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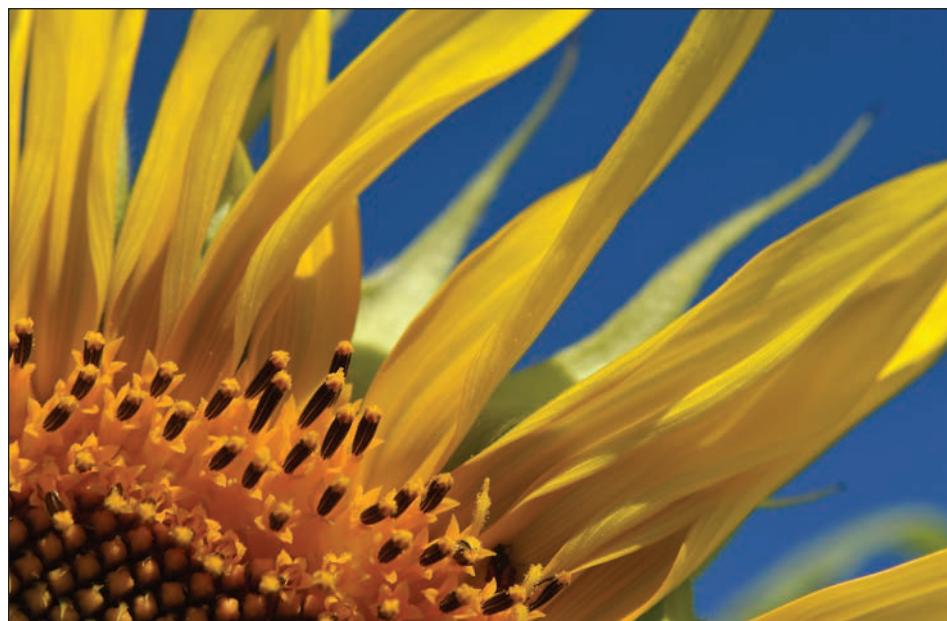


Yenori Alvarez from Lehigh Senior High placed second with her aninga portrait

'Ding' Darling Photography Contest Winners

At a ceremony held on February 18, the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS) announced winners and

Kaylee Robinson from Riverdale High took first place with this perspective of an animal in nature photos courtesy DDWS



Sharleen Julot from Cape Coral High took third place with her macro shot of a flower

finalists in the 4th annual "Ding" Darling-Theodore Cross High School Photography Contest at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel.

Sponsored by the Theodore Cross Family Charitable Foundation, the competition invited high school students

from Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Glades and Hendry counties to compete for prizes that included a Canon digital SLR camera package, chartered class trips to the refuge, Tarpon Bay Explorers excursions, and copies of *Waterbirds: Portraits and Anecdotes from Birding*

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Sanibel Historical Village Preparing For Benefit Dinner



Shown at last year's event - which had a 1940s theme - are, from left, Tanya and Mike Hochschild with Mary Buck photo provided

The Sanibel Historical Village will host a dinner and dance, themed Let's Get Historical, on Wednesday, March 15 beginning at 6 p.m. on the village grounds. The benefit will support the ongoing needs of the historical village. "Our needs range from everything from painting to roof repair," said Emilie

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The BIG ARTS Concert Band

photo courtesy BIG ARTS

Band Concert Friday Night

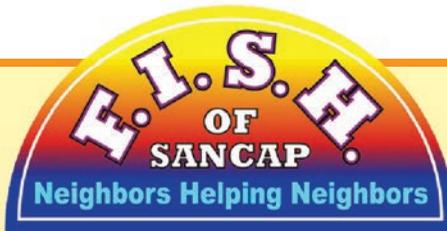
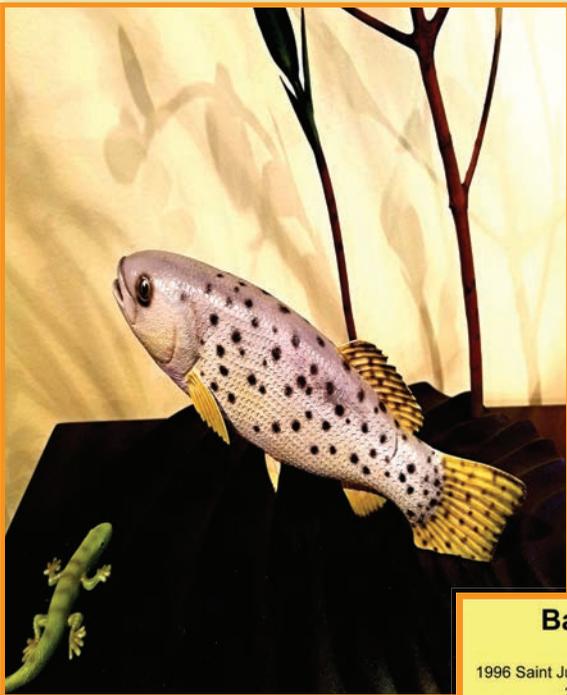
On Friday, March 3 at 7 p.m., the BIG ARTS Concert Band is set to premiere new music during their spring program. The appropriately titled *Sanibel Suite* is a four-movement work for violin and piano inspired by the nature of Sanibel Island.

"Anyone who visits or lives on the island soon comes to appreciate the natural beauty that abounds here," said Sanibel pianist, composer and musicologist Erik Entwistle, "and I wanted to compose a musical work that would be a tribute to this unique environment while at the same time attempt to capture my own emotional responses through the language of music."

The titles of each movement reflect different aspects of nature that one might experience on Sanibel. The moods are varied: *Deserted Beach* is cast as a developing variation, tinged with melancholy but gradually transforms to something

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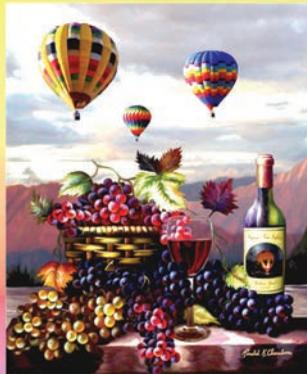
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Captiva Island Historical Society

Looking Back: Maybelle Stamper

This week's image is Maybelle Stamper with two cats owned by her friends, the Weeks family. Stamper, a modern artist and lithographer, lived and worked on Captiva for more than 50 years.

The History Gallery, developed by the Captiva Island Historical Society, features many photos like this. All ages are welcome to step aboard a wooden replica of the old mailboat, *Santiva*, to capture the spirit of Captiva and learn through graphic and video panels about the events and people that shaped the island. The History Gallery is accessed through the Captiva Memorial Library, located on Chapin Lane on Captiva and open during library hours.

Visit the Captiva Island Historical Society website www.captivaislandhistoricalsociety.org/archives/research to view many more images to bring you closer to Captiva.*



Maybelle Stamper holding two cats
photo courtesy
Captiva Island Historical Society Archives

Residential Pod Addition Approved

by Jeff Lysiak

During Tuesday's planning commission meeting, a development permit application to allow for the construction of a new pod addition at a single-family residence was unanimously approved.

Stephen and Ellen Baugh, owners of the property located at 1233 Middle Gulf Drive, had sought approval to add an elevated pod extension consisting of a home office, art studio and bathroom. Below the pod will be an enclosed passive storage area and separate foyer entrance.

"The owners have indicated the use of the proposed addition will be strictly personal for their immediate family's use," the staff report reads, in part. "The pod addition is connected to the existing habitable areas of the residence by a walkway extending from an existing covered porch area. The walkway is covered by a roof feature connecting the existing roof with the new roof of the addition. As indicated on the floor plan, a small bathroom is proposed but separate independent kitchen facilities are not."

City planner Benjamin Pople told the members of the commission that based upon the review conducted by planning department staff, the size and design of the proposed addition are consistent with a use that is an accessory part of the existing single-family residence.

Commission Karen Storjohann questioned that if the owners of the house were intending the pod addition

to be used as a home office and studio, why did architect William Jacobelli of WAJ Designs refer to the proposed project as a "guest house" multiple times in his letter to the city? Attorney Steve Hartsell, representing the Baughs, called the reference a "misnomer" and assured the commissioners that the pod would not be used for such purposes.

Planning commission chair Dr. Phillip Marks asked Pople if a vegetation plan for the project had been submitted and approved by the city's department of natural resources, noting the presence of several sabal palms on the site which would have to be relocated. Pople did share the approved vegetation plans with the commission, submitting the document as attachment E of the staff report.

Following some additional discussions, one resident whose property is adjacent to the subject parcel spoke out against the proposed addition. Richard Herman voiced his objection to the planning department staff report's conclusion, explaining that the Beachwalk of Sanibel subdivision homeowner's association architectural review board had not yet approved the proposed construction plan.

City attorney Ken Cuyler told the commission that they could only consider whether an application meets city code requirements, and that homeowner association requirements were a private matter.

Commissioner Check Ketteman made a motion to approve the development permit application, which was seconded by vice chair Holly Smith and approved, 5 to 0. Final approval will be considered during the next meeting of the commission on March 14.*

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Chopin Piano Competition Winner To Perform



Eric Lu

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Pianist Eric Lu will amaze audiences on Tuesday, March 7 when he plays for the Sanibel Music Festival at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, located at 2050 Periwinkle Way, beginning at 8 p.m.

Lu, 19, is rapidly building an international reputation as a young pianist with enormous promise and a distinctive musical voice. A native of the Boston area, he was admitted at age 15 to the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, where he currently studies. He won first prize in the 2015 National Chopin Competition in Miami (where he also received the best concerto prize), and the IX Moscow International Chopin Competition for Young Pianists.

At 17, Lu won the 4th prize at the 17th International Frederik Chopin competition in Warsaw, becoming one of the youngest winners in the history of the competition. Earlier awards include first prizes at the Ettlinger International and the Minnesota Junior Competition. Sponsored by Pat and Davis Thurber.

Lu's program will include:
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Tickets may be purchased for \$45 each online at www.sanibelmusicfestival.org or by calling 344-7025. Tickets may also be purchased by cash or check only at the Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, and Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way on Sanibel.*



Youngsters at LOGOS' Fully Relying On God (FROG) Night

photo provided

Games And Learning At Sanibel Church

Things were hopping at LOGOS on February 15. Children learned about Fully Relying On God (FROG). They played a family time table game, a friendly competition of who

could leap the most frogs into a bucket. Max Doster was in the lead at his table. Other youngsters hoppin' at this table were Brooks Selby, Mimi Howard, SofiLee Varmuza and Kaylee Forsyth. Afterwards, all the table winners took a leap up on stage to take a bow for their best efforts.

This mid-week family program is offered at Sanibel Community Church, located at 1740 Periwinkle Way, for kids ages 3 years old through fifth grade.*

CARD OF THANKS



From left, firefighter Carl Johanson, Boy Scouts Kenny Kouril and Chet Sproles, and firefighter Tim Barrett

photo provided

Sanibel's Boy Scout Troop 1740 would like to thank the Sanibel Fire & Rescue District for helping the scouts with their training for their First Aid merit badge. The boys attended CPR/AED training at the fire station on February 11 and learned how to perform CPR and use an AED device for adults and children. The firefighters spent extra time afterward going over additional first aid techniques.

One of the firefighters, Carl Johanson, was in a car accident last year and said how appreciative he was of the help he received from Sanibel Community Church during his recovery, which is the charter organization for Sanibel's scouts. One good turn deserves another.

- Kim Kouril*

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From left, Mark McQuade, Deb Gleason, Ellen Mayeron and Victor Mayeron

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Long-Time Islanders Share Local History

Islanders Deb Gleason, her brother Mark McQuade, and brother and sister Victor and Ellen Mayeron entertained a capacity crowd with memories of bygone days at last week's Twilight Talk, held at Phillips Gallery. The event was put on by the Sanibel Historical Village and sponsored by Sanibel Captiva Trust Company.

Gleason and McQuade came to the island as children in 1957. Their parents owned Sanibel Siesta, which started as two cottages without air conditioning, televisions, or pool, and grew to 15 cottages with all the amenities. Ellen and Victor's parents, Don and Sam Mayeron, co-founded The Mucky Duck in 1976, and the family sold the restaurant in 2011.

McQuade remembers there were so few people that you knew everyone, even beyond close friends and family. With a one-room schoolhouse and 30 children, his age group was so small that play time was spent riding bikes, swimming and walking the beach. He also remembered his afternoon jobs working at Bailey's store on the bay and filling a pickup truck full of shells in a short afternoon with his sister

Deb for the island shell shop owner.

Gleason said you could see from Sanibel Siesta to Casa Ybel; there was nothing but sabal palms, grasses and beach pines, nothing like the lush landscapes of today. (The condominiums that replaced her parents' place kept the name.) A major joy of childhood, she remembered, was running as fast as she could to jump off the dock of the old Bailey General Store.

On Captiva, Victor remembers The Mucky Duck being open until 2 a.m. or beyond. "What I remember is the fun times, the laugh-out-loud times at The Mucky Duck with the employees and the customers who helped build the restaurant's reputation during the first 35 years," he said.

Ellen added that she enjoyed watching the families and the generations of families that would frequent The Mucky Duck over and over throughout their years there.

The Sanibel Historical Museum and Village is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. It is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$10 for adults over 18; those under 18 and members are free. Docent-guided tours are available at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at no extra charge, based upon docent availability. There is handicap access to all buildings.

For more information, call 472-4648 during business hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.

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Historical Village

Alfino, executive director. "We need to paint the buildings where possible, replace the garden fence, replace wood railing surrounding our walkway and repair rotted windows. This is just a sample of the long list of projects we need to address."

The evening will include music by Kelly & Shelly, a husband-and-wife duo with a versatile style. According to their website, their special knack is including their audience in their performance. Performing together for more than 25 years, the Kelly & Shelly duo comes highly recommended.

One of the duo's specialties is dance music, and the evening will have dancing, as well as a sit-down dinner by

Sanibel Catering Company by Bailey's. There will be three dinner choices: English sirloin, chicken marsala and pesto-crusted Atlantic salmon.

Tickets are \$150 each, with sponsor levels available at the \$1,000 and \$500 levels. For tickets, contact Emilie Alfino at 472-4648 or via email at info@sanibelmuseum.org.

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Eric Pfeifer

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Old Photos Are Foundation For Documentary

The upcoming new documentary from Pfeifer Realty Group had its genesis when filmmaker David E. Carter went to the Sanibel Public Library and asked, "Do you have any old photos stashed away in your files?"

When Margaret Mohundro, library director, answered, "We have a couple of thousand, but they need to be scanned," the documentary series took a new turn. Eric Pfeifer, broker-owner of Pfeifer

Realty Group, funded the scanning of the photos and Carter began working on the new documentary, *Postcards & Photos From Sanibel*, which will premiere on Monday, March 20 at The Community House.

The feature-length film is done "Ken Burns style," with narrators reading "letters and postcards from Sanibel" from 1884 through 1947. Carter, a seven-time Emmy Award winner, said "The narrative is all fact-based, with imagined letters and cards that reflect on the day-to-day life on Sanibel Island over the years."

More than 150 postcards and photos illustrate stories from Sanibel's past such as:

- One of Sanibel's early settlers, Rev. George Barnes, who came here because his boat ran aground. He took this as a sign that "this is where I should be." He founded what would become Casa Ybel.

- In the early 1900s, "Old Town" Sanibel and the village of Wulfert – 10 miles apart – each had schools with 15 to 20 students.

- Wulfert also had its own Post Office. The Postmistress was a vocal suffragette who stirred up controversy with her belief that women should have the right to vote.

- During World War II, Bowman's Beach was used as a practice bombing target for U.S. Air Force training from nearby Fort Buckingham, just east of Fort Myers.

In addition, nearly 20 photos taken by legendary Sanibel photographer Charlie McCullough are included in the narrative of the film.

"When I first saw the old photos and postcards, it was like traveling back in time," Pfeifer said. "Imagine, seeing photos of Sanibel from the horse-and-buggy days. And photos of the Bailey homestead when it was new – a four-room cottage that was built for \$500. And each photo has a story behind it. That's just a small sample of what is included in this film."

Mohundro is pleased with Pfeifer's gift to the library. "We had all of these old photos, but did not have the resources to have them scanned," she said. "We will soon add all of the photos to our online collection, so the public can enjoy them."

This is the fourth documentary

sponsored by Pfeifer. Previous films, *Growing Up On Sanibel*, *Seven Sanibel Artists* and *Sanibel Before The Causeway*, have generated nearly \$30,000 in community support donations.

"We are pleased to have 100 percent of the ticket sales go to The Community House," Pfeifer added.

Tickets are \$7 each, and are now on sale at The Community House and at Bailey's General Store.

More details on the documentary can be seen online at www.SanibelStories.com.

Applicants Sought For Pension Board

The Sanibel City Council is accepting applications for the General Employee Pension Board of Trustees. The General Employee Pension Board of Trustees meets quarterly on the second Wednesday of February, May, August and November at 10 a.m. at City Hall, 800 Dunlop Road.

Any resident wishing to serve may apply online via the city's website – www.MySanibel.com – or pick up a printed applications to be submitted via email to Pamela.Smith@mysanibel.com, via fax to 472-3065, or in person at City Hall.

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Trouper The Raccoon Meets Jackie Evancho Backstage



Following her February 26 concert in Fort Myers, vocalist Jackie Evancho chatted backstage with Dot Lee, caretaker for Trouper the blind raccoon photos by Jeff Lysick by Jeff Lysick

Following classical crossover artist Jackie Evancho's performance last Sunday evening at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, the 16-year-old vocalist met Trouper the blind raccoon. Trouper, who has been a fan of Evancho's for the past five years, was invited by the singer's family to be her guest at the show.

Backstage, Trouper and his caretaker, Dot Lee of Fort Myers, gave Evancho a bouquet of roses.

"I want to thank you all for coming here tonight," the soloist told the audience before her final number of the evening, "even though I know a lot of you came here just to see Trouper the raccoon."

Evancho's setlist included several songs from silver screen classics such as *Pure*



Jackie Evancho holding Trouper *Imagination* (from *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory*), *Somewhere Over The Rainbow* (from *The Wizard of Oz*) and *Music of the Night* (from *Phantom of the Opera*).*

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'Ding' Contest Winners

Adventures by contest namesake, the late Theodore Cross.

Cross, who lived part-time on Sanibel and has family still living here, marched with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; advised the Johnson and Nixon administrations on anti-poverty programs; wrote the influential book *Black Capitalism*, among others; and created Birders United, a birding website that ranked legislators according to their record of bird protection support.

Late in life, Cross decided to indulge his love for birds and photography and traveled the world to collect stunning portraits and stories to chronicle his adventures. He photographed often at "Ding" Darling, and a number of the images in his book reflect his love for the refuge. Cross published *Waterbirds* in 2009 at age 85; he passed away shortly after that in February 2010.

NPR's *All Things Considered* called Cross' collection of 179 images and countless anecdotes "spectacular." *The New York Times* described it as "part visual encyclopedia, part memoir."

World-renowned New York photographer and friend of the Cross family, Arne Svenson, judged the contest, along with deputy refuge manager Nate Caswell and Sanibel resident Deb Szymanczyk. First place went to a close-up of an animal's eye titled *Through Her Eyes* by Kaylee Robinson, a ninth-grader at Riverdale High School.

"I love the extraordinary mystery of the photo," said Svenson. "Not just what the animal is, but also where it is, and what is the scale. There is a beautiful play with scale with the huge animal in the front as nature recedes in the background. This photo creates a narrative and leaves the viewer with an open-ended story."

In second place, Yenori Alvarez from Lehigh Senior High captured an anhinga. "I love the mysterious predator and prey feeling of this photo," said Szymanczyk. "The natural fiber of



From left, DDWS contest organizer Carrie Alexander, Cross family representative Jim Helmuth, first-place winner Kaylee Robinson, contest judge Deb Szymanczyk and Refuge Ranger Monica Scroggin

photo courtesy DDWS

the grasses, the skeleton-looking tree roots, and the foggy background work together to create a mystery."

Sharleen Julot, an 11th-grader from Cape Coral High, took third place with her macro portrait of a flower, titled *Bold*. "I love the color and detail of this shot," said Caswell. "It was the first photo that stood out to me and it continued to catch my eye for the whole judging process."

"Theodore Cross' family made this contest possible, and it has become a quick success story," said Birgie Miller, DDWS executive director. "We couldn't be more thrilled that the family wanted its donation used in this way – to reach an age group that often falls through the cracks of conservation education. Kudos to our philanthropic coordinator Carrie Alexander and our interns for a fabulous job of running the contest."

"We were surprised and delighted that we had nearly 300 amazing photo entries from 13 different schools," said Alexander. "Teachers, advisors and volunteers worked hard at helping to encourage students to enter."

"We are so happy to be supporting

a contest in my father's name, a contest that will get our youth involved with nature by looking at it – as my father so loved doing – through a camera lens," said Amanda Cross.

Students were able to submit up to two photographs. Winning and honorable mention images are on display at the free "Ding" Darling

Education & Visitor Center and are available to view by Facebook album on DDWS' page www.facebook.com/dingdarling. For information on the 2018 photo contest, visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/articles/photo-contests.

Honorable Mentions (in alphabetical order): Erica Campbell, Classical Christian Academy; Josie Fjelsted, Lehigh Senior High; Ryan Grau, Lehigh Senior High; Breanna Hornick, Cape Coral High; Sabrina Hutto, Lehigh Senior High; Sydney Luzik, Lehigh Senior High; Brandon Newell, Dunbar High; Bihn (Julie) Nguyen, Cape Coral; Michael O'Dell, Estero High; Sascha Sealie, Lehigh Senior High; Sadie Williams, Riverdale High; and Andrea Wilson, Golden Gate High.

Finalists (in alphabetical order): Kalab Allwood, Lehigh Senior High; Erica Campbell, Classical Christian Academy; Alyssa Fraser, Estero High; Jaheim Germain, Lehigh Senior High; Genevieve Lemus, Lehigh Senior High; Nicolas Lopez, Lehigh Senior High; Stacey Mora, Lehigh Senior High; Laura Palacio, South Fort Myers High; Crystal Perez, Lehigh Senior High; Jonathan Roman, Lehigh Senior High; Caitlyn Sims, Lehigh Senior High; Susie Wang, Lehigh Senior High; Shawna Werner, Lehigh Senior High; and Shamar Womack, Cape Coral High.✱

American Legion Post 123

On Sunday, March 5, American Legion Post 123 will be serving a baked ham dinner from 1 to 8 p.m. On Tuesday, March 7, Post 123 will host an American Legion auxiliary meeting at 6 p.m. On Wednesday, March 8, the general meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

On Sunday, March 12, stop by Post 123 and enjoy barbecued ribs and chicken all day long.

Every Monday is the 8-ball pool league tournament at 5 p.m. Stop in and watch some good shooting. On

Tuesdays, tacos are served all day. Spaghetti and meatballs are served all day on Wednesday. On Fridays, a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich is on the menu. There are daily specials as well as half-pound burgers. Food is served from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Ladies Auxiliary has shell ornaments available.

If you have a flag that needs to be retired, drop it off at Post 123, located at Mile Marker 3 on Sanibel-Captiva Road. It is open Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. The public is welcome.

For more information, call 472-9979.✱

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Blue Flash Captured On Sanibel



Blue Flash

photos by John Hicks

John Hicks, photographer and solar astronomer, captured what he calls “a lucky sunset” on February 24. He believes this to be more of a Blue Flash than a Green Flash. He said this is very rare as he has never before seen this tincture of blue, shown in the first photograph. Astronomers claim you can only get this Blue Flash in Arizona where there is no water vapor in the atmosphere. Now he knows that is not entirely true.

If you look closely, you can see what appears to be a flare ejection on the left side of the disk (not normal in white light but only in hydrogen light).

The typical Green Flash occurred about 15 seconds later and you can see the plain green in the second photograph (part of the solar disk was obscured by a clump of cloud on the ocean horizon).

Hicks said our eyes will always fool us because they over-saturate looking at the full solar disk, turning red-yellow to green, whereas the camera captures exactly what occurs.

Hicks was using a 2000 mm hand-built 80 mm refractor with no filtration (but eye protection), Nikon D70 body, exposure from 1:1500 to 1/500 sec.✪



Green Flash

Calusa Heritage Day Outdoor Festival

Calusa Heritage Day will be held on the Calusa Heritage Trail on the property of Randell Research Center on Saturday, March 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Calusa Heritage Day is an outdoor archaeology and ecology history festival celebrating the Calusa legacy with speakers, replicators, guided walking and boat tours, exhibitors and children's activities. Food will be available for

purchase. Free water will be available throughout festival; bring your water bottle.

The cost to attend is \$5. There is no charge for members and children ages 11 and younger.

Visit www.flmnh.ufl.edu/calendar/grid/calusa-heritage-day/ or call Cindy Bear or Linda at 283-2157 for more information.

Calusa Heritage Trail is a 0.7-mile interpretive walkway that leads visitors through the mounds, canals and other features of the Pineland archaeological site.

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World Day Of Prayer March 10

Captiva's Chapel by the Sea is hosting this year's World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 10 starting at 11 a.m. Other Sanibel churches participating are St Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, St. Isabel Catholic Church, Sanibel Community Church and Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ.

World Day of Prayer (WDP) is a worldwide ecumenical movement of women of many faith traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. Each year, a different country serves as the writer of the World Day of Prayer worship service. The 2017 services will begin at the first sunrise on March 3 in the Pacific region and, following the Earth's orbit, will spread around the world.

This year, the women of the Philippines invite everyone to consider these words: "Am I being unfair to you?" The women of the Philippines share their stories of intergenerational wisdom, traditions and experiences of God's profound love and acceptance. You will learn of a cultural practice called "dagyaw," which is a communal way of laboring on neighbors' farms and sharing the harvest among all. It is a way to build and sustain a community. The theme for 2017 is taken from Matthew 20:1-16, the parable of the laborers in the vineyard. While Jesus see nothing wrong in giving generously, the workers react differently and feel entitled to receive more. As you listen to the women of the Philippines throughout the worship service, you are called to confess, to take responsibility, and to answer God's call for justice.

