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Acclaimed Artist To Exhibit At Bob Rauschenberg Gallery



Wayne White

Florida SouthWestern State College will host an exhibition of paintings, drawings and a newly-commissioned, site-specific installation, titled Wayne WHITE: Here Comes Mr. Know-It-All at the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery from September 11 to November 7.

Los Angeles-based, internationally-acclaimed artist, Wayne White won three Emmy Awards for his set design and puppeteering on the landmark children's TV show *Pee-wee's Playhouse*, creating iconic characters including Randy, Cool Cat, Chicky Baby and Dirty Dog. White is the subject of a 2012 feature-length documentary, *Beauty is Embarrassing*, directed by Neil Berkeley and a 382-page hardbound monographic

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Davis Art Center September Events

Upcoming events at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, located at 2301 First Street in historic downtown Fort Myers, include the following:

September 4 – Art Walk, featuring the 2015 Art Expo by Portrait & Figure Painters Society of SWFL

This exhibition showcases paintings that follow the rich tradition of classical artwork that grew out of the Renaissance. The Portrait & Figure Society's mission is to promote, stimulate, and foster creative and classical painting and to encourage and promote portrait and figure artists in their professional growth and success. Includes paintings painted at The Louvre, Paris. Showing through September 24, admission is free.

September 7 – Fort Myers Film Festival: TGIM Indie Film Screenings

Every first Monday in season, watch short indie films submitted to the Fort Myers Film Festival and help decide whether or not it makes the grade for final programming during the annual festival, held April 7 to 10.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Films begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8

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Big Band Pianist Concludes Shell Point Summer Concert Series September 10

Shell Point Retirement Community welcomes Dick Hyman: Big Bands & Combos as the final performance in its 2015 Summer Concert Series. This concert will be held on Thursday, September 10 at 7:30 p.m. in The Village Church on The Island at Shell Point.

Hyman has had a long-standing career as a pianist, organist, arranger, music director and composer. While developing his own musical style, Hyman researched and recorded works by piano greats from the early periods of jazz, like Joplin, Gershwin, Jelly Roll Morton and Duke Ellington. His performance will feature film clips of famous Big Band recordings, followed by Hyman's own solo version.

Tickets for this concert cost \$20, and may be purchased online at www.shellpoint.org/concerts or by calling 454-2067.*



Dick Hyman



The Bugtussle Ramblers

Bluegrass Concerts At The Alliance

Bluegrass returns to the Alliance for the Arts on Sunday, September 13 when The Acoustic Music Society of Southwest Florida presents three hours of live music in the theater beginning at 2 p.m. The concert features Paddle Faster, Captain Joe & the Bottomfeeders, and The Bugtussle Ramblers.

Tickets are \$8 at the door, or \$6 for Alliance members. Seating is open and first

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Rules And Regs, A Town Is Born



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

The tattered document pictured here, titled “Incorporation, The Town of Fort Myers,” chronicles in a mere seven pages the founding of a town and the basic laws established by the first elected officials.

The final page of the booklet is dated 1887, two years after the vote to incorporate, and is signed by William W. Foose, Mayor of Fort Myers; James Evans, Council Chair; and CH Stebbins, Secretary.

The document opens with the “call” or public notice that went out on July 11, 1885 to all registered voters, who, by the way, would have been white, male, at least 21 years of age, and U.S.

citizens. They were invited to a meeting at the academy in Fort Myers on Wednesday, August 12.

The academy referred to the town’s first publically funded school, a woodframe structure opened in November 1878, at Second and Jackson, where the Gwynne Institute stands today.

The grand purpose was to select officers and organize a municipal government for the town of Fort Myers. After all, the population had reached an amazing 349. Incorporation would allow for the levying of taxes for public improvements. (It should be noted that in 1885, the settlement was in Monroe County; Lee County would not be formed until 1887.)

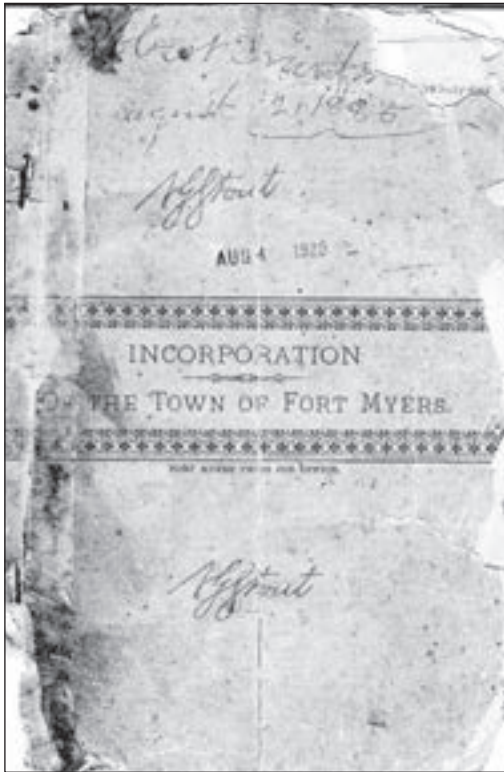
The men destined to become the founders of Fort Myers met and fulfilled the order of business, voting unanimously to incorporate: officers were chosen, the town limits defined, and a town seal adopted.

The only even slightly contentious issue was the official name of the town. Capt. Francis A. Hendry was the only voter in favor of calling it simply “Myers,” to conform with what U.S. Post Office called it at that time.

Hendry became chair and Howell A. Parker, secretary. Hendry, who would go down in local history as “the father of Fort Myers,” appointed three judges for the election of officers, CH Funck, JO Braman, and HB Hoyer, as well as JL Cutler as clerk of election.

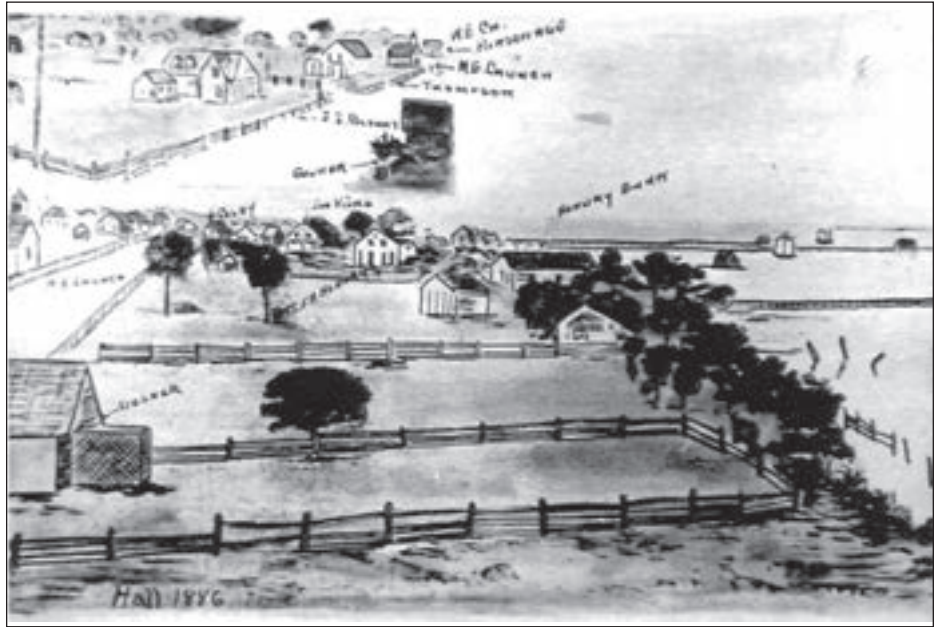
The judges and clerk were sworn in and the meeting adjourned so municipal officers could be elected.

A total of 45 votes were cast in the decision to incorporate, with Parker being elected the first mayor with 38 votes.



This booklet, which came to belong to Nathan G. Stout, records the history of the incorporation of Fort Myers and the basic laws established by the new government. The item’s condition suggests that it might be an original 1887 document, but the stamped date, August 4, 1925, might mean that it was a 40-year commemorative edition, albeit one in bad shape.

courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



Fort Myers’s incorporation became official on March 24, 1886, the year of this drawing. The view is from roughly from Fowler Street looking west from the Caloosa Hotel. The dock (center right) is the Hendry Street dock. The cut-out (upper left) shows the Methodist Church at today’s First Street and Royal Palm Avenue. Labeled pioneer homes include those of JJ Blount, Joseph Vivas, and Capt. FA Hendry.

courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society

The first council meeting was held the following night to install officers.

Councilmen elected were Francis A. Hendry, NL Langford, John T. Haskew, William Marion Hendry, Jehu J. Blount, WA Roberts, and JO Braman.

Capt. Hendry was elected president of the council. Charles H. Stebbins was elected clerk and CL Oliver marshal.

The next day, August 14, the work really began, as the newly elected officials outlined the ordinances. Many were the hum-drum ordinances familiar to anyone who has served on a board – for example, the duties of officers, from treasurer to marshal.

Other ordinances arouse curiosity all these years later. A list of “legalized streets” was established; the list coincided with the streets declared public in the 1876 Julian G. Arrista survey of the settlement commissioned by Maj. James Evans, whose homestead contained today’s business district.

The document specified which ditches would be cared for at government expense, and urged all property owners to plant shade and ornamental trees along sidewalks.

An early tree-protection ordinance was established too: a fine not to exceed 10 dollars would be levied against anyone vandalizing, destroying, or marring those trees.

Street obstructions were prohibited so that wagons at stores and warehouses could be loaded and unloaded.

Other 10-dollar fines were set for anyone misusing firearms or fireworks; driving or hitching a horse, mule, or oxen on a sidewalk; or riding faster than a “slow gallop” in the town limits.

Placing or throwing broken glass, crockery, or tin cuttings in a street or alley, however, would incur a mere 5-dollar fine. Not only would this type of littering be dangerous for people, but it could harm horses and other animals too.

The next time you ponder the voluminous ordinances of today’s Fort Myers, remember, it started with common-sense rules still with us today: don’t break glass on the streets, park on the sidewalks, speed through town, or maim a tree.

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Fort Myers Art:

FGCU's Annual 24-Hour Festival Is Next Month



by Tom Hall

FGCU's 9th annual 24-Hour Festival is set for September 11 and 12, and plans are well under way. In the past, the festival was staged in the TheatreLab, but because the festival

has outgrown this space, it will be held this year in Parking Garage #2 at the end of the Arts Complex/Music Building parking lot.

The prompts for the 24-hour creation period will be given in the garage at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 11, with final submissions taken by 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 12. The visual art will be on display on the lower level of the garage beginning at 7 p.m. and the presentations followed by an awards ceremony



The 24-Hour Festival is September 11 and 12 at FGCU. The popular event has outgrown its original stage at TheatreLab and will be held this year in the Arts Complex/Music Building parking lot.

will take place beginning at 8 p.m. on the second floor.

According to TheatreLab's website: "The ninth annual 24-Hour Festival is

FGCU's annual melee of time-sensitive art. Creative and sleep-deprived students churn up the minutes in a mad race against the clock to produce the best stage play, film,

music, or artwork completed within a 24-hour period. For each of the past eight years, students at FGCU have met in a creative competition that draws from their unique capacity for procrastination and their tremendously dynamic creativity. At 6 p.m. on Friday, September 11th, students are given a list of items that have to appear in their film, stage play, visual or performance art, dance, or music piece, and at 6 p.m. on Saturday the 12th, they submit their finished product. At 8 p.m., the public is invited to view the results, which will be as unexpected as they are entertaining. Due to the popularity of this event, it is no longer able to be held at TheatreLab, but will instead be in Parking Garage 2 at the other end of the Arts Complex parking lot. Walls can no longer contain this event!"

Florida Gulf Coast University is located at 10501 FGCU Boulevard South, Fort Myers. For more information about the 24-Hour Festival, call 590-1000 or go to www.theatrelab.fgcu.edu.

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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Exhibit At Bob Rauschenberg Gallery



Art is Supposed to Hypnotize You or Something, 2014, acrylic on inkjet print on canvas by Wayne White photo courtesy Joshua Liner Gallery

book designed and edited by Todd Oldham, titled *Maybe Now I'll Get the Respect I So Richly Deserve*. He will be in residence at Florida SouthWestern State College for a week in advance of his show to work with FSW students to create a super-sized puppet/sculpture of Lee County resident artist and gallery namesake Bob Rauschenberg.

In addition to his newly commissioned Rauschenberg puppet/installation and related opening night performance, the exhibition will also include a selection of the artist's now iconic humorous "Word" paintings and a series of recent watercolor drawings and collages (on subjects including local environmentalist, author and political cartoonist "Ding" Darling) produced during White's month-long Robert Rauschenberg Foundation Residency on Captiva in 2013.

White said, "I've always had the do-it-yourself approach. I grew up in this blue collar family and didn't have a lot of toys, so you had to make your own fun. Building forts out of sticks and scrap lumber – that's where I learned the joy of making something from nothing."

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sundays and holidays.

The gallery is located on the Florida SouthWestern State College Lee County Campus, 8099 College Parkway in Fort Myers. For more information, call 489-9313.✱

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Local Veteran Graduates With New Guide Dog Nick

Larry Newman retired from the Navy after 23 years of active duty. He had full vision when he worked as an electrician after being drafted during the Vietnam War, and when he later performed ship repair, design and maintenance as a commissioned officer on deployments to the Mediterranean in 1976 and to Bahrain during the first Gulf War. With two of his four children in the military, including a daughter on her second Middle East deployment, he's a proud American and appreciates Southeastern Guide Dogs' Paws for Patriots program.

After his service in the Navy, Newman worked in engineering, field biology and as a high school physics, chemistry and math teacher.

But an unexplained case of retinal dystrophy began to gradually rob him of his sight, and 14 years ago at the age of 51, the Fort Myers veteran became legally blind.

In 2003, Southeastern Guide Dogs paired Newman with his first guide dog, a male black Lab named Courage. That faithful companion passed away in 2012, and just this month, Newman returned to Southeastern to be matched with his new four-legged best friend, a smart and hard-working yellow Lab named Nick.

Over the years, Larry and his wife have donated funds to sponsor three dogs for the Palmetto-based charity. Sara was named for Newman's mother who also lost her vision due to diabetes. Carey honored the puppy raiser who fostered both Courage and Nick, and P.J. memorializes two dear friends from the Newmans' church who died, Peggy and John.

Larry Newman will graduate with eight other visually impaired men and women who lived, trained and bonded with their new guide dogs on the Southeastern Guide Dog campus over 26 days in August. He looks forward to traveling to Washington, D.C. in October for the Marine Corps Marathon with the social, emotional and psychological support of Nick.

Nine students and their extraordinary dogs will be celebrated at the Southeastern Guide Dogs graduation luncheon program on Thursday August 27, at Polo Grill, 10670 Boardwalk Loop, Lakewood Ranch, Florida, at 11 a.m. There will be a Meet and Greet at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch and keynote address by graduate Dan Jones of Apopka.

For more information, call 941-479-6590 or email ruth.lando@guidedogs.org ✨



Southeastern Guide Dogs graduate Larry Newman of Ft. Myers and his new guide Nick

Sponsors Announced For 8th Annual 5K

A number of local businesses and organizations have signed on to sponsor this year's Cops & Joggers 5K and Family Fun Night to be held on Saturday, October 10 from 5 to 10 p.m. at Centennial Park, located at 2000 West First Street in downtown Fort Myers.

Top sponsors for the 8th annual event include Beasley Media Group, Cintas Corporation, JetBlue Airways and Survival Armor. Additional sponsors include Chico's FAS, Inc., Edison National Bank, Florida Security & Firearms Training, Inc., Good Deals Appliances, Mission BBQ, Scanlon Auto Group, State Farm Insurance, Suncoast Beverage, Papa John's Pizza and Zaxby's.

Sponsorship opportunities, from \$150 to \$1,000, are still available. Sponsorships should be reserved no later than Friday, September 11. For more information about sponsorships or to become a sponsor, contact Denise Egolf at degolf@fmpolice.com or 321-7723.

Benefiting fallen first responders, this year's event will take place during the evening hours with the glow of first responders' lights lining the race path. The family event will also include food vendors, music by 96 K Rock and B103.9, emergency equipment displays, and a children's fun area with bounce houses, a dunk tank, SWAT obstacle courses and more.



Beginning at 7:45 p.m., the 3.1-mile run begins and ends at Centennial Park and will cross the Edison Bridge. The early registration fee is \$20 per adult and \$15 per youth, 17 years old or younger, on or before October 8. Fees increase to \$25 per person for all participants on October 9 and \$30 per person for all participants on October 10. The first 700 registered participants are guaranteed an event goodie bag and T-shirt.

