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From the Beaches to the River District downtown Fort Myers

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## Groove With Beatles Tribute Band



Beatles tribute band The Beatlemanix captures the feel and excitement of a real Beatles concert with authentic clothing, “mop-top” hairstyles, and the use of the same brand and model of instruments the Beatles used. The band also boasts a hard-to-find, left-handed bassist (just like Paul McCartney), and performs classic Beatles songs from their 1962-66 touring years. The arrangements have been kept as close to the original recordings as possible. The concert is on Saturday, April 25 at Harborside Event Center, 1375 Monroe Street, in historic downtown Fort

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Pure Fort Myers is offering an eco-cruise to Matlacha on April 25

## Pure Fort Myers Cruise Issues Invitation To Discover Matlacha

Pure Fort Myers will offer a special one-day cruise on Saturday, April 25. Departing from The Marina at Edison Ford and docking in Matlacha, passengers of the eco-cruise will discover island life through local wildlife education, history, walking tours, shopping and visiting the unique art galleries.

In partnership with True Tours, the trip will take place from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., stopping to take in the scenery and have lunch. Guests will also meet local artist Leoma Lovegrove, best known for her work that reflects the color-filled island life on Matlacha.

Cost for the cruise is \$59 per person. Visit [PureFortMyers.com](http://PureFortMyers.com) for more information or call 919-2965 to make reservations.\*\*



Bugtussle Ramblers

## Bluegrass Concert At The Alliance

The Acoustic Music Society of Southwest Florida presents a special Friday night bluegrass concert in the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts on April 17 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. The show features Kindred Spirit, The Bugtussle Ramblers and Cypress Hollow.

Tickets are \$8 at the door (\$6 for Alliance members). Children 12 and under are admitted free if accompanied by an adult. Seating is open and first come, first served. Doors open at 6 p.m. Visit [ArtInLee.org](http://ArtInLee.org) or call 939-2787 for more information.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.\*\*

## Jimi Hendrix Tribute Band To Close Bruce T. Gora Concert Series

The 2015 Bruce T. Gora Sunset Concert Series concludes on Sunday, April 19 at the Alliance for the Arts with Gimi Jimi. Now in its 5th year, the series honors the memory of musician, photographer, architect and longtime Alliance board member Bruce Gora.

Attendees are invited to bring coolers, picnic baskets, lawn chairs and blankets and join the party on the lawn while listening to hits from the Jimi Hendrix Experience and Band of Gypsies from Gimi Jimi, a tribute band dedicated to the late Jimi Hendrix featuring Matthew Newland as Jimi. Newland was born in Grand Rapids, Michigan where he was introduced to the guitar at the age of 12. Coming from a family of entertainers, Newland was a born-natural, quickly mastering the guitar. Forming a band with his two brothers, The Newlands, gave him an opportunity to develop as a musician and play his originals. The Newlands were a local hit, receiving air time on both AM and FM radio. Gimi Jimi also features keyboardist Dave Frania and drummer Mike Somers.

Gates open at 4 p.m. and the concerts

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

# Dancing On Hendry



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

Over the course of its 91-year history, the Richards Building has housed an eclectic mix of people and activities.

Medical offices, bakery, deli, artist studio, real estate office, dental laboratory, bail bondman and more – they have all shared the Richards Building address on Hendry Street.

The four-story Italianate structure (left in the early 1990s photo) was completed in 1924 by Albertus A. “Bertie” Gardner, who was active in the Knights of Pythias. It was a “skyscraper” in its day.

Built primarily as home for lodge #12 of the Knights of Pythias, for the first two decades of its existence, it was known as the Pythian Building.

The ornate cornices and arched windows contrast with the simpler lines of its neighbor, the Robb & Stucky Building (right), built only a year later.

The WP Gardner family had come to Fort Myers in 1883. They started the Seminole Canning Company in 1888, and son Bertie later built the city’s first ice and electric plant.

The Pythian Building’s next owner, RQ Richards, also played pivotal roles in local history. He purchased the building in 1945 and changed its name to the one it still has displayed on its façade.

Richards is perhaps best known for bringing Connie Mack’s Philadelphia Athletics to Fort Myers for spring training at Terry Park from 1924 to 1936 and for his Royal Palm Drug Store on First Street. He also operated Richards Prescriptions on the first floor of the Richards Building, as well as a clinical laboratory.

That historic building holds a special place in Suzanne LaBounty’s memories from the 1980s, when both her working and personal life intersected there.

She remembers the artsy downtown of the 1980s as “small, quaint, and friendly. Especially friendly.” And it had “a wonderful historic feel.”

The Richards building was a veritable artists colony at the time. The affordable rent and plentiful natural light rendered it excellent studio space.

“The Richards Building was home to a number of awesome artists,” LaBounty says, among them her two friends Greg Biolchini, pastelists, painter, and portraitist, and Jo Bainbridge Cobbett, pastelists and painter – both co-founders of Tower Gallery – as well as Polly Matsumoto, fiber artist.

Like the rest of the nation in the 1980s, Fort Myers experienced a fitness craze, and LaBounty helped lead the way. She directed the aerobics program for a fitness center in the Bradford Building that was popular with downtowners.

Jo Cobbett was one of her very first students, and they became fast friends. Cobbett suggested that she open a studio in the Richards Building.

So, in 1985, Suzanne’s Dance Fitness opened on the street level, opposite Mason’s Bakery.

Cobbett and Biolchini even pitched in to remodel the space, the former location of Richards Prescriptions and laboratory. It was a daunting, dirty task.



The Richards Building (left), pictured in the early 1990s, was completed in 1924 on Hendry Street between Main and Second. The 1925 Robb & Stucky Building stands right.  
photo courtesy of the State Archives of Florida



Today, the Richards Building is home to a variety of professionals, as well as two businesses at street level, the Open Door Shoppes on Hendry Street and a coffee house  
photo by Gerri Reaves

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## Arts For ACT Trunk Show



Hand-decorated boots

Arts for ACT Gallery will host a Hand-Made-Ology Trunk Show at 2265 First Street in the River District. Artists and crafters will be selling their hand-made arts and fine crafts on Friday, April 24 from 5 to 9 p.m. and on Saturday, April 25th from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. inside and outside Arts for ACT Gallery.

Offerings will include art, jewelry, painted furniture, turtle jars, palm tree messenger bags, painted clothing, shoes



and hats, hand-made paper arts and pottery.

Linda Benson, Eileen McGrath, Michelle Rothacker, Judy Massing, Carmen Mundos, Doris Carstens, Beth Crosley, Susan Mills and Kim Kraft-Beckler among others will be participating.

Part of the proceeds from their sales will help Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc., the domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking center serving Lee, Hendry and Glades counties. ☆



Some of the jewelry being offered

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# Gala Raises \$100K For The Imaginarium



Cook-off champion Harold Balink

Last month, it was the grown-ups' turn to play at the Imaginarium Science Center. The 2015 Imagine Gala, a night of lavish food, a live and silent auction, dancing and a Celebrity Chef Cook-off, raised \$100,000 to support the center. The funds will be used for new exhibits, expanded programing, scholarships and long-term master planning.

About 200 people attended the event, which garnered an impressive 25 percent increase in funds over last year's proceeds of \$75,000, then a record-breaking



Kate Lynne and Caryn Smith

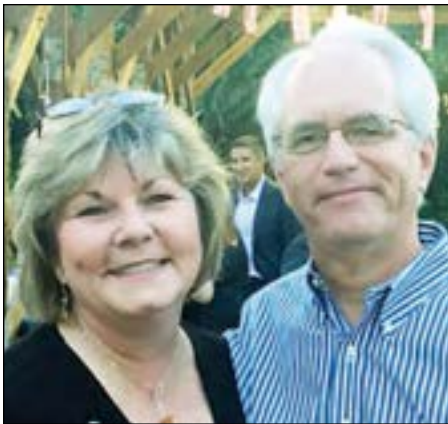
amount. In its 10th year, the event has now raised the stakes for a new record next year.

The Celebrity Chef Cook-off pitted local culinary geniuses against each other, with Fabrice Deletrain and Ben Voisin of Fathoms Restaurant & Bar and Brian Roland of Chef Culinaire proving formidable competitors for champion Harold Balink of Cru. All three gourmet gladiators wowed the judges with their unique take on the mystery ingredient from the Fresh from Florida pantry, the Florida hogfish.

A live auction featuring chefs table dinners with each of the culinary crusaders, a luxurious week in Steamboat Springs, a full-service landscape design and installation package, and a dive of the USS Mohawk Memorial Reef with stars of the Animal Planet Series *Tanked* brought in \$25,000. A silent auction with scores of donated items netted \$13,000. The



Kathryn Kelly and Jonathan Romine



Cindi and Pete Doragh



Team Fathoms

generosity of ticket holders and sponsors exceeded fundraising goals and demonstrated a dedication to the Imaginarium as a major community asset.

Immediate plans for the allocation of funds includes the new saltwater aquarium to open later this year and a recently formed scholarship partnership with The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools for high school students seeking higher education and training in STEM-related fields.

Jonathan Romine, president of the Imaginarium board of directors, said, "We are extremely grateful for the

community's continued support of the Imaginarium, especially our Title Sponsor, Lipman Produce. This is a community place where people of all ages come to expand their minds and with this generous support, the Imaginarium continues to play an important role in the cultural fabric of Southwest Florida." ❄️❄️

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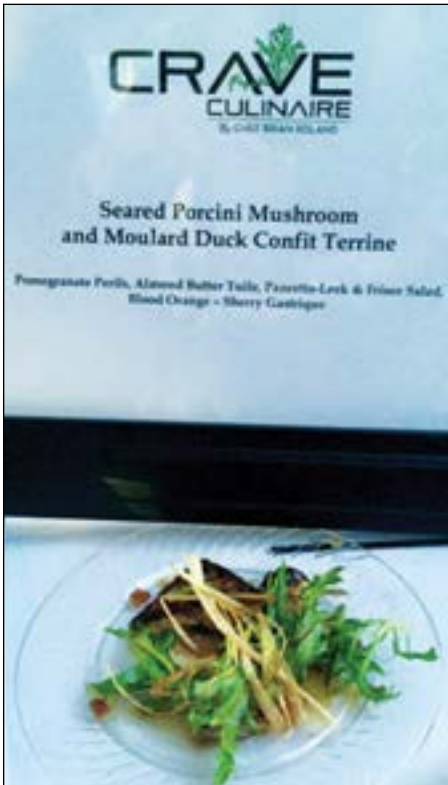
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Fathoms appetizer



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## Community Foundation Hosts Private Screening Of Movie



From left, Dawn-Marie Driscoll, Natasha Verma, Heather Hardy and Dale Reiss

In partnership with the Fort Myers Film Festival, the Southwest Florida Community Foundation recently hosted a private screening of the movie *Hardy* for its Women's Legacy Fund's Prima Donors, followed by a Q&A session with the film's director and star.

*Hardy*, directed by Natasha Verma, is the story of Heather Hardy, a female boxer who rises above the inequalities in professional boxing and aspires to become a world champion as she struggles to provide a life as a single parent. She is one of two of the first women to box at the famous Barclay Center in Brooklyn, New York, cementing her status as a must-see attraction in front of a sold-out crowd. The compelling film goes behind the scenes to reveal the complicated life Heather lives as a single mother

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## Republican Women May Luncheon

The next luncheon meeting of the Lee Republican Women Federated will be held on Monday, May 11 beginning at 11:15 a.m. with social time. The program and lunch will follow. Cost is \$18 all inclusive. The meeting will take place at The Edison Restaurant, located at 3583 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers.

The guest speaker will be Angelina Spencer, president of Empowerment Enterprises, Ltd. Her topic will be Human Trafficking.

Spencer is active in the Collier County community, serving on the Greater Naples Better Government Committee, volunteering with the Collier County Sheriff's Office as a team member of the Special Crimes Bureau Anti-Human Trafficking Unit, teaching Life Skills through Junior Achievement and acting as a Breakfast & Books mentor and a board member for PACE Center for Girls. She is a 2013 graduate of Leadership Collier.

Additionally, her anti-human trafficking campaign with special agents at Homeland Security Investigations has resulted in a 2014 Director's Award nomination from Immigration & Customs Enforcement.

RSVP to Mary Ann Hansen at 432-9389 or rmh738@aol.com or visit [www.leerepublicanwomen.com/events/reservations](http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com/events/reservations). For more information, visit [www.leerepublicanwomen.com](http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com) or [www.facebook.com/LeeRepublicanWomenFederated?fref=ts](https://www.facebook.com/LeeRepublicanWomenFederated?fref=ts). ✨



Angelina Spencer

## Fair Housing Summit Returns April 21

Housing Authority of the City of Fort Myers (HACFM), along with the Lee County Department of Human Services, the City of Fort Myers and the City of Cape Coral, will host the Southwest Florida Annual Fair Housing Summit on Tuesday, April 21 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dr. Carrie Robinson Community Center, located at 2990 Edison Avenue in Fort Myers.

Guest speakers for the event will include Henry Whitehead, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, and Derrick Isaac, an attorney with Florida Rural Legal Service, Inc.

The day will feature information on the Fair Housing Act, reasonable accommodations in rules and policies, emotional support animals, special parking requests, Fair Housing Rights of persons with disabilities, a discussion of differences between laws and respective accessibility standards, and more.

April is Fair Housing Month, marking the anniversary of the passing of the Fair Housing Act in 1968. Fair Housing is intended to create equal housing opportunities for people living in the U.S. by administering laws that prohibit discrimination in housing on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability and familial status.

The event is free and open to the public. To reserve a seat, contact Sherri Campanale, director of Housing & Maintenance Operations at the HACFM, at [sherri@hacfm.org](mailto:sherri@hacfm.org) or 344-3247. For more information, call 344-3220 or visit [www.hacfm.org](http://www.hacfm.org). ✨

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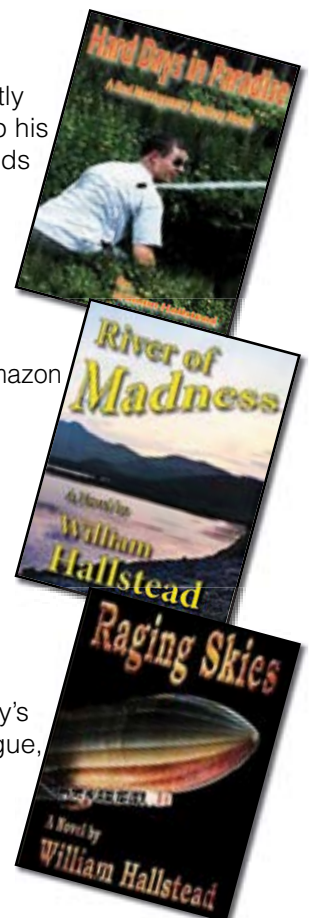
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# An Exeptional Story At Lab Theater



by Di Saggau

**T**he *Diary of Anne Frank* is now playing at Laboratory Theater of Florida. Probably one of the most famous teenagers in history, Anne Frank wrote in the diary she kept while she

and her family, along with four others, hid out in an attic in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam. They moved there in July 1942 and were arrested by the Nazis in August 1944. Anne died in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in 1945, but her diary recovered after the war by her father Otto, endured as a testament to an indomitable hope for humanity even in the face of unspeakable atrocity.

The play begins and ends with Anne's father visiting the attic where his extended family hid before being captured and transported on one of the very last death trains to leave Holland. It is there he discovers Anne's diary, which was first published as a book in 1952. Originally her father favored the published account of the diary to be a sanitized version, with Anne's less-than-charitable, but recognizably teenage thoughts about her mother



Kaycie Lee as Anne Frank

and her comments on her own budding sexuality expunged.

The production by Albert Hackett and Frances Goodrich honors Anne by restoring to the stage the fullness of her thoughts and refusing to bathe her in a wash of sentimentality.

After more than half a century, this drama remains amazingly relevant and meaningful.

