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Bay Scallops Slowly Coming Back In Tarpon Bay

submitted by Sarah Bridenbaugh,
Research Assistant, SCCF Marine Lab

Bay scallops (*Argopecten irradians*) have been elusive in Tarpon Bay and the waters around Sanibel and Captiva for years. In their 2015 annual report surveys, the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission classified bay scallops in Pine Island Sound as “vulnerable and sparse.”

Since 2009, the SCCF Marine Lab has participated in efforts to restore bay scallops to the area by placing cages filled with hundreds of scallops in Tarpon Bay. The idea is to keep the scallops in close proximity to each other to increase the chance of successful spawning. To monitor the spawning success of the scallops, spat collectors – citrus bags hanging vertically in the water column to catch recently spawned scallops – are placed strategically around the cages in the hopes of finding evidence of spawning.

On June 16, the spat collectors were gathered and meticulously examined for scallop spat. Six scallops were discovered within the 12 bags, the greatest number of newly spawned scallops ever detected by SCCF in Tarpon Bay over such a short period of time. This discovery has prompted marine lab staff to begin conducting surveys of adult bay scallops both inside and outside of Tarpon Bay and to consider utilizing more cages in more locations in the hopes that successful spawning events will return the bay scallop from “vulnerable and sparse” status to “stable” in the future.

Before the local scallop population collapsed in the 1960s, there were enough bay scallops to support commercial scallop fishing in Pine Island Sound. It is generally

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The six juvenile scallops collected from the spat collectors in Tarpon Bay on June 16

SBDAC To Open Two Solo Exhibits During Art Walk



1950s by Oliver Dominguez

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center will host a pair of exhibitions opening on Friday, July 3 from 6 to 10 p.m. during Art Walk. A solo exhibition by Oliver Dominguez,



Leapord Summer by Oliver Dominguez

Hats of Time, will be on exhibit in the Grand Atrium. Upstairs in the Capital Gallery, the Fun & FunKtional exhibition is being presented by the Southwest Florida Fine Craft Guild.

Dominguez's new series, Hats of Time, is a small glimpse through the history of hats in fashion. The paintings tell interesting stories of past eras and characters.

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Construction On Estero Boulevard Expected To Start During The Summer

Construction is expected to start on Estero Boulevard, from Crescent Street to Lovers Lane, this summer. While Lee County's construction manager, Chris-Tel Construction, is busy soliciting for bids to build the improvements on Estero Boulevard, the Town of Fort Myers Beach is preparing to install new waterlines beginning in July. It is necessary for the town to start replacing the water mains on Estero Boulevard in advance of the county's work. New water lines need to be operational so the existing water main can be removed or abandoned.

Florida Power & Light will move their power poles to the back of the right-of-way as they continue work to strengthen their facilities throughout Lee County to help improve service reliability due to severe weather. This will also allow for wide sidewalks for use by pedestrians and bicyclists as part of the Estero Boulevard Improvements. Lee County expects to begin constructing their improvements later this summer.

Waterlines Preconstruction Meeting

The Town of Fort Myers Beach will hold a preconstruction meeting for Estero Boulevard businesses and residents located from (and including) Times Square to Red Coconut RV Park from 4 to 6 p.m. on Monday, July 6 at the Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church in Silver Hall, located at 100 Chapel Street on Fort Myers Beach. This meeting will provide construction details specific to the waterline work in this area. The public is welcome to attend to learn about possible changing traffic patterns. The town's waterline replacement program is being done in coordination with Lee County's Estero Boulevard Improvements Project.

The water main along Estero Boulevard will be replaced and may affect businesses and residents from Times Square to Red Coconut RV Park. Businesses and residents along Estero Boulevard in this section should be prepared for water shut-offs. While affected parties will be notified via flyers, it's always a good practice during waterline construction to keep extra water and ice on hand for emergency shut-offs. A precautionary boil water period of approximately three days typically follows a water shut-off.

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Nature Walk With Bird Patrol Guide



Eastern phoebe photo by Meg Rousher

Take a free nature walk with a bird patrol guide on Saturday, July 4 beginning at 8 a.m. at Lakes Regional Park, located at 7330 Gladiolus

Drive in Fort Myers. Participants should meet at Shelter A7. Enter Lakes Park gate from Gladiolus and turn right. Drive to the end of the road, then continue through the parking lot. Shelter A7 is located near the train station.

This easy walk along clear paths offers an opportunity to see birds in native vegetation with experienced bird patrol guides pointing out the many species in Lakes Park, a Lee County birding hot spot and crucial nesting area for many birds. Wear comfortable shoes and dress to be outside. Bring water, sunscreen and binoculars.

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

Celebrate July 4th At Edison Ford

The Edison Ford Winter Estates is offering free admission to United States veterans and active military on Saturday, July 4 with proper identification. Free admission at Edison Ford

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Celebrating The Red, White And Blue



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

The American flag is one of the most popular decoration themes in the many historic photos of Fort Myers parades, especially Fourth of July or Washington's Birthday parades. Be it a float, car, horse-drawn wagon, commercial truck, tractor, or even a bicycle, the patriotic red, white and blue was a perennial favorite. Even horses didn't escape the inconvenience of plumes, streamers and ribbons.

Pictured in the photograph from the early 19-teens is a parade act unto herself.

Geraldine Carson has bedecked almost every square inch of herself and her bicycle with the stars and stripes. Notice the decorated straw hat on the floor, which has been fashioned into a tri-cornered Revolutionary style.

The girl with a patriotic parade flair and level gaze was the daughter of pioneer Frank Carson, who had served as town marshal and tax collector in the late 1890s.

She went on to become one of the town's best-remembered writers. Locals will recall her by her married names, first Bartleson and later Vesper.

She started her career as the Fort Myers correspondent for the *Miami Herald* in the 1930s. During World War II, she worked at Buckingham Army Air Force Base and in the late 1940s began a 21-year career as society editor for the *Fort Myers News-Press*.

She covered Fort Myers before malls, sprawl and Interstate 75, when downtown was the main place to do business, and newsprint – not television or the Internet – was the main source of news.

She gathered that news by going right to the sources, visiting stores and offices and working the phone. She paid particular attention to the stores that women frequented, such as M. Flossie Hill's on First Street, to stay abreast of the latest goings-on.

Her pioneer roots and deep knowledge of the town's people and history no doubt contributed to her finesse in covering everything from marriages and births to bridge parties and hospital admissions.

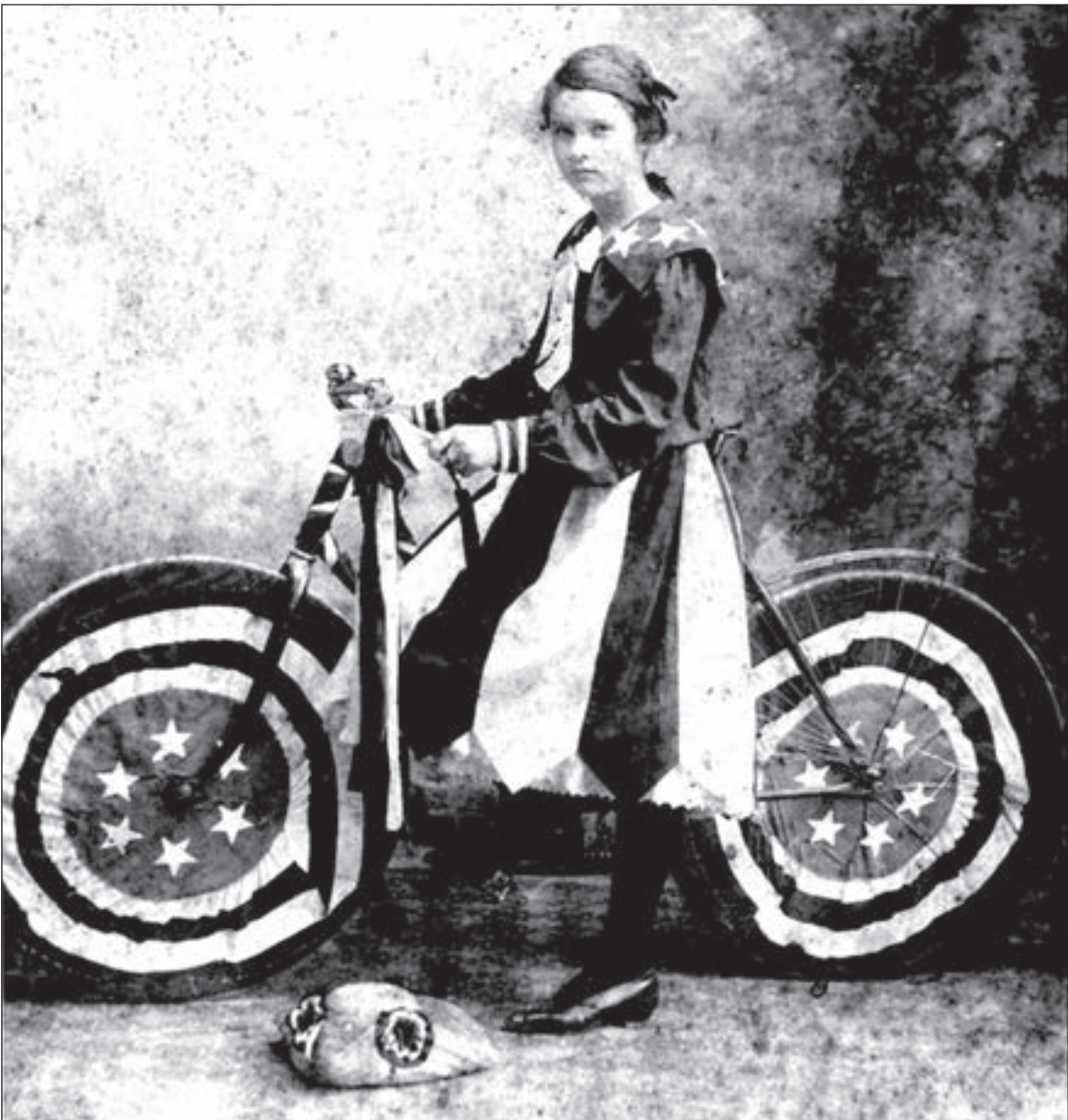
In 1956, the Business and Professional Women's Foundation honored her as Woman of the Year.

A master of the delicate art of writing for the "society pages" of years ago, she knew how to keep a confidence, what to reveal and when to reveal it -- if ever.

When she died in 1986, her colleagues remembered her as a professional who combined consideration for others, an ability to listen, and impeccable spelling and accuracy.

They also remembered her as a lady, in the old-fashioned best sense of the word. Walk downtown and imagine the parade of a century ago that includes a girl and her bicycle dressed in the stars and stripes.

Then, stroll over to the Southwest Florida Museum of History, where you can learn more about the many parades of historic Fort Myers.



Geraldine Carson costumed for a parade in the early 19-teens

courtesy of the Southwest Florida Historical Society

For more information, call 321-7430 or go to museumofhistory.org. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Be sure to visit the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center to learn more about Geraldine Carson Bartleson Vesper and see more parade photos.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

Contact the society at 939-4044, or visit on Wednesday or Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon.

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Fort Myers Art:

Plays By Female Playwrights At Theatre Conspiracy



by Tom Hall

In August, Theatre Conspiracy celebrates the first of eight female playwrights that it will produce during its 2015-16 season. Female playwrights are a rare commodity in theater, and

Harvey playwright Mary Coyle Chase is the epitome of this arrestingly tough, gritty and deeply intuitive club of women theater writers.

Chase's childhood may have predisposed her to a life of stagecraft. Growing up, she was regaled by her mother and four uncles with tales about fairies, pookas and spirits from Irish folklore. Celtic legend also influenced young Chase's understanding of mental illness. Her mother repeatedly chided Chase to "never be unkind or indifferent to a person others say is crazy [because they] often have deep wisdom and we pay them great respect in the old country, calling them fairy people, and it could be that they sometimes are."



The first in Theater Conspiracy's celebration of female playwrights is *Harvey*, an award-winning play by Mary Coyle Chase

Prior to 1920, there was no radio or television, so in addition to family-based oral storytelling, theater-going was a popular and affordable pastime. The Denver of Chase's youth supported seven major theaters. Chase was introduced to the theater with *Macbeth*. She was so enamored that she regularly skipped school to

see plays thereafter.

After graduating high school at the age of just 15, she enrolled at the University of Denver, later transferring to the University of Colorado. But she left college without graduating when her summer internship at *The Denver Times* morphed into a full-time position.

Not surprisingly, Chase was initially assigned to the paper's society section. That did not fit well with her temperament or self-image. She quickly worked her way up to feature stories, hitching rides on the sides of trucks, riding on the back of her photographer's motorcycle, and even dressing as a man to get a scoop. This was an epoch in journalistic history during which reporters typically worked in "The Front Page" tradition – putting in long hours, drinking hard and stopping at nothing to beat the competition to a story. Chase embraced the work ethic. She distinguished herself by reporting the news from a humanized, sob sister, emotional angle, injecting humor and writing funny, flapper era pieces as part of a series of stories under the banner of *Charlie and Mary*.

Not everyone appreciated Chase's irreverent manner or sense of humor. In 1931, Mary was demoted back to the social calendar and society pages as punishment for a practical joke she played on an unsuspecting editor. Chase could not abide the affront to her journalistic skills and instincts. She quit, focusing instead on starting a family. Between 1932 and 1937, she gave birth to three sons. She did not quit writing though, working during this period as a freelance cor-

respondent. By her own account, Chase found family life fulfilling and her husband deeply supportive of her writing. But her passion had always been the theater, and so she took a stab at writing plays.

Chase's first full-length play was a poignant case in point. Titled *Me, Third*, it was produced in Works Progress Administration theaters across the west to rave reviews. But the play did not translate well to Broadway. Retitled *Now You've Done It*, it flopped, closing after just three weeks.

