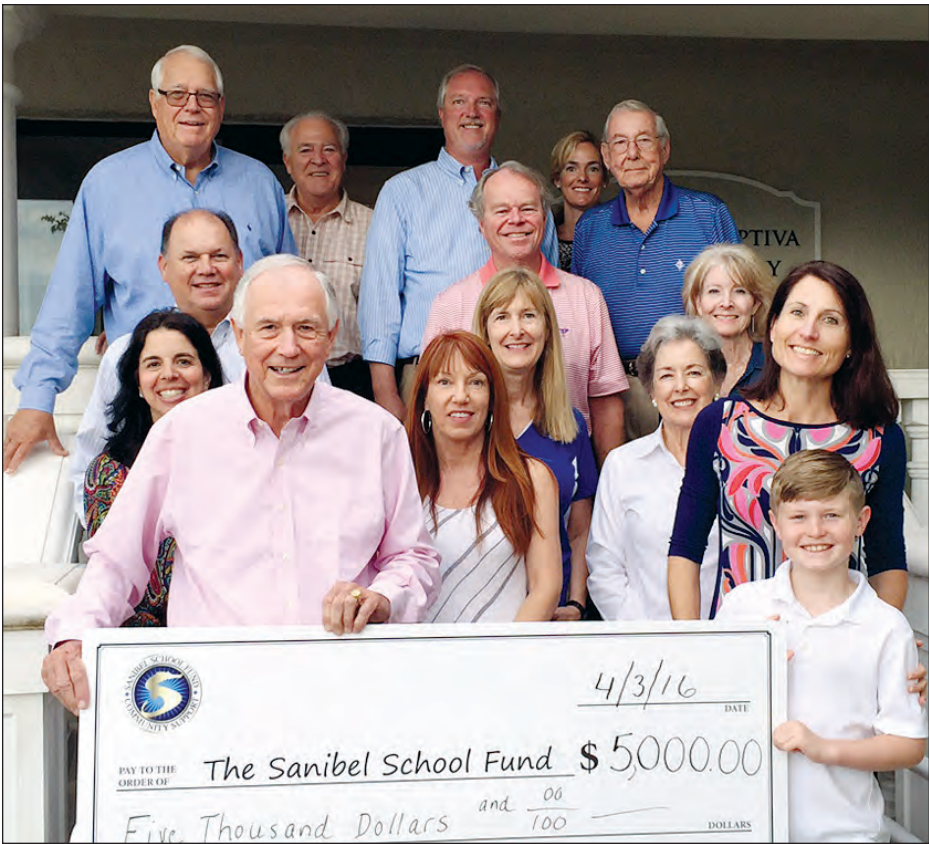
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Sanibel School Receives Donation

Al Hanser, chair of the Charitable Foundation of the Islands (CFI), presented a \$5,000 check to Barbara Von Harten, principal of The Sanibel School and Kim Kouril, president of the Sanibel School Fund, to support the Foreign Language program at the school. Hanser gathered with the CFI board of directors and members of the Sanibel School Fund board for the check presentation.

"The Charitable Foundation of the Islands supports The Sanibel School and recognizes the importance of helping children," said Hanser.

Money raised by the Sanibel School Fund and Parent-Teacher Association provides many resources and enhancements that the shortfalls in the Lee County School System budget cannot, including educational software, classroom computers, the foreign language program, steel drums, a music keyboard lab, supplies for classrooms and much more. Parent and community support for these programs have helped The Sanibel School earn the Blue Ribbon designation, as well as an "A" rating, for the past 14 years.✪



New Relax On Sanibel Shirts

The Relax on Sanibel hoodies and T-shirts are available at the Sanibel Recreation Center for \$24 and \$15 respectively, in adult sizes. Credit card phone orders are accepted and shipping is offered.

All proceeds support City of Sanibel youth recreation programming. Also, the rec center is spring cleaning and clearing out previous years' inventory of T-shirts. Assorted styles and sizes are on sale for \$7.50 while supplies last.

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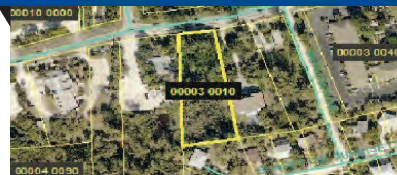
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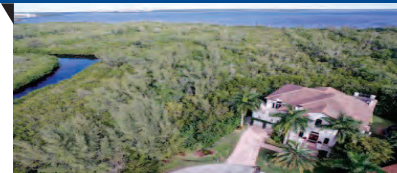
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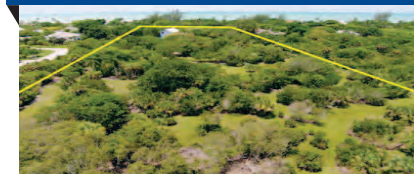
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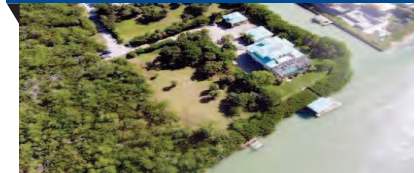
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Island Cotillion Celebrated 30th Anniversary



Dance chairs Fred and Marj Nordstrom, JoAnn and Andy McKelvey, and Jana and Ray Galligan

The Island Cotillion celebrated its 30th anniversary on April 6 at The Sanctuary Golf & Tennis Club. Cotillion members, many in theme-related attire, danced to the tunes from the Broadway musical *Guys And Dolls*, played by Perry Fotos' band.

The next Island Cotillion dance will be held in December. Information about the group is available by calling Julie Boyd at 395-0464.✧



Fred Nordstrom, Julie Boyd, James Davis, Gail and Phil Pilibosian all played a part in an introductory skit based on the musical *Guys And Dolls*



Julie Boyd, newly-elected chair of the Island Cotillion steering committee



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Sprankle Talks To Kiwanis About His Colorful Life

submitted by Tom Sharbaugh

Noted Sanibel wildlife artist Jim Sprankle was the featured speaker at the Kiwanis Club's weekly breakfast meeting recently, and the stories he told about his interesting and varied career made for a spellbinding talk. Here on the island we know him for his incredible artwork, but his life has taken many twists and turns on his way to Sanibel. You could easily see Sprankle's biography serving as the script for a Hollywood movie.

He grew up in Lafayette, Indiana, a normal kid with a talent and passion for baseball. But unlike most boys who play ball, he was good enough to make it to the big time. In 1955, he was signed as a pitcher by the Brooklyn Dodgers organization, and in his rookie year his team went on to beat the New York Yankees in the World Series. Altogether, Sprankle spent 11 years playing professional ball, first with the Dodgers and later with the Cincinnati Reds organization. Those years left him with a lifetime of memories and stories to tell, and the Kiwanis members got to hear more than a few.

Years before he became a professional ballplayer, while still in eighth grade, Sprankle began a lifelong hobby



Wildlife artist Jim Sprankle, left, and Kiwanis member Dave Essig hold autographed baseballs from Sprankle's extensive collection

of collecting autographed baseballs. His collection started with signatures from his hometown Purdue University players. When he turned pro, he used his unique access to gather autographs from every prospective Hall of Famer he could. His collection, which he still maintains, is vast and includes many rare, hard to get autographs. In his Kiwanis talk, Sprankle told a story about one ball he particularly treasured, signed by all the principal players for the 1927 Yankees, whose "Murderers Row" lineup of hitters included Babe

Ruth and Lou Gehrig. He explained, sadly, that he stored that ball too close to a window of his studio, where it was faded by the sun rendering all the signatures unreadable.

Following his baseball career, Sprankle went to work in a more traditional career as a public relations executive for a bank and as a self-employed businessman. In 1968, he took up the hobby of wood carving, concentrating on making more lifelike duck decoys to use while hunting. His interest in waterfowl hunting and previous experience in his

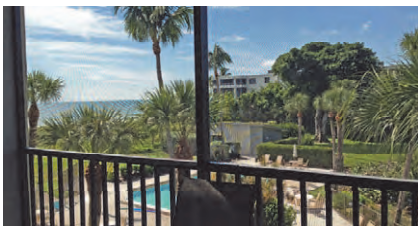
family's woodworking and taxidermy business gave his work a special creative spark from the beginning.

Before long, he turned his energies to wood carving full time and what started as a specialized craft has evolved into a unique art form. Sprankle became an award-winning wildlife artist whose work is known around the world. He has also shared his knowledge with others, traveling the world to teach the art of creating magic from a block of wood.

In 2004, he was invited to the White House to take on a very special project: creating a bald eagle sculpture that would be presented to then-President George HW Bush. The invitation came after they'd seen a similar carving Sprankle had done for Florida Gulf Coast University.

The finished piece was titled *The Freedom Fighter*. When the time came to present it to President Bush, Sprankle, accompanied by Porter Goss of Sanibel, who was then CIA director, went to the Oval Office for the presentation. It was supposed to take five minutes. According to Sprankle, they stayed for half an hour talking baseball with the president. When they left, President Bush said: "Don't worry, I'll take care of the bald eagle."