Matthew DeNoncour as Otto Frank, is the patriarch of the entire group. Ellice McCoy plays his dutiful wife Edith, who finally explodes from the pressures of their confinement. Rowan Stafford plays their prim and perfect daughter Margot and Kaycie Lee is the spirited

young Anne. She also serves as narrator. Joining the Franks in hiding are the Van Daan family. Aricka Shuck and Jack Weld are superb as the parents, as is Marcos Martins as their son and Anne's romantic interest, Peter. Dave Yudowitz is extraordinary as the surly dentist Dr. Dussel, and Mike Dinko and Faith Deterding round out the cast as Mr. Kraler and Miss Gies who risk their own lives by assisting in the hiding of the group.

Lab Theater is extending an invitation to any student in Lee County who is studying about Anne Frank in school to attend a performance to help enrich their study of the Holocaust. This production is very different in that it is done in shades of black, white and grey. No color appears until the very last scene when a red ribbon is removed from Anne's diary.

I found the costuming and set to be very effective, but the make-up was a bit distracting. The theme of confinement is very evident as we view moment-by-moment detail on the lives of people who cannot ever leave the room. Tempers fray, hearts break and trivialities become all-consuming. In the end it's Anne's diary that has come to represent so many millions and why their story has survived. It left behind a record of optimism, anticipation and, above all, existence.

*The Diary of Anne Frank* plays through May 2 at Laboratory Theater of Florida, located at 1634 Woodford Avenue in downtown Fort Myers.

Tickets are available from the web site, [www.LaboratoryTheaterFlorida.com](http://www.LaboratoryTheaterFlorida.com), or by calling 218-0481.\*



In this 1985 photo, Suzanne LaBounty perches on the scaffolding to remodel the interior of Suzanne's Dance Fitness, her ground-floor studio in the Richards Building  
photo courtesy of Suzanne LaBounty

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## Richards Building

LaBounty, her then-husband, Lyn Pollock, Biolchini and Cobbett, donned protective masks and removed the original asbestos floor tiles with floor scrapers.

They erected scaffolding, left the ceiling open, and spray-painted the walls and ceiling. The 1985 photo shows LaBounty perched on the scaffolding during those renovations.

Cobbett contributed more than hard labor to the creation of the studio. LaBounty said, "In trade for classes, she painted a wonderful scene of flamingos on the back wall of my studio."

LaBounty remembers the "heavenly torture" that the early-morning students experienced, as they simultaneously worked out to stay fit and whiffed the donuts and other delights being prepared next door at Mason's Bakery.

That studio on Hendry lasted only a short time, but Suzanne's Dance Fitness and her popular classes are reborn in her new studio in Royal Palm Square.

Even the sign that Jo Cobbett created for the Hendry Street studio has migrated to the new location, along with the classes that once rocked the Richards Building.

Today, a coffee house is located in the former studio space on Hendry, and the Open Door Shoppes occupies the former Mason's Bakery.

Walk down to the Richards Building and appreciate the artists and business people who have made it a vital part of downtown for over 90 years.

Then walk a few more blocks to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about Hendry Street history.

Call 321-7430 for information, or go to [museumofhistory.org](http://museumofhistory.org). Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Continue your adventures in local history at the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is open Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon and Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m. Call 939-4044 or visit [swflhistoricalsociety.org](http://swflhistoricalsociety.org) for more information.

Sources: *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl S. Grismer and the Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society.\*

## HORTOONS





## Girl Scouts Recognize Volunteers In Lee County



**National Volunteer of Excellence recipients, standing from left, Sue Stewart, CEO of Girl Scouts; Bernadette Rashford, Lee County; Angela Jarrar, Manatee County; and Rae Dowling, president of Girl Scouts. Front from left, Beck Alexander, Lee County; Stephanie Goodwin, Lee County; and Amy Arrigo, Manatee County.**

During National Volunteer Appreciation Week from April 12 to 18 and Girl Scout Leaders Day on April 22, Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc. wishes to sincerely appreciate the 2,000-plus volunteers who support the 7,000-plus Girl Scouts across the 10-county council. Girl Scout volunteers make an enormous impact on the girls they mentor, motivate and inspire. They are the everyday heroes and guides who introduce girls to life-changing new experiences and help them discover their passions.

Each year, Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida are proud to have an opportunity to formally recognize volunteers exhibiting exceptional leadership and involvement. Girl Scouts has an array of awards to recognize distinct volunteers who make a significant impact.

The Green Angel is a council award recognizing local distinct volunteers. 2014 award recipients of Lee County include Janice Kovacs and Nicole Sheridan of Cape Coral, and Jennifer Young of Fort Myers.

Girl Scouts of USA recognize volunteers with national awards. The National Volunteer of Excellence 2014 award recipients of Lee County include Becky Alexander, Terri Bartley and Bernadette Rashford of Fort Myers, and Stephanie Goodwin of Lehigh Acres. The National Appreciation Pin 2014 award recipient is



**The National Thanks Badge 2014 award recipient is Amy Calcagno, right, of Lehigh Acres, pictured with her daughter Kaitlyn**



**The National Appreciation Pin 2014 award recipient is Michelle Lewis of Lehigh Acres**

Michelle Lewis of Lehigh Acres and The National Thanks Badge 2014 award recipient is Amy Calcagno of Lehigh Acres.

"Every day, Girl Scout volunteers bring girls experiences filled with fun, friendship, discovery – and so much more," said Kelly McGraw, director of Volunteer Services for Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida. "With love, patience and a deep dedication to enriching the lives of girls everywhere, our incredible volunteers give of their time to mentor girls, to inspire them, to help them discover the world around them and the spark inside them. The key to our success rests in volunteers like this, who embody the spirit of greatness. We think that's pretty awesome and are forever grateful."✱✱

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## Kiwanis Hold Mother's Day Raffle

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis is offering tickets for the club's annual Mother's Day Raffle. The raffle benefits the club's BUG (Bringing Up Grades) Program and other community service projects. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10 each or three for \$25. The drawing will be held May 5.

For more information and tickets, contact Harris Segel at [harris@pampered-pooch.com](mailto:harris@pampered-pooch.com) or 939-4027. Must be 18 years or older to participate. Winners will be informed by telephone.

The grand prize is worth \$2,500 and includes: a 14k gold, opal and emerald pendant from Diamonds by Dianne; a dozen roses per month for one year courtesy of Ruth Messmer Florist; a box of Norman Love Confections gourmet chocolates; gift basket courtesy of IberiaBank; Spada Salon & Day Spa body massage; and a set of Tervis Tumblers.

The second place prize is worth \$400 and includes: box of Norman Love Confections gourmet chocolates; a Discover Your Color Identity consultation from Image Matters; Puh-la-teez Pilates Studio private pilates session; and Integralife Medical Spa \$50 service gift card.

The third place prize is worth \$300 and includes: a box of Norman Love Confections gourmet chocolates; Botox treatment courtesy of Dr. John Nassif; and Integralife Medical Spa \$50 service gift card.

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis BUG program is designed to provide recognition to local elementary students who raise their grades to an acceptable range and maintain or continue to raise them from one grading period to the next. The club currently has BUG programs at Orangewood and Littleton Elementary schools and is actively seeking more schools to participate.

The Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club can be found at [www.metro-mcgregor.com](http://www.metro-mcgregor.com).✱✱

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# Along The River



Trouper the blind raccoon is celebrating his 6th birthday with a party at the Calusa Nature Center. Activities include a nature walk, a planetarium show, games, a meet-and-greet with Trouper and, of course, birthday cake!

The historic River District comes alive this Friday with the return of **Music Walk**. Stroll along downtown Fort Myers' beautiful brick-lined streets while talented musicians play in and around restaurants, bars, art galleries and shops. Each month brings new energy and great music, from jazz and blues to rock 'n' roll. Music Walk is held on the third Friday of every month beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information, call Lance at 645-6457 (Ford's Garage) or go to [www.fortmyersmusicwalk.com](http://www.fortmyersmusicwalk.com).

On Saturday, April 18, the Wildlife Education Project (WEP) presents **Trouper the Blind Raccoon's 6th birthday party**. The annual event is held this year at the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium in Fort Myers. The family-fun event features games, photo opportunities and birthday cake. On-site food service is available or

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bring a picnic lunch.

Trouper suffered a brain injury when he was eight weeks old and is blind as a result. Dot Lee, a certified wildlife rehabilitator, rescued the injured raccoon and has been his caregiver ever since. The two often travel with Kyle L. Miller, author of several books about the wildlife ambassador, to teach the public about the importance of having respect for all living creatures.

- Schedule:
- 8:30 a.m. Health and nature walk;
  - 10 a.m. Butterfly House and photos and Junior Naturalists provide close encounters with wildlife;
  - 12 p.m. Planetarium show;
  - 12:30 p.m. Meet Smokey the Bear;
  - 1 p.m. Trouper's Birthday Celebration kick-off and meet Trouper;
  - 2 p.m. Trouper's Teachings, wildlife show, Trouper's birthday cake and table activities;
  - 3 p.m. Special planetarium show, Big Bird and the Universe.
- Admission is \$10 per adult and \$5 for children three to 12 years of age. Donations benefit the Wildlife Education Project. Admission supports the Calusa Nature Center.
- For more information about Lee, Miller and Trouper, go to [www.wildlifeeducation-project.org](http://www.wildlifeeducation-project.org).
- The Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium is located at 3450 Ortiz Avenue, Fort Myers. For more information, call 275-3435.

On Saturday and Sunday, the **Buckler's Craft Fair** comes to the Lee Civic Center. The two day event is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on April 18 and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 19.

The craft fair features handmade creations by artists and crafters from three states: custom home and holiday decor; unique gifts; organic soaps; neck coolies; samples of homemade fudge and gourmet delights; wearable art; jewelry; pet items; wine slushies; painted glass; furniture; baskets; artwork; country; primitive; flags; handbags; purse organizers; crochet bears; baby items; gourmet teas; candles and soaps; paper crafts; planters; floral arrangements; kids accessories; and garden decor. There will also be free hourly door prizes.

Bring in this article, show a photo of it on your phone, or bring a canned food item to benefit the Harry Chapin Food Bank and receive \$2 off admission. Parking is free.

The Lee Civic Center is located at 11831 Bayshore Road, North Fort Myers. For more information about the Buckler's Craft Fair, go to [www.bucklercraftfair.com](http://www.bucklercraftfair.com) or call (386) 860-0092.

On Saturday, April 25, join **Pure Fort Myers** for an experience that is quintessential south Florida with the flair of Leoma Lovegrove, a world renowned artist, the simplicity of the Caloosahatchee and the uniqueness of Matlacha. The price is \$59 per person.

Begin on the new *Edison Explorer* and cruise the Caloosahatchee spotting the natural wildlife, flora and fauna with narration from its captain, also a Master Naturalist. Once docked at the **Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens** at Matlacha, you will meet Lovegrove and see her whimsical garden decorated with purple painted bridges and mosaic walkways. While at the gallery, you can send a Coconut Postcard to your loved ones.

True Tours then guides you on a unique and interesting Taste of Matlacha Island Walking Tour that includes fantastic salty island history while meeting locals and tasting a few signature delicacies. After the Taste of Matlacha tour, have lunch and go gallery browsing and shopping.

Pure Fort Myers is located at The Marina at Edison Ford, 2360 West First Street, Fort Myers. For reservations, call 919-2965, email [info@PureFortMyers.com](mailto:info@PureFortMyers.com) or go to [www.PureFortMyers.com](http://www.PureFortMyers.com).✽





Art in the Gardens will run April 12 through May 15 at the Edison Ford

## Art In The Gardens Annual Exhibit

The 7th annual Art in the Gardens returns to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates from April 12 through May 15. On opening day, Sunday, April 12, light refreshments

will be served from 2 to 4 p.m., in the Heritage Garden, to honor the teachers and their students who created the artwork. More than 20 Lee County schools will have their artwork on display for visitors to enjoy. Edison Ford invites student groups each year to participate in the annual event, in collaboration with the Lee Art Educator's Association.

Thomas and Mina Edison loved their winter retreat and adorned it with flowers, plants and trees used for research pur-



St. Andrew Catholic School's 2015 entry

poses, as well as aesthetics. The theme for 2015 is Flowers in the Garden. Each art piece must be made with recycled materials, kinetic sculpture and placed with materials that can withstand the Southwest Florida environment: rain, wind, and humidity.

Art in the Gardens is a free event and open to the public. RSVP by calling 334-7419 for opening day.

Schools scheduled to participate are Bayshore Elementary, Challenger Middle, Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts, Cypress Lake Middle, Edison Park Creative and Expressive Arts School,

Fort Myers High, Lehigh Senior High, Mariner High, Mirror Lakes Elementary, Pine Island Elementary, Rayma C. Page Elementary, St. Andrew Catholic School, St. Francis Xavier Catholic School, Tice Elementary, Tortuga Preserve Elementary, Trafalgar Elementary, Trafalgar Middle, Varsity Lakes Middle and Veterans Park Academy for the Arts.✱

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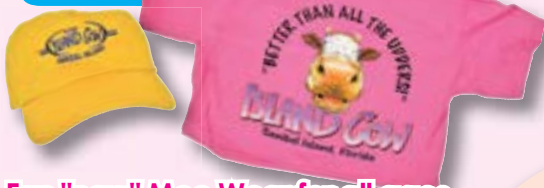
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Where diversity is treasured, 2756 McGregor Blvd, Fort Myers. Sunday Services 9 and 11 a.m., Adult Education Workshop at 10 a.m., Reverend Margaret L. Beard, Minister. 226-0900. [www.allfaiths-uc.org](http://www.allfaiths-uc.org)

### ALL SAINTS BYZANTINE RITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

10291 Bayshore Road, North Fort Myers Divine Liturgy Sunday 10:30 a.m.; Rosary begins 10 a.m. Lenten services (Pre-sanctified Liturgy) will be on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. starting February. Very Reverend Peter Lickman, 305-651-0991. Church of the Eastern Catholic or Byzantine Rite, 1.5 mi. east of Interstate 75.

### ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

8210 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers Reverend Fr. Dean Nastos, Proistamemos Orthodox Service Sunday 9 a.m., Divine Liturgy Sunday 10 a.m., [www.annunciation.fl.goarch.org](http://www.annunciation.fl.goarch.org), 481-2099

### BETH SHILOH

### MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE

15675 McGregor Boulevard. Rabbi Judah Hungerman. Friday Service, 8 p.m., Saturday Service, 11 a.m. Shabbat School Saturday Morning, Adult Hebrew Classes. Call for information 437-3171

### BREAD OF LIFE MINISTRIES

### CHURCH OF GOD

16581 McGregor Boulevard, 267-3166 Just past the Tanger Outlet Mall. Pastor Barry Lentz, 281-3063. Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m., Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

### CHABAD LUBAVITCH

### OF SW FLORIDA ORTHODOX

5620 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. Rabbi Yitzchok Minkowicz. 433-7708, [rabbic@chabadswf.org](mailto:rabbic@chabadswf.org). [www.chabadswf.org](http://www.chabadswf.org). Friday service 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Kabbalah class 9 a.m.; Shacharit 10 a.m.; Kiddush at noon. Minyan Monday and Thursday 7 a.m.

### CHAPEL OF CYPRESS COVE

10200 Cypress Cove Circle Fort Myers 850-3943. Located at Cypress Cove Retirement Center on HealthPark Campus An ecumenical non-denominational community of believers. Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m. Reverend Ted Althouse, Pastor [revtedalthouse@aol.com](mailto:revtedalthouse@aol.com)

### CHURCH OF THE CROSS

13500 Freshman Lane; 768-2188. Pastor Bud Stephens; A nondenominational church emphasizing a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Sunday Service: 9:15 a.m. Traditional, 10:45 Contemporary.

### CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

1619 Llewellyn Drive Fort Myers. Just off McGregor across from the Edison/Ford Winter Estates 334-4978, Pastor Douglas Kelchner, Worship times Sunday's 9 and 10:30 a.m. Website: [www.taecc.com](http://www.taecc.com)

### COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2439 McGregor Boulevard, 334-8937 Reverend Dr. Jeffrey DeVoe, Senior Pastor Reverend David Dietzel, Pastor Emeritus. Traditional Sunday service 10 a.m. Nursery available.

