



Fort Myers Art Walk returns on December 4

Call For Student Vendors And Artist Patrons

Join the River District Alliance in downtown Fort Myers on Friday, December 4 from 6 to 10 p.m. for Fort Myers Art Walk – Student Art Vendors. Fort Myers Art Walk's 12 downtown galleries and numerous retail shops will all be open and exhibiting new artworks. Organizers welcome student artists who want to sell art on First Street.

Students from middle school to college qualify to participate. If students want more information they should email cgoode@actabuse.com or call 939-2553. If under age 18, students will need to have a parent or guardian sign a permission slip.

Included during the December 4 Art Walk will be:

- Individual art tent vendors
- Live art demonstrations on the streets
- Art galleries including Art League of Fort Myers, Arts for ACT Gallery, Davis Art

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Season Of Praise Concert At Shell Point Village Church

The Village Church at Shell Point has announced the lineup for its 2015-16 Season of Praise Concert Series, an annual collection of sacred music and inspirational worship celebrations.

Five performances will bring a mix of singers, actors, solo and ensemble instrumentalists, pianists, organists, a brass band and a choir to the newly-renovated Village Church stage at Shell Point. The artist roster and dates are as follows:

- Christmas with CS Lewis – Sunday, December 6 at 6:15 p.m. British actor David Payne will bring novelist CS Lewis to life in this 90-minute, one-man Christmas drama that follows the life and beliefs of this *Chronicles of Narnia* author.

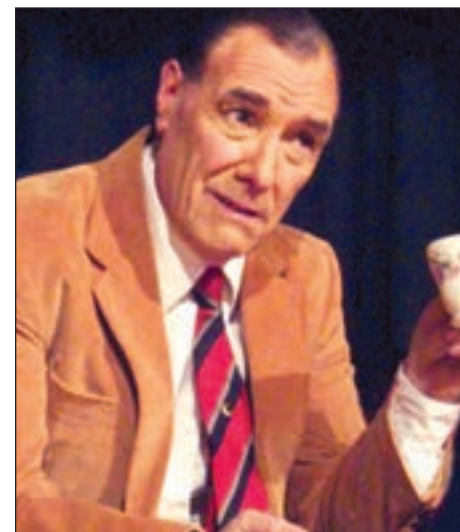
- Tim Zimmerman & The King's Brass – Sunday, January 10 at 6:15 p.m. The King's Brass adds contemporary flair to classic hymns by uniting three trumpets, three trombones, a tuba, percussion and keyboard for a full, rich sound.

- Indiana Wesleyan University Concert Choir – Wednesday, March 9 at 7:15 p.m. This competitive choir combines youthful energy with sacred favorites at the highest level of performance and chorale ministry.

- Rachel Park, pianist – Easter Sunday, March 27 at 6:15 p.m. International pianist Rachel Park, of The King's Brass, returns to celebrate Easter Sunday with a variety of sacred piano songs.

- Tenore, Men's Trio – Sunday, April 17 at 6:15 p.m. Award-winning men's trio Tenore will engage audiences with powerhouse vocals, creating a memorable concert experience.

All concerts require the purchase of a non-refundable \$10 ticket. Additional information continued on page 24



British actor David Payne will bring novelist CS Lewis to life in a 90-minute, one-man Christmas drama

photo courtesy of Shell Point Retirement Community

25th Annual Christmas Carol Sing To Help Feed The Hungry

Everyone is invited to celebrate the holidays and help feed the hungry by singing at the 25th annual Christmas Carol Sing sponsored by the Galloway Family of Dealerships.

The Christmas Carol Sing will be Tuesday, December 8, at First Presbyterian Church, 2438 Second Street, downtown Fort Myers, between Lee Street and Royal Palm Avenue. Admission is free, although organizers request voluntary donations of at least two cans of non-perishable food for The Soup Kitchen, operated by Community Cooperative, and a voluntary cash donation, if you can.

Because of the overwhelming popularity of the event, three sing-alongs are planned, at 1 p.m., 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. The doors will open 30 minutes prior to show time.

Community Cooperative provided food and other services to 10,250 people last year with the help of partner agencies, including the Harry Chapin Food Bank and United Way.

Community Cooperative was started by First Presbyterian Church in 1984 to help alleviate hunger and suffering in Lee County. The church has continued to support its ministry there by providing volunteers in The Soup Kitchen, Community Markets, and



Soloist Beth Filiowich sings *O Holy Night*



Sam Galloway, Jr., Christmas Carol Sing founder and sponsor, with his wife Kathy Galloway at last year's Christmas Carol Sing

delivering hot meals to home-bound seniors.

Hymn Sing organizer Sam Galloway, Jr., has made feeding the hungry part of his life's work.

"Our community has done so much to help our neighbors, but we need to do even more. If we each just gave the equivalent of what we would spend on a meal – either at home or in a restaurant – those few dollars could feed a family of four for an entire

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First Presbyterian Church pastor Rev. Paul deJong and his wife Sheryl

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Courthouse Centennial



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

One of downtown’s architectural treasures is turning 100 years old. If you haven’t taken the time to explore the Lee County Courthouse on Main Street, now’s the time.

Not only the building but even the grounds -- dotted with monuments, plaques, and unusual horticultural specimens -- provide entertaining local history lessons and culture lessons.

Just a few of the things you’ll see: gorgeous tile floors painstakingly installed by Italian craftsmen; impressive woodwork and Georgia marble; the contents of the 1915 time capsule; historic photos; the former courtroom and current commission chamber seen in the Sean Connery film, Just Cause; and the only known

remnant of the 1894 (first) courthouse.

The story of the 1915 courthouse really starts years before the Neoclassical Revival structure was built, restored and eventually listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

It was the second county courthouse and was a long time coming.

Lee County was formed in 1887 and, for several years, county government occupied rented quarters. For example, the five-member county commission met on the second floor of the Towles & Hendry Store on the southwest corner of First and Jackson streets.

Fort Myers was represented by Capt. William H. “Wild Bill” Towles, an important official, since he would be instrumental years later in the construction of the extant courthouse.

In 1889, the new cash-strapped county bought today’s Courthouse Square from Charles W. and Jane L. Hendry for \$2,250.

But it was not until 1894 that the first permanent courthouse, a modest wood-frame church-like structure, opened in the square bordered by Main, Broadway, Monroe and Second.



The Lee County Courthouse, pictured in the 1920s, opened in December 1915
courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



Celebrate the courthouse’s centennial with a self-guided tour

photo by Gerri Reaves

It took only two months to construct and cost a mere \$3,640. An office building, jail, a small sheriff’s quarters and a building to house equipment, mules and wagons soon were built on the square too.

Fast forward to 1914....The forward-thinking and audacious Capt. Towles had become head of the county commission. He had always envisioned a grander courthouse for the county he helped found, and his actions that year have become one of the most colorful and oft-told stories of old Fort Myers – one too complicated to detail here.

However, the basics are this: Until 1914, a frugal and practical mindset prevailed in Lee County. After all, a county couldn’t tear down a perfectly good courthouse just to build a fancier one, could it? The commission was split and contentious.

In brief, Towles capitalized on his position as head of the commission to push for the demolition of the existing courthouse. He also ingeniously out-thought the more financially conservative commissioners, who had gone to Arcadia for a court injunction to stop the demolition. Harvie E. Heitman was one of them.

Legend has it that Towles then led and “supervised” – with a shotgun! – the demolition during the night his opponents were in Arcadia. (One consolation for those who opposed the demolition was that some of the lumber was recycled to build the county’s first hospital.)

Subsequently built on the site, by necessity, one might say, was today’s Neo-classical Revival style courthouse of stone and buff-brick, featuring Doric-order fluted columns.

It cost \$100,000 and opened in December 1915.

Additions were constructed in 1925 and 1961 (administrative office building), with two floors being added to the second addition in 1972.

From 1984 to 1988, the county courthouse was vacant and fell into disrepair. In 1989, it underwent a \$5.1-million restoration and was listed on the National Register.

During the renovation, the time capsule placed in the cornerstone in April 1915 was discovered.

Walk down to the Lee County Courthouse, say “happy birthday,” and ask the receptionist for a self-guided tour brochure.

Then stroll over to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to find out more about those dynamic and controversial early commissioners.

Call 321-7430 for information, or go to museumofhistory.org. Hours are 10 a.m.

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Fort Myers Art:

Alliance Hosting Special Visiting Artist Workshops



by Tom Hall

Four visiting instructors will lead special workshops at the Alliance for the Arts during January, February and March that provide local artists unparalleled opportunities to work with, learn from, and be inspired by experts in their mediums. All four artists regularly teach in their

home towns, as well as travel to teach whenever possible.

Winston-Salem painter David Kessler will teach a workshop on January 14 to 16. His three-day Abstracts: Fresh & Loose workshop seeks to get student artists to loosen up their style and paint with more freedom and spontaneity. He says his workshop is not only about painting abstract compositions, but also learning to paint more freely. Tuition is \$350 for Alliance members and \$435 for non-members. More information about Kessler is at available at www.davidmkessler.com.

World-renowned mosaic artist Susan Wechsler is based in Denver, Colorado. She returns to the Alliance for a second season to present her 1- or 2-day Mosaic Workshop on January 23 to 24. She creates mosaics on items she finds at flea markets and antique shops using broken pieces of china, stained glass and gemstones. Attendees will learn to cut, glue and grout



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fine china, art glass and found objects to create their own beautiful keepsake mirror. Her one-day workshop on January 23 is \$85 for members or \$120 for non-members, plus a \$55 supply fee. Her two-day workshop is \$245 for members and \$310 for non-members plus an \$85 supply fee. To learn more about Wechsler and

her work, go to www.mosaicsbysusan.com.

On February 26 and 27 lifelong artist Ginnie Peterson from St. Paul, Minnesota, will present her Paint with Molten Beeswax-Encaustic Workshop. She says this medium is perfect for painters, sculptors and photographers of all levels. Learn to paint with beeswax that is melted and saturated with pigments like those used in oil paints. Most students leave with three finished pieces per day. The workshop is \$250 for members and \$315 for non-members. A single-day option is available. Learn more about Peterson and her work at www.ginniepeterson.com.

Finally on March 1-3, San Francisco-based painter Elio Camacho will lead his Plein Air with Elio workshop. Although Camacho came to painting later in life, he has been a highly-regarded artist and instructor for nearly two decades. He says his goal is to help students capture the particular mood of a moment and to express themselves in bold and colorful ways, all while capturing the beauty and spontaneity of nature. His workshop is \$375 for members and \$475 for non-members. Learn more about Camacho at www.colorrelations.com.

These workshops have pre-registration deadlines, so don't hesitate to sign up if interested. The Alliance offers year-round classes for people of all ages and experience levels. Members receive 20 percent off all classes and workshops, among many other member benefits. Visit ArtInLee.org to learn more about the visiting artist workshops, or all of the fun and inspiring things happening at the Alliance all year long.

*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.**

Christmas In The Park December 4

The Fort Myers Recreation Division invites the public to take a break from holiday shopping and attend Christmas in the Park on Friday, December 4.

Children will be able to play on bounce houses, an inflatable obstacle course and a giant slide. At 5 p.m. Santa Claus will arrive in the park by fire truck to visit with the children.

For the grownups, the event will feature a performance of holiday favorites by the Southwest Florida Symphony at 5 p.m. Mayor Randall Henderson will light the city's Christmas tree at 6 p.m. and proceed down West First Street on the annual Holiday Stroll.

At 7:30 p.m. there will be a free Movie in the Park featuring *Miracle on 34th Street*. \$1 concessions will be on sale during the movie.

It is suggested that those attending bring lawn chairs and blankets.

Free onsite parking is available.*

City Of Fort Myers Holiday Schedule

The City of Fort Myers Solid Waste Division will observe the Thanksgiving Day holiday on Thursday, November 26. There will be no residential or commercial, trash or recycling collection that day. Residential and commercial trash and recycling normally collected on Thursday will be collected on Friday, November 27 and all Friday collections will take place on Saturday.

Those with questions concerning service may call the Solid Waste Division at 321-8050.

City hall, city offices and the utility billing office will be closed on Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27.*

Church Craft Fair

An Arts and Crafts Fair and Bake Sale will be held on December 6 and 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Myers, 13411 Shire Lane. The public is invited to shop for holiday gifts, buy special treats and take part in a cookout.

Tables for vendors are available. For more information contact Suzanne Ziemer at suzanneziemer@gmail.com.*

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Information Meeting On McGregor Reconstruction

The City of Fort Myers, in conjunction with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) invites the community to a public information meeting about a Flexible Pavement Reconstruction (asphalt) project on McGregor Boulevard (CR 867) from Colonial Boulevard to Poinciana Avenue in Lee County.

This informal public information meeting will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 3 at the Edison Banquet Center, located at 3583 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. City of Fort Myers and FDOT project staff will be available during the meeting to discuss the proposed improvements and answer questions. No formal presentation will occur.

Improvements along this two-mile stretch of McGregor Boulevard include repaving and restriping the roadway, removal and replacement of mailboxes, four landscape median islands between Walden Drive and Vesper Drive, Sunbury Drive and Wales Drive, and Grave Avenue and Moreno Avenue, removal and replacement of storm sewer and Royal Palm trees, landscaping, reconstruction of existing sidewalks, concrete drive-ways, and replacement of brick pavers at various crosswalks.

FDOT will be providing funding for this Local Agency Program (LAP) project, and the City of Fort Myers will be performing the proposed improvements. The estimated project cost is \$6 million. Funds are currently programmed in Fiscal Year 2015-2016, and the City of Fort Myers will determine the start date for this project.

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Avelino Cancel, P.E., Project Manager, City of Fort Myers Public Works, at 321-7454 or acancel@cityftmyers.com at least seven days prior to the meeting.

