



Handmade crafts are for sale at the SoCo Second Saturday art crawl

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Golden Ticket Contest Resumes

Another artful night will be held at the cultural district south of Colonial Boulevard in the month of May. The monthly SoCo Second Saturday rain-or-shine art crawl starts at 5 p.m. and ends at 10 p.m. on Saturday,

May 13. Patrons of the arts, collectors, art enthusiasts and all attending guests will have the chance to win a prize just by visiting event venues and collecting the golden tickets from each location. The winner will be announced one week after the event.

This month's participating SoCo cultural venues are Alliance for the

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Estates Offers Free Admission For Moms

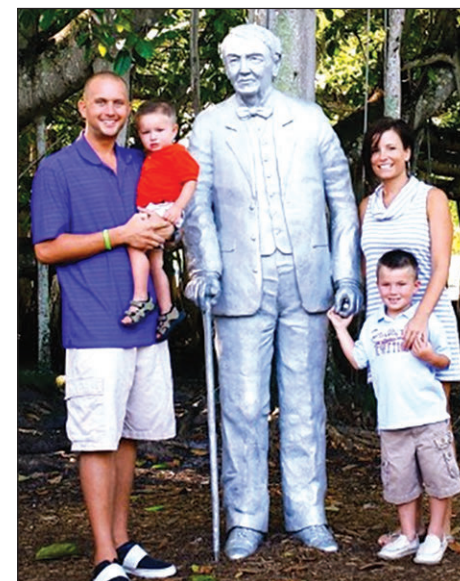
To honor moms on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14, Edison & Ford Winter Estates is offering free admission for all mothers. Free admission includes an audio tour of Thomas Edison's and Henry Ford's winter homes, the museum, the national chemical landmark laboratory and more than 20 acres of gardens.

"This is a great way for families to spend the day together," said Lisa Sbuttoni, vice president of community and visitor relations.

Edison Ford is also the place to find Mother's Day gifts. The Edison Ford Garden Shoppe is stocked full of beautiful flowers, herbs, vegetables and tropical trees. There are also garden-related gift items, such as bird baths, wind chimes and a variety of ceramic pots.

Edison Ford is partnering with Lee Health for a special Mother's Day blood drive. The Blood Mobile will be on site at Edison Ford from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lee Health is in constant need of blood donors. In order to maintain enough available blood, the centers need



A young family by the Thomas Edison statue

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800 donors every week.

The community, employees and volunteers are encouraged to participate. Each blood donation will take approximately 30 minutes. Lee Health will provide beverages and snacks to all donors.

For more information, visit www.edisonfordwinterstates.org or call 334-7419.*

Play Contest Winner Involves Desired Exorcism

by Di Saggau

Now playing at Theatre Conspiracy is *Noli Timere*, the Latin text for "Don't Be Afraid." The play is by Jared Michael Delaney and directed by Bill Taylor, artistic director for the theater. It's the winner in Theatre Conspiracy's 2016-17 New Play Contest. This is definitely a cutting edge type of play and one that leaves you with questions throughout, which is something I happen to like. Thomas Marsh is Thomas, a newly ordained priest and Dena Galyean is Mary, his sister. Ken Johnson portrays a man who enters their lives, especially that of Thomas.

The main set is the church rectory which is creatively crafted with three large portals and a stained glass window in the middle. Most of the action takes place in the rectory, but there are also several settings that occur in a bar, after a mass, and a few more scenes where they each talk about a strange encounter with two different people. Just what these two people represent is up to the audience to figure out.



Thomas Marsh and Ken Johnson

photo by Tom Hall

As the play opens, Thomas is snoozing in a chair and quickly wakes up to a loud knock on the door. It's very late. A man enters and Thomas says, "Do we know each other?" The man replies, "I need the monsignor, it can't wait, I'm possessed."

The man is extremely agitated and can't remember his name, and he won't leave. Next is a flashback with Thomas and his sister in a bar where he tells her he's going to become a priest. She questions him on

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Doctor Named Lee Health President/CEO

The Lee Health Board of Directors recently chose Larry Antonucci, MD to succeed Jim Nathan as president/CEO of the local health system. Dr. Antonucci has served as system chief operating officer since 2011. He also served as chief administrative officer for Cape Coral Hospital.

Prior to joining Lee Health in 2007, Dr. Antonucci was a practicing obstetrician and gynecologist. In 1983, he co-founded Physicians Primary Care, a large multi-specialty group practice in Lee County, and served as its chief executive officer for many years.

Dr. Antonucci replaces Jim Nathan, who is stepping down as president to serve as a resource to the Lee Health Board of Directors and his successor for the remainder of his contract term, which expires in March 2019.

As COO for Lee Health, Dr. Antonucci has led the patient care team at all Lee Health facilities. His responsibilities have included the operation of all six hospitals within the health system; outpatient facilities; post-acute services; ancillary

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

War-Time Graduates



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

When the Gwynne High School classes of May 1917 and 1918 graduated, they had more on their minds than things like summer vacation, college, a first “real” job, leaving home or marriage.

World War I (WWI) dominated the news.

Later called “the Great War,” it had begun in Europe in August 1914. However, the United States did not declare war on Germany and its allies until April 1917.

Pictured here are some those who graduated from the “new” Gwynne High School in 1918 during what was optimistically called “the War to End All Wars.”

These students were among the first to graduate from the school located at Second Street and Royal Palm Avenue, which had opened only three years earlier.

For young male graduates, enlisting in the military or waiting to be drafted was a looming reality. For young women, watching friends and loved ones march off to war and contributing to the war effort at home was equally real.

A news story about the 1918 commencement shared the front page with others concerning the war raging in Europe: “Germans in Aerial Raid on London,” “Submarine U-39 Damaged, Put in at Spanish Port” and “American Ship Sunk; One Lost.”

Citizen support was highlighted too, however, as evident in the piece “American Red Cross Launches Second Great Drive for a War Fund of One Hundred Millions.”

On the very next day after the graduation and in the Gwynne auditorium, the local Red Cross was launching a great campaign with a rally. Contributing businesses and organizations were listed, along with the pledge amounts.

During these years, even students were already contributing to the war effort in various way, including pledging not to buy silk clothing and planting gardens and raising livestock.

As early as 1915, the school’s agriculture class, which was attended by both male and female students, was planting a garden, responding to threats of food shortages. They

could get extra credit for producing food!

The front page also contained a small more personal item: David K. Ballard, graduate of the class of 1915 and stationed at Camp Jackson, South Carolina, had been selected for officers’ training camp at Greenville, South Carolina.

A few of the 1918 graduates could expect similar futures.

For example, Elmo Ballard, class of 1915, and Laurence Cooper, class of 1917, were already serving in the U.S. Navy by May 1918. They had entered service shortly after graduating, at the Naval Recruiting Station in Fort Myers and the Naval Station at Key West, respectively.

One graduate pictured here, Charles Dean Menge (back row center), and classmate Wilson Towles Hendry (not pictured) were inducted soon after graduation. Hendry entered the U.S. Army after the Army Training Corps at the University of Florida and Menge was inducted after the Training Corps at Washington and Lee University.

Those two inductees could be grouped among the most fortunate of soldiers because they were inducted the month before the November 11 Armistice and honorably discharged only two months later in time to be home for Christmas.

Considering that soldiers in the European trenches faced gunfire, bayonets, poisonous gas, and disease, the recent grads had luck on their side.

The Caloosahatchian yearbook’s descriptions of Menge and Hendry draw a stark contrast between the life of a carefree student and that of a soldier possibly destined for fighting – in other words, between adolescent and man.

The yearbook cites Hendry’s chief occupation as “combing his hair.” His ambition? To be a movie actor. His gift? Drawing.

Menge had a gift for singing and his hobby was arguing.

How light-hearted and far away those school days must have seemed to Menge and Hendry once they became immersed in army training and what could follow.

As this season of high-school graduations approaches, walk down to Second and Royal Palm to the former site of the “new” Gwynne High School and imagine the world that the WWI-era graduates faced.

Then, visit these two research centers to learn more about how the citizens of Fort Myers coped with war. The Southwest Florida Historical Society 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 www.swflhistoricalsociety.org for more information.

The Lee County Black History Society is located at 1936 Henderson Avenue, adjacent to the Williams Academy Museum at Roberto Clemente Park.

Hours for the all-volunteer non-profit organization are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday.

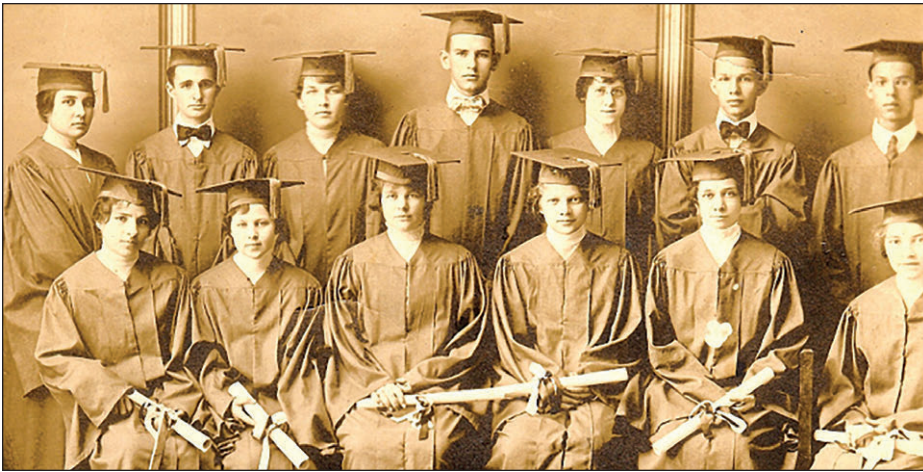
For information, call 332-8778 or visit www.leecountyblackhistorysociety.org.

Sources: Archives of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, floridamemory.com, and the *Fort Myer Press*.✱



This structure opened in 1914 as the “new” Gwynne High School and later became a middle and junior high school. It ended its days as the Crescent Building, which housed offices and businesses, and was demolished in the mid-1970s.

photo by Gerri Reaves



Pictured are most of the 1918 Gwynne High School class, tentatively identified: (back row from left) Lela Corinne Lykes Summerlin, George Robinson Lynn, Jr., Elizabeth Towles Summerlin, Charles Dean Menge, Nahda Mary Harrington, Frank Richter Hunter and Alfred Herbert Robins; (front row from left) Gladys Carolyn Kantz, Lydia Fay Dillard, Mildred Estella McSpadden, Alma Louise Jenny, Margaret Cumber Foxworthy and Ruth Clayton Quillian

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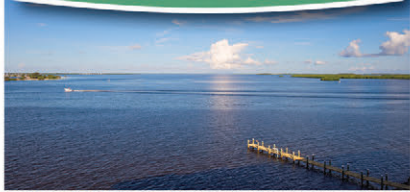
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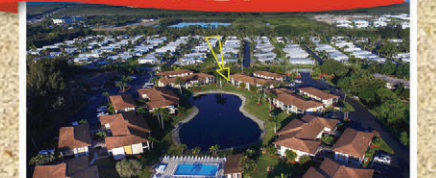
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The Toy Story gang

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Tickets are on sale for seven live performances produced by Feld Entertainment. Audiences are invited to enter a world where anything is possible.

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All seats are reserved. Tickets are available at www.DisneyOnIce.com, by calling 1-800-745-3000 or at Germain Arena box office. For group rates and information, contact Feld Direct Group Sales at 866-248-8740. To learn more about Disney On Ice, go to www.DisneyOnIce.com, or visit Facebook and YouTube.*

A Need For Volunteer Help



Community Cooperative is looking for volunteers to help out

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Community Cooperative will soon see a 40 percent drop in its volunteer manpower as seasonal residents head back north.

“We actually get busier during the summer months when kids are out of school, so the need for help increases at the same time we lose a significant pool of volunteers,” said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative. “We are seeking volunteers to assist with Meals on Wheels deliveries, kitchens and food pantries, gardening, or anyone who wants to help make a difference in our community”.

Meals on Wheels delivery routes are

all over Lee County so volunteers can be assigned to routes convenient to home or work. The Soup Kitchens and Community Markets are located near downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach while Mobile Food Pantries are held at locations throughout Lee County.

If you are interested in volunteering, visit www.CommunityCooperative.com to download the volunteer application. For more information, contact Rachell Mays, Volunteer Coordinator at 239-332-7687 x100 or Rachell@CommunityCooperative.com.*



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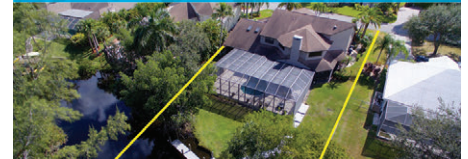
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Fort Myers Artist Amidst Worldwide Museum Tour

by Tom Hall



Last year, Fort Myers urban expressionist Marcus Jansen announced a two-year worldwide museum tour of his latest works. The tour kicked off last September at the Triennale

di Milano Museum. The solo exhibition made headlines in virtually every important Italian newspaper. Several labeled it as one of the 10 most important shows to see in Italy. On the short list with Jansen were such iconic artists as Claude Monet and Jean Michel Basquiat and Monet.

The exhibition was curated by Dr. Brooke Lynn McGowan from New York and Rossella Farinotti of Milan. Art historian Dr. Elmar Zorn presided at the opening, and John Scoular's award-winning documentary *Marcus Jansen Examine and Report* was screened for attendees. Due to be released soon on Amazon, the film features commentary by art luminaries such as Robert Rauschenberg's longtime art fabricator Lawrence Voytek, Banksy's first dealer Steve Lazarides (who now represents Jansen), McGowan and



Marcus Jansen poses in the middle of one of his overseas exhibitions

photo courtesy www.artswhfl.com

Jansen's childhood friend and legendary New York graffiti artist from the 1980's WEST. During the opening night reception, Jansen had the pleasure of sharing several of his books for Italian art lovers that included Giorgio Armani and Santos Versace's family. Jansen also had the honor of meeting the ambassador to Belize and his family.

Following the Triennale di Milano Museum exhibition, German collectors and art lovers had four opportunities to view solo exhibitions of Jansen's work – at Galerie Kellermann in Düsseldorf, Kunst und Kultur in Hohen Aschau, the Kunstraum Klosterkirche in Traunstein and Kallmann Museum in Ismaning. Dr.

Dieter Ronte, a former director at the Kunst Museum in Bonn, opened the Dusseldorf show. Renowned German art critic Gottfried Knapp inaugurated the Traunstein show. And, at the Kallmann Museum, Jansen made headlines in Germany's leading newspaper, *Sueddeutsche Zeitung*, three times during the period of the show. He was also given a tour at Das Maximum Museum by its director, Dr. Birgit Loeffler, who showed Jansen a number of rare works by Andy Warhol along with other well-known U.S. painters.

Jansen's next show opens on July 6 at Joeg Heitsch Galerie in Munich and

will be followed by a show at Weinstein Gallery in San Francisco, which now represents the artist's work.

Next year starts with two museum shows, the first at the Zitadelle Museum in Berlin in March of 2018, with the second taking place right here in Naples at the Baker Museum in May 2018.

Jansen has now been published by two of the leading art book publishers in the world, Skira Editore Milan and Hirmer Verlag Munich. Both *DECADE* and *Aftermath* will be included in the worldwide museum tour. Signed copies are also available at Jansen's UNIT A studio in Fort Myers.

For more information or to view or purchase works, contact lauren@unitaspace.com for more information or to arrange an appointment.

Shops Add Work By Livonia Artist

On view at the Franklin Shops on First is work by Livonia transplant Renee Hilimire. Included in the exhibition are an array of Renee's paintings, prints and arty pillows from her Animal Krackers series. The whimsical collection of curious animals is inspired by Florida nature.