### CYPRESS LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

8400 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-5442 Randy A. Alston, Reverend. Sunday Services: Bible study, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Evening Worship, 7 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

### CYPRESS LAKE

### PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

8260 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-3233. [www.clpc.us](http://www.clpc.us). Clint Cottrell, Pastor. Prayer Service 8 a.m., Praise 9 a.m., Children's Church 9 a.m., Traditional 11 a.m. Summer Prayer Service 8 a.m. Combined Traditional/Praise 10 a.m.

### CYPRESS LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

8570 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 482-1250, 8 and 11 a.m. Sunday Traditional Service 9:30 a.m. Praise Service Sunday School all times.

### FAITH FELLOWSHIP WORLD OUTREACH MINISTRIES

6111 South Pointe Boulevard, Fort Myers, 278-3638. Sunday Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Voice of Faith, WCRN 13.50 AM Radio, Sunday, 1:30 p.m.; Thursday Service, 7:30 p.m.; Friday Youth Service, 7:30 p.m. Nursery care for pre-school children and Children's Church ages 5 to 12 available.

### FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15690 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 482-2030. Pastor David Stauffer. 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship. 10:10 a.m. Sunday School. 11:15 a.m. Traditional Service. 5:30 p.m. Youth Group. Go south on McGregor Boulevard. The church is ½ mile past the intersection of Gladiolus and San Carlos Boulevard on the way to Sanibel.

### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

2390 West First Street, next door to Edison Estates. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Testimony Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Child care provided at all services. Visit our Reading Room for quiet study at: 2281 First Street, River District. [www.time4thinkers.com](http://www.time4thinkers.com), [www.christiansciencefortmyers.com](http://www.christiansciencefortmyers.com). [www.christianscience.com](http://www.christianscience.com)

### FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

13545 American Colony Boulevard off Daniels Parkway in the Colony, Fort Myers, 936-2511 Pastor Reverend Joey Brummett Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Family Night, 7 p.m.

### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Downtown Fort Myers River District, 2466 First Street, 332-1152. [www.fumcftmyers.org](http://www.fumcftmyers.org). Sunday Services: 9 a.m. Contemporary Worship; 10:10 a.m. Sunday School; 11:15 a.m. Traditional Service; 5:30 p.m. Youth Group.

### FORT MYERS CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) A STEPHEN MINISTRIES CONGREGATION

5916 Winkler Road, Fort Myers, 437-4330 Pastor Reverend Mark Condrey. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. Church School: 9:15 a.m.

### FORT MYERS CONGREGATIONAL

### UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST:

8210 College Parkway, Fort Myers. 482-3133. Philip White, pastor. Morning Worship: 10 a.m., Church School: 10:15 a.m., Adult Forum: 11:30 a.m.

### IONA-HOPE EPISCOPAL CONGREGATION

9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers 454-4778. Reverend Ray Buchanan Rector. Saturday 5 p.m., Eucharist with Healing; Sunday 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite One; 9:30 a.m., Family Eucharist with Healing and Church School. Tuesday 9:30 a.m., Morning Prayer (in Spanish); Wednesday 9:30 a.m., Eucharist with Healing. Child care available Saturday 5 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m. services.

### JESUS THE WORKER

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

881 Nuna Avenue, Fort Myers, 481-1143 Masses Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

### KINGDOM LIFE CHURCH

2154 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 218-8343. Pastor Randy and Anita Thurman. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service.

### LAMB OF GOD CHURCH

One of a few federated Lutheran (ELCA) and Episcopal Congregations in the nation. 19691 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers. 267-3525. [www.lambofgodchurch.net](http://www.lambofgodchurch.net). Reverend Dr. James Reho. Sunday 7:45 and 10 a.m. Sunday's Cool for Children 10 a.m.

### NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER

New Home Church, 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, North Fort Myers, 656-0416. Weekly Friday meeting meet and greet 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Teaching 7 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments. [nbcministry@embarkmail.com](mailto:nbcministry@embarkmail.com), [www.facebook.com/nbcministry](http://www.facebook.com/nbcministry). Alex and Patricia Wiggins, Ministers

### NEW COVENANT EYES CHURCH

See Clearly. Meeting monthly at 9 a.m. at the Elks Lodge. 1900 Park Meadows Drive, Fort Myers. 220-8519. Pastor Alan Bondar. [www.newcovenanteyes.com](http://www.newcovenanteyes.com). LIFT Kidz program, free coffee and donuts.

### NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH OF FORT MYERS

16120 San Carlos Boulevard, Unit 10. 985-8503. 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. 11 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship. 7 p.m. Wednesday Evening Bible Study.

### NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

3825 McGregor Boulevard. Fort Myers. Pastor Eddie Spencer. 8 and 9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship. 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship. 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday School. Youth and Children's programming runs concurrent to Sunday services. Nursery care provided at all services. 274-1230. [www.newhopefortmyers.org](http://www.newhopefortmyers.org).

### PEACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Meets at Fort Myers Beach Masonic Lodge. 17625 Pine Ridge Road, Fort Myers Beach 267-7400. Pastors Bruce Merton, Gail and RC Fleeman. Adult Discussion Classes 9 to 10 a.m. Countdown to Worship 10:10 a.m. Amazing Grace Worship: 10:30 a.m. 267-7400. [peacecommunitychurch.com](http://peacecommunitychurch.com). [peace1265@aol.com](mailto:peace1265@aol.com).

### PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday Worship at 9:30 a.m. Peace a member of ELCA. Weekly communion with traditional liturgy, organ and choir. 15840 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, on the way to Sanibel. 437-2599, [www.peaceftmyers.com](http://www.peaceftmyers.com), [peace@peaceftmyers.com](mailto:peace@peaceftmyers.com).

### REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

3950 Winkler Ext., Fort Myers, 274-0143 8:15 and 10:15 a.m. Sunday Services Daily early learning center/day care.

### RIVER OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

21580 River Ranch Road, Estero. 495-0400, Senior Pastor Todd Weston. 8 and 9:45 a.m. Services; 11:30 a.m. Legacy Service, multi-generational.

### SAMUDRABADRA BUDDHIST CENTER

Meditation classes. Guided meditations, methods to relax body and focus mind on virtuous objects. Bring peace and happiness into daily activity. 567-9739. [www.MeditationInFortMyers.org](http://www.MeditationInFortMyers.org).

### SAINT COLUMBKILLE

### CATHOLIC CHURCH

12171 Iona Road, Fort Myers, off McGregor and north of Gladiolus. 489-3973 Father Joseph Clifford. Monday through Saturday 8 a.m. Saturday 3 and 5 p.m.; Sunday 7, 9, 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Reconciliation Saturdays 12 noon and by appointment.

### SAINT JOHN THE APOSTLE

### METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

3049 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 344-0012. Pastor Reverend Steve Filizzi. An Affirming and Inclusive Congregation Sunday Services 10 a.m.

### SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN

### CHURCH & SCHOOL (LCMS)

3595 Broadway, Fort Myers, 939-1218, Worship: Saturday 5:30 p.m., Sunday 8 and 10:45 a.m. Bible Study for adults and children Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

### SAINT PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

3751 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach, 463-4251, [www.stpeterfmb.com](http://www.stpeterfmb.com). Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m.

### SAINT NICHOLAS MONASTERY

Church and Bookstore. 111 Evergreen Road (southwest corner of Evergreen Road and Gail Street.) Liturgical services conducted in English and Church Slavonic; following the Julian (Old) Calendar.

Liturgical Services Sundays and Holy Days 9:30 a.m. Holy Liturgy 0 a.m. Call to confirm service schedule: 997-2847; Bookstore 691-1775. [www.saintrnicholas-monastery.org](http://www.saintrnicholas-monastery.org).

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

13031 Palm Beach Boulevard (3 miles east of I75) East Fort Myers (across from Fort Myers Shores) 693-0818. 9 a.m. Tuesday through Friday. 4 p.m. Saturday, 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday.

### SOUTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

16940 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 454-3336. Robert G. Kasten Pastor. Sunday 11 a.m. Nursery 9:45 a.m. Sunday School all ages. Junior Church grades one to five. Wee Church Pre-K to K. Evening Service 6 p.m. Wednesday Service 6 p.m.

### TEMPLE BETHEL SYNAGOGUE

16225 Winkler Road Fort Myers. 433-0018, [www.templebethel.com](http://www.templebethel.com). [rabbibarras@templebethel.com](mailto:rabbibarras@templebethel.com). Rabbi Jeremy Barras, Cantor Victor Geigner, Religious School Director Dale Cohen, Learning Tree Director Jesyca Virnig, Office Manager Inna Vasser. Union For Reform Judaism Shabbat Service Friday 7:30 p.m., Torah Study Saturday 9:30 a.m. Religious School Wednesday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m. Learning Tree Monday through Friday.

### TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)

14486 A&W Bulb Road, Fort Myers, 433-0201, Rabbi: Rabbi Marc Sack Minyan: Monday at 9 a.m. Religious Education: Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Services Friday 6:15 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. [www.tjswfl.org](http://www.tjswfl.org).

### THE NEW CHURCH

The New Church of SWFL, 10811 Sunset Plaza Circle #401, behind Zoomers. Reverend Gabriella Cahaley. Sundays 11 a.m. during the season. Other worship events on Fort Myers Beach. <http://www.newchurchflorida.com>. 481-5535.

### UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

### CHURCH FORT MYERS

13411 Shire Lane (off Daniels Parkway one mile west of I-75). Minister The Reverend Allison Farnum. Sunday services and religious education at 10:30 a.m. 561-2700. [www.uucfm.org](http://www.uucfm.org).

### UNITY OF BONITA SPRINGS

28285 Imperial Street, Bonita Springs. 947-3100. Family Service 10 to 11 a.m. Healing Circle 11 a.m. Hospitality and Fellowship, 11 a.m. Inspiring lesson, uplifting and dynamic music, meditation in a loving environment.

### UNITY OF FORT MYERS

11120 Ranchette Road, Fort Myers Sunday Services 9:15 and 11 a.m. Children's classes 11 a.m. Reverend Jim Rosemergy. 278-1511, [www.unityoffortmyers.org](http://www.unityoffortmyers.org). Our God is Love, Our Race is Human, Our Religion is Oneness

### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

9065 Ligon Court, Fort Myers, across from HealthPark Hospital, 481-2125. Senior Pastor Robert Brunson. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. 11 a.m. Blended Worship. [www.westminsterfortmyers.org](http://www.westminsterfortmyers.org)

### WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

2120 Collier Avenue, Fort Myers. 274-8881. Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m. Bishop Gaspar and Michele Anastasi

### ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

7401 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. 481-4040. Pastor Curtis Deterding. Sunday 8 a.m. Traditional, 10:45 a.m. Blended, 9:30 a.m. Educational Hour. [www.zionfm.org](http://www.zionfm.org)✠

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## OBITUARY



JIM WELKER

make it. Not only was he able to play at the Cracker Box for five weeks around February and three and a half months this past summer, he showed up for the American Legion's monthly meetings. This inspired many to never give up.

Jim and his wife Judy of 58 years moved their family of seven to Florida from Fort Wayne, Indiana to help Jim's twin brother Gene. They came to help run and play music at his restaurant, the Golden Sands, where the Fish House is today. A few years later they started their own restaurant and later the grading company.

Many lives have been touched by both his involvement on Sanibel from building the first pool at Sanibel Elementary School to commander of the American Legion for five years. He may have been your favorite customer because he was always a big tipper or he graded your property. Hundreds of people have had the great opportunity to sit in with him to play wonderful music together or just to listen.

He opened for Buck Owens, Jerry Lee Lewis and Jimmy Buffett. His stories have been written up in magazines and newspapers all the way to Germany and Canada, not counting stories locally.

If you were one of the lucky ones to have had the chance to have this wonderful man make a small footprint in your life, then you were blessed. He has left behind many family members including five children, 12 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and countless kids that are now adults that he helped raise on Sanibel along with the other true islanders.

Jim Welker, resident of Sanibel since 1972, owner of J. and J. Grading Company and the Cracker Box restaurant, known as the "piano man" and also the past commander of American Legion Post 123 of Sanibel, lost his battle on December 22, 2014.

One year and five months prior, Jim went in for a routine surgery. The surgery went wrong, leaving him to fight for his life. He gave it his all, living way beyond all doctors' prognosis. Spending months and months in and out of the hospital and rehab, he was still able to

The day we posted of our loss on Facebook, over 3,600 people viewed this in the first 24 hours, not counting the endless people who are still finding out today and for many more months to come.

The American Legion Post 123 of Sanibel has set aside a day to honor and remember Jim Welker. Please join us for this special day, Sunday April 19, from 2 to 6 p.m.✱

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## Jimi Hendrix Tribute Band

begin at 5 p.m. General admission tickets are \$20; pre-sale tickets are \$15 for Alliance members. Call 939-2787 or buy online at [www.ArtnLee.org](http://www.ArtnLee.org). Proceeds from the concert series benefit Alliance education and outreach programs.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.✱

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## Beatles Tribute Band

Myers; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Also appearing will be Memphis 56, recreating the sounds of Elvis Presley and Johnny Cash.

The concert will include American diner fare, a cash bar and classic autos.

Tickets for concert only: \$35; an all access pass is \$100 and includes dinner, dessert and VIP reserved seating.

VIP table for eight is \$750. Diner fare includes gourmet cheeseburgers, portobello burgers, tomato bisque, deluxe grilled cheese sandwiches, truffle-salted popcorn, macaroni and cheese, hand-crafted chips and rootbeer float.

For VIPs, doors at 6 p.m.

Attendees are encouraged to dress in vintage style

For ticket information, call 321-7430.✱

## Mother's Day Tea At Burroughs Home

A Matchless Mothers Tea is being offered by the Uncommon Friends Foundation on Sunday, May 10. The special event will be held on the dancing porch at the Burroughs Home in the River District of Fort Myers beginning at 1 p.m.

Mother's Day was founded to honor mothers for their "matchless service to humanity in every field of life." This special event will honor mothers and includes a 90-minute tour of the Burroughs Home and Langford-Kingston homes, featuring the legends and legacies of women in the 149-year history of Fort Myers. Also included will be champagne, dessert, goodie bags and photo ops in vintage hats. The cost is \$35 per person.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling 337-9505 or by emailing [tera@burroughshome.org](mailto:tera@burroughshome.org). Free parking is available in the Langford-Kingston parking lot.✱

## Celebrate Jewish Culture With Mama Doni

Temple Judea in Fort Myers will present Mama Doni Weekend, to be held from May 1 to 3. The weekend of family fun is generously underwritten by the Dosoretz family and the community is encouraged to attend.

Mama Doni celebrates Jewish culture with irrepressible zest in its high-energy, interactive family rock concerts and acoustic Shabbat experiences filled with a contagious and unexpected blend of reggae, rock, disco, Latin and klezmer – all woven together with soulful energy and a super hip Jewish sensibility.

The schedule includes:

### Friday, May 1

9:30 a.m.: Pre-School Shabbat for children and parents.

6:15 p.m.: Blue Grass Shabbat followed by Shabbat dinner. Price is \$18 per adult and \$5 per child. Children under three are free. Call the office for reservations at 433-0201.

### Shabbat, May 2

Singing with Mama Doni following Shabbat Services beginning at 9:30 a.m.

### Sunday, May 3

12:30 p.m.: Mama Doni and her band. A free pizza lunch is served from noon to 12:30 p.m.

Temple Judea is located at 14486 A & W Bulb Road in Fort Myers. For more information, call 433-0201 or go to [www.tjsfwl.org](http://www.tjsfwl.org).✱

## Continental Club Honors 109-Year-Old

The April meeting of the Continental Women's Club of Greater Fort Myers was a very special one. It honored Jennie Truncale, who was celebrating her 109th birthday. She's still going strong and enjoyed it when all of her Continental sisters serenaded her with birthday wishes and presented her with a special birthday cake.