Undeterred, Chase wrote *Chi House* a year later. It was so well received that RKO Radio Pictures made it into a Hollywood film called *Sorority House*. Then the war came and Chase took up a series of government, volunteer and union jobs, serving as the Information Director of the National Youth Administration in Denver, doing volunteer work for the Colorado Foundation for the Advancement of Spanish Speaking People and working as publicity director for the Denver branch of the Teamsters Union. But throughout this period, Chase was obsessed not with writing a critically-acclaimed play, but to produce a theatrical piece that would help war-weary Americans laugh once more.

In the final interview she gave, Chase provided insight into what inspired her to write Chase. "As I was leaving home every morning at 8:15 with my boys, a woman would emerge from the door of the apartment house and go in the opposite direction, to the bus to go downtown to work... I didn't know the woman, but I

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heard that she was a widow with one son who was ... a bombardier in the Pacific. One day, I heard that her son was lost. Things like that were happening to so many people then, that wasn't what jolted me so much as the fact that in a week or 10 days, I saw the woman leaving the apartment house, going a little more slowly, to catch the bus to go back to her old job. I couldn't endure it. She began to haunt me. And the question began to haunt me. Could I ever think of anything to make that woman laugh again?"

Chase thought about that woman day and night, considering and rejecting one script idea after another. Then, early one morning, she had a vision of a psychiatrist walking across her bedroom floor pursued by a large white rabbit. Harvey was born. The play was an instant sensation. Many of the people who attended the play had lost someone on the front. It didn't matter. *Harvey* was the anecdote for their grief and pain, and they laughed with abandon once again.

Chase won the Pulitzer Prize in Drama for *Harvey*, and the play left her financially well-off for the first time in her life. But that is not how she gauged her success. One night during the show's run, she overheard an audience member tell another that it was the first time his mother had laughed "since Joe was killed." That was more important than accolades and monetary reward. And as an added bonus, the play was also presented on the front lines during the closing months of World War II.

In 1950, Universal Studios paid Chase \$1 million for the screenplay. She did not handle her sudden fame and financial success well. She fell back on her hard-drinking days while she was a reporter at *The Denver Times* until she realized that she was struggling with alcoholism. But she turned that into a positive, founding the Denver House of Hope, a non-profit that provided support to women with alcoholism.

Chase's post-*Harvey* career followed the same up-and-down pattern that she had experienced before. Nearly 10 years would pass before Mary would savor success again with a 1970 *Harvey* revival starring James Stewart and Helen Hayes.

Chase could have ended her career on an up note, but ever the risk-taker, she agreed to adapt *Harvey* into a musical in 1981. The musical was named *Say Hello to Harvey*, and Chase flew to Toronto to assist in the production. Sadly, the critical response was negative and the show closed after six weeks. Chase returned to Denver, where she suffered a heart attack in her home and died on October 20, 1981.

Mary Coyle Chase was no Cinderella and her life was far from a fairy tale. She was a working class warrior who rolled up her sleeves in spite of the great successes and bitter disappointments she encountered along the way. From that vantage, it is not only right, but fitting, that she is the first female playwright being celebrated by Theatre Conspiracy during its Year of the Female Playwright. *Harvey* runs inside the Foulds Theater in August at dates yet to be announced.

Theatre Conspiracy, and the Foulds

Theater, are located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers on the Alliance for the Arts campus. For showtimes and ticket sales, call 936-3239 or go to www.theatreconspiracy.org.

*Tom Hall is both an amateur artist and aspiring novelist who writes art quest thrillers. He is in the final stages of completing his debut novel titled Art Detective. A former tax attorney, he lives in Estero with his fiancé and their four cats.**

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SBDAC Solo Exhibits

They show the fashion and history behind wearing a hat and the symbol for wearing a hat. Each piece of clothing you wear – even a hat – is full of meaning.

Dominguez was born and raised in the south side of Miami, where as a child he spent his time reading comics, watching cartoons and playing with action figures. He began illustrating at a very young age and continued through college. He is a fine artist and illustrator of the picture books *Miracle Mud: Lena Blackburne* and *The Secret Mud that Changed Baseball* by David A. Kelly and *Electrical Wizard: How Nikola Tesla Lit Up The World* by Elizabeth Rusch. His weeks are spent working as a freelance artist and a children's book artist as well as illustrating his own stories.

Dominguez is encouraging patrons to wear their favorite hat to the show and experience the tradition of wearing a hat as "part of your persona, not merely accessory."

In the Capital Gallery, the Southwest Florida Fine Craft Guild presents Fun

& FunKtional. The exhibit will be held on the second floor, and will be judged by collage artist and surrealist painter Claudia Goode. Mediums may include metal, glass, wood, stone, fiber, clay, jewelry, photography and mixed media. Awards will be presented at 8 p.m. during the opening.

Also, don't miss Art Talk Tuesday with Oliver Dominguez on July 7 from 7 to 9 p.m. Both exhibitions will show through July 23.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art center is located at 2301 First Street in Fort Myers. For more information, visit www.sbdac.com or call the box office at 333-1933.*

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A number of other events and activities have been planned for the month of July, including:

Ask The Curator

Wednesdays from 1 to 2 p.m.

Every week, we will focus on a historical artifact from the Edison and Ford era including furniture, inventions, clothing, machinery, books, etc. The topics will be set up monthly so that you can focus on your interests and even bring your own treasure for a look.

The topics for July are:

July 8 – 1916 Model T Ford with James Moss (Automotive Curator) and Matt Andres (Registrar)

July 15 – EBRC Plants/Shade Structures with Matt Andres (Registrar)

July 22 – Books, Papers with Brady Vogt (Book and Paper Specialist) and Matt Andres (Registrar)

July 29 – Estates Artwork with Megan Kissinger (Conservator and Artist) and Matt Andres (Registrar)

Cost for Edison Ford members is free; non-members must have a museum and lab ticket.

Garden Talk: Growing Your Own Oasis

July 11 at 10 a.m. (meet at the Information Booth)

Summer in Florida is one of the best times to think about establishing trees for shade or fruit. Tropical fruits abound on the Edison Ford property since Thomas Edison was interested in growing food for his family and for the community. We have 10 different types of mangoes, bananas, mulberries, lychees, avocados, starfruit, sapotes, sapodillas, jackfruit, miracle fruit and many more. Just pass by McGregor Blvd. and one will see our lovely Royal Poincianas, Apple Blossom Cassias, Ylang Ylang and many more trees in the Garden Shoppe area to learn what works in your space by seeing the real thing.

Participants will receive a 20 percent discount in the Garden Shoppe. Cost for Edison Ford members is \$5; non-members are \$10 (helps us defray the cost of materials). Pre-register by email lcriswell@edisonfordwinterstates.org, by calling



Celebrate July 4th at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates



Members of the Ask The Curator team

Leeanne Criswell at 334-7419 or register the day of class.

Edison's Phonograph

July 14 at 10 a.m. in the Lecture Hall in the South Florida Water Management Building

Curatorial staff and volunteers will provide a demonstration of Thomas Edison's favorite invention: the phonograph. Joining them will be Edison phonograph collector extraordinaire John Kurdyla, who will share his phonograph expertise. Voices will be recorded onto a phonograph cylinder, then played back during the presentation. Information regarding the development of the phonograph and its impact on society will also be discussed. The meeting will also feature a presentation by museum docent Jim Hopton about the zoetrope "hands-on" children's exhibit in the museum. He will provide a take home worksheet so you can make a small zoetrope at home from recycled materials.

The program is also open to current volunteers and the general public who are interested in becoming a volunteer at Edison Ford. For more information, call 334-7419.

Saturday Morning Tea with "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford"

July 18 and August 22 at 10:30 a.m. in the Edison Caretaker's House

Join "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford" for iced tea and pastries in the Edison Caretaker's House as they reminisce



Saturday Morning Tea with "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford"



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about family and friends, living part-time in Florida as well as their helpful hints



Thomas Edison's invention, the phonograph, will be demonstrated

for their marriage, gardening and menu interests. This delightful program features two "seasoned" Edison Ford docents and living history characters who will greet the audience and welcome them into their conversation. The Edison Caretaker's House is air-conditioned and set in the beautiful Edison gardens. Reservations required. Contact Leanne Criswell at 334-7419 or lcriswell@edisonfordwinterstates.org.

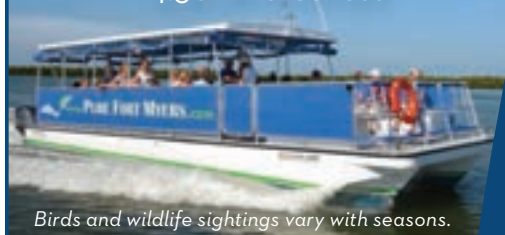
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Newly-elected members of the Fort Myers Beach Lions board

Lions Club Installs New President Via Facetime

Fort Myers Beach Lions made history on June 25 by installing their new President Fred Schmiesing online.

"We are so happy Fred could be with us via Facetime, an online video app where we could see him take his oath of office and he could see us," said outgoing President Darby Doerzbacher.

Fort Myers Beach Lions believe they are the first club in the state to induct an officer via the Internet. The event held at Charlie's Boathouse Restaurant, included the induction of all new officers of the Beach Lions Club, which yearly contributes tens of thousands of dollars to serve the community providing scholarships, eye surgeries and exams, glasses, guide dogs and supporting youth sports teams, amongst many other service projects.



Fran Peters

Every year in March, the club stages the Fort Myers Beach Shrimp Festival, the

town's longest running event.

The installation by Greg Maxwell included awarding three Melvin Jones Awards, the Lions' highest award, and the new Patsy Dorsey Award, named for the longtime beach resident and active Lion who passed away last year.

Lions meet on the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 5601 Williams Drive on Fort Myers Beach, and visitors are always welcome. More information about the Lions can be found at www.FMBLions.com and www.BeachShrimpFestival.com. ✨



The Calendar Girls

The Calendar Girls Entertain Palms Residents

Those swashbuckling sweeties of Southwest Florida, The Calendar Girls, set sail and dropped anchor at the Palms of Fort Myers to entertain the residents on June 25.

Whatever your theme, The Calendar Girls can make your next event sparkle. For more information, visit www.calendargirlsflorida.com or call 850-6010. ✨

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Along The River



There are many spectacular ways to celebrate the Fourth of July this weekend

Independence Day Celebrations on Saturday, July 4:
 The 5th annual **Fort Myers Freedom Fest** is from 5 to 11 p.m.. Bring the entire family to the free event in downtown Fort Myers' historic River District. Kettle corn, snow cones, ice cream, BBQ and funnel cakes will be served by local vendors during the block party, along with a bounce house and face painting to entertain children. Local bands will perform live music from five stages. A veterans salute is scheduled and a spectacular fireworks display begins after sunset.

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Sanibel Island is celebrating Independence Day with its popular Fourth of July parade down Periwinkle Way starting at 9:30 a.m. Then, join islanders for the 36th annual San-Cap Optimist Club's Fourth of July Road Rally, a scavenger-type hunt through the island. It starts at noon from The Timbers parking lot.
 For more information, go to www.sanibel-captiva.org or call 472-1080.
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 Tickets are \$10, and payment is required in advance. Call 489-8472 to purchase your ticket.
 Shell Point is located at 15101 Shell Point Boulevard, Fort Myers. For more information, go to www.shellpoint.org.
 The Lee County Conservation 20/20 program opened **Buckingham Trails Preserve** to the public adding another site within Lee County Parks & Recreation at which people can hike and ride horses. The east Fort Myers site provides a newly built parking area and trail system totaling more than seven miles. There are 2.3 miles of hiking trails and 4.8 miles for both horseback riding and hiking. Equestrian use is prohibited on the pedestrian hiking trails to prevent damage to the historic features of the property.
 This 572-acre preserve features scrubby and mesic flatwoods along with several small wetland systems and cultural resources associated with the property's past military use. Wildlife species on site include the threatened gopher tortoise, Florida sandhill crane and the Cooper's hawk
 The Buckingham Trails Preserve is located at 8790 Buckingham Road, Fort Myers. For more information, call Lee Waller at 707-0862 or go to www.Conservation2020.org.

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Fig Leaf Boutique Now Open

New Mission Systems International (NMSI) announced the grand opening of The Fig Leaf Boutique, an upscale second hand store benefiting global missions. A ceremonial ribbon cutting will be held on Tuesday, July 14 at 11:30 a.m. at the store, located at 2701 Cleveland Avenue, Suite 120 in Fort Myers.

The Fig Leaf Boutique is a ministry of New Mission Systems International, part of Project Build, an initiative to create sustainable revenue for the organization's expanding global projects, as well as impact the local community.

Through Project Build, NMSI expanded its commercial space, and opened The Fig Leaf Boutique to mobilize community groups through volunteerism and donations.

"We are excited to see various businesses and community groups get behind the Fig Leaf Boutique project, through clothing drives and volunteering," said Laura Clancy, president and CEO of NMSI. "The story of old becoming new happens, not just in the clothing donated, but every day in the lives of individuals impacted through the various projects of NMSI globally."

The Fig Leaf Boutique sells gently used and name brand clothing, furniture and home décor items at an 80 to 90 percent discounted rate from department store prices. In addition, they offer unique accessories and items from missionaries around the world, and work with a local counseling center to impact women who have been sexually exploited and trafficked by providing clothing for interviews.

The Fig Leaf Boutique is open Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Donations are accepted during store hours. To learn more about this initiative, visit <https://www.nmsi.org/give/fig-leaf-boutique> or call Janelle Beaber at 989-5155.✱



Outside The Fig Leaf Boutique



The Fig Leaf Boutique will open on July 14

\$628,000 Donated To Golisano Children's Hospital

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation announced that gifts from individuals, businesses and organizations made in response to SWFL Children's Charities, Inc.'s matching gift challenge now total in excess of \$628,000. Gifts support Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida's capital campaign.