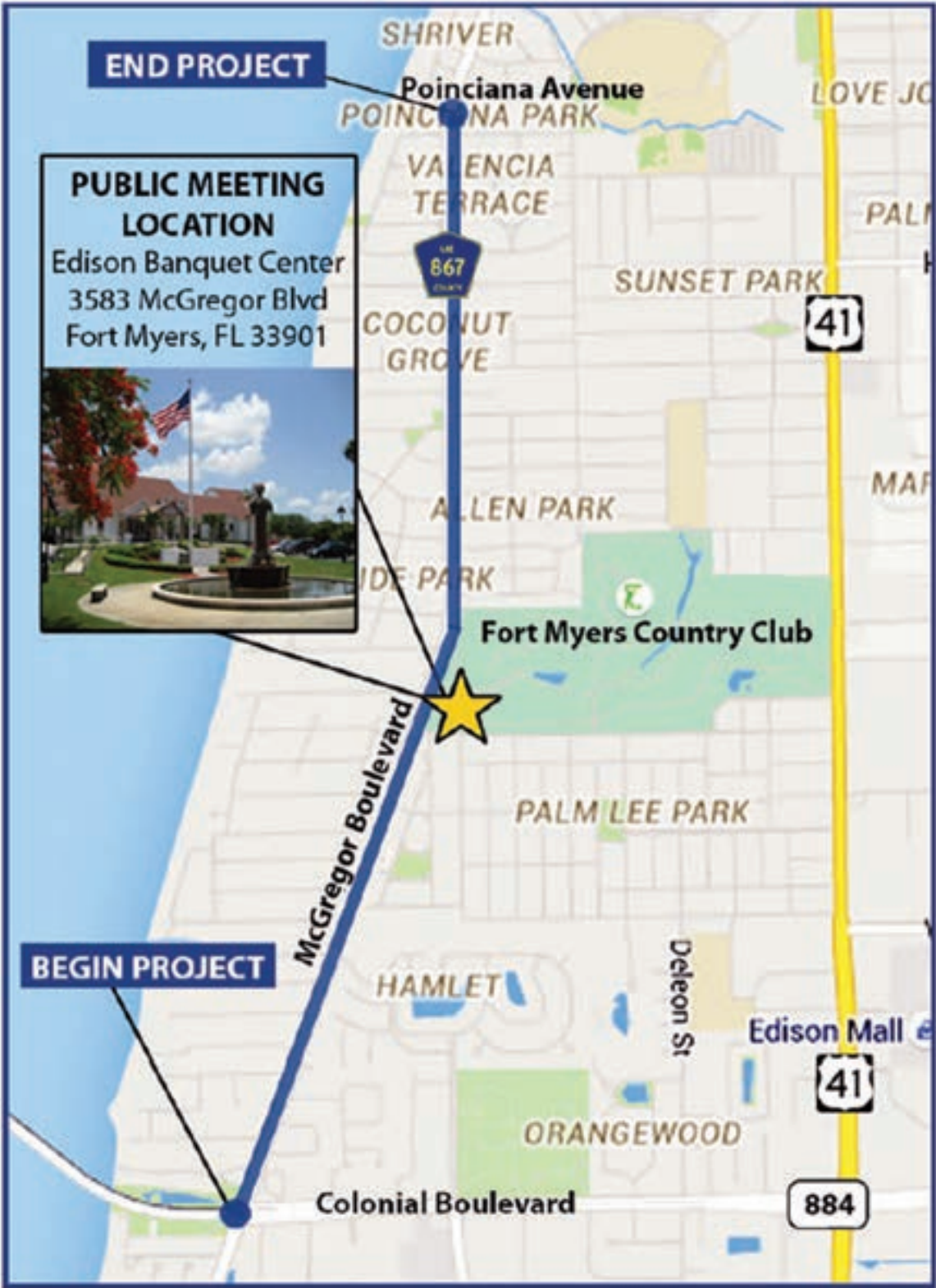
If you are hearing or speech impaired, contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service at 800-955-8771 (TDD) or 800-955-8770 (Voice). For more information, you may contact Avelino Cancel, P.E., project manager for the City of Fort Myers Public Works, at 321-7454 or acancel@cityftmyers.com.

Book Sale

On Saturday, December 5 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Friends of the Fort Myers Library is hosting its annual winter book sale at the Fort Myers Regional Library in downtown's River District. Great books, CDs and DVDs suitable for all ages are available at unbeatable prices: everything is \$2 or less.

The money raised at the winter book sale helps support library programs and services. The public is encouraged to attend the sale and help support the library. Another great way to help is to join the Friends of the Library. The annual membership fee is \$10.

The Fort Myers Regional Library is located at 2450 First Street in Fort Myers. Saturday's book sale takes place in the South Building meeting room. For additional information, call 549-9625 or go to www.fortmyersfriends.org.



The public information meeting concerns a Flexible Pavement Reconstruction project for McGregor Boulevard/ County Road (CR) 867 from Colonial Boulevard to Poinciana Avenue

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Santa's Block Party

Sunday, December 6th

Children's Workshop 10am - 3pm

Santa arrives in a big red fire truck with the Island Coast Marching Band leading the way. Children's arts and crafts, games, bounce house, holiday marketplace, entertainment and more.

Workshop Admission: \$6/child (Free for accompanying adult)

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Lee County Farmers Markets



Lee county has two farmers markets that are open year-round and several more that are now open for the winter tourist season

Farmers markets provide access to fresh, locally grown fruits and vegetables at the peak of the growing season. That means produce is at its ripest and tastes the best and is typically grown near where you live, not thousands of miles away or even in another country. In Southwest Florida, it also means fabulous fresh seafood, chemical-free and organic produce, fresh baked goods, native plants, local raw honey and all-natural products.

If access to healthy and delicious food isn't enough to draw you there, what about organic gardening classes, live entertainment, culinary demonstrations, art exhibits and kids' activities? The most important aspect of shopping at farmers markets is that it's fun for the entire family.

For example, every Saturday at GreenMarket at Lee County Alliance for the Arts, you may join registered yoga teacher Anna Withrow, owner of Yoga Bird, for free yoga sessions beneath the shade trees from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. The sessions are suitable for all levels and beginners are welcome. Supervised children are also encouraged to join in. Bring a yoga mat, sunscreen and water. Registration is not required.

Here is a list of Lee county's weekly farmers markets:

Wednesday: Health Park Farmers Market, Village Shoppes at Health Park, 16200 Summerlin Road at the intersection of Bass Road, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (rain or shine). Local produce and citrus along with baked good and other eatables. It is open year-round. Call 470-9007 or email healthparkfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

Fenway South Farmers Market, 11500 Fenway South Drive, Fort Myers in front of JetBlue Park, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fresh local produce, cheeses, fresh pastas, seafood, baked breads, meats, herbs, organic vegetables, ready-to-eat meals, plants, flowers, crafts, soaps, candles and other items. Parking is free. It is open to March 30. Call



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.

226-4783 or go to www.buylocalee.com.

Thursday: River District Farmers Market, under the U.S. 41 Caloosahatchee bridge, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fruit, vegetables, local honey, bread, seafood, barbecue, flowers and plants. It is open year-round. Call 321-7100 or go to www.cityftmyers.com.

Friday: Lakes Park, 7330 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fruits, vegetables, breads, honey, soaps, jams and seafood. It is open through April 29. Call 533-7275 or go to www.buylocalee.com.

Fort Myers Beach Farmers Market, under the Matanzas Bridge between Second and Third streets, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m., rain or shine. Fruits and vegetables, flowers, seafood, baked goods, snack foods and plants. It is open to April 29. Call 765-0202 or go to www.fortmyersbeachfl.gov.

Saturday: GreenMarket at Alliance of the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard near the Colonial intersection, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. An exclusive selection of locally grown, caught and cultivated foods and other products is available to sample and purchase. Live entertainment by local musicians and fun activities for kids. It is open year-round. Call 939-2787 or go to www.artinlee.org.

Florida SouthWestern State College, 8099 College Parkway, Fort Myers, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fresh organic foods and baked goods, barbecued ribs and smoked chicken, healthy smoothies, locally caught seafood, international and domestic cheeses, gluten-free treats, meals to go, handcrafted jewelry, pottery, wood products, soaps, essential oils and glass-fused art. It is open to April 30. Call 489-9061 or go to www.buylocalee.com.

Cape Coral Farmers Market in Club Square, downtown Cape Coral, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Locally grown produce, native plants, fresh Gulf seafood, live music/entertainment and informative community presentations. It is open to May 14. Call 549-6900 or go to www.capecoralfarmersmarket.com.

Sunday: Sanibel Island Farmers Market, 800 Dunlop Road (City Hall, next to the library), 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. until April 24. Call Crystal Mansell at 472-3700.*

Girls-Only Cycling Party And Fundraiser

On Thursday, December 3, Go Girl Cycling is hosting a female-only kickoff party for the Everyone Rides multi-event fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County (BGCLC). The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. and include lite fair, beverages, tire changing tutorials and "girl talk." There will also be a raffle for cycling-influenced items. The event is free to all ladies who attend and tickets can be found at www.GoGirlCyclingParty.Eventbrite.com.

Go Girl Cycling in Fort Myers will be the host for the Go Girl Cycling Party, where participants can mingle with former professional cyclist Kristin Harvey, who has raced for 12 years, eight of them as a pro-cyclist. She won Masters



Meet former Masters World Champion Kristin Harvey at the fundraiser

World Champion in the time trial and then retired in 2012. Harvey is currently vice president of client services and marketing for Momentum Sports Group, who owns and operates the UnitedHealthcare Pro Cycling Team and the Maxxis-Shimano Pro Cyclocross Team.

"What an exciting opportunity to be able to chat with a former Masters World Championship" said Shannon Lane, Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County CEO. "Go Girl Cycling is the perfect venue for an event like this and we can't wait to meet and mingle with Kristin Harvey."

Presented by Ted Todd Insurance, Everyone Rides is a multi-event fundraiser – which also includes Everyone Runs and Everyone Relax – to support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County, which provides safe and supportive low-cost after-school and summer enrichment programs to our community's at-risk youth. The 12th annual event will take place on Sunday, December 6 at JetBlue Park, located at 11500 Fenway South Drive in Fort Myers.

Full-event information about Everyone Rides, including times, early bird discounts and VIP pricing, is available online at www.EveryoneRides.org.

For more information about BGCLC, call 334-1886 or visit www.BGCLC.net.*

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Empty Bowls Pottery Sale



Glenn Whitehouse, Marilu Gallegos and Deida Valladares

photo by Frank Gumpert

On Friday, December 4, the Bower School of Music & the Arts at Florida Gulf Coast University hosts the annual Pottery Sale and Empty Bowls Soup Lunch events for pottery enthusiasts, holiday gift buyers, and community supporters at the Arts Complex courtyard on the FGCU campus. The sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the soup lunch from 11:30 a.m. until the soup and bowls run out.

For 15 years, the FGCU Art Program has partnered with the United Arts Council of Collier County (UAC) to produce an annual pottery sale featuring artists from across the Southwest Florida region. The event provides visitors with an opportunity to purchase beautiful, functional, handmade pottery while also benefiting the UAC's art education programs. A portion of the proceeds from every sale will go toward the purchase of art supplies and equipment, and contribute to funding for teachers in after-school art programs.

This year's sale will feature pottery by Angela Aradia, Alex Chung, Barbara Darling, Patricia Fay, Martha Grattan, David Hammel, Annabelle Johnson, Diane Roberts, Mary Etta Rokusek, Rinny Ryan, and current and former FGCU Art Program students.

Empty Bowls is an extraordinary national phenomenon that unites potters, students, restaurants, and food banks to address the needs of the hungry in our local communities. Potters and students make bowls, area restaurants donate soup and bread, and hunger assistance organizations provide education and outreach. For a \$15 donation, visitors to the event will pick out the bowl they like best and fill it with one or more soups of their choice. After enjoying a "soup kitchen" style meal, the bowl is washed and taken home for use with the knowledge of having assisted needy members of the immediate community. One hundred percent of the donations will be given to partner organization Interfaith Charities of South Lee in Estero for their community food pantry.

A wide range of delicious soups for this event are provided by local restaurant partners: Hyatt Regency Coconut Point, Ted's Montana Grill, Olive Garden, BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse, Applebee's, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Cheddar's and Duffy's Sports Grill. To complement the soups, rustic ciabatta bread will be donated The Artisan Bread Company of Fort Myers.

In addition, the FGCU Science of Cooking class will be contributing a vegan soup developed as a class project, and FGCU's Certified Executive Chef James Fraser will demonstrate his expertise in the creation of Tom Kha Gai, a classic coconut curry soup from Thailand, served with or without chicken.✽

Hope Hospice President Now A Published Author

To ensure that people across all cultures and communities benefit from hospice care, Hope HealthCare Services President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith has published an article in the November issue of the *American Journal of Hospice & Palliative Medicine* with co-author Dona J. Reese, PhD.

The article, *Organizational Barriers to Cultural Competence in Hospice*, was based on results from a national mixed-method study with directors of 207 hospices. The study was undertaken to identify major barriers to cultural compe-

tence, seek input on strategies to address those barriers, and make progress toward increasing access and utilization of hospice for diverse cultural groups.

"Across cultures, patients and their families approach the end of their journey in unique ways," said Beckwith. "Hope's professionals are experts in reaching out and sharing spiritual and emotional support to ease that journey. The comfort and care Hope Hospice provides connects all communities."

The *American Journal of Hospice and Palliative Medicine* is a peer-reviewed journal that highlights a multidisciplinary team approach to hospice and palliative medicine related to the care of the patient and family.

For more information, visit www.HopeHCS.org.✽



Paradise Coastmen Chorus

St. Peter Lutheran Christmas Concert

The Paradise Coastmen Chorus will present their annual Christmas Concert on Tuesday, December 1 beginning at 7 p.m. at St. Peter Lutheran Church. The program by the 20-voice ensemble is a festive evening of holiday favorites in their wonderful four-part barbershop harmonies. The popular group has been entertaining Southwest Florida audiences for over 40 years. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free; donations will be accepted. St. Peter Lutheran Church is located at 3751 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach. Call 463-4251 for more information.✽

Holiday Concert At Chapel By The Sea December 10

Chapel by the Sea is hosting the Voices of Naples under the direction of Dr. Douglas Renfroe on Thursday, December 10 at 7 p.m. This holiday feast of choral music is sure to enrich this advent season.

This talented chorus was formed in 2002 to provide an opportunity for singers in and around Naples to study and perform choral music. Beyond this mission, the organization provides scholarship opportunities for student vocalists.

Artistic director Renfroe is a nationally acclaimed bass-baritone who has performed throughout the United States and Europe. Well known for his own musical performances, he also coaches singers to be part of this ensemble. (Dr. Renfroe will also be presenting a concert for Chapel by the Sea in March).

Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church is located at the corner of Estero Boulevard and Chapel Street on Fort Myers Beach. The concert is free to the public (free will offering).✽

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Edison & Ford Holiday Nights begins Friday with a tree lighting ceremony

Thanksgiving Day is Thursday, November 26. In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued a proclamation which invited Americans to “observe the last Thursday of November as a day of Thanksgiving and praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens.” In 1939, President Franklin Roosevelt changed the date to the fourth Thursday in November to help merchants by lengthening the Christmas shopping season. The day is a great time to reflect on one’s blessings and to enjoy quality time with family and friends.

Local events this week:

The 21st annual **Sanibel Masters Art Festival** is on Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at **The Community House**.