Jennie made bullets during World War II. She was one of the women who replaced two million men called into the Army and Navy in 1942. She is a longstanding member of the Rosie The Riveter Association.

Continental Women's Club of Greater Fort Myers is open to women living in the area who are interested in both social and philanthropic endeavors. Yearly membership is \$20 and provides members with interesting programs throughout the year. Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way in Fort Myers. Their next luncheon meeting is May 7 at 11:30 a.m. The cost of lunch is \$19 per person, and reservations are necessary.

If you enjoy meeting with active



109-year-old Jennie Truncale

women who enjoy raising money to award scholarships to young women, provide food and clothing for those in need as well as taking part in numerous social events, think about becoming a member. It has bridge and bunco clubs, a book club, a lunch bunch and dining out group. It also offers various trips for members. For more information, call Margie Connor at 561-8973. ✱

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# The Tarpon Have Arrived



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

**A**nother week of warming water temperatures kept our fishing action going strong despite some of the worst daytime tides we have seen in quite some time. Even

during several hours of slack water we had to deal with on a few of the windier days, the snook and redfish bite was just crazy for what seemed like no logical reason. After the last few weeks of spending lots of time in the passes on a almost non-stop snook and big trout bite, this ground to a halt due to the poor daytime tides on the back side of a full moon. With best tide movement coming late night and really early in the mornings, it will be just a matter of these tides flipping over till the daytime

pass bite is back on.

Fishing one morning this week with Jane and Peter Drew of Sanibel, along with Jane's brother David visiting from England, we had what you could only call a on fire trip. We spent roughly two hours on a mangrove shoreline that was our first stop of the day. This wind-blown shoreline was just going off with fish coming from all over to eat our live shiners. When the bite would slow a little, I would pick up and move another 20 yards or so down and it would be on again. Besides catching lots of undersized snook, we had five keeper-sized redfish ranging from 18 to 27 inches along with releasing a super fat 38-inch snook that had to be right around 20 pounds. And just before that monster, we lost another snook of roughly the same size. With no tide running, the only water movement was from the southeast wind. This was an awesome bite and a days fishing I know we will all remember for a long time.

During periods of calm winds on these no tide days, mangrove and pass action proved tough going for a few hours. Mixing it up, I made the choice to run and go look for that first tarpon of the season. Riding through all of the regular



**Peter Drew of Sanibel with a 27-inch redfish caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week**

bay tarpon hangouts, I was yet to see a single rolling fish until we slid into a favorite deep channel up by Cayo Costa. After watching tarpon roll and free jump for a few hours, we could just not get one to take a bait. The following day, I located lots more tarpon in the bay much closer to home. Despite having them all around us for a few hours, we still did not get a hook up.

Even though the tarpon "monkey" is not off my back yet, it felt great to be hunting tarpon again and watching these fish do their thing. Nothing else that swims in our water brings on this level of angling excitement. With so many tarpon already showing up, it's looking like it

could be one of the better tarpon seasons we have seen in recent years.

Channel edges just inside the bigger passes were a good place to catch a mixed bag of fish during the slow moving tides. Spanish mackerel, ladyfish, jacks, trout and small blacktip sharks all ate free lined shiners. Look for where the white sand channels run against the grass flats to set up and target these fish. With the water so clear in the northern sound, it's super easy to spot these natural fish highways. Silver spoons and jigs worked through these same areas will also get it done. But when the bite is a little off due to slow tides, nothing beats a live bait.

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

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## CROW Case Of The Week:

## Feeding Babies



by Patricia Molloy

Springtime means baby feeding time at CROW. Students and volunteers work around the clock to feed a wide variety of adorable youngsters that call Southwest Florida home.

The raccoon room contains dozens of little bandits that chatter day and night. They are generally orphaned and incidents of rabies and distemper are low in baby raccoons. They are also tube-fed and/or bottle-fed a milk supplement until they transition to solid meals.

Virginia opossum babies must be tube-fed a dried milk supplement every three hours. Once they are old enough to eat solid foods, the scavenging omnivores are fed a mixture of fruits, mice and soaked kitten chow.

While raccoons and opossums are kept in species-specific rooms on the ground floor of the clinic, the nursery on the main floor is where tiny birds, young tortoises and baby squirrels are located. The long countertop contains a neat row of towel-lined containers and incubators from which hungry patients chirp and chatter in between meals and naps. Depending on the type, birds are fed special blends

of fresh berries and seeds (songbirds) or fish (seabirds) or even meat (raptors eat rodents). Some birds must eat every hour in order to maintain a healthy weight.

Young squirrels are tube-fed three to four times per day Fox Valley formula, a milk replacer specifically designed for them. Once the healthy squirrels are weaned and can eat soaked monkey biscuits, vegetables and fruit, they are transferred outside in preparation for release.

It takes weeks or months for babies to mature enough to survive in the wild. Most of the babies raised at the clinic from babyhood do not need to be returned to the exact location in which they were found, since they were too young to have established a territory.

With baby season in full swing, there are many ways you can help the non-profit hospital care for our native wildlife:

- Volunteer your time. Contact Volunteer Services at 472-3644 ext. 221. Training is provided.

- Allow wildlife to roam on your land. Call Gareth Johnson, hospital office manager, at 472-3644 ext. 222 to find out if your property is suitable.

- Donate items the clinic's wish list, paper towels, Purina ONE Kitten Chow, Purina Puppy Chow (no colored chunks), wild bird seed, bleach, fragrance-free laundry detergent, new or gently used bath and hand towels, red heat lamps (250w), garbage bags (42 gallons) and ceramic crocks of all sizes (ramekins, etc.).

- Make a monetary donation. Go to [www.crowclinic.org](http://www.crowclinic.org) and click on Support Us.✱



A baby squirrel stays cozy and warm in one of the knitted nests donated by local volunteer group, the Pelican Knitters. The gifts are used daily by dozens of tiny birds, opossums, squirrels and bunnies and give the youngsters a sense of security.



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## Plant Smart

## Everglades Palm

by Gerri Reaves

Everglades palm (*Acoelorrhaphe wrightii*), as the name implies, is a native of Florida's southernmost regions, where its natural habitat is brackish wetlands.

Also called paurotis palm and Cape Sable palm, its interesting characteristics and low-maintenance make it a popular landscape tree.

It is listed as threatened by the state of Florida, signifying that the number of this species in the wild is in rapid decline.

The multiple trunks are only a few inches in diameter and sheathed in brown fiber that looks similar to loose-woven burlap. Because of their slightness, they lean and collectively form a graceful "island" of palms with a somewhat open crown.

The suckers that sprout around the cluster of trunks can be left to develop, pruned to control spreading, or divided for propagation. The tree can grow up to 30 feet with a 20-foot spread.

The palmate (hand-shaped) leaves have silvery undersides and reach two to three feet across. The thin stems are



**Clumping water-loving Everglades palm is listed as a threatened species in the State of Florida**

photos by Gerri Reaves

about a yard long and armed with sharp curved spines, a feature that inspires another common name, silver saw palm.

Flowers and fruit appear in summer and autumn. Broom-like inflorescences of creamy white flowers extend above and beyond the fronds. Both male and female flowers appear on the same tree.

The one-half-inch spherical fruit ripens



**The stems are armed with curved spines, the trunks matted with fiber**

from orange to black and are eaten by birds and other wildlife.

This species is easy to grow but grows slowly. For optimum health, give it rich



**Inflorescences extend above the foliage**

organic soil. If left unpruned, the tree will form thick clumps that function as a privacy or wind screen and cover for wildlife.

Everglades palm prefers full sun but will also grow in some shade. True to its name, it also prefers lots of moisture and will even tolerate standing water, so it's a good choice for planting pondside.

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**Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club CPR class attendees with instructor Alex Gonzales**

## Yacht Club Receives CPR Training

Thirteen members from the Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club received CPR and AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training on April 7. The class was coordinated and conducted by firefighter/paramedic/certified trainer Alex Gonzales from the Fort Myers Beach Fire Department. The class was held at the main Fort Myers Beach Fire Station #1.

Yacht club members thought it important that the club have a cadre of CPR- and AED-trained members. Their waterborne activities frequently take them far away from first responders. When asked why they requested this training, class attendee and Past Commodore Fern Toomey, who is a retired police officer,

said "Immediate response by trained individuals can make the difference between life and death. The more trained members we have, the safer our members will be should a life threatening event occur. Further, we will be in a better position to help anyone in our community who may require assistance."

Another class attendee and current Vice Commodore Patricia Korn went on to say that safety "always has been, and always will be, a top priority for the club."

As another example of their proactive approach to safety, they have arranged for Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 9-10 to inspect some of the club's boats to ensure the boats are carrying all the USCG & FWC required safety equipment. The courtesy safety checks will be coordinated by Jack Salis from the Flotilla. The safety checks will take place at the Bowditch Point transient docks on Friday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to noon. The public is invited to have their boats checked for free

by calling Past Yacht Club Commodore Captain Chris Christensen at 437-6482. If you are 100 percent, you may be issued a safety inspection sticker which could be attached to your boat hull.

The Fort Myers Beach Yacht Club was formed in 1953 and incorporated as a not-for-profit organization for the purpose of promoting safe, enjoyable boating and good fellowship. This community oriented club, with over 110 members and 50 boats, maintains a very active schedule of year-round activities, both on and off the water, for members and guests. Evening meetings are held once a month, usually on the 4th Wednesday at the American Legion Post 274 on San Carlos Island. Because the club does not have the expense of maintaining their own waterfront facility, dues are only \$120 per year per couple or \$60 per single. Learn more about the club online at FMBYachtClub.org or call membership chairman Pete Oiderma at 463-6240. \*

## Hurricane Preparation For Boaters

Are you ready for hurricane season? The San Carlos Bay Sail and Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadron that serves South Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, Bonita Springs and Estero, will help you get ready. The Squadron will be offering an informative seminar, Hurricane Preparation For Boaters – Protect Your Boat From The Next Big One: Storms, Floods and Wind, on Saturday, April 25 from 8:45 to 11 a.m.

Hurricanes bring extreme weather conditions that can damage or destroy your boat. This seminar will teach you ways to protect your boat from the ravages of wind, waves, torrential rain, tidal surges and high water. It will focus on developing a plan to protect your boat from the onslaught of a hurricane.

This seminar will teach you how to:

- Evaluate the storm protection provided by your marina or storage area
- Determine if, when and how you should move your boat before a hurricane
- Take the steps needed before a hurricane approaches to secure your boat for hurricane conditions

The cost of the course is \$10 for non-Power Squadron members or \$5 for members. The course is being taught at the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron Classroom, located at 16048 San Carlos Blvd. (at the corner of Kelly Road, across from ACE Hardware) in Fort Myers.

Students can register online at [www.scbps.com](http://www.scbps.com) or call the office at 466-4040.\*



## The Cypress String Quartet To Perform At Davis Art Center

The Cypress String Quartet – comprised of Cecily Ward, violin; Tom Stone, violin; Ethan Filner, viola; and Jennifer Kloetzel, cello – will perform a recital at the Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center on Friday, April 24 at 8 p.m. The program will include Schulhoff's *Divertimento*, Bartók's *Quartet No. 4* and Beethoven's *String Quartet Op. 59 No. 2*. Cocktails will be served before the concert at 7 p.m. The Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center is located in the historic river district, at 2301 First Street in Fort Myers.

Known for its elegant performances, The Cypress String Quartet has been praised by *Gramophone* for its "artistry of uncommon insight and cohesion," and its sound has been called "beautifully proportioned and powerful" by *The Washington Post*. The quartet was formed in San Francisco in 1996.

The Cypress String Quartet has an extensive discography including numerous recordings of Beethoven, Dvorák, Schubert and others. They continue to maintain a busy national and international tour schedule, making appearances on concert series and in venues including the



### The Cypress String Quartet will perform in Fort Myers on April 24

Kennedy Center, Library of Congress, Stanford Lively Arts, Krannert Center, Ravinia Festival and others.

The quartet's members received degrees from many of the world's finest conservatories before coming together as a quartet. These include The Juilliard School, Guildhall School of Music & Drama and the Royal College of Music (London), Indiana University, The Cleveland Institute of Music and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

The members of the Cypress String Quartet play exceptional instruments including violins made by Antonio Stradivari (1681) and Carlos Bergonzi (1733), a viola by Vittorio Bellarosa (1947) and a cello by Hieronymus Amati II (1701).

Tickets to the recital are \$20 in advance and \$25 the week of the event. To purchase tickets, visit [www.sbdac.com](http://www.sbdac.com)

or call 333-1933. For more information, visit [www.cypressquartet.com](http://www.cypressquartet.com).✱



The Cypress String Quartet during a performance



*White Hall Beauty* by Penny Fox

## April Featured Artist Of The Month



Arts of the Inland member Penny Fox has been named the Featured Artist for April at the AOI Gallery at Lehigh Regional Medical Center Café, 1500 Lee Blvd. in Lehigh Acres. Stop in and see her creations Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Fox has been painting in Fort Myers since 2005. Her favorite subjects are outdoor (Plein Air) scenes. With a professional teaching background, she works well with beginners and intermediates and teaches several local classes and workshops in oil, acrylic and watercolor. She is a member of the Arts of the Inland and her work is currently at the Fort Myers Beach Gallery, Art League of Fort Myers Gallery and the AOI Gallery at Kaiser University at the Forum. Fox will participate in the Inspirations Art Show opening at the AOI Barron Park House Gallery, 471 Lee Street in LaBelle during the month of April. Her next classes will be Florida Florals at Art League of Fort Myers, held each Thursday morning during April. For more information, email [penelopeart2@aol.com](mailto:penelopeart2@aol.com).

AOI member Donna Thewlis is responsible for receiving and hanging art, and contacting artists for the Featured Artist of the month at Lehigh Regional Medical Center, 1500 Lee Blvd. in Lehigh. If you are a member of Arts of the Inland and would like to participate, call her at 339-7265. For further information, contact [artsinland@gmail.com](mailto:artsinland@gmail.com) or 303-5849.✱

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## The Future Of Art: High School Students Exhibit At The Alliance



2014 Best in Show winner Maria Thrash Davidson from Mariner High School

Artwork created by high school art students from across Lee County will be exhibited at the Alliance for the Arts. This 23rd annual partnership with the Lee Arts Educators Association (LAEA) offers students the opportunity to display their work in a formal exhibition. The exhibit opened Wednesday, April 15 and will remain on display through April 24. Winners will be selected in several categories and Best in Show will be awarded. Refreshments for the reception will be provided by Evan's Neighborhood Pizza in Fort Myers.

LAEA is a group of art teachers who work to recognize and promote students who show an interest and aptitude in the visual arts. Artwork by LAEA member teachers will be on display in the Alliance Member Gallery. The Theatre Lobby will feature Broadside: Poetry off the Shelf, works created by artists and poets.

The Alliance galleries are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and



Attendees at last year's event



Future of Art 2014 exhibition

Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.✱

## Goin' Courtin' At Broadway Palm

by Di Saggau

*Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*, the stage version of the popular MGM movie, comes to life on stage at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. The show is a high-energy musical with outstanding choreography and a talented cast.

The setting is Oregon in the 1850s and it isn't easy for men living in the mountain region to find a wife, especially when there are seven brothers in one family. Adam (Justin Hart) heads to town to find a wife, someone who will do the cooking and housework and raise his brood of brothers. He immediately sets his eye on Milly (Kate Marshall) and with one of the quickest courtships ever, marries her and whisks her home to his cabin. She has no idea there are six brothers at home. Her work is cut out for her and she tackles it graciously, turning the unpolished bunch of brothers into the most eligible bachelors around. Now they just have to find wives.

They all go to a town social and win the hearts of six girls in town, wooing them away from their current beaux. It's easy to see who is going to pair up with whom, because their outfits are all color coordinated. The girls are attracted to the



A scene from *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*

boys, not just for their looks, but for their impressive dancing. The choreography by Kerry Lambert is what brings this show to life.