The Franklin Shops on First are located at 2200 First Street in the heart of the historic downtown Fort Myers River District.

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. ❄️

One-Woman Show At Library

Janina Birtolo brings her one-woman show, *Ghosts of the Desert*, to the Fort Myers Regional Library on Saturday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. The program, which follows the life of Gertrude Bell, often called the female Lawrence of Arabia, is free and sponsored by Friends of the Fort Myers Library.


Bell, a privileged British woman who fell in love with the Middle East, became the most respected foreign woman in that region during the first half of the 20th century. She was also responsible for drawing up the boundaries for what became modern day Iraq. During the play, Gertrude tells of how she first came to the Middle East, how she served as a spy for


the British government there during World War I and how she eventually worked to bring King Faisal to power in Iraq. She also offers advice on how to prevent history repeating itself.

A Naples resident and writer, Birtolo's work has appeared in *Gulfshore Life*, *Times of the Islands* and *Naples Health*. She was chosen Writer of the Year in 2001 by Florida Magazine Association. Her one-woman shows bring to life women whose names are known but whose stories are not. More than a simple re-telling of the woman's story, Birtolo aims for a personal connection – what she feels is the lesson the woman's life embodied, and the message she would like to share with us today

Fort Myers Regional Library is located at 1651 Lee Street. For more information and to register, visit www.bit.ly/FML320. ✨

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Narration on local history, wildlife and ecology is provided by Coast Guard-certified captains who are master naturalists. Aboard the vessels, guests are invited to relax and enjoy the natural beauty of Southwest Florida and observe the wildlife native to the region. While Pure Florida cannot guarantee animal sightings in the wild, the captain will alert passengers to wildlife such as dolphins, eagles, manatee, native birds and more.

For more information on Pure Florida, or to register for a Mother's Day cruise, visit www.PureFL.com or call Pure Florida's Fort Myers location at 919-2965.

Summer is coming, school will be out and the need for food assistance



Take mom out for a cruise this Mother's Day weekend

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will be greater than ever. Letter carriers in Lee County are gearing up for the 25th annual **National Letter Carrier Food Drive** this Saturday, May 13. It's time to check your pantries for unopened food items and leave contributions near or attached to your mailbox.

Businesses can set up collection boxes for employees and customers who may not be able to leave food by their mailboxes on May 13. Virtually any kind of food may be donated in unopened, nonbreakable containers. Items especially in need are peanut butter, tuna, rice, beans, and canned meats, fruits, vegetables and soups.

Most food collected in Lee County will be distributed by the Harry Chapin Food Bank through its participating agencies in the county. All food collected in food drives are distributed to participating agencies at no cost.

The nation's largest single-day food drive is called Stamp Out Hunger. This is the one day when letter carriers collect non-perishable food that has been left by mailboxes.

For more information about the letter carrier food drive and early food drop-off, contact George Sciascia, Letter Carriers' Food Drive coordinator, at gsciascia@comcast.net or 218-1147.

The monthly **SoCo Second Saturday** rain-or-shine art crawl will again entertain this Saturday, May 13 from 5 to 10 p.m. Patrons of the arts, collectors, art enthusiasts and all attending guests will have the chance to win a prize, just by visiting event venues and collecting the golden tickets from each location. The winner will be

announced one week after the event.

The SoCo Cultural District location encompasses the block south of Colonial Boulevard, from the corner of McGregor Boulevard to Summerlin Road, to Royal Palm Square Boulevard and back to McGregor Boulevard. It involves art vendors and live music at the **Alliance for the Arts** and various business locations at **Royal Palm Square**.

For more information, visit www.socoswfl.com.

The annual butterfly release at the **Holton Eco-Preserve** will take place at the annual **Spring Fling Festival** this Saturday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn about all plants bright and beautiful in the Southwest Florida environment.

Besides the second annual butterfly release, the festival includes guest speakers, children's activities, vendors and food with demonstrations. Speakers and workshop hosts will present new ways to enjoy plants and insects in the local environment. Between noon and 1:45 p.m., there will be activities including face painting, games and the ladybug release. Pine Manor Community Garden will be providing a continental breakfast and lunch featuring homegrown vegetables and refreshments for purchase. All food proceeds will help to fund the work done at the community garden in downtown Fort Myers.

A wide variety of fruit trees, herbs, vegetables and native plants as well as honey, soaps, worm castings and oils will be for purchase. An Ask the Expert table will include Lee County Master Gardeners. Tours of the Bill Brewer Family Gardens and/or the Holton Eco-Preserve will also be conducted.

For more information, contact Bill Petrarca at 561-2700. Holton Eco-Preserve is located at 13411 Shire Lane off Daniels Parkway in Fort Myers.✧

Theater To Offer Staged Reading

Sanibel resident Robert Hilliard's play titled *The Store* will be presented at the Laboratory Theater of Florida in Fort Myers on Monday, May 15 at 7 p.m. as the next in the Lab Theater's series of staged readings of new plays.

A number of Hilliard's plays have been seen at various venues in southwest Florida, including Theatre Conspiracy in Fort Myers and the Naples Players as well as the Lab Theater. *The Store* is about three generations of a Jewish family living above the grocery store where they

have been eking out a bare living in an increasingly depressed African-American neighborhood in Brooklyn, New York. The family desperately wants to leave the area and the dawn-to-midnight store, which has been destroying their family. A goal is to have the granddaughter get an education and marry a "nice Jewish professional man." Their plans are complicated when the granddaughter falls in love with an African-American man in the neighborhood.

The Laboratory Theater is located at 1634 Woodford Street in downtown Fort Myers. Reservations are not necessary. Tickets are \$10 at the door with free parking at the theater.✧

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Keynote Speaker For Fashion Night

Dress for Success SW Florida is excited to announce Donna Noce as the keynote speaker for its annual signature event, A Fashion Night in Black & White. The event will be held on Friday, May 12 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa in Bonita Springs. Noce is the founding board president of Dress for Success SW Florida and has been an integral part of the nonprofit since its inception.

The theme of the evening is Never Give Up. Noce will speak about her own personal journey and the importance of empowering and encouraging women, which is central to the Dress for Success mission.

"I could not be more honored to speak on a topic that is dear to my heart and at the heart of our brand. Sharing the same message with Dress for Success, White House Black Market honors and embraces women, empowering them to feel confident and beautiful," she said.

When Barbara Dell, CEO of Dress for Success SW Florida, approached Noce in 2010 about her idea to launch the nonprofit in Southwest Florida, Noce and the White House Black Market team immediately got involved and, since then, she and her team have been tirelessly committed to supporting



Donna Noce photo provided the organization and its clientele by providing merchandise, volunteer hours and helping to launch the Dress for Success SW Florida boutique.

Money raised from this event will support the mission of Dress for Success SW Florida to help disadvantaged women find and maintain employment and achieve health and wellness as well as self-defined financial support and professional success.

Guests are invited to wear their finest black and white cocktail attire for an evening of fun and fashion. The evening will include hors d'oeuvres,

champagne, dinner, live and silent auctions, and a fashion show with a preview of the White House Black Market summer collection. Tickets are \$125 each and \$1,200 for a table of ten.

White House Black Market is the founding sponsor of Dress for Success SW Florida. The Elizabeth K. Galeana Charitable Foundation, Inc. is the Career Center Champion. Other sponsors to date are: 227 Partner, Arthrex, Card Systems, CONRIC PR & Marketing, eBella Magazine, Edison National Bank, entech, Hodges University, Home Depot, Hyatt Regency Coconut Point and Spa, Jaguar of Fort Myers, Markham Norton Mosteller Wright & Company, P.A., MidWestOne Bank, Norman Love Confections, Shiree & Friends, Stevens Construction, *The News-Press* and Windfall. sponsorships are still available.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Nickole Hendra at 689-4992 or visit www.dfsswflorida.org.

Food Pantry For Veterans Opens

In partnership with the Lee County VA Healthcare Center, Community Cooperative is launching the first-ever veteran-focused mobile pantry in Southwest Florida.

"We have noticed a significant increase in the number of active duty

military families, as well as veterans, in need of food assistance", said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative. "Nationwide, 25 percent of active military families are getting help from food pantries, and hunger among the 12 million veterans over the age of 60 is sky-rocketing.

"Community Cooperative worked with more than 600 veterans and their families in 2016, which is why we are so happy to be partnering with the VA to bring healthy, shelf-stable groceries as well as fresh produce, meats and dairy to our local veterans who are in need."

The veteran-focused mobile pantry will take place monthly, with the first one being scheduled for Friday, May 12 from 9 to 11 a.m. It will be held in the parking lot of the center, located at 2489 Diplomat Parkway East in Cape Coral.

Community Cooperative hosts mobile pantries all over Lee County, in addition to the other services they offer. The Soup Kitchens and Community Markets are located near downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach while Meals on Wheels meals are delivered throughout Lee County.

If interested in volunteering or making a financial contribution, visit www.CommunityCooperative.com. For more volunteer information, contact Rachell Mays, volunteer coordinator at 332-7687 ext. 100 or Rachell@CommunityCooperative.com.

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Letter Carrier Food Drive

The 25th annual National Letter Carrier Food Drive will be held on Saturday, May 13. Stamp Out Hunger, the nation's largest single-day food drive, is the one day when letter carriers collect non-perishable food that has been left by mailboxes. The United Way is a partner agency with the letter carriers and the food drive.

Most food collected in Lee County will be distributed by the Harry Chapin Food Bank through their participating agencies in the county. All food collected in food drives is distributed to participating agencies at no cost. Virtually any kind of food may be donated in unopened, nonbreakable containers. Items especially in need are peanut butter, tuna, rice, beans, and canned meats, fruits, vegetables and soups.

Those who will not be able to leave food on the 13th may drop off their contributions at any post office.

Volunteers are needed to both help letter carriers collect the food and to help sort the food once it has been collected. Volunteers wishing to assist letter carriers with their pickups and with preliminary food sorting should contact Tanya Phillips at Harry Chapin Food Bank at 334-7007 or Kim Berghs at the United Way at 433-2000 ext. 260.

Additional information about the letter carrier food drive and early food

drop-off may be obtained by contacting George Sciascia, Letter Carriers' Food Drive coordinator, at gsciascia@comcast.net or 218-1147.*

Homeless Count: 2,785 Estimated

The Lee County Homeless Coalition is an advocacy group made up of community and faith-based service providers, local businesses, people who are currently experiencing or who have experienced homelessness, and other advocates committed to ending homelessness. Once per year with the help of many volunteers, the coalition conducts a Point in Time (PIT) census to count the homeless and provide data to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The PIT count is also used to gather information that allows local service providers to target services to meet the specific needs of the homeless in local communities.

The PIT count, which asked people where they slept the night of January 21, included both sheltered and unsheltered homeless individuals and families. The PIT count was able to document 431 homeless persons, of which 65 (15.08 percent) were considered to be chronically homeless. HUD defines chronic homelessness as "an unaccompanied adult homeless individual with a disabling condition who has either continuously been homeless for a year or more or has had at least four episodes of homelessness in the past three years, where the combined occasions total a length of time of at least 12 months."

Among the 431 persons surveyed, 35.50 percent reported having a disabling condition. Also among the 431 were 38 families with 70 children. Veterans made up for 3.25 percent of those surveyed. Data obtained through the Lee County Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and PIT count found that during the course of the year, there are an estimated 2,785 homeless individuals within Lee County.

Although there has been an overall decrease in the number of homeless individuals surveyed during our PIT count, there is an increase in our estimated number of homeless individuals within Lee County. This is due to the fact more homeless individuals have been served in programs throughout the year. The success of the programs led to a decrease in the PIT figure.

The Lee County Homeless Coalition would like to extend a special thank you to the volunteers that assisted with this year's PIT count.*

Greeters Club Luncheon

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers will hold its monthly luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 18. Club officials will install a new generation of leaders and look forward to the energy and diversity brought to monthly luncheon programs and events. It will also be an opportunity for everyone to wear and show off their creative interpretation of a Kentucky Derby Hat. Prizes will be given

out for a few of the standouts.

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers has grown to more than 100 members. It has taken a lot of organization, talent and dedication to sustain the organization since its beginning in 1969.*

Center To Offer Heart Screenings

Lee Health's Healthy Life Center at Coconut Point is offering free electrocardiogram (EKG) screenings to middle and high school aged athletes on Saturday, May 20 from noon to 4 p.m. EKGs may detect a child's risk for sudden cardiac arrest, which is the leading cause of death among young athletes and often provides no advance signs or symptoms.

The EKG is painless and takes about five minutes to complete. It is performed by placing 10 stickers and wires on the chest, arms and legs in order to evaluate the electrical activity of the heart. The tests are reviewed by Eric Eason, D.O., and Suying Lam, M.D., board certified pediatric cardiologists with Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

The screening is not meant to replace routine sports physicals and clearance for student athletes; instead it provides an extra layer of prevention and peace of mind for young students and their families.

For more information or to register to attend, call the Healthy Life Center at 495-4475 or email HealthyLifeCenter@LeeHealth.org.*

Churches/Temples

ALL FAITHS UNITARIAN CONGREGATION
Sunday 10:30 a.m., 2756 McGregor Boulevard, allfaiths-uc.org, 226-0900.

ALL SAINTS BYZANTINE RITE CATHOLIC
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 10291 Bayshore Road, 305-651-0991.

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX
Sunday 9 and 10 a.m. 8210 Cypress Lake Drive, annunciation.fl.goarch.org, 481-2099.

BETH SHILOH MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE
Friday 8 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. 15675 McGregor Boulevard, 437-3171.

BREAD OF LIFE MINISTRIES
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 16581 McGregor Boulevard, 267-3166.

CHABAD LUBAVITCH ORTHODOX
Friday 6:30 p.m. 5620 Winkler Road, chabadswf.org, 433-7708.

CHAPEL OF CYPRESS COVE
Sunday 10 a.m. 10200 Cypress Cove Circle, revtedalthouse@aol.com, 850-3943.

CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Sunday 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. 13500 Freshman Lane, 768-2188.

CONGREGATIONAL
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 1619 Llewellyn Drive, taecc.com, 334-4978.

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN
Sunday 10 a.m. 2439 McGregor Boulevard, 334-8937.

CYPRESS LAKE BAPTIST
Sunday 9:45 and 11 a.m., 7 p.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m. 8400 Cypress Lake Drive, 481-5442.

CYPRESS LAKE PRESBYTERIAN
Sunday 8, 9, 10 and 11 a.m. 8260 Cypress Lake Drive, www.clpc.us, 481-3233.

CYPRESS LAKE UNITED METHODIST
Sunday 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. 8570 Cypress Lake Drive, 482-1250.

FAITH FELLOWSHIP WORLD OUTREACH
Sunday 10:30 a.m., Thursday 7:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 p.m. 6111 South Pointe Boulevard, 278-3638.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST
Sunday 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. 15690 McGregor Boulevard, 482-2030.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 2390 West First Street, christiansciencefortmyers.net, christianscience.com.

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. 13545 American Colony Boulevard, 936-2511.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. 2466 First Street, www.fumcftmyers.org, 332-1152.

FORT MYERS CHRISTIAN
Sunday 10:30 a.m., 5916 Winkler Road, 437-4330.

FORT MYERS CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST;
Sunday 10 a.m., 8210 College Parkway, 482-3133.

IONA-HOPE EPISCOPAL CONGREGATION
Saturday 5 p.m.; Sunday 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.; Tuesday 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday 9:30 a.m. 9650 Gladiolus Drive, 454-4778.

JESUS THE WORKER CATHOLIC
Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday 8, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. 881 Nuna Avenue, 481-1143.

KINGDOM LIFE
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 2154 McGregor Boulevard, 218-8343.