The festival has been a Sanibel Island Thanksgiving weekend tradition for 21 years. It showcases paintings in oil, acrylic and watercolor, drawings and pastels, 2-D and 3-D mixed media and collages, photography and digital art, woodworking, sculpture,

Free Guided 2020 Nature Walk At Pine Island’s Galt Preserve

submitted by Bruce Bunch

A volunteer naturalist with Lee County Conservation 2020 will lead a free guided nature walk on Wednesday, December 2 at 9 a.m. at Galt Preserve, 3661 Stringfellow Road, St. James City. The preserve is one of 2020’s newest and most beautiful sites.

The 90-minute, 1.5-mile walk covers portions of mangrove swamps and flatwoods. The preserve is home to an active eagle nest and other wildlife including bobcats and alligators.

Visitors are advised to wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes. Long pants and long sleeves, hats, sunscreen, bug spray, cameras, binoculars and water are recommended.. There are restrooms and a picnic shelter on site. Dogs are not permitted on this walk.

A complete schedule of this year’s guided walks can be found at <http://www.conservation2020.org>. No reservations are required. For additional information or questions, call 822-7942.✧



Scenic Galt Preserve on Pine Island is the site of this year’s first 2020 guided walk photo copyright 2015 Conservation 2020



Ostego Bay offers a fascinating insight into the area’s million dollar shrimp industry

ceramics, glass, handmade Tiffany-style lamps, fiber art and jewelry produced by 80 artists and artisans from around the country. Visitors have the opportunity to interact with the artists, learn a little about their inspiration, find out how they made their art-works and purchase fine works directly from the artists (or commission a specific work of art if they do not find precisely what they want). In addition to fine art and crafts, the festival is renowned for its gourmet food booths and live entertainment.

The Sanibel Masters Arts Festival is a boutique festival, meaning that participation is restricted to a small number of artists in order to avoid duplication and repetition. The limit in size and the intimate setting for the festival gives participating artists and festival goers a reasonable opportunity to converse about the art on display in the show.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. Call 472-2155 or go to www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net.

The 40th annual **Edison Ford Holiday Nights** opens November 27 and is open through January 3. It has become a “must see” holiday tradition in Southwest Florida.

During the holidays the homes and gardens of the Edison and Ford families are seasonally decorated with millions of lights and historic decorations. Visitors will experience nightly entertainment, holiday tradition tours and, on select nights, Santa visits (dates are to be determined). There is also food service, evening river cruises and the Edison Ford Museum and Lab are open nightly.

Holiday Nights is closed December 24 and 25.

Guided tours run nightly at 6 and 7 p.m. Prices are \$25 for adults, \$8 for children (age 6 to 12), \$12 for students (ages 13 through college with ID), and \$5 for Edison Ford members.

General admission tickets are \$20 for adults, \$2 for children (age six to 12), \$10 for students (ages 13 through college with ID), and free for Edison Ford Members.

The Edison & Ford Winter Estates is located at 2350 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Call 334-7419 or go to www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

On Saturday night, **Downtown Car Cruise-In** returns to Fort Myers’ historic River District.

From classic to cool, downtown streets are lined with show cars on the fourth Saturday of the month from 4 to 8 p.m. Music, food, drinks, and more. Free to the public with many venues featuring additional specials.

For more information, go to www.myriverdistrict.com or call 1-855-RDA-EVENTS (732-3836).

Don’t forget about Fort Myers Beach’s weekly **Sunset Celebration** concert series. Local bands play every Friday and Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m., weather permitting, and there is no charge to attend.

On Friday night, high-energy band High Tide will entertain the crowd with rock, reggae and R&B. On Saturday, Troublemakerz will take the stage.

For more information about this weekend’s Sunset Celebration, call 463-5900.

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

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FORT MYERS FARE

Dining From Downtown's Historic River District To The Beaches
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DOC FORD'S RUM BAR & GRILLE

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 ten years and its enduring popularity is a testament to its exceptional, friendly service.

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



For some people, their favorite thing to make for Thanksgiving is... reservations! SS Hookers is serving Thanksgiving dinner from 1 to 8 p.m. Reservations are required. Pictured is employee Eduardo Bermudez

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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, Proistammenos Orthros Service Sunday 9 a.m., Divine Liturgy Sunday 10 a.m., www.annunciation.fl.goarch.org, 481-2099

BETH SHILOH

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

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

CHABAD LUBAVITCH

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5620 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. Rabbi Yitzchok Minkowicz. 433-7708, rabbi@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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10200 Cypress Cove Circle Fort Myers 850-3943, Located at Cypress Cove Retirement Center on HealthPark Campus An ecumenical non-denominational community of believers. Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m. Reverend Ted Althouse, Pastor revtedalthouse@aol.com

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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 OUTREACH MINISTRIES

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

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

15690 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 482-2030. Pastor David Stauffer. 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 Service and Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Evening Testimony Meeting, 5:30 p.m. Child care provided at all servicees. Visit our Reading Room located in church building for quiet study and information about Christian Science. Monday and Friday noon to 4 p.m., Wednesday 1 to 5 p.m. christianscience-fortmyers.net, 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.

IONA-HOPE EPISCOPAL CONGREGATION

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

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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

KINGDOM LIFE CHURCH

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

LAMB OF GOD CHURCH

A few federated Lutheran (ELCA) and Episcopal Congregation. 19691 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers. 267-3525. www.lambofgodchurch.net. Reverend Dr. James Reho. Sunday 7:45 and 10 a.m. Sunday's Cool for Children 10 a.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER

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

NEW COVENANT EYES CHURCH

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

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH OF FORT MYERS

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

NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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Fort Myers Beach Masonic Lodge. 17671 Pine Ridge Road. 267-7400 Pastors, Gail and RC Fleeman. Adult Discussion Classes 8:45 a.m. Countdown to Worship 10:10 a.m. Amazing Grace Worship: 10:30 a.m. www.peacecommunity-church.com.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

RIVER OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

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2157 Cleveland Avenue, Fort Myers, 334-2161. Masses: Monday through Thursday 6:45 a.m.; Friday 6:45 and 11 a.m.; Saturday 4 p.m.; Sunday 6:45, 9:30 and 11 a.m., 12:15, 4 Creole and 6 p.m.

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

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

SAINT PETER LUTHERAN CHURCH

3751 Estero Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach, 463-4251, www.stpeterfmb.com. Sunday worship service at 9:30 a.m.

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

SOUTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

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

TEMPLE BETHEL SYNAGOGUE

16225 Winkler Road Fort Myers. 433-0018, www.templebethel.com. Rabbi. baras@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.new-churchflorida.com>. 481-5535.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

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

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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✴

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FREE Dec 6 Season of Praise: David Payne Presents Christmas with C.S. Lewis

at 6:15pm. British actor David Payne will bring novelist C.S. Lewis to life in this 90-minute, one-man Christmas drama. Payne, acting as Lewis, will share thoughts on English Christmas traditions, his

conversion to Christianity, and writing *The Chronicles of Narnia*. **Tickets are \$10, and can be purchased at www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise, or call (239) 454-2147.**



FREE Dec 13 Service of Lessons & Carols

at 6:15pm. Southwest Florida audiences are invited to a musical Christmas celebration filled with scripture readings, carol singing, and

Christmas music performed by the 100 voices of The Village Church Choir and guest organist, Dr. Ronald Boud. **For more information, call (239) 454-2147.**

FREE Dec 21 Southwest Florida Symphony Series: Holiday Pops

at 7:30pm. The Southwest Florida Symphony's Maestro Nir Kabaretti brings the familiar, joyous sounds of December holiday favorites to life during this much-anticipated concert. **Tickets are \$30, and can be purchased at www.shellpoint.org/concerts, or call (239) 454-2067.**



FREE Dec 24 Christmas Eve Carols & Candlelight (two services)

at 4:15pm and 7:15pm. Gather with family and friends for a retelling of the Christmas story at this special Christmas Eve candlelight service. Choose either the afternoon or evening service; both will include caroling, candlelight, special music, and an inspirational

message. **For more information, call (239) 454-2147.**

FREE Dec Recover with Shell Point Rehabilitation Care

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Reading Cold Front Patterns



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Our first real cold front of winter arrived over the weekend. This not only dropped our water temperatures but brought windy conditions for a few days. As usual

the first day after the passing of the cold front, conditions on the water were a little tough then gradually improved.

This cooling water is a good thing and will finally put our resident fish into the usual winter haunts. It will also give us another good push of bonita and Spanish mackerel moving south down the beaches and hopefully bring in the much-awaited sheepshead of winter.

Although I'm am certainly not a fan of cold weather, this was a much needed event after more than a month

of unseasonably warm weather making our fishing more of a guessing game than it should be this time of year.

Fishing this annual cycle of winter cold fronts is now all part of the game and to be successful at it you have to adapt to the days conditions.

High pressure on the back side of a cold front is usually the enemy of snook anglers but is a plus for those targeting sheepshead.

Fishing right before the arrival of a strong cold front on the other hand can be the most wide-open snook action of the year. No matter what winter throws at us there are always a species of fish to catch it's all about picking the right fish for the conditions and learning how cold fronts affect the bite.

One of the things I really enjoy about our winter fishing is the close proximity of the action. Anglers don't have to travel far to get into the sheltered mangrove creeks, bays and channel systems that load up with fish during the winter months and prolonged periods of cooler temperatures. Slowly bouncing the bottom with live shrimp on a jig will soon become the method of choice and basically catches everything that swims.



Wade Robert with a slot-size redfish caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell

Send Us Your Fish Tales

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

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coldest days we caught winter time snook and large trout deep inside the clear water mangrove creeks systems of the barrier islands.

Despite reports of a red tide fish kill and the dead fish washing up along the beaches, I've yet to see any effects of this in the sound. According to FWC's red tide reports, this bloom is still out in the gulf a few miles offshore and the dead fish are being pushed in by the wind and tides. A few days of strong winds will hopefully help to break it up if or push it offshore and to the south. Let's keep our fingers crossed that we don't have to deal with this red tide for long.

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:

Raccoons And Friends Need Your Help



by Patricia Molloy

It's that time of year, again. Staff, students and a limited number of volunteers are working around the clock to feed the orphaned, injured and abducted youngsters like rac-

coons, opossums, baby birds, and dozens of little squirrels.

The raccoon (*Procyon lotor*) room contains a number of little bandits that chatter day and night. They are generally orphaned and must be tube-fed and/or bottle-fed a milk supplement until they transition to solid meals similar to those fed to the opossums. Incidents of rabies and distemper are extremely low in baby raccoons; however, one is required to be up-to-date on certain shots in order to work with baby raccoons.

The baby squirrel room is full of incubators to keep the youngsters warm and comfortable. They are tube-fed three to four times per day Fox Valley formula, a milk replacer specifically designed for

baby squirrels, eastern cottontails and opossums. Once the healthy squirrels are weened and can eat soaked monkey biscuits, vegetables and fruit, they will be transferred outside. CROW hopes to release them within three months of their arrival.

If you love the islands' diverse and exotic wildlife, please donate your time to feed and care for helpless baby birds, energetic little squirrels and injured gopher tortoises. Four-hour shifts are available and training is provided. For more information, call JoEllen Urasky, student program and volunteer coordinator, at 472-3644, ext. 229 or go to CROW's website to download an application.

If you don't have the time to volunteer, you can do your part by donating items from the clinic's wish list: paper towels, Purina ONE Kitten Chow, Purina Puppy Chow (no colored chunks), wild bird seed, bleach, fragrance-free laundry detergent, new or gently used bath and hand towels, red heat lamps (250W), garbage bags (42 gallons) and ceramic crocks of all sizes (ramekins, etc.).

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 PO Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 472-3644 or visit: www.crowclinic.org ❄



These raccoons arrived at CROW as defenseless babies. After being bottle-fed for a couple of months in the clinic's ICU, they were moved to a spacious and isolated outdoor enclosure. It is imperative that they practice climbing before they can be released.

HORTOONS



Plant Smart

Starry Rosinweed

by Gerri Reaves

Showy starry rosinweed (*Silphium asteriscus*) is a perennial wildflower native to the pine flatwoods of Florida. It is also found in habitats such as moist roadsides and open woodlands.

It is one of only two Florida native wildflowers in the genus *Silphium*, or rosinweed. The other, kidneyleaf rosinweed (*Silphium compositum*), grows in more northern counties.

This member of the aster family has bright yellow ray flowers and green to yellow disk flowers at the center. In South Florida, it blooms almost year round.

The nectar in the daisy-like flowers attracts many pollinators, so it's an excellent plant for a butterfly or wild garden, where the vivid yellow contrasts with other natives like gaillardia or milkweed.

This plant is hardy and low-maintenance. Once it establishes a good root system, it will grow fairly fast and produce plenty of blooms.

It reaches three to five feet tall, forming semi-woody stems. The dark-green leaves are coarse textured with toothed edges.



Native starry rosinweed is a good low-maintenance choice for a butterfly garden

photo by Gerri Reaves

Give it well-drained soil in full sun to partial shade.

Deep roots and rhizomes, root-like horizontal stems beneath the soil, help to make it drought tolerant, but it is not very salt tolerant.

The only maintenance required is occasional cutting back and/or removing old stems and flowers.

It readily self-seeds and spreads via the rhizomes.

Propagate it with seeds collected from dry flowerheads or obtain cuttings from the rhizomes.

Sources: *A Gardener's Guide To Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, floridawildflowerfoundation.blogspot.com and fnps.org.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✱

America's Boating Course At San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons serving South Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, Bonita Springs and Estero, is offering America's Boating Course on two Saturday mornings, December 5 and 12. The final exam will be held on the 12th. Classes run from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 12:30 p.m. with sign-in at 8:15 a.m. on the first Saturday.

Topics covered include hull design, docking, anchoring, handling boating emergencies, reading channel markers and many other topics to make each boating experience safer and more enjoyable. Students who complete the course are eligible to join the U.S. Power Squadron at a discounted rate offering 18 months of membership for the price of 12 months.

This course is recognized by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators and satisfies the Florida state requirement that anyone born after January 1, 1988 must pass a safe boating course in order to operate a boat with more than 10 h.p. Each student will receive a Florida Boater's card, valid for life, from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, upon successfully completing the class.

The cost of the course is \$45 with a \$20 additional cost for a second person sharing the instructional materials.

The course will be taught at the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron Classroom located at 16048 San Carlos Boulevard, at the corner of Kelly Road (across from ACE Hardware). Preregistration is required. Students can register online at www.scbps.com or by calling the office at 466-4040 and leaving their contact information.✱



A little blue heron landed right in front of Meg Rousher on a bird patrol walk

photo by Meg Rousher



Piping plover

photo by Meg Rousher

Bird Patrol Guided Tours

All are welcome to take part in a nature walk with a bird patrol guide on Saturday, December 5, 8 a.m., at Lakes Regional Park, 7330 Gladiolus Drive in Fort Myers. Meet at Shelter A7. Enter the Lakes Park gate from Gladiolus. Turn right. Drive to the end of the road, continue through the parking lot. Shelter A7 is located near the train station.