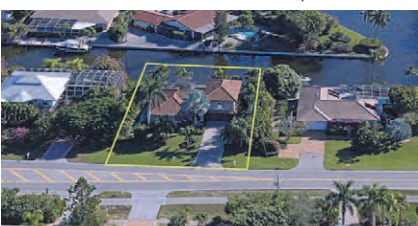
Those interested in becoming a member of Kiwanis can attend one of the weekly breakfast meetings at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. or check out the Kiwanis page on facebook.com.*



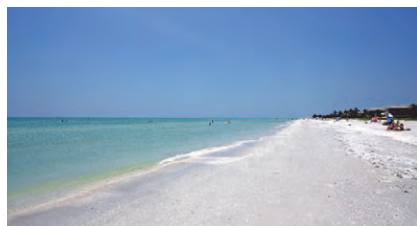
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One of the historic black and white photographs used in *South Seas: Captiva's Enduring Paradise*, which depicts workers clearing palm trees circa 1897

Historical Society Hosts South Seas Film Screening

by Jeff Lysiak

A capacity crowd of nearly 200 people gathered at South Seas Island Resort last Wednesday evening for the premiere screening

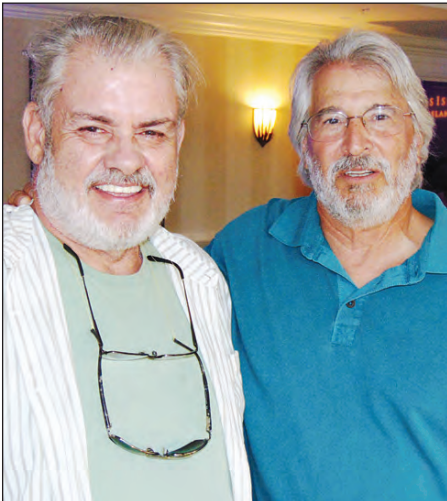
of *South Seas: Captiva's Enduring Paradise*, a documentary by local filmmaker Rusty Farst. The film, the sixth in the documentary series sponsored by the Captiva Island Historical Society, examines the history of the ever-changing shoreline of northern Captiva through hurricanes, then tells the stories of its early island residents and rich farmland for crops before it became a world-renowned resort destination.

photo courtesy Rusty Farst

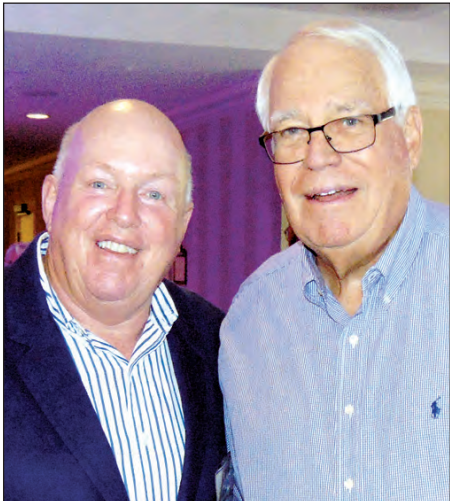


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"If you think of the words 'island paradise' and you starting thinking names like Tahiti or Fiji, you'd be wrong," said Jim Pigott, chair of the Captiva Island Historical Society's board of directors. "You should be thinking of Captiva and Southwest Florida and everything we have right here at South Seas."

Narrated by Farst as well as the late Reverend John Carter, grandson of the first Captiva homesteader – George Washington Carter, who arrived on the island in 1897 – the documentary shares the experiences of several notable local figures who helped shape Captiva into the tourist draw it has become.

Carter, whose grandfather received his homestead deed from Theodore Roosevelt, said that life on the island in those days was rough. "Living here was primitive... but it was paradise," he said. "If heaven isn't any more than this, I won't be disappointed."

Archaeologist Theresa Schober, who appears throughout the film, talked about the first settlers of the island – the Calusa Indians – their culture of hunting and fishing, their use of shells and other items found in nature to create tools, and the evidence found in shell mounds today of their diet.

Throughout the documentary, people such as Carter, Schober, Ralph Woodring, Danny Morgan and Allen Ten Broek discussed the great hurricane of 1921 that separated North Captiva from Captiva, which was then described

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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Food, shelter, and clothing are the basic needs of life. In recent years many families, individuals, disabled and the elderly have struggled to maintain those needs because of economic conditions and the high cost of living. Even those who have jobs find themselves unable to stretch their income to provide the bare necessities for their families.

According to real estate company Rent Range, rent in Fort Myers has risen 23.6 percent in the last year, more than anywhere else in the country. A glaring fact is wages have certainly not gone up 23.6 percent in our area since last year. Rents have increased so much so that many find it would be less expensive to own their own home but, of course, you need a down payment and saving for that is nearly impossible.

Sanibel-Captiva Rotary's guest speaker recently, Susan Rice, development director of Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Collier counties, spoke on Habitat's building program, one that builds or rehabilitates homes for people in need so they may build better lives for their families.



Susan Rice, Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity International was founded by Millard Fuller in 1976, 40 years ago this year. In 1984 a national spotlight was turned on this exceptional organization, when former President Jimmy Carter and his wife Rosalynn Carter led a Habitat work team on a project in New York City. Both Carters continue their work with Habitat and spend time on Habitat projects each year.

Habitat for Humanity is not a home giveaway project. Founded with the philosophy of giving a person a hand

up and not a handout, Habitat expects the following from prospective homeowners:

- Need. Family's household gross income is below 80 percent of the area median income.
- Ability To Pay. Ability to pay back a low or no interest mortgage and \$1,700 toward closing costs.
- Willingness To Partner. Ability to complete 300 sweat-equity hours and attend home ownership classes.

The poverty income level in the U.S. for a family of four is \$25,000. If that family paid \$1,000 for rent a month, \$12,000 a year, you do the math. That is half of their gross income for the year. What remains is for food, medical, car, insurance, gas, phone, clothing, etc.

Rice told us, "A typical wage earner would have to earn \$24.59 per hour to afford just the basic needs; the median hourly wage earner in Lee/Collier county makes \$12. per hour."

Heads of households for these families are often referred to as "the working poor;" these are household earners who work every day and want to better themselves and their families but just can't make it. These are the families that Habitat for Humanity wants to partner with in making the first step to a brighter future, giving them that step up, not a handout.

She said, "Habitat believes everyone should have a healthy, affordable place to call home. More than building homes, Habitat builds communities,

hope and the opportunity for families to help themselves, giving them the stability to look forward to a better future."

Since 1982 Habitat for Humanity in Lee and Collier counties has helped 1,390 find homes. One of Lee County's newest Habitat builds is going on in our nearby community of Harlem Heights, Fort Myers on Gladiolus Drive. That particular location will hold 11 new houses. An acquisition of another parcel in the area is in the works with space to build as many as 100 new homes sometime in the future. Harlem Heights Habitat projects in Lee County began as far back as the 1980s.

"Help thy neighbor" is not just an old saying. Many of us were brought up believing that neighbors "did" for each other. When the opportunity arises, it's rewarding to help out.

How can you help? Get involved, help build a home for a family, donate financially. Or volunteer at the Habitat ReStores in south Fort Myers at 1633 S. Tamiami Trail; North Fort Myers at 31 Willis Road; and Bonita Springs at 9080 Bonita Beach Road; donate items for the resale stores; volunteer at the Habitat office or at Habitat's special events.

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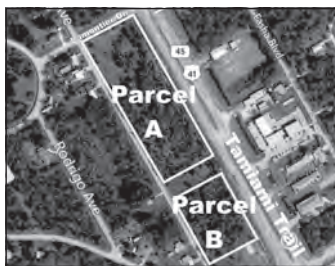
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Robin Cook, center, chats with Marcy and Dick Calkins

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Film Screening

as “the end of the road,” Captiva’s Chapel-By-The-Sea, from serving as a schoolhouse to the famous settlers buried in its historic cemetery; the early citrus plantation which soon gave way to one of the world’s leading Key lime groves; and the growth of Clarence Chadwick’s modest 15 cottages on 400 acres of land into what eventually became South Seas Island Resort.

Farst said that he was surprised to learn about The Mariner Group’s philosophy for operating the resort

when they purchased the property in 1972.

“They proposed a land plan which was a downzoning from the allowable 3,900 units to 900 units, from 18 units an acre to three units per acre,” Farst explained. “A lower density resort intended not to overbuild, but have flexibility of use. It was a visionary concept which carried southward to Sanibel with the incorporation of the City of Sanibel in 1974.”

One of the images Farst featured in the film – a photograph of several men holding trees being removed to make way for the Carter homestead – made



Dave Bornhorst, right, checks in with CIHS volunteers Phyllis Gibson, Queenie Viglione and Ron Gibson

the documentarian think about how remarkable it was.

“The men have obviously stopped working long enough to take this photograph, and who on these isolated islands even had a camera to take it?” added Farst. “The men must be very strong to hold these trees, each holding a durable stick under it, while showing no real effort to pose for the photo. There are 16 men in this picture, and maybe the face of a small boy in their midst in the back row. Matching hats, matching shirts and trousers, and all exemplifying the same discipline it takes to be a true Captiva pioneer.”

Following the film, guests were offered desserts including Key lime pie, fittingly since South Seas was once a thriving Key lime plantation.

All the Captiva Island Historical Society documentaries – *Captiva Memories*, *Captiva Memories: Earth, Wind and Water*, *Captiva Memories: By The Sea*, *Captiva Memories: Artists and Authors*, *Captiva Memories: Our Mailboat Santiva* and *South Seas: Captiva’s Enduring Paradise* – may be purchased as a six DVD set for \$275. To order, call 472-2323 or send a check (made payable to the Captiva Island Historical Society) to: CIHS, P.O. Box 163, Captiva, FL 33924.✱



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Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club Installs Officers For 2016-17

submitted by Shirley Jewell

The installation of new Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club officers serving for the year 2016-17 recently took place at the Captiva Island Yacht Club. Preceding the formal ceremonies, members mixed and mingled celebrating one of our most successful years in both fundraising and giving of financial support to a large number of meaningful projects on Island and off.

One of the most significant and close-to-home giving was in the form of a \$75,000 five-year pledge towards the reconstruction of The Community House under the guidance of club president Chris DeCosta and club trust fund board officers John Grey (chairman), Mike Raab, Chet Sadler, Lee Almas, Dan Cohn, Scott Congress and Bill Rahe.

The 2016-2017 Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club officers are: president, Charlie Emerson; president-elect, Holli Martin; secretary, Chet Sadler; vice president/treasurer, John Danner; and sergeant-at-arms, Don Russell.

"I am honored to lead the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club this Rotary year 2016-17," said Emerson. "Unfortunately, there is not enough time to elaborate on your many club accomplishments in the past year, as we need to spend the remaining time considering our club's future. Rather than detailing my goals for the club in the coming year, I would like to share one or two principles that I hope will have a favorable influence on our efforts."

Emerson continued, "Is there anyone in this room who has not flown on Southwest Airlines? In the early days of Southwest, the company's employees were known for their personal care



Chris DeCosta, Charlie Emerson, John Danner, Holli Martin, Chet Sadler and Don Russell

of passengers which contributed to the remarkable growth of the airline. The legendary man behind the airlines remarkable customer service was founder Herb Kelleher. During and after his tenure at Southwest Airlines, he became famous for his corporate leadership and insights. It was Kelleher's contention that management of a business should put shareholders last, customers next to last, and employees first. This was an unconventional viewpoint at the time and even today.

"If the employees come first, then they're happy," Kelleher said. 'A motivated employee treats the customer well. The customer is happy so they keep coming back, which pleases the shareholders'.

