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## Arts For ACT Auction Preview Opens October 7 During Art Walk



Mosaic artwork by S. Guelcher

**A**rts for ACT Gallery will hold an opening reception during Art Walk on Friday, October 7 from 6 to 10 p.m.

This month, the gallery will feature more than 100 of the live and silent auction artists for the Abuse Counseling and Treatment (ACT) annual fundraiser Arts for ACT. The theme this year is Disco Ball Gala. Bill Smith, Inc. is the present-

ing sponsor. This is the 28th year that ACT has held this fundraiser.

From the live auction collection will be works by Sherry Rohl, David Belling, Christine Reichow, Jan Ellen Atkielski and Kellen Beck Mills. The live auction will also have pieces by international artists Marcus Jansen and Darryl Pottorf, plus the art of 22 local and national artists.

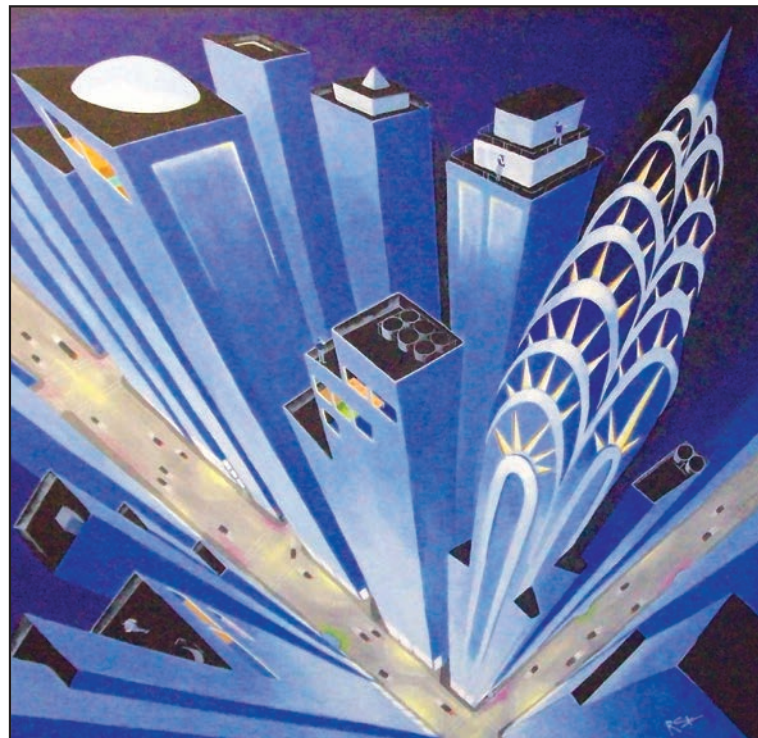
Over 75 silent auction

artists' works will also be on display at the gallery. There are oils and acrylics on canvas, photography, collage, graphite, jewelry, gift baskets, sand, shell, pine needle and fiber art, whimsical painted furniture, mosaics, gourd art and sculptures.

This exhibit continues until it is taken to auction on Saturday, October 29 at Harborside Event Center.

Individual tickets and table sales for the October 29 Disco Ball Gala can be purchased online at [www.artsforactfineartauction.com](http://www.artsforactfineartauction.com)

Arts for ACT Gallery is located at 2265 First Street in downtown Fort Myers.\*



NYC DECO by Richard Stanton

## Green Wave Band Seeks Support For Trip To London

**L**ast September, the Lord Mayor of Westminster visited Florida and presented the Fort Myers High School Music Department with an invitation to march in the New Year's Day Parade in London, England in 2017. In addition to the marching band performing in the New Year's Day Parade, the choir and symphony orchestra will perform in Westminster Central Hall for the gala concert series.

The New Year's Day Parade in London is the biggest event of its kind in the world, boasts a street-side audience of more than one million attendees, receives a huge amount of international media coverage as well as the recognition and support of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The greatest street festival in Europe features more than 10,000 performers, representing over a dozen countries worldwide.

The parade starts as Big Ben strikes noon on New Year's Day in Parliament Square and finishes on Piccadilly at Berkeley Street. For a point of reference, the parade is seven times larger than New York's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

On September 21, London New Year's Day Parade Media Specialist Dan Kirkby visited the United States to do a feature on the Green Wave Marching Band at the Edison Ford Winter Estates.

The dates of the trip are December 27 through January 2.

"Taking an entire music department to London is an enormous undertaking and, needless to say, very costly," said Mark Dahlberg, music educator at Fort Myers High School. "While making the commitment to go, we need people who can help support us financially."

Dahlberg explained that each member of the band needs to raise approximately \$3,300 to go on this trip.

For more information or to make a donation, visit [www.fmhsgreenwave.net](http://www.fmhsgreenwave.net) or call 334-2167.\*

## Registration Reopens For Transportation Summit

**A**ddressing the region's looming transportation problems seems to be a hot topic among Southwest Florida officials and professionals. How to enable people – instead of automobiles – the safe and convenient mobility to access their daily needs is the subject of the previously sold-out (Day 1 portion) of the two-day Transportation Summit, set for Thursday, September 29 and Friday, September 30. In response to the interest, organizers had to move the Day 1 portion of the workshop to a larger venue and reopen registration.

This interactive workshop, led by national and international experts, and organized by Streets Alive SWFL and the Royal Palm Coast Realtor Association, will give government and business leaders, planners, engineers, realtors and landscape architects the hands-on chance to create better community

designs and transportation networks using national best practice standards.

To register for Thursday's eight-hour interactive workshop at the Center for Performing Arts of Bonita Springs that begins at 8 a.m., email [annpierce350@gmail.com](mailto:annpierce350@gmail.com). Cost is \$125, which includes breakfast and lunch.

"Although previously closed, requests to participate in this workshop were so great that we had to change to a larger facility and reopen registration," said Ann Pierce, education chair for Streets Alive SWFL. "This group of presenters represents the very best in the nation on the new directions in transportation and community design, and people from Key West to Clearwater have been registering for this unique opportunity to learn from them."

The Day 2 portion of the public conference is on Friday, September 30 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Cape Coral Yacht Club. It will offer an informative program by a team of national experts who will be joined by regional speakers to give unique presentations addressing questions about new patterns in community development and transportation planning, as well as the

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

# ACL Depot Closes A Chapter – Again



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

**P**ictured in the 1925 photo is the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad (ACL) passenger depot, built in 1924 on Peck Avenue (now named Widman Way) at Jackson. Local history buffs know the building as – until recently – the Southwest Florida Museum of History.

In 1925, the depot site still had that “just constructed” look, with a scrawny landscape and small palm trees being watered. Note the two horse-drawn wagons near the building and the train (far left) sitting on the tracks that ran along the depot’s south side.

When it opened on February 4, 1924 at the height of the tourist season, dignitaries and a crowd of hundreds witnessed the number 83 train arrive with the first passengers to disembark at the new depot. They would have been among the countless visitors over the decades who first glimpsed Fort Myers from a train car.

The depot was built in the popular Mediterranean Revivalist style at a cost of \$110,000. It featured a stuccoed exterior with parapets and red barrel-tiles and was a “virtual twin” of the one in Sarasota, according to railroad historian Gregg Turner.

It was not the first railroad depot in town. The first, a wood-frame one, opened in 1904 at Main and Monroe and operated until the one on Peck was completed.

Fireplaces, a baggage area, and a ticket office were on the ground floor. From the second floor, a telegraph operator could view rail activity.

The depot’s interior reflected the racial segregation of the time, with separate waiting areas, bathrooms, and drinking fountains for blacks and whites.

In fact, to insure the non-mingling of races in the depot, CP Staley, Fort Myers city manager, made a request by letter just three days after the opening to JF Council, superintendent of the Charlotte Harbor Division of ACL in Lakeland.

He requested that ACL alter procedures and back the train into the station so the private Pullman cars would not arrive on the depot’s east end where the colored waiting room was located.

Council’s letter denying the request stated that it was not “practicable” to require main-line crews to perform such a service and that it would not be “right” to delay passengers in reaching the depot because the train was backed in.

In 1971, ACL passenger service ceased in downtown Fort Myers. What a



**Pictured in this 1925 photo is the ACL passenger depot on Peck Street, opened in 1924. Note the horse-drawn wagons and the train (far left).** courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society



**Ninety-two years after opening as a modern railway-passenger depot, the building closed for the second time, ending its run as an historical museum last June. Visible on the far left is another sign of change, the new fire station in the final stages of construction.**

photo by Gerri Reaves

disappointment that would have been to early citizens who had fought tirelessly for a rail extension to the city. The railroad proved to be a key factor in the city’s development and economic growth.

The depot was purchased by the city in 1975 for use as an historical museum. After a period of vacancy, in 1982, the depot opened as the Fort Myers Historical Museum. It was later renamed the Southwest Florida Historical Museum.

Traces of both names are evident in the recent photo: the first name on the weathered sign (left) and the second on the building’s façade.

The depot was originally an open-air structure, but when it became a museum, the exterior brick-floor breezeways and perimeter space were enclosed to create more interior space.

The museum’s quiet closing last June poignantly contrasted with the joyous and optimistic boom-time opening.

According to the museum’s website, the museum is currently “in the process of merging with the Imaginarium Science Center of Fort Myers.”

The depot is undergoing renovations for ADA compliance.

As for the next chapter in the beloved depot’s history, stay tuned.

Stroll down to Widman Way and Jackson and contemplate the historical importance of the 1924 ACL passenger depot.

Then, learn more about local history at the following places.

The Southwest Florida Historical Society’s research center is an all-volunteer non-profit organization open Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon and Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m.

It is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts. Call 939-4044 or visit [swflhistoricalsociety.org](http://swflhistoricalsociety.org) for more information.

Be sure to check out the Lee County Black History Society research center at 1936 Henderson Avenue and the nearby Williams Academy Museum at Roberto Clemente Park.

Hours for the all-volunteer non-profit organization are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday.

For information, call 332-8778 or visit [leecountyblackhistorysociety.org](http://leecountyblackhistorysociety.org).

Sources: Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Museum, Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, *Florida Railroads in the 1920s* by Gregg Turner, *Fort Myers Press*, *Historic Fort Myers* and *The Story of Fort Myers* by Karl H. Grismer. ✱

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Fort Myers Art:

## Edison Estates To Screen Classic On Everglades



by Tom Hall

On Friday, October 28, Edison & Ford Winter Estates will bring back outdoor movies under the stars with the screening of *Wind Across the Everglades*. This 1958 classic about

the tragic era of bird plume hunting in the Florida Everglades will be shown on the Ford lawn.

The story is based on the life of Guy Bradley, a game warden who was hired to enforce conservation laws in the Florida Everglades but was shot and killed in 1905 by plume hunters. Filmed in Technicolor on location in Everglades National Park, the film is filled with nature footage of birds roosting and flying, plus alligators and other Everglades wildlife.

The characters depict what life was like in South Florida at the turn of the century and how poachers would not let anyone get in their way. The bird feathers they coveted were not just pretty, they were reportedly worth more money than gold.

The cast includes Burl Ives, Christopher Plummer, Chana Eden, Peter Falk, Emmett Kelly and Gypsy Rose Lee.

Renowned screenwriter Budd Schulberg supervised editing and completed film direction and production. KC Schulberg, a third-generation film executive and nephew of Budd Schulberg, the original screenwriter, will speak about the film's production.

Visitors are also invited to see the new exhibit, *Birds of Southwest Florida*, in the Edison Caretaker's House. Historic photographs, artwork and other objects will be on display.

Tickets for the movie and exhibit are \$10 for members and \$20 for non-members. Refreshments will be available for purchase. A limited number of chairs will be provided, however, guests may bring a chair. Gates open at 5:30 p.m.

### Open Mic Poetry Evening To Convene At Alliance

Poets throughout Southwest Florida will be gathering to share their work at the Alliance for the Arts on Wednesday, October 5 for an open mic night that will take place between 7 and 9 p.m. The evening is designed to bring together different generations, styles and approaches to poetry.

The poetry evening is free and open to poets of all ages and to those who simply enjoy soaking up the spoken word, but a \$10 suggested donation is encouraged to support future Alliance programming. The evening is presented



Burl Ives stars in *Winds Across The Everglades*, a 1958 classic filmed in the Everglades

photo courtesy Art Southwest Florida

by the Poetry Alliance, a group of poets who meet monthly at Alliance for the Arts to share their work and advocate for poetry. For more information, visit [ArtInLee.org](http://ArtInLee.org) or call 939-2787.

### Art Gallery At FGCU To Exhibit On October 6

Opening on Thursday, October 6 in the Art Gallery at Florida Gulf Coast University is *Accumulating Interiors*: Vanessa Diaz and Tyanna Buie. Part of the *Currents Series* and curated by John Loscuito and Anica Sturdivant, this site-specific collaboration consists of fragmented interior spaces for the viewer to explore. Diaz contributes found furniture constructions and Buie adds large-scale prints that combine to evoke childhood memories and dreams as the artists reflect on family and architectural spaces.

The exhibition opens with a 5 p.m. gallery talk which is followed by a reception with the artists. The exhibition runs through November 17.

The main gallery is located in the Arts Complex on 10501 FGCU Boulevard South. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, with extended hours to 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

For more information, call 590-7199.

### Holiday Nights Returns To Edison Ford Estates This November

Even though it's still September and the weather is hot, muggy and rainy, the Edison & Ford Winter Estates wants you to start making plans to spend the holidays with Southwest Florida's first snowbirds, the Edisons and Fords, at the annual Edison Ford Holiday Nights at the Edison & Ford Winter Estates in Fort Myers.