"We hope to reach our goal of 1,000 registered joggers this year and encourage families and community groups, including organizations and clubs, to register early and help make that goal possible," said Lt. Jeffrey Bernice of the FMPD. "As always, participants are running for the memories and honor of these fallen warriors who have made the ultimate sacrifice."

Participating joggers may obtain more information and register online with the Fort Myers Track Club at www.ftmyer-trackclub.com.

This year's race committee will be pre-

sending the top three runners and walkers in their age group with new custom-made Cops & Joggers race medals, which will feature the front of a police car with emergency lights that flash.

The Fort Myers Cops & Joggers 5K was established in 2008 to assist the family of Officer Andrew Widman who was shot and killed in the line of duty on July 18, 2008. Proceeds from the event now benefit the FMPD Fallen Officers Memorial Fund and The Brotherhood Ride, nonprofit organizations that aid the families of first responders who have been injured or killed in the line of duty, including law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel.

For more information about the event, contact Lt. Jeffrey Bernice at 321-7698 or jbernice@fmpolice.com. ✨

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Flu Shots Available

Lake Kennedy Center in Cape Coral is partnering with Publix to offer flu shots on Wednesday, September 2 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 2 p.m. Tori Waggoner, Publix pharmacy manager, will be on hand to administer the shots, and each participant will receive a \$5 Publix gift certificate. Be sure to bring your Medicare and/or insurance cards with you.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard in Cape Coral. For more information, call 574-0575. ✨

Book Signing

Author Bandi Jones will be signing her book *To Be Me* on Saturday, August 29 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Annette's Book Nook, 7205 Estero Boulevard on Fort Myers Beach.

To Be Me is a brain teaser that will challenge your young reader's mind and imagination. Children will be left with the satisfaction of figuring out the riddle.

Jones resides in Parrish, Florida, where she grew up. She and her husband, Benjamin, are raising two boys. Her children's inherent love for the outdoors and curiosity of the nature of animals prompted her to publish this book. This book was originally a high school English honors project. ✨

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ACT Gallery Opening Reception



Sea turtle by Justin Markley



Work by Rachel Moorman

Arts for ACT Gallery will host an opening reception during Art Walk on Friday, September 4 from 6 to 10 p.m. This month, whimsical artist Rachel Moorman will exhibit in the main gallery, Rob Goldey, a pen and ink artist will exhibit off the main gallery and Justin Markley will exhibit aquatic art and other pieces in the white gallery room.

Moorman is a self-taught artist who was born and raised just outside of Chicago, Illinois. She currently resides in Southwest Florida. Moorman loves to experiment with different mediums although, as of late, she has been focusing on painting and paper cutting. Her influences since childhood have been Salvador Dali and MC Escher. She has always been intrigued with surrealism. She also says that Japanese roots influence her style.

Moorman began her journey with paper arts in middle school. She says that throughout the process of creating her paper cuttings, she loves the idea of being able to design an image with the limitations of using one piece of paper that all connects. She likes working on these fragile pieces because of the vulnerability that each piece has until completion. She began to use acrylics about seven years ago and feels that she can express more emotion with this medium. She has won over 25 awards in various art shows. Her current projects include paper cuttings, custom shoes, jewelry, silk painting and painted furniture, as well paintings.

Moorman's mission is to take her audience to a different world with her work. Her work has been described as "visual poetry."

Goldey is a self taught artist who was born in Lexington, Kentucky in 1969. He spent many years in Nashville, Tennessee, where he developed his unique style using

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Pen and ink illustration by Rob Goldey



Songwriter Fest Schedule Announced

The second annual Island Hopper Songwriter Fest promises more talent, more free performances and more venues for music fans.

The line-up, which includes some of Nashville's biggest hit-makers, boasts more than 70 performers and 138 performances at 24 venues throughout the islands of Lee County.

The 10-day festival has added four headliners including Kristian Bush, who built his reputation as one half of the multi-platinum, Grammy-winning country duo Sugarland. Other talents include Parmalee, a country/rock group made famous by its No.1 smash *Carolina* and

single *Musta Had A Good Time*. Jana Kramer, a country singer and actress on *One Tree Hill*, will sing her smash single *Why Ya Wanna*. LOCASH, with songs such as *Keep in Mind* and *Best Seat in the House*, will also perform.

"Island Hopper is an exciting festival that showcases great talent and a great destination," said Tamara Pigott, executive director of the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau "It's a rare event that offers fans the chance to hear their favorite songs and meet the people who wrote them."

The festival kicks off September 17 with Kristian Bush in concert at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva Island. Downtown Fort Myers, which is new to the festival, will feature midweek performances. The festival closes the weekend of September 25 to 27 on Fort Myers Beach.

The event features mostly free performances, with the exception of \$15 tickets for Kristian Bush and Jana Kramer. Parmalee offers a free show, but tickets must be secured at the same link available to purchase tickets. All other shows do not need secured tickets – seats are on a first-come basis until the venue is full.

Island Hopper is presented by the Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, iHeartMedia, Cat Country 107.1 and BMI, the largest music rights organization in the U.S.

Visit www.islandhopperfest.com for more information, to book tickets and view the list of artists, performance schedules and venues. Special Island Hopper lodging packages are also available.✧

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Girl Scouts To Host Family Information Nights In Local Communities

It's Back to School time, which means Back to Girl Scouts time. Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida is inviting girls to join the fun and register for the upcoming membership year. Girls Scouts "learn by doing" in a girl-led environment. For more than 100 years, Girl Scouts has provided girls opportunities to try new things, gain confidence, develop character, and build essential leadership skills. The public is invited to see what Girl Scouting is all about at a Troop Building event in their community. Upcoming dates and locations include:

- Alva**
September 15, River Hall Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
- Bokeelia**
September 21, Pine Island Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
- Bonita Springs**
September 2, Bonita Springs Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 16, Spring Creek Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
- Cape Coral**
September 1, Tralfagar Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 10, Cape Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 16, Diplomat Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 17, Caloosa Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 18, Pelican Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 23, Hector A. Cafferata Junior Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 23, Skyline Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
- Fort Myers**
September 3, Rayma C Page Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 4, Allen Park Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 9, Tanglewood Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.
September 10, San Carlos Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
September 15, Three Oaks Elementary Media Center, 6 p.m.
September 15, Orangewood Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m. (continued)
September 16, Gateway Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 17, Edison Park Elementary Media Room, 6:30 p.m.
September 23, Franklin Park Elementary, 6 p.m.
September 24, Heights Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
- North Fort Myers**

- September 1, Bayshore Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
 - September 2, Tropic Isles Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
 - September 22, Hancock Creek Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
 - September 29, J. Colin English Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
 - September 30, Dr. Carrie D. Robinson Littleton Elementary Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
 - October 1, North Fort Myers Academy of the Arts Media Center, 6 p.m.
 - Lehigh Acres**
September 8, Tortuga Preserve Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 9, Lehigh Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 10, Mirror Lakes Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 16, Sunshine Elementary Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
September 24, Harns Marsh Elementary School, 6:30 p.m.
 - Sanibel**
September 10, The Sanibel School Cafeteria, 6 p.m.
- National studies from the Girl Scout Research Institute reports that at least 75 percent of girls who experience the fun of "learning by doing" and are part of a girl-led program become better at conflict resolution, problem solving, team building and cooperation, and developing self-confidence. In addition, nearly three in four such girls say that, because of Girl Scouts, they've become a leader in more activities with their friends and classmates, as well as in their community.
- For more information about Girl Scouts in Lee County, contact Connie Martin at 800-232-4475 ext. 403 or conniem@gsgcf.org or visit www.girlscouts.org/join.✪

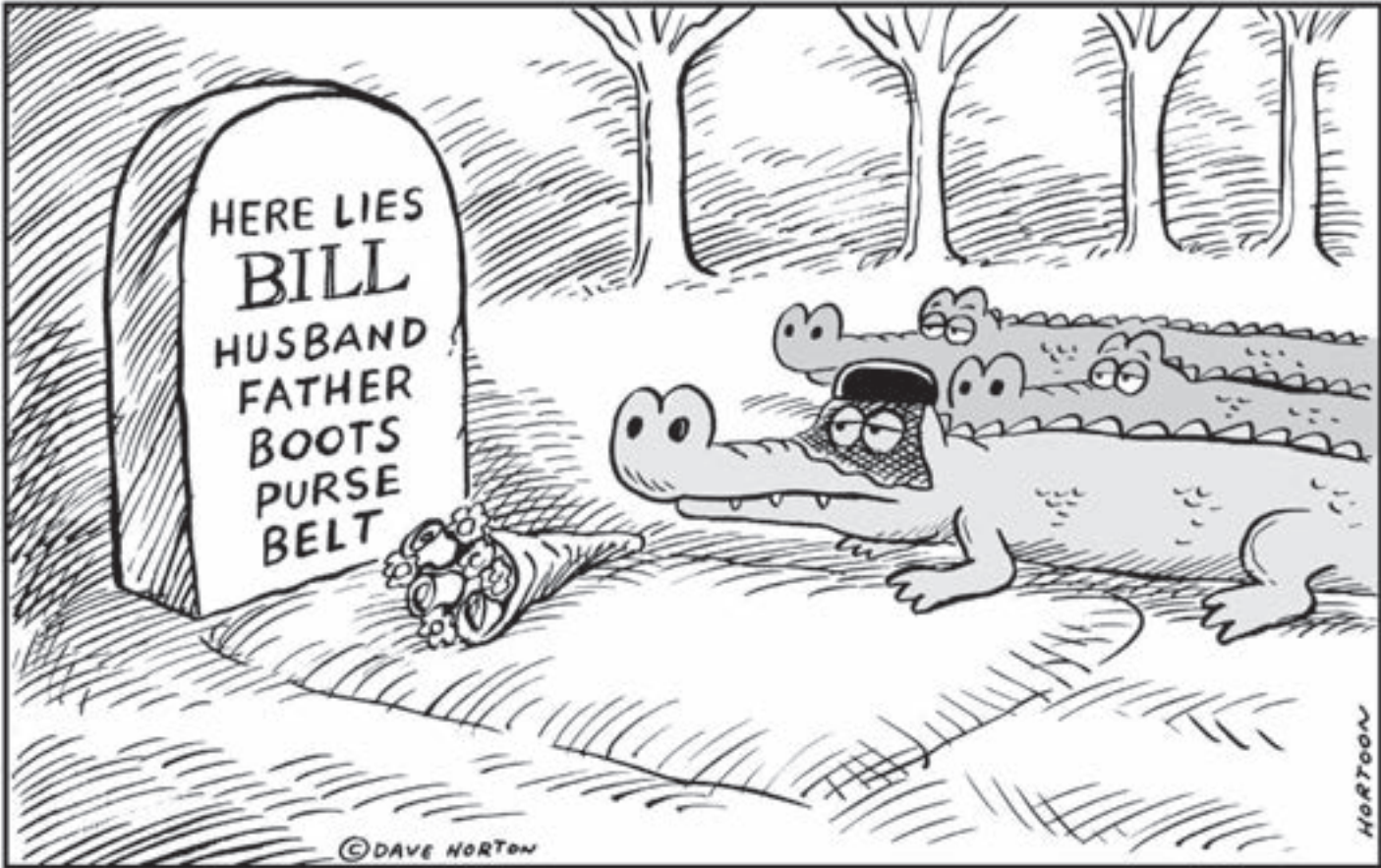
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Rules And Regs

Want to see exhibits on early Fort Myers? Then treat yourself by visiting the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street. Call 321-7430 for information, or go to museumofhistory.org. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. To learn more local history, visit the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center at 10091 McGregor

Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts. The all-volunteer non-profit organization is open Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon and Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m. Call 939-4044 or visit swflhistoricalsociety.org for more information. Sources: The Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society and *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer.✪

HORTOONS



Gulf Coast Writers Association 2016 Writing Contest

The Gulf Coast Writers Association encourages writers from Southwest Florida to enter their Annual Writing Contest. Original works of fiction, nonfiction, children's stories and poetry will be awarded prizes of \$100, \$50 and \$25 for first, second and third place in each category. The contest is open to members and non-members who will be 18 years old or older by March 15, 2016. Fiction, nonfiction and children's works must be no more than 1,500 words. Poetry is limited to 40 lines or less. The contest will be open for submissions on September 1. Final deadline must be post-marked by December 1. Winners must be present to receive their awards at the February 20, 2016 meeting. The contest will help GCWA to fulfill its goal of assisting Southwest Florida writers to stimulate and improve their skills. Entry forms and rules can be found online at www.gulfwriters.org.✪

Officer Of The Year Finalists Announced For Law & Order Ball

Rotary Club of Fort Myers South announced the five finalists for Officer of the Year from six local law enforcement agencies. These finalists will be honored at the Law & Order Ball at 6 p.m. on Saturday, September 19 at Harborside Event Center in downtown Fort Myers.

In a blind judging process, a committee made up of Rotary Club members and business leaders selected the following finalists from nominees chosen by their respective agencies: from the Lee County Sheriff's Office – Staff Officer Darryl Aubuchon, Deputy Chris Meyer and Deputy Michael Zazwinsky; from the Fort Myers Police Department – Officer David Conticelli; and from the Cape Coral Police Department – Detective Patricia Enterline. One special hero will be awarded and receive a custom designed piece by Rotarian Mark Loren of Mark Loren Designs.

The Selection Committee includes Rotarians Rebecca Goff, Gerry Poppe, Jeff Kircher and Steve Russell; Cliff Smith, CEO, United Way of Lee, Charlotte, Hendry & Glades Counties; Jennifer Powers Adkins, VP, Finance & Treasurer, Chico's and retired law enforcement officer Stephanie Nygaard.

Nominees for Officer of the Year were selected based on their consistency in going above and beyond the call of duty, the totality of their contribution to the agency and/or community throughout the year, their service as a role model to others and other extraordinary actions.

Our law enforcement officers put their lives on the line every day to protect Southwest Florida, and our community can show their appreciation by underwriting the cost of law enforcement tickets through the Fund-A-Cop program. Tickets are \$150 per person and \$1,200 for a table of eight. To purchase tickets for your party or for officers through the Fund-A-Cop opportunity, visit www.lawandorderball.org.

Creighton Construction & Development along with Ada's Natural Market graciously returns as the Title Sponsor for the Law & Order Ball. This gala event includes cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, a sumptuous dinner, a silent and live auction, entertainment and some very special surprises. All proceeds benefit the Rotary Club of Fort Myers South

Foundation and Lee County law enforcement youth programs.

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The inaugural Law & Order Ball, held in October of 2014, drew more than 400 local dignitaries, law enforcement representatives, business owners and residents, and raised \$84,000. Many levels of sponsorship opportunities are available, with major sponsors being honored at a special VIP reception.

For information about in-kind donations and the many different sponsorship opportunities that are still available, visit www.lawandorderball.org or contact Lori Cook North at lori@eventfulinc.com.



State Farm delivers a grant to Community Cooperative

State Farm Grant To Community Cooperative

Community Cooperative recently received a \$1,500 grant from State Farm Insurance. The funds will be used in the Social and Education Resource Program's Financial Literacy classes, held each month at Community Cooperative.

"The intended outcome of this program is for low income clients to gain the knowledge and skills to manage their money so that they can meet basic needs and then work toward positive change in their lives," said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative. "Our hope is that the attendees will improve their lives financially and provide an overall improvement in their quality of life."

"We are very excited to support

the programs provided at Community Cooperative for their clients," said Dawn Sullivan, State Farm agent from Cape Coral. "The programs that Community Cooperative offers their clients really make a difference and we are proud to support those efforts."

The financial literacy classes are one of many supported by social services included in a plan created between Community Cooperative life coaches and clients. This plan sets goals for achieving long term solutions to hunger and homelessness by learning new life skills in nutrition, money management, budget setting and other areas. This comprehensive approach to providing financial literacy education along with emergency food support and additional social services as needed, helps empower families to make positive change and become self-sufficient.

For more information, call 332-7687 or visit www.communitycooperative.com.

Bank Of America Awards \$7,500 Grant To The Heights Foundation



From left, Gina Gavio, Senior Vice President, Global Treasury Management, Bank of America Merrill Lynch; Kathryn Kelly, President and CEO, The Heights Foundation; Deb Mathinos, Director of Lifelong Learning, The Heights Center; and Bill Schroeder, Senior Vice President, Private Client Advisor, U.S. Trust

Bank of America has awarded a grant of \$7,500 for general operating support to The Heights Foundation. The grant provides vital funding support to the foundation that builds strong-self-sufficient families in the Harlem Heights neighborhood.