Once back in their mountain cabin, the brothers try to figure out how to get the girls to marry them. Adam convinces his brothers to do as the Romans did, that is to abduct them from their homes and drag them back to the family farm, and that's what they do. An avalanche blocks the passes so the townspeople cannot rescue their daughters until spring.

From the title of the play we know what is going to happen. Everything in

between is a bit nonsensical, but when it's performed onstage with the talent, enthusiasm and conviction displayed in this production, it all makes sense. You almost don't notice the absurdity of six guys running around the stage with girls slung over their shoulders like bales of hay.

The show has several really great scenes and, again, it's the dancing that grabs you. The sheer joy and enthusiasm in the show makes everything work.

Worthy of particular mention is Marshall as the headstrong Milly. She is energetic and fiery in her performance. Hart is also well cast as the stubborn

Adam, and both have lovely singing voices and carry many of the musical numbers. These two lead a big cast with tons of talent. The show is fun, fast-paced, sometimes sweet, and genuinely entertaining. A slice of Americana that is bound to make you smile.

*Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* plays through May 23 at Broadway Palm, located at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. For tickets call 278-4422, visit [www.BroadwayPalm.com](http://www.BroadwayPalm.com), or stop by the box office.✱



## A Cappella Group To Hold Benefit Concert

With the recent success of movies like *Pitch Perfect* and the popular television show *The Sing-Off*, music lovers across the country are quickly falling in love with “a cappella” music and the talented vocal community that brings this unique art form of “making music solely with the human voice” to life.

Many may be surprised to learn that we have a gifted group of teen a cappella ambassadors here in Southwest Florida, including senior Dara Craig and sophomore Callie Atkinson, two former students of The Sanibel School, who with 21 other talented vocalists combine their voices to make up “TAG,” The A Cappella Group from the Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts.

TAG, who released their 7th studio album, *Stay Gold*, this past fall, has just been nominated for five Contemporary A Cappella Recording Awards (CARAs), the national a cappella world’s equivalent to the Grammy Awards. Last year, the group blew away their competition by winning three CARA Awards for their album, *Sunny Days*.

Their most recent album has also earned rave reviews from the prestigious Recorded A Cappella Review Board (RARB), which gives *Stay Gold* top scores, writing “Why? Tight, energized singing. Forward momentum. Beautiful dynamics. Sensitive deliveries: power when it’s time to go full-on, delicacy when it’s time to step back and let the listener in. This group is good.” The album is available for purchase through iTunes



The a cappella group TAG will perform a benefit concert in Fort Myers on April 18

or by visiting [cypresslakevocal.com](http://cypresslakevocal.com).

During the past year, TAG has performed at more than a dozen different concerts and community events throughout the area, including Luminary Night and various other holiday festivals, Spirit of the Gulf, FGCU, Harborside and Barbara B. Mann. They also participate in a number of educational and competitive a cappella events through the Southeastern U.S., recently placing 2nd for the Southern U.S. region in the International Championship of High School A Cappella. TAG has been invited to perform at the inaugural National A

Cappella Convention in Memphis at the end of this month.

These exceptionally talented students work hard to fundraise for their activities throughout the year, and all monies from their spring concert will go toward recording fees for their next album.

TAG’s Spring Benefit Concert on Saturday, April 18 at 7 p.m. promises to be a highlight of the year and an event

the whole family can enjoy. Tickets will be available at the door at the Cypress Lake High School Auditorium, located at 6750 Panther Lane (off Cypress Lake Drive) in Fort Myers.

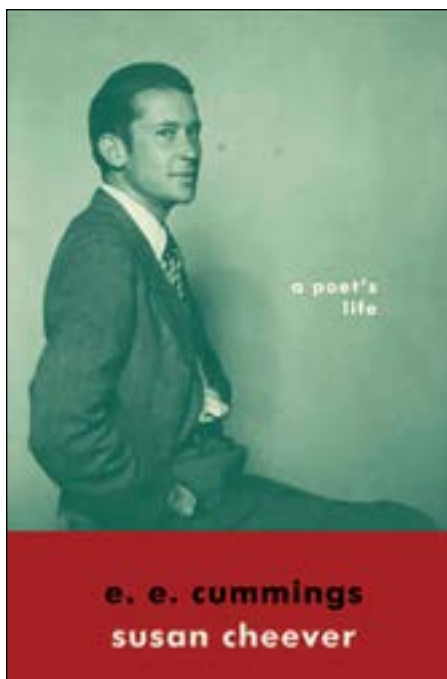
All donations are tax deductible. If you are interested in supporting this dynamic group of teens, contact parent volunteer Dina Craig at 395-2170.✧

## Alliance For The Arts Book Club

Members of the Alliance for the Arts will gather on Tuesday, April 21 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *e.e. cummings: a poet’s life* by Susan Cheever. The Member Gallery Book Club, which meets the third Tuesday of every month, is one of the benefits of membership at the Alliance for the Arts.

In Cheever’s rich, illuminating biography we see Cummings’s idyllic childhood years in Cambridge, Massachusetts; his Calvinist father, distinguished Harvard professor and sternly religious minister of the Cambridge Congregational Church; his mother, loving, attentive, a source of encouragement, the aristocrat of the family, from Unitarian writers, judges, and adventurers. We see Cummings, slight, agile, playful, a product of a 19th Century New England childhood, bred to be flinty and determined; his love of nature, his sense of fun, laughter, mimicry; his desire from the get-go to stand conventional wisdom on its head, which he himself would often do, literally, to amuse.

The Member Gallery Book Club continues the third Tuesday of every month.



The May title is *Off the Wall: A Portrait of Robert Rauschenberg* by Calvin Thomas.

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## Seniors Inducted Into Hall Of Fame

Ten graduating seniors were inducted into the Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) Hall of Fame during a banquet April 2.

The Hall of Fame, the highest recognition given to student leaders at FGCU, honors Eagles who have demonstrated superior leadership, integrity and achievement in scholarship, campus involvement and community service. A committee of faculty, students and alumni reviews nominations and selects up to 10 honorees each spring.

"Selecting no more than 10 recipients from a large pool of very talented student leaders is extremely difficult," said J. Michael Rollo, vice president for student affairs. "These exceptional students have made important contributions to the Florida Gulf Coast University community."

The 2015 Hall of Famers represent a diverse range of academic interests, but share a common commitment to being engaged citizens and high-achieving scholars. They are:

- Hannah Amundson: A political science major from Homosassa, who has served as a resident assistant, Eagle View Orientation leader and a teaching assistant for Honors and Online University Colloquium.

- Kelsey Carpenter: An exercise

science major from Oviedo, who was named captain of the FGCU softball team for the last two years while anchoring the starting lineup in center field and earning several conference accolades. She is also founding president of FGCU's Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

- Romel Durandisse: A mathematics major from Petion-Ville, Haiti, who is a founding member and served as president of the Actuarial Science Club. He is active in the Dominican Republic Outreach Program (DROP), which inspires global citizenship and civic engagement by sending FGCU students to Santiago each year to distribute school supplies to communities in need.

- Madeline Heath: A communication major from Sarasota, who has been active in the Honors Program, DROP and the One Campus, One Book program. A Service-Learning Ambassador, Heath also initiated and produced a showcase to raise awareness of human trafficking.

- Jason Hoop: A biotechnology major and Honors student from Fort Myers, who has served in Student Government and as president of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. Hoop cofounded Global Medical Brigades, a student group that works with medical professionals to provide healthcare services in impoverished rural Nicaragua.

- Lucy Leban: A political science and philosophy major from Lehigh Acres, who is active in Honors, served as president of FGCU's Amnesty International

chapter and participated in a study/serve abroad program in Costa Rica. Leban was also accepted in a summer-long National Science Foundation Research Experience at the University of North Texas, where she had a research paper published.

- Christie Mauretour: A mathematics major from Port-au-Prince, Haiti, who ranks in the top three percent of Honors Program students and serves as an Eagle International Ambassador. Mauretour has published a research article in the *Discrete Applied Mathematics* journal.

- Cory Mentzer: A bioengineering major from Port Charlotte, who has served as an Eagle Ambassador and as Student Government vice president. Mentzer has been active in intramural sports and organized the Azul's Flight Tour competition for artists to design unique replicas of FGCU's mascot to inspire school spirit and raise money for scholarships.

- Jordan Nation: A communication and political science major from Sunrise, who is active in Honors and served as a senior peer adviser for Eagle View Orientation and as lead academic counselor for students in the College of Health Professions and Social Work. He is a founding member and served as president of Students Interested in Student Affairs.

- Emma Svensson: An international student from Uppsala, Sweden, who is majoring in economics and received the Honors Award for Personal Excellence last year. As a star of the swimming

and diving team, Svensson was the first FGCU student in any sport to qualify for an NCAA championship in all four years of eligibility while setting multiple program records in the pool. She is the first FGCU student to earn All-American honors at an NCAA championship.✱

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## Everglades Palm

Conversely, it is tolerant of short spells of drought. It is salt tolerant but does not like salt spray.

Keep grass from encroaching on the roots.

Depending on the soil, it might need fertilizer to prevent potassium deficiency or manganese deficiency. The latter results in the potentially fatal condition called frizzle-top.

Sources: *Florida Landscape Plants* by John V. Watkins and Thomas J. Sheehan; *Florida, My Eden* by Frederick B. Stresau; *Florida Plants for Wildlife* by Craig N. Huegel; *Florida Trees and Palms* by Lewis S. and Betty M. Maxwell; *A Gardner's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio; *A Handbook of Landscape Palms* by Jan Allin; *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell; edis.ifas.ufl.edu; and floridata.com.

*Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.*✱

## School Smart



by Shelley M. Gregg, NCSP

**D**ear Shelley, My daughter has had a difficult time in second grade. Her reading has developed slowly but she tries hard and likes school. Her

teacher would like her to repeat second grade because she is behind in reading, and math. She says it's a good time to do this since she is young and won't feel too much pressure about it. When is it good to keep a child back?

*Brittany L., Cape Coral, Florida*

**Brittany,**

For most kids, retention or repeating a grade is not a great idea. It can be a discouraging experience and should be approached very cautiously. When faced with a recommendation to retain a child, the real task is not to decide to retain or not to retain but, rather, to identify specific intervention strategies to enhance the cognitive and social development of the child and promote his or her learning and success at school.

Most often, it seems that when a child is being asked to repeat a grade, it's because the school or the teacher or the parents – or all of them – think the student is "socially young" for her age and behind her peers, or because she hasn't

mastered the academic skills from the grade.

Often times, upon careful observations, most of the kids who are too "young" or "immature" or not taking in enough information are children who have some issues, making it hard for them to learn, either socially or academically. They could be inattentive or hyperactive, or seriously anxious, or have a learning disorder that is getting in the way. So, the idea of repeating the year doesn't really make sense because what these students who are struggling need is specific help or targeted interventions for the things that are getting in their way.

Before you agree to retention, it would be best if you get more school personnel involved. Ask for observations during reading and math. Observations can reveal if you daughter is paying attention, is spending her time on task, participating in class, asking questions when she needs clarification or assistance or if she might be socializing too much of the time. You may also want to consider how she feels about school, her reading teacher, her teachers in general and classmates. Is she happy with her school situation, does she have friends, is she anxious, bullied in some way, overly sensitive to comments and criticisms from her teachers? Sometimes behavioral issues interfere with learning. You and the school need to think about these issues to make sure that her reading difficulties are not caused by non-academic barriers to learning.

In general, holding a student back is not a first-choice approach for a child who is falling behind. Remember, reten-

tion may be more commonplace today, but there is no evidence that it is effective. Rather, there are many other alternatives to helping children who are experiencing difficulties in school. By asking questions and working collaboratively with school personnel, you should be able to identify, specifically, the cognitive and/or social issues that are causing her slower academic progress.

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## Congressman Clawson Announces First Inaugural Service Academy Day

Congressman Curt Clawson (FL-19) last week announced the details of the 2015 U.S. Service Academy Day. Service Academy Day is an opportunity for area high school students from the 19th Congressional District to learn more about the academy nomination process and to meet with representatives from the nation's military academies, including:

- The United States Military Academy, West Point, New York
- The United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland
- The United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut
- The United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York
- The United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado

The 2015 U.S. Service Academy Day will take place at Florida Gulf Coast University's Cohen Center Ballroom (2nd Floor) on Saturday, April 25 from 9 to 11:30 a.m., with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m.

In addition to meeting with representatives from the nation's service academies, students may also pick up a nomination application packet, and talk to area students currently attending the academies.

To help him in the selection process of nominees, Congressman Clawson utilizes an Academy Nominations Advisory Committee composed of accomplished community leaders, educators, and retired military officers to screen and personally interview prospective students seeking a nomination to one of the nation's four service academies. This is designed to assure an objective process by which each candidate is assessed for their overall attributes relating to future success at the service academies, while serving our country.✱





White House Black Market employees engaged in a United Way Day of Caring at the Harry Chapin Food Bank

## Employees Give Back During Day Of Caring

White House Black Market employees gave back to their community through a United Way Day of Caring, packing bags of fresh potatoes for the Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida, a United Way Partner Agency.

Potatoes arrived at the food bank in giant bins, and the White House Black Market employees packed them into smaller family-sized bags for distribution to their partner agencies, food pantries, and mobile food pantries. The group packed 7,760 pounds of potatoes, which is the equivalent of 6,467 meals.

Donna Liquori Perri and Dawn Ryder of White House Black Market said that their teams were inspired to do this project because of the current United Way Campaign to raise money for United Way's 82 Partner Agencies.

"Our teams looked for another way to give back to the community, and it came in the form of potatoes," said Dawn Ryder, vice president, WHBM Global Sourcing. "They were all smiles at what they accomplished after bagging over 7,500 pounds at Harry Chapin Food Bank."

"We are happy that the United Way Volunteer Center could be part of this project by matching White House Black Market with Harry Chapin Food Bank," said Cliff Smith, President of the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee. "White House Black Market

and Chico's are extraordinary community partners, and these employees have clearly demonstrated their desire to give back to this community through the muscle power of their employees."

The United Way's Day of Caring is a year-round program, coordinated by the United Way Volunteer Center which matches businesses' desire to help with the needs of the community. Many local groups and companies have participated such as Publix Supermarkets, Target, Turbine Generator Maintenance and Lee County Tax Collectors Office.

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## Entrepreneurs Sought For Small Business Class

The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute is seeking entrepreneurs for its upcoming class, to be held in Cape Coral at the Nicholas Annex Community Room (815 Nicholas Parkway East) on Monday, April 20.

The Goodwill Southwest Florida MicroEnterprise Institute is a training program to help emerging entrepreneurs start new ventures and grow small businesses. Graduates complete a business and management training course and work with mentors who are successful businesspersons.

"Over 300 entrepreneurs have graduated this program," said Elliott Rittenhouse, Goodwill MicroEnterprise program director. "This course is an opportunity for people to become independent."

The classes will be held, in partnership with the City of Cape Coral, on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. and will cover everything from accounting to marketing, insurance to funding. After the completion of the course, eligible participants may apply for a microloan collateral guarantee from Goodwill.

To apply, visit [www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise](http://www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise) or call 995-2106 ext. 2219 for more information. The session is \$80; applicants that meet certain income guidelines are eligible to attend the course without cost.



Debra Newell, Kathleen Davey and Donna Garvey, GAL Foundation board members; Cynthia Shafer, founder of the foundation's Beds for Kids Program; and Anita Siegal and Debbie Laites, both with 100+ Women

## Beds For Kids Program Gets \$20,000 Donation

100+Women Who Care of Southwest Florida has selected The Guardian ad Litem Foundation (GAL) 20th Judicial Circuit's Beds for Kids program as the beneficiary for one of its annual donations.

The group recruits 100+ women who support local charities by committing to a \$100 donation three times a year, during January, February and March. The donation then goes to a local charity, which is submitted and voted on by the membership.

100+ Women Who Care selected the program to receive the donation after Beds for Kids founder and 20-year GAL volunteer advocate Cynthia Shafer became a member of the group and rec-

ommended Beds for Kids as a potential beneficiary during the group's March donation contest.