Holiday Nights attracts visitors from all over the world annually to view the

lights and seasonal decorations that fill 20 acres of gardens and the Edison and Ford family homes. This year's Holiday Nights' theme is *On the Wings of the Holidays*, *Birds and Birding* at Edison Ford.

New this year to the Ford riverside lawn is a *Waltzing Waters* fountain display with classic holiday music and nightly entertainment. The Children's Tree Trail will include more than 60 live cedar trees decorated by Lee and Charlotte county school children.

During the holidays, the homes of Thomas and Mina Edison and Henry and Clara Ford will be open nightly from 5:30 to 9 p.m. The museum and the Edison Botanic Research Laboratory will be open nightly as well. Inside-the-Homes Holiday tours will be offered on November 29 and December 6, 13, 20 and 27 at 6:30 p.m. Guided Holiday Tradition tours will be offered at 6 and 7 p.m. each night.

Holiday Nights tickets for adults are \$20 and children (ages 6 to 12) are \$2, Holiday Tradition guided tours are \$30, and Inside-the-Homes guided tours are \$50. Lee County residents will receive \$5 off an adult ticket on November 25, 26, 27 and December 30, 31 and January 1. Students with college identification will receive a discounted rate. Packages are available for group reservations of 20 or more and include discounts on admission.

For more information, call 334-7419 or visit [www.EdisonFordWinterEstates.org](http://www.EdisonFordWinterEstates.org).

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

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## Entries Sought For Edison Festival Of Light Parades

The Edison Festival of Light has opened up applications for its Junior and Grand Parade on the website [edisonfestival.org](http://edisonfestival.org). The 79th annual Grand Parade will sparkle through historic downtown Fort Myers on Saturday, February 18, with the Junior Parade five days before on February 12. Whether you ride a horse, pull your wagon or build a tinsel-covered float, organizers encourage everyone in the community to take part in this historic event.

The Edison Festival Grand Parade encompasses organizations, businesses and neighborhoods who get creative to amble for an audience of over 200,000 people. The festival prides itself on tradition and togetherness. Also, the Edison Festival appeals to a wide variety of demographics,

which makes a perfect platform for the exposure of your organization to a captive audience.

For the Junior Parade, participants don't need to have a giant float. The Edison Festival of Light committee encourages schools, families, non-profits, troops and everyone in Southwest Florida to participate by offering several options to take part. Whether you're part of a band, you want to walk with your favorite equine, or you have a giant balloon, the Edison Festival aims to incorporate everyone to get creative and shine.

As homage to the famous inventor, the Edison Festival requires everyone in their Grand Parade to excite spectators by wearing some sort of illumination.

The Edison Festival of Light, Inc. honors Thomas Alva Edison's contributions to mankind and seeks to improve the community by education and activities relating to Edison's works and values.

Visit [www.edisonfestival.org](http://www.edisonfestival.org) for more information.✱

## FGCU Wind Orchestra At Artis-Naples

The Bower School of Music & the Arts at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) presents the FGCU Wind Orchestra in a concert titled Then and Now at Hayes Hall at Artis-Naples on Sunday, September 25 at 3 p.m. The concert will feature Rod M. Chesnutt, conductor and Karen Ambrose, conducting associate.

In fall 2006, Florida Gulf Coast University's newly minted Bower School of Music premiered the first student-ensembles performance. The band and string orchestra were newly created ensembles and the University Choir had been incorporated into the program. The generosity of Alan and Marilyn Korest gave impetus to a vision of a music program that could transform Florida Gulf Coast University and Southwest Florida's

musical culture. Today, the Wind Orchestra celebrates that seminal event by recreating the first band concert.

Programming works by major composers like Holst, Bernstein and Vaughan Williams signaled a commitment to creating the finest music and setting an expectation of excellence. After intermission, the Wind Orchestra continues down that path, performing works by Pulitzer Prize-winning composer Kevin Puts, 20th century icon Paul Hindemith and celebrated wind composer David Maslanka. The Hindemith symphony is a cornerstone work, rarely performed due to its complexity and demand for musical maturity, while Maslanka's *Give Us This Day* has a life and spirit that complements that of the band program at FGCU's Bower School of Music & the Arts.

Tickets for this event are \$15 and are available for purchase online at [www.fgcu.edu/CAS/Music/student-ensembles](http://www.fgcu.edu/CAS/Music/student-ensembles) or at the door at Artis-Naples, located at 5833 Pelican Bay Boulevard in Naples.

For more information, contact Joanna Hoch at 745-4268 or [jhoch@fgcu.edu](mailto:jhoch@fgcu.edu).✱

## Juried Exhibit Politikos To Open

Alliance for the Arts juried exhibit Politikos will open on Friday, October 7 in the main gallery with a public reception from 5 to 7 p.m. The exhibit continues until November 5.

During this exhibition, Mimi Stirn and Julie Griffin will be showing works in the Member Galleries. Come engage with the community and artists in all mediums from across Florida.

Juror Doug MacGregor will give a gallery walk and talk during the first weekend of SoCo SWFL on October 8 from 6 to 7 p.m. MacGregor has been a cartoonist for 33 years. He got his professional start drawing editorial cartoons for the *Norwich Bulletin* in eastern Connecticut in 1980. He moved to Florida in 1988 and drew cartoons for *The News-Press* in Fort Myers until June of 2011. Also a graphic designer, freelance artist

and children's book author and illustrator, he teaches cartooning and creativity to the young and young at heart. MacGregor is a member of the Association of Editorial Cartoonists and the Society for Children's Book Writers and Illustrators.

"The exhibited work is as diverse as the political issues themselves. They tackle human rights, corruption, the candidates and other hot topics in this year's election," said Krista Johnson, exhibitions coordinator.

The League of Women's Voters will have voter registration materials onsite during the Friday night opening and Saturday SoCo SWFL event. Alliance for the Arts has previously presented exhibits focused on politics and social concerns during the 2008 and 2012 election seasons.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. For more information, call 939-2787 or visit [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org).✱

## Calendar Girls Attend Hero Parade



The Calendar Girls at the Parade For Heroes

photo courtesy Linda Floyd

The Calendar Girls took part in the Parade For Heroes on September 10 in downtown Cape Coral. Along with The Calendar Girls, the Retired NYPD SWFL 10-13 Club and the Freedom Is Not Free RV took part in the event. For more information, visit [www.calendargirlsflorida.com](http://www.calendargirlsflorida.com). ✱

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## Audience To Decide Who Is The Best Man

The Laboratory Theater of Florida's production of *The Best Man*, directed by Rick Sebastian, opens Sunday, October 7.

During the 1960 presidential primary, two imperfect candidates are vying for their party's nomination, as well as the current president's endorsement. The first believes he is honest and ethical, while the second will do whatever it takes to win. Then there's the ex-president, who would rather see these two battle it out, in spite of the skeletons each has in his closet.

"There's a reason this hit play was nominated for six Tony Awards," said



image courtesy Laboratory Theater of Florida

Lab Theater of Florida Artistic Director Annette Trossbach. "The writing offers some wonderful insight into how much and how little has changed in how America chooses its commander-in-chief, not to mention a charming if not manipulative, outgoing President Hockstader, an overbearing head of the women's caucus, and a host of other well-drawn characters."

"Set in the heat of the convention, it is a study of how the most important position in America was fought for before the present age of electronic media," said Sebastian. "We see in this play what happens in the back rooms as policies are made and leaders rise to the top."

Sebastian previously directed *The Underpants* by Steve Martin for the Lab Theater.

*The Best Man* stars Paul Graffy (*Stage Kiss*), John Repa (*Twelfth Night*), Michael

Hennessey (*Glengarry Glen Ross*), Joann Haley (*Agnes of God*), Gerrie Benzing (*Miss Witherspoon*), Nancy Antonio (*The House of Yes*), Scott Carpenter (*Art*), Jack Weld (*Stage Kiss*), Bill Allenfort, John Coriell, Suzanne Davies (*Calendar Girls*), Mike Dinko (*An Empty Plate in the Cafe du Grand Boeuf*) and Lexie Anne Cole.

*The Best Man* is on stage at The Laboratory Theater of Florida Thursday through Sunday, October 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 and 29 at 8 p.m., and on October 9, 16, 23 and 29 at 2 p.m. All tickets – \$25 for adults and \$12 and for students at the door – are available online at [LaboratoryTheaterFlorida.com](http://LaboratoryTheaterFlorida.com) or by calling 218-0481. Season ticket pricing is also available. *The Best Man* is partially sponsored by JJ Cochrane.

The Laboratory Theater of Florida is located at 1634 Woodford Avenue in Fort Myers. ✱

## Best Of Taste Fundraiser Set For October 17

The Red Sox Foundation and the Junior League of Fort Myers, Inc. are teaming up for the 2nd annual Best of Taste in the Park fundraiser prior to the 34th annual Taste of the Town.

During the Best of Taste in the Park, attendees will be able to participate in judging offerings from participating restaurants to decide the People's Choice Award that will be showcased at the annual Taste of the Town.

Best of Taste in the Park will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, October 17 at JetBlue Park, located at 11500 Fenway South Drive in Fort Myers. The event will be capped at 200 attendees.

Participating restaurants will host stations offering attendees tastings of their entries, which will then be voted

on by the public for the People's Choice Award. Dishes entered must be a dish the restaurant will be serving at Taste of the Town.

In addition to the tastings and judging, attendees will receive complimentary beer and wine, craft spirit tastings, a silent auction with one-of-a-kind items, self-guided tours, raffle prizes and complimentary admission to Taste of the Town on November 6.

Tickets for Best of Taste in the Park are \$75 each. The deadline for restaurants to participate is September 23.

"Last year everyone had a great time and left with full bellies thanks to the delicious food from our participating restaurants," said Katie Haas, Red Sox vice president of Florida business operations. "Best of all, funds raised from the event stay local to benefit the Red Sox Scholarship Fund in partnership with The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, Inc., as well as the Junior League's volunteer services and donations to programs

supporting women and children in the region."

"The goal of this event is to attract an audience of food connoisseurs and philanthropic-minded citizens who are looking for a unique night out not found anywhere else in Southwest Florida," said Laura Richardson, chair of Taste of the Town. "This event is a win-win for our local community."

All funds raised will be split between the Junior League of Fort Myers and the Red Sox Foundation to be given back to the local community. Last year's Best of Taste event raised \$13,000.

To date, the following restaurants have signed up to participate in Best of Taste in the Park: 11:Eleven Café, 1st Street Deli, BJ's Restaurant, Connor's Steak & Seafood, Ee-To-Leet-Ke Grill, Famous Dave's, Love Boat Ice Cream, Lucky Mi, Mona Lisa Italian Restaurant, Norman Love Confections and The Melting Pot.

Sponsors for Best of Taste in the Park include Scanlon Auto Group, Seminole Casino Hotel Immokalee,

Gulfshore Life, Suncoast Beverage Sales, Coastal Beverages, List Distillery and Key West Express.

To purchase tickets for Best of Taste in the Park, visit [www.redsoxfoundation.org/best-of-taste](http://www.redsoxfoundation.org/best-of-taste) or email [jbpevents@redsox.com](mailto:jbpevents@redsox.com).

For more information about Best of Taste in the Park or the annual Taste of the Town, call 277-1197 or email [tasteofthetown@jlfm.org](mailto:tasteofthetown@jlfm.org). For ongoing updates on Taste of the Town, visit [www.jlfmtaste.com](http://www.jlfmtaste.com). ✱

## Library To Host Comic Fest

A family friendly Comic Fest has been planned for Saturday, October 15 at the Fort Myers Regional Library campus from noon to 4 p.m. Keynote speaker Stephen Hayford, a nationally known diorama artist, will present the program *Star Wars: The Force Awakens, Working In Secrecy*.

Activities will include trivia contests, table top gaming, cosplay (a contraction of the words costume play, is a performance art in which participants called cosplayers wear costumes), video games, Japanese culture, coloring, 3D printing, karaoke, a costume parade and a selfie-station.

Artists showcasing henna, sculpture, and other types of art will be on-site and selling their designs. Comics, games and anime paraphernalia will also be available for sale. The event is free, though pre registration is required for popular activities. To register for an activity, go to [www.leelibrary.net/calendar](http://www.leelibrary.net/calendar).

"We are grateful to the Friends of the Fort Myers Regional Library for sponsoring this important community event," Library System Director Sheldon Kaye said. "It will provide a fun place to interact and be creative while the library promotes graphic novel collections, literacy and library services."

Attendees will be required to follow posted event rules about costumes, clothing, safety and code of conduct. Find them online at [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net). ✱



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## Book Signing And Reading

Novelist Maile Chapman will hold a book signing and reading at the Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) Thomas Edison Campus in Fort Myers at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 26 in the Rush Auditorium, Building J. The event is free and open to the public.

Chapman is the author of the novel *Your Presence Is Requested at Suvento*, short-listed for the Guardian First Book Award and a finalist for the PEN Center USA literary award in fiction. Her stories have appeared in *A Public Space*, *Dublin Review*, *Fairy Tale Review*, *Best American Fantasy*, and *GRANTA Online*, among others. Chapman received her MFA in fiction from Syracuse University and a PhD in English from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. She has been a fellow at the New York Public Library's Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for

Scholars and Writers as well as a Fulbright Grantee to Finland. She teaches in the English department and MFA program at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and serves as editor of *Witness* magazine.

This project is sponsored in part by the Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Council of Arts and Culture and the State of Florida (Section 286.25, Florida Statutes). It is coordinated by the Florida Literary Arts Coalition and FSW Writes, an FSW faculty group that plans writing events for FSW students, employees and the public.