"The poverty level for families in Harlem Heights is more than twice the county average," said Kathryn Kelly, president and CEO of The Heights Foundation. "This grant from Bank of America will help us continue our mission to support education and wellness, promote family and community development, and provide the benefits of enrichment and the arts."

"Bank of America is committed to supporting organizations that are making a positive impact in our communities," added Gina Gavio, Senior Vice President, Global Treasury Management, Bank of America Merrill Lynch. "The Heights Foundation is doing amazing work and is a true champion for the Harlem Heights neighborhood."

To learn more about The Heights Foundation and The Heights Center, visit heightsfoundation.org or call 482-7706.

Along The River



Warm up with Yoga Bird this Saturday at the Alliance for the Arts. The free yoga session begins at 9:30 a.m. during GreenMarket, which runs until 1 p.m.

On Friday, August 28, enjoy an evening of dancing, friends and fabulous entertainment at the **Cahlua and Cream Super Seventies Show** at Lake Kennedy Center. Come dressed to impress in your “little red dress” or “bold black” attire. Appetizers and beverages will be served. BYOB. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members. Pre-registration is preferred by calling 574-0575.

Lake Kennedy Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard, Cape Coral. On Saturday morning, **Alliance for the Arts** offers free yoga sessions beneath the shade trees during its weekly GreenMarket. The one-hour sessions begin at 9:30 a.m. and are suitable for all skill levels, including beginners.

The Alliance holds its **GreenMarket** every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located on a 10-acre campus, it is a great place to find an exclusive selection of locally grown, caught and cultivated foods, and other products available to sample and purchase. There is live entertainment by local musicians and fun activities for kids, gardening classes and live cooking by local chefs. The GreenMarket hosts neighbors



TGIM Film Screening

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Davis Art Center Events

for seniors and students.

September 8 – Art Talk Tuesday
Meet the artist(s) and join us for a walk and talk about the current exhibition, learn about different media and see what inspires and evokes the artist to create. Engage with the artists and celebrate their creativity. Tickets are \$5 each, free for Art Center members

September 10 – Connect Networking
Positive and informative networking event, with uplifting topics, guest speakers, raffle prizes and appetizers. Expand your business and personal relationships.

Get to know each other and Connect in your community. Connect Networking is held the second Thursday of every month. All are welcome.

Event runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. General admission is \$10, a business promotional table is \$30.

September 24 – Art & Poetry Networking Event

Come and enjoy an evening of local art, poetry and much more. Artists will have the opportunity to showcase their work and share it with the local community. This is a chance for anyone and everyone to come and meet upcoming artists and poets in the area. Event begins at 8 p.m. and admission is \$10.

For more information, visit www.sbdac.com or call 333-1933.✪



Ostego Bay offers fascinating tours of the area's million dollar shrimp industry

and small growers who bring seasonal, very limited crops to market. Do you have fruit from a few backyard trees, a good tomato crop from the kitchen garden, or some berries gathered in an outing? If so, the Alliance will help you bring it to the community. Bartering is encouraged; trade your small crop for market items you may need.

From 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., the Alliance features **free yoga sessions**. Reservations are not required.

Led by registered yoga teacher Anna Withrow, the free yoga sessions are held beneath the shade trees during GreenMarket. They are suitable for all levels and beginners are welcome. Supervised children are also encouraged to join in. Bring a yoga mat, sunscreen and water.

Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, near the Colonial intersection. For more information, call 939-2787 or go to www.artinlee.org.

Also on Saturday, August 29, join Southwest Florida artist Marie Dyer and create your own hand-painted silk scarf at the **Edison & Ford Winter Estates**. The workshop runs from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Known for her vivid floral and landscape paintings, Dyer has been a featured artist at Edison Ford. She has taught Scarf Art workshops at locations throughout the New England area. Dyer will teach a variety of techniques to inspire painters of all levels to create their own one-of-a-kind scarf. The scarves can be worn or used as art pieces for the home.

The cost for the workshop is \$75 for Edison Ford members and \$80 for non-members. Cost includes materials and scarf. Scarf Art classes will be held in the historic Edison Caretaker's House. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch or drop by the Banyan Café or The Marina at Edison Ford.

The Edison & Ford Winter Estates is located at 2350 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. To register for the Scarf Art Workshop with Marie Dyer, call Leeanne Criswell at 334-7419 or email her at lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org.

On Wednesdays, the **Ostego Bay Foundation's Marine Science Center** offers tours of San Carlos Island's commercial fishing fleet. The three-hour guided tour starts at 9 a.m.

It includes a one-and-a-half hour guided visit at the museum which contains a touch tank, a hands-on beach area and several aquariums and exhibits. The tour continues with a visit to the commercial fishing industry, including Erickson & Jensen Supply House, Trico Shrimp loading dock and Beach Seafood. See how the boats are unloaded, the trawl doors are built, the shrimp nets are hand-sewn, the seafood is processed, and other important factors used in this unique million dollar industry; a memorable experience!

The cost for the tour is \$15 per adult and \$10 for children seven years of age and older. Reservations are required.

The Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center located at 718 Fishermans Wharf on San Carlos Island in Fort Myers Beach. Call 765-8101 or go to www.ostegobay.org.✪

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Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille is named for the Doc Ford character in local author Randy Wayne White's best-selling mystery novels.

It's a well known gathering place with indoor and outdoor patio seating. The combined menu offers all the lunch and dinner items from 11 a.m. until closing. It includes cedar plank salmon topped with a mango chipotle glaze or a marinated grilled chicken sandwich and there's a well provisioned raw bar. Tropical drinks are a specialty, notably the signature rum drink, Island Mojito.

708 Fisherman's Wharf, Fort Myers Beach. Call 765-9660.

ICHIBAN

Ichiban is a downtown favorite for Chinese and Japanese cuisine. The name means "Number One" in Japanese and offers its customers the perfect balance of great quality and affordable prices. Ichiban has been family owned and operated for 10 years and its enduring popularity is a testament to its exceptional, friendly service.

1520 Broadway #106, Fort Myers. Call 334-6991.

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ALL SAINTS BYZANTINE RITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

8210 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers. Reverend Fr. Dean Nastos, Proistamenos. Orthros Service Sunday 9 a.m., Divine Liturgy Sunday 10 a.m., www.annunciation.fl.goarch.org, 481-2099

BETH SHILOH MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE

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CHURCH OF GOD

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

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

CYPRESS LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

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

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

CYPRESS LAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

FAITH FELLOWSHIP WORLD

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

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15690 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 482-2030. Pastor David Stauffer. Traditional Service Sunday 8:45 a.m., Contemporary Service Sunday 10:30 a.m. Go south on McGregor Boulevard. The church is ½ mile past the intersection of Gladiolus and San Carlos Boulevard on the way to Sanibel.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

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

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Downtown Fort Myers River District, 2466 First Street, 332-1152. www.fumcftmyers.org. Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Blended Church Service; 5:30 p.m. Youth Group.

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

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

FORT MYERS CONGREGATIONAL

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST:

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

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

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

KINGDOM LIFE CHURCH

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

LAMB OF GOD CHURCH

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NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER

New Home Church, 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, North Fort Myers, 656-0416. Weekly

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OF FORT MYERS

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

NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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

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

TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)

14486 A&W Bulb Road, Fort Myers, 433-0201, Rabbi: Rabbi Marc Sack Minyan: Monday at 9 a.m. Religious Education: Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Services Friday 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. www.tjswfl.org.

THE NEW CHURCH

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

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

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CHURCH

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WORD OF LIFE CHURCH

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

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Community Thrift Store Donates \$5,000 To The Heights Foundation



From left, Teri Kollath, Deb Mathinos, Kathryn Kelly, Dianne Morton, Dawn Boren and Erica May at the check presentation on July 27

This summer, Community Thrift Store, owned and operated by Shell Point Retirement Community, donated \$5,000 to The Heights Foundation to support ongoing senior education initiatives. The funds will underwrite educational classes in technology, the arts and exercise offered to the Southwest Florida

community at The Heights Center, located at 15570 Hagie Drive in Fort Myers.

Two years ago, The Heights Center expanded its family-oriented programming to include weekly classes specifically designed for seniors.

"The Heights Foundation recognized a growing need for continuing education courses in areas that interest older adults. We felt compelled to respond," said Kathryn Kelly, CEO of The Heights Foundation/The Heights Center. "Today, volunteer instructors teach classes that revolve around skill-based learning, like the basics of using email effectively, physical wellness and the arts."

This commitment to senior education brought The Heights Center to Shell Point's attention, and caught the eye of Dawn Boren, Shell Point's director of resident life.

"Both Shell Point and The Heights Foundation place a high value on lifelong learning and the power of volunteerism," said Boren. "As we learned more about how The Heights Center serves local seniors, a donation through our Community Thrift Store seemed like a natural fit – and the start to a promising partnership."

Since opening in 2011, The Community Thrift Store has donated a portion of its profits to local nonprofit organizations that support seniors in the greater Southwest Florida community.

The Community Thrift Store, owned by Shell Point, is located in Miner's Shopping Center next to Planet Fitness, on the corner of McGregor Boulevard and Gladiolus in the Iona area of South Fort Myers. Learn about upcoming "steals and deals" by visiting the store's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/thriftstoreshellpoint, or call 225-6529 for more information.✧

Back-To-School Cruise For Local Teachers

Pure Florida recently partnered with Trinity-by-the-Cove Church's Community and Trinity outreach program on August 4 to present Parkside Elementary School in Naples with a back-to-school appreciation event for teachers and school staff, in honor of the school's continued academic achievement. Pure Florida brought 82 passengers aboard the Naples-based M/V *Double Sunshine* for an exclusive 90-minute breakfast cruise to ready school personnel for the upcoming academic year.

In a recent thank you letter from Parkside Elementary School's principal, Tamie Stewart, the school expressed gratitude for the support from Pure Florida and Trinity-by-the-Cove Church.

"Our theme for this school year is 'Sailing to Success by Giving Our Best,' and you certainly helped us kick off the sailing part of that in grand fashion! It was a pleasure to meet some of the Pure Florida team, as well as the wonderful Trinity-by-the-Cove folks who helped out," Stewart wrote. "Your support through your gift of this cruise helps us in providing 'perks' for our staff to recognize the tremendous effort they put forth each day, as part of building that positive culture. Thank you again for helping make the Parkside vision become a reality."

This was the second back-to-school teacher appreciation breakfast cruise that the water attraction company provided to the school personnel at Parkside Elementary School. "Pure Florida is very grateful for the opportunity to support the local community and we were excited to provide this fun-filled morning to the deserving staff at Parkside Elementary School," said Captain Lance Julian,



Whitney Price, Kathryn Khan, Martha Higgins, Sandy Kivett and Kelly Kuypers



Christine Bezjak, Jenna Jones, Tom Gemmer and Tamie Stewart



Pure Florida and Trinity-by-the-Cove take Parkside Elementary teachers and staff aboard the *Double Sunshine* for a back-to-school teacher appreciation cruise

co-founder of Pure Florida. "We greatly appreciate the teachers and school staff within our community that have devoted themselves to helping future generations succeed and we are happy to extend our thanks to this school."✧

Trailways Camp Documentary To Premiere

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Seating is limited and reservations are required. To RSVP, contact Andrea McKiddie of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation at 274-5900 or amckiddie@floridacommunity.com.✧



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Summertime Cut Bait Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

It was another great week of fishing action, with a much more stable and predictable weather pattern giving anglers near perfect conditions to get out and catch a wide variety

of species. Calm seas and very little boat traffic is what makes summertime fishing in Pine Island Sound my favorite time to year. Most years, business really slows in August... although this year has been the busiest August I can remember as families squeeze in one last trip before the kids head back to school.

Shark fishing on cut mullet was on fire this week. Natural channels from Captiva Pass and Redfish Pass all the way east to Pineland held lots of big feeding sharks all

in the five-foot-plus size range. One real bonus while doing this was a seven-foot-plus hammerhead we hooked and did battle with for well over a half hour, getting it within 20 feet of the boat several times before it parted ways biting through the leader. Spinner sharks, blacktips, bulls and lemons all kept the rods bent, with it not taking long at all to get bit on the falling tide. Catching these sharks on heavy spinning tackle is a blast and some easy summertime fishing.

With water temperatures hovering right around 90 degrees most days, getting out early brings the best livebait action of the day, with fishing generally slowing in the heat of the afternoon. Big high tides first thing in the morning all week gave anglers lots of options, including redfish, catch-and-release snook, mangrove snapper and sharks.

When heading out during these crazy hot days of summer, I like to bring some kind of cut bait as a option. The hotter the water temperature is, the better cut bait fishing gets. Often, cut bait will catch fish when nothing else does as the fish just get lazy in the heat of the day and simply don't want to chase down a live-



A six-foot lemon shark caught this week by Mary Laser of Sanibel 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.

bait. We can all relate with this.

Some of my favorite dead bait includes frozen jumbo shrimp. mullet and ladyfish. Dead bait is also a great go-to when you just don't want to get up early to catch live bait or plan on getting a late start. Some of the best redfish action this time of year is on frozen jumbo shrimp or Spanish sardines pitched up under the

mangroves. These baits can be easily purchased by looking for The Great For Bait freezers all over the islands.

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:

Yellow Rat Snake



by Patricia Molloy

Depending on how one feels about snakes, Florida is either blessed or cursed with a wide variety of the legless reptiles. Of the 44 species of snakes found in the state, only six

are venomous, and only four of those are widespread. In other words, one is highly likely to encounter a snake from time to time, but quite unlikely to be in any danger from such encounters.

One of the largest species of nonvenomous snakes in North America is the rat snake, of which there are more than 50 types of sub-species. One of the most common of the sub-species is the yellow rat snake (*Elaphe obsoleta quadrivittata*). Sometimes referred to as the chicken snake, these large reptiles grow to six feet in length on average, but have been known to grow as long as 10 feet. Yellow rat snakes are often found in developed areas of Florida and have colorful markings that vary slightly depending on the region. Most yellow rat snakes are greenish with tints of yellow and orange, and have four dark stripes that run along the length of their bodies.

As the name would indicate, yellow rat

snakes feed primarily on large rodents, and are key to keeping rodent populations under control. Yellow rat snakes are most active at dusk and at night, but will sometimes hunt during the day. They prefer being around water and are excellent swimmers. When relaxing, they often choose to stretch out in cypress oak trees, high above the ground.

On August 13, an injured yellow rat snake was delivered to CROW. "It looked like he had puncture wounds on the lower third of his body, most likely from a predator attack," explained Willow Bender, senior wildlife rehabilitator. After a thorough entrance exam, the patient (#15-2515) was prepped for surgery.

"His tail was really necrotic at the end, dead and decaying, so they amputated it," Bender said. "Then they put some sutures in and he's been doing really well. We've been doing supportive care: fluids, pain medication and an antibiotic. We'll keep the sutures in, because they will absorb on their own or fall out. He should be completely fine."

On August 19, Dr. Heather Barron gave the yellow rat snake a clean bill of health. It was released back into the wild, likely near the base of a cypress tree.

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



The yellow rat snake, patient #15-2515, was likely injured in a predator attack. A portion of its tail was amputated and dissolvable sutures were used to close the wound.

'Ding' Darling Hosts 3rd Annual Photo Contest For High Schoolers

The 3rd annual "Ding" Darling-Theodore Cross High School Photography Contest kicks off on September 1, with a deadline of January 1, 2016. It invites high school students in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Glades and Hendry counties to enter for prizes that include a Canon digital SLR camera package, chartered class trips to the refuge, and copies of *Waterbirds: Portraits and Anecdotes from Birding Adventures* by contest namesake, the late Theodore Cross.



Last year's first place went to Matthew Boutelle from Fort Myers High School for his photo *Linesiders*

Cross, who lived part-time on Sanibel Island and has family still living here, marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; advised the Johnson and Nixon administrations on anti-poverty programs; wrote the influential book *Black Capitalism*, among others; played a prominent role in President Obama's election; and created Birders United, a birding website that ranked legislators according to their record of bird protection support.

Late in life, Cross decided to indulge his love for birds and photography and traveled the world to collect stunning portraits and stories to chronicle his adventures. He shot often at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel, and a number of the images in his book reflect his love for the refuge. Cross published *Waterbirds* in 2009 at age 85; he passed away shortly after that in February 2010.

NPR's *All Things Considered* called Cross' collection of 179 images and countless anecdotes "spectacular." The *New York Times* described it as "part visual encyclopedia, part memoir."

"The Theodore Cross Family Charitable Foundation has made possible this contest with a generous grant to the 'Ding' Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS)," said Birgie Miller, DDWS executive director. "We couldn't be more thrilled that they wanted their donation used in this way for a third year."