LAMB OF GOD
Sunday 7:45 and 10 a.m. 19691 Cypress View Drive, lambogodchurch.net, 267-3525.

NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER
Friday 6:30 and 7 p.m. 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, nbcmistry@embarqmail.com, facebook.com/nbcmistry, 656-0416.

NEW COVENANT EYES
Monthly 9 a.m. 1900 Park Meadows Drive, newcovenanteyes.com, 220-8519.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST
Sunday 11 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m. 16120 San Carlos Boulevard, Unit 10, 985-8503.

NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN
Sunday 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. 10051 Plantation Road, www.newhopefortmyers.org, 274-1230.

PEACE COMMUNITY
Sunday 10:30 a.m. www.17671 Pine Ridge Road, peacecommunitychurch.com, 267-7400.

PEACE LUTHERAN
Sunday 9:30 a.m. 15840 McGregor Boulevard, www.peaceftmyers.com, peace@peaceftmyers.com. 437-2599.

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Sunday 8:15 and 10:15 a.m. 3950 Winkler Ext., 274-0143.

RIVER OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
8, 9:45 and 11:30 a.m. 21580 River Ranch Road, 495-0400.

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SAINT COLUMBKILLE CATHOLIC
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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC
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. 2157 Cleveland Avenue, 334-2161.

SAINT JOHN THE APOSTLE METROPOLITAN

Sunday 10 a.m. 3049 McGregor Boulevard, 344-0012.

SAINT MICHAEL LUTHERAN
Saturday 5:30 p.m.; Sunday 8 and 10:45 a.m. 3595 Broadway, 939-1218.

SAINT NICHOLAS MONASTERY
Sunday 9:30 a.m. 111 Evergreen Road, saintnicholasmonastery.org, 997-2847.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC
Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m.; Saturday 4 p.m.; Sunday 9 and 11 a.m. 13031 Palm Beach Boulevard, 693-0818.

SOUTHWEST BAPTIST
Sunday 11 a.m.; Wednesday 6 p.m. 16940 McGregor Boulevard, 454-3336.

TEMPLE BETHEL SYNAGOGUE
Friday Shabbat 7:30 p.m.; Torah Saturday 9 a.m.; Religious School Wednesday 5:30 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m. 16225 Winkler Road, templebethel.com, 433-0018.

TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)
Friday 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. tjswfl.org. 14486 A&W Bulb Road, 433-0201.

THE NEW CHURCH
Sunday 11 a.m. 10811 Sunset Plaza Circle #401, newchurchflorida.com. 481-5535.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
Sunday 10:30 a.m. 13411 Shire Lane, uucfm.org, 561-2700.

UNITY OF FORT MYERS
Sunday 9:15 and 11 a.m. 11120 Ranchette Road, unityoffortmyers.org, 278-1511.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. 9065 Ligon Court, 481-2125.

WORD OF LIFE
Sunday 10 a.m., Wednesday 7 p.m. 2120 Collier Avenue, 274-8881.

ZION LUTHERAN
Sunday 8, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. 7401 Winkler Road, zionfm.org, 481-4040.*

Free Pain Clinic To Hold Benefit

The Southwest Florida Free Pain Clinic, the only free pain clinic in Florida for low-income residents, will hold its inaugural fundraising event at Pelican Preserve on Thursday, May 25 at 6 p.m. Heal the Hurt will feature a live and silent auction, dinner and testimonials from patients of the clinic. Reservations are \$50 per person and can be made at www.christianmedicalministries.org.

The Southwest Florida Free Pain Clinic, founded in 2010 by Alan Gruning, DO, was established to provide healing for individuals with chronic and acute pain, without the use of controlled drugs and with the added unique aspect of prayer and counseling. The clinic takes a holistic approach to healing and utilizes chiropractic care, massage therapy, modalities and exercise training to alleviate pain at the source. It begins an effective healing process for individuals without the ability to pay.

"It has been a privilege to provide this unique, free care to the uninsured poor that suffer from acute and chronic pain in our community," said Gruning. "These people are desperate and have no other resources to get the help they need. We have a vision to provide full time care in a permanent setting to reach more

patients and improve their outcomes, eventually replicating this model across the state. We need the help of our community to make this happen."

The clinic utilizes more than 50 ongoing volunteers, including medical professionals who donate time and resources for the benefit of the patients. It is the only one of its kind in Florida, and has been successful in keeping patients out of the emergency room and drug free. Successful treatment helps patients get back to work, and helps them better care for themselves and their families.

Sponsorships are needed for this inaugural event. To sponsor, contact Janelle Beber at 989-5155.

The Heal the Hurt dinner and auction marks the launch of fundraising efforts to expand services. Currently, the Southwest Florida Free Pain Clinic operates Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 9 p.m. at the Fort Myers First Church of The Nazarene at 6900 Daniels Parkway. Plans to expand to full time service will cost upwards of \$300,000 per year, and be funded through grants and community donations.

Pelican Preserve is located at 9802 Pelican Preserve Boulevard in Fort Myers.

To learn more about the SWFL Free Pain Clinic, visit www.christianmedicalministries.org or call clinic director Michelle Martin at 308-7107.✱

Free Seminar On New Facial Treatments

A new long-lasting injectable to correct moderate to severe facial wrinkles and folds has been approved by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) and will be explained at a free seminar conducted by facial plastic surgeon Dr. Stephen Prendiville.

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Dr. Prendiville is among the first facial plastic surgeons in Southwest Florida to offer the new treatment, which has been the focus of a global clinical development program by pharmaceutical company Allergan.

Allergan also received FDA approval in late 2016 of Juvederm Volbella, an injectable for lip augmentation and correction of lines around the lips.

Juvederm Vollure and Juvederm



Dr. Stephen Prendiville photo provided

Volbella will be among the latest procedures for rejuvenating the face at a free seminar conducted by Dr. Prendiville on Friday, May 19 at 11:30 a.m. at Rumrunners Restaurant, located at 5848 Cape Harbour Drive in Cape Coral. A light lunch will be served. Reservations are required by calling 437-3900. Space is limited.

In addition to a light lunch, attendees will be able to make an appointment for a free consultation with Dr. Prendiville.✱

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The Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA) Southwest Florida Chapter will present a workshop on Tuesday, May 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at The Edison Restaurant. The luncheon will give attendees a look at how local neighborhood restaurant First Watch has whipped up a better breakfast experience with fresh food and fresh social media marketing.

First Watch public relations and communications manager Eleni Kouvatso will discuss some of the ways in which the company has been able to maintain a local, neighborhood feel and build brand loyalty as it has grown to hundreds of location in dozens of states. Kouvatso will also talk about why media relationships and localized social media efforts are more important now more than ever before and the benefits of leveraging mobile marketing at the local level, across all channels.

Kouvatso joined the First Watch team in January 2015 after graduating from the University of Florida in 2014. As a public relations and communications manager for the company, she manages every public relations function for the restaurant entity including publicity and media relations, community involvement, sponsorships and events, customer service, social media, branding projects and more.



Eleni Kouvatso

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The cost for attending the May luncheon is \$25 for members, \$35 for non-members and \$15 for students. Space is limited so register early. Guests must RSVP online at www.fpraswfl.org.

Luncheon sponsorships ranging from \$250 to \$500 are available. Sponsors will receive acknowledgement in news releases, complimentary event admission, table display to showcase promotional items, visibility on electronic and print marketing and more, depending on level. For more information or to become a sponsor, contact Trish Robertson at trishrobertson@colliergov.net. The Edison Restaurant is located at 3583 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers.✱

Gala Raises More Than \$690K

The inaugural Secret Garden Gala to support Kids' Minds Matter – Voices for Pediatric Behavioral Health at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida recently raised more than \$690,000 at Shangri-La Springs in Bonita Springs. More than 200 guests and supporters of Lee Health Foundation's newest initiative attended.

Secret Garden represents the invisible illnesses that debilitates an estimated 46,000 children living in Southwest Florida who currently have an untreated mental or behavioral disorder, such as ADHD, autism, bipolar disorder, depression, eating disorders or drug and alcohol abuse, among others. Guest attended in black-and-white attire and participants' faces were decorated with whimsical designs and images drawing attention to the uniqueness in every individual.

Getting the conversation started around what has been a taboo subject were two generous donors who shared their personal story of how the right services and support for children and families helped to save their daughter. Upon finishing, they were embraced with a standing ovation. Additionally, the generosity of an anonymous donor allowed for every dollar raised that night to be matched. In the past 12 months,

Kids' Minds Matter has raised more than \$790,000 though fundraising efforts, more than \$100,000 contributed by the 7th annual Golisano Children's Hospital Fashion Show.

Proceeds from this event will be used to empower the physicians at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida and their partners to provide the care, treatment and resources needed for so many children and their families trying to cope with a debilitating mental disorder. Financial support for these families and their children has not been a top priority for the State of Florida, but the new pediatric behavioral health initiative will provide a program to assist children and families, enable them to receive proper diagnosis as well as the necessary treatment and resources including world-class physicians, inpatient and outpatient counseling, assist with case management and navigation, as well as support families of children with behavioral and mental health illness.

Providing quality and easily accessible services for care is critical to their wellbeing and the quality of life for each child and their loved ones. Visit www.LeeHealthFoundation.org/KMM to show your support and help the children of Southwest Florida by making a tax-deductible donation to Kids' Minds Matter to support pediatric behavioral health services at Golisano Children's Hospital.✱

Board Member Appointed

Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc., whose mission is to serve victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking, recently appointed CONRIC PR & Marketing chief marketing strategist Ryan Sheehy to its board of directors. Sheehy brings a 17-year marketing communication career and passion for mental health advocacy to help further the organization's goals.

"With ACT's long history of serving vulnerable individuals who are facing great difficulties and need tremendous support, I'm truly honored to support the organization's mission and look forward to introducing new communication initiatives, marketing tactics and fundraising strategies," said Sheehy.

With a multi-million dollar operational budget, ACT relies on the generous support of the community to drive donations to help run its facilities in Lee and Hendry counties and support key programming to fulfill its mission. The 2017 lineup of activities include: the Poker Run to Benefit ACT at Six Bends Harley-Davidson on Sunday, May 28; Firefighters versus Law Enforcement Officers Basketball Tournament as well as ACT's premiere



Ryan Sheehy

photo provided

annual event called Arts for ACT at the Hyatt Coconut Point on November 11.

"We've needed a strong marketing communication board member to spearhead key initiatives for our organization. The ACT board of directors and our executive director, Jennifer Benton, is thrilled to have Ryan on the board to lend her expertise, and we believe Ryan will make a significant difference to the organization," said ACT president, Steven Chaipel.✱

Legislators Thanked For CRA Support

The Fort Myers Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) honored community redevelopment proponents Florida Senator Lizbeth Benacquisto and Florida Representative Matt Caldwell by adopting Resolution No. CRA 2017-1 at their monthly CRA Board meeting on April 26.

This official decree thanks the two state legislators for their acknowledgement of the benefit of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fort Myers and for their ongoing efforts in their respective leadership roles to preserve and continue the Fort Myers CRA.

The legislators' support comes as a response to Florida House Bill (HB) 13, which would terminate all CRAs in the State of Florida by 2037 unless the governing body that created the CRA approves its continued existence by a super majority vote and would not allow the creation of any new CRAs after October 1, 2017 unless created by a special act of the Legislature; and Senate Bill (SB) 1770, which would also terminate all CRAs by 2037 and will only allow the creation of new CRAs by a super majority vote of a city or county.

The current Florida Statute Chapter 163, Part III, allows a county or municipality to create a CRA to carry out redevelopment of slum or blighted areas when certain conditions

exit. Examples of these conditions include the presence of substandard or inadequate structures, a shortage of affordable housing, inadequate infrastructure and insufficient roadways.

Community Redevelopment Agencies have proven historically to provide distressed communities with a better economy through improved infrastructure, job opportunities, and housing. Their mission is to make housing and urban areas safer for residents, to preserve and grow business and to provide a sense of place for all who live there. CRAs have demonstrated that the use of Tax Increment Funding (TIF) dramatically improves the economic and social outcomes within their targeted areas. These outcomes benefit both cities and counties and, more importantly, the taxpayers.

In the 1980s, Fort Myers City Council established the city's Community Redevelopment Agency under Florida Statute 163, Part III, and designated itself as the governing body of the new agency.

Over the years, this CRA has established these 14 redevelopment areas that use Tax Increment Financing: Central Fort Myers Redevelopment Area; Cleveland Avenue Redevelopment Areas I-IV; Downtown Redevelopment Area; Dunbar/Michigan Redevelopment Area; East Fort Myers Redevelopment Area; Eastwood Redevelopment Area; Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Redevelopment Areas I-IV; and Velasco Village Redevelopment Area.

For more information, contact the Fort Myers Community Redevelopment Agency at 321-7100.✱

Thank-You Reception For Scholarship Reviewers



Carolyn Conant and Karen Alley
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Carolyn Rogers and Melvin Morgan

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation (SFCF) recently hosted 50 of its scholarship reviewers at a thank-you reception on April 20. Maria Valladares, a student of Nova Southeastern, read a poem she wrote and had published thanking the foundation's donors.

This year, SFCF received the volunteer efforts of 82 people in the community to review 1,800 scholarship applications and essays. There were 88 scholarship funds available, 64 of which were in the online competitive process, for local high school, undergraduate and graduate students from Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

More than 130 recipients will receive these scholarship awards totaling more than \$700,000.✱



Marissa Morgan and Nicole Landrum



Dennie Hamilton and Luis Leon



From left, Craig Folk with Peg and Bob Kleckner



From left, Melanie Holaway, Maria Valladares, Sarah Owen and Marian Valladares



From left, Judge Archie Hayward, Hugh Kinsey and Allen Abbott



From left, Madi and Sam Stewart with Luis Leon



During drought or the natural dry season, native resurrection fern appears dead

photos by Gerri Reaves

Plant Smart

Resurrection Fern

by Gerri Reaves

Few plants symbolize the coming of late spring's rainy season better than resurrection fern (*Pleopeltis polypodioides* var. *michauxiana*).

This native fern is found throughout Florida and in the wild occurs mostly in hammocks and swamps.

For weeks on end, this plant appears to be a dead dried contracted brown mass. But after a rain, it miraculously revives, unfurling and transforming into a deep green carpet of tropical foliage.

Resurrection fern grows much like a vine, taking up residence in trees, where it enjoys a degree of shade.

It prefers the bark of rough or furrowed trees. In fact, the native live oak (*Quercus virginiana*) is perhaps the most common place to see resurrection fern. Sometimes, however, it grows on the ground or on rocks if organic debris is

available for nourishment.

Like all epiphytes, or air plants, such as orchids, it collects moisture and nutrients, picking up rain, dew, leaf debris, and dust from its surroundings.

To endure drought and Florida's natural dry season, it rolls inward into the fiddlehead shape associated with many ferns, thus reducing surface exposure and minimizing evaporation.

The fronds grow from a creeping rhizome, or root-like structure, which attached itself to a host, or growing surface. Epiphytes, however, are not parasites and do not harm the host tree.

Fronds usually measure three eight inches long and grow individually in a line on slender stalks.

The fronds are shaped overall like an elongated triangle and deeply incised. The oblong leaflets, or pinnae, are separated or open to the leaf stem.

The scaly stalks and stems inspire another common name, scaly polypody. Those scales are but one adaptation that aids in rehydration by trapping water.



The fern's response to moisture is all but miraculous – from dry and lifeless to open and green

The round sori, collections of spore cases, on the undersides of the leaflets are so distinct as to be visible on the upper sides, too.

Propagate resurrection fern by dividing the rhizomes and attaching it to a suitable host. Do not ever collect plant specimens from the wild.

One amazing fact about this fern: It can lose as much as 97% of its moisture and still survive.