"We are happy to partner with the Florida Literary Arts Coalition to bring incredible authors such as Maile Chapman to the college to share their work with the Southwest Florida community," said Dr. Scott Ortolano, FSW English professor.

Copies of the book are currently available for purchase at the FSW Thomas Edison Campus bookstore and will also be available for purchase during the event.

For more information, contact Dr. Ortolano at 489-9472 or email [sortolano@fsw.edu](mailto:sortolano@fsw.edu).



Maile Chapman

photo courtesy FSW

## Snow Day In Fort Myers

Apothicare 360 will hold the 2nd annual Snow Day at Pediatric Dentistry of Fort Myers on Saturday, October 1 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. All are invited to take part in the festivities in observance of supporting healthy family bonds during National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

There will be snowfall special effects, a blizzard tent with magic snow and snowball fun, as well as a live broadcast from 96.9 WINK FM. This year's event will also feature musical performances by Family Music Time, author Robin E. Mizwa with the *Story of the Sugar Fairies* book, and a headlining performance by Glen Beitman with Super Science and Amazing Art, the BIG Show. There will be snow-themed face painting, bounce houses, an obstacle course, and a giant human foosball arena, thanks to SWFL Bubble Soccer. Families can meet various mascots including Swampy from the Florida

Everblades, Sway from the Fort Myers Miracle, the Chick-Fil-A cow, a Lego Star Wars Storm Trooper, and a Minion, courtesy of Jumping Jacks Fun Zone. Giveaways include children's vitamins, courtesy of Apothicare 360's Kids 360 program, sunglasses and koozie cups donated by Miromar Outlets, and other prizes donated by sponsors.

The cost is \$5 for adults and \$10 for an all-day wristband for children (unlimited access to bounce house play, human foosball arena, face painting, and pictures with Anna, Elsa and Olaf). Each adult ticket will also entitle the recipient an opportunity to win a four-pack of Disney World Park Hopper passes, valued at \$620. Tickets may be purchased in advance at <http://drverwest.com/snowday/>. Food will be available by Red Roc Cravings, Bullseye Eats Hot Dogs and More, Camy's Kettle Corn, Kona Ice, and Jonesez Barbeque, at an additional charge.

All proceeds will benefit Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. (ACT).

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## Along The River

The 3rd annual **Island Hopper Songwriter Fest** along The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel kicks off on **Captiva Island** this Friday, September 23. Presented by BMI, the largest music rights organization in the U.S., along with iHeartMedia and Cat Country 107.1, performances will take place at popular and intimate island venues.

Public shows begin Friday at 7 p.m. at Cantina Captiva, RC Otters, The Mucky Duck, Keylime Bistro and continue at 8:15 p.m. at Doc Ford's Captiva and Tween Waters Inn as well as the aforementioned venues. Music resumes at 2 p.m. Saturday at the same venues and again at 2:15 p.m. Sunday.

The Island Hopper moves to downtown Fort Myers Monday, September 26 through Thursday, September 29. Venues include The Barrel Room, City Tavern, Hotel Indigo, Indigo Room, JP Cruises, Crowne Plaza and the Florida Repertory Theater.

The Songwriter Fest completes its tour on Fort Myers Beach the following weekend (more on that next week).

Performers include breakout Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI) artists, Nashville star Maren Morris, and

country/rock group Parmalee. The festival features more than 140 free performances and six special ticketed events.

For the first time, Parmalee will perform at the Florida Repertory Theatre in downtown Fort Myers on September 28 from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Parmalee recently made history when its multi-week No.1 smash hit, *Carolina*, became the longest climbing single by a duo or group in the 24-year history of the Billboard Country Airplay chart.

For more information, visit [www.fortmyers-sanibel.com/island-hopper](http://www.fortmyers-sanibel.com/island-hopper).

The **Noteworthy Concert Series** continues with For A Season, an indie folk, soul, rock and roll band hailing from Southwest Florida, this Friday, September 23 at the **Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center**.

The unique sound of For A Season, along with featured brewery Old Soul Brewing Company, is a perfect pairing of blues and brews. For A Season incorporates rock backgrounds, gospel-flavored vocals, a rootsy feel and a blend of modern folk orchestration that also makes room for soul and country inflections. The band has spent the last four years touring and building up a fan base, including one million views on YouTube.



Phillip White plays at City Tavern during the Island Hopper Songwriter Fest on Wednesday

photo courtesy LCVCB

In August 2015, For A Season released their first full length record, *I Will Wait*, which was recorded and produced by Rick Beato. The album gained radio play across the globe and opened the door for touring opportunities and shows with some of the top artists in the music industry, including two-time Grammy Award winning artist For King & Country and *American Idol* alumnus Colton Dixon.

General admission tickets are \$10 each. The season series cost is \$30, which also includes The Good Bad Kids on October 14 and Strange Arrangement on October 28. Doors open at 7 p.m. for pre-concert cocktails. The show begins at 8 p.m.

Visit [www.sbdac.com](http://www.sbdac.com) to purchase tickets or for more information. SBDAC is located in the historic downtown River District at 2301 First Street in Fort Myers.

**Matanzas on the Bay** on Fort Myers Beach is hosting the 12th annual **Fillet and Release Fishing Tournament** this Saturday, September 24 to benefit Hope Hospice. This year's event committee anticipates that a total of 320 anglers will join the light tackle, inshore fishing tournament. The 2015 tournament raised more than \$24,000 to benefit Hope Hospice, with a total of 106 boats participating in the competition.

The tournament will kick off with a captain's meeting on Friday at 6:30 p.m. at Bahama Breeze in Fort Myers. On Saturday, anglers will hit the waters and fishing will begin with a shotgun start at 7 a.m. Boats will return by 3 p.m., and the weigh-in ceremony will take place at Matanzas on the Bay. Winners will be announced during an awards ceremony. During the event, anglers and guests can also enter a raffle drawing for a chance to win a variety of prizes, with proceeds supporting Hope Hospice.

The entry fee is \$350 per team with a maximum of four anglers per boat. Winners are determined by total weight of fish caught. Eligible species include redfish and snook, and all fish will be released. For more information, visit

[www.filletandrelease4hospice.com](http://www.filletandrelease4hospice.com).

Matanzas on the Bay is located at 416 Crescent Street on Fort Myers Beach. Free parking and boat dockage are available. For more information, call 463-3838 or visit [www.MatanzasontheBay.com](http://www.MatanzasontheBay.com).

Get ready to walk or run during the **Color Splash 5K 1.0 at Wa-Ke Hatchee Community Park**, this Saturday, September 24. Registration begins at 7 a.m., with the family-friendly race getting underway at 7:30 a.m. The course encompasses three laps within the park. Sign up and participation is free, but limited to the first 350 registrants.

In addition to this Florida's Healthiest Weight activity, World Heart Day 2016 will be noted at the park. Lee County Emergency Medical Services responders and Florida Department of Health in Lee County CPR instructors will demonstrate hands-only CPR techniques. Vendors will share tips on exercise and healthy eating.

Wa-Ke Hatchee Community Park is located at 16760 Bass Road in Fort Myers. To register, visit <http://healthylee.com/florida-health-color-splash-5k>.

The 3rd annual **Fort Myers Craft Beer Fest** will be held at the **Marina at Edison Ford** this Saturday, September 24 from 3 to 8 p.m. The beer fest has become one of the best in Southwest Florida thanks in part to its ability to attract the best lineup of craft beers with an emphasis on the local craft beer purveyors.

Craft beer participants include Fort Myers Brewing, Momentum Brewhouse, Point Ybel Brewing Company, Cape Coral Brewing, Lagunitas, Radenberger, St. Pete Brewing and Cigar City.

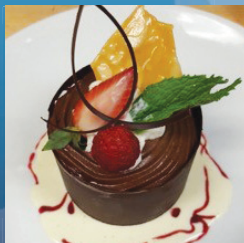
The festival will feature a selection of craft beers, corn hole boards and a DJ. There will be food from award-winning Texas Tony's Rib and Brew House, vendors, river cruise offerings from Pure Fort Myers as well as offerings to stroll the historic Edison Ford Estates directly beside the Marina.

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From left, Liz Cooke, James Dowling and Irene Burchell of The Jacaranda

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### ALL SAINTS BYZANTINE RITE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

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

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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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New Home Church, 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, North Fort Myers, 656-0416. Weekly Friday meeting meet and greet 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Teaching 7 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments. [nbcministry@embarqmail.com](mailto:nbcministry@embarqmail.com), [www.facebook.com/nbcministry](http://www.facebook.com/nbcministry). Alex and Patricia Wiggins, Ministers **NEW COVENANT EYES CHURCH** See Clearly. Meeting monthly at 9 a.m. at the Elks Lodge. 1900 Park Meadows Drive, Fort Myers. 220-8519. Pastor Alan Bondar. [www.newcovenanteyes.com](http://www.newcovenanteyes.com). LIFT Kidz program, free coffee and donuts.

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

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

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

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## City Sells Bonds, Finances Improvements

City Manager Saeed Kazemi, PE announced that the City of Fort Myers has sold its Capital Improvement Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 Bonds in the amount of \$52,130,000. The Series 2016 Bonds were issued with the goals of: (1) to currently refund the city's previously issued Improvement and Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2006, to achieve annual debt service savings; and (2) to finance various capital improvement projects within the city. Bond refundings are similar to the refinancing of mortgages. Existing debt is prepaid and new debt, at a lower interest rate, is issued to replace the original debt.

The refunding (refinancing) component of the transaction resulted in an average of \$350,000 in annual debt service savings for fiscal years 2018 through 2037. The transaction also enables the city to finance various capital improvement projects in the amount of \$19,757,300.

Kazemi explained that with the help of the city's financial advisors, the pricing of the Series 2016 Bonds garnered strong investor demand with the investors' orders exceeding the amount of bonds available for purchase. In fact, for the estimated \$52 million in bonds available, the city received

orders in excess of \$400 million. This high level of investor demand enabled the city to reduce interest rates by 0.02 percent to 0.11 percent in nearly every maturity compared to the pre-pricing interest rates. The result lowered the city's total interest payment by \$463,000 due to the strong demand for the city's bonds.

"Overall, the transaction allowed the city to lower its borrowing costs through both the refunding and maximized investor demand, and proved to be a great success," said Kazemi.✱

## Cape Chorale Father And Son Workshop

Cape Chorale's Father & Son workshop will be held at Cypress Lake Presbyterian Church in Fort Myers from 2 to 5 p.m. on October 1. This free, one-afternoon workshop, taught by music professionals, will teach men of all ages some of the fundamentals of acapella singing, helping improve listening and singing skills. By the end of the afternoon, the participants will be singing in four-part harmony and will be able to return to their churches or houses of worship better prepared to sing in their choirs or even in their congregations.

RSVP by September 24 to leadone42@gmail.com✱

## OBITUARY



### JEANNETTE KEENE HOWLAND

Jeannette "Jan" Keene Howland passed away suddenly in Fort Myers, Florida on September 11, 2016 at the age of 95. She was preceded in death by her parents Floyd E. and Martha B. Keene of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and former husband Daniel Howland of Columbus, Ohio. She is survived by her daughter Janie Howland of Sanibel, Florida; son Daniel Howland (Julie) of Bradenton, Florida; grandson Joe Carr (Erica) of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; granddaughters Eva Howland of Bradenton and Emilie Eisenhart (Jonathan) of Jacksonville, Florida; great-grandson Lukas Daniel

Howland, great-granddaughter Nina Carola Blake Carr, brother John Keene (Ana Maria) of Rosemont, Pennsylvania; and many nieces and nephews.

She graduated from The Shipley School in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania and the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. She moved to Columbus in 1950, where her husband earned his MA and PhD. Columbus is where she raised her children and enjoyed a 27-year career at the Columbus School for Girls as a French teacher, a librarian and the audio visual coordinator. She moved to Calusa Harbour in Fort Myers in 2003 where she continued to pursue her passion for books as the volunteer librarian.

She proudly lived independently right until her final days. She made beautiful needlepoint pillows and was adept with text and email, loved her iPhone and avidly searched the Internet for information. Her favorite things to watch on TV were singles tennis and Buckeye football. Those who knew her best described her as exceptionally kind, caring, gracious, dignified, inquisitive and fiercely independent, with a great sense of humor. Even in her weakest moments, she was always the pillar of her family.

The family will have a celebration of her life on Sanibel Island sometime in the next few months and a service at St. Alban's Church in Bexley, Ohio after the first of the year. No dates have been set.

In lieu of flowers, she requested donations to be made in her memory to Doctors Without Borders. Online contributions can be made at <https://donate.doctorswithoutborders.org/onetime.cfm> or call 212-763-5779.✱

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# Gotta Love September



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

**A**s we push further through the transition month of September, fishing, as expected, is just getting better, not only with the usual species but also with the

first transient species that have begun making their way south along with the bait migration. Add to that the noticeable lack of boats and angler pressure out on the water this month, and it's just the perfect time to go fishing. Even during the usually busier weekends, you will find yourself part of a very small group of anglers taking full advantage of this month's awesome fishery.

Reports of the redfish schools of September keep coming from the northern end of the sound and Matlacha Pass. One giant school numbering in the thousands was

reported in the smokehouse bay area of northern Matlacha Pass for several days midweek during the lower water just before sunset. If you plan on hunting for a school of redfish, it's just a matter of riding and looking. During calm light wind periods, I like to ride the longer bars and search the flats looking from my tower. Once located, it's often possible to fish a redfish school on a certain tide day after day.

