



Wave by Virgen Dominguez

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## Photographers Selected For Alliance October Exhibit

The Alliance for the Arts October exhibit, Your Best Shot, will feature the works of photographers. The opening celebration will be held on Friday, October 6 from 5 to 7 p.m. Meet exhibiting artists and juror Steve Chase during a conversational walk and talk through the gallery as they discuss their works on Saturday, continued on page 24

## Dark Art Show To Be Reborn This October

Southwest Florida's creepiest collection of dark art returns to downtown Fort Myers in the Capital Gallery at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center with an opening reception on Friday, October 6 from 6 to 10 p.m. during ArtWalk.

Presented by Syzygy Art Collaborative, this year's dark art showcase will feature works from local and national artists throughout October. The free exhibit will run through October 25.

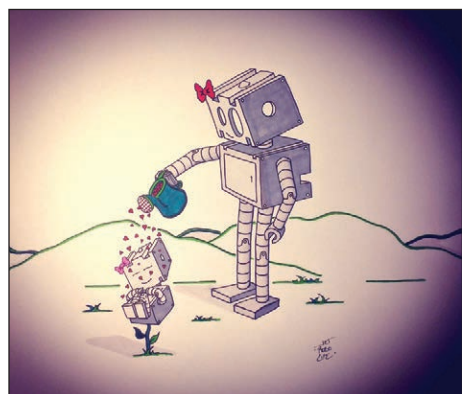
The exhibit is a juried selection of the raw, visceral, beautifully dark works created by artists from Southwest Florida and beyond. This exhibition will feature painting, sculpture, photography and mixed media projects all dedicated to the celebration of darker themes in art. The event will feature local live entertainment (costumes are encouraged).

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street in the historic downtown Fort Myers river District. For more information, visit [www.syzygyart.wordpress.com/](http://www.syzygyart.wordpress.com/) ✱



Work by Pam Trent

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Work by Jet Victory

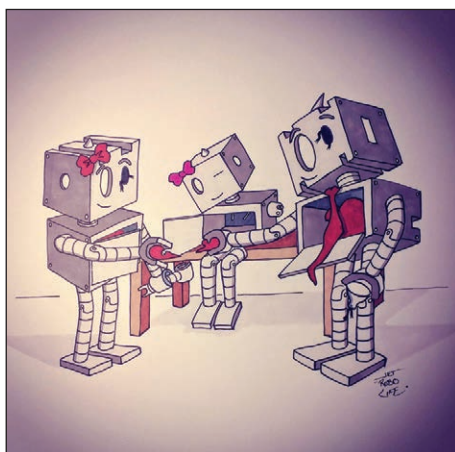
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## Street Artist Shows Inner Workings In Art Collection

In Jet Victory's My Robo Life, robots have feelings, too.

The free exhibition at Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center will open on Friday, October 6 from 6 to 10 p.m. and will be on display through Wednesday, October 25 in the Grand Atrium gallery.

My Robo Life explores the artist's deepest emotions in a series of exquisitely



Part of the Robo Life series

imagined works featuring robots as the main subject matter.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street in the historic downtown Fort Myers River District. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.,

Jet Victory is a street artist born and raised around the North Fort Myers and Cape Coral area. "Art to me has been about harnessing pain and seeing how it can be transformed into something that brings others so much beauty and enjoyment," he said. ✱

## A Musical Trip Down Memory Lane



From left, Kira Galindo, Evan Woods Gunter, Christopher Trimboli, Chasdan Ross Mike, Shawday Graves and Katherine Lozon

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by Di Saggau

When *Groovin' The 60s and 70s Musical* opened at Broadway Palm, it was just what the doctor ordered. No more worrying about the weather. Instead, we spent two hours

watching six amazing singers and dancers as they took us back to a time with great musical memories. When a member of the cast asked how many in the audience remembered the tunes,

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Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

# Future Musician And Filmmaker Goes To Fair



by Gerri Reaves, PhD

**B**illy Nalle looks a bit perturbed in this photo taken at the Lee County Fair in February 1929. Maybe someone had jostled the 7-year-old boy and knocked the ice cream off the cone. After all, there must have been lots of fair-goers bumping into one another, because a record-breaking 16,000-plus people attended the five-day event at Terry Park.

On the other hand, maybe Billy’s disconcerted expression derives from just feeling overwhelmed by the spectacles and entertainment, which included everything from band performances to knife-throwing.

That fair certainly could overwhelm a small boy. Everything from farm animals, produce and baked goods to poultry, flower shows and school projects were on display.

A “midway city” of circus acts, vaudeville shows and rides added to the excitement.

That Ford Model-A Roadster in the background of the photo is probably part of a display at the new 40-by-120-foot automobile exhibition building, where local car dealerships showcased their wares.

In all, the 1929 fair featured about 5,000 exhibits, a large increase over the previous year. Approximately \$6,000 in cash prizes, along with countless ribbons, were awarded.

No matter the cause for Billy’s frown, he makes a cute but somewhat eccentric portrait, what with the formality of a bowtie contrasting with knee socks and a jacket advertising Corno Mills, a major Midwest grain producer.

The jacket might have been a promotional item from Nalle Mercantile, the business owned by Billy’s father, Porter Nalle. The store was located right across Palm Beach Boulevard from Terry Park. In fact, the store had one of the many exhibits at the fair.

Despite his “I’ve been too long at the fair” look, Nalle had a very different demeanor when he sat down to a piano. Even at this early age, he was showing signs of being a musical prodigy.

By the age of 12, he was playing piano professionally. In fact, from 1933 until his graduation from Fort Myers High in 1939, he played with the Al Linquist Jazz Orchestra of Fort Myers.

Throughout his high school years, he was in demand as an accompanist in local and touring musical groups and at community events and recitals.

He went on to study piano and organ with a full scholarship to the Juilliard School of Music in New York City, studying under acclaimed musicians such as Teddy Wilson, the famed jazz pianist.

World War II service in the U.S. Navy followed from 1943 to 1946. His last year, he was assigned to the U.S.N. Entertainment Unit and toured with future greats such as dancer and choreographer Bob Fosse.

After discharge from the military, he returned to Juilliard for post-graduate work. Then he started a 26-year career in New York City during the exciting early days of live television, composing and performing for more than 200 shows on CBS, NBC and ABC.

In 1975, he began his last professional “gig” when he became the artist-in-residence at the Century II Center in Wichita, Kansas, where the world-famous New York Paramount Theatre organ resides. He recorded, played concerts and toured for the next 11 years.



**Billy Nalle, age 7, attends the 1929 Lee County Fair at Terry Park. While the fair was first held at Terry Park in 1919, a precursor started years earlier in downtown Fort Myers.**

photo courtesy SWFL Florida Historical Society

In 1993, the American Theatre Organ Society admitted him to the Theatre Organists Hall of Fame.

In 1995, he retired to his native Fort Myers, where he died in 2005.

For all those musical accomplishments and talents, amazingly enough, Nalle had yet another talent as a young man, filmmaking.

Starting as early as his junior year in high school, he focused his 8mm movie

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## Legendary Musician To Perform At TGIM

The next Thank God for Indie Mondays (TGIM) viewings will feature celebrity judges and entertainment by a local legend.

Al Holland of The Platters fame will perform fresh indie local music at the event, slated for Monday, October 2 at Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center. Happy hour begins at 6:30 p.m., while the show begins at 7 p.m.

TGIM features unique indie films, where guest judges and audience members decide which movies make the cut for the 2018 Fort Myers Film Festival. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and students.

Hosts Eric Raddatz and Melissa DeHaven are joined by judges Stephanie Davis, Dakota Jordan Peoples and Miss Universe Ireland Brittany Mason.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First St. in the historic



Al Holland

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downtown Fort Myers River District.

The Fort Myers Film Festival is an independent filmmaker's preferred event to create, unite and showcase the finest artistic cinematic works. It is known for world-class swagger and support of local filmmakers.✱

## Dog Wash Fundraiser September 30

After Hurricane Irma, all dogs could use a spa day. For \$20, your pup can receive a wash, dry and nail trim to benefit Southeastern Guide Dogs hosted by The Calendar Girls Florida and the Southwest Florida Puppy Raiser Group on Saturday, September 30 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wash N' Wag, located at 1751 NE Pine Island Road in Cape Coral.

Southeastern Guide Dogs is one of 10 internationally accredited guide dogs school and is located in Palmetto, Florida. All their services are at no charge, and their Paws For Patriots program for veterans give our wounded warriors service dogs at no charge.

For more information, visit [www.guidedogs.org](http://www.guidedogs.org) or call Linda Floyd at 560-0167 for details about this event.✱



Southeastern Guide Dog trainee

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## Farmers Markets Kick Off New Season October 1

Local Roots Farmers Market, the largest organizer and producer of farmers markets in Lee County, will be celebrating its 10th anniversary of bringing the freshest fruits and vegetables, meats and seafood, and other specialty items to residents and visitors.

The 2017-18 schedule is:

**Sanibel Island Farmers Market:** Sundays, October 1 through May 27, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sanibel City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road, Sanibel

**Lakes Park Farmers Market:** Wednesdays, October 4 through April 25, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Lakes Regional Park, 7300 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers

**Coconut Point Farmers Market:** Thursdays, October 5 through April 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Panera parking lot, 23106 Fashion Drive, Estero

**Bonita Springs Farmers Market:** Saturdays, October 7 through April 28, 8 a.m. to noon, The Promenade at Bonita Bay, 26795 South Bay Drive,

Bonita Springs

**Fort Myers Beach Farm & Art Market:** Tuesdays, November 7 through April 24, 8 a.m. to noon, Nervous Nellie's parking lot, 645 Old San Carlos Boulevard, Fort Myers Beach

**Captiva Island Farmers Market:** Tuesdays, December 19 through April 3, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., South Seas Island Resort entrance, 5400 South Seas Plantation Road, Captiva Island

**Boca Grande Farm & Fish Market:** Fridays, December 22 through April 27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Boca Grande Ball Field, 305 Wheeler Road

**Fenway South Farm & Flea Market:** Mondays, January 8 through March 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Jet Blue Park, 11500 Fenway South Drive, Fort Myers

**River District Farmers Market:** Thursdays, All year, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Closed Thanksgiving (open Wednesday before), Centennial Park, 2000 West First Street, Fort Myers

Local Roots Farmers Markets was founded and is operated by Lee County residents Jean Baer and Betsy Ventura, and the organization will be expanding to nine markets this upcoming season. "As we launch a new farmers market

this year and bring our highest quality vendors to more of Southwest Florida, we're excited to share the best produce, seafood, meats, food items, art and more with our communities," said Baer.

The 2017-18 season also marks the 10th anniversary of Local Roots Farmers Markets. "From humble beginnings, we're honored to have seen our concept of bringing the best vendors of fresh

fruits, vegetables, foods and more to our area met with such enthusiasm," Ventura said. "The markets have become more than a health and wellness shopping experience, they're almost a community event where friends gather each week. Ten years is a time to celebrate."

To learn more about Local Roots Farmers Markets, visit [www.BuyLocalLee.com](http://www.BuyLocalLee.com).✱

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# Theatre Presents One-Man Comedy

Theatre Conspiracy at the Alliance for the Arts presents *Buyer & Cellar* by Jonathan Tolins, an outrageous comedy about the price of fame, the cost of things and the oddest of odd jobs. Florida Rep's Education Director Kody C. Jones stars in this one-man show and performs half a dozen characters.

*Buyer & Cellar* opens on October 6 and runs through October 14. Performances are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. with 2 p.m. matinees on Sundays. Thursday and Friday performances are buy one, get one half off using promo code IRMA. The production runs 90 minutes.

*Buyer & Cellar* is a hilarious fictional account of one man's experience working in the basement shops of Barbra Streisand's home. Alex More, a struggling actor in Los Angeles, takes a job working in the Malibu basement of the beloved megastar. One day, making a rare appearance, the Lady Herself comes downstairs to play.

Inspired by Barbra Streisand's *My Passion for Design*, *Buyer & Cellar* is part truth, part fiction. The facts? Streisand has a shopping mall in the basement of her Malibu home, featuring a doll shop, an antique clothing store and a sweets shop, complete with a frozen yogurt machine, as detailed in her 2010 book. Jonathan Tolins takes the



Kody C. Jones photo provided

wackiness a step further as he imagines a man who is hired to work in the basement of the mall... with Babs as his only customer.

Season subscriptions are available and range from \$105 per person for five shows to \$144 per person for all eight shows. Individual tickets to each show are \$25, \$11 for students or \$22 for Alliance members.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call the box office at 939-2787 or visit [www.ArtnLee.org/Theatre](http://www.ArtnLee.org/Theatre).



Visitors tour the inside of the National Chemical Landmark botanic research laboratory. photo courtesy of Ilene Safron and Main Sail Video Productions

## Winter Estates To Re-Open After Hurricane

The Edison & Ford Winter Estates lab, museum and research gardens located on the east side of the property will re-open on Saturday, September 30. Edison Ford plans to have the Ford Estate open for guided tours on October 21 and the re-opening of the Edison Estate is anticipated for late October.

Specialty tours and presentations will be offered every day. Historians and curators will lead Ask the Expert presentations on topics including the Edison and Ford families, Ford's involvement in World War II, Edison's patents, as well as automobile presentations. Phonograph lectures and demonstrations will also be offered.

Special Inside-the-Lab tours will take visitors behind the scenes in the lab where guests are not normally permitted. There is also a new guided tour of the museum and research gardens, led by curators and horticulturists that takes guests through the propagating nursery and discusses Edison's rubber research project. The Edison Wild Wizards will present daily hands-on science programs related to the inventions of Edison and Ford.

In addition, two new exhibits will open: the Smithsonian Spark!Lab exhibit and the Timeline of Innovation. The Smithsonian Spark!Lab is a hands-on, interactive exhibit for families and children. A series of rotating stations with themes from vehicle construction to understanding sound waves will challenge visitors to place themselves in the mindset of an inventor.

The Timeline of Innovation is a chronological exhibit of both Edison's and Ford's major innovations. The timeline highlights achievements in dozens of fields and will showcase some of the most interesting artifacts. It will also provide visitors with a narrative on how Edison, Ford and others built on earlier innovations to create their own inventions.

On September 30, living history characters, Thomas and Mina Edison, will be on site for photo opportunities and food trucks will provide refreshments.

Below is the schedule of daily museum activities and presentations:

- 10 a.m. Phonograph Demonstration
- 10:30 a.m. Inside-the-Lab Tour (\$5 additional charge)
- 11 a.m. Ask the Expert
- 1:30 a.m. Guided Tour of Museum and Research Gardens (\$5 additional charge)
- 12 p.m. Hands-On Science with the Wild Wizards

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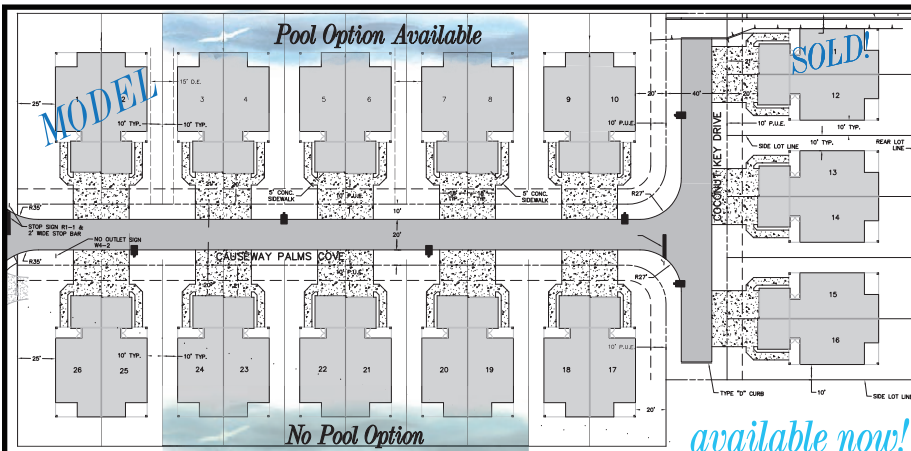
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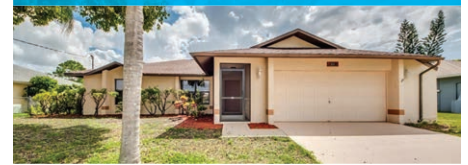
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Fort Myers Art:

## Romantic Comedy On Stage At Florida Rep



by Tom Hall

Florida Repertory Theatre has opened its 20th anniversary season with *Outside Mullingar*, a delightful romantic comedy by John Patrick Shanley, the Pulitzer Prize

and Tony Award-winning author of *Doubt* and *Moonstruck*.

