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From the Beaches to the River District downtown Fort Myers

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Burroughs Home original fence, 1908

Historic Burroughs Home Gets Much Needed Repairs

The historic Burroughs Home & Gardens, located along the downtown riverfront at 2505 First Street in Fort Myers, is looking better than it has in a century. The home, built in 1901 and bequeathed to the City of Fort Myers in 1978, is under the management of the Uncommon Friends Foundation.

New picket fence, cedar roof, electrical upgrades and drainage system are complete. The two-and-a-half-story, 6,000-square-foot home is a fine example of turn-of-the-century Georgian Colonial Revival architecture common in Fort Myers at the time. Many needed repairs and upgrades have been completed over the last nine months to help preserve it for future generations. Perhaps most noticeable is the replacement of



New fence at the Burroughs Home

the crumbling, 570-foot-long white picket fence surrounding the property. The new white picket fence was milled from pine and hand cut in keeping with its historical style and design.

In addition to a new fence, visitors will notice the new roof. Over the years, the roof of the stately mansion had fallen into disrepair from mildew and termites. Classic cedar shingles and copper downspouts befitting the home's unique styling are now in place. In addition, the home's original fuse panels have been upgraded with new breaker systems

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Learn how to make a fish print on a T-shirt using the Gyotaku technique

Free Day For Dads At Edison Ford Estates

Edison & Ford Winter Estates is offering free general admission to fathers all day on Father's Day, June 19.

Admission includes a self-guided audio tour of the estate homes, botanical gardens, museum and the laboratory. Dads will also receive 10 percent off retail purchases made in the Ford Cottage Shoppe, Museum Store or Garden Shoppe.

Dads can also learn how to make a fish print on a T-shirt using the Gyotaku technique at The Marina at Edison Ford from noon to 2 p.m. The fish T-shirt printing has been a Father's Day tradition at Edison Ford for many years. Kids and moms are welcome to participate and make a Father's Day gift.

The Edison Wild Wizard will be on hand to teach kids about basic fish anatomy, including where the gills and fins are, and the difference between a fish and a mammal. Kids will also get to see and touch a variety of native sea life, including oysters, clams and soft-shell crabs. Pinchers is supplying the sea life, as well as a variety of fish for the Gyotaku prints.

Gyotaku was used centuries ago in Japan as a way to make a record of a fish. Originally, the print was created by coating the fish or inking a fish with hand-ground ink called sumi and then placing the fish on rice paper. Today, Gyotaku prints are created by using modern inks

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ArtFest Poster Competition Open



Leoma Lovegrove with her ArtFest Fort Myers 2016 poster

ArtFest Fort Myers is looking for applicants for its poster/T-shirt competition for the 2017 festival.

"We hope that all professional artists will submit artwork that speaks to Southwest Florida," said Sharon McAllister, executive director. "Our commemorative poster and T-shirt always feature inspiring, original artwork, and we encourage any artist, not just those applying to participate in ArtFest Fort Myers 2017, to submit their artwork for consideration."

The annual, juried fine art festival will take place February 3, 4 and 5 in the Fort Myers River District.

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Classroom Decorum



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

Either these elementary-school students are unusually well-behaved or they were well instructed for their photo-op. Most of them are sitting up straight with hands clasped on the desks, looking in one direction, apparently paying attention.

Neatly displayed schoolwork along the back wall complements their formal bearing.

The scene is the Andrew D. Gwynne Institute circa 1913. When that school had opened in October 1911, it was touted as the most modern in the state. It was located on the site where the first publically funded school in Fort Myers had been constructed in 1878, the southwest corner of Second and Jackson.

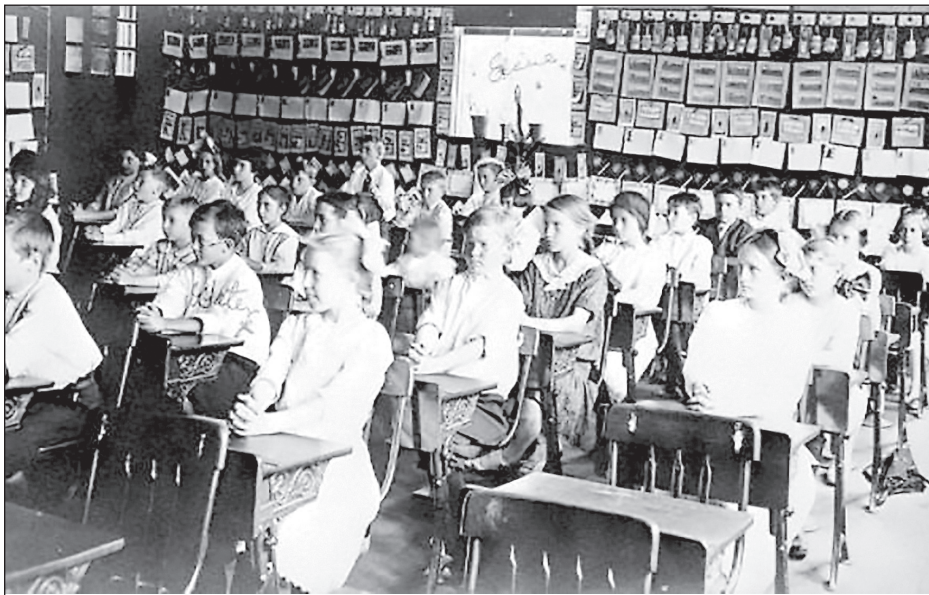
Funded with both philanthropic and public funds, the school was named for the man whose family's substantial financial support made it possible: Col. Andrew D. Gwynne, a wealthy Memphis cotton broker and wholesale grocer.

For the first few years after it opened at First and Jackson, the school housed all grades for the white public schools.

Only three of the Gwynne students in the photo are identified, and they bear family names woven into early Fort Myers history: Tippins, Roberts, and Foxworthy.

Walter Yates Tippins' (center left) has "Walter" and an "x" written on his shirt. Just to the left and partially obscured sits Carl Rudolf Roberts, also marked with an "x." Eloise Nute Foxworthy would be almost impossible to find near the back of the room (center) were her name not written across the window pane and an arrow pointing to her beribboned hair.

Roberts and Foxworthy would be two of 28 students who graduated from Fort Myers High School on June 8, 1923.



These students at the Gwynne Institute circa 1913 epitomize classroom decorum. Only three students are identified: Walter Yates Tippins (left center, "Walter" written on shirt), Carl R. Roberts (left of Tippins) and Eloise Foxworthy, indicated by "Eloise" and arrow.

courtesy of State Archives of Florida



The circa-1913 classroom was located in the Andrew D. Gwynne Institute, opened in 1911 photo by Gerri Reaves

The students were born in 1904, 1906 and 1905, respectively. That, and the obvious variation in the students' ages, suggest that even in its first few years after opening, the school accommodated various ages and class levels in one classroom.

That assumption would also corroborate a well-known fact about the school system in that era: persistent over-crowding.

Gwynne had barely opened before a burgeoning student population demanded the construction of a high school just two blocks away at Royal Palm Avenue. It wasn't long before the county experienced a school-building boom.

As for the pioneer roots of those three students who sat so attentively a century ago...

Tippins was the son of Frank B. and Fanny Yates Tippins. The father is a local legend, having served eight consecutive four-year terms as Lee County sheriff, much of that time during when the wild Ten Thousand Islands was part of the county.

Son Walter died in 1952 and is buried in Miami, where his father had moved to be a deputy U.S. marshal.

Roberts was the son of Carl F. and Emma Christina Frick Roberts, both natives of Sweden. Carl F. came to Fort Myers in 1884, established himself as a successful contractor, and helped to build the town.

Coincidentally, one of the father's his many accomplishments was raising matching funds to build the Gwynne Institute.

Son Carl R. continued his father's legacy of making significant contributions in both the business and civic spheres. He died in Fort Myers in 1996.

Foxworthy's father, Boyd Clifton "BC" Foxworthy, was one of three brothers from Mount Carmel, Kentucky who made their marks on early Fort Myers.

BC first came to Fort Myers in the winter of 1899 to 1900 to work for his brother, JE, who had come to Fort Myers in 1893 and subsequently opened a clothing store.

BC returned to Kentucky for a time and married Mary Norwood Turner. When the Foxworthys moved to Fort Myers in late 1909 or early 1910, they brought their young daughter, Eloise.

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Benefit Raises \$7,000 For Operation Open Arms



Matanzas on the Bay General Manager Glen Petrarca, left, celebrates the fund raising with Operation Open Arms founder Capt. John "Giddy Up" Bunch

Matanzas on the Bay on Fort Myers Beach raised \$7,000 during its third annual Bluegrass, Brew and BBQ fundraiser to benefit Operation Open Arms, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the care and treatment of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in military personnel and veterans.

The Memorial Day weekend event attracted more than 800 guests and featured live music from the Bugtussle Ramblers and the Cooter Creek Bluegrass Band, craft beer from Fort Myers Brewing Company, face painting for children, a 50/50 raffle, a silent auction and a \$15 barbecue buffet, which included ribs, smoked pork shanks, potato salad and corn on the cob.

"We had a terrific turnout for Operation Open Arms this year, and we are thankful to all who joined us in supporting this organization and making the third annual Bluegrass, Brew and BBQ event such a success," said Glen Petrarca, general manager of Matanzas on the Bay. "The funds raised during the event will greatly benefit Operation Open Arms, and we are honored to bring awareness to the community about a wonderful organization that continues to do so much to support our U.S. military and veterans."

For the past 11 years, Operation Open Arms has opened every conceivable door to U.S. troops returning from combat or foreign duty stations around the world. A total of 3,404 U.S. troops have received free combat leave vacations and same-day PTSD care upon request. Capt. John "Giddyup" Bunch, founder of Operation Open Arms, said the real heroes of Operation Open Arms consists of the troops and the 328 sponsors and volunteers who offer amazing free benefits, such as free hotel stays, meals at restaurants, fishing charters, golf and same-day PTSD Mental Health Care. Bunch, who previously served in the U.S. Marine Corps, presented his flight jacket to Petrarca during Bluegrass, Brew and BBQ to thank Petrarca and Matanzas on the Bay for their support.

"The MVPs of Operation Open Arms can be found at www.OperationOpenArms.org. Every name within the OOA Circle of Honor has been directly responsible for breathing life into our charity at a time of greatest need," Bunch said. "Every member of the OOA Circle of Honor is a super hero, especially Glen Petrarca."

For more information about the organization and its cause, visit www.OperationOpenArms.org.



The Bluegrass, Brew and BBQ benefit featured face painting



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Fort Myers Art:

Lab Theater's *Empty Plate* Best Experienced On Empty Stomach



by Tom Hall

Beginning with last year's *Yoko Ono Imagine Peace* exhibition at the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery and continuing through Ghostbird Theatre's nonperformance recently at the opening of Quest for Permanence at the Art Gallery at Florida Gulf Coast University, Southwest Florida patrons of the arts have been reveling in the drumbeat of conceptual art. That heady movement continued last Friday at Lab Theater with Michael Hollinger's *An Empty Plate in the Café du Grand Boeuf*.

Imagine sitting in the finest restaurant in all of Paris, where a master chef and wait staff stand at the ready to satisfy your every culinary desire or gastronomical whim. Money is no object. You can have anything on the wine list or menu. Anything at all. But instead of actually savoring every tantalizing morsel of a four-star, seven-course French meal capped by chateaubriand and crème brulee, you simply sit at table staring at an empty porcelain plate as your waiter describes in mouth-watering detail what the chef has whipped up behind the double swinging doors that separate the dining room from the fully stocked gourmet kitchen.

If you really want to maximize your experience at *An Empty Plate in the Café du Grand Boeuf*, don't dine beforehand. Make a late night reservation at The Veranda, where you can actually enjoy the finest Chateaubriand in town. Then settle in your seat and listen intently, perhaps even closing your eyes from time to time, as Mike Dinko a' la Claude takes Victor a' la Ken Bryant from *le potage to le dessert*. Not a masochist, *n'est pas? C'est dommage*. But that's okay. Dinko's going to get you salivating even if you come with a full tummy.

The plot, crafted by Michael Hollinger, is actually rather clever. Victor is a multi-millionaire. He owns the Café du Grand Boeuf. But here's the rub (pun intended). He's the only patron. He retains Gaston, Claude, Mimi and Antoine for the sole and narcissistic purpose of preparing meals for him and his lady whenever and as often as they wish to dine. But on this night, Victor has come to the café inexplicably bereft of the love of his life. Without her, he has lost his appetite for living and so he's resolved to starve himself to death. This Claude cannot suffer. Deep down, Claude not only loves the old man, he is genuinely fond of him as well. So he comes up with a diabolical plot for enticing the old man to eat. He will have Gaston prepare a meal consisting of all

of Victor's favorite menu items "from soup to nuts," and then describe each course in excruciating detail until Victor cracks and begs for him to bring him the actual food itself.

Ken Bryant, Juan Alejandro, Marta Sand and Sage Meyers excel as Victor, Antoine, Mimi and Louise, but this is Mike Dinko's show. Less than a year ago, Dinko was behind the ticket counter and concession stand, as Lab Theater's front of house manager. But since starring as Theo in Steve Martin's *The Underpants*, his theatrical skills and stage presence have grown by leaps and bounds. While he doesn't leap or bound in *Empty Plate*, it's no mean feat to recite a shopping list of succulent ingredients and toothsome repasts in a way sure to drive the likes of Gordon Ramsay, Rachael Ray or Andrew Zimmern totally insane, but to do it with a French accent seems an almost impossible feat.

If tension is the key ingredient in the recipe for good theater, then you will find this play to be perfectly seasoned. Playwright Michael Hollinger brings the ample internal and external conflicts that haunt his characters to a rolling boil by play's end, but the plot twists and surprise endings will keep you as off-balance as one too many aperitifs. And, so it is that this review must say no more. If you already know the ending, don't spoil the surprise for anyone else or there will be no soup for you! Worse, the cast may haul you up on stage after the denouement and force you to eat some of Victor's left over crème brulee. And whether you know the ending or not, this is a fun and entertaining night out. But come hungry and eat later. You'll be glad you did.

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.✧



A scene from *An Empty Plate in the Café du Grand Boeuf*

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The 22nd annual Southwest Florida Blue Chip Community Business Awards, coordinated and sponsored by BB&T-Oswald Trippe and Company and BB&T Bank, takes place on Thursday, November 3 at Harborside Event Center, located at 1375 Monroe Street in Fort Myers.