Due to the time restraints of a four-hour half-day charter, I chose not to make the long run up north this week to chase these redfish schools. Staying close to home, we still enjoyed great redfish action in the middle to southern sound. Locating large mullet schools was the key to catching redfish both on live pinfish under a float and on chunks of fresh-cut bait. During higher water, I found redfish mixed in with mullet along mangrove islands. On open water flats while on lower water, I switched up to fishing the outer bars and drop-offs. Blind Pass, Red Light Shoal and the Gault Island flats have all been holding good numbers of redfish.

Snook fishing with live shiners continued to be another good choice for anglers this week. While catching a 20-plus snook average on most trips, getting that one slot snook



A redfish and snook doubleheader caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

remained a tough task. With the water really cleaning up in the passes, the pass snook bite just quit for me this week and the better bite came while mangrove fishing. Look for mangrove islands with good tide movement or the mangrove shorelines just inside the passes with stained or dirty water. While targeting these snook most days, we ended up catching a mixed bag of redfish and mangrove snapper in these same places.

If you're looking for fast-paced fishing, it's available right out on the beaches on a crazy Spanish mackerel bite. Anywhere from right on the beach out to a few miles, keep your eyes open

for feeding birds. You will quickly find jumping mackerel along with jacks, ladyfish and who knows what else in the mix from day to day. This bite is non-stop and only requires small silver spoons either cast or trolled to bend the rods. This bite out along the beaches will only get better as the water cools and the fall bait migration kicks into high gear.

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](mailto:captmattmitchell@aol.com).\*

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## Community Flea Market And Garage Sale

Hope United Church in San Carlos Park/Estero is holding a community flea market and garage sale on Saturday, October 8 from 8 a.m. to noon in their parking lot. Hope United Church is located at 7470 Hickory Drive in Fort Myers. It is located on U.S. 41, two miles south of Alico and one mile north of Estero Parkway. There will be 30 outdoor spaces available for \$20 per space. This is the sixth year for these events, which are normally held on the second Saturday of each month, October through March. Those wishing to participate in all six can pay for five Saturdays in advance and get the sixth Saturday free.

All proceeds remain in the hands of those renting spaces/tables. The only revenue to the church is from the space rental charge, and coffee and food.

The church will also be selling some excess electronic and other equipment they no longer have a need for. All items are in working order but are being sold on an as-is basis with no warranties or guarantees.

To reserve your space, drop by the

church office during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays. Spaces are sold on a first-come, first served basis. Renters must provide their own tables for outdoor spaces. Setup will be between the hours of 7 and 8 a.m. Spaces are only reserved with payment in cash.

The church is approximately one mile south of the San Carlos Park arches on the east side of Tamiami Trail. Call 267-3331 for more information.✴

## Bluegrass In The Theatre October 9

Bluegrass in the Theatre continues at Alliance for the Arts on Sunday, October 9 from 2 to 5 p.m. Palmgrass artists include Bill Metts, Bugtussle Ramblers and Highway 41.

Tickets are \$10 each, available online at [www.ArtInLee.org/tickets](http://www.ArtInLee.org/tickets) or at the door. Children under 12 are under are admitted free if accompanied by an adult. Doors open at 1 p.m. Seating is limited and first come, first served.

For more information, call 939-2787 or visit [www.ArtInLee.org](http://www.ArtInLee.org).

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers.✴

the main parking lot off of McGregor Boulevard or the new parking areas on Larchmont Avenue.

For more information, call Leanne Criswell, Edison Ford program registrar, at 334-7419.

**Lee County Sheriff's Office** continues its series of **free senior safety education seminars** this Tuesday, September 27 at 1 p.m. The seminar entitled Social Security Benefits: Are Your Benefits Safe From Hackers? will take place at the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Store in the Daniels Crossing Shopping Center in Fort Myers.

Attendees will also learn more about the various Sheriff's Office units and what they do to help protect and serve community members. Each presentation will be followed by a question-and-answer session. Light refreshments will be provided.

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## Chamber Luncheons

The Above Board Chamber of Florida is hosting two luncheons with an HR-themed presentation featuring personality profiling.

The Naples luncheon will be held Monday, October 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hilton Naples, located at 5111 Tamiami Trail North. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for guests on or before October 3 and \$28 for members, \$35 for guests after October 3.

The Fort Myers luncheon will be held Thursday, October 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Harborside Event Center, located at 1375 Monroe Street. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for guests on or before October 6 and \$28 for members, \$35 for guests after October 6.

Reservations are required at [AboveBoardChamber.com](http://AboveBoardChamber.com).

The Naples meeting will be emceed by Arnold Klinsky of Klinsky Consulting, and will feature a panel including: Debbie Peterson, mindset expert and owner of Getting to Clarity, LLC; Robin W. Larkin, partner at Performance Management Associates Professional Training & Coaching; and Alfio Carrocetto, senior consultant at The Omnia Group.

The Fort Myers meeting will be emceed by Ryan Sheehy, chief marketing strategist of CONRIC PR & Marketing, and will feature a panel including: Angela J. Pruitt, PhD, chief human resources officer of Lee County School System; Debbie Peterson, mindset expert and owner of Getting to

Clarity, LLC; and Robin W. Larkin, partner at Performance Management Associates Professional Training & Coaching.✴

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## Summit

funding and regulatory changes on the horizon. Registration is \$42, which includes breakfast. Go to <http://rpcra.org/transportation-summit> or contact Ann Pierce for more information at [annpierce350@gmail.com](mailto:annpierce350@gmail.com).

Keynote speakers include Billy Hattaway, District 1 secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation; Ian Lockwood, Livable Transportation engineer for the Toole Design Group; Dan Burden, Innovation and Inspiration director for Blue Zones; and Paula Benway, international president of the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Transportation in the future will not be business as usual, as FDOT is no longer taking the approach of "one-size-fits-all street design" as it moves to a context-sensitive based approach. Hattaway wants "local governments to understand what this change means in terms of flexibility in design criteria and the relationship between land development patterns and transportation design."

Streets Alive SWFL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization promoting livable communities through the creation of a safe and accessible multi-modal transportation system, via education, advocacy, service and activities.✴

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## Along The River

VIP ticket that includes access to a private beer garden to catch all the college football games, an extra hour of craft beer sampling, an exclusive Firkin tapping, exclusive randalls, and a keepsake glass and lanyard. Only 200 of the VIP tickets will be available for \$55 each and will only be sold in advance. The new VIP experience is expected to sell out quickly.

A limited number of all-you-can-sample tickets will also be available for purchase in advance only and are \$40. Tickets can be purchased through the festival website at [www.craftbeerfestfortmyers.com](http://www.craftbeerfestfortmyers.com).

There is no charge for admission. Guests will be able to purchase sample tickets that day.

The Marina at Edison Ford is located at 2360 West First Street in downtown Fort Myers. For more information, visit the website or Facebook page.

The **Edison & Ford Winter Estates** will again host a **petting zoo** on their property at 2350 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers.

Participating children will have a chance to meet different farm animals this Sunday, September 25 from 1 to 4 p.m. Adults are admitted free, while children entering the petting zoo gate will be charged \$1 per child. Tickets are required and can be purchased at the main ticket office.

The Petting Zoo will be located near the shady area of the banyan tree and café. Besides shade from the trees, there is seating and refreshments opportunities. Parking is available in



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## Free 'Ding' Darling Passes For Fourth Graders

As part of President Barack Obama's Every Kid In A Park initiative, the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel Island is – for the second consecutive school year – issuing free annual passes to any fourth-grade student or homeschool equivalent.

The program began last school year, and "Ding" Darling staff were determined to get a pass into the hands of every fourth grade student in Lee County. They succeeded, issuing about 6,000 passes and winding up as the number one refuge in the 560-plus refuge system for volume of issues. Among the combined public lands that issued the passes (parks, refuges, recreation areas and forests), the "Ding" Darling team was a top leader.

"That is a true testament to the enthusiasm and commitment of our



"Ding" Darling Refuge staff encourages kids to explore nature

photo courtesy DDWS

visitor services and education team," said Birgie Miller, executive director of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). "They believe so strongly in the importance

of making conservation stewards out of today's youth, they went far above and beyond in promoting the initiative."

This year's passes will be issued and valid through August 2017 at

any national wildlife refuge, national park or forest, and other federal land. Admission is free for every fourth grader with a pass, accompanying siblings up to age 15, and up to three accompanying adults.

Obtaining the free annual pass – a value of up to \$80 – requires fourth-grade students to print out a voucher at [everykidinapark.gov](http://everykidinapark.gov). Fourth graders can complete the voucher and take it to the fee booth at the refuge's Wildlife Drive to receive their pass. They must present a printed voucher; electronic forms will not be accepted.

"We will promote the passes to the thousands of fourth graders who visit the refuge through our school programs," said supervisory refuge ranger Toni Westland. "We will further promote them at National Public Lands Day on Saturday, September 24, and "Ding" Darling Days' free Family Fun Day on Sunday, October 16."

For more information on the Every Kid In A Park pass, visit [everykidinapark.gov](http://everykidinapark.gov). For questions about obtaining a pass at "Ding" Darling, call 472-1100 ext. 237.✧

### Plant Smart

## Candlestick Plant

by Gerri Reaves

Candlestick plant (*Senna alata*) is a non-native shrub valued for attracting butterflies and bees.

This fast-growing member of the bean family is a relative of the tamarind and redbud.

A multi-branching open form makes it suitable for a mass planting, since it grows five to 15 feet tall and as wide. It also works as an accent or container plant.

The showy terminal flower spikes usually bloom in summer, lasting into fall. They extend upright above the foliage like golden yellow fat candles, thus the common name.

The candelabra branching and floral "candles" inspire other names too: candle-bush, Christmas senna, popcorn senna, candelabra bush and Christmas candle.

Ringworm tree is another name, because the plant is a source of chrysophanic acid, which is used to treat some skin diseases, including ringworm.

The spikes' many rounded and cup-like flowers open individually and are about an inch in diameter. Waxy sepals enclose unopened flowers.

The large light-green compound leaves can be as long as 30 inches. They are composed of seven to 14 pairs of opposite oblong leaflets of two to four inches long.

Plant candlestick plant in full sun. It adapts to various soil conditions, is moderately drought-tolerant but not frost- or salt-tolerant.

The seed pods of six to 12 inches long turn brown and smooth when mature.

This plant was previously classified as *Cassia alata*, and the terms *cassia* and *senna* are still sometimes used interchangeably.

For maximum benefit to wildlife, butterfly gardeners should consider planting native sennas (or cassias), such as Chapman's wild sensitive plant (*Senna*



Green immature seed pods fan out below the flower spike

photos by Gerri Reaves



Golden yellow candle-like flower spikes inspire this non-native's many common names

*mexicana*) and partridge pea (*Cassia fasciculata* or *Chamaecrista fasciculata*) instead of non-natives.

Sources: *Florida Landscape Plants* by John V. Watkins and Thomas J. Sheehan, *Your Florida Guide to Shrubs* by Edward F. Gilman et al., [edis.ifas.ufl.edu](http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu) and [floridata.com](http://floridata.com).

*Plant Smart* explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧

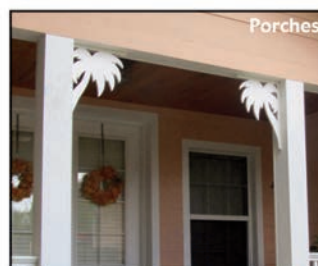
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## CROW Case Of The Week:

Fishing  
Line Victims

by Bob Petcher

**Q**uestion: What is the most dangerous kind of debris encountered by wildlife?

**A**nswer: Monofilament fishing line.

Fishing line that has been

discarded or left by careless fishermen can entangle, choke, snag and even kill its victims. For example, birds have been found hanging upside down in trees, exhausted after hours of struggling to free themselves from being wrapped up in lines. Some of those animals suffer agonizing deaths due to the entanglement.

Not only can the clear, strong, flexible plastic do harm to birds, manatees, sea turtles, whales, dolphins and rays (to name a few), it also non-biodegradable. Scientists estimate it can take 300 to 500 years to decompose.

Anglers have been urged to dispose of any used or loose fishing line within provided monofilament stations, often found at boat ramps, fishing piers or other park sites where fishing takes place. These recycling stations can be important to the livelihood of all creatures around the sea and even humans who swim in



A juvenile willet, patient #16-2961

photos by Kenny Howell

open waters.

Interestingly, collected monofilament line is sent to places like Berkley Recycling Center in Spirit Lake, Iowa and recycled into fishing products like tackle boxes or park benches.

It is hoped that through continued educational awareness, anglers will be reached and their behavior modified. Each fall, marine cleanups events, called Monofilament Madness, encourage volunteers to help rid discarded line and other debris from local waters via boats, kayaks, canoes, jet skis and anything else that floats. Officials have stated that previous Monofilament Madness cleanups have produced enough discarded fishing line to stretch from Fort Myers to Tallahassee.

At CROW, a juvenile willet and juvenile brown pelican arrived from Sanibel after they were spotted in the



A juvenile brown pelican, patient #16-2960

water wrapped up together by fishing line. Upon arrival, the pelican had the clear line wrapped around its left leg with a hook embedded in its left wing, where swelling occurred. The willet had fishing line attached to its right foot, connecting it to the pelican.

CROW officials point out that even though some entangled birds may not suffer serious injury or even death, damage from monofilament fishing line may prevent our winged friends from hunting, flying and/or defending themselves.