The play unfolds in a picturesque, Irish countryside and follows the unlikely romance of two lovable misfits, Anthony Reilly and Rosemary Muldoon. They're farmers who don't have a clue when it comes to love. These hopeless singletons will need to overcome a bitter land feud, old family rivalries and their own romantic fears before they can find happiness. Full of humor and poetic prose, John Patrick Shanley's tenderhearted portrait reminds us it's never too late to take a chance on love.

"This is the perfect play to open our 20th season," stated Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo. "Not only is it a masterfully written love story, but it brings together some of Florida Rep's most beloved ensemble members both



Rachel Burttram and Brendan Powers appear in a scene in *Outside Mullingar*

photo courtesy www.artswfl.com

onstage and in the creative team. This play is witty, charming and was written by one of the best American writers working today. You are in for a treat."

The ensemble members mentioned by Cacioppo are Rachel Burttram, Brendan Powers and Viki Boyle. They will be joined by guest artist Martin LaPlatney, who returns after appearing in Florida Rep's nationally acclaimed 2016 production of *One Slight Hitch*.

Longtime ensemble members,

Burttram and Powers worked together for the first time in Florida Rep's 2008 production of John Patrick Shanley's *Doubt*, and have been seen numerous times since. Burttram was last seen in *Doublewide*, *Best of Enemies* and *The House of Blue Leaves*. Powers last appeared in *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* and *The Mousetrap*. Viki Boyle returns after appearances in *To Kill a Mockingbird* and *Over the River and Through the Woods*.

Another longtime ensemble member, Chris Clavelli, directs the production after past successes with Florida Rep's nationally acclaimed productions of *The Cocktail Hour*, *The House of Blue Leaves* and *One Slight Hitch*. Clavelli is joined by an expert team of designers including ensemble set designer Ray Recht (*The Cocktail Hour*), costume designer Alexandria Vazquez (*Erma Bombeck: At Wit's End*), ensemble lighting designer Todd O. Wren (*Too Marvelous For Words*), sound designer

John Kiselica (*Shear Madness*) and ensemble production stage manager Janine Wochna (*To Kill a Mockingbird*).

### In Spite Of Renovations, Matlacha Gallery Still Hosting Indie Author Day

Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens on Matlacha Island is using Hurricane Irma and the no-name storm of three weeks earlier as the springboard for some renovations to both the gallery and its associated botanical gardens. While the gallery is not scheduled to re-open until November 1, the space will be the site on Saturday, October 14 for Indie Author Day.

Most of the venues across the country that host Indie Author Day are libraries. "But why shouldn't an art gallery sponsor an event that showcases the incredible talent that we have right here in Fort Myers and on Matlacha/Pine Islands?" asked gallery owner and famed artist Leoma Lovegrove. "The authors and patrons who took part in Indie Author Day last year had an incredible time. Since we were the only host in all of Southwest Florida, some people travelled from as far as Tampa and Fort Lauderdale to take part in our event."

This year's Indie Author Day at Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens will be a wonderful opportunity for you to meet local writers, hear about their inspirations and get an unparalleled glimpse into the indie publishing business, from pitch to publication.

"We're still putting together the stable of authors who will be on hand to talk about their books and discuss the ins and outs of publication." But last year's participants are coming back, and they'll be joined by several newcomers.

The event takes place between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 14.

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

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## Historic Downtown

camera on local scenes. He recorded for posterity the official opening of the Fort Myers Yacht Basin; the 1939 Edison Parade down First Street, with his friend Berne Barfield (Davis) reigning as Queen of Edisonia; a National Airlines plane landing at the palmetto-field airport later named Page Field; busy First Street in 1938; chemistry class at Fort Myers High; a class picnic on Fort Myers Beach; and many other moments that bring local history to life.

You'll soon be able to see Nalle's little-known historic films at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center on October 18, an event of the Southwest Florida Historical Society, so save the date.

And don't forget to visit the following two research centers to learn more about the artists that have made Fort Myers a more special place.

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](http://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 Wednesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday by appointment only.

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

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From left, Adam Wood, Eli Mosley, Lockwood Barr and Audrey Spillman will perform at the Island Hopper Songwriter Fest on Fort Myers Beach photos courtesy <https://www.island-hopper.fortmyers-sanibel.com/>

## Along The River

If you like improvisational comedy, then you will like **The Second City**. The legendary sketch and improv comedy theater troupe from Chicago will perform The Cure for The Common Comedy in downtown Fort Myers at **The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center** this Friday,

September 29 and Saturday, September 30. The evening begins with cocktails at 7 p.m. and the performance at 8 p.m. Cost is \$29 for advance tickets or \$35 at the door

The Second City has developed such stars as Jim Belushi and Tina Fey. Now, cast members of The Second City include Adam Archer, Danny Catlow, Alison Gates, Eve Krueger, Greg Ott and Lauren

Walker. For more information, visit [www.secondcity.com](http://www.secondcity.com).

The Second City opened its doors on a snowy Chicago night in December of 1959. It was experimental and unconventional in its approach to both theater and comedy.

With the debut of NBC's *Saturday Night Live*, populated by Second City alums John Belushi, Dan Aykroyd and Gilda Radner, the theater became internationally known for its ever increasing roster of comedy superstars. Soon, Second City's sister-theater in Canada developed its own sketch comedy series, SCTV, hailed as one of the greatest comedy series of all time and featuring an all-star cast that included Martin Short, Andrea Martin, Catherine O'Hara, John Candy, Eugene Levy, Dave Thomas, Joe Flaherty and Rick Moranis.

Today, The Second City continues to produce the premiere comic talent in the industry. From Mike Myers to Steve Carell, Stephen Colbert to Bill Murray, The Second City imprint is felt across every entertainment medium.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street. Visit [www.sbdac.com](http://www.sbdac.com) for information

The 4th annual **Island Hopper Songwriter Fest** is finishing its 10-day festival on **Fort Myers Beach** this weekend.

The fan-favorite festival features artists playing at Nervous Nellie's, Yucatan Beach Stand, Matanzas on the Bay and Pierside Grill from Friday, September 29 through Sunday, October 1. The Beach portion

of the songwriter fest schedule culminates a stretch of more than 80 confirmed songwriters, bringing more than 150 live performances at 24 unique venues to music fans along the beaches of Southwest Florida. These singer-songwriters have written songs for country superstars including Tim McGraw, Miranda Lambert, Jason Aldean and Tricia Yearwood.

Most of the performances are free to the public, but there are select shows that do require a ticket for admission.

Island Hopper Songwriter Fest is presented by Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau, iHeartMedia, Cat Country 107.1 and BMI, the largest music rights organization in the U.S. For more information or a complete schedule of events, visit [www.islandhopperfest.com](http://www.islandhopperfest.com). Follow the festival hashtag #islandhopper on Twitter and other social channel.

Experience the beautiful birds of **Bunche Beach** with a **Lee County Bird Patrol Guide** this Tuesday, October 3 beginning at 7:30 a.m. Participants meet on the beach located in South Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road. Drive south of John Morris Road until it dead ends.

Provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks and Recreation, this event is free with parking fee of \$2 per hour (tour is approximately two hours). Restrooms are located in the building at the first parking lot.

Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet, a bottle of drinking water, your curiosity and love of nature.

For more information, call 707-3015 or visit [www.birdpatrol.org](http://www.birdpatrol.org).\*



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## School System Proposes Changes To Schedule

Due to recent school closures as a result of local flooding in August and Hurricane Irma, the School District of Lee County (SDLC) is looking to make adjustments to the instructional school calendar.

In order to best balance students instructional needs with the disruption that came from these natural disasters, SDLC is proposing returning six days to the 2017-18 calendar.

The following changes are subject to

school board approval during a regular board meeting on Tuesday, October 3.

1st Quarter Changes:

October 16 – Professional Duty Day becomes a regular school day

2nd Quarter Changes:

December 19 to 21 – Early Dismissal Days become regular school days

December 22 – Professional Duty Day becomes an Early Dismissal Day

3rd Quarter Changes:

January 8 – Hurricane Makeup Day becomes a regular school day

March 16 – Professional Duty Day becomes a regular school day

4th Quarter Changes:

April 2 – Easter Monday becomes a regular school day.\*





Pat Clopton

photos provided



Kenneth Johnson



Cindi Heimberg

## Outrageous Characters At Lab Theater

by Di Saggau

**S**ordid Lives, now playing at Laboratory Theater of Florida, is billed as a black comedy about white trash. The characters in the play are over-the-top and extremely entertaining to watch. The play focuses

on a family gathering in a small Texas town for the funeral of the matriarch, Peggy, who died after tripping over her married lover's wooden legs during one of their motel get-togethers. We meet Peggy's sister Sissy (Stacy Peres), her two very different daughters, LaVonda (Cindi Heimberg) and Latrelle (Joann Haley), and Ty (Drew Larman), a gay grandson, along with an assortment of angst-ridden friends and neighbors.

One of the most human characters is Earl "Brother Boy" Ingram (Ken Johnson), who has been institutionalized

for 20 years because he is a gay cross-dresser. He is flamboyant in his feathered pink peignoir, especially in his Spanish flavored gown with extremely high red patent leather shoes that he wears to his mother's funeral. That's when we discover his humanity.

Pat Clopton has long been one of my favorite local actors and her performance in this play as a boozy floozy is played to perfection. Watching her try to put on lipstick with a cigarette dangling from her lips is a scene stealer. Shelley Sanders as Bitsy Mae Harling

is the first character we meet, as she sings the title song. She sings some other appropriate tunes throughout the play both on and off stage which adds a delightful diversion from watching the scene changes.

Others in the cast are: Sandra Dixon as a maniacal therapist who wants to prove she can turn a gay man straight; Brian Linthicum as GW Nethercott, Peggy's paramour; Kayleigh O'Connell as Noleta Nethercott, GW's outraged wife; Patrick Erhardt as Wardell Owens; Chet Gridley as Odell Owens; and Gil Perez as Reverend Barnes.

Director Scott Carpenter has put his damaged characters in situations that will keep you laughing throughout the two-hour play. You'll also find some heart in a few of them, and the dramatic ending sends a strong message.

I salute Lab Theater's Artistic Director Annette Trossbach for bringing this humorous, campy production our way.

*Sordid Lives* plays through October 1 at Laboratory Theater of Florida, located at 1634 Woodford Avenue in downtown Fort Myers. For tickets, call 218-0481 or go to [www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com](http://www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com).✱



Greg Baird

photo provided

## LGBTQ Lecture, Film Inspired By Pulse Shooting

**A**s a kick-off to LGBT Pride Week in Southwest Florida, Greg Baird, a national lecturer on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) civil rights and equality, will present a lecture on Sunday, October 1 titled *Disarming Hate & Bigotry: Building an Accepting & Inclusive Community*. The lecture will be held from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the theater at the Calusa Nature Center & Planetarium, located at 3450 Ortiz Avenue in Fort Myers.

Baird is an acclaimed lecturer, writer and filmmaker who speaks to audiences across the country to promote understanding and acceptance for LGBTQ people, including addressing anti-LGBTQ bullying and violence. Baird will share

stories about his experience coming out and living openly as a gay person, as well as discuss the current state of civil rights for LGBTQ people in the United States.

The lecture will also include a short film directed by Baird, *2:02 AM*, inspired by the Pulse nightclub shooting in Orlando last year that killed 49 people and injured 53 others, a majority of whom were LGBTQ young people. The film examines the impact of violence targeted at members of the LGBTQ community and how to respond by encouraging a more inclusive and accepting society.

General admission is \$20. Tickets to attend the lecture followed by a reception with wine and hors d'oeuvres from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. is \$50. This event is hosted by the Lee County LGBTQ Democratic Caucus as a fundraiser for the LGBTQ Community Fund of Southwest Florida, a fund of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation.

To purchase tickets, visit [www.disarminghatelecture.eventbrite.com](http://www.disarminghatelecture.eventbrite.com).

The weeklong series of events includes: LGBTQ Storytellers Night Lakes Regional Library (15290 Bass Road, Fort Myers) at Lakes Regional Library on Wednesday, October 4 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Free. Guest speakers from the LGBTQ community

in Southwest Florida will share their stories about coming out and living openly as LGBT people.

History of the LGBT Civil Rights Movement presentation by Hannah

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## A Classic With A Twist



Kelly Legarreta as Olive Madison and Katie Pankow as Florence Unger

photo provided

**T**he Off Broadway Palm Theatre presents *The Odd Couple: Female Version* playing now through Sunday, October 29. In 1985, Neil Simon revised the original *The Odd Couple* by replacing the two male leads with females. While the story line remained the same, the leads changed to Florence Unger and Olive Madison with scene adjustments like the poker game to Trivial Pursuit and the Pigeon sisters to the Costazuela brothers. A hilarious twist was born.

*The Odd Couple* is about a neurotic, neat freak that moves into the home of an uncouth and messy friend after a marital split. Within days, their differing ways of life start taking their toll, and the two are forced to agree that even the best of friends can make the worst of roommates.

Ticket prices range from \$39 to \$59 with group discounts available for parties of 20 or more. Call 278-4422, visit [www.BroadwayPalm.com](http://www.BroadwayPalm.com) or stop by the box office at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers to purchase tickets.✱





Guitarist/vocalist Chuck Fuechsel will speak and perform at the luncheon photo provided

## Luncheon To Feature Unique Presentation

The Southwest Florida Symphony Society will hear about The Sciences Behind Western Music during a luncheon at the Plantation Golf and Country Club on Friday, October 6. Doors open for the luncheon and program at 11:30 a.m.

Fort Myers resident Chuck Fuechsel, a retired NASA scientist, accomplished guitarist and vocalist, will give a capsule talk that will demonstrate the connections between the sciences and music from Bach to Rock. The program will include musical selections by Fuechsel on guitar and vocals. He will be joined by Pamela Simon, well-known area soprano. The duo has been entertaining clubs and residential facilities throughout the area for several years.

Reservations are required. Cost is \$25 per person, payable at the door by cash, check or credit card. Non-members are always welcome. Call 666-1230 for reservations.✱

## March Of Dimes Chefs Auction

One of Southwest Florida's most popular charity events, March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction, will return for its 28th year on Wednesday, October 11. The event, presented this year by the Higdon Group, begins at 6 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa.

A who's who of prominent area chefs will prepare their signature dishes created exclusively for the evening. Lead Chef Tommy Tarr of Seasons 52 will be joined by a stellar lineup of chefs from 14 of the area's most prominent restaurants, including Chef Bob Boye of CRU; Chef Roberto Cardenas of DeRomo's Gourmet Market & Restaurant; Chef Craig Panneton of Jack's Farm to Fork at The Pink Shell Resort; Chef Sal Velez of Matzaluna; Chef Alex Wannemacher of Real Seafood Company; Chef Osmany Acosta of The Restaurants of Seminole Casino Hotel; Chef Iggy Ortiz of Roy's Restaurant Bonita Springs; Chef Randy Partington of Ruth's Chris Steak House; Chef Michell Pina of Sunset Beach Tropical Grill; Chef Eugene Lyall of Tanglewood; Chef Gaston Sanchez of Tarpon Bay; Chef John Wolff of Thistle Lodge Beachfront Restaurant; Chef Larry Falisi of Two Guys Kitchen & Catering; and Chef Daniel Frier of The Veranda Restaurant.

