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LIFE Academy Principal Lynn Pottorf hands Blake Rhoades his diploma

Goodwill LIFE Academy Celebrates 10th Graduation

Tathan Ravish suppressed a smile as he sat on stage. His tassel had fallen off his cap during the Thursday evening graduation ceremony. His sister, Naomi, seated next to him on stage, leaned over and helped him replace the tassel and adjust

Teamwork has always been a theme at Goodwill LIFE Academy, even during its graduation ceremony. The school serves middle and high school students with intellec-

LIFE Academy, which opened a decade ago this August, celebrated its tenth graduating continued on page 21

American Hibiscus Society Annual Sale



Blue Jean Baby

he James E. Hendry Chapter of the American Hibiscus Society announced its 64th annual Hibiscus Show/Plant Sale on Saturday, June 6 from 1 to 4 p.m. at CityGate Ministries (formerly First Baptist Church), located at 1735 Jackson Street in Fort Myers. Admission and parking are free.

The free hibiscus show is the oldest,



Mango Moon

largest and best attended of all Florida's hibiscus shows, attracting several hundred people annually. This continuing show is made possible through the generosity of community sponsors Driftwood Garden Center, Edison National Bank, Dr. Jacob Goldberger, Greenscapes, Dr. John Kagan, Hooters, Orr Insurance Group, Advanced Pain Management & Spine Specialists, Riverland Nursery, Storm Shutter Warehouse, Tim's Tree Service and Wilford & Lee.

"The event will showcase hundreds of different hybrid hibiscus blooms in a variety of colors and forms which will be judged in several different classes including

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Artists Explore Matters Of The Heart At Davis Art Center

he Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center presents the 7th annual juried exhibition Art Of The Heart, which opens on Friday, June 5 during Art Walk. The Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street in the historic River District in downtown Fort Myers. Doors open at 6 p.m.

The annual juried art exhibition called artists to explore the Art Of The Heart, both the physiological heart as well as art that speaks to what is at the core of their being.

Both individual artist's work and collaborative pieces were submitted and judged for inclusion into the show. There were no specific guidelines for dimensions or sizes of the pieces accepted for the exhibit, and there will be some large innovative and unique installations.

The cash prize award amounts include Overall Best of Show – \$500; People's Choice – \$250; and Berne's Choice – \$250. A special panel of jurors, including world renowned artist Marcus Jansen, FGCU art professor Mary Voytek and art collector Fran Fenning, will select the winner of Best In Show, and Berne Davis herself will choose her favorite for Berne's Choice. All properly prepared entries will be viewed



Electric Feels Half by Juliana "Hoolie" continued on page 16 Prytyka



Nicodemus Slough

New Water Storage Area Shows Dual Benefit For Region

he South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) has begun supplying water for the first time from the Nicodemus Slough water storage area in Glades County to benefit the health of the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary and local agricultural fields.

'Nicodemus Slough successfully provided some relief from high discharges to the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie estuaries when there was too much water earlier this year," said Jeff Kivett, SFWMD director of the Operations, Engineering and

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Autos On First, Harbingers Of Change



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

hese two westward views of First Street were taken more than a century apart, but each suggests the influence the automobile has had on the town's streetscape.

As the circa-1910 photo shows, the new-fangled auto is already an undeniable presence in the business district.

The auto had first been seen on Fort Myers streets only several years before, but by the time the historic photo was taken, it was claiming parking spots where only horses and wagons had previously "parked."

Other signs, too, signal that the town is shedding its pioneer past and looking to the future.

The streets aren't what one would call properly paved (not until 1919 would the city council approve funds for the first hard-surfaced streets), but the oyster shell or sand looks fresh, hard-packed and serviceable for cars.

Absent from the middle of the intersection at Hendry is the roundabout-style concrete trough that was located there from 1904 to May 1910.

It had provided water for horses, the then-predominant means of transportation. However, even as the trough was being installed, the automobile was already making its Fort Myers debut, so the trough quickly became an anachronism.

Farther down street, the Atlantic Coast Line train cars travel on the tracks at Monroe Street. The railway connected the town to the rest of the country and bolstered tourism and commercial activity by ferrying passengers, produce and seafood to faraway destinations.

Coincidentally, automobiles destined for Fort Myers's first car dealerships would be transported on those rails.

Note that the horizon beyond the train cars contains only sky and river, for First Street essentially ended at Monroe in those days.



In this circa-1910 westward view from First and Jackson, the automobile adapts to unpaved pioneer streets. In the distance is the train at Monroe Street. Hanging under the awning (right) is the sign for the Foxworthy Clothing Store. courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



At the monthly Downtown Car Cruise-In, First Street is blocked off and historic cars return to prime parking spots

Maybe ram shackled wood-frame structures predominate on the south side of First is circa 1910, but look at that state-of-the-art brick Bank of Fort Myers building (left).

Signs reading "automotive" (left) demonstrate that harness and livery businesses are already being replaced with auto-centered ones.

Auto repair shops and filling stations would spring up all over town in the next few

In the last 115 year, the automobile has become a set-piece of downtown streets, for good or ill.

The recent photo taken during the monthly Downtown Car Cruise-In illustrates Fort Myers's continuing romance with motorized transportation. Among the vintage and show cars on display on blocked-off First Street you might see ones that could have

parked there in the 19-teens. Walk down to First and Jackson, gaze west and imagine it's 1910. The first automobiles in town are replacing horses, buggies and wagons, and brick buildings are replacing wood-frame ones.

Then, visit the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street, where you can learn more about how the business district adapted to the demands of the automobile age

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

If you love local history, be sure to drop by the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

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

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Fort Myers Art:

Alliance's Annual All Florida Show Opens Friday



by Tom Hall

The Alliance for the Arts' 29th annual All Florida Juried Exhibit opens Friday, June 5 with a public reception from 5 to 7 p.m. The exhibition features 57 pieces by 43 artists residing in Florida.

This year's juror, Fran Gardner, is professor of art and art history at the University of South Carolina Lancaster where she teaches a variety of studio courses, art history and art education. She will be on hand during the opening reception to present awards, including \$750 cash for Best in Show and a \$250 Golden Artist Colors gift certificate for second place.

The artists whose work is featured in this year's exhibition are Melissa Barry, Katherine Boren, Paulette Boudreau, Lee Brotherton, Andy Browne, Donna Chase, Steve Conley, Deborah LaFogg Docherty, Karen Dobies, Toni Ferrell, Samuel Frazer, Lia Galletti, Muffy Clark Gill, Francesco Gillia, Whitney Hackett, Geoffrey Hamel, Krista Johnson, Leo Johnson, Megan Kissinger, Mary Klunk,

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A native South Carolinian, Gardner lives and works in the communities of Heath Springs and Lancaster. She earned her BFA from Columbia College (1982) and later, her MFA from Vermont College of Norwich University (1993). Her work has been exhibited regionally and nationally and published in numerous magazines and books. In addition to creating, exhibiting and writing, Gardner teaches workshops and judges exhibitions. She often consults with artists about deeper meaning in their work and how to improve writing about their art.

Gardner will host a Gallery Walk and Talk on Saturday, June 6 from 10 to 11 a.m. It is free, and open to the public, and runs through June 27.

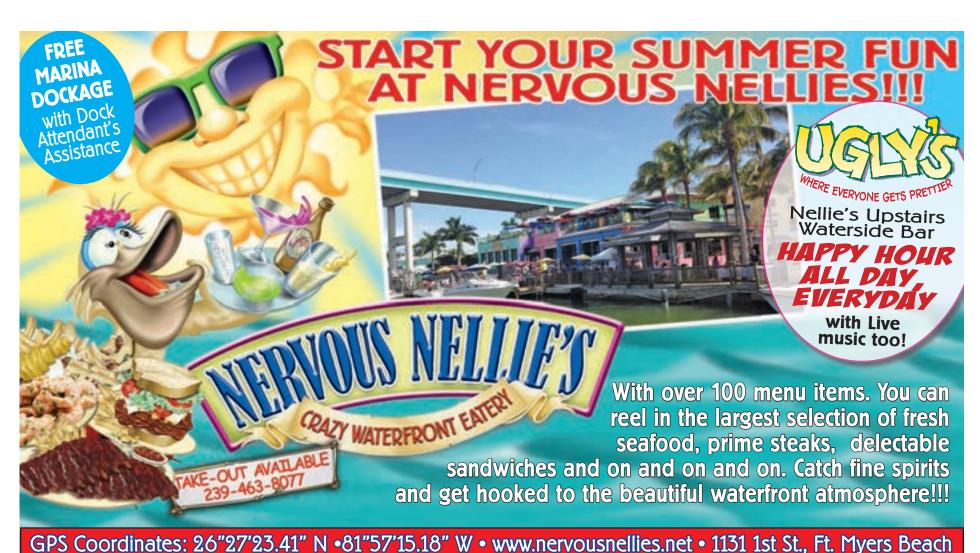
Visit www.ArtInLee.org or call 939-2787 to learn more about this or other upcoming exhibits.

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.



Eric Riemenschneider is one of the artists whose work is featured in this year's exhibit

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Ronald McDonald House Charities Kids Fishing Tournament



Participating youngsters at last year's Offshore Rodeo Kids Fishing Tournament with Ronald McDonald

Reel-in some fun with Ronald McDonald at the Offshore Rodeo Kids Fishing Tournament on Saturday, June 6 at Bootleggers Waterfront BBQ, 2200 Main Street in Fort Myers Beach. The event kicks off at 10 a.m. with various stations, where young anglers will spend time learning, hooking and catching different types of fish. Lunch and a magic show with Ronald McDonald will follow at 11:30

a.m. The tournament is open to the first $100 \ \mathrm{kids}$ age $12 \ \mathrm{and}$ under who are pre-registered.

Registration is \$20 per child and includes tournament entry, T-shirt, a fishing rod continued on page 24







Community Foundation Awards 72 Scholarships To High School Students

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation recently granted 72 scholarships through a competitive process to local high-school students, and undergraduate and graduate students from Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. The remaining scholarships awarded were by outside committee and/or designated by school.

For the 2015 scholarship season, more than 1,200 eligible applications were received and reviewed by more than 100 volunteer reviewers. Approximately \$518,375 in scholarship money was available through the Community Foundation scholarships this year.

"Thanks to the generous donors who established and continue to support scholarship funds, we are able to assist students entering college or training programs, and adults returning to school," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

Students were able to apply for multiple scholarships through the SWFLCF's online portal, where the volunteer reviewers also logged on to review and score the scholarships based on the criteria set by the scholarship fund donor.

"We offer scholarships for vocational students and not just for attendance at colleges and universities," said Owen. "As we work closer with the FutureMakers Coalition and our donors, we are able to shift the way scholarships are granted to better benefit the students' ability to not only access schooling but to complete it."

According to Owen, examples of some of the more unique scholarships not as highly sought after included scholarships for students with disabilities, student athletes, students pursuing a specific field of study such as teaching deaf or blind individuals, students with a specific church membership or number of community service hours in a particular facility such as a Veterans Hospital, adult students going back to school, students from particular schools or communities, and students pursuing a graduate or professional degree.