Last year, the rehabilitation hospital reported 106 patients as a result of monofilament entanglement. With boating and fishing being common hobbies on the island, CROW officials believe education about the proper disposal of monofilament line is a top priority. CROW is involved in a campaign called Clear Your Gear with other island organizations such as the City of Sanibel,

Sanibel Sea School, Monofilament Busters, SCCF, FWC and "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society.

Last week, the pelican was reportedly bright and alert and eating on its own. The left wing swelling was gone and the pelican was walking with no signs of favoring its leg.

On the same day, the willet was said to be bright and alert but was not eating on its own and needed to be force-fed. However, the shorebird was beginning to peck at food when placed in a cage. There was some displacement in the willet's right wing from additional fishing line wrapped around it. That resulted in soft tissue swelling and trauma to both wings. A body wrap was applied to involve both wings so that the patient could not further injure his limbs in the cage. The body wrap stayed on until x-rays were completed at the end of a seven-day period.

"The willet has improved since its arrival," said Dr. Krystal Woo, DVM intern. "(Last) weekend it was moved to the outside enclosure but the wing bandages are still in place until healed. The willet has started to eat on its own and is gaining weight. If its condition continues to improve, it should be released in a couple of weeks."

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](http://www.crowclinic.org).✪



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# October Activities At Shell Point



Shell Point’s popular model train attraction will reopen in October  
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Shell Point Retirement Community is offering a number of activities during the month of October. They include:

- All Aboard! Model train attraction reopens – Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the Creativity Center on The Island (15000 Shell Point Boulevard, Fort Myers)

Visit Shell Point’s popular Gulf Coast Model Railroad attraction, which opens for the season on Monday, October 3. There will be free tours of this 40-by-40-foot miniature train display every Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Spot hundreds of recognizable geographic landmarks representing notable sites throughout Florida during the tours, conducted by Shell Point resident volunteers. Call 454-2290 for groups of 10 or more.

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- The History of Iraq to Present Times  
Session One: Tuesday, October 4 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at The Woodlands  
Session Two: Tuesday, October 11 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at The Woodlands.

Mesopotamia, now modern-day Iraq, was one of the world’s greatest ancient civilizations, and has been fought over for more than 4,000 years. During this period, great empires grew to dominance then collapsed, overtaken by other great empires – Iran, the Greeks, Rome, then the Ottomans. Investigate the most famous milestones in Iraq’s long history with professor Adrian Kerr. End with session two by reviewing the current turmoil that continues to engulf this country. Tickets for each class are \$10 and can be purchased at 489-8472.

Session One – Syllabus: Mesopotamia; Assyria and Babylon; The Medes and Persians; Alexander; Rome; The birth of Islam and the Arab conquest; and The Turkish and Mongol invasions.

Session Two – Syllabus: The Ottomans; Lawrence of Arabia and the post-World War I treaty; The 1974 war and the rise of oil geo-politics; Rise of the Baath and Saddam Hussein; 1980 Iraq versus Iran War; Iraq invades Kuwait; Weapons of Mass Destruction – The West Meddles; and Fragmentation – Iraq Today.

- Happy Birthday, Amy Beach – Tuesday, October 25 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at The Woodlands

Celebrate the 150th birthday of Amy Beach, America’s first great woman composer, during this lively class with pianist and educator Gail Smith. The Academy of Lifelong Learning at Shell Point is one of the first to present this performer’s musical journey through the life and music of Amy Marcy Cheney Beach (1867-1944). Birthday cake will be served. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased by calling 489-8472.

- Edison, Westinghouse and Tesla: War of the Currents – Saturday, October 29 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at The Woodlands

Professor Adrian Kerr will explore the spark igniting The War of the Currents, a series of events surrounding the introduction of competing electric-power transmission systems in the United States in the late 1880s and early 1890s. Commercial competition, the debate over electrical safety, and a media campaign grew out of this debate. The program will end with a discussion of the early electric cars and recent advances in these products for the mass market. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased by calling 489-8472.\*

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## Advanced Courses Offered For Local Boaters

This fall, the San Carlos Bay Sail and Power Squadron will offer two advanced courses for boaters: Seamanship and Electronic Navigation. These courses are offered through the United States Power Squadron for its members, but will also be open to non-members.

Both classes will be offered at the San Carlos Bay Sail and Power Squadron office, located at 16048 San Carlos Boulevard in Fort Myers.

Seamanship begins on Wednesday, October 19 at 7 p.m. The course runs for five to six weeks and provides in-depth coverage of topics important to newer boaters. The course presents material applicable to both power and sail boaters, including subjects such as the construction and functioning of a boat, the skipper's responsibilities, preparing the boat for use, handling and maneuvering a vessel under various conditions in close quarters and on the open water, rules of the road, anchoring, emergencies, and

marlinespike/basic knots.

Cost of the course is \$90 for non-members or \$65 for members. To register, call 466-4040 and leave a message or visit [www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregformx.cgi?L-13967](http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregformx.cgi?L-13967).

SCBPS will also be cooperating with the Sanibel-Captiva Squadron to offer Electronic Navigation starting on Monday, October 10. This course will meet on Monday afternoons from 1:30 to 4:30 for six weeks, with a review and the exam in the sixth week. Jack Purse from Sanibel-Captiva, USPS District 22 Education Officer, will be the instructor.

Electronic Navigation introduces GPS technology from the most basic receiver to chart plotter systems for navigation on board. The process of navigating by establishing waypoints and routes, and then running the planned courses, is demonstrated. Further, electronic charting software for the desktop computer is examined, with creation of waypoints and routes on the desktop and subsequent download to the onboard unit. Despite differences among the various manufacturers' offerings, a thorough discussion of the features being made available is included.

In Electronic Navigation, special attention is paid to apps for tablets and smartphones that provide the electronic navigation function at the helm, for relatively little cost. Students should be familiar with basic charting concepts – such as latitude, longitude, the compass, course plotting, and time/distance calculation – to get the most

out of the course.

The cost of the Electronic Navigation course is \$63 for USPS members, or \$126 for non-members. Sign up by calling call 466-4040 and leaving a message or by visiting [www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregformx.cgi?L-14094](http://www.usps.org/cgi-bin/nat/eddept/800/getregformx.cgi?L-14094) or sending an email to [butlerm@wabash.edu](mailto:butlerm@wabash.edu). ✱

## FGCU To Host Technology Fair

The Florida Small Business Development Center (FSBDC) at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) has partnered with event sponsor CenturyLink Business to host the 2016 Access to Technology Fair and trade show on Tuesday, October 25 from 9 a.m. to noon at Holiday Inn, Fort Myers Airport, located at 9931 Interstate Commerce Drive in Fort Myers. The event is a no cost technology fair specifically designed for commercial businesses (small to large) and governmental and educational entities.

The FSBDC extends its thanks to its industry partners including Southwest Florida Regional Technology Partnership and Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. The technology fair will include several vendors and experts exhibiting both the newest in hardware and software, including trending technology gadgets, cyber security options, government and commercial IT solutions, point of sale systems, server solutions for small to mid-sized businesses, customer relationship management, and cloud computing. Most vendors will have give-away items and will participate in a free raffle, with prizes including software, gift cards and more.

Sponsorships and vendor tables are available, starting as low as \$200 per space. Attendees are encouraged to register early due to space restrictions.

Sponsorship, vendor and general registration can be completed online at [www.fsbdcswfl.org](http://www.fsbdcswfl.org) or by calling 745-3700. ✱



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# Potential Cubs-Red Sox World Series Requires Bank Loan To Buy A Ticket



by Ed Frank

Can you imagine the television ratings and the frenetic excitement of baseball fans worldwide if the Chicago Cubs and the Boston Red Sox faced each other in the 2016 World Series?

"You're a dreamer," some will say. And they may be right. But dreams of playing in the World Series are what every baseball fan hopes and prays for their favorite team to achieve.

Let's examine the scenario of this dream Cubs-Red Sox matchup as the 2016 regular season enters its final days:

The Cubs have been the dominant team in baseball the entire season, having clinched the National League Central Division Title more than a week ago with a whopping 17-game lead over second-place St. Louis.

Chicago began the 2016 season as the 5-2 favorite to win the World Series and maintains those 5-2 odds with the season nearing the end.

In all of baseball, there are no more passionate fans than Cubs and Red Sox fans. Remember, the Cubs have not won a World Series since 1908, and haven't even played in a World Series since 1945.

Chicago already has started a lottery for postseason tickets, and more than one million people are expected to vie for those prized tickets. (Last year, their lottery registered 1.2 million fans.)

On the resale market, the prices already are astronomical. The ticket broker SeatGeek last week was quoting prices for the first game of the National League Division Series from \$374 to \$1,128 for a single ticket.

Should the Red Sox reach the World Series, it would truly be a remarkable turnaround for a team that finished last in the American League Eastern Division three of the last four years with a World Series championship sandwiched in the middle in 2013.

In that magical season of 2013, the Red Sox had gone from last to first to win that world title, so a last-to-first repeat in 2016 would not be unprecedented.

As this week began, the Red Sox held a four-game lead in the AL East after sweeping their arch-rival New York Yankees four straight over the weekend and defeating second-place Baltimore Monday night. Their 86-64 (.573) season record through Monday was far improved from their 2015 last-place record of 78-84 (.497). The Las Vegas odds-makers list Boston at 10-1 to win the World Series.

The frenzy for Red Sox postseason tickets is likely to be as much in demand – and as expensive – as Cubs postseason tickets.

Red Sox fans here in Southwest Florida know all about the demand for tickets as every Spring Training game year after year is a sell-out.

Sure it's a dream of a Red Sox-Cubs World Series, but you can bet the bank that Fox TV, which televises the series, already is dreaming of the advertising dollars that would pour in if this dream comes true.

## Everblades 19th Hockey Season Opens Next Month

The Florida Everblades begin their 19th season on October 14, when they host the Greenville Swamp at Germain Arena in Estero.

This highly successful hockey franchise has qualified for postseason play in the ECHL every year except one (2014) and has proven that minor league hockey is popular in this area.

The Everblades won the league's Kelly Cup championship in 2012 and has won four division titles and three conference titles.✪



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Regional Cancer Center

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## Lee Memorial To Celebrate 100 Years With 5K Run October 1

The Southwest Florida community is invited to celebrate Lee Memorial's 100th anniversary by taking part in the Lexington Cares 5K Run/Walk and 1-Mile Fun Walk on Saturday, October 1 at Lexington Country Club, located at 16257 Willowcrest Way in Fort Myers.

One of the culminating events of Lee Memorial's centennial celebration, the 5K is a great way to stay in shape while helping others. Proceeds will be donated to help patients who receive care from the Regional Cancer Center's Breast Health Center.

Registration is now open and closes September 30. Adults can register for \$30. Youth ages 12 and under are \$25. Registration for all ages on the day of the race is \$40 per person. Participants will receive a shirt, race number and complimentary breakfast.

Register at [ftmyerstrackclub.com](http://ftmyerstrackclub.com). For more informtion, call the Lee Memorial Health System (LMHS) Foundation at 343-6950.✪

## CMAA Charity Golf And Gala

The Everglades Region of the Club Managers Association of America (CMAA) Florida Chapter announced that Barbara's Friends – Golisano Children's Hospital Cancer Fund will receive a portion of the proceeds from the 19th annual Charity Classic Golf Tournament and Gala on Friday and Saturday, October 23 and 24.

In 2011, the Everglades Region of the CMAA Florida Chapter committed to raise \$500,000 for Barbara's Friends by 2015 and that goal was met last year. Since its inception in 1998, the Charity Classic has raised over \$1.65

million for children in Lee and Collier counties.

The two-day event kicks off Sunday evening at the Naples Yacht Club. The Charity Classic continues Monday morning with a golf tournament at Wyndemere Country Club. Individual gala tickets are \$150 per person. Co-chairs of this year's event are Al Kinkle, chief operating officer for Lexington Country Club, and Jack Sullivan, director of strategic planning at Kopplin & Keubler.

For more information about the annual Charity Classic Golf Tournament and Gala, visit [cmaacharityclassic.com](http://cmaacharityclassic.com). To donate auction items, contact Lori Cook North at [lori@eventfulinc.com](mailto:lori@eventfulinc.com) or call 287-0780.✪

## SPORTS QUIZ

1. In 2015, Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Clayton Kershaw tied a team record with a sixth consecutive season of 200-plus strikeouts. Who else holds the mark?
2. Which of the following four left-handed pitchers appeared in the most major-league games: Tommy John, Jim Kaat, Sparky Lyle or Tug McGraw?
3. Name the school that has been ranked No. 1 in The Associated Press top-25 college football preseason poll the most times.
4. When was the last time before the 2015 NBA playoffs that the Washington Wizards swept a series?
5. When was the last time before 2016 that the St. Louis Blues made the conference finals in the NHL playoffs?
6. Who was the last rookie racer before Alexander Rossi in 2016 to win the Indianapolis 500?
7. Name the last Spanish female tennis player before Garbine Muguruza in 2016 to win the women's singles title at the French Open.

## ANSWERS

1. Sandy Koufax, 1961-66. 2. Lyle, 899 games; Kaat, 898; McGraw, 824; John, 760. 3. Oklahoma, 10 times. 4. Washington swept the New Jersey Nets in 1982. 5. It was 2001. 6. Heliio Castroneves, in 2001. 7. Arantxa Sanchez Vicario won the French Open in 1998.