Following the tasting dinner and silent auction, guests will be seated for

dessert and a spirited live auction featuring unique, once-in-a-lifetime experience packages, including an exclusive one-year family membership to Alico Family Golf with monthly golf lessons and tee times at some of the area's finest courses; a one-week stay at Resort in Cabo St. Lucas; and a lunch get-away with Sheriff Mike Scott. The evening program wraps up with a very special Fund the Mission.

"The Signature Chefs Auction is a wonderful opportunity to experience the diverse culinary talent in Southwest Florida while celebrating and supporting a great cause," said Bryon and Kellie McCartney, co-chairs of the 2017 event. "We are thrilled to have this gifted group of chefs join us in the March of Dimes mission to help give every baby a fighting chance."

Funds raised by Signature Chefs Auction help support prenatal wellness programs, research grants, neonatal intensive care unit (NICU) family support programs and advocacy efforts for moms and babies.

Today, one in every 10 U.S. infants is born premature, including one in nine in Florida. The March of Dimes is committed to funding research to find the answers to problems that continue to threaten the lives and health of babies.

Tables of 10 for the event are \$2,000, and individual tickets for the event are \$200 per person. To order tickets and for more information, visit [www.signaturechefs.org/SWFlorida](http://www.signaturechefs.org/SWFlorida), or contact the March of Dimes office at 271-2562.✱

## Churches/Temples

### ALL FAITHS UNITARIAN CONGREGATION

Sunday 10:30 a.m., 2756 McGregor Boulevard, [allfaiths-uc.org](http://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](http://annunciation.fl.goarch.org), 481-2099.

### BETH SHILOH MESSIANIC SYNAGOGUE

Friday 8 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. 15675 McGregor Boulevard, 437-3171.

### BIBLESHARE

10 a.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Tuesday, 7050 Winkler Rd, Suite 121, [www.simplysimpleworship.com](http://www.simplysimpleworship.com), 437-8835.

### 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](http://chabadswf.org), 433-7708.

### CHAPEL OF CYPRESS COVE

Sunday 10 a.m. 10200 Cypress Cove Circle, [revtedalhouse@aol.com](mailto:revtedalhouse@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](http://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](http://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](http://christiansciencefortmyers.net), [christianscience.com](http://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](http://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](http://lambogodchurch.net), 267-3525.

### NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER

Friday 6:30 and 7 p.m. 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, [nbcministry@embarqmail.com](mailto:nbcministry@embarqmail.com), [facebook.com/nbcministry](http://facebook.com/nbcministry), 656-0416.

### NEW COVENANT EYES

Monthly 9 a.m. 1900 Park Meadows Drive, [newcovenanteyes.com](http://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](http://www.newhopefortmyers.org), 274-1230.

### PEACE COMMUNITY

Sunday 10:30 a.m. www.17671 Pine Ridge Road, [peacecommunitychurch.com](http://peacecommunitychurch.com), 267-7400.

### PEACE LUTHERAN

Sunday 9:30 a.m. 15840 McGregor Boulevard, [www.peaceftmyers.com](http://www.peaceftmyers.com), [peace@peaceftmyers.com](mailto:peace@peaceftmyers.com), 437-2599.

### REDEEMER LUTHERAN

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.

### SAMUDRABADRA BUDDHIST CENTER

Meditation classes. MeditationInFortMyers.org, 567-9739.

### SAINT COLUMBKILLE CATHOLIC

Monday through Saturday 8 a.m.; Saturday 3 and 5 p.m.; Sunday 7, 9 and 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m. 12171 Iona Road, 489-3973.

### 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](http://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](http://templebethel.com), 433-0018.

### TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)

Friday 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. [tjswfl.org](http://tjswfl.org), 14486 A&W Bulb Road, 433-0201.

### THE NEW CHURCH

Sunday 11 a.m. 10811 Sunset Plaza Circle #401, [newchurchflorida.com](http://newchurchflorida.com), 481-5535.

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Sunday 10:30 a.m. 13411 Shire Lane, [uucfm.org](http://uucfm.org), 561-2700.

### UNITY OF FORT MYERS

Sunday 9:15 and 11 a.m. 11120 Ranchette Road, [unityoffortmyers.org](http://unityoffortmyers.org), 278-1511.

### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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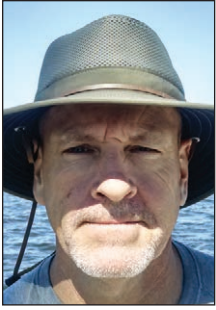
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Sunday 8, 9:30 and 10:45 a.m. 7401 Winkler Road, [zionfm.org](http://zionfm.org), 481-4040.✱



## CROW Case Of The Week:

## Fish Crow



by Bob Petcher

Most people are familiar with the American crow, but some are not privy to the fish crow (*Corvus ossifragus*). However, the fish crow is relatively common on Sanibel and

Captiva islands.

Fish crows are identified by their calls. The distinguishable nasal call is different than the American crow's full throated "caw" call. The fish crow call sounds more like "cow" due to the nasally and shorter sound.

Like all crows, the fish crow is known to be intelligent. It is also social and curious in nature.

While it is smaller than the American crow on average and possesses shorter wingtips than its cousin, the fish crow does have a stout bill and a fuller black color than the American crow. It can be found in flocks, sometimes with the American species, but tends to stay around bodies of water.

At CROW, an adult fish crow was admitted from Cape Coral on September 19. The feathers on its left wing were reportedly frayed. Many of those feathers were damaged so bad that only the rachis (central shaft of the

feather) remained.

CROW officials stated the barbs/ barbules of the feathers were curled and appeared to be burnt. Some feathers on the left side of the tail and back were also in the same poor condition. Electrocutation was initially suspected to be the cause of the condition. However, no wounds were noted on the feet where a point of entry and exit would naturally be.

"We cannot really know for sure what happened to the crow. It is still possible that it was an electrocution, but may not have traveled through the crow's body," said Dr. Julia Hill, CROW veterinary intern regarding the fish crow.

Even with the injured feathers, the fish crow's left wing maintains good motor ability and extension, according to CROW officials. Medically, the patient was anesthetized, and every other feather was pulled to facilitate new feather growth. It was also started on anti-inflammatory and pain medication.

"Birds can fly with several missing primary and secondary feathers, however, if too many are missing in a row, they will not be able to get lift or maneuver," said Dr. Hill. "By removing every other damaged feather at one time, we give it the best chance at being able to fly when those new feathers grow back."

Dr. Hill further stated the patient should see new feather growth right away.

"When a feather is pulled from its



Patient #17-3314 is awaiting new feathers to grow in before being moved to an outdoor enclosure.

photo by Brian Bohlman

follicle, a new one will begin growing immediately, but it will take a week or two for the feather to fully grow out," she said.

The fish crow will remain in the hospital so that feather re-growth can be monitored closely.

"As soon as healthy new feathers are seen growing in, it will be moved outside to recondition and practice flying," said Dr. Hill. "The patient will need to be able to fly before release."

Cases such as this may appear to be rare, but CROW medical officials have basically seen it all.

"Fish crows are common on the island, and we see a fair number at CROW," added Dr. Hill. "We see more baby crows than adults. This case is pretty unusual, but we have seen electrocuted crows in the past."

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# Banging Hot September Redfish Action



by Capt.  
Matt Mitchell

September action as advertised is as good as it gets on both redfish and snook. The abundance of gamefish and the noticeable lack of boats on the water

are just that perfect combination. Schools of hundreds of over slot-sized redfish are roaming shallow flats during the low tide periods within close proximity to the flats. The amount of attention these schooling redfish attract is amazing with sharks, birds, jacks and dolphins all around them as they eat everything in sight.

Fishing these schools of redfish whenever possible through October is some of my favorite fishing of the year. Most of the mature redfish in these schools are 30 inches and larger and just make for great sight fishing when conditions are right. Spotting these schools is easiest during low tide, light wind conditions. Once you locate them, you can often return to the same areas on the flats for a few days in a row successfully until the tide pattern changes. These redfish will eat basically anything thrown out in front of them from cut bait to live bait to spoons and topwater plugs. Having a bait that you can cast along the way when these fish



Mary Laser with one of the redfish she caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

photo provided

pop up is the main objective.

Big jacks often are mixed in with all these redfish and at times outrun the charging redfish to get your bait. The majority of this incredible redfish action happens in really shallow water. Once you get these fish in casting distance, its not unusual for every angler on board to be hooked up at the same time. One of the hottest spots all week was out in the open water on the shallow flats around Hemp Key. Patience can pay off big time. Be rigged and ready when the opportunity presents itself as often you will only get a few shots at a school before it moves on or

drops off into deeper water.

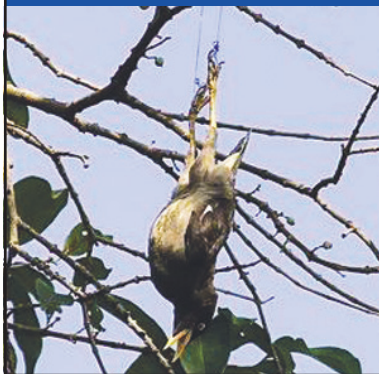
During the higher tide periods, the better redfish action has been fishing under the mangroves and around oysters bars. Although this bite is not usually as fast-paced as fishing the open water schools, I have pulled a half dozen or so reds off one tiny little shoreline with the majority of these fish falling in the slot size. Tail-hooked pinfish are my bait of choice for this and work as good if not better than any other kind of bait this time of year.

If you need a break from all that post-Irma yard work or just need some quality time on the water, pick up the phone and put a Florida fishing guide back to work.

Many of my fellow guides all over the state are suffering from a post-hurricane slump. According to our national news, the whole state of Florida looks out of business. This is not really the case at all. Only a few parts of our state are in a rebuilding mode. For the rest of us, it's been business as usual.

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

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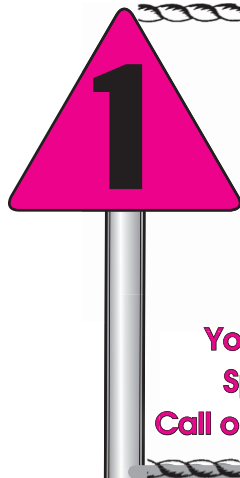
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## Plant Smart

## Tropical White Morning-Glory



**Tropical white morning-glory's long slender buds and showy flowers are often present simultaneously**

by Gerri Reaves

**T**ropical white morning-glory (*Ipomoea alba*) is a native herbaceous vine whose natural habitat in Florida is hardwood hammocks, thickets and mangroves.

This member of the morning-glory family also grows in fields and along roadsides and canals.

The word *Ipomoea* is Greek for "worm-like" and refers to the twining stems. *Alba* means white.

It's a fast grower, producing stems up to 20 feet long and gorgeous fragrant flowers that bloom throughout the year.



**This native vine's twining stems can be as long as 20 feet. Leaves vary in shape, from heart- to arrow-shaped.**  
photos by Gerri Reaves

Hardy and easy to grow, it will even manage in nutrient-poor soil.

It grows in full sun to partial shade and is moderately salt and drought tolerant. So well does it thrive that in many states it's listed as a noxious weed.

It will easily cover a fence or trellis and can also be invasive in some situations.

The long slender fluted buds do not necessarily bloom simultaneously, so both buds and blooms coexist on the stems.

The white funnel-shaped flowers measure up to six inches across and are shallowly five-lobed.

One notable and subtly beautiful feature: the five greenish ridges – radial stripes or "nectar glides" – that run from the outer edges into the yellowish throat.

Flowers tend to bloom late in the day and wilt the next morning. That evening opening attracts night-flying sphinx moths and inspires another common name, moonflower.

The dark green leaves are four to eight inches long and soft-textured. Varying plant to plant, they can be heart- or arrow-shaped.

The stems might be smooth or prickled and exude a milky sap that can cause skin irritation.

The large white seeds are contained in

flattened rough capsules. The seeds were used in traditional religious ceremonies in Mexico and are prepared and eaten in India.

Cooked young leaves are edible, but the raw seeds are toxic.

This vine can be grown in pots too. Propagate it with seeds or runners, or just let it reseed.

Sources: *National Audubon Society Field Guide to Florida* by Peter Alden et al., *Everglades Wildflowers* by Roger L. Hammer, *Wild Plants for Survival in South Florida* by Julia F. Morton, and [www.floridata.com](http://www.floridata.com).

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

## Conservation 20/20 Land Sale Approved

**T**he Lee Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) recently voted unanimously to purchase about 4,000 acres in southeast Lee County – commonly known as Edison Farms – as a Conservation 20/20

preservation site.

County commissioners have made preserving Edison Farms a top legislative priority for the past two years. It is an example of the type of environmentally critical land that the Conservation 20/20 program was created to protect and that voters overwhelmingly endorsed with an 84 percent majority late last year.

The \$42.4 million purchase ranks as the largest single parcel approved by the BOCC since the purchase of Bob Janes Preserve, which is 5,620 acres.

Edison Farms is adjacent to Hidden Cypress Preserve, a Conservation 20/20 preserve, and lands maintained by the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed. The land includes habitat for listed species such as the Florida panther and the woodstork.

The acquisition of the Edison Farms parcel would:

Protect a significant, diverse population of wildlife and plant communities.

Assist with the distribution of freshwater flows in a natural wetland slough system and adjacent uplands that are part of the headwaters to Estero Bay, the state's first aquatic preserve.

Help sustain the region's groundwater levels, a vital component to the area's drinking water supply.

Provide flood relief by facilitating the restoration of historic flow-ways in the region.

Provide opportunities for nature-based recreation in the southern part of Lee County.

The Edison Farms purchase is expected to close by the end of the calendar year.

Conservation 20/20, which has preserved more than 25,000 acres since its inception, is Lee County's environmental acquisition and management program. Preservation lands help the county protect drinking water, provide nature-based recreational opportunities, protect areas from flooding and provide wildlife habitat.\*

## Library Move Postponed

**T**he planned move of the North Fort Myers Library to its temporary location has been rescheduled to October 7 to 9 due to Hurricane Irma.

The move is scheduled to occur in preparation for the construction of the new North Fort Myers Library. The existing library will move to a temporary location nearby at 50 Pine Island Road North in North Fort Myers. The current library will close at 5 p.m. Saturday, October 7, and reopen in the temporary facility at noon Tuesday, October 10. Materials can be returned to the book drop at the temporary location beginning 5 p.m. Saturday, October 7.

For the period of construction, the temporary site will offer the basic services: public computers, holds pickup, new materials, popular materials (books & DVDs), youth programming area and reference Services. The temporary location

hours include noon to 8 p.m. Tuesday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday; and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The library is closed Sunday and Monday.

Construction of the new library will begin after demolition of the current facility. The new library will be about 25,000 square feet and is expected to open in the summer of 2019. The \$12.5 million construction cost will be paid from existing library fund balances.

The Lee County Library System serves Lee County with books, downloadable e-books, digital content, Books-by-Mail, a bookmobile, e-sources, music and films, programs and meeting space.

To acquire a free Lee County Library System library card, visit [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net) to apply online, or stop by any branch. Information about Lee County Library System is available for your convenience 24/7 at [www.leelibrary.net](http://www.leelibrary.net) where you can find out about library services, programs, locations, view an online events calendar or place a hold on library items. Telephone reference is available at 479-4636.\*

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Yurley Gutierrez recently became a new member to the Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club photos provided

## Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Adds Three Members

The Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis has added three new members to the club roster – Yurley Gutierrez, Linda Petrik and a corporate member – Blessings in a Backpack SWFL with the primary contact of Cecilia St. Arnold.

Gutierrez, a Cape Coral resident, is a social worker with the Lighthouse of SWFL Inc. Her agency works with

the blind and visually impaired and has partnered with the club on community projects in the past. Petrik, a Fort Myers resident, is retired from postal service. Blessings in a Backpack SWFL provides students at more than 10 schools in Lee and Collier counties with weekend backpacks with ready-to-eat food items. Arnold, a Fort Myers resident, is the executive director of Blessings in a Backpack SWFL.

The club has added 16 new members to the roster since October 2016, making it seventh in the Florida district in membership net growth out of 251 clubs.