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

For more information, call 533-7580 or 533-7576.

On Saturday, December 12, experience the beautiful birds of Bunche Beach with a bird patrol guide at 10 a.m. Meet on the beach, located in south Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road. Drive south of John Morris Road until it deadends.

Bunche Beach is an excellent viewing spot for both migrant and resident waders and shorebirds working the mudflats at low tide due to the diversity of micro-invertebrates. You may also see waterfowl, raptors and warblers.

For more information, call 707-3015.

This tour is free with parking fee of \$2 per hour (tour is approximately two hours). Restrooms are available at the first parking lot. Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet and a bottle of water.

These tours are provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation.✱

Shell Factory Nature Education Fundraiser

The Shell Factory's Nature Park Environmental Education Foundation fundraiser will be held December 5 at 6 p.m. in The Dolphin Room.

Owners Pam and Tom Cronin have dedicated many years to the support and care of the over 400 animals that call The Nature Park home. As part of The Shell Factory's Community Outreach Program, thousands of Lee County students have visited park in large part due to the student transportation program paid for by the foundation. The Shell Factory's Nature Park provides an up close and personal experience with the creatures we share our planet with.

The cost is \$100 per person. This includes dinner, live and silent auction, and live entertainment.

"The Shell Factory continues to show both revenue and attendance increases," said Rick Tupper CFO/marketing director. "I believe our commitment to the community and the Cronins' support for the future development of North Fort Myers will ensure The Shell Factory will endure as a true community icon." Visit www.shellfactory.com for more information.✱

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"Keith EDMIER: Edison Impluvium" opens December 5 at the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at FSW

New York Artist To Display Edison Death Mask At FSW

The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern State College will display Thomas Edison's full-head "Death Mask" in a new exhibition by New York artist Keith Edmier.

Exhibition dates for "Keith Edmier: Edison Impluvium" on the Thomas Edison (Lee) Campus are from December 5 to February 6, 2016, while an opening lecture/reception will be held December 5, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Before Edison's death in 1931, close friend Henry Ford commissioned James Earle Fraser, a distinguished American sculptor, to produce a bronze statue of his hero. Fraser took the original mold of Edison's head, but his project's completion was delayed until 1949 due to a bronze shortage and the Second World War.

Edison's very rare "Death Mask," a product of Fraser's mold, is on loan from a private collector in California and has never been previously exhibited.

Edmier's gallery exhibition will include a full scale re-creation of Edison's concrete swimming pool, currently located at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates. Along the walls of the pool will be Edison's "Death Mask" and 50 additional plaster masks created by Edmier as a historical record of family and friends.

Besides self-portraits of himself, Edmier memorialized his parents, Tom and Beverly, and a "who's who" of famous friends, including Farrah Fawcett, Michael J. Fox, Charlie Sheen, David Bowie, former studio-mate Matthew Barney and many others. Edmier explained that Ancient Roman society inspired much of the exhibition.

"Edison's Fort Myers pool is reimagined as an ancient ruin and references both the Roman Republic-era idea of life casts as ancestral masks and the water basins (known as impluviums) in the atriums of houses like those found in Pompeii," he said.

The event is open to the public, free of charge. The first-come, first-served seating for the 6 p.m. lecture is limited.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The gallery is closed Sundays and holidays (including FSW's winter break from December 20 to January 3).

For more information, go to www.RauschenbergGallery.com or call 489-9313. Visit the gallery on Facebook.

Edmier was born in 1967 on Chicago's South Side and grew up in the suburb of Tinley Park. At age 17, he moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in the film industry, creating special make-up effects. His first job was working for Rick Baker on Michael Jackson's *Caption EO* (which was directed by Francis Ford Coppola). He then worked for Chris Walas on David Cronenberg's remake of *The Fly*, which won an Academy Award for best make-up in 1986. Edmier briefly attended The California Institute of the Arts/CalArts (studying under the influential artist Mike Kelley), then continued to work in the film business throughout the rest of the 1980s, supervising effects for films, including *Bride of Re-Animator*, *Barton Fink* for Joel and Ethan Coen and the television series *Freddy's Nightmares*.

In the beginning of 1991, Edmier moved to New York City to work as a fine artist. He had his first solo show in 1993 at the Friedrich Petzel Gallery. He has exhibited extensively since – including solo exhibitions at the USF Contemporary Art Museum/Tampa (curated by Bob Rauschenberg Gallery Director Jade Dellinger), the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, the Andy Warhol Museum, and major mid-career surveys at the CCS Bard Hessel Museum of Art, New York and De Hallen Haarlem/the Frans Hals Museum, the Netherlands. His work is in numerous private and public collections, including the Walker Art Center, Minneapolis; Hessel Museum of Art/



Thomas Edison's "Death Mask" will be on display for the first time

images courtesy of FSW

CCS-Bard College, New York; San Francisco Museum of Modern Art; The Denver Art Museum; The Israel Museum, Tel Aviv and The Tate Gallery in London.

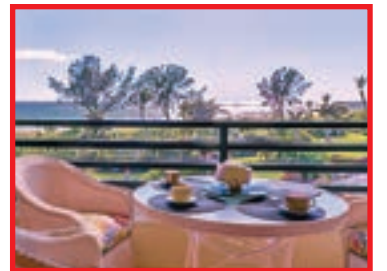
The Bob Rauschenberg Gallery was founded as The Gallery of Fine Art in 1979 on the Lee County campus of Florida SouthWestern State College/FSW (then Edison Community College). On June 4, 2004, the Gallery of Fine Art was renamed the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery, to honor and commemorate a long-time association and friendship with the artist. Over more than three decades until his death, the gallery worked closely with Rauschenberg to present world premiere exhibitions including multiple installations of the ¼ Mile or Two Furlong Piece. The artist insisted on naming the space the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery (versus the "Robert Rauschenberg Gallery") as it was consistent with the intimate, informal relationship he maintained with both the local Southwest Florida community and FSW.✱

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The Estates Celebrates 40 Years Of Holiday Nights



The Edison Home decked out for the holidays

On November 27, Edison Ford Winter Estates will kick off its 40th anniversary celebration of Holiday Nights. The winter homes, gardens and historic buildings of Thomas Edison and Henry Ford are decorated with thousands of lights and decorations. This event has become a tradition in Southwest Florida and a top destination for visitors around the globe.

USA Today named Edison Ford as one of the 10 best historic homes for the holidays, and The American Bus Association (ABA) designated Edison Ford's Holiday Nights as one of the Top 100 Events in North America for 2016.

"The attractiveness of Edison Ford's Holiday Nights as a don't-miss entertainment value is only part of why its selection this year is such a distinction for Edison & Ford Winter Estates," said Peter J. Pantuso, ABA's president and CEO.

Opening Night festivities will start officially at 6 p.m. when the Edison and Ford family officiate the annual Tree Lighting at the Edison Caretaker's House. Thomas Edison created the first Christmas lights about a century ago and Christmas was Henry Ford's favorite holiday, so Holiday Nights is very appropriate at their winter homes.

For opening night there will be other activities, such as carolers, food and beverages

at the Ford Cottage Shoppe along with some of the artists and authors who work and hold classes year-round at the estates. They'll be set up under tents near the Ford Cottage Shoppe with a variety of paintings, photographs and books for purchase. Additional gift ideas are available in the Ford Cottage Shoppe.

For children, Doug MacGregor, is returning as Santa and will be cartooning with kids of all ages. Santa also will be visiting on December 18. There will be a Children's Tree Trail, a collection of trees decorated with handmade ornaments from Lee County School children.

The Edison Ford Museum and Laboratory, as well as the Ford Cottage Shoppe, Museum

Santa Claus drives a vintage Ford

Store and Garden Shoppe will be open every night. Nightly guided Holiday Tradition Tours are offered at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m., along with Inside the Homes Holiday Tours on December 1, 8 and 15 at 6:30 p.m. A sightseeing river cruise and sunset cruise are offered through Pure Florida at the Marina at Edison Ford.

Holiday Nights tickets for adults are \$20 and children (6-12) are \$2. Lee County residents will receive \$5 off an adult ticket on select nights and students with college identification will receive a discounted rate. Guided tours are available for an additional fee. Refreshments will be available. Call for information 334-7419*

Coming Abstraction Show To Benefit Fund For The Arts

Coming Abstraction, a solo show by printmaker and painter Barbara J. Yeomans, will debut at the Southwest Florida Community Foundation on Thursday, December 1 and will be displayed until January 31.

The show will feature one-of-a-kind hand pulled prints and paintings by Yeomans. The artist will donate 35 percent of sales to The Fund for the Arts of Southwest Florida, a fund of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

The exhibit will be open in the Community Hub, the office of the Community Foundation, located at 8771 College Parkway, Suite 201 in Fort Myers. Public viewing is Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Two artist receptions with Yeomans will take place at the Community Hub and are open to the public with advance reservations. The first will be held on Thursday, December 10 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., and the second the following morning, Friday, December 11 from 8 to 10 a.m. Refreshments will be served. Reservations are required by emailing rsvp@floridacommunity.com.

Yeomans was born in London, England in 1933. During World War II, her family home was bombed, and they had to relocate to the English countryside. Growing up during this turbulent time made an indelible mark on her, and she pursued arts and crafts at a young age. An arts scholarship allowed her to pursue a degree in fashion at Cheltenham College of Art. While at college, she won design awards and studied under the leading artists of the day. In the 1950s, her college career was put on hold

when she met and married a young American man, Sherrill Yeomans, stationed in England. She immigrated to America and raised a family while continuing her interest in the arts as a volunteer arts teacher in Fort Myers. In the 1970s and 1980s, she created vibrant three-dimensional fabric wall hangings for various Southwest Florida interior decorators for homes and businesses throughout the region.

After her husband's death, Yeomans returned to school and enrolled in a printmaking class at a local college. There, she found a renewed passion for art making. For the past 30 years, she has honed her technique using experimental processes and materials, creating dynamic monotype prints, paintings and assemblages. During the years, she has had several one-woman shows in Florida, England, New Jersey and New York. Her work is sold exclusively in New York at the Broadfoot & Broadfoot Gallery and in England at Twenty-One B Gallery.

Those interested in seeing the show are asked to call the office in advance to assure that part of the exhibit located in meeting space is available for viewing. For more information about the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, call 274-5900 or visit www.floridacommunity.com.

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Call For Artists

Center, Grand Illusion Gallery, Timeless Gallery, Unit A, American Legion Veterans Gallery, Miville Art Gallery, Ollie Mack Gentry Photography, Reverie & Rock Art Gallery, Student's Row (individual artists tables) and Bootleggers Alley Gallery will all have new group art exhibits and will be open from 5 to 9:30 p.m.

- Ride the free White Art Walk Trolley, with stops on Bay Street, Heitman Street, Main Street, Jackson Streets and Evans Avenue. Fort Myers Art Walk Maps are available at Arts for ACT Gallery, 2265 First Street.

- Live music including The Flashbacks, who will be at Arts for ACT Gallery on First Street

- Food vendors selling snow cones, ice cream, funnel cakes, kettle corn and more
- Restaurants will all be open for your dining pleasure
- Kids face painting on First Street

Streets will be closed for this event. Parking garages will be open and available. There is a \$5 fee to park in the garages. Park at the free lots and ride the trolley into the River District from 6 to 9:45 p.m. The trolley will pick up at West First Street, MLK Boulevard and Heitman Street, along Main Street and Jackson Street and Evans Avenue.*



Yeomans artwork

Harpeth Rising Performing In Fort Myers



Harpeth Rising will perform on December 5 at the Americana Community Music Association's Listening Room, located at the All Faiths Unitarian Congregation building

For the past six years, Harpeth Rising has challenged the boundaries of folk music and created a sound that is both excitingly unique and surprisingly familiar. Their virtuosic instrumentals of banjo and violin mixed with cello and foot percussion create an exciting and unique blend of musical genres that include folk, rock, bluegrass, classical and roots music. Their original lyrics, conveyed through powerful three-part vocals, are both gritty and poignant.

The trio will be returning to Fort Myers on Saturday, December 5 to perform at the Americana Community Music Association Listening Room at 7 p.m. Bill Steel will be opening and the doors open at 6 p.m. The Listening Room is located at the All Faiths Unitarian Congregation building at 2756 McGregor Boulevard. There is a suggested donation of \$15 (\$10 for members) and reservations are encouraged by calling 910-5657.

An all-female group, the members of Harpeth Rising met and were united by their eclectic musical interests while studying at the Indiana University Jacobs School of Music. Past performances include the Cambridge Folk Festival, Kerrville Folk Festival, Blissfest, Woodsongs Old-Time Radio Hour, The Bluebird, and ROMP Music Festival. The trio has recently relocated from Nashville, Tennessee to Louisville, Kentucky to be closer to their southern Indiana roots and join the growing eclectic musical and cultural landscape of the region.

Harpeth Rising's latest album, *Shifted*, debuted at number one on the Folk DJ Charts in August. The album's opening track, *I Am Eve (I Am the Reason)*, also debuted as the number one song on the same chart. *FATEA Magazine* has called the album "truly resplendent" and *Midwest Record* has said the album is "taking back lyric writing as an form... this set is going to blow your mind." The album melds folk, classical music and rock with such ease that it creates a genre of its own. This constant innovation combining old and new genres of music, technical mastery, thought provoking lyrics, and heartfelt sensibility has earned Harpeth Rising the distinction of one of the most engaging and dynamic new groups in folk music today.*

Torah Study At Temple Judea

On Thursday, December 3 at noon, Temple Judea's Rabbi Sack begins a one-hour Torah study that includes an open discussion of Torah and Judaism where all levels of background and all questions are encouraged.

The session is held on the first Thursday of the month at the office of Myers, Bretthoitz & Company, 12671 Whitehall Drive in Fort Myers. Bring a chumash if you have one. Rabbi Sack will bring the text for the session.

Temple Judea is located at 14486 A & W Bulb Road in Fort Myers. For more information, call 433-0201 or send an email to tjswfl@gmail.com.*

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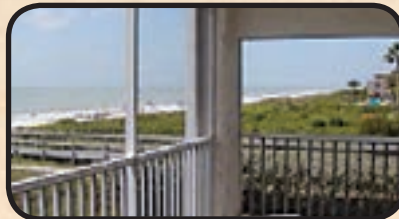


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New Officers For Community Concert Board

The Fort Myers Community Concert Association Board of Directors announced Sunday that philanthropist Berne Davis has agreed to be the underwriter of the entire 2016 concert season.

Davis, who is 101 years old, has been a member of the Community Concert Association for 68 years and was the association's first sponsor in 1995 in honor of her late husband Sidney.