WDP's motto, "Informed prayer leads to prayerful action," affirms that

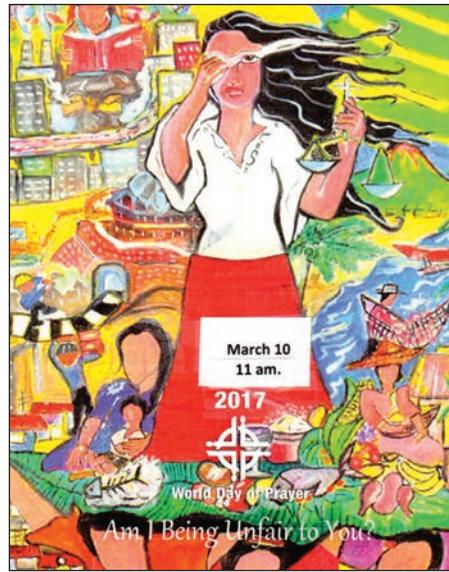


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prayer and action are inseparable and that both have immeasurable influence. As you observe WDP 2017, millions of God's people suffer violence, exploitation, the effects of a global economic crisis, and the hardships of emigration. All are encouraged to begin thinking about actions that you can take to further expand God's kingdom. Throughout the service, the women of WDP Philippines invite you to accept Jesus' infinite blessing and exhort you to receive others into the kingdom of God. Walk in faith and prayerful action.

WDP is supported by sacrificial and benevolent mission offerings given by individuals through these annual services. Each of the 170 countries celebrating WDP has an ecumenical committee of women representing many cultures, races and faith traditions. World Day of Prayer USA promotes justice and equality for women throughout prayer, partnerships, service and celebration.

A lunch featuring Philippine cuisine will be served after the service.*

Film Screenings At Community House

Another encore of the film *Sanibel Before the Causeway* will be shown on Monday, March 13. This will be followed by the premiere of *Postcards & Photos from Sanibel* on Monday, March 20. Both films are sponsored by Eric Pfeifer, broker-owner of Pfeifer Realty Group, and are produced by seven-time Emmy winner David E. Carter.

Sanibel Before the Causeway features vintage film from the 1940s through the yearly '60s. The feature film has had four sell-outs at The Community House, plus another full house for a showing at Shell Point.

Postcards & Photos from Sanibel is done "Ken Burns style," with narrators reading "letters and postcards from Sanibel" from 1884 through 1947. Carter said, "the narrative is all fact-based, with imagined letters and cards that reflect on the day-to-day life on Sanibel Island over the years."

More than 150 postcards and photos illustrate stories from Sanibel's past. In addition, nearly 20 photos taken by legendary Sanibel photographer Charlie McCullough are included in the narrative of the film.

This is the fourth documentary sponsored by Eric Pfeifer of Pfeifer Realty Group. Previous films, *Growing Up on Sanibel*, *Seven Sanibel Artists and Sanibel Before the Causeway*, have generated nearly \$30,000 in community support donations.

Pfeifer said, "We sponsor these films because telling these Sanibel Stories is a great way to give back to the community. We are pleased to have 100 percent of the ticket sales go to The Community House."

Tickets for both films are \$7 each, and are now on sale at The Community House and Bailey's General Store.

More details on the documentary can be seen at www.SanibelStories.com.*

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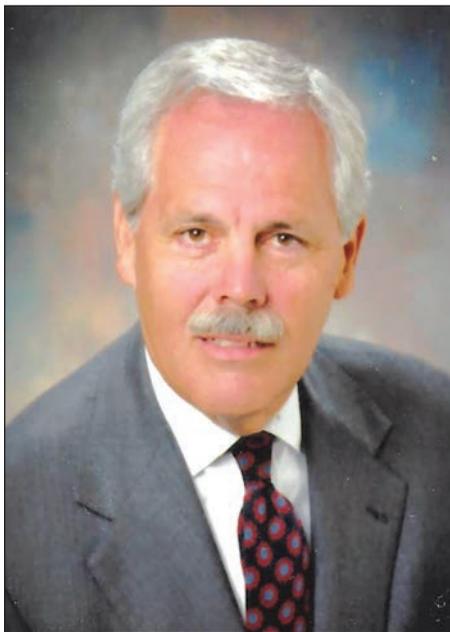


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OBITUARY



JAMES HAYWOOD STEWART

James Haywood Stewart of Waco, Texas lost his long battle with Alzheimer's on February 21, 2017 on Sanibel with family by his side.

Jim was born in Waco on February 18, 1941 to Joseph and Era Orr Stewart. He graduated from Waco High School in 1959 and began his career as a realtor with Ed Ware in 1965. He then formed his own company known as Jim Stewart Realtors in 1970. In 1975, Earl Patrick, long-time president

of Jim Stewart Realtors, joined him. Earl said, "After nearly 42 years in business together, I would describe our partnership as a partnership made in Heaven. Although God made us completely different, we could not have worked better together. We had tremendous love and respect for one another. He was not only a partner and a friend, but a brother in Christ. We agreed in the beginning that this was God's company and He blessed us tremendously." Jim served as president of the board of realtors in 1973, and was also named Realtor of the Year in 1974. He was involved in numerous civic organizations during his professional career.

Jim was a long time member of Highland Baptist Church, where he served as chairman of the deacons and on the board of elders.

Jim enjoyed fishing and boating with his family and friends, watching his grandchildren play sports, attending Baylor Bear athletic events, and you could always find him on Thursday afternoons at Ridgewood Country Club playing golf with his dear friend.

Jim is survived by his wife, Margot Jan Jones; three daughters, Jennifer Lynn Grove of Lebanon, Oregon, and her four children, Tyler and wife, Aubrey, Haley and husband, Lane, Megan and Emily; Pennie Lee Colston and her husband, Terrance, and her three children, Marissa, Sean and Devyn; Melissa Ann Frazier and her husband, Thomas, and their two sons, Braden and wife, Carla and Bryce

and his wife, Courtney; 11 great grandchildren; his brother, William Stewart; his sisters, Susan Curry and Sandy Horne; and nieces and nephew.

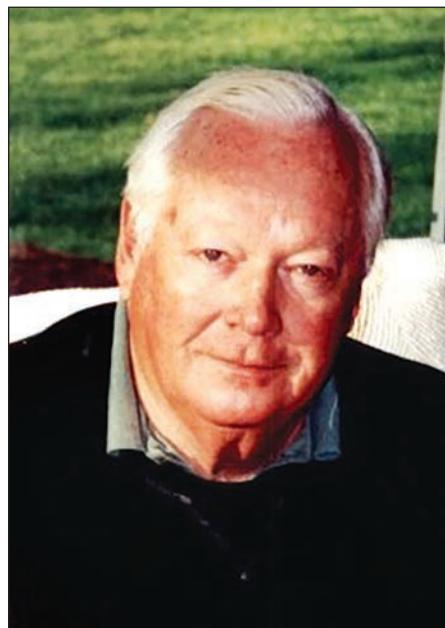
Pallbearers will be his dear friends Earl Patrick, Louie Englander, Artie Giotis, Bland Cromwell, Brad Davis and Scott Baird. Honorary pallbearers will be his nine grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, March 3 at Highland

Baptist Church in Waco. Rev. Barry Camp will officiate. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be sent to the Alzheimer's Association of Waco. The family invites you to leave a message or memory on their Tribute Wall at www.WHBfamily.com.✽

OBITUARY



DR. WILBUR ALFRED NEIL

Dr. Wilbur Alfred Neil was born on October 31, 1934 and died on February 4, 2017. He lived in Ashville, New York, attended Chautauqua elementary and secondary school. He was Methodist and active in all school sports.

Dr. Neil received many honors as the years progressed. He graduated from Allegheny University, majored in history and received wonderful job opportunities. He chose Jones and Laughlin Steel and continued further training and advancement. When receiving notice from the military draft, he chose fighter pilot training and a four-year enlistment. He was an exceptional fighter pilot for the United

States Air Force and later the reserves. He departed after four years and returned to Jones and Laughlin Steel.

He worked in Columbus, Ohio and progressed to Dayton, Ohio. The office work was not stimulating enough for him, and so further education in medicine became his goal. At age 29, he began his freshman year at Case Western Reserve School of Medicine and completed his ophthalmology residence at Ohio State University.

He and Merry Lee Obetz, director of radiology, met at Emory Hospital in Delaware, Ohio and were married three years later. They worked in Sault Saint Marie, Michigan and then Bradford, Pennsylvania. Their son, Daniel Neil, was born on September 19, 1978. They moved to Terre Haute, Indiana and proceeded to 30 years of ophthalmology, raising family and a wonderful life. There were many activities including flying, skiing, golf, wine, literature, music, sports cars, traveling, farming, photography and crew.

In 2000, Dr. Neil bought a lovely home on Sanibel Island. There were 17 years of lovely retirement. Activities at The Sanctuary Country Club, Captiva Island Yacht Club and Rotary Club were his recent endeavors. He continued his close relationship with Iowa cousins and farming. His father, Ashton S. Neil, and mother, Ada Johnson Neil, are lasting. His brother, Duane Neil, and brother-in-law, Robin R. Obetz, are admired. His love of his Ferrari Daytona (1972) remains forever.

A Joy of Life Celebration will be held at The Sanctuary Golf Club on Thursday, March 30 from 4 to 7 p.m. His internment will take place at Obetz Plot in Columbus, Ohio in July.✽

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About Jason:

What Jason brings to the Council is a unique perspective and understanding about the islands. Since riding the school bus into town as a boy, Jason has seen Sanibel evolve and adapt to changes in the environment and Community. At 46, he still lives in the same Sanibel neighborhood he grew up in, but is now a family man himself with his wife of 22 years, Babs, and their son Ronan, who attends the Sanibel School. Jason owns a successful Island law firm with a nearly two-decade long reputation for helping Residents and the City work together.

This skill and institutional knowledge have led to the current Council appointing him as Planning Commissioner, twice. He serves as pro bono General Counsel/Director for numerous Island charities and he and Babs lead a Cub Scout Den together on the Island. Having been on the Island for 40 years, Jason has personally experienced the effects of earlier Council decisions and learned how to anticipate policies necessary to address future threats as well as support Community initiatives.

New Classes At Sanibel Church

Transformational Conversations and Driven by Eternity are two new classes being offered at Sanibel Community Church on Thursdays at noon, beginning on March 9.

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Doug Hummer



Russ Rainey

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congregation with the church campus at 1740 Periwinkle Way. Worship services are at 8, 9 and 11 a.m. on Sunday.

For more information, call 472-2684 or visit www.sanibelchurch.com.✪

Rabbi To Deliver Text Study

The Unitarian Universalist of the Islands congregation announced that Rabbi Myra Soifer of Temple Bat Yam will lead a participatory text study at the Unitarian service on Sunday, March 12. The service, which will begin at 5 p.m., will meet in Fellowship Hall at the Sanibel

Congregational United Church of Christ, located at 2050 Periwinkle Way. The public is welcome to attend.

In leading the discussion, Rabbi Soifer will focus on what the text teaches about arguing with sanity.

Rabbi Soifer assumed the leadership of the Bat Yam congregation in January 2014. She was one of the first 10 women ordained a rabbi after Reform Judaism ordained its first woman in 1972. Rabbi Soifer attended Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin. She completed her master of arts degree in Hebrew letters at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati in 1977 and was ordained there in 1978.

Upon ordination, Rabbi Soifer became the assistant rabbi at Temple Sinai in New Orleans, Louisiana. In 1984, she became the solo Rabbi of Temple Sinai in Reno, Nevada, where she served for 26 years before retiring.

On Sanibel, Rabbi Soifer continues her career-long interest in interfaith work. She loves teaching and traveling – particularly to very far-away places – and she is a passionate dancer: ballroom, swing, Latin, and country. She is leaving Sanibel in May to join the Peace Corps for service in Rwanda.

All are welcome to attend. Lively discussion, fellowship and refreshments follow the service.✪

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Practicing The Alphabet



Kelyse Schafer and Chloe Selby
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Highlights Of SCCF's Presidents' Day Open House



From left, Patty Smith from Ontario, Canada and Edna Granlund from Minneapolis, Minnesota check out a tank filled with live sea grass samples, one of the SCCF President's Day Open House stations attended by Jeff Siwicki, Marine Lab research assistant photos by Jeff Lysiak



Marine Lab intern Ellie Rothermel observing live oysters



Phoebe Rando, 12, explained how sharks and dolphins propel themselves through the water



Jewel Jensen and Kelly Sloan of SCCF's sea turtle monitoring program



From left, Bill and Fran Khani learning about shorebirds from SCCF's Audrey Albrecht



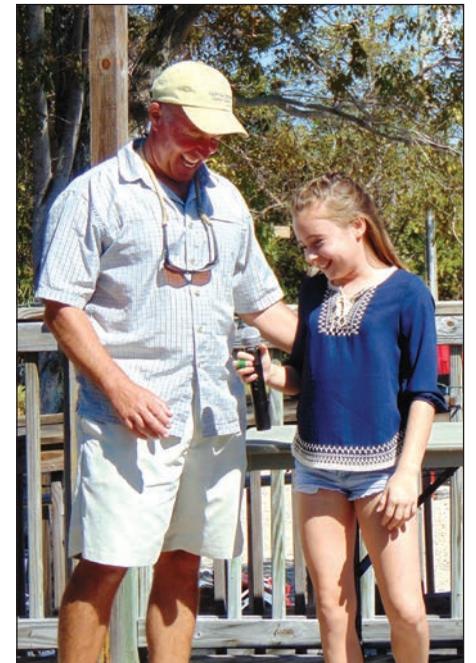
A pair of ornate diamondback terrapins inside SCCF's Nature Center



Fay Carney taking a closer look at live marine critters on display



From left, Erika, Sam and Todd Drezner from Brooklyn, New York



Bob Rando and his daughter, Phoebe, took part in the Nature Sounds contest



SCCF Education Director Kristie Anders, left, watching two brothers from New York demonstrating a sloth hug

Top Ten Books On The Island

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4. *Britt-Marie Was Here* by Frederik Backman
5. *Historic Sanibel & Captiva Islands*

- by Jeri Magg
6. *The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George
 7. *How To Live At the Beach* by Sandra Gingras
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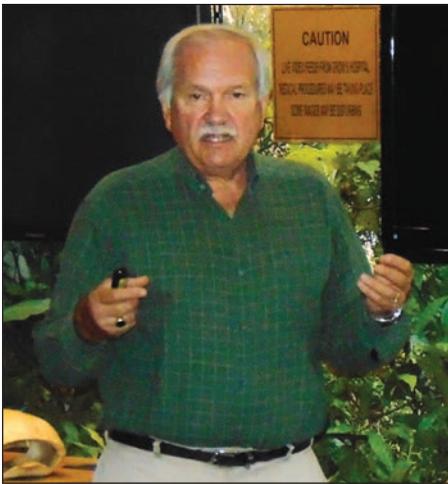
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of open spaces across the world and how wild animals – from birds to fish to mammals – are changing their behavior to take advantage of these dramatically altered landscapes.

“The interactions between humans and animals is creating a new ‘breed’ of animals,” he told a crowd of more than 20 people at CROW’s Visitor Education Center. “Evolution happens much more quickly than Darwin believed possible.”

During a recent family vacation to a national park, Sobczak observed that a flock of ravens systematically checked out the area underneath picnic tables to see if humans had left any table scraps behind. The ravens then approached cars in the nearby parking lot, feeding off of the bugs trapped on the vehicle bumpers. In these instances, the birds were demonstrating feeding routines created through observing human habits.

Sobczak showed a series of photographs depicting animals blending with urban landscapes: various creatures – including birds, squirrels and bears – hanging onto bird feeders; sea lions catching salmon in man-made fish ladder structures; moose licking salt off of car tires; and raccoons sitting in dumpsters, searching for their next meal.

Of urban raccoons, who Sobczak suggested might outnumber wild raccoons in the next 100 years, stated, “Why would they hunt for food from natural sources when they’ve got all of this wonderful trash that we (humans) have created?”

Additional human-animal influences depicted in the presentation showed



Dozens of manatees converged in the waters adjacent to an electrical power plant

photo provided

Charlie Sobczak photo by Jeff Lysiak

Author Discusses Human-Animal Interactions

by Jeff Lysiak

Local author and Sanibel resident Charlie Sobczak delivered an hour-long lecture, entitled *The Changing Face of Nature*, last Wednesday afternoon at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW). The lecture was the seventh in CROW’s 2017 Speaker Series, sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club.

During his mostly serious but sometimes humorous PowerPoint presentation, Sobczak discussed how wildlife is adapting to the urbanization

Canadian geese, who no longer have the need to migrate back north, ospreys using man-made platforms for their nests and groups of manatees – who used to migrate into warmer water areas during cold spells – converged around electrical power plants.

“As we become less aggressive toward wildlife, they quickly acclimate to us,” Sobczak said. “They don’t scatter as quickly and their flight response has, in many cases, all but vanished.”

Ask any commuter or visitor driving on the islands, who may see a cattle egret walking along Periwinkle Way. Those birds seem to worry very little about being struck by a passing car or shooed away by a motorist. That’s just the evolution Sobczak was talking about.

Among the other human-created

attractions for wildlife are golf courses, dams and reservoirs, and artificial reefs.

In concluding his lecture, Sobczak shared the observation of noted conservationist Baba Dioum: “In the end, we will conserve only what we love; we will love only what we understand; and we will understand only what we are taught.”

CROW’s 2017 Speaker Series will continue with *The Story of Ospreys* on March 2, March 28 and April 11; *Amazing Manatees* on March 7; *Introduction To Wildlife* on March 13; *Soaring Into The Future of Conservation Medicine* on March 20; *The Feather Wars* on April 3; and *Snakes of Sanibel & Captiva* on April 17. For more information, call 472-3644 or visit www.crowclinic.org.



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February Tarpon, Really?!



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

The opening of snook season and the official start of spring, March 1, usually comes and goes without much excitement as water temperatures are generally still too cold to give anglers

throughout the sound. I was yet to see a tarpon with my own eyes until last Saturday while riding a deeper channel on the inside of Captiva while up on my tower. This 100-pound-plus fish was just laid up a foot or two below the surface in clear water as I rode by. All I could do was stare as I had no tackle close to big enough on board to even think about casting a bait to it. Tarpon arriving in mid-February is not unheard of, although it does not happen most years. If we continue with this same warm weather pattern, all of us tarpon anglers might get at least a few extra weeks or even months to enjoy this fishery.

Shiner fishing in mangrove creeks continues to go off with snook, redfish, trout and mangrove snapper often caught right in the same creek. Many of these narrow creek systems have strong currents that make for perfect ambush spots that a gamefish can sit in and pick off a bait as it comes flying by on the tide. The majority of the action in many of these creeks is undersized, hard-fighting, high-flying snook, but now and again a deeper bend or hole is loaded up with big redfish. This happened to me twice this week with one memorable stop producing four bruiser redfish ranging from 25 to 30 inches. Until you have hooked into a

much of a shot at catching that first keeper of season until at least a little bit closer to April. This year's winter has been so warm that catching a tarpon in February was not even out of the realm of possibilities. After what has been basically a winter heat wave with very few cold fronts, our water temperature seldom dropped below 70 degrees for more than a few days before quickly rebounding.

Yes, believe it or not, scattered reports of tarpon being caught have been coming in for the past few weeks in many of the early season deep channel "soak a cut bait" spots



Fritz Neubauer from Ohio with a oversized redfish caught and released while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

big charging redfish in a really small narrow creek, it's hard to imagine how strong they are.

It really does seem a little strange to be writing about tarpon fishing the last week of February but, unlike people, fish don't have a calendar to look at to base their annual travel plans on. Life

as a fish is all about water temperature.

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

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Native beach morning-glory has showy tubular white flowers photo by Gerri Reaves

Plant Smart
Beach Morning-Glory

by Gerri Reaves

Native beach morning-glory (*Ipomoea imperati*) is an excellent soil binder and therefore valuable in restoring and protecting sand dunes. Its native habitat is coastal dunes above the high-water line. Hardy, resilient and fast-growing, it spreads along the bare sand, forming dense mats. This non-climbing perennial vine stabilizes the soil by rooting at the nodes and sending down taproots. The reddish-brown unbranched stems usually reach only a few feet, but can reach up to 90. But this plant also has characteristics beyond the practical. Like many other members of the morning-glory family, it has pretty funnel-shaped, or tubular, flowers. Those showy flowers measure about two inches across and have five sepals, stamens, and united petals with wavy edges that are barely lobed. Solitary and white with yellow centers,

or throats, they bloom in the leaf axils, peaking in late summer into fall. The alternate notched leaves are fleshy with a leathery texture. They vary in shape and have three to seven lobes. Sometimes they are fiddle-shaped, inspiring another common name, fiddle-leaf morning glory. Give this vine full sun and moist well-drained sandy soil. It will grow even in nutrient-poor soil and might be the answer for a sandy area where other things won't grow well. It makes an excellent groundcover in a coastal landscape and grows to about six inches high. Because it's highly drought tolerant, it will not need irrigation once established. Propagate it with the four hairy seeds in the small brown fruit capsule or with rhizome cuttings. Sources: *Florida Wildflowers and Their Natural Communities* by Walter Kingsley Taylor, *A Gardener's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio, *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell, enature.com, gcr.usm.edu, regionalconservation.org and wildflower.org. *Plant Smart explores the diverse flora of South Florida.*✱



Jessie Looney photo courtesy DDWS

New Biology Intern At Refuge

New biology intern Jessie Looney recently joined the team efforts at JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge as part of the refuge's intern program supported by the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). Looney, from San Diego, California, most recently worked for the San Diego Zoo Institute for Conservation Research on San Clemente Island, one of the Channel Islands off the coast of southern California. "My job as a research assistant was to support the captive breeding program of endangered San Clemente Island loggerhead shrikes by providing daily care and behavioral monitoring," said Looney. "I've worked for four years with captive wildlife programs – zoos and nature centers – but my interest is in avian field ecology. This internship will provide me with experience to transition from captive work to field work."

Looney is excited to be experiencing species that are different from California's birds and new to her. For her internship project, she envisions studying the impact of refuge visitors on the wildlife. "San Diego is similar to coastal South Florida in that it attracts many tourists," she said. "It's important in these areas to understand the balance of protecting habitat and wildlife while simultaneously providing an enriching, educational experience for the public." Each year, DDWS supports 10 or more intern positions in the fields of biology, education, visitor services and non-profit support with stipends and other perks. The refuge provides on-site housing for the interns. "The intern program not only fulfills the wildlife society's mission to educate a new generation of conservation stewards, it also fills a government budget void by providing valuable manpower to assist the refuge's overworked staff due to federal cuts and hiring freezes," said DDWS Executive Director Birgie Miller. "We are pleased we can help the refuge in this capacity."✱

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Shell Of The Week

Lady In Waiting Venus



by José H. Leal, PhD, Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum Science Director and Curator

The Lady-in-waiting Venus, *Chionopsis intapurpurea* (Conrad, 1849), a member of the

venus clams family Veneridae. It measures up to 38 mm (about 1.5 inches). The shell valves have a characteristic sculpture of numerous, concentric ridges that are serrated on the edge. This feature gives the species its common name, as the frilly ridges apparently resemble the trimming on gowns of personal attendants (ladies-in-waiting) to female royalty. Do not mistake shells of this species for the young of the Southern Quahog (*Mercenaria campechiensis*) or of the Northern Quahog (*Mercenaria mercenaria*), which both lack the serrations on ridges and are more rounded in outline. Learn more about local mollusks at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/southwest-florida-shells>.

Shell Museum Events

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The Lady-in-waiting Venus, *Chionopsis intapurpurea*, from Captiva Island

photo by José H. Leal

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LCEC United Way Fishing Tournament

On Saturday April 15, Lee County Electric Cooperative will host the 21st annual LCEC United Way Fishing Tournament. The tournament has raised nearly \$400,000 for the United Way since it began in 1996. Anglers come from throughout the state to participate in this popular tournament, which features fishing, food and a raffle with hundreds of prizes, including an LCEC retired 2009 Ford Ranger truck. This year, there will also be a silent raffle with great catches from jewelry to theater tickets to stays on Fort Myers Beach and Sanibel.

The tournament will be held in Pine Island Sound, Charlotte Harbor and surrounding waters. The cost per person is \$65 before April 12 and \$75 thereafter. The student rate is \$50 before April 12 and \$55 thereafter. College students must have current identification to qualify for the rate.

A mandatory captain's meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 14 at D&D Matlacha Bait and Tackle. All participants will receive a commemorative long-sleeve shirt and a home-cooked barbecue meal. Meals for guests and non-fishermen can be purchased for \$5 during weigh-in.

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Sea School Gearing Up For Summer Camps

by Jeff Lysiak

Summer may still be a number of months away, but for folks interested in signing up to participate in the ever-popular Sanibel Sea School weekly summer camp programs, registration is currently under way.

With a wide variety of camp programs available and a limited number of open spots, people who may be considering signing up their youngsters – ages 4 through 18 – are encouraged to take advantage of the early opportunity to make plans to participate in the marine-based, fun and educational camps.

“Each week of camp has its own theme and activities, but there are some things we do every week,” the Sanibel Sea School’s website reads, in part. “We surf each day, and our famous Surf Paddling Competition is held each Friday. In Sanibel Sea School style, every day includes surfing, friendship,

macramé and team bonding. Then there’s always artwork, journaling, beach time, seining and snorkeling. Our ‘Milk and Cookies Slideshow’ takes place every Friday at the end of the day. Bring some delicious baked goodies and join us to experience your child’s week of camp.”

For the first time this year, Sanibel Sea School’s summer camps will be offered at three separate locations: at the flagship campus at 455 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel, at the Sundial Beach Resort & Spa, located at 1451 Middle Gulf Drive on Sanibel, and at the Canterbury School in Fort Myers.

“We’ve worked with the Canterbury School on our sand dollar research project in the past, and we wanted to expand that partnership,” said Nicole Finnicum, Sanibel Sea School’s director of education. “This summer, we’re offering a lot more educational opportunities for hands-on learning. And by expanding the number of camps and programs, we’ll be able to accommodate a larger number of students.”