Linda Petrik joined the Fort Myers Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club

The Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club is looking for more service-minded individuals and business professionals who would like to make a direct impact on the community through volunteering. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. in Fort Myers. For details on joining the Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club, please



Blessings in a Backpack SWFL has become a corporate member with the primary contact of Cecilia St. Arnold

call membership chair Stewart Ross at 507-304-1624 or club president Harris Segel at 239-939-4027. Interested individuals or businesses can also email [stewart.ross@mnsu.edu](mailto:stewart.ross@mnsu.edu) or [harris@pampered-pooch.com](mailto:harris@pampered-pooch.com). The Metro-McGregor Kiwanis Club can be found on Facebook or online at [www.metro-mcgregor.com](http://www.metro-mcgregor.com).✱

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## LGBTQ Lecture

Willard, public policy director for Equality Florida, at Florida Gulf Coast University Library (10501 FGCU Boulevard South, Fort Myers) on Thursday, October 5 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Willard will provide an overview of the LGBT civil rights movement and milestones that have advanced equality for LGBT people, including the direction the movement is heading into the future.

Tied with Pride gala and fundraiser for the LGBT Community Fund of Southwest Florida at Crowne Plaza (13051 Bell Tower Drive, Fort Myers) on Friday, October 6 from 6:30 to 11 p.m., Suggested \$5 donation. The evening will include music, raffle prizes, a silent auction and cash bar. Recommended attire is cocktail casual. Guests are encouraged to wear a bowtie or tie, or any outfit to show support for the LGBT community.

9th annual SWFL Pride at Alliance for the Arts (10091 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers) on Saturday, October 7 from noon to 5:30 p.m. Donations accepted at the door. Free parking. This outdoor family-friendly event will include live entertainment from the amphitheater, games, activities, and plenty of food and drinks. Bring a chair or blanket for the entertainment. Please no coolers or pets.

SWFL Pride Tea Dance at Celsius Nightclub (2213 Main Street, Fort Myers) on Sunday, October 8 from 2 to 6 p.m. Donations accepted at the door. Join the Pride-SWFL board for an afternoon of dancing and good music. For ages 21 and up.

For more information about the LGBT Community Fund of Southwest Florida, visit [www.lgbtswfl.com](http://www.lgbtswfl.com). For more information about Pride SWFL, event information, or to become a vendor or volunteer at the festival visit [www.prideswfl.org](http://www.prideswfl.org).✱



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## Professional Development Seminar Planned

The Southwest Florida Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association (FPRA) will hold its annual professional development seminar, PR University, at Florida SouthWestern State College (FSW) on Thursday, October 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This year's PR University, PR is Universal, will focus on public relations as a universally smart investment in every industry. One of the featured speakers is Kena Lewis, APR, director of media relations and public affairs for Orlando Health, who will present Crisis Communications and Media Relations. Lewis will recount her experiences as the lead spokeswoman for Orlando Health in the wake of the Pulse Nightclub tragedy.

PR University is an award-winning professional development seminar that will bring together some of the best local and national public relations professionals to examine how PR skills help stakeholders, clients and companies navigate their universes.

Additional topics and speakers for the event include:

How to Create an Advocacy Program with Nanette Schimpf, APR, CPRC, VP and advocacy lead for Moore Communications Group in Tallahassee. Schimpf will teach attendees how to create awareness of



**Kena Lewis**

photos provided

giving back within your organization.

From Launch to Mars with Kennedy Space Center Visitors Complex digital marketing manager Christine Selby Regan. She will give an informative presentation on how Kennedy Space Center planned and implemented its Summer of Mars multi-platform communications and education campaign.

How to Create a Media Relations Toolkit with Heather Champine, media relations partner and vice president of



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Reputation Recovery with former U.S. Congressman Trey Radel. Radel will speak on how to prepare and execute a reputation recovery plan after a scandal, and how to avoid one in the first place.

The seminar will begin at 8 a.m. with registration check-in, networking and a continental breakfast followed by each speaker's 45-minute presentation beginning at 9 a.m. Lunch and

refreshments will also be served. Register today at [www.fpraswfl.org/event-registration/](http://www.fpraswfl.org/event-registration/). Prices are \$65 for FPRA members, \$95 for non-members and \$40 for students.

PR is Universal is sponsored by: Cape Coral Parks and Recreation, Gulfshore Business, Media Relations Agency, Mehta Communications, Shell Point Retirement Community, Jennifer J. Edwards: Supervisor of Elections and Tow Boat U.S.

FSW is located at 8099 College Parkway in Fort Myers.\*

## Continental Women's Club

The Continental Women's Club will meet at The Hideaway Country Club on Thursday, October 5 at 11:30 a.m.

October's program will be a style show presented by Anthony's. Cost to attend the luncheon is \$22.

The Continental Women's Club's Game Day will be held at Cross Creek Country Club on Tuesday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$22.50, which includes a buffet luncheon and lots of fun. For reservations and more information on Game Day, call 415-7770.

The Hideaway Country Club is located at 5670 Trailwinds Drive in Fort Myers. For more information, call 691-7561.\*

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## LeeSar/CSF Announces New President, CEO



Bob Boswell photo provided

The Boards of Directors of LeeSar and Cooperative Services of Florida, Inc. (CSF) have announced Bob Boswell as president and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), effective October 9. Boswell will oversee strategic initiatives, manage day to day operations, and is responsible for overall performance of the medical supply chain and group purchasing organization.

"Bob has a strong and successful track record as strategic leader," said David Verinder, chairman of the board

for LeeSar, Inc. & Cooperative Services of Florida, Inc. "Under his leadership and surrounded by our experienced and skilled executive team and employees, I'm confident LeeSar and CSF will enjoy a smooth transition and continue to expand and evolve to meet the needs of our customers and colleagues across the region."

Boswell brings more than 35 years' experience in supply chain management, with extensive expertise in procurement, contract management and multi-hospital logistics.

Since 2008, he has served as system vice president of Supply Chain for OhioHealth, and previously was the health system's corporate director of contracts, purchasing and accounts payable. He has a strong record of implementing successful strategies to improve value, quality and service, building employee and customer loyalty, and strengthening relationships with hospital affiliates and medical staff.

Boswell is actively involved in community and health care organizations, including serving as a board member for the American Red Cross of Greater Columbus and the Vizient National Supply and Large IDN Executive Councils.

Boswell will succeed Bob Simpson, LeeSar/CSF president and CEO since 2002, who will retire from these roles in October.

"Bob Boswell is a welcomed addition to LeeSar/CSF and Southwest Florida," said Larry Antonucci, MD, MBA, Lee Health president and CEO. "His experience, leadership, and supply chain and group purchasing skills will keep Lee Health and all of the other hospitals, health systems and health care facilities operating in the most cost-effective and efficient manner."\*

### Financial Focus

## Protect Three Key Goals With Life Insurance



by Jennifer Basey

September is Life Insurance Awareness Month. And "awareness" is an appropriate designation, because many people remain unaware of the many ways in which life insurance can

help families meet their key financial goals.

Here are three of the biggest of these objectives, as seen through the eyes of a hypothetical couple, Jim and Joan:

- Pay off mortgage – Jim and Joan have a 30-year mortgage. If one of them dies well before that mortgage is paid off, could the other one afford to keep making payments to remain in the house with the children? It might be quite difficult – many families absolutely need two incomes to pay a mortgage, along with all the other costs of living. At the very least, the death of either Jim or Joan would likely put an enormous financial strain on the surviving spouse. But with the proceeds of a life insurance policy, the survivor could continue making the house payments – or possibly even pay the mortgage off completely, depending on the size of the policy and other financial considerations.

- Educate children – Higher education is important to Jim and Joan, and they'd like to see both of their young children eventually go to college. Of course, college is expensive: For the 2016-17 school year, the average cost (tuition, fees, room and board) was about \$20,000 for in-state students at public universities and more than \$45,000 for private schools, according to the College Board. And these

costs are likely to continue climbing. Jim and Joan have started putting money away in a tax-advantaged 529 savings plan, but if something were to happen to one of them, the surviving spouse might be hard pressed to continue these savings at the same level – or at any level. But the proceeds of a life insurance death benefit could be enough to fund some, or perhaps all, of the college costs for Jim and Joan's children.

- Provide for family's future – Jim and Joan's future income is their most valuable asset as they continue working. However, an unexpected death could leave this dual-income family with a single income that may not cover all financial obligations and retirement contributions – or even preserve the family's current lifestyle. Life insurance could help cover these needs. Plus, the death benefit to the family may be tax-free.

Clearly, a life insurance policy could allow Jim or Joan to continue on with life, despite, of course, the devastating emotional loss of a partner. But how much insurance should they own? You might read that most people need a death benefit of seven to 10 times their annual income. This might be a good starting point, but everyone's situation is different. You should consider all factors – including liabilities, income replacement, final expenses and education – to get an accurate picture of how much insurance is appropriate. A financial professional can help you with this calculation.

During Life Insurance Awareness Month, take some time to review your insurance situation. You may already have some life insurance, but it's a good idea to review your coverage to make certain the amount and type of insurance is still appropriate for your needs. As we've seen, the right coverage can make a huge difference in the lives of your loved ones.

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## Safety Director To Speak At Conference

Florida SouthWestern State College's (FSW) Director of Public Safety Rick Parfitt will be speaking during the National Behavior Intervention Team Association (NaBITA) Conference in November in San Antonio, Texas. Parfitt will present Marketing Safety on Campus: What's Important to Know and How to Get This Information to Our Community.

"In addition to the community policing we do and sessions we host to educate our students, faculty and staff about campus safety, it's also important to effectively communicate internally and externally," said Parfitt.

He most recently presented during the Association of Florida Colleges (AFC) Marketing and Communications Commission's The Great 28 Conference held in July at FSW.

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Rick Parfitt

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**T**hat was a bumper sticker I used to see in the winter all over Florida interstates on cars driven by "snowbirds" who were vacationing from the cold

winters of the north.

Those bumper stickers seem to have disappeared for reasons unknown to me. But, presumably, the potential bequests, estimated to be in the trillions of dollars, are still intact.

When it comes to passing assets to the next generation, how should they be divided up? Most people would say that it is only fair to pass equal shares to each offspring, that anything else would not be fair. But is that always the case or are there exceptions to that rule?

Such decisions should be made only in consultation with an attorney, who should be the one to draw up the will and any other papers the effect the bequests. But I can think of several families where equal bequests should not be arranged.

Perhaps the most common example is that of blended families. When divorce and remarriage lead to families where some of the kids have one but not both parents in common, decisions have to be made about how to divide up the estate, often in ways that do not result in equal shares. It may be desirable to take into account any bequests to kids that are planned by the biological parents.

Another family situation that may warrant unequal bequests includes a child or adult with special physical or psychological needs. And this category should include behavioral disorders such as alcohol or drug abuse. Perhaps a larger portion of the estate should be focused on the future care for those offspring. Or, perhaps equal shares can be allocated to each but with the share of the needy offspring placed in trust for his or her sole benefit and intended to

provide for that heir's long-term welfare.

There are, sadly, some families wherein relationships have soured beyond repair. In some of these cases, the mother or father may be intent on partially or fully cutting that child out of all estate plans. An attorney has told me that in these cases, the parent should make it very clear in the will that this move was intended. Otherwise, he says, the slighted heir may try to argue that it was caused by an oversight, an error or a loss of cognitive ability.

A planning topic that is often difficult to navigate is the succession in ownership of a business. Often, one or two offspring become active in the business and thus become the heirs apparent. What about the remaining offspring? Are there enough other estate assets to equalize the bequests? Otherwise, do they come on as silent owners, owning but not having a say in running the enterprise? (Such silent owners usually want periodic distribution of income in the form of dividends while the active owners prefer to plow the earnings back into the business.) In this scenario, it is hard to divvy things up equitably.

An increasingly common family dynamic occurs when a parent needs periodic or ongoing attention in a home-health-care situation. Family members, usually spouses, daughters or daughters-in-law, often volunteer or are kind of drafted to help out even when some paid care is available and affordable. The costs to such family caregivers can be enormous in terms of lost pay, lost opportunity at work, sickness and fatigue. Should Mom or Dad reward that burdened caregiver with a special share of the estate distribution? How will the other siblings feel about that?

In many cases where assets are too monolithic to be divided equally or when there simply are not enough assets to go around, life insurance on the estate owner can solve the problem. A policy payable to the heir who would otherwise be slighted or who has earned special consideration can bestow a chosen amount of tax-free cash. No one but the beneficiary of that policy need know about it. And, if wishes change in the future, a future change of beneficiary is simple, speedy, private and cost-free.

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## Food Assistance Provided After Hurricane Irma

**T**he State of Florida, in partnership with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), recently provided \$133 million in Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program benefits for current food assistance recipients in areas most severely impacted by Hurricane Irma. On September 15, DCF received a waiver of regulations from the USDA to make the mass benefit replacement possible.

This effort, coordinated by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), helps current food assistance households that lost food destroyed by the storm or due to power outages. The action provides aid to nearly 1.5 million households in 52 counties.

Households received 40 percent of the amount of their regular September benefits amount. Benefits were automatically loaded into each household's Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) account and households can use the benefits in USDA authorized retailers.

More information about food assistance is available at [www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/](http://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/)✪

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## Book Review

## Magpie Murders

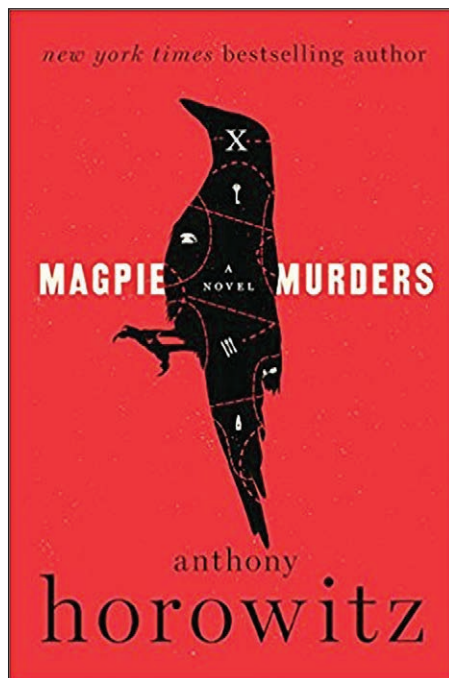
by Di Saggau



**M**agpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz is a novel within a novel, a riveting thriller that interweaves a classic whodunit worthy of Agatha Christie, with an equally ingenious modern-

day mystery that transforms the reader into the detective. The book begins with a warning from Alan Conway's editor, Susan Ryeland. Conway is a writer of Agatha Christie-style whodunits, and this is the ninth in his series involving detective Atticus Pund. Susan lets us know that the book changed her life. She warns the reader that this will also happen to them.

The book kicks off with the funeral of a devoted housekeeper to Sir Magnus Pye. Mary Elizabeth Blakiston has been found dead at the bottom of a steep staircase. She had been vacuuming in Pye Hall, and her demise has all the signs of an accident until Sir Magnus himself follows her in death. He's beheaded with a sword normally displayed with a full suit of armor in Pye Hall. There are several suspects, Reverend Robin Osborne and his wife, Henrietta; Mary's son, Robert and his fiancée, Joy Sanderling; Joy's boss, surgeon Emilia Redwing, and her elderly father; antiques dealer Johnny and Gemma Whitehead; Magnus' twin sister,



Clarissa; and Lady Frances Pye and her inevitable lover, investor Jack Dartford. It's an intriguing cast of suspects.

Susan is undecided as to who is the killer, when she realizes the last chapter of the book is missing. She decides to solve the case herself and ends up in a mind-boggling variety of games whose solutions cast new light on murders both fictional and nonfictional. The more she reads, the more she realizes that there's another story hidden in the pages of the manuscript, one of ambition, jealousy and greed.