This past May, SWFL Children's Charities committed to match each and every dollar donated to the capital campaign by July 31, up to a total of \$1.2 million. The organization sponsors the annual Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest, donating proceeds to local charities with the lion's share directed to Golisano Children's Hospital.

"We are excited the community has responded in this manner," said Sharon MacDonald, chief foundation officer for Lee Memorial Health System Foundation. "We have seen an outpouring of support directly related to the matching challenge

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Love That Dress! And Goodwill Host Collection Event In River District

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida is once again partnering with PACE Center for Girls, Lee for an evening of fun, fashion, and fundraising. The Love That Dress! & Goodwill, Too collection event will be held on Thursday, July 16 at the Goodwill Boutique on First, located at 2401 First Street in the River District. The event will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. and will be immediately followed by an after party at Firestone's.

"This donation collection event is a fun way for community members to support both organizations," said Goodwill spokesperson Madison Mitchell. "All while having fun, of course!"

Attendees are encouraged to bring both a gently loved dress for Love That Dress! and other gently-loved items for Goodwill.

The event will feature light refreshments, entertainment, a scavenger hunt with Goodwill gift certificates as the prizes, as well as a Chinese auction featuring \$100 in gift certificates from Firestone's, a private shopping experience at the Goodwill Boutique for 10 people and \$100 Goodwill gift certificate, and more.

"PACE and Goodwill have forged a solid partnership over the past few years," added Allyson Ross, special projects associate of PACE Center for Girls, Lee. "We've found innovative and creative ways of serving and supporting each other's mission."

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc. operates 30 Retail & Donation Centers in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, and Glades counties to provide funding for its mission of helping people with disabilities and disadvantages by providing life-changing opportunities to achieve independence. Supported programs include Job-Link resource centers, youth mentoring and career guidance, transportation assistance, income-sensitive housing for people with disabilities and senior citizens, and the LIFE Academy Charter School.

For more information about Goodwill's programs, services and locations, visit www.goodwillswfl.org.

This year's Love That Dress! will take place on Wednesday, August 26 at the Embassy Suites in Estero, located at 10450 Corkscrew Commons Drive. All proceeds from Love That Dress! 7 will benefit PACE Center for Girls - Lee County, a non-residential program targeting the unique needs of girls, ages 12 to 18, facing challenges such as physical and sexual abuse, domestic violence, substance abuse, foster care, neglect, death of a parent, family history of incarceration and declining grades. For more information on PACE and Love That Dress!, visit www.LoveThatDress.org.✱

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Crazy Catch And Release Snook Fishing Continues



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

It just does not seem possible that the catch and release snook bite in and around the passes could get any better than it was this week. Non-stop action on snook of all sizes continues to be as good as it gets. On many of the week's trips, we started out fishing in or around one of our local passes with plans of moving on for a shot at another species and then just never left as the action was that good. If the

bite slowed a little, we often moved to a different spot or shoreline in the same pass and the action continued to be just wide open again. It does not matter which of our passes you choose as they are all stacked up with huge numbers of summertime snook.

Big bait, big fish proved very true with some really big female snook feeding well most days this week. On heavy spinning tackle, trying to steer some of these giants out of structure with a fast moving current proved almost impossible at times. Most trips produced a handful of mid 30-inch range snook and a few shots and some 40-inch or better snook. When these big girls where feeding, there was not a pinfish or grunt that was too big to get bit.

A great tool that I have been using on these catch and



Tom, Michael, Bob and Mark McGuire take time out for a picture with one of many pass snook caught and released while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell

Send Us Your Fish Tales

The River Weekly would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the River Weekly, 1609 Hendry Street, Suite 15, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, or email to press@riverweekly.com.

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Why do damage with a landing net, handling these fish to release them when it's just not needed. If you plan on a photo with one of these big snook, have the camera person ready and then wet your hands before handling and keep the fish out of the water as little as possible. Our water temperature is right around 90 degrees most days so the less stress on these fish, the better the chances that they will swim off unharmed to fight another day.

Fishing with Bob McGuire from Fort Myers this week, with family in town from Pennsylvania, we had a crazy non-stop snook bite. What was planned as a six-hour trip was finished early after four hours as we ran out of the 300-plus live baits I brought along. This was one of those snook bites everyone on board will remember for a long time.

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



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CROW Case Of The Week:

Fish Crow



by Patricia Molloy

While most people know that crows are found throughout the United States, few realize that there are two types of crows residing in the southeastern region of the country: the

American crow (*Corvus ossifragus*) and the fish crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*). Their appearances are similar, which makes differentiating them challenging for the uninitiated. To complicate matters, these social birds often forage and roost together.

Fish crows are slightly smaller than the Americans and have shinier plumage by comparison. Fish crows also have bills that are more slender, but visual differences are readily apparent only when the birds are side by side. The best way to differentiate the two is by their voices: while American crows frequently make the familiar "caw-caw" call, vocalizations by the fish crow have a more nasal tone and sound like "uh-uh."

CROW recently admitted two fish crows to its ICU ward. One of the patients - #15-1675 - had been found down and unable to fly as a result of an unknown trauma. Upon presentation, Dr. Brittany happily discovered that the adult

male had no broken bones.

"He had left shoulder swelling. He also had some evidence of infection on bloodwork, so we gave him antibiotics. When I looked at him, his shoulder didn't seem really bad," explained the DVM intern.

Captivity can be very stressful for a wild animal and weight loss is of particular concern for avian patients. As light-bodied creatures, the loss of even a few grams can have devastating results for a sick or injured bird. To alleviate as much stress as possible, the fish crow was placed in a roomy cage in the wildlife clinic's bird room. A clean towel is draped over his cage each morning to create a visual barrier that allows him to hide from the imagined threats posed by being in close proximity to CROW's human staff members. Small dishes of fruit, berries, scrambled eggs and fish are placed in his cage several times per day to ensure that he had plenty of fuel to build-up his strength.

After 10 days, the patient had made progress. "He looks pretty good. He's up and bouncing around and eating really well," Dr. Brittany concluded.

Once Dr. Heather deems him well enough, the black bird will be moved outside to a special enclosure that mimics a more natural environment. When he has shown that he can fend for himself, the fish crow will be returned to his home and released.

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



The fish crow, patient #15-1675, expresses its displeasure at being weighed before breakfast

wildlife from our local area. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mail donations to

P.O. Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 472-3644 or visit www.crowclinic.org.



One of the cages in Tarpon Bay with adult scallops

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Bay Scallops Coming Back

believed by scientists that the collapse of the fishery resulted from construction of the Sanibel Causeway Islands that disrupted the timing and volume of freshwater flows into the lower estuary seagrass areas. Changes in water flow to the estuary also occurred with the construction of the westernmost lock and dam along



One of the citrus bags deployed in Tarpon Bay as a spat collector

the Caloosahatchee between 1962 and 1965. The WP Franklin Lock and Dam - aka Structure 79 - in east Lee County truncated the upper estuary by many miles and created a pool of freshwater behind it, thus changing the volume, timing and quality of freshwater into the estuary. Scallop populations collapsed elsewhere in Florida at about the same time.✽

Volunteer boaters and snorkelers needed for The Great Bay Scallop Search 2015

Join local volunteers on Saturday, July 18 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. for this annual "no harvest" event to help document the health and status of bay scallop populations in Pine Island Sound. Volunteers with shallow-draft boats, canoes and kayaks are welcome; snorkelers without boats are also welcome but boat spaces are limited. Meet at Pineland Marina on Pine Island. SCCF's Marine Lab is one of the event sponsors. Space is limited and advance registration is required. Send an email to hazellj2@leegov.com or call 707-1267.



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Plant Smart

Jacaranda

by Gerri Reaves

One of the many lovely sights that snowbirds miss when they leave the area is the jacaranda tree (*Jacaranda mimosifolia*) in full bloom, some compensation for those who endure the arrival of summer in the subtropics.

This large flowering tree native is native to the Amazon River Basin in Brazil, Argentina and Peru.

A member of the begonia family, it loses its leaves in winter, but in early spring, it produces the bell-shaped violet-blue flowers.

Flowers measure about 1.5 inches across and grow in pyramid-shaped clusters on the branch ends. These clusters of vivid flowers, called panicles, can be more than a foot long.

They, along with the fine feathery foliage, make jacaranda a popular ornamental that provides light shade.

The fine-textured leaves are comprised of tiny leaflets about one-fourth of an inch long. Leaves are once- or twice-divided, with as many as two dozen pairs of hairy leaflets.

The distinctive fruit is a woody circular pod about two inches across that splits open and releases winged seeds.

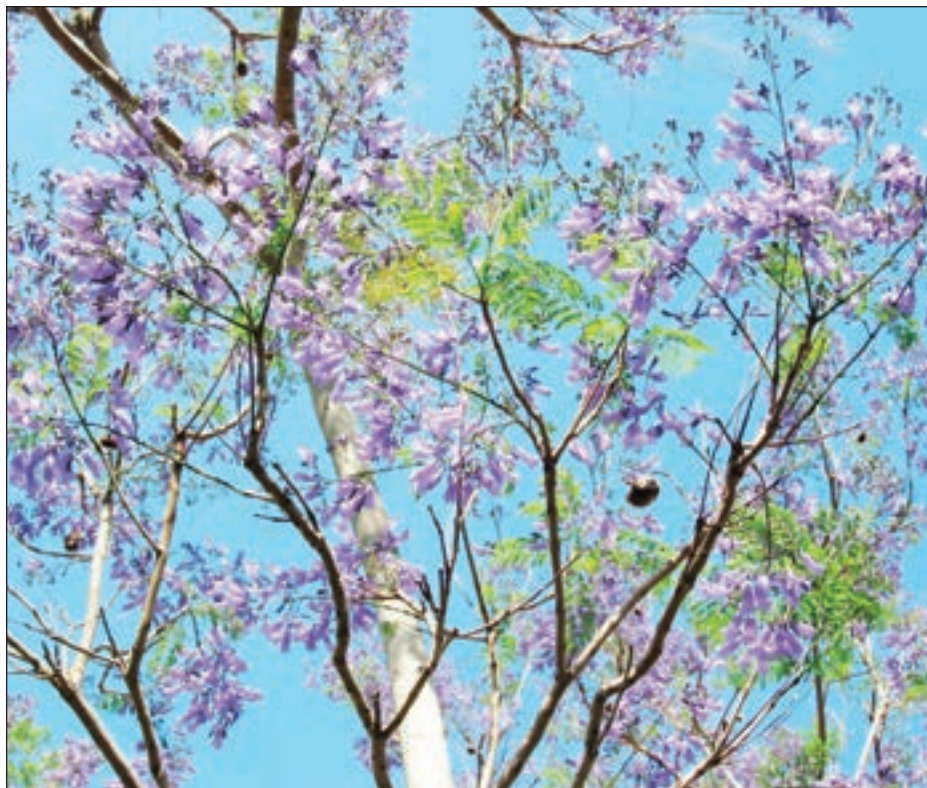


Jacaranda's fruit splits open to release winged seeds photos by Gerri Reaves

Jacaranda needs lots of room in the landscape. It can grow as tall as 60 feet, forming an asymmetrically branching canopy up to 50 feet wide.

It prefers full sun for maximum flowering and moist but well-drained soil. It is somewhat drought-tolerant but will not thrive in open windy conditions. It will not tolerate salt, so is unsuitable for coastal landscapes.

Cultivate jacaranda with seeds or by grafting.



Jacaranda's cluster of violet-blue flowers and feathery foliage make it a popular ornamental tree

Sources: *Florida, My Eden* by Frederic B. Stresau and floridata.com.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧

Fisherman's Paradise:

The Day We Landed 'Old Fighter'



by Cynthia A. Williams

Berry C. Williams (1915 to 1976) was something of a legend as a fisherman in the waters off Fort Myers in the 1950s and early 1960s.

Reproduced for you here are chapters from his unfinished *Fisherman's Paradise*, an account of his fishing adventures that are often hilarious and always instructional. It is presented by Williams' daughter, Cynthia Williams, a freelance writer and editor living in *Bokeelia* on Pine Island.

Chapter XI Part IV

Berry has hooked the "granddaddy of all black sea bass." The giant grouper has pulled the boat, with three men aboard, several miles, but is finally tired and in position to be gaffed. He has already snapped the handle of the wooden gaff hook. Berry yells for the aluminum gaff hook.

It took him two shakes of his head to break the handle. That left us in a heck of a predicament. There we were, without any gaff hook, and no way of getting the fish aboard. I wasn't sure at this juncture whether I'd caught the fish or the fish had



Massey and Berry Williams with Goliath grouper caught out of Punta Rassa, circa 1957 caught me.

By this time, we were attracting a crowd. Three or four boats were following us, trying to ascertain what was going on. Each time one of them approached, I yelled for them to stay back. I didn't want them to do anything that might give this blasted fish any more energy. I had just about had it. My backbone felt like it was being held together by little pieces of bailing wire.

I tried to figure out what in the devil to do. Then, I hit on the idea of having one of the boys double the anchor rope and slip it under the gills of the fish, up through the gaping mouth.

I was badly mistaken if I thought for a minute I could get either one of these

novices to put their hands anywhere near the monster fish's gills or mouth. Finally, in desperation, I yelled to one of the nearest boats and asked if they had a good gaff hook. One of them had a new, short, steel-handled hook. They pulled up to the side of our boat and pitched it to us. Massey and Erlanger gaffed the fish in the lower mouth and by putting their backs into it, started pulling the grouper over the starboard side of the boat. Mistake number two.

As they got "old fighter's" head across the gunnel of the boat, the fish's weight started toppling our boat and in a matter of seconds, we were shipping water.

To be continued next week...✧

Greater Amberjack Size Limit Change Approved

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has approved changing the minimum size limit for greater amberjack caught in Gulf of Mexico state waters from 30 inches fork length to 34 inches fork length. Fork length is measured from the tip of the lower jaw to the center of the fork in the tail.