New scholarships this year included:

- The Dorothy Curtis Brown Scholarship for a student interested in studying early-childhood education in an accredited college or university in Southwest Florida to obtain a Child Development Associate (CDA) credential or an associate's degree or bachelor's degree in early-childhood education.
- The Norman Marcus Scholarship for a student who graduated from Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry or Glades county and can demonstrate financial need. This scholarship is for four years or for such a time as will allow the student to complete a college continued on page 16

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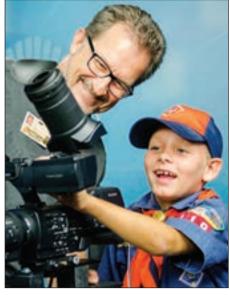
Tiger Cub Scouts Hands-On Training Held At Shell Point Television Studio

Tiger Cub Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 119 visited Shell Point Retirement Community's awardwinning Shell Point Television (SPTV) studio for a hands-on learning experience about telecommunications on May 12.

The group of four scouts toured the SPTV facility and explored its numerous set designs, which are used to create a 30-minute, week-day television program for Shell Point residents.

During a one-on-one lesson with SPTV Technical Advisor Dan Philgreen, the scouts played cameraman and took turns operating a professional-grade camera. The group also practiced the role of news anchor by recording "from the desk" segments with the use of a teleprompter. Lastly, the scouts headed to the production room, reviewed their anchor footage, and learned how editing software is used to create a feature package.

"The scope of what Shell Point accomplishes with its television studio is impres-



Dan Philgreen trains Payton McMahill with one of the studio cameras



Tiger Cub Scouts used editing software with SPTV's Dan Philgreen



Trevor Hall practices TV anchor announcements



Benjamin Rhodes gets hands-on camera experience with Dan Philgreen

sive. What a special opportunity for the boys to tour behind-the-scenes and observe how a TV show is made," said scout mother Christine Gulotta, who also works as program director at The Rehabilitation Center at Shell Point. "My son will be talking about this for weeks, and we appreciate Shell Point opening its studio and expertise to the Tiger Cub Scouts."

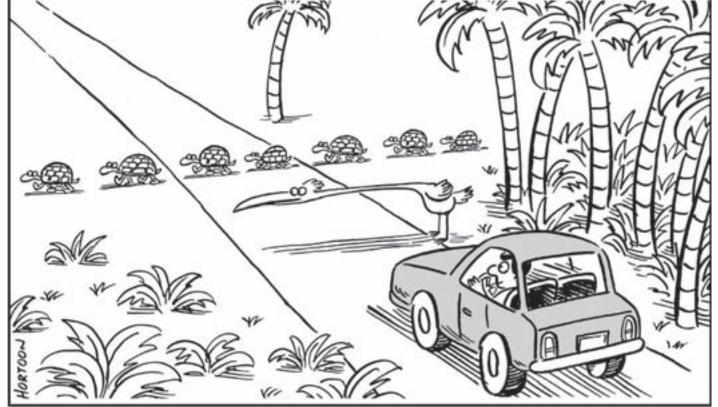
This "Go See It" field trip satisfied the final achievement required to complete the pack's Tiger Cub badge: learning how to communicate with others via television. As a result, all four scouts received their badges during a special advancement ceremony on May 31.

Established in 2005, SPTV creates content for Shell Point's own closed-circuit television network, which offers three channels to facilitate communication between the organization and its residents. A team of three technical experts write, shoot, edit, and produce the daily *Shell Point Today* show as well as other video productions to share with various audiences.

For more information, visit www.shell-point.org or call 1-800-780-1131.

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HORTOONS



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Water Storage

Construction Division. "Now, the project is proving its potential to also provide water supply to the regional system, including flows needed to maintain healthy salinity levels in one of the region's vital waterways.

Water Supply

With Lake Okeechobee's level falling, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which manages the lake, announced last week it was following its federal guidelines by reducing flows from the lake to the Caloosahatchee River and Estuary.

District engineers, in coordination with the Corps, determined water could be moved from Nicodemus Slough to the river to replace some of the decreased but needed water.

Water is currently moving by gravity through gates at the site at about 1.3 million gallons-an-hour, with potential to increase the water deliveries. From there, it follows a route through the C-19 Canal and into Lake Hicpochee, which will see some rehydration benefits, and into the

Operations at Nicodemus Slough will continue until it's no longer environmentally desirable or the water can no longer be delivered via gravity.

Water Storage

Located south of Fisheating Creek on the western bank of the lake, the Nicodemus Slough project was intended to provide interim water storage until projects such as the Caloosahatchee River (C-43) West Basin Storage Reservoir are completed. In a cooperative agreement with Lykes Brothers, the District is leasing the property for an investment of \$2 million a year for 8 years, with an option to extend the agreement.

The project can store an annual average of 34,000 acre-feet of water, or about 11 billion gallons.

In response to high water levels in Lake Okeechobee in January, the SFWMD began operation of Nicodemus Slough to capture some of the water being released by the Corps from the lake before it reached the river and estuary.

Full-capacity pumping sent water onto the 16,000-acre project area, utilizing four pumps moving more than 30,000 gallons of water each per minute.

Nicodemus Slough is one of multiple actions the SFWMD has taken to expand water storage opportunities. Since 2005, the District and a variety of partners worked together to enhance water storage opportunities on private and public lands through the agency's Dispersed Water Management Program.

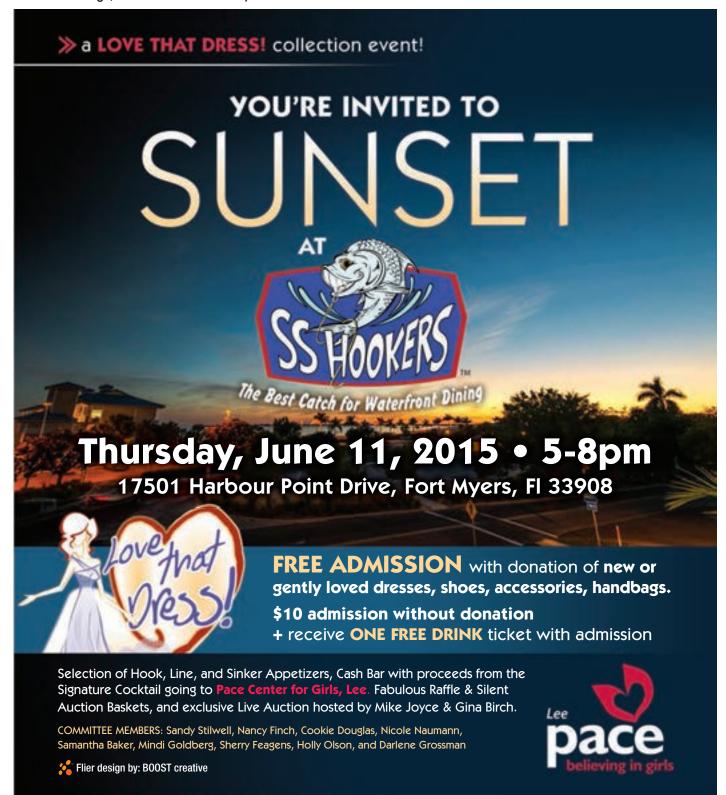
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Nicodemus Slough, located in Glades County

Approximately 87,000 acre-feet of water retention and storage has been made available in the greater Everglades system through the program, with the majority located in the Lake Okeechobee watershed. Nearly 100,000 acre-feet of additional storage, including six new projects approved in December 2014, are under development.

For more information, visit www. sfwmd.gov/movingwatersouth.☆























Along The River



On Saturday morning, enjoy tea and pastries with "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford" at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates. Pictured are Thomas and Mina Edison characters from 2013.

n Friday, June 5 from 6 to 10 p.m., Art Walk returns to downtown Fort Myers' historic River District.

Held on the first Friday of each month, more than 10 art galleries invite locals and visitors to a self-guided walking tour throughout the River District core and the Gardner's Park area. Art enthusiasts can meet the artists at most of the art galleries and enjoy the live art demonstrations throughout the unique brick-lined streets of Fort Myers' historic downtown.

For more information about Art Walk, call 337-5050 or go to www.fortmyersartwalk.com.





Steve Martin's zany comedy, The Underpants, comes to The Laboratory Theater this month

Commemorate the end of another beautiful week in paradise at the Sunset Celebration at Times Square on Fort Myers Beach. The square is full of shops, restaurants and bars, and on Friday and Saturday nights, there is live music. Entertainment begins at 5 p.m. and continues until 10 p.m., weather permitting. Sunset Celebration is free for the entire family.

On Friday, popular local band **High Tide** takes the stage to play their high-energy blend of reggae, classic rock, alternative rock, R&B and funk. On Saturday, it's Rock

For more information about Sunset Celebration, call 463-5900.

On June 6, join "Mina Edison" and "Clara Ford" for iced tea and pastries in the Edison Caretaker's House at the **Edison & Ford Winter Estates**. The program will be held Saturday, June 6, July 18 and August 22 at 10:30 a.m.

Listen as the characters of Mina, the young wife of an internationally famous inventor Thomas Edison, and Clara, wife of industrialist and inventor Henry Ford, reminisce about family and friends, living part-time in Florida, as well as their helpful hints for their marriage, gardening and menu interests. The delightful program features two seasoned Edison Ford docents and living history characters who will greet the audience and welcome them into their conversation.

The Edison Caretaker's House is air-conditioned and set in the beautiful Edison gardens. Reservations are required by contacting Leeanne Criswell at 334-7419 or at lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org. The cost is \$8 for Edison Ford members \$8 and \$12 for non-members. Groups may schedule morning tea at other times and dates, and substitute lunch or other refreshments.

The Edison & Ford Winter Estates is located at 2350 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers. Call 334-7419 or go to www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.
On June 9, the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center presents **Art Talk Tuesday**

On the Tuesday following Art Walk, meet the artist and join a walk and talk about the exhibiting art work, learn about different mediums and see what inspires and evokes the artists to create. Admission is free for SBDAC members and \$5 for non-

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street, Fort Myers in the heart of downtown Fort Myers' historic River District. Call 333-1933 or go to www.sbdac.com.

A new comedy is cooking behind the curtain at **The Laboratory Theater**.

Steve Martin's comedy, The Underpants, is set in Duesseldorf, Germany at the turn of the last century. Poor Louise loses her drawers during the king's parade, mortifying her husband and creating mayhem in her humdrum life. The zany show is directed by Rick Sebastian.

Show dates are June 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27 at 8 p.m. and June 27 at 2 p.m. For tickets, call 218-0481 or go to www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com.

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ISLAND COW



Nervous Nellie's keeps it fresh and simple with its new Lite Menu. Pictured is the gourmet grilled vegetable panini, one of the fan-favorites from its regular menu

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Hibiscus Sale

amateur, collector, open collector, commercial and seedlings," explained Wanda Schmoyer, chapter president.