If you're lucky, wind-borne spores have already colonized your yard with this lovely native. It requires no maintenance.

Sources: *The Ferns of Florida* by Gil Nelson, *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell, and floridanature.org, floridata.com, and ifas.ufl.edu.

Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.✧

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Golden Ticket

Arts; DAAS Co-op Art Gallery & Gifts; Gittleman Studios; Ocasiosca; The Union Artist Studios and Crafted; Catch 22; Vamped Up Vintage; Yoga Bird; Living Vine Café; A Swedish Affair; Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre; Suzanne's Dance Fitness; and Studio Os Urbanos

In addition, more than 10 vendors, located at various locations of the Royal Palm Square, will be offering their handmade, fine-crafts during the event. There will be live musicians at

the Art Loft in the Alliance for the Arts campus and at various locations of the Royal Palm Square. This month, the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre will be hosting young performers in their rehearsal studio under the direction of choreographer Amy Marie McCleary and, starting at 10 p.m., an after party cabaret with the cast of *Jesus Christ Superstar*.

The SoCo Cultural District location encompasses the block south of Colonial Boulevard, from the corner of McGregor Boulevard to Summerlin Road, to Royal Palm Square Boulevard and back to McGregor Boulevard. For more information, visit www.socoswfl.com.✧

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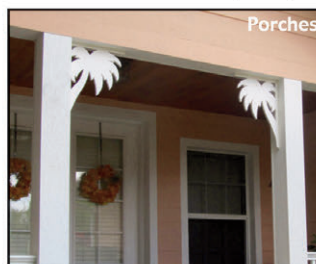
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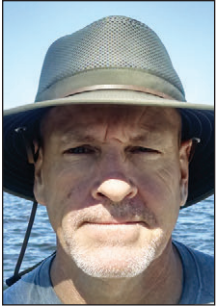
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CROW Case Of The Week:

Barred Owl

by Bob Petcher



The barred owl (*Strix varia*) is so named for its vertical brown bars on its wings, tail and underside. This species of owl is stocky, with a round head, pale face with dark rings around the eyes, a yellow beak and brown eyes. This particular owl has feathers covering its legs and feet right up to the talons. It does lack ear tufts.

Interestingly, many references attribute its uncommon hoot as a “who cooks for you” enunciation. What sets it apart from other owls, besides its strange hoot, is that it is the only owl of the eastern United States that has dark eyes. All other owl species have yellow eyes.

Barred owls are often found in mature forests, but they have expanded into open woodland areas. They are closely related to the spotted owl, but the latter species is slightly smaller and has spots rather than streaks down its underside.

Due to their camouflaged brown to grey body color, barred owls hide fairly well in wooded areas. They may roost inside pines and magnolia trees – ones created by a woodpecker or left behind by a hawk, crow or squirrel – in order to get away from the noise of the nearby songbirds or inside the cavities of other trees for the comfort and escape from the outside world. When they do move, they tend to fly quietly.

Barred owls are originally an east coast bird, but now you can find this owl species in the northwest coast and into California.

At CROW, an adult barred owl was admitted from Labelle on April 24 after it was found entangled in a barbed wire fence. CROW officials said the patient arrived weak and dehydrated. While the owl had no broken



Patient #17-1267 on the left is shown prior to surgery. The photo on the right shows the hole in its wing that needed grafting
photos by Brian Bohlman



bones, it did suffer a quarter-size hole in the skin of its right wing and mild bruising. Surgery and a skin graft procedure were needed.

Roughly one week later, the owl gained enough strength and stability for the needed surgery.

“The owl was anesthetized for the procedure. The old wound in the patagium (wing membrane) was debrided and cleaned, and the wound edges were surgically trimmed so that it would be able to heal once sutured,” said CROW intern Dr. Spencer Kehoe. “There was still a large defect that was unable to be closed, so a skin graft was performed. The skin graft was premeasured and drawn onto the donor site to ensure it was the right size. It was then carefully cut from the right axillary region (below the right armpit) where there is excess skin, and applied to the defect in the wing and carefully sutured in place. The donor site was also sutured closed.”

The patient recovered from surgery, and the wound was monitored over the weekend. Dr. Kehoe was optimistic about the recovery.

“The graft site is looking really good. We will monitor the site carefully and see how it progresses,” he said. “The patient started receiving physical therapy on the wing to prevent wing contracture. There is no specific timeline on release. (The release) will be based on how the wing ultimately heals, and how much function and range of motion the patient has of that wing.”

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

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President/CEO

clinical departments such as pharmacy, respiratory therapy, laboratory services, and radiology/imaging services; and physician practices owned by Lee Health. In addition, his duties included developing a physician organization that is a partnership between the system and local physicians to implement a shared vision for health care in the community.

“It’s a privilege to be named CEO and lead an organization that is closely guided by its commitment to the community and passion to deliver care that improves the quality of people’s lives,” Dr. Antonucci said. “I want to thank Jim Nathan for his support and guidance and for everything he has done to embed a caring culture. He has had a tremendous impact on each and every one of us at Lee Health and throughout the community. I am excited about the opportunities that are ahead and look forward to working to achieve them with the board and the rest of our dedicated



Dr. Larry Antonucci photo provided team here at Lee Health.”

Dr. Antonucci will assume the role of president/CEO on June 1.✱

Memorial Service For Fallen Officers

The annual Lee County Fallen Officer Memorial Service will take place at Centennial Park on Thursday, May 18 at 9 a.m. This year’s event will feature a law enforcement vessel display, a fly over and several

other exhibits to help honor our fallen officers.

The memorial service aids in remembering our heroes, the ones who served, the ones who are still serving and the ones who paid the ultimate price.

The public is invited to this free event. Centennial Park is located at 2000 W. First Street in Fort Myers.✱

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Dreamy Tarpon Fishing



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Tarpon fishing this week was really good for just one day, then we got blown out and it became just about impossible. Mid-week we had a taste of how good it can be with that

one perfect day for chasing tarpon. We had light winds and were able to sight fish and cast baits to rolling receptive fish. This was just about as good as tarpon fishing gets, but a cold front one day later brought days of northwest wind and falling water temperatures. Finding tarpon became a dream at best.

Remembering the good day: I picked up my clients just before 7 a.m., and we headed off to make that ever-so-familiar tarpon circuit throughout the sound moving north. The first few stops, I dropped the trolling motor into the water and quietly moved through these favorite places while scanning the slick calm water

from the tower of my boat. The surface of the water was slick calm as we looked and didn't see a single roll. So after roughly 10 minutes, we picked up and moved on.

Finally after over an hour and three unproductive stops, we had run all the way up to the very northern sound when I spotted that first rolling tarpon of the day. Dropping the anchor, I baited the rods as we continued to see a roll here and there. We sat for a little while watching tarpon roll time and time again, all of them just out of casting range. Picking up the anchor, I repositioned the boat so we could present a bait to these rolling tarpon. The first tarpon we saw that rolled close enough to cast was met with a frisky live pinfish and quickly pulled down the float before screaming the drag and going airborne. After two quick jumps, the hook simply pulled out and, as fast as the bite had happened, it was all over leaving us only smiles.

It did not take long to get another shot at a rolling fish at even closer range, and we got the same result, a quick take on another live pinfish and the fight was on. This roughly 50-pound tarpon made multiple jumps and runs before getting close enough to the boat that I could grab the leader and call it a caught fish. Being able to pitch baits to cooperative rolling



James from Rockport, Texas with a 29-inch snook caught and released this week with Capt. Matt Mitchell

tarpon is as good as it gets and, after experiencing just one day of this dream like fishery weather, conditions slammed the door closed and brought everyone back to reality for at least a few days.

Several days in a row of strong winds had me convincing clients into snook fishing trips and passing on the impossible tarpon dream until conditions got better. Things will get better and that

one really good day when everything goes right is why we spend so many frustrating hours hunting these fish.

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

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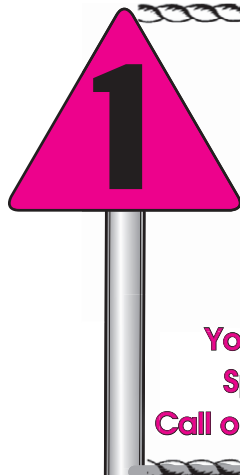
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Bank Promotion

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank has promoted Nikkisha Allen to assistant office manager at its Gateway branch. She will assist with daily operations and customer relationships, including business and consumer banking.

A Lee County resident since 1991, Allen joined Sanibel Captiva Community Bank in 2012 as an operations assistant and teller. She is currently enrolled at Florida SouthWestern State College as a general studies major.

Allen is an active member of the Mt. Olive AME Church and volunteers with the Dunbar Rattlers Football & Cheer Association.

Founded in 2003, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank has two locations on Sanibel and five additional locations in Fort Myers. To learn more, visit www.SanCapBank.com.✱



Nikkisha Allen

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Criminal Justice System: Let's Fix It

America's criminal justice system is broken. Join the American Civil Liberties Union of Florida's Collier County Chapter for a panel discussion on Florida's criminal justice system at Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Myers on Thursday, May 18 at 7 p.m.

For the last four decades, this country has relentlessly expanded the size of our criminal justice system, needlessly throwing away too many lives, tearing families apart, failing to make communities safer and wasting over trillions of taxpayer dollars a year. Currently, Florida has over 100,000 inmates in state prisons, and approximately 82,000 of them are non-violent offenders.

Panel speakers will address criminal justice reform on a local, state and national level as well as its impact on public safety, recidivism for offenders, ending the war on drugs and other solutions to a system that is unproductive, wasteful and dominated by racial disparities.

Panelists include Deborah Brodsky, director, Project on Accountable Justice, Florida State University; Donald Day, JD, criminal defense attorney, Fort Myers and Naples; and Raymer Maguire, Florida Campaign for Criminal Justice reform manager, ACLU of Florida. The conversation will be moderated by Casey Wolff, legal panel chair of the Collier County Chapter.

The event is co-sponsored by the

ACLU of Florida Collier County Chapter and the Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Myers. This event is free and open to the public. To RSVP, contact Mo Winograd at mowinograd973@gmail.com.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Fort Myers is located at 13411 Shire Lane in Fort Myers.✱

Business Center To Host Forum

The Florida Small Business Development Center (FSBDC) at Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) will host Evolutionary Women Entrepreneurs: Women's Knowledge Circle at the FGCU Sugden Welcome Center on Tuesday, May 16 from 9 to 11 a.m. Cost is \$10. Topic discussions on the forum will focus on employment law, professional speaking, internet marketing, social media and philanthropy.

Attendees will learn how to overcome challenges for female entrepreneurs regardless if they are in the beginning stage and later stage of their business. The forum panelists include Heather Christie, Nicole S. Cooper, Batya Maman, Christina Schwinn and Brenda Tate.

The FSBDC at FGCU offers one-on-one, confidential, no-cost consulting and low-cost workshops for businesses throughout Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. It is designated by the state as Florida's principal provider of business assistance.

For more information, contact Amanda Stirn at astirn@fgcu.edu.✱

City Clerk Retires After Long Career

After more than 45 years after her first day on the job at the City of Fort Myers, City Clerk Marie Adams has retired. Her final day with the city was May 1.

Adams joined the city as a secretary to the city clerk on December 5, 1972. She was promoted to the role of deputy city clerk in 1983, and was promoted again to the city clerk position in 1990. She briefly retired from the city in 1994, but returned less than three years later to serve again as city clerk from 1997 until today.

City employees know Adams as the city's unofficial "historian." Adams served under eight mayors and two city managers in her tenure with the City of Fort Myers.

"Ms. Adams has been a tremendous asset to the city," said City Manager Saeed Kazemi, P.E. "She has provided invaluable knowledge, professionalism and dedicated assistance to the city's constituency and to all she has so faithfully served. She will be missed."

The city held a retirement party for Clerk Adams on May 1 at the City Pier building at 1300 Hendry Street.✱



Marie Adams

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Financial Focus

Give Mom A Gift To Help Her Financial Future



by Jennifer Basey

With Mother's Day around the corner, you might wonder if you should go beyond chocolates and flowers this year and give Mom something that can help her far into the future. What sort of

financial gift can improve her life?

You could, for instance, encourage your mother to fund her IRA. As long as she has any earned income, she is eligible to invest in a traditional or Roth IRA (although a Roth IRA does have income limits which, if exceeded, will reduce and eventually eliminate contributions). In 2017, the IRA contribution limit is \$5,500, or \$6,500 for individuals age 50 or older. Traditional IRA contributions may be deductible, depending on one's income, and earnings can grow tax deferred. Taxes are due upon withdrawal and withdrawals prior to age 59½ may be subject to a 10 percent IRS penalty. Roth IRA contributions are not deductible, but earnings are distributed tax-free, provided an investor has had the account at least five years and doesn't start taking withdrawals until age 59½.

You can't contribute directly to your mother's IRA, but you can give her money to use for that purpose, if she chooses. And since she has until April 17, 2018, to fully fund her IRA for the 2017 tax year, your gift now may help make it that much easier for Mom to "max out" on her account.

Here's another suggestion: Consider helping Mom pay one or two months' worth of insurance premiums. It's possible that your mother is paying

for multiple insurance policies, like life insurance and disability or long-term care insurance, so any financial help on your part would be valuable.

You might also want to give Mom some tips on how she can help maintain her financial independence throughout her life. If she ever needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home or the services of a home health aide, the costs could be extremely high, and Medicare typically pays little of these expenses. So you might want to connect your mother with a financial professional, who can provide strategies for protecting her from long-term care costs.

Here's one more suggestion: Give a gift to a charitable organization your mother supports. Even though you're making the gift in Mom's name, you should be able to reap some benefits yourself, even apart from the good feelings you'll get by helping a charitable group. As long as the charity has 501(c)(3) status (named after the section of the Internal Revenue Code that governs such groups), your gift can offer you tax advantages. On the most basic level, a gift of cash can earn you a tax deduction. So, for example, if you are in the 25 percent tax bracket, and you give \$1,000 to a qualified charity, you will be able to deduct \$250 from your taxes.

You may be able to get even more tax benefits if you donate appreciated assets, such as stocks, to a charity. If you give appreciated stocks you've held for more than one year, you can deduct the value of the securities, based on their worth when you make the gift – and neither you nor the charity will have to pay capital gains taxes on the donated investments.

Your mother has done a lot for you. This Mother's Day, show her you appreciate her efforts.

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New Board Member

The Southwest Florida Community Foundation recently added Frederick Moon to its board of trustees.

Born and raised in New York City, Moon graduated from Amherst College and Harvard Business School. After business school, he served as an assistant treasurer at the Morgan Guaranty Trust Company in New York City. During that time, he engaged in a variety of community-based educational and health activities that led him to a career shift from banking to the nonprofit sector.

Moon has served on numerous nonprofit boards during his career in southern and northern California and Maine. He continues to be active in many causes, notably environmental sustainability and energy issues, human and civil rights, and finding strategies for local communities to be healthy and sustainable. He has two daughters, each of whom has three sons. In addition to living in Florida, he has a house on the coast of Maine.

Currently, the Southwest Florida



Fred Moon

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Community Foundation's regional headquarters are located off College Parkway in South Fort Myers, with satellite offices located on Sanibel Island, in LaBelle (Hendry County) and downtown Fort Myers. For more information, call 274-5900 or visit www.floridacommunity.com.

Cybersecurity Executive To Speak At Dinner

CenturyLink, Inc. chief security officer R. David (Dave) Mahon, a former supervisory special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigations, will be the keynote speaker at the 9th annual Technology Awards presented by the Southwest Florida Regional Technology Partnership (RTP). The awards dinner is at Crowne Plaza at Bell Tower Shops in Fort Myers on Monday, May 15 at 5:30 p.m.