"Berne has been a program sponsor every year for the past 18 years," said association President Mary Lee Mann. "This gracious southern lady and patron of the arts has contributed substantially to our endowment fund to ensure the continuation of the association for many years to come and we are eternally grateful to her."

The announcement was made at the association's fall meeting.

Mann also announced that Madeleine Taeni of Cape Coral will sponsor *Aida* to be performed February 10 by Teatro Lirico D'Europa; Pamela Templeton of Fort Myers will sponsor the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra March 2; and Rob and Ruth Diefenbach of Fort Myers will sponsor the March 21 performance by classical pianist Emanuel Ax.

The association also elected officers for 2016. They are:

- Mary Lee Mann, president (Alva), community leader and long-time officer of the association;

- Ian Mann, vice president (Fort Myers), attorney

- Kay Higgins, secretary (Fort Myers), community volunteer; and

- David Hall, treasurer (East Lee County), Sanibel-Captiva Bank.

New board members are:

- Frank Mann Sr. (Alva), Lee County Commissioner;

- Ian Mann (Fort Myers), attorney;

- Wiley Parker (Fort Myers), architect with Parker/Mudgett/Smith Architects; and

- Barbara Shafer (Fort Myers) whose late husband, Judge Robert Shafer, was a long-time board member.

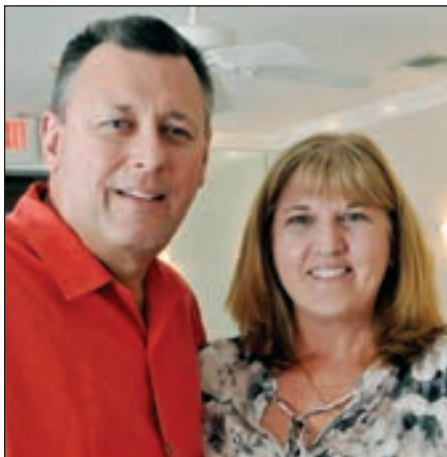
Mary Lee Mann reported to the board that few tickets remain for this year's 67th series that begins in January with these five concerts:

- *Sleeping Beauty*, January 4. The Russian National Ballet captures the delight, the fantasy and the drama of the cherished story *Sleeping Beauty* through classical ballet and the timeless score by Tchaikovsky. The Russian National Ballet Theatre was founded with the support of the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation and invigorates the tradition of classical Russian ballet with developments in dance from around the world.

- Polish Baltic Philharmonic Orchestra, January 25. Richard Wagner's *Overture to The Flying Dutchman* and Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov's *Scheherazade Symphonic Suite* will be included in this performance by the Polish Baltic Philharmonic Orchestra, which is the



Fort Myers Community Concert Association President Mary Lee Mann, Alva, and board secretary Kay Higgins, Fort Myers



Board Treasurer David Hall and his wife Gail, East Lee County



John and Gloria Fassett, South Fort Myers



Sponsors Ruth and Rob Diefenbach, Fort Myers

largest music institution in northern Poland.

- Teatro Lirico D'Europa performing *Aida*, February 10. This is the tragic story of the love between Rhadames, the



Series underwriter Berne Davis, Fort Myers



New board member Wiley Parker and his wife Betty, Fort Myers



Bobbi Stage, Fort Myers, and Board Vice President Ian Mann



New board member Frank Mann Sr., Alva, and Liston Bochette, Fort Myers



Sponsors Fran Fenning, Fort Myers; Pamela Templeton, Fort Myers; and Madeleine Taeni, Cape Coral

Egyptian general, and *Aida*, an Ethiopian slave, and the jealousy of Amneris, daughter of the King of Egypt. Teatro Lirico D'Europa travels with a full orchestra of 47 to 50 members and a chorus of 40 singers.

- Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra, March 2, will present Brahms' *Symphony No. 2* and feature cello soloist Daniele Akta in Tchaikovsky's *The Kholya Requiem* and Camille Saint Saens' *Cello Concerto No. 1*. The Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra plays a varied repertoire and has performed at Carnegie Hall in New York, the Musikvereine in Vienna, the Philharmonic in Cologne and major halls in Dusseldorf, Frankfurt and Lucerne.

- Emanuel Ax, Pianist, March 21. This Grammy-winning American classical pianist and internationally-acclaimed performer is currently on the faculty at Juilliard. His program will include Dussek's *Piano Sonata No. 24, Elegie harmonique* and Beethoven's *No. 8 Pathetique* and *No. 23 Appassionata* piano sonatas.

All performances will be at the Barbara B. Mann Hall on the Florida SouthWestern College campus in Fort Myers. All five concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. and are included in one ticket price, which ranges from \$155 for orchestra seats, \$85 for lower balcony seating and \$65 for upper balcony. Mezzanine seating already is sold out, Mann said.



Wallace Hunter and Sunshine Bobo, both of Fort Myers representatives

For tickets and membership information, visit www.fortmyerscommunityconcerts.org or call 489-4171.

The Fort Myers Community Concert Association is an all-volunteer not-for-profit organization founded by the late Barbara B. Mann in 1949 to bring world-class entertainment to Southwest Florida at affordable prices. Martin in the Fields and many others.✱

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Along The River

tank, a hands-on beach area and several aquariums and exhibits. The tour continues with a visit to commercial fishing companies 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 is located at

718 Fishermans Wharf on San Carlos Island, Fort Myers Beach. Call 765-8101 or go to www.ostegobay.org.✱

The Simpsons Take Over



by Di Saggau

A season with all female playwrights continues at Theatre Conspiracy with a dark comedy written by Anne Washburn. *Mr. Burns, a Post-Electric Play* is definitely electrifying and entertain-

ing. *Mr. Burns* tells the story of a group of survivors recalling and retelling an episode of the TV show *The Simpsons* shortly after a global catastrophe. Then it examines the way the story has changed seven years after that, and finally, 75 years later.

National reviews call it a new play so smart it makes your head spin. A brilliant play that will leave you dizzy with the scope and dazzle of its ideas. For a long time, Washburn had been exploring what it would be like "to take a TV show and push it past the apocalypse and see what happened to it."

Eight cast members play various roles. They are Miguel Cintron, Virginia Sisk, Anna McCullers, Thomas Marsh, Kathleen Moye, Lemec Bernard, Cantrella Canady and Shelley Sanders. Directed by Rachael Endrizzi, *Mr Burns* is an intoxicating and sobering vision of an American future.

The first act is set in the near future in a national park where survivors around a campfire attempt to recount the episode *Cape Feare* of *The Simpsons* show.

Cintron is hysterical with his non-stop dialogue and the show ends with a musical salute to *HMS Pinafore* and *The Mikado*.

Act two, seven years later, finds the group formed into a theatrical troupe that

specializes in performing *Simpsons* episodes, with commercials and all. It ends with a musical finale and gun shots.

Fast forward 75 years later to act three and the same episode of the TV show has been reworked into a musical pageant, reminiscent of a Gilbert & Sullivan operetta. The story, characters, and morals are repurposed to fit the artistic and dramatic needs of a culture still reeling from destruction of civilization and the near-extinction of humanity decades earlier. Thomas Marsh as Mr. Burns gives a stellar performance.

Since the world has been robbed of electricity, much of the play takes place amid shadows or in candlelight. It's not necessary, but it helps if you have some knowledge of *The Simpsons* and of that *Cape Feare* segment that is a comic take on the 1991 Martin Scorsese movie *Cape Fear* with Robert Mitchum. Mentions are also made of the later version starring Robert DeNiro.

The acting is really good in this play because it doesn't feel like acting, except when the characters are putting on a show. You are likely to feel exhausted and exhilarated at the end and you may also feel a strong urge to tell someone what you've just seen, even though you may not get the details right. You will remember it for a long, long time.

Treat yourself to one of the most imaginative plays to come our way. *Mr. Burns, a Post-Electric Play* runs through December 12 at Theatre Conspiracy, located in the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. For tickets, call 936-3239.✱

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Lunch & Learn Seminar Offered

Join your friends and neighbors at the Lake Kennedy Senior Center on Wednesday, December 9 for Lunch & Learn, with special presentations by John Buschle and Jason Osborne from

Protective Life Insurance and your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor Lauri K. Howe for lunch from Paradise Deli.

Living longer and the costs associated with aging can have a significant impact on your retirement savings. Preparing now for potential nursing home care is an essential part of your long-term planning, particularly as the financial burden may become greater as you age. Participants will be provided valuable information and will be able to ask all of your questions regarding long-term care, financial management and much more.

This valuable Lunch & Learn seminar, to be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., is free for all to attend. Preregistration is required.

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

Holliday Named AFC Presidential Leadership Winner

During the fall convention held from November 11 to 13 in Orlando, the Association of Florida Colleges (AFC) honored Matthew Holliday, director of government relations at Florida SouthWestern State College, with the 2015 Presidential Leadership Award.

"Matt is an exceptional leader when it comes to representing FSW in our community and in Tallahassee," said Dr. Jeff Allbritten, FSW president. "His work with AFC over the years has also helped the state college system as a whole, and I'm pleased to see his efforts recognized."

"To be recognized by my fellow AFC members is humbling," said Holliday. "We all work together in the best interests of our state's 28 great colleges."

Visit www.FSW.edu for more information.✱

Our email address is press@riverweekly.com

Sand Sculpture Singles Winners



First place winner *Transition* by Bruce Phillips
by Bob Petcher



Second place winner *It's About Time* by Todd Pangborn
Fort Myers Beach on November 22 were by Bruce Phillips (*Transition*) in first place, Todd Pangborn (*It's About Time*) in second place and Morgan Rudluff (*Independence*) in third place.✱



Third place winner *Independence* by Morgan Rudluff

The top three judged sculptures for the singles division at the 29th annual American Sand Sculpting Championships at the Wyndham Garden Inn on

City of Palms Classic Returns



by Ed Frank

The 43rd annual City of Palms Classic, the premier high school basketball tournament in the nation, returns to Fort Myers next month with 34 competing players already committed to Division I college basketball

programs.

The December 18-23 tournament brings together 26 high school basketball powerhouses with teams as far away as Oregon, Missouri, Ohio, Ontario and several Florida schools.

This prestigious event has included more than 530 youngsters who advanced to NCAA Division I competition and more than 60 who went on to play professionally in the NBA.

This is the final year that the tournament will be held at Bishop Verot Catholic High School. To accommodate the growing following of the event, the tournament will move next year to the new 3,300-seat Suncoast Credit Union Arena currently under construction at Florida SouthWestern State College.

In addition to the top high school basketball talent that will compete here, many of the nation's top college coaches and scouts are certain to attend. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski has been a frequent attendee.

Here is just a sampling of the premier talent that will play here in a few weeks: Class of 2016 Hoop Scoop No. 1 player Thon Maker (The Athlete Institute); Class of 2016 ESPN No. 2 player Jayson Tatum (Chaminade, St. Louis) and the list goes on.

As a strong incentive to attract the top basketball talent in the nation, the tournament's foundation, Classic Basketball, Inc., covers all expenses for the 26 teams.

To purchase tickets to the six-day tournament, go to www.cityofpalmsclassic.com and click tickets.

If you attend this famous event, you will see the following athletes, their schools and the colleges they have committed to attend. Where a college is not named, the player has not publicly announced his decision.✪

Height	Class	Player Name	High School	College
7-1	Senior	Thon Maker	Athlete Institute (ON)	
6-10	Senior	Abdulkakim Ado	Hamilton Heights (TN)	Mississippi State
6-10	Senior	Udoka Azubuike	Potter's House Christian (FL)	
6-10	Senior	Tony Bradley	Bartow (FL)	North Carolina
6-10	Senior	Bruno Fernando	Montverde Academy (FL)	
6-10	Junior	Austin Wiley	Spain Park (AL)	Auburn
6-9	Senior	Edryce "Bam" Adebayo	High Point Christian (NC)	Kentucky
6-9	Senior	Tyler Cook	St. Louis Chaminade (MO)	Iowa
6-9	Senior	Dewan Huell	Miami Norland (FL)	Miami
6-9	Sophomore	Jontay Porter	Father Tolton (MO)	Washington
6-9	Senior	Micah Potter	Montverde Academy (FL)	Ohio State
6-9	Senior	Jayson Tatum	St. Louis Chaminade (MO)	Duke
6-9	Junior	Kaleb Wesson	Westerville South (OH)	Ohio State
6-9	Senior	Romello White	Marietta Wheeler (GA)	Georgia Tech
6-8	Senior	Cyril Langevine	Patrick School (NJ)	Rhode Island
6-7	Senior	Amidou Bamba	High Point Christian (NC)	Coastal Carolina
6-7	Senior	Nicola Djogo	Athlete Institute (ON)	Notre Dame
6-6	Senior	Al-Wajid Aminu	Marietta Wheeler (GA)	North Florida
6-6	Senior	Lonzo Ball	Chino Hills (CA)	UCLA
6-6	Senior	Brandon Gonzalez	Punta Gorda Charlotte (FL)	Southeastern Louisiana
6-6	Senior	Jalen Johnson	Wesleyan Christian (NC)	Tennessee
6-5	Junior	Liangelo Ball	Chino Hills (CA)	UCLA
6-4	Senior	Michael Buckland	Wesleyan Christian (NC)	Lipscomb
6-4	Senior	Thomas Dziagwa	Tampa Catholic (FL)	Oklahoma State
6-4	Senior	Ben Robertson	High Point Christian (NC)	Bucknell
6-3	Senior	Jair Bolden	Westtown (PA)	George Washington
6-3	Senior	Howard Washington	Montverde Academy (FL)	Butler
6-2	Senior	Rasheen Dunn	Brooklyn Thomas Jefferson (NY)	St. Francis-Brooklyn
6-2	Senior	Kwe Parker	Wesleyan Christian (NC)	
6-2	Senior	Payton Pritchard	West Linn (OR)	Oregon
6-1	Senior	David Jean-Baptiste	Miami Norland (FL)	UT-Chattanooga
6-1	Senior	Mike Lewis	St. Louis Chaminade (MO)	Duquesne
6-1	Senior	Shamorie Ponds	Brooklyn Jefferson (NY)	St. John's
6-0	Senior	Bryce Aiken	Patrick School (NJ)	Harvard
6-0	Senior	D.J. Bryant	Sarasota Riverview (FL)	Texas-Arlington
6-0	Senior	Brandon Childress	Wesleyan Christian (NC)	Wake Forest
5-11	Senior	Ty Graves	High Point Christian (NC)	Boston College
5-9	Freshman	LaMelo Ball	Chino Hills (CA)	UCLA

Red Sox Spring Training Tickets On Sale

Tickets for the 17 home exhibition games for the Boston Red Sox 2016 Spring Training season go on sale Saturday, Dec. 5, and will remain at 2015 prices.

