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Beer In The Bushes Almost Sold Out



G. Love & Special Sauce is the entertainment headliner this year photo courtesy SCCF

Tickets are going fast for the 6th annual Beer in the Bushes at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF). This popular craft beer tasting is set for Saturday, April 15 from 6 to 10 p.m. on the grounds of SCCF's Nature Center. There will be a variety of craft

beers, live music, dancing and a few surprises. This is a rain or shine event and guests age 21 and older are welcome. The \$70 tickets sell out fast and can be purchased online at www.sccfbeer.eventbrite.com.

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The Sanibel School Steel Drum Band performing at Waterview Park in Disney Springs earlier this month photo courtesy Joseph Giangreco

Performing Arts Group Spring Music Showcase

by Jeff Lysiak

Members of The Sanibel School's performing arts group, elementary choir and steel drum band are gearing up for their biggest performance of the year... which says quite a lot, since the school recently performed at Walt Disney World.

The Sanibel School's annual Spring Music Showcase will be held at BIG

ARTS on Thursday, April 6. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the concert will begin at 7 p.m.

According to the school's music educator Joey Giangreco, he had been approached by BIG ARTS at the beginning of the school year. "They wanted to know if some of The Sanibel School's students would be interested in performing there," said Giangreco. "We wanted to assemble a program that would feature multiple genres as well as from several age groups so everybody would be included."

Thursday evening's program will start with a performance by the middle

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Palm Harbor Teen Wins Florida Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest

by Jeff Lysiak

After a thoughtful and exhaustive judging process held last week at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, 15-year-old Faith Noelle Malfa – representing the Pasco Fine Arts Center in Palm Harbor – was selected the Florida Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest winner for 2017.

Malfa's entry now advances to the Federal Junior Duck Stamp national final round, to be judged later this month in Charleston, South Carolina.

Overall, 2,882 entries were submitted for this year's Florida contest:

- Group I (kindergarten through third grade) – 1,519 entries
- Group II (fourth through sixth grade) – 947 entries
- Group III (seventh through ninth grade) – 337 entries
- Group IV (10th through 12th grade) – 79 entries

On March 30, judges gathered at the refuge's Visitor & Education Center

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Judge Brandi Couse deciding where to put her last two chips photo by Jeff Lysiak



Best of Show artwork by Faith Noelle Malfa, 15, from Palm Harbor

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Jasmin Hernandez of The Sanibel Bean, Gold Sponsor of the 23rd Annual Spring Festival, with Cindy DeCosta, director of the Children's Education Center of the Islands photos provided

Sponsors, Families Gearing Up For Spring Festival

The Children's Education Center of the Islands welcomes The Sanibel Bean as a Gold Sponsor for the 23rd Annual Spring Festival, a family friendly festival which will be held on Saturday, April 15 from 9 to 11 a.m.

For the past 23 years, the Children's Education Center of the Islands has hosted its annual Spring Festival. It will be held at the Sanibel Community Park, next to the playground on Periwinkle Way. The festivities will begin at 9 a.m. with a free Easter egg hunt for children of all ages.

The games, contests and crafts will begin immediately after and will continue until 11 a.m. A \$10 armband will allow each child unlimited fun to participate in all activities. The festival will include pony and unicorn rides, a bounce house, giant slide and many crafts and games. The Easter Bunny will be available at 10:15 a.m. for pictures. The festival will also include a silent auction with over 60 baskets to choose from.

Since 1974, the Children's Education Center of the Islands has supported the community as a 501(c)3 non-profit preschool that is dedicated to create a nurturing, exciting learning



Lucy Wolf is ready for some big time fun at the Spring Festival

environment that creates happy, curious, confident children. The school relies heavily on the support of the community. Proceeds from the Spring Festival will benefit the education center's scholarship fund and capital improvements. All residents and visitors are welcome to attend. For more information, call Cindy DeCosta at 472-4538 or visit childrenseducationcenter.com.*



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Music Showcase

school's heralded steel drum band, which will play a setlist that will include The Beatles' *Ob-La-Di, Ob-La-Da*, Richie Valens' *La Bamba*, The Tokens' *The Lion Sleeps Tonight* and others.

"This is going to be the steel drum band's final performance of the school year," Giangreco noted, adding that the group performed at Waterview Park at Disney Springs on March 17. "It's going to be a bittersweet moment for all of us."

Next, the middle school's performing arts group will offer a scene from their upcoming production of *The Wizard of Oz Young Performers Edition*. "They'll be doing the Munchkinland scene, which will hopefully entice people to come out and see their performance at The Sanibel School on May 18 and 19 at 7 p.m.," Giangreco added.

The elementary school choir will perform a repertoire of multiple genres, including a Swahili tune *Kusimama* ("Stand Tall"), a fun arrangement of a Johann Sebastian Bach song *Cold & Fugue Season* and *The World Is Ours*, a song created for the 2014 FIFA World Cup. Their performance will also include a couple of vocal soloists and "a few other surprises."

Following a medley of songs from *The Wizard of Oz* by the performing arts group leads, which drew rave reviews at last month's Go FISH



Members of the steel drum band in front of Cinderella's Castle at Magic Kingdom

photo courtesy Joseph Giangreco

fundraiser at The Sanctuary Golf Club, the grand finale of the evening will be the combined talents of the performing arts and elementary choir singing *An Old Irish Blessing*.

Tickets for the Spring Music Showcase, priced at \$5 each, will be available at the door. BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road.✪

Captiva Island Historical Society

Landmark: The Carter Dock

This week's image is The Carters working on their dock. George Washington Carter was a Civil War veteran from Georgia, and one of the early homesteaders on Captiva. The family primarily fished for a living. In addition they planted vegetables and a grapefruit grove on their 160 acres at the north end of Captiva.

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.✪



Working on the Carter Dock

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Florida Junior Duck Stamp



Wildlife artist John Brennan strolls through the Group II artwork entries photos by Jeff Lysiak

auditorium to inspect and score each submission from this year's contest. Judges included wildlife photographer and refuge volunteer John Bennight, wildlife artist John Brennan, deputy refuge manager Nate Caswell, Alliance for the Arts education coordinator Brandi Couse and wildlife artist Nancy Tome.

The judging process took more than four hours to complete.

In addition to Malfa, first-place winners selected last week included Sawyer Jennings (Group II, Lake Helen), Maddie Diestter (Group II, Wellington), Audrey Kenny (Group IV, North Fort Myers), Cole Norris (Group III, Deltona), Wilmidie Derastel (Group I, Wellington), Tessa May (Group III, Naples), Garren Miler (Group IV, Apopka), Annie Crouch (Group IV, North Fort Myers), Evelyn Cui (Group II, Oviedo), Leah Mousseri (Group I, Wellington) and Maya Koppada (Group I, Wellington).

The top winners from Sanibel included Sofi Varmuza (Group I), Ava Selby (Group I), Adeline Von Wowern (Group I), Anna Anderson-Kilgore (Group I), Ethan Mathusa (Group II) and Sophia Schroy (Group II), all of whom were awarded honorable mention recognition.*



Contest coordinator Toni Westland, center, with the top five judged entries among the Group III submissions



Judges attending the Florida Junior Duck Stamp preliminary round competition weigh-in with their scores of the top five contest entries last week at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge



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Saturday, April 8

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Donation

Sunday, April 9

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11:15 am Sanibel Yoga

12:30 Duplicate Bridge

Wednesday, April 12

9:30 am iPad/iPhone Photography

4 pm Energy Medicine, "Eyes"

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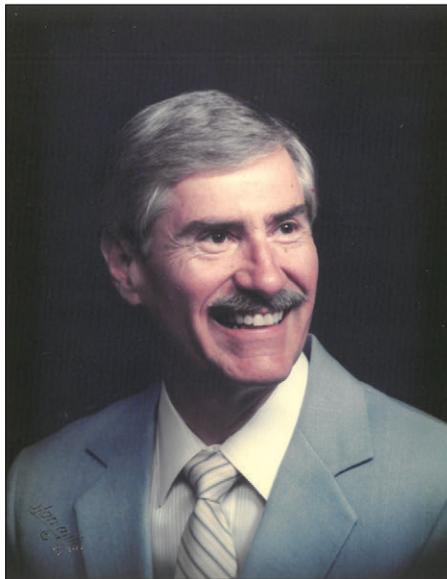
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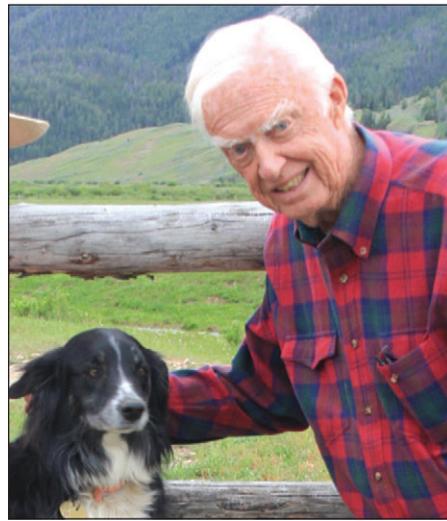
RALPH ALTIERI

Ralph Altieri, 79, of Massachusetts and Sanibel, Florida passed away peacefully on March 25, 2017 after a long struggle with Alzheimer's. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Dianne; children Gary (Cathy) Altieri of Lawrenceville, Georgia, and Donna (Mark) Ferrero of Port Charlotte, Florida; and five grandchildren.

Early in his business career, he was involved in the automobile business, but his real passion was restoring antique furniture and building antique reproductions. He and Dianne moved to Sanibel in 1994 and lived here full time with the exception of a few extended RV trips. They loved bicycling together, and when Ralph was no longer able to ride independently, he enjoyed being towed by Dianne on his recumbent trike.

No service is planned at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011; or online at www.alz.org.

OBITUARY



DAVID MACKENZIE

David Odell MacKenzie, a lifelong resident of Lake Forest, Illinois, passed away peacefully surrounded by his children in his beloved Captiva Island, Florida home on March 11.

Born in 1931, he attended Halsey School and Gorton School of Lake Forest.

In his senior year at Culver Military Academy, he contracted bulbar polio and spent the next year convalescing in an iron lung. He finished high school at Lake Forest Academy, an alma mater that became very dear to him as he later taught, coached and worked in their business office. He was known as "Mr. LFA" and was a generous donor of the MacKenzie Ice Arena.

As a part of his recuperation from polio, David told the story that (in the 1940s) his mother would drive to the ferry landing near the Sanibel Lighthouse and tell him to walk home on the beach to build up his strength... it was 14 miles to his house. He said most days he would see fewer than a dozen other people, but he said, "I have the best shell collection you ever saw."

He attended Trinity College in Hartford,

Connecticut and was a distinguished athlete, playing both Varsity soccer and hockey. He joined ROTC, then served in the U.S. Air Force (1954-1957) and as an officer in Japan during the Korean War.

He and Deborah (d. 2012) married in 1960.

In his early career, David worked in sales for the Quaker Oats Company. He then became a teacher, as well as soccer and hockey coach at Lake Forest Academy, and later worked as a business administrator at the academy and also at the Lake Forest Country Day School.

David and Deborah were the owners of the Red Rock Ranch in Kelly, Wyoming where they loved spending their summers enjoying the authentic western lifestyle and entertaining the many guests that stayed there. They both shared a passion for the land through environmental stewardship. David was an avid fly fisherman and ensured the sustainability of his beloved native cutthroat trout. He also was a dedicated golfer and a member of the U.S. Seniors Golf Association. He served on a myriad of boards, caucuses, and was a past elder at the First Presbyterian Church of Lake Forest.

David belonged to The Sanctuary Golf Club and the Captiva Island Yacht Club in Sanibel and Captiva, Florida. David and his family have been a part of these islands since the 1940s.

He is survived by Douglas MacKenzie of Harvard, Illinois; Marion (Roger) Christoph of Lake Forest, Illinois; Carolyn (Harley) Stimmel of Hempstead, Texas; and David W. (Casey) MacKenzie of Longmont, Colorado. Grandchildren include: Henry, Tommy, Gordy, Laura, Elizabeth and James Christoph; Steven, Jake, Russell and Joe Mac Stimmel; Harper and Evan MacKenzie.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: The Captiva Chapel by the Sea, P.O. Box 188 Captiva, FL 33924 (www.captivachapel.com).

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. at the Captiva Chapel by the Sea on April 23, 2017. The chapel is located at 11580 Chapin Lane, Captiva, Florida. ✨

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Reed has been the steward of this native tree for the past 31 years. Her yard is almost all native plants and she does not use any chemicals. She has had an abundance of wildlife over the years.✪



Sally Reed

photo provided

The Community House

Jungle Book

The final performance of the *The Jungle Book* by the Children's Theatre will be on Friday, April 7 at 7 p.m. The "Broadway Review" will be on Saturday, April 9.

Cooking Classes And Demonstrations

Resident chef Jarred Harris will teach you how to prepare vichyssoise, beef bourguignonne with gnocci, vanilla ice cream with red wine syrup and a gaufrette cookie. This interactive program begins with a signature cocktail and is scheduled for Sunday, April 9 from 4 to 6 p.m. Fee is \$45 per person.

On Thursday, April 20 from 4 to 6 p.m., Loretta Paganini will hold a book signing and a mozzarella demonstration. Book is \$24.99 and a portion of the proceeds benefit SCA.

On Sunday, April 23 from 4 to

6 p.m., there will be demonstrations featuring tomatillo basil bisque, lump crab cakes, yucca fries and lemon tart with berries.

On Monday, April 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cara Larocca Albertelli will teach a hands-on Cake Artistry program.

Mini Golf

The 20-year tradition of Mini Golf will take place in the Great Hall Friday through Sunday, April 21 through 23 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. To kick off the festivities, Friday night will feature Chef Jarred's special recipe for Point Ybel Beer battered Cod-YUM! Cost is \$10 per adult. Child menu is \$5. Mini golf play is \$3 per person. Sponsorships are available and sponsors receive 20 free passes.

The Community House is at 2173 Periwinkle Way. For more information, visit www.sanibelcommunity-house.net or call 472-2155.✪

Easter Egg Hunt Next Saturday

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Sanibel Community Church, 1740 Periwinkle Way, on Saturday, April 15 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This year's featured event is the Family Challenge. Huge board games will be set up, and families can play to win a Family Easter Basket to share. Other attractions are preschool games, bounce house, cake walk, outdoor games, free lunch for the family and thousands of eggs to find for prizes. All families are welcome.✪

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Sanibel To Alter Formula Retail Requirements

by Jeff Lysiak

Members of the Sanibel City Council took time during Tuesday's meeting to address the concerns of the planning commission, which recently has been faced with a number of issues related to the city's current regulations related to formula retail businesses.

According to Jim Jordan, director of the planning department, the three key issues include the redundant reviews and approvals required by both the planning commission and city council; the 50,000-square-foot cumulative floor area review trigger; and the definition of formula retail stores.

Jordan noted that since the city's ordinance that deals with formula retail businesses was adopted in 2007, seven new formula retail stores have been added to Sanibel's inventory. Of that total, five were approved by the commission while two required a review and approval by the council.

Councilors were presented with three options to address these issues:

- Amend the Land Development Code by giving the planning commission complete authority to approve all new formula retail stores and eliminate redundant reviews and approvals by the city council.
- Increase the commercial floor area for all formula retail stores within the commercial district from 50,000 square feet to 70,000 square feet. Establish the 70,000 square feet as either a cap or a review trigger for all new formula retail stores. If established as a cap, the 70,000-square-foot floor area can only be adjusted upward as a code amendment.

- Amend the definition for "formula retail stores" to exempt any new formula retail stores with no more than a specific number of existing off-island locations, regardless if the store originated in Sanibel.

Following a few comments made by members of the council, Mayor Kevin

Ruane suggested that the commission be authorized to handle reviews, with five retail locations being the official "trigger" for a review. In addition, a council review would be required if the business exceeded the 70,000-square-foot threshold.

During public comment on the matter, Karen Storjohann and Holly Smith – both members of the planning commission – suggested that a formal review of the city's formula retail business forms, which are required to be submitted by all applicants, be reviewed and amended as needed. Storjohann also called for appropriate penalties to be included for businesses which are non-compliant with city regulations.

With unanimous approval by the council, planning department staff will prepare a draft ordinance with alternate language consistent with the decisions made by council. Once prepared and reviewed, the ordinance will be brought back to council for a public hearing and final approval.

In other business, councilors approved an amendment to the Sanibel Code which will prohibit the harvesting and possession of live shellfish as well as establishing a temporary nine-month moratorium for medical marijuana dispensing businesses. Both ordinances, introduced during last month's session, received no input by the public during Tuesday's hearing.

Also, the council approved the first reading of an ordinance granting Advanced Disposal Services Solid Waste Southeast, Inc. a five-year franchise agreement to operate solid waste collection and delivery with the City of Sanibel. The second reading and public hearing for the ordinance will take place on Tuesday, May 2 at 9:10 a.m.

Residents were reminded that a workshop session – conducted between members of the city council and architect Henry Woodroffe to discuss the initial planning, design and cost estimates for the Center 4 Life renovation/replacement project – has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 17 beginning at 9 a.m. at MacKenzie Hall. Members of the public are welcome to attend and provide input.✪

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, April 12 starting at 10 a.m.

The last vegetation tour of city hall grounds this season will be held on 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



Climbing aster (*Symphotrichum carolinianum*) photo provided

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.✪

Citizen Committee To Review Charter

by Jeff Lysiak

During Tuesday's council session, Mayor Kevin Ruane brought the issue of conducting a review of the City of Sanibel's Code of Ordinances up for discussion.

"We're supposed to review the city charter every 10 years, but we haven't done that," Ruane explained.

Two of the issues related to the charter which were brought to light during last month's council meeting included term limits for elected officials and having members of the public

decide during an election which candidates would be appointed the city's mayor and vice mayor.

Following a brief discussion, the council authorized City Manager Judie Zimomra to advertise for citizen volunteers to serve on a five-person charter review committee.

Ruane suggested that the committee be given a six-month opportunity to read, review and suggest making alterations and/or amendments to the city charter, which would then be forwarded to members of the council for recommended action.

Zimomra told the council she would bring back the parameters of the citizen charter review committee at next month's council meeting before soliciting volunteers to serve on the panel.✪

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Beer In The Bushes



Steve Greenstein and Al Hanser from Presenting Sponsor The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company photos courtesy SCCF

Gold Record Award-winning group headline Beer in the Bushes," said SCCF's Jeff Siwicke, creator of the event.

The headliner this year will be G. Love & Special Sauce. They were recognized with a Gold Record Award by the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA). Originally conceived to honor artists and track sound recording sales, RIAA Gold and Platinum Awards have



Gold Record awarded to G. Love & Special Sauce

come to stand as a benchmark of success for any artist, whether they've just released their first song or greatest hits album. G. Love & Special Sauce are known for their unique and laid back music encompassing classic R&B and hip-hop sounds.

Local food trucks will have a variety of dinner offerings. All tickets include \$10 in TruxBux redeemable for dinner choices from any of the trucks. Craft beer samples will be donated by Point Ybel Brewing Company, Eight-Foot Brewing, Momentum Brewhouse, Naples Beach Brewery, Palm City Brewing Co., Bury

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"Please join our Presenting Sponsor The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company as well as the host committee and other corporate sponsors who have all helped to make this such a great event," said SCCF Executive Director Erick Lindblad. "Beer in the Bushes is one event that really should not be missed."

Guests can expect a memorable evening while helping to support SCCF's mission of conserving coastal habitats and aquatic resources on Sanibel and Captiva and in the surrounding watershed.

The Sanibel-Captiva Nature Center is located at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road. For more information, call 472-2329.*

Good Friday At Sanibel Church

On Good Friday night, April 14 starting at 7 p.m., Sanibel Community Church will be presenting a powerful musical drama taking participants back to the night of the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. It will be a service of gratitude and hope because of what Jesus accomplished on that first Good Friday.

Sanibel Community Church is an evangelical, non-denominational congregation with the church campus located at 1740 Periwinkle Way. For more information, call 472-2684 or visit www.sanibelchurch.com.*

American Legion Post 123

On Sunday, April 9, American Legion Post 123 will be serving barbecued ribs and chicken from 1 to 8 p.m. Cost is \$12 to \$14.

On Sunday, April 16, Post 123 will offer an Easter ham dinner.

American Legion's general meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 12 at 6 p.m.

Beginning on Monday, April 17, the American Legion will conduct 9-ball pool tournaments. New and returning players are welcome. 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 cookbooks 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.*

Holy Week AT SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY - PALMS WAVING & PICNIC LUNCH

Sunday, April 9 with services at 8, 9 & 11 a.m.

We will celebrate the retirement of Pastor Barb Nave followed by a picnic at noon.



GOOD FRIDAY DRAMA & CANDLE LIGHT COMMUNION

Friday, April 14 at 7 p.m. in the Main Sanctuary

COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT - Saturday, April 15 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE ON THE CAUSEWAY & BELIEVER'S BAPTISM

Sunday, April 16 at 6:30 a.m.

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8 a.m. Traditional - Pastor Ed VanderHey

9 a.m. Contemporary with Special Kids Moment

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EASTER SUNDAY



Church Observes Holy Week With Music, Meditation

St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church invites islanders to a special lecture and meditation in observance of Holy Week in the church's Parish Hall on Wednesday, April 12 at 6 p.m. The lecture marks the return of popular author, flutist and speaker Jennifer Rundlett.

"I am excited to return to St. Michael's this year, to focus on honoring the rich African-American musical tradition. Gospel music has been a passion of mine since childhood," she said. "My presentation seeks to reveal this musical tradition's African roots and its capacity to transform and strengthen lives."

Rundlett's talk features a lesson from her new book *The Joyful Sound: Reflections on the Life of Christ in Art and Music*. Using Ford Madox Brown's painting *Jesus Washing Peter's Feet* as her centerpiece, Rundlett leads a reflection highlighting art and music from the African-American gospel tradition. "A time to experience the healing touch of our Savior, this presentation engages the senses and prepares the heart for the sacrifice and celebration to come," Rundlett said.



Jennifer Rundlett photo provided

The lecture also includes excerpts from Martin Luther King, Jr.'s famous speech *I Have a Dream*, African-American Spirituals, paintings by African-American artists, and *Fix Me*, Jesus from Alvin Ailey's set of dances, *Revelations*.

The lecture will be followed by a meet-the-author reception and book-signing in the church's Parish Hall.