"Rotary – not being a business – has no shareholders. For this scenario, club members are our employees. Our customers are the people we serve in the local and worldwide community, the friends who donate to our cause and support our events, and the non-profits such as The Gates Foundation, who collaborate in our strategic goal," Emerson said.

"If the leadership of our club treats its members well, helping to provide an atmosphere that is fun, fair and challenging, this, in turn, will ensure that the club operates smoothly and

fulfills its mission to promote peace, health and a better quality of life for our near and distant neighbors.

"What can be done by the leadership of Rotary to focus on their membership? Two thoughts are uppermost. One is that our members need access to all aspects of our club and Rotary in a comprehensive but clear and easily accessible written form. This will provide clarity and speed to our efforts.

"Two, and most importantly, we should endeavor to give all of our members a voice and a role in club activities. This is an absolute requirement if they are to derive the most satisfaction from their membership and be empowered and motivated to attract new members."

Emerson added, "As a corollary to this all of us have a duty to attract collaborators within the club to the areas we work on, and to develop successors for our roles. This is not easy but the need is clear if we are to reach our potential and leave the best legacy. This is consistent with Kelleher's dictum that "Succession planning should be a major priority."

"We must also recognize the need for diversity in our club. Albert Dietz of MIT said, 'When different materials are combined in a composite, a

combination of high strength, rigidity, and toughness frequently emerges that far transcends the properties that were in each of the materials when alone.' Can we not rephrase Dietz's comments to apply to our own Rotary Club? Let's try.

"When our club is made of members who are diverse in age, gender, talents and interests it makes us more vibrant, productive and, ultimately, a more enduring club," he added.

"Finally, in closing I and the rest of our board should note the advice of Robert Jones, speaking on the mechanics of composite materials: 'The components of composites are of little use unless they are bonded together,'

"It will be my duty in 2016 and 2017, and that of those who work with me, to bind us all together to ensure a pleasant, enlightened and productive club," added Emerson.*

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *Sanibel Sunset Detective* by Ron Base
 2. *Deep Blue* by Randy Wayne White
 3. *Beach Baby Indestructable* by Kate Merritt
 4. *Contemporary Sailors' Valentines* by Pam Boynton
 5. *Historic Sanibel & Captiva Islands* by Jeri Magg
 6. *63 Innovation Nuggets* by George Barbee
 7. *Storied Life of AJ Fikry* by Gabrielle Zevin
 8. *The Nest* by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney
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Library Hosts Crime Fiction Writer



Lawrence Block signs a book for Chip Specht

The Sanibel Public Library welcomed bestselling mystery writer Lawrence Block to its Author Series on April 12. The library, partnering with the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, is celebrating eight years of bringing in award-winning, high caliber authors.

Block, a four-time Edgar Award-winner and a grand master of the Mystery Writers of America, talked about his writing process and his most popular characters, Matthew Scudder, Bernie Rhodenbarr and Evan Tanner. Tanner wasn't planned to become a series character, so when Block "revived" Tanner after a

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Fiction Writer

20-year hiatus he decided to write that he had been cryogenically frozen, a funny plot twist he used to explain how the character could still be an active hitman. His *A Walk Among the Tombstones* was made into a movie starring Liam Neeson as Matthew Scudder. It is one of the more than 150 books, stories and screenplays Block has written in his career.

Major funding for the Author Series is provided by the Sanibel Public Library Foundation, Inc. and its donors. For more information about the foundation or to make a donation, call 472-2483 or visit online at www.sanlib.org.✽



Shima chef William Jackson, center, gets set to cut the ribbon while surrounded by city officials, resort management and Sanibel business personnel

Ribbon Cutting

The Sanibel Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting on April 12 to celebrate the grand opening for Shima Japanese Steakhouse & Sushi Bar at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa on Sanibel.

The celebration, which was attended by city officials, resort management and Sanibel business personnel, offered refreshments, sushi and live entertainment at the 1451 Middle Gulf Drive location.✽



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Twins Start Not The Type Of Baseball History The Team Wanted



by Ed Frank

How do you figure the season starts for the Minnesota Twins? Are they infected with some sort of a bug that shuts down the team's ability to score runs the first two weeks of the season both this year and last?

In 2015, the Twins lost six of their first seven games, scoring just 16 runs compared to the opposition's 45. And six of those 16 runs came in the only game they won during that awful stretch.

This year it has been abysmally worse for the Twins, losing their first nine games during which they scored just 14 runs. It was the worst start in franchise history, and they became only the fourth team in baseball history unable to score more than three runs in any game in the first nine games.

Not to doom the Twins so early in the 2016 season, but history shows that no team has ever made it to the postseason playoffs after losing the first nine games.

Remember, however, that despite the Twins poor start a season ago, they reversed course to win 83 games and were in the playoff hunt to the last weekend of the season.

Suddenly, just as a year ago, the batting affliction was cured as the Twins reeled off three straight wins last weekend over the Los Angeles Angels when they scored 14 runs – as many as they had scored during that entire nine-game losing streak. They then stretched their winning streak to four games by beating Milwaukee, 7-4, Monday night by banging out 14 hits.

Interestingly, the Twins were not the only Major League team to start the 2016 season 0-9. That record was matched by the Atlanta Braves. And like the Twins, Atlanta bounced back with three consecutive weekend wins over the Miami Marlins.

Wouldn't it be unbelievable if both the Twins and Braves resurged to face each other in the 2016 World Series just as they did in the 1991 World Series that many still believe was the greatest of all World Series?

That seven-game beauty was captured by the Twins in the 10th inning of Game seven in walk-off fashion. That was 26 years ago and was the Twins last World Series title.

Gardenhire Returns To Twins Front Office

We reported several weeks ago that many in baseball were surprised that former Twins manager Ron Gardenhire hadn't been hired to manage another team.

He had led Minnesota for 13 seasons, but was fired at the end of the 2014 season after four consecutive years of 90-plus losses.

Gardenhire was named special assistant to Twins General Manager Terry Ryan and will evaluate talent in the minor league level.

Everblades Even Playoff Series

The Florida Everblades hockey team bounced back Saturday with a 4-1 victory over the Wheeling Nailers at Germain Arena to even the ECHL Eastern Conference Finals at 1-1.

Florida had dropped the first game to the Nailers, 6-3.

The series moved to Wheeling for the next three games which started Wednesday.

Miracle 7-5 After First Two Weeks Of The Season

The Fort Myers Miracle was just one game out of first-place in the Florida State Baseball League South Division after the first two weeks of the season with a 7-5 record.

The team is home this weekend at Hammond Stadium facing Charlotte in a three-game series starting tonight, Friday, at 7:05 p.m. First pitch tomorrow is 7 p.m. and the Sunday matinee begins at 4:05 p.m.

The Miracle has three first-round draft selections of the Minnesota Twins on the current roster. Shortstop Nick Gordon is leading the team with a .375 batting average. Pitchers Kohl Stewart and Tyler Jay both have 1-0 records with sparkling 1.50 and 2.70 ERAs respectively.✧

Registration Open For Kids Tennis Camp

The annual Sundial Beach Resort & Spa Tennis Camp for youngsters will take place weekly from June 13 to August 4.

Tennis camps will run Monday through Thursday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., each week at the 1451 Middle Gulf Drive location on Sanibel. They will offer tennis instruction and games for area students ages 6 to 14. Students of all skill levels are invited to

participate.

Tennis instruction and games will run from 10:30 a.m. to noon each day, followed by lunch until 12:30 p.m. and pool and other activities from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Students will receive tennis instruction on six new HydroGrid clay courts.

Cost is \$35 per day with sibling and multi-week discounts available. Students may bring their own lunch or purchase lunch at the resort each day for \$6.

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Island Seniors At The Center 4 Life

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

Trash & Treasures Sale – returning in November. Donations of clean, gently used items are needed. All items are tax deductible. Bring them to the center Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The following items cannot be accepted: books, clothes, shoes, computers or old TVs.

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, May 11 at 2:30 p.m. is *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee. “Don’t let *Go Set a Watchman* change the way you think about Atticus Finch... the hard truth is that a man such as Atticus, born barely a decade after Reconstruction to a family of Southern gentry, would have had a complicated and tortuous history with race.” – *LA Times*

Chihuly Glass Studio Private Tour, Morean Arts Center Tour & Hot Shop Demonstration in St. Petersburg – Tuesday, May 3. Cost is \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members. Trip includes round trip transportation and lunch at the Banyan Café. There will be a private tour of the Chihuly Museum collection, soup and sandwich at the Banyan Café, and a private guided tour of the Morean Arts Center followed by a glass-blowing demonstration at the Morean Glass Studio & Hot Shop. Limited spaces available. Advanced registration is required. Space is limited

Games

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

Bridge – Monday and Wednesday, register by 12:30 p.m. Game begins 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.

Tuesday and Thursday Kayaking

– April 26, May 10 and 24 (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, stretch cords, stability balls and mats are used. Improve core strength and balance. Athletic footwear required. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

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

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SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who held the Chicago White Sox rookie record for most home runs in a season before Jose Abreu broke it with 36 in 2014?
2. In 2015, Joey Votto tied a Cincinnati Reds record for hitting three home runs in a game three times during his career. Who else did it?
3. DeMarco Murray set a Dallas Cowboys single-season rushing record in 2014 with 1,845 yards. Who had held the mark?
4. Since 1985, six men's basketball teams have failed to reach the NCAA Tournament a year after winning the title. Name four of them.
5. In the 2015-16 NHL season, the Chicago Blackhawks set a team mark for most consecutive victories (12). In what season did they win 11 in a row?
6. When was the last time before 2015 that the U.S. men's soccer team failed to reach the final of the CONCACAF Gold Cup?
7. WBC middleweight champion Canelo Alvarez has lost only one of his 48 pro fights. Who beat him?