This change will make state-water regulations in the Gulf consistent with pending federal regulation changes and will go into effect after federal regulations are approved.

Recent stock assessments have indicated that greater amberjack in the Gulf of Mexico are overfished, which means there are not enough greater amberjack for the population to remain sustainable. They are also undergoing overfishing, which means more greater amberjack are being removed than is sustainable. Changing the minimum size limit will help ensure more greater amberjack are left in the water and have a chance to reproduce before being harvested.

For more information, visit MyFWC.com/Commission and select "Commission Meetings" then the "Agenda." For information about recreational greater amberjack, visit MyFWC.com/Fishing and click on "Saltwater Fishing," "Recreational Regulations" and "Amberjack."✧

Conservancy To Expand Wildlife Rehabilitation Hospital

Conservancy of Southwest Florida is expanding the existing wildlife hospital to accommodate the new outdoor wildlife rehabilitation area. The expansion of the von Arx Wildlife Hospital will enable the Conservancy of Southwest Florida to care for a greater number of animals within the wildlife rehabilitation facility by building new wildlife recovery areas, enhancing outside structures and continuing to provide exceptional care for the animals.

"As our organization embarks on the next half-century, the need for replacing and expanding our outdoor wildlife rehabilitation and recovery spaces is urgent," said Lynn Slabaugh, board chair, Conservancy of Southwest Florida. "For many of our von Arx Wildlife Hospital patients, the majority of their recovery time takes place outside – in a more natural setting. Our current outdoor wildlife recovery areas are outdated and do not serve the growing number and variety of patients we see."

During the recent expansion celebration at the Conservancy Nature Center, Dolph and Sharon von Arx announced the Conservancy's receipt of a \$500,000 state grant to help fund the project and they pledged a matching gift.

"The increase in growth and development in our region right now is negatively impacting Southwest Florida's wildlife habitat," said Dolph von Arx, conservancy supporter. "Sharon and I are committed to supporting the outdoor facilities to enable the Conservancy to further its mission of providing quality care to injured and orphaned wildlife."

"The new hospital wing will make a vast difference in what we do within our facility because we will be able to care for a greater number of injured animals," said Dr. PJ Deitschel, veterinarian for Conservancy of Southwest Florida. "These improvements will help us continue our goal of rehabilitating animals and returning them to the wild."



Conservancy of Southwest Florida Board Chair Lynn Slabaugh with Conservancy donors Sharon and Dolph von Arx

The expansion will also feature a new educational complex that will allow visitors to view the Conservancy's permanent resident animals. Visitors will learn about the threats to native wildlife and what the public can do to protect and prevent wildlife injuries.

"In the new guest education area, visitors will come face-to-face with some of our 'ambassador' animals," said Conservancy President and CEO Rob Moher. "These former patients are unable to be released due to the extent of their injuries. We are taking great care to create areas which replicate their natural environment as much as possible."

Expansion features include:

- A new and enlarged shorebird recovery area
- Two large outdoor rehabilitation structures to accommodate the increasing number of patients, including the ability to care for others through the entire rehabilitation project

- 10 small mammal recovery areas
- Four permanent public viewing areas for Florida birds of prey, shorebirds and other "animal ambassadors"
- Design and installation of public educational materials

- Improvements to infrastructure including water, power and caregiver access
- Additional maintenance and storage facilities

Funding

Estimated construction cost, \$2 million

- \$1.6 million raised to date
- \$1.1 million from donor support
- \$500,000 from a state grant
- 80 percent of goal to date

Initial expansion plans are under way. Construction is set to begin this summer with an expected completion date in early 2016.

Commitment to Sustainable Building Practices

The von Arx Wildlife Hospital was the first building in Collier County, and the first wildlife hospital in the state to achieve LEED Platinum Certification for its environmentally conscious design and construction. LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high-performance green buildings.

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida seeks sponsors for the new wing of the wildlife hospital. Donors have the opportunity to sponsor rehabilitation areas as well as a variety of other facilities within the wildlife hospital. For more information regarding expansion efforts and sponsorship opportunities, visit www.conservancy.org/wildlife/expansion or contact Paul Seifert at 239-403-4205 or PaulS@conservancy.org.

Water Quality Report Now Available

Lee County Utilities' customers received water that met or exceeded all federal and state requirements last year, according to a recent report that has been placed online at www.leewaterquality.com.

The report, which also includes information such as source water assessments and service areas, is required annually by the Environmental Protection Agency.

To save ratepayers money, the annual water quality report can be placed online instead of direct-mailing customers, according to federal regulations.

"The ability to provide the report online eliminates the need to print and mail more than 70,000 copies. This method reduces the use of environmental resources and reduces the cost of producing the report," said Pam Keyes, director, Public Utilities.

Lee County Utilities' 2014 Water Quality Report can be found at www.leewaterquality.com. A printed copy may be obtained by calling 533-8845.

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Portfolio Exhibit Featuring Works By College Art Students Opening July 3



Painting by Joshua Martinez of Clewiston

The Alliance for the Arts is showcasing works created by graduate and undergraduate artists from around Southwest Florida during its July exhibit. Portfolio opens on Friday, July 3, with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. This juried exhibit features artwork in a variety of mediums and will remain on display until July 31. Learn more at www.ArtnLee.org or by calling 239-939-2787.

Featured artists from the Portfolio exhibit include Alyssa Baladad (Florida Gulf Coast University), Rachel Bass (FGCU), David Chase (FGCU), Carina Favale (Florida SouthWestern State College), Fernando Guerra (Azusa Pacific University), Marie Gunias (FGCU), Shannon Holland (Northwestern University), Simon Huebler (FGCU), Hannah Johnson (FGCU), Erica Krieger (Penn State University), Chloe Lewis



Momentum by Fernando Guerra

(Maryland Institute College of Art), Kevin Madieros (FGCU), Leila Mesdaghi (FGCU), Ashley Niebles (FGCU), Nicholas Orlando (FSW), Daniel Papanikolaou (FGCU), Caitlin Rosolen (FGCU), Aria Ramirez (FGCU) and Grayson Stoff (FGCU).

Paintings by Clewiston artist Joshua Martinez will be featured in the Member Gallery during the Portfolio exhibit. The 21-year-old, who was diagnosed with Autism at age 2, is a painter of delicate shapes, with a unique vision and tone. His depictions of colors and shapes reveal new sides of ordinary objects, and his paintings make a vivid impression. The interplay of light and dark in Martinez's works is remarkable, and great attention is given to volume and form. View his paintings online at www.artby-joshandmore.com or at his Clewiston gallery Art by Josh & More.

The Alliance galleries and gift shop are located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.*



Untitled by Kevin Madieros

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Glover To Attend ArtSPEAK At FSW



Crispin Hellion Glover

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern State College announced that internationally-acclaimed screen actor and movie director Crispin Hellion Glover will be presenting an ArtSPEAK@FSW event on Friday, July 10 beginning at 7 p.m. in the Rush Library Auditorium. Offering the second part of his *IT?* trilogy for the first time in Southwest Florida, Glover will perform a one-



hour narrative reading of his illustrated books as Crispin Hellion Glover's Big Slide Show, Part 2 before screening his most recent feature, *It Is Fine! EVERYTHING IS FINE*. Following the film, he will open the floor to discussion with a Q&A, and will end the evening with a book-signing/meet-and-greet.

Described as part horror film, part exploitation picture and part documentary, *It Is Fine! EVERYTHING IS FINE* tells the story of a man who is unable to express his sexuality in the way he desires. Communicated from the actual point of view of lead actor and screenwriter Steven C. Stewart, who – while suffering from severe cerebral palsy and confined to a nursing home for a

decade – lived for years watching people do things he was never able to do. This semi-autobiographical, psycho-sexual tale was revered as, "Wildly impassioned and macabrely fascinating" by *The New York Times*.

Glover began his prolific acting career at the age of 13. He landed his first film role in *My Tutor* in 1983, and was cast opposite Sean Penn that year in *Racing With The Moon*. Perhaps best known for portraying riotously eccentric characters on screen, Glover starred as George McFly in Robert Zemeckis' box office smash *Back to the Future* (1985), Layne in *River's Edge*, Groovin' Gary in *The Orkly Kid* installment of *The Beaver Trilogy*, the Christmas-obsessed Dell in David Lynch's *Wild At Heart* (1990), Andy Warhol in Oliver Stone's *The Doors* (1991), the Knave of Hearts in Tim Burton's *Alice in Wonderland* (2010) as well as oddball title roles in *Bartleby* (2000) and *Willard* (2002).

PAPER magazine declared, "What Diane Arbus was to photography, Crispin Hellion Glover is swiftly achieving as a filmmaker... Training his sardonic eyes on the strange and afflicted, he achieves a mad dark poetry on celluloid."

This one-night-only event is open to the public, free of charge. The first-come, first-served seating is limited. However, please note that no one under 18 years of age will be admitted due to the graphic/adult nature of the material to be presented.

For additional information, call 489-

9313 or visit www.RauschenbergGallery.com and follow us on Facebook.

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern State College is located at 8099 College Parkway in Fort Myers.*

Christmas In July Sale At The Shell Factory

The most wonderful time of the year is also in July. The Shell Factory & Nature Park, located in North Fort Myers, is having their 6th annual Christmas in July event.

During the whole month of July, shoppers will get 20 percent off all Holiday House items and other great collectibles. Santa will even be there on July 25 and July 26 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. And you don't want to miss the 12 Days of Christmas Giveaway, along with red light specials daily.

Also being introduced is Chef Andre Frost, who recently joined The Shell Factory family. After a day of holiday shopping, visit Capt'n Fishbones Seafood Grill and try some new menu items, especially prepared by Chef Andre.

The Shell Factory is located four miles north of the Calossahatchee River on Highway 41. Visit www.shellfactory.com to check out our entire Capt'n Fishbones menu and see their upcoming events.*



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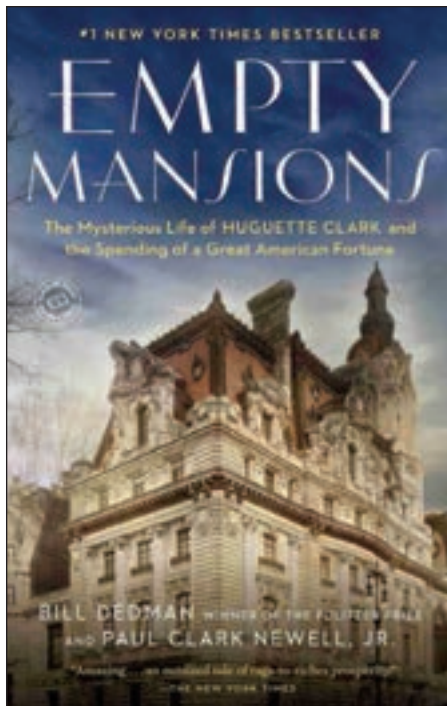
Alliance Book Club Discussion

The Alliance for the Arts' Member Gallery Book Club will hold a discussion on Tuesday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m. The featured book will be *Empty Mansions: The Mysterious Life of Huguette Clark and the Spending of a Great American Fortune* by Bill Dedham. The book club, which meets the third Tuesday of every month, is one of many benefits of an Alliance membership.

When Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Bill Dedham noticed in 2009 a grand home for sale, unoccupied for nearly 60 years, he stumbled through a surprising portal into American history. *Empty Mansions* is a rich mystery of wealth and loss, connecting the Gilded Age opulence of the 19th century with a 21st century battle over a \$300 million inheritance.

At its heart is a reclusive heiress named Huguette Clark, a woman so secretive that, at the time of her death at age 104, no new photograph of her had been seen in decades. Though she owned palatial homes in California, New York and Connecticut, why had she lived for 20 years in a simple hospital room, despite being in excellent health? Why were her valuables being sold off? Was she in control of her fortune, or controlled by those managing her money?

Empty Mansions reveals a complex portrait of the mysterious Huguette and her intimate circle. Readers meet her extravagant father, her publicity-shy mother, her star-crossed sister, her French boyfriend, her nurse who received more than \$30 million in gifts, and the relatives fighting to inherit Huguette's copper fortune. Richly illustrated with more than 70 photographs, *Empty Mansions* is an



enthralling story of an eccentric of the highest order, a last jewel of the Gilded Age who lived life on her own terms.

The book club will meet again on August 18 to discuss *The Porcelain Thief – Searching the Middle Kingdom for Buried China* by Huan Hsu. Individual Alliance memberships are \$50 annually, family memberships are \$75, and college students can become a member for \$15. Members get 20 percent off all classes and camps, free open studio sessions, discounts on concert and theater tickets, and member only exhibition opportunities. Visit ArtInLee.org or call 939-2787 for more information.

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

Library Programs

Programs At Dunbar Public Library

The Dunbar Jupiter Hammon Public Library is offering the following free programs for children and teens in July:

Children's Programs

Holiday Drop-In Craft

2 p.m. Thursday, July 2

Create your own fireworks picture using glue and glitter. All supplies provided.

Storytelling with Windell Campbell

10 a.m. Friday, July 10

Windell Campbell takes the audience on an exciting journey using his voice and puppets to bring stories alive. Tickets available June 26.

Kids Read Down Fines

2 to 3 p.m. Saturdays, July 11, 25

Children and teens earn a \$2 credit for every 15 minutes they read in the designated area for a total of \$8 in one session. Credit may be applied to cards issued to patrons age 18 and under only.

John Storms and His World of Reptiles

10:30 a.m. Friday, July 17

Lizards, skinks and snakes, oh my! John Storms is the reptile man and the world of slithering, cold-blooded and scaly creatures is his stage. Tickets available July 10.