Mahon's presentation will be Cybersecurity - Best practices and proactive strategies to mitigate threats. The RTP produces the only technology awards event in southwest Florida and recognizes businesses and professionals with awards for Innovation, Transformation, Women in Technology and Partnership. CenturyLink is the Pinnacle sponsor of the RTP and the Premier sponsors are Hertz, eMaint and 21st Century Oncology. Tickets are available at www.swftrp.org until May 12.

Mahon's presentation centers on understanding that breaches will occur and how security executives must work with senior leaders and boards of directors to assess value, measure costs, and identify risk to then properly architect and implement a comprehensive security program. Topics will include perspective from a board of directors, balancing threats versus compliance, dealing with ever increasing regulatory and litigation actions and how to develop a cyber risk management strategy.

Mahon was appointed chief security officer for CenturyLink, Inc. in April 2011. He is responsible for enterprise wide security strategy, information security, cyber defense, critical

infrastructure protection, physical security, network fraud and abuse, industrial security, international travel security, threat intelligence, workplace violence prevention, executive protection, investigations and liaison with the National Security Telecommunications Advisory Council (NSTAC), National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC), as well as federal and state law enforcement and homeland security agencies.

Before the merger with CenturyLink, Inc., Mahon was the vice president of corporate security for Qwest Communications International, Inc., from August 2006 until March 2011 and responsible for similar corporate security programs that he is currently responsible for at CenturyLink, Inc.

Prior to his corporate security positions, Mahon was a supervisory special agent with the FBI and responsible for investigating violations of federal statutes in which the Internet, computer systems and networks were exploited as the targets of terrorist organizations, foreign government sponsored intelligence operations or criminal activities. During his career with the FBI, he also managed programs related to white collar crime, crisis management, critical infrastructure protection and violent crime.

Mahon received a bachelor of science in business administration from the University of Scranton. He holds numerous certifications from the FBI and the Kellogg School of Management.

He is a member of the U.S. Department of State's Overseas Security Advisory Council, International Security Management Association, Telecommunications Security Association, Domestic Security Advisory Council and Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI.



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Charity Classic Raises \$20K

Spring Run Charitable Foundation once again used the success of its annual Spring Run Charity Classic to help local children with cancer by making a \$20,000 donation to Barbara's Friends – Golisano Children's Hospital Cancer Fund.

The 10th annual Spring Run Charity Classic included chance drawings, a golf tournament as well as silent and live auctions. The event supports several local charities in addition to Barbara's Friends. With the generosity of Spring Run residents and a record total of 77 businesses and neighborhoods supporting the event, the foundation was able to expand the number of charities receiving donations in 2017 including several others among Barbara's Friends.

Spring Run, located in Bonita Springs, has supported Barbara's Friends since 2008. This latest gift brings the total amount donated to Barbara's Friends to more than \$177,000. Gifts have been used to construct pediatric cancer patient care rooms in the new Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida.

For more than 20 years, Barbara's Friends has supported lifesaving cancer care at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Program is one of just nine such centers designated



Jack Chadwick, president of Spring Run Charitable Foundation (right), presents a check to Al Kinkle, chairman of Barbara's Friends photo provided

by the State of Florida and is the only program of its kind in Southwest Florida.

To learn more about Barbara's Friends or to make a gift, contact Lee Health Foundation at 343-6950 or visit www.LeeHealthFoundation.org/BarbarasFriends.

Planned Giving Symposium

The Planned Giving Council (PGC) of Lee County will present the 2017 Planned Giving Symposium on Friday, June 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Florida Southwestern State College. The keynote speaker is Laura Fredricks.

Fredricks is the Billion Dollar A\$K Maker Powerhouse, who as CEO and founder of THE A\$K, trains and coaches nonprofits and businesses on How to A\$K for Money...and More of It. She is the first to combine the most trusted professions, law and philanthropy to show how any person, charity or business can raise money to unprecedented levels. Her five books, including *THE A\$K*, are the international industry leading go-to guides. Fredricks' latest book: *THE A\$K: For Business, For Philanthropy, and Every Day Living* will be out November 2017. She is today's money wellness expert and media personality.

"For more than 25 years, Laura Fredricks has advised organizations around the globe on current trends within the philanthropic world and emerging thoughts on management of their assets, personnel and organizational structure," said Dotty St. Amand, president of The Planned Giving Council of Lee County. "This is an excellent opportunity for non-profit professionals, financial and legal professionals that work in philanthropy, board members, volunteers and community



Laura Fredricks photo provided

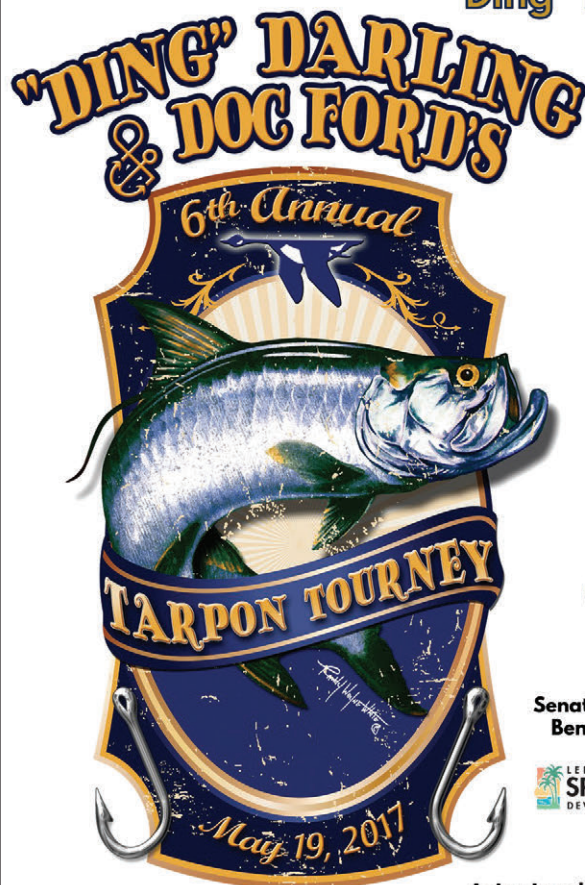
leaders to have an engaging day of education and networking."

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Early bird registration is \$50 until Friday, May 19. After May 19, registration is \$60. Registration fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. To register go to www.plannedgivinglee.org.

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Florida Marlins Owner Will Pocket A Bundle When The Team Is Sold



by Ed Frank

There's an interesting scenario taking place 150 miles east of here in the pending sale of the Miami Marlins baseball team by often-criticized team owner Jeffrey Loria, who will pocket a bundle when a deal is closed.

In a complicated transaction orchestrated by then-Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig, Luria bought the franchise in 2002 for \$158.8 million, including a \$38.5 million no-interest loan from Major League Baseball.

Now, three different groups reportedly have offered Luria \$1.3 billion, or even more, for the beleaguered team that has languished near the bottom of Major League attendance year after year even with a new retractable roof on a \$634-million stadium that opened in 2012. The City of Miami and Dade County, which own Marlins Park, are saddled with the debt payments on the park, not Luria.

The first group bidding for the franchise is led by former Florida Governor Jeb Bush and former New York Yankee star Derek Jeter. Sources confirm they have compiled investors to offer \$1.3 billion for the team.

Loria reportedly has struck a non-binding agreement with the Bush investors. However, a second group headed by Tagg Romney, son of former presidential candidate and Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney, and former All-Star pitcher Tom Glavine, have an offer that tops the Bush-Jeter offer, according to reports.

MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred has confirmed that these two groups are bidding for the team.

"We have two very strong groups that we believe will have sufficient financial resources to complete the sale and run the team effectively," Manfred said in a statement to the Miami Herald.

In addition to these two verified groups, there reportedly is a third unnamed group that has entered the Marlins bidding war.

The sale of the Marlins likely will take place before the end of the year although it will take approval by 75 percent of Major League team owners.

With much fanfare, Marlins Park was opened in 2012 after years of discussions and wrangling to bring a modern baseball stadium to South Florida. The 36,742-seat ballpark was expected to rejuvenate fan interest and improve attendance. But it has never occurred. Even in the first year of its existence, attendance averaged only 27,401 per game. And it has spiraled downward since.

This year, with a competitive team that played near-.500 ball the first weeks of the season, attendance is averaging about 23,000 per game, ranking 24th of baseball's 30 Major League teams.

Hopefully, new ownership and new leadership will improve fan loyalty and bring to Miami a successful baseball operation that the area deserves.

And when that sale occurs, present team owner Jeffrey Loria is going to walk away with a bundle of money.

Miracle Climb Into Second Place

Winning five of their first eight games in the month of May enabled the Fort Myers Miracle to jump into second place in the South Division of the Florida State League.

The Miracle began the week with a 16-16 season record after defeating the Palm Beach Cardinals Monday night at Hammond Stadium in the first of a three-game series.

Following the home series against Palm Beach, the Miracle travel to Charlotte for a weekend series before returning home Monday for seven games, four with Clearwater and three against Bradenton.

The Miracle trailed first-place Bradenton by three games as the week began.✧

SPORTS QUIZ

1. In 2015, Colorado's Nolan Arenado set the record for most extra-base hits by a third baseman (89). Who had held the mark?
2. Who holds the major-league mark for most scoreless innings pitched at home?
3. Name the single-season leader in touchdown passes for the New York Jets.
4. When was the last time before 2016 that Oklahoma's men's basketball team reached the Final Four?
5. How many NHL All-Star Games did Hockey Hall of Famer Andy Bathgate play in during his 17-year career?
6. In 2016, Chase and Bill Elliott became the fourth father-son duo to each capture a Daytona 500 pole. Who were the others?
7. When was the last year before 2016 that tennis player Rafael Nadal did not have any Grand Slam quarterfinal appearances?

ANSWERS

1. The Braves' Eddie Mathews had 87 in 1953. 2. Ray Herbert of the Chicago White Sox in 1962-63. 3. Ryan Fitzpatrick, with 31 in 2015. 4. It was 2002. 5. Eight times. 6. Richard and Kyle Petty, Bobby and Davey Allison, and Dale Earnhardt Jr. 7. It was 2004.

Golf Classic To Benefit Veterans

In recognition of Military Appreciation Month, the Southwest Florida Chapter of the Florida Association of Mortgage Professionals recently announced its inaugural Veterans' Golf Classic will take place Friday, May 19 at Kelly Greens Golf and Country Club at 12300 Kelly Greens Boulevard in Fort Myers. The shotgun start for the charity tournament will be at 1 p.m. and the awards dinner and silent auction will begin at 6 p.m.

The event will support Cape Coral-based Hearts & Homes for Veterans to provide housing and basic necessities such as food, clothing, bedding, recreation, training and education for local low income veterans and homeless veterans. Golfers and sponsors who want to participate or donate a silent auction item can call Arlene "Red" Moran-Crandall at 565-1031.✧

Register For The Captiva Triathlon

Registration has opened strong for the 7th annual Galloway Captiva Triathlon, which has sold out every year since its inception in 2011 and is limited to 750 participants for the Sunday adult sprint-length race. Proceeds will again benefit the Community Cooperative's Healthy School Pantry program, as it has since the race's inception.

"We are surprised at how strong both registration for the tri and reservations for hotel rooms on Captiva are," said Kate Gooderham, one of the race directors. "This year, the biggest change is that two of our sponsors – Trek Bicycle Stores and Billy's Bicycles – are planning roadside repair clinics. It's a great opportunity to learn things such as changing a flat tire or derailleur repair. Also, Coach Angie is offering special fee-based clinics including ongoing private lessons and open water swim clinics; July and August."

The adult race is scheduled for Sunday, September 10 at South Seas Island Resort on Captiva and includes a quarter-mile open-water swim, 10-mile bike (on closed island roads) and 3.1 mile run along the gulf and Redfish Pass. Registration is available online at www.CaptivaTri.org. The nonrefundable cost to register is

\$75 for individuals, \$85 for elite amateur athletes and \$180 for relay teams of two or three people. Registration fees increase May 31 to \$85, \$95 and \$200 respectively through July 31. If the race has not sold out by August 1, registrations will increase to \$95, \$105 and \$220 respectively.

The Captiva Tri also presents a shorter Children's Fun Tri (sponsored by attorney Jason Gunter) on Saturday, September 9, also at South Seas. The race is not timed, and all finishers earn a medal. Children will compete in three age groups – 6 to 8, 9 to 10 and 11 to 13 – with the distances of each race varying. Registration is \$25 through May 31 and \$30 beginning June 1. All three age groups are limited in size and have sold out even before the adult event in years' past.

Information and event registration for both races is available at www.CaptivaTri.org. The Galloway Family of Dealerships is the title sponsor of the event. Community Cooperative uses the event proceeds to benefit a program providing backpacks of food to children who otherwise may not have easily accessible meals at home.✧

Walking Tours At Slough Preserve

Guided walking tours will continue this summer at 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday and fourth Saturday of the month along the boardwalk at the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve, 7751 Penzance Boulevard in Fort Myers.

The Interpretive Center at the preserve, which will close for scheduled maintenance on May 15, is scheduled to reopen on Saturday, June 10.

Along with the ADA-accessible, elevated 1.2-mile boardwalk, the Rock and Stroll Garden will remain open to the public at the preserve. The Rock and Stroll Garden features picnic tables and native plants to attract birds and butterflies.

Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is among Lee County's earliest protected conservation areas. The Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is open daily from dawn until dusk. For more information, visit www.leegov.com/conservation2020/preserves or call 533-7550.✧

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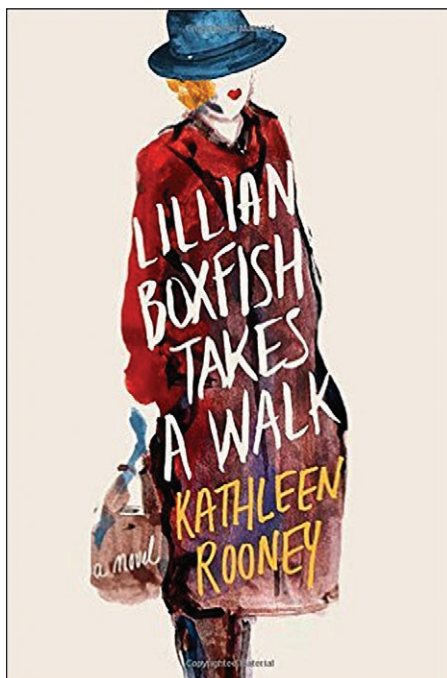
Lillian Boxfish Takes A Walk



by Di Saggau

If I could remember who recommended *Lillian Boxfish Takes A Walk*, I would thank them profusely. It is without a doubt one of the best books I have read this year... and I read a lot of books. Elegantly written, Kathleen Rooney creates a charming novel about a smart, stylish independent young woman who lands a job at R.H. Macy's in 1929 writing witty, humorous ads and eventually becoming the highest paid woman in advertising, earning \$30,000 a year.

The book is inspired by Margaret Fishback, poet and Macy's ad-writing whiz of the 1930s. Rooney imagines an extraordinary walk through the streets of New York on New Years Eve, 1984. Lillian Boxfish is 85, sharp and savvy as ever, and her walk brings back a



flood of memories as she reflects back on her career, motherhood and other aspects of her life. The novel alternates chapters between the present and past episodes of Lillian's life.

For years, Lillian has professed her desire to remain single; she scoffs

at love. However, one day in the rug department at Macy's, she falls in love with Max, the head rug buyer. They have a happy marriage in the beginning. She becomes pregnant with their son and has to quit her job. Par for the course in those days. The marriage eventually falls apart and Lillian suffers a mental breakdown. We learn a great deal about Lillian and discover that she is an incredible woman.