Rundlett will also perform the Prelude for the church's Maundy Thursday service on April 13 at 5 p.m., including music by

Handel, Bach and Marin Marais as well as a traditional Irish sacred tune *Be Thou My Vision*. The Maundy Thursday service will feature the Holy Eucharist as well as the ritual washing of feet and stripping of the altar.

After earning her master of music performance degree from the Peabody Conservatory, Rundlett studied flute with renowned flutist Trevor Wye at England's Royal Northern College of Music. She appeared in master classes with the legendary flute virtuosi Jean-Pierre Rampal and Marcel Moyse and performed frequently in the Royal Liverpool Orchestra. In March 2016, she appeared as soloist with the National String Sinfonia, performing *Bach's Suite in b minor* and John Rutter's *Suite Antique*.

Rundlett has been a speaker at the Pepperdine Bible Lectures in Malibu, California, the Tulsa Workshop in Tulsa, Oklahoma, David Lipscomb University's Summer Celebration in Nashville, Tennessee, Rochester College's Streaming in Rochester Hills, Michigan, and the Fort Detrick Prayer Breakfast in Frederick, Maryland. Her weekly blog on *God thru the Arts* is at www.jrundlett.wordpress.com.

Formerly on the Shepherd University faculty and flutist with the Millbrook Orchestra, she teaches at Maryland's Frederick Community College and Mount Saint Mary's University. Her first book is *My Dancing Day: Reflections of the Incarnation in Art and Music*. Rundlett performs on a gold flute.

For more information, contact Rector Ellen Sloan at 472 2173. The church is located at 2304 Periwinkle Way. Visit www.saintmichaels-sanibel.org.

Outdoor Fun At Preschool



Henry Kauffold photo provided

Four-year-old Henry Kauffold had fun with chalk drawing during outdoor time at Summit Christian Preschool at Sanibel Community Church, located at 1740 Periwinkle Way.

Registration for 2017-18 is now open for 3 year olds and 4-year-old VPK students. Call Andy at the main campus at 482-7007 for additional information and to register.*

ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Invites you to join us during **HOLY WEEK**



April 8 - April 16

PALM SUNDAY - THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION

Saturday, April 8th - 5:00 p.m.

& Sunday, April 9th - 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK - 6:00 p.m.

Down to the River to Pray: Sharing a lesson from her new book, *The Joyful Sound: Reflections on the Life of Christ in Art and Music*, Jennifer Rundlett highlights Madox Ford Brown's painting, "Jesus Washing Peter's Feet."

She leads attendees in a reflection, via art and music, honoring the African-American Gospel tradition.

MAUNDY THURSDAY - 5:00 p.m.

Washing of the Feet, Holy Eucharist and Stripping of the Altar

GOOD FRIDAY - 12:00 p.m. with Communion

HOLY SATURDAY - 5:00 p.m.

with Communion

Following the service, there will be a potluck supper.

THE GREAT VIGIL OF EASTER - Saturday - 10:00 p.m.

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Praise Band performing at a Sunrise Service

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Holy Week At Community Church

This Sunday, April 9 is the beginning of Holy Week, culminating with Easter Sunday on April 16, with the celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

On April 9, Palm Sunday, children will sing, waving palm branches commemorating Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Three worship services will be conducted that morning:

- 8 a.m. Traditional with Communion
- 9 a.m., Contemporary with Praise Band
- 11 a.m. Traditional with Chancel Choir and orchestra.

On Friday, April 14 at 7 p.m., the church will commemorate Good Friday. There will be a musical drama presentation with Bible characters reflecting upon the cross of Christ. The evening will culminate with participation in the Lord's Supper.

On Saturday, April 15, the community is invited to an Easter Egg Hunt from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with lunch provided. The free event promises lots of candy, prizes and fun for all.

Thousands of people will gather on the Sanibel Causeway at 6:30 a.m. on Easter Morning, Sunday, April 16 for a sunrise service. Prior to the service, the church will offer free donuts and coffee. Bring your lawn chair and a friend to declare, "Christ is Risen. He is Risen Indeed." Teen Challenge will present testimonies, followed by a drama by



Teens stick drama

the H2O teens of Sanibel Community Church. Dr. Daryl Donovan will proclaim the good news of the living Christ. Believer's Baptism by immersion will be offered following the service.

At 8 to 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., Resurrection Morning services will be held on the campus of Sanibel Community Church, with vibrant celebration and powerful proclamation of the Easter message. Dr. Ed VanderHey will preach at the 8 a.m. service, with Dr. Daryl Donovan preaching at 9 and 11 a.m. There will be child care offered at all services.

Sanibel Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way. For more information, visit www.sanibelchurch.com or call 472-2684.✪



Pastor Donovan preaching from the stage at a Sunrise Service

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PALM SUNDAY - April 9

The Rev. Dr. John H. Danner preaching
7:45 a.m. - Chapel Service
9:00 a.m. - Blended/Informal Service
11:00 a.m. - Traditional Service
Featuring the Suncoast Brass Quintet
at 9:00 and 11:00

Maundy Thursday - April 13
7:00 p.m. - Tenebrae & Holy Communion

Good Friday Vigil Service - April 14
Noon - A Dramatic Monologue

Easter - April 16
The Rev. Dr. John H. Danner preaching
7:45 a.m. - Chapel
9:00 a.m. - Blended/Informal Service
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**Cape Choir and
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at 2:15pm. Cape Choir and Cape Ensemble are two of three vocal performing groups from Cape Coral Elementary School in Cape Coral, Florida. The free performance by these wonderfully talented children will include patriotic numbers and folk medleys accompanied by piano, hand chimes, guitar, and baritone ukulele. **For more information, call (239) 454-2282.**



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Apr 16
**Easter Celebration
with Stuart Neill**



at 6:15pm. Internationally acclaimed tenor soloist Stuart A. Neill sings classic hymns, sacred arias, and art songs in an evening concert celebrating the joy of Easter expressed in song. Stuart Neill brings a background in tenor singing, with an array of successful performances in the world's finest opera houses and concert halls. **Tickets are \$10. Visit www.shellpoint.org/seasonofpraise or call (239) 454-2147.**



Apr 20
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History Of The Gavin And Walker Families

“Sanibel Woman Expecting Her 20th Baby in Month” was the headline in the local newspaper in the mid 1960s. When Edmund Gavin married Elnora Walker in 1934, no one imagined the family tree would grow to such unbelievable heights.

Pearl Gavin was the first of 20 children born to Edmund and Elnora. By their 30th wedding anniversary, Elnora was pregnant with their 20th child, Eric.

“Women did not have babies in hospitals back then,” recalls Eugene, the fifth child of Edmund and Elnora. “Midwives would come to the house and help deliver the baby.”

When Eugene was born, Elnora traveled from her home on Sanibel to her oldest sister’s house in Fort Myers. “When my mother arrived in Fort Myers, my aunt and her friend ran to get the midwife, Ms. Salsbury, but I just would not wait,” said Eugene laughing. “When my aunt returned, I had already been born. My aunt covered me with a blanket and then passed out as if she were the one who had the child!”

Even after this incident, Regina Walker Smith had six children and Eugene remains very close to his aunt. “She has always been precious to me. I am very grateful to her. My wife Velma and I stay in close contact.”

Being raised on Sanibel was a wonderful experience for the Gavin family because they were able to live near their relatives. “A day never went by when we did not see some family member. My grandmother, Pearl Walker, would stop by frequently to see how her daughter and grandchildren were doing,” remembers Eugene.

Edmund’s oldest brother, Oscar Gavin and his wife Mattie, would



Edmund and Elnora with some of their children

photos courtesy the Gavin Family

also check on the family frequently. “Although Oscar has passed away, his wife still comes to visit as much as she can and my wife and I go to see her,” said Eugene. Velma goes over once a week and they have lunch together.

Oscar Gavin started the first rubbish removal business on Sanibel in the early 1950s. “He saw that the island was in need of this service and took it upon himself to get the business started. My brothers, sisters and I all looked up to Uncle Oscar because he was kind, a hard worker and successful.” When the Gavin children were old enough to begin school, they attended the same place their parents had, the First Baptist Church.

In order to keep the black school on Sanibel open, seven children had to be enrolled. Occasionally, there were not enough children to keep the school open. When this happened, the black children would have to attend school at Dunbar High in Fort Myers.

The Gavins found residence in Fort Myers so their children would not have to take the ferry back and forth to school every day. “We would move there in the fall with mother,” Eugene said. “Dad would stay on Sanibel to work and try to visit us on weekends. In the summer, we would all return to Sanibel and help Dad.”

Even while living in Fort Myers, the Gavin family was surrounded by relatives. Lillie Mae Patterson lived in Fort Myers, and Eugene enjoyed visiting his aunt because she had a son his age. “It was nice because her son

was the only boy cousin near my age and she always made great macaroni and cheese,” said Eugene with a big smile. “My Aunt Mae also lived across the street from the church and always encouraged us to attend. She was a very spiritual woman and instrumental in shaping our way of life. Many of us still attend that church today.”

Eugene remembers having to ride the mail boat to Sanibel on the weekends when his father could not visit.

“I would have to travel to Sanibel to get money for groceries. The mail



Oscar Gavin

boat was closer to our Fort Myers house than the ferry. The boat would first stop on Sanibel at the Bailey Store (Packing House) and drop-off Sanibel mail (packages, etc.), and I would get off and go to the caretaker cottage where Grand-dad and Grandmother lived, which was behind the Mayer’s home. Dad would come there and bring a care package for mother. The mail boat would then go to Captiva, drop off mail and return to Sanibel and I would catch it back to Fort Myers for home.”

When the Gavin children were on Sanibel, they enjoyed swimming in the ocean and stomping through the woods. “We loved to go swimming but my father would never let us unless an adult was present,” said Eugene. “But when we went to the beach to collect shells for Dad to sell, we would go in the ocean. We always got in trouble, though, because my parents could see the dried salt on our arms.”

As the Gavin children collected shells for their father, they would keep their eyes open for unusual shells they could keep. Every April, the Sanibel Shell Fair was held and they would enter their shell showcase for prize drawings.

“The Shell Fair was the only unique thing that Sanibel did every year so everyone always looked forward to it,” Eugene said. “We participated in the first Shell Fair and usually won first, second or third prize at the fair.”

As Sanibel grew to become the city it is today, so did the Gavin and Walker families. On August 1, family members from across the United States will gather on Sanibel to reminisce about their childhood and reunite with relatives that helped shape their lives in countless ways.

First published July 12, 1996.*



Regina Walker Smith and her sister, Lillie Mae Patterson



Mattie Gavin

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Justin, Lisa, Bob and Jeremy Walsh

7th Anniversary Celebration At Garden Center

The Walsh family, owners of In The Garden, Sanibel's Retail Garden Center & Outdoor Showroom, is celebrating seven years in business and offering seven daily specials to thank the island community for their support. There will be games and prizes in the store all month as well as additional specials.

"The garden center was something Bob and I always wanted to do and we

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could not have found a more beautiful place," said Lisa Walsh, who owns RS Walsh Landscaping with her husband, Bob. "Bob has enjoyed creating a series of botanical gardens with winding paths, waterfalls, water features and outdoor living areas. These show customers what they can do in their own outdoor spaces. I enjoy filling the garden gift shop with unique and fun garden gifts, accents and décor that reflect the natural aspects and character of our islands, as well as pottery, fountains, benches and garden accent pieces for outside. I always enjoyed playing store as a kid and this is a very



The zen garden

fun grown up version where I get to buy all kinds of beautiful things for the home and garden."

Part of the mission of the garden center is to support the local island community and provide a place where local art, gardening and community groups can enjoy meeting in the lovely gardens. Island art groups come for the day and set up all over the garden center to paint outside. Local garden clubs and scout troops visit the garden center for tours. The business has also supported organizations on the islands that provide help to those in need, both residents and animals alike, and those

that support the history, conservation and preservation of these unique islands.

"The garden center's staff – Brian, Stuart and Angel – take wonderful care of the garden center and provide good plant knowledge combined with great customer service to all customers," added Lisa Walsh.

In The Garden is located at 3889 Sanibel-Captiva Road, across from The Sanibel School, and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. For more information, call 395-5859 or visit www.rswalsh.com.✪



6th Annual Easter Eggstravaganza

Saturday, April 15th, 1pm

(No RSVP Required - Open to All Children Under 12)

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~Live Mollusk Touch Tank~

~Miniature & Trick Pony Rides~

~Trouper the Blind Raccoon~

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Appearance from the Easter Bunny & Beach Front Easter Egg Hunt with \$200 in Golden Eggs!

(Egg Hunt Starts at 1:15pm Sharp)



Plant Smart

Coatbuttons

by Gerri Reaves

Coatbuttons (*Tridax procumbens*) is a perennial wildflower native to South and Central America and is classified at the state and federal level as a noxious weed.

A noxious weed is “an exotic species that is listed in Florida state regulations as a pest of agriculture, an invader of natural areas, or a threat to protected plant species.”

Accidentally introduced to the U.S. in the 1920s, the plant has become all too common in South and Central Florida, spread in large part by its plentiful wind-dispersed seeds.

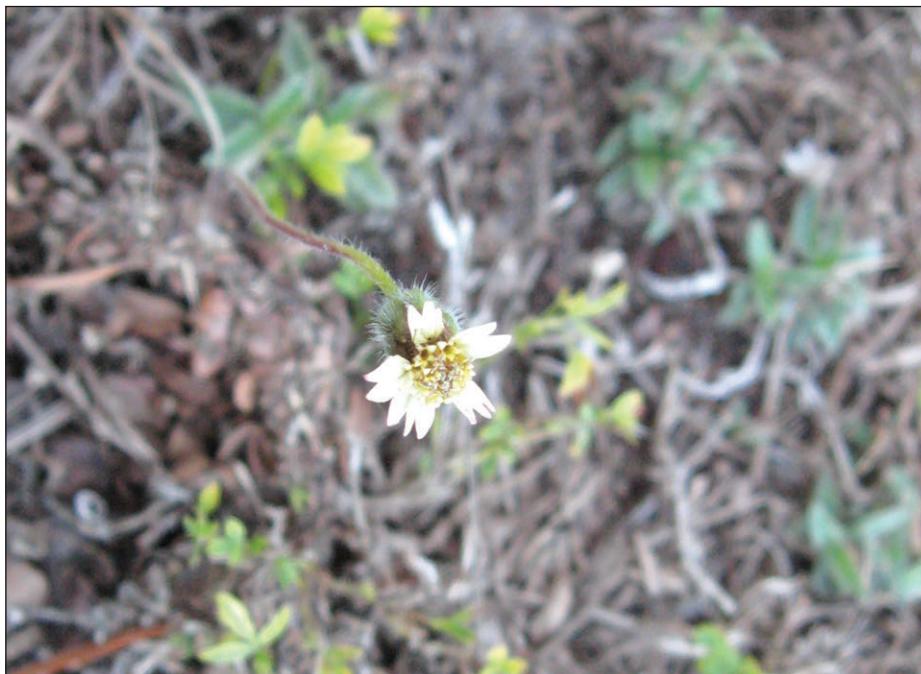
It can pop up about anywhere, from pinelands and lawns, to undeveloped lots, roadsides and beside sidewalks.

The word *Tridax* refers to the creamy yellow-white ray flowers and *procumbens* refers to its procumbent habit – trailing or spreading along the ground.

The branches spread out from a main taproot, sometimes forming dense mats. The creeping stems can be as long as 30 inches.

Superficially, this pretty weed resembles the native wildflower Spanish needles (*Bidens alba*), a fellow member of the aster family.

Like many asters, coatbuttons is daisy-like, having both ray flowers and a central disk flower. In fact, *tridax* daisy is one of its other common names.



Coatbuttons is a member of the aster family and listed as a noxious weed photo by Gerri Reaves

Three to six toothed ray flowers surround a disk packed with tiny yellow flowers and measuring about a half-inch across.

The flowers bloom all year long, appearing singly atop hairy upright stems as tall as eight inches.

The dark green leaves are opposite, lance-shaped, toothed, coarse and hairy.

On the positive side, coatbuttons – like asters in general – is a nectar source for

butterflies.

Also, it is used medicinally to treat a variety of conditions.

Sources: *Everglades Wildflowers* by Roger L. Hammer, *Wildflowers of Florida* by Jaret C. Daniels and Stan Tekiela, freshfromflorida.com, invasive.org, usda.gov and wildsouthflorida.com.

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Audubon Bird Walk



Prothonotary warbler photo by Fance Paulsen

Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society will be holding a bird walk near the Sanibel Lighthouse on Saturday, April 8. Interested participants are asked to meet in the fishing pier parking lot at 8 a.m.

The group will be looking for migrating warblers and other songbirds. These bird walks are open to the public and to all levels of experience. A suggested donation is \$2.

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Feeding Fish Bring More Feeding Fish



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Springtime action has kicked into high gear, with more and more bait and species of fish showing up every day. Tarpon are now beginning to appear in all the usual places, schools of hungry Spanish mackerel are out on the beaches and all the way in through the passes. Snook have made that annual move towards the passes and action on big redfish has also got a little bit more consistent with

30-inch plus bruisers being caught near the passes, too.

April is a big transition month for our fishery, with many of the migratory species showing up a little early this year due to the warm water temperatures. Our water is also in much better condition due to very little rain and no water releases from Lake Okeechobee all winter. We are experiencing one of the better spring set ups we have seen in the past few years and have our fingers crossed that we could see some of the best tarpon fishing in years.

Snook action was my go-to fishery all week, with my anglers enjoying a often crazy wide open bite and experiencing lots of double and triple hook-ups. Once these fish started to feed, often every shiner we cast got bit. Most of these snook were small males in the 20- to 26-inch range. We did hook and tangle with a few real

giants when casting larger shiners to these same places; it seemed the larger models sat way out from the protected shorelines

Along with the snook, we also caught a few small bonus tarpon. A 10-pound plus tarpon will often fool you into thinking you're hooked into a big snook at first... until they start jumping six feet in the air. It's still legal to lift a small tarpon out of the water to safely remove the hook and get a quick photo, as long as its under 40 inches long; the larger models are not allowed to be removed from the water for both the safety of the fish and the angler. These juvenile tarpon are one of my favorite fish we are lucky enough to catch as they are high flying and just explosive fighters.

Many places I caught fish this week it was simply about getting the fish to start feeding. Once you persuaded them to bite, the others got fired up and the bite would just keep going and going. On several half-day trips this week, we only fished two or three places and had great success. Feeding fish attract more feeding fish, and until something changes, it's nuts how many fish you can catch on just one small shoreline. Catching the last few hours of a falling tide, this bite would be not stop until the tide quit moving. Then an hour later, when the tide started coming back in, it would start again.

Watch your speed in the sound this month as manatee zones went back into effect on April 1. After we experienced such a warm winter, manatees never really migrated to the artificial warm water refuge of the power plants like they usually do. This week, the now thriving Florida manatee has been removed from the endangered species list; this is a huge FWC success story. Unfortunately, I seriously doubt we will ever see any changes to our poorly placed slow speed manatee zones. There are no better



Caleb Crocket from Chicago with a juvenile tarpon caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

stewards of the environment than the people who get to live on it every day. We all love the harmless manatees and, after years of slow speed zone enforcement and lots of ticket revenue, many of these badly placed protection zones need to be studied, reviewed and then removed. If we need any protection zones in Pine Island Sound at all, they need to be placed in the well known areas that we see the largest populations of manatees. Common sense is that the shallow grass flats where manatees gather in big numbers and feed are the most likely places they may get accidentally struck by a boat. The single most critical factor to the continued population growth of the Florida manatee is improving our water quality.

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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CROW Case Of The Week:

Eagle Fledgling



by Bob Petcher

Some bald eagles (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) begin life with rough circumstances.

When more than one chick hatches within a single nest, there can be continuous battles for food and one may not live past their own sibling's fight for nourishment. The larger eaglet may decide to kill the smaller one in a survival of the fittest, while neither parent makes the slightest

effort to intervene.

Then, there is their rapid growth that involves a one-pound gain for every four days of living. That increased appetite has them grow to nearly the same size as their parents at six weeks and gain an even larger appetite at eight weeks. Along the way, the eaglet goes from an insulating gray down coat at four weeks to growing black feathers just weeks later.

Eventually, the eaglet is coerced by his parents to take up flight to begin his own hunting for food. That process is further forced when a parent leaves the eaglet alone to fend for himself. With the young bird hungry, the parent worsens the effect by flying past with food in its talons.

When an eaglet tries to make its first flight, it is often unsuccessful. Wing and tail feathers need to be developed before he or she leaves the nest, and confidence may be needed for another try. By the 11th or 12th week, feathers have usually grown in, baby fat lost and muscle built for better practice at flight. If the young eagle tries flight and lands on the ground, parents will drop food at the grounded bird as a reward until the eaglet becomes a successful fledgling. But it does take weeks for a juvenile eagle to hone its skills, nail its landings and improve agility.

At CROW, a juvenile bald eagle arrived from Cape

Coral last week. It was found in a grassy median of the roadway with a possible wing injury. CROW officials stated the fledgling arrived emaciated, but alert. Upon reviewing x-rays, it was determined that the bird had a fractured humerus in its left wing.

Unfortunately, the patient's injury was deemed difficult to repair due to the location and size of the fracture. CROW medical staff decided not to place pins in the fracture site.

"The humeral fracture in the bald eagle is a proximal humeral fracture, meaning it is high up the bone and near the shoulder joint," said CROW intern Dr. Spencer Kehoe. "These proximal humeral fractures are very difficult to repair and require very advanced surgical techniques. In the case of this bald eagle, the fracture was so close to the shoulder, and the proximal fragment – the piece of bone closest to the body – was broken into at least two pieces, making surgery a less viable option."

CROW medical staff decided immobilizing the wing with body wraps would be best in this case. They intend to recheck the fracture site with additional x-rays in a couple of weeks to ensure it is healing properly. The patient will be treated with pain medication and nutritional support as it heals.

"Sometimes, the body is able to heal itself well enough for the animal to regain normal function," said Dr. Kehoe. "We placed the wing in a wrap with a bandage that goes around the affected wing and the rest of the body, so that it pins it tight to the side of the body. For a fracture to heal, the bones involved need to be immobilized and stabilized near each other for the body to bridge the fracture with new healthy bone."

Such a procedure will take time to heal, but nothing is guaranteed as far as the young eagle's life in the wild.

After the weekend, the patient was reportedly eating well on its own and placed outdoors in a secluded cage to be in a "calmer and relaxing environment" to help with the healing process.