For ages 4 to 6, Sanibel Sea School will offer themed camps including Twinkle Twinkle Sea Star Week and

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Baby Animals



by Bob Petcher

Baby animals can warm just about anyone's heart. The way they look up at you with their "puppy dog" eyes and their cute and wide-eyed glares. Unfortunately, their curiosity and

naivety can also lead them into trouble and somewhat out of favor for a while. Patience and a good camera angle can help in these trying situations.

At CROW, animal babies are a very common sight in the clinic, especially in the springtime. They are regarded as one of the most common types of animals that the hospital takes in.

"We are starting to enter baby season now that spring is around the corner," said CROW DVM intern Dr. Spencer Kehoe. "We will be getting in several hundred baby animals, such as otters, squirrels, raccoons, birds – especially doves – just to name a few, over the next several months."

According to CROW officials, raptors (owls, hawks, eagles) nest from December through early spring. For songbirds, nesting season is generally in the spring months of March and April. Nesting season for mammals vary. Squirrels usually mate and raise offspring in late summer months, while opossums do so in the early summer months. Due to the climate in the region, raccoons are more inclined to mate

throughout the year.

Sometimes, people see animal babies on the ground and think they are injured or lost because their parents are not in plain sight or heard. These same people believe they are doing the right thing by picking up these small creatures and bringing them to CROW or other animal clinics.

In fact, several reports of perfectly healthy juvenile birds and animals have been brought to CROW because of a belief that the animal has been orphaned. CROW staff calls these creatures "abducted animals." In 2016, CROW received hundreds of baby animal abductions.

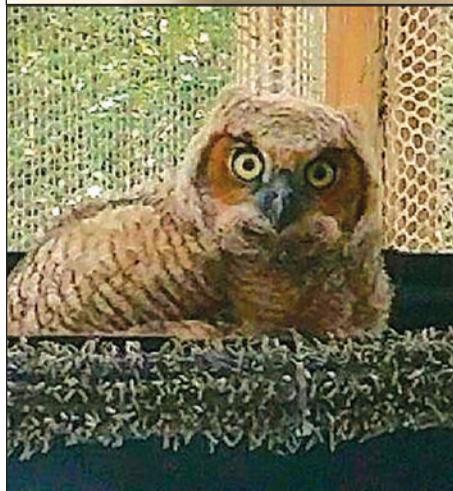
"Unfortunately, (baby animals are presented) to CROW because well-meaning people have accidentally abducted these animals, not understanding that they are in fact not orphaned," said Dr. Kehoe.

Dr. Heather Barron, CROW's hospital director, has begun a program entitled If You Care Leave It There in an effort to reduce the number of abducted animals entering the clinic. The program offers a brochure that allows one to be educated on the difference between orphaned and abducted and what one can do once faced in a possible "rescue" scenario.

Within the brochure, Dr. Barron offers information that everyone must adhere to: "If you happen to see a young, wild animal, please leave it alone unless there appears to be something wrong – a clear injury or a fallen nest.

"If the nest has fallen out of a tree but the young inside the nest appear healthy, please replace the nest in the tree as high up as you can reach. If this is not possible, consider placing the

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Clockwise from top left, a baby northern raccoon, a baby eastern screech owl, a baby eastern grey squirrel and baby great horned owl photos by Brian Bohman



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CROW Calendar Of Events

The Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) has specialty programs available for residents and visitors. Meet the staff and learn what it takes to rescue, rehabilitate and release wildlife in Southwest Florida.

For reservations, contact Rachel Rainbolt at rrainbolt@crowclinic.org or 472-3644 ext. 229 to register. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. CROW is located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Friday, March 3, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Opossums at CROW.

Virginia opossums are the only marsupial, or pouched mammal, native to the United States. They are highly adaptable animals and can live in a variety of habitats, both natural and human made. Although it may not be obvious to some people, opossums are a unique member of Florida's wildlife, playing an important role in the function of a healthy ecosystem. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

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Saturday, March 4, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Baby Care at CROW, presented by a CROW volunteer.

Wildlife parents are devoted to the care of their young and rarely abandon them, and juveniles found "abandoned" might actually be in a natural stage of development. Those needing assistance are placed in a specialized wing of the wildlife hospital and are provided supportive care around the clock until they are old enough to care for themselves.

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Monday, March 6, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – CROW Case of the Week, presented by a CROW student.

CROW's teaching hospital offers externship, fellowship and internship opportunities for natural science and veterinary medicine students. While on site, students learn the ins and outs of conservation medicine and wildlife rehabilitation, and share their favorite patient stories. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

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Tuesday, March 7, 4 to 4:15 p.m., adults \$10, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge, advance registration required – Speaker Series: Amazing Manatees, presented by Nancy Kilmartin, Manatee Park programmer for Lee County Parks and Recreation.

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"Florida will be the ninth book in the series," said Simmons. "If we decide to include the recipe, we will publish their name and hometown beneath the recipe so everyone will know who submitted the recipe. We also send a complimentary copy of the cookbook to each person who has recipes chosen for the book."

Florida Hometown Cookbook will be about 256 pages and will include more than 250 favorite recipes from hometown cooks all across Florida. Submit recipes by email to amusgrove@gapublishers.com or online at www.submitmyrecipe.com. The deadline for submission is April 5.

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nest in nearby bushes or even nailing it to the side of the tree in an area where the young will have some shade and shelter from the elements. If the nest itself is missing or damaged, an artificial nest may be created."

The brochure also educates on nestlings, fledglings, bunnies, raccoon kits, bobcat kittens and otter pups. You can pick up a hard copy at CROW's visitor education center at 3883 Sanibel Captiva Road or visit <http://crowclinic.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/If-You-Care.pdf> to view it online.

"Although we are a state-of-the-art wildlife hospital and can treat some pretty amazing animal injuries and illnesses with advanced medicine, no one raises healthy babies better than their parents," added Dr. Kehoe.

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

Shells Found



Arthur Koch

photo by A. Ziehl

Arthur Koch, visiting from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, found two junonias on February 23 – one large specimen was found along the shoreline at Gulfside City Park and the smaller one was discovered at Blind Pass. Koch was staying in Fort Myers.*

Shell Found



Andrew Kenney

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Andrew Kenney, visiting from Sudbury, Massachusetts, found a junonia while shelling along the Sanibel beachfront on February 24.*

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Sanibel Island Fishing Club chefs, from left, Jay Schulz, John Carney and Hunt Ethridge prepare fish for more than 50 club members and family photo provided

Fishing Club Reels In Sheephead At Annual Outing

The Sanibel Island Fishing Club held its annual sheephead outing on February 11. Seven crews consisting of 23 anglers battled for the title. The winning team has the heaviest 10 fish, determined at the weigh-in.

Captain Mary Laser's team got the hard earned win with 10 fish weighing 33.5 pounds. Laser is the first female

captain in the club's history. This was her first victory as captain in only her second event. She was also a member of the winning team in the 2016 "Ding" Darling/Doc Ford's Tarpon Tournament.

The club encourages catch-and-release fishing in all six yearly outings. But for the abundant and tasty sheephead, the club keeps the filets for the annual fish fry, which was held the next day for 50-plus members and their families. The club also donates filets to FISH of SanCap for their food pantry, which assists locals in need. This year, 17 pounds of filets were donated.*

CROW Calendar

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Wednesday, March 8, 12 to 1:30 p.m., \$30 per person, advance registration required – Lunch and Learn with Dr. Barron.

An intimate discussion with CROW's Hospital Director Dr. Heather Barron. During this program, Dr. Barron describes CROW's role in supporting the interconnectedness of human health, animal health and environmental health. Includes a boxed lunch catered by Sanibel Deli and concludes with a tour of CROW's hospital and rehabilitation grounds. Not recommended for children under the age of 13.

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Jennifer D. McCabe and Brian J. Olsen in the field

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'Ding' Lecturers To Discuss Effects Of Climate Change

Climate change is one of the biggest challenges facing bird populations today. It impacts their movement patterns, reproduction and survival. It's not just about warmer temperatures, however, say researchers Jennifer D. McCabe and Brian J. Olsen. They will discuss how changing winds, sea levels, and the timing of biological events are impacting songbirds in North America and what concrete actions might prevent the loss of species.

Their two free Migratory Birds in a Climate Changing World presentations take place at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, March 10 as part of the 2017 "Ding" Darling Lecture Series at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel.

McCabe, who trained as a wildlife population and community ecologist, specializes in avian habitat selection and computer modeling. She is a postdoctoral research associate with the University of Wisconsin-Madison's Department of Forestry and Wildlife Ecology.

Olsen, associate professor at the University of Maine School of Biology and Ecology and Climate Change Institute, focuses his research on avian ecology, behavior, demography, mating systems and life history evolution. The two will be presenting on work they did collaboratively as part of the Climate Change Institute at the University of Maine.

HighTower/Thomas & Swartz Wealth Management sponsors the free 12-lecture

series with support from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS). The season's complete schedule is listed below.

Seating for the lectures in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center Auditorium is limited and available on a first-come basis. Early arrivals can save one seat each and then may explore the Visitor & Education Center or Indigo Trail before the lecture starts. Saved seats must be filled 15 minutes before lecture time.

As usual, Wildlife Drive closes on Friday, but visitors are welcome to enjoy the center, Indigo Trail, and recreational opportunities at Tarpon Bay Explorers, the refuge's official recreation concession located at its Tarpon Bay Recreation Area.

Note: Opinions expressed in guest lectures do not necessarily reflect the views of refuge and DDWS management, staff and board of directors.

For more information, call 472-1100 ext. 241 or log on to www.dingdarlingsociety.org/articles/lecture-and-film-series.

March 17 – Author-artist Julie Zickefoose, *Baby Birds: An Artist Looks into the Nest*

March 24 – Author Denege Patterson, *A Tour of the Islands of Pine Island Sound: Their Geology, Archaeology, and History*

March 31 – Author Will Stolzenburg, *Heart of a Lion: A Lone Cat's Walk Across America*

April 7 – Photographer-sound recordist Gerrit Vyn, *The Living Bird: 100 Years of Listening to Nature*

April 14 – Author Charles Sobczak, *Alligators, Sharks, & Panthers: Deadly Encounters with Florida's Top Predator – Man* ✨

"We spend a lot of time on the beach during the day," said Johnny Rader, who will be teaching the class. "At night, the shoreline can be a completely different place, and it's an amazing thing to experience."

Life In The Dark will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. on March 15. The course fee is \$55 per student; scholarships are available.

Visit www.sanibelseaschool.org/ sanibel-adult-programs or call 472-8585 to learn more and register. ✨

Experience The Beach At Night

On Wednesday, March 15, Sanibel Sea School will offer a special evening class for adults called Life In The Dark. Participants will visit the beach during sunset, led by the organization's marine educators, to learn about the changes that occur as light turns to dark and observe some nocturnal sand-dwelling creatures.

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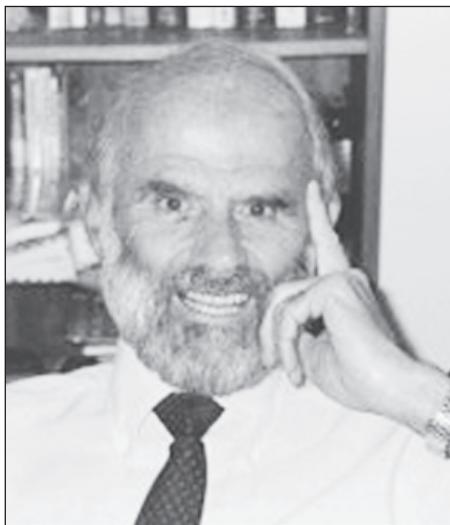
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Di Saggau

Marsha Wagner

island celebrities. Many of you know them as friends and colleagues.

They are: Di Saggau, who writes for the *Island Sun* and *The River Weekly News*. And Marsha Wagner, who writes for the *Sanibel-Captiva Islander*.

Saggau is a force here on the island because she is active in so many things, especially the Film Society that plans and delivers Monday Night Movies at BIG ARTS. She is also active in the Film Society's efforts at the Island Cinema with events that run all season, including the Academy Award Contenders, and the highly rated documentaries, plus an exciting series on films that some think are too controversial for Monday night showings. In a former life, Saggau was a newscaster at a major radio station in Omaha, Nebraska. It was a time when she interviewed Ronald Reagan, Bob Hope and others. She has stories to tell.

Wagner is an equal power with a thriving pilates practice and a background in theater that includes being a dancer in the opening cast of

Pajama Game to dancing on the *Ed Sullivan Show*. She loves stories and will tell some from Broadway days and before.

The third theater critic is Simon himself, who has a column in the *Islander*. Simon was in eight plays in college and in community theater for

years. He was also an English teacher who directed high school plays. He loves live theater.

These three island celebrities hope their stories will trigger some short stories from your past.

If you have any questions, call the library at 472-2483.*

Sidney B. Simon

photos provided

Second Friday Stories For Grownups

It's time again for the popular First Friday Stories for Grownups that has charmed the islands for 15 years. It will not be held on the first Friday of March this time, but on the second Friday, March 10 from 2 to 3 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library. It is recommended that you get there early. There is no charge to attend and parking is free.

Dr. Sidney B. Simon will again be the emcee of the event featuring three

City Of Sanibel Vegetation Committee

Guided Native Plant Tours

The City of Sanibel Vegetation Committee is offering guided native vegetation and landscaping tours of city hall grounds, planted exclusively with native plants. The next tour will take place on Wednesday, March 8 starting at 10 a.m.

Upcoming tours of city hall grounds will be held on: Saturday, March 25; Wednesday, April 12; Saturday, April 22.

Walk the grounds for ideas on planting native vegetation that requires no fertilizer. See how to plant a garden that reseeds itself with very little maintenance, is good for the environment and will attract birds and butterflies.

Vegetation committee members will provide valuable information on proper planting and care of native vegetation. The City of Sanibel encourages

planting of vegetation that is indigenous to the area as it requires very little maintenance, no fertilizer and no supplemental irrigation.

Registration is not required.

Attendees meet at the main entrance to Sanibel City Hall, located at 800 Dunlop Road, in front of the main staircase. For more information, contact the city's natural resources department at 472-3700.

The Natural Resources Department section of the city's website, www.mysanibel.com, offers information and photos of native plants, a listing of licensed contractors, Sanibel's vegetation standards and codes, and the *Environmental Reference Handbook* prepared by the city's vegetation committee. The vegetation committee also offers free native plant tours of the grounds at city hall at 10 a.m. on the second Wednesday and fourth Saturday of the month from November to April. For more information, contact the Sanibel Natural Resources Department at 472-3700.*



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CROW Offers New Perspective On Opossums

by Jeff Lysiak

Contrary to what many people may believe, opossums aren't nuisance animals. They aren't aggressive towards humans, they don't carry diseases like rabies or distemper, and they actually play a vital role in the function of a healthy ecosystem.

Last week at the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW), more than a dozen people attended a lecture on Virginia opossums, the only marsupial – or pouched mammal – native to the United States. According to CROW wildlife rehabilitator Breanna Frankel, there is much misinformation – or lack thereof – about these intelligent critters.

"I'm from western New York, and even I didn't think very much about them," said Frankel. "But after I got here and started working with the (opossum) babies, I found out just how wonderful they really are."

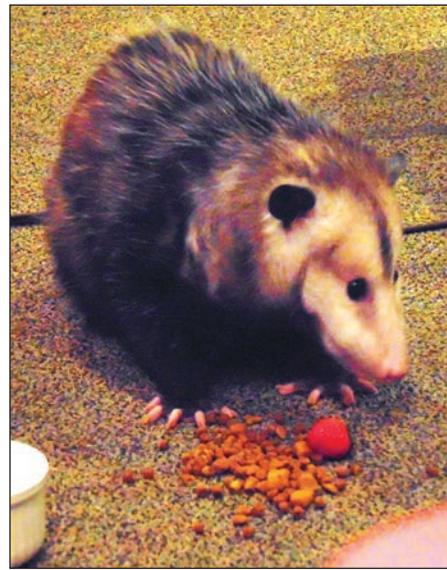
Highly adaptable to a number of climates, opossums can be found from Central America through the southern portions of Canada, and are primarily found in the central and eastern portions of the United States. They typically live an average of two to three years in the wild, and about five years in captivity.



Wildlife rehabilitator Breanna Frankel, left, introduces animal ambassador Sneezzy to the crowd at CROW's Visitor Education Center photos by Jeff Lysiak

One of the physical characteristics opossums are widely regarded for – their prehensile tails – can be used for hanging upside down. However, as Frankel explained, only young or smaller opossums can do this; larger adults are too heavy to hang by their tails.

Approximately the size of a domestic cat, opossums have strong hands and feet with opposable thumbs, which can be used with ample dexterity to grab



Sneezzy snacking on nuts and strawberries

and hold objects. They are omnivorous scavengers, a pollinator species who will redistribute seeds through their scat (which is credited as being an excellent fertilizer), and are immune to diseases such as rabies, distemper and snake venoms.

During the 45-minute lecture, Frankel described how and why these creatures "play possum." In order to avoid being attacked or eaten, opossums will play dead... and are quite effective at this practice. Beginning with an act similar to fainting, the opossum will lapse into a catatonic state, mouth agape with teeth bared, drooling with their eyes closed or half-shut. The

animal also has the ability to secrete a foul stench through mucous emitted from its anal glands, along with lowering its body temperature and heart rate.

"We get calls almost every day from someone who said that they went outside with their dog and saw a dead opossum in their yard," said Frankel. "We tell them to bring their dog back inside and wait 15 minutes or so. Usually when they go back outside, the opossum is gone. This is how they survive."

Following her PowerPoint presentation on the mammals' biology, diet and other habits, Frankel introduced the audience to Sneezzy, an opossum and "wildlife ambassador" who had been brought to CROW after being struck by a vehicle. He arrived with a fractured jaw and other injuries, including one to his tail which required amputation. However, the 3-year-old marsupial is now one of the wildlife hospital's most popular permanent residents.

Lecture attendees gathered in a semicircle on the floor of the Visitor Education Center, observing Sneezzy eating an afternoon snack of nuts and strawberries. Many of the youngsters asked questions, took pictures and smiled when learning more about the placid opossum, whom Frankel added is her "best furry friend at CROW."

For more information about upcoming animal presentations at CROW, call 472-3644 or visit www.crowclinic.org.

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Students can get a head start on their science fair projects before the school year begins during Independent Science Research Camp

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Summer Camps

Tiny Mighty Plankton. For ages 6 to 13, this summer's Skills Camp will include Camo Crabo, Massive Manatee Week, "Stuck On You" Barnacle Week, Shark of a Whale Week, The Mighty Calusa Week, "Suck It Up" Pipefish Week, Top Speed Mako Week, Peops For Peeps Week and Going Coco-nuts Week.

In addition, teenagers ages 13 to 18 may sign up for the school's Counselor In Training (CIT) program, designed to teach older campers the skills needed for leadership and their future employment.

According to Finnicum, a number of the school's most popular weekly programs will be offered again this summer. They include:

- Have Paddleboard, Will Survive (for ages 13 to 18) – Campers will go on a paddleboard adventure at low tide to some of the lesser-known places on Sanibel. In addition to learning basic paddleboarding and survival skills, participants will engage in tire-changing races, fire-starting contests and shelter-building competitions.

- Wahine Toa (for girls ages 13 to 18) – During the week, a dozen teens will become ocean women warriors in their annual girls-only camp. Campers will learn

paddleboarding and survival skills and gain a strong sense of confidence. They'll also learn practical skills like how to change a tire, how to jumpstart a car, how to build fires from the ground up and how to make the best shelter on the beach.

- Keys Coral Reef Week (one week for ages 11 and 12; one week for ages 13 to 15) – A weeklong experience will bring campers to the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, where participants will swim, snorkel, learn and have fun camping in eight-person tents at the Big Pine Key Fishing Lodge studying the reef and the Florida Keys habitat.

New offerings this summer will include a Canoeing The Caloosahatchee (for ages 13 to 18), a weeklong excursion for campers who will travel the scenic waterways between Lake Okeechobee and the Sanibel Causeway Islands; and a Belize Coral Reef Expedition (for ages 15 to 18), where campers – working in the South Water Caye Marine Reserve – will learn the names and behaviors of coral reef inhabitants while interpreting their discoveries as coral reef ecologists.

Once again at the Sundial, Sanibel Sea School campers can participate in programs including Mangrove Mud Week, "Watch Me Swim" Crab Week and Loggerhead Week in addition to the CIT program for older teens.

Inaugural summer camp programs being offered at the Canterbury School will include The Un-Cuddly Cuttlefish Week, Moon Jelly, Moon Jelly Week, Nurse Shark in the Dark Week, The Vegetarian Fighting Conch Week, an onshore fishing and paddleboarding program as well as

CIT training. Campers will visit locations including the Sanibel Causeway and Bunche Beach.

Also offered at Canterbury will be an Independent Science Research two-week summer session for students in rising grades six through 12. During the program, Canterbury science faculty – along with Sanibel Sea School's marine educators – will help students design their original research based on inquiry and the scientific method. Students will design their hypotheses, complete data collection, and begin analyzing their data.

"As in the past, we'll be conducting sand dollar research," added Finnicum. "It's a great opportunity for students who are so busy in the fall to get a jump start on their Canterbury Science Night entries. I'm sure parents will like that we're offering this option quite a lot."

Another benefit for students enrolled at the Canterbury summer camp: Sanibel Sea School will pick up and drop off participants at the 8141 College Parkway campus in Fort Myers, eliminating the need for parents to travel to and from Sanibel.

To register for summer camp programs offered at Sanibel Sea School or Sundial Beach Resort & Spa, call 472-8585 or send an email to camp@sanibelseaschool.org. To sign up for camps offered at The Canterbury School, contact Carolyn Monteiro, director of summer programs, at 481-4323 ext. 282. For additional information about Sanibel Sea School's summer camps, fees and complete program descriptions, visit www.sanibelseaschool.org.



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BIG ARTS Documentary Series

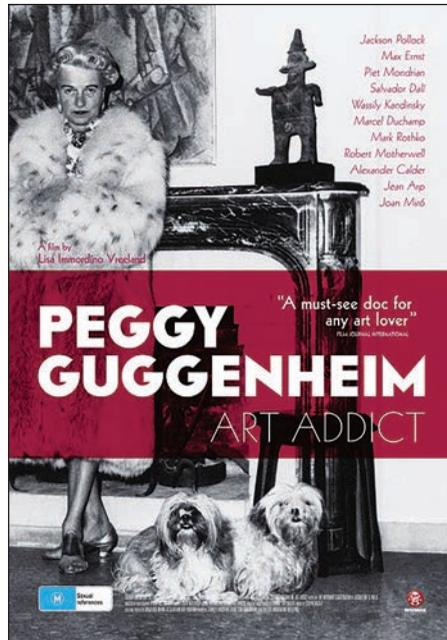
Peggy Guggenheim: Art Addict

by Di Saggau

On Wednesday, March 8 at 12:30 p.m., the Island Cinema will show the second in this year's BIG ARTS Critically Acclaimed Documentary Series. *Peggy Guggenheim: Art Addict* tells about the socialite collector's extraordinary life. It is told by the greatest artists of the 20th century, art critics, historians and Guggenheim herself. Using fascinating audio interviews with Guggenheim, she casually alludes to her acquaintance with some of the biggest names in art. The wealthy daughter of Benjamin Guggenheim, who went down with the *Titanic* and niece of Solomon Guggenheim, founder of the famous New York museum, Peggy became a passionate collector of art and artists.

She founded galleries in London, New York and finally Venice, where her museum still stands. The origin of her work was a brilliant early coup, buying up dozens of great works by Picasso and others in Paris at the outbreak of war, when prices were at their lowest. She had a string of lovers but also a deeply unhappy family life.

Guggenheim lived and breathed art and behaved as creatively as the artists she adored. She never went to college and lacked a formal art historical background, but Guggenheim knew when to ask



questions, and she surrounded herself with the sorts of people who could teach her what she knew she didn't know. Through it all, Guggenheim endured. The film runs 1 hour, 36 minutes.

Tickets are \$5 for members of BIG ARTS and \$6 for non-members. Tickets are available at BIG ARTS and the day of the film at the cinema located in Bailey's Shopping Center. Following the film, a discussion will take place at Island Cinema. Upcoming documentaries in the series are *Janis: Little Girl Blue* and *The Jewish Cardinal*, which will be shown in that order on the following Wednesdays in March.✪

Exhibit Mixes Art With Florals

The Shell Islands Garden Club is inviting the public to an exhibit entitled *Art In Bloom*, which will be on view for three days only, from March 14 through 16 in the lobby of the Sanibel Public Library.

The exhibit is a presentation of works of art by members of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League that will be interpreted with a floral arrangement by a garden club member. The artists will provide 16 original works of art for the exhibit.

The exhibit is free and open to the public on Tuesday, March 14 from noon to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, March 15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Thursday, March 16 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Sanibel Public Library is located at 770 Dunlop Road.✪



A painting by artist Jaye Boswell interpreted by Shell Islands Garden Club member Glenda Campbell in the 2016 show photo provided

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Bailey's General Store has a full deli, bakery, coffee bar, daily lunch specials, take out and catering for cook-outs, picnics and parties. This is the oldest supermarket on the islands, established long before a causeway linked Sanibel to the mainland. Services include shopping for your groceries and delivering them to your home or vacation destination. If you are on a gluten-free diet, pick up the extensive list of gluten-free products near the entrance to the supermarket. Bailey's has a second location at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa at 1451 Middle Gulf Drive.

2477 Periwinkle Way, 472-1516

BEACH PIEZ

Beach Piez New York style pizza offers carry out and delivery on Sanibel and Captiva. Hours are Monday through Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m. With fresh ingredients, mouth-watering mozzarella, provolone cheese "secret recipe" dough, homemade pizza sauce and family recipe meatballs, Beach Piez will deliver the best pizza the island has to offer.