Upon delivering the donation, 100+ Women notified the GAL Foundation that because of a partnership with a private foundation, donations from new members to the 100+ group will be matched two to one. This means Kids Being Kids/Beds for Kids program program will be receiving more than \$20,000.

These funds will ultimately assist in providing a warm cozy bed and bedding for children who have been removed from their parents' care as a result of abuse or neglect. These children are then placed in the care of a relative or foster home and assigned a Guardian ad Litem volunteer advocate.

To learn more about Beds for Kids, visit [www.bedsforkids.org/](http://www.bedsforkids.org/).

To learn more about '100+ Women Who Care of Southwest Florida', visit [www.100womensouthwestflorida.com/](http://www.100womensouthwestflorida.com/)

For more information about the Guardian ad Litem Foundation, 20th Judicial Circuit, go to [www.voicesforkids.org/](http://www.voicesforkids.org/)

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## Private Screening

pursuing an uphill battle to achieve self respect and make it in a "man's sport" against the odds.

The showing is one example of an ongoing educational series the Community Foundation is providing for Prima Donors who are local women who have contributed \$10,000 or more to the Women's Legacy Fund endowment and are committed to making an impact in their community through charitable giving.

The WLF also offers a contributor-giving level at \$250 a year. The WLF was established in 2007 by the Community Foundation to enable women in Southwest Florida to direct their giving

in focused, strategic ways. The fund's mission is to engage women in affecting change in our community through collective philanthropy.

As leaders, conveners, grant makers and concierges of philanthropy, the Southwest Florida Community Foundation is a foundation built on community leadership with an inspired history of fostering regional change for the common good in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. The foundation, founded in 1976, connects donors and their philanthropic aspirations with evolving community needs.

For more information about the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, call 274-5900 or visit [www.floridacommunity.com](http://www.floridacommunity.com).





The Junior League of Fort Myers' Fall 2014 Provisional Class

## Junior League Welcomes New Active Members

The Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc. recently welcomed 20 provisional members to active status.

These newest active members include Felicia Bethea, Lesley Burkert, Kathryn Clark, Marti Derow, Jennifer Dooley, Daisy Ellis, Elizabeth Hardy, Alexis Hatton, Elise Hendrickson, Edie Jackson, Elyse Joyce, Christieann McCabe, Kerry Pirrone, Melody Porter, Kara Sajdak, Colleen Schumann, Alyssa Smith, Erin Snead, Jessica Stone and Katie Szyal.

A member of the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc., the Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc. is a

501(c)(3) nonprofit organization made up of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

Twice a year, the Junior League welcomes interested women to join its Provisional Class. Classes last 14 weeks during which time provisional members become familiar with JLFM's mission, vision and organizational structure by watching the board, councils and committees in action. They also become informed about the Junior League's community projects and how it supports the Southwest Florida community by participating and developing a community service project, assist with fundraising activities, learn about project planning

and implementation, and gain hands-on volunteer experience.

At the end of the class, provisional members become active JLFM members with all the benefits of full membership. JLFM memberships are open to all women aged 21 and older of all races, religions and national origin who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism.

The JLFM is also a granting organization, providing mini-grants to organizations throughout Southwest Florida's five-county area to programs that create better life outcomes for our area's youth. Since 1966, the Junior League has contributed more than one million hours and more than \$1 million to community projects and programs.

For more information, call 277-1197 or visit [www.jlfm.org](http://www.jlfm.org).✱

## VCB To Host Travel Rally

The Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) in partnership with Charlotte Harbor & The Gulf islands and the Naples, Marco Island, Everglades Convention Bureau invites tourism partners, their employees and families, along with the community, to attend the annual Southwest Florida Travel Rally at Lakes Regional Park in Fort Myers on Wednesday, May 6 from 4 to 7 p.m.

The event, which includes free admission, supports National Travel and Tourism Week, celebrating tourism's impact on local businesses and the economy and recognizes the importance of travel and hospitality professionals.

Rally participants will enjoy music, prize giveaways, food and lots of fun and friendly competitions, including Kids Luggage Lug, Bellman's Race, Make that Bed, Waiter's Race for the Gold and best of the chef-friendly contest, featuring mini-taste samplings.

Partners include ABC-7, JetBlue Airways, The News-Press Media Group, Lakes Regional Park and the Southwest Florida Attractions Association.

Created as a Tourism Appreciation Day in support of the U.S. Travel Association and the importance of travel and tourism nationally and internationally, the Southwest Florida Travel Rally champions tourism as a major engine that drives the local economy, contributes significantly to job growth, and emphasizes the vital importance of trained hospitality professionals.

RSVP by May 4 to [LeeVCB@leegov.com](mailto:LeeVCB@leegov.com). Admission ticket and free parking sticker will be emailed, with your name included in the prize drawings. Must be present to win. The deadline for businesses to sign up as a table exhibitor, race team, or best of the chef competition is May 1. Contact Judi Durant with the VCB at 590-4855 or [jdurant@leegov.com](mailto:jdurant@leegov.com).✱



Samira K. Beckwith

## Make Your Wishes Known

submitted by Samira K. Beckwith, president and CEO of Hope HealthCare Services

A Fort Myers Beach couple recently invited their children over for a special dinner party. The occasion was not to celebrate a milestone birthday, or to commemorate an anniversary. It was to discuss a topic that is often difficult for many: choices to be made during life's final chapter.

Talking about issues related to end-of-life or care when someone has a seri-

ous illness is not the easiest thing to do. However, having the conversation ahead of time is one of the most valuable gifts that you can give to your loved ones.

During stressful times, many of us wisely choose to defer important decisions so we can gain a sense of perspective in the hope of clearer thinking. This strategy can be effective in many situations; however, in the case of decisions about medical care, the opportunity to defer decision-making is often not possible. Advance planning is an opportunity to facilitate an important discussion that can reduce stress during these life events.

Hope HealthCare Services is dedicated to providing everyone in our care with dignity, comfort and peace. This road can be a little less difficult to travel when you take a few moments to have this conversation. To help you get started, we offer a document called Five Wishes which can help facilitate a conversation about personal and individual choices in critical situations. These discussions help everyone to better answer the question, "What should we do now?"

Five Wishes is easy to use and provides direction and guidance for our loved ones based on our own personal, emotional and spiritual needs. This advance directives guide is available to all who request a copy through Hope HealthCare Services and helps each of us think about these questions for our medical care:

1. The person I want to make decisions for me when I can't, including choices for care and services, interpreting instructions, consent to admission, and request or take away medical treatments;
2. The kind of medical treatment I want or don't want, including life-support

treatment decisions;

3. How comfortable I want to be, including treatment of pain and nausea, bathing, massage, music, personal care and spiritual support;

4. How I want people to treat me, including visitors, personal interactions, sharing information about the illness with members of a congregation or other group, and photos at the bedside; and

5. What I want my loved ones to know, including a request to respect your wishes, how you would like your loved ones to interact with each other, who to turn to for your final wishes and other important end-of-life decisions that are best made by you.

The couple shared with me that they were surprised by how easy and rewarding it was to discuss their choices using Five Wishes. Once they started talking about details with their children about the special photos and music they wanted to become part of their environment during their end-of-life care, they realized the importance of having the conversation while they are able to.

I encourage you to have this discussion with your loved ones. Then, simply record the information and add your signature to the Five Wishes document, which is valid under the laws of most states. You'll want to let someone you trust know that it's completed and where it will be kept. You may also consider sharing your wishes with your clergy, doctor or other care providers.

To commemorate National Health Care Decisions Day, download a complimentary copy of Five Wishes at [www.hopehcs.org/fivewishes](http://www.hopehcs.org/fivewishes). Or, feel free to request a copy by calling 454-3100.✱

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## Spring Luncheon Raises \$66,000 For Hope Hospice



From left, Allison Rakowski, Katherine Rakowski, Amber White and Sheryl Sashin

The Friends of Hope Women's Committee recently hosted its annual Spring Luncheon at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa, raising \$66,000 to benefit Hope Hospice's Rainbow Trails bereavement camp for kids, and Hope's Pet Peace of Mind program.

Event chairs Barbara Caccese, Etta Smith and Signe Wynne coordinated the celebration for 360 guests along with event committee members and Hope HealthCare Services President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith.

The afternoon's events included boutique shopping, raffle prizes, and a fashion show hosted by Master of Ceremonies Robert Van Winkle from NBC-2 featuring spring apparel from Kays on the Beach and John Craig Clothier. Event sponsors included American House, Brown & Brown Insurance/Florida Blue, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wynne.

Hope HealthCare Services provides comforting care to more than 1,500 seriously ill individuals and their families throughout six Florida counties each day, regardless of ability to pay. The Hope programs benefitting from Spring Luncheon provide bereavement counseling for children and practical support for the pets owned by individuals in Hope's care.

"We are grateful for the generosity of the Friends of Hope Women's Committee and for all who helped to make this year's Spring Luncheon a success," Beckwith said. "It is only through community support that we can continue our mission and provide comforting care to all who need our help."

To make a donation or for more information on Hope's programs and services, call 482-4673 or visit [www.HopeHCS.org](http://www.HopeHCS.org).



Robert Van Winkle and Lucy Carnegie



From left, event chair Barbara Caccese, Hope President and CEO Samira Beckwith, event chairs Etta Smith and Signe Wynne



Connie Maetzold and Karen Waldrip



Hope Chairman of the Board Sandy Robinson with Hope President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith



From left, Jeri Risk, Barbara Brown, Patt Suwyn, Eileen Foley and Donna Roberts

### Financial Focus

## How To Be An 'Environmental' Investor

by Jennifer Basey



Next week, we observe the 45th anniversary of Earth Day. Since its inception in 1970, Earth Day has inspired millions of people to take action to improve the environment.

But the lessons of environmentalism can also be applied to other areas of life – such as investing. Specifically, as an investor, you may well want to follow the "three Rs:" reduce, reuse and recycle.

Let's see how these environmental themes can be applied to your investment habits:

- **Reduce** – Many of us probably own more things than we really need. In fact, if all the other people on Earth used as much "stuff" as we do in the United States, the planet would need to have three to five times more space just to hold and sustain everybody, according to the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. So from an environmental standpoint, it might be smart for all of us to "streamline" our possessions. And the same could be true for our investments – it's not always a case of "the more, the merrier." It's particularly important not to own too many of the same type of investments, because you could suffer a setback in a market downturn that primarily affects those assets.

- **Reuse** – One way of being environmentally conscious is to repair, rather than replace, durable goods such as bicycles, washers, dryers, etc. After all, "new" is not always better. Many investors

are also prone to tossing out the old and bringing in the new – and not always with the best results. For example, some investors switch their overall strategy every so often in attempts to capitalize on some trend they have heard about. But you're almost certainly better off by sticking with a long-term strategy that's appropriate for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Of course, within your strategy you can make adjustments as your circumstances change over time, but there's probably no need to toss your entire approach overboard. As you invest, though, always be aware that the value of your investments will fluctuate, and there are no guarantees that you won't lose value.

- **Recycle** – Aluminum cans become airplane parts, old phone books are transformed into textbooks, and plastic beverage containers may end up as the carpeting on your floors. It's truly amazing how recycling can give new life to old, unwanted products. In a way, you can also "recycle" investments that no longer

meet your needs, either because your circumstances have changed or because the investments themselves have become fundamentally altered – as is the case when a company in which you invested has shifted its focus or taken its business in a new direction. Instead of just liquidating the investment and using the cash to buy, say, an ultra-high-definition television with all the bells and whistles, you could find a new use for the proceeds in your investment portfolio. To name one possibility, you could use the money to help save for a child's college education. Or you might use it to help fill other gaps in your portfolio.

By following the "reduce, reuse and recycle" philosophy, you can help make the world a "greener" place to live. And by applying the same principles to the way you invest, you can create a healthier environment in which to pursue your important financial goals.

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## LMHS Volunteers For United Way Day Of Caring

Employees of Lee Memorial Health System participated in a United Way Day of Caring at the Harry Chapin Food Bank in Fort Myers. This group of LMHS employees regularly volunteer together for United Way Days of Caring at non-profit organizations.

The volunteers packed 5,506 pounds of bulk peppers into packages for families, which is the equivalent of 4,588 meals. The group said that was a terrific opportunity for them to do something positive outside the work place together, and to be able to include their teen family members. They had special shirts made for everyone to wear, increasing the giving spirit.

"It is so easy to give money to a cause, but donating your time lets you experience the community and learn about the services provided," said Dr. Scott Nygaard, Chief Medical Officer, Physician Services and Network Development of Lee Memorial Health System. "After serving, I always hear how blessed people



Lee Memorial Health System volunteers during the United Way Day of Caring

were to have the opportunity to give back and they are changed in heart and soul by serving."

"We deeply appreciate the generosity of the employees of Lee Memorial Health System. Their caring and giving attitude means so much to our community," said Cliff Smith, president of the United Way

of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee.

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## Child Abuse Prevention Is Focus Of Department Of Health Event



The Pinwheels For Prevention campaign supports National Child Abuse Prevention Month

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month and the Florida Department of Health is proud to join state agencies and community partners in supporting the Pinwheels For Prevention campaign and working to ensure all children have the opportunity for healthy growth and development. One morning last week, nearly 100 department employees came together with representatives from Ounce of Prevention to bring awareness to the harsh reality of child abuse in the state of Florida and across the nation.

"We must show our commitment every day to making our communities safe for our children," said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong. "Our goal is to ensure that every child in our state has the opportunity for healthy growth and development, without the threat of child abuse and neglect."

Pinwheels For Prevention is a national campaign creating a community-wide commitment to healthy child development, and it is implemented annually in Florida by Prevent Child Abuse Florida, the Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida and the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF).

Child abuse can include mental or emotional abuse, or neglect. The Florida Department of Health's Children's Medical Services, Child Protection Teams (CPTs) are medically-directed, multidisciplinary, community-based programs, which provide assessments that supplement the child protective investigation activities of the DCF and designated sheriff offices. Each CPT is led by board-certified pediatricians with expertise in abuse and neglect. CPT staff also provides training for child protection investiga-

tors, other community providers of child welfare services, emergency room staff, and other medical providers.

If you suspect that a child is being abused or neglected, call the Florida Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-96-ABUSE (1-800-962-2873).

To learn more about the Child Protection Team, visit [www.floridahealth.gov/AlternateSites/CMS-Kids/families/child\\_protection\\_safety/child\\_protection\\_teams.html](http://www.floridahealth.gov/AlternateSites/CMS-Kids/families/child_protection_safety/child_protection_teams.html).

To learn more about the department's efforts to improve the lives of Florida's children, visit [www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/childrens-health/index.html](http://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/childrens-health/index.html).

To learn more about Pinwheels For Prevention, visit [www.ounce.org/CAPMonth.html](http://www.ounce.org/CAPMonth.html).✱

## Golf Fundraiser For Cancer Patients

To help make a difference in the lives of cancer patients in need, the 21st Century CARE foundation is hosting the 7th annual Swings Against Cancer golf tournament. The event will take place Saturday, April 25 at Fiddlesticks Country Club, 15391 Cannongate Drive, Fort Myers.

Swings Against Cancer will feature golf contests and a silent auction with one-of-a-kind prizes. Guests can win a day with Fort Myers Mayor Randall P. Henderson, Jr., including a plane trip with the mayor followed by lunch at the Veranda Restaurant.

Also up for auction is an Undercover Extreme Ride and Dine experience for four with Lee County Sheriff Mike Scott. The winners will be picked up from their home in an armored SWAT vehicle and escorted to an undisclosed marina on

the gulf coast. There, they will set sail for Cape Harbour on the *Smuggler's Nightmare* for drinks and dinner at Rumrunners Restaurant.

"After having personal experiences with cancer in my family, I'm honored to be part of Swings Against Cancer to help cancer patients in our community," says Sherriff Scott. It's going to be a great time for the winner."