The Red Sox will permit fans to begin lining up for tickets at JetBlue Park on Friday, December 4, starting at 6 p.m. Vehicle and tent camping is prohibited.

Fans can purchase Spring Training

tickets starting at 10 a.m. at JetBlue Park or at www.redsox.com. Fans needing ADA accessible seating or those who may not have a computer may call 877-REDSOX9. Hearing impaired fans may call the Red Sox TTY line at 617-226-6644. MasterCard is the preferred card provider of the Boston Red Sox.

Red Sox destinations packages, which offer VIP experiences for fans during Spring Training, are available now at www.redsox.com/springdestinations. Pitchers and catchers report Feb. 18, 2016, and hold their first workouts February 19. The first full squad workout will take place February 24. Workouts are free and open to the

public.

The team opens its exhibition season with a single admission double header against the Boston College Eagles and the Northeastern University Huskies on Monday, February 29, at 1:05 p.m.

The Red Sox Grapefruit League home schedule at JetBlue Park launches against the Chairman's Cup rival Minnesota Twins on Wednesday, March 2. The home opener is the first of seven contests between the cross-town foes.

The Red Sox will visit its American League East rival New York Yankees in Tampa on Saturday, March 5, and will then host them on Tuesday, March 15, at 6:05 p.m. That game is one of only

two night games on the home schedule. Other division matchups include four games versus the Baltimore Orioles, four against the Tampa Bay Rays, and four against the Toronto Blue Jays, two of which will take place in Montreal as part of a two-game exhibition series at Olympic Stadium on Friday, April 1 and Saturday, April 2.

The Red Sox's equipment truck will depart from Fenway Park on Wednesday, February 10. Truck Day is presented by JetBlue.

The 2016 Spring Training season is the Red Sox's fifth at JetBlue Park at Fenway South. It is presented by CVS Pharmacy.✪

School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers:

As we celebrate Thanksgiving, you may want to take some extra time to reflect about your children and give thanks for them.

Sometimes, though parents find it difficult to express their belief in and support for their children. Its vital for a child to know that its loved, understood and accepted but the usual well done, good boy/girl just doesn't express your feelings adequately.

I'd like to share a list of highly expressive and meaningful phrases that child psychologist Yekaterina Kes has put together to use with your child. All of them will help your child to understand the depth of your love and affection for them. What could be more important than that?

Expressing belief in your child:

- I trust you
- I believe in you
- I respect your decision
- It won't be easy, but I'm certain you'll do it
- You're doing everything right
- You understand this perfectly
- How did you manage to do this so well?
- Teach me how you do it, so I can

succeed like you

- You can do it better than I can
- You're better at this than me
- Crediting their hard work:**
- I can see how much work you put into this
- I can see how hard you tried
- You worked so hard on this, and you achieved it perfectly!
- You're making fantastic progress!
- I can see you spent a lot of time on this

- I can imagine how much effort you had to put in to achieve this!
- You must have worked so hard to get this result!
- All that hard work paid off!

Being thankful for the time you spend together:

- I really appreciate you spending time with me
- I can't wait to play with you tomorrow
- It's so interesting to do this with you
- I really enjoyed playing with you
- I'm so glad you're at home with me
- I'm having so much fun being with you

Helping them evaluate their own performance:

- What do you think about this?
- You must be so proud!
- What's the thing you're most proud of?
- What's your opinion on this?
- How would you evaluate your own work?
- And what do you think of the result?

- How do you wish it had gone?
- Being thankful for their help:**
- Thank you so much for doing this
- I'm so grateful that you helped me with this
- You really helped me out
- Thanks for understanding
- I don't know what I would have done without you
- Without your help, I wouldn't have succeeded
- You helped me to get through this quicker
- The house is so tidy thanks to you
- Describing what you see:**
- Your bedroom is so clean!
- Wow, you've made your bed!

Fantastic!

- There are so many beautiful colors in this picture!
- I can see that you really tried hard
- I noticed that you cleared the table yourself. Well done!

Describing how you feel:

- I just love spending time with you so much
- I'm so happy when you're at home
- I love being part of your team
- I love hearing your opinion
- I'm so incredibly grateful that I have you
- It makes me so happy when you're around to help me

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ing company. Questions for publication may be addressed to smgreggs@gmail.com. Not all questions submitted can be addressed through this publication.*

Autism Screening

Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, in partnership with Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida, offers a free monthly autism spectrum disorder screening for toddlers 18 months to 5 years of age.

The next screening on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile will be held on December 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Dunbar Jupiter Hammon Public Library, 3095 Blount Street, Fort Myers.

It is estimated that one in every 68 children is diagnosed with some form of autism spectrum disorder, making it more common than childhood cancer, juvenile diabetes and pediatric AIDS combined.

Medical consultants for the project stress that an early diagnosis can make a vast difference for toddlers and their families.

The ASD screening is conducted by the Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida and administered by an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner with extensive training and experience in typical child development and developmental disorders.

A physician referral is not required. To schedule a screening, call 343-6838.*

Walk For Wishes 5K Walk/Run

The 6th annual Walk For Wishes 5K Walk/Run, to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida, will be held on Saturday, February 27 at the Florida Gulf Coast University Recreation Field, located at 10501 FGCU Boulevard South in Fort Myers.

Rick and Barb Gallo, chairs of the 2014 and 2015 Walk/Run, are honored to be the chairs again this year serving alongside this year's Honorary Chair Greg Poss, Florida Everblades' head coach. The chairs encourage the community to help them reach this year's goal of raising enough money to grant 18 local wishes.

The hope is to have hundreds of people participate and raise money to grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions. Wishes enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. Proceeds from the event will help ensure that every medically-eligible child receives a wish which offers a much-needed retreat from doctors and hospitals, helping them focus on just being a kid again.

The fundraiser is a certified timed 5K Walk/Run with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m. and walk/run beginning at 8:30 a.m. All ages are encouraged to participate in the event to help make wishes come true.

Pre-registration fees for the Walk

For Wishes are \$25 for adults, \$15 for students and \$10 for children 13 years of age and younger. Event-day registration fees are \$30 for adults, \$20 for students and \$15 for children 13 and younger.

Following the Walk/Run, participants are invited to enjoy a special Family Fun Day which includes food, face painting, a rock climbing wall, games, exhibits and more. This portion of the day will run from 9 to 11 a.m.

Making the day possible are sponsors Trusted Choice, Naples Concrete and Masonry, GL Homes, Scott Craven, Seminole Casino, Jackson Pools, and Pelican Landing Dental. Additional corporate and individual sponsorships are still available, ranging from \$500 to \$10,000. Contact Taylor Marini at 992-9474 ext. 23 or tmarini@sflawish.org for additional information.

Registration for the 5K Walk/Run is available online at www.walkforwishes.net for individuals or to register a team. A team consists of a minimum of four people; each team member must register online and pay entry fee prior to the event. Team members receive a T-shirt if registered by February 2. Any team that raises \$2,500 or more will be named a partner in sponsoring a child's wish, and any team that raises \$5,000 or more will be named a wish sponsor.

For more information about Make-A-Wish, visit www.sfla.wish.org or call 992-9474 to get involved.*

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Healing Hearts Of Grieving Children At Rainbow Trails

Hope HealthCare Services, dedicated to comfort and support for individuals and families facing life-limiting illness, offers special assistance to children coping with the loss of a loved one through its grief counseling program.

Hope's annual Rainbow Trails Camp is a highlight for children working through bereavement in the grief counseling program. This year, the free annual camp hosted 74 children, ages six to 16, to an October weekend at Riverside Retreat in LaBelle filled with recreation, crafts, swimming and singing, along with activities to help them better understand the grief process and learn skills to cope with loss.

Rainbow Trails Camp is staffed with



Making friends at Rainbow Trails Camp

Hope's professional children's grief counselors, therapists and volunteers who have completed a special Rainbow Trails education series.

To learn more about Hope's children's grief services, or to help support Rainbow Trails Camp in the memory of a loved one, visit www.HopeHCS.org or call



Youngsters made their own music



Cooling off with ice cream

482-4673.

Hope HealthCare Services provides specialized care for all people with complex needs related to life-changing illness.

Visit www.HopeHCS.org for a full listing of programs and services.✪

Financial Focus

How Can The Fed's Actions Affect You?



by Jennifer Basey

When will the Federal Reserve raise interest rates? This question has been on the minds of economists and financial market prognosticators for quite some time now. But what

does it mean to you, as an individual investor?

First of all, it's important to understand just what is meant by "raising rates." The Federal Reserve, or the "Fed," directly controls short-term interest rates, although, through various measures, it can also affect long-term rates. Typically, the Fed will lower short-term rates to stimulate the economy. Conversely, the Fed will raise rates to slow down the economy if it seems to be "overheating" and threatening to push inflation to excessive levels.

Since the end of 2008, when the financial crisis hit, the Fed has kept

short-term rates close to zero. But now, following several years of reasonably strong economic growth, the Fed appears poised to raise rates. No one can really predict the exact timing of the rate hike, but statements from the Fed indicate that it seems to be a matter of "when," not "if."

Fed chairperson Janet Yellen has indicated that when the increase comes, it may be relatively small, and that further increases will be spaced out enough to avoid potential "shocks" to the economy. Still, as an investor, you need to be aware of the potential impact of any interest rate increase. So consider the following:

- Review your bond holdings. As short-term rates rise, shorter-term bonds, and even some "cash" instruments, may eventually become more attractive than longer-term bonds, which tend to be more volatile. A sell-off of longer-term bonds can push their prices downward, so make sure these bonds don't take up too large a percentage of your fixed-income portfolio.
- Build a bond ladder. A bond ladder may prove beneficial to you in all interest-rate environments. To construct this ladder, you need to own bonds and other fixed-rate vehicles, such as certificates of deposit (CDs) of varying maturities. Thus, when market interest rates are low, you'll still have your longer-term bonds, which typically pay higher rates than short-term bonds, working for you. And when inter-

est rates rise, as may be the case soon, you can reinvest your maturing, short-term bonds and CDs at the higher rates. Be sure to evaluate whether the bonds or CDs held in the ladder are consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances.

- Be prepared for volatility. Certain segments of the financial markets don't like interest rate increases – after all, higher rates mean higher borrowing costs, which make it harder for businesses to expand their operations. Therefore, depending on the composition of your portfolio, be prepared for some volatility when rates start moving up. However, since the Fed has already indicated it is likely to raise rates fairly soon, such a hike may already be largely "priced in" to the market, so any turbulence may be somewhat muted.

By taking these steps, you can help contain the effects of rising interest rates on your own investment outlook. Ultimately, as an investor, you need to concentrate on those things you can control, no matter what the Federal Reserve decides to do. And that means you need to build a diversified portfolio that reflects your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. Maintaining this type of focus can help you – no matter where interest rates are headed.

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A group at this year's Hope Rainbow Trails Camp

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Courthouse

to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

If you love local history, be sure to visit the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center.

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

The center 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: Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, *The Lee County Courthouse Through the Years* by "Booch" DeMarchi, and *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl S. Grismer.✪

dearRPharmacist

Why Your Hair Is Falling Out And How To Fix It



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers: I went to my favorite make up store Sephora and took note of several women buying expensive hair serums and shampoos to deal with hair loss. I didn't want to be off-putting and

approach them with better suggestions, so I am writing today's article instead.

Save your money good grief! Most of those ingredients listed on the label, some of which are completely made up words, do not regrow hair, although they might make it shinier and softer. I'm all about "the fix" not the fancy label!

Correcting a hormonal imbalance in your body makes regrowing hair easy. Restoring a nutrient that is insufficient due to the 'drug mugging' effect also works. There are dozens of reasons for hair loss, this is why Minoxidil (for as good as it is) doesn't work for every individual. The root cause of hair loss varies from person to person. Let's go over some

possibilities.

You may assume that lab work is expensive, but if it teases out the underlying cause, it's still cheaper than useless products:

First, the hormonal imbalances associated with hair loss:

- Elevated estrogen or Estrogen dominance – This is sometimes referred to as "testosterone deficiency" in the scientific literature. When this imbalance is corrected, hair grows back; the goal is more testosterone, less estrogen.

- Hypothyroidism or Hashimoto's – This is a thyroid hormone imbalance and it's a biggie. When you're "thyroid sick" instead of "thyroid healthy," the outer edges of your eyebrows begin to thin, or fall out. You may completely lose your eyebrows and eyelashes. They become brittle and dry. Restoring thyroid hormone is the fix; learn how in my *Thyroid Healthy* book.

- Iron deficiency – Iron is measured usually as "ferritin" and when it is deficient, your hair falls out faster. Low iron goes hand in hand with thyroid disease and the ulcer bug *Helicobacter pylori* (H. pylori).

- SHBG – This stands for Sex Hormone Binding Globulin and low levels lead to hair loss. FYI, green tea raises SHBG.

Now the medications that cause hair loss:

Chemotherapy – It causes hair to fall out. It usually grows back after your treat-

ment series. The best way to offset chemo is to take supplements and eat foods that support mitochondrial health.

Anticonvulsants – Carbamazepine is one example. Antibiotics crush biotin levels too. When biotin is tanked, your hair can fall out. Restoring probiotics and biotin can improve hair regrowth.

Acid blockers for reflux and heartburn – What do gut drugs have to do with your head? I know this one is a real head scratcher but this category of medications is a strong drug mugger of zinc, and zinc is needed for healthy hair growth. Zinc is also needed for superoxide dismutase, a natural enzyme in your body that captures microscopic fireballs (free radicals) and escorts them out. Corticosteroids like prednisone also smash zinc.

Estrogen or menopausal drugs – These drugs are used for birth control and hormone replacement. The reason is "estrogen dominance," but for the final nail in the coffin, these drugs deplete almost all your B vitamins. Taking a B complex can certainly offset the drug-induced nutrient depletion, but it only does so much. Improving estrogen metabolism and breakdown (or discontinuing the estrogen-derived medicine) is your fastest path to luscious locks.

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.✱

Student Admitted To Cornell

Tucker Sheridan of North Fort Myers was admitted to Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa for the Spring 2016 semester. Sheridan earned the Founders Scholarship.

One of the 40 "Colleges That Change Lives," Cornell College is a national liberal arts college with a distinctive One Course At A Time curriculum. The One Course schedule provides students the chance to dive into their studies, focus more intensely on the disciplines of their choice and learn authentically with the unique freedom to shed the confines of the traditional classroom to study off-campus, pursue research, or accept an internship – all without missing out on other classes.

Cornell is nationally recognized for its value, including by Kiplinger's, which included Cornell on its list of the 100 best values in private colleges for 2015, and the Fiske Guide to Colleges, which named Cornell College one of the 24 "Best Buys" among private colleges. Ninety-three percent of Cornell graduates earn their degrees in four years. In 2013, Cornell was named one of the 25 colleges with the best professors by the Center for College Affordability and Productivity.