2441 Periwinkle Way, 472-3224

THE BLUE GIRAFFE

The Blue Giraffe, under new ownership, offers casual island dining for "no wait" breakfast from 7 a.m. to noon daily as well as lunch and dinner seven days a week until 8 p.m. Dine outside in the garden atmosphere of Periwinkle Place or inside at hand-painted tables, inspired by local artists.

The new menu is full of traditional and unique breakfast items, signature burgers, custom sandwiches, fresh and local seafood, salads, steaks, pork and vegetarian options. There is a full liquor bar and various local beers on tap.

2075 Periwinkle Way (Periwinkle Place), 472-2525

CIP'S PLACE

Cip's Place is named for the late Jimmy Cipriani, a longtime islander and owner of the property on which the restaurant sits. In Jimmy's memory, Cip's styles itself as a local watering hole. A large mural shows many islanders through the ages – including "Cip" – and if you don't recognize them all, ask to see the "key." Food choices range from "comfort" to culinary with some Caribbean and island favorites as well. Try the homemade potato chips, fried buttermilk chicken with sage gravy and snapper tacos. Choose between the outdoor garden patio and front porch. Indoor seating and full bar are also available. Hours are 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily, with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m.

2055 Periwinkle Way, 472-0223

DOC FORD'S RUM BAR & GRILLE

Doc Ford's is a well-known local's restaurant, famous for its great food and service with plenty of indoor and outdoor seating boasting "Award winning flavors from the Caribbean Rim." The restaurant is named for the Doc Ford character in local author Randy Wayne White's best-selling mystery novels. With locations on Sanibel & Captiva Islands and Fort Myers Beach, all locations offer island favorites like Yucatan shrimp and fish tacos along with raw bar selections and fresh local seafood dishes. Premium rums and tropical drinks such as the Island Mojito are a specialty of the house. The combined menu offers both lunch and dinner daily from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Doc Ford's Sanibel, 2500 Island Inn Road, 472-8311; Doc Ford's Captiva, 5400 South Seas Plantation Road, 312-4275, Doc Ford's Fort Myers Beach, 708 Fishermans Wharf, 765-9660

DUNES GOLF & TENNIS CLUB

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club is open to the public and serves lunch daily from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chef specials include an assortment of salads, wraps and sandwiches, soup buffet Monday through Friday, and the popular hand-battered coconut shrimp and steak sandwich. Dinner is available only on event nights from 6 to 9 p.m. or for special seasonal dinners.

Featured monthly events include Trivia Night, Karaoke and Themed Dinner Nights. There is a Friday



From left, Cesar Berges, Arturo Mendez and General Manager Darien Arnun of Island Pizza display an Italian cold cut sub, an Islander Pizza and a Margherita Pizza with a pint of local Bury Me Brewing Cold Dead Hands IPA

photo by Bob Petcher

a la carte dinner menu with featured selections each week, such as steak and seafood.

Take in the sunset views while sipping on your favorite drink. Happy hour is every day from 3 to 6 p.m. Enjoy with the famous crab bisque as a starter.

949 Sand Castle Road, 472-3355

GRAMMA DOT'S

Gramma Dot's, the only dockside dining on Sanibel, offers a lunch and dinner menu seven days a week from "Sanibel's only seaside saloon" where you can dine at the Sanibel Marina in view of luxury yachts and fishing boats and watch the comings and goings of seagoing folk and fishermen. The menu features a full line of fresh seafood, salads, sandwiches and more. Appropriate dress is required. If you're arriving by boat, check in with dockmaster for a lunch slip, monitor VHF 16. You can tie up for a night or two at the available dockage if you wish. Gramma Dot's is open daily at 11:30 a.m. For dinner, arrive before 8 p.m.

634 North Yachtsman Drive, 472-8138

GREEN FLASH

The Green Flash has marvelous waterfront views of Captiva Island's bayside and Pine Island Sound. The Green Flash was built on the site of the historic Timmy's Nook, opened in 1950. Fittingly, seafood dominates the menu, although other options are offered as well. The Green Flash is easily navigable by boat and is located southwest of Marker 38 on the Intracoastal Waterway. Hours are daily from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. for lunch and 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. for dinner. All seats have a view of the waterfront. Reservations are not accepted.

15183 Captiva Drive, 472-3337

IL CIELO

Il Cielo offers creative American cuisine and internationally inspired specials in an upscale casual atmosphere. From locally caught fish, American lamb and grass-finished beef to farm-fresh organic produce, there is a thoughtfully prepared dish on the menu for everyone. Il Cielo is open Tuesday through Sunday from 4:30 to 9 p.m. Happy hour is from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and features signature small plates, appetizers and half-priced house wines, domestic beers and well drinks. There is live piano music by Scott McDonald Tuesday through Sunday nights beginning at 7 p.m.

1244 Periwinkle Way, 472-5555

ISLAND COW

The Island Cow is a family favorite with its colorful indoor and outdoor seating and live entertainment. "Come as our guests... leave as our friends!" is the motto. The Cow serves breakfast, lunch and dinner featuring fresh local seafood and meats and has an

extensive children's menu. Starbucks coffee is also on the menu. **Now serving full liquor island cocktails!** Breakfast is served between 7 and 11 a.m. Hours are 7 a.m. to 9-ish p.m.

2163 Periwinkle Way, 472-0606

ISLAND PIZZA

Island Pizza is named so because it does pizza right. The dough is made daily and the ingredients include fresh produce from local vendors. That is why the "family-owned" restaurant has been voted "the best pizza on the island" from 2009 to 2016. Known as quaint and colorful, Island Pizza has more than 9 years of experience while specializing in home-cooked Italian cuisine. Besides pizza and classic Italian entrees, Island Pizza has a large selection of appetizers and salads as well as wings, calzones and seven choices for kids. Boar's Head deli meats are also served on subs.

Open seven days a week from 11 a.m. until late evening. Lunch is served 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. with buy-one-get-one drafts on happy hour from noon to 5 p.m. Eat in, take out or free local delivery.

1619 Periwinkle Way, 472-1581

JACARANDA

The Jac, as it is known to regulars, has been serving excellent seafood for three decades and offers the best of two worlds: dining room seating or dinner under the stars in the screened garden patio. The patio lounge is home to some of the best nightlife on the islands, seven nights a week, including live outdoor entertainment from 5 to 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. to midnight. Expanded happy hour menu and reduced happy hour drink prices from 5 to 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. to midnight. Dinner reservations are suggested.

1223 Periwinkle Way, 472-1771

JERRY'S RESTAURANT AND DELI

Jerry's Restaurant and Deli in Jerry's Market is the next best thing to dining in a tropical garden. This family-style restaurant has large windows to view the lush garden with caged tropical birds that are favorites with visitors and residents. Daily specials are offered in the spacious restaurant and you can order a sandwich or hot food from the deli or help yourself at the well-stocked salad bar to take out. The restaurant is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner from 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

1700 Periwinkle Way, 472-9300

JOEY'S CUSTARD

Joey's Custard is a family owned and operated sandwich, coffee and ice cream shop in Bailey's Center. Owners Joey Almeida and mom Debi Almeida offer fresh-to-order paninis as well as Working Cow

ice cream products (custard, yogurt, sorbet, banana splits, sundaes, floats, smoothies, hard and soft serve ice cream) and coffee (five-bean house blend, Tim Horton, espresso, affogato). Try the Beach Box Lunch To Go (add \$2 to any sandwich and get a drink and bag of chips). Ask about BOGO with Island Cinema.

Joey's Custard is open from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 10:30 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and noon to 9 p.m. Sunday.

2467 Periwinkle Way in Bailey's Center, 472-7222

MATZALUNA ITALIAN KITCHEN

Are you in the mood for pizza? Matzaluna Italian Kitchen has a wood-fired oven to bake authentic pizzas, including gluten-free ones. That's in addition to a big menu, involving over 20 combinations of pasta dinners from \$11.95 (including soup or salad and fresh baked bread), affordable veal, tender chicken, choice steaks and seafood (Italian style) in a casual market-like setting. Gluten-free pizza is also available. Matzaluna offers a large selection of Florida craft beer, both on draft and in cans and bottles. Enjoy \$5 apps at the bar from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Hours are 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. daily and happy hour is 4:30 to 6 p.m.

1200 Periwinkle Way, 472-1998

MUCKY DUCK

Historically known as the neighborhood pub, The Mucky Duck may well be the most famous restaurant on Captiva Island due to its longevity of 40 years in business and quirky name. Then there are the fabulous sunsets. Patrons gladly wait on the beach for tables. This place draws crowds – as customers sip cocktails and beverages until they can take their seats. Reservations are not accepted. The Duck, serving fresh seafood, pub-style food, sandwiches, steaks and other items, is open for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and dinner from 5 to 9:30 p.m.

11546 Andy Rosse Lane, 472-3434

OVER EASY CAFÉ

Over Easy Café is a pet-friendly place with indoor and outdoor dining for breakfast and lunch. The covered patio is a popular spot. Choose from 22 different eggs benedict, scramblers and omelettes, 11 pancakes and French toast choices, 15 egg specialties and wraps, eight salads and 26 sandwiches and burgers, plus baked goods. Beer and wine is available. Breakfast is served all day. Hours are 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

630 Tarpon Bay Road, 472-2625

PASTURE & PEARL

Sanibel's newest restaurant, Pasture & Pearl is the latest collaboration from the well-traveled husband and wife team Chef Elaine Dammeyer and General Manager Christian Jago. Come as you're comfortable for a modern, fine dining experience. The cuisine celebrates locally, regionally, ethically and sustainably sourced ingredients, and wine selections are curated by resident sommelier Kory Lynn. The intimate atmosphere and attentive service evoke the hospitality of a dinner party. The menu offers seasonal vegetarian preparations, fresh, wild-caught and responsibly farmed seafood, and the finest cuts of freely pastured beef, lamb, chicken, duck and rabbit from White Oak Pastures, a 150-year-old, multigenerational farm in Southwest Georgia, including a custom cut especially developed for the signature dry aged bone-in ribeye.

The Village Shops, 2340 Periwinkle Way, 810-5514

PECKING ORDER

The Pecking Order features tender, juicy, fried chicken and all the fixins. The chicken is marinated and seasoned, and the high-pressure deep-frying system produces a crispy coating that seals in the juices without allowing the fat to penetrate. Homemade sides include slow-cooked collard greens, sweet and spicy baked beans, cheesy shell mac, rice and beans, cole slaw, mashed red potatoes and gravy, Harlem special, cheesy grits and veggie chili. Try the Black Betty, a warm, dark chocolate torte filled with liquid dark chocolate, sprinkled with sea salt flakes and confectioner's sugar. Take out, delivery and outdoor dining available.

2496 Palm Ridge Road, 472-2534

ROSIE'S CAFÉ & GRILL

Rosie's repertoire includes crab cakes, grouper and shrimp entrees and steaks with all the trimmings, Southwestern dishes such as burritos and fajitas, soup and sandwich combos and salads. Among the most popular items is Rosie's Famous Cheesesteak made from shaved rib eye, grilled mushrooms, onions and green peppers, Ultimate Cuban and Classic Reuben, homemade muffins and cinnamon rolls and Key lime pie, root beer floats and banana splits. A children's menu is also available. Carry out, indoor or outdoor seating. Check out the new menu items for breakfast, served from 8 to 11 a.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday. Happy hour is from 3 to 6 p.m. seven days a week with two-for-one draft beer and wine. The ice cream bar has 20-plus flavors of locally made Royal Scoop Ice Cream.

2330 Palm Ridge Road, 579-0807

SANIBEL BEAN

The Sanibel Bean coffee shop is java central on Sanibel Island. With its indoor and outdoor seating and free Wi-Fi, it's a popular venue for laptop-toting coffee lovers to relax and check their inboxes, have breakfast or lunch or recharge the batteries in the afternoon. Besides a big selection of coffee from around the globe and a variety of coffee drinks, The Bean has tea and other beverages and a variety of hearty sandwiches, pastries and muffins, plus other light fare.

2240 Periwinkle Way, 395-1919

SANIBEL DELI & COFFEE FACTORY

Sanibel Deli & Coffee Factory offers a gluten free menu in addition to homemade regular choices, along with award-winning New York style pizza and wings, Boar's Head meats, frozen yogurt, New York style bagels and ice cream. There is indoor seating as well as outdoor tables shaded with umbrellas. Free Wi-Fi. Eat in or take out as well.

2330 Palm Ridge Road, 472-2555

SANIBEL GRILL

The Sanibel Grill has 19 big screen TVs with satellite TV tuned to every televised sporting event. The Grill shares a kitchen with The Timbers, serving the same fresh seafood, along with burgers, sandwiches, pizzas and salads. Crunchy Grouper and Crunchy Shrimp are signature dishes. Open seven days from 4 p.m. to midnight with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. to midnight.

703 Tarpon Bay Road, 472-3128

SANIBEL SPROUT

The Sanibel Sprout is the island's only 100 percent gluten-free/vegan/organic cafe: an oasis of health where the emphasis is on providing incredibly tasty and creative culinary creations designed to nourish and delight all of your senses. Order one of the fresh salads, Wizard Waffles, classic burger, Mexican plates and indulge in our Indian curry, Vietnamese pho and raw vegan lasagna. Pair your meal with a locally crafted beer, a glass of organic wine or homemade kombucha. The fresh juice bar is brimming with smoothies, herbal elixirs and custom juices, or come and enjoy an espresso or cappuccino with one of the delectable donuts, pies, cupcakes or truffles. The Sanibel Sprout is open for breakfast, lunch & dinner from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Saturday and from noon to 7 p.m. on Sunday.

2463 Periwinkle Way in Bailey's Center, 472-4499

SUMMERLIN JAKE'S

Summerlin Jake's Seafood and Steaks, a sunset dining water view restaurant in Fort Myers, located near the Sanibel Bridge, offers new American cuisine prepared in the old Florida tradition. Paying tribute to the rich history of Punta Rassa, where Jake Summerlin owned a wharf that he used to ship his cattle to Cuba and the local waters that are famous for being the home to big game fishing, Summerlin Jake's offers freshly caught local seafood, tender, juicy prime steaks, smoked ribs, brisket & chicken and heart-healthy, vegan choices that are locally sourced, hand-selected and artfully prepared. Summerlin Jake's

is open Monday through Friday 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. (Breakfast served 8 to 11:30 a.m.). Happy Hour is 3 to 6 p.m. daily. Live music on Friday and Saturday 5:30 to 10 p.m.

17501 Harbour Pointe Drive, 466-5377

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Sanibel Library Enhances Collection

The Sanibel Public Library is taking steps to optimize the collection for library users in the community. After an audit of the library's circulation data, shelf space and collection contents, several thousand noncirculating, worn or outdated items are being removed in order to make room for better titles and services. This is part of the latest round of "weeding," a regular process that every library undergoes in order to keep the collection fresh. Libraries need to continuously remove books that are collecting dust instead of being checked out.

"What makes this round significant is that many of the unused books will be sent to Better World Books, an organization that collects and sells books," said Duane E. Shaffer, who is head of collection development for the library. Begun in the summer of 2016, every one of the library's 50,000-plus books are being evaluated for its timeliness, value, accuracy, popularity, and other factors for keeping it on shelves or in storage.

"The goal is to create more space, appeal, and usefulness for library users. The top priority is the community's needs and expectations," according to



Candy Heise and Duane Shaffer of the Sanibel Public Library review the library's collection photo provided

the library's executive director Margaret Mohundro. Each year, the library adds more than 5,500 items, and those items need to go from the "new" section to the regular shelves. Space is at a premium.

The Sanibel Public Library ranks #1 in Florida for its availability of books, magazines, movies, and music available per capita to the public; and ranks #2 statewide in checkouts per capita.

"This is a community who reads, and is proud of their library and the services it provides, and who enthusiastically

supports it; naturally we want to sustain that reading culture," said Mohundro. Even with access through the library to thousands of eBooks, audiobooks, streaming movies and music on iPads and other devices, books still rule, according to the American Library Association and Pew Research.

There are several steps to determine which materials are kept. The Library staff runs reports on what is and is not being checked out. Then staff compares those materials to guidelines in the national Public Library Core Collection recommendations.

"We take into consideration the community and its interests; as well as general trends, topics and authors that are popular right now," Mohundro said.

Even if a book hasn't been checked out in five years or more, it doesn't automatically get "weeded" from the library's core collection. Reference Librarian Candy Heise said, "Certain classics and books are not removed - can you imagine a library without Shakespeare, Twain or Dickens?"

Then, the library takes into consideration the community. "Beyond popular fiction the top interests include travel, lifestyle, history, nature, Florida-related materials, and the arts," said Wendy Lambrix, library circulation manager. "We strive for a well-rounded collection and emphasize those subject areas of particular interest to this community."

Mohundro added the final step is key, "what I call 'gut-check' - looking at each title for its potential to see a resurgence in popularity in the next year, so reviewers need to be up on trends and cultural literacy." For example, the *Poldark* series is suddenly very popular on PBS, and the library has those episodes on DVD. People watch the series and then decide they want to read the books. While the *Poldark* books may not have been checked out in a while, the library will keep them on the shelves for the anticipated future demand.

Every single book is reviewed by at least two professional staff members - reference, circulation, youth librarian and/or the library director. Books not kept on the shelves go into the book sale room first, then to the semi-annual Dollar-A-Bag book sale at the library.

"Following those steps, the library works with Better World Books for reusing and recycling books. "We do not throw books away. We selected Better World Books because the organization brings new life to used books, ensuring each book continues to make an impact," said Mohundro.

Better World Books collects and donates or sells new and used books online matching each purchase with a donation, book for book, and with each sale generating funds for literacy initiatives in the U.S. and around the world. Organizations that get the donated reused books into people's hands quickly include Books For Africa, Feed The Children, and 50 other channels.

Since its founding in 2003, World Books has raised more than \$23 million for libraries and literacy, donated 21 million books; reused or recycled over 250 million books and achieved 54,000 tons of carbon offsets through carbon balanced shipping.

Shaffer said that the environmental metrics for Sanibel Public Library alone are impressive, too, more than 1,196 books have been sold or donated by Better World Books. More than 5,000 have been recycled. Recycling reports show recycling a book yields 97 percent of the book as reusable fiber. Better World Books reports that Sanibel Public Library has saved the equivalent of 95 trees and more than 40,000 gallons of water so far.

For more information about the Sanibel Public Library, call 472-2483 or visit www.sanlib.org.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

Il Cielo has live entertainment with Scott McDonald on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Island Cow on Periwinkle Way has live entertainment on Friday with Dan Confrey. Peter Redpath plays on Saturday. On Sunday, it's Dan Confrey.

The Jacaranda has live entertainment Friday and Saturday with Face to Face. On Sunday, it's Steve Wik and Chicago Carey. Renata plays on Monday. On Tuesday, it's Karaoke. Wednesday is the Jerry B. Variety Show. Eric Malibu plays on Thursday.

The Mucky Duck on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva features live music by Peter Redpath on Thursday and Sunday. Gary Earle plays Friday. Gene Federico performs on Saturday and Wednesday. Mark Dupuy

plays on Monday. On Tuesday, it's John McLane.

Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa has live island style entertainment on Mondays.

Traditions on the Beach at Island Inn has live entertainment on Friday with Woody Brubaker and Barbara Dexter. Dusk plays on Saturday. On Sunday and Tuesday, it's Mike Arnone. Barbara Dexter performs on Monday. Dusk plays on Wednesday. Woody Brubaker and Kathy Buda play on Thursday.

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Acclaimed String Quartet To Perform March 11

The Daedalus Quartet, a leader among the new generation of string ensembles, will perform at the Sanibel Music Festival on Saturday, March 11 at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, located at 2050 Periwinkle Way, beginning at 8 p.m.

Winners of the top prize in the Banff International String Quartet Competition in 2001, the Daedalus members hold degrees from the Juilliard School, Curtis Institute, Cleveland Institute and Harvard University. They have performed in many leading musical venues, including Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Boston's Gardner Museum and all of the major Canadian

venues. Abroad, they have been heard in famed locations such as the Musikverein in Vienna, the Mozarteum in Salzburg, and the Concertgebouw in Amsterdam. They have impressed critics and listeners alike with the security, interpretive ability and sheer gusto of their performance.

Sponsored by Bunny and Joel Ospa and Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, their program will include:

- Beethoven's *String Quartet in F major, Op. 18, No. 1*
- Janáček's *String Quartet No. 1, After Tolstoy's The Kreutzer Sonata*
- Brahms' *String Quartet No. 3 in B-flat major, Op. 67*

Tickets may be purchased for \$45 each online at www.sanibelmusicfestival.org or by calling 344-7025. Tickets may also be purchased by cash or check only at the Bank of the Islands, 1699 Periwinkle Way, and Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2477 Library Way on Sanibel.*



Daedalus Quartet

photo courtesy Sanibel Music Festival

New Training Facility For Aspiring Ballerinas

Gulfshore Ballet revealed a brand new facility, located at 5636 Youngquist Road in Fort Myers. The facility will enable the organization to continue its mission of serving more deserving students in the community.

"We've been bursting at the seams at our current space of 16 years. This move to a new location is pivotal to the growth of Gulfshore Ballet," said Gulfshore Ballet Executive Director Lisa Tafel. "Our new facility will allow us to increase programming, accommodate more students and cater to the demand for more simultaneous instruction."

During a grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony on February 20, the volunteer-led board of directors and aspiring ballerinas revealed the new space, which boasts 6,000 square feet, an expansion of nearly 2,400 square feet more than the school's current location, just two miles south of its longtime Andrea Lane address.

The new location offers three fully equipped studios complete with mirrors, barres, flooring and new sound system. It includes three dedicated dressing rooms, enhanced office facilities, an executive conference room and a larger parking lot.

"Today's grand opening is historic for our ballet company," added artistic director Iliana Lopez. "Our new home gives our remarkable students a better-equipped environment to thrive in training and prepare for professional careers in the arts."

To make this dream of a new facility a reality, the not-for-profit has been conducting a Dance into the Future capital campaign with the fundraising goal of \$100,000. Naming opportunities throughout the facility range from \$2,500 to \$10,000. Donors can also be featured on an artistic donor display to be presented in the school lobby, which range from \$250 to \$2,000. To date, the ballet school has raised more than \$18,000.

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From left, co-hosts Nancy and Clivie Goodwin with Jan and Pete Halliday photos provided

Island Cotillion Dinner Dance

On February 15 the Island Cotillion conducted its Valentine's Day dinner dance at The Sanctuary. This event had its largest attendance ever,

with 134 members and guests. Music was provided by The White House Trio.

The Island Cotillion is an organization of full- or part-time Sanibel residents who enjoy dancing. It conducts three dinner dances a year. Two are formal and one non-formal.

For those interested in joining, contact Julie Boyd at 395-0464.*



The White House Trio



The Simms family, from left, Joe and Claire Hodapp, Elizabeth and Mike Gutmann, Ann and Charles Simms



Neal and Sherry Halleran



Mary Buck and Chuck Bonser



Marjorie and Will Smith



Jim Salzman, center, with daughters Susan Mortensen and Allyson Hickey

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Band Concert



Erik Entwistle photos courtesy BIG ARTS

more comforting; *Cycling through the Refuge* is a cheerful “perpetual motion” piece in ternary form with some slowing down in the middle section to take in the natural surroundings of “Ding” Darling; *Under The Stars* is a kind of lullaby whose twinkling sonorities evoke the stunning night sky on Sanibel. Finally, *Dolphins in the Wake* is an homage to those majestic and amazingly intelligent marine mammals that reside in the waters surrounding our island sanctuary.

“For me, an encounter with these creatures is an unforgettable and humbling experience. The music, once again in ternary form, alternates between nobility



Epsen Lilleslåtten

and playfulness,” said Entwistle of the influence of Sanibel and its wildlife on the piece.

Mike Lamade, music director and conductor, and his island troupe will be joined by Entwistle – a piano teacher on Sanibel and music columnist for *Times of the Islands* magazine – and Louisiana State University Associate Professor of Violin Epsen Lilleslåtten for the piece, as piano and violin soloists, respectively.

The program features such standards as *The Star-Spangled Banner*, *West Side Story* and *Days of Glory*, among others.

For tickets, visit www.bigarts.org or call 395-0900. BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road.*



BIG ARTS Chorus

photo courtesy BIG ARTS

BIG ARTS Chorus Spring Concerts

BIG ARTS Chorus spring concerts will be held on March 28 and 30 beginning at 7 p.m. both evenings in Schein Performance Hall.

This year, the chorus will feature several collage medleys and perform full-length songs *Choose Something Like A Star* from *Frostiana*, the ever-popular *Alexander’s Ragtime Band* and *Gloria Fanfare*.

The chorus medleys celebrate songs from the tenure of Steve Cramer, the

director for the past 10 years who is retiring after this season. They include excerpts from favorite past performances, a doo-wop/’50s/Beach Boys set, and songs from each musical the chorus has performed.

Ensemble – the chorus’ 30-member smaller group – will perform John Rutter’s *All Things Bright and Beautiful*, a madrigal *Danza, Danza* and a medley of Manhattan Transfer favorites.

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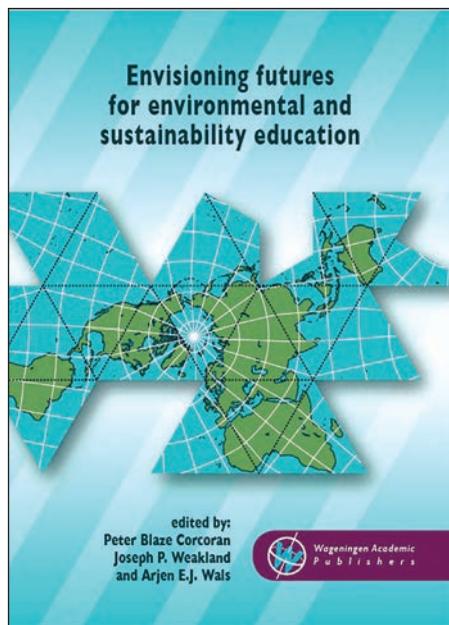
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submitted by Zoë Spanbroek

The Haffenreffer Challenge is in full swing, and the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education (CESE) welcomes your contributions so that it may continue to do great work in the local community. All gifts given to the center at this time will be matched up to a total of \$6,000 thanks to Sanibel residents and long-time center supporters Mallory and Peter Haffenreffer and an anonymous donor. Donations go directly to center programs such as SAGE (Student Associates for a Greener Environment) and the popular Rachel Carson Distinguished Lecture Series, recently given by author and environmental activist Terry Tempest Williams at St. Michael and All Angels Church on February 3.