"It is hard to say when the fracture will heal, as there are many variables that come into play. We hope it will



Patient #17-805 prior to having his wing immobilized

photo by Brian Bohlman

be well on its way by four to six weeks, but the patient will still need PT (physical therapy) and exercise to build up strength in that wing after the bones heal," said Dr. Kehoe. "In reality, there is a low chance for a complete return to function and release, but it is possible. If the eagle is unable to regain 100 percent function, then we will find it a home in an education facility that can teach the public about these and other animals."

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Shell Of The Week

Southern Marsh Clam



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

The southern marsh clam, *Polymesoda floridana* (Conrad, 1846), is a species of bivalve mollusk

found locally, mostly in the back-bay areas, including the Caloosahatchee estuary and mangrove habitats. This species has a broad tolerance for changes in salinity. Its adult shell measures from 1 to 1.5 inches; the shell is roughly triangular, with rounded ventral (bottom on the photos) and pointed posterior (left on photos) margins. The shell sculpture is restricted to irregular growth lines. The color whitish with purple or pinkish-purple tints. Internally purple or white with a wide purple margin. Learn more about local mollusks at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/southwest-florida-shells>.

Shell Museum Events

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The Southern Marsh Clam, *Polymesoda floridana*, from San Carlos Bay, Lee County, Florida photo by José H. Leal

marine biologist throughout the day.
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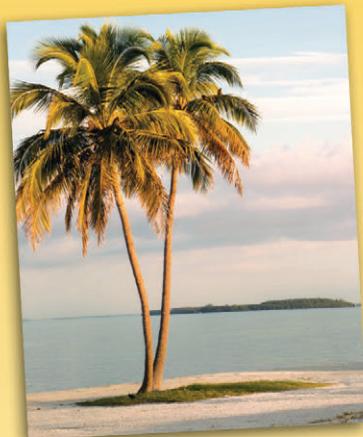
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Friday, April 7, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Why Animals Come to CROW (daily presentation).

Whether animals are sick, injured or orphaned, CROW aims to lead in their recovery. From fishing line entanglement to abducted babies, this presentation will address the most likely reasons patients are admitted to the hospital.

Friday, April 7, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wildlife Rescue 101 (daily presentation).

After a patient stabilizes in the hospital, CROW's rehabilitation staff provides them with a combination of balanced diet, husbandry and physical therapy. Supportive care is necessary to ensure success during the final stage in the rehabilitation process. Ask the staff how they work their magic. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

Friday, April 7, 2 to 3:30 p.m., \$20 per person, advance

registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff (hospital tour).

Wildlife Walks are approximately 1.5 hours: a 45-minute presentation with a 45-minute tour. Not recommended for children under the age of 13. Photography opportunity following the tour with an animal ambassador.

Saturday, April 8, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Baby Care at CROW, presented by a CROW volunteer (daily presentation).

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, April 10, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Wild About Rehabilitation, presented by CROW staff (daily presentation).

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Monday, April 10, 2 p.m. adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – CROW Case of the Week, presented by a CROW student (daily presentation).

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, April 11, 4 to 4:15 p.m., adults \$10, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge, advance registration required – Speaker Series: Story of Ospreys, presented by Claudia Burns, volunteer for International Osprey Foundation.

Ospreys are large brown and white raptors who breed in Southwest Florida from December through April and can be seen diving for live fish in shallow waters throughout the area. Because they build their nests out in the open, their behavior is easy to observe, but not always easy to understand. This presentation uses photos, videos and recorded vocalizations to explain their behavior.

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Additional Breakfast Buffet Items - 10am-1 PM

Scrambled Eggs	Buttermilk Pancakes	Petite Bagels
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Final Lecture Of The Season At 'Ding' Darling

Charles Sobczak, author of *Alligators, Sharks, & Panthers: Deadly Encounters with Florida's Top Predator – Man*, will be presenting two programs at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, April 14, as the finale to the 2017 "Ding" Darling Lecture Series at the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

Sobczak's PowerPoint presentation will explore man's complex and often strained relationship with the planet's other top predators. It explores recent and historical fatal attacks on humans in Florida and how these have influenced our perception of wildlife here and beyond. The presentation will also take a close look at the important differences between new world and old world predators.

Sobczak lives and writes on Sanibel. His *Alligators, Sharks & Panthers* has won several awards including a silver medal from the Florida Publishers and Authors Association for both best adult nonfiction and best young adult nonfiction. He is also the author of *Living Sanibel: A Nature Guide to Sanibel & Captiva Islands* and *Living Gulf Coast: A Nature Guide to Southwest Florida*.

Following his presentations, Sobczak will be signing copies of his books, which are available for purchase in the Refuge Nature Store, proceeds from which benefit wildlife, research and education at "Ding" Darling.

HighTower/Thomas & Swartz Wealth Management sponsors the free 12-lecture series with support from the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS).

Seating for the lectures in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center

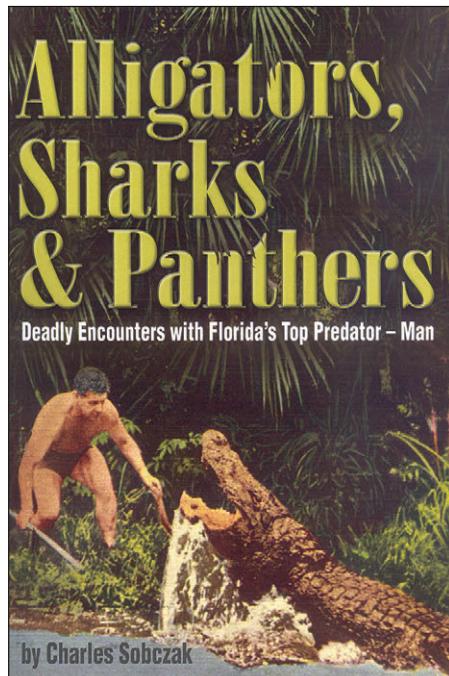


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Auditorium is limited and available on a first-come basis. Early arrivals can save one seat each and then may explore the Visitor & Education Center or Indigo Trail before the lecture starts. Saved seats must be filled 15 minutes before lecture time.

As usual, Wildlife Drive closes on Friday, but visitors are welcome to explore 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.✪

Documentary Screening

The documentary film *The Future of Energy: Lateral Power to the People* wraps up the 5th annual "Ding" Darling Wednesday Film Series on April 12 at 1 p.m. in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center auditorium.

Featuring some of America's top energy specialists and ecological visionaries, *The Future of Energy* presents a clear path towards a new energy paradigm while informing how everyone can participate in creating a 100 percent renewable energy solution to the ecological crisis.

The 64-minute film captures the clean energy movement across the United States. It demonstrates that technology and funding are available to supply all our energy needs cheaply and safely.

"Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge hosts the free eight-film, biweekly series with

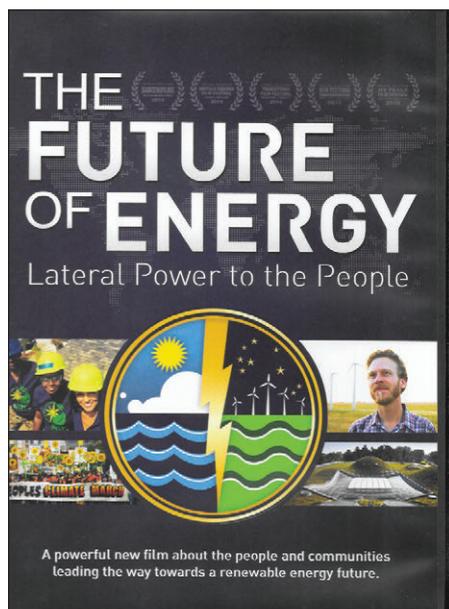


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BAILEY'S GENERAL STORE

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.



The team at The Jacaranda invites you to come dine with them photo by Bob Petcher

Featured monthly events include Trivia Night, Karaoke and Themed Dinner Nights. There is a Friday 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 Jegu. 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 confectioners' 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 housemade 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 Jakes

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.

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1451 Middle Gulf Drive, 472-4151

TIMBERS RESTAURANT & FISH MARKET

The Timbers Restaurant & Fish Market and the adjoining Sanibel Grill are mainstays of the island dining scene, boasting 35 years of fresh fish on Sanibel Island. The restaurant offers 13 dinners for \$15 daily before 5:30 p.m. plus a large selection of local seafood, such as grilled shrimp, fried grouper, oysters, clams and crab cakes. Besides specializing in fresh local seafood, the restaurant has a seafood market that opens at 11 a.m. (except Sunday, when it's open at 2 p.m.) Restaurant is open seven days from 5 to 9 p.m.

703 Tarpon Bay Road, 472-3128

TOTALLY BAKED ON SANIBEL

Totally Baked On Sanibel is the island's #1 source for fresh baked breads, specialty pastries, donuts, cakes, pies, candies and other confections. The unique eatery within Islander Center also offers cof-

ees and breakfast sandwiches. For lunch, daily offerings include off-the-bone, hand-carved meats as well as soups, salads and other specialty items. Wedding cakes are made to order. Open seven days a week 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. Outdoor seating along the bike path. 2407 Periwinkle Way Suite 1, 312-4503

TRADERS GULF COAST GRILL & GIFTS

Traders Gulf Coast Grill and Gifts is unique in that it combines a bustling restaurant with a large shopping emporium with casual clothing, jewelry, accessories, home decorating and gift items, books and lamps.

The restaurant serves bistro cuisine with island flair, featuring such offerings as black beans and rice, blackened fish and fresh salads from an open kitchen. There's no fryer in the place. The tables are freshly wrapped in white paper for each party, and there's a pot of colored crayons for doodling, whether you're an adult or a child. Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., happy hour from 3 to 6 p.m. and dinner 5 to 9 p.m. There's live music from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays with Danny Morgan and Wednesdays with Chris Workman.

1551 Periwinkle Way, 472-7242

TRADITIONS ON THE BEACH

Traditions on the Beach, Sanibel's first dining room, has been delighting its guests since 1895. Offering "Contemporary Cuisine, Sanibel Style," Traditions provides the highest level of service in a relaxed beachfront setting. Both the tapas menu, served in the Sunset Lounge, and the full dining room menu capture the flavors of the gulf, complemented by the unique atmosphere of the historic Island Inn. Award winning Chef Aziz uses only the finest fresh, local ingredients to create vibrant dishes. Drink, dine and dance at Traditions on the Beach, featuring live entertainment. Tapas and cocktails are available in the bar and lounge beginning at 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Regular dinner menu beginning at 5 p.m. daily. Reservations are suggested.

3111 West Gulf Drive, 472-4559

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 the Face to Face. On Sunday, it's Wildfire and Julius and Friends. Renata plays on Monday. On Tuesday, it's Karaoke. Wednesday is the Jerry B. Variety Show. Sir Mitch 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 and Wednesday. Mike Arnone performs on Sunday and Monday. On Tuesday, it's Woody Brubaker. Woody Brubaker and Barbara Smith play on Thursday.

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Restaurant owners/managers, please email or fax any changes to your entertainment schedule to press@islandnews.com or 395-2299.*

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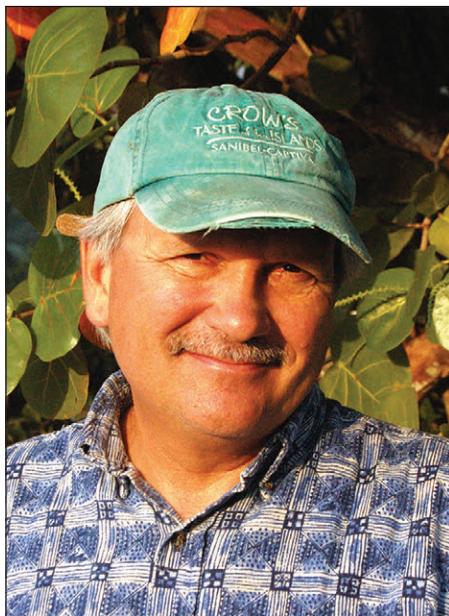
Sanibel Author To Speak At Fishing Club Meeting

The Sanibel Island Fishing Club will be holding its next gathering at The Community House in the north room on Tuesday, April 11. The meeting will begin with a meet-and-greet at 6:30 p.m. followed by a presentation at 7 p.m. There is no admission charge. Pizza and refreshments will be available at a nominal charge.

Fishing club member and local author Charles Sobczak is this month's featured speaker. He will be doing a customized version of his popular lecture, The Changing Face of Nature. The PowerPoint presentation will explore how wildlife has altered its behavior and its location by adapting to the countless ways in which we have altered the world's wild places.

While still covering the urbanization of birds, mammals and reptiles, this particular presentation will also look at how everything from bait fishing to artificial reefs has been impacted by the changed behavior of birds, porpoises and the fish themselves. Sobczak's lectures are often described as thought-provoking and humorous at the same time. Because this lecture isn't solely focused on angling, everyone with an interest in nature and ecology is encouraged to attend.

The Sanibel Island Fishing Club meets monthly through season and sponsors



Charles Sobczak photo provided

several group outings as well as lending support for various fishing-related charities and organizations such as START, Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation and Sanibel Sea School. For information on joining the club, contact Warren Tiegen at 579-0354, visit www.sanibelislandfishingclub.com or attend the next meeting. For more information about the author and his books, visit www.indigopress.net.

The Community House is located at 2173 Periwinkle Way.*

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CROW Calendar

charge – Wildlife Rescue 101 (daily presentation).

After a patient stabilizes in the hospital, CROW's rehabilitation staff provides them with a combination of balanced diet, husbandry and physical therapy. Supportive care is necessary to ensure success during the final stage in the rehabilitation process. Ask the staff how they work their magic. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

Wednesday, April 12, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Birds of Prey, presented by CROW staff (daily presentation).

Raptors are birds that prey on other animals in the wild to survive. Their specialized beaks and talons make them some of the most effective hunters. This presentation discusses the unique adaptations of the native and migratory raptors of Florida. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

Wednesday, April 12, 2 to 3:30 p.m., \$20 per person, advance registration required – Wildlife Walk with Rehabilitators and Staff (hospital tour).

Wildlife Walks are approximately 1.5 hours: a 45-minute presentation with a 45-minute tour. Not recommended for children under the age of 13. Photography opportunity following the tour with an animal ambassador.

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Thursday, April 13, 11 a.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Patient Profiles: Sea Turtles (daily presentation).

There are seven different species of sea (or marine) turtles, and human activities have tipped the scales against the survival of these reptiles. Most species of sea turtle are classified as endangered, and CROW is the only licensed sea turtle facility between Sarasota and Marathon. From boat strikes to washback hatchlings, one of CROW's team members explains why they are admitted and how the medical staff treats this species. One of CROW's animal ambassadors will be present.

Thursday, April 13, 2 p.m., adults \$7, teens \$5, 12 and under no charge – Opossums at CROW (daily presentation).

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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For more information, visit www.CaptivaIYC.net/Activities/Sailing or call Lauren Davies at 472-9627.*

Shells Found



Sophie Mickey photo by Justin Wilder

Sophie Mickey, visiting from Michigan, found an olive, horse conch, two banded tulips and a Florida cone on the beach near West Gulf Drive. Sophie has been coming to Sanibel since she was a baby.*

Fish Caught



Tom Meline

New Sanibel resident Tom Meline caught and released his first redfish while fishing in Pine Island Sound with Capt. Matt Mitchell on March 27. He was using a shiner minnow. An experienced angler new to shallow saltwater excursions, Meline can't wait to get back out there.*

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The Waterman's Corner

Solutions To Avoid Red Tide



submitted by Megan Duncan, Solutions To Avoid Red Tide (START)

This is a new column by Solutions To Avoid Red Tide (START) – making its debut today – that you will continue to see in

future issues. A corner where the love of the sea will be shared. Where adventures out on the water will be told. Thoughts of watermen will be revealed. Tips and tricks to keep our waters clean and healthy will be given. Current marine conservation research will be communicated. Ways to continue to conserve our beautiful islands will be found here. Events will be posted where you can get involved in your community, support local organizations and learn about the environment we live in and use. The goal is to harness the natural allure and old Florida feel of the islands we live and work on everyday; to keep this feeling stirring inside us that keeps us here and to continue to enjoy it by increasing public awareness about the importance of preserving our marine environment.

Lately, single-use plastic bags have

been in the news: the possibility of a plastic bag ban in Sarasota and Coral Gables, and a recent whale beaching in Norway where scientists found a rare goose-beaked whale's stomach completely filled with plastic bags. These are just a few current events of many dealing with plastic bag issues. It's becoming more apparent every day that single-use plastic bags need to be taken seriously.

Let's face it, plastic bags are easy to use and they are so readily available to us. They are found at almost every shop, store and restaurant that you enter.

Did you know that consumers like us recycle only about two percent of those plastic bags? Even when they are "recycled," more energy is needed to do so and the bag quality is poor. This is because plastic is not truly recycled, it is downcycled to create different forms of plastic. Most plastics end up in landfills, waterways and oceans, leeching their toxic chemicals and never fully breaking down.

Compared to canvas bags, plastic bags use more material in production, emit more greenhouse gasses during production, use more energy to be produced and create more waste.

So let's choose reusable bags and Bring Your Own Bag (BYOB)!

Here are five great reasons and ways to use reusable bags:

1. Save money – Many grocery stores take money off your bill if you BYOB.
2. Feel good helping the planet – Keep plastic out of the environment and

away from wildlife. It's a simple way for you to feel better about your role as a citizen.

3. Shopping and restaurants – Do you like to shop or order food to go? Bring your bag with you to hold your items. Many retail bags are not only made from plastic but also contain harmful dyes.

4. Storage and organizing – Organize your trunk by putting the jumper cables, oil and tools all in one place. Or use them to store and organize household goods. As you're getting ready for a beach day, it can be your new beach bag.

5. Use it as a gift bag – Instead of buying a paper gift bag, use a reusable bag. Save on waste and encourage others to BYOB.

Everything you do in your day-to-day life can have greater consequences than you think. Stop and think about this when you use plastic. Ask yourself if you need to use it and try to think of ways you could use less. Remember to keep a reusable bag in your car for those last minute, unplanned trips to stores.

START welcomes three new board members – Kim Taverna, Breianna Coffman and Bob Brooks.

START (Solutions To Avoid Red Tide) is a non-profit organization founded in 1996 whose goal is to improve the quality of our marine waters through research and public education that restore marine habitats, preserve marine species and promote healthy beaches and coastal waterways. For more information, visit www.start1.org.✧

Osprey Presentation At CROW

The Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) will present The Story of Ospreys on Tuesday, April 11 at 4:15 p.m. in the Visitor Education Center, located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Ospreys are large brown and white raptors who breed in Southwest Florida from December through April. Because they build their nests right out in the open, their behavior is easy to observe. But it is not always easy to understand, so presenter Claudia Burns, who has monitored osprey nests for 25-plus years as an International Osprey Foundation volunteer, uses photos, videos and recorded vocalizations to explain osprey behavior.

The presentation is sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club and dedicated to the late Mark "Bird" Westall, founder of The International Osprey Foundation.

Prior to the presentation, visitors are encouraged to explore the Visitor Education Center, which exhibits CROW's efforts to save wildlife through care, education and collaboration.

Reservations are required, with admission of \$10 for adults, \$5 for teens, free for children under 13. For reservations, call 472-3644, ext. 228, or email rainbolt@crowclinic.org. To learn more about CROW, visit www.crowclinic.org.✧

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Amazing Sanibel Shells Highlighted At Lecture

by Jeff Lysiak

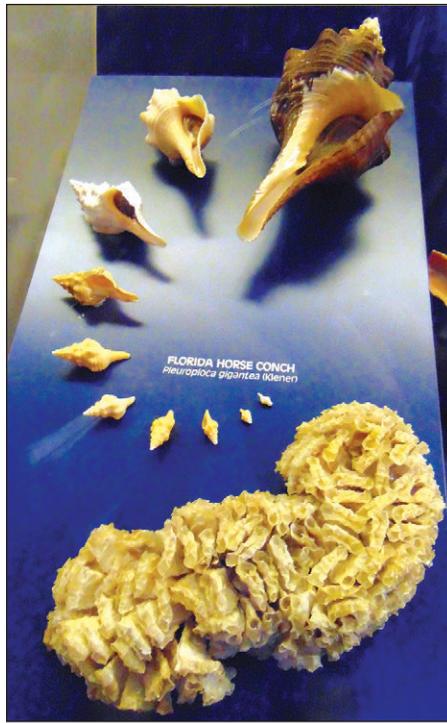
Last week at the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum, Dr. José Leal delivered an hour-long Mollusk Matinee lecture entitled Amazing Sanibel Shells, offering a fact-filled presentation on shells typically found in the waters of Southwest Florida, including tips about how to identify the shells as well as when and where are the best times to collect them.

Dr. Leal, the museum's science director and curator, spoke about the museum's mission to educate the public about mollusks – the animals which create the shells – and help them become advocates for properly collecting shells.

"One of the tasks of this museum is to understand shells a lot better than anyone else," said Dr. Leal. "A lot of people move to Sanibel, partially because their love of shells."

In 1998, Dr. Leal began assembling information for the museum's website – www.shellmuseum.org – where novice and even experienced collectors could scroll through a catalog of local shells, offering species information about each shell. Currently, more than 350 species of shell are included on the website.

In addition, the website may be



Museum display shows the age and size progression of the Florida horse conch, as well as an egg casing photos by Jeff Lysiak

accessed via SmartPhones. "This becomes a very useful tool when you're on the beach and want to identify what kind of shell you found," Dr. Leal noted.

During his presentation, Dr. Leal offered some guidelines about when and where to shell on Sanibel. He suggested that shelling during periods of low tide (both an hour before and an hour after)



In another museum display, a raccoon is depicted foraging for food during low tide within a mangrove forest, with exposed shells scattered throughout

is best. Shelling is also optimal during both full moons and new moons (when the gravitational force of the moon creates higher high tides and lower low tides than normal); following a strong northwest wind or a storm when the ocean's floor is stirred and makes more shells available for the next tide.

He also noted that while there is no "secret" shelling beach on the island, in response to one attendee's question, wrentletraps may be found in greater numbers along the eastern end of

Sanibel, both on the gulf and bay sides.

Dr. Leal also reminded the group that no live shelling on Sanibel – or Lee County – is permitted, including the collection of live echinoderms (such as sand dollars, sea urchins and sea stars).