In addition, more than 600 hybrid hibiscus plants will be offered for sale. Free raffle tickets will be given away every 30 minutes for gift certificates from The Oasis Restaurant, Hooters, Outback Steakhouse, Salon Nicholas donated by Jane Kolczun, Gavin's Ace Hardware, Snyderman's Shoes, BandD Organics, Sandi Haimbaugh @ Hair Ink Studio, Imaginarium, Buttterfly Estates, Pinchers Crab Shack, PGA Golf, Bennett's Fresh Roast, Eager Beaver Car Wash, The Spa @ La-Te-Da Salon, Edison/Ford Estates, Edison/Ford Estates Garden, Ruth Messmer Florist, Wisteria Tea Room, SPADA Salon & Day Spa, The Fussy Female, Tanger Outlets, Cip's Place, Natalies Skin Solutions and Baskets by Patricia.

This is the best opportunity Southwest Floridians have to add to their



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hybrid hibiscus collection. This delicate and beautiful plant grows abundantly in Florida's tropical climate. Members of the society who are experts in the care and growing of hibiscus will be available to provide advice. Should members of the public have questions regarding how the blooms are judged, there will also be several senior American Hibiscus Society



Imperial Dragon

judges available to respond.

Anyone who desires to learn more about how to grow, graft and hybridize this attractive tropical flowering plant can do so by joining the James E. Hendry Chapter, AHS at the show.

The show is the highlight of the year for the society and no further meetings will take place until they resume in Octo-

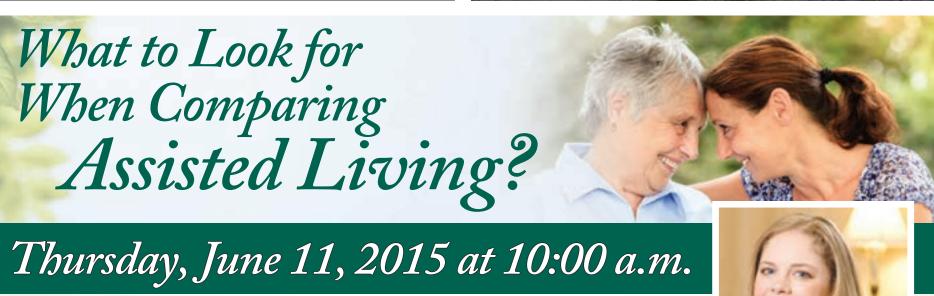


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ber. The society meets at The Salvation Army Building, located at 10291 Mc-Gregor Blvd. in Fort Myers on the second Sunday of each month at 1:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining is cordially invited to attend the next meeting on Sunday, October 11. For more informa-

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Frustrating Days Of Beach Tarpon Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

o here is the set up: you're anchored up right in the tarpon highway just out from the beach. Every 20 to 30 minutes, rolling pods of tarpon come by in casting range, often

giving you plenty of time to make what looks like the perfect shot that they just cannot refuse, but they do! You make this same presentation time and time again with a variety of different baits and they just will not eat. The rolling tarpon even scratch their back on your float as they flip you off. Basically, that was the week of tarpon fishing, The only thing that could have made this worse was if everyone else around you was hooking fish, but that was just not the case.

The majority of our tarpon seemed to be out on the beaches where they are seeing lots of angler pressure. Often the boats that are tarpon fishing are lined up for several miles on this freeway of fish. With stirred up dirty water throughout most of the sound, this has been the only option to tarpon fish. Even after moving away from the crowds and finding small groups of fish on the beaches, it's been incredibly hard to get these fish to cooperate.

Shark fishing this week was a good option although many of the usual shark spots in the sound seem pretty shark free. Areas close to the gulf just inside of Captiva and Redfish passes were just loaded up with hungry sharks. Chunks of fresh cut mullet drifted back in the fast moving current did not last long before the rods doubled and drags screamed. The action on blacktips and small bull sharks up to about four feet was amazing and a very refreshing change after a week of tarpon tears. These sharks are very sporty to catch on spinning tackle and just seem to make everyone happy. Heavy mono leader and a circle hook, and you're in

Catch and release snook action in the passes continues to go off with the bite

finally starting to make that summertime switch over to pinfish and grunts from shiners. More and more snook are being caught out on the beaches too as they have now started to or are very close to the annual spawn. Any blow downs, docks or rocks anywhere from the passes out along the beaches have snook on them right now and should for the next few months. Try to handle these fish as little as possible and take care of this valuable resource.

Redfish action has been slow for some reason with only a few fish caught here and there. Fishing the northern sound one day this week, I was hoping for better results than I have been getting down south. On a near perfect high water set-up day, I fished many of my favorite redfish spots on both live and cut baits without catching a single redfish before giving up and switching species. The water in the northern sound just has lots of floating grass, making it hard to fish up under the trees. For some reason, the water from the mouth of the river to up past the powerlines is much cleaner which just does not make sense to me now that our summertime rains have started. I think alot

of the stirred up water thing is due to the amount of bait shrimp boats dragging at Mangrove snapper have been my

go-to meat fish for the past few weeks, with good sized snapper feeding well on shiners in the mangrove creeks and chan-



Good sized mangrove snapper are being caught in mangrove creek systems

nels. As our water temperature continues to creep up, the average size of these snapper just keeps getting better and better. With the water often very clear in these mangrove creek systems, the lighter the leader and the smaller the hook, the more bites you get. These fish have very good eyesight and can be a real challenge to catch in clear water.

It's good that we are finally seeing a few tarpon starting to move back into the southern end of the sound. Until the water in the northern end of the sound clears up, I just don't expect to locate many in this area. Channel edges just inside the passes are a good option for tarpon fishing as the water is a little cleaner on the incoming tide. My tarpon fishing plan this week is to hopefully spend more time fishing and less time running and avoiding the "lock jaw" stubborn beach variety of tarpon we are dealing with.

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 auestions email captmattmitchell@aol.com.☆

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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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CROW Case Of The Week:

Fuzzy Baby Owl



by Patricia Molloy

s spring turns into summer, many of the patients that arrived at CROW as defenseless babies are ready to fend for themselves.

When patient #15-1069 was

delivered to CROW five weeks ago, he was a tiny eastern screech owlet covered in a grayish, fuzzy down. Upon presentation, he was found to be, overall, in good health and did not have any broken bones or bruises. While it was unknown if the little tyke had been abandoned, orphaned or abducted, one thing was certain: without parents to provide him with food and protection, he could not survive on his own. A large, quiet cage in the wildlife clinic's ICU was prepared for the owlet's stay.

Ranging in size from approximately six to 10 inches, eastern screech owls (Megascops asio) are one of the smallest species of owls in the world. Strictly nocturnal hunters, they are difficult to detect during daylight hours - despite sometimes living in suburban areas – due to their habit of occupying old woodpecker holes and natural cavities of trees.

"The little owlet was still fuzzy (upon

arrival). He had been doing pretty good with the tong-feedings; we just offered him pieces and he'd take them well," said Dr. Brittany. "Then he (suddenly) decided that he didn't want to do that, so he had to be force-fed. But he's still bright and alert.'

In the wild, eastern screech owls will consume up to one-third of their body weight in a single night. In order to keep the baby at a healthy weight, CROW fed the owlet several times per day, an expensive endeavor for the non-profit hospital. As a practitioner of the One Health Initiative, Dr. Heather is committed to doing whatever it takes to save these remarkable birds of prey because they do so much to control the island's insect and rodent populations.

After one month inside the clinic, the owl was obviously in need of a larger space. "He runs around (in his cage), hides from you, and clucks," said Dr. Brittany with a chuckle. The energetic bird was moved to an outdoor enclosure where he had enough space to begin flying lessons. Once his flight capabilities are on par with other owlets his age, Dr. Heather will arrange for his release.

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.☆



This photo of the eastern screech owlet, patient #15-1069, was taken mere days after his arrival when he was covered with fuzzy, grayish down



Fried mullet fingers Fisherman's Paradise:

The Mighty Mullet



by Cynthia A. Williams

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

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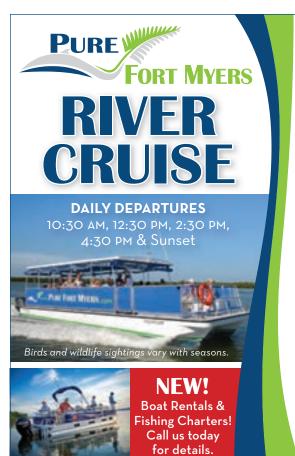
ters from his unfinished Fisherman's Paradise, an account of his fishing adventures that are often hilarious and always instructional. It is presented by Williams' daughter, Cynthia Williams, a freelance writer and editor living in Bokeelia on Pine Island.

Chapter X Part III

Last week, Berry was relating some of the theories as to why mullet jump. Whatever the reason, he knows when they will jump for certain.

That's when a dolphin or two plows into their midst, savagely bent upon feeding on them. I've seen 400-pound dolphins plow through a mud flat in water

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Queen Of Flowers

by Gerri Reaves

pringtime in South Florida brings spectacular floral displays, many of them from non-native flowering trees such as the Royal poinciana. Another stunning bloomer, although less common, is queen of flowers (Lagerstroemia speciosa).

This fast-growing deciduous tree called

jarool in its native India has many common names, including queen's crape myrtle, queen flower, queen lagar, June rose and pride of India.

The crinkly flowers range in color from mauve to pink and appear in pyramidal clusters. They are two to three inches across and have six petals with many filaments at the center.

Even the woody oval fruit is attractive. When mature, it splits to release the seed.

The tree grows to 40 feet tall or higher, with a wide rounded crown and darkgreen coarse leaves. The oblong or ovate leaves are up to a foot long, and the bark



Showy flowers appear in springtime and summer

mottled and peeling.

It not only has pretty flowers, but the tough wood is useful in boat building. The roots, seeds, bark and leaves have medicinal uses.

This tree prefers full sun to partial shade, tolerates a variety of soils, but must have good drainage.

For all its beauty, this species has drawbacks. It offers little benefit to wild-life, is bare part of the year and is somewhat messy.

To attract and benefit wildlife as well as enjoy showy flowers in your landscape, consider planting native species such as Geiger tree (Cordia sebestena), Jamaica capertree (Capparis flexuosa) or sweet bay magnolia (Magnolia virginiana).

Sources: edis.ifas.ufl.edu; 500 Plants of South Florida by Julia F. Morton; Florida Landscape Plants by John V. Watkins and Thomas J. Sheehan; Florida, My Eden by Frederic B. Strasau; Florida Trees and Palms by Lewis S. Maxwell et al.; Tropical Blossoms of the Caribbean by Dorothy and Bob Hargreaves; and edis.ifas.ufl.edu.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.☆

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The Mighty Mullet

only a foot deep to reach a school of mullet.

Anyone who has fished in Florida can tell you that the mullet is not a game fish, but in the next breath they're quick to add that it's about the best food fish in the state, not only for humans but also for other fish. Perhaps no other fish is so widely used for bait. Nearly all game fish

will strike a mullet. Tarpon find it especially savory. I often use it for bait for Goliath Grouper.