The combination of reverence and irreverence makes the book irresistible for

those of us with mixed emotions about our crime-fiction addiction. As Susan digs into Alan's personal life, she learns that he has included hidden anagrams, thematic character names and other rhetorical devices to keep the writing process

interesting for himself. But it's the readers who get the last laugh as the games lead to the ultimate twist. "Magpie Murders" is a deviously dark take on vintage crime fiction. It's the thinking mystery fan's ideal summer thriller.✧

## School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

**D**ear Shelley, My twins are just starting Kindergarten, and I want to help them as much as I can. Of course reading is a big concern. They seem to like books,

and I read to them, but I know there's a lot more to reading than just liking books and sounding out words. What exactly does reading involve?

Tina G., Cape Coral

**Tina,**

Learning to read well is a complex behavior. Reading is an important skill for all students to learn. It is essentially the basis of nearly all learning, and a basic requirement to progress in life. However, for students just beginning to explore reading, it can be an intimidating process. Parents can help their children by building a strong foundation of reading. Below is a brief discussion of the skills used in reading and some suggestions on how to help your children build their skills.

Reading is a skill that requires several abilities working together to be able to become proficient. If a child is weak in any of those abilities, it can impact the ability to read. Here are some of the skills and abilities required for a child to learn how to read. Each of these abilities can be broken down into even more specific aspects when necessary:

**Visual processing.** A reader must be able to correctly perceive what is seen in order to read. If one has difficulty remembering symbols or order of symbols, he or she may struggle with remembering site words. A person who has difficulty with spatial relations might also have difficulty viewing letters or words in the correct order. This might be the problem when the student struggles with reversals past the normal developmental period, or has difficulty remembering b/d, 6/9, etc.

**Phonological processing.** A reader will need to have good processing of sounds and be able to interpret what letters make each sound. Phonological processing includes blending words, rhyming, and being able to differentiate between similar sounds. Phonological processing is particularly important in the early stages of learning to read.

**Auditory processing.** A reader must be able to correctly interpret auditory information in order to learn basic reading skills. A child that struggles to understand what he or she has heard will have difficulty with learning the foundations for reading or understanding books that have been read aloud.

**Processing speed (fluency).** A reader will need to be able to quickly process the written information in order to derive

meaning. When a student is a slow reader, it is often difficult to remember words from the beginning of a sentence. This often affects comprehension.

**Working memory.** A reader needs to be able to remember what has already been read, even while reading new words. A person has to be able to remember the previous paragraph, even while moving on to the next paragraph. Early readers need to be able to remember the letter sounds and memorize site words to be strong readers.

**Comprehension.** A reader must be able to comprehend and interpret what is read. Even a person who can decode words easily must be able to make meaning of those words. Comprehension requires strong reasoning skills.

Here are some suggestions to help your child build their reading skills.

Teach an appreciation of words.

Sharing stories is the easiest way to get students interested in reading.

Create language awareness. Before students can even begin to read, they have to understand how books work. Show them the proper way to hold a book, how the story is read from left to right and top to bottom, and use books with large print to get children accustomed to seeing words.

**ABCs.** The ABCs are an important part of learning to read. Help children to recognize letters and the sounds that they make through creative methods.

**Instill phonemic awareness.** Phonemic awareness is the idea that words are composed of sequences of sounds. Focus on how words are pronounced, focusing on the constant sounds, as well as long and short vowel sounds. Have them sound out different words on worksheets and identify the different sounds in simple words.

**Share the relationship between sounds and letters.** Once students are aware that words are made of sounds, you can introduce how each different letter makes a different sound or sounds. Start with commonly used letters like M or T, which are more distinct to pronounce.

**Sound out words.** As students learn that different letters make different sounds, they can start to sound out small familiar words. Start at the left of the word, sounding out each letter and gradually blending them together until they can recognize the word.

**Read daily.** By encouraging children to read often, they will develop their own love of books. Get a library card, and teach children how to check out books. Help them find books in topics in which they are interested. Like any other skill, the more students read, the better they will become.

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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*



# Entrepreneurs Ready For Startup Weekend

Entrepreneurs in Southwest Florida won't let Hurricane Irma stop them from gathering for Startup Weekend to build companies from scratch.

The inaugural Southwest Florida Startup Weekend will take place Friday, October 6, Saturday, October 7 and Sunday, October 8 at Endeavor Innovative Workspaces, 8831 Business Park Drive unit 301 in Fort Myers. Cost is \$70 per person and \$25 for students. To register, go to [www.startupweekend.org/](http://www.startupweekend.org/) and type "Fort Myers" in the search field.

"We invite Startup Weekend participants and any entrepreneurs whose offices have been damaged by the hurricane to use our cowork space at no cost through September," said Bjorn Rosinus, the CEO of Endeavor Innovative Workspaces. Endeavor provides office and meeting space for entrepreneurs, professionals and small businesses for a monthly membership fee.

Sponsors of Startup Weekend include iHeartMedia, Red Sneakers Mobile Marketing & Communications, Cape Marketing Group, Be Brilliant! Marketing, Comcast Business, Gulfshore Business, Flagler Insurance, Dr Pepper Snapple, 105.5 The Beat, Cat Country 107.1, Y 100.1, bai, BodyArmor SuperDrink, Core, High Brew Coffee and Vita Coco.

Additional sponsorships are available

from \$500 to \$10,000. For more information about sponsorships, contact Endeavor Innovative Workspace CEO Kenneth Bupp at 785-3399 or [ken@endeavorworkspaces.com](mailto:ken@endeavorworkspaces.com).

Startup Weekends are 54-hour events designed to provide superior experiential education for technical and non-technical entrepreneurs. Beginning with Friday night pitches and continuing through brainstorming, business-plan development and basic prototype creation, Startup Weekends culminate in Sunday night demos and presentations to a seasoned panel of investors and entrepreneurs.

At the start of the event, nearly 75 startup entrepreneurs will make brief one-minute pitches to each other and create 10 to 15 teams after they've selected the best ideas. Experienced entrepreneurs will pitch in to help mentor the teams and provide guidance throughout the weekend.

Startup Weekend is run by local organizers in 700 cities and 150 countries worldwide with help from Techstars, an entrepreneur network which provides a facilitator for each event. Speakers and judges for Startup Weekend in Fort Myers will include Louis Bruno, president of Bruno Air Conditioning; Norman Love, chef, president and founder of Norman Love Confections; and Bud Stoddard, a serial entrepreneur and founding member of Tamiami Angel Funds.

Although venture-capital investors will be present at Startup Weekend, entrepreneurs will not be competing for investments. However, noncash prizes such as branding consultations, website development and office space will be awarded to the winners, Rosinus said.✱

## Superior Interiors

# Make It Your Bedroom



by Linda Coin

Much more than just the place you sleep, today's master bedroom should function as a truly personal in-home retreat. The private nature of this room invites the indulgence of sumptuous

fabrics, heirlooms and collectibles or an exquisite rug, which might be in jeopardy in other areas of the home.

Filling its role as the room's focal point, the bed may be dramatically sleek or elaborately draped, and should make a strong statement in the room's interior while imparting an ambience of luxury and leisure. Nothing says custom more than exquisite bed coverings with beautiful accent pillows. And contrary to what every "bed-in-a-bag retailer" would have us believe, beds with varying frames, box springs and mattresses are not standard sizes. Custom design includes custom fitting.

Possibly more than in any other area of the home, window treatments need to be both beautiful and functional. Providing there is a nice view, the window treatments should be designed to completely clear the windows when opened. Styles,

fabrics, trim, hardware and fabrication techniques can vary tremendously to satisfy both function and beauty.

A small love seat or chaise positioned at the foot of the bed can serve a dual role as a comfy nest for reading and as a rest for folding back the bed cover at night. If space is at a premium, try two easy chairs facing each other with an ottoman between. Side tables are growing even larger to provide storage and table top space for the accessories of this user-friendly "nest." The two bedside tables needn't be identical, but should reflect the personal needs of the individual sleeper. In fact, current styles don't call for the traditional "bedroom set" at all, but invite creativity and better functionality with individual pieces that work well together.

Deep, rich wall colors create a sense of tranquility as well as a hint of drama in a bedroom. Rugs, draperies, wall paper, furniture and plants all can act as important sound absorbing elements to provide an intimate setting or solitude. A large, custom framed floor-length mirror can add interest as well as serve for dressing purposes. Lighting must also be carefully selected. Lamps with three-way switches allow for reading and task lighting while offering a low setting to soften the mood.

A wonderful master bedroom, even with minimal extra square footage, should be used as an integral part of your living space. Make it personal, cozy, functional and private, and you'll find yourself retreating there more often than ever before.

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# Musical Trip

almost all the hands were raised. The same question posed to the cast resulted in blank looks because obviously they were probably not even thought about at that time. But the way they belted out the songs, you'd swear there was a reincarnation. These young performers had us laughing and singing along, and it was a most memorable evening.

Written by Victor Legarreta, this is without a doubt one of the best musical revues I have ever seen and I've seen many. In the program Legarreta said, "My goal with this revue is, for the next couple of hours, to forget the day to day struggles and drama that may be going on in your real life and escape to a time when music was your life." Little did he know how much that statement would affect us. And for two hours, that's what we did. The music became our life.

The cast, Kira Galindo, Shawday Graves, Katherine Lozon, Chasdan Ross Mike, Christopher Trimboli and Evan Woods Gunter, never stop moving and singing, and putting their hearts and souls into performing over 40 musical numbers. There was a tribute to the Jackson Five, and theme songs from television shows such as *Love*

*Boat, Happy Days, All In The Family* and many more.

Numerous individual artists were remembered in songs such as *Sweet Caroline, American Pie, Twist and Shout, Stayin' Alive, Leaving On a Jet Plane*, and *YMCA*. The audience absolutely loved it. Each cast member has their own chance to shine in solo numbers, and what a treat. Musical director Loren Strickland and his orchestra, positioned on stage, raise the bar with their marvelous accompaniment.

In addition to all the great song and dance numbers, the costumes and wigs transformed the cast into a time warp that took us back to the fashions of those two eras. Who could forget the white patent leather high top boots of the '60s and the leather fringe jackets of the '70s? One of the most amazing things is that Legarreta wrote, directed and choreographed *Groovin'*. Kudos to you kiddo.

There's still time for you to take in the show so hurry and make reservations. *Groovin'* plays through October 7 at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, located at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. For tickets, you can stop by the box office, call 278-4422 or go online to [www.BroadwayPalm.com](http://www.BroadwayPalm.com).✱

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# Twins Fire Successful Miracle Manager For No Given Reason



by Ed Frank

Doug Mientkiewicz, the most successful manager in the history of the Fort Myers Miracle baseball team, was fired last week by the Minnesota Twins with little explanation from the Twins front office.

In his five years as manager in the Twins organization, three with High A Miracle and two with Double A Chattanooga, he guided his teams into postseason play four of those seasons, including league titles with the Miracle in 2014 and Chattanooga in 2015.

Fort Myers' championship in 2014 was the first in franchise history.

His dismissal was indeed surprising and strange. When asked for the reason, the Twins would only say, "We decided to not renew his contract for 2018."

Mientkiewicz managed the Miracle in 2013 and 2014, Chattanooga in 2015 and 2016, returning to the Miracle this past season. His team won the Florida State League South Division championship in the second half.

There were reports that Mientkiewicz had been selected by the Twins to manage their team this year in the Arizona Fall League, recognizing his managerial accomplishments. However, he turned the job down, explaining he wanted to remain with his wife, Jodi, who is slated to have heart surgery.

The family resides in Islamorada, Florida. That area suffered damage during the recent hurricane. He reportedly was clearing debris in the area when he received a call from Brad Steil, the Twins director of minor league operations, that he was dismissed.

The fiery Mientkiewicz earned the reputation for his skill in helping young players advance their careers – such players as Miquel Sano, Max Kepler, Byron Buxton and many others. Several have expressed their disappointment over his firing.

Without prior managing experience, Mientkiewicz, a former first-baseman for the Twins from 1998 to 2004, was named to the Miracle job in 2013 by former Minnesota general manager Terry Ryan. In his very first year, his teams won division titles in both half seasons.

He was thought so highly of by Ryan and his staff that he and Paul Molitor were the two finalists three years ago for the top job as manager of the Twins. Molitor was eventually selected.

With his five years of accomplishments in the Twins organization, there is little doubt that Doug Mientkiewicz has a future in baseball as a coach and/or manager.

And maybe someday we will learn the real reason why he was booted by the Twins.

**Twins Near Playoffs First Time Since 2010**

In a truly remarkable turnaround season, the Minnesota Twins were closing in on a wild card slot in the American League.

As the week started, the Twins had a five-game lead over the Los Angeles Angels for the second wild card, lowering their magic number to three with just six games remaining in the regular season.

They will likely face the New York Yankees Tuesday in the one-game wild card playoff at Yankee Stadium.

They will become the first team in baseball history to advance to postseason play after losing more than 100 games the prior season.

**Red Sox Closing In On Second Straight American League Eastern Division Title**

The Boston Red Sox had a commanding five-game division lead over the New York Yankees early this week. The team's recent 9-1 record notched the certain division championship for the second consecutive year.✴

## SPORTS QUIZ

1. Name the last team before the 2016 Chicago Cubs to have five players voted as starters for the All-Star Game.
2. Between 1979 and 1985, one reliever in each league led his league in saves for four consecutive years. Name the two pitchers.
3. Who was the last Ohio State football player to be taken No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft?
4. In the 2015-16 season, the San Antonio Spurs tied an NBA mark for best home regular-season record (40-1). Who else held the record?
5. Who was the last NHL player before Ottawa's Jean-Gabriel Pageau to tally four goals in a postseason game?
6. Who holds the Major League Soccer record for most goals scored in a single postseason?
7. Which three thoroughbred horseraces make up the Canadian Triple Crown?

## ANSWERS

1. The 1976 Cincinnati Reds had five starters (Johnny Bench, Joe Morgan, Pete Rose, Dave Concepcion and George Foster). 2. Bruce Sutter (1979-82) and Dan Quisenberry (1982-85). 3. Offensive linemen Orlando Pace, in 1997. 4. The Boston Celtics, in 1985-86. 5. Detroit's Johan Franzen, in 2010. 6. Carlos Ruiz of the L.A. Galaxy in 2002. 7. The Queen's Plate, the Prince of Wales Stakes and the Breeders' Stakes.

## Pro Football Team Aids In Irma Relief Efforts

The Miami Dolphins, in partnership with All My Sons Moving & Storage, delivered three trucks of relief supplies for Hurricane Irma victims in Southwest Florida.

The Miami Dolphins Foundation delivered water, baby supplies, baby food, paper good, food, clothing and hygiene kits to Lee County Electric Cooperative at the Immokalee Service Center and Cape Coral Hospital. Additionally, the Dolphins delivered pet supplies to the Humane Society of Naples. The delivery of the supplies has been graciously donated by All My Sons Moving & Storage.

"As a longtime partner of the Miami Dolphins and committed member of the communities we serve, All My Sons Moving & Storage is proud to do whatever we can to help with this much needed effort," All My Sons Moving & Storage President Mark Clair said. "We have locations throughout the country and have mobilized trucks to help deliver supplies and goods to those effected by these recent storms."

The Dolphins are committed to assisting those impacted by the devastation of Hurricane Irma. The supply deliveries follow the Dolphins visiting the Red Cross Hurricane Irma shelter at the Miami-Dade County Expo

Fair & Exposition, bringing players, cheerleaders, alumni, staff and their Special Teams powered by AARP Foundation volunteers to assist in relief efforts such as serving meals and distributing necessary items.

Additionally, Miami Dolphins Owner Stephen Ross has made a \$1 million pledge to both immediate and long-term recovery efforts in Florida. The Dolphins also have partnered with AARP Foundation on a dollar-for-dollar matching campaign to help raise money for those affected. All of the proceeds will go toward hurricane relief, especially victims with low income and that over the age of 50.