"We are so happy to be supporting a contest in my father's name, a contest that will get our youth involved with nature by looking at it – as my father so loved doing – through a camera lens," said daughter Amanda Cross.

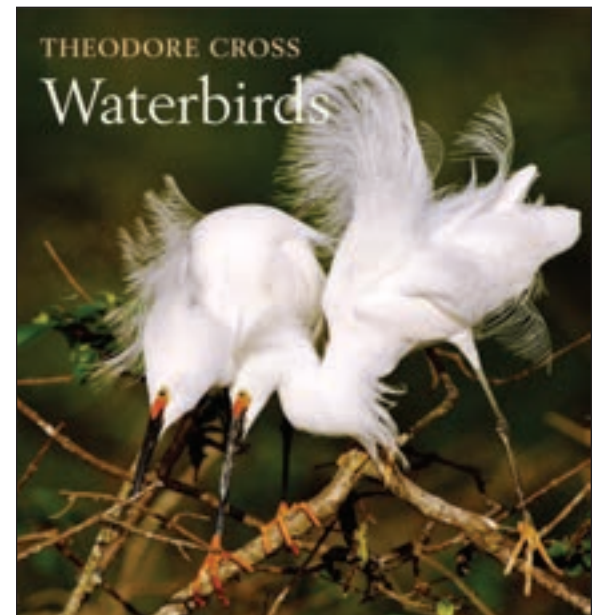
Digital image entries can be shot from any outdoor venue in the state of Florida. A writing component to the contest requires entrants grades nine through 12 to submit a 100-word description of the "moment" captured and how it reflects what nature and wildlife mean to the photographer.

Entry rules and guidelines are listed below. Guidelines and prize information are also posted at www.dingdarlingsociety.org/photo-contests. Call DDWS at 472-1100 ext. 233 for more information.

All entries and personal information must be submitted in digital format to the email address ddhsphotocontest@gmail.com. Submit your full name, high school, grade and an original photograph that you took of nature and/or wildlife in the open outdoors. Include a title for the photograph and a written description (minimum 100 words) of the "moment" captured and how it reflects what nature and wildlife mean to you. You and your entry must comply with the following requirements:

- High school students attending schools in Lee, Collier, Hendry, Glades and Charlotte (Florida) counties in grades nine through 12 may enter the contest.
- Only digital images are accepted and may be taken with any camera, including smartphones.
- Images must be submitted in JPEG format and must have a size of at least 2000 x 1500 pixels or resolution of 2 megabytes.
- The photograph must be taken of nature and/or wildlife in the open outdoors

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Theodore Cross' coffee-table book of stunning bird portraits



Awabuki sweet viburnum's dense foliage can serve as a privacy screen, noise barrier or windbreak

Plant Smart

Awabuki Sweet Viburnum

by Gerri Reaves

Awabuki sweet viburnum (*Viburnum odoratissimum* var. *awabuki*) is an ever-green tree native to eastern Asia often used as a privacy screen, windbreak or noise barrier.

Grown as a tree, it reaches a height of 15 to 20 feet, with a wide rounded canopy.

As a multi-branched hedge it develops thick foliage that provides cover for birds such as northern cardinals.

The leaves' shiny smooth upper surfaces earn it another common name: mirror-leaf viburnum.



The fleshy fruit ripens to black and is a food source for birds

photos by Gerri Reaves

The leaves are oval and four to eight inches long, with serrated edges and blunt tips. The light-green undersides contrast with the dark-green upper surfaces.

Panicles of small white fragrant flowers appear in spring. Fleshy berries of light orange or red ripen to black and provide food for a variety of birds.

Both the colorful fruit and the shiny leaves account for the plant's ornamental value.

Plant this tree in full sun to partial shade in well-drained moist conditions.

It is drought tolerant, fairly low maintenance, tolerant of repeated shearing, and non-invasive.

Nevertheless, consider adding the native small-leaf viburnum, also known as Walter's viburnum (*Viburnum obovatum*), to your landscape, too.

Sources: *Florida, My Eden* by Frederic B. Streasau; *South Florida Landscapes* by the South Florida Water Management District; floridata.com; and ifas.ufl.edu.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧

Fisherman's Paradise:

The Cussed Catfish



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 XIII Part II

One good thing about catfish is that, when you're fishing with artificial lures, they won't bite. But if you let any kind of live or dead bait hit the bottom, they'll be Johnny-on-the-spot. They'll take stale beef or cut-up fish about as well as shrimp.

The only time I fish for catfish is when I'm going after tarpon, cobia or Goliath grouper. I've found they make excellent

live bait. I've also discovered that these fish will strike them more readily when the three spikes have been cut off. You don't want to use too large a cat for tarpon or cobia. Under a foot long is preferable. But with goliath grouper, the sky's the limit. I hooked and landed a behemoth one day on a nine-pound sail cat.

To watch a commercial fisherman dress out a cat is a sight worth seeing. They can do it faster than I can tell about it. A few deft flicks of a sharp knife and a fine, firm piece of white catfish is ready to be stacked on ice. The Punta Rassa experts lay the fish belly down on a plank and cut headward from the second dorsal fin up to the main dorsal. Then they turn the blade to a 45-degree angle and cut toward the backbone, pick the fish up and break the backbone by bending the head down parallel to the belly. Then, holding the fish in the right hand with the index finger over the broken end of the bone, with the left hand they pull the severed head toward the tail. At the rib cage, they grasp the rib cage and pull the head and entrails in one direction and the body in another until the fish is skinned. It would be difficult to clean a fish more quickly.

The gaff-topsail cat is covered with a slime that is almost impossible to wash off. But the sail cat is a much more desirable fish. First, the sail cat is not a scavenger, but borders on being a game fish. He'll hit live bait like pinfish and shrimp, and I've caught them on bucktails and

plugs. Second, they are a fine eating fish, having a firm, flakey white flesh. And thirdly, they cannot hurt you. Their fins are so feathered out, they're harmless.

A Lee County fisherman can have pretty good year-round fishing just from sea and sail cats.

To be continued next week...✧

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ACT Gallery

pen, pencil and ink, and later on, acrylic. He currently lives in Fort Myers. Goldey's influences are Salvador Dali, Piet Mondrian and Wayne White.

Goldey has exhibited at various local venues and galleries in Fort Myers, and at Fashion Week in Naples, Florida. One of his paintings is at the Housing Authority of Fort Myers. He is currently part of the Bootleggers Gallery, which is an open air gallery in downtown Fort Myers. Goldey's art is considered minimalist chaos, a combo of op surrealism and modern abstract. Most of what he creates with pen, pencil or ink starts with a dot and grows from there. He never knows what will come next.

Featured in the white gallery this month is Justin Markley, a self-taught artist who started to draw at a young age, taking what he saw in his mind and putting it to paper. From this moment on, his life had true meaning and he began to live and not feel so different. His passion for aquatic art led him to more travel,

exploring oceans, lakes, rivers and wildlife. Some of his favorite pastimes are fishing, snorkeling, boating, kayaking, biking and hiking.

These exhibits will be on view through Monday, September 28.

Arts for ACT Gallery is at 2265 First Street in the downtown Fort Myers River District. For more information, call 337-5050 or visit www.artsforactgallery.com.✧

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FWC Python Challenge To Return In 2016

Building on the success of its 2013 Python Challenge, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and the Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida, Inc. this week announced additional details of the 2016 Python Challenge, a conservation effort that includes public outreach on invasive species and a month-long competition to remove Burmese pythons from public lands in Florida.

Next year's Challenge will take place in a larger geographic area than the 2013 Python Challenge. The FWC is working in coordination with several state and federal land management agencies, including Everglades National Park, to provide access to additional public land areas during the competition.

"We look forward to expanding access into the park and to providing more opportunities for members of the public to become approved authorized python agents," said Everglades National Park Superintendent Pedro Ramos. "I hope that our increased participation this year will engage the public and highlight the scientific work that is being done to care for our public lands."

The dates of the python removal competition in south Florida are set



Pictured above is the skin from a 21-foot python, on loan for display by Dragon Backbone. They make purses, wallets, jewelry and knives from the snake skin. From left is FWC Press Secretary Susan Smith, South Region Public Information Coordinator Carli Segelson, Officer Bobby Dube, Regional Director Chuck Collins, Nina Segelson and Officer David Bingham. photo by Alicia Wellman

for January 16 to February 14, 2016. Participants will be able to sign up as an individual competitor or as part of a team of up to five people.

"We're launching the 2016 Python Challenge because Burmese pythons continue to be a significant issue in the Everglades," said FWC Commissioner Ron Bergeron. "We hope these efforts will increase sightings and removal of pythons over the long-term in this valuable ecosystem."

The aim of the 2016 Python Challenge is to promote Everglades conservation through invasive species removal,

and the FWC and the Foundation are also increasing opportunities for the public to receive training so they can help. Training events will teach participants how to identify, report and then safely and humanely capture Burmese pythons.

"The Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida is proud to partner with the FWC and Everglades National Park on this exciting conservation program," said Foundation Chairman Rodney Barreto. "If you are interested in learning more or want to help promote or sponsor the 2016 Python Challenge, we encourage you to visit the Python Challenge

website."

Details about upcoming training events, competition rules, registration, prizes and events will be posted at PythonChallenge.org as they are finalized.

To report nonnative fish and wildlife, call the FWC's Invasive Species Hotline at 888-IVE-GOT1 (888-483-4681), report your sighting online at IveGot1.org or download the IveGot1 smartphone app.

For more information on Burmese pythons and other nonnative species in Florida, go to MyFWC.com/nonnatives.



Pelican Elementary students learned about Catching The Wind: Designing Windmills for their 2015 project funded by a 'Ding' Darling Wildlife Society teacher grant

DDWS Teacher Grants Deadline Approaches

The "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), with J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, announced its 9th annual donation of teacher grants. Up to \$10,000 in grant awards are available to teachers in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and Hendry counties this school year for conservation education-

related projects.

Teachers in the five-county area may apply for grants up to \$1,000 each to purchase teaching aids, books and classroom materials; fund new classroom science projects; take field trips; or conduct work projects in the community.

All schools are invited to submit environmental education- or science-related unit proposals by Saturday, October 31. The approved proposals will be awarded in November for projects to be completed by May 2016.

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Fillet And Release Tourney Returns



Anglers line up to weigh-in their catch during the 2014 Fillet and Release Fishing Tournament hosted by Matanzas on the Bay.

Matanzas on the Bay on Fort Myers Beach is hosting the 11th annual Fillet and Release Fishing Tournament on Saturday, September 12 to benefit Hope Hospice.

This year's event anticipates more than 320 anglers to join the light tackle, inshore fishing tournament with shotgun start at 7 a.m. and boats returning by 3 p.m. Eighty-seven boats participated in the 2014 event, which raised more than \$15,000 to benefit Hope Hospice.

The weigh-in ceremony will take place at Matanzas on the Bay, where participants can enter in a raffle to benefit Hope Hospice and, following the weigh-in, enjoy a dinner and awards ceremony. Winners are determined by total weight of fish caught. Eligible species include redfish and snook, and all fish will be released following weigh in.

The entry fee is \$250 per team, with a maximum of four anglers per boat. For more information, visit www.filletandrelease4hospice.com.

Art By The Disabled On Exhibit In Cape Coral Library Gallery



Home in the Burrow by Janice Orozco

Artwork by participants in Lee Memorial Health System's Arts In Healthcare program Art By The disABled will be on display from September 2 through September 29 in the art gallery of the Cape Coral Library, located at 921 SW 39th Terrace. Contact the library at 533-4500 for directions and hours.

As part of this show, an artists' reception will be held at the Cape Coral Library on Saturday, September 12 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Arts In Healthcare is a nationwide movement that links the expressive arts with the healing arts and brings these into the mainstream of the traditional health care to promote the well-being of those who are ill and their caregivers. It integrates the expressive arts in all forms into the health care setting to provide creative outlets for patients,



Silver and Gold by Carol Murphy

families and staff.

Lee Memorial Health System's Arts In Healthcare program offers creative activities for patients, families and staff to assist with the healing process and is available at each of the health system's hospital campuses. Activities include art, music, dance and movement, creative writing, and more.

Art By The disABled is a program for individuals with disabilities who are looking for showcase and exhibition opportunities for their creative works. Each of Lee Memorial Health System's hospitals maintains a gallery to display their artwork and the health system arranges an annual juried art show and assists disabled artists in participating in local art shows. Arts In Healthcare is led by the program coordinator with the support of more than 70 volunteers, and is funded by donations.

For more information about the Lee Memorial Health System's Arts In Healthcare program, contact Program Coordinator Doug MacGregor at 343-2633 or art@leememorial.org.

Call For Artists To Join ArtFest Fort Myers 2016

ArtFest Fort Myers, Southwest Florida's premier fine art festival, is currently accepting applications from professional artists for participation in our 2016 juried show. Featuring the work of 215 artists, ArtFest Fort Myers will bring 85,000 art lovers and collectors to the largest outdoor gallery in Southwest Florida on the first weekend in February.

All artwork exhibited must be created solely by the displaying artists. Artist entries are accepted in 16 categories: Ceramics, Digital, Drawing, Fiber, Glass, Jewelry, Metal, Mixed Media 2-D, Mixed Media 3-D, Painting-Watercolor, Painting-Oil/Acrylic, Photography, Printmaking, Sculpture, Wearable and Wood.

Artists are selected to participate by an independent jury panel of art professionals, who score submitted images on

artistic conception, originality and workmanship. Cash prizes totaling \$5,000 will be awarded to participating artists at the fine art festival.

Why apply to participate at ArtFest Fort Myers? Our year-round professional staff is dedicated to creating an artwork-selling festival for all artists. We provide great artist amenities to ensure that our artists are stress free and ready to share their work with our dedicated attendees. We promote our event extensively throughout Southwest Florida and beyond, reaching patrons from Marco Island to Sarasota and east to West Palm Beach.

For more details on the application process, visit ArtFestFortMyers.com.

ArtFest Fort Myers works year-round to produce a creative community celebration that also includes:

- Publix Art Yard, an interactive arts/crafts area for children, including a "children only" shopping gallery and youth stage performances
- Art Under 20, an exhibition and competition for Lee County high school students, offering cash awards

- Chalk Block, a weekend high school sidewalk chalk competition mentored by professional chalk artists (sponsored by Truly Nolen Pest Control)

- VIP Experience for loyal art patrons who wait all year to make art purchases with us

For artist application information, contact ArtFest Fort Myers at 768-3602, email info@ArtFestFortMyers.com or visit ArtFestFortMyers.com.

ArtFest Fort Myers will be held on February 6 and 7, 2016, with a special opening on Friday night, February 5.*

Call To Artists For Saturday Art Fair

Downtown Fort Myers Saturday Art Fair is looking for vibrant, accomplished artists and crafters to set up on the First Street sidewalks to sell the works they create. Acceptable works include fine art, jewelry, ceramics, designer wear and unique artsy fine

crafts. Prints from original works are also acceptable.

Art vendors will be placed on the sidewalk at prominent businesses on First Street starting at Royal Palm Avenue and ending at Dean Street. Vendors will be given a 9-foot by 3-foot space on the sidewalk. Vendor's presentation space must be approved by the Saturday Art Fair Committee jurying committee.

The Saturday Art Fair is held the third Saturday of each month starting on November 21 and continuing on December 19 and January 16, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The fee to artists for a spot on the sidewalk will be:

- One month – \$50
- Two months – \$90
- Three months – \$100

Full payment is due before November 15. If you wish to pay monthly, the fee is \$50 per month, payable before the second Saturday of the month. There are 50 Art Vendor spots available. For questions, contact Claudia of the Arts For ACT Gallery at cgoode@actabuse.com or 337-5050.*

Song Of The Jasmine Comes To Barbara B. Mann On September 12

Raaga, Inc., a Southwest Florida-based Indian arts and culture organization, is pleased to present Song of the Jasmine at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 12 at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, 13350 FSW Parkway in Fort Myers. In collaboration with jazz saxophonist and composer Rudresh Mahanthappa, Dance Directors Aparna Ramaswamy and Raneer Ramaswamy of the renowned Ragamala company explore and transcend the boundaries between the sensual and spiritual in human experience.