Player registration and warm-up begins at 11:45 a.m. and the scramble starts at 1 p.m. The event ends with a dinner and awards ceremony at 6 p.m. Registration is \$150 per person and includes green fees, a golf cart rental, awards dinner and player gift. Additionally, there are sponsorship opportunities available.

21st Century CARE is a nonprofit charitable foundation dedicated to helping cancer patients through financial assistance, research, cancer education and cancer screenings. All funds raised will be used to fund programs benefitting cancer patients in Southwest Florida.

For more information, visit [www.kintera.org/faf/home/default.sp?ievent=1118656](http://www.kintera.org/faf/home/default.sp?ievent=1118656).✱



dearPharmacist

## Weird Causes, Easy Treatments For Dry Eyes



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

### Dear Readers

Gritty, scratchy, irritated, burning eyes, excess watering and/or blurred vision are all symptoms of dry eyes. Today I'm outlining some causes (including some weird

ones) as well as simple, affordable solutions.

Blinking your eyes allows a complex mixture of oil, water, and mucous (kind of like tears) to bathe the surface of your eye. These tears remove debris, provide lubrication, help reduce your risk of infection and keep the surface of your eye clean. We take for granted this vital function, until we run out, or we develop an imbalance of the make-up of your tear mixture.

Lack of oil for your tears causes the watery layer of the eye to evaporate, making it feel dry and gritty. This is why you often see promotions for fish oil to help with dry eyes. It can improve levels of oil in your body and serves as a lubricant. The causes for reduced tear production vary; let's go over that now:

- Age matters. Anyone over the age of 50 who has gone through hormonal changes (both men and women) may experience more problems with dry eyes.

- LASIK surgery. This is an unusual but possible cause of dry, irritated eyes.

- Autoimmune disorders. It could be a direct assault to the tear glands or collateral damage. Regardless, dry eyes are associated with many autoimmune disorders including Hashimoto's, Sjogren's syndrome, rosacea, diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, scleroderma and lupus.

- Medication. There's no shortage of drugs that can dry you out. There are literally hundreds. At the top are antihistamines, which are intended to dry you out. That one is no surprise. But also decongestants, many anti-depressants, especially the tricyclics (nortriptyline, amitriptyline and doxepin). Muscle relaxers are big-time dryers, like cyclobenzaprine and baclofen. Sleeping pills, blood pressure medications and thiazide diuretics such as HCTZ are other eye dryers.

Palliative treatments such as natural tear drops are fine but your real goal is to reduce the inflammation and discover the underlying cause. It's pretty well known today that fish oils (omega 3 fatty acids) are able helpful for dry eyes. But you can do better. The new dietary supplement Chia Seed Omega by Essential Formulas contains essential fatty acids from chia seeds, a superfood plus omega 3s. Powerful stuff and sold without prescription at health food stores. What else can you try?

- Eat black currants or take a supplement of black currant seed oil. This

significantly increases your plasma concentration of GLA (gamma linolenic acid) which is an omega 6. It also enhances immune function.

- Place a small humidifier on your nightstand and sleep with it turned on; it can work wonders.

- Vitamin A, especially good if you have a BCMO1 gene SNP.

- Warmth will help loosen up any hardened oil in clogged meibomian glands. Apply a warm compress to your

eyes for 10 minutes, morning and bedtime. Try Thermalon's compress for a better effect.

- Hyaluronic acid can make a huge difference for your eyes and skin; it helps you hold on to moisture.

*This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit [www.SuzyCohen.com](http://www.SuzyCohen.com).* ✨

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

Lizzie and Pryce answer your questions and give advice about aging 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 waited for three years to get the

accommodations I wanted at our local retirement home. When they finally called, I immediately put my house up for sale, disposed of all of the household items I would not need and moved in.

I have been in the retirement home for six months and it is lovely, but I will have to move out next month. My house has not sold and the asking price continues to go down so I will be moving back.

Where did I go wrong?

Clarissa

### Dear Clarissa,

You did not do anything wrong – you were in the wrong place at the wrong time through no fault of your own. You applied the advice you were given and waited until it was time to make a move, and then made your move. You, as well as many, many other people, have been caught in the housing market difficulty.

It is important to talk to the director at the retirement community to let her know what is happening to you and what you would like to do in the future: move back if your home sells. Also, she should be

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Doctor and Dietitian

## Farmer's Markets: Healthy Veggies For Every Season



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

Floridians have the wonderful opportunity to enjoy fresh vegetables all year long. Farmer's markets bring fresh produce practically to your doorstep. Healthy fruits and vegetables – many of them locally grown and/or organic – are made accessible and affordable to local families and provided by local vendors: a recipe for success in any community. Luscious commodities such as asparagus, garlic, greens, colorful varieties of tomatoes, carrots, cucumbers and squash, are ready for your consumption.

Taking a stroll or a bike ride to your local farmer's market is an enjoyable way to burn some calories too. Walk around and see the crafted house jams and jellies. Purchase some organic grapes, freeze them, and have a delicious non-candy treat. You are bound to find some tasty cheeses, such as feta, which will add an amazing deliciousness on top of the salad you make from all your fresh veggies. Don't forget to stop and smell the hand-crafted soaps. Love those! Besides the fresh produce, you will probably find some local honey, fresh hummus, fresh baked goods, smoked fish, fresh barbeque and even all-natural dog treats.

Farmer's markets provide us with healthy, nutrient dense vegetables. And everyone needs more veggies! Combine the colorful foods to be found: the reds, oranges, yellows, purples and greens. Choose brightly colored vegetables which are more nutrient dense and rich in antioxidants. Pair them with fresh protein such as fish, chicken, beef, pork, lamb, and you've got a great, healthy meal. No matter what the season, look for vegetables with good color to get more nutrient bang for your buck.

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# Local Habitat Recognized For International Milestone



Pat Benner, Gary Aubuchon and Roger Brownell with a Habitat partner receiving a stove

Imagine an organization that not only cared about the local community, but focused on how they can leverage their abilities to impact the lives of families worldwide. Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry counties is doing just that. Not only is the local affiliate dedicated to providing affordable home solutions in Lee and Hendry counties, they are also working towards eliminating poverty housing around the world. During the recent Habitat for Humanity International Conference, in Atlanta, Georgia, Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry counties was recognized as one of seven affiliates (out of over 1,400 in the nation) to tithe over \$3 million to international affiliates.



Dian Brownell setting the foundation

This titling milestone translates to 781 decent, affordable homes in developing countries worldwide. Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry counties continues to partner with five international affiliates in Colombia, Haiti, Nicaragua, Dominican Republic and Guatemala, by tithing a portion of unrestricted funds to help provide healthy, affordable housing there.

Last month, Habitat volunteers and staff took their partnership to another level, packed their bags and followed their tithe to Guatemala. For a full week, the local Habitat team became a part of the Habitat Guatemala team as they participated in a Global Village trip. They began by digging trenches and tying rebar to create the footers for a home in Chimaltenango, Guatemala, completing the first phase of the foundation. In the few days that followed, they focused their energy on building smokeless stoves for families who have



Roger Brownell building a stove with adobe brick and mud mortar



Guatemala stove



Pat Benner, Gary Aubuchon, Roger Brownell, John Dailey, Stephanie Davis, Becky Sanders-Lucas and Brian Lucas

traditionally cooked in an enclosed space using an open fire on a dirt floor. Habitat builds new stoves to provide a smoke- and soot-free environment, which also means fewer illnesses and fire hazards.

Thirty-four percent of deaths in Guatemala are caused by respiratory problems from the effects of biomass smoke. This is caused from the lack of ventilated smoke while cooking.

“When we arrived at the first makeshift home in Guatemala that did not have adequate ventilation, there were thick black layers of soot on the ceiling and walls. This is what causes the lung condition we know as black lung. Smokeless stoves are a simple solution which dramatically impacts the health of an entire family,” said Brian Lucas, vice chairman of the board for Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry.

Habitat volunteers worked together to build a total of six stoves using adobe brick and mud mortar. Subsequently, Habitat Guatemala will install metal stove tops and ventilation devices to drive the smoke outside of the small living spaces.

“With deplorable living situations around the world, such as that of Guatemala, I am very thankful to be a part of an organization that not only supports the local community, but also focuses on the housing crisis we are facing internationally,” said Pat Benner, Habitat volunteer. “The Guatemala Global Village trip was an eye-opening experience, and allowed me to see how Habitat of Lee and Hendry counties is using its funds to give a hand up to struggling families around the world. I can now say that I understand Habitat’s vision of creating a world where everyone has a decent place to live.”

For more information on how to get involved with Habitat, call 652-0434 or email paulas@habitat4humanity.org. To learn more about Habitat for Humanity and the work being done in the community, attend the next session of Habitat 101 on Tuesday, April 21 at the Habitat administrative offices, 1288 N. Tamiami Trail in North Fort Myers. Lunch is provided; registration is required. Call 652-1678 to register. ✱

From page 23

## Mom And Me

able to advise you of the home support services available if you need assistance when you return home.

Pryce

### Dear Clarissa,

I am also shocked at the downturn in the economy when I always thought that there were firm controls in place to prevent such a thing. We are told that this is not a depression but a recession, but the housing sector has been severely affected.

I would suggest you contact an attorney who may have suggestions for people

in your situation. The attorney may have a possible solution and could contact your retirement complex and maybe they can come to a reasonable solution. They probably do not want you to move out, and they may want to help you to stay.

Your real estate agent may have some suggestions you could consider. Houses are selling but at a much slower rate and if they suggest having a staging expert see your property, I would suggest that you consider it strongly.

Best of luck.

Lizzie

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



# DID YOU KNOW

## TRIVIA TEST

1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many sides does a snowflake have?
2. COMICS: What superhero's alter ego was Natasha Romanova?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How long is the dolphin's gestation period?
4. LANGUAGE: What is fratricide?
5. MOVIES: What was the name of actress Lauren Bacall's debut movie?
6. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. state has the most coastline?
7. ELEVISION: Where did the Flintstones live?
8. MEASUREMENTS: How many ounces are in 2 pounds?
9. PRESIDENTS: Ramsey Clark served as attorney general under which president?
- 10.HISTORY: When was the first trans-Atlantic telegraph cable completed?

## ANSWERS

1. Six 2. Black Widow 3. About 12 months 4. Killing a brother or sister 5. "To Have and Have Not" 6. Alaska 7. Bedrock 8. 32 9. Lyndon Johnson 10. 1858.

## My Stars★★★★

### FOR WEEK OF APRIL 20, 2015

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Don't be put off by a seemingly too-tangled situation. Sometimes a simple procedure will unsnarl all the knots and get you in the clear fast and easy, just the way the Lamb likes it.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to go through your work space -- wherever it is -- and see what needs to be replaced and what can be tossed (or at least given away) without a second thought.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Someone who disagrees with your position might try to intimidate you. But continue to present a fair argument, regardless of how petty someone else might be while trying to make a point.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You might find yourself exceptionally sensitive to family matters this week. An issue could come to light that you had overlooked. Ask other kinfolk to discuss it with you.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) You might have more questions about a project (or perhaps someone you're dealing with on some level) than you feel comfortable with. If so, see which can be answered, which cannot, and why.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to clean up and clear out what you don't need before your tidy self is overwhelmed by "stuff." Then go celebrate the Virgo victory over clutter with someone special.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) You might feel a mite confused about why something you were sure couldn't go wrong didn't go all right either. Be patient. Things soon move into balance, exactly as you like it.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) At this decision point, you could be moving from side to side, just to say you're in motion. Or you could be considering making a move straight up. What you choose is up to you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Although your finances should be in an improved situation at this time, thrift is still the savvy Sagittarian's smart move. Advice from a spouse or partner could be worth heeding.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Taking on a new challenge brings out the Goat's skills in maneuvering over and around difficult spots. Best of all, the Goat

does it one careful step after another. (Got the idea, Kid?)

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Your well-known patience might be wearing thin because of a disturbing (and seemingly unending) problem with someone close to you. This could be a time to ask for help. Good luck.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Be careful about a new venture that lures you into a "just-look-and-see" mode. Be sure that what you're being given to see isn't hiding what you should be seeing instead.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Aries and Taurus give you the gift of leadership and the blessings of care and concern for all creatures.

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On April 25, 1719, Daniel Defoe's fictional work "The Life and Strange Adventures of Robinson Crusoe" is published. The book, about a shipwrecked sailor who spends 28 years on a deserted island, is based on the experiences of Alexander Selkirk, a Scottish sailor who spent four years on a small island off the coast of South America in the early 1700s.

- On April 21, 1816, Charlotte Bronte, the only one of three novelist Bronte sisters to live past age 31, is born. Charlotte's two older sisters died of illness while at Clergy Daughter's School. The grim institution found its way into her masterpiece "Jane Eyre" (1847).

- On April 26, 1913, 13-year-old Mary Phagan is found molested and murdered in the Atlanta pencil factory where she worked. Her murder led to one of the most disgraceful episodes of bigotry, injustice and mob violence in American history -- the lynching of her innocent Jewish boss, Leo Frank.

- On April 22, 1934, George "Baby Face" Nelson kills Special Agent W. Carter Baum during an FBI raid in northern Wisconsin. The famed gangster was born Lester Gillis but wanted to be known as Big George Nelson. Unfortunately for him, his youthful looks led everyone to call him "Baby Face."

- On April 24, 1940, bestselling mystery novelist Sue Grafton, creator of private eye Kinsey Millhone, is born. Starting with "A Is for Alibi" in 1982 and titling each of her books with letters of the alphabet in order, Grafton is currently up to W, for "Wasted."

- On April 23, 1967, Soviet cosmonaut Vladimir Komarov is killed when his parachute lines tangle during his spacecraft's landing. Komarov plunged to the ground

1. Who is the only pitcher to strike out more batters in tossing a no-hitter than the Dodgers' Clayton Kershaw, who struck out 15 during a game in 2014?
2. How many times did Hall of Famer Willie Mays hit 40 or more homes runs in a season?
3. Name the only player from the University of Illinois to be chosen No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft?
4. Which was the last NBA team before the Miami Heat (2011-14) to appear in four consecutive NBA Finals?
5. Of the seven hockey Canada Cups/World Cups, the Canadian men's team has won five. Which countries have won one each?
6. In how many consecutive Olympics did Germany win a gold medal in the two-man bobsled before its eighth-place finish in 2014?
7. In 2014, golfer Bernhard Langer set a record by winning the Senior British Open by 13 shots. Who had held the event mark?

## ANSWERS

1. Nolan Ryan struck out 17 in a no-hitter in 1973 and 16 in a '91 no-hitter. 2. Six times, including a high of 52 in 1965. 3. Quarterback Jeff George, in 1990 by Indianapolis. 4. The Boston Celtics, 1984-87. 5. The Soviet Union won in 1981, and the U.S. won in 1996. 6. Three consecutive Olympics (2002, '06, '10). 7. Bob Charles won by seven shots in 1989.

from 23,000 feet.

- On April 20, 1980, the Castro regime announces that all Cubans wishing to emigrate to the U.S. are free to board boats at the port of Mariel west of Havana, launching the Mariel Boatlift. The first of 125,000 Cuban refugees from Mariel reached Florida the next day.

## STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was 19th-century French historian Edgar Quinet who made the following sage observation: "Time is the fairest and toughest judge."

- The Guinness brewery in Dublin, Ireland, has a 9,000-year lease on the property -- and the rent is a mere 45 Irish pounds per year.

- Researchers at Yale University have determined that the most recognizable scent to American adults is coffee, followed by peanut butter in the No. 2 spot.

- In 1941, the British entered World War II, much to the relief of the USSR. One Soviet admiral was so grateful for the help that when a British naval captain on the submarine HMS Trident commented that his wife had a hard time pushing the baby carriage through the snow in Britain, the admiral declared, "You need a reindeer!" -- and presented the sub's crew with one. Dubbed Pollyanna, the reindeer spent six weeks aboard the sub, where it reportedly liked to sleep under the captain's bed. Pollyanna eventually ended up at the Regents Park Zoo.

- The state of Mississippi takes its name (unsurprisingly) from the river. But how did the river get its name? Etymologists say that the modern pronunciation is from a French variant of "meshi-ziibi," which in Algonquian Ojibwa means "big river."