"Just because an animal is washed ashore does not always mean it is dead," the museum's website explains. "Living sand dollars will be dark brown in color and fuzzy in appearance. Living sea stars will generally move their legs

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"Top 5 Breakfast in Florida" - Southern Living

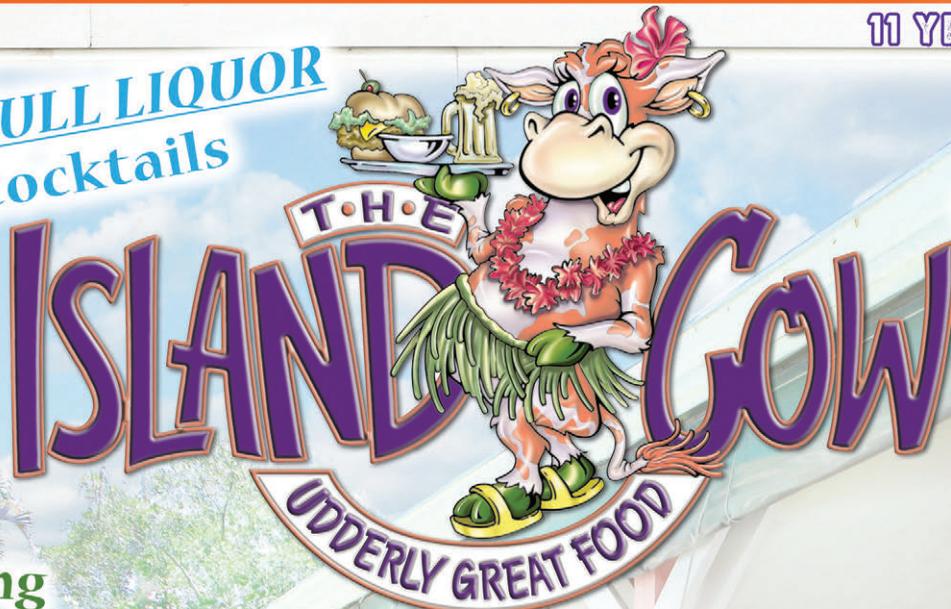
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Library Seeks Old Photos To Expand Online Collection

Currently, the Sanibel Public Library has about 500 vintage photos available online. Thanks to a partnership with Pfeifer Realty Group, that number will grow into the thousands.

This began when Sanibel filmmaker David E. Carter asked Margaret Mohundro, executive director of the Sanibel Public Library, "Do you have any old photos stashed away?" Her response was, "We have several hundred online, but we have over 2,000 that aren't scanned."

Eric Pfeifer, broker-owner of Pfeifer Realty Group, sponsors Carter's documentaries, and agreed to fund the scanning of the library's "stash." Many of them were selected to appear in the documentary, *Postcards & Photos from Sanibel*, which had a full-house premier recently at The Community House. An encore is scheduled for Wednesday, April 12 at 7 p.m.

Now, a sequel to *Postcards* is being planned, and the library is reaching out to vastly expand its vintage photo collection.

"We are very pleased to have this



Vintage aerial photograph of Sanibel

photo provided

opportunity to greatly expand our online historic photo collection," Mohundro said. "Best of all, people don't have to actually 'give' the photos to us. We will have them scanned, and return them to the owners."

For the purposes of this collection, "vintage" is considered anything through 1999.

People who have photo collections can bring them to the library, or mail them to Vintage Photo Collection, c/o Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, FL 33957. Include the number of items and any identification of persons, places or dates regarding the image. All photos will be returned once they are scanned.

After they are scanned, the photos will

have meta-data information added, so they can go into the library's searchable visual database. This will be a part of the library's major upgrade, which will be completed in late 2018. Part of the updated facilities will include a digitization lab with a high-end photo scanner, and the greatly enhanced vintage photo collection.

"Residents and visitors alike are fascinated by Sanibel and how it evolved into its current state, and photos from our earlier times are invaluable in telling that story," said library archivist Betty Anholt.

Pfeifer is equally excited about the project. "Our community is paradise because many islanders before us were dedicated to protecting these islands," he added. "Preserving Sanibel and Captiva history with documentaries and expanding this Sanibel Library's photo collection is a privilege and a project we are proud to support." ✨

Author To Speak

Join the Friends of Lakes Regional Library on Friday, April 14 at 1 p.m. as award-winning author Robert Macomber discusses his latest novel in the Honor Series.

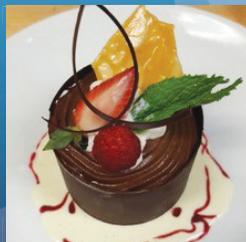
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Sanibel Shells

or tube feet if picked up. Living sea urchins can move each individual spine when picked up so look closely and carefully. When in doubt, please return the animal to the water."

Later during the lecture, Dr. Leal showed a number of examples of both common and rare shells that may be found off the coast of Southwest Florida. They include the Florida fighting conch, shark's eye, sharp-rib drill, lace murex, baby's ear, bruised nassa and lightning whelk.

The presentation included images of the living mollusks inside the shells, the age progression and size comparison of several shell species as well as their egg casings.

"Most species of shell are smaller in size, one inch or less," Dr. Leal said in response to an inquiry of what is the largest shell found in local waters. He explained that the horse conch - which can grow up to two feet long, with several examples on display in the museum's Great Hall of Shells - is at the "top of the food chain."

Dr. Leal's Mollusk Matinee lecture, Amazing Sanibel Shells, will be repeated on Wednesday, April 12 beginning at 2 p.m. at the Bailey-Matthews National Shell Museum, located at 3017 Sanibel-Captiva Road. The lecture is free with paid museum admission. For more information, call 395-2233 or visit www.shellmuseum.org. ✨

Jeweler Hosting Spring Trunk Show

Steven Mazza, a fifth-generation jeweler, will return to Sanibel for the popular Spring Trunk Show from Thursday to Saturday, April 13 to 15 at Lily & Co. Jewelers, located at 520 Tarpon Bay Road. Guests will see a waterfall of colorful, hand-crafted pieces by Mazza.

"We are pleased to host Steven and the Mazza Spring Trunk Show," said Dan Schuyler, who owns Lily & Co. with realtor Karen Bell. "Pieces by Mazza are always inspired by nature, or nature derived, whether it be from coral, shells, or pearls, or by creating design from a natural architectural element such as a shell's shape."

Mazza has long known the beauty of natural shells like the ones strewn on the beaches of Sanibel. They are often incorporated into his collections. "It

crosses demographics, from young to old, in the same way people are drawn to the sea," he said. Mazza places a focus on color, as well, so pieces are not trendy to the point of being in one season and out the next.

The Mazza family legacy in the jewelry industry dates back nearly two centuries with coral and conch shells, which they harvested and hand carved in a small town near Naples, Italy. Founder Louis Mazza left Europe at the turn of the century to import gems and Mazza carvings to the United States. In the 1940s and 1950s, his four sons joined him as the business grew. Today, the third son, William, is joined by his three sons, including Steven.

The Mazza company continues to broaden its designs while holding fast to the tradition of the Italian masters. "They certainly create wearable, enduring designs women will enjoy for years and years to come," added Bell.

For more information, call the Lily & Co. Jewelry Gallery at 472-2888.*



Steven Mazza



Mazza designs

photos provided

Top Ten Books On The Island

1. *Mangrove Lightning* by Randy Wayne White
2. *The Swans of New York* by Melanie Benjamin
3. *Crazy Bones!* by Lynne Wissink-Tressler
4. *Strong is the New Pretty* by Kate T. Parker

5. *Britt-Marie Was Here* by Fredrik Backman
6. *Vanishing Time* by Katharine Britton
7. *Heart of the Sanibel Sunset Detective* by Ron Base
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Highlights Of CROW's Southern Comfort Gala



Attendees at last Saturday's Southern Comfort gala, a fundraiser for the Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) held at The Community House on Sanibel, dancing to music provided by DJ David Flory
photos by Jeff Lysiak



Rachel Rainbolt and Dr. Linda Estep



Jane Holder lining up her next beanbag toss at the cornhole station



Robin Cook watching her husband, Doug, taking aim at the ring toss game



David Flory ringing the dinner bell



Dr. Heather Barron drawing the winning raffle ticket alongside Mary Schoeffel



From left, Caitlyn Garn with Lee and Al Rabin



Raffle winner Jennifer Nichols and Tommy Williams



Jim Urasky and Janet Dowiatt



Watercolor by Christine Reichow

Artists Reception And Gallery Walk

Tower Gallery is hosting an artists reception with Florida watercolor artist Christine Reichow on Thursday, April 13 from 5 to 9 p.m. There will be a drawing to win an original watercolor painting by Reichow. Guest artists Sylvie Camps and Joyce Krivenko will also be on hand selling their creations.

Tower Gallery and Hirdie-Girdie Gallery will be collaborating for this evening under the stars. Meet the artists at both shops and see all of the new work by some of Southwest Florida's most creative painters, jewelry designers, potters, photographers, printmakers and sculptors.

Tower Gallery is located at 751



Christine Reichow photos provided

Tarpon Bay Road. Hirdie Girdie Gallery is located at 2490 Library Way. For more information, call 472-4557.✪

Local Artist's Works On Exhibit

Paintings by Joan Marsh Mikelsons will be on display and for sale at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ during the month of April. Her collection is on view in Fellowship Hall Monday through Thursday (if a meeting is not in session) and every Sunday between 8 a.m. and noon.

Mikelsons, a year-round resident of Sanibel, is a member of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League. She volunteers at BIG ARTS and has had many paintings selected for exhibit, both there and at the Sanibel Public Library. Mikelsons creates her works using a variety of mediums, textures and subjects. She and her husband, John, moved to Sanibel in 1985. For 12 years prior to their move, she worked as a commercial artist at National Telephone Directory in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. She was one of three artists responsible for all the artwork in the Yellow Pages for the state of New



Joan Marsh Mikelsons photos provided

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Artist To Offer Critiques At League Meeting

Artist Wanda Kemper will be the guest speaker at the next Sanibel Captiva Art League meeting on Thursday, April 13 from 1 to 3 p.m. at The Community House, located at 2173 Periwinkle Way. The public is welcome.

As a special treat, all artists (members and nonmembers) are invited to bring in their artwork for Kemper to critique.

“When critiquing someone’s art, I first comment on the positive qualities, of which there usually are many and at least one shines brightly,” said Kemper. “I also look for how the basics are handled: subject matter, composition, color, light and shadows, edges, etc. I can usually offer a helpful suggestion or two that will enhance their work.”

Kemper is a graduate of Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida with a degree in fine art studies, and Fine Arts and Professional Photographers of America with a master artist degree. She has over 30 years experience as a professional artist, 20 years as an owner and operator of an art studio, experience as a retouch artist for a photographic studio, 10 years serving as an artist and art director for stained glass studio, and formerly the curator of Blackhawk Gallery in California.

Her number one advice to artists?



Wanda Kemper photos provided

“Practice, practice, practice... just like playing a piano, you get out of it what you put in,” said Kemper. “Go with the subject matter that tugs at your heart, if you love the subject, it shows up in your art.”

Kemper also suggests taking workshops, classes and reading articles by artists that you admire “which always results in greater knowledge and greater knowledge results in better art,” she added.

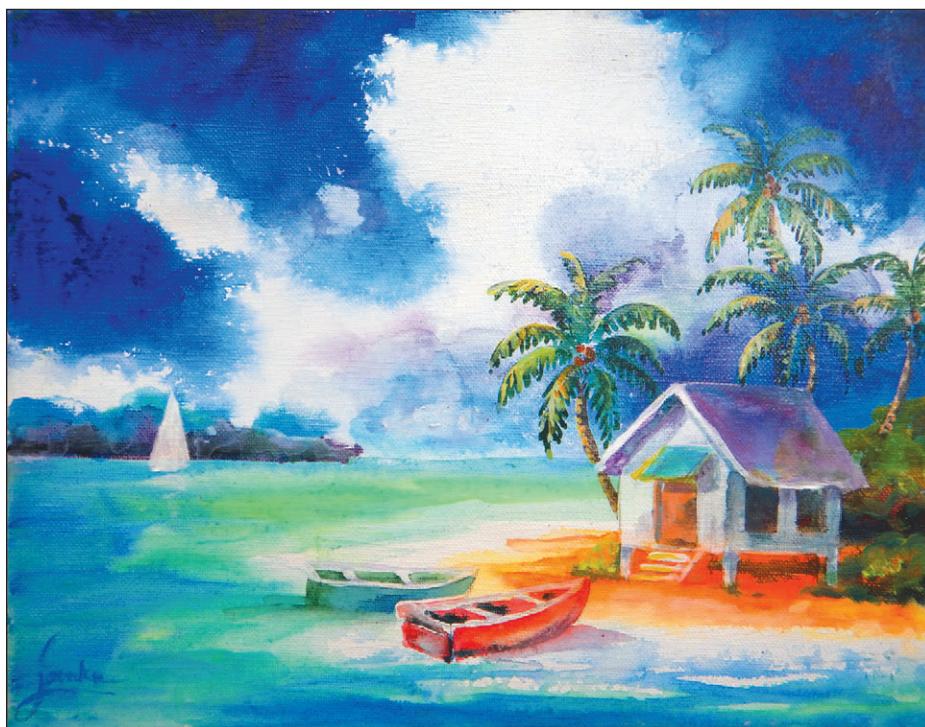
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Courtesy by Wanda Kemper



Apples Figs Melons by Wanda Kemper



Fishing Cottage by Sissi Janku

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Final Art And Wine Painting Class Of Season

Local artist Sissi Janku is well known on the island for her bright and lively tropical paintings on display in her Sanibel studio and in the Island Style Gallery.

Janku has been teaching art techniques in a casual atmosphere at The Community House every other week throughout season. The final

class of the season is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. Janku will guide participants through painting a seascape using a wet-in-wet technique for the sky and water. Participants will learn how to draw a cottage and fishing boat, and how to make coconut palm trees.

All painting materials will be provided. Participants are encouraged to bring their favorite wine, snack or finger food.

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BIG ARTS Film Director Series

The Best Years Of Our Lives

by Sid Picker

Starting at noon on Wednesday, April 12 at the Island Cinema, BIG ARTS will hold with the third film in this year's Director Series featuring William Wyler. *The Best Years of our Lives* was made in

1946 and was the first to address serious postwar America and how it affected returning veterans. With an all-star cast including Fredric March, Myrna Loy, Dana Andrews, Teresa Wright, Virginia Mayo and Harold Russell, it tells the story of three veterans returning to post-war civilian life, each damaged or changed in a different way; one physical, one emotional, one social. The film tells in adult form the adjustments the men must face and the effects on the women around them.

Unlike the previous films in the series, the characters in *Best Years* are not stand-ins for greed or goodness. Rather, they emerge in shades of gray, both flawed and fine, trying to make their way in a post-war-altered America that is neither perfect nor perfidious. The film swept the 1946 Academy Awards, winning a total of nine Oscars, including Best Picture, Best Director,



Best Actor, Best Supporting Actor and Best Screenplay. The film also swept the box office becoming the highest grossing film since 1939's *Gone With the Wind*. And like *Gone With the Wind*, the film is long, running just under three hours. There will be a discussion following the film.

Tickets are \$5 and available at BIG ARTS. They are also available the day of the film at the cinema, located in Bailey's Shopping Center.✱



Storytime at Sanibel Public Library

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Programs At Sanibel Library

The Sanibel Public Library's upcoming programs can be found on the library's website calendar at www.sanlib.org.

The library's weekly youth programs run through May 13, with the 3rd To 5th After-school Clique held on Tuesdays at 3 p.m. There are two "all ages" storytimes on Wednesdays – at 10 a.m. and at 1 p.m. The K-2 After-school Crew is held on Thursdays at 3 p.m. Snacks will be provided. Bessie the READ dog is on "rain-free" Thursdays at 4 p.m.

For more information, contact Youth Services Librarian Deanna Evans at devans@sanlib.org or call 472-2483 ext. 201.

Sid Simon, who has been orchestrating Stories for Grownups at the Sanibel Public Library since 2002, will tell tales on Friday, April 14 from 2 to 3 p.m. Simon's stories are often based on his own life – growing older in Florida, parenting, grand-parenting, memories of great teachers and what life can teach us. He has a knack for drawing stories from people in the audience.

On Thursday, April 27 at 6 p.m., FISH of SanCap and Fifth Third Bank will present Prepare to Become a Home Owner Financial Literacy Workshop. For more information or to RSVP, call Kathy at FISH of SanCap at 472-4775.

The public is invited to attend these library programs, with no additional cost to participate. For more information, call 472-2483 or visit www.sanlib.org.✱

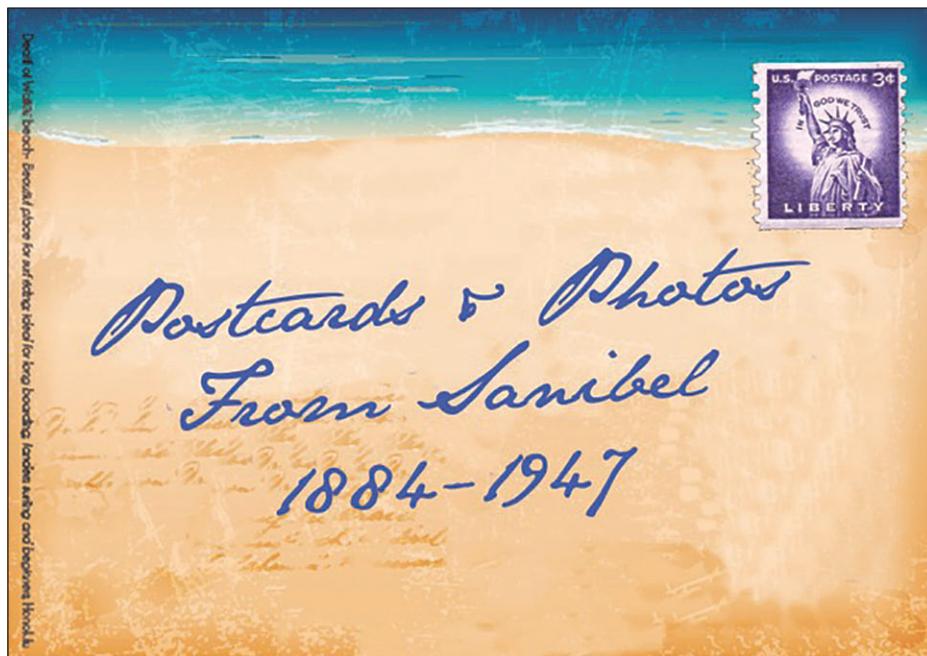


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Encore Screening Of Sanibel Film

The premiere of the film *Postcards & Photos from Sanibel* last week at The Community House was a sell-out. The film, in the Pfeifer Documentary Series, will have an encore showing on Wednesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. at The Community House.

Produced by seven-time Emmy Winner David E. Carter, the film 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 renowned Sanibel photographer Charlie McCullough are included in the narrative of the film.

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BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series

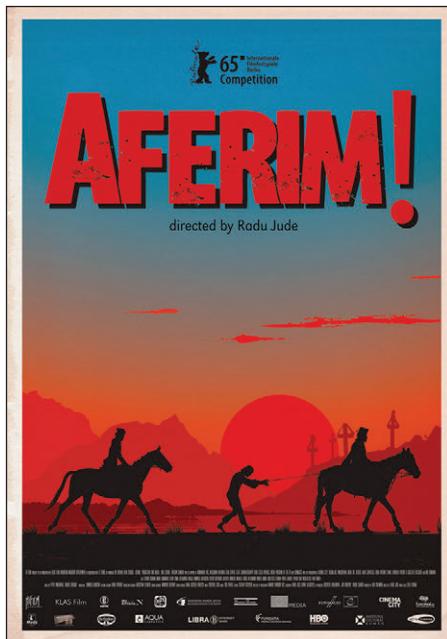
Aferim

by Di Saggau

The BIG ARTS Monday Night Movie for April 10 is *Aferim*, a Romanian historical drama that traverses an unforgiving Romania in the 1800s.

The film is set in the Romanian territory of Wallachia in 1835, a period that was technically under Ottoman rule but essentially under the thumb of Russia. The Romani people, essentially itinerant gypsies, were bought and sold as slaves. A local constable named Costandin has been hired by a prominent landowner to track down and return a slave named Carfin, who is accused of stealing some money. With his teenage son, Costandin roams the countryside, beating and humiliating all peasants or Roma people he comes across as a way to get information as to Carfin's whereabouts.

Eventually, they capture Carfin and discover there is more to the man than they believed. He tells stories of his journeys to Paris, Vienna and Leipzig in the hopes that Costandin will let him go. When that doesn't work, he reveals the real reason he ran away is because he was caught having sex with his master's wife and that if he is returned, he will be



killed in revenge. Costandin says he can use his influence to ensure that Carfin will only receive a beating and nothing more.

When they reach Carfin's owner, they discover he has a punishment for Carfin that is worse than death and Costandin finds out his power and influence is useless. "Aferim" is an Ottoman Turkish

word that roughly equates to "Bravo" or "Attaboy." It's use in the film is of the ironic variety.

Costandin is a gruff, good-humored man, who can be menacing when needed, but he isn't malicious. He regards himself as a good father and a fair-minded guardian of law and order. While the director reenacts the bygone horrors of the old days, anti-Roma bigotry and extreme inequality have hardly vanished from Romania, and the political implications of the story go far beyond that country's borders. The film is not totally grim, it's also raucous, funny and full of life. It's shot in widescreen black and white that sometimes reminds one of the simple beauties of classic westerns. *Aferim* runs 108 minutes and the moderator for the evening is Gil Peters.

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 include June Rosner and Russ Bilgore, Stan and Visnja Gembicki, Hyde Tucker, Penny Wilkinson and the *Island Sun*.

BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road. Tickets are available at www.BIGARTS.org, at the door or by calling 395-0900.*

Art League Member Exhibit And Reception



Peter Zell photo provided

Award-winning Sanibel Captiva Art League member Peter Zell is currently exhibiting his art for the month of April at Sanibel Captiva Community Bank. The public is invited to join him and talk art at his reception at the bank on Thursday, April 13 from 4:15 to 5:45 p.m.

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank is located at 2475 Library Way. For more information, visit www.sancapart.com.*

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selected by Tanya Hochschild

A Visit Back To St. Francis Bay

by Tanya Hochschild

At St. Francis Bay we swim to our past in the endless sea.
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Red-beaked oyster catchers,
Amid tumbling terns

we plumb the waters of our children's Alma Mater.