ANSWERS

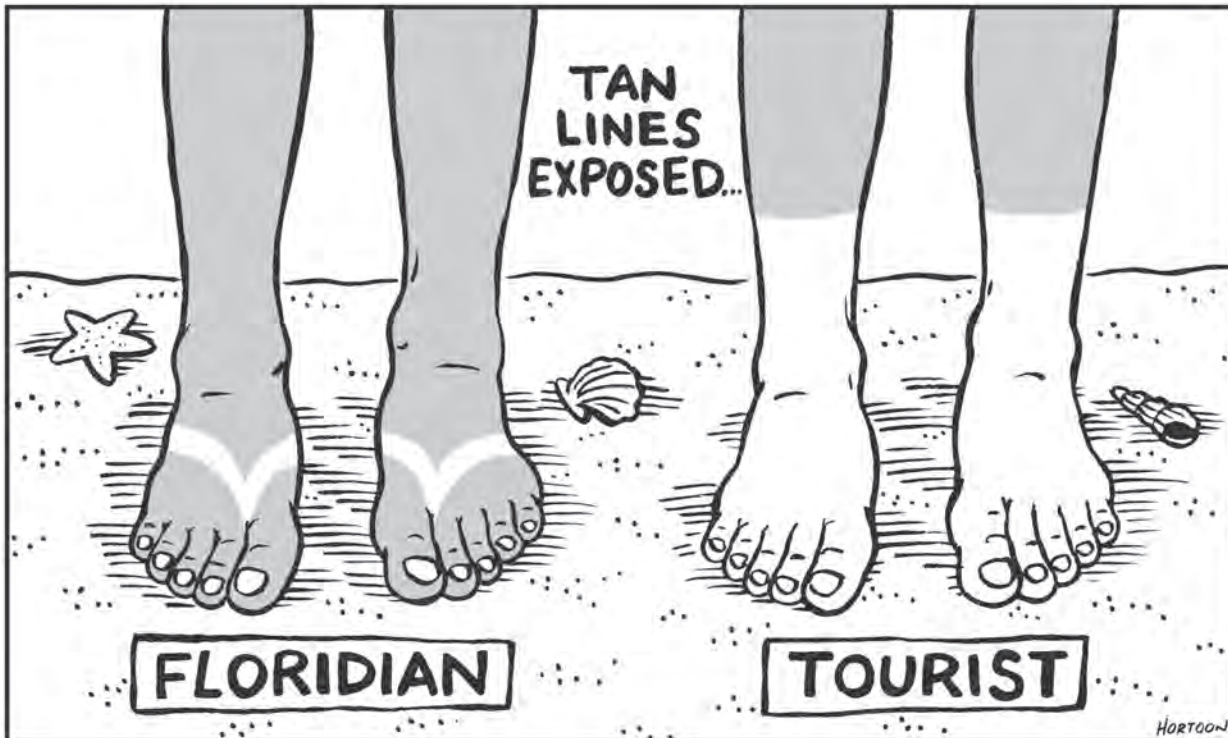
1. Ron Kittle, who hit 35 home runs in 1983. 2. Johnny Bench. 3. Emmitt Smith ran for 1,773 yards in 1995. 4. Louisville (won in 1986; missed in '87), Kansas ('88), Florida (2007), North Carolina ('09), Kentucky ('12), Texas ('13), UConn ('14), '15). 5. It was the 2012-13 season. 6. It was 2003. 7. Floyd Mayweather Jr.



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 1 tablespoon olive oil
 ½ cup whole cooked black beans, for garnish
 Place fillets in shallow dish; sprinkle with cayenne pepper and set aside. Combine black beans, garlic, Serrano pepper, onion, salt and pepper in a blender or food processor; blend until smooth. Transfer sauce to a small saucepan and cook on low heat until warmed through. Set aside and keep warm. In a heavy nonstick sauté pan, heat olive oil over high heat. Sauté fillets 3 to 5 minutes on each side until browned and center is opaque. Transfer fillets to plates and top with black bean coulis. Garnish with whole black beans.☆☆

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Matt Fannon of the Sanibel Recreation Center practices his putting technique



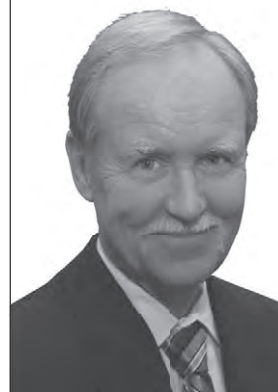
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Betty's Boobs team member Dave Dolly chats with BZ Coyne

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Youngsters in one of the camp programs

Golf Tournament Supports Heights Foundation's Summer Camp

The Kids to Camp golf tournament will take place on Thursday, May 12 at Gulf Harbour Yacht & Country Club, Fort Myers. The proceeds support The Heights Center's summer camp program that provides a safe environment for at-risk children in Harlem Heights to explore opportunities in recreation, fitness,

arts, and education.

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. and a luncheon and silent auction at 2 p.m.

"This tournament will help 100 kids from Harlem Heights attend camp this summer," said Jim Sanger, chief operating officer of The Heights Foundation. "Camp provides an engaging environment for kids who otherwise have no options, and parents benefit from the knowledge that their children are safe and ready to return to school in the fall."

Tournament registration costs \$600 for a foursome and \$150 for a single golfer. Sponsorships that include golf packages and recognition are available. The sponsorship deadline is May 5 and golfer registration deadline is May 9. For more information visit www.heightsfoundation.org/kidstocampgolf or call Sanger at 482-7706 or email jim@heightsfoundation.org.



10K Race 4 FISH Committee presents Sanibel Captiva Trust Company members with an appreciation plaque

Trust Company Recognized For FISH 10K Race Sponsorship

FISH of SanCap presented an appreciation plaque to The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company in recognition of its sole Premier Sponsorship of the 2015 10K Race 4 FISH.

"We are grateful for the trust company's generous support of the race and mission of FISH," said Ed Riddlehoover, 10K committee co-chairman. "The plaque is just a small token of that appreciation."

The race benefits the non-profit organization which lends a helping hand to those in need, who live, work or visit Sanibel and Captiva. It's been providing much-needed human services to people of all ages for more three decades and is home to the island's only food pantry.

The 8th annual 10K race is set for 7:30 a.m. Saturday, October 15.

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Top Producers

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Burns Family Team



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Will Power

Revocable Trusts And FDIC Insurance



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

I've received many calls from clients wondering whether their Certificates of Deposit are totally insured under the FDIC insurance rules. There's a lot of confusion as to whether and how much of your deposits may be insured at one bank.

You may be surprised to learn that the FDIC provides more insurance for revocable trusts that have multiple beneficiaries. A good website that reviews the various rules can be found at <https://www.fdic.gov/deposit/covered/trust.html>. This website takes you through a process wherein you enter your information and it tells you whether you are insured. As with any such important matters, you should verify that you have properly entered the information and that the information is correct with your own professionals.

Many don't realize that you can obtain greater protection under the FDIC rules with revocable trusts than you might by having the account solely in your name. In general, all deposits which an owner has a "formal" trust (such as a Revocable Living Trust) and that trust has a different number of beneficiaries are added together for FDIC insurance purposes, and the \$250,000 insurance limit is applied to each beneficial interest.

In order to "qualify" for an insurable deposit held by a trust, the trust must meet several requirements. The trust must be identified as a living trust or a family trust, at the time that the bank fails, the beneficiary must be entitled to his or her interest in the revocable trust assets at the grantor's death. The FDIC recognizes life estate and remainder beneficiaries, but not contingent beneficiaries. Finally, the beneficiaries must be living individuals and/or an IRS qualifying charity or nonprofit organization.

Assume that John Doe establishes a trust account at his bank, and both the trust document and the bank records reflect that his wife Mary is to receive a lifetime income interest, and upon her death the account is divided into three equal shares among their three children, then the account may qualify for \$1,250,000 of FDIC insurance, presuming that neither Mary nor her children have no other insured accounts at that bank. The number of beneficiaries is limited to five pursuant to the rules.

Under the rules, when a revocable trust owner designates five or fewer beneficiaries, the owner's share of each trust account is added together and the owner receives up

to \$250,000 in insurance coverage for each unique beneficiary. Formal and informal revocable trust accounts held by the same owner(s) are added together prior to determining coverage.

I have learned anecdotally that some bankers are suggesting to their customers to move current deposits into POD (Pay on Death) or ITF (In Trust For) accounts. You should be very careful before doing so as such a move might actually thwart your estate plan. Pay on Death and In Trust For accounts distribute to the named payee despite anything to the contrary contained within your Revocable Living Trust. Further, they distribute without regard to administration expenses or taxes, further complicating your administration in the event of your demise.

If you already have a revocable living trust, there is no need for a POD or TOD account. Your Successor Trustee will be able to write your checks and pay your bills for you, as they will have instant access to the accounts on your disability or death. Further, the trust avoids the probate process and will divide your trust estate for the beneficiaries you name. If a beneficiary predeceases you, the trust usually takes care of that. In a POD account, a predeceased beneficiary could become a costly headache involving probate.

Before you change the title to your accounts, you should consult with your estate planning professionals.

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Nutrition Vs. Stress Seminar Offered

Modern day living and all the busyness and stress that comes along with it can do a real number on your central nervous system, especially if you are not taking proactive steps to counteract this negative effect on your body. An overtaxed nervous system can expend most of its resources just trying to defend the body against attack, whether it is in the form of anxiety, panic or stress, which depletes your energy reserves and potentially harms your system.

One way to counteract this damage, however, is to consume foods that maximize the amount of time and energy your body spends to nourish, heal and regenerate itself.

All are invited join FISH of SanCap and Dr. Loureen Downes, professor at Florida Gulf Coast University, on Tuesday, April 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Community House to learn how to feed your body and mind with the most nutritious foods. Learn to maximize your potential, cope with life stressors and work productively all by feeding your soul with the right foods.

This seminar is complimentary; light refreshments will be provided. The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel. Call Christine Swiersz, LCSW, or Jessi Zeigler, MSW, at the FISH Walk-In Center at 472-4775 for additional information about this seminar.✱

Duplicate Bridge

On Tuesday, April 12, there were six tables in play at The Community House. The winners were:

North/South

1. Gini Gersack and Ann Lindberg
2. Yvonne Dressel and Kenneth Appel

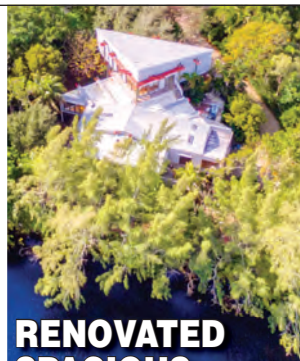
East/West

1. Shirley Skaugstad and Bob Ogden
2. Mary and Dick Butler

There are two ACBL-sanctioned games per week, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 4 p.m. at The Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way on 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, call Susan Willoughby at 281-3258.✱

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley,
My child just started pre-school in January. He's doing OK but the teachers keep telling me he has a fragile temperament. I'm not sure

I understand what they mean. What do you think they are saying?