Heroes: The Event of the Summer

10:30 a.m. Friday, July 24

Discover the powers of storybook, historical and modern day heroes at this action packed show filled with magic, music, puppets, balloon artistry and of

course, Sydney the parrot. Presented by 9th Period Shows.

Teen Programs

Crunkchata

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 7

Crunkchata is a blend of hip-hop, reggaeton and bachata. Christina and Kumo from Dolce Vita Dance Company share this exciting style of dance. Registration is required.

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Fort Myers SWAT Team

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 14

Get to know the Fort Myers SWAT Team. Check out their gear and hear stories from these real life heroes.

Superhero Masks & Story Board

2 p.m. Tuesday, July 21

Create a mask, decorate it to your character, and add embellishments and other supplies. Plus, make your own story board superhero page. Registration is required.

The Dunbar Jupiter Hammon Public Library is located at 3095 Blount Street in Fort Myers. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4150. A sign language interpreter is available with five business days notice to library staff.

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

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Lee Library System Receives Latino Americans History Grant

The Lee County Library System has been selected to receive a competitive Latino Americans: 500 Years of History grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the American Library Association (ALA).

As one of 203 grant recipients selected from across the country, Lee County Library System will receive a cash grant of \$3,000 to hold public programs this fall. The programs will include public film screenings, discussion groups, oral history initiatives, culinary instruction and local history exhibitions about Latino history and culture.

The Lee County Library System will also receive the six-part, NEH-supported documentary film *Latino Americans*, created for Public Broadcasting Service in 2013 by the WETA public television sta-

tion. The award-winning series chronicles the history of Latinos in the United States from the 16th century to present day. (Learn more about the series at www.pbs.org/latino-americans/en)

"The 2013 Census shows that Latino Americans make up nearly 20 percent of the Lee County population. They have a rich and varied history and culture in our community that we should celebrate," said Sheldon Kaye, Library System Director. "I'm happy that we will have the opportunity to highlight this topic in our community."

The Latino Americans: 500 Years of History grantees represent 42 states and the District of Columbia, and include 78 public libraries, 68 college/university libraries and organizations, 19 community college libraries, 10 state humanities councils, 12 museums and a range of other nonprofit organizations.

Latino Americans: 500 Years of History is part of an NEH initiative, The Common Good: The Humanities in the Public Square. Additional information about the National Endowment for the Humanities and its grant programs is available at www.neh.gov.✱



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Financial Focus

Work Toward Your Own Financial Independence



by Jennifer Basey

It's almost the Fourth of July – time for fireworks, picnics and a reflection on all the liberties we possess in this country. But if you're going to enjoy the freedom to do the things you want, especially dur-

ing your retirement years, you'll want to take the steps necessary to achieve your own "Financial Independence Day."

Here are a few suggestions for helping you reach that goal:

- Liberate yourself from debt. For most of us, a certain amount of debt is unavoidable. But the greater control you can gain over your debts, the better off you will be, because any dollars not spent in paying debts can be used to save and invest for your future. So look for ways to cut down on your spending and think about postponing some purchases until you can pay for them in cash. It may not be easy, but it's possible. And by putting this "found money" to work immediately in quality investments, you may motivate yourself to keep a lid on your debt level.

- Unlock the power of time. Albert Einstein once said, "The most powerful force in the universe is compound interest." Einstein, who knew a thing or two about the nature of time, clearly recognized its importance in investing. In fact, as an investor, time may be your greatest ally. The more years in which you invest, the more dollars you'll put in, and the longer you'll have for your investments to potentially grow. Even if you're just starting out in your career and can only invest a small amount each month, you'll be starting to accumulate the amount you'll eventually need to enjoy the retirement lifestyle you've envisioned.

- Release your investments' growth potential. To attain financial freedom during your retirement years, you will need to invest for growth – it's that simple. So include an appropriate amount of growth-oriented vehicles in your overall investment mix. Ultimately, this mix should be based on your risk tolerance, time horizon and specific long-term goals.

- Free your investments from "clustering." In the investment world, as in many other arenas of life, you can have "too much of a good thing." For example, if you own a particular investment, such as a stock, that has done well, you might think that it's a good idea to own more of the same type of stock. But when investing, duplication can be dangerous, because if a market downturn affects one asset class particularly hard, and much of your portfolio is tied up in that asset class, you could take a big hit. Instead of "clustering" your dollars around a single asset

or two, you could diversify your holdings by owning a mix of stocks, bonds, government securities and other vehicles. While diversification can potentially help you reduce the impact of volatility on your holdings, a diversified portfolio can't guarantee a profit or protect you from loss.

Achieving any type of freedom, in any kind of endeavor, takes time and effort. That's certainly the case with financial freedom – you will need to consistently make the right moves, over a period of many years, before you can finally declare your fiscal independence. But once you reach that point, you will likely conclude that your diligence and dedication were well worth it.

Jennifer Basey is a financial advisor in Fort Myers. She can be reached at jennifer.basey@edwardjones.com.✴

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Construction On Estero Boulevard

The Fort Myers Beach Chamber has offered to provide assistance to restaurants and bars in the form of ice and water during the boil water period.

In general, crews are expected to work during the daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Some night and weekend work may be necessary. Motorists should expect possible lane closures on Estero Boulevard.

Improvements To Estero Boulevard

Lee County will begin construction of the sanitary sewer force main, storm-water improvements and new roadway and sidewalks later this summer. Bids for contractors to build the improvements were due by June 30. Once contractors are selected and then approved, Lee County will hold a public meeting prior to construction. No date has been set at this time. Small group and individual meetings will be held throughout construction with businesses and residents directly located in the construction zone.

What To Expect During Construction

The goal of both Lee County and the Town of Fort Myers Beach is to minimize interruptions during tourist season as much as possible; however, construction of this project will be year-round. Work zones are expected to be approximately 1,000 feet long and motorists should expect more than one active work zone throughout the approximately one-mile segment. Work zones will be both on the bay side and the beach side creating a meandering effect along Estero Boulevard. More information will be forthcoming in the next couple of months.

Visit www.reFRESHFMBeach.com for information about the project. You may also contact the reFRESH Waterlines & Estero Boulevard public information office, Cella Molnar & Associates, Inc., by calling 337-1071 or emailing kmolnar@cella.cc.✴

Airport Refinances Bonds

Southwest Florida International Airport completed a sale of \$33.4 million Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds on June 2. The purpose of the transaction was to refinance the outstanding portion of the county's Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2005A, which were part of the original airport bonds in 2000 to help finance the new terminal complex. The Lee County Port Authority took advantage of a strong rally in the municipal market to sell the airport bonds at very favorable interest rates.

The refinancing will result in approximately \$3.6 million of present value savings for Southwest Florida International Airport or an anticipated \$7.1 million of savings through 2033. Airport Revenue Bonds are payable from the net revenues generated by the operations of the airport.

"We were pleased to be able to successfully complete this bond refinance at a very favorable rate," said Robert M. Ball, A.A.E., executive director of the Lee County Port Authority. "The Port Authority looks for every opportunity to reduce costs and manage our balance sheet at Southwest Florida International Airport and this savings helps us achieve that goal."

The senior underwriter on the transaction was Citi. Bank of America Merrill Lynch served as co-manager and the financial advisor was Public Financial Management, Inc.

The bond transaction is expected to close on July 8.✴

Firm Partners Named Florida Legal Elite

Pavese Law Firm attorneys William T. Haverfield II, Diane L. Jensen, Neale Montgomery, Christopher J. Shields, Brooke N. Martinez and Charles B. Capps have been recognized in the 2015 edition of *Florida Trend's* Florida Legal Elite. The list of honorees, published in the July issue of *Florida Trend* magazine, includes attorneys in private practice as well as top government and non-profit attorneys.

Haverfield, Jensen, Montgomery and Shields have been recognized in the Legal Elite category, and Martinez and Capps are first-time winners in the Up-and-Comer category.

The entire Legal Elite report can be viewed at www.FloridaTrend.com/LegalElite.✴

AppleJuice

iOS 8 Tips For Apple Device Users



by Carol Rooksby Weidlich, President, SWACKS

Typing Tips

Undo and Redo – Rather than using the backspace key to retype what you've typed, shake your iPhone and a menu appears at

the bottom of the screen. By tapping the "Undo Typing," you'll delete what you have typed. If you want to restore your typing, shake your iPhone again and tap the "Redo Typing." If the text had been pasted, shake to "Undo Pasting."

Need to type in all upper case letters? Double tap the Shift Key and all the letters you type will be upper case.

Privacy

In a crowd and don't want others to see your messages? Then change your setting to private. Go to "Settings" > "Notifications" > "Messages" and disable "Show Preview." Now, only the sender's ID-number or name is displayed.

System

You can easily swipe left or right

from screen to screen. But did you know that there's a hidden page flip button? There's a border between the home screen tool bar at the bottom and the wallpaper which shows a small white dot for each screen you have. Tap the dot and you move through the screens. If you find your fingers a little big to use this function, a stylus will work also to tap the dots.

Invert screen colors for better nighttime viewing by going to "Settings" > "General" > "Accessibility" and turn on invert colors. This will make your screen black and text white.

Receiving annoying phone and text messages? You can easily block these unwanted contacts by using the following steps. For text messages tap on "Contact" in the top right corner of the screen. To the far right you'll see the letter "I" in a circle. Tap on this icon, which will open the contact information. Tap "Edit" scroll to the bottom of the screen and tap "Block this Caller." These steps also work for block calls using FaceTime.

Workshops are held the second Tuesday of each month from 1 to 3 p.m., and meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 7 to 9 p.m. (with the exception of July and August) at Zion Lutheran Church, 7401 Winkler Road in Fort Myers.

For more information on the South West Florida Apple Computer Knowledge Society (SWACKS), visit www.swacks.org.✴

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley,
My daughter is taking a summer school class and I have noticed that she is using her phone for studying. She says she is taking her notes

on it and studying with a friend. I think that she's just surfing the web and not paying attention. Are kids using their phones for studying these days? I feel very out of touch!

Alicia A., Fort Myers

Alicia,

It is very difficult for most parents to keep up with the latest technology. Today's students are much more sophisticated, technologically speaking, than those who grew up in the days of flip phones and CD players or like me whose only access to a phone growing up was a rotary one.

Kids are not passing notes any longer in the classroom. Instead, we see a fair amount of texting, tweeting and Facebooking on smartphones in typical high school or college classroom. In fact, more than ever before, there is also some studying going on using these smartphones.

A new study out of the National

Communication Association wanted to find out whether increased smartphone and social media use in class impacted student learning and what they found was that it had both negative and positive effects.

In the study, researchers analyzed kids who were using phones in class to respond to text messages both relevant and irrelevant to the class material. They measured the type of messages and the frequency of them, and found that students who were texting about the material actually scored higher on multiple-choice tests about the subject than those who were texting about non-class related things who ultimately scored more poorly.

One of the best ways to study and encode information in your brain is to digest and restate that information to someone else. In other words, telling your friends about what you're studying in a casual way, like texting, may help your memory when you're being tested on the information.

The researchers of the study thus concluded that texting about class material does something similar to students' memories. "Sending or receiving relevant messages may allow students to engage in similar processes as those that occur during note-taking," researchers noted. So this type of communication is a good helper to studying, as long as it remains on topic.

It looks like a student has a couple of choices (of course depending on the classroom rules): Either put the phone away and pay attention in class, or judiciously

text your friends, but only about the information you've just learned and this may help you to remember it later.

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

Hall Makes Honors List

Fort Myers resident Kaleigh Hall has been named to Husson University's Honors List for the spring 2015 semester.

Pratt Institute Honors Kafei, Norris

Farah Kafei and Jessica Norris, both residents of Fort Myers, were among the 900 students honored recently by Pratt Institute as members of the school's President's List for the spring 2015 semester.

Founded in 1887, Pratt Institute is a global leader in higher education with historic campuses in Brooklyn and Manhattan, New York.

Bowser Named To Honor Roll

Matthew Bowser, a resident of Fort Myers, has been named to the President's Honor Roll for the spring 2015 semester at Bismarck State College, located in Bismarck, North Dakota.

"BSC students are great; it is always gratifying when the honor roll comes out and students like Matthew get the credit they deserve for their focus and hard work," said Dave Clark, BSC interim president.

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FGCU Adds New Associate Dean

Vivek Bhargava has joined the Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) Lutgert College of Business as Associate Dean of Faculty & Administration, effective July 1. Bhargava comes to FGCU from Alcorn State University, where he has served as dean, interim dean, associate dean, director of the MBA program, and faculty member. The School of Business was accredited for the first time under Bhargava's leadership.

Bhargava received his doctoral degree in finance from the University of Alabama in 1996. He also holds a master's degree in business administration and a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering. In addition, he is a holder of the right to use the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation.

Bhargava has published over 30 research papers in the fields of financial investments and derivatives in nationally and internationally recognized journals, including *Journal of Portfolio Management*, *Financial Review*, *Journal of Multinational Financial Management*, *International Journal of Finance* and the *European Journal of Finance*. In addition, he is one of the founding members and 2006 and 2010 president of Society of Business, Industry and Economics (SOBIE).

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\$250,000 Gift For Shipley Center At HealthPark

Efforts to provide Southwest Florida residents with the finest possible cardiac care received a major boost when long-time Lee Memorial Health System supporters Lex and Eileen Roulston announced a \$250,000 gift to The Shipley Center for Cardiothoracic Surgery Innovation, Education & Research. The generous donation will be used to build and name a conference room for use by physicians, researchers, clinicians and community members directly involved with developing and managing key center initiatives.

This marks the third naming gift made by the Roulstons including establishment of the Lex and Eileen Roulston Cardiac Decision Unit in 2007. The Roulstons take an active role in education and awareness projects sponsored by the American Heart Association. Following his own successful surgery, Lex Roulston founded the Mended Hearts program at Lee Memorial. Mended Hearts seeks to speed recovery for current patients by providing support, education and encouragement from those who have already successfully met the challenges posed by surgery.