They, now further afield,
beyond the harbouring arms of the bay
have taken with them days and nights.
Afternoon squalls still shake the tops of bushes,
send spiders on the ride of their lives,
as webs pull and tug like bungee cords,
like memories,
between branches,

In the deepening tide we hear
echoes of a dream land.
Days spent in the rain and the sun.
A wave crests and we speed back to shore,
the right place to return to.
Now as then, welcoming.

*Tanya Hochschild is member of a Sanibel Writers Group, has participated in Artpoems and Writer's Reads on the island, and had two books published.**

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Book Review

A Separation

by Di Saggau

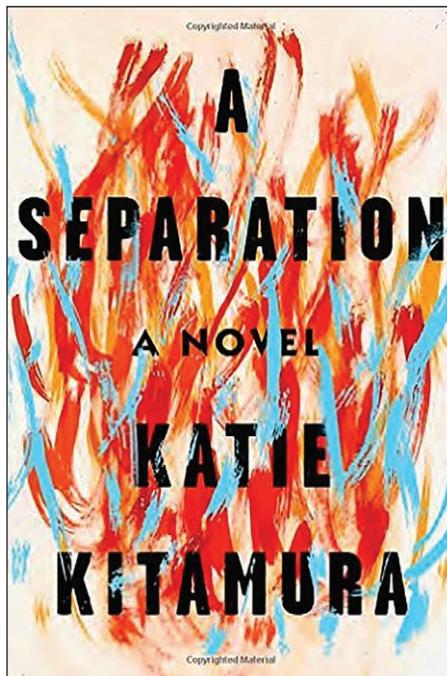


A *Separation* by Katie Kitamura is a novel that refers to the split between two characters, a man and his wife. The wife is in an international pursuit to find her estranged husband

believed to be somewhere in Greece. The two had agreed it was time to separate, mostly due to his infidelities. It's something known between the two of them, but not with others. The unnamed narrator is a literary translator. She has been married to Christopher Wallace for five years. He is a wealthy cultural critic. They live in London.

Kitamura writes in her novel, "Our marriage was formed by the things Christopher knew and the things I did not. This was not simply a question of intellect, although in that respect Christopher again had the advantage, he was without a doubt a clever man. It was a question of things withheld, information that he had, and that I did not."

The book starts with a phone call from Isabella, Christopher's hostile



mother, wanting to know where her son is. A question the narrator can't answer. She only knows that he was going to Greece to do some research. At Isabella's urging, she travels to a remote region of rugged, southern Greece looking for him. She keeps their estrangement to herself; that and the fact that she is now living with another man. The book is a meditation on infidelity and discovering

what it's like to find out that you understand less than you thought about a relationship and marriage with a man you used to love.

In a remote fishing village, she discovers grim scenes of stray dogs, a landscape charred from a season of wildfires, and the hostility of a hotel receptionist who might have had an affair with Christopher. In each of the 13 tight chapters, we learn something new. At the start of the seventh, there is a murder that the author leaves

unsolved. The narrator thinks, "One of the problems of happiness, and I'd been very happy, when Christopher and I were first engaged, is that it makes you both smug and unimaginative."

A Separation is a suspenseful story of intimacy and infidelity and lays bare the gulf that divides us from the inner lives of others. Kitamura, with exquisitely cool precision, propels us into the experience of a woman on edge, with a fiercely mesmerizing story to tell. I found it a very interesting read.*

Stories For Grownups 15th Anniversary

With a mixture of half new, half signature stories, Dr. Sidney B. Simon will host the second 15th anniversary Stories for Grownups on Thursday, April 13 starting at 7 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library, located at 770 Dunlop Road.

Dr. Simon, the island's famous storyteller, did his first Stories for Grownups at the library back in 2002. It quickly found an audience and, down through the years, there were close to standing room only audiences on many Fridays.

During this one-night-only gathering, Dr. Simon will share highlight stories from that first year right up through 2017. One of the highlights of the series is that these are no charge events and all are welcome.

Storytelling came easy to this veteran teacher with 40 years of using stories in his classes. Dr. Simon was nominated for Teacher of the Year at the University of Massachusetts, where he spent the last 25 years of his career. He became internationally known for his work in values clarification and earned a place on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*; he and his son, John, appeared on *The Phil Donahue Show*. Dr. Simon was a keynote speaker at the Betty Ford Center in California and traveled all over the United States, Canada and seven countries in Europe delivering workshops. His book values clarification, *A Handbook of Practical Strategies for Teachers and Students*, was widely popular with 600,000 copies in print.

Organizers of the anniversary event are expecting a crowd of former fans and friends; space is limited. For more information, call the library at 472-2483.*

School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, My third grade daughter struggles with reading comprehension. She can sound out the words fairly well and has a good speaking

vocabulary. In fact, she loves acting, art, poetry and reading aloud, so I'm not sure why comprehending what she's reading has been difficult. What can I do to help her out?

Karen N., Fort Myers Beach

Karen,

It's often said that it's in third grade when children transform their reading skills from learning to read into reading to learn. Your daughter may not yet have moved into this higher level reading stage. It seems like she is very interested in oral reading and vocabulary, which is great and will certainly help her. Perhaps directing her interests into comprehension activities would increase your daughter's ability to enjoy and understand reading from the text. Below are several activities that you may want to try with her.

One of the best strategies for comprehension is to create a KWL Chart. It's a discussion that takes place with students where they answer the following questions, "What do you know, what do you want to know, and what have you learned? Typically the teacher will chart the answers and discuss the

findings. You could do this easily with your daughter on an individual basis.

Another easy comprehension activity is simply a discussion called 3-2-1. Your daughter would tell you three new things she found out from her reading, then two interesting things, and finally one question she still has.

Tapping into your daughter's interest in art might be a good way to increase her comprehension as well. Ask her to either sketch a picture of what she has just learned or have her make an advertisement about it. She could create an ad, with visuals and text, for the newly learned concept and visually represent the new knowledge she has acquired.

Again working with your daughter's interests, ask her to write a summary poem about what she has just read. Tell your daughter to list 10 key words from an assigned text. Then have her create a free verse poem with the words she has chosen. Next, have her summarize what she has read using the key words. This activity may be a bit difficult at first but if she enjoys poetry, then I'm sure she would profit from this exercise.

If comprehension continues to be difficult for your daughter, a discussion with her teacher would be most appropriate.

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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Realtors Making A Difference

As part of this year's Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors Working Together to Make a Difference campaign, this is the association's third monthly report, highlighting some community contributions made in March by its members.

• The 4th annual Go FISH Fundraising Event – On March 5 at The Sanctuary, where guests were invited to

go “over the rainbow” in a *The Wizard of Oz*-themed evening, FISH of SanCap president and CEO Maggi Feiner said, “We are always so humbled by the generosity of our community. Every dollar raised goes directly back to this community.”

Other Association of Realtors members in attendance included affiliate and FISH Board Member Nicole McHale, realtor Eric Pfeifer, affiliate member Craig Albert of Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, realtor Kathy

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United Way Campaign Raises Record Amount



From left, campaign chairpersons Rob Wilson, Lou Pontius, Gay Thompson, Linda Uhler and Tom Uhler photo provided

The United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee has concluded the 2016-2017 campaign by exceeding the campaign goal of \$9,656,833. This year is United Way's 60th annual campaign.

The announcement was made at the United Way Main Campus by the six United Way Campaign Chairs: Linda Uhler, Gay Thompson, Lou Pontius, Larry Hart, Tom Uhler and Rob Wilson. They announced that local residents and companies

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Trailways Camp Reunion And Birthday Party

Adults with special needs, family members and caregivers will be joined by community dignitaries and volunteers on Saturday, April 8 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the newly renovated Community House to celebrate birthdays and connections made at Trailways Camp.

Sharon and Jerry Miller, founders of Trailways Camp, have extended an invitation to participants from the 13 camps held between October 2012 and February 2017. Low-income campers are able to participate due to support provided by scholarship donations to the Robert V. & Benjamin G. Miller Fund. The Honorary Chair, Benjamin Miller, who will be celebrating his 42nd birthday, will lead the opening song that honors the memory of



Robert V. and Benjamin G. Miller

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his brother Robert as well as the birthdays of fellow campers.

Captiva Chapel by the Sea and Grampy's Charities are co-hosting the 2017 event. Generous in-kind donations

from Sanibel businesses also reflect immense community support. Highlights from the 2016 event can be viewed online at www.youtube.com/.

“This event honors the lives of our sons Robert and Benjamin without whose inspiration the joy we see on the faces, and the laughter we hear in the air, would not have been possible,” said Sharon Miller. “We honor these special adults, their families and caregivers and join in their celebration of support and connection to their communities.”

The emcee will be FOX-4 news anchor Miriam Zamorano. Trailways Campers will be welcomed through a balloon arch created by Balloons Over Fort Myers. Volunteers from service clubs, churches, businesses and friends of the Robert V. & Benjamin G. Miller Fund will assist with parking, registration, table hosting, serving food and refreshments, decorating, calling bingo, awards and recognitions, and wherever needed.

In addition, background videography is being provided by a Trailways Camp volunteer and will include highlights from the 13 Trailways Camp sessions. Tom James of Pelican Media and Sway Photos will capture the real time “I Am Special” highlights in video and photography. Participants will also have individual photo opportunities. A surprise will be a preview of the *Journey To Trailways Camp* sequel to be released in late April.

Local business sponsors including Sanibel Deli and Queenie's Ice Cream, Sanibel Café, Jerry's Foods and Bailey's General Store as well as Goodwill Industries Southwest Florida, Inc. are providing cupcakes, refreshments, ice cream, snacks and a light lunch. Other in-kind contributors include Cedar Chest Fine Jewelry, Shalimar Resort, Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, Island Ballroom, Sanibel Skin Spa and Balloons Over Fort Myers. Neighborhood

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Kelly Collini, center, with CHR staff, from left, Alycia Auchterlonie, Helen Jedel, Kelley Riedy and Bonnie McCurry photo provided

New Chapter For CHR Executive Director

submitted by Kelley Riedy, CHR Director of Development and Communications

Community Housing and Resources (CHR) is bidding a fond farewell to its executive director, Kelly Collini, after her successful five-year tenure at the helm

of the organization. Collini joined CHR's team in 2012 when she traded the mountains of Wyoming for the beaches of Southwest Florida, bringing with her 27 years of experience in the nonprofit sector.

Collini gives a great deal of credit to her staff, board of directors, volunteers and CHR's residents, many of whom she has formed close relationships with. "It has been an absolute honor to work on behalf of the individuals and families that call CHR home," said Collini.

"I feel like we've done tremendous work over the past five years and this would not have been possible without all of the amazing people who work, volunteer and live here."

CHR had a long history on the island prior to Collini's arrival, but she is proud of the activities and forward strides made under her leadership, such as working diligently with the board of directors on eliminating a significant deficit and growing the organization's once depleted reserves. Other noteworthy accomplishments under her tutelage include getting the organization set up with a more sophisticated donor database, focusing on increased marketing and public relations activities in the community, and greatly increasing the buildings and grounds budget to accomplish larger maintenance projects on CHR's 74 units. She also counts increasing the organization's annual grant funding by nearly \$80,000 during her time employed as one of her proudest endeavors.

As her husband is now embracing retirement, Collini plans to take some time off to travel before embarking on her next professional venture. "As I leave, I owe a debt of gratitude to so many," Collini said. "It has been so wonderful getting to know Sanibel and I will always have a special place in my heart for this island and the amazing people here."

For more information, visit SanibelCHR.org, or call 472-1189.✧

Guest Speaker At Republican Caucus Meeting

On Saturday, April 8 starting at 10 a.m., Lee County State Committeewoman Doris Cortese will speak to the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus. The meeting will be held at the Sanibel Public Library in Meeting Room #4, and is open to the public.

Cortese, current president of the Lee County Republican Women Federated, was recently elected state committeewoman, a position which serves as a bridge between the county and the state Republican Party. She has lived in several states before moving to Cape Coral several years ago. She ran an office for a vendor to Ford Motor Company for 20 years, and led an effort to get a hospital established in her county in Ohio. She has worked on political campaigns for councilmen, governors, senators and presidents, and was named Florida's Republican Volunteer of the Year in 2014 for her efforts on behalf of Gov. Rick Scott.

All are invited to hear Cortese talk about her goals and efforts to represent Lee County's issues to the state Republican Party. Refreshments will be served.

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Last week, Watson MacRae Gallery donated proceeds from the gallery's *Aviary: An Installation* exhibit to the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society. From left, Audubon's Phyllis Gresham and Jim Griffith with gallery owner Maureen Watson. photo by Jeff Lysiak

Gallery Owner Donates To Audubon Society

by Jeff Lysiak

For the second time this season, Maureen Watson, owner of Watson MacRae Gallery, made a generous donation to support the ongoing efforts of local wildlife conservation groups. Last week, she made a \$750 contribution to the Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society.

From February 7 through March 4, the gallery hosted *Aviary: An Installation*, an exhibit celebrating several species of birds – from warblers to raptors – in a variety of mediums, from canvas to glass and fiber to stone. Participating artists and their mediums included Lucy Dierks (ceramic birdware), Amy Gross (fiber construction), Ann Hollingsworth, (cast glass nest), Jane Jaskevich (stone sculpture), Hollis Jeffcoat (painting), Deborah Martin (encaustic drawing), Mark Messersmith (painting) and Jane Rosen (vitreography).

For the first week of the *Aviary* exhibit, Watson donated 10 percent of all sales to Audubon.

"I wanted to do this because birds are a big part of what Sanibel is all about," said Watson, who explained that bringing attention to protecting local bird populations is critical. "Everybody

knows the islands for the shelling, but birds are equally as important."

Earlier this season, Watson and Susie Holly of MacIntosh Books donated a portion of proceeds from artwork sales and the sale of the book *Oh Florida! How America's Weirdest State Influences the Rest of the Country* to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

San-Cap Audubon representatives Phyllis Gresham and Jim Griffith were on hand last Friday afternoon to accept the gallery's donation.

"Part of the essence of this island is supporting wildlife, and so many local businesses recognize the importance of what we do," said Griffith. "It's what helps make Sanibel an island paradise."

Watson also explained that her love for birds goes back to the day of her youth, when her piano teacher – Miss Sperlings – used to take her into her backyard where she had a bird feeder. "She used to point out the different bird species to me," said Watson. "That helped me get my birding badge from the Girl Scouts... and I still have it somewhere!"

The self-dubbed "Sanctuary of Art in The Village Shops," Watson MacRae Gallery is located at 2340 Periwinkle Way in Suite G-1. It is open Monday through Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 472-3386 or email maureen@watsonmacraegallery.com.✪

Community Association Annual Meeting

The Sanibel Community Association's (SCA) annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26 at 5 p.m.

Learn the status of both the SCA and The Community House, then join your friends and neighbors for the monthly potluck dinner with featured speaker

Betsy Eidem, who will be speaking about food similarities between Sanibel and Cuba. Call 472-2155 for reservations.

If you are unable to attend but would like to make a donation to either the building or operating fund, visit www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net or stop by The Community House. A donation of \$1,500 pays the electric bill for a month, \$750 pays the garbage bill for a month and \$100 pays the pest control bill for one month.

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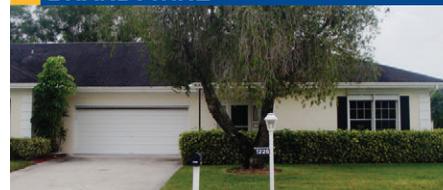


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From left, Veronica Powers, SSF vice president; Barbara Maughan, SSF vice president; Rob Lisenbee, SSF treasurer; Chuck Vilardi, The Sanibel School principal; Chuck Bergstrom, owner, Beach Piez; Carolyn Tongyai, SSF secretary; and Christian Fautz, SSF president
photo provided

Local Business Supports The Sanibel School

Beach Piez is once again a Grand Sponsor for The Sanibel School Fund's (SSF) Blue Ribbon Partner sponsorship program. Officials extend a special thank you to Beach Piez owner Chuck Bergstrom for the continued, generous support, which helps to raise

and contribute funds to maintain the school's foreign language program and support enhancements in technology for the school.

Because of support from businesses like Beach Piez, students at The Sanibel School are able to take lessons in Spanish beginning in Kindergarten through 8th grade. The school serves approximately 350 students, is a nationally recognized Blue Ribbon School and is a top rated K-8 school in the state of Florida.*

Street Cams A Bonus For Island Business

Customers entering The Pecking Order on Palm Ridge Road immediately notice two things: the tantalizing aroma of fried chicken and the large video monitor displaying the view of Sanibel Causeway Span C.

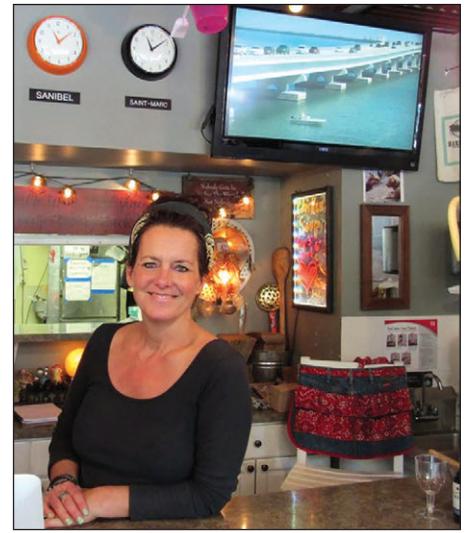
Bridgit Stone-Budd, owner of The Pecking Order with her husband Dan Budd, said Sanibel's live street cameras – which can be accessed through the city's new Sanibel Bound Street Cam App or by visiting www.MySanibel.com – have been a useful tool for her and her staff.

"The real-time views really help us know what to expect for the day," Stone-Budd said. She also incorporates the street cams into her personal and business Facebook pages to keep friends and customers up-to-date about what's happening on island roads.

"When we start seeing cars backing up a bit on Tarpon Bay Road, we remind everyone that instead of fighting the traffic, it's really a good time to eat and shop on island," she said. Stone-Budd also keeps a stack of Street Cam App information cards handy for customers.

Stone-Budd said there's another reason she keeps the Sanibel Causeway view on display throughout the day: "It's great seeing the water, boats and dolphins while you're working."

Along with the Sanibel Causeway



Bridgit Stone-Budd, owner of The Pecking Order
photo provided

Span C view, Sanibel Street Cams are strategically positioned in five additional island locations to show east and west views of Periwinkle Way and Casa Ybel Road, and north, south and east views of Periwinkle Way and Tarpon Bay Road.

The street cams are part of the City of Sanibel's multifaceted Traffic Communications Strategy, which includes outreach efforts to island visitors, residents, businesses and vendors to help increase awareness of peak traffic times and reduce congestion on island roadways.

For real-time live Sanibel traffic conditions, go to mysanibel.com and click on the "Street-Cam" app.*

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The Island Water Association

- NOTICE -

The annual meeting of The Island Water Association, Inc., will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, April 10, 2017 at the offices of the Association located at 3651 Sanibel Captiva Road, Sanibel, Florida.

James M. Griffith
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All IWA Members are encouraged to attend.

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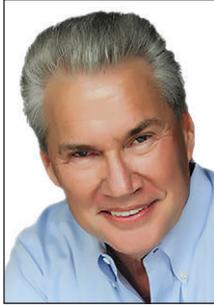
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ISLAND SUN BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS



Marianne Stewart



Larry Hahn



Debbie Hooper



Jim Branyon

Top Listing And Sales Agents

John Naumann & Associates announced its top associates for the month of March. Top listing agent was Marianne Stewart and top listing team was Larry Hahn and Debbie Hooper. The top sales agent was Jim Branyon and top team was Harrell, Tolp & Albright.*



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United Way

contributed a record amount, \$9,702,156 to the campaign which is a 3.3 percent increase.

The announcement was made at the March 31 meeting of the United Way Board of Directors. At the goal announcement, Tom Uhler said, "Not only has our United Way made goal, we have exceeded the campaign goal for the 24th consecutive year by raising over \$9.7 million. Our extraordinarily generous community has done it again."

"To all of you who gave, we send our most sincere thanks. We are so proud to be a part of a community where people really care about each other," said Linda Uhler.

"Because of your generosity, hungry families will receive food, veterans will find support through Mission United, abused children will find safety and shelter, older persons can find assistance to remain in their own homes, and thousands of lower income families can get their taxes done free through VITA. You give so others could have a better life," said Larry Hart.

Gay Thompson said, "Achieving our campaign goal means that the 85 United Way Partner Agencies and over 225 programs that United Way supports will receive their full allocation of funding. It means that United Way Partner Agencies and programs will be able to continue to serve people in need in our community."

"All money raised by our United Way stays here in our community, and our United Way keeps administrative and fundraising cost extremely low, returning 90 percent of what is raised to the local agencies and programs. Our United Way is a Four-Star Charity, the top rating on Charity Navigator. Charity Navigator is the largest and most utilized charity evaluator in America," said Rob Wilson.

"Once more, a sincere thank you to all of the individuals, companies, communities and partner agencies for your generous contributions. You proved again what an incredibly caring community this is," Lou Pontius concluded.

The top local contributing companies and the top communities are as follows:

Top United Way Company Contributors

1. Publix Super Markets, \$1,833,276
2. Bonita Bay Group, \$472,416
3. Chico's FAS, \$250,000
4. Enterprise Holdings, \$241,566
5. LCEC, \$208,335
6. Lee Health, \$177,783
7. Lee County School District, \$157,939
8. FineMark National Bank & Trust, \$140,073
9. BB&T Oswald Trippe & Company, \$114,689
10. Lee County Government, \$91,195

Top United Way Community Contributors

1. Bonita Bay, \$770,991
2. Sanibel-Captiva \$438,929
3. Pelican Landing, \$234,136
4. The Brooks, \$233,463
5. Mediterra, \$229,638
6. Fiddlesticks, \$158,970
7. Grandezza, \$106,161
8. Gulf Harbour, \$100,121

Many United Way partner agencies were represented at the goal announcement. Richard LeBer, president and CEO of Harry Chapin Food Bank said, "The United Way is such an amazing resource to our community and a great partner and supporter of the Harry Chapin Food Bank. Over the years, they have helped us source food, expand mobile pantries and feed many hungry people. Last year, with the assistance of the United Way, we were able to provide approximately 10.8 million meals in Lee, Hendry and Glades counties. Your contribution to the United Way helps make that possible."

"I have one word to describe the impact of the United Way Campaign – hope. Every day is more positive and everything is possible when there is hope. Hundreds of children and their families are helped daily because of the generosity of the community. Through the United Way, lives are changed and dreams are realized. There is no greater joy than the gift of hope," said Carol Conway, chief executive officer of Child Care of Southwest Florida.