The annual Blue Chip Award program recognizes successful, small business owners who have overcome adversity to achieve success.

Charlotte, Collier and Lee County for-profit businesses that have been in operation for at least three years under the same ownership and employ five to 400 people are eligible for the award. Applications must be submitted no later than September 6. Independent judges will select the winning entry.

The 2016 Southwest Florida Blue Chip Community Business Award is endorsed by the Bonita Springs Area

Chamber of Commerce, *Business Observer*, Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte County Chamber of Commerce, Charlotte County Economic Development Office, Christian Chamber of Southwest Florida, City of Cape Coral Economic Development Office, Englewood-Cape Haze Area Chamber of Commerce, Estero Chamber of Commerce, Florida Gulf Coast University, Florida Southwestern State College, *Florida Weekly*, Greater Fort Myers Chamber of Commerce, Greater Lehigh Acres Chamber of Commerce, *Gulfshore Business*, Hodges University, Lee County Economic Development Office/Horizon Council, Punta Gorda Chamber of Commerce, Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce, *Southwest Florida Business Today*, Southwest Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, The Greater Fort Myers Beach Area Chamber of Commerce and The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce.

For information on the program or to submit an application, contact Stacey Mercado at 433-7189 or SMercado@BBandT.com.✧

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Burroughs Home

for added safety. All three projects, totaling \$565,000, were completed by Chris-Tel Construction on behalf of the City of Fort Myers.

A new water drainage system now aligns the back side of the property near the new Gale McBride Pavilion. The project, paid for by the Uncommon Friends Foundation and completed by HONC Industries, enables full utilization of the home and gardens during the rainy season, allowing for events year-round.

Reservations for tours of the historic Burroughs Home & Gardens are available at \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$5 for children. Weddings and special events are currently being booked for the historic riverfront mansion and outdoor pavilion. For more information, contact Tera Miller at tera@burroughshome.com or call 337-9503. The Uncommon Friends Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization established in 1993 and dedicated to lifelong character building among today's youth and business leaders. It is located at the Burroughs Home & Gardens. For more information, visit <https://uncommonfriends.org>.✱

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ArtFest Poster Competition

"I loved, loved being the featured poster artist for ArtFest Fort Myers," said Leoma Lovegrove about her 2016 experience.

"The media whirlwind began with the poster unveiling party in early January – such an honor to meet the dedicated community of art buyers who support the art festival," said Lovegrove. "In the weeks preceding ArtFest, my work and my story were promoted everywhere, and my festival weekend was a marvelous success."

The artist whose work is selected for the poster and T-shirt will be featured in a broad range of print, online and VIP promotions preceding festival weekend, and continuing throughout the year. The winning artist also receives free booth space at ArtFest Fort Myers 2017, a complimentary three-night stay at the festival's host hotel and an invitation to join ArtFest Fort Myers 2018.

Submissions must represent original artwork in a theme that reflects Southwest Florida and appeals to a broad audience. Entries are being accepted now through Friday, August 19. Images can be submitted by email.

Proceeds from poster and T-shirt sales support ArtFest Fort Myers' outreach programs and the Newspaper In Education program at *The News-Press*.

For more information, visit ArtFestFortMyers.com and click on Poster Contest or call 768-3602.✱



Jeff Kyle, center, surrounded by members of The Calendar Girls

Calendar Girls Meet Jeff Kyle

The Calendar Girls were honored to perform for retired United States Marine Corps veteran Jeff Kyle, brother of American Sniper Chris Kyle, at American Legion 351 in Fort Myers on May 29.

Since 2006, Calendar Girls Florida have been sponsoring guide dogs for veterans. For more information, visit www.calendargirlsflorida.com.✱

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Classroom

The father worked in various capacities, including postmaster, and eventually founding Foxworthy Furniture Company.

Eloise married Lewis B. Barber, a former employee of her father who later owned the Barber Furniture Company. She participated in many church and civic affairs, including serving as the president of the Woman's Community Club.

She lived into the next century, dying in 2001 at age 95 in Fort Myers.

Walk down to Second and Jackson to the town's first modern school bred oh-so-well-behaved students.

Then, walk the short distance to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about what all those Gwynne students ended up doing.

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

Want to know more about the beloved Gwynne Institute? Visit the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center, located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is open Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon and Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m. Call 939-4044

or visit swflhistoricalsociety.org for more information.

Sources: Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, Florida State Archives, and *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer.✱

Graduates From New College

Six Fort Myers-area students graduated from New College of Florida on May 20.

Davin Aberle, Adriana Diaz, Matthias Murray, Elaine Myers, Kimberly Napoline and Febe Ramirez received bachelor of arts degrees.✱

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PACE Dress Collection Party Returns June 15

Love That Dress!8, which benefits the PACE Center for Girls of Lee County, continues its collection drive at the 2nd annual Sunset at SS Hookers Waterfront Restaurant, 17501 Harbour Pointe Drive in Fort Myers, on Wednesday, June 15 from 5 to 8 p.m.

The evening includes appetizers, a cash bar, music and entertainment by Robert McDonald of New Beginnings Events, raffle prizes, and a silent and live auction with emcees Mike Joyce from Gulf Coast Coin and Jewelry, and Gina Birch, local radio and TV personality. Auction items include vacations, spa treatments, golf and fishing packages, jewelry, restaurant gift cards and advertising packages.

Admission is \$15 per person with a donation and \$20 per person without. Donated items may include new or gently loved dresses, shoes, accessories and/or handbags. Each attendee receives one free drink ticket, a raffle prize entry and a selection of appetizers with paid admission, of which a portion is tax deductible.

Sunset at SS Hookers is sponsored by Stilwell Enterprises, Private Client Insurance Services, Sanibel Captiva Bank, Island Vacations of Sanibel & Captiva, Quenzel & Associates and Carter-Pritchett Advertising. Additional

contributors include South Seas Island Resort, Contemporary Health Centers, *Island Sun*, *Gulfshore Life*, *Florida Weekly*, WINK News, *The Islander*, *The River Weekly News*, *Breeze Newspapers* and COMCAST Spotlight.

This year's Love That Dress!8 takes place on Wednesday, August 24 at the Embassy Suites in Estero, 10450 Corkscrew Commons Drive. Over the next few months, the community is asked to donate new and gently loved dresses and accessories at collection events and drop-off locations across the county.

This year's goal is to generate an inventory of more than 4,000 dresses and raise \$120,000. All proceeds benefit PACE.

Tickets and additional information can be found by visiting LoveThatDress.org.

Contact Allyson Ross, special projects associate for PACE Lee, at Allyson.Ross@PACECenter.org to participate in a collection event. To learn more, call 470-7548 or visit pacecenter.org/lee.✱

Harley Dealership To Host BBQ Fundraiser

Six Bends Harley-Davidson will host Bourbon, Brews and BBQ on Saturday, June 25 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will feature bourbon tastings, a

mix of popular craft beers, local barbecue vendors and activities for children.

Bourbons and craft beers are provided by Leroy's Southern Kitchen and Bar and Suncoast Beverages. Guests looking to enjoy barbecued ribs, pulled pork, baked beans, collard greens, and other barbecue-style foods can choose their favorite of five vendors to dine at, including Fort Myers-based Joneses BBQ and Deep Down South BBQ and Seafood. Frozen lemonade, popcorn and other treats will be available.

There will be an adult rib-eating contest (\$10 entry fee) or a children's pie eating contest (\$5 entry fee). Contest winners will receive a Six Bends prize pack. All proceeds from the competitions will benefit Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida.

Bourbon, Brews and BBQ will also include live entertainment by country singer Sheena Brook, raffles prizes and a children's play area.

Event sponsors and partners include iHeartMedia, Jet Live Events, Six Bends Harley-Davidson and Suncoast Beverage. For additional information on upcoming events, visit SixBends.com or contact Taylor Loethen at Taylorl@sfe-us.com or (844) 749-2363.

Six Bends is located off exit 131 at the Southeast corner of I-75 and Daniels Parkway at 9501 Thunder Road, Fort Myers.✱

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Karaoke Showcase

The Lake Kennedy Senior Center will host an evening filled with local karaoke entertainment on Friday, June 17. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Emcee KJ Mike Russell will lead the finest "voices" in Southwest Florida as they grace the stage to share their talents. All level karaoke performers are welcome to participate. Guests will enjoy refreshments and appetizers such as sliders, fresh fruit, pinwheels, chips, cookies and more.

Cost to attend is \$10 per participant, \$10 per member and \$15 per non-member. Each performer will receive an award for their participation. Entries are limited to 12 performers. Pre-registration is required.

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

Republican Women's Club

Republican candidates for Congress and Florida Senate will be the speakers at the regular monthly luncheon meeting of the Fort Myers Republican Women's Club on Tuesday, June 21.

Republican candidates accepting the invitation to date include Chauncey Goss, candidate for U.S. House Congressional District 19; Jason Maughan, Florida Senate District 27; and Kathleen

Passidomo, Florida Senate District 28. The candidates will present their qualifications and platforms. A question-and-answer session will follow their prepared remarks.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon and the program being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch will be followed by the candidate forum. The luncheon cost is \$18. Reservations are required by Thursday, June 16, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie at 489-4701. Checks may be written to Republican candidates of choice. The club will pay for their luncheon.

For more information, contact the president, Carole Green, at 850-590-2206.✱

NonProfit Group Distributes Bicycle Helmets

Twenty-five students were the recipients of bicycle helmets during a recent "I Will Mentor" program held at the Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Church in Fort Myers in cooperation with the Pilot Club of Fort Myers, the Fort Myers Police Department, Fort Myers Fire Department and the I Will Mentorship Board.

The students were given safety vests in addition to being fitted properly with the helmets and receiving brain safety information. The students then followed the fire truck around the neighborhood on their bicycles.

The focus of the Pilot Club of Fort Myers is helping organizations seeking to improve the quality of life for individuals with brain-related disorders through volunteer activities, education and financial support. For information about the Pilot Club, contact the president, Patsy Tortora, at 322-6138 or rptortora@aol.com.✱

Voting Updates Needed For August Primary

The League of Women Voters of Florida is encouraging the public to get out and vote, with the August 30 primary less than 90 days away.

"It is critical that all voters take the time now to update their voter information for the August 30 Florida Primary," said Pamela Goodman, president of the League of Women Voters of Florida. "The league has made it easy. Our BeReadytoVote.org has been designed as the no-spin, nonpartisan, one-stop shop for all things related to the upcoming Florida elections."

New voters must be registered by Monday, August 1.

Visit www.beareadytovote.org to learn more.✱



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LCEC's plan outlines priorities of electric restoration during large power outages, which calls for restoring essential services to hospitals, traffic signals, shelters and law enforcement. Next, power returns to the largest number of customers. The last are individual services or services that need to be reconnected after repair.

LCEC does not disconnect power before a storm. The utility lets Mother Nature run her course, and begins to restore power to impacted areas once winds are at a safe level.

How should customers prepare for outages? Ensure that you have a back-up telephone if you use a cordless or other phone that is dependent on electricity. Have a battery-powered radio on hand and a supply of fresh batteries to stay aware of news and other information. Keep a flashlight and extra batteries handy.

What if the lights go out? To keep LCEC's telephone lines clear for emergency calls, only call 656-2300 to report downed power lines. Visually check the weather-head, which is on the roof where your service drop connects to the pole, and your meter box, to make sure they are not damaged. Any

damage to an electric system must be repaired by a licensed electrician and inspected by a designated agency before power to a residence can be restored.

Also, turn off appliances. This protects them when service is restored, prevents electrical fires and lessens the chances of circuit overload. Leave one light on to serve as a visual signal that power has been restored.

LCEC has other storm safety tips:

- Stay clear of downed power lines, as they may still be energized and dangerous. Puddles contacting downed lines are just as bad.

- Don't trim trees or remove debris near downed power lines. Don't pile debris under or near electrical lines or equipment.

- Residents on life-support should have an alternate plan to ensure the continuity of any life-support needs. This may include making special arrangements to spend time with a friend or relative during an outage or using a back-up generator.

- If operating a portable generator, keep it outside and in an open area. Carbon monoxide emissions can be harmful. Follow all instructions regarding safe operation. Do not connect the generator directly to your main electrical panel. If installed incorrectly, power could flow into outside lines and injure you, your neighbors or utility crews working in the area.

- Avoid detaining LCEC employees or contractors while they are working to restore power. This can be distracting, can cause an accident and impede the process.✱

Shopping Day To Support Heights Foundation

The public is invited to attend a special shopping afternoon at Talbots Bell Tower to benefit The Heights Foundation on Tuesday, June 7 from 3 to 7 p.m. at the store, located at 13499 U.S. 41 S.E. in Fort Myers.

Talbots will donate 10 percent of pre-tax sales to The Heights Foundation. There will be complimentary bottled water and chocolates. Shoppers who make a purchase will receive a complimentary cocktail and appetizers at Cru at the Bell Tower from 5 to 8 p.m.

Proceeds will support The Heights Foundation's School Success programs for at-risk kids in the Harlem Heights neighborhood of Fort Myers.

"Our School Success program includes academic tutoring, after school and summer camp programs, scholarship and college access assistance, school supplies, and tuition support," said Kathryn Kelly, president and CEO of The Heights Foundation. "Each program is geared to

meet the specific needs of children and young adults who seek to further their education."

The Heights Foundation works to build self-sufficient families in the Harlem Heights neighborhood. The mission is to support education and wellness, promote family and community development, and provide the benefits of enrichment and the arts.

For more information, call 482-7706 or email karen@heightsfoundation.org.✱

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Free Day For Dads

and paints on paper, fabric or a T-shirt.

Visitors can spend the day with their fathers, touring Edison Ford, making a fish print and eating lunch at Pinchers, where dads will receive a free dessert.

Pre-registration cost for fish printing is \$10 for Edison Ford members and \$15 for non-members. Day of event cost is \$12 for Edison Ford members and \$17 for non-members. T-shirts will be available for purchase or participants can bring their own.

To register, or for more information, call 334-7419 or visit www.EdisonFordWinterEstates.org.✱

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Along The River

Want a use for those multi-colored ties you have wasting away in the closet?

The Gulf Coast Humane Society will be celebrating Father's Day with an ugly tie contest during **Yappy Hour** at the **Bell Tower Shops** this Friday, June 10 from 6 to 8 p.m. Participants are invited to dig out fun and ugly ties for their furry friend to model and be judged for a prize.