"Eileen and I are excited to be able to support the Shipley Center in this manner," said Lex Roulston, who received lifesaving open heart surgery at Lee



Lex and Eileen Roulston recently announced a \$250,000 gift to support The Shipley Center for Cardiothoracic Surgery Innovation, Education & Research, which will be based at HealthPark Medical Center. Taking part in the announcement celebration are, front row from left, Lex and Eileen Roulston and Brian W. Hummel, MD. Second row from left, Kandy DeWitt, RN; Paul L. DiGiorgi, MD; Donna Giannuzzi, RN; and George M. Comas, MD.

Memorial Health System. "The programs and services provided at the center are especially important for our community and will allow patients to receive world-class care and treatment without having to travel outside of Southwest Florida."

The goal of the Shipley Center is to improve patient outcomes through an in-depth understanding of an individual patient's risk factors, co-morbidities and personal health needs prior to surgery and then share outcomes research with the medical community locally, nationally and internationally through medical journal publications and scientific presentations.

Paul DiGiorgi, MD, leader of Shipley Center efforts, said, "Lex and Eileen Roulston have played a key role in building our cardiothoracic initiatives, including support for our minimally invasive surgery programs. This wonderful gift is greatly appreciated and truly demonstrates the concern Lex and Eileen have for others in the community who are facing cardiac challenges."

The Shipley Center was established in April 2015 as the result of a \$2.5 million gift made by the Shipley Foundation, headed by Richard C. Shipley of Sanibel. The 10,000-square-foot center will be constructed on the first floor of HealthPark Medical Center.

For more information about the Shipley Center and naming/sponsorship opportunities, contact Linda Kelly of Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at Linda.Kelly@LeeMemorial.org or 343-6064.✱

Dr. Verwest Sponsors South Fort Myers HS Band

Pediatric Dentistry of Fort Myers' Dr. Tim Verwest, DMD, made a donation to the South Fort Myers High School band boosters. Proceeds donated support the care and maintenance of instruments and uniforms.

"We're happy to have the South Fort Myers High School Band as one of our main musical acts for our inaugural snow day on October 3," said Dr. Verwest. "Everyone is going to want to be there for this wonderful event."

For more information, visit www.DrVerwest.com or call 482-2722.✱

Ronald McDonald House Charities Names New Marketing Director

Jennifer Harner has joined the Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) as marketing director.

In her role, Harner will be responsible for marketing, fundraising, branding and promotion of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida through special events and the identification and cultivation of donor prospects and opportunities. In announcing Harner's appointment, Laura Ragain, executive director of RMHC, said, "We are excited to have Jennifer join us and believe her extensive experience and expertise will be a valuable asset to the continued growth of our organization."

Harner recently relocated to this area from the east coast of Florida where she was public relations assistant manager for Bloomingdale's Palm Beach Gardens and Boca Raton stores. Previously she held the position of event manager for It! Events + Media in Palm Beach, Florida, where she was the lead wedding planner and gained national recognition for numerous high profile weddings and notable non-profit events.✱



Jennifer Harner

Doctor and Dietitian

Staying Young And Fit



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

Old is just a state of mind. We may not be as flexible and agile as we were in our 20s, but we can do everything possible to ensure that we will be strong, mobile and active as we age. That's key to staying young and fit!

What attracts us most to southwest Florida is the active lifestyle. Walking along the sea shell-lined beaches, kayaking in the estuaries or taking a dance class. Every morning, you see all ages walking, running and bicycling along the miles of bike paths.

By staying active, you can prevent diseases of aging such as osteoporosis, heart disease, arthritis, adult-onset diabetes, and others.

8 Things Needed To Stay Young

And Fit

1. A positive attitude: You'll feel so much better looking at the positive instead of the negative.

2. A sense of humor: Taking the good with the bad often requires letting yourself just "laugh it off." Don't take yourself or life too seriously all the time. Smile!

3. Discipline: Achieving anything in life requires discipline. Make a health plan and stick to it.

4. Healthy food: Eat fresh, organic, non-processed foods each day. Never underestimate the power of food.

5. Strength training: Lift weights two to three days a week. Muscle burns more calories than fat. Strength training aids in weight loss and osteoporosis prevention.

6. Wake up early: Being outside early to walk, run or bike wakes you up and makes you feel invigorated for the rest of the day.

7. Balance train: Balance tends to go as we age. Try workouts using on a Bosu ball or balance discs.

8. Quiet time: Take some time daily to read, study, pray or meditate. Focus on what's really important and close to your heart. The calm is priceless.

Start making healthy lifestyle changes today, and stay active for life.

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

dearPharmacist

Best Solutions For Skin Ailments



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: Summer is the time when our skin is exposed. We need to keep it looking beautiful.

Here are some common skin conditions, as well as solutions:

Acne – Kids with chronic acne may be zinc deficient or low in natural Vitamin A, but usually the cause is related to hormonal imbalances. It usually doesn't matter if you avoid chocolate, however, junk food and refined sugar add to the problem. Don't pop the zits; that only makes it worse. I suggest you dab some tea tree oil on problem areas. Get routine facials to help gently exfoliate your skin and balance pH. An essential fatty acid supplement may help. I also suggest you apply a facial mask with either bentonite clay or charcoal. I love Origin's Clear Improvement charcoal mask for this purpose.

Eczema – Dry, cracked skin and blisters can become very painful. Eczema has been associated with sluggish detoxification, autoimmune conditions or reduced intestinal flora. A study just published in *Clinical and Experimental Allergy* found that the strain *Lactobacillus rham-*

nosus GG is particularly protective against eczema, so make sure your probiotic contains this strain. Some people have eczema flare ups in response to nickel or metal sensitivities. The more challenging cases are probably related to breaks in the "tight junctions" of your skin, a reflection of immune dysregulation.

Rosacea – This is a full-body inflammatory condition in the body that causes redness and pustules mainly around the nose and center of the face. Avoiding alcohol, direct sunlight and spicy foods will help, but stress is a major player. Stress sparks more pro-inflammatory cytokines and those need to be reduced. Conventional doctors often prescribe prednisone or steroid creams. Probiotics, digestive enzymes supplements and antioxidants can help and do not interfere with medicine. Grape seed extract and Ester C has also been shown to help.

Scars – Some people rub raw garlic cloves on their scars (or their pimples), which is thought to reduce bacterial invasion. Taking Vitamin E by mouth each day can help as well as Vitamin E oil applications. Drink orange juice daily to ramp up vitamin C and keep an aloe vera plant handy. I love aloe, rubbing it on your skin can work wonders in the beginning stages. Small keloid scars can be easily frozen off with liquid nitrogen by a dermatologist.

Sunburn – Calendula creams sold at health food stores are fantastic. Another suggestion is to soak three tea bags of green tea in a pitcher of cold water along with half a cucumber. After one hour (or longer), saturate a wash cloth with the cucumber-tea infused water and apply it

to your skin. You can also directly apply the tea bags.

Warts – Common skin warts are viral and salicylic acid remedies are sold at any pharmacy. Immune-building supplements can help. Cat's claw or reishi mushrooms are options; both have antiviral activity and immune boosting benefits. Folk remedies include covering it with duct tape or nail polish. With time, these usually go away on their own.

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

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\$628,000 Donated To Hospital

issued by SWFL Children's Charities with over 400 donors stepping forward to make gifts. We're over halfway to our matching gift goal and ask everyone to consider making a donation to help us meet the challenge for the sake of our young patients."

Gifts made through the matching challenge will support construction of a new state-of-the art, 128-bed comprehensive pediatric hospital on the grounds of HealthPark Medical Center in south Fort Myers. The new facility will open in 2017.

Gifts eligible for matching funds include those made through cash, written campaign pledges payable within five years, children's hospital event sponsor-

ships and donations of stock.

Community groups, businesses, and individuals wishing to make a capital campaign gift to help Golisano Children's Hospital Meet The Match by July 31 should visit www.childrenshospitalgoal.org or call the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at 343-6950.*

Department Of Health Earns Fit Friendly Award

The Florida Department of Health in Lee County earned its fifth consecutive Fit Friendly Gold Award for maintaining a healthy workplace. The honor is granted for the main office, located at 3920 Michigan Avenue in Fort Myers.

"Encouraging our employees to live a healthy lifestyle allows us to set a good example for the community," said Robert Palussek, administrator for DOH-Lee. "Full-time workers spend more time at work than at home, so it's important for employers to support staff health. All businesses can earn this award by making simple changes."

The Gold Award criteria require healthy options in vending machines, daily independent physical activity opportunities for staff, education programs, healthy food policies and tobacco cessation encouragement. Businesses are evaluated annually on the criteria and appropriate changes.

The department works to protect, continued on page 24

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

My dear friend of many, many years is dying from what I think is a preventable condition. I am going to miss her terribly and feel that she has been betrayed by her national health insurance.

It appears in order to save money, the doctors did not order an expensive diagnostic procedure and only ordered the procedure when symptoms developed. And by that time, it was too late. The

final costs for tests, treatment and terminal care far, far exceeds the cost of the diagnostic procedure, when her condition could have been diagnosed at a curable stage if only it had been done.

Please tell your readers that national health insurance does have problems, and they economize and prioritize in order to keep cost down. Do you have an opinion on this?

Delia

Dear Delia,

It is not just health insurance; it is health maintenance organizations and health insurance in general. Insurance models are built on a medical model of treating illness versus preventing illness. It is only recently that insurance models have recognized the value of preventive medicine, and still not all preventive tests and procedures are covered.

Pryce

Dear Delia,

Our health care has its faults for sure, but I am very grateful that my insurance paid for a diagnostic procedure that I am sure prevented a long-term problem and death.

I am a strong believer in prevention e.g. diet, exercise and lifestyle changes – with the goal not to be living to be 110 but to enjoy the best quality time for as long as possible.

Lizzie

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

Jones Named To Moorings Board

Dr. Robert R. Jones, Collier Campus President and Regional Vice President of Economic & Community Development at Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW), has been named to The Moorings, Incorporated Board of Directors and the Finance Committee.

"Dr. Jones brings a wealth of expertise to our board, including his knowledge of the regional workforce and public finance, which ultimately benefits the more than 700 residents we serve," said Dan Lavender, CEO and president, Moorings Park.

"I'm pleased to serve on a board with such distinguished leaders and for an organization that provides a vital service to our community," said Dr. Jones.

Dr. Jones is serving a three-year term.

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Dr. Robert R. Jones

Turner Joins Real Estate Law Firm

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specializes in the practice area of Civil Trial Law, Turner previously served as the Senior Assistant County Attorney for Lee County. For more than 20 years, he successfully represented and defended the county in numerous cases involving real estate and business related legal matters.

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Florida Radiology Matches \$25,000 Donation To Hospital

Physician leaders from Florida Radiology Consultants recently announced the group would make a \$25,000 donation to support Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida through the ongoing capital campaign. The generous donation will be matched by SWFL Children's Charities, sponsors of the SWFL Wine & Food Fest, as the organization has committed to match each and every dollar donated to Golisano Children's Hospital's capital campaign, up to a total of \$1.2 million, until July 31.

This latest gift from Florida Radiology Consultants continues a giving tradition that has seen the group support a variety of events and campaigns benefiting adult and pediatric cancer patients, patients receiving care at Cape Coral Hospital, trauma victims and young patients at Golisano Children's Hospital.

"Our group prides itself on taking an active role in the community," said Thomas Presbrey, MD, speaking on behalf of Florida Radiology Consultants. "While we support many charities here in Southwest Florida, Golisano Children's Hospital holds a special place in the hearts of our physicians. We are happy to make this gift to help our area's youngest patients."

This donation will enhance the quality of medical care available to children from across Southwest Florida by helping to build the new 128-bed Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. Set to open in early 2017, the new hospital is currently under construction on the campus of HealthPark Medical Center.

Sharon MacDonald, chief foundation officer for Lee Memorial Health System Foundation said of the gift, "We greatly appreciate this donation from Florida Radiology Consultants. Construction of Golisano Children's Hospital is a real milestone for our community and it is no surprise, based on Florida Radiology's past generous donations, to see them step up to support this wonderful project."

"We are aware this gift will be matched by SWFL Children's Charities and encourage everyone to get behind this wonderful effort to help local kids," added Dr. Presbrey.

All donations made to Golisano Children's Hospital's capital campaign from now until July 31 may be eligible to be matched by SWFL Children's Charities. Visit www.childrenshospitalgoal.org for more information or contact the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at 343-6950.

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Upcoming Events At Edison Ford

refreshments. For group reservations, call 334-7419.

Inside The Lab Tours
Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

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

Inside The Home Tours
Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.

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

Young Inventors Tour
Saturdays at 11 a.m.

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

Happy Birthday, Henry Ford
July 30 (events throughout the day)
Edison Ford will be celebrating the 152nd birthday of Henry Ford with free admission to active and retired Ford Motor Company employees on July 30. Free admission includes a self-guided audio tour of the historic homes, gardens, lab and museum. At 10:30 a.m., birthday cake will be served on the museum's



Henry Ford

West Porch for all to enjoy. Edison Ford will be offering special Inside The Home Tours of The Mangoes, the winter estates of Henry and Clara Ford, to all visitors. This special tour will be given at 11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m.

Edison Ford Curators will take you inside for a closer look to see where the Ford family spent their time and how they lived. Site historians and curators will be available for questions throughout the day.

The Edison Ford, located at 2350 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers, is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For additional information, call 334-7419 or visit the www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

Storm Smart Donates To Golisano Hospital

Storm Smart's president and CEO Brian Rist presented the first of three annual donations of \$10,000 to Lee Memorial Health System Foundation to directly benefit Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

The check presentation followed his participation as a panelist during the Building A Power Team event hosted by Above Board Chamber of Florida, of which Storm Smart is a member.

Rist presented the check to Scott Kashman, chief administrative officer of Cape Coral Hospital, who accepted the donation on behalf of Golisano Children's Hospital.