Jan Kerlin, executive director of the Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center said at the announcement, "The Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center is proud to be a United Way Partner Agency as we help many families in our community walk the difficult path that is Alzheimer's disease."

All money raised in the United Way Campaign stays in the local community to help support the local human service network. United Way partner agencies and initiatives like Alvin A. Dubin Alzheimer's Resource Center, Child Care of Southwest Florida, Children's Advocacy Center, Harry Chapin Food Bank, LARC, Mission United, and United Way 211 serve a diverse range of needs in our community such as nurturing children and youth, strengthening families and meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies and initiatives, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives.

The United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee has raised and distributed over \$157 million since it was established in 1957. For more information, call 433-2000 or visit www.UnitedWayLee.org.*

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KINZIE ISLAND - SANIBEL: Recently updated and situated on the navigable canal, this Bermuda Style home offers a spacious floor plan with 3 bedrooms and 5 full baths, screen enclosed pool and spa, wonderful outdoor living, dock and boat lift. Striking in every detail. Kinzie is a gated community on Sanibel Island, beach access with cabana, association tennis, pickle ball and basketball court.

PRICE REDUCED \$2,195,000

GORGEOUS COASTAL BEACH HOME



SANIBEL EAST END: Spacious home with 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, screen enclosed heated pool, volume ceilings throughout, chefs kitchen, incredible bonus space with extra storage, 3 car garage and boat dockage. This home is located in the prestigious Kinzie Island, a private, gated community with private beach access on the East End of Sanibel. Association pool, tennis, pickle ball courts and beach access with cabana. An Island dream come true on Sanibel!

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Asking price is \$889,000

CANAL-FRONT LOT IN SHELL HARBOR



Here's your chance to build your dream canal front home on East End of Sanibel. This beautiful lot is surrounded by the Gulf of Mexico and Bay offers a seawall canal with dock and boat lift already in place. The private deeded beach access with parking is just moments away. One of the very few remaining canal lots on the Island!

Asking price is \$719,000

ADORABLE COTTAGE BY THE SEA!



Perfect floor plan for the family. Open kitchen, dining and living room, plus 4 bedrooms and 2 baths. Dreamy cottage style home with wood floors through out, high ceilings on a private, tropical lot. Watch the manatees and wildlife. Wonderful canal views, boating access to the Gulf of Mexico. Beach access close by.

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From left, Mike Dreyer, president of the Tampa Bay Trust Company, a division of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company, with Sanibel executives Steve Greenstein, wealth services; Al Hanser, founder and chairman; Robin L. Cook, wealth services; Ian Breusch, chief investment officer; and Dick Pyle, president of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company

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Presentation Addresses Global Economy

Members of The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company's investment management team recently held a presentation entitled The Trump Effect, which addressed the new administration and how it relates to the global economy and investment strategies for 2017.

Presenters Ian N. Breusch, CFA, chief investment officer, and Michael R. Dreyer, CPA, president of the trust company's Tampa office, spoke to over 75 interested investors at Tween Waters Inn last week. Breusch and Dreyer covered the recent rally in the U.S. equity markets, the administration's proposed corporate and individual tax policies as well as expectations for fiscal stimulus.

Several questions from the audience ranged from expectations on specific equities to U.S. trade policies.*

Bank Donation Presented To Noah's Ark



From left, Bank of the Islands' Szilvia Wiebe, The Rev. Dr. Ellen M. Sloan, Nancy Cleveland and bank concierge Cathy Chem

photo provided

Bank of the Islands recently made its latest non-profit donations through its We Love Our Islands program. The lucky winner, Nancy Cleveland, was spotted with a We Love Our Islands decal on their vehicle, winning her the right to select which local non-profit group would receive a charitable contribution from Bank of the Islands. Cleveland chose to donate her winnings of \$400 to the Noah's Ark thrift shop at St. Michael & All Angels Church on Sanibel.

Her donation marks \$72,500 given away to date through the bank's program. "The net profits from Noah's Ark,

including this \$400 bank donation, support more than 20 local and global charities," said Willy Ocasio, Bank of the Islands' assistant vice president and Sanibel-Captiva office manager. "We're so glad Mrs. Cleveland chose Noah's Ark as the most recent We Love Our Islands' beneficiary. This is such a great way to show how much we appreciate being your island bank."

All islanders are invited to stop by the bank's Sanibel and Captiva offices to get a free We Love Our Islands decal and details on how you and your favorite charity can become our next lucky winners.*



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PRICE REDUCED



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- Community pool and tennis courts
- Updated kitchen, vaulted ceilings
- \$735,000 (2170226)

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PRICE REDUCED



- 3BD/2BA Elevated Home
- Deck overlooking pool
- Light & Bright Kitchen
- Short walk to Beach Access
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- Top quality kitchen, luxury bathrooms & more
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Jim Hall 472-5187 x 215

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PRICE REDUCED



- 4BR/3.5BA, East end canal home
- Fireplace, pool, vaulted ceilings
- Water views from almost all rooms
- Borders conservation land
- \$1,699,000 (2160968)

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PRICE REDUCED



- Charming 2 Bed, 2 Bath Island Home
- Soaring Vaulted ceilings, Open Kitchen
- Spacious Master Bedroom with large walk-in closet
- Perfect Island location!
- \$439,000 (2170216)

Arika Bjorkedal 472-5187 x 252

COMPASS POINT



- Gulf front location, 2/2 plus den, large end unit.
- Weekly rentals, pool, tennis, shuffleboard, BBQ grills.
- Upscale decorator influences, light, bright and happy!
- Plantation shutters, storm protection, beautiful grounds.
- \$1,295,000 (2161036)

Mary Lou Bailey 472-5187 Ext 246

GULF- FRONT ESTATE

NEW LISTING



- Turquoise Gulf views from every room
- Custom 6BR/5BA/2HBA estate home
- Steps to the beach, Gulf & magnificent shelling
- Fence, heated sparkling pool and elevated spa
- \$8,250,000 (2170399)

Karen Bell 472-5187 x 270

MAGNIFICENT DIRECT GULF FRONT

PRICE REDUCED



- Beautifully updated & furnished 3-BR/2.5-BA
- Granite counters, solid stone flooring and more
- Storm windows, black stainless kitchen appliances
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Lynda Traverso 472-5187 x 226

IMMEDIATE DIRECT GULF ACCESS

PRICE REDUCED



- 4BR/3BA home on a deep water cove
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GULF SHORES BEACH HOUSE

PRICE REDUCED



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- Long lake views
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Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

“In an age when man has forgotten his origins and is blind even to his most essential needs for survival, water along with other resources has become the victim of his indifference.” – Rachel Carson



Chris Davison photos provided

last week – Capt. Daniel Andrews, board member of Captains for Clean Water (CCW), and Chris Davison, member of CCW and manager of the Island Inn on Sanibel – have added an additional layer of persuasion directed to the passage of legislative Senate Bill #10 (read below). It’s about the money, baby... the economic impact on businesses here in Florida are dependent on clean water.

Some of the numbers provided by CCW: The fishing industry is a \$9.3 billion business; tourism \$69 billion; marine industry \$15.3 billion; jobs supported by fishing 123,000; jobs supported by tourism 1.1 million; jobs supported by marine industry 183,000; and decline in Lee and Martin County property values due to poor water quality \$969 million. For every dollar spent on Everglades restoration projects, the local economy will see a \$4 rebound. Money



Capt. Daniel Andrews

talks and this was a brilliant approach by CCW.

Andrews and Davison have made many trips to Tallahassee, giving them the opportunity to meet with legislators and appropriation committee members, allowing them to present the economic factors collected from businesses throughout Florida that our reliant on clean water. These “nutshell” facts are meant to bring about a gut reaction. These facts demand attention regarding water quality here in Florida, and the impact water quality makes on not only the natural environment but the economic environment as well.

Both men are passionate about the environment for extremely good reasons. If water quality in Florida is ignored, it is their generation that will pay the biggest price. Secondly, for both men, their livelihood hinges on the health and

well-being of the natural environment in Florida. Andrews is a fishing guide who witnesses first-hand what poor water quality is doing to the estuaries and bays. No fish, no job. Davison is in the hospitality business here on Sanibel and, as the manager of Island Inn, knows that water quality is of major concern for guests of the hotel. When news reports of poor water conditions on Sanibel are broadcast, hotel reservations decline and cancellations are devastating for his business. Good stewardship of our waters presents a bright future for the state, but neglect will only assure the economic decline in Florida.

CCW is a membership driven non-profit. They want to improve the water quality in the estuaries, bays, gulf waters and ocean waters here in the state. The \$30 membership fee will support this young non-profit organization and the amazing work they are doing.

Florida Senate Bill #10 was filed on January 26 of this year. Senate President Joe Negron’s plan, announced last August to purchase land south of Lake Okeechobee for the EAA Reservoir, which will eliminate or dramatically reduce the horrific discharges to both coasts of Florida and return a flow for freshwater to be cleaned and sent south to a dehydrated Everglades and collapsing Florida Bay. Contact State Rep. Ray Rodrigues and tell him you want this bill passed.

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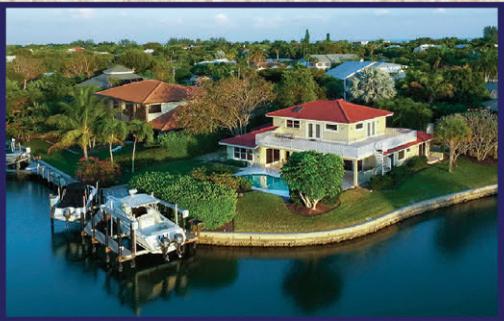
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From left, moderator Dr. Eric Milbrandt, SCCF Marine Lab director; Dr. Michael Parsons, professor at FGCU; and Dr. Marie DeLorenzo, NOAA research toxicologist based in Charleston, South Carolina answering questions about the scientific research into the impacts of the Deepwater Horizon spill photos courtesy SCCF

SCCF Screens Documentary On Gulf Oil Spill

On March 23, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF) presented *Dispatches from the Gulf*, a documentary about scientists tracking the impacts from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The film, screened at The Community House, was the third in a series of programs about water following the January Everglades and Caloosahatchee Update, held in partnership with the Everglades Foundation, and the screening of *Black Tide* by director Stephen Johnson earlier in March.

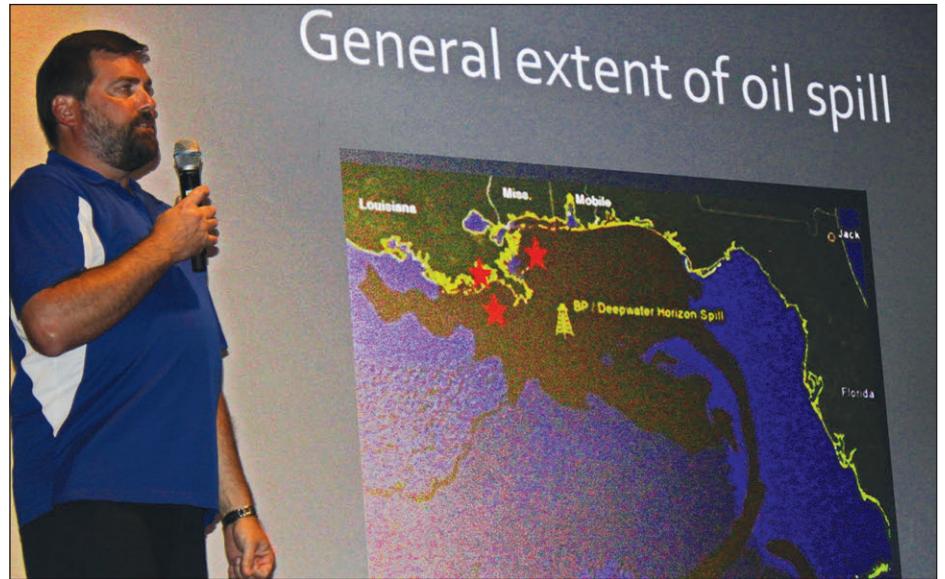
Narrated by Matt Damon, *Dispatches from the Gulf* investigated the environmental health of the Gulf of Mexico six years after the *Deepwater Horizon* blowout in April 2010. That is

when the world's ninth largest body of water became a place where thousands of communities and millions of citizens were put in jeopardy by a single incident – the biggest oil spill in U.S. history.

Mayor Robert Craft of Gulf Shores, Alabama is quoted in the documentary: "If ever a light bulb went off in all of our minds, it was that our economy is totally dependent on a clean, safe, usable environment. That is still our biggest concern."

The *Deepwater Horizon* spewed 200 million gallons into the gulf; the *Exxon Valdez* spilled 11 million. There are now 4,000 oil rigs in the Gulf of Mexico, with 25,000 miles of pipeline and an additional 22,000 miles of natural oil seeps.

Estimates are that 25 percent of the oil from the spill burned; 23 percent washed into shoreline marshes and beaches; and 52 percent either evaporated into the air or was



Michael Parsons, FGCU professor, with map showing the extent of the BP spill at the *Dispatches from the Gulf* screening on March 23



It was standing room only at The Community House for the Everglades & Caloosahatchee Update in January photo by Tom Van Lent

dispersed. The *Deepwater Horizon* spill was the first time that dispersants were used on such a large scale and used at depth. One positive discovery was that the sun and microorganisms break down oil molecules more quickly than expected.

A total of seven million liters of Corexit 9500 was dispersed into the gulf over 84 days. *Dispatches* noted that it did help to break up the surface

oil and prevent a massive washup of oil onto beaches and fragile gulf marshes. However, the long-term effects of that much oil mixed with dispersant is still unknown; the assumption is that a lot of it ended up on the seafloor, with mostly unmeasured impacts.

Among the findings in *Dispatches*: One scientist who has long been studying the seafloor community around the natural oil seeps found that all the filter feeders were gone; a now-dead 500-year-old sea fan was covered in brown slime; she studied the barnacles on the seafan and found their guts filled with oily residue. Red snapper populations initially decreased after the spill; when they rebounded, the fish were smaller and weighed less. Mahi-mahi have lost some of their endurance as measured in a swim tunnel, a "treadmill for fish," and mahi-mahi embryos now have compromised cardiac capacity.

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From left, James Evans, Sanibel's director of the Natural Resources Department; Tom Van Lent, PhD, hydrologist for the Everglades Foundation; and Rae Ann Wessel, SCCF natural resource policy director, speaking at the Everglades and Caloosahatchee Update in January

Milbrandt opened the evening and, following the screening, introduced panelists Dr. Michael Parsons, professor, Florida Gulf Coast University; and Dr. Marie DeLorenzo, research toxicologist, NOAA, Charleston, South Carolina.

Parsons spoke about his work off the Louisiana shoreline studying how phytoplankton – microorganisms that live near the water surface – can photosynthesize and provide the base of the food chain; he also studied the impacts on the salt marsh communities that are the base of the food chain. Both of these communities have adapted to chronic exposure to oil in the area because there are so many

wells off the Louisiana coast. One fear of scientists at the outset was that the gulf would react to the negative conditions the way the Black Sea has reacted to decades of pollution: an explosion in the jellyfish population. That has not happened in the Gulf of Mexico. However, 85 percent of the base of the food web was lost for the four months following the *Deepwater Horizon* explosion. Parsons' research found, in general, that the oil itself was not too toxic for phytoplanktons but the addition of dispersants greatly increased the toxicity.

As part of his seagrass studies, he compared samples of the seagrass *Ruppia maritima* from Louisiana with



Director Stephen Johnson at the *Black Tide* screening at the SCCF Bailey Homestead earlier in March

samples from Estero Bay, exposing them to combinations of oil and dispersant. The *Ruppia* from Louisiana was impacted; the Florida *Ruppia* had no obvious impacts, which might have been due to weakening of the Louisiana seagrasses due to long-term exposure to oil.

Dr. DeLorenzo spoke specifically about the dispersants used, comparing Corexit 9500, the dispersant used in the gulf, with another dispersant, Finasol. The NOAA agency DeLorenzo works for provides the scientific research about the impacts of different

courses of action at a spill site but the spill responders (i.e. United States Coast Guard, NOAA and the EPA) actually decide the course of action. Corexit was used for the *Deepwater Horizon* because it had been stockpiled by BP and was readily available. DeLorenzo's research showed that Finasol (a product made in France) is about three to five times more toxic than Corexit (made in the U.S.) and that the combination of oil and dispersant was more toxic than just oil.

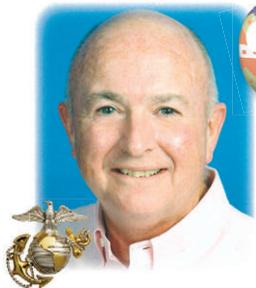
Southwest Florida escaped the impact of the spill because the Florida Shelf extends into the gulf about 100 miles. The Florida Shelf ecosystem is distinct from that of the larger gulf. DeLorenzo also noted that every oil spill is different: the chemical components of the oil itself are different in addition to the differences in weather, location and the cause of the accident.

Future oil drilling in the gulf will be mostly deep sea or subsurface wells, some as deep as two miles, and scientists really don't know what's living in the gulf at those depths, which are largely unexplored. New sources of funding resulting from the oil spill are helping scientists around the gulf and its diverse inhabitants.

In the end, policy makers are going to have to find the balance between the need to find new sources of energy vs. what nature can safely provide.

Dispatches from the Gulf is part of the series Journey to Planet Earth.*

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Under Rice's leadership, BIG ARTS experienced significant positive growth resulting in clarity of vision and strategic direction, renewed board strength as well as record ticket sales and donations.

"We are deeply indebted to Don for his tireless efforts and success in moving BIG ARTS forward with vision and energy to position us for great things to come, and

we look forward to continuing to work with Don as a valued advisor," said Clark.

BIG ARTS board and staff expressed their heartfelt appreciation, warm wishes and bon voyage as Rice and his wife, Joyce, enjoy retirement life with family and friends in their homes on Sanibel Island and Lake George, New York and on their boat, *Dream On*.✱

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Trailways Camp

volunteers have created keepsakes and treats for each camper.

Special guests with confirmed attendance include Judie Zimomra, Sanibel city manager; Sarah Owen, president and CEO, Southwest Florida Community Foundation; Rick Evanchyk, president and CEO, Goodwill Industries Southwest Florida, Inc.; Fred Richards, vice president of community support services, Goodwill Industries Southwest Florida, Inc.; Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club; Brad Livermon, missions pastor, Sanibel Community Church; Susen Berg, president, board of associates, Captiva Chapel by the Sea; Jim and Jonatha Castle of Grampy's Charities; and Dean Skaugstad.

Nancy Niesel chaired the event planning committee. Fund advisors Kirk Williams, Jr. and Linda Estep also served on the committee. Goodwill Industries Southwest Florida staff Jesi Cason and Trailways Camp coordinator Meagan Feeney participated on the planning committee and will provide volunteer support at the event.

For additional information, visit www.trailwayscamps.org.✱

Superior Interiors

It's A Girl Thing



by Barb Cacchione

Somewhere between "little girl" and "teenager," girls begin to develop an increasing interest in their bedroom's décor. With strong opinions about fun and fashion, most exercise a significant

influence when it comes to decorating their rooms.

Rejecting the pastels palettes of their early years, pre-teen girls opt for a stronger color scheme and a display area for those stuffed animals they are not quite ready to give up. Around-the-room shelves, installed at a height just above the head, provide valuable space for those rarely used items that are so precious to a young girl. Painted in the same color scheme as the other wood trim, the shelves will become an attractive "framing" element to the room.

When selecting the color scheme for the room, a good rule of thumb is to begin with the rug and the fabrics for the bedding and windows. Since there are infinite shades of paint but only a few ideal fabrics, don't make the common mistake of selecting the wall paint first. You will save yourself a lot of leg work by selecting the wall paint after all the fabrics have been determined. Don't be afraid to mix patterns, colors and textures. Your decorator will assist you with the often overwhelming task of establishing the dominant fabric, and suggest several colors and textures to accent the predominant hues.

Just as little kids love the cozy,

cocooning effect of playhouses, tents and forts, pre-teen girls love the intimate sleep areas created by tall headboards, mock canopies and screens. These can be elaborate and frilly, or tailored to a young girl's taste. Keeping in mind that teen fads are fleeting things, achieve your thematic decorating through easily replaced accessories such as pillows, lamp shades and art.

When selecting furniture for the pre-teen's room, a style that will grow with her is always the best choice. Think versatile, quality and non-trendy for this most expensive component of the project. Trendy furniture can be limiting, so avoid using something too cutesy that will limit your pre-teen's changing taste. You don't want your decorating to become an annual event!

With careful planning, your teen's newly decorated bedroom will delight her until she gets ready for the next big challenge in your lives: college!

Barb Cacchione is an interior designer on Sanibel/Captiva Islands. She can be reached at barb@coindeciden.com.✱

ISLAND SUN BUSINESS NEWSMAKERS

Realtor Joins Firm

Realtor Connie Walters has joined the VIP Group Sanibel and Captiva offices. Walters grew up on Sanibel and believes in giving back to the community. She has been a top producer on the islands for over 18 years.✱



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Island Seniors Thank ‘Superheroes’ At Luncheon



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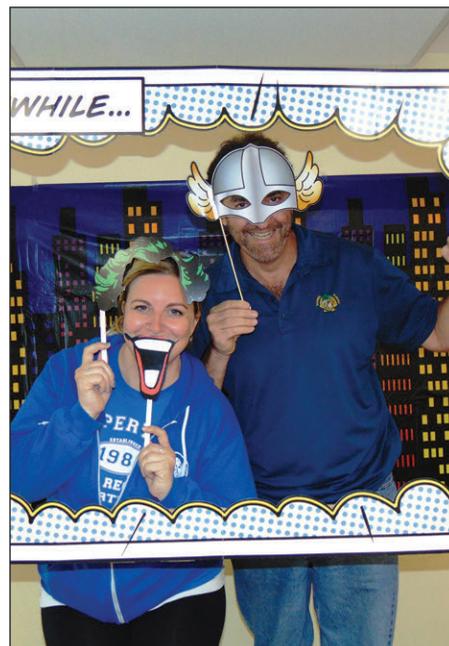
Trish Phillips and Amy Esposito-Brown



Sanibel Recreation Department staff, from left, Ruslan Maksimov, Kayla Schuneman, Amy Esposito-Brown, Matt Fannon, Trish Phillips and Char Durand



From left, Mary Ann Gilhooley, Deborah Butler and Nancy Seaward



Kayla Schuneman and Matt Fannon



Barbara Snead played the piano during the sing-along of the tune *I'm A Senior*

Hersch Publishes New Book On Estate Planning



Craig Hersch

photo provided

Florida Residency & Estate Planning Guide, attorney Craig R. Hersch addresses whether a will, revocable living trust, durable power of attorney, health care surrogate and living will documents remain valid in Florida and how this effects your northern holdings.