For more information, visit www.cornellcollege.edu.✱

Doctor and Dietitian

The Health Benefits Of Being Grateful



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

Thankfulness and gratitude are connected with better health.

Throughout history, physicians, philosophers and religious leaders have emphasized the health virtues of being thankful. Some of the health benefits include improved immune systems, feelings of connectedness and belonging, optimism and a higher team or work morale. Gratitude is even linked to positive changes in heart rate variability and blood pressure.

Grateful folks tend to engage in healthy behaviors such as regular exercise and healthy eating. We know that stress is harmful to our health, but fortunately, gratefulness improves our ability to manage stress, and thankfulness augments our coping skills. Optimism boosts

immune-boosting blood cells, pessimism does the opposite. In addition to boosting the immune system, the optimism gained from gratitude has also been shown to have a positive impact on those with compromised health.

What are you most grateful for? Expressing it may boost your well-being. Talk to yourself and to others in a creative, optimistic and appreciate manner. Remember to be thankful for the little or big things your friends and family members do, to have a beneficial effect on the relationship.

Instead of focusing on the hassles you face, write down the things you are thankful for. Besides giving you a brighter outlook, it also may help you fall asleep and stay asleep, another health benefit of thankfulness.

Lend support to others, as volunteering can give you a happy glow. And, of course, exercise to release the brain chemicals that create joy and contentment.

Counting your blessings encourages happiness. Thanksgiving is a joyful day shared with friends and family, when we make a special effort to give thanks. Let's keep the tradition of giving thanks, typically celebrated just once a year during the holiday season, going throughout the entire year.

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

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,

Fifty years ago, we saw a lot of my cousin and his wife. They adopted two infants and were transferred 2,000 miles away. We kept in touch but did not see them too often. The children became adults and we were surprised to hear that they did not know that they were adopted.

Their mother died seven years ago and their father six months ago. Out of the blue, their son called me recently and

was very upset and said he and his sister are very concerned that they might have inherited the dreadful diseases that caused their parents death. He was asking me questions because I am the only living blood relative of his father.

I tried to evade answering directly. What do you think I should do if he should call again?

Rodney

Dear Rodney,

I find it hard to believe that in 50 years, the adult children didn't get some clues – but I guess some people can keep secrets for a lifetime.

If the parents did not want the adult children to know that they were adopted, I certainly would not tell them regardless of how many questions they asked me.

I would suggest that you and your sister go to the best specialist in the field of genetics and find out if there are tests that could relieve you of unnecessary concern or be the basis for medical treatment.

Lizzie

Dear Rodney,

Times have changed and professionals have long thought that adoptees should be told early by the parents before potential problems could develop. However, these parents are the ones who decided what they felt was the best plan. I would not in any way interfere with mom's plan and it is what I would advise.

Pryce

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Our email address is press@riverweekly.com



The Indiana Wesleyan University Concert Choir offers an energetic performance
photos courtesy of Shell Point Retirement Community

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Shell Point Concert Series

about each performance, as well as ticket purchase, is available at www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise or by calling the Village Church office at 454-2147.

“Inspirational concerts and worship celebrations are an integral part of the ongoing ministry of The Village Church,” said Randy Woods, minister of Worship and Music. “It is a joy for us to partner and present guest performers who encourage

and inspire us with the artistic expressions of their faith.”

The Village Church is a ministry of The Christian and Missionary Alliance and has served Shell Point residents and the Southwest Florida community since 1972. Located on The Island at Shell Point, the facility has the capacity to seat up to 1,000 people. The Village Church hosts roughly 200 community-wide events each year, including its signature Season of Praise concert series, and its auditorium welcomes a congregation of approximately 500 each Sunday at 10:15 a.m.✽



The King's Brass adds contemporary flair to classic hymns during their performance



Korean pianist Rachel Park celebrates Easter Sunday as she plays a collection of sacred and inspirational piano music



Award-winning men's trio Tenore brings powerhouse vocals to its performances



Santa's elves collect food for Community Cooperative: Chase Davis, Renae Kosecki, Kyle Kosecki, Colby Davis and Tyler Kosecki, all from Lehigh Acres

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Christmas Carol Sing

week.” Galloway said.

He said cash donations are especially needed because Community Cooperative can buy five times as much food for the same amount of money that residents spend at local grocery stores.

Those who cannot attend any of the Christmas Carol Sing performances may donate canned goods at either the Galloway Ford dealership on Boy Scout Drive, Fort Myers, or the Coconut Point Ford dealership on U.S. 41 in Estero, or mail donations to Community Cooperative, P. O. Box 2143, Fort Myers, FL 33902

The Christmas Carol Sing is a festival of holiday music and family fun. This



Tray Clark of Cape Coral with Mr. and Mrs. Claus

year's 90-minute performance will feature the First Presbyterian Church Choir, soloists and other special guests singing favorite holiday carols with audience sing-a-longs.

The Christmas Carol Sing is the third of three hymn sings sponsored annually by the Galloway Family of Dealerships.



Community Cooperative CEO Tracey Galloway with her family, Robert Galloway, Will Galloway and Olivia Galloway



Santa Claus with Marco Ferri, Kristen Weis, Kris Winselmann and Hunter Dahlen of the Holiday Strings

The other two are Mrs. Edison's Hymn Sing in February and First Celebrates Freedom in July. All three events benefit The Soup Kitchen of Community Cooperative.

Last year, Community Cooperative received more than 3,000 pounds of

canned goods and other non-perishable items from the Christmas Carol Sing. The food was immediately distributed to those in need.

For more information, call First Presbyterian Church at 334-2261 or visit www.fpcfortmyers.org.✽

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

1. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states border the Gulf of Mexico?
2. TELEVISION: Who lives at 124 Conch Street, Bikini Bottom, Pacific Ocean?
3. LITERATURE: What was the name of the first mate in “Moby-Dick”?
4. MOVIES: What film was the first full-length “talkie”?
5. MATH: What is the decimal equivalent of the fraction one-eighth?
6. HISTORY: In what year did President Jimmy Carter pardon all Vietnam War draft dodgers?
7. FOOD & DRINK: What is the traditional liquor used in making a Tom Collins drink?
8. ANATOMY: What is the only muscle in the human body that’s attached at only one end?
9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the offspring of a cockroach called?
10. DISCOVERIES: Who was the first to show how anesthesia could be used to relieve surgical pain?

ANSWERS

1. Five (Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas) 2. SpongeBob SquarePants 3. Starbuck 4. “The Jazz Singer” (1927) 5. 0.125 6. 1977 7. Gin 8. The tongue 9. Nymphs 10. William Morton (1846).

My Stars★★★★

FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 30, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)
Don’t feel sheepish about looking to spend more time with that special person during the upcoming holidays. Do it because it’s the right thing to do.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Never mind letting misunderstandings repair themselves. Consider speaking up while the healing process can be shorter and sweeter and leave fewer scars.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Romance is easily awakened in the Geminian heart, especially around the happy holiday season. So go ahead and make those plans with that special someone.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Moon Children can glow with their own inner light as the holiday season magic takes hold. It’s a very special time for Cancers and Libras together. Enjoy.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It’s a good time for you fabulous Felines to take pleasure in your special gift for, well, taking pleasure! Look for this holiday season to give you every reason to purr.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time to let others who are in your life get a little closer to you. You’ll both find out what you’ve been missing for far too long.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Open up your eyes and see some welcome surprises you’ve missed or overlooked for too long. What you find can lead to other favorable changes.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) What you expect to be potentially troublesome might simply be especially challenging and well worth your efforts to check out. Good luck!

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A friendship might not seem as trustworthy as you’d like. OK. Ask your questions, get your answers and settle the matter once and for all.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A family situation moves into a new area because of (or, maybe, thanks to) some decisions you might have felt you could not avoid making.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You could be cutting it very close if you

hope to make those holiday plan changes in time to avoid problems. Get a friend or family member to help.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Friends show how important you are to them. Keep these precious relationships thriving. They affect much that will happen to the fabulous Fish in the new year.

BORN THIS WEEK: Time spent at home alone nurtures your mystic self. Spending your time with others nurtures them.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On Dec. 2, 1859, in Charles Town, Virginia, abolitionist John Brown is executed on charges of treason, murder and insurrection. Brown became militant during the mid-1850s, when he fought pro-slavery settlers in the sharply divided Kansas Free State territory.

• On Dec. 6, 1917, a Belgian steamer and French freighter, both loaded with ammunition, explode in Canada’s Halifax Harbor, leveling part of the town and killing nearly 1,600 people and injuring some 8,000. The ships carried 8 million tons of TNT intended for use in World War I.

• On Dec. 5, 1945, five U.S. Navy torpedo-bombers take off from Florida on a routine training mission over the Atlantic Ocean. The squadron leader later reported that his compass had failed and his position was unknown, and a rescue aircraft was dispatched with a 13-man crew. No trace of the 27 crewmen or six aircraft was ever found.

• On Dec. 4, 1956, the “Million Dollar Quartet” convenes at Sun Studios in Memphis, Tennessee, in an historic impromptu jam session. Present were Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Elvis Presley. A tape recorded that day was not discovered until 1981.

• On Nov. 30, 1965, lawyer Ralph Nader publishes the muckraking book “Unsafe at Any Speed.” It became a bestseller and prompted the passage of seat-belt laws in 49 states (all but New Hampshire).

• On Dec. 3, 1979, eleven people are killed in a stampede outside a Who concert in Cincinnati when a crowd of general-admission ticket-holders surged forward in an attempt to secure prime unreserved seats inside, known as festival seating.

• On Dec. 1, 1990, 132 feet below the

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who holds the Marlins’ career record for most complete games pitched?
2. Who had the most hits in one major-league season: Barry or Bobby Bonds?
3. Name the first player in University of Nebraska history to run for more than 1,000 yards in three consecutive seasons.
4. Who holds the Milwaukee Bucks’ record for most career games played?
5. Six players hold the record of four goals in an NHL All-Star Game. Name four of them.
6. How many teams did Major League Soccer have in its first season in 1996?
7. Heavyweight boxing champion Larry Holmes suffered six losses during his 75-bout pro career. Name at least three of the fighters who beat him.

ANSWERS

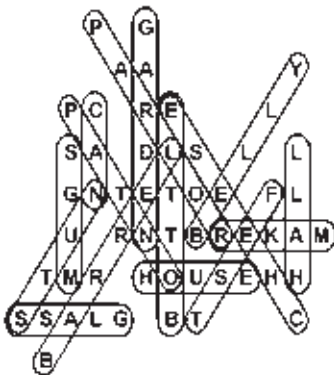
1. Dontrelle Willis, with 15 (2003-07). 2. Bobby Bonds had 200 hits for San Francisco in 1970; Barry’s high was 181 hits for San Francisco in 1993. 3. Armer Abdullah (2012-14). 4. Junior Bridgeman, with 711 games played. 5. Wayne Gretzky (1983). 6. T. 7. Michael Spinks (twice), Mike Tyson, Evander Holyfield, Oliver McCaill and Brian Nielsen. Dampousse (1991), Mike Gartner (1993), Dany Heatley (2003) and John Tavares (2015).

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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BEER



STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was Scottish novelist and politician John Buchan who made the following sage observation: “We can pay our debt to the past by putting the future in debt to ourselves.”

• The general board of the prestigious University of Cambridge has recommended that the institution hire a Professor of Lego. Yep. The lucky academic will head up the Research Centre on Play in Education, Development and Learning. On a related note, Cambridge recently received a donation of more than \$6 million from the Lego Foundation.

• If you happen to have 40 billion Lego bricks lying around, you could, theoretically, build a tower to the moon.

• Single-shot coffee makers like Keurig are increasingly popular, but the inventor of the K-Cup coffee pods doesn’t actually use them himself. John Sylvan says, “I don’t have one. They’re kind of expensive to use.” He added, “It’s not like drip coffee is tough to make.”

• Beloved British author Charles Dickens was forced to go to work at the age of 11, pasting labels on bottles of shoe polish in a boot-blackening factory. Soon after, his father was put in debtors’ prison, and when his mother and siblings went to live with him there; young Charles was left to live on the streets and fend for himself. It’s not surprising, then, that after Dickens achieved the great success he enjoyed as a writer, he was an ardent campaigner for children’s rights.

• If you plan to become a patriotic citizen of Greece, I hope you have a good memory: The Greek national anthem has a whopping 158 verses.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

“The greatest analgesic, soporific, stimulant, tranquilizer, narcotic and to some extent even antibiotic -- in short, the closest thing to a genuine panacea -- known to medical science is work.” -- Thomas Szasz



Parmesan Roasted Snap Beans

- 12 ounces fresh snap beans, trimmed and rinsed
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- ½ teaspoon garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese, grated

Preheat oven to 425 degrees F. In a large bowl, combine beans, salt, pepper and garlic; mix well. Spread beans out on a baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes.

Remove from oven and shake to move the beans around the sheet, then bake another 5 minutes. Remove beans from oven and sprinkle with cheese. Serve with Feta and Dill Dip.

Feta and Dill Dip

- 1 cup plain low-fat yogurt
 - 1 tablespoon fresh dill, chopped
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- Mix all ingredients and serve.✪



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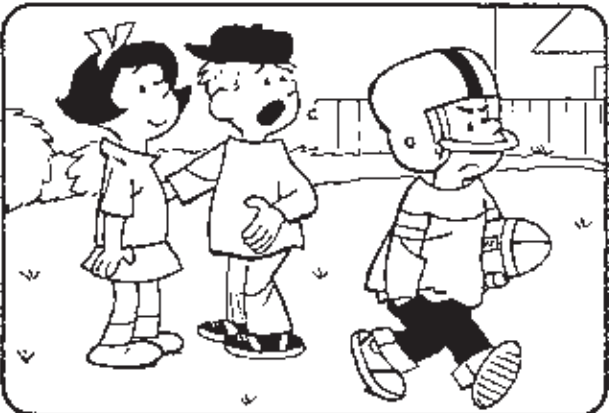
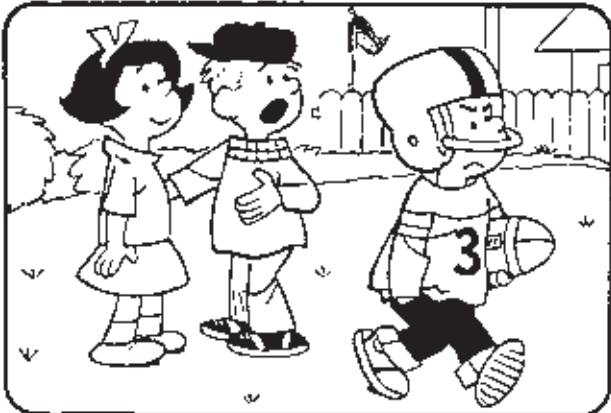
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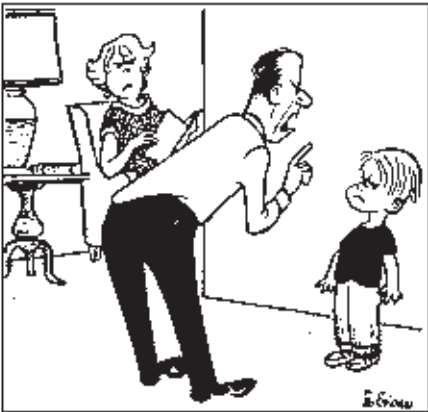
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FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS

Differences: 1. Skirt is smaller. 2. Shirt neckline is different. 3. Arms is moved. 4. Flag is missing. 5. Fence is different. 6. Number is missing.