## Captiva Triathlon Raises \$35,000 To Help Fight Childhood Hunger



From left, Stefanie Edwards, Angie Ferguson and Kate Gooderham with the proceeds check  
photo courtesy Community Cooperative

It was more than a great weekend of swimming, biking and running, but also of competition, sportsmanship and giving back to the community. The 6th annual Galloway Captiva Triathlon for charity, held on Saturday, Sept. 10 and Sunday, Sept. 11 at the South Seas Island Resort on Captiva, brought competitors from 24 different states and several other countries. In total, more than \$35,000 was raised for Community Cooperative, whose mission is to end hunger and homelessness in Lee County.

"The success of this event is due to the outstanding coordinated efforts of the event planning team of Ken and Kate Gooderham and Angie Ferguson as well as our volunteers, sponsors and, of course, the race participants," said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative. "Every year this event outpaces our expectations, and we couldn't be more pleased with this year's results".

"Having a great charity to support helps people get and stay involved -- and getting to see that support help the community really inspires us and our athletes", said Ken Gooderham of Gooderham & Associates and Southwest Florida Events.

More than 950 adults and 225 children competed in the triathlon, with some 70 volunteers working the two-day event, handing out 100 trophies and plaques to both winners and sponsors.

Community Cooperative is an innovative nonprofit 501(c)3 organization made up of social service entrepreneurs fighting to end homelessness and hunger in our community. The agency provides more than 15,000 meals each month through its Community Café and Marketplace and Home Delivered Meals programs. Community Cooperative offers homeless and comprehensive case management services through its United Way Resource Houses, oversees an emergency mobile food pantry and supplies school pantries to more than 1,500 children and their families each school year.

For more information, call 332-7687 or visit [www.communitycooperative.com](http://www.communitycooperative.com).✱



The tournament benefits local charities

photo courtesy Gulf Coast Harmonizers

## Gulf Coast Harmonizers To Raise Funds At Golf Extravaganza

The Gulf Coast Harmonizers (formerly Cape Chorale with a relocation to Fort Myers) has announced its 2nd annual Charity Golf Extravaganza is ready to score big for local charities at River Hall Country Club on October 29. The tournament will help raise funds for Gulf Coast Harmonizers and Lee Memorial Children's Speech Therapy Program. Participants also can donate non-perishable food items to Harry Chapin Food Bank.

The four-person scramble will kick off with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Along with a chance to win many other fun raffles and prizes, participants have the chance to win a two-year lease sponsored by Scanlon Automotive Group by sinking a hole-in-one. "We are thrilled with the results from our first year's extravaganza and can't wait to do it again this year. We are looking forward to a great time and raising money for the charities we support," said John Pennington, event chairman.

For more information, contact Pennington at 633-8197 or [www.capechorale.org](http://www.capechorale.org).✱

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## City Seeks Open Spaces Feedback

The City of Fort Myers council member Forrest Banks reviewed the Parks and Open Spaces System Master Plan with J.B. Schuetz, parks and beautification manager for the city's Public Works Department, during a community meeting on September 12 at the Fort Myers Regional Library. City residents are invited to get involved in the planning by completing a short survey online at [www.SurveyMonkey.com/r/FortMyersParksandOpenSpacesSurvey](http://www.SurveyMonkey.com/r/FortMyersParksandOpenSpacesSurvey). ✨

## City Launches New Mobile App

Helpful FAQs, city services, special events and digital alerts are as close as one's pocket or purse with the City of Fort Myers mobile app for iPhone and Android users. The free app is available by downloading "Fort Myers FL" from the online app store.

By downloading the new app, residents and visitors have immediate access to local event calendars, live stream city council meetings, online payments, emergency alerts, and links to all city

services and city social media channels.

Powered by WebQA, Inc., the city's IT department designed the app to provide an easier online experience for anyone seeking comprehensive information about the City of Fort Myers' government, services and special events.

"Our goal is to make sure we are communicating with our residents in multiple ways to keep the information flowing," said Saeed Kazemi, city manager. "Whether residents use the mobile app, visit the website, or use social media, we encourage them to use these tools, and to learn more about all the city has to offer, and ways in which we can help." ✨

### Financial Focus

## Do You Have A Small-Business Retirement Plan?

by Jennifer Basey



If you're a small business owner, you've always got a lot to do: marketing your products or services, hiring employees, paying your bills, coping with competition – the list goes

on and on. But there's one task you may be overlooking: establishing your own retirement plan. And that's not something you want to ignore because, one day, you may want to trade in the title of "business owner" for that of "retiree."

Fortunately, when choosing a retirement plan, you've got some good choices. Although the various plans have different requirements and contribution limits, they all offer tax-deferred earnings, which means your money has the potential to grow faster than if it were placed in a vehicle on which you paid taxes every year.

Here are some of the most popular retirement plans for small business owners:

- **Owner-only 401(k)** – This plan, which is also known as an individual or "solo" 401(k), is available to self-employed individuals and business owners with no full-time employees other than themselves or a spouse. You may even be able to choose a Roth option for your 401(k). As the owner, you can contribute to your plan as both an employer and an employee; your total contribution limit for 2016 is \$53,000, or \$59,000 if you are 50 or older.

- **SEP IRA** – If you have just a few

employees or are self-employed with no employees, you may want to consider a SEP IRA. You'll fund the plan with tax-deductible contributions, and you must cover all eligible employees (employees themselves cannot contribute.) You can contribute up to 25 percent of compensation, up to \$53,000 annually (contributions for a self-employed individual are limited to 25 percent of compensation minus one-half of self-employment taxes.) And you can fund your SEP IRA with many different types of investments. Plus, you can establish a SEP IRA for 2016 until April 15, 2017.

- **Defined benefit plan** – Pension plans, also known as defined benefit plans, are still around and you can set one up for yourself if you are self-employed or own your own business. This plan has high contribution limits, which are determined by an actuarial calculation, and as is the case with other retirement plans, your contributions are typically tax-deductible.

- **Simple IRA** – A Simple IRA, as its name suggests, is easy to set up and maintain and it can be a good plan if your business has fewer than 10 employees. Still, while a Simple IRA may be advantageous for your employees, it's less generous to you, as far as allowable contributions, than an owner-only 401(k), a SEP IRA or a defined benefit plan. For 2016, your annual contributions are generally limited to \$12,500 or \$15,500 if you're 50 or older by the end of the year. You can also make a matching contribution of up to 3 percent of your compensation.

A Simple IRA must be set up between January 1 and October 1 of any year, so if you're interested in this plan, you may have to wait until 2017 to get started if you don't take action soon. But if you'd like to set up any of the other retirement plans we've looked at, don't delay. The sooner you put your plan into place, the quicker it can start working for you to help you reach that day when you no longer have to work at all.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones financial advisor. Jennifer Basey is a financial advisor in Fort Myers. She can be reached at [jennifer.basey@edwardjones.com](mailto:jennifer.basey@edwardjones.com). ✨

## Community Impact Grant Cycle Opens

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation will open its 2016-17 Community Impact Grant cycle with a call for innovative projects and programs. More than \$500,000 is available for both established and new programs that are designed to increase the quality of life in sustainable and equitable ways for Southwest Floridians.

A list of eligibility requirements can be found by reviewing the Grants Process for Community Impact Grants under the Grants page at [www.floridacommunity.com](http://www.floridacommunity.com).

For more information about the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, call 274-5900 or visit [www.floridacommunity.com](http://www.floridacommunity.com). ✨

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# Alzheimer's Fundraiser Staged At Sanibel Fish House



The inaugural Purple Mug fundraiser, held on behalf of the upcoming Walk To End Alzheimer's, was staged on September 15 at the Sanibel Fish House. From left are attendees Dr. Richard Wilson, Adrienne Gerard, Emily Reese and Joyce Mraz. Following two additional fundraisers - on September 29 at World of Beer in the Gulf Coast Town Center and on October 21 during Fort Myers Music Walk - the Walk To End Alzheimer's will take place on October 29 at Centennial Park in Fort Myers. For additional information, visit [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org).

photos by Jeff Lysiak



Monica Recchilongo, left, is served by Sanibel Fish House employee Alexis Marcinkowski



Cory Johnson, left, purchasing raffle tickets from Right At Home's Joyce Mraz



Attendee Virginia Sanders, left, purchasing a purple mug from Cypress Cove's Adrienne Gerard

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## Her Again



by Di Saggau

In his debut biography, *Her Again*, journalist Michael Schulman traces Meryl Streep's evolution as an actor from her childhood to her breakthrough role in *Kramer vs. Kramer* in 1979.

The book is written

without the 19-time Oscar nominee's participation, but includes the help of more than 80 of her friends, colleagues and early boyfriends. Some say the book is short on Streep and long on commentary. That is especially true in the first half of the book, but it's still an interesting read.

As to the title, this will explain. "When they called my name," Meryl Streep said in her 2012 Oscar speech, "I had this feeling I could hear half of America going, 'Ohhh, no. Oh, come on, why?? Her, Again.'"

The book comes alive in its second half as Schulman approaches his fascinating final chapter about the making of *Kramer vs. Kramer*. Streep was handpicked by Dustin Hoffman to play his unstable wife. She was still recovering from the death of her lover, *Godfather* actor John Cazale, known for his role as Fredo. According to many sources, the set turned into "Streep vs. Hoffman."

This is the first researched biography of Streep, winner of three Oscars. It explores her beginnings as a young woman and her astonishing talent. In 1975, Streep was



## Her Again

Becoming Meryl Streep

MICHAEL SCHULMAN

a promising young graduate of the Yale School of Drama along with John Lithgow and Sigourney Weaver. Streep stood apart from her peers. She began her career with back-to-back roles in Broadway plays, never thinking she would be a movie star.

Schulman has created a captivating story of one of the most revered artistic careers of our time. He reveals a gifted young woman coming into her extraordinary talents at a time of immense transformation, offering a rare glimpse into the life of the actress long before she became an icon. The book features eight pages of black-and-white photos.

Streep studied voice as a child and didn't develop an interest in theater until she was an undergraduate at Vassar. After Hollywood came calling, she had no use for fame or what went with it. "She hated parties," writes Schulman. "The most

boring thing in the world was a night at Studio 54."

*Her Again* is an insightful and quietly fascinating portrait, not only of Streep, but of her entire social environment.✱✱

## School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

**Dear Shelley,** My child is in preschool. I was counting on the school to do a vision screening for her but so far nothing has occurred. Aren't all schools required to do a vision screening for their students?  
*Ellen C., Fort Myers*

**Ellen,**

I am so pleased to hear that you are aware of how important a vision screening is for young children. Seeing the board is one of the most basic functions in education. Research has shown, repeatedly, that if you can't see, you're going to have an awfully hard time in school. And yet, too often, this simple issue gets overlooked.

Just this year, research showed that children with a significant vision problem during the pre-school years perform significantly worse on tests of early literacy. And that poor performance early on affects their reading scores when they reach the third grade, said Kira Baldonado, director of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health. She also said that most educators and parents know it's important to identify vision problems for children, but there just hasn't been a national consensus and unification around the approach for screening.

There are only 15 states that require vision screening for preschool-age children in the developmental time period that experts say is critical for identifying vision problems that can cause permanent blindness or vision impairments for life. "Knowing you've seen a child too late is very frustrating," said Millicent Peterseim, a pediatric ophthalmologist and the chair

of the vision screening committee for the American Association of Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus.

It's important to note that screening early doesn't mean states and schools should stop screening later. "We like to make sure that every child has their vision checked every year," said Peterseim. "Children's eyes change as they grow. If a student received glasses in first grade, they may have a completely different prescription in third grade."

"Schools play an important part in making sure vision screenings happen. For families that don't seek regular medical care, or are unsure of the medical system, schools can be a place they trust, where people already know their child," Baldonado said. Schools can also make sure kids are connected to care by providing information on where to receive a full eye exam or on organizations that provide free glasses. This is a critical function for schools because some children fall through the cracks. They are picked up at the school screening but, for whatever reason, there is no follow through and some kids never get the necessary complete vision exam. So schools are instrumental in making sure screening data gets into a child's health record, and that outside partnerships with non-profits and health organizations exist.

Minimum vision screening regulations for Florida schools are as follows:

Not required for preschool, required for kindergarten, grades 1,3 and 6, transfer students and K-5 students being considered for special education.

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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

## Kiwanis Sponsors Reading Oasis

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club has committed to sponsoring a Kiwanis Reading Oasis at Orangewood Elementary School in Fort Myers. The project is expected to be completed in October 2016. The Kiwanians are contributing \$5,500 toward the project, and Scholastic Books is contributing \$5,000 for a total of \$10,500.

Kiwanis and Scholastic Books have teamed up to provide the program where educators, children and parents have a place on campus to promote literacy. A Reading Oasis includes books for students from pre-kindergarten to sixth grade, as well as bookshelves, a reading-themed rug and additional products to support reading. The local

Kiwanis club will also provide ongoing reading mentor support. Scholastic Books officials will help organize a grand-opening ceremony with ribbon-cutting during the school's Book Fair in October.

"In low-income neighborhoods studies have shown students only have access to one book per 300 students. In contrast, in middle-income neighborhoods there are 13 books on average per student," said Reading Oasis project chair Stewart Ross, "Our club is working to create that access to reading that will help these students succeed."

"The phone call about this project was one of the best in my career," said Angela Nader, principal of Orangewood Elementary School and new member to the Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club. "The Reading Oasis will be attached to our media center, and we are excited for this new space for our students."✱✱

"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."

Gerri Reaves, PhD, author of *Legendary Locals of Fort Myers* and *Fort Myers, Then & Now*



## HealthPark Chosen For Clinical Trial



Randall Buss



George Comas



Dr. Paul DiGiorgi



Brian Hummel



Murali Muppala



Steven Priest

Lee Memorial Health System's Shipley Cardiothoracic Center at HealthPark Medical Center was chosen as one of 80 sites in the United States for an international clinical trial for the CoreValve Evolut R System, a minimally invasive treatment for patients with failing aortic valves.