Yappy hour features entertainment and opportunities to visit a variety of vendors, including the GCHS booth to mingle with adoptable dogs and enter a raffle for a chance at a gift basket.

One hundred percent of proceeds from T-shirt, magnet and pet coaster sales will benefit the GCHS shelter. Other vendors include The Beach Dog, Valvoline, General Animal Hospital, PetSmart and Specialized Veterinary Services.

For more information about events with the Gulf Coast Humane Society, visit www.gulfcoasthumanesociety.org or call 332-0324.

It's time to hit the beach for a good cause.

The 2016 **Battle on the Blueway** will be held this weekend off the beachfront of Fort Myers Beach. The main site for the family-oriented festival is **Crescent Beach Family Park**. Benefitting Lee County Special Olympics, the Battle on the Blueway brings stand-up paddle boarding, Florida's native wildlife and Calusa heritage together.

There will be multiple races on the Calusa Blueway on Saturday and Sunday, including the Body Glove 2-mile, Ron Jon Pro 7 Mile, 7 Mile Open, OC-6 10 Mile Open Water Race, the Calusa Kids Race and a Special Olympic race. Some of the



Dress up your dog for the ugly tie contest at Yappy Hour at Bell Tower Shops



Sign up for a paddleboard race at the Battle on the Blueway on Fort Myers Beach

races are sanctioned by the World Paddle Association with more than \$10,000 in prize money awarded.

On Friday evening, racers can participate in a packet pickup/social at Point Ybel Brewing Race at 16120 San Carlos Boulevard in Fort Myers at 6:30 p.m. Race check-ins begin at 7 a.m. on Saturday. Races continue on Sunday.

Vendors will be on hand to pitch their wares, including paddle merchandise. Some will offer paddleboard demonstrations. Non-profit organizations will display nature and history materials, and artifacts.

Speaking of history, head down to Fort Myers Beach on Saturday for **Archaeology of the Mound House: Can You Dig It?** The 10 a.m. history and cultural event costs \$5, members are admitted free.

The Mound House has opened its museum after restoring the building to its 1921 grandeur and offers guided tours for \$10 (adults), \$8 (students with identification), \$5 (ages 6 to 12) and no charge (ages 5 and younger). The cultural and environmental learning center is Estero Island's oldest standing structure that features a unique archaeological and historical site directly on Estero Bay.

For more information, visit www.moundhouse.org and learn about the museum that sits atop a 2,000-year-old Calusa Indian Shell Mound.

Two fishing tournaments and an after party are open to the public at **Salty Sam's Marina and Bootleggers Waterfront Barbeque** on Saturday.

The 4th annual **Offshore Rodeo & Reggae Party** features a fishing tournament that starts at 6 a.m. It benefits the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida. Registration is \$250 per angler, which includes a guest to attend the dinner festivities. To register, visit www.rmhcswfl.org. For more information, email offshorero-deo@gmail.com. Listen to reggae music at Bootleggers Waterfront Barbeque during and afterwards.

The second fishing tournament on Saturday is for younger anglers. The **Kids Fishing Tournament** will run from 10 to 1 p.m. for the first 80 children ages 12 and under to pre-register. Cost is \$25, which includes a donation to the charity, T-shirt, fishing rod, trophy and lunch with Ronald McDonald.

Register at www.rmhcswfl.org (under events, click on Offshore Rodeo, then Kids Tournament) or call 437-0202.

If you would rather stay in downtown Fort Myers on Saturday, check out the **Edison Ford Winter Estates** for a presentation featuring the caring for bougainvilleas. **Garden Talk** will be conducted by guest speaker Kyle Wade, Edison Ford horticulturist and garden specialist.

The Edison Estates property has many varieties of bougainvillea to help illustrate how they grow. You will learn how to identify what you may already have as well as find the best varieties for your garden, propagating methods for new ones and checking out ways to mount them on wood.

Participants are asked to meet at the information booth at the Edison Ford garden and will receive a 20 percent discount certificate to be used in the Edison Ford Garden Shoppe.

Cost for the presentation is \$5 for Edison Ford Members and \$10 for non-members. Send an RSVP to Leeanne Criswell, Edison Ford program registrar, at lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org or call 334-7419.

The **Alliance for the Arts** will host bluegrass music on Sunday from 2 to 5 p.m. **Swinging Bridge**, a Venice-based, five piece band, will play two sets in the Foulds Theatre. Tickets are \$10 and available online at ArtInLee.org/tickets or at the door. Children age 12 and under are admitted free if accompanied by an adult. Doors open at 1 p.m. Seating is open and on a first-come, first-served basis.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Call 997-2787 for more details. Palmgrass, a non-profit supporting bluegrass and acoustic music, is presenting the concert. Visit Palmgrass.org to learn more.

Gulf Coast Symphony will introduce a **Star Wars Summer Family Concert** at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall on Sunday. Tickets are \$10.

At 1 p.m., children and adults can try out orchestra instruments in the Musical Discovery Zone, meet symphony members and show off their **Star Wars** and space-related costumes.

At 2 p.m., the concert begins, featuring music from **Star Wars** and other works that explore space and the universe.

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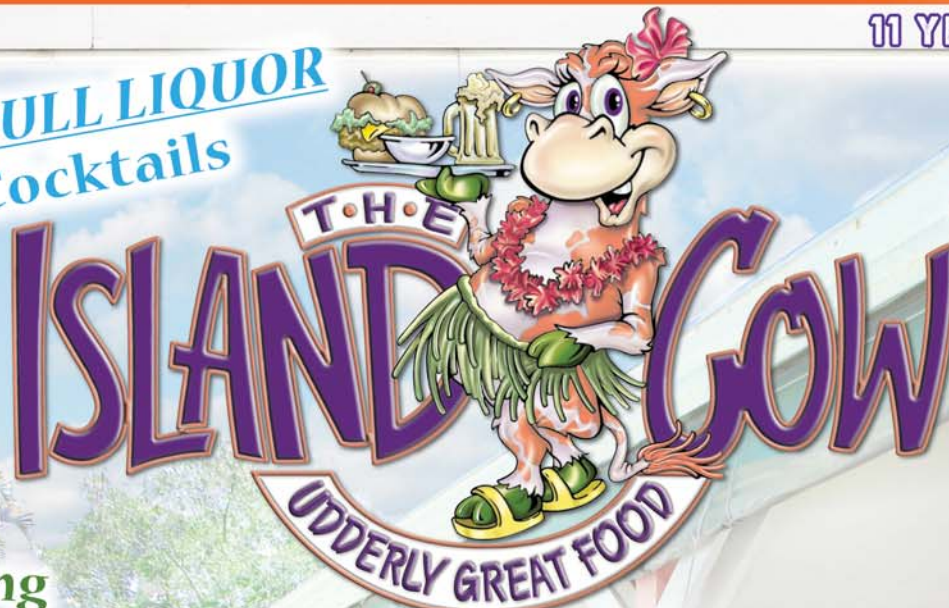
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5620 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. Rabbi Yitzchok Minkowicz. 433-7708, rabbi@chabadswf.org. www.chabadswf.org. Friday service 6:30 p.m.; Saturday Kabbalah class 9 a.m.; Shacharit 10 a.m.; Kiddush at noon. Minyan Monday and Thursday 7 a.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Miss Charlotta's Tea Room

Historical Village To Hold Free Admission Day June 18

For the third year in a row, the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village will offer free admission for all visitors on Saturday, June 18.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village tells the story of Sanibel from the Calusa and Spanish eras to the early pioneer families who settled on the island in the 1800s. It tells of warriors, adventurers, fishermen, farmers and proprietors. The island's way of life is recreated in a village of 11 structures that have been relocated from their original sites, restored and preserved. Visitors trace the footsteps of the island's past as they meander along a handicapped-accessible boardwalk lined with buildings that represent "old Sanibel," as island pioneer Sam Bailey used to say. Visitors can tour a pioneer home, fishing cottage, post office, schoolhouse, tea room, general store, and more.



Aerial view of the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village

Learn more at the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village, open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. A full guided tour takes place at 10:30 a.m. at no additional charge and depending on the availability of a docent. The museum closes for the summer August 1 and re-opens October 18.

The Sanibel Historical Village is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS) and there is handicap access to all buildings. Aside from Free Admission Day, admission is \$10 for adults (18 and over). Members and children are free. For more information, call 472-4648 during museum hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.



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Enjoy The Variety



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

With tarpon fishing continuing to be tough at times, it felt good to mix it up and go after some other species this week. All our passes are loaded with

snook of all sizes. During the clear water incoming tide, it's almost as much fun to just to look at how many snook there are as it is to try to catch them. With our summer rain pattern not quite in full swing yet, these pass snook are feeding much better during the outgoing tide when the water is not quite so clear.

Both beach and pass fishing for snook continue to improve as these fish are getting together in giant numbers before the annual spawn. If you do target these fish, handle them as little as possible before releasing them. Snook season is closed until September, although summer always brings some of the best catch and release snook action of the year.

Big daytime high tides proved the perfect set up to go after redfish under the bushes. Warm, if not hot water temperatures, meant switching over from live baits and using cut baits for the better bite. Cut ladyfish, cut pinfish and frozen jumbo shrimp caught lots of slot-sized redfish throughout the whole sound. With the big high tides we have experienced the last few weeks, anglers have had a little bit longer window to fish the bushes than usual. While snook fishing in the passes this week, we had quite a few over the slot redfish with a few pushing right around the mid 30-inch range.

Gag grouper season opened June 1, and inshore anglers have been getting a few keepers both in the passes and on inshore structure. Now that the minimum size for gag grouper has been raised to 24 inches, it's amazing how many gags we catch that are just an inch or two short of that. Drop a big live pinfish straight down on your favorite piece of inshore structure and try to wrestle out one of these hard-fighting fish. There is no other fish in our waters that hits a bait as hard as a gag grouper in shallow water.

Mangrove snapper fishing in the sound just keeps getting better as our water temperature continues to climb.



Chloe Sowers from St Louis with an oversized redfish caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell

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All summer long I target these tasty fish through the whole sound against the mangroves. Later in the summer they also get in the deeper passes in huge numbers. They are both plentiful and one of our better eating fish. Live free-lined shiners are the go-to bait for catching the bigger fish. Live shrimp also catch them, but they are often the smaller ones. In clear water, downsize both your leader and use a light wire hook to get them to

bite. These fish have great eyesight and can be very leader shy.

Locating tarpon this week proved to be the easy part of the equation. On several trips, we sat right in tons of rolling fish and struggled to get bit. Watching tarpon for hours, it's often hard to keep your focus when you do finally get that one shot at it. While sitting in a pack of boats in the middle sound this week and fishing in the annual Useppa Island Tarpon Tournament during three hours of constantly watching fish roll and free jump, only two boats hooked up. Once you locate this many fish in one place, it's hard to leave even though they just won't seem to eat. Trying a wide variety of baits and downsizing your gear is all you can do. Tarpon fishing is like most other fishing. You just don't leave fish to find fish no matter how frustrating it can be.

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

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Celebrate National Seashell Day June 20

The Mound House, located at 451 Connecticut Street on Fort Myers Beach, will celebrate National Seashell Day on Monday, June 20 with programs and tours.

At 9 a.m., check out the Shells of Fort Myers Beach program, a hands-on, touch tank experience providing an opportunity to learn about and handle live specimens. Cost is \$5, plus museum admission; members are free.

The Calusa Shell Mound Tour departs at two different times, 10 and 11 a.m. Known as the "Shell People," the Calusa created extensive trade networks and established over 50 towns and villages atop massive shell mound complexes along the shores of Southwest Florida. The new main museum and underground archaeological exhibit offer a glimpse into how shells have shaped the island's history. Cost is \$15, museum admission included; members are free.

At noon, The Shell Age – Tools of the Calusa program gets under way. Learn how the Calusa used natural resources, including shells, to craft the implements of day-to-day life, such as trade items, art, adornments and weapons. A hands-on touch tank experience with live shells brings this history to life. Cost is \$5, plus museum admission; members are free.

Finally, from 6 to 9 p.m., hop on a Sunset/Full Moon Rising Guided Kayak Tour and explore tidal creeks and mangrove tunnels extending into the hidden backwaters of Estero Bay as only a kayaker can. Tour is weather permitting. Reservations are required by calling 765-0865. Cost is \$60; members are \$30.

Museum admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for students with college ID, \$5 for ages 6 to 12 and free for ages 5 and under. Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Free onsite parking is available.

For more information, visit moundhouse.org.



A sneak peek at the Water/Ways exhibit

Smithsonian Exhibit Coming To 'Ding' Darling

A Water/Ways traveling exhibit, in partnership with the Museum On Main Street program and supported by the Smithsonian and Florida Humanities Council, will open at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel this fall.

The exhibit, running Saturday, October 29 through Friday, December 9, takes a global look at water relative to the environment, culture and history. "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), host of the exhibit, will show a series of films, sponsored by LCEC, focusing on water issues. Family programs, giveaways and other activities are in the planning stages.

On Saturday, November 26, a Kids' Fishing Derby will take place on the causeway, in conjunction with the exhibit. The Southwest Florida Fine Craft Guild plans a water and nature show, entitled Engulfed.

Partners including Tarpon Bay Explorers, the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum, CROW and Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation will participate, offering programs and discounts.

After a bidding process, the "Ding" was chosen as one of six Florida locations to host Water/Ways. Representatives from the refuge and DDWS traveled to north Florida for instruction on how to set up and interpret the exhibit.

"It's an amazing exhibit," said Supervisory Refuge Ranger Toni Westland, one of the representatives.

"We love how it brings to light the growing problem of water scarcity worldwide and the overall high Smithsonian-level quality. It certainly lives up to the Smithsonian name and promises to inspire all who experience it."

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Plant Smart

Fountain Grass



Non-native fountain grass is pretty, but can be invasive unless it's a non-reseeding cultivar
photos by Gerri Reaves

by Gerri Reaves

Fountain grass (*Pennisetum polystachyon*) is a clumping bunch grass native to Africa. It is considered a noxious weed by both the State of Florida and the federal government.

Other common names are missiongrass, swamp foxtail, West Indian pennisetum and thin napiergrass.

Its more common relative, purple fountain grass (*Pennesetum setaceum*

“Rubrum”), has reddish plumes and is also noxious and invasive.