Brittany B., Fort Myers

Brittany,

Every child is born with his own individual way of approaching the world – a temperament. Temperament is not something your child chooses, nor is it something that you created. A child's temperament shapes the way he experiences the world. There is no right or wrong, better or worse temperament. It's very important for children to be accepted for who they are.

It is true, though, that some temperaments are easier to handle than others. Generally, there are five characteristics that describe an individual's temperament:

- Emotional intensity
- Activity level
- Frustration tolerance
- Reaction to new people
- Reaction to change

A child who is cautious and needs time to feel comfortable in new situations and a child who jumps right in are likely to have very different experiences going to a classmate's birthday party. A child who can handle a lot of sensory stimulation will experience a trip to the

supermarket differently from a child who has a low threshold for a lot of surrounding noise and action.

Understanding your child's temperament helps you be a better parent. Recognizing patterns in your child's behavior that are influenced by temperament can help you anticipate your child's responses to certain situations. If you know that your child has a hard time making transitions, you have experienced that pick-up time at pre-school is challenging. Tell your child's teacher about this and talk about a plan to make the end of the day easier. For example, the teacher can use anticipatory guidance by giving your child several reminders that it will soon be time to go home or you might spend a few minutes helping your child finish what he is doing, rather than put him into the car right away.

Most parents prefer some of their child's temperamental characteristics to others. If a child is shy and slow-to-warm-up, a parent may sometimes feel his patience dwindling and wish that his child was the kind of kid who would just get on with it rather than take so long to settle in. The parent of a very feisty, loud child who inadvertently bothers others might sometimes wish for a quiet and shy child who participates without commotion.

Parents may often feel judged or isolated by their child's temperament and associated behaviors. Be your child's champion and take the time to help others understand your child. For example, your child may not like to hug people until they are well known to him and this might offend a family member. Help that adult understand your child's temperament, let them know your child needs time to adjust to new people and unfamiliar places. Perhaps suggest an

activity they could do together so the child can become comfortable.

Remember, you can't change your child's temperament and that should not be your goal. What your goal should be is to help your child and the important people in his life understand his uniqueness. Every child has both strengths and areas where he may need more support. By observing and learning from your child, you can put together suggestions for him and others that help to create a workable and positive environment for him.

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March Airport Traffic Report

During the month of March, 1,269,961 passengers traveled through Southwest Florida International Airport, an increase of 7.5 percent compared to March 2015. Year-to-date, passenger traffic is up eight percent from the same period last year.

"Southwest Florida International Airport is pleased to report that March 2016 was the single-largest month for passenger traffic in our 33-year history and we experienced record-breaking growth for the first quarter of 2016," said Robert M. Ball, A.A.E., executive director of the Lee County Port Authority. "I want to thank our airlines and airport business partners for working together during the busy winter travel season to accommodate and welcome millions of travelers to our region."

The traffic leader in March was Southwest with 299,543 passengers traveling to and from Fort Myers. Rounding out the top five airlines were Delta (248,579), American (170,104), JetBlue (122,544) and Spirit (118,320).

Southwest Florida International Airport had 10,676 aircraft movements (takeoffs and landings), an increase of

3.1 percent compared to March 2015. Page Field saw 10,700 movements, a 1.2 percent increase from March 2015. In addition, more than 2.8 million pounds of air freight moved through Southwest Florida International Airport in March 2016, an increase of 3.8 percent compared to March 2015.

For more information, visit www.flylcpa.com.

FGCU Counseling Workshops

The Office of Continuing Education & Off-Campus Programs at Florida Gulf Coast University will hold workshops on Solution Focused Brief Counseling and Consultation (SFBC). The workshops are targeted at school counselors, mental health counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, human services professionals and educators. SFBC uses a systematic, five-step approach in which clients, students and parents focus on solutions rather than problems.

Each workshop meets on two Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and costs \$99 for both workshops:

- May 7 and June 4 at FGCU Naples Center, 1010 5th Avenue South, Naples
- May 14 and June 11 at The Atrium, 8695 College Parkway, Suite 1181, Fort Myers
- May 28 and June 25 at FGCU Herald Court Centre, 117 Herald Court, Punta Gorda

Solution Focused Brief Counseling and Consultation was created and instructed by Dr. Russell A. Sabella, professor of counseling in the College of Health Professions and Social Work at FGCU, and president of Sabella & Associates. Dr. Sabella has authored numerous articles published in journals, magazines and newsletters; and has co-authored two books, *Confronting Sexual Harassment: Learning Activities for Teens* (Educational Media; 1995) and *Counseling in the 21st Century: Using Technology to Improve Practice* (American Counseling Association; 2004). He has been practicing and training thousands of professionals in Solution Focused Brief Counseling and Consultation for nearly 20 years.

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BeautifulLife:

Meaningful Moments



by Kay Casperson

Are you making your moments meaningful and memorable? What are you spending your time on and who are you spending your time with?

It's so easy to get caught up in life and everything getting thrown our way, but we're also given many special moments, every single day, to enjoy ourselves and the company of the ones we love – and what a difference it makes when you focus on finding those daily opportunities to make every moment meaningful and memorable.

I choose to make every moment meaningful and memorable –

Whether you're at work, play, home or away, make a choice to make the most of every moment. Remember that life is short and moments pass quickly. Making a conscious decision to evaluate how and with whom you spend your time will make an amazing difference in how happy and fulfilled you feel. When I'm at church, for example, I like to take notes about the message of the day and how it relates to my life. Doing this gives my worship time much more meaning, but it also inspires me for the week ahead.

I feel happy and fulfilled when I'm doing what I love –

I love what I do, and when I am focused on my business, I am always learning new things, asking questions, giving advice and seeking new ways to make things better; it's a constant evolution and

I find great fulfillment in constantly growing and getting better at what I love to do. Whether you're on the job or working on a favorite hobby, I encourage you to put all of your creativity, inspiration, knowledge and education to the test in finding new ways to learn more. Don't just finish the task at hand and move on to the next – immerse yourself in being the best you can be.

I treasure the time I spend with the people who are most important to me – My children and husband know how many things I'm juggling every day, especially during the week, so when I can give them 100 percent of my attention and focus, it makes all of us appreciate it so much more – even if it's just a few minutes of talking and catching up before we all have to rush out the door. When we do have opportunities to spend lots of time together, I make sure I'm not distracted and I'm completely focused on them, so that I can listen, connect and be totally present in those beautiful family moments. When you're with the ones you love and care about, it's so important for them to know that you're fully engaged with them; it creates more meaningful, memorable relationships, and they will respect and appreciate it all the more when you can give them your full attention and understanding as well as your time.

So make every single moment count, and if you do, you're certain to live a more meaningful and more memorable life – a BeautifulLife!

Beauty and lifestyle expert Kay Casperson lives on Sanibel with her husband, two daughters and dogs. She produces her own inspirational collections of skincare, cosmetics, wellness, apparel and accessories, and operates four Lifestyle Spa & Boutique locations in Southwest Florida and Orlando. Learn more at kaycasperson.com.✧

Superior Interiors

Dining In Style

by Jeanie Tinch



Your probably think the dining room is the easiest of all rooms to furnish. Once you have your table and chairs, that's all there is to it. While that's the biggest part of your overall

dining room plan, it's far from all that needs to be done.

It's important to provide for the comfort of your guests, and your convenience as the host or hostess. I have found that there is usually a big problem unique to this room. To me as a decorator, it's keeping the overall décor of this room warm and inviting despite all the inevitable wood that usually ends up taking center stage. Providing a successful mix of wood dining room pieces, along with window treatments, area rugs and lighting takes careful consideration and planning.

Chairs alone are a far from simple choice. Massive ones take up too much space, so you must find well-designed chairs that are comfortable as well. Upholstered slipper chairs are a wonderful addition and mix well with any wood tones.

Tables come in all shapes and sizes, too. The size should fit both the room and your family, and – ideally – be designed for easy expansion. Round and oval dining room tables provide for an ease of conversation that most of my clients find very appealing. Also, expandable table with drop leaves, built-in extensions, board inserts and the like are all practical. Today's designs take up little "closed" space, and can instantly be enlarged when guests are expected.

It's also extremely easy and convenient to have silverware, linens and serving pieces stored right in the room. A sideboard, chest or armoire will give you the storage, and provide another wonderful decorative element.

To add softness in the dining room from all the wood pieces, you may want to consider beautiful window treatments, including luxurious side panels or an elegant cornice or decorative wall covering will help provide this room with another great focal point.

Jeanie Tinch is an interior designer on Sanibel/Captiva Islands. She can be reached at jeanie@coindceden.com.✧

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Night For Life IX Raises Organ Transplant Funds

by Jeff Lysiak

Night For Life IX, the annual fundraiser for the Organ Transplant Recipients of Southwest Florida, Inc., was held on April 11 at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre in Fort Myers. The annual event helps promote organ donation awareness while raising money for the Fletcher Trust Fund. To begin the evening, Mike Terry talked about how the group began, and how the Fletcher Fund was created.

On August 6, 1992, the doctors at Tampa General Hospital gave the “gift of life” – a new heart – to Newman Fletcher. As he made a good recovery, Mac, as he is universally known, started to act upon some suggestions he heard during recovery. Later that same month, he and five other recipients and their caregivers began to hold meetings at Fletcher’s home.

Dana Iverson, a donor mom, then spoke about her son, who had his heart donated to Marshall Marlin. When Iverson met Marlin, the organ transplant recipient brought a stethoscope with him so she could listen to her son’s heartbeat.

While Marlin passed away three years ago, his mother, Norma Marlin, spoke about his fight to get a new heart and how his passing – only a few years later – brought her and Iverson together in an



Julie Martin and Norma Marlin delivered their organ transplant donor and recipient stories at Night For Life IX, held on April 11 at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre

effort to promote and support the organ transplant community.

Rick Keating delivered an inspiring speech about his fight to get a new liver. He had woken up from a coma on numerous occasions and was told by his doctors he was dying. Finally, after being transferred to Tampa General Hospital, Keating received a liver. After writing a number of letters to the donor family, he finally received a response. Keating added that he is looking forward to meeting them soon.

Jenniene Moran and Janet Wettstein, co-chairwomen of Night For Life, and Shamie Kelly, the organ transplant group’s president, also talked about kidney transplants.