Whenever I hear anyone say you can't catch mullet with a hook, I shake my head and say under my breath, "The heck you preach." Actually, it's simple to do. Just find some calm water where mullet are feeding and quietly sit there until the mullet become used to your presence. Then fix an almost invisible hair hook on a very fine monofilament line. Bait this hook with a tiny dab of hulled

shrimp, skinned-on red worm, or hard, smelly dough ball. Put a lead shot on the line whatever distance from the hook the depth of the water is. Gently flip this rig twenty or thirty feet into the water and sit back and wait. I know mullet are vegetarians, but they'll take this type of miniscule bait. I've caught fifty a night fishing for them this way. Of course, I've lost a lot of lines, because I had to use tiny test lines in order to fool the fish, and I had to play them in gently. If a three or four-pound bruiser happened to take my bait, I usually lost both line and fish. However, I manage to land a pretty good average of those that bite, especially when I use a longhandled net to sack them up

Whoever wants to argue that mullet can't be hooked, should give this method a try. He'll end up agreeing that not only is mullet good food and bait, it's also a good sport fish.

To be continued next week...☆

Time To Reconsider Bass Fishing

ational Fishing and Boating Week celebrates popular and traditional outdoor activities that families turn to during summer vacations. It takes place the first full week of June every year. This year it's June 6 to 14, so visit TakeMeFishing.org to see what opportunities might be available near you.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) sweetens this family-friendly celebration by offering license-free saltwater fishing opportunities to residents and tourists during the first weekend (June 6 and 7) and follows up with license-free freshwater fishing the following weekend (June 13 and 14).

In Florida, the "Fishing Capital of the World," the number of anglers and their importance to the state is amazing. Florida's Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan indicates that 46 percent of residents fish. In addition, 22 percent of tourists said they fish while here. The last time national statistics were compiled in 2011, Florida attracted 1.2 million nonresident anglers, whereas the next highest state brought in less than a third that many. So there is little wonder why Visit Florida, the state tourism agency, also designates June as Fishing Month.

The Florida largemouth bass remains the most popular freshwater fish in North America. Each year, anglers spend more than 14 million days fishing for black bass just in Florida. Besides the memories generated by the fun and camaraderie involved in those trips, a lot of catching has been documented, and not just your run-of-the-mill couple-pound bass. In the past two years, TrophyCatch has recorded more than 2,000 bass over eight pounds that were caught, documented and released to help FWC with thiscitizen-science, conservation program. Each verified catch earned a lucky angler at least \$100 in Bass Pro Shop or similar gift cards, a Bass King shirt, other

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National Trails Day Kicks Off Free Summer Programs At The Refuge



Complete the Animal Olympics Challenge on the refuge's Indigo Trail to become eligible

ational Trails Day on Saturday, June 6 kicks off the free summer programs calendar at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel Island, with special activities held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

National Trails Day will feature specially scheduled hikes on Indigo Trail and the Wildlife Education Boardwalk plus Reading in the Refuge and Animal Tracking 101 in the Visitor & Education Center, and Animal Olympics on Indigo Trail. Participants who complete the Animal Olympics Challenge and return the sheet to the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center are eligible to win a prize.

Bi-weekly family nature films and weekly walks and nature crafts highlight the free summer programs schedule to be offered through August 9.

Films for the family will show on every other Sunday in the Visitor & Education Center. Dates include June 7 and 21; July 5 and 19; and August 2. Titles will include The Lorax and Turtle: The Incredible Journey. For a complete schedule, visit dingdarlingsociety.org/summer-films.

Other summer programs include Family Beach Walks, Indigo Trail Walks and Reading in the Refuge craft activities. No pre-registration is necessary. For a full schedule with descriptions, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/summer-programming.

Summer programming is made possible by support from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). To support DDWS and the refuge with a tax-deductible gift, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org or contact Birgie Miller at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.

Pure Fort Myers Offering Marine Science Field Trips

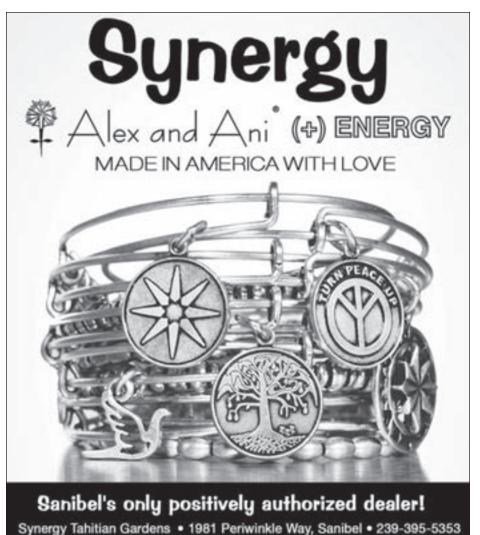
arents and children looking to explore the world of marine biology now have a unique opportunity through a hands-on, marine science cruise that offers an engaging experience in a natural setting. Pure Fort Myers will offer marine science field trips for children in first through seventh grade. Adventuring out to the Caloosahatchee, students will work in groups, testing water quality and participating in other activities. The program encourages teamwork, critical thinking, problem solving and creativity.

Trips will depart from Four Freedoms Park at Bimini Basin and take place on June 16 and 25, July 13 and 19, and August 11 and 19. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Cost for adults and children are \$15 per person for residents and \$23 for non-residents.

The partnership with Cape Coral Parks and Recreation is the first relationship of Pure Florida's newest venture, Pure Education. Pure Education will bring residents and visitors closer to Southwest Florida's ecology and wildlife through educational experi-

"We are ideally situated to educate the public on Southwest Florida's greatest asset – water and the maritime environment," said Harry Julian, owner of the Pure Florida Group. "Through these marine science cruises, we will introduce tomorrow's generation to our ecosystem and the challenges it faces today.

Parents can contact Four Freedom Park at 574-0804 or visit CapeParks.com to make a reservation. For more information on Pure Fort Myers and its cruises, visit



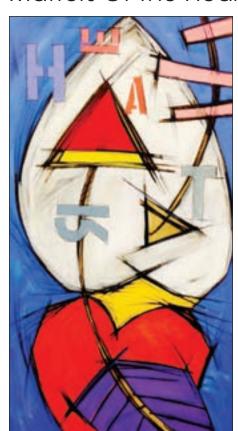


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Matters Of The Heart Exhibit



Panel Heart by Pamela Larkin Caruso

and judged and the winning pieces for Best in Show and Berne's Choice will be announced at the opening reception on June 5 at 7:30 p.m. The People's Choice winner will be announced on Friday, June 19 at 8 p.m. during Music Walk.

Meet some of the exhibiting artists during the opening and join a walk-and-talk during Art Talk Tuesday, on June 9. See what inspires and evokes the artists to create

Art Walk, is held on the first Fridays of the month from 6 to 10 p.m., features opening art exhibitions, live artist demos



Right Through The Heart by Helen Gerro



Manifestation, a work in progress photo and sketch by Danielle Branchaud

and offers fun shopping and delicious dining in the historic River District.

The Art Of The Heart exhibition will be on display until lung 25. For

The Art Of The Heart exhibition will be on display until June 25. For more information, visit sbdac.com.

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Scholarships

or graduate degree.

- The Former Graduate of Everglades City Scholarship provides high-school seniors who are full-time residents of Everglades City a scholarship renewable up to four years.
- The Lee County Library Sciences Scholarship Fund for \$1,250 will provide scholarships for Lee County residents pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree in library science. Eligibility requirements call for the students to have completed at least 60 semester hours, have at least a B average and be able to provide 120 hours of service, paid or unpaid, to Lee County Library System while pursuing the degree or immediately following degree completion.

For more information about the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, call 274-5900 or visit www.florid-

acommunity.com. To view a complete list of the scholarship recipients, visit http://floridacommunity.com/2015scholars/.

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Bass Fishing

rewards and a certificate for their accomplishment.

Sign up for free at TrophyCatch-Florida.com to earn a chance to win a Phoenix bass boat package. While on the site, explore the photo gallery and search for catches by water body, county, angler or size class.

This quality fishing success does not happen without both great resources and responsible management. One example of this is the Black Bass Management Plan (go to MyFWC.com/Fishing then select "Freshwater" and "Black Bass Management"). This plan guides and informs many of the FWC's freshwater fisheries programs.

"Our anglers helped develop the BBMP, and we are dedicated to implementing the plan the right way," said Tom Champeau, director of the Division of Freshwater Fisheries Management.

In Florida, black bass include large-mouth, spotted, shoal, Suwannee and Choctaw basses. The largemouth bass is the most abundant and the only one that grows heavier than eight pounds. The other species reside primarily in the Florida Panhandle and seldom exceed 4 pounds.

New black bass regulations are being proposed as a follow-up to the BBMP to provide optimal sustainable use of Florida's bass fisheries, with an emphasis on production of high quality and trophy bass. Following a review of data from Florida lakes managed under special regulations and studies of bass regulations across the nation, FWC staff in collaboration with university researchers and public input developed an innovative proposal for consideration.

The FWC obtained opinions from

nearly 8,000 anglers representing diverse fishing preferences. Based on biological realities and anglers' preferences, the FWC developed a draft proposal (see bit. ly/BassRegs for updates and to add your opinion to both the overall Black Bass Regulations and the Other Riverine Black Bass Regulation Survey.)

"I think it's the most progressive regulation for black bass in the USA," said Mike Allen, professor of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences at the University of Florida.

The draft proposal will be considered during the regularly scheduled FWC meeting June 23 to 25 in Sarasota and, if approved by the Commissioners, could be implemented next year (July 2016).

Suggested regulations would be simplified by removing fishing zones and many special regulations or specific Fish Management Area rules for black bass. The following would become the general statewide rule: A five-fish daily aggregate black bass bag limit. For largemouth bass: Only one could be 16 inches or longer in total length per angler per day, with no minimum size. For Suwannee, shoal, Choctaw and spotted basses, there would be a 12-inch minimum size limit, and only one could be 16 inches or longer in total length. In addition, a catch-andrelease-only zone for shoal bass in the Chipola River between Peacock Bridge and Johnny Boy Landing will be consid-

Grab a friend and get out on the water to de-stress, connect with nature and have a good ole time. Whether you are in a boat or fishing from shore, always use common sense to remain safe. Find boating safety rules and advice at MyFWC. com/Boating (select "Safety & Education"). You probably will not even realize you are also burning calories, getting exercise and supporting conservation, especially when that next fish busts your lure.**

AppleJuice

iPhone Camera Tips



by Carol Rooksby Weidlich, President, SWACKS

To quickly launch your camera from a locked screen, swipe up on the camera icon in the lower right hand corner of the home screen.

Sometimes when

taking a picture it's hard to snap your photo by touching the capture button. Instead you can use either of the volume buttons on the side of your iPhone/iPad.

Here's an easy way to take a selfie. Attach your ear buds to your iPhone. To take photos, just click the volume up (+) button on the remote. If you're taking a selfie video, use the middle button (play/pause) on your remote.

If you want to take multiple photos at one time, use "Burst Mode" by holding down the capture button and it will take 10 photos at a time.

After taking a photo, most of us view it by taping the preview window and then the "Done" button to take another photo. Another option to return to the camera is to press your volume button either up or down. This will also work for your iPad and/or iPod.

If you want to view your photos by the location you taken them, open your photos app and you'll see the various photo albums you have. At the bottom of the screen, tap the photos icon, which opens a screen showing you where your photos were taken. If you don't see any locations listed, go to "Settings" > "Privacy"> "Location Services" and using the arrow on the right of Location Services, change the option to "On."