Fountain grass is commonly used in mass planting or as a container plant or border.

The fast-growing clumps reach three to four feet high with a wide spread. An extensive deep fibrous root system supports the plant.

Showy white or pinkish flowers appear on feathery bottlebrush-like spikes (penna is Latin for feather). The spikes, which are sometimes droopy, bloom most profusely in summer and fall.

The seeds travel by wind, water or hitch a ride on clothing.

It is not salt tolerant and prefers full sun. Smaller cultivars are available, too.

Low-maintenance, drought tolerance and beauty are this plant's winning qualities. However, because it is invasive, consider planting native ornamental grasses instead.

Natives are not only low-maintenance and just as pretty, but provide benefits to wildlife, too. Alternatives include muhly grass (*Muhlenbergia capillaries*) and Fakahatchee grass (*Tripsacum dactyloides*).

If you do choose to install fountain grass, select a cultivar that will not reseed.

Sources: *Your Florida Guide to Shrubs* by Edward F. Gilman et al., floridata.com, and plants.usda.gov

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧



This ornamental grass produces feathery flower spikes

Gardening Club June Meeting

The Edible Gardening Exchange will host Dr. Martin Price, founding executive director of ECHO, on Thursday, June 16 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will take place at the North Fort Myers Recreation Center, 2000 North Recreation Park Way in North Fort Myers.

Price now volunteers for ECHO, an information hub to help solve global hunger, regarding small-farm tropical agriculture and urban gardening. Price

will discuss vegetables that thrive in Southwest Florida at the meeting.

Plan to arrive at 5:30 p.m. for an open and informal chat on edible topics. Bring something to share: seeds, plants or a snack, and also bring a cup for free coffee and tea.

A \$10 fee, payable at the front desk, covers six monthly classes from April to September. A Lee Parks and Recreation lifetime membership card is also required, which has a one-time cost of \$10 per person.

For more information, call or text Karen Harty at 610-530-8883 or email GrowAGardener@gmail.com.✧

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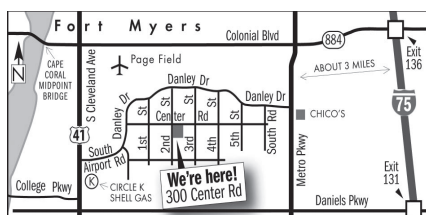


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CROW Case Of The Week:

Gopher Tortoise



by Bob Petcher

The gopher tortoise (*Gopherus polyphemus*) is a cold-blooded reptile with a slow, business-like walk that resembles a tank moving over rugged terrain. Its sturdy front limbs, much like the legs of an elephant, appear to swat at the ground when traversing to a destination.

Gopher tortoises are land lovers that like to dig deep burrows for shelter with their shovel-like forelimbs and attached claws.

With Southwest Florida sea turtle season (May through October) now in full swing, it is important to distinguish between the ground-based gopher tortoise and the water-based sea turtle. There are reports of well-intentioned good Samaritans incorrectly releasing gopher tortoise hatchlings into the ocean. According to the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, gopher tortoises cannot swim that well and can easily drown.

If you see a turtle and are unsure what species you are inspecting, simply look at the animal's limbs from a distance. Gopher tortoises have toes and claws protruding from them, while sea turtles have flippers with only one or two claws on each fore-flipper.

Recently, CROW received a gigantic gopher tortoise from Koreshan State Park. He is a "repeat customer" at the Sanibel clinic and could possibly be a record-setter for its size.

Previously listed at 28 pounds during a medical visit to CROW last year, the two-time patient currently is down to 24 pounds but still much larger than the aver-

age 15-pound gopher tortoise. It is considered one of the, if not the largest of its species in the state of Florida.

Last year, the tortoise was brought to CROW on February 13 and stayed until March 25 with what CROW officials called an upper respiratory disease. He was given antibiotics and returned to good health before being released.

This year, the Estero park resident was brought to CROW in late May as a precautionary measure after he was pulled out of his collapsed burrow. The big guy hadn't been seen in weeks and was thought to have passed. Koreshan State Park officials released the following statement:

"It had been some months since any of us had seen him, and we began to assume the worst, since his burrow had collapsed. One day I happened to be driving by his burrow when I noticed that some of the recent rains we experienced had eroded away part of where the entrance to his burrow was. I looked inside and saw two gopher tortoise legs poking out of a wall of sediment. Upon seeing this, I truly believed that he had passed away. We decided to dig out the giant tortoise so that we wouldn't have a decomposing animal in the most visited part of our park. Upon doing so, the tortoise retracted his legs back into his shell, proving to us that he had not died and was just in a state of hibernation. We finished pulling the tortoise out of the burrow, where he lay upside down, covered in sediment for so long that roots had begun to grow around him. We were all thrilled to see that he was still alive and immediately decided to bring him to CROW to make sure that he would be alright."

At the CROW hospital this time around, the gopher tortoise was treated for a nasal discharge and wore a nebulizer, a drug delivery device used to administer medication in the form of a mist inhaled into the lungs.

CROW medical officials say the adult reptile is not rebounding as fast as it did last year during his initial visit. "It spends a lot of time outside but it is not grazing



This gopher tortoise is one of the largest in the state of Florida

(eating) as it should be," the report stated. "It does have a respiratory infection and is currently receiving medication so the vets will have to see if its condition improves and the infection clears."

While the resident gopher tortoise has reportedly been around Koreshan State Historic Site for at least 30 years and is estimated to be as old as age 50, Florida scientists have yet to determine if the CROW patient is indeed the largest of its species in the state at the current time.

While that determination is pending, there is hope he lives to become the oldest gopher tortoise in the state.

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



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Children will cruise along the Caloosahatchee aboard the *M/V Edison Explorer*, collect water and perform water quality experiments to test the levels of nitrates, phosphates, ammonia, pH and salinity. Pure Florida's Pure Education team will work alongside students as they record their results and explain the importance of each element in its relation to the health of the waterways and the marine wildlife that inhabit Southwest Florida estuaries and rely on healthy water.

The Marine Science Kids Cruise is an excellent way for children to get hands-on



A young girl aboard the *M/V Edison Explorer*



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right in their environment to learn the history of Southwest Florida waterways and best practices for clean water preservation. Children and their families can enjoy sightseeing along the Caloosahatchee River at the conclusion of the science portion of the cruise. While Pure Florida cannot guarantee animal sightings in the wild, potential wildlife sightings include dolphins, eagles, manatee, native birds and more.

Reservations can be made by contacting the Fort Myers reservation office at 919-2965. Admission is \$32 for adults, with free child admission with every paid adult. Additional child admission is \$16. The *M/V Edison Explorer* departs from The Marina at Edison Ford, located at 2360 W. First Street in Fort Myers. For more information, visit www.PureFL.com.✪

Free Guided Nature Walk



This Carolina wren is one of many species that find protected habitat at Telegraph Creek Preserve in Alva

photo by Kharli Rose

A Lee County Conservation 20/20 volunteer naturalist will lead a free guided nature walk on Saturday, June 18 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Telegraph Creek Preserve, 16451 North River Road in Alva.

This large Conservation 20/20 preserve provides critical habitat for the Florida panther, crested caracara, red-cockaded woodpecker and eastern indigo snake. This preserve also includes suitable habitat for the Florida scrub-jay, a federally-listed threatened species. Restoration efforts, including prescribed burns, will focus on improving this habitat for scrub-jays to return to this area.

Telegraph Creek flows through the southeastern portion of this preserve. The preserve is also adjacent to Caloosahatchee Regional Park and Bob Janes Preserve, a Conservation 20/20 preserve which, in turn, is adjacent to Babcock Ranch Preserve

in Charlotte County. Together, these conservation lands provide a critical corridor to support wildlife.

Visitors are advised to wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes that can get wet or boots. Long pants and long sleeves, hats, sunscreen, bug spray, cameras, binoculars and water are recommended.

A complete schedule of guided walks at Conservation 20/20 Preserves is at <http://www.conservation2020.org>. No reservations are required. For additional information or questions, call (239) 204-1125.✪

Local Nonprofit Receives \$75,000 Grant

Community Cooperative has been awarded a \$75,000 grant from the board of trustees of the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation.

Serving more than 10,000 individuals each year, Community Cooperative is a local organization driven to eliminate hunger and homelessness in Lee County. The funds from this grant will be used to support emergency food programs provided by the organization.

"We are so thrilled to hear that Community Cooperative has been chosen to receive such a large grant. These funds will make a significant difference to our emergency food programs", said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative. "We are excited for how many individuals this will help in our community."

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Miracle To Feature Fireworks July 3



Fort Myers Miracle are set for a patriotic celebration on Sunday, July 3

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The Fort Myers Miracle want to help you celebrate the Fourth of July with their recipe for patriotism: fried and specialty foods, fireworks and baseball.

Head to Hammond Stadium at the CenturyLink Sports Complex on Sunday, July 3. After the 6:05 p.m. game with the Jupiter Hammerheads, the Miracle will present a red, white and blue fireworks display in the Southwest Florida sky.

"There are many fireworks in the summer that are just a quick flash in the sky," said Miracle General Manager Andrew Seymour. "At Hammond Stadium, we've got entertainment on the field, between innings and, of course, the pyrotechnics once the game is over."

Gates open at 4:30 p.m. and parking is \$4 per vehicle. Tickets are available in advance and start at \$8.50. To order tickets, call 768-4210 or visit miraclebaseball.com.

"We'll do the cooking, the cleaning and provide every convenience for our fans," added Seymour.

The fireworks are presented by CenturyLink, Coors Light and 96 K-ROCK.✱

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Bus Trip To See Rays Vs. Red Sox

Get ready to enjoy America's favorite pastime as the Lake Kennedy Cruisers head to St. Petersburg on Wednesday, June 29. See one of the most popular games of the summer as the hometown Tampa Rays take on the Boston Red Sox. Bus trip participants should arrive by 9 a.m. prior to the 9:15 a.m. departure. First pitch is at 12:10 p.m.

Tropicana Field is a closed roof, air conditioned facility. Bus trip participants will be seated in the lower level section 115. Small soft coolers for snacks and one liter or less bottled waters are welcomed inside Tropicana Field.

Cost is \$92 per member and \$97 per non-member. Pre-registration is required.

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

Buy Lemonade, Support Hospital

Lee Memorial Health System Foundation is partnering with Chick-fil-A stores this June to help support a local children's hospital.

Purchase a Chick-fil-A Frosted Lemonade at a participating Southwest Florida store, and \$1 per drink will go to Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

Those locations participating include: Pine Island Road, Cypress Lake Drive, Colonial Boulevard, Alico Road, Estero, Naples Center, Port Charlotte and Coastland Center Mall.

"We thank Chick-fil-A for choosing Golisano Children's Hospital as a partner in this promotion," said Skip Leonard, chief foundation officer, Lee Memorial Health System Foundation. "This effort is especially noteworthy as it includes Chick-fil-A stores throughout Southwest Florida and recognizes the regional nature of the Children's Hospital - providing care to all children from across our service area."

For more information, call Jason Powella at 343-6065 or email Jason.Powella@LeeMemorial.org.✱

Lee County Hosts Perfect Game Scout Showcase

Lee County will host the Perfect Game 2016 National Showcase from June 15 to 20 at the JetBlue Park in Fort Myers. The Perfect Game National Showcase is one of the premier scouting events for young players in amateur baseball. More than 1,700 players who have attended past events have gone on to be selected in Major League Baseball amateur player drafts.

There will be two live broadcasts on Major League Baseball's www.MLB.com at 8 p.m. on Saturday, June 18 and on Sunday, June 19. There will be a link to view the MLB live broadcast on the Perfect Game home page at www.perfectgame.org 90 minutes prior to the broadcast.

The Perfect Game National Showcase features more than 300 incoming high school seniors, and Lee County anticipates approximately 500 college and professional scouts and the nation's top professional sports agents to be present during the showcase. Last year's event generated approximately \$725,000 in direct economic impact, \$8,910 in resort tax and 1,800 hotel room nights.

"As one of the most heavily followed events by college coaches and scouts, the Perfect Game National Showcase generates great exposure for high school athletes, as well as for Lee County," said Jeff Mielke, executive director of Lee County



The Perfect Game 2016 National Showcase will be held at JetBlue Park from June 15 to 20

Sports Development. "We anticipate a positive economic impact from the 2016 showcase and look forward to bringing a great event to the Southwest Florida community, featuring our nation's most promising athletes."

The Perfect Game National Showcase serves as the last step in the Perfect Game All-American Classic selection process. The top 50 players at the Perfect Game National Showcase will be selected to play in the Perfect Game All-American Classic at Petco Park in San Diego, California on August 14, which will be televised on MLB Network.

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Cleveland Cavaliers Will Add To City's Losing Draught Barring Miracle



by Ed Frank

The world of sports is a world of records, statistics, memories, conflicts, personalities and a multitude of trivia. And when you think of losing draughts, you probably first mention the Chicago Cubs who haven't won a World Series in 108 years – the longest in professional sports. But do you know what city has gone the longest without a championship in the four major leagues: the National Basketball Association, Major League Baseball, National Football League and the National Hockey League? It's Cleveland – 51 years of misery that appears will notch another year on the city's losing scoreboard.

As I wrote this column earlier this week, LeBron James' Cleveland Cavaliers had been humiliated by the Golden State Warriors in the first two games of the NBA Finals and limped back to Cleveland in the hopes of finding answers to what appears to be the unstoppable Golden State.

Unless those answers are found, the City of Cleveland will extend its losing draught that goes all the way back to 1964 when the Cleveland Browns won a championship in the pre-merger NFL days. Since that merger, the Browns have never made it to a Super Bowl.

The Cleveland Indians last won a World Series in 1948. In case you're interested, here are other cities that have gone decades without a championship: Milwaukee, 45 years; Cincinnati, 26 years; Minneapolis-St Paul, 25 years; Washington 24 years; Toronto, 23 years; and Atlanta, 20 years. It's somewhat puzzling that the Cavaliers were so inept against Golden State in those first two games. The powerful James and his teammates were simply no match to the Warriors, losing 104-89 in Game One and being blown out by a humiliating 110-77 score in Game Two. Unless the Cavaliers can reverse course quickly this week in Games Three and Four at home, they will fall to Golden State two years in a row. And LeBron, with seven NBA Finals on his resume, will have only the two championship rings he won in Miami.