Nationally, this investigational device exemption (IDE) trial will include 1,256 patients with severe aortic stenosis who have a less than 3 percent risk for mortality. Patients are enrolled with a 1:1 randomization to either receive the transcatheter approach or undergo surgical valve replacement. To date, the transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) technology has only been commercially available for patients with severe aortic stenosis and a high risk for surgical mortality. Locally, the Shipley Cardiothoracic Center is approved to enroll 100 patients in the study.

Aortic stenosis is a common heart problem caused by a narrowing of the heart's

aortic valve due to excessive calcium deposits on the valve leaflets. When the valve narrows, it does not open or close properly, making the heart work harder to pump blood through the body. Over time, the heart weakens and functions poorly, which may lead to heart failure and increased risk for sudden cardiac death.

The CoreValve Evolut R System replaces a diseased aortic heart valve through a minimally invasive procedure without open-heart surgery and without surgical removal of the diseased valve. With the TAVR procedure, the replacement device is typically inserted via an artery in the groin and then guided through the arteries in the heart. Once in place, the device expands and takes over the original valve's function, which enables oxygen-rich blood to flow efficiently out of the heart.

The trial is open to patients with severe aortic stenosis who are at a low surgical mortality risk, as determined by a heart team. Local trial leaders include cardiothoracic surgeons Randall Buss, MD, George Comas, MD, Paul DiGiorgi, MD, and Brian Hummel, MD (principle investigator), as well as cardiologists Murali Muppala, MD (co-principle investigator) and Steven Priest, MD.

"Based on the success of the TAVR procedure in high-risk patients, the Food & Drug Administration approved this international IDE clinical trial to determine if TAVR is an option for low-risk patients," Dr. Hummel explained. "We are very excited that Shipley Cardiothoracic Center was chosen and is one of four sites in Florida to participate in the trial. An important objective of our center is to participate in clinical trials in order to provide leading-edge care and treatment options for our patients."

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

Shipley Cardiothoracic Center was established in April 2015 as the result of a \$2.5 million gift made by the Shipley Foundation, Inc., headed by Richard C. Shipley of Sanibel. Plans are in design to renovate more than 10,000 square feet of space on the first floor of HealthPark Medical Center to house the center.

For more information about Shipley Cardiothoracic Center's naming/sponsorship opportunities, call Linda Kelly at the Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at 343-6064 or Linda.Kelly@LeeMemorial.org. For general information about Shipley Cardiothoracic Center, contact ShipleyCardio@LeeMemorial.org or call 343-7000.✴

## New Physician



Kimberly Catania

photo courtesy Physicians' Primary Care

Kimberly Catania has joined Physicians' Primary Care of Southwest Florida as an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner (ARNP).

Catania will assist family and internal medicine physicians at the Fort Myers Family Medicine office at 7381 College Parkway.

Catania is a graduate of Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, where she received her bachelor of science degree in nursing. She received her master of science degree and ARNP from South University in Savannah, Georgia.

She has 17 years of experience as a registered nurse, working in hospital settings.

Catania is certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Adult-Gerontology certification with additional certifications in basic life support and advanced life support.

For more information, visit [www.ppcswfl.com](http://www.ppcswfl.com).✴

## SalusCare Holding Job Fair

SalusCare, Inc., the largest provider of mental health and substance abuse treatment services in Southwest Florida, will be hosting a job fair on Wednesday, October 5 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on its Evans Campus, located at 3763 Evans Avenue in Fort Myers.

SalusCare has many full and part time, as well as PRN, positions available, ranging from facilities technicians, behavioral health technicians and case managers, to dietary aides, nurses, clinicians and support specialists. Attendees will be able to speak with hiring managers, learn about the benefits and complete an application on site.

"SalusCare is a growing company providing comprehensive and compassionate behavioral healthcare to the Southwest Florida community," said Nedje Zamor, vice president of human resources. "We are ready to hire the best candidates to fill our vacancies and I would encourage anyone interested in a fulfilling career to attend our job fair."

For more information, call 791-1571.✴

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For more information visit [www.pfbcc.org](http://www.pfbcc.org) or call 239-454-8583.

RAIN OR SHINE





dearRPharmacist

## Health Problems Clinton And Trump Might Expect



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

**D**ear Readers: I'm interested in politics and what our nominees are taking because it gives me a glimpse into their overall health. By looking at their medication, it's like a "crystal

ball" and I can see the future and potential diseases they might get due to the drug mugging effect. If you don't put back what medication 'steals' you could develop "diseases" that you don't really have, diseases that are just simply due to vitamin or mineral deficiencies. I have a more comprehensive version of this article at [suzycohen.com](http://suzycohen.com). In alphabetical order:

### Hillary Clinton

The Democratic nominee, Senator Clinton has recently had some coughing spells due to pneumonia. She takes Armour Thyroid, which is for hypothyroidism. The Levaquin she takes is temporary, as well as Clarinex, used for her respiratory infection. Coumadin,

used for blood thinning or A-fib is taken daily and known generically as Warfarin.

If I was having dinner with Senator Clinton, I would not let her order anything with avocados or onions because there are clinically significant interactions with her Warfarin. I wouldn't let her drink grapefruit juice because it could spike the Warfarin.

Armour Thyroid should be taken first thing in the morning, upon arising. If milk or cream (with coffee) is desired, these calcium-containing foods should be separated two hours away from her thyroid medicine. Selenium could be helpful for her, as it improves thyroid hormone activation. Plus it's a strong antioxidant, so it should reduce risk for future infections.

The Warfarin she takes is an anticoagulant sometimes used for A-fib. It's a strong drug mugger of Vitamin K (causing deficiency), however, she should not supplement with K because it inactivates her medication. As for her Levaquin (levofloxacin), she risks harmful (and possibly irreversible) tendon or nerve damage. She needs probiotics because this improves thyroid hormone by 20 percent, plus reduces risk for stomach pain, diarrhea, constipation and immune dysregulation from the antibiotic. Because she's under stress, and has low thyroid, I'd recommend Ashwagandha for her, taken at bedtime for restful sleep.

### Doctor and Dietician

## Dairy Allergies? Try These Alternatives



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

**F**inding out that you're allergic or sensitive to dairy foods can be hard to swallow. Think about how many foods contain milk, cheese, and even butter, which are all dairy products that you may need to avoid. But there are great alternatives out there.

**Milk:** There are quite a few options to replace milk. You have the choice of soy, almond, cashew, hemp, rice, oat or coconut milk. Some of these have more protein than others. You want to make sure you choose one that is relatively high in protein (at least 7 grams per serving) and avoid milks that are sweetened – so definitely purchase plain or original, versus vanilla, chocolate or other flavored milks.

**Cheese:** Did you know there are cheese alternatives? Soy cheese and rice cheese are common, but there are other vegan cheese alternatives such as Daiya, which is dairy-free, egg-free, gluten-free, nut-free, peanut-free and soy-free. While they don't taste exactly like real cheese, they can work well for sandwiches and recipes that need melted cheese, such as dips and homemade pizzas. You can also make homemade cashew cheese for a tasty treat.

**Yogurt:** Substitutes are much more abundant these days. You can choose from soy, coconut, goat or rice milk yogurt. As with any yogurt, purchase plain to avoid excessive sugar. Coconut milk yogurt is absolutely fabulous if you have never tried it.

Alternatives for butter, sour cream and cream cheese are also available. These are often soy or rice based. Also try "butters" that are basically whipped olive oil spreads, which are excellent. We do not suggest margarine, though. Another idea is to spread avocado or hummus in place of butter. A dairy allergy doesn't have to restrict your food choices. You just have to find new ones.

*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](mailto:info@caringmedical.com).✱*

### Donald Trump

The Republican nominee takes "rosuvastatin," which goes by the brand name Crestor in the United States. His physician, Dr. Bornstein, has stated that Mr. Trump takes low-dose aspirin, which is typically used for blood thinning.

Statins are very strong "drug muggers" of CoQ10, selenium and Vitamin D as well as other nutrients. Over time, the nutrient depletions could cause memory problems, leg cramps, muscle aches, weakness, erectile dysfunction, shortness of breath or heart arrhythmias. A deficiency of selenium could lead to reduced thyroid hormone. A deficiency of Vitamin D could impair immunity. I would like to see Mr. Trump manage cholesterol with fish oils and exercise, not statins.

## Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

### Dear Mom & Me,

We moved around a lot because of my husband's job. We always quickly adjusted, made new friends and then moved to the next place.

But now that we have retired, making friends is not so easy, and I miss having a female confidante.

All I want is another gal to discuss

Aspirin could mildly deplete his vitamin C, iron, folate and potassium levels, resulting in fatigue, shortness of breath, pale skin and methylation impairment.

If I was to have dinner with Mr. Trump, I would never agree to eat fast food with him, even though he loves this nutritionally naked food. In light of his diet, I would suggest Magnesium L-threonate at bedtime, perhaps 200 mg which supports a healthy mood, muscular function and restful sleep.

*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](http://www.SuzyCohen.com).✱*

my problems with, but this is very difficult and my husband is totally unable to comprehend female concerns.

What would you suggest I do?

Betty Sue

### Dear Betty Sue,

Use the skills you developed earlier in your life! It may be harder now, but you developed your networking skills, were successful in the past and will be successful in the future. As far as your husband not understanding your concerns... well, what can I say? That is a harder nut to crack!

Pryce

### Dear Betty Sue,

Making new friends gets increasingly more difficult as we age.

Many seniors are isolated, have health problems and cannot travel around to clubs and other meeting places. Senior couples also have difficulty meeting other well functioning senior couples, but with perseverance and an element of luck, new friendships can be formed.

As far as a female confidante is concerned, a lot of senior women will not discuss any of their problems with others and only if absolutely needed will they consult a family member or a professional.

Lizzie

*Lizzie and Pryce's email address is [momandmeaging@hotmail.com](mailto:momandmeaging@hotmail.com).✱*

## Horizon Healthy Workplace Awards

**T**he Horizon Council's Healthcare Task Force is seeking applicants for the 2016 Healthy Workplace Awards that recognize businesses that actively promote a healthy workplace for employees. Applications can be submitted online at <https://form.jotform.com/62132981473154>, and must be submitted by Tuesday, September 27.

The awards will be presented to three businesses during the Horizon Council General Membership meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, October 28 at Crowne Plaza/Bell Tower in South Fort Myers.

The awards are a collaborative effort between the the Horizon Council, Horizon Foundation, the Chamber of Southwest Florida, Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) of SWFL and sponsored by United Healthcare. Awards will be given in the following categories:

- Small Business
- Mid-sized Business
- Large Business

The keynote speaker will be Mike Tinney, fitness gamification pioneer and founder/CEO of FIX: Fitness Interactive eXperience. The discussion will focus on the importance of corporate wellness programs and how gamification can play a role.

For more information, visit [www.LeeCountyBusiness.com](http://www.LeeCountyBusiness.com) or call 533-6800.✱



# PETS OF THE WEEK

Hello, my name is Charles. I'm a 1.5-year-old male terrier mix and am quiet, friendly, polite and only 14 pounds. I would love to be someone's lap dog because sitting in laps is my favorite thing to do!

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Hot Dogs and Cool Cats September adoption promotion.

Hello, my name is Roxie. I'm a 4-month-old female domestic short hair and am an affectionate, pretty kitten with a super shiny black coat and cute white mittens on all four paws. My personality is mellow, so you won't have any crazy kitten antics with me.

My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Hot Dogs and Cool Cats September adoption promotion.

For information about this week's pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services' website at [www.LeeLostPets.com](http://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.✱



Charles ID# 674342



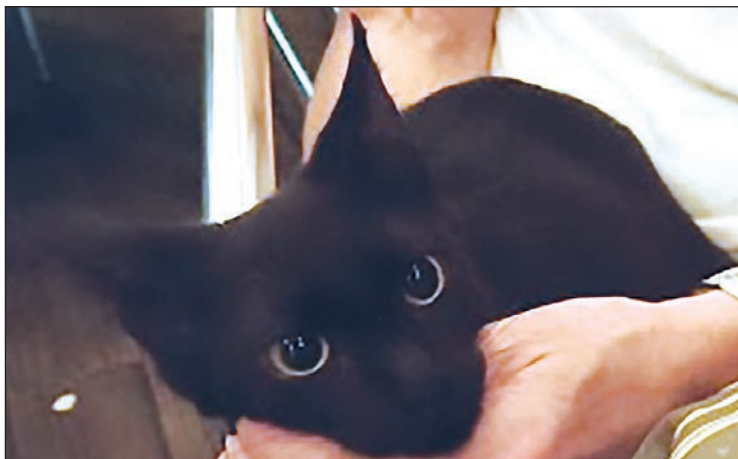
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## PAWS Of Sanibel

### Lost Kitten

This little kitten was found wandering around a local restaurant. She is assumed to belong to someone because, as you can see from her picture, she is quite sweet and affectionate.