The camera shutter sound cannot be disabled, but you can mute the sound system by using your volume buttons.

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

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

Rally For Our Waters Held At The Alliance

submitted by Sandy Teger

ave Waks and I attended last Saturday's Rally for Our Waters at the Alliance for the Arts. The rallying cry was "Finish the Job" which was chanted loudly by approximately 200 attendees, including Sanibel residents. Many carried signs that said "Protect Our Waters," "Finish the Job," and "Fund Water and Land Conservation.'

The message was directed toward the Florida Legislature which will convene for a special session in Tallahassee on June 1 to pass the state budget and decide how to spend Amendment 1 funds. One speaker after another emphasized the voters "to do" list:

- Fund Florida Forever and acquire the land south of Lake Okeechobee
 - Fund Everglades restoration

Attendees and speakers from Florida's Water and Land Legacy, SCCF, DCI, COTI, the Audubon Society, the Sierra Club, and the League of Women Voters emphasized that 75 percent of Florida Voters supported these goals by voting in favor of Amendment 1. The underlying message was clear: If our legislators don't listen to the will of the people now, the people will hold them accountable in the next election.



Gillian and David Bath display their signs at the rally

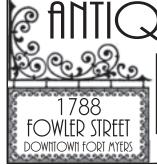
Ray Judah, who has worked tirelessly on behalf of this cause, told the crowd not to give up. Several speakers expressed the hope that state elected officials - Florida Governor Rick Scott, our Florida senators, and members of the House of Representatives – will stop the current game playing and show leadership. This is not "just" about the environment, it concerns our economy and the



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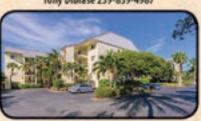


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The Church Ladies Are Back



by Di Saggau

hurch Basement Ladies is cooking up lots of laughs at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. This popular musical follows four ladies who work in a small country Lutheran

church in Minnesota. There's Vivian (Jennie Hollander), the senior matriarch of the group. She doesn't like change, is skeptical of Catholics (in a humorous way) and heaven forbid anyone follow the lead of folks who live in Minneapolis or St. Paul. Mavis (Shannon Connolly) is a hard working gal with perpetual hot flashes. This leads to some rather hysterical laugh out loud scenes. Karin (Alison Nusbaum) is the proud mother of Signe (Sarah Cammarata), her college age daughter. On Karin's wedding day, both Mom and daughter fall to pieces for a few minutes then regain their com-

Adding to this cast is one lone male, Pastor Gunderson (Victor Legarreta), always a favorite on stage and always doing such a great job. His work is cut out for him as he deals with the ladies who run the kitchen. They are planning



The cast of Church Basement Ladies

a church supper for around 200 people and that means 50 pounds of lutefisk, 50 pounds of butter and 50 pounds of everything else on the menu. Some of it is stored in the back of a pickup truck, known as a Minnesota refrigerator.

The cast all have fine voices and lend credence to their characters. The musical numbers are fun to hear even though you won't be going home humming them to yourself. I especially loved Legarreta's Song For Willie, a beautiful eulogy to a church handyman. There are some silly songs and some thoughtful songs, and all are a lot of fun to hear. The show is a tribute to the gals who work in the kitchens of all churches. You will probably recognize some of them. You have to love a show like this that brings smiles to everyone in the audience.

Church Basement Ladies plays through July 4 at Broadway Palm. Tickets can be reserved by calling 278-4422, by visiting www.BroadwayPalm. com, or by stopping by the box office at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.☆

2015 Festival Of Dance Merges The Classics With Contemporary Dance



Carla Amâncio during a performance for Dance Alive

ance Bochette and its affiliated nonprofit, Gulfcoast Dance, Inc., will whisk viewers back to a time of magic and fairy tales, back even further in history to honor our ancient roots and return them to more familiar settings at this year's Festival of Dance, to be held on Wednesday, June 10 at Bishop Verot High School's Anderson Theater. Performances begin at 7 p.m.

Headlining the show are excerpts from ballet favorite Sleeping Beauty, featuring local dancers as well as professionals from the Gainesville-based Dance Alive National Ballet. Enjoy Tchaikovsky's familiar score, the classic "Fairy" variations by choreographer Marius Petipa (1818-1910), an eclectic cast of wedding guests - and Aurora her-



Dance Bochette ballerinas

self, Dance Alive principal Carla Amâncio, joined by Dance Alive guest artist Norbert Nirewicz. Amâncio and Nirewicz will also perform the athletic Spring Waters pas de deux to the music of Rachmaninoff.

Area master tap teacher Ron Fucci draws inspiration from B.B. King in his piece Choo-Choo Ch'boogie and from Kander and Ebb's hit Caberet in Sitting Pretty. Dance Bochette co-director Alyce Bochette, a former member of the Mark Morris Dance Group, highlights her modern dance expertise with a trio of dances to Mendelssohn's Songs Without Words, as well as choreography celebrating our ancestors to Broadway's The Lion King and the work of Kenyan singer Ayub Ogada and violinist Gavyn Wright titled Tree.

Founded by Jeanne Bochette in 1951, Dance Bochette continues to innovate each year while celebrating its roots as Fort Myers' historic dance school. The studio today welcomes its third generation of dancers, in some cases educating the children and grandchildren of one-time students.

General seating for the Festival of Dance is \$15, available at the door. For more information, call 334-3274 or visit www.dancebochette.com.

LCBA Elevates Professionalism Among The Legal Community



Judges Keith Kyle, Alane Laboda and Michael McHugh participated in a Professionalism and Ethics panel with Bill Merchant, Esq. and Anne Dalton, Esq., co-chairs of the LCBA's Alternative Dispute Resolution practice section photos courtesy of Jim Jett Photography

Thile sensational headlines trumpet the moral failings of a few bad actors among the legal profession, the Lee County Bar Association has served as an exemplar of integrity for lawyers and the community of Southwest Florida since 1949. The non-profit organization has recently grown to nearly 800 judges and attorneys, and President Anne Dalton, Esq. has declared 2015 the Year of Professionalism and Ethics.

The LCBA has expanded its already robust roster of educational opportunities, community outreach and service projects, its Lawyer Referral Service matching citizens with vetted attorney members, and much more to promote its mission "to further the education of its members, to create meaningful interaction among its members, and to inform the community on important legal matters."

Chief Judge Jay B. Rosman has asked all judges and attorneys in the Twentieth Judicial Circuit to be involved in professionalism issues. In taking up his charge at the beginning of her term in January, Dalton announced a yearlong schedule of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits intensively focused on professionalism and

ethics. A number of CLEs are required of all practicing attorneys by The Florida Bar, the statewide professional and regulatory organization for lawyers. Of those required CLEs, a portion must be focused on professionalism and ethics.

"In scheduling a wealth of CLEs on these subjects, with discussions and tips from local Judges and seasoned practitioners who address these issues every day, we are giving real value to our membership," Dalton said.

These dynamic CLEs are affordable and presented at locations convenient for members, and have included topics such as Practice Pointers From The Judges' Perspective and Ethics In Depositions: When Opposing Counsel Behaves Badly. Lee Circuit Judge Margaret Steinbeck recently presented the LCBA's first-ever Continuing Judicial Education offering, Bench/Bar Relations: Ethics For Judges and Lawyers.

The LCBA's monthly magazine, Res Gestae, also provides members with timely information, with guest columnists reporting on professionalism and ethics on a monthly basis and former Florida



Nirupa Netram, Esq., Senior Director of Corporate Compliance for Goodwill Industries of SWFL, and John Webb, Esq. of John C. Webb Legal Group, P.A.

Bar Counsel Henry Lee Paul contributing in the regular Ethically Speaking column. In addition, practice sections – which are composed of LCBA members involved or interested in a specific area of law – provide excellent opportunities for members to enjoy education, networking and the collegiality that Lee County lawyers have become

known for across the state.

The LCBA's Lawyer Referral Service (LRS) is an excellent resource for Lee County citizens looking for members in good standing with The Florida Bar who can assist them with legal matters in a particular practice area. A new, easy-to-navigate website for the organization provides information for potential clients, an efficient online intake process, a direct number for those who prefer to communicate with LRS staff by phone, and useful contact information for clients who may qualify for pro bono (free) legal assistance.



CROW was the highlighted charity at a recent LCBA luncheon



The Young Lawyers Division of the LCBA fundraised on behalf of the Guardian ad Litem Foundation (GAL). From left, YLD President Kimberly Bocelli, Terry Brennen of GAL, Past President Shannon Puopolo, VP Tom Coleman and Treasurer Noel Davies

At the Law in the Mall program, LCBA members volunteer to give free legal advice to citizens in an informal setting one Saturday a year at Edison Mall. As another community outreach initiative, LCBA luncheons events and the magazine highlight a local continued on page 24



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Scholarships To Young Graduates

ontinental Women's Club of Fort Myers recently awarded \$1,500 scholarships to two exceptional young high school graduates to help with their college expenses. The recipients of these two scholarships are Regine Cooper and Kaitlyn Adams.

Cooper is a graduate of Dunbar High School and will be attending Colgate University in Hamilton, New York.

Adams is a graduate of Mariner High School and she will be attending the University of Central Florida in Orlando.

Continental Women's Club began giving scholarships in 1997 and to date has helped 39 young ladies with their college expenses. Over the years, the club has contributed over \$34,000 toward this goal.

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Regine Cooper



Kim Ward and Regine Cooper

School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Readers,
Here is
third in the series
of articles on
school readiness. I
know that parents
are increasingly
concerned with
their child's skills

in regard to reading, however, there are many other skills that a school ready child must have to enjoy the school experience.

Research has suggested that many aspects of children's lives influence their preparation for formal school learning, including cognitive, social, emotional, and motor development and – most importantly – early home, parental and preschool experiences. Consideration of school readiness must take into account the range and quality of children's early life experiences. Family environment is very important in shaping children's early development. I have listed below some important family factors that can influence school readiness.

Parent And Family Influences On School Readiness

- Low family economic risk: Poor readiness for school is often associated with poverty.
- Stable family structure: Children from stable two parent homes tend to have stronger school readiness than children from one-parent homes and from homes where caregivers change frequently.
- Enriched home environment: Children from homes where parents talk

with their children, engage them in conversation, read to them, and engage in forms of discipline such as time-out that encourage self control.

The following list of behaviors and/or characteristics are often associated with early school success. These are behaviors that you can work on at home.

- Ability to follow structured daily rouines.
- Ability to dress independently.
- Ability to work independently with supervision.
- Ability to listen and pay attention to what someone else is saying.
- Ability to get along with and cooperate with other children.
 - Ability to play with other children.
 - Ability to follow simple rules.
- Ability to work with puzzles, scissors, coloring, paints and other manipulatives.
- Ability to write their own name or to acquire the skill with instruction.
- Ability to count and recite the alphabet or acquire the skill with instruction.
- Ability to identify both shapes and colors.
- Ability to identify sound units in words.

We must remember that there is a wide variation in young children's development and learning and respect individual differences. Children learn at different rates.