In fairness, the Golden State Warriors must be considered one of the all-time great teams in NBA history. The team's 73-9 regular record this past season was the best in league history, surpassing the 72-win season of Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls. The old cliché "records are made to be broken" may be true. But it will take a miracle for the Cavaliers to break their city's long losing record. **Miracle's Tyler Jay League Player Of The Week** The Minnesota Twins downfall this year is attributable to large extent poor pitching. Perhaps their first-round draft selection last year, pitcher Tyler Jay, will provide needed help in the future. The 22-year-old left hander, the sixth overall pick in the 2015 Major League Draft, was recently named the Florida State League Player of the Week, after pitching eight shutout innings on May 31. Jay is 4-4 in his first season of professional baseball with a 2.44 ERA in 51.2 innings pitched. The Miracle is host to the 2016 Florida State League All-Star Game Saturday, June 18 at Hammond Stadium. Eight Miracle Players will participate in the annual classic. The Miracle are on the road next week and will not return home for regular season play until after the All-Star break when they host Charlotte for three games beginning Tuesday, June 21.✱

SPORTS QUIZ

1. When was the last time before 2015 that three Pittsburgh Pirate starting pitchers, over three consecutive games, recorded double-digit strikeouts?
2. Of Tom Glavine, Greg Maddux and John Smoltz, who recorded the most victories for the Atlanta Braves?
3. Duke Johnson became the all-time leader in career rushing yards (3,519) for the University of Miami Hurricanes in 2014. Who had been No. 1?
4. In 2015, Hassan Whiteside set the Miami Heat team mark with 12 blocked shots in a game. Who had held the record?
5. Who was the first New York Rangers player to tally 40 or more goals in an NHL season?
6. Penn State has won five of the past six NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. What school was the other winner during that time period?
7. Jordan Spieth set a record at the 2015 Masters with 28 birdies in 72 holes. Who had held the mark?

ANSWERS

1. It was September 1969 (Bob Veale, Bob Moose and Dock Ellis). 2. Glavine, 244 wins in 17 seasons with Atlanta; Smoltz, 210 wins in 20 seasons; Maddux, 194 wins in 11 seasons. 3. Ottis Anderson tallied 3,331 yards (1975-78). 4. Alonzo Mourning, with nine. 5. Andy Bathgate in the 1958-59 season. 6. Ohio State, in 2015. 7. Phil Mickelson had 25 birdies in 2001.

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Junior League Of Fort Myers Completes Donation Project

The Junior League of Fort Myers (JLFM) sustainers recently completed a six-month project, culminating in almost 2,000 pairs of children's and women's underwear being donated to The Salvation Army.

More than 250 bags, each containing multiple pairs of new underwear, will be given to homeless families or those who have fallen on hardship.

"Going back to our old days of outreach in the community, we did active research and development to see where the real needs of our community were," said Linda Uhler, JLFM sustainer. "Everyone feels really good when they have a clean pair of underwear, and while many give donations of clothing, new underwear is not often at one's top of mind awareness for those in need."

Sustainer Carolyn Gora tagged each of the bags with one of her own poems: "We're aware you deserve a pair of brand new underwear. We've got you covered!" "We call this our undercover gift to the community because it's the recipient's secret gift and only they know about it, but it still makes them feel special," Gora said. "We are grateful to the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee for helping us coordinate and achieve this project."

"This generous donation by the Sustainers of the Junior League will not only help those in our homeless shelter but also benefit the families in our Rapid Rehousing Program that helps find housing within 30 days, ensuring stability for our local children," added Maj. Timothy Gilliam, area commander of The Salvation Army. "Many of these families have little or nothing when they are placed in their homes, so donations like these really make a difference."

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



Back row from left, Maj. Timothy Gilliam, Laura Oak, Helen Crumbie, Becky Antonucci, Cindy Roberts, Myra Walters, Sandy Greenberg, Pam Dorchak, Danyale Kinney, Ann McCaughan, Lou Pontius, Hannah Pelle, Linda Uhler, Carolyn Gora and Bob Poff. Front row, from left, Olivia Turner and Keira Pelle.

Workforce Study Results Released

Which Southwest Florida occupation has the largest gap between the number of workers demanded by employers and the available supply in the labor market?

This question was studied by Workforce Now's Report: *Southwest Florida's Workforce Strong, in Flux*.

Workforce Now is an initiative that studies the regional workforce and is comprised of researchers from Florida Gulf Coast University, Hodges University and Florida SouthWestern State College. Workforce Now is also a partner to the FutureMakers Coalition.

One outcome revealed a great demand for registered nurses; however, this occupation did not make the Top 10 list in a 2014 study. The study reveals the demand for nurses exceeded the available supply by 534 workers.

Other Southwest Florida occupations showing significant gaps included retail and construction supervisors, maintenance and repair workers, speech language pathologists and physical therapists.

"The study identifies occupations where the workforce needs are greatest

in our area," said Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, which serves as an anchor organization for the FutureMakers Coalition. "The needs are short term as opposed to long term. But, they're the occupations employers are having the hardest time filling. This creates a domino effect on the quality of life in our region, which is why it is important to have current and relevant information to drive positive change together as a region."

Additional findings show that Southwest Florida's employment now exceeds 543,000 workers, or about 6 percent of the state's workforce. The average Southwest Florida wage is \$38,852, compared to \$44,810 for Florida and \$51,296 for the nation.

The region's largest industries by employment are retail trade (19 percent), accommodation and food services (15.5 percent), healthcare and social assistance (14.1 percent) and construction (9.9 percent). In contrast, the largest industries by wage income included healthcare and social assistance (18.1 percent), retail trade (13.8 percent), construction (10.3 percent), accommodation and food services (8.4 percent), and professional and technical services (8.3 percent).

The fastest-growing industries between 2010 and 2014, as measured by employment, were accommodation and food services (10,656), retail trade (8,731), construction (7,574), healthcare and social assistance (4,825), and administrative and waste services (4,567). However, slowest-growth industries during that time period were utilities (24), information (113), mining, quarrying and natural gas extraction (122), and finance and insurance (299).

The study projects that the fastest growth industries six years from now will be construction (adding 1,675 jobs per year), healthcare and social assistance (1,460 jobs per

year), retail trade (991 jobs per year), accommodations and food services (872 jobs per year), and self-employed and unpaid family workers (549 jobs per year).

"The study suggests a dynamic labor market with shortages and surpluses in several of the industries in our region," Owen added. "In terms of the long-term needs of our region, it shows in a pretty dramatic way areas where resources should be administered to address workforce needs."

The complete study can be downloaded online at <http://goo.gl/ZTJgFn>.✱

Marine Owner Awarded With Key To The City

The owner of a Fort Myers-based marine recently celebrated a work milestone and was awarded with a key to the city.

Scott D. Rush, owner of San Carlos Marine, celebrated his 40th year at his 3300 Palm Beach Boulevard business with family, friends and customers on Wednesday, June 1.

The celebration featured raffles, fishing charter giveaways, food, drinks and live music. Rush offered special thanks to Rep. Heather Fitzenhagen, Mayor Randy Henderson, Sawyer Smith esq., Jeffery and Leland Garvin esq., Richard Akin, local fishing guides, hog hunting guides, Yamaha Outboards, TideWater Boats, FGCU Fishing Club and others that helped make the day a success.

Event photos are available at facebook.com/sancarlosmarine.✱

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Financial Focus

Don't Keep Family In The Dark About Plans



by Jennifer Basey

You might work diligently at building a financial roadmap for your retirement years and a comprehensive estate plan. But you can't just create these strate-

gies – you also have to communicate them. Specifically, you need to inform your spouse and your grown children what you have in mind for the future – because the more they know, the fewer the surprises that await them down the road.

Let's start with your spouse. Ideally, of course, you and your spouse should have already communicated about your respective ideas for retirement and have come to an agreement on the big issues, such as when you both plan to retire, where you'll live during retirement and what you want to do as retirees (volunteer, travel, work part time, and so on).

But what you both might have let slip through the cracks are the important specifics related to financing your retirement. You'll need to answer several questions, including these:

- When will you each start taking Social Security?

- Are there strategies for maximizing both of your Social Security payments?

- When will you need to start tapping into your respective retirement accounts, such as your IRA and 401(k)? And, once you do start withdrawing from these accounts, how much should you take out each year?

You may want to work with a financial professional to address these issues. However you proceed, you and your spouse need to be "on the same page" regarding the key financial components of your retirement.

Now, consider your grown children. You need to clearly communicate your estate plans to them, not only for the sake of openness and honesty, but also because they may well play active roles within those plans. So, when talking to your children, make sure you cover these areas:

- Durable power of attorney – You may well decide to give one of your grown children the durable power of attorney to pay bills and make financial choices on your behalf if you are unable to do so.

- Estate executor – An executor is the person or entity you name in your will to carry out your wishes. An executor has a variety of responsibilities, so you'll want to choose someone who is honest and capable of dealing with legal and financial matters. Again, you could ask a grown child to serve as your executor, but, to avoid potential conflict of interests among your children, you might want to go outside the family. Talk with an attorney about how best to name your executor.

- Status of will and living trust – Assuming you have already drawn up a will, share it with your grown children. The same is true with a living trust, a popular estate-planning tool that may allow your survivors to avoid going through the time-consuming, public and expensive process of probate. A will and a living trust will obviously contain a great deal of information your children should know about – so take the time to explain your thinking when you created these documents.

You want to enjoy a comfortable retirement, and you want to leave a meaningful legacy through your estate plans. To help accomplish both these

goals, you need to include your loved ones in your arrangements – so open those lines of communication.

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FGCU Hosting CEO Academy

This month, teenagers interested in entrepreneurship can discover what it takes to become a successful business leader at the CEO Academy, an exclusive one-week summer camp. Presented by the Institute for Entrepreneurship and Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida, CEO Academy will take place at the Lutgert College of Business from June 20 to 24.

Open to high school juniors and seniors from Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties, CEO Academy teaches students the basics of starting and operating a successful business. With the guidance of experienced local business leaders, Small Business Development Center counselors, entrepreneurs and FGCU faculty, students will work in project teams to develop a unique business concept, comprehensive business model and prototype.

Through support from Southwest Florida's Family Business Foundation and Breaking Par at Grandeza, the Institute for Entrepreneurship and Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida will award a total of \$9,000 in college scholarships to students on the winning and second place teams for the business plan competition held at the conclusion of the camp. The judging panel will consist of past Junior Achievement laureates. This opportunity provides students with invaluable knowledge and experience from successful business leaders and entrepreneurs, an excellent addition to a college application and the chance to participate in future Junior Achievement events.

Camp hours are Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday from 9 a.m. to noon.

For more information on the Institute for Entrepreneurship, contact Amy Ridgway at aridgway@fgcu.edu. ✴

FGCU Alumni Board Elects New Members

The Florida Gulf Coast University Alumni Association recently announced its new incoming board members for the 2016 to 2018 term.

Jesse Bouchard, a member of the board since 2012, will serve as chair-elect. He is the director of development for Northwestern Mutual: The

Glenn Black Group.

Joining Bouchard as an officer of the Alumni Association board is Andrew Miller as chair of the outreach committee.

New board members include Jaimie Duthoy, Wilmaide Joseph, Taylor Marini, Justin Warzala, Jesse Gill, Chelsea Bear, Brent Oliver and Nicole Rieg.

Members returning for a second term are Frank Losada, Lauren Schuetz, Michael Eovino, Michael Nacheff and Ryan Kowadla.

The FGCU Alumni Association is committed to building enduring relationships between alumni and the university community through enriching programs, pride, achievement and the encouragement of alumni involvement.

For more information, contact Kimberly Wallace, director of Alumni Relations at 590-1087. ✴

Free Autism Screening For Toddlers, Children

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

The next screening on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile will be held on Friday, June 17 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Family Health Center, located at 2256 Heitman Street in Fort Myers.

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

Medical consultants for the project stress that an early diagnosis can make a vast difference for toddlers and their families. They say early intensive behavioral intervention can make an immense difference not just in the development of the child, but in their families as well.

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

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



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High school students attended a reception in their honor at the Ronald McDonald House; from left, Kiana Guerrazzi, Sayde Weaver, Pristina Kua, Rose Graves, Marissa Mitchell, Eric Metaj, Mark Torres, Alyssa DiCaterina, Hanna Haxton, Emma Cahoon and Jessy McLean

Ronald McDonald House Charities Honors 13 Students

Thirteen high school seniors from Lee, Charlotte, Collier and Hendry counties received a scholarship from Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of Southwest Florida. The scholarship program recognizes top performance in educational excellence and community involvement.

Lee County students Sara Bryce, Alyssa DiCaterino, Austin Ebenger, Rose Graves, Kiana Guerrazzi, Jessy McLean and Sayde Weaver will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Marissa Mitchell of Lee County will receive \$1,000 each year for four years. Collier County students Eric Metaj and Mark Torres will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Hanna Haxton and Pristina Kuo of Charlotte County will each receive a \$1,000 scholarship. Emma Cahoon of Glades County will also receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Students and their families were invited to a reception held in their honor on Saturday, May 14 at the Ronald McDonald House in Fort Myers.

"The RMHC U.S. Scholarship Program provides high school seniors who wish to continue their education the opportunity to apply for a scholarship and receive financial assistance to attend college," said David Schiering, RMHC scholarship committee chair. "It is our goal to help make the dream of a college education a reality for students who may not otherwise attend college."

The mission of Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida is to create, find and support programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information about Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida, visit www.rmhcswfl.org or call 437-0202. ✨

New Program Director

Valerie's House, a new nonprofit devoted to helping children and families work through grief following the loss of a loved one, has hired Danielle Visone as program director.

Visone holds a master in social work from Florida Gulf Coast University's College of Health Professions and Social Work as well as a bachelor of arts in psychology.

Visone plans grief activities for children and their parents, recruits and trains facilitators and volunteers, enrolls children, ensures support services are meeting the needs of grieving families, and makes presentations to schools and other organizations.

To learn more, go to valerieshouseswfl.org, call 841-9186 or email danielle@valerieshouseswfl.org. ✨



Danielle Visone

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Sittercise Class

Enjoy a fun way to start your day with Sittercise, offered at the Lake Kennedy Senior Center every Wednesday.