In addition to enriching the Southwest Florida community through its programs, the center has reaffirmed its role as a leader in international scholarship by recently producing a book, *Envisioning Futures for Environmental and Sustainability Education*. This publication was funded by the Dutch government, co-edited by CESE Director Peter Blaze Corcoran, and is the last volume in a United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development series. Center board members Akpezi



Ogbugwe and David Orr wrote the book's foreword and afterword, respectively.

"Environmental and sustainability education is a complex issue which... calls for a renewal of ethical responsibility and openness rather than obstinate resistance to change," Ogbugwe wrote. "This well-articulated and expertly-presented book comes at the right time to facilitate" a conversation about this responsibility.

In creating the book, the center called upon educational practitioners and theorists to offer their best insights

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BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series

The Second Mother

by Di Saggau



The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for March 6, is *The Second Mother*, a Brazilian film set in Sao Paulo. In the film, Val is a domestic who lives with her employers tending the house, cooking and seeing meals and caring for their teenage Fabinho since he was just a boy. Val serves as the true maternal figure in his life. Yet Val remains an outsider, sleeping in a cramped, stuffy room and forbidden to eat at the family's dinner table or swim in their pool.

She hasn't thought much about all this until her daughter Jessica arrives. Mother and daughter haven't seen each other in a decade. Jessica, who is close in age to Fabinho, sweeps into town in anticipation of studying in the big city. Unlike Val, Jessica has no regard for the "rules" of the house, and her presence exposes the myriad ways Val is marginalized without even knowing it. Jessica accepts an offer to move into a guest room, dines with the family, indulges in Fabinho's favorite ice cream and even takes a dip in the pool, all to Val's horror.

All the elements of the story fit impeccably together for a humorous and occasionally wrenching examination of relationships. Val is effusive, nuzzling both Jessica and Fabinho, and calling each "my treasure." She gives Carlos, her employer, a hard time for not eating the food she cooks and berates Fabinho's friend for his unkempt hair. Throughout the film, there's a recurrent theme of nature vs. the social order. From the noise of nearby construction saws to a conversation about how quickly the jungle would reclaim Sao Paulo if all the



people in it were to disappear, these elements create a telling parallel to Val's situation. She struggles to comply with her employers' arbitrary rules. Ultimately, the film suggests, blood is thicker than water.

The screenplay is tightly written and structured with characters and situations mirrored, twinned or paralleled to tease out the film's themes. The film runs 114 minutes. The moderator for the evening is Lee Geltman.

Admission to BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series is \$10 and all screenings begin at 7 p.m. in Schein Performance Hall. Each film is followed by a complimentary reception and discussion. Film Sponsors: June Rosner and Russ Bilgore, Stan and Visnja Gembicki, Hyde Tucker, Penny Wilkinson and the *Island Sun*.

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A Mother Adapts

by Lorraine Walker Williams

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I tire of this journey, almost three thousand miles and, if I'm lucky, only six hours cramped in a seat, breathing recycled air.

Closing my eyes, I travel backward to when you were a stair climb away in your first room and I was getting breakfast ready in the kitchen.

Now we plan visits months in advance. I've become an architect of time, facing the trials of travel and bumpy landings, dragging my baggage to your door.

Lorraine Walker Williams is the author of five books of poetry. She created *Artpoems*, and was twice nominated for the Pushcart Prize.*

Book Review

Banana Cream Pie Murder



by Di Saggau

On Monday, March 6 at 7 p.m. the Sanibel Library Author Series will feature Joanne Fluke. She's famous for her Hannah Swensen mysteries that also offer

numerous delicious recipes. Her latest book is *Banana Cream Pie Murder* and it's a perfect example of why she is a queen of culinary mystery. Her famous Banana Cream Pie is found at the scene of a murder in the small Minnesota town of Lake Eden.

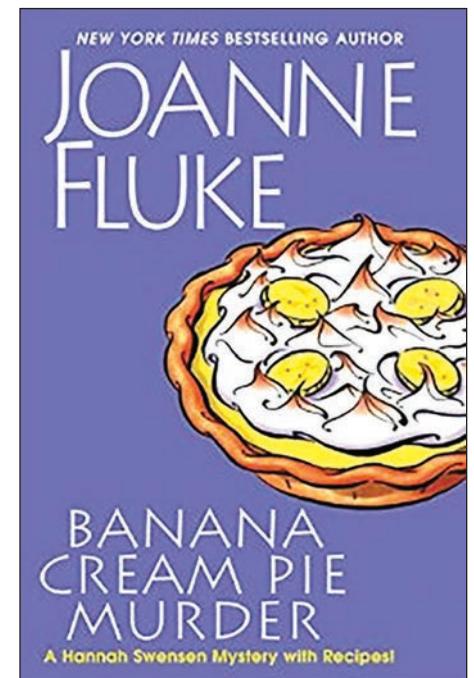
In earlier novels, Hannah's baked goods have also been found at murder scenes. In one the victim had been eating her Chocolate Chip Crunch Cookies, and in another her Strawberry Shortcake had been spilled all over the floor, and the list goes on and on. That's the trademark of Fluke's best-selling mystery series.

Hannah's mother Delores hears screams and then gunshots coming from the residence of Tori Bascomb, a friend, neighbor and retired stage actress. To make matters worse, she discovers the body of her friend in her apartment, lying dead on the studio rug. Hannah is due to return shortly from her honeymoon and Delores enlists her help to find the killer.

A banana cream pie and two dessert plates laid out on the coffee table of the apartment suggest that Tori might have known her killer. Suspects include her brother Richard, Lake Eden's philandering mayor and Tricia Barthel,

one of the students who comes to Tori's apartment for acting lessons. Of course, it also could have been a random intruder. As Hannah goes about her sleuthing, the talk in the book concerns a lot of baking and cooking and to the reader's delight, the recipes appear soon after a chapter ends. I don't do much baking or cooking any longer, but I was intrigued by a few of the recipes. The Cheesy Beer Muffins, for sure and the Special Corn Chowder. There are 21 original recipes in the book.

As Hannah continues her investigation she find that solving this crime, and living to tell about it, might prove trickier than she thought. An alarming discovery reveals the killer, and a cliffhanger ending makes the reader wonder what will happen in another book. Joanne Fluke will have a lot to say about this book on Monday, March 6 at 7 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library, located at 770 Dunlop Road.✪



School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, My son is almost 7 years old and enjoys reading with me. We have now moved into chapter books, which he likes but sometimes I

don't think he understands what we are reading since there aren't lots of pictures in chapter books. What can I do to help him understand more easily and to enjoy reading?

Leah B., Fort Myers

Leah,

One technique for all learners to use for increasing reading comprehension is to use mental imagery while reading. Psychology textbooks define mental imagery as pictures in the mind or a visual representation in the absence of environmental input. Encourage your son to visualize parts of the story in his mind. Visualizations or "mind movies" as visualizations are often referred to will help clarify information, increase understanding, and can include any of the five senses. Below are some techniques to use when reading with your child.

One way to help a child comprehend what he is reading is to encourage him to visualize parts of the story in his mind. Ask your son if he sees pictures in his head "mind movies" when he listens to stories. If so, explain how these "mind movies" help clarify information and increase understanding. If your child doesn't seem to be using mental imagery at this point, you can help him develop this very useful skill. Then give him permission to use this strategy as you read together.

Here are a few simple steps to provide your child with practice developing their mental images. Begin

reading. Pause after a few sentences or paragraphs that contain good descriptive information. Then, share the image you've created in your own mind, and talk about which words from the book helped you "draw" your picture. Your picture can relate to the setting, the characters, or the actions. Talk about how these pictures help you understand what's happening in the story. By doing this, you are modeling the kind of mental imagery you want your child to do.

Continue reading. Pause again and share the new image you created. Then ask your child to share what he sees, hears, tastes, smells and feels. Ask what words helped him create the mental image and emotions. By doing this, you are providing your child with practice with this new skill.

Your images will probably not be identical. This is a great time to talk about why your images might be different. Perhaps your child went on a school field trip or had a school assembly that changed the way they created the picture in their mind. Perhaps experiences you've had as an adult influenced what you "drew." These differences are important to understand and respect and also help teach a child how one's own perspective develops.

Continue this sharing process until it becomes a familiar skill. Once it is familiar, encourage your child to use mental imagery when he is reading by himself. You can feel confident that using mental imagery will help your child increase his reading comprehension.

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

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Sustainability

into what the future of environmental and sustainability education might look like. This volume includes written works by FGCU faculty members Sasha Linsin Wohlpert and Kris De Welde as well as FGCU alumn Brandon P. Hollingshead.

Each of the 34 pieces collected in this book aim toward the "goal of environmental education (which) is to help students understand the natural

systems and patterns that govern our tenure on Earth and how our contrivances of economy, culture, and government might someday fit harmoniously into that order," Orr explained.

For more information about the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education, visit www.fgcu.edu/cese. To make a contribution to the Haffenreffer Challenge, contact CESE Director Peter Blaze Corcoran at 590-7166 or email pcorcora@fgcu.edu.✪



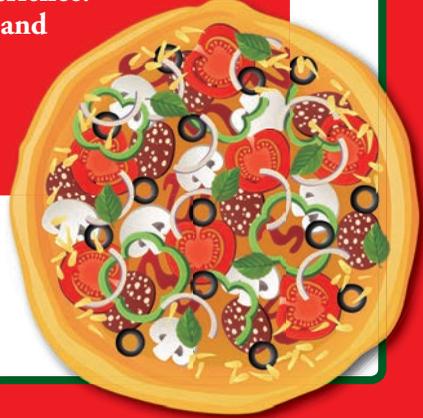
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CASI President Linda Naton with Sanibel City Manager Judie Zimomra

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Breakfast With The City Manager

submitted by Sonja Smith Sutor,
CASI Executive Director

If you take away nothing else from last week's meeting, remember this story: Sanibel City Manager Judie Zimomra told a Condominium Associations of Sanibel, Inc. (CASI) breakfast gathering that on November 16 of last year, she received a call that a workman was electrocuted at an island residence. Because the homeowner hired an unlicensed contractor, the homeowner can be held liable for that death. Zimomra said this was the third such death during her 16-year term. The more common calls she receives about unlicensed contractors are about them walking away after taking a deposit, sometimes disappearing after tearing out a kitchen. The city licenses qualified contractors and publishes this list online at www.mysanibel.com/Departments/Building/Licensed-Contractors. The city can offer little assistance to homeowners who hire a contractor not on their approved list.

CASI's breakfast with the city manager is an annual event that gives owners a chance to chat informally with the city manager and her department heads. This year, the mayor also attended. Bank of the Islands sponsored the breakfast, which was held at the Sundial Beach Resort & Spa.

In response to an inquiry as to why permeable pavers were held to a different standard for condominiums, city planner Roy Gibson said that in the last few years, permeable pavers have been declared by council 100 percent permeable in single family and duplex installations, but the same pavers are counted as 50 percent permeable in multi-family applications. CASI has repeatedly asked council to correct this inequity. Although this request was initially refused, it has recently come back on the planning commission calendar to consider sometime as a variance or amendment to the Land Development Code.

Zimomra noted ways in which the city has worked with CASI and the condominium community. The Dark Sky Ordinance deadline is January 2018. This ordinance was refined in response



CASI board member Lee Schaff of Tennisplace with Dave Wahl of Mariner Pointe

to provisions pointed out by Mariner Point, Tennisplace and Yacht Haven, and has further been clarified by corrections to published material requested by CASI. Holly Milbrandt of the city's natural resources department invited property managers to call her for a site visit to help them develop their plans to become Dark Sky compliant. Milbrandt also reported that trimming in the protected coastal zone must be permitted but that the permits are for three years. Because a trimming cannot exceed 25 percent of the leaf surface, associations that wish to manage height and preserve views often schedule annual or more trimmings. Properties with questions or special situations are invited to request a site visit.

CASI worked with the city during formulation of buildback and redevelopment ordinances which fundamentally changed how non-conforming properties can be improved. Originally, the code said non-conforming properties could only make improvements that brought them into conformity with code. Because of the buildback and redevelopment ordinances, non-conforming properties are now allowed a much broader range of improvements. Gibson and building official Laura Wessering said city council has directed staff to encourage and help property owners with improvements. They invite those considering improvements to visit the building department. Improvements that are over 50 percent of market value will involve the planning department. To facilitate the process, property managers are encouraged to set up a buildback file, at no charge, with the city.

Zimomra introduced Lt. William



From left, Interim Police Chief Lt. William Dalton with Mary and Jim Nelson of Beachcomber



Front row from left, Holli Martin of Heidrick Insurance, Gloria Garrett and Mary Bondurant of Bondurant Realty. Back row, Mayor Kevin Ruane, Betsy Dekker of Colony Inn and City Manager Judie Zimomra.



From left, Pamela Edwards of Bank of the Islands, sponsor of the breakfast, Scott Mowry of Sealoff Village, Rob Lisenbee of BOTI and Arlene Mowry of Sealoff

Dalton, who is the new chief of police. Dalton has been on the Sanibel police force for decades. Condominium associations are most familiar with Lt. Dalton as the city's emergency management director. He reminded those present that nearly all car and residential burglaries on Sanibel are a result of leaving doors – including sliders – unlocked. Encouraging guests to lock up will help ensure their safety and the security of their property. Dalton encouraged property managers to call the police any time they see suspicious activity. Call-ins are an important tool in crime prevention.

Increasingly, property managers find that cameras at entrance points discourage pranks and intrusion. The

city welcomes an opportunity to work with property representatives on such projects. Because of their work at city hall and with island property owners, the police department has become familiar with the best placement and evolving technology of surveillance cameras.

Public Works Director Keith Williams said the heavy rains last year gave him an opportunity get to know and begin to work productively with a number of condominiums. Williams went on to elaborate on the several capital improvement projects the city has under way or is planning.

The next CASI workshop will address service and therapy dog issues. Speakers and venues are currently being developed.*



With Mayor Kevin Ruane, third from left, are Gulfside Place residents Bob McBride, Cindi Mandel and Will Snyder



From left, Sanibel Surfside's Jim Bartkowski, Will Marvel and Scott Barnes



From left, Mariner Pointe's Dave Wahl, CASI board member Dick Weiss with Dick and Judy McBroom



From left, Mayor Kevin Ruane, Julie Smith of Sanibel Siesta, City Manager Judie Zimomra and Doug Crippm of Sanibel Siesta

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Mason Fase shows his love for Daisy with a huge hug for the world's laziest, cleanest and best read pig
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Preschool director Ms. Cindy shows how important reading is to her by taking a dare and kissing Daisy the pig

Last week, the Children's Education Center of the Islands had a visit from Farmer Minor and his pig, Daisy, as well as her pug sidekicks, Lily and Dixie Cup. Farmer Minor's Pig Out On Reading program encourages children of all ages to read more, just like Daisy, who has a library of more than 1,000 pig books. After the program, all the children were invited to come up and hug Daisy, but no kisses – that was reserved for Ms. Cindy, the director of the preschool. With a bit of hesitation and the children chanting "Kiss that pig!", Ms. Cindy gave the celebrity pig a big smooch, which brought on hysterical



From left, Lucy Wolf, Valentina Bell and Marlow Plassard all thought Ms. Cindy kissing a pig was hilarious laughter from staff and students.

The Children's Education Center of the Islands is a non-profit preschool with a large playground, offering full-time and part-time classes for children ages 18 months to 5 years. VPK classes are from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday at no charge. Wrap-around care for VPK students is offered as well. The preschool is currently accepting applications for the 2016-17 school year. Scholarships are also available on a limited basis. For more information, call 472-4538 or visit www.childrenseducationcenter.com.

Auction And Raffle At Lions Art Fair



The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club silent auction features a three-hour cruise aboard the 43-foot Enterprise
photo courtesy Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club will have more than 100 silent auction and raffle items up for bid during the 34th annual Arts & Crafts Fair at The Community House. The silent auction and raffle are held indoors during the fair, which runs Friday and Saturday, March 17 and 18. "We have some wonderful silent auction and raffle items, ranging from outstanding artworks to restaurant certificates and vacations," said Lion Kurt Peters, co-chair of the continued on page 6B



All are welcome to stop by, check out the vehicles and have a cup of coffee
photo provided

Motor Club Cruise-In This Saturday

San Cap Motor Club members and guests will be showing off their wheels at the monthly Cruise-in Cars and Coffee gathering at Periwinkle Place Shopping Center on Saturday, March 4 from 9 to 11 a.m. Look for the checkered flag. Whether you are in the club or not, whether you have a vin-

tage car to show off or just love cars, all are welcome. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of each month through May. No pre-registration is necessary. Just show up with your car, truck or bike. A continental breakfast will be provided by the Blue Giraffe, which includes coffee and other refreshments. For more information, call Scot Congress at 472-4177 or Mike Stone at 322-0044. Periwinkle Place Shopping Center is located at 2075 Periwinkle Way.

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Sanibel Teen Wins Top Honor At Science Fair

by Jeff Lysiac

Fort Myers High School sophomore Dahlia Dry, a resident of Sanibel, recently came away from the Thomas Alva Edison Kiwanis Science and Engineering Fair not only with a first place award in the Mathematics & Computer Sciences (MACO) division, but with a Best of Fair Award for Physical Sciences.

Dry, who stated that she has “a big interest in computer science,” took top honors for her submission entitled Looking Into The Past For Insight Into The Future: Predictive Analytics and Machine Learning For Time Series Data. The project aims at increasing the efficiency of meteorological forecast models, which hopes to improve the accuracy of local weather forecasts.

Held on the campus of Florida Gulf Coast University, the awards were handed out to students at Alico Arena on February 15. More than 350 students competed at the Edison Science & Engineering Fair, with public, private and home-schooled students from Lee and Charlotte Counties participating.

“I had entered the fair once before when I was an eighth grader at The Sanibel School,” said Dry, whose previous entry focused on the photosynthetics of plants, which won second place two years ago. “I was really happy to win the award this year.”

In addition to the first place and Best of Fair trophies, Dry also won a \$2,500 scholarship from FGCU, a \$1,000 scholarship from the Southwest Florida Regional Technology Partnership, \$200 in cash from Intel, \$200 in cash as a first place winner plus a digital camera.

However, perhaps the greatest honor the science fair garnered the teen is



Sanibel resident Dahlia Dry emerged from the Edison Science & Engineering Fair with several awards, including a first place prize, multiple scholarships and a Best of Fair Award photo by Jeff Lysiac

an entry to participate in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, to be held in Los Angeles, California from May 14 to 19.

“There are a lot of cool activities and field trips planned, plus a panel discussion with Nobel Laureate scientists,” said Dry, whose entry will compete for the top prize of a \$75,000 scholarship. “They’re also having elementary school kids from California showing us their science fair projects, so that’ll be fun to see.”

While Dry is immediately focused on taking part in the prestigious international science competition later this spring, she is already looking forward to her own career aspirations.

“First I’d like to complete my computer science undergraduate degree, then I’m planning on going to grad school to study either physics or chemistry as a major,” Dry said confidently. “After I’m done with my education, I’d like to pursue a research-based career.”*

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Scholarship Application Deadline Nears

The application deadline for about a dozen scholarships from the “Ding” Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,500 or more each, is March 31. High school seniors, college and graduate students in or from Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties pursuing degrees in environmental-related studies can apply.

The scholarships will be awarded at a special ceremony at the JN “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel in June.

This is the 12th year that DDWS will be awarding scholarships. The program began in 2005 with scholarship awards in 2006 from Tarpon Bay Explorers, the refuge’s official recreation concession. To date, DDWS has awarded \$85,000.

“Tarpon Bay Explorers started the program by offering two \$1,000 scholarships in 2005,” said DDWS Executive Director Birgie Miller. “When four applicants turned out to be highly deserving, they doubled their commitment that year. Through the years, co-owner Wendy Schnapp has increased her annual contribution to \$5,000 and has awarded 37 scholarships of \$1,000 each. We applaud Tarpon Bay’s commitment to conservation education, always-generous support of the refuge, and effective seeding of a program that now annually awards up to \$15,000 to local students.”

Interested students can find more information and printable application forms online at www.dingdarlingsociety.org/articles/student-scholarships.

It is still possible to honor friends and family members with a conservation scholarship in their name. To learn more, contact Birgie Miller at 292-0566 or director@dingdarlingsociety.org.

Named scholarships to date for 2017 include:

- Richard Bailey Memorial Scholarships (two scholarships)
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Scholarship donors and recipients from 2016 with “Ding” Darling Education Committee member Wendy Kindig, far left, and Refuge Manager Paul Tritaik, far right

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- Tarpon Bay Explorers Scholarships (five scholarships)
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Lions Art Fair

fair committee. “We are grateful for all of our supporters who provide all of the amazing items.”

The silent auction features a three-hour cruise aboard the 43-foot motor vessel *Enterprise* to Useppa Island with lunch for four at the Collier Inn. Passengers depart Port Sanibel Marina and will travel past Saint James City via Miserable Mile to Pine Island Sound. Additional silent auction items include bicycles, a beach portrait package by a professional photographer, two tickets to a Green Bay Packers game of choice in Wisconsin, house painting gift certificates, multiple boat rental gift certificates, various local merchant and restaurant gift certificates, jewelry and paintings.

The silent auction runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 17 and bidding ends at 1 p.m. March 18. The raffle drawings begin at 11 a.m. March 17 and 18 with many chances to win until it ends at 4 p.m. March 18. Up for grabs are two cash prizes and donated works from fair exhibitors. You need not be present to win.

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club is committed to community service, and funds raised through this long-standing event go towards various Sanibel Island charities, vision and hearing based charities and local scholarships. Learn more about the fair at SanibelCaptivaLionsArtsAndCraftsFair.com.

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League Of Women Voters To Meet

In an ongoing effort to increase local knowledge of civics and politics, the League of Women Voters of Sanibel has announced an opportunity to hear from one of the foremost experts on civic engagement and leadership development.

The topic Citizen Participation and Civic Life in Florida will be the focus of the Thursday, March 16 monthly luncheon and program at the Sundial Beach Resort & Spa. Open to the public, attendees will hear from featured speaker Dr. Stuart Langton, chairman of the Coordinating Council of The Florida Civic Advance, a network of over 40 Florida organizations committed to addressing one of Florida's greatest challenges. Dr. Langton notes that Florida has a comparatively low level of civic engagement among its citizens. This weak civic life, he says, is a barrier to achieving community stability, citizen engagement, economic prosperity and a desirable quality of life.

Dr. Langton was a professor at



Dr. Stuart Langton
photo courtesy League of Women Voters

Boston University, the Lincoln Filene Professor of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Tufts University, senior fellow at the Florida Center for Environmental Studies, and is senior fellow at the Florida Consensus Center, Florida State University. He has edited five

books and written over 50 articles about citizen participation and civic renewal. He chaired the All American Cities Program and the National Conference on Citizen Participation, and is a co-founder of the International Association for Public Participation. He also founded a consulting and research company through which he has assisted over 400 organizations.

Dr. Langton has served on the board of Audubon Florida and continues to serve on the policy committee. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Committee of the Islands (COTI) on Sanibel. As a pioneer of civic issues and action, he has applied his experience and expertise to advance the civic health of Florida and its communities.

Luncheon registration begins at 11:30 a.m. The luncheon and program are scheduled from noon to 2 p.m. Lunch is \$25 per person. Go to lwvsanibel@gmail.com to RSVP by email; or call Ellen Strobel at 395-2969. The deadline to RSVP is Monday, March 13.

Attendees may pay at the door or mail a check for \$25 to LWV Sanibel, P.O. Box 1194, Sanibel, 33957. Those wishing to hear the program only, at no charge, should arrive by 12:30 p.m. Because the LWV Sanibel is required to pay for each reserved meal, persons with unpaid or absent reservations will be billed.

The Sundial Beach Resort & Spa is located at 1451 Middle Gulf Drive.*

Republican Caucus Meeting

On Saturday, March 11 at 10 a.m., Lee County Commissioner Brian Hamman will speak to the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus. The meeting will be held in the Sanibel Public Library Room 4, and is open to the public.

A native of Lee County, Hamman holds a bachelor's degree in communications from Florida Gulf Coast University. He spent 10 years as a television news journalist, and worked

as a financial advisor for Edward Jones and as market development manager for CenturyLink. He remains active in his community, serving on the United Way's board of directors and volunteering at his church.

Hamman was appointed to the Lee County Board of Commissioners by Governor Rick Scott, and was elected to a full term in that District 4 seat in 2014. Upon election, he was unanimously chosen by his fellow commissioners to serve as chairman.