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

Enrollment Assistance Week At FSW

lorida SouthWestern State College (FSW) will host Enrollment Assistance Week from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. on June 15, 16, 17 and 18. All events are free to attend, and attendees are encouraged to register online at www.FSW.edu/admissions/events. The dates and locations are:

• June 15 – Hendry/Glades Center, 1092 E. Cowboy Way, Building A

June 16 - Collier Campus, 7505
 Grand Lely Drive, Naples, Building M
 June 17 - Charlotte Campus,

• June 17 – Charlotte Campus, 26300 Airport Road, Punta Gorda, Building J

• June 18 – Thomas Edison (Lee) Campus, 8099 College Pkwy., Fort Myers, Building U

"We realize that students may have additional questions regarding the enroll-

ment process after they submit an admissions application," said Amber McCown, director of admissions at FSW. "Enrollment Assistance Week will allow future students to get answers about the enrollment process including information about admissions, in-state residency for tuition purposes, orientation, financial aid and more."

While at Enrollment Assistance Week, visitors will receive information about the steps new applicants and students must take to be admitted to FSW and register for classes. Information sessions will provide assistance with topics such as Financial Aid, the orientation process, and more. Staff will also be available to take documents and answer personalized questions at information tables.

For more information about Enrollment Assistance Week, visit www. FSW.edu/admissions/events.



Financial Focus

Make Timely Adjustments To Your 529 Plan



by Jennifer Basey

f you have school-age children, you might greet the arrival of June with some relief - for at least a few months, you don't have to worry about "encouraging" kids to do their homework,

study for tests, give you their permission slips for field trips, and so on. But one day, these obligations will give way to a substantially bigger one - paying for

If you've already begun preparing for that day with a tax-advantaged collegesavings vehicle, such as a 529 plan, you're taking a positive step, because higher education is expensive. But it's not enough to just set up your 529 plan you may also need to adjust it over time.

Up until this year, you were only allowed to change the investments in your 529 plan once a year. This caused concern among some investors, who wanted the freedom to change their 529 investments in response to movements in the financial markets. But late in 2014, President Obama signed into law the Achieving A Better Life Experience (ABLE) act, the key purpose of which

was to create tax-free accounts allowing people to save for disability-related expenses. And one provision of the ABLE act also allows 529 plan investors to change their investments twice a year, rather than once.

If you invest in a 529 plan, you might welcome this additional freedom to adjust your investments. Still, keep in mind that a 529 plan is a long-term vehicle that's not really designed to accommodate frequent "tweaking." And, as is true with any investment account, such as your IRA and 401(k), you don't want to overreact to short-term market fluctuations by making radical changes to your invest-

Nonetheless, you will almost certainly want to adjust your 529 plan investments somewhat - at least in the long term. If you've opened a 529 plan when your children are young, you have many years until you need to tap into the money - which means your account has more time for growth potential and more time to "smooth out" those periods of market volatility, which will certainly occur. Consequently, you may be able to afford to invest somewhat more aggressively when your children are young.

However, as your kids near college, you will probably want to revisit the level of risk in your 529 plan. So, during the last couple of years before you need to access your plan, you may want to consider moving some of your investment dollars to more conservative allocations. By doing so, you'll cut back on your growth potential, but you'll also lessen the risk of taking a big hit if you have to start taking withdrawals during a "down" market.

Some 529 plans offer an option that

automatically adjusts your investment mix toward a more conservative approach as your children near college age. But you may want to make your own adjustments, possibly with the help of a financial professional, to ensure that your 529 plan accurately reflects your own preferences and risk tolerance.

As you save for your children's college education, you may find a 529 plan to be a great help. Just be sure to keep a close watch on your plan's investments as the years go by.

Jennifer Basey is a financial advisor in Fort Myers. She can be reached at

Topliff On Graceland Honors List

The honor roll lists for Graceland University's 2015 spring term have been announced, and Krysten Topliff of Fort Myers has been named to the honors list. Students with a GPA between 3.65 and 3.99 are named to the university's honors list.☆

Summer Reading Days Coming To Bennett's

or the eighth year in a row, the owners of Bennett's Fresh Roast in Fort Myers are encouraging children to read while out of school for the

"Education shouldn't stop when summer begins," said Bennett's co-owner and former teacher of special needs students in Lee County for 16 years, Frank Albano. "Reading is the perfect summer activity because it takes kids on different adventures and opens up their imaginations.

Now through August 31, Bennett's will offer school-aged children - from kindergarten through fifth grade - a complimentary fresh donut each time they read a book at either Bennett's downtown Fort Myers or Sanibel Island location. Children may receive one free donut per day when they read a book and are accompanied

by a parent until 3 p.m. at the Fort Myers location and until 4 p.m. on Sanibel, while daily supplies last. A selection of books appropriate for children are available for reading on site.

"We have been really pleased with the response we've had during the past seven years from all the kids and families, and we anxiously await summer to begin so we can bring this program back each year," added Albano. "If we can have a small part in helping parents encourage their kids to read, we're happy to do it. Our comfortable seating areas are the perfect spot for kids to curl up with a good book. And when the summer weather cooperates, our outside patio areas are very relaxing, too. We encourage children's laughter in our shops.

Bennett's downtown Fort Myers shop is located at 2011 Bayside Parkway and is open Monday through Sunday from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bennett's Sanibel shop is located at 1020 Periwinkle Way and is open Monday through Sunday from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information, visit www. BennettsFreshRoast.com.☆

Junior League Festival This Saturday

The Junior League of Fort Myers will kick off its yearlong 50 for 50 challenge at its Kids in the Kitchen Summer Festival Saturday, June 6 from $10\ a.m.$ to $2\$ p.m. The free event will include activities for kids including seed planting, exercises, free summer reading books and educational information on healthy drinks, foods and dental health. A free healthy lunch will also be offered.

A number of nonprofit organizations will have booths onsite to provide information about the services they provide children and their families as well as how locals can volunteer with their organizations. These organizations include Abuse Counseling & Treatment, Inc. (ACT), Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium, Child Care of Southwest Florida, Inc., EDGE, Family Health Centers, Footsteps to the Future, Fort Myers Fire and Police Departments, Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc., Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, Inc., Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida, Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, Inc., Lee County Sheriff's Office, Lee Memorial Health System, Literacy Council Gulf Coast, PACE Center for Girls of Lee County, Pine Manor Improvement Association, Quality Life Center, Shoes, Socks, Shirts and Smiles, Inc., United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee, and Williams Academy Black History Museum.

The festival will be held at the Fort Myers Stars Complex, 2980 Edison Avenue in Fort Myers.

To celebrate the Junior League's 50th Anniversary in 2016, its members are encouraging all of Southwest Florida to join them in continuing their ongoing volunteer

The challenge is simple. From June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016, the Junior League is asking adults to commit to volunteering 50 hours of community service and/or \$50 to the local nonprofit(s) of their choice. Children, ages 6 to 16, are asked to donate 25 hours. Families are encouraged to take the challenge together if they wish. During this same time, JLFM members will also commit to completing 50 community service projects.

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For more information, call 277-1197.

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Goodwill LIFE Academy Graduation

class on May 28 in the Edgewood Elementary School auditorium. Six graduates received diplomas or certificates of completion from principal Lynn Pottorf and Pamela LaRiviere of the Lee County

"This is a very special year for LIFE Academy," said Pottorf, who has been principal since the school opened in 2005. "We are proud of the graduates" accomplishments and excited they all have plans for a promising future.

Goodwill LIFE Academy's annual commencement ceremony is traditionally one of the smallest in Lee County, but that doesn't make graduation any less significant for its students. The Lee County charter school, which caters to students

with intellectual disabilities, celebrated six students in its class of 2015: Shalisa Anthony, Richard Burnham, Connor LeBeau, Naiomi Ravish, Nathan Ravish and Blake Rhodes.

In total, the school has graduated 41 students in its ten years.

"We've had 1,800 school days since we opened," Pottorf added during her closing remarks at the commencement ceremony. "And we've had 1,800 reasons to celebrate.

Goodwill LIFE Academy is a charter school for students ages 11 to 22 with intellectual disabilities. Classes at the LIFE Academy focus on academic, vocational and life skills to prepare the students to live as independently as possible after graduation.

LIFE Academy is currently accepting students for the 2015-16 academic year. For eligibility requirements and other information, visit www.goodwilllifeacademy.org or contact Principal Lynn Pottorf at 334-4434.☆

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From left, Lisa Muench, Michelle Patrick Olivarez, Alex Hamley, Jennifer Beattie, Francesca Berberich, Danielle Lucht, Erin Martin, Jessica Steinberg, Veronica Bynum and Holly Zasadny. Not pictured: Carrie Gil and Jaclyn Julow

Junior League Installs New Officers

The Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc. recently installed with its incoming board members for the 2015-16 calendar year.

■ Danielle Lucht, financial advisor with Alliance Financial Group, will serve as the Junior League's president.

Originally from Washington, DC, Lucht has lived in Fort Myers since 2002. Before joining Alliance Financial in 2004, she worked as a producer for WINK News. As a financial representative, she specializes in designing and implementing retirement strategies for her clients.

In May 2013, she received the 2012-13 Junior League President's Award in recognition of her outstanding ability to enhance, enrich and empower the Junior League to better serve the community. She chaired the American Cancer Society's Cattle Barons Ball in January 2010 and was instrumental in forming the current chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners in 2011. Lucht earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and a Master of Arts degree from New York University.

Her president term will begin in June 2015 and run through May 2016.

Additional officers include Erin Martin, president elect; Michelle Patrick, community vice president; Jessica Steinberg, membership vice president; Jennifer Beattie, finance vice president; Alex Hamley, communications vice president; Francesca Berberich,

recording secretary; Jaclyn Julow, corresponding secretary; Holly Zasadny, member at large; Veronica Bynum, nominating chair; Carrie Gil, advisory planning; and Lisa Muench, sustainer advisor.

Since 1966, the Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc. has contributed more than one million volunteer hours to community projects and programs.

To celebrate the Junior League's 50th anniversary in 2016, its members are encouraging all of Southwest Florida to join them in continuing their ongoing volunteer efforts.

"Each volunteer hour is valued at \$23," said Lucht. "If we can get 222 of our members and residents to each volunteer 50 hours in the next year, together we will have donated more than \$250,000 of much needed labor to our community."

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The Junior League will kick-off this 50 for 50 challenge at its Kids In The Kitchen Summer Festival on Saturday, June 6. The free event is open to the public and will take place from 10~a.m. to 2~p.m. at the Stars Complex, located at 2980~Edison Avenue in Fort Myers.

The day will include activities for kids to enjoy including seed planting, fun exercises, free summer reading books and educational information on healthy drinks, foods and dental health. A free healthy lunch will also be offered. A number of nonprofit organizations will have booths onsite to provide information about the services they provide children and their families as well as information on how locals can volunteer with their organizations.

Since its founding in 1901 by social activist Mary Harriman, the Junior League has evolved into one of the oldest, largest and most effective women's volunteer organizations in the world, encompassing 150,000 women in 292 Leagues in four countries. Its mandate has remained the same: to develop exceptionally qualified civic leaders who collaborate with community partners to identify a community's most urgent needs and address them with meaningful and relevant programs and initiatives that not only improve lives but also change the way people think.

For more information, call 277-1197 or visit www.jlfm.org.