For more information on how to volunteer with relief efforts or to request help with a rebuilding project, visit [www.Dolphins.com/hurricanerelief](http://www.Dolphins.com/hurricanerelief). To donate and learn more about the AARP Foundation Miami Dolphins Hurricane Irma Relief Fund, [www.aarpfoundation.org/Irma](http://www.aarpfoundation.org/Irma).✴

## Bike Shop Now Offering Recumbent Trikes

Bike Bistro is now offering the GreenSpeed line of recumbent tricycles and accessories, announced shop owner Steve Martin. Martin and his staff can provide a trike for nearly any size or body type in a variety of colors with an

array of features including easy folding for storage and transportation. The "Hand Magnum" Greenspeed Trike is available for those cyclists who don't have the use of their lower body.

"I am especially excited for the opportunity to offer my clients who have special riding needs the option of the Hand Magnum trike," said Martin. "This is a trike with all the features of a standard recumbent trike that operates by hand rather than legs, for both off and on road riding enthusiasts. Likewise, the Hand Magnum easily folds for storage and transportation."

Invented in 1990 in Australia by Ian Sims as a two-wheel incumbent bike, the three-wheel "tadpole" version with two front wheels has grown in popularity due to its stability, comfort and accessory options, according to Martin. "One of the secrets of the recumbent bike, especially the Magnum, is the seat that was designed by a chiropractor so that it has both proper lumbar and shoulder support," said Martin. "The seat mesh is laced to the frame by shock cord, so not only does the seat conform to your back, it also provides virtual suspension to insulate you from road shock."

Trike frames and seat sizes are available for nearly every body size and shape accommodating someone at 5' 3" and 100 pounds to a 7-foot, 450 pound rider, with a range of seat angle and height options available with quick release levers. For storage and transport, a GreenSpeed trike can fold to an approximate size of three by two feet.

Bike Bistro is located at 20351 Summerlin Road suite #114 at Sanibel Beach Place in south Fort Myers. For more information, visit [www.greenspeed-trikes.com](http://www.greenspeed-trikes.com), call Bike Bistro at 479-1999 or visit [www.thebikebistro.com](http://www.thebikebistro.com).✴

## Miracle Player Earns Gold Glove

Fort Myers Miracle outfielder Max Murphy has been named one of Minor League Baseball's nine recipients of the Rawlings Gold Glove award for defensive excellence. Murphy played 78 of his 130 games for the Miracle in 2017.

Murphy did not commit an error in 75 games in right field, nor in his 52 games in center. He recorded 18 outfield assists between Class-A Fort Myers and Double-A Chattanooga. Murphy, age 24, secured 150 total chances across 669.2 total innings in right field.

The Minnesota native was selected by the Twins in the ninth round of the 2014 First-Year Player Draft out of Bradley University

For more information, please visit [www.rawlingsgoldglove.com](http://www.rawlingsgoldglove.com).

To stay up to date with the Miracle, visit [www.Miraclebaseball.com](http://www.Miraclebaseball.com) or through social media; Twitter: @MiracleBaseball, Instagram: fortmyersmiracle, Facebook: Fort Myers Miracle, Snapchat: ftmyersmiracle. For more information, call 768-4210.✴



## FSU Leaps In National Rankings

Florida State University has jumped to No. 33 among national public universities in the *U.S. News & World Report* rankings after moving up five places for the second consecutive year.

The rankings appear in *U.S. News & World Report's* "Best Colleges 2018" guidebook. In two years, FSU has vaulted 10 spots among public universities since placing No. 43 in 2016. Last year, FSU ranked No. 38 among public universities.

"We are thrilled that *U.S. News & World Report* continues to recognize Florida State University as one of the best universities in the nation," said President John Thrasher. "It means our reputation of academic excellence is rising throughout the state and the nation, and that's a reflection of our world-class faculty, staff and students."

Florida State's excellent graduation and student retention rates are the driving forces behind FSU's ranking among the nation's best public universities. FSU's four-year graduation rate is among the top 25 nationally, the six-year graduation rate is 80 percent and the university's freshman retention rate is nearly 93 percent, which ranks 18th nationally.

"This is an exciting time at Florida State University," said Sally McRorie, provost and executive vice president for Academic Affairs. "We are clearly recruiting even better students, and the success of our programs is being noticed, and emulated, by our peer institutions."

The Florida Legislature's designation of FSU as one of the state's two preeminent universities and the additional funding that comes with it has enabled the university to raise faculty salaries and hire more faculty. As a result, FSU has improved in metrics such as faculty compensation and student-faculty ratio.

"We are extremely grateful to the Florida Legislature and Florida Board of Governors in helping our continuing efforts to raise Florida State to a higher level of national prominence," Thrasher said. "The funding that the Legislature has invested in FSU has allowed us to vigorously pursue our strategic goals."

McRorie reiterated that the university's emphasis on student success is at the heart of its rapid ascent in the national rankings.

"I'm so pleased that everybody's hard work is really paying off for the university," McRorie said. "Before a student even arrives on campus, our

focus is on their success, and we're seeing great results."

FSU is committed to preparing students through comprehensive orientation, stressing the importance of taking 15 credit hours each semester and encouraging students to take advantage of co-curricular opportunities available like internships and job shadowing, McRorie said.

The strategy is working. With FSU's 80 percent six-year graduation rate, the university well exceeded a prediction by *U.S. News* that FSU's graduation rate would be 71 percent.

FSU also saw improvements in reputational ratings by university peers, student selectivity and alumni giving.

Also included in this year's *U.S. News* report were undergraduate business program rankings. Florida State's undergraduate business program made a significant jump, moving up 14 spots to No. 27 among public universities and 18 spots to No. 45 among all national universities. The undergraduate business rankings are based solely on peer assessment.

"Our significant move up in the rankings reflects the hard work and commitment of our faculty and staff, and the unwavering support of our alumni," said Michael D. Hartline, dean of the College of Business. "We are determined to continue strategic investments in our people and programs in order to continue further down the path of preeminence. It's gratifying to be recognized for our efforts."

*U.S. News & World Report* determines its national university rankings based on seven factors: graduation and retention rates (22.5 percent); assessment of excellence, i.e. peer and high school counselor assessment (22.5 percent); faculty resources (20 percent); student selectivity (12.5 percent); financial resources (10 percent); graduation rate performance, i.e. the difference between actual and predicted graduation rate (7.5 percent); and alumni giving (5 percent).

Florida State University shares the No. 33 spot with four other public universities: Michigan State University, North Carolina State University, University of California-Santa Cruz and the University of Delaware.

Among all national universities, including private universities, FSU ranked 81st, up from 92nd last year. The national universities category comprises 311 institutions (190 public, 114 private and seven for-profit) that offer a wide range of undergraduate majors as well as master's and doctoral degrees.\*

mentioned, admission to the museum and lab includes \$15 for adults, \$12 for teens (ages 13 to 19); \$8 for children (ages 6 to 12); and free to Edison Ford members.

The Edison River Pavilion is open and available for wedding and corporate events. Regular hours of 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. will resume on September 30.

For more information, call 334-7419.\*

## Local Students Are National Merit Semifinalists

Two students from Fort Myers High School are among the semifinalists named in the 63rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program. Jamie B. Harris and Tasnim Thakur have joined thousands of students from across the country to receive this designation.

Officials with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) recently announced the names of approximately 16,000 semifinalists in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program. These academically talented high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,500 National Merit Scholarships worth about \$32 million that will be offered next spring.

To be considered for a merit scholarship award, semifinalists must fulfill several requirements to advance to the finalist level of the competition. About 90 percent of the semifinalists are expected to attain finalist standing, and about half of the finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the Merit Scholar title.

About 1.6 million juniors in more than 22,000 high schools entered the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit

Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT), which served as an initial screen of program entrants. The nationwide pool of semifinalists, representing less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors, includes the highest scoring entrants in each state. The number of semifinalists in a state is proportional to the state's percentage of the national total of graduating seniors.

To become a finalist, the semifinalist and his or her high school must submit a detailed scholarship application in which they provide information about the semifinalist's academic record, participation in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership abilities, employment and honors and awards received. A semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by a high school official, write an essay and earn SAT scores that confirm the student's earlier performance on the qualifying test.

From the approximately 16,000 semifinalists, about 15,000 are expected to advance to the finalist level and, in February, they will be notified of this designation. All National Merit Scholarship winners will be selected from this group of finalists. Merit Scholar designees are selected on the basis of their skills, accomplishments, and potential for success in rigorous college studies, without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference.\*



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# Free Autism Screening For Young Children

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

The next screening on the Ronald McDonald Care Mobile will be held on Friday, October 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the New Life Assembly, located at 5146 Leonard Boulevard South in Lehigh Acres.

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

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

The ASD screening is conducted by the Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida. The screenings are administered by an Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner, who has extensive training and experience

in typical child development and developmental disorders.

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

# Fall Forum For Parkinson Program

Hope Parkinson Program will be holding a Fall Forum for medical treatments for Parkinson’s Disease at Crowne Plaza Fort Myers on Friday, October 27. Registration, exhibits and a buffet breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m., and the program is slated for 9 a.m.

The forum will feature neurologist and movement disorder specialist Khadijah Shamseddine, MD, presenting Medicines to Manage Parkinson’s Disease: Motor & Non Motor Symptoms, and Lee Health neurosurgeon Saman Javedan, MD, presenting Surgical Options for Parkinson’s Disease and Tremor. A speaker panel and question-and-answer session will follow.

Cost is \$10 and includes a light breakfast and valet parking.

Preregistration required by Friday, October 20. Register online at [www.HopeParkinson.org/Events](http://www.HopeParkinson.org/Events) or call 985-7727.

Crowne Plaza Fort Myers is located at 13051 Bell Tower Drive within Bell Tower Shops in Fort Myers. Visit [www.HopeHCS.org](http://www.HopeHCS.org) for a full listing of Hope’s programs and services. ✱

# Employees Gain Top Award At Lee Health

Lee Health recently announced this year’s recipients of the annual Board of Directors Doc Coggins Commitment to Excellence Award. Fifteen award winners were selected from the system’s hospitals, outpatient centers, physician offices, and ancillary and support services. Employees are chosen based on their demonstrated commitment to Lee Health’s pillars of patient experience/customer service, teamwork and continuous improvement.

The prestigious award was created by the Lee Health Board of Directors in 2003 to honor exceptional employees and is the highest formal award given to non-management staff. It is named in honor of Lester “Doc” Coggins, a community leader and former board member.

“There were more than 300 employees nominated for the Doc Coggins Award this year,” says Sanford Cohen, MD, Lee Health Board of Directors chairman. “We are very proud of the winners and those who were nominated. They exemplify everything Lee Health stands for. On behalf of the entire board, I congratulate them.”

This year’s winners are:

Jacqueline Awiszus, ultrasound technologist, Lee Physician Group Obstetrics & Gynecology

Tiffany Blauvelt, CRN, Medical

Progressive Care Unit, Gulf Coast Medical Center

Donna Davis, information systems analyst, Human Resources

Lucy Davis, patient care liaison, Intensive Care Unit, Gulf Coast Medical Center

Susan Dawson, RN, clinical outcomes improvement specialist, Medical Staff Quality

Erica Evans, RN, Medical Progressive Care Unit, Gulf Coast Medical Center

Maite Fernandez, RN, BSN, Lee Physician Group Infectious Disease

Julio C. Irizarry, CNA, Emergency Department, Gulf Coast Medical Center

Doreen Lau, nutrition services assistant, Milk Lab, Golisano Children’s Hospital of Southwest Florida

Kali Lynch, media relations specialist, Strategic Communications & Public Relations

Edward Newton, PharmD., BCCP, BCPS, pharmacist, Lee Memorial Hospital Pharmacy

Sherri Parmar, RN, BSN, Comprehensive Progressive Care Unit, Gulf Coast Medical Center

Peggy Pieper, administrative specialist, Clinical Learning

Colicia Reeves, interior design assistant, Facility Management

Michael Ridley, operating room clerk, Surgery Center, Outpatient Center at the Sanctuary

Doc Coggins Award winners will be recognized at a special Commitment to Excellence Gala in the fall, hosted by the Lee Health Board of Directors. ✱



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- Metal roofs and mobile homes will be repaired as practical on a case by case basis.
- Roofs with greater than 50 percent structural damage are not eligible.

To get assistance, you must sign a “Right of Entry” (ROE) form to allow Corps staff and contractors to access your private property and assess roof damage.

**Complete an ROE form at a site near you.**  
**Call 888-ROOF-BLU (888-766-3258)**

- To find the site nearest you, and
- Get the latest information on locations, dates, and center hours.

Applicants who use 711 or Video Relay Service may also call **800-621-3362.**

People who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability and use a TTY may call **800-462-7585.**



# Matching Gift Challenge

Hurricane Irma wreaked havoc on the Southwest Florida community, and Community Cooperative has been there to help folks recover every step of the way. Sadly, Community Cooperative decided to cancel the upcoming Becoming Cosmopolitan event scheduled for October 5 in downtown Fort Myers. Community Cooperative’s focus post storm has been ensuring that the community has the resources it needs to recover as quickly and efficiently as possible, and that’s where the focus needs to remain for the coming months.

“Canceling the event was an extremely difficult decision. With the guidance of our board of directors and generous sponsors, we are turning 100 percent of our focus to those in need and working to help people put their lives back together after Hurricane Irma. Some in SWFL lost everything,” said Tracey Galloway, CEO of Community Cooperative.

Becoming Cosmopolitan sponsors most graciously told Community Cooperative that in lieu of returning their sponsorship dollars they would like Community Cooperative to use their collective \$50,000 as a dollar-for-dollar match to create a \$100,000 fund to assist our neighbors in need who have been adversely affected by Hurricane Irma. This fund will focus on helping local families and our elderly shut-ins rebuild their lives, ensure they have the resources to repair, rebuild and provide basic human needs like food and clothing for those who lost

everything and simply need to catch up from a loss of income due to Hurricane Irma.

Donations can be made online at [www.CommunityCooperative.com/IrmaFund](http://www.CommunityCooperative.com/IrmaFund) or mailed to Community Cooperative at P.O. Box 2143, Fort Myers, FL 33902. ✱

# Disaster Snap Food Assistance

The Department of Children and Families (DCF), in partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), will implement the Food for Florida Disaster Food Assistance Program in 48 counties to assist victims of Hurricane Irma. Visit [www.myflfamilies.com/ff/](http://www.myflfamilies.com/ff/) for details on local Food for Florida site.

To qualify for the Food for Florida Disaster Food Assistance program, applicants must have lived or worked in one of the counties declared for FEMA Individual Assistance on September 5, and not be receiving food assistance through the regular Food Assistance Program. Additionally, eligible individuals and families must have suffered a disaster-related loss, such as damage to their homes or self-employment property, loss of food, reduction or loss of income, or have incurred other disaster related expenses. Applicants must also be financially eligible. DCF will provide or mail Electronic Benefits Transfer cards to eligible individuals and families to use at authorized USDA food retailers.

The program counts only income and expenses from September 5 through October 4, 2017. ✱



# Veterans Park Academy For The Arts Hosts Community Event

In the wake of Hurricane Irma countless families were left without power, water, and food. Recognizing the community's need, the staff of Veterans Park Academy for the Arts (VPAA) sprang into action reaching out to community members, business partners, non-profits and fellow schools to host a Community Support Event & Staff Luncheon at the school.

More than 2,000 people participated in the event that was held on September 15. Teachers, community members and businesses from across the county donated food, cleaning products, diapers, ice, water, charcoal, pet food and other supplies to help people hit hard by Irma. During the event, families and volunteers enjoyed grilled hot dogs, fresh fruit, homemade cookies and ice water.