Refreshments will be served at the meeting. For more information, call Will Smith at 395-0819.*

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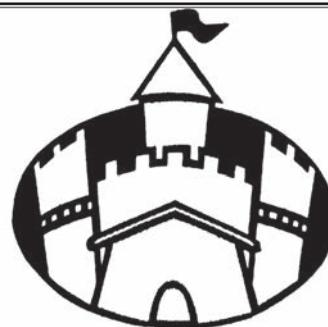


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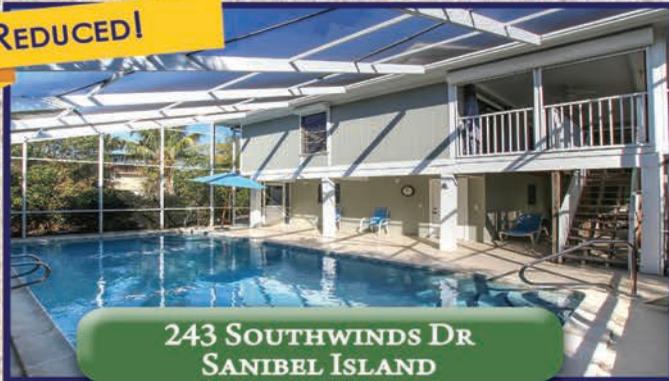


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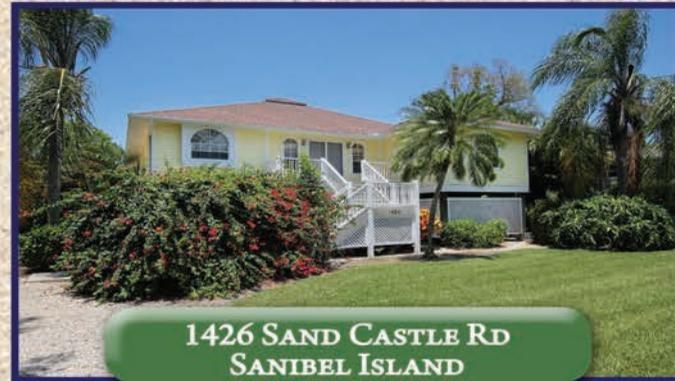
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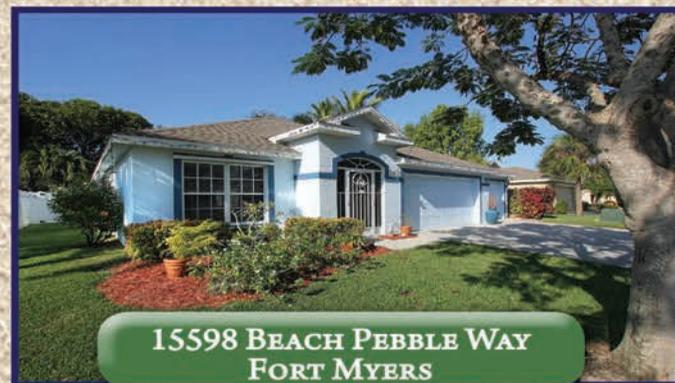
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The smart exterior of the Bass home features geometric shapes photos courtesy Zonta Club



A black accent wall in the kitchen of the Bass home

Final Two Homes On Tour Reflect Personal Touches

submitted by Sue Denham

The quartet of homes to be featured on Zonta's home tour, A Peek at the Unique, concludes with two stunning new residences, one on Sanibel's east end and the other overlooking the Gulf of Mexico. Each has been created with extensive input from its owners.

This year's Peek – which takes place on Saturday, March 11 – features a guided, three-hour tour of four private island homes by air-conditioned coach. The Peek is almost sold out, with a few afternoon departure times remaining. Reservations can be made via email to ZontaPeekTickets2017@gmail.com. The event is staged at the Sanibel Community Church, a location sponsored by Gulf Breeze Cottages at 1081 Shell Basket Lane, a long-time Zonta supporter.

Brenda and David Bass wanted their Sanibel home not just to reflect their personal style but also to honor their



A fluffy pink lamp as a contrast to the contemporary style in the Kerscher home

life in New York City. The result: a home that perfectly blends New York sophistication with Sanibel charm. The couple carefully chose every item, from kitchen drawer pulls to the granite wall in



The Kerscher home features a huge porch with faux wood ceiling and three TV screens

the half bath and, happily, purchased all the fittings right here on Sanibel.

The "New York state of mind" is achieved through a tranquil palette on walls and floors, accented by an array of colors and textures on surfaces and furnishings, starting with emerald quartz granite in the kitchen. Sanibel style is evident in the shell walkway, Milton Coppo seascapes, Hollis Jeffcoat's Sanibel views, and a wall of sliding glass opening to the rear verandah.

"Peekers" will notice cypress ceilings on both verandahs, a soaking tub in

the master bath, and the smart black accent wall in the kitchen. Brenda said, "Sanibel is now our full time residence, while fast-paced New York is our city getaway." This home is sponsored by its construction company, Dan Hahn Custom Builders, a Zonta supporter since 2010.

A very different style greets guests at the gorgeous gulf-front home of Steve and Jessica Kerscher, who moved in just 18 months ago, having been extensively involved in its design, practical elements

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Meet The Designer At Congress Jewelers

Congress Jewelers will host a meet-the-designer event with Lika Behar on Thursday, March 2 and Friday, March 3 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Behar creates unique works of wearable art inspired by ancient civilizations and the Mediterranean. Her hand wrought individual designs reflect ancient history as well as the modern feminine spirit. She works with 24 and 22 carat gold, oxidized sterling silver, diamonds, emeralds, rubies, sapphires and a myriad of other gemstones of extraordinary color. Behar's latest collection showcases lively hues and color combinations accentuated by the warmth of pure gold, and striking contrasts of silver and blackened silver with the shimmer of diamonds.

"Not every jewelry designer holds advanced degrees in economics and political science, speaks four languages, and will cut a rug at the drop of a hat. But that's Lika Behar for you: multi-talented, sharp as a tack and always on the cutting edge of fashion. While the Istanbul-born designer was raised by a family in the jewelry business, she took a couple of detours – working for a major bank and later as a children's wear designer – before launching her eponymous jewelry collection in 2008," said Blake Shelton, editor and chief of *InDesign* magazine.

Behar considers her designs classic but not traditional. Her jewelry can be worn every day whether you're at the gym or a business meeting or out on the town with friends. Her most recent work was inspired by Francisco Goya, Antoni Gaudi and other classic artists after a trip to Spain. She was also struck by the cubism, color and geometric shapes of Joan Miro's work.

With the versatility of her designs combined with her attention to detail,



Bracelet by Lika Behar made of gold, oxidized silver and diamonds photo provided

Behar has won many coveted awards. The most recent was the prestigious 2017 Centurion design award, where Behar placed first in the mixed metal category, one of the highest honors in the jewelry industry.

Congress Jewelers is located at 2075 Periwinkle Way in Periwinkle Place Shopping Center. Call 472-4177 for more information.*

Tickets Available For Business Hall Of Fame

Tickets and sponsorship opportunities are now available for Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida's 2017 Business Hall of Fame, Lee County, which will take place on Tuesday, May 2 with a cocktail reception at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa in Bonita Springs. During the dinner and awards ceremony, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida will induct Teri Hansen, APR, owner and president of Priority Marketing, and Sandy Stilwell, CEO and owner of Stilwell Enterprises & Restaurant Group into the 2017 Business Hall of Fame, Lee County. To learn more about the upcoming event, or for information on sponsorship opportunities and individual tickets, visit www.JASWFL.org or call 225-2590.

The prestigious award recognizes outstanding entrepreneurs who serve as role models for youth through their professional accomplishments and commitment to the community. Hansen and Stilwell will join a distinguished

group of individuals who have been inducted into the Business Hall of Fame since it was founded in 1999.

Business sponsorships are available and include entrance to the event with premium diamond sponsorships at \$10,000, platinum level sponsorships for \$8,000 and gold level sponsorships for \$5,500. These levels include eight seats, with an additional two seats reserved for students. Additional sponsorships available are silver sponsor level for \$2,000, which includes eight seats with two additional seats for students, and bronze sponsor level for \$1,000, which includes four seats at a reserved table. Individual seats are also available for \$250 each.

Sponsors also are needed to support student admission, which is \$125 per ticket. Junior Achievement students attending the event will have an opportunity to practice their etiquette skills while interacting with local professionals. Additionally, full-page and half-page advertisements are available in the event program book for \$1,000 and \$500 respectively. To reserve tables, individual tickets or to become a sponsor, call the Junior Achievement office at 225-2590 or visit www.JASWFL.org. Proceeds benefit local Junior Achievement programs.*

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From left, Bank of the Islands' Szilvia Wiebe, CROW Executive Director Linda Estep, winners Bill and Mary Jo England, and bank representative Darrin Grotrian photo courtesy BOTI

CROW Selected For Donation

Bank of the Islands (BOTI) recently made its latest non-profit donations through its We Love Our Islands program. The winners, Bill and Mary Jo England, were spotted with a We Love Our Islands decal on their vehicle, winning them the right to select which local non-profit group would receive a charitable contribution from Bank of the Islands. The Englands chose to donate their winnings of \$500 to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW). That donation marks \$72,100 given

away to date through the bank's We Love Our Islands program.

"CROW is near and dear to our hearts," said Willy Ocasio, Bank of the Islands' assistant vice president and Sanibel-Captiva office manager. "Bank of the Islands has been the Presenting Sponsor of CROW's Taste of the Islands for many years and our banking staff is committed to supporting their mission through our volunteer efforts. We're so glad Mr. and Mrs. England chose CROW as the most recent We Love Our Islands' beneficiary."

All islanders are invited to stop by the bank's Sanibel and Captiva offices to get a free We Love Our Islands decal.*

Grand Sponsor For Shell Museum Gala Announced

The Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum's annual Under The Sea gala furthers educational programs for all ages, both within the museum and as outreach efforts in the greater community. The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company supported this crucial organization as the Junonia Grand Sponsor of Under The Sea.

"Our relationship with the trust company goes back many years and includes Al Hanser's leadership on our board of trustees," said Dorrie Hipschman, museum executive director. "Our strong partnership enables the museum to move into the future with confidence, knowing our values are aligned in being good stewards toward our community and our environment."

Since its founding in 2001, the trust company continues to support more than 100 area non-profits, having donated over \$1.5 million to organizations that are important to its clients, shareholders and employees corporate wide. Employees and board members of the trust company have dedicated thousands of volunteer hours and given personally, as well, in support of their communities.

"Our community mission clearly states that we 'work to protect our wildlife and preserve our environmental resources' and we are proud the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum is one of those vital organizations," said Al Hanser, trust company chairman.*



Sanibel Captiva Trust Company Chairman Al Hanser and wife Sally at a previous Under The Sea fundraiser photo by Rusty Farst



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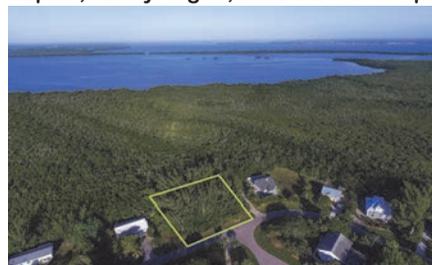
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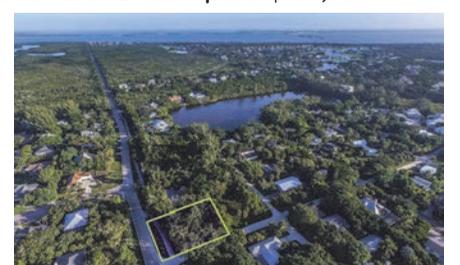


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Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts Conduct Annual Food Drive

A huge thank you was given to Cub Scout Pack 1740 and Boy Scout Troop 1740 for designating FISH of SanCap as the recipient of their annual Scouting For Food Drive.

Scouting For Food is the Southwest Florida Boy Scout Council's annual food-collection drive providing scouts with the opportunity to "do a good turn" by collecting and providing non-perishable foods to those in need. This year, the Southwest Florida Boy Scout Council established February as Journey To Excellence "Good Turn For America" Community Service Month. As part of their community service work goal for February, Cub Scout Pack 1740 and Boy Scout Troop 1740 organized their annual Scouting For Food project, with more than 90 percent pack and troop participation in at least 1.5 hours of service work this month and earning the commemorative patch.

"We had a wonderful turn-out again this year in our Sanibel community, even receiving phone calls from residents wanting to arrange pre- or post-event donation drop-offs in honor of our scouts," said pack leader Kara Stone. "It is a great day for our scouts to take the lead in organizing and picking up donations, with the adults supervising for safety. We love this event every year, and it gives our scouts



Members of Sanibel-Captiva's Cub Scout Pack 1740 and Boy Scout Troop 1740 visited the FISH of SanCap food pantry last week photo provided

an opportunity to experience making a difference and lending a helpful hand in our community."

Scouts hung informational door hangers and left plastic bags for food on the doors of houses in the Gumbo Limbo neighborhood. They returned one week later to walk the neighborhood and pick up bags of non-perishable food left out by houses.

"This annual, national service work event was so much fun for them," added Stone. "Our scouts were excited and eager to go to the neighborhood and see the bags of food for donation. It was 'like Christmas' for them when they practically ran from house-to-house finding the donations for FISH. The boys were so grateful to have had the opportunity to be helpful to our community and to begin to teach our scouts the importance of service work, which will be a part of their entire lives."

Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop 1740 is chartered by The Sanibel Community Church, and was established on December 15, 2015. They meet weekly on island at SCC for all den meetings and pack award ceremonies.

Pack 1740 is led by Pack Executive Officer Pastor Daryl Donovan, Pack Charter Organization Representative Kevin Schafer, Pack Commissioner Walter Jones, committee chair Kara Stone, committee members Kim Kouril and Monica Tison, Cubmaster Brian Boyd and den leaders Jason Maughan, Barbara Maughan, Kara Stone, Kim Kouril and Mark Thompson. ✨



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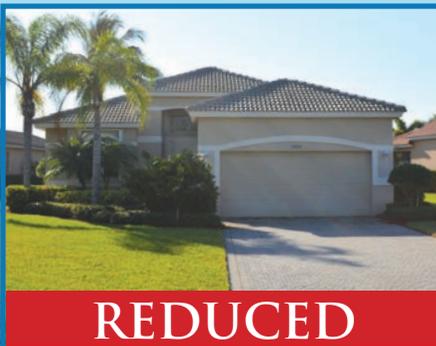
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Superior Interiors

Working With A Design Pro In Your Home



by Barb Cacchione

Once considered a luxury, decorating services are more of a necessity for today's busy homeowners who simply can't afford to make costly mistakes, or run all

around town trying to "pull it together" from retail stores, or worse... the Internet.

The best professional to decorate your home will most likely come from a combination of compatible personalities and tastes. Remember that you will be working together for several weeks, if not months. Working with an interiors professional should be an enjoyable experience. Since interior decorating projects are highly personal and collaborative, the final results are always much more successful when the lines of communication are open and ideas are freely discussed. Be candid with your designer regarding such important elements as priorities, timing, budgets and tastes. If a style, color or home

furnishings item is suggested that you do not care for, feel free to say so early on and provide a new direction.

To ensure that you get off to the right start with your design professional and also get the results you are looking for, keep in mind the following tips:

- Be a keen observer. Consciously make note of what catches your interest as you peruse decorating magazines and the Internet for interesting rooms and makeovers. Start a file of colors, patterns and designs that appeal to you. You may notice a chandelier, mirror, color combination or window treatment that you like. Once you clip and track these for a brief period, you will be better able to draw a conclusion as to your personal style and convey that to your new decorating professional. It's really all about communication, once you've decided with whom to work.

- Take an honest inventory of your existing décor to determine which pieces you want to keep. Assess your furnishings the way you periodically review your wardrobe. Plan to keep the pieces you truly love and put all others on the 'to-be-replaced-eventually' list.

- Since professionals have access to a world of options unavailable in retail stores, be reasonable about asking to see more and more of everything available. Remember that the first two or three designs you are shown will be, in the decorator's opinion, the best looks for your home and your taste. One of the most important services a professional offers is sparing you

the confusion of the unlimited choices available. Trust your designer's advice and stay focused on the overall design goal.

- Give your decorator some latitude to decide for you the small details such as trims, pillows, accessories and botanicals. Your project will move forward more smoothly if (s)he doesn't have to get your approval on every last detail.

The last piece of advice is to give change a chance. The most dramatic

changes usually come from introducing a strong new color or a different pattern. Don't panic! Just remember that all change – even for the better – requires a period of adjustment. Most homeowners who have redecorated their home will be quick to tell you, "I should have done it sooner."

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VCB Receives Adrian Awards

The Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau (VCB) received several Adrian Awards presented by the Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International (HSMIA) during its awards gala at the New York Marriott Marquis on February 21.

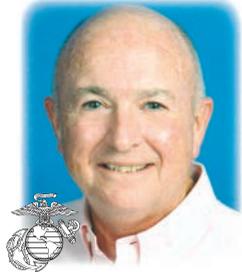
The annual ceremony recognizes marketing achievements from all segments of the travel, hospitality and tourism industry within three main divisions: advertising, digital marketing and public relations. This year's competition drew nearly 1,200 entries from around the world, with honorees being selected by a panel of senior industry and media experts.

The VCB, in partnership with its agency, MMGY Global, received a silver award for public relations and

three bronze awards for advertising and digital marketing. The VCB received the silver honor for its six-page feature placement in *Martha Stewart Living*, *Tropic Wonders*, a stand-alone, visual story that highlights the tropical fruits and agricultural offerings found on Pine Island. Additionally, the VCB received bronze honors for its National Seashell Day consumer campaign, spring newspaper advertising campaign and Slow Down spring TV campaign, which generated more than 23 million impressions in nine key U.S. markets.

"The VCB has won a number of Adrian Awards over the years, and we are honored to see our hard work recognized yet again by one of the leading hospitality sales and marketing organizations," said VCB Executive Director Tamara Pigott. "These accolades reflect our team's continued success and efforts to showcase The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel and all it has to offer."

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Sanibel parish nurses, from left, Maria Dusenbery, Wendy Warner, Frankette Rinaldi and Linda Convertine
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Sanibel Health Fair At The Center 4 Life

The Sanibel Health Fair will be held at the Center 4 Life on Friday, March 3 from 1 to 4 p.m. Free screenings provided by health care professionals include memory screening, balance test, pulse O2, vision test, retina screening, glucose, body mass index, blood pressure and an opportunity to "Ask The Pharmacist."

Information about Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders (SHINE), Hospice services, heart health, advance

directives, assisted living, brain health, injury prevention, in-home care, pharmaceuticals, skilled nursing care and other services will be available. Senior resource guides, healthy snacks and door prizes provided.

This event is sponsored by Island Seniors, Inc., Parish Nurses of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Isabel's Catholic Church, Sanibel Community Church, St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church and Sanibel Fellowship Church.

The Center 4 Life is located at 2401 Library Way. Island Seniors, Inc. annual memberships are available for \$20 per individual. Stop by for a complimentary tour during facility operating hours. For more information, call 472-5743.*

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Homes On Tour

and finishing touches.

There is an olde-worldle European influence at work, including fleur-de-lis emblems set into the paved forecourt and pool deck, and a capacious kitchen in a French country style. This home is family-oriented, with sumptuous guest suites and a huge screened porch with a faux wood ceiling and three TV screens for sports enthusiasts.

Architectural standouts include tray ceilings, a circular turret wall, curving staircases, decorative railings and a wide variety of tiling and bold granite in all six and a half bathrooms. Other touches include a huge, walk-in pantry,

kitchen garbage chute, and a family-size shower in the master suite. Paying homage to the home's spectacular location, virtually all windows have a sunset view of the gulf. The Kerscher home is generously sponsored by Gene's Books on Periwinkle, a third-time Peek house sponsor.

The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva is a service organization of professionals working together to provide hands-on assistance, advocacy and funds to strengthen women's lives on the islands, in Lee County and around the world through Zonta International. All funds raised from this event are distributed in grants to organizations whose mission is to empower women.

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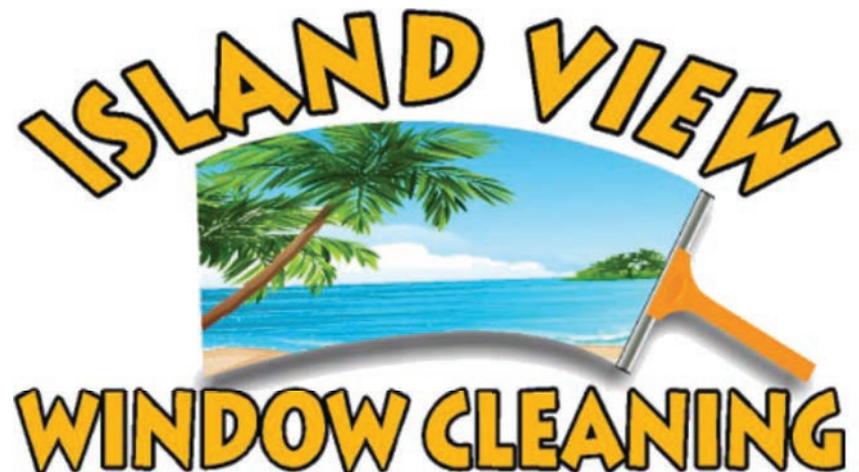
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From left, Gaby Bell, bank assistant office manager; Bob Orell, Sanibel Music Festival president; Sheri Prange, bank teller; and Mona Strasser, bank vice president and office manager photo provided

Bank Supports Music Festival

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank contributed \$1,500 to the Sanibel Music Festival for its educational outreach programs, including Save March for Music, featuring seven performances at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ.

"We are proud to support the

Sanibel Music Festival's 31st season," said Sanibel Captiva Community Bank President and CEO Craig Albert. "The concert series is a Sanibel Island tradition, treasured by locals and visitors alike."

The mission of the Sanibel Music Festival is to present classical music of the highest standard and promote the careers of emerging artists through performance opportunities at affordable prices. For more information, visit www.sanibelmusicfestival.org.

New Board Member Elected

Sherry Halleran was elected to the board of directors of the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village at its annual meeting.

A long-time volunteer at the village, Halleran grew up in the suburbs of Chicago and attended the University of Wisconsin. She and her husband Neal have two children and six grandchildren and just celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary. Halleran taught kindergarten for 25 years and has a master's degree from Lewis University in elementary education.

"We spent many spring breaks on Sanibel and bought our first home here in 2000 when I retired from teaching," Halleran said. "This is such a special place that keeps us very busy."

Halleran was involved in many organizations in Illinois and has continued that on Sanibel. She and her husband are involved in BIG ARTS, where Neal heads up the FORUM and Sherry helps entertain the speakers. Sherry has co-chaired BIG ARTS' benefit and enjoys taking classes in fused glass. At the Sanibel Congregational Church, she is co-chairing the high tea and fashion show.

"I have enjoyed being a docent at the Sanibel Historical Village, working on Luminary and the gala," Halleran said. "I look forward to being on the board."

This brings the number of board



Sherry Halleran photo provided

members to 12.

Gail Migliorini is leaving the board due to term limits.

The historical village is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. The village is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$10 for adults 18 and older; those under 18 and members are free. Docent-guided tours are available at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at no extra charge, based upon docent availability. There is handicap access to all buildings. For information, call 472-4648 during business hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.

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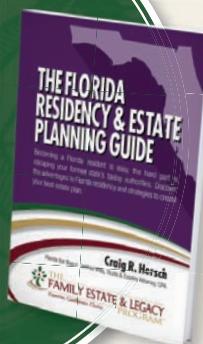
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Is Trump's Desire To Abolish The Johnson Amendment Good For America?



by Craig R. Hersch, Florida Bar Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates Attorney; CPA

Are President Donald Trump's stated efforts to "destroy" the Johnson Amendment a fight for free speech or a means to support political candidates

(AIPAC) is not. AIPAC is a 501(c)(4) organization. Other examples of 501(c)(4) organizations are homeowner's associations and the Rotary Club. While those organizations are non-profit, contributions to those organizations do not qualify for a tax deduction.

As background, the Johnson Amendment regulates what tax-exempt organizations such as churches, synagogues and mosques can do in the political arena. Under the terms of 1954 legislation named for then-Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, churches and other nonprofit organizations that are exempt from taxation are "absolutely prohibited from directly or indirectly participating in, or intervening in, any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for elective public office."

Organizations claiming tax-exempt status cannot collect contributions on behalf of political campaigns or make any statement for or against a particular candidate. Clergy are not allowed to endorse candidates from the pulpit. Despite Trump's promise to "totally

destroy" the amendment, he cannot do so by executive order. He would need Congress to repeal the law.

Should Congress do so?

Various groups favor a greater role for religion in the public space, arguing that the Johnson Amendment restricts free speech by censoring the content of a pastor's sermon.

A 2016 Pew Research Center report found that black Protestants are more likely than other Christian groups to report having heard their clergy speak out clearly on the merits or faults of a particular candidate. The study found that 28 percent of black Protestants heard their clergy speak in support of Hillary Clinton during the last campaign, while only four percent of white evangelicals reported having heard their clergy speak in favor of a candidate.

So is this about free speech or something else? It's evident that overturning the law would have major implications for campaign finance. If churches or clergy are allowed to participate in political campaigns, tax-deductible donations to churches and other 501(c)(3) organizations could go to support a political candidate. Religious organizations would likely become big money players in politics. Is that something that the American public believes wise?

Those in favor of the Johnson Amendment argue that allowing tax-deductible political contributions would corrupt the political process along with our houses of worship and charities. Many churches and other tax-exempt organizations are in need of cash. The temptation would be great to raise money by endorsing candidates and political causes.

Despite the controversy surrounding the Johnson Amendment, the Internal Revenue Service is not especially active in enforcing it. Since 2008, the Alliance Defending Freedom organized "Pulpit Freedom Sunday" encouraging pastors

to give explicitly political sermons in defiance of the law. The IRS, however, rarely seeks to remove a church's tax exemption. According to the Alliance, the IRS audited only one of more than 2,000 Christian clergy deliberately challenging the law since 2008, and none were punished.

Further, religious leaders are free to preach about social and political issues without going so far as to endorse any particular candidate. The Johnson Amendment is therefore narrow in scope. Nonpartisan voter education activities and church-organized voter registration drives are legal. Moreover, places of worship can and provide published "issue guides" for voters.

Altering the activities of charitable and religious organizations from a space that tends to unite us into a divisive and potentially corrupt one does not sound wise. Do we want to fundamentally change how the funding of political discourse occurs?

All of us enjoy free speech. How and where political money flows is the real fight behind the potential repeal of the Johnson Amendment.

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with tax deductible contributions? In other words, should 501(c)(3) organizations (churches, charities, universities, etc.) be able to publicly endorse a political candidate? The term "501(c)(3)" refers to an Internal Revenue Code Section defining the eligibility for tax-exempt organizations.

Under our tax law, contributions to 501(c)(3) organizations are tax deductible to the donor, while contributions to political parties, political action committees and similar organizations are not. So my contribution to Temple Beth El is deductible on my Form 1040, while my contribution to the American Israeli Public Affairs Committee

Club Accepting Scholarship Applications

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club is accepting scholarship applications for the 2017-18 school year. Scholarships of \$3,000 per year, over a period of four years, will be awarded. Additionally, several one-year scholarships in varying amounts are available.