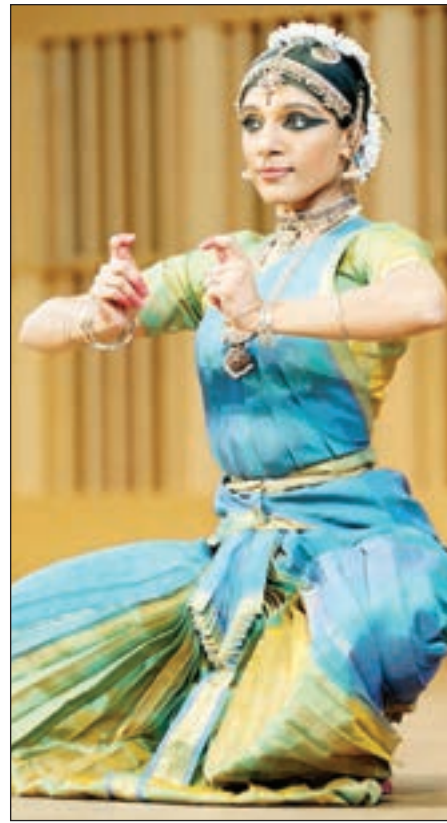
Drawing on the work of Tamil Bhakti poet Andal, this colorfully staged production follows the jasmine's path between the world of man and the world of the gods. A musical ensemble of saxophone, guitar, South Indian flute, mridangam drum and violin provides a pulsing, soaring sonic landscape filled with mystery.

The New York Times said, "Song of the Jasmine is a soulful, imaginative and rhythmically contagious collaboration with the superb jazz composer and alto saxophonist Rudresh Mahanthappa." The paper offered high praise for Ragamala, too, raving that it "shows how Indian forms can be some of the most transcendent experiences that dance has to offer. This is an excellent company." *Dance Magazine* raved, "Aparna Ramaswamy is a marvel of buoyant agility and sculptural clarity."

Tickets start at \$45 and are available at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall Box Office. Visit <http://bbmannpah.com/performance.php?id=741> or call 481-4849 or 800-440-7469 for tickets and more information.✱



Ragamala dancers performing in *Song of the Jasmine*



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Ding' Darling Photo Contest

in the state of Florida, which may include parks, refuges, backyards and other open spaces.

- Panoramic photos are not allowed.
- Filters, cropping, enhancements and boards are permitted. However, adding any elements not existing in the original scene will not be allowed. Judges, at their discretion, will disqualify any photos that appear to be manipulated beyond these guidelines.
- Each participant may enter up to two photos but is eligible to win only one award.
- Judging will be anonymous. Please do not put your name or anything that will identify you on your photograph.
- There are three judges: A refuge staff person, a professional photographer, and a resident of the five-county region.

Judging criteria:

- Technical excellence (sharpness, lighting, composition, exposure)
- Creativity
- Explanation of photograph (minimum of 100 words)

All photos will become the property of the society. Photos may be used by the society in any way with appropriate credit.

After the images have been submitted electronically, they will be printed out for judging. The winners of the contest will have their images matted and displayed in the "Ding' Darling Visitor & Education Center.

To support DDWS and the refuge with a tax-deductible gift, visit www.dingdarling-society.org or contact Birgie Miller at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.✱



Captain Joe & the Bottomfeeders

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Bluegrass Concert

come, first served. Children 12 and under are free if accompanied by an adult. Pre-sale tickets are not available. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. The Sunday afternoon concert series continues every month throughout the 2015-16 season. Visit ArtInLee.org or call 939-2787 for more information. To learn more about the Acoustic Music Society of Southwest Florida visit www.Palmgrass.org.

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

Library Programs

September At Northwest Regional Library

Next month's roster of activities at Northwest Regional Library offers topics for all ages. The following activities are free to the public:

Adult Programs

Exhibit: Centennial Faces, September 1 to 30

Available during normal library operation hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday: noon to 8 p.m.; Friday, Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Northwest Regional Library hosts a traveling exhibit from The Florida Museum of History. Centennial Faces, a selection of photographs by Tallahassee photographer Alvan S. Harper, gives a fresh perspective on the lives of African-American citizens in Tallahassee 100 years ago. The subjects of Harper's studio portraits suggest the presence of an affluent class within the African-American society of that time.

English Café, 10:30 a.m. Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24

Free, informal conversation sessions for adult ESOL/ESL students.

Safe Route to School -- Pedestrian and Bike Safety, 4 p.m. Tuesday, September 8

Join the local chapter of Florida Safe Routes to School (SRTS) led by All Children's Hospital, for a program designed to make it safe, easy and convenient for children and adults to walk and bicycle to school. Free bike helmets for students while supplies last!

Medicare Traps & Gaps: What You Don't Know Might Hurt You, 3 p.m. Tuesday, September 29

Maura Carley, author of *Health Insurance: Navigating Traps and Gaps* and president of Healthcare Navigation, LLC presents this eye-opening lecture and Q & A session about Medicare's complex enrollment rules, premium penalties and income-indexing.

Storytime

Baby Rhyme Time, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23 and 9:30 a.m. Saturdays, September 5, 12, 19, 26

Reading to babies right from birth stimulates their minds, develops language skills and lays a foundation for later reading success. During this special storytime, you and your baby will learn new nursery rhymes and fingerplays, interact with puppets, sing, read books and dance. It is an opportunity to meet other parents and babies in the neighborhood.

Family Storytime, 11 a.m. Thursdays, September 3, 10, 17, 24

Five simple practices get kids ready to read talking, singing, reading, writing and playing. The whole family is invited to this all-ages storytime that encourages the development of pre-reading skills through songs, rhymes, fingerplays and stories.

Children's Programs

Book in a Box, September 1 to 19

Available during normal library operation hours: Monday, Wednesday,

Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesday: noon to 8 p.m.; Friday, Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The fantastic Book in a Box creations will be on display in the Kidspace and all are welcome to admire the projects. Join the fun and see if you can figure out the favorite book represented by each box.

Kids Read Down Fines, 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays, September 5, 19 and 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays, September 8, 22

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Sensational Storytime Fun, 6 p.m. Tuesday, September 22

Children in Kindergarten through fifth grade and their families are invited to a special story and craft program presented by library staff. Sponsored by the Friends of the Northwest Regional Library.

Teen Programs

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Game'n, Wednesday, September 16
2 p.m. - High School
4 p.m. - Middle School

A venue for all types of games: board, card or electronic. Light snacks provided by the Friends of the Northwest Regional Library.

Yu-Gi-Oh, 1 p.m. Saturday, September 19

Are you a Yu-Gi-Oh pro, perfecting your skills or just beginning? Spend an afternoon with fellow Yu-Gi-Oh enthusiasts and pick up new strategies and techniques.

Paracord Bracelets, 4 p.m. Thursday, September 24

This bracelet made of braided parachute cord looks awesome and can hold up to 550 lbs. Unraveling this bracelet in an emergency could act as a life saver. Have fun weaving your bracelet with friends. Supplies limited; first come, first served.

Battle Bots, 5 p.m. Tuesday, September 29

The Northwest Regional Library is

located at 519 Chiquita Boulevard N. in Cape Coral. For more information about a program or to register, call the library at 533-4700. 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.*

Library Programs

September At North Fort Myers Public Library

Next month's roster of activities at North Fort Myers Public Library offers topics for all ages. The following activities are free to the public:

Adult Programs

Local Author Booktalk: *Burning Down the Country House* by Carol Williams, 2 p.m. Thursday, September 3

Williams explores the circumstances leading up to the fiery end of a marriage built on deceit, power-plays and ignorance. She interjects hilarious anecdotes into this poignant account of a family under duress as seen through the eyes of her child protagonist Addie.

Book Discussion: *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr, 2 p.m. Thursday, September 17

Marie-Laure, a blind French girl, and Werner, a German soldier, find themselves struggling to survive in occupied France through the devastation of World War II.

Storytime

Family Storytime
10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23

Five simple practices get kids ready to read: talking, singing, reading, writing and playing. The whole family is invited to this all-ages storytime that encourages the development of pre-reading skills through songs, rhymes, fingerplays and stories.

Children's Programs

Kids Read Down Fin, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays, September 12, 26

Children and teens earn a \$2 coupon or 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 and applies only to charges on overdue materials.

Kids' Club: Make-and-Take Bookmark Craft, 2 to 4 p.m. Monday, September 14

What better way to hold your place in a book than with a bookmark you create yourself? Supplies provided. For ages six and up.

Teen Programs

Kids Read Down Fines, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays, September 12, 26

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The North Fort Myers Public Library is located at 2001 N. Tamiami Trail NE in N. Fort Myers. For more information about a program or to register, call 533-4320. 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.*

Library Programs

September At Dunbar Jupiter Hammon Library

Next month's roster of activities at the Dunbar Jupiter Hammon Public Library offers topics for families, children and teens. The following activities are free to the public:

Storytime

Family Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays, September 2, 9, 16, 23

Five simple practices get kids ready to read talking, singing, reading, writing and playing. Your whole family is invited to this all-ages storytime that encourages the development of pre-reading skills through songs, rhymes, fingerplays and stories. First come, first served.

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Drop-In Craft - Coffee Filter Art, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Saturday, September 12

Create colorful pieces of art using magic markers, coffee filters and water. All supplies provided. For grades K-5.

School-Age Storytime, 11 a.m. Saturday, September 26

This is interactive storytime includes books, activities and music. For grades K-5.

Teen Programs

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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 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.*

5th Annual Cabaret And Cabernet

Celebrate with past winners of the Young Artists Awards program at the 5th annual Cabaret and Cabernet, to be held at the Alliance for the Arts/Foulds Theatre campus on Saturday, October 24 from 7 to 10 p.m. For only \$65 per ticket, attendees will enjoy award winning entertainment on the Foulds Theatre stage and tasting stations featuring libations and sweet and savory items throughout the main gallery.

Tickets are now available by calling Young Artists Awards at 574-9321 or by clicking on the ticket button at www.youngartistsawards.org. This year, only 150 tickets will be available to the public for sale; the event sold out last year.

A silent auction, featuring donated artwork, jewelry, event tickets, hotel stays and much more will be held, benefitting the \$30,000 in cash scholarships the Young Artists Awards program will award this season to performing arts students from throughout Southwest Florida.

Complimentary libations will be provided by Cape Coral Brewing Co., Lee County's newest craft brewery based in Cape Coral dedicated to brewing full flavor beers with the greatest attention to quality, and a selection of wines from Total Wine & More. Tasting stations and servers will provide incredible chocolates by Norman Love Confections and savory items prepared by The Edison and Cohen & Cohen Catering.

Past winners of the program coming back to Lee County to perform at the event include Paul Gavin & Full Force and Carla Martinez. Past Sanibel resident and Young Artists Awards instrumental music winner Paul Gavin is a two-time international competition winning drummer, teacher and composer/arranger. He leads seven of Tampa's finest musicians for a night of jazz, funk, Latin, Brazilian, R&B, fusion, hip hop, rock and more – and delivered with Full Force. The band (made up of composers and arrangers, local, national and international competition winners) performs their own compositions and arrangements of unique music. Every performance is full of energy, spontaneity and improvisation. Not another jazz band with nostalgia for years past, this eight piece band brings new music to every show with an excitement that you'll have to see to believe.

Carla Martinez, formerly of Cape Coral, is a four-time finalist and winner of the Young Artists Awards program. She is a performer, choreographer, and teacher currently residing in Boston, Massachusetts. Soon after graduating from Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts, she started her professional theatrical career at TheatreZone in Naples. Two years later, she was accepted to the prestigious Berklee College of Music and graduated with a Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance. Since then, she has appeared in over a dozen shows in New England. Credits include *Far From Heaven*, *Shrek*, *Hairspray*, *It's A Wonderful Life*, *Oliver*, *Dreamgirls*, *The Wiz* and *The Full Monty*.



Paul Gavin & Full Force

Original artwork, jewelry, tickets to area cultural events, trips, wine, theatre, restaurant, and art related baskets, and more will be featured at the silent auction. More information on some of the items up for auction will be on the Young Artists Awards Facebook page beginning October 1.

The Young Artists Awards, Inc. is a not for profit organization entering its thirteenth year of offering services to area students ages 8 to 21 in the performing arts, including vocal and musical performance, drama and dance. Sponsorships of the program are still available, and silent auction items are being accepted. Come enjoy an evening of libations, food, and entertainment, while supporting the next generation of emerging artists in Southwest Florida.

To purchase tickets to Cabaret and Cabernet on Saturday, October 24 at the Alliance for the Arts/Foulds Theatre campus at 10091 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers, call 574-9321 or visit www.youngartistsawards.org. One hundred percent of the proceeds from the evening will go to student scholarships in the arts and your ticket purchase will allow students to participate in our education, performance and scholarship program during their 2015-16 season.*



Carla Martinez

Fit Nation Tribal Games Coming To Fort Myers Beach This October

Fit Nation Events LLC is hosting the highly anticipated FN Tribal Games on October 17 and 18 at the expansive Wyndham Garden Resort grounds on Fort Myers Beach to make way for the over 1,500 expected athletes and spectators. This competition, in its third year, will push athletes to their physical and mental limits as they pull, swim, carry and run their way through eight ultra-intensive workouts created specifically for this outdoor endurance event.

This is a team competition that will pair two men and two women together to take on the workouts as a unit. There are four divisions for athletes to choose from:

- Shaman – Athletes 40-plus
- Warrior – Scaled Intermediate athletes
- War Chiefs – Rx (Veteran to Elite athletes)
- The Council – Teams representing a business

Athletes interested in competing are encouraged to visit the FN Tribal Games website at www.fntribalgames.com and to follow the event on its social media channels.

Instagram: @FNTribalGames

Facebook: FN Tribal Games

For more information, visit www.fitnationmag.com.*

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DDWS Teacher Grants Deadline

"With environmental education funding being cut throughout the school district, teachers and students are grateful to receive our grants to fund special projects," said Wendy Kindig, DDWS Environmental Education Committee chair. "It's an important part of the society's mission to educate and make future conservation stewards out of today's

youth pool."

In the past eight years, the friends group has granted more than \$47,000 to local schools for environmental projects. The teacher grants are funded by DDWS monies received from the DDWS Conservation Education Endowment Fund earmarked specifically for education.

For further information and an application, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/grants or contact Sarah Lathrop at 472-1100 ext. 233 or sarah@dingdarlingsociety.org.*

Ronald McDonald House Charities Craft Beer Festival Is October 17

Craft beer enthusiasts will tap in to over 60 brews to benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida at the 4th annual Brew-Ha-Ha Craft Beer Festival on October 17 at Mercato in Naples. This year's roster provides an opportunity for the legal-drinking-aged public to taste a substantial representation of beers courtesy of Coastal Beverage, with a spotlight on Florida Breweries. On tap will be Darwin, Green Flash, Motorworks, Fat Point, Shipyard, Naples Beach and 3 Daughters, to name a few. Visitors are invited out for an evening of craft beer tasting, rare and limited release Power Hours, stein holding contests and live music by Rockin' Horse.

The festival will take place on the lawn across from The Pub. Gates open at 5 p.m. with unlimited beer tastings available until 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale now for \$30 at www.rmhcswfl.org or \$35 at the gate. Advance ticket holders will have access starting at 4 p.m. Purchase tickets by October 1 for a chance to win a \$500 Mercato Experience Package. A VIP Brewmaster's Ticket is available for \$50 and includes front-of-the-line access to all beer tents, keepsake light-up mug, and unlimited bottled water and soda. Lawn chairs, blankets and well behaved pets are welcome. Participating Mercato restaurants will serve menu items for purchase. No coolers or outside food will be permitted.

For more information and newly added breweries, visit www.rmhcswfl.org, www.facebook.com, RMHCswflorida or contact Jennifer at Jennifer@rmhcswfl.org or 239-437-0202. Sponsorship opportunities are available.*

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Effort To Form A College Football Union Sacked, But Athletes Are Winning The Battle Off The Field



by Ed Frank

Sometimes losing is winning, and that best describes the recent ruling by the National Labor Relations Board that sacked the attempt by Northwestern University football players to unionize.

Should you have missed the issue, last year former Northwestern quarterback Ken Colter led the effort to form a union comprising the school's football players, contending they are employees of the university and thus entitled to unionize.

Among the organizing demands were financial coverage for former players with sports-related medical expenses, the creation of an educational trust fund to help former players graduate and

commercial sponsorship for players.

The movement even went as far as a vote by the Northwestern players whether they favored a union. That vote was never tallied as Northwestern and the NCAA filed an appeal to the NLRB to reject the petition.

The unanimous NLRB ruling skirted the issue whether college athletes could be considered employees; instead declaring a union would not promote uniformity and labor stability in college football and could upset the competitive balance between teams. The union effort involved only the Northwestern football players, not the other Northwestern teams or other college sports programs.

Despite the rejection, here is why the organizing attempt actually was a "win" for almost all college athletes:

College football is a multi-billion dollar empire, and there were legitimate demands for improved health care and added stipends for the players and their families.