Her late night walk covers over 10 miles around the city. It's fascinating as she meets a family who invites her to join them for dinner at Delmonico's, a caring limo driver, an Asian bodega proprietor, a haunted Vietnam veteran whom she engages in a "best last-line contest," artists and gay Bohemians, and a hilarious encounter with three African-American muggers. The latter scene is laugh-out-loud funny as much as it is profound. Manhattan is Lillian's town and she does everything her way.

I love Rooney's writing, such as "I wish it were snowing but gently, gently, like sugar falling on a great gray cookie." "I am old and all I have left is time. I don't mean time to live; I mean free time. Time to fill. Time to kill until time kills me. I walk and walk and think and think." She describes Max as "the best-smelling man I'd ever smelled in my life, like black tea and orange rind and something spicy." As she walks she thinks, "I have so little future left. And so much past." I also learned a new

word, Pulchritudinous, which may be the least-beautiful word for "beautiful," when used to describe a person.

In her Author's Notes, Rooney talks about reading Margaret Fishback's papers in 2007. She said, "I instantly felt a deep connection to Fishback, an affinity for her writing both of ads and of poems, and her overall sensibility, though she'd been dead since the mid-1980s. I knew that I wanted to do something to bring her story and those of others like her, this whole forgotten generation of pre-*Mad Men* advertising women into light."

Lillian Boxfish Takes A Walk paints a portrait of a remarkable woman and is a love letter to city life, and a distant literary life and time. I highly recommend this book.✱

Gulf Coast Writers

Guest speaker Don Platt, who has published five books and has experience writing for television, will reveal some secrets about publishing at the Gulf Coast Writers Association monthly meeting at Zion Lutheran Church on Saturday, May 20. The meeting will take place from 10 a.m. to noon.

All first-time guests are welcome to attend, free of charge. Zion Lutheran Church is located at 7401 Winkler Road in Fort Myers. For more information, call 770-906-7885.✱

School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Readers, Resiliency, the topic that was initiated last week, has generated quite a bit of interest and many of you have asked for more information

on it. As I mentioned in the first column, resiliency research teaches us to understand the factors that help children develop into mentally healthy adults, even if growing up in disadvantaged circumstances. All children have the same needs for care, competence, self-esteem, autonomy and the other components of resiliency. This week we will take a look at what constitutes resiliency, and next week we will look at the resilient child and resiliency as a process.

Generally speaking there are three main components of resiliency: cognitive and behavioral elements, social factors, organic and genetic factors. Cognitive and behavioral factors that are important to develop for resiliency include social, emotional, problem-solving and analysis skills. Optimism, autonomy and self-esteem are also important building blocks of resiliency.

Social factors that contribute to resiliency include relationships with parents, peers, teachers and others. Parental attachment and bonding, high clear expectations, consistent boundaries and participation of children in family decision and responsibilities are essential to a supportive family relationship for resilient children.

Factors at school that increase resiliency are supportive and caring teachers, high academic standards and expectations and opportunities for involvement that help to foster a sense of belonging and a belief in personal significance which can respond to a sense of alienation that many children experience.

Peer relationships should be stable and positive, especially during the teen years. This can be quite a challenge at times. Research has suggested that peer relationships can provide support for resiliency even if the parental relationship is dysfunctional.

Organic and genetic components that factor into resilience include gender, temperament, intelligence and physical health. Recent research has suggested that girls, children with an easygoing temperament, and children with above-average intelligence tend to be more resilient.

These three components along with the development of an optimistic point of view, autonomy and strong self-esteem form the basis of resiliency in children. Clearly the social, behavioral and at least some part of the school and peer factors can be observed, monitored and addressed as needed by parents who want their children to be resilient.

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Female Pioneers of Fort Myers

Women Who Made a Difference in the City's Development

By Robin C. Tuthill and Thomas P. Hall

"Packed with facts and employing an engaging storytelling style, [Female Pioneers of Fort Myers] both teaches and entertains. Local history buffs and newcomers to history will value Tuthill and Hall's research and appreciate the accessible format, too."

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



From left, Bill Bloomhall, Caroline Bloomhall and Kathryn Kelly photos provided

Wine Dinner Benefits Heights

Twenty-four guests were treated to a spectacular wine dinner at Harold's on April 25. The dinner was a limited opportunity available at The Heights Foundation's annual Love Your Neighbor event and supported School Success programs for at-risk kids in Harlem Heights. Chef Harold Balink wowed attendees with appetizers, five plated courses and wine pairings. The Heights Foundation works to build strong, self-sufficient families in the Harlem Heights neighborhood of Fort Myers. For more information, visit www.heightsfoundation.org or call 482-7706.★



Gary and Kathy Smithwick



Chef Harold Balink addresses the guests



From left, Gary and Sharyn Morgan with Dinah Bloomhall



From left, Maria Wiles, Sandy Stilwell and Elaine Hawkins



From left, Gary Morgan, Cheryl Copham, Sharyn Morgan and Dave Copham



From left, Linday Van Wyk, Caroline Bloomhall and Sally Mellendorf



From left, Gary Smithwick, Bill Bloomhall and Tom Van Wyk

Red Cross Director To Speak

The Southwest Florida Small Business Resource Network (SBRN), sponsored by Florida Gulf Coast University's Small Business Development Center (SBDC), will host a networking and discussion event at the American Red Cross, Florida's Southern Gulf Chapter, on Thursday, May 18 from noon to 1:30 p.m.

John Cain, director of volunteer services for the American Red Cross, will be the presenter. Cain will discuss the Ready When the Time Comes corporate volunteer program, which allows businesses and organizations to give back to the community by training their employees or members to assist the Red Cross during a disaster.

American Red Cross, Florida's

Southern Gulf Chapter, provides vital services to the counties of Lee, Collier, Hendry, and Glades. The national organization responds to nearly 70,000 disasters each year.

The event begins with networking over lunch, followed by the topic discussion. Lunch is included in the cost, which is \$20 per person for members. Guests and unaffiliated small business owners pay \$30 per person.

Space is limited and online RSVP is required. To register, visit clients.floridasbdc.org/workshop.aspx?ekey=900370108. Deadline for registration is Monday, May 15.

The American Red Cross, Florida's Southern Gulf Chapter, is located at 7051 Cypress Terrace, Unit 110, in Fort Myers.

For more information or to register for the event, visit www.sbrn.org or contact the FGCU Small Business Development Center at 745-3700.✱

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

My husband, along with 499 other employees, were assured their jobs were not in jeopardy when his company merged with another company.

In a short time, 250 were laid off, then another 200, and finally down to five. My husband was one of the five, and then one day they were told they were no longer employed and they had to leave immediately.

It was devastating to both of us. We immediately sold our house, rented an apartment and stored what we couldn't use. He tried so hard, went on interviews, but had no job offers. At 57, it is very difficult for a man who had never had a job problem before... and even harder on me.

I became very depressed and had to be treated with medication. We decided to move to another location, and there we bought a new house. Two weeks after we moved in, he had a job offer at our old location, so we decided I would stay in the new house and we could see each other every other weekend. I go up alternately to his apartment, and he comes down to the house the other weekend. We talk on the phone several times each day.

My family and friends are driving me

crazy. They are so anxious to tell me what to do. They say our marriage will never survive our stupid arrangement. They tell us we should sell the new house and move back to the old area. We are getting along just fine with this arrangement. We have made new friends and for just a few more years, it will make a tremendous difference in our financial security for our retirement.

Have you heard what others are doing?
Evelyn

Dear Evelyn:

Economic times are very difficult, and new creative living arrangements must be made because the old living arrangements may not be appropriate.

Try if you can to ignore these troubling advisors. Some people always know better or think they know better. Frequently, these people have difficulty with their own lives but it is so easy for them to solve other people's problems. If this new living arrangement works for you and your husband, just ignore their advice and if necessary ignore them.

When we are living in a particularly difficult time in our lives, it is then we find who our real friends are. The people who are constantly interfering are just satisfying their own emotional needs wanting to boss other people around.

Lizzie

Dear Evelyn:

Even when advice is well intended, from close family or friends, it can be difficult to listen to. If you come up with a pat answer and then change the topic, not allowing someone to give advice, you can be successful in stopping unsolicited advice. Here is what I mean, and to everyone with whom I have used this little technique, I hope you are not reading:

"I appreciate your concern, for now I would appreciate it if we did not talk about it." Then, take a short breath and change the subject... "so, tell me about your day yesterday." Say this every time, be firm and do not return to the topic. If they want to return to the topic, say your little piece again. It is a redirection technique that, once you become good at it, works well.

Pryce

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

Doctor and Dietician

Nerve Release Injection Therapy



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

It is often not understood that all pain has a nerve component. Patients seek various forms of therapies for relief of nerve irritations, just like they do for other chronic pain conditions. Unfortunately, many treatments may actually be causing more harm than good, such as long-term use of medications or steroids.

As with other sensations, pain is carried by nerves to the central nervous system, ultimately to be interpreted and experienced by the brain. Nerves alert the brain to the presence of an injury or problem because they are being inflamed, entrapped, compressed by nearby bone or myofascial tissue, or encountering excessive stretch.

You can recognize a diagnosis of many nerve pain conditions, because they commonly end with the words

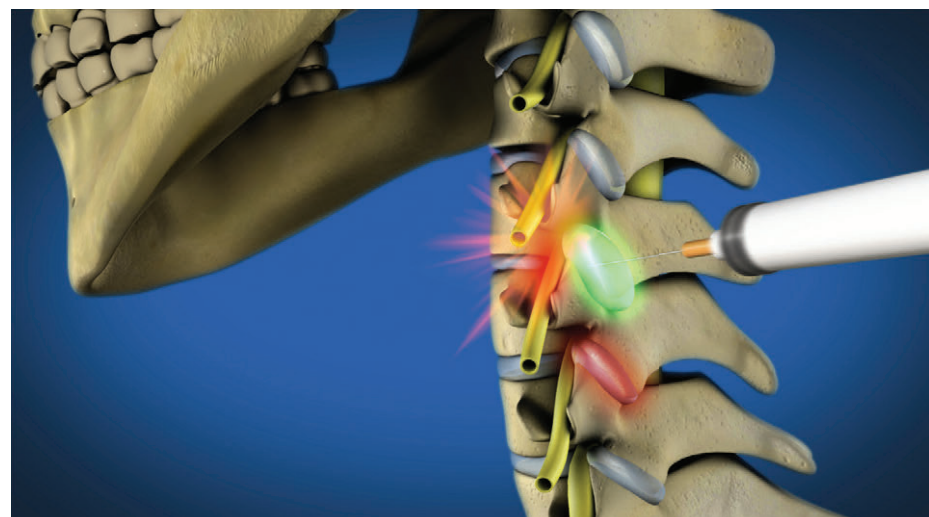
neuritis, neuralgia, neuroma, or syndrome. An example is carpal tunnel syndrome. When the condition involves nerve entrapment, a natural treatment that is gaining in popularity to resolve the condition is called Nerve Release Injection Therapy (NRIT).

NRIT involves the injection of natural substances to mechanically release the nerve (also called hydrodissection), and also to nourish and restore homeostasis. NRIT is a quick, outpatient procedure performed under ultrasound guidance to direct the solutions to the exact nerve entrapment location. Because the nerve entrapment is resolved and the health of the nerve is restored, the symptom-relieving effects are often felt instantly.

How many treatments of NRIT are required? Sometimes one treatment is required, but often, approximately three to six visits are needed for permanent resolution of the nerve irritation and entrapment.

Patients with long-term nerve entrapment may not fully recover, suffering permanent nerve damage. Thus, it is best to seek a medical professional who can restore proper nerve function as soon as symptoms begin. Effective treatment may be faster, easier and less invasive than you think. What a relief!

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.✱



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Kelly Stedman

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Educator Named Finalist For Award

Kelly Stedman, assistant principal at James Stephens International Academy, has been named one of three finalists for Florida's 2017 Outstanding Assistant Principal Achievement Award (Assistant Principal of the Year) by Florida Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart.

"Ms. Stedman is one of the most

talented administrators I have ever met, anywhere," said Ken Savage, principal of James Stephens International Academy. "She is the perfect blend of humility, service, extraordinary work ethic, superb problem-solving ability, exceptional intelligence and student-centeredness. Ms. Stedman will be an exemplary leader for years to come and this award is just the beginning of her legacy of service to others."

Stedman has served as assistant principal at JSIA for the last year. She started her career in the Lee County School District in 2004 as a teacher. In 2014, she was hired as the assistant principal at Veterans Park Academy for the Arts and worked there for two years before coming to James Stephens International Academy.

She was nominated for the award by Superintendent Dr. Greg Adkins.

"I am thrilled the Florida Department of Education has recognized Ms. Stedman for her passionate support of students. She fully embodies the mission and vision of our district, making sure each of her students reaches their highest personal potential," shared Adkins.

The Assistant Principal of the Year will be named in a ceremony at the Dr. Brian Dassler Leadership Academy on June 21. The recipient will receive a cash prize of \$2,500 and \$500 for their school.✽

County GIS.

The finalists for the Women in Technology Award to recognize contributions made by women in technology through professional expertise and leadership are Wendy Fowler, president of The Client Server; Jennifer Pellechio, chief operation officer of Naples Business Accelerator; and Rita Davis, director of adult and career education at Lee County School District.

Tickets for the dinner are available at www.swfrtp.org until Friday, May 12. R. David (Dave) Mahon, chief security officer of CenturyLink, Inc. and former supervisory special agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigations will be the keynote speaker. Mahon's presentation will be Cybersecurity - Best practices and proactive strategies to mitigate threats.

"This year's awards finalists represent some of the best technology developers, implementers and influencers in southwest Florida," said Marc Farron, president of RTP. "We look forward to showcasing and celebrating their accomplishments at our awards dinner."✽✽

Thomas is filled with guilt and anger concerning his mother, her funeral, the fact that Mary couldn't attend the service, and he also has other issues. The play concludes with a very emotional scene and a dramatic ending. As to the man, I'm not sure if he was the devil or an hallucinatory apparition. I'm still thinking about that. All three actors did a great job with their characters.

Noli Timere is for everyone who likes to be challenged by a new theater work. The play runs through May 20 at the Alliance for the Arts located at 11091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Call 939-2787 for tickets.✽

dearRPharmacist

Pulling An All-Nighter Eases Depression



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers:

You may not even fully recognize depression yourself, but denial of the emotional puzzle pieces will delay your healing. It's not that hard to piece together depression

as it frequently occurs with chronic fatigue, apathy, forgetfulness, heightened irritability, sudden appetite changes, more frequent headaches or diarrhea. Also, you may not want to put on makeup, go out with friends and people will keep asking you, "Are you okay?"

If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, it's ideal to see a good doctor, or a skilled mental health professional to get a proper diagnosis. You certainly don't want to ride this out alone if you're having dark thoughts.

I'm just suggesting you get to the bottom of it and find out for sure if you're dealing with depression or not, so you can treat it accurately. But there is one major caveat to working with your health care provider that you need to be aware of: Almost without fail, you'll be given a prescription anti-depressant or other psychotropic drug and be sent on your way. Being a "rebel pharmacist," I'll tell you drugs are not high on my list for depression. I have a longer version of this article at my website that offers more help. For now, I'll tell you about free and easy ways to ease depression.

Eden Energy Medicine

Escape Fear From The Big Tiger With Tapping



by Karen L. Semmelman, Certified EEM, JD, AAML (03-01)

Last week, we learned how to calm ourselves after "avoiding the tiger." This week, we'll learn how to escape the feeling of being caught in the grip of fear,

anxiety or even a phobia. Sometimes, life's events – so often unforeseen and unexpected – turn the smallest event into a sense of the "tiger being in the room," which places our bodies in the highest state of alert to watch out for the tiger. Often, no matter how much we tell ourselves that all is well and our response is out of proportion to the dilemma, our bodies don't buy into the thought. This is because we are in a state of fight, flight or freeze, an alarm state controlled by Triple

Mood Responds to Light

Here's a fast-acting fix for mild depression, just expose yourself to natural light. It helps with Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), a severe depression tied to the winter blues. This light exposure works at least in part by influencing your internal clock, which is known as your circadian rhythm. Your circadian rhythm rules your sleep cycles, as well as changes in body temperature and cortisol levels.