"Watch your language, young man, or I'll wash your mouth out with your mother's

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SCRAMBLERS

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

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TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 27

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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3. Futile; 4. Gentle

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Like new, Robb & Stucky Living Room and Den furniture currently used in 2,800 square feet luxury condominium. Owners moving off-island using different decor. Items include sectional sofa, chair and ottoman, wrought iron & glass cocktail table, 4-piece entertainment unit, and sleeper sofa. Photos and pricing furnished on request. (239) 472-2696.

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CAUTION

**GARAGE •
MOVING • YARD
SALES**

YARD SALE

Friday November 27th 8am
Tools, weber grill, household
and lots of misc
712 Cardium St., Sanibel

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GARAGE SALE

Nov. 28 9am-4pm and Sun. Nov. 29
9am-1pm. 1503 Angel Dr., Sanibel off
Dixie Beach Dr. Many antiques including
RCA phonograph, crank sewing machine,
dep. glass. Many collectibles including
Hummels, dolls, Cats Meow, Painted
Ponies and many more. Household items
and tools, new 8 ft. Pond Prowler boat.

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MAGNIFICENT YARD SALE

625 EAST ROCKS DR - WEST GULF
DEC 5 - 9 AM to 1 PM

Furniture, Tools, Bikes, Wheelbarrow,
Ladder, Wood Swing, Kayak, EZlift Chair,
Household Items, Books, Lots & Lots More!

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Shore Fishing:



Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.

- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.

- If you want a picture with the fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.

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

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

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8					5			1
	9			4		7		
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3			2				8	

SUDOKU

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

answer on page 27

Pets Of The Week

Hi, my name is Vienna, and I am a five-year-old spayed female red Chihuahua. I don't know if I was named after the city in Austria or the sausage. Nevertheless, I'm a charming, elegant, lovable but slightly plump little Chihuahua. The volunteers and staff at the shelter adore me and can't say enough good things about me. I'd make the perfect little companion and lifetime friend for you. I know you'll love me!

Adoption fee: \$50 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Pet'acular Thanksgiving Adoption Promotion

My name is Sophie, and I am a seven-month-old black domestic short hair female. Wow! I've been at the shelter since July 31. I've basically grown up here. I am really sweet and obviously cute. I really want to find my forever home soon. Since I've grown up around other cats, I would fit right in with your family cats.

Adoption fee: \$20 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' "Pet'acular Thanksgiving" Adoption promo. On Black Saturday, November 28, all predominantly black pets may be adopted for just \$5! Cats & kittens are also two for one adoption fee!

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.*



Vienna ID# 643906



Sophie ID# 629437



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

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

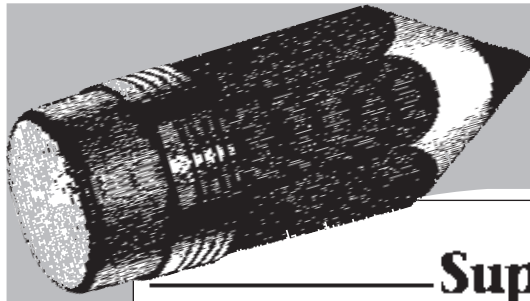
CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS	
Angel Flight	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Animal Refuge Center	731-3535
American Business Women Association	357-6755
Audubon of SWFL	339-8046
Audubon Society	472-3156
Caloosahatchee Chapter DAR.....	482-1366
Caloosahatchee Folk Society	321-4620
Cape Chorale Barbershop Chorus.....	1-855-425-3631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

Kiwanis Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach.....	765-4254 or 454-8090
Fort Myers Edison	694-1056
Fort Myers South	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands.....	218-5768
Iona-McGregor	482-0869

Lions Clubs:	
Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County	768-0417
POLO Club of Lee County	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society.....	472-6940
United Way of Lee County	433-2000
United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour).....	211 or 433-3900

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

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BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

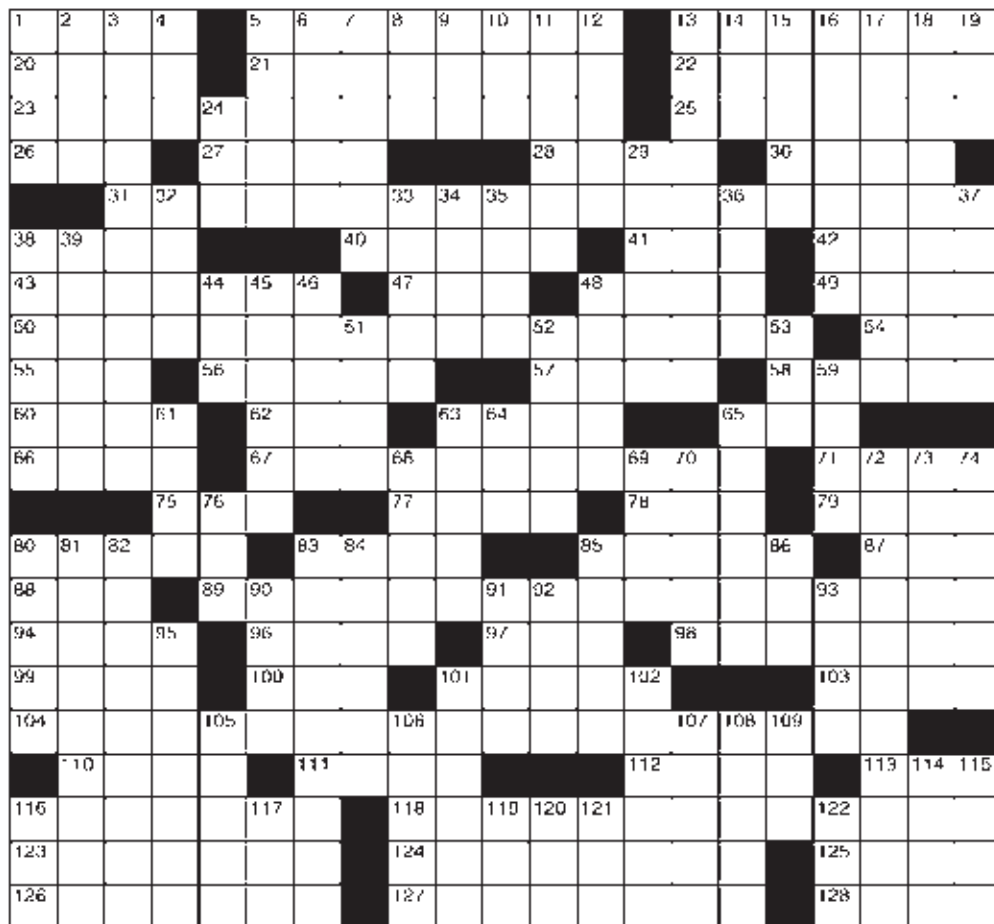
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Super Crossword

SUPER DUPER
MOVIE

ACROSS

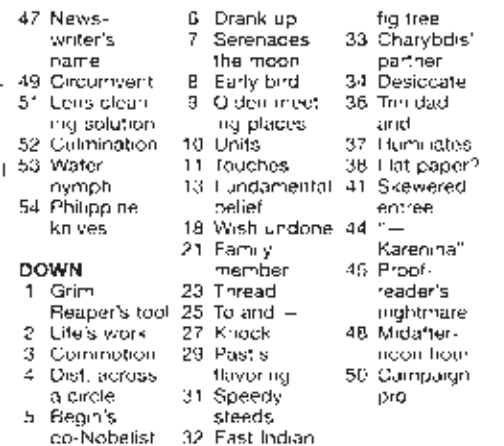
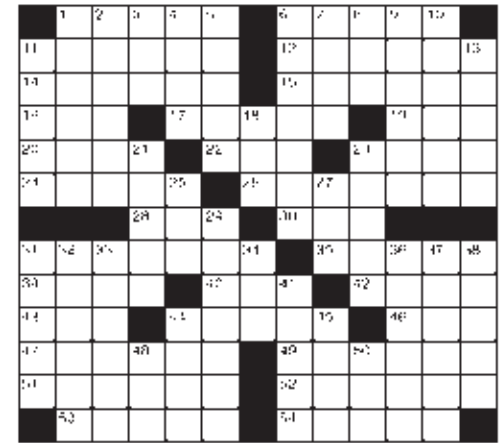
- 1 Army vehicle
5 Outlines of pans
13 Peyote-producing cacti
20 Climax
21 Makes a call to a radio talk show, e.g.
22 "No, really!"
23 Start of a riddle
25 Tanning booth fixture
26 "Help!" phrase
27 — sci (college maj.)
28 "— be silly!"
30 Latin jazz great Plente
31 Riddle.
36 Prescription specific on
40 "— Whoopee" (1929 hit)
41 Three R's org.
42 "When all tails..."
43 Feeling of vague illness
47 Simpy's TV pal
48 Env notice
49 Muckraker Jacob
50 Riddle, part 3
54 Busy little insect
55 Note hastily
56 Relative of a gazetteer
57 Submission end.
58 Elaine on "Seinfeld"
60 Blood type, briefly
62 Mount, as a jewel
63 Full of a certain grain
65 The "sum" of Descartes
66 Total change
67 Riddle, part 4
71 "Do I need to draw you?"
75 Future man
77 Sanctioned
78 Pointy tool
79 1958's Best Picture and Best Song
80 Nun's garb
83 Totally full!
85 Pumps, e.g.
87 Coll. senior's last
88 Rock's Rose
89 Riddle, part 5
94 Don of talk radio
96 Short slumbers
97 Balcon filler
98 More thickset
99 Richard of "Moonraker"
100 Thurman of "Jennifer 8"
101 Shore of "Up in Arms"
103 The Big Board, Abbr.
104 End of the riddle
110 Big Round — (pen brand)
111 Actresses West and Clarke
112 How to part
113 Operate
116 Chile's Desert
118 Riddle's answer
123 Russian ruler before Anna
124 Shin over seas again
125 Downhill gear
126 Merkel before officially launching
127 Post — Rich
128 Regarding
DOWN
1 Spieberg film
2 Tunnel effect
3 Deprived of strength
4 Home animal
5 Tape holder
6 — Vista, California
7 "Not just the physical" medical philosophy
8 Cut off
9 Intersected
10 Blond shade
11 Linked (with)
12 "Oid — that make sense?"
13 Plant to kiss under
14 Tall bird
15 Actress Berger
16 Gun barrel statistic
17 Eastern Turkey native
18 VIP vehicle
19 Motor oil additive
24 Sgt.'s inferior
29 Thirds of
32 Lab gelatin
33 Sagan and Sandberg
34 Swedish retail giant
35 Happen on
36 — pedi
37 Tryouts
38 Key with two sharps
39 Dee Dee or Joey of punk
44 Nest egg
45 Acts, briefly
46 Lamprey hunter
48 Quite off (far)
51 Information
52 Swedish port on the Baltic
53 Start-up loan org.
59 Netazine
61 Asian desert
63 In tune
64 Veneration
65 Most inactive
68 West bits
69 History of the violin
70 "Star Wars" critters
72 Anaheim's NFL team formerly
73 Concurs
74 Canada's Trudeau
76 Giants great Mel
80 Japanese poem
81 Colorful carpet with a cut pile
82 Part of a U.S. election map
83 Cyber-junk
84 Lama kin
85 Politico Palin
86 — Canals
90 "Movin' —" (old sitcom theme song)
91 Agony
92 Nuptial band
93 Ex-senator Sam
95 Floodgates
101 — the dirt (gossiped)
102 Actress Anjelica
105 Terrify
106 Neon —
107 Strict
108 Entertainer Miller
109 Mo. in spring
114 "MADly" bit
115 Non-U.S. gas brand
116 Pac extra
117 Plastic film thickness unit
119 Suffix with rocket
120 Nero's 1,011
121 Lemur's kin
122 "When good time?"



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 A great amount
6 Construction piece
11 "Fvangeline" setting
12 Housefly larva
14 Street less traveled
15 Past
16 Salt Lake athlete
17 He hit 61 in '61
19 Scooted
20 Afterward
22 Three-man vessel?
23 Lose color
24 Helvetica lack
26 Most goose bump-inducing
28 NOW gas
30 Slight touch
31 Run off (with)
35 "Loves me (not)" factor
39 "The Amazing —"
40 Botler
42 Post-bowl garb
43 Whatever number
44 So far
46 Sheepish remark
47 News-writer's name
49 Circumvent
51 Lens cleaning solution
52 Culmination
53 Water nymph
54 Philippine knives
6 Drank up the moon
8 Early bird
9 Oden meeting places
10 Units
11 Touches
13 Fundamental belief
18 Wish undone
21 Family member
23 Thread
25 To and —
27 Knock
29 Past's flavoring
31 Speedy steeds
32 Fast Indian
33 Charybdis' partner
34 Desiccate
36 Tin dad and
37 Humates
38 Flat paper?
41 Skewered entrée
44 "— Karenina"
46 Proof-reader's nightmare
48 Mid-afternoon hour
50 Campaign pro



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

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

Barrel	Cheese	Hall	Nuts
Belly	Fest	House	On tap
Bottle	Garden	Maker	Parlor
Can	Glass	Mugs	

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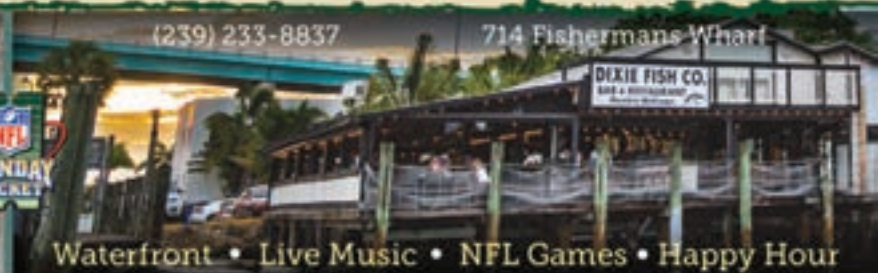


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