Hersch is a Florida Bar Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates attorney and holds his Florida CPA license and is a national practice development expert and contributor to *Trusts & Estates Magazine*. He has also developed trademarked processes tied to his estate planning and administration practice, including The Family Estate & Legacy Program and The Estate Settlement Program.

"In recent years, laws surrounding estate, trust, durable power of attorney, health care surrogate and living will documents have all undergone significant changes, especially when considering the effect those laws have on your former state's taxing authorities. For those with an out-of-state wills or trust and those contemplating Florida residency, there are considerations for legal and tax purposes that need to be addressed," said Hersch. "In my new book, *The Florida Residency & Estate Planning Guide*, I help readers explore the advantages to Florida residency and strategies designed to help provide confidence and peace of mind for those trying to navigate the often confusing legal, tax and financial world."

His book addresses some of the complexities that incoming Florida residents face, including:

- Are wills and trusts established out of state valid, once you move to Florida?

- Can taxes be reduced by declaring Florida residency?

- What effect does my previous northern residency have on declaring residency in Florida?

- What are Florida's laws regarding durable health care power of attorneys, and what happens with my DNR directive?

- Do I need to update my legal documents to Florida law?

His book also contains an appendix summarizing and comparing residency requirements, income, gift and estate taxes from all 50 states and the District of Columbia, offering readers insight on the specifics.

Hersch is a multiple graduate of the University of Florida with accounting and law degrees and has provided his expertise as a continuing education lecturer for The Florida Bar and the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants. He is a member of WealthCounsel, a national estate planning attorney educational and networking organization, where he hosts a series of workshops for attorneys around the country. They have also tapped him as a featured speaker for their 2017 Symposium in Hollywood, California. He has been published in *Trusts & Estates Magazine* multiple times, also has conducted online workshops for their attorney subscribers nationwide. In addition to publishing his third book, *The Florida Residency & Estate Planning Guide*, Hersch has authored *Common Cents Estate Planning and Legal Matters When a Loved One Dies*. Hersch also writes a weekly estate planning column for the *Island Sun*, available on

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Realtors

Haungs, realtor Barbara Maughan and affiliate member Jason Maughan with Maughan Law Group.

• Spring Gently-Used Clothing Drive – At the March 14 meeting, the Association of Realtors communications and public relations committee finalized plans for their Spring Gently-Used Clothing Drive which now is under way. Clothing collected (including mens, womens and childrens) will be donated to a local charity where items are provided free to the needy.

Association members and the public are asked to deliver donated clothing items to the association office at 2353 Periwinkle Way, Suite 201 (located upstairs above Finnimore's Cycle Shop, in the building behind Winds). The office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For pick-up, contact your realtor or a committee member: realtors Judie Anderson, Sarah Ashton, Deb Gleason, Kelly Huguenin or Cathie Lewis; affiliate members Nanci Berlin with Barrier Island Title Services, Angela Larson Roehl with Rosier Insurance; or realtor chair Susan Andrews.

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Right Hand, Left Hand



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

It's frustrating when we receive conflicting advice about a particular topic, and that is as true with estate planning as it is with anything else. Estate planning encompasses so many disciplines – legal, tax, financial – and you might even throw family psychology into the mix. Properly coordinating all of the moving parts requires having a team of professionals who are in regular communication with one another.

This was evident with a person I'll refer to as "Betty." Betty's financial advisor didn't communicate with her estate planning attorney or her CPA when he invested Betty's mutual fund accounts into annuities and named the trust as the annuity recipient on Betty's death. What transpired only came to light upon Betty's passing. The annuity contract's payout became subject to high income taxes because taxable income was trapped in testamentary (after death) trusts. Had the financial advisor been in coordination with Betty's other professionals, this problem may have been avoided.

I can relay another incident involving a person I'll refer to as "Frank." Here, Frank's attorney never coordinated the "funding" or transfer of his brokerage and bank accounts into his revocable living trust. When Frank died, all of those accounts were subject to probate. When his family inquired why a trust was prepared without funding, the attorney simply passed the buck on Frank producing a letter of direction to let his financial advisors and bankers know that he had a trust and that the accounts needed to be transferred into a trust.

Over the years I've come across many life insurance policies that had incorrect owner or beneficiary designations. The life insurance agent apparently never asked the client to involve his estate planning attorney in the transaction. When the client died and the life insurance became part of the client's taxable estate for federal estate tax purposes, one child asked the CPA, "I thought that life insurance wasn't taxable?"

The CPA's response, "It's not taxable as income! But if the life insurance policy's ownership and beneficiary designations aren't properly structured, then it may be taxable as part of the insured's estate for federal estate tax purposes."

As far as family psychology, I was only partially kidding when I mentioned that discipline needs to be a part of an estate plan. While psychologists are usually not a part of the estate planning process, it's never a bad idea for you as the client to tell your estate planning attorney about family dynamics. One reason is because many estate plans "marry" individuals together financially, often for the rest of their lives.

An example of this is when a step-parent is the beneficiary of a marital trust for the

remainder of her life, with her stepchildren as the ultimate recipients of the remainder of the trust assets upon her death. Every dollar that the stepfather consumes is one less dollar that step-children receive, and this continues on for the lifetime of the stepfather. Moreover, the investment strategy of the trust must balance the income needs of the current beneficiary with the growth needs for the future remainder beneficiaries to keep pace with inflation. This mix of competing economic interests can put the strain on even a good relationship, but consider what happens if and when the stepfather remarries, for example. Add that to the stress on whoever is serving as a trustee, particularly if that trustee is also one of the beneficiaries. In those instances the trustee must be able to intellectually separate his or her fiduciary duties as trustee from his or her own interest as a beneficiary.

To that end, even in families that do not share issues such as the blended family example above, siblings serving as a trustee/beneficiary may encounter psychological difficulties. We all grow up with our own baggage, and sometimes that baggage adversely affects sibling relationships. When those individuals who are serving as trustee work independently with a financial advisor on the trust accounts without sharing direction with the estate planning attorney, important legal and tax considerations may be overlooked.

The bottom line is that more communication is always better than less when dealing with an estate plan, whether during the grantors' lifetimes, when they become disabled, or after death. When the right hand doesn't know what the left hand is doing, unnecessary problems often arise.

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Optimists Offer College Scholarship

The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club will offer one four-year college scholarship to a 2017 graduating high school senior. The new scholarship replaces one of the current six (since one current scholarship recipient is graduating college). Each scholarship is \$2,000 per year (\$8,000 total). The competition for the scholarship is open to all seniors graduating from high schools in Lee County in 2017.

Application forms are available at all Lee County high schools (see your school's guidance counselor), at Bailey's General Store and at Sanibel Café, both on Sanibel, and on the SanCap Optimist Club's website (www.sancapoptimist.org). Additional information is available by email at sancapoptimist@comcast.net or from Stan Howard at 472-0836. Scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, June 7. The scholarship

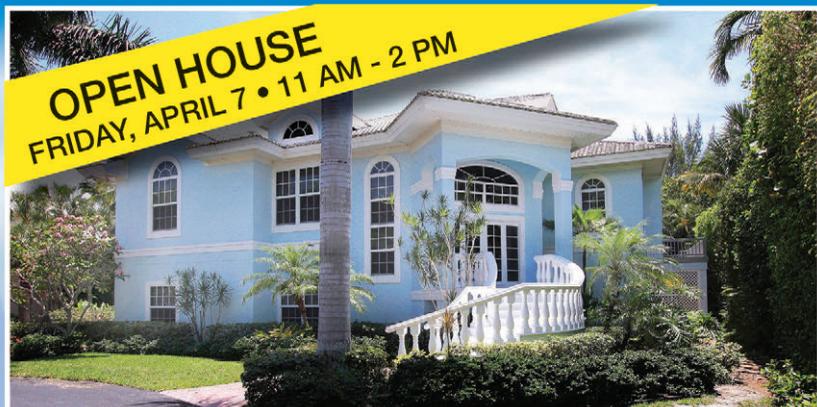
committee plans to make the final decision by the end of June.

Applicants should be aware that academic records, financial need, extracurricular activities, civic/community service records, and references are integral parts of the selection criteria. The application package provides exact procedures.

Current scholarship holders from Lee County are Savar Nasirov (senior) University of Florida; Ramsey Fisher (senior) Florida International University; Peyton Davies (junior) University of Texas at Austin; Andrea Berrian (sophomore) University of Florida; Dara Craig (sophomore) Vanderbilt University; and Madeline Tomlinson, University of Florida (freshman).

Because of the generosity of local residents and businesses, these scholarships have increased from \$7,000 to \$8,000; existing scholarships will benefit by increasing future payments from \$1,750 to \$2,000 per year. The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club, a 501(c)3 organization, also sponsors and supports a number of other activities on the islands, with an emphasis on kids' welfare and education.✪

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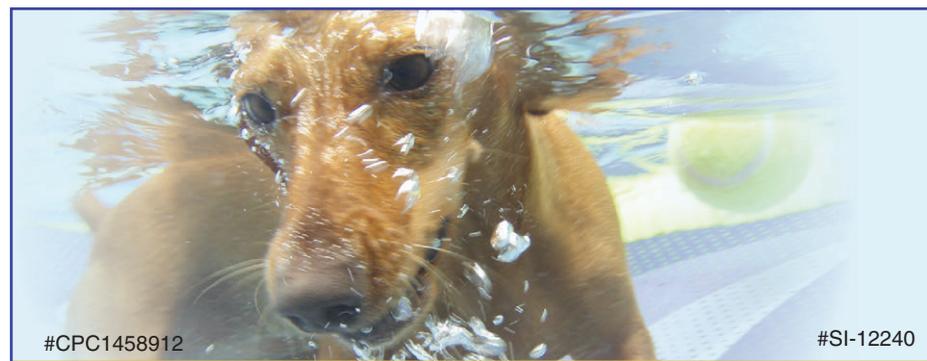


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Golf participants check in for the tournament last year

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Players warming up at the driving range

Bob Janes Memorial Golf Outing April 11

Lee Coast Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) will sponsor its 4th annual Bob Janes Memorial Golf Outing on Tuesday, April 11 at the Shell Point Golf Club in South Fort Myers. Proceeds from the tournament will be for the benefit of wounded veterans, their families and others in need.

The outing is named after Bob Janes,

who founded the chapter and was active in politics on Sanibel and in Lee County. The outing is again being co-chaired by Doug Quelch and Roger Triftshauer.

The tournament has been so popular that this year, all 144 player slots have been taken. There are still availabilities for sponsorships, ranging from \$150 for hole sponsors to \$5,000. Players and sponsors will be treated to a light breakfast before play and a luncheon afterwards at The Club, Shell Point's fine dining restaurant.

For more information regarding sponsorship opportunities, call Roger Triftshauer at 585-704-9486.✪

Spring Training Store To Close

The Boston Red Sox Spring Training Team Store at JetBlue Park, located at 11500 Fenway South Drive in Fort Myers, will officially close for the season on Friday, April 14.

Beginning March 30, the team store will offer 50 percent off regular retail

prices on all items, including authentic merchandise, novelties, youth apparel, men's and women's apparel, hats and St. Patrick's Day apparel, except its published programs and media guides.

Store hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and the store phone number is 226-4732.

The Red Sox Spring Training Team Store is not scheduled to reopen until January 2018.✪

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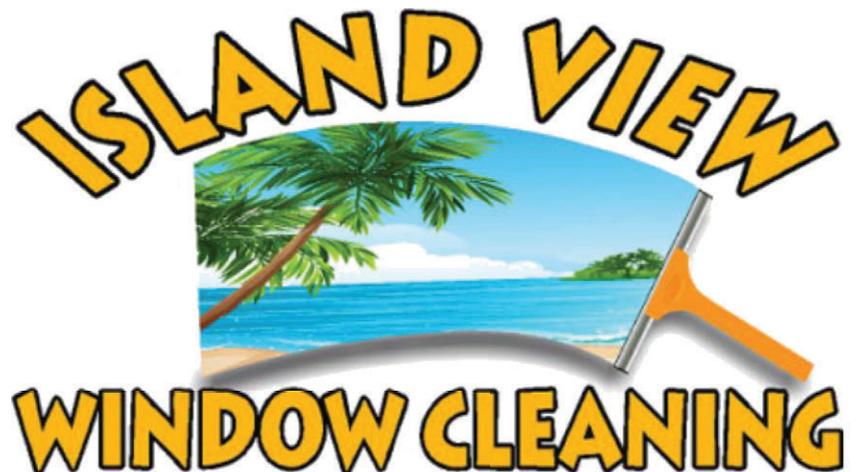
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Day-Late Television Viewer's Email Alters Outcome Of Golf Tournament



by Ed Frank

It's absolutely ridiculous when a television viewer's day-late email can change the outcome of a major golf tournament.

But that's exactly what occurred to Florida's 22-year-old Lexi Thompson,

who was assessed a four-stroke penalty last Sunday just as she was closing in on winning the ANA Inspiration, the LPGA's first major of the year.

A television viewer had e-mailed LPGA officials to report Thompson had allegedly made a one-inch ball placement error the day before. And, 24 hours later, when she was on the 13th hole of the final round and cruising to what appeared an easy victory, Thompson was levied the four-stroke penalty – two for misplacing the ball and two for signing an erroneous score card the day before.

The penalty sparked an outrage. "Viewers at home should not be officials wearing stripes," said Tiger Woods.

It's not the first time that golf officials have levied late penalties after television viewers had called in or emailed what they believed were violations.

If you've watched golf, you know that tournament officials follow the players on the course to enforce the rules and answer questions. These are the rightful persons charged with assessing penalties-- not a television viewer hundreds or thousands of miles away.

If a know-it-all television viewer can change the outcome of a golf tournament, will we soon allow this practice to alter the play of other sports?

We now have official television reviews in baseball, basketball and football. Maybe we should have television viewers make such decisions if you follow last Sunday's debacle in Ancho Mirage, California.

The personable Thompson, who is fast becoming the face of the LPGA, was gracious when told of her infraction that occurred 24 hours earlier. "Every day is a learning process," she said. "I'll learn from it and hopefully do better."

The ruling probably cost her \$155,000, the difference between the first-place check of \$405,000 and second place of \$250,000.

After surviving the shock and the tears of the penalty, she forced a playoff with eventual winner So Yeon Ryu by birding three of the final holes.

And, even in defeat after the huge penalty, she stopped to sign autographs for her adoring fans.

Despite the bizarre penalty, the Florida-born Thompson will continue her amazing professional career where she already has won more than \$5 million dollars.



Lexi Thompson photo courtesy LPGA

She turned professional at the age of 15, and a year later set a LPGA record by becoming the youngest-ever winner by capturing the Navistar LPGA Classic. She won her first Major in 2014, the Kraft Nabisco Championship.

We know that most golfers are sticklers when it comes to following the rules.

But, assessing a day-late, four-stroke penalty as the result of a television viewer's email is beyond what you would call reasonable.

Miracle Home Opener Saturday Night

The Fort Myers Miracle baseball team opens its 25th anniversary season Saturday night at 6:05 p.m. hosting the Jupiter Hammerheads at CenturyLink Sports Complex.

A gigantic fireworks show will follow the home opener. A Sunday matinee at 4:05 p.m. will be played the next day.

The popular Doug Mientkiewicz is returning as Miracle manager after spending the last two years managing the Double-A Chattanooga Lookouts.

In his first year here in 2013, Mientkiewicz led the Miracle to the best record in the Florida State League at 79-56. The next year, he managed the local team to the league championship.

The Miracle is the advanced Class A team of the Minnesota Twins

Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League

Awards Banquet

At the annual awards banquet for the Sanibel 8-Ball Pool League held on April 3 at American Legion Post 123, Randy Carson was presented the John Earle Memorial Award as the league's player who most emulates John Earle as a man and a pool player. Carson plays for the Sanibel Café. Past winners of the award were John Reigert and Pete Mindel. Reigert shoots for Sandycappers

and Mindel is a member of the Fresh Legion Crew.

John Earle shot his final game of 8-ball before losing to the cancer bug on January 29, 2015. Earle was known for his quiet deliberate style of play. He was a gentleman in a sport that often times attracts less than gentle men.

Terry Ricotta from Bunt's Ball Busters earned top shooter honors by posting an 84 percent winning average for the season. Ricotta also was honored

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SPORTS QUIZ

1. Pitcher Wandy Rodriguez set a Texas Rangers record in 2015 for consecutive batters retired (34). Who had held the team mark?
2. How many times did Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan lead a league in shutouts?
3. When was the last time the University of Indiana football team won a bowl game?
4. In the 2014-15 NBA season, John Wall became the second Washington Wizards player to average 10 assists in a season. Who was the first?
5. When was the last time before the 2016-17 NHL season that the Philadelphia Flyers won 10 consecutive games?
6. When was the last time before 2016 that Mexico's men's soccer team won a World Cup qualifying match in the U.S.?
7. Boxer Vinny Paz won titles in three weight classes during a 60-fight pro career (1983-2004). Name the weight classes.

ANSWERS

1. Ken Hill retired 31 consecutive batters in 1996. 2. Three times: 1972 (nine), 1976 (seven) and 1979 (five). 3. It was 1991. 4. Rod Strickland averaged 10.5 assists per game during the 1997-98 season. 5. It was the 1985-86 season, when Philadelphia won 13 in a row. 6. It was 1972. 7. Lightweight, junior middleweight and super middleweight.



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Captiva Community Panel To Meet

The next meeting of the Captiva Community Panel has been set for Tuesday, April 11 beginning at 9 a.m. in the meeting rooms by Chadwick's Square at South Seas Island Resort. This meeting is open to all interested islanders and the public.

Among the agenda items:

- Review of Lee County staff report on proposed Captiva Plan update in advance of the Local Planning Agency public hearing
 - A legislative update on state issues under consideration, and 2018 strategy
 - Update on priority committees including wastewater, Captiva Drive bike/ped improvements and island rentals
 - A Captiva Erosion Prevention District update
 - A Captiva Fire District update
 - Other business as necessary
- Public participation is invited and encouraged.

The next Captiva Community Panel meeting will be held on May 9. Information and background documents are available online at www.captivacommunitypanel.com.



Front, from left, Rick Ranieri, Bill Burch, Carmine Marotta and Barry Gordon; middle, from left, Bob Risch, Ed Hannon, Greg Jennings, Jim Jerozal, Tommy Williams and Stan Hirschfeld; back, from left, Ken Kaltenmark, Peter Perkins, Mario Mangieri and Bill Burks photo provided

Dunes Tennis Team Wins Championship

The Dunes Men's Over 50 Blue E Team (talk on the street has it that Blue E is for the Blue Emu ointment they use to treat what muscles they have left) won their division. The

team, captained by Tommy Williams, an auctioneer by trade, was encouraged more than once this season by threats that Captain Williams would "auction you guys off" if they didn't pick up the slack. Perhaps there is more than a little truth to the adage that, "old age and treachery can overcome youth and skill" in that The Dunes' roster ranges from players in their 60s (the pups) through the 70s and 80s and to their spiritual leader, who

celebrated his 90th this month. The team described themselves as follows:

The Old Men of Tennis by Bob Risch

On mornings we rise not long after dawn

A stretch and some juice and then we're gone

We rush to The Dunes to meet our mates

From 3 different countries and 10 different states

The teams are set and the matches met

And way too many balls go into the net

*Some of us run, some just stand
But we all think our game in grand*

Having fun is as important as winning a game

And though some of the jokes are a little lame

After tennis we go to the clubhouse to meet

For donuts and cake and other lo-cal treats

As you can tell by our trophy, we all can play

And often times we are successful at the end of the day

But we make sure the means always justify the ends

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Center Gives Back To The Community That Supports It

submitted by Zoë Spanbroek

Based at Florida Gulf Coast University, the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education (CESE) works towards realizing the dream of a sustainable and peaceful future for Earth through scholarship, education and action.

But it can't realize this dream alone. "The little center that could," as it is referred to by center board members, relies on donations to help fund its vision and work. Those who choose to support the center should know that their donations go directly into inventive, impactful programs.

One of those programs instituted through the center is SAGE, or Student Associates for a Greener Environment. SAGE is a mini-grant program at Florida Gulf Coast University that pairs faculty mentors with students who are pursuing research, civic and educational projects that focus on sustainability. SAGE is only six years old, and the 2017 grant recipients are already making great strides with their projects.

For example, the center has supported the Sustainable Garden Project at the Community Cooperative of Fort Myers. Center funding has helped a student's ambition flourish, allowing them to build a composting system for an organization dedicated to ending hunger and homelessness in Lee County. In the words of assistant center director Dr. Maria Roca, your contributions to SAGE matter because, "Our students are our future leaders. If we are serious about planning for a sustainable future, if we want thoughtful, well-trained leaders who know how to respond during challenging times, we need to provide students with opportunities to develop their critical thinking and leadership skills. SAGE is designed to achieve these goals." The center focuses on these goals while giving back to the community that supports its mission.

Contributions to the center can also help spread sustainability education to an international audience, which is becoming ever more important. In the words of Peter Blaze Corcoran, center director, "Scholarship is increasingly international; that is to say, that the audience for research is worldwide. The center has been a global leader in educational research related to sustainability."

It reaffirmed this leadership



From left, the late Wangari Maathia, center director Peter Blaze Corcoran and center board member Akpezi Ogbuigwe engage in Earth Charter scholarly work

through the Dutch government-funded publication of a new book, *Envisioning Futures for Environmental and Sustainability Education*, which came out several weeks ago. Co-edited by Corcoran, it is the last volume in a United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development series. Beyond research, the center "serve(s) as the secretariat of the International Intergenerational Network of Centers (IINC) – these are scholarly centers at distinguished universities around the world" that each have innovative approaches to environmental and sustainability education.

Back home on Sanibel and Captiva, the center is likely best known for its signature Rachel Carson Distinguished Lecture Series. When asked why it matters to support the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education, local host committee chair Susan Stuart said, "It matters, of course, to island residents because of the Rachel Carson lectures. We get to hear – live and in person – authors, poets, scholars and even politicians who share what they are doing to praise and preserve our environment. These lectures are the center's gift to us; open to all and offered at no charge. But beyond that, the center – which is self-supporting and

unique among universities – helps fund environmental research projects both here at home and internationally. It is a treasure."