Eligible applicants must be Sanibel or Captiva residents, employed full time on the islands or a family member of such (of any age) attending a college or vocational school.

The club collects the applications and an independent committee makes the selection.

Applications must be submitted by March 31. They can be obtained by directly accessing the Kiwanis website at www.SanibelKiwanis.org or by contacting any of the following: Loretta Kupper (579-0660 or loretta@sanibelinsurance.com), Bill Traum (561-2900 or billtraum@me.com) or Chris Heidrick (579-0660 or chris@sanibelinsurance.com). ✨

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Media Frenzy Greet Tim Tebow At New York Mets Minor League Camp



by Ed Frank

There are hundreds of minor league baseball players reporting to Spring Training camps in Florida and Arizona, but not a single one has received the media frenzy as former University of Florida Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow.

At 29 years old, Tebow is attempting the highly unlikely transition from football stardom to baseball – a sport he last competed in 12 years ago as a high school junior.

Tebow signed a Minor League contract with the New York Mets last September and reported to the team's Spring Training headquarters this week at Port St. Lucie, Florida.

He was greeted by a large crowd of reporters, photographers and baseball fans where he held a press conference.

"I'm not going to worry about what everyone's writing or what everybody's thinking. I just want to be able to continue the process, enjoy the process, enjoy every day and get to know my teammates," he said before taking batting practice.

Tebow's long-shot attempt at professional baseball stirs memories of basketball legend Michael Jordan's aspirations in 1994 when he left the Chicago Bulls for a season with AA Birmingham where he batted .202 in 127 games before returning to the Bulls.

Tebow, however, is adamant about a baseball career despite being a decade older than many top-level baseball prospects. He participated in the instructional league in Port St. Lucie and played in the Arizona Fall League, batting .194 in 70 plate appearances.

"I knew (baseball) was a big challenge – imagine picking up the sport after 12 years of not playing...it's not an easy thing to do. Hitting a baseball is one of the hardest things in sports," Tebow said.

Tebow's name is legendary at the University of Florida where he led the team to national championships in 2006 and 2008. He went on to play in the NFL for the Denver Broncos and the New York Jets.

Just as Jordan drew record Minor League crowds during his one year in baseball, Tebow also is certain to be a star attraction during Spring Training.

His jerseys already were seen around the Mets training camp. And his autograph was sought by throngs of baseball fans.

Tebow contends he is serious about a baseball career and that it is not a publicity stunt.

Less than 10 percent of Minor League baseball prospects ever make it to the Major Leagues. The odds are that Tebow will be among the 90 percent who don't make it.

Everblades Continue To Dominate ECHL

The Florida Everblades hockey team continues to dominate the ECHL, holding commanding first-place leads in both the Eastern Conference and the South Division.

The local hockey team began the week with a season record of 36-12-2-3, a 10-point division lead and a seven-point conference first-place standing.

The Everblades are home this weekend at Germain Arena, hosting Atlanta at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, and 7 p.m. Saturday.*

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SPORTS QUIZ

- In 2015, the New York Mets' Michael Conforto became the third-youngest player (22) in World Series history to have a multiple-homer game. Who was younger?
- Who was the last Chicago White Sox pitcher to win 20 games in a season?
- In 2016, TCU tied a record for biggest comeback in a bowl game (31 points). Who else did it?
- The Los Angeles Lakers (33 games) and Golden State Warriors (28) have the two longest winning streaks in NBA history. Which team is third?
- Name the last NHL defenseman before Ottawa's Erik Karlsson in 2015-16 to have an 80-point season?
- Toronto FC's Sebastian Giovinco, in 2016, recorded the fourth hat trick in Major League Soccer playoff history. Name two of the first three to do it.
- Whom did Evander Holyfield beat to win the undisputed heavyweight boxing crown for the first time?

ANSWERS

1. Andrew Jones was 19 when he did it for Atlanta in 1996, while Tony Kubek was 21 when he did it versus Minnesota. 4. The Miami Heat won 27 games in a row in 2013. 5. Nicklas Lidstrom had 80 points for Detroit in 2005-06. 6. Raul Diaz Arce (1996), Stern John (1999) and Landon Donovan (2014). 7. James "Buster" Douglas, in 1990.

Spring Training Home Schedules

Boston Red Sox – JetBlue Park

March 2 – Tampa Bay; 1:05 p.m.

March 5 – Atlanta; 1:05 p.m.

March 9 – Team USA, Baseball Classic; 1:05 p.m.

Minnesota Twins – CenturyLink Sports Complex

March 4 – Toronto; 1:05 p.m.

March 6 – St. Louis; 1:05 p.m.

March 8 – Team USA, Baseball Classic; 7:05 p.m.

March 9 – Columbia, World Baseball Classic; 1:05 p.m.*

SANIBEL 8-BALL POOL LEAGUE 2016-17

Standings through February 27

Standing	Team Name	Won	Lost
First	Bunt's Ball Busters	292	128
Second	Sandycappers	203	217
Third	Fresh Legion Crew	177	243
Fourth	Sanibel Cafe	168	252

February 27 Results

Bunt's Ball Busters	14	Sanibel Cafe	6
Sandycappers	12	Fresh Legion Crew	8

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

Busters Near 300

Mike DeWitt and Rich Ennis posted 4-0 wins against Rich McCurry and Matt Hall to lead first place Bunt's Ball Busters to a 14-6 pasting of last place Sanibel Cafe. Chip Gelpi, Randy Carson and Pete Mindel paced the Cafe team, earning 2-2 ties with Bunt's shooters Steve Gordon, Dave Doane and Terry Ricotta.

Jack Cunningham, Gary Murza and Kevin Pottorf racked up 3-1 efforts against Tarzan Russell, Kip Buntrock and Gator Gates to help Sandycappers post a 12-8 victory over Fresh Legion Crew. Tom Yorgey shook off last week's disaster against Kip Johnson to fashion a 3-1 win

over John Riegert. Doc Lubinski helped the Legion cause with two wins over Sandycapper ace John Bates.

Six players have paid their \$20 entry fees for the league's annual singles tournament, scheduled for Monday, March 27. Entered to date are Rich McCurry, Karla McCurry, Bob Buntrock, Rich Ennis, John Riegert and John Bates. Last year's winners were: 1. Mike DeWitt; 2. Rich Ennis; 3. Randy Carson; 4. Kevin Pottorf; 5. and 6. Gator Gates and Jimbo Gaubatz; 7. and 8. Terry Ricotta and Doc Lubinski.

The league has three weeks to play before its singles tournament, awards banquet and annual challenge match against the North Ft. Myers Senior 8-Ball League. Play starts every Monday at 5 p.m. at Legion Post 123. Spectators are welcome.*

Record Year For Sports Tourism

Lee County hosted a record number of 139 amateur sporting events in 2016, generating its highest year on record in terms of economic impact. According to figures released from Lee County Sports Development, the year generated \$67.1 million in direct visitor

spending, a 9 percent increase from the previous year.

Hosting 24 additional events in 2016, the year brought 147,463 sports visitors to Lee County, resulting in 157,079 hotel room nights sold. The figures were announced at a recent meeting of the Lee County Tourist Development Council.

"Lee County continues to serve

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The Dunes Women's Golf Club

Member/Guest Mardi Gras

On February 24, The Dunes hosted its annual Ladies Member Guest event. The theme this year was Mardi Gras and there were a total of 56 ladies who participated.

There were two flights: Saints Flight and Sinners Flight. The results are:

Saints Flight

- 1st Shari Roehl
Irmingard Markusch
June Muench
Lynda Muench
- 2nd Carol Brodersen
Mary Ann Parmelee
Betsy Cox
Ann Carter
- 3rd Kenene Weymouth
Becky Cirello
Grethe Christensen
Jana Stone

Sinners Flight

- 1st Claudia Finzen
Linda Drasnin
Maureen Rains
Carol Ruot
- 2nd Lesley Simmons
Helen Dillon
Bonnie Romano
Nancy Swafford
- 3rd Carol Curcuru
Jan Byrns
Barbara Chappell
Joie Steel

Closest to the Hole: Deb Fairbanks
Closest to the Line: Carol Brodersen,



Flippo with the winning cart parade entries

photo provided

Helen Dillon

Before the event, there was a putting competition as well as a chipping competition.

Putting Competition

- 1st Becky Cirello
- 2nd Stella McLoughlin

Chipping Competition

- 1st Maureen Rains
- 2nd Shirley Fortney

A shout out goes to Karen Hendricks and Bridget Funk, as well as their guests, for not only winning, but dominating the cart parade competition.*

Hole In One



Carole Stiles

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Carole Stiles got a hole in one on the 13th hole at Sanibel Island Golf Club on February 18. Her golf partner, Kathy Greer, witnessed the shot.*

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Energy Medicine And Massage For Your Pet

Karen Semmelman, advanced energy medicine practitioner and former matrimonial lawyer, and Valerie Webb, practice manager and certified canine rehabilitation practitioner with Specialized Veterinary Services, are hosting a pet workshop on Saturday, March 25 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at The Community House. The cost is \$35 and advance registration is required. In this class, you will learn how to provide care and healing for your pet with energy medicine and massage. Chezy, Semmelman's golden doodle, will assist in showing how to balance energies and massage sore muscles, or help align the body.

Animals have meridians just like humans, and their organs, muscles and systems are comparable. Observe immediate shifts in Chezy as his systems are balanced and relaxed. If your pet has spasms in parts of its body, you will see how to promote calmness and relief to these areas. Learn skills that will enable you to provide support and needed relief to your pet, whether cat, dog, guinea pig, horse or other creature.

Semmelman, a matrimonial lawyer for 30 years, is enjoying her second career as a certified Eden Energy practitioner, teacher and inspirational speaker. She uses her intuition, and investigative, listening and teaching skills



Karen Semmelman, Valerie Webb and Chezy photo provided

(having taught diverse groups in the legal profession on live TV) to help empower others.

Webb has worked with animals daily for 15 years. She is a licensed veterinary technician, a certified rehabilitation practitioner (which service includes working with pets in water therapy, creating exercises and physical challenges to help them recover from injuries) and adores animals.

If you would like a private session with you and your pet, the cost is \$40 per half-hour. Sessions run from noon to 4:30 p.m. Contact Jan at 472-2155.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way.*

ACLU Forum To Be Held March 22

The ACLU of Florida works to defend the rights guaranteed in the Constitution. Towards that goal, the ACLU is launching a new grassroots mobilization platform called People Power. This mobilization effort will use digital tools to communicate with and help train volunteers to resist unlawful

policies across the country. The ACLU will promote ideas for action to defend civil liberties' organizational priorities.

All are welcome to come to The Community House on Wednesday, March 22 at 7 p.m. to hear about the efforts to amplify organic, bottom-up grassroots actions and to learn more about the work of the ACLU here in Florida.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. The event is free and open to the public.*

Workshop On Balance And Coordination

Karen Semmelman, advanced energy medicine practitioner and former matrimonial lawyer, will host a workshop on balance and coordination on Wednesday, March 22 from 6 to 8 p.m. at The Community House. This is the third in a series of four workshops. The cost is \$15 per course.

Learn tools that will help you improve your balance, boost energy, enhance coordination, balance the right and left brain functions, and improve your senses. Semmelman reports that during the last workshop on this topic, 95 percent of the attendees came in unable to balance on one leg and left able to do so. Energy medicine is powerful and empowering.

Advance registration and payment are required. Contact Jan at 472-2155.

For more information, visit www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or www.semmlanenergy.com.

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Sports Tourism

as a leading destination within the sports tourism industry, bringing a variety of amateur sporting events to the members of our community and greatly impacting our local economy," said Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass, who serves as the Lee Board of County Commissioners' liaison to the Tourist Development Council and chairs the TDC.

"The past year had the highest direct impact numbers in history, surpassing the record-breaking impact numbers of 2014," said Jeff Mielke, executive director of Lee County Sports Development.

"Strategic partnerships and the increase in events hosted in our region were key to creating a successful year for Lee County, also generating the second-highest numbers in hotel room nights and event

attendance in our history."

Among the highlights from 2016:

- July was the highest hitting month of the year in regards to hotel room nights, event attendance and direct economic impact. Amateur baseball was a home run for Lee County, with Perfect Game events serving as 12 of the 15 events hosted in the month of July. Additional events included the East Coast Finals for the North American Roller Hockey Championships (NARCh) and the USA Netball 2016 National Championship event, the first Netball event hosted in Lee County. The month resulted in 37,590 hotel room nights, a combined total of 28,931 participants and spectators and \$17.3 million in direct economic impact.

- October 2016 brought in an all-time high in this month's history with 16,657 hotel room nights. October included Lee County Sports Development's announcement of a new global softball development initiative between USA Softball, World Baseball and Softball Confederation (WBSC) and European Softball Federation (ESF) to bring European players and coaches to the U.S. during the off-season for training.

- November was the second-best month of the year with 26,455 hotel room nights and \$12.3 million in direct impact. Events included Roy Hobbs World Series, Senior Softball-USA's Winter National Championships, United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) National Convention and the return of Florida Half Century Softball.

- December highlights include Lee County serving as the host of the annual U.S. Sports Congress, which attracted top-level decision makers from the world of amateur sports to the region. The event featured about 40 senior-level executives of sport governing bodies that represent tens of thousands of amateur athletes who participate in their programs.

Lee County hosted 115 amateur sporting events in 2015, bringing 148,073 sports visitors, 152,400 hotel room nights sold and \$61.5 million in direct visitor spending to Lee County.

For more information, call 533-5273 or visit www.leegov.com/sports.*

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The Kay Casperson Lifestyle Spa & Boutique boot camp participants photo provided

**Beautifulife:
Boot Camp**

by Kay Casperson



How many of you have every attended a boot camp of some kind? A boot camp is generally a short, intensive and rigorous course of training. There are military boot

camp, fitness boot camps and there are also educational and inspirational boot camps. They are fun, fast and always serve a purpose – to teach you something that will stay with you for a lifetime.

My company closes all locations for a few days once a year to hold a boot camp for our staff members and consultants. We do this for many reasons such as to welcome new staff members, introduce new products that we manufacture, educate on services we perform and inspire all those that work with us. Because of our boot camps, we are able to provide the best service, products and inspiration to all of our guests and clients. It is something that we look forward to and thrive from and it really binds us together as one big team even though we have multiple locations.

Boot camps are most successful when there is a combination of things

that are happening. For instance, we mix vigorous training programs with hands on demonstrations, role playing, team building activities and lots of fun. This combination always keeps things exciting and inspirational. At the end of the boot camp, we break into three or four groups and each group builds a vision board for the company. These boards are to express how they see our company growing. They build these boards with supplies like glue, glitter, duck tape, magazine pictures, markers, ribbon – you name it. The outcome is the most exciting part of boot camp; each location gets to keep a vision board in the employee break room so as to inspire everyone throughout the year.

I hope you will take some time one of these days to explore a boot camp of some kind – after all, everyone needs a little boost here and there in order to keep moving into having that amazing, beautifulife that you so deserve!

My affirmation for you this week is: “I will explore new ways to keep growing more healthy, balanced and beautiful and will keep working towards accomplishing my ultimate goals.”

*Beauty and lifestyle expert Kay Casperson lives on Sanibel with her husband, two daughters and dogs. She produces her own inspirational collections of skincare, cosmetics, wellness, apparel and accessories, and operates four Lifestyle Spa & Boutique locations in Southwest Florida and Orlando. Learn more at kaycasperson.com.**

Program On Balance And Fall Prevention

On Sunday, March 26 at 12:15 p.m., Sanibel Congregation United Church of Christ will host Rachel Tritaik, physical therapist and owner and manager of Island Therapy Center, who will be presenting a program on Balance and Fall Prevention. A light lunch will be provided.

To make reservations, call 472-0497, email linda@sanibelucc.org or sign up on the roster in Fellowship Hall at the church.*



Rachel Tritaik photo provided

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Healthcare CEO Appointed To Forum Board

Samira K. Beckwith, president and CEO of Hope Healthcare, has been appointed to the National Quality Forum's (NQF) Care Coordination Standing Committee.

A non-profit, independent organization, NQF leads national collaboration to improve health and health care quality through measurement and innovation. Beckwith joins national health care experts on the Care Coordination Standing Committee to review performance measures focused on patient experience, health information technology and transitions of care.

"Communication between clinicians and providers is essential when patients transition between care settings," said Beckwith. "By standardizing measures utilized to assess quality of care coordination, health care providers will be better able to serve patients and their families."

Hope Healthcare is a not-for-profit health care organization that provides programs and services dedicated to comforting care. For more



Samira K. Beckwith

photo provided

information, call 482-4673 or visit www.HopeHCS.org.*

Island Seniors At Center 4 Life

Meet your friends and make some new ones at the Center 4 Life. Browse through the following activities, then stop by to sign up.

Activities cancelled Tuesday, March 7 due to elections. Regular scheduled activities will resume Wednesday, March 8.

Page Turners with Louise Fitzgerald and Ann Hartman – If you are not on the Page Turners list and wish to be, email oceannc@comcast.net or contact the center.

The featured book on Wednesday, March 8 at 2:30 p.m. is *The Nest* by Cynthia D'Apris Sweeney.

Minnesota Twins Spring Training Baseball Tickets – Tuesday, March 21 vs. Philadelphia Phillies at 1:05 p.m. Ticket cost for members is \$22 and \$27 for non-member guests. Must be a current Island Seniors member to purchase baseball tickets. Ticket sales are for limited time only. All sales are final. Transportation is on your own.

Chihuly Collection & Dali Museum (Frida Kahlo at the Dali) Trip – Friday, March 24. Cost is \$75 for members and \$85 for non-members.

Trip includes round trip transportation including a docent-led tour of the Chihuly Collection, Dali Museum and a special exhibition of Frida Kahlo at the Dali. Lunch will be on your own at the Banyan Café. Advance registration is required. The trip is limited to 27 participants on a first come basis.

Keeping up with Technology with Gerard Damiano: Connecting with Facebook – Wednesday, March 15, 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$50 for members and \$75 for non-members.

Despite its popularity, some still find Facebook incomprehensible, and have concerns about privacy and security. This class demystifies Facebook with a simple, no-nonsense approach. Learn privacy settings to protect your page by controlling who has access to your content. Sign up for your free Facebook account prior to class and be prepared to login from your portable computer or device. You must register in advance to participate and bring your own device. Be prepared to use your Apple ID and password.

Sanibel Health Fair – Friday, March 3 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Free screenings by health care professionals, plus information about FISH on SanCap, Hospice and other services. Senior resource guides, healthy snacks and door prizes provided. Sponsored by Parish Nurses of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, St. Isabel's Catholic Church, Sanibel Community Church, Sanibel Fellowship Church and St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church.

Beginner Bridge Basics with Christl and Bruce Smith – March 6, 8, 13 and 15 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$20 for members and \$35 for non-members. Class is limited to eight students and you must register in

advance and attend all four classes.

Session 1: The Basics (Players, trick taking, choosing a trump suit and the bidding ladder.)

Session 2: No Trump Opening Bids and Responses

Session 3: Major Suits Opening Bids and Responses

Session 4: Major Suit Opening Bids and Responses.

Games

Cost for all games is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes will be awarded.

Bridge – Monday and Wednesday. Register by noon; the game begins at 12:30 p.m.

Mahjongg – Monday and Thursday at 12:30 p.m.

Hand & Foot – Thursday at 12:30 p.m.

Hearts – Friday at 12:30 p.m.

BINGO – Friday, March 24 at 1 p.m.

Kayaking on Tuesdays and Thursdays – March 2 and 9 (weather permitting) at 8:30 a.m. There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and limited space for those who own their own kayaks. Island Seniors will provide kayaks, paddles and life jackets. Bring water, a snack, sun lotion, bug spray, sunglasses, towel, hat and change of clothing. Cost is \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members. Advance registration is required.

Line Dancing Classes – Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members.

The instructor will review dance steps then turn up the music so you can dance. Bring a friend. Call to register.

Fitness Classes

Members cost is \$4 per class, visitors \$7 per class. Annual membership is \$20. Sanibel Recreation Center members must show their membership card to attend.

Happy Hour Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m. Keep your brain fit and your heart, lungs and muscles strong with a combination of aerobics and muscle conditioning exercises. Hand weights, stretch cords and body weight are used. Athletic footwear required. Connie DeCicco is the instructor.

Essential Total Fitness – Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Cardio, muscle strengthening and flexibility training with hand weights, stretch cords, chairs and stability balls. Athletic footwear is required. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Power Hour Fitness – Tuesday and Thursday at 8 a.m. Hand weights, stretch cords, stability balls and mats are used. Improve core strength and balance. Athletic footwear required. Mahnaz Bassiri is the instructor.

Gentle Yoga – Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. Stretch, tone and strengthen while improving flexibility, proper alignment and circulation. Bring a towel. Kim Kouril is the instructor.

Chair Yoga – Tuesday and Thursday at 11 a.m. Similar to gentle yoga but all poses are done in a chair. Kim Kouril is the instructor.

For more information, call 472-5743 or stop by the Center 4 Life, located at 2401 Library Way on Sanibel.*



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11 Essential Oils For Your Thyroid



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers: Many of you are taking thyroid supplements or medications already, but you might consider adding one more thing into your thyroid health regimen: Essential oils. The medical

community dismisses essential oils (EO) because after all, how powerful can it be to inhale a flower extract? Once you inhale, this "medicine" goes right into your bloodstream, through tiny capillaries directly into the bloodstream

where it then shoots all over your body and activates many biochemical pathways.

It's a fact that inhaling the aroma of lavender can cause relaxation and sleep. We also know peppermint can sometimes help improve a migraine. As for Thyroid-loving essential oils, there are plenty.

When your thyroid is low...

The essential oils that I recommend when you have low thyroid are specifically devoted to stimulating or producing the secretion of thyroid hormones, activating your metabolism or improving symptoms of the disease itself. I can touch on a few here in this limited space, but if you're really interested, go to my website and read the longer version of this article. Try these quick essential oil health hacks for low thyroid disease:

Gut problems: People with hypothyroidism are often overweight and commonly experience frequent stomachache or gas. A few gut-soothing

essential oils that can bring you relief include peppermint, fennel, ginger and chamomile. You can make teas, apply to your skin or inhale depending on the EO.

Muscle aches and pain: People with Hashimoto's and hypothyroidism often hurt more than regular folks, especially after exercising. I'll help you "create" your own soothing balm now: Pour 30 drops of lemongrass and 15 drops of marjoram into your favorite bottle of body lotion. Make sure it's paraben-free, but pick any basic unscented lotion that you like. Then you can rub it onto your sore muscles and body aches.

Fatigue and Exhaustion: My own go-to is a smoked butterscotch latte, double shot – LOL! But we are talking about essential oils today, so try dabbing one drop each of eucalyptus and rosemary to the the base of your neck (right onto your thyroid) and it will wake you up. You should also take a quick whiff.

If your thyroid is high...

It would be unfair if I didn't share my knowledge about hyperthyroidism, or Graves' disease (an autoimmune thyroid condition), so here's what I suggest from an EO standpoint. Mix 15 drops of lemongrass with 15 drops of frankincense, 2 drops of myrrh (warning: myrrh smells awful), as well as 10 drops of lemongrass into a container with a tablespoon of apricot or almond oil. This can be sniffed or applied topically to your throat area a few times daily. Don't ingest that, it's topical. Dilute as you desire, leave out the myrrh or replace with sandalwood. This EO blend should help you deal with anxiety, stress, anger, agitation, tremors and insomnia. You don't have to have hyperthyroidism to use this; in fact all of you dealing with stress could try it.

*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.**

Eden Energy Medicine

Strengthen Your Heart's Energy



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

Many magazines, articles and professionals now extol the the benefits of Energy Medicine, stating it works. So let's learn

some practices that boost heart energy, the biggest generator of electricity in our body.

We are all electromagnetic beings, so every cell of our body has an electrical charge – all influenced by the energy of the heart. The Electric Energy System is one of the nine systems that Eden Energy Medicine addresses. By accessing the electric system, we are able to make subtle energy shifts on the deepest levels.

The next several articles will be devoted to providing tools to help the energetic balance of your heart and, thus, your entire being. The first

exercise helps to improve your "internal compass," especially beneficial if you are feeling lost or disconnected with others and yourself. This technique provides instant revitalization:

1. Stretch forehead, to open and clear energies, by placing fingertips of both hands together so they touch in the middle of the forehead and then rake fingers across forehead to each temple.

2. Place thumbs on liver neurovascular points (located at hairline above the center of eyes) and the middle fingers on the inside edge of eyebrows at the inside edge of each eye socket.

3. Hold thumbs and middle fingers in this position for five to 20 minutes. You will begin to feel shifts occurring and, after taking several deep sighs, you will know you are finished.

4. End by making small Figure 8s over forehead to stabilize the shifts.

A second tool to assist if experiencing any heart "dis-ease," whether arrhythmia, circulation issues, blood pressure, etc. is to hold the heart source point. There are source points associated with each meridian. Source points are acupressure points that act as reservoirs of energy directly associated with the organ itself, enabling a boost or removal of energy from the organ; in this case, the heart. By holding these points for

several minutes, you will immediately notice a shift of energy that has a calming impact on the heart's energy.

The heart source point is located on the inside of the wrist crease in line with the little finger. If you bend your wrist and look at the soft underside of your arm, you will notice two prominent tendons in the middle of your arm above the wrist crease. Between these tendons and the outer edge of the soft part of the arm, there is another small tendon right at the crease. This is the heart

source point. By holding this source point for several minutes (use the middle finger) until you feel a strong pulse, the disease will calm. Try it... it works and you are shifting your own subtle energies to improve your health and vitality.

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Doctor and Dietician Shoulder Arthroscopy



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

Shoulder arthroscopy is a popular procedure, since it is less invasive than other surgical techniques, with recipients hoping for less pain and a quicker recovery. Recent studies, though, are focusing on complications that result during this procedure.

All surgical procedures come with possible problems, including side effects related to anesthesia and the possibility of infection. And let's face it, when tissue is cut and scraped, pulled and stretched, and removed from the joint, the joint is no longer the same. In addition to this, some recent concerns have to do with the irrigation that is used during a shoulder arthroscopy.