Night For Life IX was supported by



Shamie Kelly, a kidney recipient and the organ transplant group president

photos by Mike Terry

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To donate to the Fletcher Fund, make checks payable to Organ Transplant Support Group, Inc. – Fletcher Fund and mail to: David Weinstein, Treasurer. P. O. Box 100962, Cape Coral, FL 33910

For additional information, visit <http://organsupport.org>.✱

Volunteers Needed

Food assistance need will be greater than ever when school is out for the summer. Letter carriers in Southwest Florida are gearing up for the 24th annual national letter carrier food drive. The nation’s largest single-day food drive, Stamp Out Hunger, will be held on Saturday, May 14. This is the one day when letter carriers collect non-perishable food that has been left by mailboxes.

Volunteers are needed to both help letter carriers collect the food and to help sort the food once it has been collected. Most food collected in Lee County will be distributed by the Harry Chapin Food Bank through their participating agencies in the county; food collected in Collier County will be distributed by Collier Harvest; food collected in Charlotte County will be distributed to participating food pantries. All food collected in food drives is distributed to participating agencies at no cost.

Volunteers are needed to assist letter carriers with their pickups and with preliminary food sorting. Contact Tanya Phillips at Harry Chapin Food Bank by calling 334-7007 or call Kim Berghs at the United Way at 433-2000 ext. 260.

Additional information about the letter carrier food drive and early food drop-off may be obtained by contacting George Sciascia, Letter Carriers’ Food Drive coordinator, at gsciascia@comcast.net or 218-1147.✱



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10 Tips For Outsmarting Allergies

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



Dear Readers: Every spring, some of you voluntarily harm your brain with antihistamines that make you feel like a zombie or hungover with brain fog. These “first

generation” antihistamines make you tired all day too.

Allergy symptoms occur because your body releases histamine and leukotriene (and other pro-inflammatory compounds) which lead to runny nose and watery eyes, swelling, congestion, a scratchy throat and sneezing. Your goal would be to control those two cytokines and balance immune function.

Go to a physician and pay a lot to be told to “avoid triggers” or “move” or “stop eating 40 foods.” Grumble all the way home because you know it’s not possible in your situation. So here’s my top 10 list to help you:

1. Vitamin C – It’s a powerful antioxidant that prevents histamine

from being made, rather than blocking its action at the cell’s doorway like a drug (antihistamine). It also reduces inflammation and helps with immune function.

2. Stinging Nettle – This herb is time tested; people who take it occasionally feel a mild diuretic effect. Compounds within the herb include carotenes, vitamin K, and quercetin. Dosage varies, you can drink tea or take supplements.

3. Essential Oil of Eucalyptus – Used in steam inhalations or diffused in an aromater. Eucalyptus opens up your sinuses and air passageways, improving airflow. It contains citronellal, which has pain-relieving benefits and anti-inflammatory effects making it useful for upper respiratory infections.

4. Salt – Natural unrefined salt (not table salt) actually has natural antihistamine effects. If you’re having a sneezing fit, or hay fever attack, put a tiny amount of unrefined salt on the tip of your tongue. Let it absorb, you don’t have to swallow it. Rinse the excess. Another variation of using salt is to drink a little salt-laced water during your attack. Use saline in your Neti pots daily.

5. Bromelain – This pineapple-derived enzyme is sold as a supplement. It reduces swelling as well as mucus production so it’s particularly helpful for sinus infection. It may thin mucus making it easier for you to breathe.

6. Avoid histamine-forming foods,

thus reducing the burden of histamine inside your body. These include sausage, smoked meats, chocolate, alcohol, aged cheese, dried foods, fermented foods and nuts.

7. Visit a salt cave – These are amazing, I’ve been inside one in Santa Barbara. They are popping up as the new “spa treatment” across North America. Sitting in a Himalayan salt cave, inhaling ionized air infuses your body with valuable minerals. The particles of sodium chloride may improve allergies and kill fungus.

8. Butterbur – I wrote about this in my *Headache Free* book. Butterbur acts like the pharmaceutical drug called Singulair, inhibiting the production leukotrienes, which trigger swelling in your nasal passages.

9. Propolis – An animal study showed some interesting results. Propolis significantly inhibited histamine release from mast cells.

10. Chlorella – This supplement is a type of algae grown in fresh water, often suggested for reducing radiation treatment side-effects, stimulating the immune system and increasing white blood cell counts. For allergies, chlorella can reduce histamine and improve interleukin 12 and interferon.

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.✱

Eden Energy Medicine

Thump Pet's Thymus If Ill, Or Rub K-27s



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

Energy Medicine works for our furry buddies just as well as for our children, grandchildren, family and friends. Last week, I did a program on the

vagus nerve and here is what an attendee had to say: "Thanks to you and the vagus nerve tool, I am sleeping better, too." It is wonderful for you to have confirmation that these tools work. So let your pets benefit, too.

If your dog or cat has been ill, don't hesitate to thump the thymus. Do it gently when the pet is relaxed. Begin by gently tapping over the sternum (mid-chest right above the heart) on the hard, bony surface. Tap about 15 times. Tap harder as the pet gets used to this new crazy behavior of its human buddy. The thymus interfaces with the immune system, creates the T cells in the body, is directly over the heart sending heart energy and is on the central meridian.

Next go to the K-27s, just like we do for ourselves. You can do the entire 5 Minute Routine for your pet if you are inclined, and it is wonderful for them especially if they have problems of any kind. The K-27s are located on your pet in a very similar location as they are on you. Go to the collar bones toward mid-body, move out about three-quarters of an inch and down about three-quarters of an inch. Buzz, press or rub your pet gently in this area. By activating the K-27s, you are getting the animal energized, assisting all of the 14 meridians to move forward together in unity and starting to activate all the nine energy systems of the body..

It is truly amazing what a huge difference it makes. On at least three occasions, I was able to save my goldendoodle Chezy by doing the 5 Minute Routine (and other energy tools) for him. This occurred when he was bitten by about 30 fire ants on the throat as he was laying with his neck directly over a nest; another time when he ate something toxic on the beach; and yet another time when he was paralyzed from jumping from a high bed and couldn't move. Several occurring on Sunday's with no easy access to my vet. She confirmed that on at least two of these occasions, I saved his life. So it does work! Don't forget figure 8s, too. If your pet has a problem and you need care quick, start with the routine, making 8s until you get assistance.

Have fun with your energy! Next week's topic is Tools For Jet Lag – It's That Time Again.

*If you have a question, email Karen at SemmEnergyCenter@gmail.com or visit 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

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

Dear Mom & Me,

I have been living in an assisted living complex for four years. The financial planner said that with my income I would be fine – well, I'm not! The value of my estate has taken a nosedive and I cannot

afford to stay here.

The nice financial planner has long gone and the facility hasn't helped me and they only say that I will have to leave in two months.

I do not know what to do now. Do you have any suggestions?

Hazel

Dear Hazel,

I am very sorry that the community will not work with you. The communities I work with try various solutions ranging from reducing the size of the apartment, offering some rent reduction, to arranging companion rooms. These communities also assist with placement if a reasonable arrangement cannot be worked out.

I suggest you contact your local ombudsman to discuss your situation and possible solutions. The ombudsman is a third-party advocate and would be able to provide support and direction for you.

Pryce

Dear Hazel,

I am sorry to hear that you are in financial crisis. Pryce has given you some very valuable up-to-date information, as she is working on a daily basis with people experiencing similar situations.

I would suggest that you seek the advice of an older, very experienced financial planner who may have seen a similar situation with other people not unlike the circumstances you are in.

Retirement complexes are also feeling the effects of this downturn and they don't want their residents to leave.

Lizzie

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

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: I recently moved from a city to a smaller town. I am middle-aged and divorced. I am looking for friendships and perhaps an eventual companion. What is the best way to get

started with forming new friendships?

A: Congratulations on your move and all the best that it is a fulfilling experience for you. I would suggest that you become involved with some local organizations that you have an interest in. If you are working, it may be helpful to join the Chamber of Commerce, or volunteer with an organization and do something that you enjoy. It is a great way to get started. Whatever your passion is, find something that relates to that and you will start forming friendships. If you work, you may invite a few co-workers over to your home for an after work gathering, or make arrangements to meet somewhere in the town for a social gathering.

If you like to be active, check to see what clubs may be in your town such as a bike or cycling club, tennis or join the local golf club. If you are not ready for that, perhaps you want to start with lessons in one of those activities. If you happen to be retired, check the paper for social

events in your town. I would think there would be several. Depending on what your interests and passions are, follow what you like and the rest will follow.

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Doctor and Dietician

Dessert Recipe Is Free Of Gluten, Egg and Casein



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

It is often difficult for patients with food allergies to come up with ideas for desserts that follow their food allergy/sensitivity restrictions. Try this fun dessert recipe if you are avoiding the big three allergens: gluten/wheat, eggs

and casein/dairy.

Oatmeal peanut butter chocolate chip bars

Ingredients:
1 cup gluten-free oats, ground
1½ cups unground oats
2/3 cup natural peanut butter
4 Tbsp Earth Balance butter
¾ cup brown sugar
1 tsp vanilla
½ tsp salt
¼ tsp baking soda
Ener-g-Egg replacer equivalent to 2 eggs
2 cups casein-free chocolate chips
What to do:
1. Grind 1 cup of gluten-free oats (Bob's Red Mill makes them) for 30 seconds into a flour.
2. In a separate bowl cream 2/3 cup peanut butter, 4 tbsp Earth Balance butter, ¾ cup brown sugar, 1 tsp vanilla, ½ tsp salt and ¼ tsp baking soda.
3. Beat in Ener-g egg replacer (equivalent of 2 eggs), then the ground oats, then 1.5 cups unground oats and 2 cups casein-free chocolate chips.
4. Bake at 350 degrees F for 11 to 13 minutes. So good and you would never know they are allergy-free.