"Brian's generous donation to Golisano Children's Hospital is another shining example of Storm Smart's great corporate citizenship in helping others whenever possible," Kashman said.

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Robert Shearman

Shearman Elected To Board For United Way

The law firm of Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt, P.A., announced that Robert Shearman, a stockholder in the Tort & Insurance Litigation Division, has been elected to the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee Counties Board of Directors. Shearman has served on the United Way Allocation Team for many years and has organized numerous fund-raising events.

Animal Services Celebrates With Pet Adoption Specials

Red, white or blue ... brindle, dapple, tabby or tiger, there are plenty of pets of different colors, personalities and breeds to choose from at Lee County Domestic Animal Services.

With kitten season in full force, the shelter is offering a special to anyone adopting a feline. Kittens may be adopted for \$30 and cats 6 months and older for just \$15 throughout July. All active and former military personnel will receive a free cat or dog adoption.

Kitten season, which runs from May until October, began with over 600 cats entering the shelter in May. In June, the total was approximately 500. The monthly average cat intake during other times of the year is under 300. Presently, the shelter's capacity to house both dogs and cats is compounded by a drop in adoptions during summer months.

Although fees will be reduced, the adoption package valued at \$500 still includes the following:

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- Flea treatment
- De-worming

Photos and information about lost pets or pets for adoption are available online at www.leeadoptpets.com, which updates hourly. Adoption applications may be completed online. Anyone interested in fostering pets may also obtain an application online.

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TRIVIA TEST

- 1. ADVERTISEMENTS: What was the name of the finicky cat in the Nine Lives commercials?
- 2. RELIGION: Where in the New Testament can the full version of the Lord's Prayer be found?
- 3. TELEVISION: Where did the astronaut Tony Nelson live in "I Dream of Jeannie"?
- 4. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Cambodia?
- 5. TITLES: What is an M.P. in Great Britain?
- 6. ARCHITECTURE: Who designed St. Paul's Cathedral in London?
- 7. MUSIC: What is the means of conveyance in the Christmas song "Jingle Bells"?
- 8. MOVIES: In "Forrest Gump," what was the nickname of Forrest's best friend in the Army?
- 9. ASTRONOMY: What is the next planet beyond Saturn in our solar system?
- 10. MEASUREMENTS: What does the Saffir-Simpson scale measure?

ANSWERS

- 1. Morris 2. Matthew 3. Cocoa Beach, Florida 4. Phnom Penh 5. Member of Parliament 6. Sir Christopher Wren 7. Steigh 8. Bubba 9. Uranus 10. Hurricane winds.

My Stars★★★★

FOR WEEK OF JULY 6, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
Although you don't like to change plans once they're set, once again, you might find that doing so can make a big difference in your favor. Family matters dominate the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You continue to get encouragement for your proposals, including some support from unlikely sources. Use this positive flow to move forward with your plans. Good luck.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Family matters are dominant this week. It's a good time to be with those you love. It's also a good time to contact and reunite with loved ones with whom you've lost touch.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Be careful not to allow differences of opinion to create unpleasant feelings, especially in the workplace. A neutral observer could check out the situation and suggest a resolution.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) While the Lion's Den is the center of attention this week, with family matters dominating much of your time, workplace issues are also important. Try to find a balance between them.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The future of a new relationship could depend on how much the usually impatient-to-get-things-done Virgo is willing to stop pushing and let things happen naturally.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Worry over a loved one's well-being is eased with good news from a sympathetic source. Your continued show of love and support is important. Stay with it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) This is a good time to consider mending fences with someone you wish was back in your life. Forget about blame, and focus on the good things you once shared.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) This is a good week to start researching information regarding whatever changes you're considering, whether it involves a new home, a new location or a new job.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A long-anticipated job opportunity could turn out to be less than you expected. But appearances might be

deceiving. Check it out before you decide it's not for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Good news: Adapting to a new situation might come more easily than you expected. You can look for continued support from colleagues who appreciate your contributions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone you care for might need more reassurance from the typically "unemotional" Pisces. Go ahead. Open up, and you might be surprised at what you find when you do.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are a romantic at heart, although you can be amazingly practical when you need to be.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On July 10, 1887, an 80-foot-high concrete dam breaks in Zug, Switzerland, releasing a wall of water that kills 70 people. Rescue boats were ineffective, as they capsized in the roiling waters.
- On July 7, 1930, construction of the Hoover Dam begins. Over the next five years, 21,000 men would work to produce what would be the largest dam of its time, as well as one of the world's largest man-made structures.
- On July 6, 1946, FBI agents arrest George "Bugs" Moran in Kentucky. Once one of the top organized crime figures in America, Moran had been reduced to small bank robberies. His criminal career took an abrupt downturn after the infamous St. Valentine's Day Massacre in 1929.
- On July 8, 1951, Paris celebrates its 2,000th birthday. The history of Paris can be traced back to a Gallic tribe known as the Parisii, who settled an island (known today as Ile de la Cite) in the Seine River, which runs through present-day Paris.
- On July 9, 1960, President Dwight Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev trade verbal threats over the future of Cuba. Khrushchev fired the first shot when he warned that the Soviet Union was prepared to use its missiles to protect Cuba from U.S. intervention.
- On July 11, 1978, a truck carrying 1,500 cubic feet of pressurized liquid gas crashes into a campsite crowded with vacationers in Spain. The resulting explosion killed more than 200 people.
- On July 12, 1995, a heat advisory is

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. In 2014, Billy Hamilton set a Cincinnati Reds rookie record for most stolen bases (56). Who had held the mark?
- 2. The Chicago Cubs' Jorge Soler, in 2014, became the third player since 1914 to have an extra-base hit in his first five major-league games. Name one of the other two.
- 3. Who are the only three men to win a Super Bowl as both a NFL player and a head coach?
- 4. Name the last players before Creighton's Doug McDermott (2012-14) to be picked to three consecutive Associated Press All-American teams.
- 5. In 2015, St. Louis' Ken Hitchcock became the fourth coach in NHL history to win 700 games. Name two of the first three.
- 6. When was the last time before 2014 that Algeria's men's soccer team won a game at the World Cup?
- 7. Name the last horse before American Pharoah in 2015 to win the Kentucky Derby from the No. 15 post.

ANSWERS

- 1. Bob Bescher, who had 54 stolen bases in 1909. 2. Enos Slaughter (1938) and Will Middlebrooks (2012). 3. Mike Ditka, Tony Dungy and Tom Flores. 4. Patrick Ewing and Wayman Tisdale, 1983-85. 5. Scotty Bowman (1,244 wins), Al Arbour (782) and Joel Quenneville (754). 6. It was 1982. 7. Orb, in 2013.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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issued in Chicago warning of a record-breaking heat wave. When the heat breaks a week later, nearly 1,000 people are dead in Illinois and Wisconsin. The temperature in the city hit 106 degrees F.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was Nora Joyce, wife to the Irish novelist James Joyce, who wrote the notoriously difficult -- and influential -- stream-of-consciousness novel "Ulysses," who asked her husband, "Why don't you write books people can read?"
- You might be surprised to learn that contemporary model and actress Brooke Shields is descended from that notorious figure of the Italian Renaissance, Lucretia Borgia, who was suspected of such crimes as adultery, incest and murder.
- In this era of helicopter parenting, some are shocked to learn that in the 1960s, nearly half of all children in America walked to and from school by themselves.
- What do "Where's Waldo," "Where the Sidewalk Ends," "My Friend Flicka," "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?" and "Harriet the Spy" have in common? Aside from being books meant for a young audience, all of these titles have been banned at one time or another.
- There are about the same number of chickens as there are humans on the planet.
- If you're like 83 percent of pet owners who responded to a recent survey, you feel that you receive more unconditional love from your pet than from your kids, your best friend or even your romantic partner.
- I'm sure you've heard the term "Podunk" used to describe a small, unimportant town, but you might not know where the word came from. It seems that a Native American tribe in Connecticut was known as the Podunk, and a nearby river was called by the same name. Local small towns on the river were referred to as "Podunk," too, and so the word entered the lexicon.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I have lived in this world just long enough to look carefully the second time into things that I am most certain of the first time." -- Josh Billings

There Are Positive Signs For The Red Sox Despite First-Half Failure



by Ed Frank

It's clearly been a first-half season wreck for the Boston Red Sox – a team that was a pre-season favorite to return to the World Series.

Who would have figured that nearly half-way through the 2015 season, the Red Sox would be dead last in the American League Eastern Division, trailing first-place Tampa and Baltimore by eight games? But that was the story as this week began.

Boston had spent more than \$200 million in the off-season to sign nine new players – including sluggers Pablo Sandoval and Hanley Ramirez – in an effort to reverse last season's dismal 71-91 last-place finish.

But take heart, Red Sox fans; there are positive signs of a turn-around in the second-half of the season. While Boston was last in the AL Central entering Monday's Game 78, the other four teams in their division – New York and Toronto, in addition to Tampa and Baltimore – were tightly bunched just one game apart.

And the Red Sox had beaten Tampa two of three games last weekend, and began a road trip Monday with a 3-1 victory over Toronto. That's seven victories in their last 11 games to inch within nine games of .500 with a 34-43 season record.

Injuries have played a major role in the disappointing first-half. But every team is always plagued with injuries, so that's no excuse.

However, right-hander Justin Masterson – signed by Boston as a free agent last December and who had been counted upon in the starting rotation – held Tampa to five hits and an unearned run over five innings in his first start in six weeks in Sunday's 5-3 victory.

He had not pitched in the majors since May 12, when the Red Sox put him on the disabled list after his seven starts had produced a whopping 6.37 ERA.

That Red Sox victory on Sunday was over Tampa's Chris Archer, perhaps the best starter in the American League, and who is headed for this month's All-Star Game. The win was fueled by three home runs, solo shots by Sandoval, David Ortiz and Alejandro De Aza.

And it was without Ramirez and second baseman Dustin Pedroia, both out with injuries along with first baseman Mike Napoli, who was ejected in the second inning.

The invaluable Pedroia is expected to miss a couple of weeks with a hamstring pull and Ramirez is day-to-day with a bruised left hand.

Once they return to the lineup, the Red Sox should be vastly improved.

There have been rumbles that veteran pitcher Clay Buchholz could be traded if Boston is not in contention by the July 31 trading deadline. Those rumors could be put to rest if he continues to pitch the way he did in Monday's victory, a strong eight-inning performance.

Three long months remain in the 2015 season – plenty of time for the Red Sox to fight their way back. And there are strong positive signs on the horizon.

Miracle's 10-Game Winning Streak Snapped

The Fort Myers Miracle's season-best 10-game winning streak was stopped last weekend with a 7-2 loss Sunday to the Dunedin Blue Jays. The Blue Jays then went on to beat the Miracle again Monday, 3-1.

With Monday's loss, Fort Myers second-half season record was 3-2.

The Miracle returns to Hammond Stadium this weekend with a three-game series against St. Lucie on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. A big post-game fireworks show will follow Saturday's 6:05 p.m. start.

Miracle To Host 2016 Florida State League All-Star Game

The 2016 Florida State League All-Star Game will be held next June 18 in the remodeled Hammond Stadium in the CenturyLink Sports Complex.

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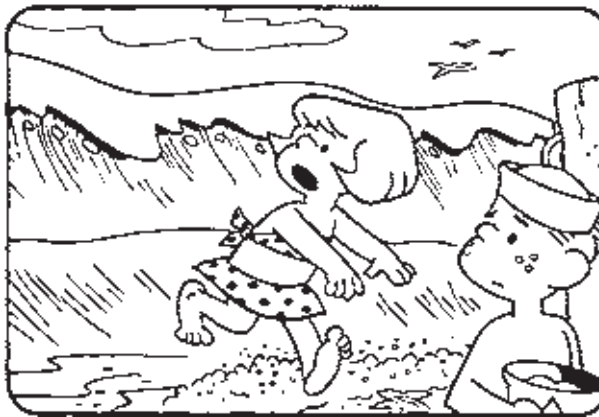
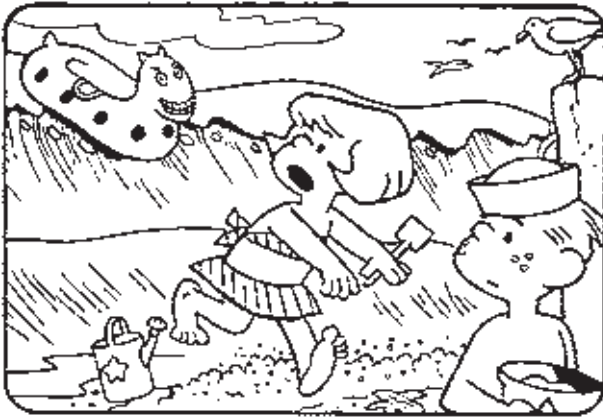
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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Honesty

CONRAD**TODAY'S WORD**

answer on page 27

PUZZLE ANSWERS**SUDOKU**

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Shore Fishing: Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.
- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.
- If you want a picture with the fish, support it as you lift it out of the water — and do it quickly.
- Before releasing, revive the fish while holding it in the water; moving it slowly back and forth so water goes over its gills. The fish will let you know when it's ready to swim off.
- Florida just recently changed the regulations on fishing from shore. Florida residents as well as out of state visitors need a fishing license to fish from shore.

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The Senior Companion Program provides volunteer opportunities to seniors 55 yrs. old and older, to offer companionship & friendship to frail elderly individual who are homebound and generally living alone. These volunteers serve 20 hours each week and receive a small non-taxable stipend, of \$2.65 per hr. and .40 a mile for travel, on-duty insurance, as well as annual health screening. Please call the Dr. Piper Center at (239) 332-5346 ask for Jonah or Lourdes.
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LOST AND FOUND



\$100 REWARD

36" at shoulder
Akita/Shepherd mix
Call 636-399-4428
*NS 7/3 NC 7/10

LOST CAT

Black and White.
Last seen East End of Island, Yachtsmans Drive. Reward.
Please call 239-224-8471 or 277-0058.
*RS 6/19 CC TFN

Shore Fishing:



Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

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

you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.