A sitting calisthenics class where participants use a chair for support while doing gentle exercises, Amanda Pendergrast with Griswold Homecare will lead participants through a series of exercises that will encourage staying fit and active. Anyone can benefit from sittercise as its focus is primarily on strength, balance, coordination, flexibility, endurance and overall improved function as we age. Sittercise is a fun way to maintain health as well as decrease the return to the hospital setting after discharge, and to alleviate or postpone the progression of chronic illnesses.

Cost to attend each class is \$2 per member or \$4 per non-member.

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

Lifetime Achievement Award

Christina Harris Schwinn, Pavese Law Firm partner, received Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida, Inc.'s Lifetime Achievement Award for 2015-2016. Schwinn, who once served as president for the Junior Achievement (JA) "company" established at her high school, now serves as a JA volunteer and member of the board of directors.

Schwinn is serving a three-year term on the Junior Achievement board which manages the business, property, and affairs of the organization with the responsibility and authority to determine operating policies and practices. For the past few years, Schwinn has taught legal basics to high school students attending the annual JA CEO Academy held in partnership with the Lutgert College of Business at Florida Gulf Coast University.

"My experience as a JA student was life changing and sparked my early interest in business law, as well as my passion for giving back," said Schwinn. "Our youth need a basic understanding of financial and business principles in order to be successful in life. I'm humbled to receive this award, but most importantly, as a volunteer, I'm able to help students along the road to financial literacy by creating hands-on, real life business experiences. They are learning relevant information that will help direct their decision-making process throughout their lives. Helping students in JA is the most rewarding volunteer experience I've ever had."

Last year, Schwinn and her husband Jim participated in JA's Over The Edge urban adventure fundraiser for Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida. Schwinn and other participants raised at least \$1,000 per person for the chance to rappel down the side of the 18-story Naples Grande.

"Christina goes to great lengths to demonstrate her support for education, entrepreneurship and JA, and this is a well-deserved honor," said Charles Mann, managing partner at Pavese Law Firm. "Christina continues to raise the bar for giving back to the community and sets a great example for our partners, associates and the entire business community."

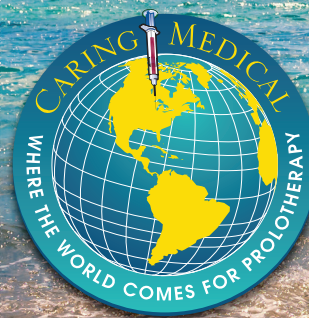
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Book Review

The Last Mile

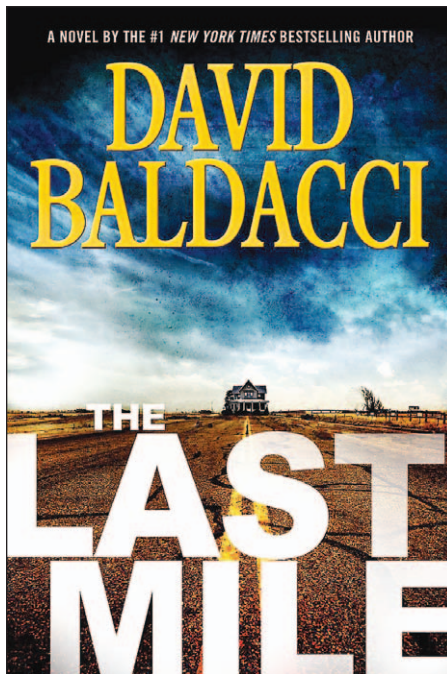


by Di Saggau

When David Baldacci writes a new book it immediately gets my attention. I love his writing style, and in *The Last Mile*, he brings us another best-selling thriller with shifting plots

and plenty of surprises. Amos Decker, an ex-cop private eye and the damaged hero of 2015's *Memory Man*, is back. Decker is stubbornly single-minded in getting to the truth. In *The Last Mile* he's hell-bent on helping Melvin Mars, who was arrested, charged, and convicted of killing his parents. On the eve of Mars' execution, he is granted an unexpected reprieve. Another man, also on death row, has confessed to the crime.

Decker is a new hire on an FBI special task force to work cold cases. The special unit also includes journalist Alexandra Jamison, clinical psychologist Lisa Davenport, and FBI field agent Todd Milligan. Decker takes an interest in Mars' case after discovering the striking similarities to his own life. Both men were talented football players with promising careers cut short by tragic events. Both men's families were brutally murdered. What's more, in both cases, another suspect came forward to confess, years after the kill-



ing. A suspect who may or may not have been telling the truth.

Texas officials are unimpressed by the revelation that has freed Mars. They want to send him back to dead-man-walking status. Decker has a photographic memory and is unable to forget anything he's witnessed since a freak brain-jarring collision during his first and last game in his NFL career. While this condition would seem fortunate for a crime-solver, for Decker, it's a curse. The indelible memory of the murder of his family haunts Decker and motivates him to unravel the

unsolved murders of Mars' parents.

When a member of Decker's team disappears, it becomes clear that something much more sinister hangs in the balance than just one convicted criminal's life. Decker has to use all of his extraordinary brainpower to stop an innocent man from being executed.

The Last Mile is another Baldacci book that is impossible to put down. At least not for very long.✱

FGCU Receives Environmental Education Grant

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced Florida Gulf Coast University as a recipient of an environmental education grant.

The university, selected under the 2015 Environmental Education Grants Program, was awarded \$90,800.

FGCU's Creating Learning Experiences and Addressing Needs of Watersheds and Aquifers Through Entrepreneurial Research (CLEAN WATER) program seeks to improve environmental literacy in seventh-grade classrooms in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. The program uses classroom and virtual learning experiences, hands-on models and physical and virtual field trips, which culminates in an entrepreneurial research and design project. The program further challenges students to create potential solutions to

improve water quality in south Florida.

The EPA funded 35 grants, from \$36,000 to \$192,000, for a total of approximately \$3.3 million.

To learn more, visit www2.epa.gov/education/environmental-education-ee-grants.✱

Summer Writing Workshops

The Renaissance Academy, Florida Gulf Coast University's adult lifelong learning and enrichment program, is offering a series of writing workshops for those seeking to enhance their skills and market their work to publishers.

The Writing Craft series offers an opportunity to work on character development, plot development and dialogue with like-minded, aspiring authors in a constructive, acceptance-oriented, creative and vibrant environment. The workshop begins Thursday, June 16.

In July, Marketing for Writers explores how to find and select markets, and then pitch manuscripts to editors. The workshop focuses on crafting strong submission letters, learning the difference between proposals and query letters, understanding publishing terms and deciphering details of typical contracts.

For more information or a free catalog of academy offerings, call 425-3272. Online registration is available at <http://RegisterRA.fgcu.edu>.✱

School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, I am worried that my almost middle school-aged twins will forget a lot of what they have learned over the summer. I am most

concerned about their math skills. Math is very difficult for them and I don't want them to lose ground especially as they enter middle school. They hate worksheets and things like that. What else can I do to help them?

Samantha V., Cape Coral

Samantha,

You are accurate in being concerned that your children may lose academic skills over the summer. The bad news is that almost all kids' skills regress over the summer. The good news is that most kids can recoup their skills loss in four to 10 weeks after school resumes. The better news is that if they practice their skills across the summer vacation months, there should be only minimal skill loss, if any. In general, low-income students lose around three months of grade-level equivalency during the summer months and middle-income students lose about one month of grade-level equivalency. Math is the

subject where the regression is most evident for all students.

There are many things you can do for and with your children to help stop the skill loss. Computer games and apps provide a good variety of math practice but it's so easy for kids to have too much screen time, especially during the summer. Here are some other ideas that might work for you:

Some of the most interesting and just plain fun math practice ideas that I have encountered were published in *The New York Times*. These activities build on current popular events that seem more entertaining for kids than traditional skill-and-drill work sheets. Here are a few of them:

- Take advantage of this year's Summer Olympics by having your kids graph medal counts from their favorite events or countries. They can compare and contrast medal counts from previous Olympic games and the current games, for example. The swimming events with their split second results can also yield great math practice in percentages, fractions and decimals.

- Baseball is a gold mine for statistics! Learn how to figure batting averages, base running averages, earned run averages and more. Here is a great site to help you understand how to use baseball statistics for math practice: <http://www.basic-mathematics.com/calculate-baseball-statistics.html>.

- Have the children study themselves. They can track all sorts of

personal data. Select specific quantities to record, such as the time they wake up or go to sleep, time spent eating meals, doing chores, reading, how much time they spend with digital media, and even how many text messages or e-mails they send and receive. They can chart these data, figure out daily percentages for some activities, and then even compare the data across different weeks of the summer. They can create their own personal profile with this information and maybe get a better understanding of how they spend their time.

Summer vacation provides an opportunity for kids to relax and spend time with family and friends. School is hard work and they do need some down time to refresh and recharge themselves. However, it won't hurt them to work on a few of these fun math activities during their vacation time to keep them on track for their next school year.

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Technology Workshops

The Florida Gulf Coast University Renaissance Academy's adult lifelong learning and enrichment program will feature a series of varied technology workshops for those seeking to investigate, learn and explore the technology of today's world.

From beginner to intermediate students, the academy will offer lectures on Windows 10, iPad, iPhone, Understanding Your Choices in Technology, PC's for Beginner and Intermediates, PC and Internet Safety and Security and much more. Lectures will be offered in Naples, Bonita Springs, and Fort Myers at six locations during June, July, August and September.

For more information or a free catalog of lecture offerings, contact The Renaissance Academy at 425-3272. Online registration and additional information is available at RegisterRA.fgcu.edu.

The Renaissance Academy offers affordable, non-credit single lectures, short courses, day trips, computer classes, film series, life enrichment classes and other programs. There are no exams, grades or homework, just learning for the joy of learning with friends, neighbors and peers.

For more information, contact John Guerra, director of the FGCU Renaissance Academy at 434-4838 or jguerra@fgcu.edu.✱

Applicants Wanted For Youth Leadership

Make-A-Wish Southern Florida is now accepting applications for its Youth Leadership Committee (YLC) program in Lee and Collier counties. Students in grades 7 through 12 may apply by contacting Taylor Marini, development coordinator of Make-A-Wish Southern Florida, at tmarini@sflawish.org. The deadline to submit an application is Wednesday, June 15.

The committee meets once a month to plan fundraisers and events to help spread awareness of the Make-A-Wish mission. Meetings will be run like a board meeting with officer positions to be nominated and voted upon in the upcoming school year.

Orientation for the YLC program will be held in late July with meetings running August through May.

The goal is to grow the YLC program into a network of youth across Southern Florida; a network that will ensure that every eligible child receives his or her one true wish. This group will work to develop Kids For Wish Kids programs across the Southern Florida area with the goal of granting the wishes of several children with life-threatening medical conditions.

Students who are passionate about helping kids with life-threatening medical conditions, and who are able to attend monthly meetings in Lee/Collier are encouraged to apply.

Students involved in the program will learn valuable skills that can be used throughout life, college and a career. They will also learn to share the power of a wish and what a simple gift can do for children who are facing the most challenging time in their lives. Guest speakers will help teach the committee other skills such as public speaking, budgeting, leadership and more.

Students earn volunteer hours, plus



Class of 2016

College Bound Graduating Class

Southwest Florida Christian Academy (SFCA) held a graduation ceremony for 44 students on May 20. All of the students will attend college this fall.

More than \$2.1 million in scholarships was awarded, with many graduates receiving the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship. Olivia Bohannon, Michael Bubar, Jenna Griffin, Natalia Morales and Sara Swiesz are Florida Academic Scholars.

Twenty-three graduates received a dual diploma through the Student Leadership Academy. Eight students were recognized as having attended SFCA since kindergarten.✱

have fun in granting wishes. Each committee member is expected to host one individual fundraising event, one awareness activity and participate in one group fundraiser during the year.

Last year's Youth Leadership Committee raised more than \$45,000, which was enough money to grant nine local wishes.

For more information about Make-A-Wish, visit www.sfla.wish.org or call 992-9474.✱

Church 8210 College Parkway.

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 1 p.m. – Community Cooperative's Resource Center; 3429 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

Fourth Tuesday of each month 2:00 p.m. – Brookdale Fort Myers the Colony; 13565 American Colony Boulevard.

Third Thursday of each month at 6:15 p.m.; 12468 Brantley Commons Court.

Sanibel

Fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. – Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ; 2050 Periwinkle Way.

Adult Children Group

First Tuesday of each month at 6:15 p.m. – Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center; 2468 Brantley Commons Court (For adults who are assisting or caring for their aging parents).

Transitions Group

Third Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. – Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center; 12468 Brantley Commons Court.✱

Alzheimer's Caregivers

The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center offers monthly support group meetings for caregivers throughout Lee County and neighboring areas. The caregivers support group meetings include an opportunity for caregivers to meet others who are facing similar challenges and to learn more about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and effective coping strategies. Select meeting locations feature a guest speaker as well as an informal time for sharing.

Fort Myers

Second Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. – Pine Ridge at Fort Myers; 4801 Lakeside Club Boulevard. (Dial #002 at the gate).

Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month at 9:45 a.m. – Westminster Presbyterian Church; 9065 Ligon Court.

Fourth Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. – Fort Myers Congregational

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Female Pioneers of Fort Myers

Women Who Made a Difference in the City's Development

By Robin C. Tuthill and Thomas P. Hall

“Packed with facts and employing an engaging storytelling style, [Female Pioneers of Fort Myers] both teaches and entertains. Local history buffs and newcomers to history will value Tuthill and Hall's research and appreciate the accessible format, too.”
 Geri Reaves, PhD, author of *Legendary Locals of Fort Myers* and *Fort Myers, Then & Now*

dearRPharmacist

Chinese Golden Thread Is Tough On Germs



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers: Sometimes I come across the weirdest things that are amazingly helpful, like Coptis chinensis. This herb is used frequently in Chinese medicine (Huang Lian), especially to treat

diabetes. It has a lengthy list of medicinal properties that I'd like to share with you. Apparently, the compounds in Coptis can help with H. pylori, pseudomonas, salmonella, shigella, trichomonas, giardia, influenza and more.

I came across Coptis, also called "Golden Thread" while researching plant-based antimicrobials that could get rid of MARCoNS short for "Multiple Antibiotic Resistant Coagulase Negative Staph."

Think of MARCoNS like you would MRSA, only worse. MARCoNS is an opportunistic staph infection that can reside in your jawbone, hip and nasal cavities, and it's often cultured in people who have low MSH (Melanocyte Stimulating Hormone).