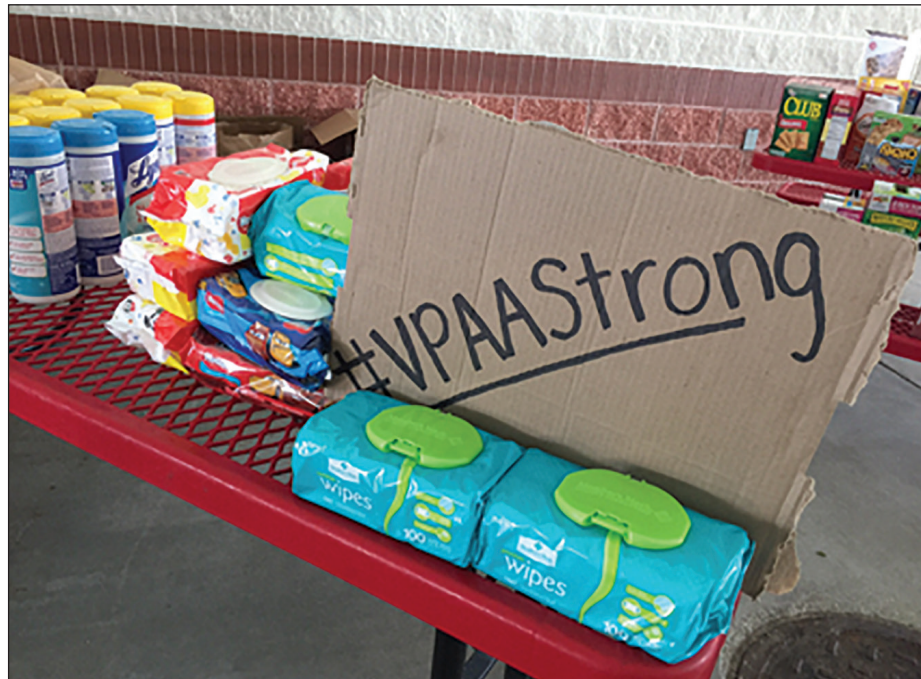
In addition to staff who made personal donations, the following sponsors also donated to the event:

- Kona Ice
- Winn Dixie (LaBelle and Cape Coral)
- BJ's (Fort Myers and Cape Coral)
- Metro Ice
- Publix (Fort Myers/Fiddlesticks and Cape Coral/Midpoint)
- Cracker Barrel (Fort Myers/Daniels)
- Flowers Bakery Outlet (Fort Myers)
- Community Cooperative
- Trafalgar Middle School ✨



More than 2,000 people attended the September 15 event at Veterans Park

photos provided



Items donated for victims of Hurricane Irma



Hot dogs were provided for lunch



Cases of peanut butter were donated



Registration line



Bread was among the donated items



A family of volunteers take a break



deaRPharmacist

# Reality Check: Do B Vitamins Cause Cancer?



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

**D**ear Readers: There was a new study published last August (2017) in *Journal of Clinical Oncology* regarding B vitamins and it's produced some uneasiness. B complex is thought to boost energy reserve, support metabolism

and adrenal function and protect your nerves from fraying.

The August study suggests that two B vitamins from the whole "B complex" family are potentially harmful, but let's take a closer look before we hang B6 and B12:

1. The study was conducted in men who smoke. These scary findings don't even apply to non-smoking men or women.

2. The researchers tried to level the playing field. They asked questions to each participant about their smoking history, body size, alcohol use, history of cancer and use of anti-inflammatory medications. How many questionnaires have you filled out in your life and underestimated your weight, or smoking and drinking habits?

3. The dietary supplements taken were more than likely synthetic and/or not biologically active because that's what's sold in 99 percent of dietary supplements. You may not realize this but Vitamin B6 as "pyridoxine" is not even biologically active when you take it. Vitamin B12 sold as "cyanocobalamin" isn't biologically active either, not until it breaks down in your body. It begs the question, "Do you think taking synthetic or inactive chemicals while inhaling toxic nicotine will promote your

health?"

4. Nicotine and related compounds are known to be carcinogenic. It doesn't matter a whole lot what else you're doing to promote health if you continue to smoke.

5. It's best to eat green leafy vegetables and lean meats to get B6 and B12 respectively. But if you are going to take a dietary supplement, take the biologically active (body-ready) forms of nutrients. For example, Methylcobalamin is the cell-loving form of B12. And Adenosylcobalamin (adeno B12) is the mito-loving form of B12 and both of those are more biologically active in the body than synthesized Cyanocobalamin.

Folic acid is synthetic, whereas Methylfolate (5-MTHF) is natural and you can get this from eating salads and sautéed greens. It's the methylated form of folate which is biologically active and understood by the body, especially your methylation cycle.

This is all confusing, isn't it?

In summary:

Don't trust headlines, they are intended to be sensational in order to get you to read.

Don't trust the interpretation of scientists who use synthetic, potentially harmful compounds in their studies.

B6 and B12 sold in most dietary supplements are unfortunately synthetic, and could essentially be useless, or harmful. Buy high quality vitamins or don't buy them at all.

Don't smoke, it will hasten your demise even if you're taking a multivitamin or a high quality B complex.

Smoking is a "drug mugger" of Vitamin C. So if you are trying to improve your health (while chewing or smoking), then take a high quality C, or eat citrus fruits. That is more of a "friend" to your body than a B vitamin.

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

Doctor and Dietician

# Boba Tea



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

**H**ave you tried boba tea? It is actually quite an interesting experience. It is a heavily sweetened beverage with marble-sized balls of tapioca at the bottom that you drink through a large straw and then chew. While some of the possible flavor choices of tea may be "herbal," this trendy drink is not necessarily a "healthy" herbal tea drink.

Boba milk tea originated in Thailand and became a popular drink throughout Asia, and from there gained popularity in the United States and Europe. Bubble tea is the original name, but it's also called milk tea, boba tea and tapioca tea. The name bubble tea isn't actually due to the boba balls that look like bubbles, as many think, but was named

from the bubbles that result from shaking the milk tea. The chewy boba balls are made from boiled tapioca, which are then added to tea, coffee, smoothies and fruit juice. The tapioca that makes up the balls is an empty calorie starch devoid of nutrition.

The original bubble tea was a milk tea, and many of the options include milky concoctions and smoothies with added fruit and jellied mixtures. Therefore, the sugar content is very high. One 16-ounce serving of just milk tea with boba balls actually exceeds the upper limit of dietary recommendations for sugar and contains about 250 to 400 calories. When other ingredients are added or larger size drinks are consumed, the beverage easily exceeds 500 calories. The high caloric and sugar content is a concern since sugary drinks contribute to a number of conditions including obesity, diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

Boba tea is a unique experience worth trying if you like sweetened tea. But let's just be clear that it should not be regularly consumed, especially for people who must limit sugar intake.

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

# Operation Blue Roof Locations

**E**ligible homeowners in Lee County who sustained roof damage from Hurricane Irma now have additional locations where they can apply for Operation Blue Roof and complete the Right of Entry (ROE) form that allows government employees and contractors onto their property to assess damage and install a temporary covering.

Operation Blue Roof, which assists eligible homeowners with temporary roof repairs, is a program currently available at no cost only to eligible primary homeowners in 17 Florida counties. This program may be expanded to other counties later.

Only primary residences with

standard shingled roofs are eligible to receive a temporary blue roof. Metal roofs and mobile homes may be repaired as practical on a case-by-case basis. Roofs with greater than 50 percent structural damage are not eligible for this program.

For rental property, legal permission for a blue roof to be installed must be obtained from the property owner. Renters also must get legal permission from their landlord to continue occupying the residence until more permanent repairs are made.

Information about Operation Blue Roof is available on the Jacksonville District websites at [www.saj.usace.army.mil/BlueRoof](http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/BlueRoof) and [www.saj.usace.army.mil/bluroof\\_espanol](http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/bluroof_espanol). Information is also available in English and Spanish by calling 888-ROOF-BLU (888-766-3258).✱

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# October Exhibit

October 14 at 6 p.m. during SoCo Second Saturday Art Crawl.

From 189 entries, 51 pieces were selected by the juror. Artists include Don Agnello, Penelope Breen, Mila Bridger, Larry Brophy, Shari Brownie, Susan Marie Carlo, Hilda Champion, Dennis Church, Patrick Conolly, Virgen Dominguez, Sharon Eng, Jeanna Foxall, Nancy Green, Marc Harris, Marilu Holmes, Del Holt, John Ippensen, Amy Kellum, Hilary Kobrin, Karen Lund, Lewesa Major, Penny Marcario, Christopher Matsumoto, Lisette Morales, Carol Murphy, Christiana Nelson, Dana Nicloy, Linda O'Neill, Joyce Owens, Roy E. Rodriguez, Paula Rucket, David Sampson, Jonathan Sauer, Carol Schmidt, Joan Sonnenberg, Ginger Stein, Buu Truong, Jen Yontz-Orlando and Holly Zammerilla

Chase's photography has been exhibited throughout the state and nationally. His films have been screened at festivals both nationally and internationally.

Admission to the gallery is free, but a \$5 suggested donation helps keep arts programming accessible.



Provincetown Patroit by Sharon Eng

photo provided

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

# Lee Health Wellness Centers Offer Stress Relief

**T**he Lee Health Wellness Centers would like to invite the community for a complimentary week to visit one of our campuses to de-stress and enjoy some time taking care of you. Their facilities offer strength and cardio equipment as well as group exercise classes.

The Cape Coral Wellness Center also offers two heated swimming pools,

steam rooms and their new Mind and Body program, which offers more than 30 yoga classes each week with highly trained instructors. These specialized classes provide patients with the opportunity to dive deeper into their practice or begin their yoga experience. Yoga is great for stress management.

This experience is offered through October 31.

Participating campuses are located in Cape Coral at 609 SE 13th Court and Fort Myers at 3114 Cleveland Avenue. For more information, call 424-3220 or email [Tracy.Siekman@LeeHealth.org](mailto:Tracy.Siekman@LeeHealth.org).✱





Grilled Steak Sandwiches with Arugula and Horseradish

photo courtesy Fresh From Florida

**Grilled Steak Sandwiches with Arugula and Horseradish**

1 pound beef (flank or skirt steak)  
4 rolls or 8 slices bread  
1/2 cup plain yogurt  
1/2 lemon, juiced

1 tablespoon prepared horseradish  
2 cups arugula  
Sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste  
Grill steak over hot coals or cook in a sauté pan until desired doneness. Chill the cooked steak in the refrigerator. Slice the chilled steak against the grain into thin strips.

Toast the bread.

In a small mixing bowl, combine the yogurt, lemon juice and horseradish. Taste the horseradish sauce and adjust seasoning with salt and pepper.

Assemble sandwich by layering steak, arugula and horseradish sauce on the toasted bread.✱

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## THE RIVER

### WEEKLY NEWS

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

**ARTS**

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

**CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS**

Angel Flight . . . . .	1-877-4AN-ANGEL
Animal Refuge Center . . . . .	731-3535
American Business Women Association . . . . .	357-6755
Audubon of SWFL . . . . .	339-8046
Audubon Society . . . . .	472-3156
Caloosahatchee Chapter DAR . . . . .	482-1366
Caloosahatchee Folk Society . . . . .	321-4620
Cape Chorale Barbershop Chorus . . . . .	1-855-425-3631
Cape Coral Stamp Club . . . . .	542-9153
duPont Company Retirees . . . . .	454-1083
Edison Porcelain Artists . . . . .	415-2484
Embroiderers Guild of America - Sea Grape Chapter . . . . .	239-267-1990
FM UDC Chapter 2614 - United Daughters of the Confederacy . . . . .	728-3743
Friendship Force Of SW FL . . . . .	561-9164
Garden Club of Cape Coral . . . . .	239-257-2654
Horticulture and Tea Society . . . . .	472-8334
Horticultural Society . . . . .	472-6940
Lee County Genealogical Society . . . . .	549-9625
Lee Trust for Historic Preservation . . . . .	939-7278
NARFE (National Active & Retired Federal Employees . . . . .	482-6713
Navy Seabees Veterans of America . . . . .	731-1901
Paradise Iowa Club of SWFL . . . . .	667-1354
Sons of Confederate Veterans . . . . .	332-2408
Southwest Florida Fencing Academy . . . . .	939-1338
Southwest Florida Music Association . . . . .	561-2118
Kiwanis Fort Myers Beach . . . . .	765-4254 or 454-8090
Kiwanis Fort Myers Edison . . . . .	694-1056
Kiwanis Fort Myers South . . . . .	691-1405
Gateway to the Islands . . . . .	218-5768
Iona-McGregor . . . . .	482-0869
Lions Club Fort Myers Beach . . . . .	463-9738
Lions Club Fort Myers High Noon . . . . .	466-4228
Lions Club Estero/South Fort Myers . . . . .	898-1921
Notre Dame Club of Lee County . . . . .	768-0417
Organ Transplant Recipients of SW Florida . . . . .	247-3073
POLO Club of Lee County . . . . .	477-4906
Rotary Club of Fort Myers . . . . .	332-8158
Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society . . . . .	472-6940
United Way of Lee County . . . . .	433-2000
United Way 211 Helpline (24 hour) . . . . .	211 or 433-3900

**AREA ATTRACTIONS**

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

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PUZZLES

Answers on page 29

Super Crossword

THE POINTER BROTHERS (AND ONE SISTER)

- ACROSS

1 Say another way

8 Portuguese capital

14 Apply with a syringe

20 Get by will

21 Chant a mantra, e.g.

22 Vacillate

23 Scopes trial lawyer

25 Spirit and resilience

26 Going backpacking

27 Colorado ski mecca

28 Like sad excuses

29 Lingo suffix

30 Brewed beverages

32 Kickoff aids

34 Abominated

35 Roads: Abbr.

36 Bow out

38 Daddies

40 Big wild cats

41 Plug up

43 Most of them run on gas

45 Furthermore

48 Bonnie Parker's partner in crime

51 Actor LeBlanc

55 Go after legally

56 Brewed beverage

57 Regards as

58 Mean fish

60 Quack's cure-all

63 Pedicure targets

65 Horn honker

66 Closing part

67 "Rosemary's Baby" star

71 Robert of "Vega\$"

72 Preacher's exhortation

74 Battle vestige

75 Pride of Mr. Universe

77 Window over a door

79 Major fad

82 Grain variety

83 Ending for press

84 New Year's song word

85 He sang in a folk trio with Paul Stookey and Mary Travers

88 Sometimes-shocking fish

89 Gown fabric

90 Get ready, for short

91 Look on and offer

98 Dance move

100 To's opposite

103 Satire device

104 Winter glider

106 Fruity drinks

108 "Dancing With the Stars" judge

109 Farm sounds

110 Trial excuse

112 Not idle

114 Promptly

117 Lead role in "Pirates of the Caribbean"

120 Couldn't do without

121 Not present

122 Country singer Lynn

123 Commands

124 Pundit Myers

125 Honda minivan

DOWN

1 Wealth

2 Join a force

3 Shivers

4 Actress Garr or Hatcher

5 Sports site

6 Sensation of slight

7 Plus other things: Abbr.

8 Jar toppers

9 Unfitting

10 Meryl of the screen

11 Brunei's island

12 Artist Yoko

13 Just-made

14 Belief suffix

15 Formerly surnamed

16 Overseas travel woe

17 Plantation, e.g.

18 More serene

19 Some woolen coats

24 With no difficulty

31 Cry out

33 More scanty

34 That lad's

37 New York Jets coach

76 Ship's veer

78 Came upon

80 Nuke

81 Makes a flub

86 "— folly to be wise"

87 Hold on to

89 Porkers' pen

91 Tokyo robe

92 Clothes smoother

93 Kicked out

94 Not alfresco

96 Go by

97 Unfroze

99 Legume seed vessel

100 Plays at love

101 Cast another ballot

102 Unreciprocal

105 Keaton of film

107 Hair-raising

111 Chomp on

113 Very, to Gigi

115 Sea, to Gigi

116 Periodical team, briefly

117 Ill-bred man

118 "Honest" prez

119 — Poke (candy brand)
- 39 South, in Spain
- 40 Namely
- 42 "Aw, shucks"
- 44 Blouse, e.g.
- 45 Puts forward
- 46 Convent
- 47 Poker-faced
- 48 Corp. head
- 49 Certain electron stream
- 50 Love, to Livy
- 51 Native New Zealander
- 52 Of a much earlier era
- 53 "Love Song" band of 1989
- 54 North Carolinian, colloquially
- 56 Shore birds
- 59 Drive (out)
- 61 City in New Hampshire
- 62 Fleur-de- —
- 64 Soak
- 68 Emphasizes
- 69 Jamie of "M\*A\*S\*H"
- 70 Cried out in excitement
- 73 November birthstone