If you can help this little kitty, call Ivan at 258-9333.✱



This lost kitten needs a home

photo courtesy PAWS of Sanibel

## THE RIVER WEEKLY NEWS

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 Coral Barbershop Chorus.....	1-855-425-3631
Cape Coral Stamp Club.....	542-9153
duPont Company Retirees.....	454-1083
Edison Porcelain Artists.....	415-2484
Embroiderers Guild of America - Sea Grape Chapter.....	239-267-1990
FM UDC Chapter 2614 - United Daughters of the Confederacy.....	728-3743
Friendship Force Of SW FL.....	561-9164
Garden Club of Cape Coral.....	239-257-2654
Horticulture and Tea Society.....	472-8334
Horticultural Society.....	472-6940
Lee County Genealogical Society.....	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation.....	939-7278
NARFE(National Active & Retired Federal Employees.....	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America.....	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL.....	667-1354
Sons of Confederate Veterans.....	332-2408
Southwest Florida Fencing Academy.....	939-1338
Southwest Florida Music Association.....	561-2118

### Kiwanis Clubs:

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

### Lions Clubs:

Fort Myers Beach.....	463-9738
Fort Myers High Noon.....	466-4228
Estero/South Fort Myers.....	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County.....	768-0417
Organ Transplant Recipients of SW Florida.....	247-3073
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
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PUZZLES

Answers on page 29

Super Crossword

COLOSSAL COINAGE

- ACROSS**

1 Mafia VIPs

6 Chocolate substitute

11 Maintain

15 Molecule bit

19 Animated

20 North Pole explorer Robert

21 "My Friend —" (old radio show)

22 Erie or Eyre

23 It has many food aisles

25 Used a sketchpad

26 Diploma holder

27 Arise

28 — of Aquitaine

30 Flip one's lid

31 Result of an armistice

34 Rialto locale

36 Actress Birch

39 Like some double-decker buses

43 Yak's land

44 Strong rapids, say

46 Opposite of 31-Across

47 Wallach of "Lord Jim"
- 50 Daughter of Agamemnon

51 Flawlessly

53 Movie critic Gene

56 Sheltered, to sailors

57 Suze of CNBC

59 Posts such as "10 Signs You're a Puzzle Addict"

61 — Moines

62 A8 carmaker

63 Onto land

66 Geared up

67 Product label stamps

70 — Gras

73 Light touch

74 To be, to Zola

75 Rx safety org.

78 Straightening

80 Medicare section

82 Middling grades

83 Actions of a trained horse

84 Sell as a business

87 Ties surgically

89 2012 Best Director — Lee
- 90 Old Delta alternative

92 Sheeplike disposition

94 Milo of film

97 Alma mater of Samuel Alito

98 Tip over

99 Kicked out of

102 Pale yellow

104 "Nay" sayers

105 Devotees' Web page

109 City on the Illinois River

113 Fast one

114 "Put — on it!"

115 Source of the long word made from the starts of eight Across answers in this puzzle

118 Wyatt out West

119 Soccer legend

120 Pool slime

121 Kate's TV roommate

122 Energetic abbr.

123 Cold War abbr.

124 Bozo, e.g.

125 River deposit
- DOWN**

1 Docket entry

2 Grad

3 Popeye prop

4 Charge too much for

5 Bilko's rank

6 Pro with IRS returns

7 — Lingus

8 Fall tool

9 Ex-Dodger Hershiser

10 Gig billionth

11 Hold hostage

12 Dashing Flynn of film

13 Retired female prof

14 Clawed foot

15 1990s vice president

16 Fast whirling dance of Italy

17 Striped-legged beast

18 Jason's wife

24 "— culpa!"

29 Come at — (not be free)

30 Dollop

32 Lack of bravery

33 Fuel economy

35 Top spot

36 Walk on

37 Oscar winner Berry
- 38 S-curves

40 Kett of comic strips

41 Week-old baby, e.g.

42 Singer's syllable

45 Collection

46 More quirky

48 Bore false witness

49 Tiny, to a tot

52 Tesla Motors CEO Musk

54 New staffer

55 Tennis stat

58 Carmen with fruit hats

60 Puget Sound city, in an address

62 Pink-slipping

64 Gal in the family

65 Home for the sick

67 Threshold

68 Joking Johnson

69 Amtrak sight

70 Baby's cry

71 Comic King

72 Beat-keeping Beatle

75 One in utero

76 John of tractor fame

77 Beneficial thing

79 Portioned
- 81 Dye in blue jeans

82 1942 horror classic

85 John or John Quincy

86 "U R funny!"

88 Cut-covering cloth

91 Pancake alternatives

93 Take it on the — (flee)

95 Ren's cartoon pal

96 "For — a jolly good fellow"

97 At a distance

99 Fertile areas in deserts

100 Open, as a pill bottle

101 Amtrak sights

103 NYSE event

106 Apple on a desk, maybe

107 Towering

108 Accordingly

110 Small stream

111 Middle of many a sig.

112 Offshore

114 Kwik-E-Mart storekeeper

116 Swerve

117 Put in writing

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King Crossword

- ACROSS**

1 Rearward, at sea

4 Highlanders

9 AAA job

12 Scatter seeds

13 Monastery head

14 Years you've lived

15 9-Ball setting

17 Popular sandwich, for short

18 Him (Ger.)

19 They can't be compared to oranges

21 Thickly entangled, as hair

24 Aching

25 Playwright Levin

26 Steal from

28 Do, re and mi

31 Occupy completely

33 Ph. bk. data

35 Colt's mama

36 Dervish

38 Affirmative

40 Falsehood

41 Sketch

43 Rouse

45 Journalist

47 Fallaci

47 Scot's hat

48 "— and Peace"
- 49 Cheating, e.g.

54 Superlative ending

55 Small egg

56 Citric bever age

57 Secret agent

58 Apportioned

59 Tatter
- 6 Recede

7 Albright and Falana

8 Trample

9 Mealtime chat

10 Lecherous look

11 Drenches

16 Illuminated

20 Seniors' dance

21 Anger

22 Opera solo

23 Swear

27 Lad

29 A Great Lake
- 30 Witnessed

32 Old Italian money

34 Washington city

37 Haphazard

39 Vacillated

42 Relinquish

44 Pump up the volume

45 Has bills

46 Grate

50 Trench

51 Rowing tool

52 Harem room

53 Lower limb

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N C A Y W I E O V I O K T H K

S A Q P N L T K N L W B E A N

K I R H L F T S C Y E D C T I

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L J I H F R E V O G P C E D S

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

- Body

Bubble

Chicken

Food
- Gallery

Lettuce

Market

Over
- Plastic

Reynolds

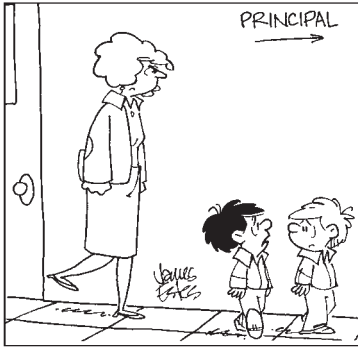
Sandwich

Saran
- Shrink

That's a

Word





"It's times like this when school  
\_\_\_\_\_ would sure  
come in handy."  
answer on page 29

## SCRAMBLERS

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

Cavort  
**CARPEN** \_\_\_\_\_  
Spring  
**PALE** \_\_\_\_\_  
Produce  
**EYLID** \_\_\_\_\_  
Rebound  
**RENTURE** \_\_\_\_\_

TODAY'S WORD

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		9	6	1				3
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## SUDOKU

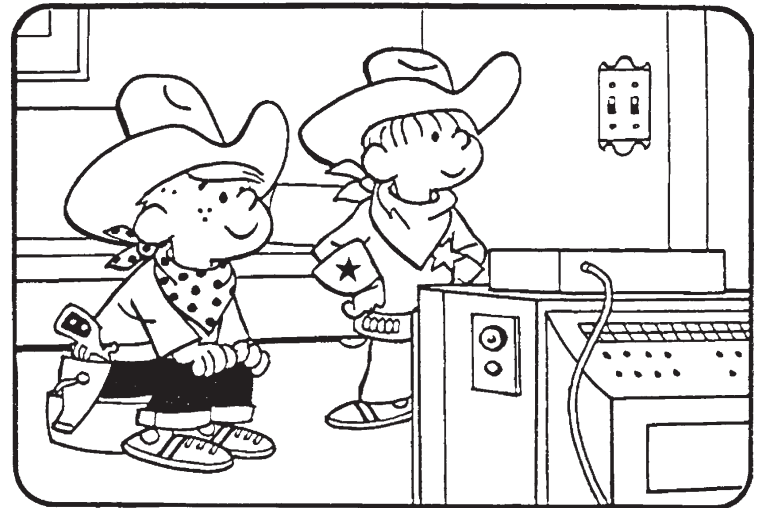
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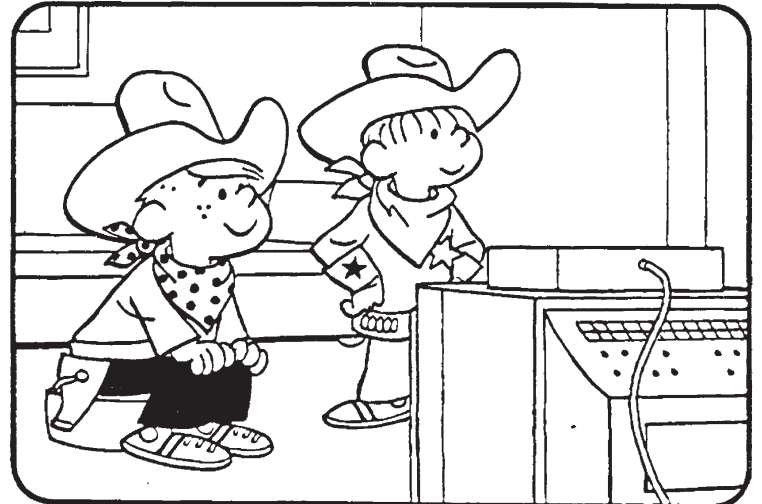
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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Gun is missing. 2. Cuffs are missing. 3. Glove is smaller. 4. Light switch is missing. 5. TV controls are missing. 6. Cable is moved.

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1 teaspoon  
Freshly ground pepper  
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rinsed and stems removed  
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Combine all ingredients except mush-  
rooms; mix well. Stuff mixture into  
mushroom caps and place stuffed  
mushrooms on a large baking pan.  
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mixture begins to brown, approxi-  
mately 15 minutes.\*



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# Highlights Of The 30th Annual Coastal Cleanup



Students from Cypress Lake Middle School, along with several teachers, took part in the 30th annual International Coastal Cleanup by picking up debris on Sanibel's Lighthouse Beach. The cleanup, coordinated locally by the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, was held on September 17.

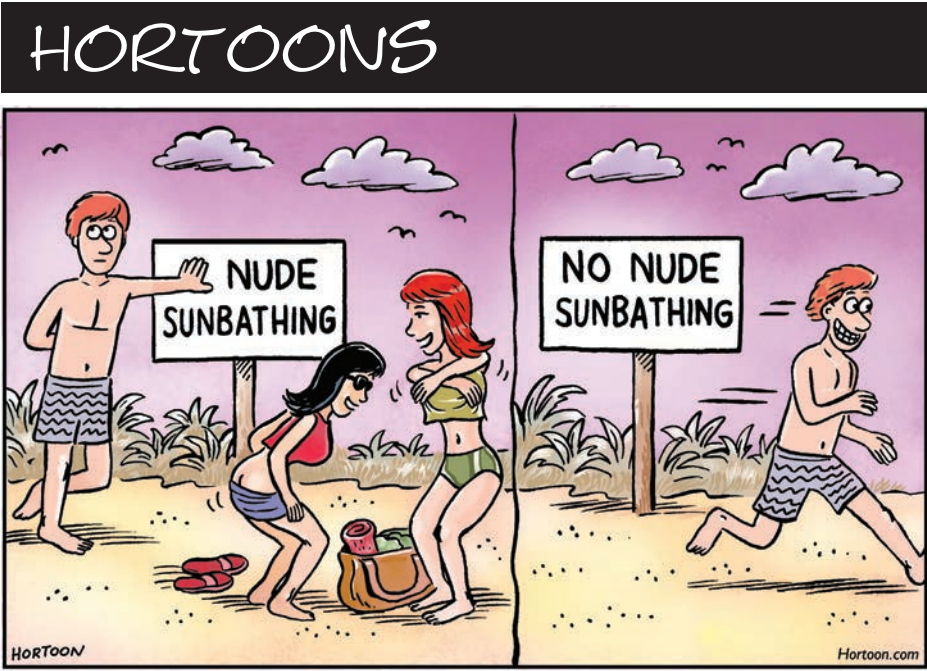
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Cypress Lake Middle School students, from left, Katie Borst, Aaliyah Amaya, Ashley Buckley and Rylee Friscoe collecting debris and logging the items on data sheets



Members of Girl Scout Troop 27 in Fort Myers picked up litter along the Sanibel Causeway



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Development	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
Gulf Heights	Fort Myers Beach	1935	1,372	\$1,799,000	\$1,750,000	10
Little Hickory Shores	Bonita Springs	1996	3,025	\$1,199,500	\$1,150,000	141
Indian Bayou Subdivision	Fort Myers Beach	1996	4,395	\$1,100,000	\$1,050,000	228
Ridge	Bonita Springs	2001	3,640	\$1,075,000	\$1,100,000	38
Town And River	Fort Myers	2003	3,092	\$925,000	\$900,000	146
Sanibel Estates	Sanibel	1989	2,017	\$867,000	\$849,000	138
Lake Murex	Sanibel	1973	2,071	\$829,000	\$800,000	63
Renaissance	Fort Myers	2016	3,158	\$749,990	\$739,000	146
Cape Harbour	Cape Coral	1998	2,438	\$749,900	\$705,000	281
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2003	2,752	\$699,900	\$675,000	58

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