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FOR WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2016

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Impatience is still somewhat of a problem. But a sign of progress should soothe the anxious Aries heart. Meanwhile, invest some of that waiting time in preparing for the change ahead.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Bovines tend to excel at solving problems, not creating them. But you risk doing just that if you're slow to respond

to a timely situation. If necessary, seek advice from someone you trust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The Gemini Twin might need to do more than a routine check of both a job-linked and home-based situation. Dig deeper for more data on both fronts to avoid unwanted surprises later.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Moon Children facing an important workplace decision are encouraged to use their perceptiveness to see through any attempt to win them over with a supercharge of fawning and flattery.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Good news catapults Leos and Leonas into reconsidering a deferred decision. But time has moved on, and it's a good idea to recheck your plans and make adjustments where necessary.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week favors relationships, both personal and professional. Take the time to look for and immediately repair any vulnerable areas caused by unresolved misunderstandings.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A friend's problems bring out your

protective instincts. Be careful to keep a balance between meeting the obligations of friendship without being overwhelmed by them.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The temptation to take an extreme position on an issue is strong, but moderation is favored both in personal and professional dealings. Move toward finding areas of agreement.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Getting another boss or teacher? Try to see the person behind the image. It will help you adjust more

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easily to the changes that new authority figures inevitably bring.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Much as you might dislike the idea, keep an open mind about using the assistance of a third party to help resolve problems that threaten to unravel an important agreement.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Music helps restore the Aquarian's spiritual energies this week. Take someone you care for to a concert of your musical choice. Also, expect news about a workplace matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A challenge that seems easy enough at first could take an unexpected turn that might test your resolve. Decide if you feel you should stay with it, or if it's better to move in another direction.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can be strong when standing up for justice, both for yourself and for others.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On April 27, 1773, the British Parliament passes the Tea Act, a bill designed to save the East India Company from bankruptcy by greatly lowering the tea tax it paid to the British government and, thus, granting it a monopoly on the American tea trade.

- On April 30, 1927, the first women's federal prison opens in Alderson, West Virginia, to house all women serving federal sentences of more than a year. Most were imprisoned for drug and alcohol charges imposed during Prohibition.

- On May 1, 1931, President Herbert Hoover officially dedicates New York City's Empire State Building, pressing a button from the White House to turn on the building's lights. Hoover's gesture

was symbolic; while he remained in Washington, D.C., someone else flicked the switches in New York.

- On April 26, 1954, the Salk polio vaccine field trials, involving 1.8 million children, begin in McLean, Virginia. Children in the U.S., Canada and Finland took part in the double-blind trials, whereby neither the patient nor attending doctor knew if the inoculation was the vaccine or a placebo.

- On April 28, 1967, boxing champion Muhammad Ali refuses to be inducted into the U.S. Army and is immediately stripped of his heavyweight title. Ali, a Muslim, cited religious reasons for his decision to forgo military service.

- On April 25, 1989, James Richardson walks out of a Florida prison 21 years after being wrongfully convicted of killing his seven children. Special prosecutor Janet Reno agreed to the release after evidence showed that the conviction resulted from misconduct by the prosecutor.

- On April 29, 1992, a jury in Los Angeles acquits four police officers who had been charged with using excessive force in arresting black motorist Rodney King. The verdict enraged the black community, prompting three days of

STRANGE BUT TRUE

widespread rioting, arson and looting.

- It was early 20th-century financier, philanthropist and political consultant Bernard Baruch who made the following sage observation: "Millions of people saw the apple fall, but Newton was the one to ask why."

- You might be surprised to learn that beloved American musician Johnny Cash wrote more than just songs; in

1953, before he started his music career, Cash wrote a science-fiction tale called "The Holografik Danser."

- According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there are at least 350 languages spoken in American homes.

- In the mid 17th century, the French colony of New France in present-day Canada was running desperately short of currency. Without cash on hand, the government representatives were unable to pay soldiers or purchase provisions to sustain them. After spending eight months using his personal fortune to provide for the soldiers, Jacques De Meulles, New France's intendant of justice, police and finance, took matters into his own hands. He used playing cards to create notes of currency and issued an ordinance requiring everyone to accept the cards as cash. Though this was meant to be a short-term financial device, the cards continued to be used for nearly 75 years.

- Those who study such things say that lightning flashes 100 to 125 times every second worldwide.

- Historians say that the romance between Cleopatra, Ptolemaic Egypt's last active pharaoh, and Roman statesman Julius Caesar was something of a May-December romance: She was 21 and he was 54.

- Mexico has the world's highest per-capita rate of carbonated beverage consumption.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I want to stay as close to the edge as I can without going over. Out on the edge you see all kinds of things you can't see from the center." -- Kurt Vonnegut, Jr.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

The Jacaranda has live entertainment Friday and Saturday with Cruzan Vibes, playing reggae and dance. Sunday is CJ and Friends, playing oldies, Motown, rock 'n' roll and country. Renata plays funk, jazz and contemporary on Monday. On Tuesday and Wednesday, it's Sir Mitch, playing classic rock, R&B and dance. Thursday is Eric Malibu, playing contemporary, reggae and dance.

The Mucky Duck on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva features music by Gary Earle on Thursday and Friday. Gene Federico plays on Saturday. Gary Earle plays Sunday; Mark Dupuy plays on Monday; Perry English plays on Tuesday; and Gene Federico plays on Wednesday.

Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa has live island style entertainment on Mondays.

Traditions on the Beach at Island Inn has live entertainment Friday, Saturday and Sunday with Dusk. The "Jersey Kid" Mike Arnone performs on Monday. Woody Brubaker performs on Tuesday. Woody Brubaker and Barbara Smith perform on Wednesday. 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.

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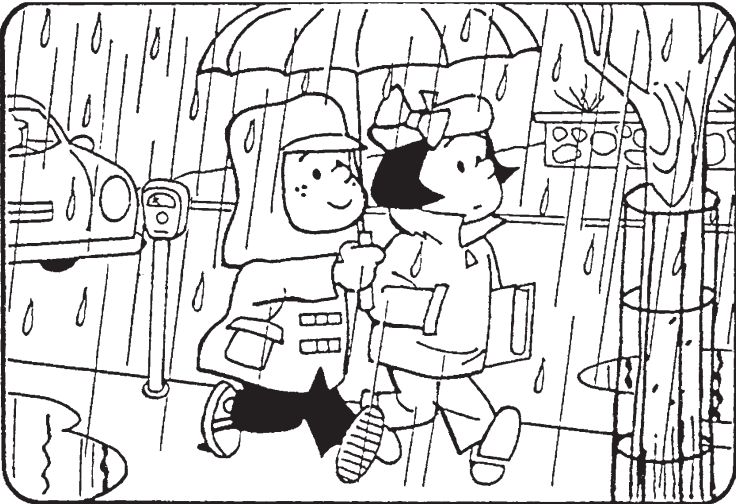
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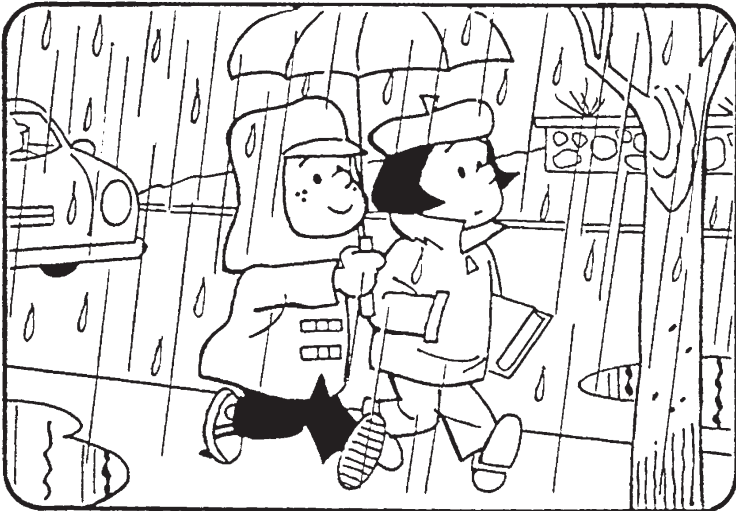

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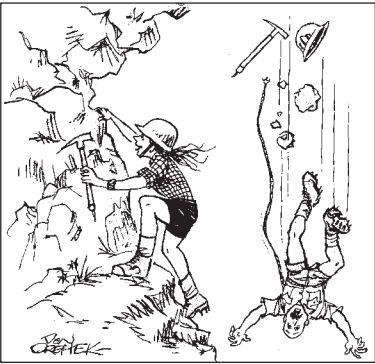
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FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Parking meter is missing. 2. Pocket is missing. 3. Umbrella is smaller. 4. Bow is missing. 5. Book is missing. 6. Tree guard is missing.



"Honestly, Gary ... you've got the weirdest _____."

SCRAMBLERS

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

Smooth
MARCEY _____

Guide
ALDERE _____

Fume
MOSKE _____

Enjoy
SHRILE _____

TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 29B

	3				1	2		
5			7				4	
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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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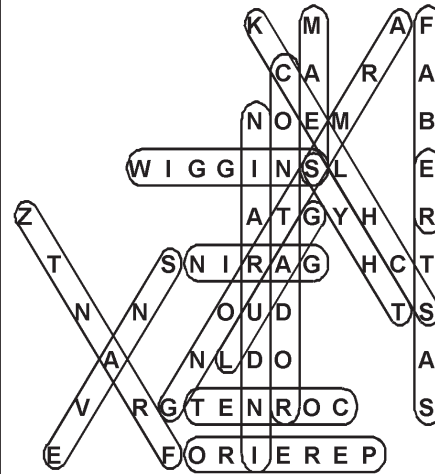
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 - Supervises and trains any volunteers in First Responder duties.
 - Updates and maintains wildlife database.
 - Maintains files on patients records and supply invoices/receipts.
 - Orders and receives/ stocks clinic supplies.
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Shore Fishing: Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

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

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

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

- Florida just recently changed the regulations on fishing from shore. Florida residents as well as out of state visitors need a fishing license to fish from shore.