For example, the Big Ten adopted one of the proposed union demands to reform the protocols for treating possible concussions. An independent athletic trainer is now required in the replay booth with the ability to contact officials on the field.

The 14 schools in the Big Ten now honor scholarships throughout an athlete's time in school instead of renewing them annually.

The NCAA voted to let schools in the five richest conferences provide allowances up to \$2,500 a year to cover the full cost of attending college. It also barred universities from revoking the scholarships of athletes that don't measure up on the field.

It also relaxed the former strict limits on meals provided athletes as their extensive exercising and practice often left them going to bed hungry.

Eldon Hamm, a Chicago sports attorney, was quoted in the *Chicago Tribune* that "Northwestern football players lost this battle, but college players in general are winning the war against the NCAA."

He went on to say that the unionization campaign hurt the image of the schools and the NCAA, making them look greedy.

To counter the claims, it should be pointed out that a football scholarship at Northwestern is worth more than \$60,000 a year and allows an athlete to graduate without incurring a debt while obtaining a first-rate education.

We undoubtedly have not heard the last of this controversial issue. One thing is certain, however: Athletes are gaining needed improvements and benefits on and off the field.

Cherington Out As Red Sox GM

Last week's hiring of Dave Dombrowski as president of baseball operations for the Boston Red Sox led to the resignation of Red Sox General Manager Ben Cherington.

It appears that bringing Dombrowski, a veteran baseball executive, to oversee the Red Sox baseball program resulted in Cherington being shown the door. Dombrowski was previously president and general manager of the Detroit Tigers.

In the four seasons of Cherington's tenure, the Red Sox finished in last place twice in the American League's Eastern Division and appears headed for a third last place finish this year. The Red Sox did win the World Series in 2013.

Cherington was also credited with assembling one of the best Minor League programs in baseball.*

Inaugural Paddle At The Point Stand Up Paddleboard Competition



Annabel Anderson will attend the event

Tarpon Point in Cape Coral will host the inaugural Paddle at the Point stand up paddleboard race on Saturday September 19, where participants from all over the country will compete for \$9,000 in prize money.

Taking advantage of Florida's beautiful weather, Tarpon Point's ideal location, and the calm backwaters of the Caloosahatchee River, the event will offer a family fun atmosphere including live entertainment, food and beverage from Texas Tony's Rib House, vendor opportunities, and a free Calusa Kids race for ages 17 and under.

Working in conjunction with SUP ATX and the World Paddle Association, Paddle at the Point will feature a free one-mile Calusa Kid's Race, a three-mile and six-mile race, multiple board divisions, and an open age class.

Race competitors will receive a giveaway bag with registration which will include an

event T-shirt, hat, coupons, lunch voucher and other items.

The event will also offer the opportunity to meet the number one ranked female paddle boarder Annabel Anderson as she hosts a meet and greet September 18 at Pinchers – Tarpon Point from 5 to 7 p.m. She will also be hosting paddle board clinics at the Wyndham Hotel on Fort Myers Beach on Wednesday September 16 and at Tarpon Point Marina in Cape Cora on Friday September 18.

One unique part of the race weekend will be the chance for eligible participants to compete the day of the race for a chance to win an additional \$1,000 by challenging Anderson for the fastest time on the six-mile course. The male or female race competitor that posts the best time below Annabel's will win.

In addition, former U.S. Olympian and Silver Medalist Johnny Puakea, known in the industry as one of the best designers and founder of Puakea Designs, will be in attendance.

Event information and instructions on how to register are available at <https://paddleguru.com/races/PaddleatthePoint>. For details on participating as a vendor, sponsor or volunteer, contact Jarrod Cain at 595-3962 or jarrodc@pinchersusa.com.*



Paddleboarder Annabel Anderson in action



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School Smart



by Shelley M. Gregg, NCSP

Dear Shelley, One of the worst things I have to face about my kids going back to school is the daily lunch-making that is required. My kids can be picky eaters,

but I know how important eating healthy is so I do work hard at making them a nutritious lunch. It's frustrating and I have already run out of good lunch ideas and school has just started. Any suggestions?

Kris B., Fort Myers Beach

Kris,

I empathize with you. Making a healthy lunch for your children is very important but does take time away from other more enjoyable activities. Packing school lunches that kids will like and are easy to eat can be a challenge.

Amy Reed, a registered dietitian at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, says that there are many reasons why kids may not eat well at lunchtime. Some of these reasons include:

- Time constraints. All schools are different, but some students get only a 15-minute window to eat their lunch. This is often not enough time for young kids, who are likely socializing, to eat.
- A desire to stay clean. Some kids

choose not to eat lunch if they feel their meal would be too messy.

- Loose teeth. Children with loose or missing teeth may have more trouble eating certain foods.
- Too many choices. Some kids may be overwhelmed if there is too much food packed into their lunch box.

Reed offered the following suggestions:

- Don't overpack. For children who have a limited time to eat their lunch or feel overwhelmed by too much food, provide smaller portions of nutritious food from at least four food groups.

- Limit containers. It may take a lot of time for children to open just one container. If they need to open a few, it could use up valuable time they need to eat their lunch. In some cases, small children may not be able to open certain containers at all. Try packing kids' lunches in a bento box – one container that has a few small compartments with a lid on top.

- Make sure food is easy to eat. Children who have loose or missing teeth may need to eat foods that don't require biting with their front teeth and can be chewed on the side of the mouth, such as lunch meat, lettuce and cheese roll-ups instead of a sandwich; thin slices of pineapple, apples or pears; and cheese sticks, squeeze yogurt and fruit pouches.

- Limit treats. Children may choose to eat treats first. If they have limited time, this may be all they eat. Some kids may also fill up on treats and never try the other more nutritious foods in their lunch box.

- Plan lunch together. Encourage kids to pack their lunch with items they enjoy so they are less likely to throw their lunch away or swap with classmates.

- Celebrate special days. Plan lunch around special events. For example, pack an all-red lunch for Valentine's Day or include a fortune cookie to celebrate Chinese New Year.

- Offer choices and try new foods. Vary protein sources – tuna, peanut butter, turkey or beans – and offer different whole-grain items such as whole-grain bread, tortillas or crackers. Rotate whole pieces of fruit such as bananas, oranges or grapes and cut-up vegetables like celery, carrots or broccoli. Pack exotic fruits such as kiwi, or allow them to pick fruits and vegetables they want to try at the grocery store.

- Seek advice. For kids who have medical problems, food allergies or sensory issues, eating a variety of foods may be more difficult. Parents who are concerned about their child's food intake can get help from their pediatrician and a registered dietitian.

Shelley Gregg 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.✱

Punta Gorda Airport Adds Three Destinations

Allegiant Air announced three new stops for passengers using Punta Gorda Airport. The targeted cities include Grand Rapids, Michigan, Akron/Canton, Ohio and Kansas City, Missouri.

The announcement was part of 17 new routes revealed nationally by Allegiant.

"We're very excited to announce these new routes and the expansion of our ultra-low-cost air service to two new cities," said Jude Bricker, Allegiant Travel Company senior vice president of planning. "These new nonstop flights will launch just in time for travelers to jet away to a sunny destination during the winter months. Allegiant is dedicated to offering travelers the lowest possible fares and the best deals on vacation packages."

New routes announced include the following Florida airports:

Year-round nonstop service to Punta Gorda Airport (PGD) from:

- Grand Rapids – Begins November 4, and will operate twice weekly.
- Akron/Canton – Begins November 6, and will operate twice weekly.
- Kansas City – Begins November 13, and will operate twice weekly.✱

FGCU To Host Access To Technology Fair

The Florida Small Business Development Center (FSBDC) at Florida Gulf Coast University will host a Access To Technology Fair on Wednesday, September 23 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Holiday Inn – Fort Myers Airport, located at 9931 Interstate Commerce Drive in Fort Myers.

The event is free and businesses will have the opportunity to meet with technology specialists. Participants will learn about new and upcoming technology solutions for their business, including new product demonstrations by technology providers.

A light breakfast and refreshments will be provided. Additionally, through the co-sponsorship of Microsoft, there will be drawings with door prizes during the trade show, including copies of Microsoft Office 365 and other tech gadgets. Kathy Durfee and Alex Melching of TechHouse, a Microsoft Partner, will present Moving to the Microsoft Office Cloud: Office, Web Meetings, Backups, Security and More.

Space is limited and early registration is encouraged either online at www.fsbdc-swfl.org or by phone at 745-3700.

Sponsorships are still available for technology-based businesses, starting as

low as \$175 for a display table at the event. Additional information and online sponsor registration is available at <http://fsbdcswfl.org/access-to-technology/>.✱

Todd Graduates

Jared Stephen Todd of Fort Myers graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Business/Economics degree from a 2015 graduate of Wheaton College, Illinois.

Wheaton College is a coeducational Christian liberal arts college.✱

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Financial Focus

A College Degree Is Still A Smart Investment



by Jennifer Basey

Summer is almost over, which means it's "back-to-school" time. If you have young children, you may be purchasing backpacks, pencils, notebooks and similar items. But one day, you could

be shopping for colleges – and when you do, you'll find the bill is a little bit higher than the one you get from your local school supply store. That's why it's never too soon to start saving.

Just how costly is college? For the 2014-15 school year, the average expense – tuition, fees, room and board – was \$18,943 at a public four-year school and \$42,419 at a four-year private school, according to the College Board. And if recent history is any guide, these numbers will likely keep climbing.

But there's no need to panic. For one thing, your child may be eligible for loans, grants or scholarships. Still, you will likely end up shouldering some of the financial load, and you may ask yourself if it's worth it. How much difference can a college degree make in the lives of your children?

Actually, college still seems to be a

pretty good investment: The average college graduate will receive about \$1 million more in lifetime earnings than the average high school graduate, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. So when you assist your children in getting to college, you can be reasonably sure that you're at least helping them start on the path toward a rewarding career.

How should you put away money for college? Unfortunately, more parents use a general savings account than any other method, according to Sallie Mae's How America Saves For College 2015 study. These accounts pay little or no interest and offer no tax benefits.

As an alternative, consider investing in a 529 plan. Contribution limits are quite high, and federal taxes won't be assessed on earnings used for qualified higher education expenses. (The earnings portion of withdrawals will be taxed, though, and can incur a 10 percent penalty if the withdrawals aren't used for qualified expenses.) Furthermore, your 529 plan contributions may be deductible from your state taxes. But 529 plans vary, so be sure to check with your tax advisor regarding deductibility.

Another college funding option is a Coverdell Education Savings Account, which, like a 529 plan, can generate tax-free earnings if the money is used for higher education expenses. You can typically only put in a maximum of \$2,000 per year to a Coverdell account, but it offers more flexibility in investment choices than a 529 plan.

You could also consider a custodial account, known as either UGMA or UTMA. You can put up to \$14,000 per year into a custodial account without

incurring gift taxes, and earnings would only be subject to the "kiddie tax" – that is, the first \$1,050 is tax-exempt, the next \$1,050 will be taxed at the child's tax rate, and just the amount over \$2,100 will be taxed at your tax rate. However, once your children reach the age of majority (either 18 or 21), they take control of the money and can do whatever they want with it – and their plans may not include college.

Don't wait too long to begin funding whichever savings vehicle, or vehicles, you choose. Your children may be young today, but before you know it, they'll be college bound.

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

Public Seminar On Searching Records And Online Services

Lee County Clerk of Court Linda Doggett announce the 2015-16 dates for the popular public seminar on The Value of Searching Records and Online Services.

Public records are not only useful to businesses and organizations, but can help you make better informed decisions in your daily life. Learn what to do if you suspect fraud, waste or financial mismanagement involving court-appointed guardians over elderly, minor children and incapacitated individuals. Learn how to search public records for copies of deeds

and mortgages; review court records of prospective tenants, employees, contractors and doctors; pay traffic tickets online; request postponement or excusal of Jury Duty and more.

The seminars are free and informative so mark your calendar and join Linda at any of the convenient locations and dates as she guides you through the information available on the Lee County Clerk of Court website.

Reservations are not required. For more information, contact Rita Miller, Community Relations Manager, at RMiller@LeeClerk.org.

- Lakes Regional Library on October 21, 5290 Bass Road in Fort Myers, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- SW Cape Coral Library on December 9, 921 SW 39th Terrace in Cape Coral, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Estero South County Library on January 20, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Northwest Cape Regional Library on February 24, 519 Chiquita Blvd. in North Cape Coral, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- North Fort Myers Library on March 30, 2001 N. Tamiami Trail NE, North Fort Myers, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Bonita Springs Library on April 27, 26876 Pina Avenue in Bonita Springs, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Fort Myers Beach Library on May 18, 2755 Estero Blvd. in Fort Myers Beach, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Downtown Fort Myers Library on June 8, 2450 First Street in Fort Myers, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

- Lehigh – East County Library on July 13, 881 Gunnery Road in Lehigh Acres, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.✪

AppleJuice

Set Your Desktop, Use Your iPhoto Library As A Screen Saver



by Carol Rooksby Weidlich, President, SWACKS

Tired of the same Background or Wallpaper on your monitor screen? Then let's look at the many options you have to change your

Wallpaper and your Screen Saver.

In OS X Yosemite, open System Preferences > Desktop & Screen Saver. Under the Desktop tab to change your Background or Wallpaper on your monitor screen, click on your choice of Apple, iPhoto or Pictures (if you have a small arrow next to any of these, it indicates you have multiple libraries. Click on the arrow and see what options you have.). Choose the photo you want to use. Check the box for Change Picture and set a time for your Wallpaper photos to change. Check Random Order and you'll

be surprised each time a photo appears on your monitor screen. Next to the image, you'll see an option to resize your photo. By clicking on each option, you will automatically see how your photo(s) will look.

Now, open the Screen Saver tab and decide which options you would like to use. Clicking on each icon will show you how the photos will appear on your screen when it is not in use. You can have your photos, digital designs, a word of the day and even your iTunes Artwork. Clicking on each photo option gives you a choice of Source or where your photos are stored. Use any of the built-in photos or set your own by choosing a specific folder or your iPhoto Library. Under your options, you can set your screen saver to set after an allotted amount of time. You even have an option of having a clock show on the screen when your screen saver is in use.

This is a fun way to see photos you may have forgotten about.

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.✪

Housing Authority Named Florida Outstanding Agency Of The Year

The Housing Authority of the City of Fort Myers was awarded Outstanding Agency of the Year and Best Newsletter at the Florida Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (FAHRO) 2015 Conference and Tradeshow in Orlando last week.

The outstanding agency award was judged on the agency's commitment to solving housing and associated community problems, innovation, industry involvement, affiliations with state and federal associations, and High Performer classification from HUD.

"Florida's housing agencies have the responsibility to serve as many of our most vulnerable citizens as possible with extremely limited resources," said Corey G. Mathews, FAHRO's executive director. "The Housing Authority of the City of Fort Myers, under the leadership of Executive Director Marcus Goodson, has been a beacon of innovation and inspiration in its accomplishments by expanding its reach in housing its community, and its peers are excited to recognize their success."

The newsletter award was based on interesting and appealing, consistent visual rhythm throughout, a mix of long and short articles and photos, layouts that are inviting to read with plenty of in-depth coverage while also revealing the personalities of their subjects.

"Since joining the HACFM in 2002, Executive Director Marcus Goodson has led his team to convert what was previously a troubled housing authority to one of the most accomplished in the state and country," said Fort Myers Mayor Randy Henderson in his recommendation letter. "It's commendable what this housing authority has achieved in recent years including developing the Renaissance Preserve community, the largest affordable-housing development project in the history of Southwest Florida. Projects also include the 120-unit senior housing complex, Covington Meadows Apartments in Lehigh Acres, a new administrative building and Community Supportive Services building, the Broadway Apartments and the opening of the new Landings at East Pointe and East Pointe Place just this past fall."

"This housing authority has excelled because of the unwavering support and leadership of our board of commissioners and the commitment from each employee to give his or her very best to this agency regardless of what is asked of them," said Goodson.

For more information, call 344-3220 or visit www.hacfm.org.✪

dearRPharmacist

Protect Yourself From Side Effects Of Acetaminophen



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Pharmacist: Tylenol is popular. It is known generically as “acetaminophen” or “paracetamol,” this is one of the leading pain relievers in the entire world. It’s probably in every

medicine cabinet (including mine), right next to my ibuprofen.

Most people know ibuprofen can hurt the gut, whereas acetaminophen can hurt the liver. Today, I want to focus on protecting you if you like to take acetaminophen. Many years ago, probably in 2001, I warned you all to take a certain supplement called “NAC” if you needed to take acetaminophen routinely, in order to protect your liver and restore glutathione levels. I was right about NAC, and today, 14 years later, conventional physicians are starting to recommend NAC, too.