A healthy shoulder holds less than 1/30th of an ounce of joint fluid. Now,

the capsule around the joint can allow for some stretch to accommodate for some swelling without damaging tissue, but it is not made to hold copious amounts of fluid without stretching the capsule too much. The stretched out joint capsule, makes the shoulder unstable and prone to more pain and injury. This can explain why some people do not get better after shoulder surgery or why they develop new pain after undergoing the operation.

Furthermore, when the shoulder joint is irrigated with a lot of fluid, the neck circumference enlarges, interfering with breathing. And when surgery is prolonged, this risk increases. Plus, it takes around twelve hours for the fluid to reabsorb, making the process more difficult for older patients to handle.

Studies have found that the risks decrease with an experienced surgeon, since they have a better understanding of the entire process and may take less time, which requires less fluid. We would recommend fully exploring non-surgical alternatives before undergoing arthroscopic surgery. Discuss your case with a Regenerative Medicine specialist who may suggest successful ways to alleviate pain and avoid surgical risks altogether.

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

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance
Clancy

Q: I have been dating a man who is very wishy-washy. He runs hot and cold and I never know which way he will be when I see him. Should I continue to date him

because I really like him?

A: While dating this man who runs hot and cold, chances are you are dealing with an immature individual who does not yet know who he is. Because of his lack of maturity, you may observe that it can be all in the chase with you. Once these kinds of men think they have you, they run for the exit and leave you hanging. They are not emotionally mature enough to sustain a loving adult state relationship with you or anyone.

This is not about anything you have said or done, and it has nothing to do with you.

You have just chosen someone who is not emotionally ready to be involved. Yes, they do want attention and sex, but they don't want commitment. If you were to be the one to leave, it's possible that he may start calling you

and behaving as though he wants you back. Use caution with this guy, as you could end up being his yo-yo and that will eventually be wear and tear on your physical, emotional, mental and spiritual self.

No one is worth compromising your mental health and well-being.

One rule that will help you regarding this type of guy. If there is no consistency in their behavior, then chances are you won't get consistency from him and that will wear on you. So instead of ending up feeling rejected and humiliated, do nothing. Get on with the business of your own life and take extreme self-care, yes, take the very best care of yourself. If he comes around and you are still interested, look for consistency with him. If he does not act appropriately, then he is not worth your time and effort. Just because he is a yo-yo doesn't mean you have to be his yo-yo.

You may encounter more of these types of guys while you are dating. You can learn from the one you are presently with how not to repeat dating this type of immature individual. Instead, focus on the guy who treats you the way you want to be treated and do not settle for less.

Constance Clancy-Fisher, EdD is a licensed mental health therapist, hypnotherapist, author and holistic stress management instructor. If you have a question, email Constance at constanceclancyfisher@gmail.com.

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For more information, visit www.HealthyLee.com

Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

Sunday was always a fun day for us. We enjoyed going to church services and then going out for a nice brunch.

All this has changed and it is irritating to go to service and you feel that you are sitting in the middle of a day care. The young parents allowing their children to scream and holler, with no regard for the others all around them. They wear their jeans or cutoffs and look as if they are ready to clean their basements.

Do others complain about these problems, or is it just us?

Dora

Dear Dora,

Most people it seems who go to church are no longer dressed in their "Sunday best." That was a long and distant era. What you wear is no longer important and most of the clergy do not seem to care either. The churches are so happy to see people in the congregation that they would never say a word of criticism. This all seems to be a part of modern times.

Lizzie

Dear Dora,

My generation enjoys casual, comfortable clothing. There is nothing wrong with children being in church with their parents as they probably spend so much time in day care, that this is an opportunity to be together. But if things get out of hand, I think that one parent should take the child out in respect of the others in the congregation and the clergy involved.

Pryce

Lizzie and Pryce's e-mail address is momandmeaging@hotmail.com.

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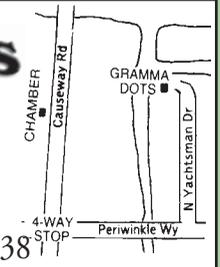


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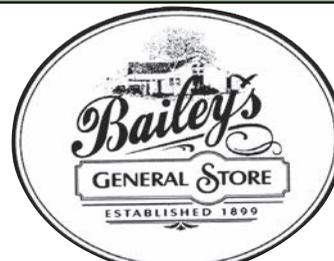
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PETS OF THE WEEK

Lee County Domestic Animal Services

Smokey And Nikita

Smokey is a 10-year-old beautiful male Persian that rocks his new lion cut. As you can see from his picture, he is fully aware of his stunning good looks. He is very friendly both with people and other cats. Smokey is looking for a home to live his golden years in.

His adoption fee is \$25.

Nikita is a 9-year-old female Doberman pinscher mix who is one of our "Super Seniors" with a teenager's personality. She is very well-mannered and walks great on a leash. If you like a leaner, she is the perfect choice for you. Her favorite place to be is right by your side.

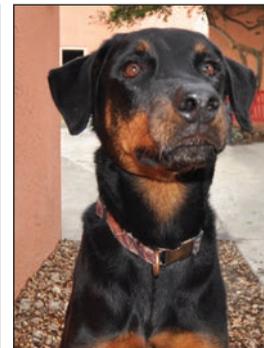
Her adoption fee \$25.

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



Smokey ID# 425704



Nikita ID# 371175

shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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

The adoption package is valued at \$500.*

Haven on Earth Animal League

Betty Boo And Mr. Lovey

Hi there! I'm Betty Boo. I'm a spayed female, about 2 years old. I am up-to-date on all shots. I am very sweet and have beautiful green eyes. I even have a white spot on my chest that makes me different from other black kitties. I am currently at the PetSmart at Colonial Boulevard and Six Mile Cypress. Please come see me and take me home. My adoption fee is \$75.

Hello, my name is Mr. Lovey. Check out how I'm posed for the camera. I am around 2 years old and a very good boy. I love being talked to and being brushed. I will show my love by giving you head bumps. I was found wandering around San Carlos Park all by myself. I really want a home to call mine. I am up-to-date on all shots and fully



Betty Boo



Mr. Lovey

vetted. My adoption fee is \$75.

We are being cared for by Haven on Earth Animal League. For more information, email haveneearthanimalleague@yahoo.com.*

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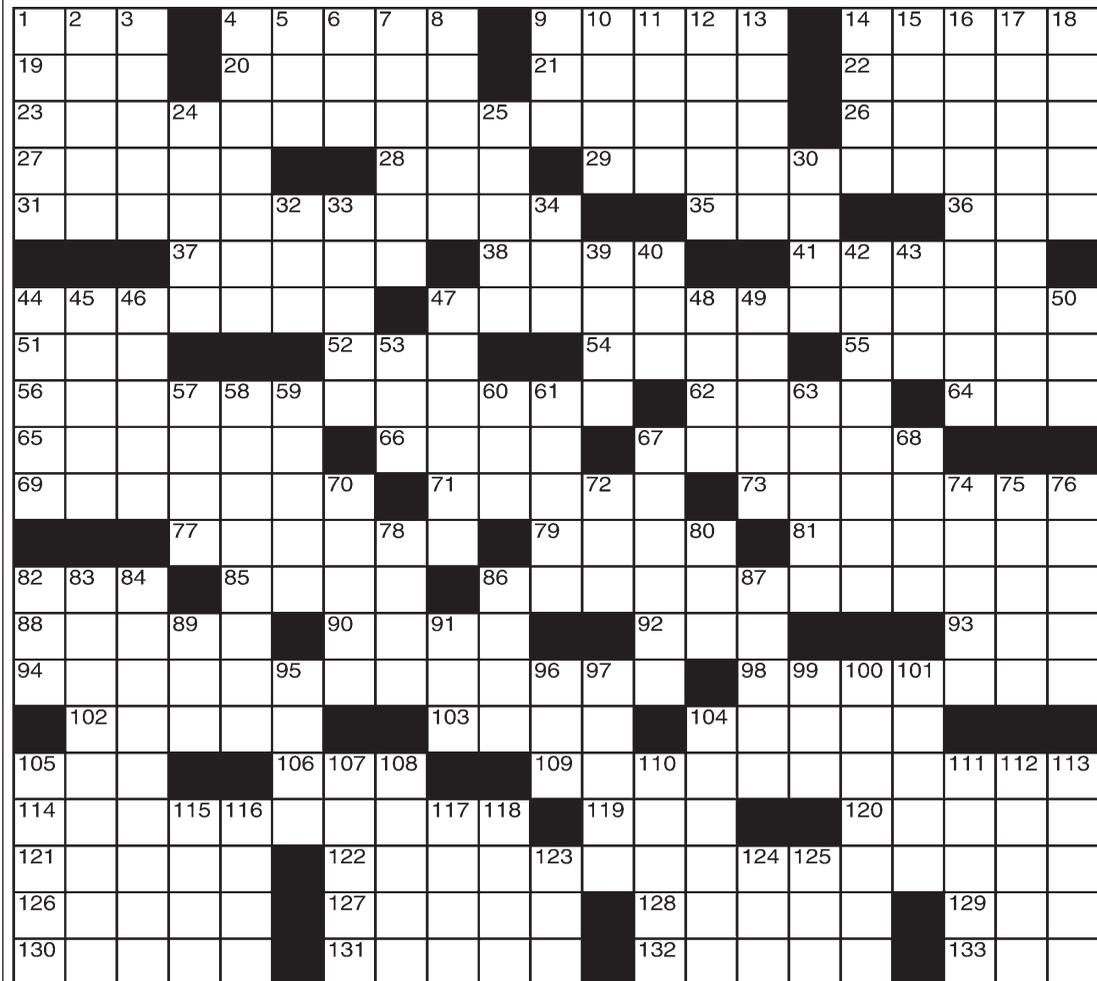
PUZZLES

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Super Crossword

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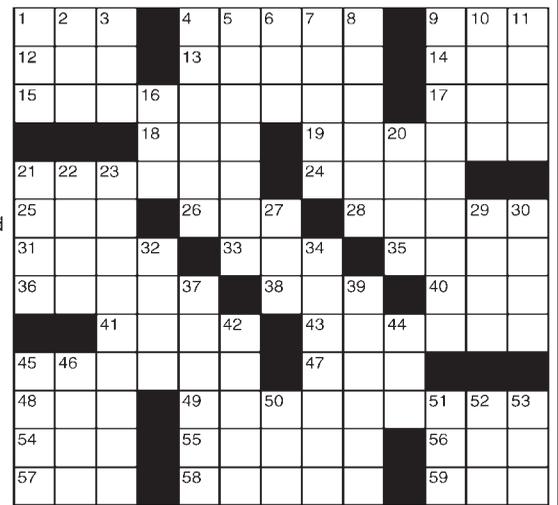
- ACROSS**
- 1 Seer's "gift," for short
 - 4 Pig noise
 - 9 Tosses out
 - 14 Some choir women
 - 19 With 74-Down, "Such gall!"
 - 20 Tree-topping ax wielder
 - 21 Expiate, with "for"
 - 22 Statue of Liberty feature
 - 23 African beast submerged?
 - 26 Ranch rope
 - 27 Unit of Time
 - 28 Park or Fifth: Abbr.
 - 29 Like partially spoiled oil?
 - 31 Five-alarm, for one?
 - 35 Mao — -tung
 - 36 British isle
 - 37 Slyly derisive
 - 38 Mocked by imitating
 - 41 Humdrum
 - 44 Amor or Eros
 - 47 Magic lamp owner's language?
 - 51 Purpose
 - 52 Property unit
 - 54 Hereditary unit
 - 55 Daphnis' lover
 - 56 Tan-colored door security feature?
 - 62 Banknotes
 - 64 Wichita-to-Akron dir.
 - 65 Fueled (up)
 - 66 Tennille or Braxton
 - 67 "Misty" crooner
 - 69 Hero of Sophocles' "Electra"
 - 71 It's hidden in this puzzle's 10 longest answers
 - 73 Native of Cuba's capital
 - 77 Fail to do as promised
 - 79 Watson of "The Bling Ring"
 - 81 Texas border city
 - 82 "The Simpsons" clerk
 - 85 Q-V link
 - 86 Snap-on parts of a tot's tote?
 - 88 Friend of the Lone Ranger
 - 90 Tenderfoot
 - 92 Do injury to
 - 93 Jockey (for)
 - 94 "Farewell, Ms. Clooney!?"
 - 98 Wading birds
 - 102 Raccoon relative
 - 103 Israel's Eban
 - 104 Texas city near Dallas
 - 105 Dick — Dyke
 - 106 Washroom, informally
 - 109 Thoroughly clean some sour fruit?
 - 114 Tune about Houdini?
 - 119 Several eras
 - 120 Flat piece of microfilm
 - 121 Flat, as pop
 - 122 Cause Reagan to digress?
 - 126 By itself
 - 127 Without — (worry-free)
 - 128 Sandbank
 - 129 Thigh's place
 - 130 Fiery feeling
 - 131 Faked out, in ice hockey
 - 132 Utilized a keypad
 - 133 "What — the odds?"
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Set of values
 - 2 — kebab
 - 3 Giant in soda
 - 4 Providing with footwear
 - 5 Modern, in Münster
 - 6 Rent-to- —
 - 7 Adjust on a timeline
 - 8 — Fountain (Rome landmark)
 - 9 Skull bone
 - 10 Great Salt Lake's state
 - 11 — moment too soon
 - 12 Honored a king, maybe
 - 13 Bondmen
 - 14 Razor name
 - 15 Pork cut
 - 16 Like phone calls and outlines
 - 17 1 followed by 27 zeros
 - 18 Like arbors
 - 24 Living proof?
 - 25 Relating to the kidneys
 - 30 McEntire of country
 - 32 — Grande
 - 33 Confound
 - 34 Scholastic meas.
 - 39 Sword part
 - 40 Pres. before JFK
 - 42 Of a large store of data
 - 43 Opposite of "yep"
 - 44 "Hasta —!" (Spanish "Later!")
 - 45 Often-quoted Wilde
 - 46 Sonnet, e.g.
 - 47 In one's own house
 - 48 Peruvian of yore
 - 49 Below, in a 46-Down
 - 50 "Meh" mark
 - 53 Decide
 - 57 Pre-'91 empire
 - 58 Fade away
 - 59 Xanadus
 - 60 Lover of Lennon
 - 61 Top part of some forms
 - 63 Intend to
 - 67 "Well, I declare!"
 - 68 Actress Mia
 - 70 Brawl
 - 72 Diplomat's bldg.
 - 74 See 19-Across
 - 75 Allow to enter
 - 76 Snoots
 - 78 Fellas
 - 80 Toothpaste box org.
 - 82 — loss for words
 - 83 Many a Net radio host
 - 84 Teamster ID
 - 86 Utterly fail
 - 87 Toothbrush brand
 - 89 Pekoe, e.g.
 - 91 Irish actor Stephen
 - 95 Annoy
 - 96 Crunches crunch them
 - 97 Slot car, say
 - 99 Kilmer of "Top Gun"
 - 100 Not divided into parts
 - 101 "— Thro' the Rye"
 - 104 Forceful
 - 105 Line of motor scooters
 - 107 President of Syria
 - 108 Verbalize
 - 110 Be sweltering
 - 111 City NNE of Tampa
 - 112 N.J. Devil, e.g.
 - 113 Swamp plant
 - 115 As well
 - 116 Look keenly
 - 117 Neighbor of Mont.
 - 118 Actor Richard
 - 123 TV's Turner
 - 124 Keystone policeman
 - 125 Carly — Jepsen



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Eden evacu-ee
- 4 Temporary gifts
- 9 School org.
- 12 Lucy of "Elementary"
- 13 Liver or lung
- 14 Parcel of land
- 15 Hearth
- 17 Past
- 18 Hot tub
- 19 Porter
- 21 Occur
- 24 Great Lake
- 25 Web address
- 26 Banned pesticide "— alive!"
- 28
- 31 Bound
- 33 Surprised cries
- 35 Citrus fruit
- 36 Fancy neck-wear
- 38 Special —
- 40 Nashville-based awards org.
- 41 "Zounds!"
- 43 Rouse
- 45 Autobiography's cousin
- 47 Carnival city
- 48 — carte
- 49 "Monopoly" purchase
- 54 Tit for —
- 55 More than enough
- 56 Explanation
- 57 Type measures
- 58 Called
- 59 Gorilla
- 9 Football tactic involving a tee
- 10 Roman garment
- 11 On
- 16 Sixth sense, for short
- 20 Use a rotary phone
- 21 Hawaiian dance
- 22 War god
- 23 Settings for settings?
- 27 Nevertheless, for short
- 29 Model nee Melissa Miller
- 30 Penn or Astin
- 32 Comic-strip possum
- 34 Glisten
- 37 James Clavell novel
- 39 Stole
- 42 Histrionics
- 44 Popular ISP
- 45 Partner
- 46 Verve
- 50 Spinning stat
- 51 "Eureka!"
- 52 Police officer
- 53 Ram's 45-Down



DOWN

- 1 Sprite
- 2 Evening hour, in a way
- 3 Asia's neighbor (Abbr.)
- 4 Pruned
- 5 Florida city
- 6 Khan title
- 7 Mother-of-pearl
- 8 Derisive looks

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 Q P N M L J I H F D L O C D E

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

- Acre
- Board
- Cloven
- Cold
- Crow's
- Cubic
- Drag your
- Flat
- Happy
- On your
- Pigs'
- Square
- Tender
- Two left
- Webbed



"Okay, everyone ... today we're making cold _____"

answer on page 35B

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!

Notice

GRADER _____

Covert

CRESTE _____

Faded

LEAST _____

Gait

CAPE _____

TODAY'S WORD

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

SUDOKU

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

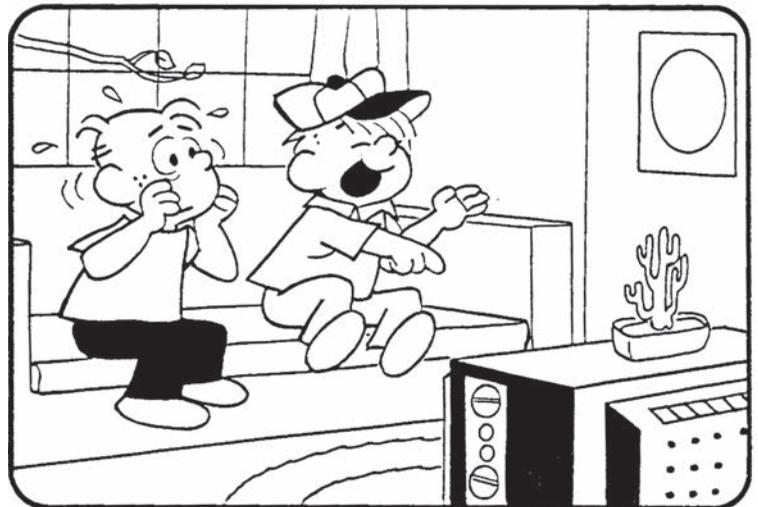
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Bird is moved. 2. Dinosaur is missing. 3. Arm is different. 4. Soda can is missing. 5. Portrait is missing. 6. Plant is different.

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're correct to want to help someone who seems to need assistance. But be careful that he or she isn't pulling the wool over those gorgeous Sheep's eyes. You need more facts.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your Bovine optimism soon will dispel the gloom cast by those naysayers and pessimists who still hover close by. Also, that good news you recently received is part of a fuller message to come.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Feeling

jealous over a colleague's success drains the energy you need to meet your own challenges. Wish him or her well, and focus on what you need to do. Results start to show in mid-March.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're likely to feel somewhat Crabby these days, so watch what you say, or you could find yourself making lots of apologies. Your mood starts to brighten by the weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your pride might still be hurting from those unflattering remarks someone made about you. But cheer up, you're about to prove once again why you're the Top Cat in whatever you do.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A misunderstanding with a co-worker could become a real problem unless it's resolved

soon. Allow a third party to come in and assess the situation without pressure or prejudice.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Call a family meeting to discuss the care of a loved one at this difficult time. Be careful not to let yourself be pushed into shouldering the full burden on your own.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) An upcoming decision could open the way to an exciting venture. However, there are some risks you should know about. Ask more questions before making a commitment.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Personal matters need your attention during the earlier part of the week. You can start to shift your focus to your

workaday world by midweek. Friday brings news.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You've been going at a hectic pace for quite a while. It's time now for some much-needed rest and recreation to recharge those hardworking batteries.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time to upgrade your current skills or consider getting into an entirely different training program so that you can be prepared for new career opportunities.

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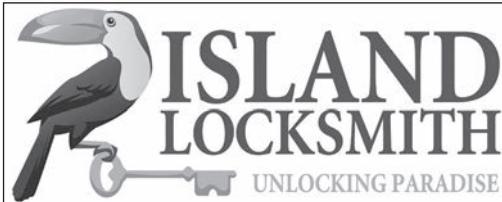
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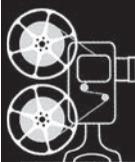
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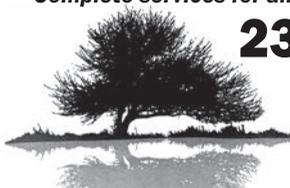
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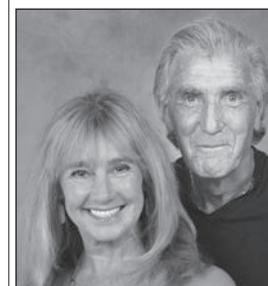


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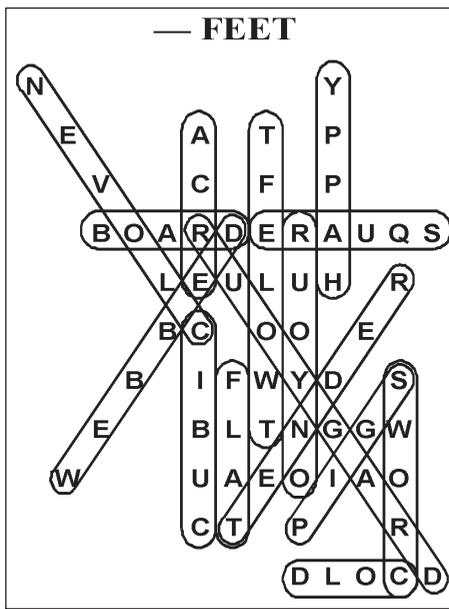
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Rotary Happenings

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It was a club assembly this week at Rotary, which means we go over reports from our club committees analyzing how things are going during this Rotary year, which runs from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. Front and center at this assembly was the Rotary Arts & Crafts Fair committee co-chair Scot Congress, who reported that from all indications, this year's fair netted somewhere around \$100,000. All proceeds from the fair are deposited in our Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva Trust Account for distribution throughout the year – both at home and abroad – to organizations and non-profits aligned with Rotary International tenets.

Thanks abound on all fronts and each of our members and Rotary friends warrant boundless appreciation for their hard work and dedication to making this fair a continuing success each year.

One of our own Sanibel-Captiva Rotary booths at the fair is the T-shirt and hat booth. Each year, our club presents a new famous artist design on that year's T-shirts and clothing; this year that artist was glass artist Luc Century. The design was quite a hit and I know; I'm seeing these beautiful T-shirts worn by many of my friends. Thanks to Luc for his generous support of San-Cap Rotary. Clothing committee chair Rachel Tritaik told us that on our club's website (www.sanibelrotary.com), we do present overstocked T-shirts from previous years and additional Rotary merchandise. The designs are all beautiful and merchandise is limited.

Moving from the Arts & Crafts Fair committee to our membership committee, chair Eldon Bohrofen had the pleasure of inducting our 14th new member at last week's meeting: Gary Dyer.

Why is our club growing? Somewhere and on some level, we are connecting with like-minded individuals who see the importance of what our club is doing toward helping our community and communities worldwide. Our club pays attention to world-concerns – clean water, maternal and child health, the need for disease prevention,

economic community development, prosperity, education/literacy and world peace. We start with our local community, but these concerns are worldwide... we are one people and we share common problems. Sanibel-Captiva Rotary offers a way for club members to give back and to help make this world a better place. Rotarians come from many professions and to quote a portion of Rotary International President John F. Germ's words, "We need men and women of all backgrounds, ages, cultures and professions that come from every city, country and region of the world. The better our clubs reflect their communities, the better we can serve them. Diversity is our strength."

Our members are leaders, not by title alone but by actions. They know Rotary is a service organization, but they also know that Rotary is a club where deep friendships are made. The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club is a great club to belong to. The chance to do something for somebody else and to sense the fulfillment that comes in the process and return of that satisfaction to one's own life. It is richly rewarding. "He/She profits most who serves the best."

What can members benefit from joining Rotary? First of all, we provide friendship and fellowship. We provide services and financial support to community and international programs involved in humanitarian works.

New Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club members, since July 1, 2016, include Clair Beckmann/Banking, John Clark/Civil Engineer, Donald Dillinger/Sales Textiles, Gary Dyer/Financial Investments, William Gibney/Sales-Finance, Roger Grogman/Marketing-Logistics, Darrin Grotrain/Banking, John Henshaw/Health Risk Consultant, Walter Jones/Field Engineer, John Schwandke/Radio Broadcasting, Richard Green/Software Solutions, Mary Schoeffel/Donor Relations, Bill Letende/Pharmacy Consultant, and L. Carlton Anderson/Futures Management. Bohrofen also told us there are two other membership applications under review at this time.

If you are interested in learning about joining Rotary, contact Membership Chair Eldon Bohrofen at 920-912-6266 or ebohrofen@rohdedales.com.

*The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets Friday mornings at 7 a.m. at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club. Guests are welcome.**

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Support of this walk will help raise funds for suicide prevention research and educational programs, eliminate the stigma surrounding suicide and its causes, and encourage those who are suffering from mental illness to seek treatment.

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Registration begins at 11 a.m. at the FGCU Campus Student Plaza. The opening ceremony will start at noon. Register online at www.AFSP.org/FGCU. Online registration closes at noon on Friday, March 17, however, participants can register in person at the walk.

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