- Those who study such things say that 20 percent of modern relationships that end in marriage begin online.

- The red panda is a vulnerable mammal species found in parts of Asia. It's about the size of a house cat, but its tail can grow up to 19 inches long.

- When the Crayola company was approaching a production milestone, executives asked Mister Rogers to come to the factory to pour the wax for the one billionth crayon.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Imitation is the sincerest form of television." -- Fred Allen

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

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# The New Face Of Golf Is Likeable Jordan Spieth – And The Game Desperately Needs Him



by Ed Frank

The thrilling Masters victory last Sunday by 21-year-old Jordan Spieth was a victory for the ages – one that could provide the needed spark to rejuvenate the interest and participation in the grand old game.

As we all know, Spieth’s record-matching 18-below-par was first set 18 years ago by another then 21-year-old named Tiger Woods.

But Spieth brings to the game, and to the public, attributes foreign to Woods – humility, politeness, friendliness and kindness.

He was raised that way by his parents, both former college athletes. If you were one of the millions watching that

final round on Sunday, perhaps you saw him give a thumbs-up salute to competitor Justin Rose after Rose hit a spectacular approach shot to Hole No. 7.

And then moments after his final putt on 18 for his wire-to-wire victory, he returned to the 18th green to applaud the spectators and volunteers.

Have you ever seen Woods display these traits?

We wrote about this youngster exactly a year ago when he finished his first Masters tied for second place. That obviously made him all the more hungry to return this year to finish the job.

He became the first golfer in 39 years to lead the famous tournament all four days and, along the way, set a bevy of records including a blistering 28 birdies.

Spieth rode into the Masters on a tear, having a win and two seconds in his last three tournaments. Combined with the Masters, he has won \$4,111,000 in those four events.

His love of family and friends is grounded on a special love for his young special needs sister, Ellie. He calls her his “real hero.”

The Jordan Spieth Charitable Fund supports special needs youth, military families and junior golf.

There is little doubt that the game of golf needs Jordan Spieth and others like him. For eight straight years, more golf courses closed in this country than opened, while the number of U.S. golfers dropped from an estimated 29.8 million to 24.1 million, according to recent studies.

The National Golf Foundation reported only 14 new courses opened in the United States last year while 158 closed.

The recession obviously contributed to the decline, but other factors included cost, the length of time to play a round, and the growth of interest in other sports by young and old alike.

Yes, golf needs the gracious Jordan Spieth.

## Miracle Open Season 2-2; Home This Weekend

The Fort Myers Miracle opened the 2015 season with a 2-2 record including a home opener victory last Friday over Charlotte before a record 9,203 fans.

The Miracle is home this weekend at Hammond Stadium against Tampa Thursday night and a three-game series with St. Lucie Friday through Sunday. The first pitch Thursday and Friday is 7:05 p.m. with a 6:05 p.m. start Saturday and a Sunday matinee at 4:05 p.m.

Several changes were made to the Miracle roster after our press deadline last week.

Familiar names to Miracle fans from last year’s Florida State League championship team that have returned are shortstop Niko Goodrum and second-baseman Adlerling Mejia.

The outfield features Jason Kanzier, the hero of the 2014 Championship series, whose hitting and fielding sparked the Miracle title run.

## Everblades Start Post-Season Run This Weekend.

The Florida Everblades begin their quest for the ECHL Kelly Cup Championship when they face the Orlando Solar Bears in Round One here this weekend.

The first two games of best-of-seven series will be Friday and Saturday nights at Germain Arena. Games three, four and five, if necessary, will be in Orlando. If a game six or seven is necessary, the series will return to Germain on Monday, April 27, and Wednesday, April 29.

The local hockey team finished the regular season with a solid 49-16-2 record and a second place finish in the 14-team Eastern Conference of the ECHL.

The 2014-15 season was a marked improvement from a year ago when the team went 37-27-3 and failed to earn a post-season slot for the first time in franchise history.✪



Jordan Spieth

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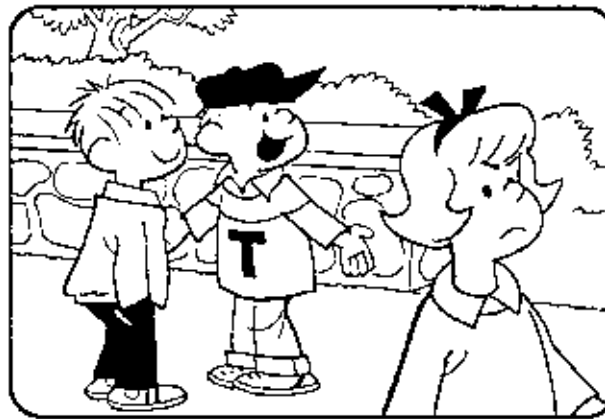
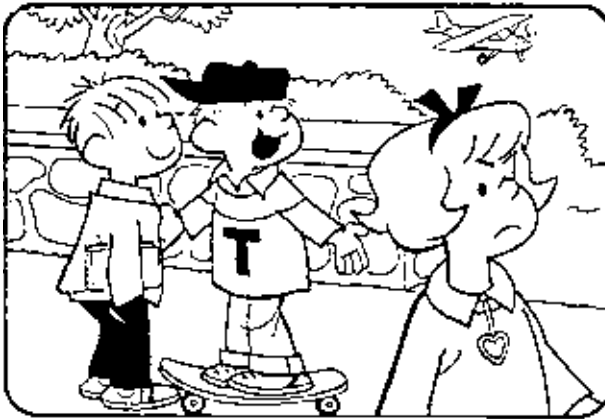
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**TODAY'S WORD**

answer on page 27

**PUZZLE ANSWERS****SUDOKU**

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9	5	1	8	7	3	6	2	4
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## Shore Fishing: Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Landings 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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7	1		6			9		
		6			2			8
8				3			6	
	3				5		9	
9			8					4
		2		1		5		3
2			9		1		7	
		4			6			5
	6			5		2		

SUDOKU

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

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Pets Of The Week

Hi, my name is Shelle and I'm a two-and-a-half-year-old tan and white spayed female hound mix.

Comments: I'm a bit of a naturalist who loves the outdoors. I enjoy bird watching, squirrel chasing and splashing around in the backyard pool. I've socialized well with other dogs at the shelter and walk nicely on leash.

Adoption fee: \$40 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Catch Spring Fever adoption promo for dogs 40 pounds and over.

My name is Pepper and I am a spayed female domestic short hair gray tabby age two.

Comments: If you are looking for a friendly, cuddly kitty then you'll love me. I get along with the other kitties at the shelter and am very patient when my nails are trimmed. I'm easy breezy and will make a great addition to your family.

Adoption fee: \$50 (during Catch Spring Fever adoption promo; get \$20 off when you donate an item for Animal Services' Kitten Shower throughout April)

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

The shelter is open for adoptions from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office, off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.\*



Shelle ID# 595592



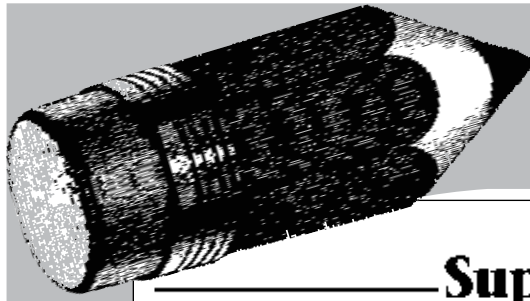
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Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL	667-1354
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Southwest Florida Music Association	561-2118
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Langford Kingston Home	239-334-2550
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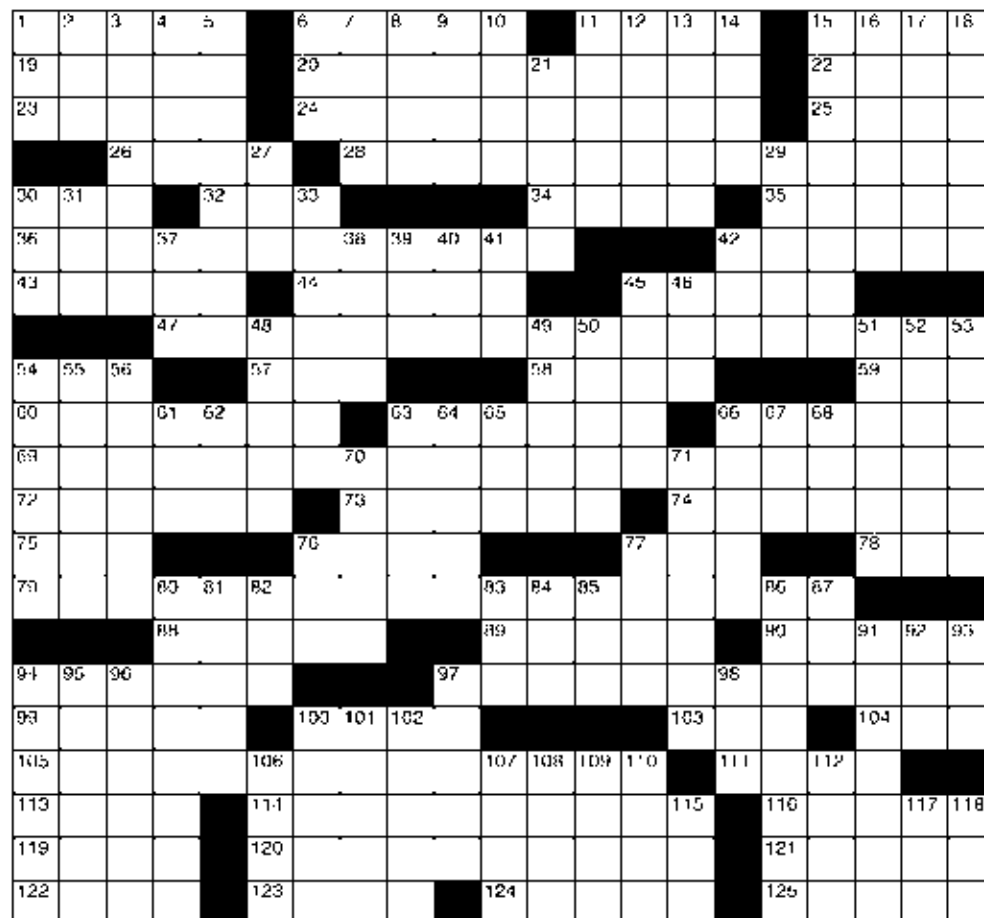
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## Super Crossword

### MIXED BLESSING

#### ACROSS

- 1 Emmy, e.g.  
6 Explorer — Polo  
11 Ming's bear  
15 Hospital VIPs  
19 Spanish man  
20 It's made of milk, flour and butter  
22 Sharing the secret of  
23 "The Matrix" star Reeves  
24 Unit equal to 0.338 fluid ounce  
25 Knock off  
26 Stage muggers  
28 Boating the former best  
30 4x4, briefly  
32 Lousy  
34 Ian Fleming's alma mater  
35 Jaded  
36 Online comparison shopping site  
42 More nasty  
43 Dance in Rio  
44 Has a bawl  
45 Prenatal chambers  
47 Locker, e.g.  
54 U.S. enlists
- 57 Arrest, as a perp  
58 Tiddlywink or Frisbee  
59 How- (DIYers' books)  
60 Jurist Scalia  
63 Novelist Graham  
66 Camphor or fructose  
69 Need-for-speed adage adapted from the Bible  
72 Road salt  
73 "It's about time!"  
74 Separates after a multiplayer tackle  
75 Edifice extension  
76 Debate side  
77 Khan (Islamic imam)  
78 Wide shoe spec  
79 Building up to the loudest point  
88 Parliament's House of —  
89 "Win a Little — Luck"  
90 Piece-of-cake class
- 94 Fold, spindle or mutilate  
97 Both a near a salad bowl  
99 Smell  
100 Cannonballs and such  
103 Pro-earning union: ABB  
104 Heathful getaway  
105 Backlash  
111 Banks of modeling  
113 Catch with one's ears  
114 "Viva Las Vegas" co-star  
116 Ancient Greek colony  
119 Stanley Gardner  
120 Not tried up  
121 Kids' caretaker  
122 Changed the color of  
123 Favorable votes  
124 Actor Mike  
125 Meal blessing that's "mixed" and hidden in seven answers in this puzzle
- 2 Itsy-bitsy  
3 Disneyland's city  
4 Burnett of gossip  
5 Snare sound  
6 DC double  
7 Warlike deity  
8 Thinker  
9 Carme Chapman  
10 Drop  
11 Latex, e.g.  
12 Money spent  
13 Sailor's site  
14 German man  
15 Deny  
16 Borrowed  
17 Not smooth  
18 — of Berlin (snack brand)  
21 More crafty  
27 Got less taut  
29 Lute film critic Roger  
30 Happy times  
31 In a  
33 Sitcom psychiatrist Fraser, to his patients  
37 '2 Bruke Girls' aier  
38 Steed breed  
39 Sizable  
40 Comb insect  
41 Key near F1  
42 Sca. to Gigi
- 45 Flustered  
46 Tic toe link  
48 Chilling, as champagne  
49 Playwright Clifford  
50 City in North Dakota  
51 Star, in Nice  
52 Having no service charge  
53 — fly (African pest)  
54 Congregate  
55 Gobble down  
56 Anais  
61 " — will" (threat endor)  
62 — (Geo Wild)  
63 Must, slangily  
64 Holy artifact  
65 Jose's "that"  
66 " — & Kel" (teen show)  
67 Psychic skill  
68 Prefix with light  
70 Turf groups  
71 Real aficionado  
75 So-so link  
77 Slip — (mess up)  
80 Made a racket  
81 Hulk of a wrestler?
- 82 Furiousness  
83 Slugging stat  
84 Esser "a"  
85 Enmaloed Fr. lady  
86 Deteriorating  
87 Paddled too  
91 Girl told not to cry in song  
92 "Ch-huh"  
93 "I'm — loss" for words  
94 Han quickly  
95 Carotid, e.g.  
96 A pep talk may boost it  
97 Outspoken  
98 Receiving a pension  
100 Golf's Palmer, to pals  
101 High-IQ crow  
102 The & the Pappas  
106 Like verison  
107 Quick haircut  
108 Punker Pop  
109 Alergon's department  
110 At no time, in verse  
112 Mimic a tiger  
115 Sa ris' stats  
117 Yellow pages abbr.  
118 Favorable vote



## King Crossword

#### ACROSS

- 1 Matternorn, for one  
4 Bankrolls  
8 "Unh-unh"  
12 Vast expanse  
13 Others (Lat.)  
14 Mountain goat  
15 Bald  
17 Zlich  
18 Zlich  
19 Lurches  
21 File container  
24 Restroom, for short  
25 Before  
26 Bathroom fixture  
28 Malodorous  
32 Cretion  
34 Space  
36 Stash  
37 Black tea of India  
39 That man's  
41 Chaps  
42 Varnish ingred ent  
44 Cheap and shabby  
46 Cutting tool  
50 Under the weather  
51 Wrinkly fruit  
52 Lax  
56 Compared to  
57 Caspian
- feeder  
58 Try the sherry  
59 Engaged in karaoke  
60 Newspaper page  
61 Pigeon
- old Assyria  
9 Reed instrument  
10 Teller's partner  
11 Q of partners  
16 Disencluser  
20 Luftwaffe foe (Abbr.)  
21 Greek salad ingredient  
22 Haw minerals  
23 Carpet  
27 "Humbug"  
29 Fterna  
30 Mid month date  
31 Say it
- isn't so  
33 Spilling the beans  
35 Snapshot  
38 More, to Manuel  
40 Protect  
43 Chocolate source  
45 Right angle  
46 Shacks  
47 Turkish title  
48 Family  
49 Distort  
53 "Nemra —"  
54 Perch  
55 Agent

#### DOWN

- 1 Blond shade  
2 Meadow  
3 Distress-free  
4 Bifold  
5 Hearty brew  
6 Platter  
7 Cordage  
8 Capital of



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