NAC can help reduce toxic effects

of acetaminophen according to research published in the journal *Drug Development Research*, in August 2015. This article provided an outright statement that recommended drug companies to add the amino acid, NAC, short for N-Acetyl Cysteine to the drug acetaminophen, in order to prevent toxic drug side effects. But I told you this years ago in my column and in my free newsletter, which you should get if you haven’t already – sign up at suzycohen.com.

Acetaminophen is what I call a “drug mugger” of the antioxidant glutathione, which can’t be produced in the body without a little help. It needs NAC in order to be made. There are more than 600 medications on the market that contain acetaminophen which can provoke serious adverse effects. In fact, acetaminophen tops the worldwide list for drugs known to cause acute liver failure, sometimes caused by one single overdose, or by a therapeutic miscalculation. By the time a correct diagnosis is made, up to 90 percent of the liver may be shut down.

The mere ritual of drinking wine with dinner and then taking acetaminophen-containing pain relievers will silently strain your liver to the point of injury. You may get diagnosed with “fatty” liver, or diabetes or obesity.

The drug toxicity and risk associated with acetaminophen caused researchers to boldly advise that NAC be added to all acetaminophen preparations. Their goal is to have makers replace current over-the-

counter acetaminophen products with those that also contain NAC. The rationale is to prevent accidental (and intentional acetaminophen toxicity) that occurs today and protect your liver with every dose. Several million people use acetaminophen without a second thought. The only time NAC or similar prescription forms are used is if you show up at the emergency room with an overdose.

The wheels of medical progress and change spin slowly.

So here’s my suggestion, and you can obviously consult with your physician to be 100 percent sure: Every time you take acetaminophen, take an NAC supple-

ment with it. Consider at least 600 to 1,800 mg per day of NAC. Fill your diet with sulfur rich foods and consider the new glutathione boosting probiotic now available called Reg’Activ. Other important glutathione-supporting nutrients are selenium, zinc, glycine, glutamine, R-lipoic acid, PQQ, silymarin and B complex.

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.✱

Skate For Hope Takes To The Ice

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation invites everyone to come out to Germain Arena on Saturday, August 29 at 5 p.m. to enjoy Skate for Hope, a premier figure skating event headlined by U.S. Olympians and U.S. National Champions. A portion of proceeds from the event will be donated to support pediatric oncology research at Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida.

Skate for Hope attracts many of the world’s top figure skaters, as well as more than 100 amateur skaters from the Central and Southwest Florida areas. At the show, Skate for Hope participants

are empowered to better cope with a friend or family member’s cancer diagnosis by honoring loved ones who have been diagnosed with cancer. Skaters actively participate in health and wellness education programs at weekly rehearsals and also raise funds for cancer research. Amateur cast members are also provided with mentoring and support from the attending world-class athletes, who, themselves, have had parents endure a cancer diagnosis.

Skate for Hope was founded in 2004 by Naples resident, life-long figure skater and 16-year breast cancer survivor Carolyn Bongirno. At 33-years old, Bongirno battled and overcame a stage-three breast cancer diagnosis and subsequently created Skate for Hope to

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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,

Our single, high-powered, career-minded daughter became pregnant, much to her surprise. She lives 500 miles away from us and visited us to ask if she could stay with us for a few days after she had her abortion. Her father and I do not believe in abortion, so we talked her out of having this procedure.

She delivered her baby in our city, then dropped her off and then went back to her own home. We were shocked, and now (five years later) we enjoy our granddaughter, but it is becoming a strain. Our retirement years are not as we had planned and our daughter is not the least

bit interested in her daughter.

We are beginning to think we should have stayed out of her business. What do you think?

Vicky

Dear Vicky,

It is often very hard for we older parents to realize that our children have grown up and are capable of making all their own decisions.

She had made her decision and you and your husband had an opinion different from hers. You, unfortunately, find the responsibility of your grandchild’s upbringing difficult with your own lifestyle.

It seems so sad when so many people would dearly love to be her parents or grandparents. This is a very sad situation and I feel sad for your grandchild.

Lizzie

Dear Vicky,

If your daughter has not attached to her child by now... what a tragedy for her.

Your daughter is an adult and capable of making her own decisions and life plans. She made hers, but you decided that it was not the right decision for her. I do not know what to suggest that would make her do something she clearly does not want to do.

It seems to me the questions needing to be answered are how to make your child care responsibilities easier. You need to establish support systems that will best help you and your grandchild. Best of luck.

Pryce

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

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Skate for Hope™

teach children and young adults that they can help themselves, and others, by volunteering their time and talents. Skate for Hope additionally focuses on providing health and wellness education to youth, in order to instill the importance of practicing healthy lifestyle habits that reduce the risk of developing cancer.

This year's headliners include:

- Ashley Wagner, three-time U.S. national champion and 2014 Olympic team bronze medalist
- Emily Hughes, 2006 Olympian
- Max Aaron, U.S. national champion
- Adam Rippon, U.S. national silver medalist
- Caydee Denney and John Coughlin, U.S. national pairs champions
- Haven Denney and Brandon Frazier, U.S. national silver medalists
- Tarah Kayne and Danny O'Shea, U.S. national bronze medalists
- Piper Gilles and Paul Poirier, Canadian national silver medalists

Tickets are available online and at all TicketMaster locations, as well as the Germain Arena box office and at the

door. Lower bowl seats begin at just \$19. Visit www.skateforhope.org for more information and a link to purchase tickets online or contact Carolyn Bongirno at bongirno@mac.com or 614-531-9499 for more details.✱

LMHS Hosts It's All About You Workshop

Would you like to learn how to better manage chronic health conditions such as arthritis, diabetes, COPD, heart disease, high blood pressure and more?

Lee Memorial Health System, in partnership with the Fort Myers Regional Library, is pleased to announce a free six-week workshop entitled It's All About You, a research-based chronic disease self-management program developed by Dr. Kate Lorig of Stanford University.

Information presented in the workshop can help you become empowered to improve your quality of life. Learn how to more easily manage your medications; understand the benefits of exercise; manage symptoms of stress, pain and fatigue; and make smarter decisions related to health eating. Participants will also receive a copy of Dr. Lorig's book *Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions*.

Sessions will be held in the Fort Myers Meeting Rooms, located at 1651 Lee Street in Fort Myers on Tuesdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. beginning September 15.

Seating is limited and registration is required. Call 424-3122 for more information.✱



The Calendar Girls with Tony Serrago

Calendar Girls Perform At Anthony's On The Boulevard

The Calendar Girls performed at Anthony's On The Blvd's 8th anniversary celebration on August 22. Business owner Tony Serrago is a long-time supporter of The Calendar Girls, and is also Mr. October in their 2016 calendar.

For more information, visit www.calendargirlsflorida.com.✱



Exterior of the Gulf Coast Humane Society's new clinic

Humane Society New Clinic To Open August 24

Gulf Coast Humane Society (GCHS) announced that their new, expanded veterinary clinic will open on Monday, August 24. The full-service clinic will be open to the

public six days a week. The GCHS staff at the new clinic will handle a variety of services, including wellness checks, dental care, vaccinations and micro chipping.

The building was gifted to GCHS by John Bruno, M.D., F.A.C.S. of Fort Myers Plastic Surgery Center and is located at 2685 Swamp Cabbage Court.

"The opportunity given by Dr. Bruno will enable the GCHS clinic to help those

who need low cost, affordable health care options for their pets," said Jennifer Galloway, executive director of GCHS.

The new location was remodeled with the help of multiple grant money that include grants awarded from the Southwest Florida Community Foundation. The clinic will serve as a veterinary office and will be able to accommodate more patients. The expanded space has four exam rooms and two doctors to serve patients.

"We are excited to have an expanded

facility to better help serve the community," added Gloria Letendre, clinic manager.

The current veterinary clinic located at 2010 Arcadia Street will become a low-cost spay and neuter clinic that will service Lee County and surrounding counties. The spay/neuter clinic will focus its efforts on the pet overpopulation problem in Southwest Florida.

For more information about Gulf Coast Humane Society, call 332-0364 or visit gulfcoasthumanesociety.org.✱

Fall In Love Pet Adoption Special

Say farewell to summer and Fall In Love with your new best friend. Lee County Domestic Animal Services is offering potential adopters the chance to adopt a dog five months or older or a cat or kitten of any age for just \$10 throughout September.

Although fees are reduced, the adoption package still includes spay or neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, flea treatment, feline aids and leukemia test for cats, heartworm test for dogs six months and older; Lee County license for pets three months or older, microchip ID, Behavior Helpline and a 10-day health guarantee. The adoption package is valued at more than \$500.

During the Fall In Love adoption promotion, potential adopters may visit Animal Services, located off Six Mile Cypress Parkway next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office, to meet animals and discover the many benefits of having a pet: happiness, companionship, improved physical and emotional health and unconditional love. Adoption hours are 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

For more information about Fall In Love, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or visit www.LeeLostPets.com. Also visit the website to view a current list of pets for adoption and submit an application online. The website updates hourly.✱

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

- 1. HISTORY: What country once was known by the Latin name of Caledonia?
- 2. ANIMAL ADJECTIVES: What is a group of dragons called?
- 3. ANATOMY: Where is the retina located?
- 4. TELEVISION: Who played the character Latka Gravas on “Taxi”?
- 5. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How old was Bill Clinton when he was inaugurated as president?
- 6. MYTHOLOGY: The Greek god Aeolus commanded domain over what area?
- 7. GEOGRAPHY: The Catskill Mountains are located largely in which U.S. state?
- 8. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of plant does saffron come from?
- 9. MOVIES: Who directed the movie “The Lost Weekend”?
- 10. U.S. STATES: What is the only letter of the alphabet that does not appear in the name of any U.S. state?

ANSWERS

1. Scotland 2. A weyr or flight 3. The eye 4. Andy Kaufman 5. 46 6. Ruler of the winds 7. New York 8. Crocus flower 9. Billy Wilder 10. The letter “Q”

My Stars★★★★

FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 31, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

This could be the time to try soothing whatever bad feelings might be lingering ‘twixt and among colleagues, friends or family members. But be sure you do so without favoring any side.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) An idea is only an idea until you put that clever Bovine mind to work to develop it from concept to substance. This could lead to something rewarding, both emotionally and monetarily.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The early part of the week could have some disconcerting moments, but approaching them with a calm, unruffled attitude goes a long way toward helping to get things nicely settled down.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Getting used to change continues to mark much of the week. But accepting what you have to do makes adapting that much easier. A welcome visitor could turn up sooner than expected.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Learning how to live with a decision is a challenge, but one you Leos and Leonas could really enjoy. You’ll also be pleased to see your social life take that upsurge you’ve been hoping for.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Use your perceptive Virgo instinct to help you see the positive aspects of what, at first, appears to be a disappointment. You could find that it proves to be quite the contrary.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your ability to maintain a balance between sense and sentiment once again helps you sort through apparently conflicting choices and ultimately arrive at the right decision.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Before you seek the advice of colleagues about a potential career move, you might be better off getting counsel from someone who won’t be affected by the choices you make.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It can be a challenging week for some relationships if the normal give-and-take flow changes with one side doing most of the giving and the other the taking.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A new opportunity could bring

with it much anticipation along with some anxiety. Take time to sort out your options as well as your emotional considerations.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Are you sure you have all the facts you need to let that matter move to another level? Don’t be rushed into a decision unless and until you feel it’s the right thing to do.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Pace yourself as you prepare to take on that more demanding project. Be careful not to let your energy reserves drain away. Take time to relax with people close to you.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have the ability to see both sides of a situation. You would do well as a counselor or a judge.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On Sept. 6, 1522, the Vittoria, one of Ferdinand Magellan’s five ships, arrives in Spain, thus completing the first circumnavigation of the world. The Vittoria was commanded by Juan Sebastian de Elcano, who took charge after the murder of Magellan in the Philippines.

• On Sept. 2, 1666, the Great Fire of London breaks out in the house of King Charles II’s baker. When the fire was finally extinguished four days later, more than four-fifths of London was destroyed.

• On Sept. 4, 1886, Geronimo, the wildest and most dangerous Apache warrior of his time, finally surrenders in Arizona. A brilliant strategist, Geronimo never learned to use a gun, yet he armed his men with the best modern rifles he could obtain.

• On Aug. 31, 1955, William G. Cobb of the General Motors Corp. demonstrates his 15-inch-long “Sunmobile,” the world’s first solar-powered automobile. When sunlight hit 12 photoelectric cells made of selenium, an electric current was produced that powered a tiny motor.

• On Sept. 5, 1969, Lt. William Calley is charged with six specifications of premeditated murder in the death of 109 Vietnamese civilians at My Lai in March 1968. Reportedly, the massacre was stopped only when a pilot landed his helicopter between Calley’s troops and the fleeing South Vietnamese.

• On Sept. 3, 1977, Sadaharu Oh of Japan’s Yomiuri Giants hits the 756th home run of his career, breaking Hank Aaron’s record for career home runs. Oh retired in 1980 with 868 home runs, still a

professional record.

• On Sept. 1, 1985, a joint U.S.-French expedition locates the wreck of the RMS Titanic, 73 years after it sank after being struck by an iceberg in the North Atlantic. An experimental, unmanned submersible found the ocean liner at a depth of 13,000 feet.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was beloved Russian author Leo Tolstoy who made the following sage observation: “Nothing can make our life, or the lives of other people, more beautiful than perpetual kindness.”

• If you see a group of flamingoes together in one place, it will be handy to know that the appropriate collective noun is a “flamboyance.”

• You might be surprised to learn that feta cheese has been around for 6,000 years.

• It may be the hottest part of summer in the Northern Hemisphere, and temperatures in the United Arab Emirates may be reaching the triple digits Fahrenheit, but that’s no impediment to winter sports in Dubai, the UAE’s most populous city. Residents and visitors can take a break from the heat at Ski Dubia, an indoor ski resort featuring a 290-foot mountain, sled and toboggan runs, climbing towers, an ice cave and even face-to-beak encounters with penguins.

• As the new school year kicks off in the United States, it might be interesting to renew a familiarity with a now-disused word: a “belter-werrits” is an annoying child.

• Many people know American counterculture figure Ken Kesey as the author of the 1962 novel “One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest,” which presents a disturbing portrait of life in a mental institution. It’s less well known, though, that Kesey got an inside view of the system when he worked as a janitor in a mental hospital before he became famous.

• If you’re planning a sporting visit to Pennsylvania, be sure to note that dynamite-assisted fishing is illegal in that state.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace. The soul that knows it not, knows no release from little things.”
-- Amelia Earhart

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. How many times did the New York Yankees fail to make the playoffs during shortstop Derek Jeter’s 20-year career with the team?
- 2. In 2014, Denard Span set a Washington Nationals record for most hits in a season (184). Who had held the mark?
- 3. Who is the only member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame to also hit a home run in his first major-league at-bat?
- 4. When was the last time before 2014 (Kentucky and UConn) that the two teams in the NCAA Tournament men’s basketball title game did not make the tourney the year before?
- 5. Who holds the goaltender record for most shutouts in a season for the Washington Capitals?
- 6. Of Jimmie Johnson and Jeff Gordon, who has recorded more NASCAR Cup wins at Martinsville?
- 7. In 2015, Andy Murray, became the second Open Era male tennis player to lose four finals at a Grand Slam event and never win it. Who was the first?

ANSWERS

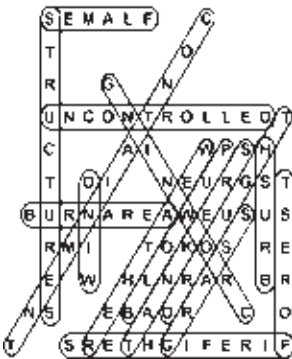
1. Three times - 2008, 2013-14. 2. Christian Guzman, with 183 hits in 2008. 3. Clarence “Ace” Parker, for the Philadelphia A’s in 1937. 4. It was 1966 (Texas Western and Kentucky). 5. Jim Carey (1995-96) and Braden Holtby (2014-15), with nine each. 6. They are tied with eight victories apiece. 7. Bjorn Borg, who lost four U.S. Open finals.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

ALAS LAMBS RABBIT EFG
PENN ATEAT AREOLA PEI
LAKE CHARLES DARWIN IMA
UNIFARN LFO OADFOIN
STERN YORBA INDAHNT
ATM GTA BIC LUFIF
FOH WAYNEGHEIZKY DAZS
LEECO DEE AOLLES
LIMB AKA BUATHLON
EVIL WEST JORDANKNIGHT
INAS KIA DOT SPREE
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WILDFIRES





Crispy Pan Seared Snapper
6 five-ounce filets fresh Florida snapper, skin on
1/2 cup cornstarch
1/2 cup canola oil
sea salt to taste
black pepper, fresh ground to taste

With a sharp knife score the skin of filets in a cross-hatch pattern. Pat filets with paper towel until completely dry. Refrigerate until time to cook. Preheat large sauté pan on medium-high heat. Lightly dust the skin side of filets with corn starch and season with sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste. Add oil to coat the bottom of the heated pan.