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

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Serving Fort Myers

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SUDOKU

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

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Pets Of The Week

Hello, my name is Chantilly. I'm a 4-year-old female black and white terrier mix. "Chantilly lace and a pretty face..." hey, that song describes me! I'm a great dog with a great personality. I'm calm, lower energy and beautiful. On the other hand, I can play with the best of them here at the shelter. I know my basic commands, love human companionship and have tons of love to give. I've been at the shelter since Valentine's Day and I'm still waiting in search of true love with a nice family.

My adoption fee is \$20 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Red, White or Blue adoption promotion.

Hello, my name is Hollister. I'm a 2-month-old male brown tabby domestic shorthair. "What's new, pussycat?" That inquisitive look on my face is because I'm curious if you're the one. I'd like to find someone to cuddle with when I'm not super engaged in serious play time. Could you be the one?

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Red, White or Blue adoption promotion.

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

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

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

The adoption package valued at \$500.✱



Chantilly ID# 610814



Hollister ID# 624187



Emergency	911
Lee County Sheriff's Office	477-1200
Florida Marine Patrol	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol	278-7100
Poison Control	1-800-282-3171
HealthPark Medical Center	1-800-936-5321
Ft. Myers Chamber of Commerce	332-3624
Foundation for Quality Childcare	425-2685
Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce	454-7500
Fort Myers Beach Library	463-9691
Lakes Regional Library	533-4000
Lee County Chamber of Commerce	931-0931
Post Office	1-800-275-8777
Visitor & Convention Bureau	338-3500

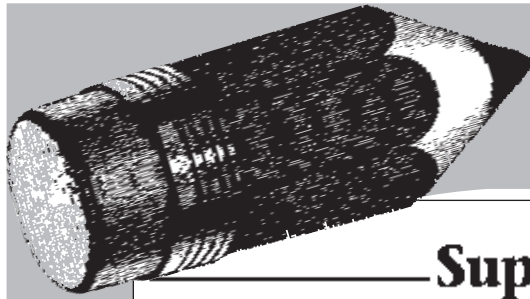
ARTS	
Alliance for the Arts	939-2787
Arts For ACT Gallery & Studio	337-5050
Art League Of Fort Myers	275-3970
Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall	481-4849
BIG ARTS	395-0900
Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre	278-4422
Cultural Park Theatre	772-5862
Edison Festival of Light	334-2999
Florida Repertory Theatre at the Arcade	332-4488
Florida West Arts	948-4427
Fort Myers Symphonic Mastersingers	288-2535
Gulf Coast Symphony	489-1800
Harmony Chorus, Charles Sutter, Pres	481-8059
Naples Philharmonic	239-597-1111
The Schoolhouse Theater	472-6862
SW Florida Symphony	418-0996
Theatre Conspiracy	936-3239
Young Artists Awards	574-9321

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS	
Angel Flight	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Animal Refuge Center	731-3535
American Business Women Association	357-6755
Audubon of SWFL	339-8046
Audubon Society	472-3156
Caloosahatchee Chapter DAR	482-1366
Caloosahatchee Folk Society	321-4620
Cape Chorale Barbershop Chorus	1-855-425-3631
Cape Coral Stamp Club	542-9153
duPont Company Retirees	454-1083
Edison Porcelain Artists	415-2484
Embroiderers Guild of America - Sea Grape Chapter	239-267-1990
FM UDC Chapter 2614 - United Daughters of the Confederacy	728-3743
Friendship Force Of SW FL	561-9164
Garden Club of Cape Coral	239-257-2654
Horticulture and Tea Society	472-8334
Horticultural Society	472-6940
Lee County Genealogical Society	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation	939-7278
NARFE(National Active & Retired Federal Employees	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL	667-1354
Sons of Confederate Veterans	332-2408
Southwest Florida Fencing Academy	939-1338
Southwest Florida Music Association	561-2118

Kiwanis Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach	765-4254 or 454-8090
Fort Myers Edison	694-1056
Fort Myers South	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands	218-5768
Iona-McGregor	482-0869
Lions Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon	466-4228
Esterio/South Fort Myers	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society	472-6940
United Way of Lee County	433-2000
United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour)	211 or 433-3900

AREA ATTRACTIONS	
Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum	395-2233
Burrough's Home	337-9505
Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium	275-3435
Edison & Ford Winter Estates	334-3614
Fort Myers Skate Park	321-7558
Imaginarium Hands-On Museum & Aquarium	321-7420
JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge	472-1100
Koreshan State Historic Site	239-992-0311
Langford Kingston Home	239-334-2550
Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center	765-8101
Skatium	321-7510
Southwest Florida Historical Society	939-4044
Southwest Florida Museum of History	321-7430
True Tours	945-0405

To be listed in calling card email your information to: press@riverweekly.com



BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

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Super Crossword

HOLDING THE LINE

ACROSS

- 1 Boat docks
8 Mere penny
15 Stair face
20 Generally
21 Infused with carbon dioxide
22 Cosmetics queen
23 Holiday tree brighteners
25 Figure skating category
26 Baby blues, say
27 Detroit loc.
28 By way of
29 — Babies
30 Info on a library slip
31 Thing swung on a court
34 Undermined
38 Federal case, so to speak
39 Countries
40 See 42-Across
41 German's "one"
42 With 40-Across, headwear for doing laps
46 William Tell wielded one

- 50 Nine-footer with 88 keys
53 Game with a cue stick
54 "Call on —" in "Hoo"
55 Bakery treat
56 Atya cat. pets
57 Taco sauce brand
59 Everyone, n. German
61 Topic in question
62 Teddy-bye clothes
65 Gravity-defying party decoration
69 Have a go at
70 Reply to "You are not!"
72 Scored stars' problems
73 Running back Smith
75 Pro at PR
78 Crude abuse
79 "Hud"
80 Morales of film and TV
84 Pinocchio, for one
86 Rosary's nonreligious relative

- 88 Like a spunging GI
89 Aide to Santa
90 Some small batteries
91 Holiday tree topper
92 Hoaxly mad
95 Film director Martin
98 Alternative to drapes
102 Merit
103 Spanish province capital
104 Cellular stuff
105 Rick's love in a 1942 film
106 Farmland unit
110 Cleaned up some leaves
111 What eight of this puzzle's answers have
115 Saw wood
116 Capital of New Jersey
117 Paying to stay at
118 Disburdened
119 Like mustard
120 Post-Trojan War lair

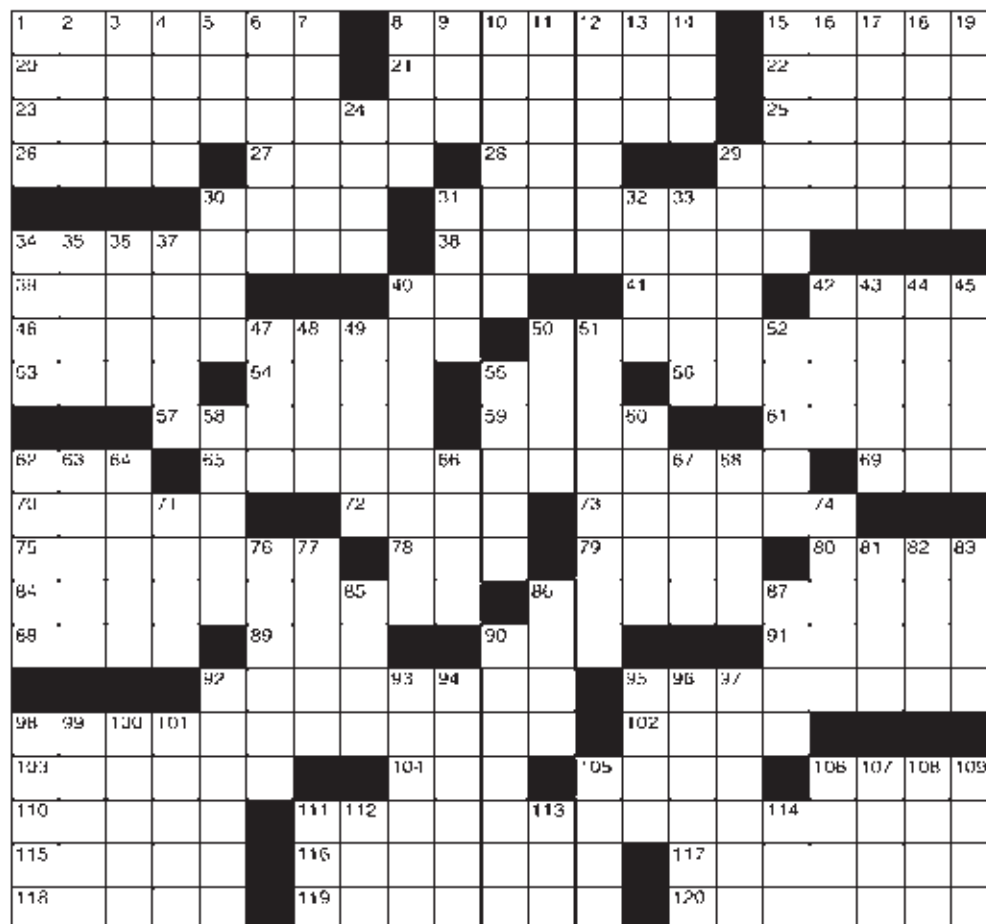
- 2 White-faced
3 Seldom seen
4 Pupa's site
5 Greek letters
6 Nashville director Robert
7 Arab, e.g.
8 Unduly quick
9 Slender fish
10 Force to rise
11 Shuttling in
12 Fuel gas
13 Court divider
14 Grid slots
15 Annual
16 Sci-fi's Asimov
17 Smet awl
18 Uncanny
19 Turn to 000
24 Did perfectly
29 Secret taste-test label
30 Strike mark
31 Delreeze
32 Conceptor
33 Fisher's not
34 Tinfoil, e.g.
35 Fresh money
36 BP gas brand
37 Painter Frida
40 Instructed jointly
42 Uses a caviar
43 Bell's place
44 Acquire, as debt
45 Stroll

- 47 Be worthy of
48 Kids' writer Silverstein
49 Bacall's first hubby
50 — monster
51 Chiles — (Mexican dishes)
52 Gist
55 Blatz brewer
58 West Virginia's state flower, for short
60 Fudd of cartoonism
62 California's — Beach
63 Osaka's land
64 Smarmy smile
66 Pouty face
67 Epps of TV's "House"
68 Smarmy
71 Barber's cut
74 Some minors
76 Boxing combo
77 H'wood type
81 Wise soul
82 Some Snapple products
83 Cruise stop
85 Big brand of nonstick cookware

- 86 Joking types
87 Cowshed site
90 It's faster than adagio
92 Laid down the lawn?
93 "The Queen" star Helen
94 Seventh-stretch
95 Ward of TV
96 Fidel of Cuba
97 Sounded off
98 Poorer
99 Donald's first wife
100 "Zorba the Greek" novelist Kazantzakis
101 John — (tractor maker)
105 Lacks entity
106 Play units
107 Greek letters
108 Artist Magritte
109 Irritable
111 Fuel additive brand
112 Mr. Capote, to his pals
113 Wood B (lawn care product)
114 In case

DOWN

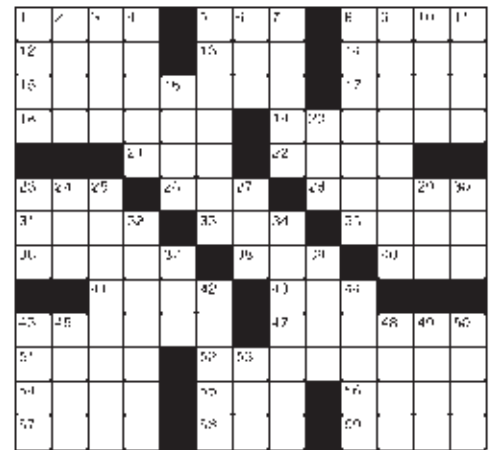
- 1 Knight's club



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Throws in
5 Tatter
8 Wound cover
12 Tide type
13 Compass dir.
14 Corr. concoction
15 Severe decline
17 Dermatologist's case
18 As found
19 Singer Sophie
21 Youngster
22 36-Across segment
23 Blue
26 "Charlotte's"
28 Make into aw
31 Q d. person
33 Homer's interjection
35 Arizona river
36 Variety show
38 Talk on and on
40 Back talk
41 Advantage
43 Sweet potato's kin
45 Sunscreen, usually
47 Comp. a ned orderly
51 Bedouin



- 52 Sports fans' party venue?
54 Astronaut Armstrong
55 Conclude
56 Sharpen
57 Mete (but)
58 Deli loc.
59 Despot
DOWN
1 Opposed
2 Campus bigwig
3 Raised platform
4 Divided
5 Considered
6 Blackbird
7 Fellows

- 8 What "this clue" needs
9 Mixed drink
10 Rolyrn or Bancroft
11 "Cheers" serving
16 Pack away
20 Guitar's cousin
23 Georgia's ex-status (Abb.)
24 Chowd down
25 Overlap
27 Marsh
29 Roman 15'
30 Spigot
32 Within
34 Outing on a wagon
37 Id counter-part
39 False god
42 Go n
44 Possibly will
45 Crow's-nest cry
46 Sandwich treat
48 Neighbor of Cambodia
49 Sicilian spouter
50 Antelope's payable
53 Whatever amount

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

Airbrush	Hayrides	Police force	Storyteller
Charter	Hoarding	Potluck	Triumphant
Clingstone	Holdover	Repagination	Yardarms
Granite	Jack salmon	Steadfast	



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