Mood Responds to Sleep or Lack Thereof

We've also known for a long time that sleep improves mood. Most people are cranky without sleep, but what if you're depressed? It seems to have the opposite effect in some of you. Research is showing that you can reboot your metabolic clock with Wake Therapy. This involves getting up four hours earlier than normal, which causes you to fall asleep earlier the next night. It resets your circadian rhythm.

And then there's Triple Chronotherapy, which is where you endure one night of total sleep deprivation, followed by early morning light exposure and then hit the sack five or six hours earlier than normal. This is worth a try, particularly if your feelings of depression are long standing, or include suicidal thoughts or severe apathy. Remember, medications don't always work (but please don't just stop them, that's dangerous), and Triple Chronotherapy is free and easy to try, so it gets my gold stamp of approval.

My goal today is to give you some hope especially if you feel like you've tried everything and every diet... maybe you just need to pull a few all-nighters and it would improve your baseline. It's a possibility worth exploring if nothing else has helped you.

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Warmer, who is governed by and governs the hypothalamus (our primitive brain).

Welcome the tapping of the gamut point, a point located on the Triple Warmer meridian that has a direct calming influence on all the energies of the body. As you tap this point, focus on the intense emotion associated with the fear, anxiety or phobia. Here are the steps:

1. Tap on the back side of your hand between the web of your ring finger and your little finger. Feel where the bones of each finger meet, about halfway between the ends of the fingers and the wrist.
2. Tap gently on either hand for about one minute as you experience the stressor. You may use one finger or all the fingers (lined up so they all are tapping in the web between the fingers).

3. After one minute, if you still experience the emotions, tap the other hands.

4. Repeat throughout the day. The intensity of the emotion will dictate how often to tap.

Congratulations. The tiger left and an adorable purring kitty emerged!

If you have a question, email Karen at SemmEnergyCenter@gmail.com or visit www.semmelmanenergy.com. EEM does not diagnose or cure illness, but working with subtle energies of the body has been shown to help many conditions.✽

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Play Contest

this decision. Eventually, they raise their bottles to the "end of the line" as far as their family name is concerned. Their dialogue in the play deals a lot with their mother, how she raised them and how she died.

Back in the rectory, Thomas and the man continue their talks. The man wants an exorcism because he has murdered someone but he doesn't know who or when. He just remembers darkness and violence. When Thomas tells the man he's not afraid, the man says, "You should be."



Country Mullet Chowder

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- Country Mullet Chowder**
1½ pounds mullet fillets, skin off
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1 cup onion, chopped
1 cup celery, diced
3 cloves garlic, chopped
1 10½-ounce can of cream of potato soup
1 cup bottled clam juice or chicken broth
2 cups whole milk
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon liquid hot pepper sauce
2 teaspoons black pepper
1 tablespoon salt

- 1 cup white potatoes, cooked and diced
1 15¼-ounce can whole kernel corn, drained
Parsley, chopped
Cut mullet fillets into chunks; set aside. In a large Dutch oven, fry bacon over medium heat until light brown. Add onions and cook until onions are soft. Add celery, garlic and cook for 5 minutes. Stir in soup, clam juice, milk, Worcestershire sauce, hot pepper sauce, salt and pepper. Add potatoes and corn then add mullet. Bring to a boil and simmer until the fish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Serve sprinkled with parsley.
Yield six servings
Nutritional value per serving: calories 349, calories from fat 129, total fat 14g, saturated fat 5g, trans fatty acid 0, cholesterol 66mg, total carbohydrates 26g, protein 25g, omega 3 fatty acid 0.5g
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PUZZLES

Answers on page 29

Super Crossword

PREFIXES
SUFFIXED

- ACROSS**

1 Thick-skinned river critters

7 Women's soft hats of old

14 Crouches, as a catcher

20 Dream up

21 Turkey's landmass

22 Career-track type

23 British hero sandwich?

25 Cut in half

26 Aunts, e.g.

27 Magie of the old Giants

28 Be sickly

29 Give off

31 Certain tennis edge

33 "America" contraction

35 Person born to be an apartment manager?

42 Car made in an Alabama port?

45 Schoolyard rejoinder

46 Gap

47 Small brawl

48 "Drop — line"

49 Place for petri dishes

51 Hold tightly

54 Syringe causing a bad skin reaction?

58 Gmail rival

59 World finance org.

62 Holiday quaff

63 Thin, white mushroom

64 CBS drama

65 Advil rival

67 "Yipes!"

69 Printer resolution stat

70 Kids' author Silverstein

71 Very busy checkout area?

75 "— to You" (2009 Lady Antebellum hit)

77 Lamprey lookalike

78 Pepsi or RC

79 Easily duped sort

82 Body filled with eau

83 Old TV's Desi

85 The, to Jules

86 Pitchfork-shaped letter

87 Trim grass

88 Put-down during a visit with the doc?

92 John of plows

94 Takes as one's own

95 Tar's "Help!"

96 Doofus

99 Any of three English rivers

100 Pets that purr

102 Gregarious protester?

106 Beloved big rig?

110 Pal, to Jules

111 Big name in faucets

112 Process part

113 "As I see it," online

115 Ending for percent

117 Harass

118 Like rabbis and shuls

122 PC shortcut used by inflation calculators?

127 Broad road

128 Celestial body

129 Let the wind freshen

130 Not as bold

131 Deluge

132 Vagabonds
- DOWN**

1 "October Sky" memoirist Homer

2 Eager volunteer's repetitive response

3 Ballpoint tip

4 Butter unit

5 Big name in elevators

6 State political bodies

7 GQ target

8 Take — loan

9 Brief mental glitch

10 Arum lily

11 Equine beast

12 More, to a maestro

13 Duel tools

14 1976 Sally Field title role

15 Packs it in

16 FedEx rival

17 Kong, e.g.

18 Small jerk

19 TV unit

24 Koteas of "Crash"

30 China's — Zedong

32 Future lice

34 1973 novel by Toni Morrison

36 Theater level

37 Data plan datum

38 "Whoops!"

39 Multicolored

40 Tick by

41 Bring past a simmer again

43 Ida of old films

44 Early online protocol

48 Units of a million watts per ampere

49 Skimpy swimsuits

50 Here, to Jules

51 Gun, in slang

52 Senator Blunt

53 Very versatile

55 Rationale

56 Inner: Prefix

57 Like bit-free orange juice

60 Folks not living in the past

61 Spoken with ease

66 Suffix with northeast

68 Struck out in editing

70 Realize

72 Quahog or geoduck

73 Spot for slots

74 Big small-screen star

75 Sgt. Friday catchphrase

76 Get from a pitcher anew

80 —'easter

81 She-sheep

83 British islet

84 Gives relish

89 Big oil gp.

90 Muzzle part

91 "The Bicycle Thief" director Vittorio De —

93 Dutch cheese

97 Act like

98 Denounces

100 Stage signal

101 Angle

102 Playwright de Beauvoir

103 PFC, e.g.

104 Rip to shreds

105 Bullion bars

107 Time release

108 Alternate

109 Underage

114 Arab country

116 Arab bigwig

118 Gridlock

119 Day before

120 Really little

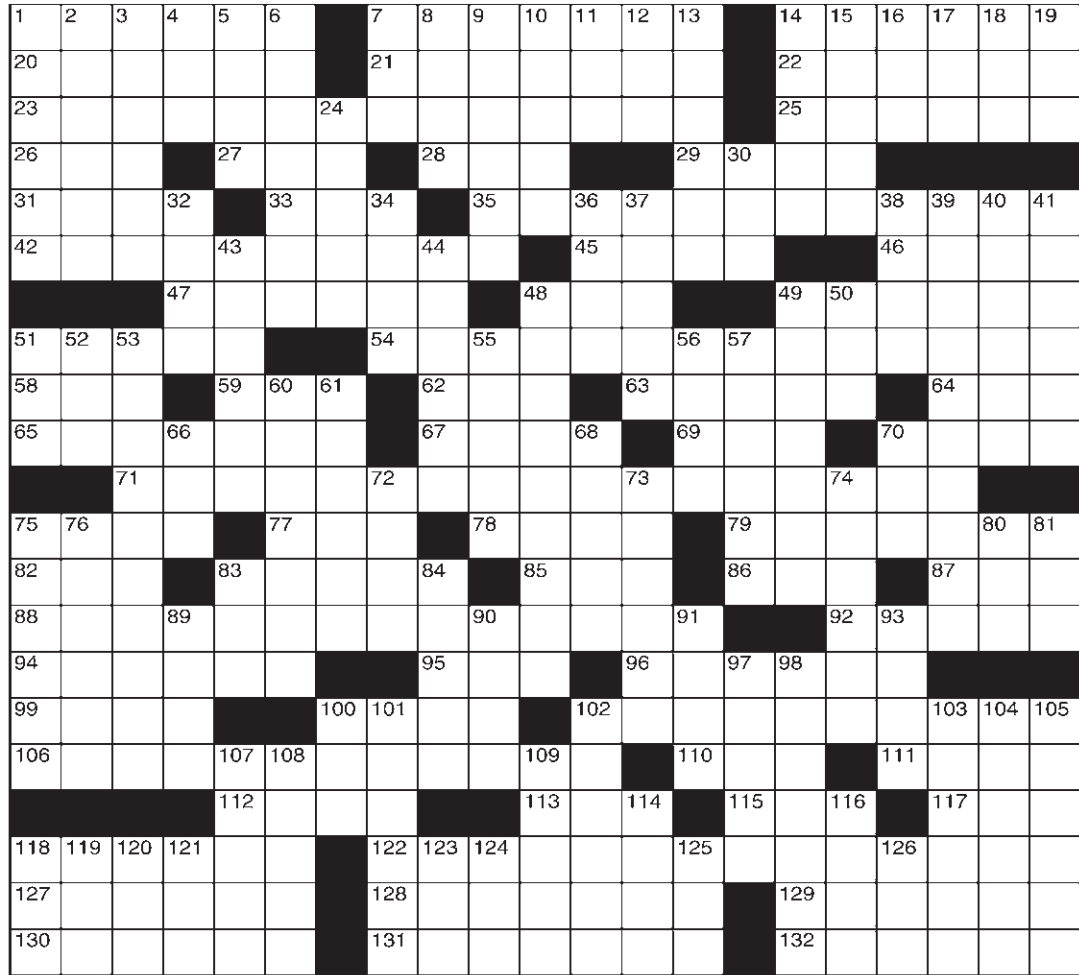
121 Sign

123 Cote sound

124 Rink great Bobby

125 Banjo finale?

126 Coaching great Parseghian



King Crossword

- ACROSS**

1 Fundamental

6 Land

12 Guru

13 Stated openly

14 Chant

15 Take away

16 Bambi, e.g.

17 Symbol of grace

19 Cod piece?

20 Arizona city

22 Hot tub

24 Be behind

27 Leftovers

29 Reverberate

32 Russian czar, 1682-1725

35 Goblet part

36 Missile shelter

37 Banned pesticide

38 Trench

40 Night light?

42 Junior

44 "Dukes of Hazzard" surname

46 Atmosphere

50 Alligator's kin

52 Eminem, e.g.

54 Bring into harmony

55 Vinegary

56 Lyricist's concerns

57 Physics particle

11 Paradise

12 Central

18 Laundry

21 Mess up

23 Apiece

24 Chances, for short

25 Drench

26 Forever

28 Wire

30 Owned

31 Mel of base-ball lore

33 Flightless bird

34 Moo — gai pan

39 Macbeth's title

41 Scruffs

42 Cicatrix

43 Solemn promise

45 Individuals

47 Doing

48 Check

49 Joan of —

51 Silent

53 Expert
- DOWN**

1 Nota follower

2 Initial stake

3 Rage

4 Charged bit

5 Oil baskets

6 Poet Teasdale

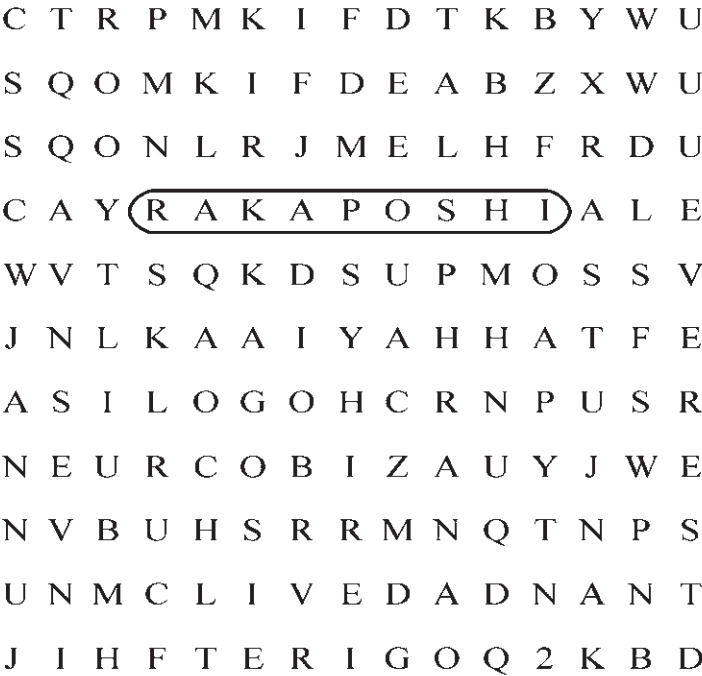
7 Levels out

8 Male turkey

9 Duplicitous

10 Jeans maker

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

- Batura Sar

Broad Peak

Cho Oyu

Chogolisa
- Jannu

K2 Qogir

Kamet

Kanjut Sar
- Lhotse

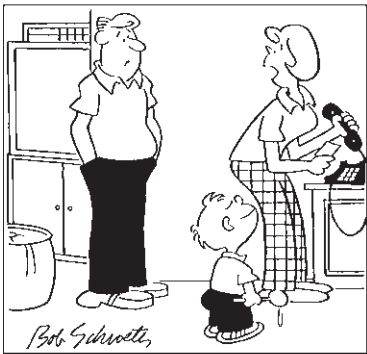
Makalu

Manaslu

Nanda Devi
- Nuptse

Rakaposhi

Tirich Mir



"It has to be Junior! Even with a giant screen stereo TV, free movies and Wi-Fi, we still can't get a _____!"
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!