Low MSH correlates with severe insomnia and depression, by the way, and if you have those symptoms you should test your blood levels of MSH. If low, your next step is to test for MARCoNS which entails a deep nasal swab into the nose. It's usually cultured in people who have taken a lot of antibiotics (like Lymies), also those with compromised immunity, biotoxin illness, mold exposure from water damaged buildings or cancer. MARCoNS is tough to eradicate, it lives in slimy biofilm communities and it's very resistant to today's arsenal of

antibiotics. A compounded prescription nasal spray called "BEG spray" is often used. BEG spray consists of Bactroban, EDTA and Gentamycin, hence the name "BEG" spray.

Coptis herb tastes strong and bitter. It's bright yellow, and could be used to dye fabrics. The yellow color comes from berberine which is also sold as a stand-alone supplement. Berberine has been studied extensively for its ability to positively impact blood sugar, and also because it helps prevent arterial wall thickening (atherosclerosis). Here, I got all excited that Coptis could hit MARCoNS, which is tough to do (that is one resistant bug!) and then I learned that it protects against neuronal degeneration (in animals) and it could help with IBS too!

In 2004, researchers found something out that is rather astounding. They tested the anti-cancer activity of Coptis against human liver cancer cells, and those with leukemia. They learned that the berberine and coptisin (found in Coptis) blocked growth of the cancer cells. In the May 2016 journal, *Oncology Report*, scientists published an interesting article that mentioned Coptis. They said the berberine (found in Coptis and other herbs) worked synergistically with the chemo drug Cisplatin to suppress breast cancer growth. Just as an aside, Cisplatin is a medication from the category of "platinum" salts, which is a heavy metal, not exactly the same as the platinum wedding band though.

Coptis contains many compounds, some even attack Lyme pathogens. It's probably most famous for its berberine, which was shown in a 2016 study (*Journal of Food and Medicine*) to prevent formation of Advanced Glycation End (AGE) products which basically age you.

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

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

My husband and I both have multiple health problems and must see many doctors.

We always go together for these visits. When the doctor asks me questions I always answer to the best of my ability. My husband doesn't answer the doctor's questions directly and becomes furious with me if I answer for him and then we have big arguments for days after.

"Don't you tell him I have headaches

and fainting spells when he asks," is his favorite response.

I can't see the point of going to doctors if you will not answer their questions – what is your opinion?

Shirley

Dear Shirley,

I agree: why ask advice if you are unwilling to consider the advice. Why go to a physician if you are unwilling to be honest with the history. But your husband has the right to have his own opinion and behavior. He also has to assume the consequences of his choices as well.

Pryce

Dear Shirley,

Your husband probably in his professional life was accustomed to asking the questions – not having to answer them.

I once heard of a woman who was so fed up answering her doctor's questions (irrelevant, so she thought) that she finally said, "I am not going to answer all of your questions. When people take their animals to the vet, the vet doesn't need to ask the animal questions, so why should you?"

If he doesn't want to cooperate with his doctors, I would also ask, "Why go?" Does he not realize the possible consequences – financial, social and other major family problems as the result of his actions and his possible suffering and pain and the burden of his decision on the family?

Lizzie

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

Doctor and Dietician

Controversial Health Foods



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

Some of the foods traditionally revered as healthy choices may not really be the best thing for us, likewise, others are overlooked when they shouldn't be.

Granola bars – Many of these products are glorified candy bars, loaded with sugar, chemicals and fat. They often contain over 200 to 250 calories and lack nutrients. Try real food! For 250 calories, you could eat a small chef salad or some cheese and whole grain crackers.

"Heart healthy" cereals – Choose your cereals wisely. Select a cereal that contains less than 5 grams of sugar per serving and at least 4 to 5 grams of fiber per serving. Studies have shown that oats helps lower cholesterol in some individuals. However, pre-packaged microwavable oatmeal packets

typically are loaded with sugar, preservatives and added calories. The perfect bowl of oatmeal would be organic and topped with some chopped nuts, fresh or dried fruit, and cinnamon for flavor.

Fruit juices – Even organic juices are rapidly absorbed forms of sugar. They do contain some nutrients, but ad lib consumption of them can lead to putting on some pounds. This can also be an especially bad choice for regular consumption for those who have hypoglycemic tendencies or other blood sugar abnormalities.

Eggs – The egg yolk is the healthiest part of the egg and provides a boat-load of nutrients such as phosphatidylcholine, vitamin E and essential fatty acids. Yes, egg yolks contain cholesterol and therefore received a bad reputation. Cholesterol found in your blood comes from two sources: the liver and food. Cholesterol produced by the liver varies according to how much cholesterol is consumed. The more cholesterol you eat, the less your liver produces. Conversely, the less cholesterol you eat, the more your liver produces. A low cholesterol diet typically does not decrease blood cholesterol significantly. Eat the whole egg.

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

Chronic Disease Management

Lee Memorial Health System presents a free, interactive program called It's All About You at the South County Regional Library, 21100 Three Oaks Parkway, in Estero.

The workshop, intended to teach individuals how to manage chronic conditions, is 2-1/2 hours a week, for six weeks. The program begins on Friday, June 17 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. and continues each Friday through July 22. Registration is required by calling 424-3122.

Participants will learn how to improve health, well-being and self-confidence by focusing on three primary concepts: decision making, action planning/goal setting and problem solving. Topics include healthy eating, physical activity, and pain and fatigue management.

For more information, visit leelibrary.net.✱

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PETS OF THE WEEK

Hello, my name is Tom. I'm a 1-year-old neutered male black and tan Rottweiler mix. I'm a very well-behaved, smart and handsome young man. I love all the dogs at the shelter and enjoy playing with them. I'm also polite and patient and wait quietly in my kennel hoping my forever family will find me soon. Won't you please adopt me and give my story a happy ending? My adoption fee is \$50 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Once Upon A Time adoption promotion.



Tom ID# 661922

Hi, I'm Kokomo. I'm a 2-year-old spayed female gray tabby domestic short hair. I'm a beautiful cat with all the qualities that make a "purr-fect" companion. I'm easy going, gentle and loving, and also enjoy the company of other cats. I would love to snuggle in your lap and let you write the fairytale ending to my story. My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$50) during Animal Services' adoption promotion.



Kokomo ID# 663411

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

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

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

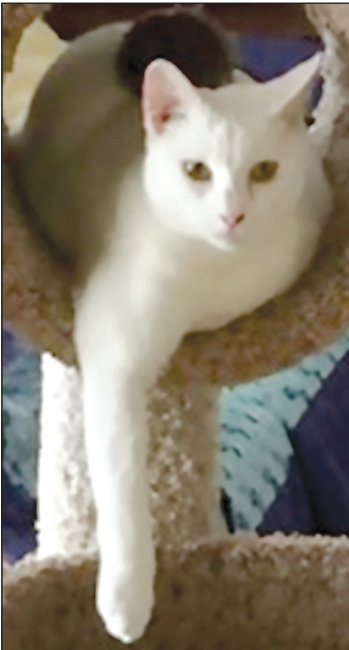
The adoption package is valued at \$500.*

PAWS Of Sanibel
Island Girl Is Back

Hi everybody! Remember me? I'm Island Girl... I used to live out on the causeway island closest to Sanibel. My foster mom set a trap and caught me on December 1, 2015. I stayed at the cat hospital for awhile, had surgery (so I won't have any more kittens) and had all my shots. The doctors say I'm 1 to 3 years old. I've been in my foster home for about five months now. I was quite frightened for a very long time and stayed inside a cat tree whenever anyone was around, but now I'm quite laid back and very happy. I don't really want to leave here and my mom loves me, but she can't keep all the kitties that she brings home or she would run out of room. I hear her telling everyone how sweet I am and that I'm also very, very smart.

I've just recently started to mingle a bit with the other kitties here. At first, I thought I needed to stalk and pounce on them to let them know how strong I am, but then my mom told me "no," so I stopped. I always do what she tells me to do. A nice lady at Gulf Coast Humane Society (GCHS) told my mom she could bring me there, but she really wants to try to find me a forever home so she can meet my people. She feels certain there is someone out there that will be "purr-fect" for me, and she'll find them soon.

Please call Pam at PAWS of Sanibel at 472-4823 and give this wonderful kitty a forever home.*



Island Girl

THE RIVER
WEEKLY NEWS
FROM THE BEACHES TO DOWNTOWN FORT MYERS

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

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

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

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

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

AREA ATTRACTIONS	
Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum	395-2233
Burrough's Home	337-9505
Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium	275-3435
Edison & Ford Winter Estates	334-7419
Fort Myers Skate Park	321-7558
Imaginarium Hands-On Museum & Aquarium	321-7420
JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge	472-1100
Koreshan State Historic Site	239-992-0311
Langford Kingston Home	239-334-2550
Ostego Bay Foundation Marine Science Center	765-8101
Skatium	321-7510
Southwest Florida Historical Society	939-4044
Southwest Florida Museum of History	321-7430
True Tours	945-0405

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PUZZLES

Answers on page 29

Super Crossword

CELEBRITY
SYNONYMY

- ACROSS**

1 Swim a few pool lengths

7 Workplace of Colonel Klink

13 Exact model

20 Madison Ave. bigwig

21 Clandestine

22 FDR's first lady

23 Master of impressions, to Roget?

25 Forbearing

26 Abbr. on a bad check

27 Stately shade tree

28 "Chinatown" director, to Roget?

30 Build

32 The NFL's Cowboys, on scoreboards

33 The, to Yves

34 "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue" singer, to Roget?

42 Paranormal skill, briefly

45 Right-hand page

46 Grow sick of

47 Under state?

50 Wisdom deity
- 52 Actress who played Peter Pan on Broadway, to Roget?

56 Contestant

57 Dungeons & Dragons is one, in brief

59 Earlier

60 Active people

61 Freddie the Freeloader portrayer, to Roget?

68 Grant's foe

69 Brick carrier

70 Make jubilant

71 IM offerer

72 Rio's make

75 "Son of a Preacher Man" singer, to Roget?

79 Keep clear of

82 Daily record

83 Jerry Lewis telethon org., for years

84 Actor Lugosi

85 "My Way" singer, to Roget?

91 Align

93 Of no use

94 One-celled swimmer

96 "— my case"

97 — Schwarz
- 98 Swimmer with three Olympic gold medals, to Roget?

103 Org. for the 53-Downs

106 The — degree

107 Island south of Sicily

108 "Annie Hall" co-star, to Roget?

115 "— know you?"

116 Game aim

119 Skipped past

120 Former world heavyweight champion, to Roget?

123 Leasing

124 More banal

125 Sean Penn film of 2001

126 Fencing cry

127 Put in groups

128 Kind of skiing
- 7 1975 NBC debut, briefly

8 Work hard

9 "— boy!"

10 Riga native, old-style

11 "That's — ask"

12 "Hedda" star

13 Survey

14 Israeli carrier

15 Bloom part

16 Cleo of jazz

17 Intrinsically

18 Bean

19 Intro studio class

24 Some rec centers

29 Foot the bill

30 — plea (say "guilty," say)

31 "Wild Thing" band, with "the"

34 Take a trip

35 Clock again

36 "Things Fall Apart" writer

37 Ire. land

38 Gun lobby: Abbr.

39 Heavy load

40 Antelope with a long head

41 Takeoff stat

43 Mark for life

44 Sties, e.g.
- 48 Bing of opera

49 Quotation book abbr.

51 Bow missile

53 L.A. hoopster

54 Go gray, say

55 — Garros (French Open)

58 Oar's cousin

62 — Scholar

63 1994 French Open winner

64 England's Isle of —

65 Trial VIPs

66 Big Indy inits.

67 Colosseum garments

72 Actor — Ivory

73 Mistreatment

74 Acclimatizes

75 One trillionth: Prefix

76 Canon camera line

77 Title song lyric after "Hallelujah"

78 Spain locale

79 Dating from

80 "Ars longa, — brevis"

81 Alternative to a steak fry

86 Soldier for 68-Across

87 — Geo

88 "Botch- —" (1952 song)

89 Craggy crest

90 — Speed Wagon (old truck)

92 Pertaining to a road or traveling

95 Carne — (burrito filler)

99 Tense

100 "— be a shame if ..."

101 Kind of daisy

102 Feminist Steinem

104 Siamese fighting fish

105 Moving about

108 Golfer's cry

109 Eerie sign

110 Baby-sit, e.g.

111 P.O. stack

112 Clark's love

113 Inner: Prefix

114 Brooklynite, e.g., briefly

116 "What — to think?"