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Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
Barefoot Beach	Bonita Springs	2013	4,603	\$4,895,000	\$4,550,000	21
Spring Ridge	Bonita Springs	2002	6,370	\$3,390,000	\$3,200,000	104
Verona Lago	Miromar Lakes	2004	5,596	\$2,195,000	\$1,900,000	753
Portofino	Miromar Lakes	2015	3,386	\$1,995,000	\$1,995,000	86
Southwinds Estates	Sanibel	1972	2,140	\$1,249,000	\$1,234,000	5
Renaissance	Fort Myers	2016	3,375	\$1,189,990	\$1,100,000	63
Fa Lanes Bayview	Captiva	1979	1,606	\$1,049,000	\$1,032,500	125
Grande Estates	Estero	2006	3,404	\$995,000	\$900,000	58
Seaside Estates	Fort Myers	1999	3,367	\$945,000	\$930,000	165
Ferry Landing	Sanibel	1986	2,369	\$899,900	\$875,000	82

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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
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United Way of Lee County	433-2000
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Zonta Club	728-1971
ISLAND ATTRACTIONS	
Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum	395-2233
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Sanibel Historical Museum & Village	472-4648
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Pets Of The Week



Watson ID# 657272



ID# Socks 626740, Tiger 643478, Stripes 626739

Hello, my name is Watson. I'm a 3-year-old white male Chihuahua. I was found wandering around the back parking lot at Animal Services. This Watson needs a Sherlock Holmes to solve the mystery as to how I ended up there. I have quickly become "Dear Watson" to all of the volunteers. I'm smart, attractive, playful and sociable. Everyone needs a little Watson in their life. Come meet me! My adoption fee is \$75.

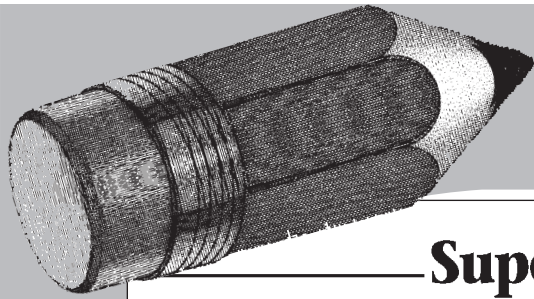
Hello, our names are Socks, Tiger and Stripes. We are all neutered male tabbies. We are three handsome roommates here at the shelter as well as in our previous home. We're triple the fun and have tons of love to give. Our adoption fee is \$50 for one, two or all three of these fabulous felines!

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

The shelter is open for adoptions from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. 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.

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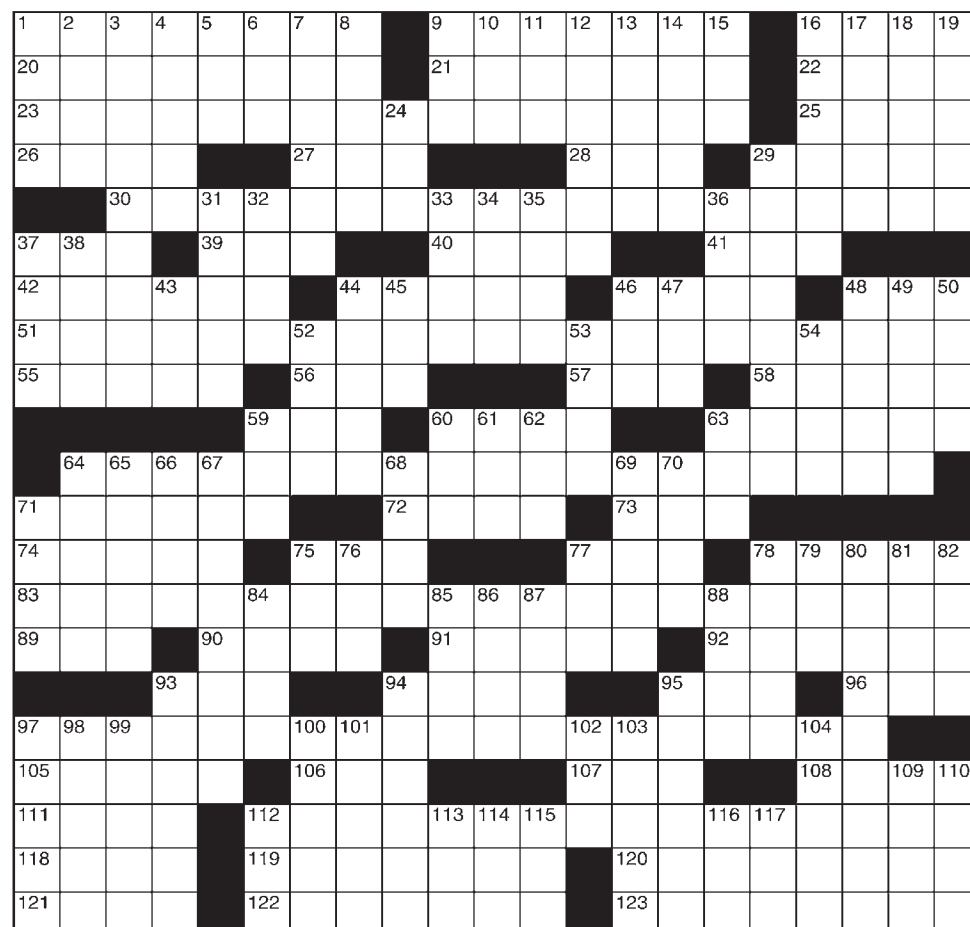
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Super Crossword

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

ACROSS

- 1 Gallery events for buying works
9 Acting in a Broadway show, e.g.
16 "High Voltage" rock band
20 Most calm
21 Exposed to danger
22 Shift course
23 112-Across, #1
25 German river
26 Toothed tongs
27 Punker/folkie DiFranco
28 French for "summer"
29 Trample (on)
30 112-Across, #2
37 Sidekick
39 Olds of old
40 Uplifting poems
41 "Go, toreador!"
42 Ultimatum concluder
44 Inedible orange type
46 Son of Adam
48 Timber tree
51 112-Across, #3
- 55 Ruhr industrial city
56 Pro Bowl org.
57 Former GI
58 Spay, say
59 Bring to court
60 Lorain's lake
63 Paige of the stage
64 112-Across, #4
71 2006-12 Mexican President Calderón
72 Like seams
73 — room (Ping-Pong place)
74 Make right
75 Nothing
77 Skull section
78 Milk: Prefix
83 112-Across, #5
89 UV blockage stat
90 All 52 cards
91 Alarm
92 Turn around
93 Lemon
94 Be alarmed by
95 Tippler's hwy. offense
96 — Paulo
97 112-Across, #6
- 105 Tiny skin openings
106 Place to buy tkts.
107 "Total Recall" director
108 "It happens to the best —"
111 Be a drifter
112 This puzzle's theme
118 Price to play
119 1970s cop show
120 Mechanic's crowbar
121 Not brush off
122 Nothing-but-net sounds
123 Least lenient
- 11 Married Mex. woman
12 Bathroom floor installers, often
13 Supreme Court justice Samuel
14 "— while they're hot!"
15 Joseph who co-founded an ice cream company
16 Indisposed
17 Tabloid topic
18 Prohibit
19 Set of beliefs
24 Espionage org.
29 Fish story
31 Firing crime?
32 Bog plant
33 Kvetch
34 Chisel part
35 Tolls, e.g.
36 Garden implements
37 With 78-Down, Best Director of 2012
6 See 5-Down
7 Misيسي or Nueva York, por ejemplo
8 Wasp wound
9 N-R linkup
10 Modern, in Germany
- 48 Ludicrous
49 Script unit
50 Present
52 "Move — a Little Higher"
53 Nights of anticipation
54 Verve
59 "Isn't — Lovely"
60 Relative of "speak"
61 Sudoku part
62 Place to stay the night
63 And other things: Abbr.
64 All upset
65 "Half — is better than none"
66 Skating area
67 Velocity increases
68 Kauai, e.g.
69 Obliterate
70 Lizardlike amphibian
71 Web pages for newbies
75 "Siberia" network
76 Really pester
77 Shake up
78 See 37-Down
79 Singer Garfunkel
80 Truce
81 "So long!"
- 82 Spread in the dairy section
84 Start over on
85 Totally lost
86 Chrysler line of the 1980s
87 Do field work to be
88 Santa —
93 Viewed
94 Blaze features
95 "Shoot!"
97 Winfrey of "Beloved"
98 Not a soul
99 Packing box
100 "Hogwash!"
101 Fetal homes
102 1970s foe of Frazier
103 Chaps
104 "Baywatch" actress
Gena Lee —
109 Aliens' craft
110 Shipped off
112 About half of a fluid oz.
113 Numerical suffix
114 Noshed
115 Repeated syllables in "Hey Jude"
116 Tantalite, e.g.
117 — -de-lance



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Medicos
5 Performance
8 "Oh, woe!"
12 Acknowledge
13 Greek consonant
14 Domesticate
15 Nonsense
17 Pack away
18 Gray, in a way
19 Motes
21 Aid
24 "Go, team!"
25 Rickey flavor
28 "The Music Man" locale
30 See 9-Down
33 Emulate
Lindsey Vonn
34 With 23-Down, what "it's all about"?
35 Historic time
36 Lair
37 Humdinger
38 Blue hue
39 Have bills
41 Holler
43 Capacitance measures
46 — Ste. Marie
50 BPOE members
51 Vegan's Thanksgiving
- entree
54 Regimen
55 Fuss
56 Retain
57 Eyelid woe
58 Tyrannosaurus —
59 Old gas station name
- 8 Bewildered
9 With 30-Across, one with two working parents, maybe
10 Out of control
11 Stitches
16 Catcher's place
20 Beseech
22 Oz character
23 See 34-Across
25 "Acid"
26 Eisenhower
27 A restrained manner
29 Existed
31 Glass of
- NPR
32 Newsmen
Rather
34 Did some weeding
38 "2001" author
40 Squander
42 Baton Rouge sch.
43 G-men
44 Settled down
45 Celeb
47 Guitars' kin
48 Dregs
49 Proof-reader's find
52 Praise in verse
53 "Family Guy" network

DOWN

- 1 Beavers' constructs
2 Elliptical
3 Pop selection
4 Envelop
5 Clumsy boat
6 Guevara nickname
7 Santa's sackful

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

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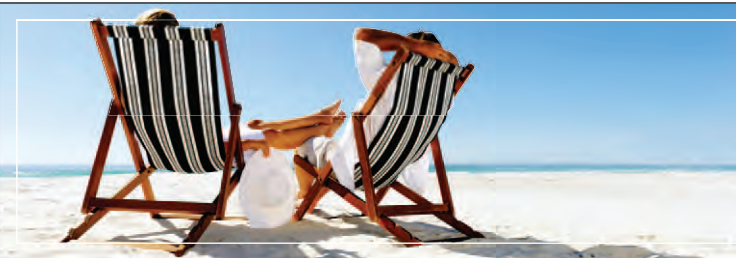
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