Deluge
PASTE

Smart
STATUE

Scope
ANGER

Mean
DINES

TODAY'S WORD

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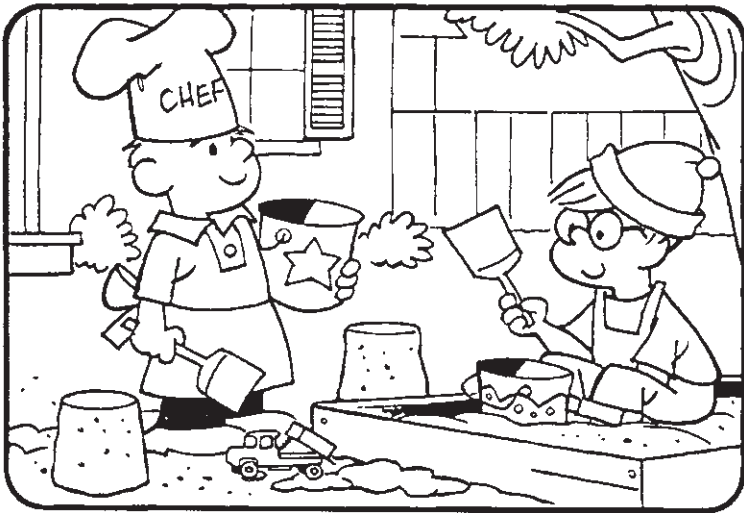
SUDOKU

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

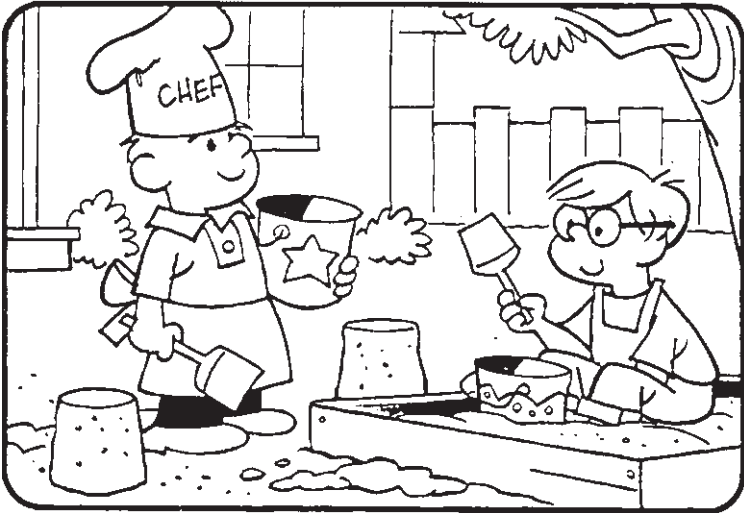
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY
HENRY BOLTINGOFF



FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Chef's hat is different. 2. Shutter is missing. 3. Truck is missing. 4. Fence is different. 5. Shovel is smaller. 6. Cap is missing.



Total Solar Eclipse Forever stamp



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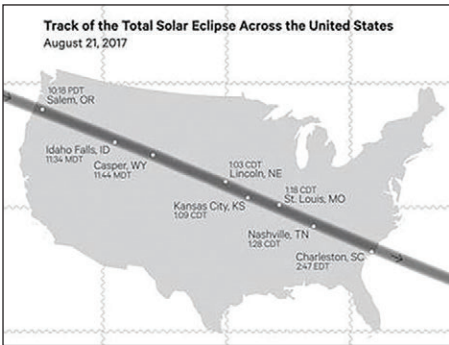
Eclipse To Be Featured On Forever Stamp

The Postal Service will soon release a first-of-its-kind stamp that changes when you touch it. The Total Solar Eclipse Forever stamp, which commemorates the August 21 eclipse, transforms into an image of the moon from the heat of a finger.

Tens of millions of people in the United States hope to view this rare event, which has not been seen on the U.S. mainland

since 1979. The eclipse will travel a narrow path across the entire country for the first time since 1918. The path will run west to east from Oregon to South Carolina and will include portions of 14 states.

The June 20, 1:30 p.m. MT First-Day-of-Issue ceremony will take place at the Art Museum of the University of Wyoming (UW) in Laramie. The university is celebrating the summer solstice on June 20. Prior to the event, visitors are encouraged to arrive at 11:30 a.m. to witness a unique architectural feature where a single beam of sunlight shines on a silver dollar embedded in the floor,



Tracking map

which occurs at noon on the summer solstice in the UW Art Museum's Rotunda Gallery.

The back of the stamp pane provides a map of the August 21 eclipse path and times it may appear in some locations. Visit NASA's website to view detailed maps of the eclipse's path.

Thermochromic Ink

The stamp image is a photograph taken by astrophysicist Fred Espenak, aka Mr. Eclipse, of Portal, Arizona, that shows a total solar eclipse seen from Jalu, Libya on March 29, 2006.

In the first U.S. stamp application of thermochromic ink, the Total Solar Eclipse stamps will reveal a second image. Using the body heat of your thumb or fingers and rubbing the eclipse image will reveal an underlying image of the moon

(Esenpak also took the photograph of the Full Moon). The image reverts back to the eclipse once it cools.

Thermochromic inks are vulnerable to UV light and should be kept out of direct sunlight as much as possible to preserve this special effect. To help ensure longevity, the Postal Service will be offering a special envelope, for a nominal fee, to hold and protect the stamp pane.

A total eclipse of the sun occurs when the moon completely blocks the visible solar disk from view, casting a shadow on earth. The 70-mile-wide shadow path of the eclipse, known as the "path of totality," will traverse the country diagonally, appearing first in Oregon (mid-morning local time) and exiting some 2,500 miles east and 90 minutes later off the coast of South Carolina (mid-afternoon local time).

A total solar eclipse provides the only chance to see the sun's corona – its extended outer atmosphere – without specialized instruments. During the total phase of an eclipse, the corona appears as a gossamer white halo around the black disk of the moon, resembling the petals of a flower reaching out into space.

Art director Antonio Alcalá of Alexandria, Virginia designed the stamp.

The Total Eclipse of the Sun stamp is being issued as a Forever stamp, which is always equal in value to the current First-Class Mail one-ounce price.*

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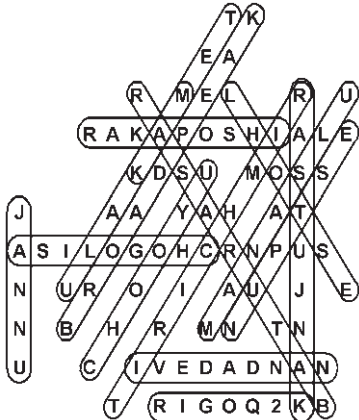
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My Stars★★★★

FOR WEEK OF MAY 15, 2017

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A stubborn refusal to go ahead on a project mystifies colleagues who expected more flexibility. But once you explain your position, they'll understand and even applaud you.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A relationship seems to be stuck in the same place. Now it's up to you, dear Bovine, to decide how far you want it to go and how intense you want it to be. Choose well and choose soon.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A relationship progresses more slowly than you would prefer. Best advice: Insist on a frank and open discussion. What is learned could change minds and, maybe, hearts.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) It's all right to be grateful to a workplace colleague who has done you a good turn. But gratitude shouldn't be a life-long obligation. The time to break this cycle is now.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's going to be especially nice to be the King of the Zodiac at this time. A recent money squeeze eases. Plans start to work out, and new friends enter Your Majesty's domain.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Before you make a commitment on any level (personal, professional, legal), get all the facts. There might be hidden problems that could cause trouble later on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Personal relationships improve. Professional prospects also brighten. A job offer could come through by month's end. An old friend seeks to make contact.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your senses detect that something is not quite right about a matter involving a workplace colleague. Best advice: Follow your keen instincts and don't get involved.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A prospect offers rewards, but it also demands that you assume a great deal of responsibility. Knowing you, you're up to the challenge, so go for it, and good luck.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A favor you did a long time ago is repaid, as a trusted colleague steps in to help you with a suddenly expanded

workload. A family member has important news.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A new job offer could require moving across the country. But before you let your doubts determine your decision, learn more about the potentials involved.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your sense of fair play doesn't allow you to rush to judgment about a friend who might have betrayed you. Good! Because all the facts are not yet in.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a romantic nature that allows you to find the best in people. You would excel at poetry and drama.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On May 22, 1859, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the creator of master sleuth Sherlock Holmes, is born in Scotland. He studied medicine at the University of Edinburgh, where he met Dr. Joseph Bell, who helped inspire Doyle's Sherlock Holmes character years later.

• On May 26, 1907, John Wayne, an Oscar-winning actor who came to epitomize the American West, is born in Winterset, Iowa. His career started with a job as an assistant prop man on a movie set.

• On May 23, 1934, notorious criminals Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow are shot to death in an ambush by Texas and Louisiana state police while driving a stolen car near Sailes, Louisiana. The Barrow Gang is believed to have killed at least nine police officers.

• On May 27, 1943, a B-24 carrying U.S. airman and former Olympic runner Louis "Louie" Zamperini crashes into the Pacific Ocean. Zamperini floated on a raft in shark-infested waters for more than a month before being picked up by the Japanese and spending the next two years in brutal prison camps.

• On May 25, 1977, China's communist government lifts its decade-old ban on the writings of William Shakespeare, providing further evidence that the Cultural Revolution was over.

• On May 28, 1987, Matthias Rust, a 19-year-old amateur pilot from West Germany, takes off from Helsinki, Finland, travels through more than 400 miles of Soviet airspace, and lands his small Cessna aircraft in Red Square by the Kremlin.

The event proved to be an immense embarrassment to the Soviet government and military.

• On May 24, 1991, the critically acclaimed road movie "Thelma and Louise" debuts in theaters, stunning audiences with a climactic scene in which its two heroines drive off a cliff in a vintage 1966 Ford Thunderbird convertible.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

• It was American novelist and activist Anne Lamott who made the following sage observation: "Joy is the best makeup."

• Scottish-American industrialist and philanthropist Andrew Carnegie was determined not to get married so long as his mother was alive. He stuck to his decision, too – the same year that his mother died, Carnegie finally wed at the age of 51. When his daughter was born the following year, Carnegie bestowed his mother's name on her.

• Before American music icon Ella Fitzgerald became famous as the First Lady of Song and the Queen of Jazz, she started out -- as so many performers have -- at Harlem's Apollo Theater. She was 17 years old, and she didn't intend to sing; she had planned to perform a dance number. Before it was her turn to perform, though, there was a dance act so good that she felt intimidated, so she changed her plan. It was a good idea, evidently -- not only did she win first prize for the night, she went on to take home one of the inaugural Grammy Awards, as well as 12 more over the course of her career. She also was awarded the National Medal of Arts, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, and the George and Ira Gershwin Award for Lifetime Musical Achievement. Not bad for a would-be dancer.

• Those who study such things say that, geologically speaking, Florida is the youngest of all the United States -- that is to say, it emerged from the ocean more recently than any of the other 49.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"The ideals which have lighted my way, and time after time have given me new courage to face life cheerfully, have been Kindness, Beauty, and Truth." -- Albert Einstein

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Spate; 2. Astute;
3. Range; 4. Snide

Today's Word
SITTER

TRIVIA TEST

1. GEOGRAPHY: What river borders Maryland and Washington, D.C.?
2. MOVIES: What was the name of the sea witch in "The Little Mermaid"?
3. HISTORY: In what year did the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl take place?
4. MUSIC: Which singer/songwriter composed the song "Calendar Girl"?
5. SCIENCE: What do dendrologists study?
6. LANGUAGE: What does the Japanese word "kamikaze" mean?
7. PROVERBS: What is the ending of the proverb that begins, "A watched pot ... "?
8. LITERATURE: Which confessional poet of the 20th century used the pseudonym Victoria Lucas?
9. PSYCHOLOGY: What is the fear represented in apiphobia?
10. ANCIENT WORLD: Eratosthenes is considered the father of what field of study?

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. The Potomac
2. Ursula
3. 1986
4. Neil Sedaka
5. Trees and shrubs
6. Divine will
7. ... never boils
8. Sylvia Plath
9. A fear of bees
10. Geography

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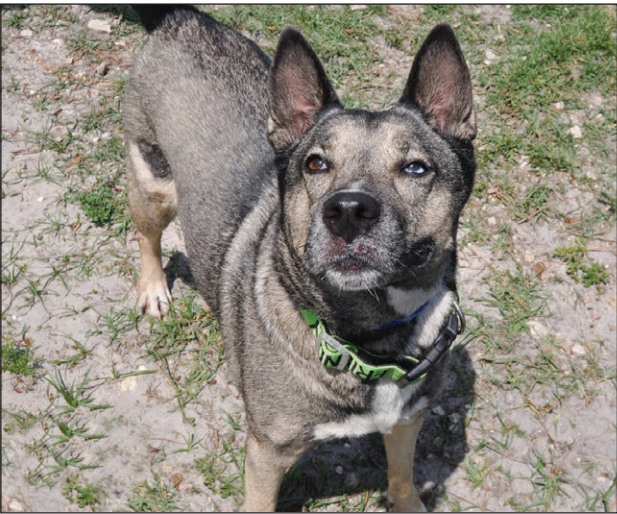
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PETS OF THE WEEK

Lee County Domestic Animal Services

Akira And Captain



Akira ID# 510434



Captain ID# 674760

Hello, my name is Akira. I'm an 8-year-old female sable-colored, brown-eyed girl looking for her ideal "dance partner" willing to get dressed to impress for a dinner date. As one of our super-seniors, she is relaxed and laid back. Some would say she is a low-maintenance kind of gal. Stop by and ask one of our volunteers to meet Akira.

Her adoption fee is \$20.
Hello, my name is Captain. I'm a 2-year-old male black tabby domestic shorthair. Captain is a special and sweet boy who is looking for someone to come into his

life and stay in it. He has an old fracture that has left him with one leg shorter than the other, but that does not slow him down at all. If you aren't the best dancer around, perhaps Captain is the perfect partner for you! His adoption fee is \$30.
For information about this week's pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services' website at www.LeeLostPets.com. When calling, refer to the animal's ID number. The website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available.
The shelter is open for adoptions from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.
All adoptions include spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, rabies vaccination and county license if three months or older, flea treatment, worming, heartworm test for dogs six months and over, feline AIDS and leukemia test for cats, training DVD, 10-day health guarantee, and a bag of Science Diet pet food.
The adoption package is valued at \$500.✪

Haven on Earth Animal League

Davey Jones And Gidget



Davey Jones

Hi there! I'm Davey Jones. I have a short black-and-white coat, and just the cutest little face. I'm up-to-date on vaccinations and neutered. I have been living at the PetSmart on Six Mile Cypress Parkway and



Gidget

I want to live in a real home so badly. My adoption fee is \$75. Please come see me and take me home.
Hi, my name is Gidget. I am a really sweet girl, only 8 months old. I'm very petite and I have gorgeous medium-length hair. I like to play mother to other kitties. I'm up-to-date on all vaccinations and spayed. My adoption fee is \$75. I am currently residing at the Petco at Gulf Coast Town Center.
We are being cared for by Haven on Earth Animal League. For more information, call Diane at 860-833-4472 or email haveneearthanimalleague@yahoo.com.✪
PAWS Of Sanibel

Bo

This is Bo, a cat found on April 24 at the Blind Pass Condominiums on Bowman's Beach Road. He is a neutered male, approximately 3 to 5 years old. He has been combo tested and had his immunizations. He is also a very sweet boy. We have been boarding him and now he has a temporary foster home, with a vacationer, but only for two weeks.



Bo

If you have any idea who his people might be, are able to foster, or adopt him, contact Pam at PAWS of Sanibel at 472-4823.✪

Top 10 Real Estate Sales

Subdivision	City	Year Built	Square Footage	Listing Price	Selling Price	Days On Market
Bonita Beach	Bonita Springs	1973	1,804	\$2,695,000	\$2,600,000	0
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Grand Ole Man	Fort Myers Beach	2011	3,705	\$2,599,000	\$2,500,000	293
Sanctuary At Wulfert	Sanibel	2004	4,293	\$1,595,000	\$1,475,000	89
Westlake Court	Estero	2016	3,017	\$1,559,000	\$1,480,000	121
Laguna Shores	Fort Myers Beach	1987	2,256	\$1,495,000	\$1,459,000	33
Andre Mar	Fort Myers Beach	1978	4,620	\$1,449,000	\$1,360,000	267
Idlewilde	Estero	2001	3,625	\$1,299,000	\$1,250,000	43
Castaway Key Unrecorded Subdivision	Captiva	2004	2,526	\$1,190,000	\$1,140,000	388
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2006	3,602	\$1,000,000	\$945,000	64

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