117 — instant

118 Alaska port

121 "The A-Team" co-star

122 Acting-up kid

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King Crossword

- ACROSS**

1 Asian desert

5 "— Only Just Begun"

9 Book-spine abbr.

12 Director Reitman

13 Met melody

14 Inventor Whitney

15 Green-blue deposit on copper

17 Edge

18 Guarantee

19 Bar legally

21 Neighbor of OR and NV

22 Worth

24 Macadamize

27 Entreat

28 Recedes

31 Inseparable

32 Exist

33 Regret

34 Old Italian coin

36 Conclusion

37 Zoo structure

38 Conflagration

40 Biz letterhead abbr.

41 Definitely will

43 Christie of whodunits

47 Dine

48 Red shade

51 Longtime ring champ

52 Furniture
- 11 Flaccid

16 George's brother

20 Jane's "Glee" role

22 "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea" author

23 On in years

24 D.C. figure

25 Blackbird

26 Not paraphrased

27 Folksinger Joan

29 Annoy

30 Spot

35 Every iota

37 Anthracite
- 39 Cohort of Simon and Theodore

40 Hollywood trickery, for short

41 Line of fashion?

42 Head light?

43 "— for All Seasons"

44 One of the Jackson 5

45 Barrel part

46 Heche or Hathaway

49 Scrape (out)

50 -- Speed-wagon

MAGIC MAZE ● NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES

K Q N J G D A X U R O L J G D
C O M A N (C H E Y E N N E) A X
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

- Arapaho

Cherokee

Cheyenne

Choctaw
- Comanche

Cree

Crow

Kiowa
- Navajo

Omaha

Osage

Seminole
- Shoshone

Sioux

Ute



Marinated Rock Shrimp Rice Salad

2 cups steamed rice
¼ cup green pepper, finely diced
¼ cup cucumber, chopped
¼ cup celery, diced
¼ cup red onion, diced
1 pound rock shrimp, cooked and peeled
½ cup Italian vinaigrette dressing
4 medium tomatoes
Romaine lettuce, shredded
In a large bowl, combine all ingredients except tomatoes and lettuce. Toss to coat well with dressing; cover and chill for one hour or overnight. Core the tomatoes and cut into wedges from the top to within ½-inch from base of tomato to make a cup. Spoon shrimp rice salad into tomato centered on a bed of shredded lettuce. Serve with additional vinaigrette dressing.
Yield: four servings.✱



Marinated Rock Shrimp Rice Salad

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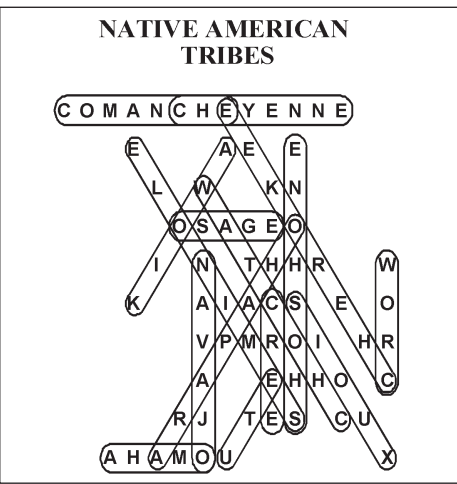
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My Stars ★★★★★

FOR WEEK OF JUNE 13, 2016

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A heads-up alert to all free-spirited Ewes and Rams: Be wary of a deal that could result in compromising your independence. Check every detail before making a commitment.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) New facts emerge that help put an irksome workplace situation in perspective. Meanwhile, pay more attention to a family member who needs your wisdom and strength.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A slight setback in plans is nothing to worry about. Use this delay to deal with a number of matters you might have ignored for too long. Expect news from someone in your past.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're entering a period of stability. Use it to straighten out any outstanding problems related to a very personal situation. Also, pay closer attention to financial matters.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) As much as you love being a social Lion, you might well benefit from staying out of the spotlight for a while. You need time to reflect on some upcoming decisions.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A difficult family situation improves, thanks to your timely intervention. You can now start to focus more of your attention on preparing for a possible career change.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) An on-the-job change works to your benefit by offering new opportunities. It's up to you to check them out. Meanwhile, a stalled romantic situation starts up again.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) That flare-up of Scorpion temperament cools down, leaving you more receptive to suggestions about changes that might need to be made in your personal life.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) An unusual period of indecisiveness is a mite frustrating. But things soon clear up, allowing the sage Sagittarian to make those wise pronouncements again.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might feel that you know best, but it's not a good idea at this time to try to force your opinions on others. Best advice: Inspire change by example, not by intimidation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some setbacks could affect your plans to fortify your financial situation. But things start moving again by early next week. Meanwhile, enjoy your resurgent social life.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Show that often-hidden steely spine of yours as you once again stand up to an emotional bully. You've got the strength to do it, especially as friends rally to your side.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your ruling planet, Mercury, endows you with a gift for writing. Have you considered penning the world's greatest novel?

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On June 19, 1864, the most successful and feared Confederate commerce raider of the war, the CSS Alabama, sinks after a battle with the USS Kearsarge off the coast of France. After three years and 75,000 miles, the Alabama needed overhauling and was taken to France, where the USS Kearsarge was lying in wait.

- On June 16, 1884, the first roller coaster in America opens at Coney Island, New York. The coaster traveled 6 mph and cost a nickel to ride. The name Coney Island is believed to have come from the Dutch Konijn Eilandt, or Rabbit Island.

- On June 18, 1923, the first Checker Cab rolls off the line in Kalamazoo, Michigan. In 1922, with some 600 Checker Cabs on the streets of New York City alone, owner Morris Markin went looking for a bigger factory and settled on Kalamazoo.

- On June 14, 1954, more than 12 million Americans "die" in a mock nuclear attack, as the United States goes through its first nationwide civil-defense drill. The event stood as a stark reminder that the world was now living under a nuclear shadow.

- On June 13, 1966, the Supreme Court hands down its decision in *Miranda v. Arizona*, establishing the principle that all criminal suspects must be advised of their rights before interrogation. Ernesto Miranda had been arrested and not told he didn't have to say anything.

- On June 17, 1972, five burglars are arrested in the Democratic National Committee headquarters at the Watergate complex in Washington, D.C. An extensive investigation unveiled a scheme of political sabotage and espionage, which

ultimately resulted in the resignation of President Richard Nixon.

- On June 15, 1986, stock-car driver Richard Petty makes the 1,000th start of his NASCAR career, at Michigan International Speedway. "The King" would extend his record to 1,184 career starts before his retirement in 1992.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was beloved English author and humorist P.G. Wodehouse, probably best known for his tales of Wooster and Jeeves, who made the following observation: "Judges, as a class, display, in the matter of arranging [divorce settlements] that reckless generosity which is found only in men who are giving away someone else's money."

- Brides in ancient Rome carried sheaves of wheat, not bouquets of flowers.

- Andrew Jackson, the seventh president of the United States, had a pet parrot with a questionable vocabulary. In fact, Poll (the pet in question) was so foul-mouthed (beaked?) that it disrupted Jackson's funeral. According to Rev. William Menefee Norment, who presided at the service, "Before the sermon and while the crowd was gathering, a wicked parrot that was a household pet got excited and commenced swearing so loud and long as to disturb the people and had to be carried from the house."

- The reasons why aren't clearly understood, but it seems that people with high blood pressure rarely get cancer.

- Glass-bottom beer tankards were invented during medieval times. Evidently, some taverns were so rough that patrons felt the need to be able to see the other drinkers even when turning the mug bottoms-up.

- Those who study such things say that when you're sleeping, a quarter of all your blood is in your liver.

- It's pretty common knowledge that it's the male seahorse, not the female, that gives birth to the young. Not many people realize, though, that a male seahorse can deliver a brood of a thousand or more babies in the morning, and then be pregnant again that night.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"I get up every morning determined to both change the world and have one hell of a good time. Sometimes this makes planning my day difficult." -- E.B. White

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Margin; 2. Cloak; 3. Absent; 4. Hitch

Today's Word:
THINKING

TRIVIA TEST

- Geography: What is the easternmost state capital in the United States?
- Music: What country was the group ABBA from?
- Movies: In what movie was the character of John McClane introduced?
- Literature: The line "Fools rush in where angels fear to tread" was written by which poet?
- Food & Drink: Where did the potato originate?
- Science: Sunlight exposure on bare skin can help to form which vitamin?
- General Knowledge: How many minutes are in one degree of longitude or latitude?
- Advertisements: What product's advertising campaign declared that its consumption was "The Right Thing To Do"?
- Sports: How many periods are in a National Hockey League game?
- Television: What was the forerunner of PBS, the national public broadcasting service?

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Augusta, Maine 2. Sweden 3. "Die Hard" 4. Alexander Pope 5. South America 6. Vitamin D 7. 60 8. Quaker Oats 9. Three 10. National Educational Television

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Turtle Nesting Season Guidelines

With the official start of sea turtle nesting season now upon us, the City of Sanibel, in partnership with the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF), is asking all residents and visitors to do their part in protecting these threatened and endangered species.

On Sanibel, nesting and hatchling emergence typically occur between May 1 and October 31. The nesting ritual of the loggerhead sea turtle is one of the most remarkable natural phenomena occurring on Sanibel's gulf beaches. This natural process has happened on Sanibel for centuries and our 11 miles of gulf shoreline have more nesting activity than any other beach in Lee County. Sought by predators and susceptible to dehydration, sea turtle hatchlings have only a one in one thousand chance of survival. Human activities can further reduce that chance.

By following these simple guidelines, you can do your part to ensure the survival of these magnificent creatures:

- Turn off or shield lights near the beaches. Artificial beach lighting can inhibit female sea turtles from nesting and disorient hatchlings. Most beachfront lighting issues can be addressed by turning off all unnecessary lights, repositioning or modifying light fixtures or closing blinds and drapes.
- Remove furniture and other items from the beach and dune area when not in use, between the hours of 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. Items left on the beach, including beach furniture, toys and trash, may be barriers to nesting or result in entanglement and predation of hatchlings.
- Level all sandcastles and fill any holes dug during play. These are fine during the day but may pose additional hazards at night. Please leave the beach as you found it, so that sea turtles and hatchlings are not hindered on their way to nest or to the water.
- Pick up all trash. Sea turtles mistakenly eat debris, especially plastic, which results in death.
- Honor the leash law. All dogs on the beach must be on a leash and not allowed to disturb nesting turtles or hatchlings.

Gulf-front property owners should make sure that their properties are in compliance with the city's sea turtle protection ordinances and ensure that artificial lighting from the property is not illuminating the beach (Sanibel Code Section 74-181-74-183, Section 126-996-126-1002).

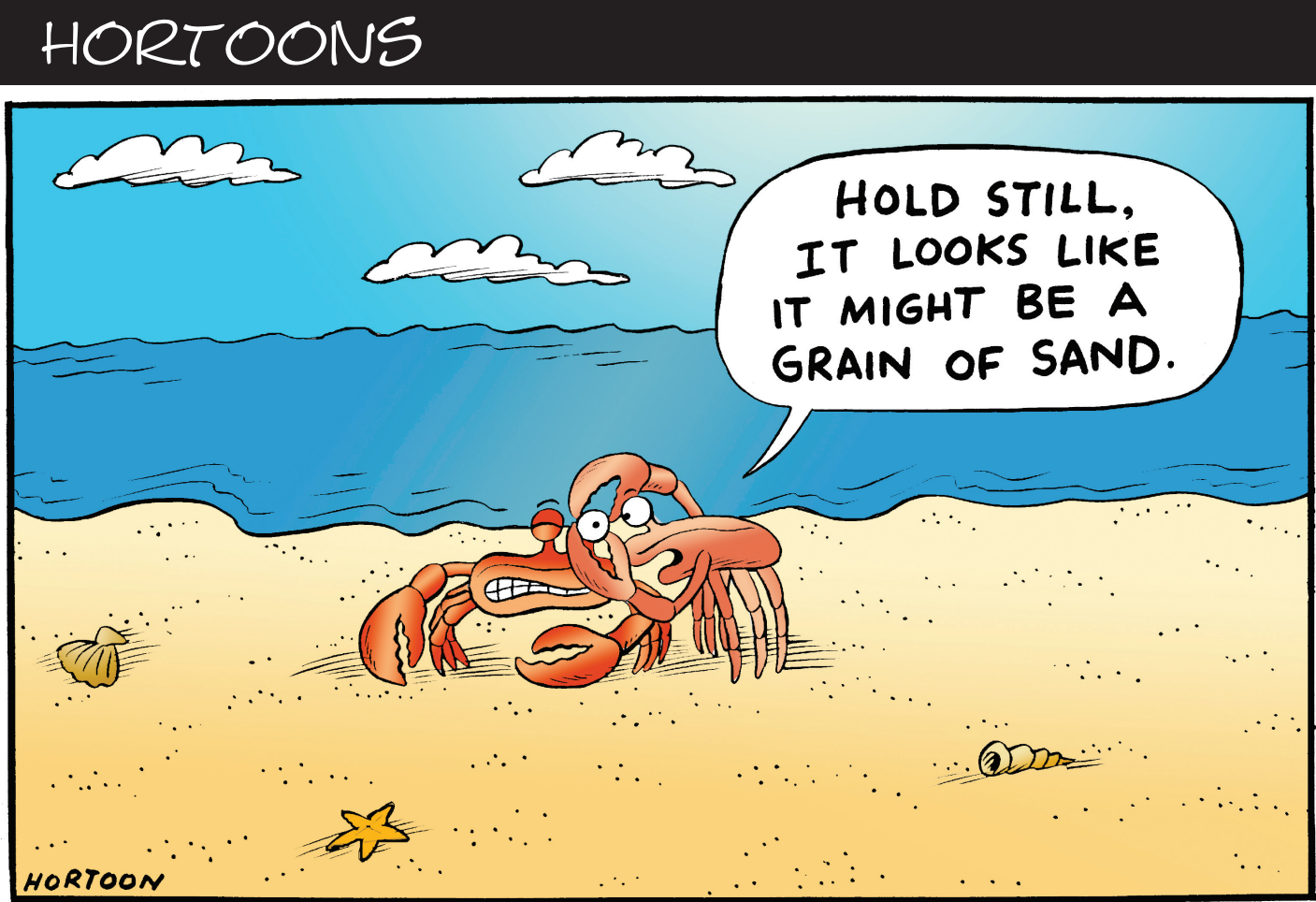


A loggerhead sea turtle hatchling photo by Jeff Lysiak

An easy way to test if your property is in compliance is to stand on the beach on a moonless night and look seaward. If you can see your shadow cast towards the water, there is too much light behind you. This light could potentially deter female turtles from nesting or disorient hatchlings as they emerge from the nest.

We look forward to another successful sea turtle nesting season and hope to uphold Sanibel's reputation as having one of the darkest and most "turtle friendly" beaches in the state. We ask for your continued compliance with city's sea turtle protection ordinances and remind all residents and visitors that violations of these ordinances may be subject to city, state, and/or federal fines and penalties. Violations should be reported immediately to the Sanibel Police Department at 472-3111, Sanibel Code Enforcement, 472-4136, or Natural Resources at 472-3700.

For more information regarding sea turtles on Sanibel, visit the City's website at <http://mysanibel.com/Departments/Natural-Resources/Protecting-Our-Beaches/Sea-Turtles>.✪



Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
Metes And Bounds	Captiva	1991	3,459	\$4,850,000	\$4,225,000	327
Lake Forest At Shadow Wood	Bonita Springs	2006	5,485	\$2,400,000	\$2,256,000	63
Oakbrook	Bonita Springs	2006	4,468	\$1,849,000	\$1,730,000	109
Las Lomas	Cape Coral	2005	6,434	\$1,495,000	\$1,395,000	165
Cape Harbour	Cape Coral	2002	3,801	\$1,400,000	\$1,292,500	280
Sunset Captiva	Captiva	1980	2,211	\$995,000	\$985,000	5
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2016	2,850	\$849,900	\$849,000	8
Sanibel Highlands	Sanibel	1990	3,262	\$849,000	\$835,000	19
Hidden Acres	North Fort Myers	1986	5,085	\$725,000	\$650,000	50
Plantation South Unrecorded Subdivision	Fort Myers	2001	4,804	\$699,000	\$665,000	68

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