Mom And Me





by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

My wife has invaded my space. I retired and looked forward to doing all of the things I could not do while employed, e.g. sleeping in after a late night, having fun for hours on my computer and leisurely walks with the dog. My wife wanted to stay on with her job and her many social activities. The past six years have been so much fun and I have had the time to look at the cooking shows and I always have dinner ready when she returns

But now, my wife has retired and is not so involved socially and so I cannot

enjoy my fun in privacy.

I love my wife, but I wish she would leave me alone. What do you suggest I

Harvey

Dear Harvey,

This is a reversal of roles; we usually hear about men invading a woman's space.

Your wife could also be having a difficult time. I would suggest you try to have a non-threatening discussion with her or have a relative or friend be part of the discussion

Encourage your wife to take up some of her former social activities in retirement that gave her pleasure while she was employed.

Lizzie

Dear Harvey,

Perhaps gender equality has made it to another layer of gender politics. Welcome to the world of many women who have worked at home, only to be invaded when their husbands retire and feel that they can run the home as they had run their office.

Sorry, no sympathy here. I would recommend you discuss with your wife and restructure the home and activities so both of you are not under foot and bothersome to one another.

Pryce

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Doctor and Dietitian

A Sense of Purpose Has Health Rewards





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

ptimism and having a sense of purpose can benefit your health in a number of different ways, and ultimately help you live longer. Having a sense of purpose in life reduces odds of suffering a stroke and decreases your risk of age-related dementia and disability. It is protective against multiple adverse health outcomes in older life, including a decline in physical function and disability.

A purpose in life refers to finding meaning in what you do and who you are, and leading a goal driven life.

Consider activities you can do, or a community that you can be a part of, that

feels important to you. Remember that in order to stick with them, they need to be meaningful to you, because even meaningful things have their rough patches.

- Think back to what made you zealous as a younger person. Were you fun, adventurous, creative, artistic, athletic, inventive or musical? What was it that drove you to go after your dreams... conscientiousness, organizational skills, love of nature? Perhaps there is a part of you that you may have lost and would like to harness again, or an activity that you've always wanted to try or explore in more depth.
- What areas in your life are you so passionate about that while you are doing them, you find yourself forgetting about everything else? You are so focused, the time just ticks away.
- Make a difference. There are many ways to extend a helping hand. What tugs at your heart? Is there an organization that you have always wanted to reach out to or learn more about? The involvement and contribution in helping others can drastically improve their life and yours.

Now take the next step. Turn the passion into reality, and live a purposeful and healthy life.

deaRPharmacist

Taking Dietary Supplements And Medications

by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Readers: better off getting our nutrients from healthy foods and beverages, but dietary supplements can fill a nutritional gap. It's confusing to know when you

should take certain nutrients, especially the minerals which can bind or "chelate" with a lot of different medications. It's also difficult to time your supplements around meals and medications.

Over the years, I've used my own vitamin list to help me remember when and how to take supplements. I think it could help you, especially if you have to take a lot of different things. You can download mu form for free at mu website and fill in the blanks with your own supplements. This cheat sheet will help you stay on track.

As a pharmacist, it's kind of in my blood to "approach with caution," and I don't necessarily mean pharmaceuticals. Supplements (the high quality ones that really work) will act in your body

exactly like a drug and the timing impacts efficacy. Before you embark on any supplement regimen, I suggest you ask a holistic-minded practitioner what is right for you with consideration to your allergies, your liver, kidney function and even genetic mutations.

By learning all you can about vitamins and minerals you can make better choices about dosages. There are times when I need to dump out 50 percent of one capsule to get a lower dose, and other times I will take more than what is typically recommended. We are all very unique.

Today I will teach you more about timing your medications and supplements so you can optimize effect and minimize risk. Taking some medicines too late in the day will make you wide-eyed at 3 a.m. Interactions with minerals can defeat the purpose of taking medications. Since there are thousands of medications and supplements, I obviously can't cover them all, but I'll hit the big categories. When you're done reading today's column, visit my website (suzycohen.com) and sign up for my newsletter so you will receive the longer version of this article, along with a sample Vitamin List, which you can adapt and use for your own regimen.

Medicines and supplements that are best taken in the morning:

Thyroid medication Modafinil (Provigil)

Stimulants (Ritalin, Concerta, Adderal) Diuretics like HCTZ, furosemide, dandelion, berberine, neem, green tea

Osteoporosis drugs (Boniva, Fosamax, etc.)

Medicines and supplements that are best taken with food:

Mineral supplements (iodine, magnesium, calcium, iron)

Vitamin A, D, E or K (fat-soluble vitamins)

Anti-fungals

Probiotics can usually be taken any-

Medicines and supplements that are best taken in the evening or bedtime:

Diphenhydramine

Aspirin

Magnesium

Ashwagandha

Goto kola

Skullcap

Muscle relaxants

Statin cholesterol reducers

ACE inhibitors (like Enalapril)

ARB class of blood pressure pills (candesartan, etc.)

Do not combine:

Vitamin K or ginkgo with anticoagu-

Folate with methotrexate or phenytoin Minerals or dairy foods with minocycline or doxycycline

Grapefruit or pomegranate foods/ supplements with statins

Chocolate with Nardil

Licorice extract with digoxin or HCTZ HCTZ with vitamin D (raises calcium too much)

5-HTP with any antidepressant

St John's wort with any antidepressant

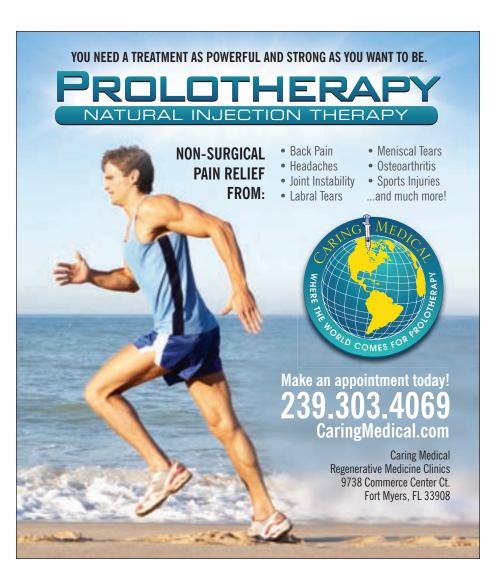
This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is the author of The 24-Hour Pharmacist and is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit www.

Strategies And Techniques For The Family Caregiver

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, in collaboration with Nurse On Call of Fort Myers, presents a family caregiver program Strategies and Techniques for the Family Caregiver. This program has an emphasis on occupational therapy as it relates to Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Caregivers will learn how to set up structure and support based on the remaining skills set of their loved one, keeping their loved one involved and content, thereby reducing caregiver stress.

This program will be offered on Thursday, June 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. and is open to all family caregivers caring for someone with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia and is designed to meet the needs of spouses, families, or other primary

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Animal Services Offers Discounts For Adopt-A-Shelter-Cat Month

ee County Domestic Animal Services will join the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in spotlighting June as Adopt-A-Shelter-Cat Month. Shelters often are inundated with cats between June and October when most kittens are born.

Throughout the month of June, Animal Services will discount the regular adoption fee of \$75 for kittens to \$30. The adoption fee for cats 6 months or older is regularly \$50 but will be \$15, the cost of the pet license. Cats and kittens are also two-for-one adoption fee. Adoption fees for some dogs also will be reduced during June.

Adoption fees include spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, rabies vaccination and county license for cats 3 months or older, a 10-day pet health guarantee, microchip ID, access to the behavior helpline, feline leukemia and feline AIDS test, flea treatment and de-worming. The adoption package is valued at \$500.

Animal Services encourages Lee County residents to proactively help solve the cat overpopulation problem by spaying and neutering their pets and not allowing them to roam free. Caretakers of feral cat colonies can take advantage of the county's Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. Cats that live in neighborhood colonies can be trapped, sterilized and returned to the community from which they came through the free program. More information on TNR is available at www.LeeLostPets.com or by calling 239-533-9234.

For more information about adopting, fostering or rescuing, go to www. LeeLostPets.com. Photos and information about lost pets or pets for adoption are also available and adoption applications may be submitted online.

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Strategies For Caregivers

caregivers. The program will take place at Nurse On Call, 8771 College Pkwy., Suite 101 in Fort Myers.

Topics of the program include the impact and correlation of hearing loss and visual impairment on the dementia patient and their caregiver as well as a discussion on available treatments and ideas, followed by general hearing and vision screenings. Guest speakers include John Hoglund, BC – HIS, ACA, Hoglund Family Hearing

and Audiology; and Stephen E. Smith, MD, Eye Associates of Fort Myers.

Participants must register in advance to participate. To learn more about participating in this group or other services offered for caregivers, contact Mary Freyre, RN, Health Education Specialist at the Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center at 437-3007.

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Kids Fishing Tournament

compliments of Fish Florida, trophy and lunch with Ronald McDonald. There will also be interactive displays provided by CROW, JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, Lee County Sheriff's Department, Iona-McGregor Fire Department and much

more. To register, visit www.rmhcswfl.org.
For more information, contact Angela Katz at 437-0202. All donations from the tournament will benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida.

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LCBA Elevates Professionalism

non-profit organization every month to the philanthropic-minded members deciding where to invest their time, talent and donations. An annual golf tournament raises money for a deserving youth program in the community, such as the one on Saturday, June 6 at Pelican Preserve Golf Club to benefit Alliance for the Arts' ArtReach

Throughout its 66-year history, the LCBA has served as a resource to its members and the community to elevate legal practitioners' professionalism and the accessibility of their expertise to the citizens of Southwest Florida.

"In the larger sense, all attorneys understand the concepts of professionalism and ethics – at heart, they are the Golden Rule," said Dalton. "However, there are many nuances involving our implementation of these concepts in the day-to-day business world.'

LCBA Executive Director Sharon Brotherton added, "With the rules for practice continually evolving, the LCBA provides a framework for staying current with regulations, brushing up on practice area content, investing in the community and promoting the level of confidence the citizens of Lee County have in the profession. It's such a strong organization because of the dedication of our Executive Council and participation of our members.'

For more information, visit www.leebar.org.



Second Chance Fund In Need Of Donations

he Gulf Coast Humane Society (GCHS) is in need of donations for their Second Chance Fund. This



fund allows people to donate directly to the care of our sick and special needs animals to help alleviate some of the financial costs for those pets with needs beyond routine medical care.

Atom, an approximately 1-year-old terrier mix, is a good example of the success of the Second Chance Fund program. Atom came to GCHS recently after being hit by a car. The GCHS's

partnership with Lee County Animal Services allowed GCHS to get Atom the care needed to recover from a broken femur. He needed surgery to align and stabilize his leg with the placement of multiple pins. Atom received the needed surgery with the help of Specialized Veterinary Services and funding is now needed to recover the cost.

Another Second Chance Fund story is Bubba, a 2-year-old male American bulldog mix. Clewiston Animal Control found Bubba and transferred him to GCHS to help him recover from severe mange, urine burns, infection and malnutrition. Cruelly neglected and left in a small cage for days until found, Bubba is currently under care and being fostered while in recovery. He is doing well with his foster family, playing with their dogs and loving the attention from their care. He is in for a long recovery and funding is desperately needed for medical expenses. When Bubba has fully recovered, he will be up for adoption and is sure to make a wonderful family pet.