Carefully lay the filets in the pan skin side down. Cook for three to five minutes on both sides until skin is crispy and filets are done. Cooking time will vary depending on thickness of filets. Keeping filets skin side up, transfer to platter.

Yield: Six servings

Florida Passion
Fruit Coconut Milk Sauce
2 ripe Florida passion fruit, scooped out with a spoon
1/2 cup mirin rice wine
1 tablespoon fresh ginger, peeled and chopped
1/2 teaspoon turmeric
1/4 cup dry white wine
2 cups whipping cream
3/4 cup unsweetened coconut milk
1/2 teaspoon Thai red curry paste
sea salt to taste
fresh ground pepper to taste

Place mirin rice wine, passion fruit, ginger and turmeric in heavy medium-sized saucepan. Boil approximately six minutes until reduced to 1/4 cup. Add white wine and boil approximately six minutes until reduced to 1/4 cup. Add cream and coconut milk and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium and simmer sauce approximately 12 minutes until slightly thickened, stirring occasionally. Stir



Crispy Pan Seared Snapper With Passion Fruit Cream and Citrus Salad with Gulf Shrimp and Green Mango Jam

in curry paste. Season the sauce to taste with sea salt and fresh ground pepper. Strain through a fine mesh sieve. Set aside.

Yield: Six servings

Citrus and Shaved Fennel Salad
1 tablespoon rice wine vinegar
black pepper, fresh ground to taste
sea salt to taste
1/4 cup virgin olive oil
3 Florida oranges
2 Florida grapefruit
2 bulbs fennel, stalks removed
1/2 cup jicama, julienne

Whisk together vinegar, salt, and pepper in a large bowl. Add oil in a slow stream, whisking, until emulsified. Set aside. Peel oranges and grapefruit with a paring knife, removing all white pith. Cut into sections, working over a bowl to reserve juice. Squeeze any remaining juice from membranes into a small bowl. Whisk three tablespoons of citrus juice into vinaigrette. Drain citrus segments, then add segments to vinaigrette.

Quarter fennel bulbs lengthwise. With a mandoline slicer, cut fennel into paper-thin slices (about 1/16 inch thick). Add to citrus segments along with jicama and toss gently to combine. Set aside.

Yield: Six servings

Spicy Green Mango Jam
3 green Florida mangoes (unripe)
1/2 cup rice wine vinegar
1/3 cup sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons salt or to taste

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your _____!"

SCRAMBLERS

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

Astute
STRAM

Bother
MENTORT

Item
MENTELE

Look
SCHEAR

TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 27

PUZZLE ANSWERS

SUDOKU

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

solution

1. Smart; 2. Torment;
3. Element; 4. Search

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Seared Snapper

- 1 fresh jalapeño chili, seeded and deveined
- 5 cloves garlic
- 1 teaspoon cumin, ground
- 1 teaspoon coriander seeds, ground
- 1 three-inch cinnamon stick
- 2 whole cloves star anise
- 2 tablespoons corn oil
- 2 tablespoons orange marmalade

Peel mangoes and cut into 1/2-inch cubes. Toss mangoes in a small bowl with vinegar, sugar, and salt. Set aside.

To make seasoning paste, cut ginger root into four pieces. Add ginger root, jalapeno, garlic, cumin, coriander and turmeric one at a time to a food processor with motor running and purée to a paste.

Heat a four-quart heavy pot over moderately low heat until hot. Cook seasoning paste, cinnamon stick, and star anise in oil for 10 minutes, or until very fragrant, stirring frequently. Stir in the mango mixture and marmalade. Simmer covered over low heat until mangoes are tender, about 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Remove cinnamon stick and star anise and cool jam completely. Set aside.

Sautéed Gulf Shrimp with Green Mango Jam

- 2 pounds Fresh Florida Gulf Shrimp, peeled and deveined, tail on
- 1/4 canola oil
- sea salt to taste
- black pepper, fresh ground, to taste

Preheat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add oil to hot pan and carefully add shrimp. Sauté shrimp until pink and just done. Add salt and pepper to taste. Place cooked shrimp on plate and serve with Florida Green Mango Jam.

Yield six servings

To Serve: Spoon three tablespoons of Passion Fruit Coconut Sauce onto each serving plate, top with 1/2 cup Citrus Fennel Salad. Place one seared snapper filet on fennel salad, spoon on two tablespoons Green Mango Jam and top with two sautéed gulf shrimp.

Note: The Passion Fruit Coconut Milk Sauce, Citrus Fennel Salad and the Green Mango Jam may be made ahead of time.

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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.
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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

In addition to the Endless Summer adoption promo, Lee County Animal services is also running a BAMB (Black and Mostly Black) Cat Adoption Promo. All BAMB cats may be adopted for \$10!

My name is Sonja and I am an 18-month-old brindle and white spayed female pit bull terrier mix. I'm perky, wiggly, happy, bubbly, bouncy and ready to play. I love playgroups because I get to play with other dogs. When I'm in my kennel though I'm very quiet, patient and well-behaved. I hope I sound like the dog you've been waiting for because I've sure been waiting for you!

Adoption fee: \$37.50 (regularly \$75) during the Endless Summer Adoption promotion when you donate a new bag of dog or cat food or a case of canned cat food.

I'm Zab, a neutered male black and white domestic shorthair cat age three months. I'm just as precious in person as I am in my photo. In fact my name could be Precious or maybe Spunky or Cuddles 'cause I'm all those things too!

Adoption fee: \$10 (regularly \$50) during Animal Services' BAMB cat 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 is valued at \$500.✱



Sonja ID# 630313



Zab ID# 633713



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Lee County Sheriff's Office	477-1200
Florida Marine Patrol	332-6966
Florida Highway Patrol	278-7100
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HealthPark Medical Center.....	1-800-936-5321
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Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce.....	454-7500
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Post Office.....	1-800-275-8777
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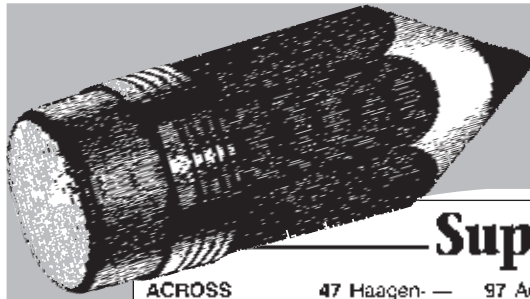
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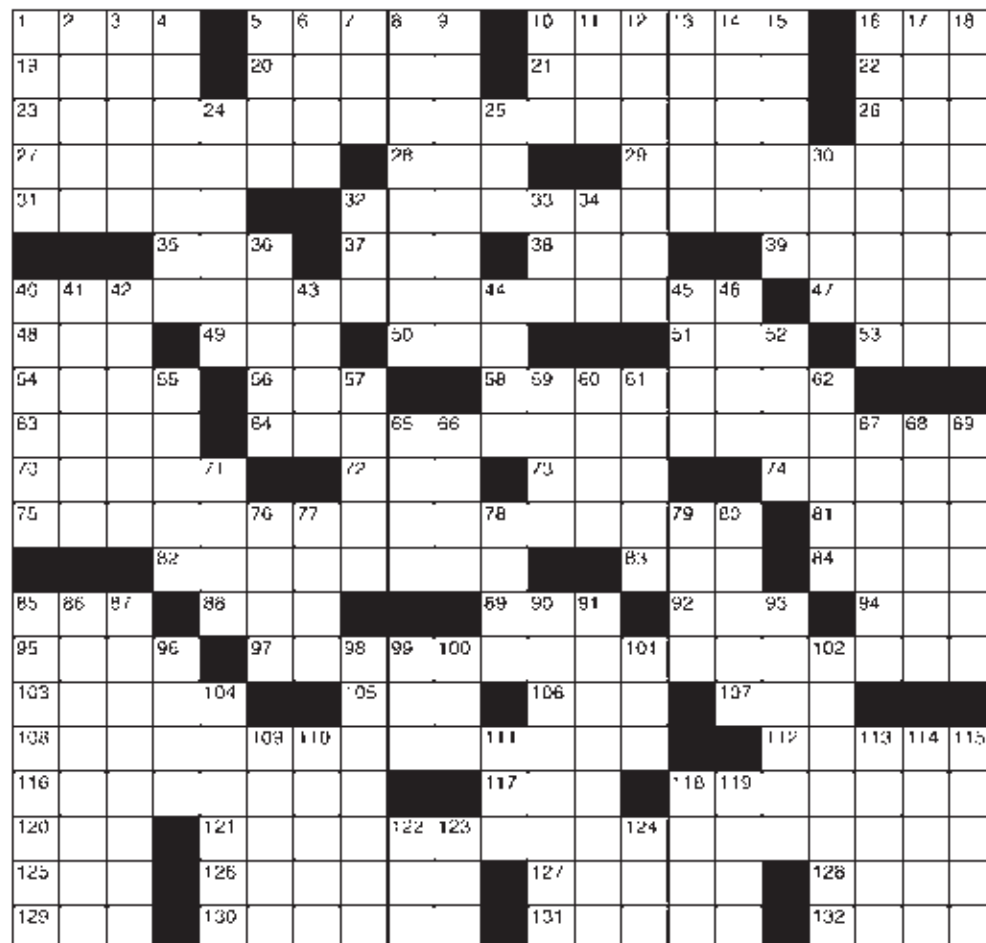
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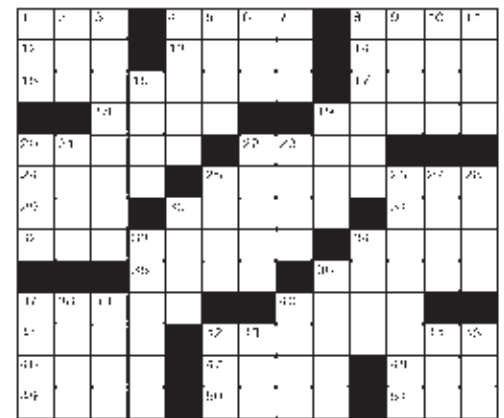
CITY FOLKS

- ACROSS**
- 1 "So sad"
- 5 Baby ovines
- 10 Ial mud experts
- 16 CD followers
- 19 Sear of firm
- 20 Hanked
- 21 Colored ring of the ins
- 22 Shar —
- 23 Natura list from southern Louisiana?
- 26 " Fool to Care" (1961 hit)
- 27 Discard knowledge of
- 28 Sign of the zodiac
- 29 Ready for use, as a roll of film
- 31 Not at all ax
- 32 Actress from southern California?
- 35 Dispenser taking a PIN
- 37 Airport guess, briefly
- 38 H.S. science class
- 39 Pulitzer winner Alison
- 40 Hockey player from northern Indiana?
- 47 Haagen — de Franco
- 48 Prefix with four
- 50 Bad grade
- 51 Yahoo! rival
- 53 The, to Henn
- 54 Arm, for one
- 56 Alias abbr.
- 58 Running-and-cycling event
- 63 Like a villain
- 64 Singer from northern Utah?
- 70 Key and Brown
- 72 Soul's car make
- 73 "I" finisher
- 74 Lark
- 75 Painter from southern Minnesota?
- 81 Crux
- 82 Least line
- 83 Roman 2,001
- 84 River to the North Sea
- 85 Rural tract
- 88 Jesting type
- 89 Old space station
- 92 World Series mo
- 94 Ditty syllable
- 95 "3-digit 10 in publishing
- 97 Actor from central Arkansas?
- 103 Golden
- 105 Metal source
- 106 Bear, in Baya
- 107 Austin-to-NYC dir.
- 108 Actress from western Wisconsin?
- 112 Low areas between hills
- 116 Interest
- 117 Honda Class's org.
- 118 Rowing fulcrum
- 120 Morse click
- 121 Dancer from southern New York?
- 125 Immigrant's course: Abbr.
- 126 Dixie Chicks member
- 127 Get by logic
- 128 What "viki" means
- 129 Hog hangout
- 130 Worth mentioning
- 131 Pod veggies, old-style
- 132 D.C. ball team
- DOWN**
- 1 Top grade
- 2 Titled, to Brits
- 3 Often-twisted joint
- 4 Curl one's lip toward
- 5 Lion player Bert
- 6 — end (over)
- 7 Sea, to Henri
- 8 Voted
- 9 Cheapest cruise option
- 10 90s 'xds' exclamation
- 11 Coach Parsegnian
- 12 Composer Hector
- 13 Put a — (adorn, as a wrapped gift)
- 14 Homeric epic
- 15 Summer shoe
- 16 Childbirth anesthetic
- 17 Make girlish
- 18 50-foot woman, say
- 24 " — al just got a long?"
- 25 Wall in grief
- 30 Israel's Barak
- 32 Tokyo con
- 33 "Honest" guy
- 34 Really lousy
- 36 Parrot variety
- 40 Cuts of fish
- 41 Singer Newton-John
- 42 Actress Leah
- 43 Oxen holder
- 44 Makeover
- 45 Madeline of funny films
- 46 Egg part
- 52 Chaney Sr. and Jr.
- 55 Mel of voices
- 57 Help desk invitation, maybe
- 59 Kin of Hind
- 60 As sick as —
- 61 O'Neal with an Oscar
- 62 Chilly
- 65 Flooring unit
- 66 Crying bouts, e.g.
- 67 Batches of grain to be crushed
- 68 Prefix meaning "different"
- 69 Iranian capital
- 71 Put in a hold
- 76 Shovel's partner
- 77 First class for painters
- 78 "Look — now!"
- 79 "Are you hurt?" reply
- 80 Special area of demand
- 85 Greenish citrus drinks
- 86 Rea ity-avoiding sort
- 87 Suddenly
- 90 Very strong clutching power
- 91 Funny Barr
- 93 Arctic stretch
- 96 Considerate
- 98 Raptors' city
- 99 Uno and duo
- 100 Escorted
- 101 Fortune's 500, Abbr.
- 102 Buys and sells
- 104 "Kapow!"
- 109 "Hall — is better than none"
- 110 "Who can to?"
- 111 Simian creature
- 113 Mucho
- 114 Conspicuous success
- 115 Shows biasedly
- 118 Low dice roll
- 119 Ranch unit
- 122 Trade for lat
- 123 Neckline shape
- 124 Friend friend



King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 CNBC's
- 4 Oxen's burden
- 8 Links warning
- 12 Oklahoma city
- 13 State with certainty
- 14 Egyptian wading bird
- 15 Observing
- 17 Goes up and down
- 18 Luminox
- 19 Not just plump
- 20 "Yippee!"
- 22 Class o' Welles role
- 24 Settled down
- 25 Strong
- 29 Director Howard
- 30 Customs
- 31 Compass dir.
- 32 Brought into disrepute
- 34 Elevator name
- 36 "Born Free" loness
- 37 Boston Marathon month
- 40 Eve's third son
- 41 Heddish mount
- 42 Nolan Ryan's job
- 46 Capu, e.g.
- 47 Neighbor-hood
- 48 TV's "Science Guy" Bill
- 49 Landlord's paper
- 50 Rhett's last word
- 51 Wrigley product
- 7 Work unit
- 8 Untruthful one
- 9 Reed instrument
- 10 Cage components
- 11 Being, to Brutus
- 16 Coagulate
- 19 Individuals
- 20 Hospital section
- 21 Loton add live
- 22 "M-A-S-H" locale
- 23 Dumbstruck
- 25 Spacecraft compartments
- 26 Attractive
- 27 Monad
- 28 Not so much
- 30 Shopping center
- 33 — in (instructed)
- 34 Inauguration recitation
- 36 Pie nut
- 37 Sahara-like
- 38 Sit for a photo
- 39 Bronchial sound
- 40 Cigarette texture
- 42 Tablet
- 43 Class of NPR
- 44 Big Apple sch
- 45 Jewel
- DOWN**
- 1 Mandible
- 2 Mrs. McKinley
- 3 In harmony
- 4 "Gulliver's Travels" brute
- 5 "Metamorphoses" writer
- 6 Barbie's



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

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

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