King Crossword

- ACROSS

1 Word with special or photo

4 Gorilla

7 Riches

11 Chick's sound

13 — Perignon

14 Frost

15 Western state

16 One of the Seven Dwarfs

17 Race place, for short

18 Line on a letter

20 Authentic

22 Varnish ingredient

24 Pass by

28 Very ornate

32 Figure of speech

33 Elderly

34 Tolkien creature

36 Jacob's brother

37 Burdened

39 Bucks

41 Pressed

43 Puppy's call

44 Conked out

46 "Jaws" villain

50 Have on

53 Two fives

55 Screen symbol

56 Therefore

57 Old French

8 A billion years

9 Young fellow

10 Saute

12 Popular houseplant

19 Online help page

21 Boxing leg-end

23 Billiards stick

25 Leaning Tower city

26 Rise high

27 Flightless flock

28 Island near Java

29 Culture medium

30 Start over

31 Finish

35 Plaything

38 Born — Vegas

40 — Vegas

42 Old-fashioned

45 Erte's art style

47 Teen's facial woe

48 Fishing gear

49 Make a scarf, maybe

50 Charlotte's creation

51 Before

52 Khan title

54 Sister

DOWN

1 Piece of work

2 Rose of baseball

3 Burn something

4 Do sums

5 Needy

6 Host

7 Home of Eagles and Flyers
- MAGIC MAZE ●

OUT IN FRONT

F C Z X O O U S Q E N L J Y W

G E D C OUTLET G Z X R A

V T R I P T T K N L J A H C L

E C A E B S A F K Y E K T T T

W W O R G T U O O V R C S U U

T R P N T A U L O X O A K O O

I G E U C N R O L B C B Z X W

U S O R P D O T T T S T M L J

I G R E D I S T U O T U E D B

A Y X W U N T O O O U O S Q P

O N L T H G I R T U O K J H G

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

Outage

Outback

Outbid

Outcast

Outcry

Outfox

Outgrow

Outlet

Outlook

Outrage

Outright

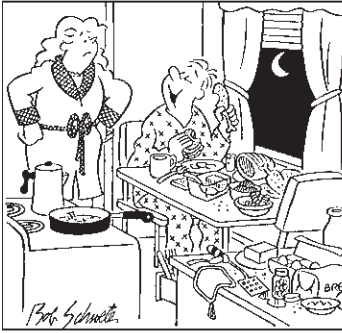
Outscore

Outsider

Outstanding

Outtake





"I tried counting sheep — that didn't work so I thought I'd try counting

\_\_\_\_\_."  
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!

Build  
**REEACT**

Hatred  
**ICLAME**

Extra  
**PRASE**

Stir  
**SOURE**

**TODAY'S WORD**

\_\_\_\_\_

		6		9			2	
	3				7			5
1			5			4		
	2		1				9	
		5			6			8
4				8		7		
	6				3		5	
		3		5				1
7			2			6		

## SUDOKU

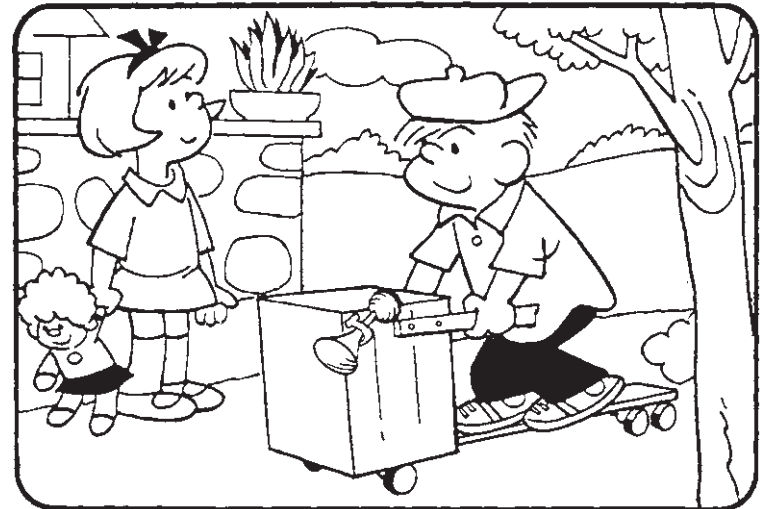
**To play Sudoku:**

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

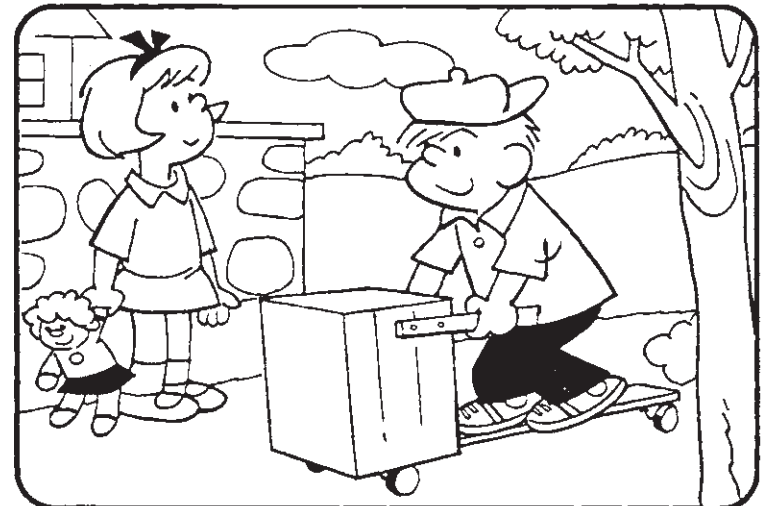
answer on page 29

## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTIHOFF



FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Plant is missing. 2. Doll's hair is shorter. 3. Socks are shorter. 4. Horn is missing. 5. Shirttail is different. 6. Wheel is missing.

## FSU Freshman Class Is Among Largest Ever

Florida State University (FSU) has welcomed about 42,000 students — including what is expected to be one of the largest incoming freshman classes in university history — as classes began for the 2017-18 academic year in late August.

FSU anticipates about 300 more incoming freshmen than last year, an increase in yield following a record number of applications for admission to the 2017 summer and fall semesters. The total number of applications — 42,325 — was a 16 percent jump over last year.

The incoming freshman class of about 6,500 students is expected to be the most academically talented cohort in FSU history.

"We're excited to welcome another outstanding group of freshmen to Florida State," said President John Thrasher. "This uptick in freshman enrollment means more and more students are selecting Florida State as

their top choice. It's a testament to FSU's rising academic reputation."

Of those freshmen who were accepted into the university for the summer and fall semesters:

The average high school grade point average was 4.1 with an average ACT composite score of 29.

This year's incoming freshman class includes students from 64 Florida counties, 45 states, the District of Columbia and 21 nations. After Florida, the states with the most new accepted freshmen are Georgia, New Jersey, New York and Illinois.

Women make up 59.8 percent of the new freshman class, while 40.2 percent students are male.

The top five majors selected by this year's admitted freshman class are: biological science, pre-health professions, business, engineering and psychology.

"There is a growing demand for a Florida State education," said Sally McRorie, provost and executive vice president for academic affairs. "Students around the state and the country recognize that FSU is a special place. We have become an increasingly popular destination for students declaring STEM majors, and

we continue to attract the most talented students to our world-class arts and humanities programs."

Other highlights of the new academic year include:

- Twenty-five of this year's most academically gifted freshmen are part of the university's fourth class of Presidential Scholars. This merit-based scholarship program, established in 2014, is for freshmen who have been accepted into the university's Honors Program. It provides a \$4,800 annual scholarship for four years, and out-of-state tuition is waived for non-Floridians. Over their four years, the Presidential Scholars engage in programs to help them become transformational leaders in their communities.

The freshman class also includes 416 students accepted through the Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement (CARE). The year-round program, which includes a seven-week Summer Bridge Program, provides traditionally underrepresented and first-generation students with enhanced academic support. CARE received almost 5,000 applications for just over 400 coveted spots in this year's cohort.

The new Jim Moran School of

Entrepreneurship welcomes its first class of 80 juniors this fall. They can choose between two majors: commercial or social entrepreneurship. This first class has 60 students in commercial entrepreneurship and 20 in social entrepreneurship.

Florida State's total enrollment includes nearly 8,000 students pursuing a graduate or professional degree, including 40 students in the College of Medicine's new physician assistant program. The School of Physician Assistant Practice is a 27-month program designed to follow Florida State's unique community-based approach to medical education and awards graduates with a master of science in physician assistant practice.

There are two new residence halls this fall — Magnolia and Azalea — providing contemporary on-campus housing opportunities for more than 900 students. Azalea Hall features a new concept that no other FSU residence hall has — its own 24,000-square-foot dining area, 1851. Located on the ground floor, 1851 offers a variety of micro-dining options for students, faculty, staff and the community.✱



	<b>FRIDAY</b> Sunny High: 87 Low: 77		<b>SATURDAY</b> Sunny High: 86 Low: 76		<b>SUNDAY</b> Cloudy High: 82 Low: 72		<b>MONDAY</b> Sunny High: 81 Low: 71		<b>TUESDAY</b> Sunny High: 84 Low: 74		<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Sunny High: 86 Low: 76		<b>THURSDAY</b> Few Showers High: 84 Low: 74
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Sat	9:18 am	3:09 am	11:55 pm	4:35 pm	Sat	8:23 am	3:11 am	11:00 pm	4:37 pm	Sat	7:26 am	12:36 am	10:11 pm	4:00 pm	Sat	1:36 am	6:25 am	11:28 am	7:51 pm
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Mon	12:18 am	5:06 am	11:28 am	5:58 pm	Mon	10:33 am	5:08 am	11:42 pm	6:00 pm	Mon	11:08 am	5:01 am	None	6:01 pm	Mon	2:28 am	8:22 am	1:38 pm	9:14 pm
Tue	12:37 am	5:48 am	12:17 pm	6:31 pm	Tue	11:22 am	5:50 am	None	6:33 pm	Tue	12:22 am	6:12 am	12:18 pm	6:50 pm	Tue	2:47 am	9:04 am	2:27 pm	9:47 pm
Wed	12:55 am	6:27 am	1:02 pm	7:01 pm	Wed	12:00 am	6:29 am	12:07 pm	7:03 pm	Wed	12:59 am	7:05 am	1:08 pm	7:33 pm	Wed	3:05 am	9:43 am	3:12 pm	10:17 pm
Thu	1:14 am	7:07 am	1:47 pm	7:30 pm	Thu	12:19 am	7:09 am	12:52 pm	7:32 pm	Thu	1:30 am	7:51 am	1:54 pm	8:12 pm	Thu	3:24 am	10:23 am	3:57 pm	10:46 pm

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### Don't Harm The Fish

by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.
- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.
- If you want a picture with the

fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.

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

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



PETS OF THE WEEK

PAWS Of Sanibel  
Emmy

PAWS has a beautiful kitty that was picked up on August 23 in the Santiva neighborhood behind the Lazy Flamingo at Blind Pass, in the vicinity of Harbor Lane. She had been in that area for at least a couple of weeks. She was very lucky to survive that long outside. She has now been spayed, given the necessary immunizations, combo test, worming, etc. She is approximately 1 year old, black petite female with lovely green eyes.

If you know who she belongs to, contact Pam at PAWS of Sanibel at 472-4823. PAWS has been looking for her people for quite a while now, and while it would be wonderful to find them, based on past history, they're afraid it's doubtful. She is in a foster home on Sanibel. If you're interested in adopting this lovely little girl, call Pam to arrange a meeting.

Pets Are Not Safe Outside

Unfortunately, the loss of pets that are allowed to roam outside is continuing to increase dramatically. There is hardly a week that goes by without a call from someone missing their pet, mostly cats. Another was lost on Wednesday. Volunteers at PAWS hear the same story over and over: "I've always let my cat go out, I've never had a problem before, I've been here 30 years and it's never been an issue." It goes on and on and on. Some even describe hearing their animal's death scream. Most are just never seen again. You may not have had a problem allowing your animal outside in the past, but now it's a deadly problem. No animal is safe outside unattended.

Pam at PAWS said, "I have a large pool area, screened and reinforced with lattice up three feet from the ground. Just a couple of weeks ago, one of the kitties had just gone out when she shot back to the door. I walked out to look and there was a bobcat in my side yard at 8 a.m. I don't live near any preserve or undeveloped land. I have many pictures and videos of bobcats in my yard. I was walking along the bike



Emmy



Bobcat roaming a yard on Sanibel

path on West Gulf Drive one morning and six bobcats crossed the roadway coming from the beach. This was 7:30 a.m. Unattended animals are not safe outside, day or night. I now walk around my pool area every morning before any cat goes outside. I have a very secure pool area, but I still have never left any animal out on the lanai overnight, or even after dark."

Just a few weeks ago on the evening news, there was a story from Cape Coral about a cat that was taken off a screened lanai by a coyote. The coyote broke through the screen, killed the cat and left its body in the yard. There are so many predators in this area, and this includes bobcats and coyotes. They're all out hunting, and if your animal is outside, they will eventually be slaughtered. PAWS does not want to keep getting these phone calls; it's heartbreaking. Please, keep your pets inside.✱

Lee County Domestic Animal Services

Jacki And Polly

Hello, I am Jacki. I'm a 2-year-old female American bulldog mix who is a Hurricane Irma Survivor looking for a new place to call my own. I know several commands and can be very well-mannered. My ideal family would be active as I am still young and energetic.

My adoption fee is \$50.

Hi, I'm Polly. I'm a 10-month-old female domestic medium hair who has a beautiful sable colored coat and gorgeous green eyes. I am very friendly and love attention. I am a Hurricane Irma Survivor that is

photos provided

looking for a new home. Now that the bad weather is over, will you be my calm after the storm?

My adoption fee is \$50.

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,



Jacki ID# 695096

photos provided



Polly ID# 711703

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.✱

Silent Auction  
Items Needed

Gulf Coast Humane Society (GCHS) is seeking a variety of items needed for silent auctions for three signature fundraising events: A Home For The Holidays, Hogs and Air Dogs, and The Fast and the Furriest.

Items include vacation packages, experience tickets, hotel packages, gift certificates, collectibles, artwork, jewelry and other unique items which will intrigue people to bid.

Silent auction items can be dropped off at the administration offices at GCHS, located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers.

A Home For The Holidays is GCHS' biggest fundraiser of the year. This year, it will be held at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in Downtown Fort Myers on Saturday, November 11, beginning at 6 p.m.

Hogs and Air Dogs is a national dock-jumping competition, held at Six Bends Harley Dealership from November 17 to 19. Admission is free.

The Fast and the Furriest is a 5K Run/1-mile Walk, held at Hammond Stadium on April 7! Walk or run with your furry friend.

A Home For The Holidays wine pull is a popular fundraiser during GCHS' most important event of the year. Share your exquisite taste in wine by donating to the wine pull. There will be more than 100 bottles of wine up for a pull at GCHS' biggest fundraiser of the year. Drop off your bottle of wine at the GCHS Administration Offices, located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers.

For more information or to donate, email Paul Howell, GCHS event coordinator, at events@gulfoasthumaneociety.org.✱

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Shell Harbor	Sanibel	1971	3,187	\$1,794,500	\$1,592,500	106
Town and River	Fort Myers	2005	3,745	\$1,300,000	\$1,185,000	32
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2014	2,967	\$1,299,000	\$1,125,000	7
Waterside	Bonita Springs	2001	2,964	\$959,000	\$913,750	54
Wildcat Run	Estero	2006	3,624	\$875,000	\$820,000	359
Bonita Lakes	Bonita Springs	2013	3,122	\$774,900	\$740,000	20
Wildcat Run	Estero	1990	2,813	\$699,000	\$630,000	490
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	1978	2,329	\$675,000	\$565,000	103
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