Kenya, GCHS alumni, returned to the shelter this week after being found by Collier County Animal Control emaciated and with a broken leg. Kenya had previously been micro-chipped, which lead her back to GCHS. Funding is now needed to help repair the broken leg so he can be

put back up for adoption.

'GCHS has been able to help many cats and dogs that needed immediate medical attention," said Jennifer Galloway, GCHS executive director. "These donations are needed to give these pets a second chance in life where they would not have otherwise.

Sunset, the bait dog used by a dog fighting ring, was recently a Second Chance Fund recipient. The donations allowed Sunset to be treated for many serious medical issues and she has since been adopted and is now living a much better life because of these donations.

Second Chance funding, with the help of Specialized Veterinary Services and Animal Medical Center, has been very successful in giving countless animals a new life. GCHS is asking the community for any amount of support in donations, so that we can continue to help these

Gulf Coast Humane Society, located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers, only takes in owner surrendered and transfers from other shelters and rescue groups with a high success rate of adoptions. Their veterinary clinic is open to the public and offers a full array of affordable services six days a week.

For more information, call 332-0364

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TRIVIA TEST

- 1. HISTORY: When did the U.S. Supreme Court become a nine-member body?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: The image of "Rosie the Riveter," a woman working in a factory, arose from which war?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What animal's diet consists mainly of eucalyptus leaves?
- GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of the Czech Republic?
- MYTHOLOGY: What was the name of Orpheus' beloved wife, doomed to die from a viper bite?
- GAMES: In poker, what is a full house?
- MEDICINE: What causes rickets in children?
- LAW: What is the legal definition of "chattel"?
- ETIQUETTE: Who is traditionally supposed to host the bachelor's party for a
- 10.MUSIC: Who composed the opera "The Magic Flute"?

ANSWERS

I. 1869, set by Congress 2. World War II 3. Koala 4. Prague 5. Eurydice 6. Three of a kind and a pair 7. Vitamin D deficiency 8. Personal property 9. The best man $\,$ 10. Mozart.

- 1. Three players have hit 400 home runs in a Boston Red Sox uniform. Name them.
- 2. In 2014, Mike Zunino set a record for most home runs by a Seattle Mariners catcher (22). Who had held the mark?
- 3. Denver's Peyton Manning, in 2013, became the second quarterback to be named to The Associated Press NFL All-Pro team seven times. Who was the first?
- 4. When was the last time that the Creighton men's basketball team reached the NCAA Tournament's Sweet 16?
- 5. In the 1959-60 season, Boston's Doug Mohns became the second NHL defenseman to tally 20 goals in a season. Who was the first?
- 6. How many consecutive seasons has NASCAR driver Jeff Gordon captured at least one pole position?
- When was the last time before 2015 that tennis star Roger Federer failed to reach the Australian Open semifinals in men's singles?

ANSWERS

consecutive seasons. 7. It was 2003.

Otto Graham. 4. It was 1974. 5. Detroit's Flash Hollett, in the 1944-45 season. 6. Twenty-three I. Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski and David Ortiz. 2. Miguel Olivo, with 19 in 2011. 3. Cleveland's

ULCEAS

My Stars ★★★

FOR WEEK OF JUNE 8, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Still operating under a full head of self-esteem makes you want to tackle a matter you had shied away from. OK. But be sure to arm yourself with facts before you make a move.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That smart move you recently made caught the attention of a lot of people, including some with financial deals to offer. Use your Taurean wariness to check them out thoroughly.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Shyness might keep you from asking for more information on a potentially important matter. But your curiosity grows stronger by midweek and gives you the impetus for datagathering.

CANČER (June 21 to July 22) Taking on too many tasks may not be the wise thing to do at this time. You might overspend both your physical and emotional energy reserves, and have to miss out on some upcoming events. **LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Try to

keep your spending at an affordable level. Splurging now -- especially on credit -could create a problem if your finances are too low for you to take advantage of a possible opportunity.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might not approve of a colleague's behavior during much of the week. But don't play the judgmental Virgo card here. As always, check the facts before you assume the worst.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Coping with an old issue that has suddenly re-emerged could take a big toll on your emotional energies. Decide whether you really want to pursue the possibilities here.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) For all your skill in keeping your secrets safe, you could be unwittingly letting one slip out by the way you're behaving in that new relationship. Are congratulations soon to be in order?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good old-fashioned horse sense could help you get around those who unknowingly or deliberately put obstacles in your way. Ignore the confusion and follow your own lead.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A puzzling attitude change in a colleague from friendly to chilly might

stem from a long-hidden resentment suddenly bubbling up. An open and honest talk should resolve the problem.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This week, many ever-generous Aquarians might find themselves feeling an acquisitive urge. If so, indulge it. You've earned the right to treat yourself to wonder-

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Expect to get a lot of advice on how to go about implementing your plans. But once you've sorted it all out, you'll probably find that, once again, your way will be the best

BORN THIS WEEK: You enjoy the quiet times of your life, but when you're in the mood, you can throw a party everyone will want to go to.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On June 10, 1752, Benjamin Franklin flies a kite during a thunderstorm and collects a charge in a Leyden jar when the kite is struck by lightning, demonstrating the electrical nature of lightning. Among the terms coined by Franklin are "battery," "conductor" and "electrician."
- On June 8, 1896, President Grover Cleveland calls for an investigation into the number of "aliens," or foreign nationals, employed in the federal government. Anti-immigrant sentiment was widespread, as immigrants were blamed for increases in crime and for driving down wages.
- On June 14, 1909, folksinger Burl Ives is born in Illinois. Ives is best known for his voiceover work as Sam the Snowman in the animated Christmas special "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.
- On June 11, 1949, Hank Williams makes his Grand Ole Opry debut, electrifying a live audience at Ryman Auditorium that called him out for six encores. Organizers implored fans not to call him out for more so the rest of the show could
- On June 9, 1954, Joseph Welch, special counsel for the U.S. Army, lashes out at Senator Joseph McCarthy during hearings on whether communism had infiltrated the U.S. armed forces. Welch's verbal assault marked the end of McCarthy's power during the anticommunist hysteria.
- On June 13, 1971, The New York Times begins to publish parts of a topsecret Department of Defense study of America's involvement in the Vietnam War.

The "Pentagon Papers" indicated that the government had been lying for years about

• On June 12, 1987, during a speech in Berlin, President Ronald Reagan famously challenges Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to "tear down this wall." The Berlin Wall had been erected in 1961 to prevent East Germans from escaping to the West.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was back in the 19th century that American author and philosopher Henry David Thoreau made the following sage observation: "Men have become the tools of their tools.'
- Clinomania is an affliction that affects a large percentage of the American population. If you suffer from an overwhelming desire to stay in bed, you're one of us.
- If you're like most parents, at one time or another you've been shocked by how quickly your kids outgrow things -- especially shoes. What may be an annoyance in a developed country is a major problem in undeveloped areas of the world; Kenton Lee is working on changing that. As a volunteer in an orphanage in Kenya, he noticed that many children had the toes cut out of their shoes just so they could fit in their feet. After returning home, Lee developed an adjustable sandal that can grow with a child, increasing up to five sizes via a system of snaps. Although the shoe is only made available to nonprofits for those in need, domestic demand is increasing. If you're a parent sick of buying seemingly endless pairs of new shoes, you'll be glad to hear that Lee and his team are working on a commercial version.
- You might be surprised to learn that actor David Duchovny, best known for his role in "The X-Files," was just a dissertation away from being awarded a doctorate in English literature.
- In 16th- and 17th-century Europe, it was considered fashionable to attend public dissections of human bodies. So-called anatomy days often included music, speeches and processions. Viewers could even pass around body parts for inspection, though taking the parts home was forbidden.

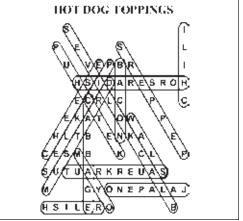
THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"You can get more with a kind word and a gun than you can from a kind word alone." -- Al Capone

PUZZLE ANSWERS

TAIPE







Zucchini Chips

1/4 cup dry breadcrumbs 1/4 cup grated fresh Parmesan cheese 1/4 teaspoon seasoned salt 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground

black pepper 2 tablespoons fat-free milk 2½ cups zucchini,

sliced 1/4-inch thick

Cooking spray
Feta and Dill Dip
1 cup plain low-fat yogurt
1 tablespoon fresh dill, chopped
1 tablespoon crumbled feta cheese
Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

Whisk together first five ingredients in a medium bowl.

Pour milk into a shallow bowl. Place an ovenproof wire rack coated with cooking spray on a baking sheet.

Dip zucchini slices in milk, and dredge in breadcrumb mixture. Put coated slices directly onto the prepared wire rack. Bake for 30 minutes or until browned and crisp.

Serve immediately with Feta and Dill Dip.⇔



Zucchini Chips

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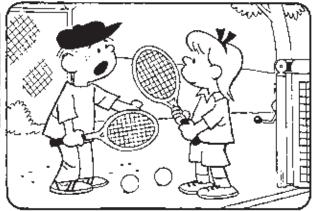
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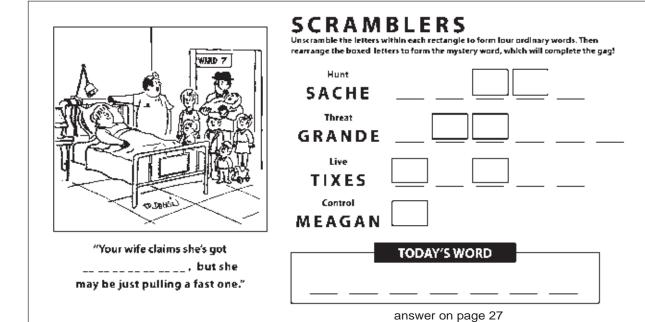
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To play Sudoku:

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

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Pets Of The Week

'ello, my name is Nena. I'm a 1-and-a-half-year-old chocolate and white Florida Curr. I'm a very well-adjusted spayed female who is affectionate and enjoys the company of people and other dogs. What you see is what you get. I'm not complicated and will never need to see a doggie psychologist. As you can plainly see, I'm "all ears," so if you need someone to talk to, I'm your girl.

My adoption fee is \$75.

Hello, my name is Janice. I'm a 1-year-old spayed female brown tabby with a white chest and paws. I am friendly, affectionate and love to talk. Do you need a snuggly companion who's a good listener? I could be the one for you!

My adoption fee is \$15 (regularly \$50) during Animal Services' Adopt-A-

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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.

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Mayo Mustard Peppers **Pickles**

Relish Sauerkraut Slaw

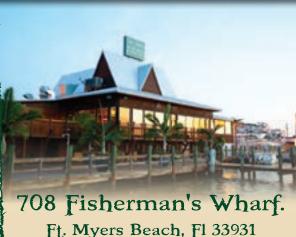




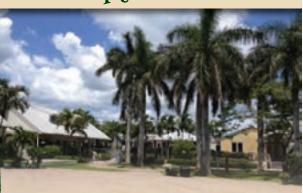
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