If you, too, believe in the work of this "treasured" center and wish support it, there is still time to participate in the Haffenreffer Challenge. All gifts given 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 that matter and make a difference in your local community.

If the Haffenreffer Challenge is successful, the center will reinstate its Earth Charter Mini-Grant program. While SAGE focuses on FGCU students, Earth Charter Mini-Grants traditionally funds faculty projects that advance the center's mission through innovative educational research methods as well as educational philosophy and practice based on ethics of care and sustainability.

For more information about the Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education and its many programs, visit www.fgcu.edu/cese. To make a contribution, contact Peter Blaze Corcoran at 590-7166 or pcorcora@fgcu.edu.

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Beautifulife:

Change Your Results



by Kay Casperson

Change is good, it can be hard and take much discipline and focus, but it is possible and probable that if you want to change a result, you can. How many of you have been diagnosed with something or maybe you have

found that there are things that could potentially affect you genetically from a health or behavioral standpoint?

The first thing you need to do is to find out what might be in your genetic makeup. What kind of health or behavioral issues could be inherited? You may have to do a bit of digging into your ancestry, but even for someone like me who is adopted, there are ways to find this out.

I am one of five siblings that were adopted into the loving arms of two wonderful parents who raised us all with the same abundance of love and a strong foundation of faith and integrity. All of my siblings were adopted from different birth parents yet raised in the same household. We all took on the wonderful values and morals of our birth parents, yet had different personalities, physical attributes and genetic dispositions. I became interested in looking into more about my birth parents and what their genetic makeup was and if there were any health concerns I should be aware of in order to change the results, if necessary.

Although not recommended for everyone, I was able to find and meet my birth parents years ago, which solidified a bit more about my personality and some characteristics. My intent to find and meet them was dual purpose, to let them know that their decision to put me up for adoption turned out to be a blessing for me as I was loved and cared for by

wonderful people and I am a strong and confident person because of it. It also gave me insight into certain things that I should pay attention to in terms of my health and wellness and I learned about why I have certain personality traits.

It is extremely important to be well informed about your health and wellness by getting routine physicals, a complete blood workup and to make sure you get the annual tests recommended by your doctors. If you have any family history of something that you need to pay close attention to, get more regular exams to keep on top of it and be proactive in adjusting your lifestyle to avoid concerns.

Epigenetics is a relatively new branch of genetics and some believe is the most important biological discovery since DNA. Most people believe that you are stuck with the genes you were born with, but now it is known that they can alter greatly depending on your lifestyle factors. A healthy diet and sufficient sleep can be big contributors to these changes. Stress, your relationship with others and your thoughts can affect your results as well as the expression of gratitude, acts of kindness and optimism. It is not only positive habits that affect your genes but also negative ones like substance abuse, addictions, inactivity, malnutrition, and exposure to toxins.

The point is - you have the power to change your results to experience the most balanced and beautifulife that you so deserve. A life of happiness and health are at your fingertips to enjoy today!

My affirmation for you this week is:

"I am being proactive in making sure that my health and lifestyle continue to thrive and will make any changes necessary to create beautiful results!"

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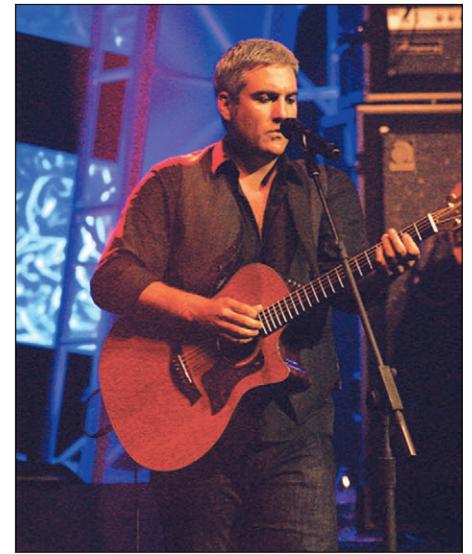
Taylor Hicks To Perform For Local Cause

Taylor Hicks, winner of season five of *American Idol*, will perform a poolside concert at the Sanibel Harbour Marriott Resort and Spa on Friday, May 5 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. as part of the Champions 4 Children's SWFL charity weekend. The weekend also will involve Saturday and Sunday activities such as scenic day cruises followed by the second annual Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament and a Kentucky Derby party and live auction. There will also be a special appearances by former professional, Olympic and collegiate athletes.

Proceeds from the charity weekend will go directly to Blessings in a Backpack of Lee County, which feeds more than 3,200 children at schools and programs across Lee and Collier County: Tice Elementary, Sanibel School, James Stephens Academy, Unity Charter of Cape Coral, Unity Charter of Fort Myers, Colonial Elementary, Golden Gate Elementary, J. Colin English Elementary, Villas Elementary, Shadowlawn Elementary, Mirror Lakes Elementary, Bonita Springs Assistance Office, Boys and Girls Club of Lehigh, Veterans Park Elementary and Bonita Springs Charter School.

During this year's event, Champions 4 Children hopes to raise enough money to feed over 1,500 children in Lee and Collier counties.

Tickets for the Taylor Hicks



Taylor Hicks

photo courtesy TaylorHicks.com

poolside concert and other weekend activities can be purchased at Champions4ChildrenSWFL.com/ individual-event-tickets. Sponsorships are also available for each event. When you purchase two general admission concert tickets, you will help feed one child for a year. By purchasing two VIP concert tickets, you will help feed two and a half children for a year. By purchasing two Kentucky Derby tickets, you will help feed four children a year.

For more information, visit Champions4ChildrenSWFL.com.

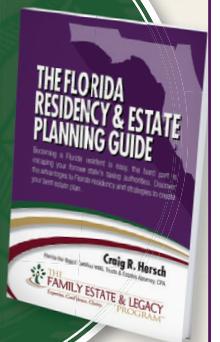
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Island Seniors group at Chihuly Collection

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Island Seniors Explore Culture In St. Petersburg

The most recent Florida day trip for the Island Seniors was a triple header. It started with a bus ride to St. Petersburg and a guided tour to see the world-renowned glass artwork by Dale Chihuly at the Chihuly Collection in its new downtown

location. Following the tour, the group stopped for lunch at the Banyan Café. Then it was off to see the Morean Art Center's Fresh Squeezed exhibit. The last stop was the Dali Museum with a private docent tour and a look at the Frida Kahlo exhibit.

For more information about Island Seniors membership, outings and Center 4 Life programs, contact Trish Phillips, program manager, at 472-5743 or stop by the center, located at 2401 Library Way.✱

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.

Page Turners with Louise Fitzgerald and Ann Hartman – If you are not on the Page Turners list and wish to be, email ocean@comcast.net or contact the center. The featured book for Wednesday, April 12 at 2:30 p.m. is *The Warmth of Other Suns* by Isabel Wilkerson.

"Pulitzer Prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson chronicles one of the great untold stories of American history: the decades long migration of black citizens who fled the South for northern and western cities, in search of a better life." – Amazon

Naples Baker Museum – Tuesday, April 18. Cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

The Baker Museum is the foremost fine arts museum in Southwest Florida. Emphasizing modern and contemporary art, the museum hosts several traveling exhibitions annually to complement installations of works from its permanent collections. Dedicated to stewardship and scholarship, the Baker Museum provides world-class exhibitions and educational opportunities for Southwest Florida's diverse community. Advance registration is required. Carpool arrangements must be made for transportation.

Sunset Social on the Causeway – Tuesday, April 25 at 6 p.m. (weather permitting).

Spend an evening relaxing and watching the sunset with friends. Meet on the causeway at 5:30 p.m. Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. Bring a side dish to share and your beach chair. Contact the center if you are interested in participating and for directions to the viewing area.

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.

Kayaking on Tuesdays and Thursdays – March 30 and April 4 at 8:30 a.m. (weather permitting). 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.

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Free Balance Screening April 10

Unintentional falls are the leading cause of death due to injury among Florida residents ages 65 years and older and the fourth leading cause of death due to injury overall.

Attend a free balance screening to find out about your fall risk and what you can do to get help to improve your balance and minimize your risk of falling.

The next screening will take place at the Outpatient Rehabilitation at City Center on Monday, April 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. A balance screening participant will complete a questionnaire prior to going through balance testing stations manned by licensed physical therapists. A summary of test results and findings will be reviewed during an exit interview with a licensed physical therapist.

The Outpatient Rehabilitation at City Center is located at 3114 Cleveland Avenue in Fort Myers. Space is limited, so call 343-4960 now to make your reservation.✱

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DIY Hair Treatments



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers: I've lived in the bitter cold of Queens, New York and Somerset Massachusetts until I was 11 years old, then hot and humid Ocala and Gainesville, Florida for 35 more years, and recently the past 6 years in the

dry climate of Denver, Colorado. My hair's seen a lot, yet it's still thick and healthy so I'll share my DIY tips with you today. There's actually a much longer version of this article at my website.

Confession: I'm a little too attached to my bottle of It's A 10 Miracle and a flat iron straightener. Now, here are some tips:

Dry or Frizzy Hair

Avocado – Use half of a ripe, buttery avocado. For best results, blend it in a blender or mash it really well, so it is super creamy and smooth (trust me, you don't want to be picking out chunks of avocado from your hair). Natural fat in avocado will help smooth your hair strands and make them shine. You can thin this out with a little water. Shampoo it out.

Olive oil – The fats in olive oil can really luxe-up your locks, have you ever given olive oil to a dog to soften up his fur? Well, it works for you too! Use about one-quarter of a cup of it on its own or mixed with other ingredients for a beautiful sheen. It's so softening that this tip will

make people want to scratch behind your ears (kidding!). Shampoo it out.

Oily Or Flat Hair

Apple cider vinegar – OK, it doesn't smell great, but apple cider vinegar clears away excess oil and may help dandruff. Put two tablespoons in a spray bottle with four ounces of water, and spray onto your hair until damp. Shampoo (and/or condition) your hair like normal.

Corn starch – This fine white powder is a DIY dry shampoo. Sprinkle a tablespoon or two onto your hair for 10 minutes; then brush it out. The cornstarch will absorb excess oil and give you that instant shampooed look. This is nice if you're tired, have had recent surgery, or you're disabled. You can buy commercial brands of "dry shampoo," but they sometimes contain weird chemicals.

Balanced Normal Hair

Eggs – I prefer my eggs scrambled or as egg salad to be honest, but if you can get past the "ick" factor, the rich, fatty egg yolks moisturize and lend natural protein to your hair. Apply one or two lightly beaten eggs to your hair. You can also try just the yolks or just whites if you want to experiment, then shampoo as normal.

Beer – Yes, beer! You want to let it sit out in an open glass for an hour or so to eliminate the bubbles so it doesn't foam all over the place. Hide it so your hubby doesn't walk by and have himself a Bud. I don't have to worry about that because my husband hates beer (so do I actually) but the protein in beer adds structure to your hair, meaning it's a DIY hair volumizer.

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 (part 2)

Digestive Rumbles Resolved



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

Last week, you learned three techniques to resolve digestion troubles. This week, you splurged on the brie cheese appetizer, a rich gourmet white

sauce over grouper and a flaming dessert. Now what? EEM to the rescue with three more tools:

1. Using your knuckles with firm deep pressure, rub the large intestine neurolymphatic reflex points on the outside of your upper thighs for one or two minutes. Make nice deep circles as you move up and down on both sides at the same time. You just activated your large intestine to assist in digestion.

2. Place the right hand over the stomach organ itself, directly under the bottom of the left rib cage. With the other hand, place the thumb and baby

finger on the stomach points (see last week's column for location) and the index and middle finger at the inside edge of the eyebrows, close to the bridge of the nose. Hold for several minutes until you feel a shift. You are now connecting the energy of the stomach itself to the stomach meridian and bladder (which governs the nervous system).

3. Rub the ileocecal valve, which is situated between the small and large intestine on the right side of the body and governed by the kidney meridian. If you place the top knuckle (where it attaches to the palm) of the little finger of your right hand on your right hip bone with your palm flat and the rest of the fingers touching one another, you will be over this valve. Rub it with firm pressure while pulling up seven inches on an inhalation. To maximize the pressure, you may place your left hand on top of the fingers and press in. Repeat four times. End by pushing the fingers downward one time.

You should be feeling better already and all set for your next splurge!

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

Health And Wellness For Our Island Youth

submitted by FISH of SanCap

With the dramatic increase in childhood obesity, more and more kids are at risk for high levels of cholesterol, which is a major factor contributing to heart disease and stroke. Medical research shows that cardiovascular disease has its roots in childhood. One island family discovered just that.

Sara first came to FISH of SanCap when her daughter's pediatrician ordered a full blood panel due to a higher than average BMI. "I didn't understand it, since Emma isn't overweight. She's just a big kid, above average height and weight for her age. But the doctor said we needed to keep an eye on blood sugars and cholesterol and other things. Wow, I thought high cholesterol and diabetes were just an adult concern."

Sara requested emergency financial assistance for medical reasons, since she is underemployed and her insurance didn't cover the entire cost of testing. During the intake process, FISH staff discovered that Sara may benefit from additional assistance by using the Food Pantry as well as the children's Backpack Program, since her job was low-paying and she was having difficulties keeping enough food

in the house. Sara broke down, feeling that her inability to make more money caused her daughter's health problems. "I don't keep a lot of food in the house, and I am always grabbing something on the go for me and Emma. It just seems to be a better (and cheaper) option to grab something from the convenience store rather than make it at home. Because of that, our entire household is unhealthy, in so many ways. I just don't know what to do anymore."

Through case management and client counseling, FISH staff explained to Sara that there are ways to make healthier food choices while living on a budget, and informed her of upcoming nutrition, health and wellness seminars offered by FISH. "Living healthier is a family affair," said Nitza Lopez, FISH case manager. "Kids usually aren't the only ones at risk, so it's important to make this a family effort. The steps you take to improve your family's lifestyle can have a positive effect on your family's health not only now, but far into the future."

About a month later, Sara and Emma visited FISH and happily reported that Emma's cholesterol and blood sugar levels were within the healthy range, although on the high-end of healthy. Both Sara and Emma thanked FISH for their support and concern, and are looking forward to learning more about health and nutrition.

For more information on FISH programming, contact Nitza Lopez at 472-4775.*



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Doctor and Dietician

Hiking In Nature

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

Do you feel more calm the instant you step into nature? We certainly do! We love how the beautiful Florida weather enables us to be active in all of the outdoor sports we adore. Time spent in nature has amazing health benefits all on its own, plus science has found, when combined with hiking, the two can positively change your brain and even reduce depression.

We all know that sedentary lifestyles promote negative health outcomes. But studies also show that increased urbanization correlates with higher levels of mental illness, including depression. So, people who are sedentary and live in the city have this unfortunate duo to contend with. Fortunately, we have hiking and nature to turn to as a remedy. Hiking has numerous benefits including boosting

mental, emotional, physical and social well-being; enhancing the immune system; aiding in weight loss; and decreasing blood pressure, stress levels and depression.

How does combining hiking and nature help us? Many of us find ourselves lost in negative thoughts. We tend to ruminate or spend time rehashing the day's events. Rumination involves repetitive, negative self-thought. But hiking in nature can stop that. In a study in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, researchers tested how a 90-minute walk in nature, and a walk on a loud, busy four-lane street with traffic, affected ruminative thought. The urban walkers showed no changes. Those who went on the nature walk showed lower levels of self-reported rumination. In other words, they reported fewer obsessive, negative thoughts. They also demonstrated reduced activity in an area of the brain that relates to mental illness, showing improvement.

The next time you take a walk, try hike through a nature preserve or along the beach. Enjoy the beautiful sights and sounds, along with all their health benefits.

*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@info@caringmedical.com.**

VIP seating. Cost includes a buffet dinner, program, entertainment and the popular silent and Chinese auctions. Doors open at 5 p.m. with auctions from 5:30 to 8 p.m. and the dinner buffet from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Night For Life raises money for the Fletcher Trust Fund, which was established in 2004 to assist transplant recipients in Southwest Florida. An average of 22 people die each day in the U.S. due to a lack of available organs and tissue donors. If you are interested in finding out more about registering to be an organ donor, visit www.donatelifeflorida.org/register.

For tickets, call David Weinstein at 560-3401. To become a sponsor or if you are interested in donating auction items, call 247-3073.*

\$650 for second place, Fresh Legion Crew \$450 for third place and Sanibel Cafe \$250 for fourth.

Winners of the league's annual singles tournament were also awarded cash prizes. Terry Ricotta earned \$110 for his first place finish. Jimbo Gaubatz won \$90 for second. Jack Cunningham took home \$70 for third. Matt Hall earned \$50 for fourth. Kevin Pottorf and Nate Buffam won \$30 each for fifth/sixth and Mike DeWitt and Gator Gates earned \$20 each for their seventh/eighth finish. Twenty-one shooters from the Sanibel league participated.*

Got A Problem?
Dr. Connie Is Inby Constance
Clancy

Q: I am starting to get a little burned out with my work. Any suggestions on how to overcome this obstacle?

A: It sounds like you are getting a sense of getting a little run down and I am wondering if you might not even enjoy working at this point? It may be a good time to take off and allow yourself a break or vacation. How often or for how long is very individualized and unique. For starters, take breaks. It doesn't have to be a week or 10 days, or a month's vacation.

You can begin with a weekend

break. If you live in the country, perhaps take a trip into the city for something new and different.

If you live in the city, take a trip to the beach or countryside. It's helpful to get away from your surroundings and break up the monotony. It may even be good to go by yourself, as you just may need a break from everyone. It can be a time for reflection and free time just for you. Whatever you do, take some time and access how you are feeling. Is it comfort, relaxation, clear headedness? Lack of burden upon your mind is a wonderful experience.

When you come back to your daily routine and work, carry your time away mentally with you. You will find that you have more peace, energy, and an overall blessed feeling of having taken time out for yourself.

*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.**

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,

Over the years, I often wondered why my husband chose to marry me. It hasn't been wedded bliss for 50 years, but I have finally decided why.

My husband bosses me around like a child. I never initiate anything because he always does everything for me. He does what he wants, gets what he wants and I have never complained. I realize now I have no personality, no interest, no opinions... even when I am sick, he tells me how I feel. This arrangement has always been exactly what he wanted and rather than argue, I just went along to get along.

Our two daughters are like their father. They argue a lot with him, rebelled a lot but they both boss their husbands around, just like their father has done to me.

Our sons-in-law are both fed up, they have had it and want out of this family. My husband is completely mystified and

can't understand why. Please tell me, what has happened?

Vivian

Dear Vivian,

You are a passive follower, but maybe a victim of your own social conditioning. Men were the leaders and they were considered to be so much more intelligent, they made the decisions; women were supposed to keep the house and care for the children. But times have changed.

Your daughters may have inherited your husband's personality type, and with more progressive thinking "that women can do anything" with some, it has been taken to extremes. Some women are so aggressive, their husbands just get fed up being pushed around, so they leave. The pendulum for some has just gone to far.

Marriage counseling is a suggestion for your daughters and their husbands. So far as you and your husband are concerned, I doubt that change can ever happen. You have tolerated it for 50 years, accept the fact that he will never change because I don't think he ever will.

Lizzie

Dear Vivian,

By today's standards, you are still in middle age, and you have your health. If you are unhappy with your current situation, while you cannot change your husband, perhaps there are things you can do to change yourself so you can find more joy and contentment in life. It is never too late to explore change and growth for yourself.

For your adult children, they need to find their own way. It is probably true they learned their interpersonal and relationship skills at the feet of your husband. However, exploring growth, if any, is their decision.

Pryce

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

Benefit For
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Night For Life will celebrate its 10th anniversary at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre in Fort Myers on Monday, April 17 from 5 to 9 p.m. The fundraising event is sponsored by the Organ Transplant Recipients of Southwest Florida, Inc., to benefit local organ transplant patients and those on the transplant waiting lists. This event also raises awareness about organ donation.

Entertainment this year includes the popular local band 41 South. Tickets are \$35 per person, \$50 for

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Awards Banquet

for posting the most 4-0 matches during the league's 24-week season.

Tom Yorgey was named most improved player for the season. Yorgey, who plays for Fresh Legion Crew, raised his shooting average from 25 percent to 45 percent during the 2016-17 season.

Cash prizes were awarded to the four league teams in the order they finished the season. Bunt's Ball Busters won \$850 for first place, Sandycappers



Florida Vegetable Nachos

- 2 cups low-fat refried beans
- 1 cup broccoli, chopped small
- 1 cup radishes, chopped small
- 1 cup squash, chopped small
- 2 cups shredded pepper jack cheese
- 1/4 cup fresh scallions, chopped small

1/4 cup fresh cilantro, finely chopped
Tortilla chips

Spread refried beans at the bottom of a baking dish and sprinkle chopped broccoli, radishes and squash on the oven at 300 degrees F for 7 minutes. Remove baking dish from the oven and add cheese and tortilla chips on top and bake in the oven for 3 minutes more. After removing the baking dish from the oven, sprinkle nachos with scallions and cilantro. Add low-fat sour cream, fresh salsa and guacamole on the side. Serve immediately.

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PETS OF THE WEEK

Lee County Domestic Animal Services

Joey And Oreo

Joey is a 1-year-old pit bull mix male who is a high-energy pup with tons of love to give. His ideal home would involve an active lifestyle where he can continue his training that he is presently receiving at Lee County Domestic Animal Services. A canine friend would be a bonus! If you stop by the shelter to visit him, be sure to have the volunteers show you all the things he is learning.



Joey ID# 690976



Oreo ID# 694193

His adoption fee is \$50. Oreo is a 2-year-old domestic shorthair female who is a beautiful bi-color cat that has excellent manners. She loves our catteries and thinks she is in charge! She plays well with the other cats and loves to be brushed. If a lap cat is what you are looking for, she is your girl.

Her adoption fee is \$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 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.*

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Carrie And Amber

Hi, my name is Carrie. I'm just the cutest little kitten ever! I'm only two months old and just now ready for adoption. My foster mom has been giving me lots of love and now I'm ready to find my forever home. My adoption fee is \$125, which includes spaying and all vaccinations. Please call Diane at 860-833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at havenonearthanimalleague@yahoo.com to make an appointment to meet me.



Carrie



Amber

Hi, my name is Amber. I am a really sweet girl, about five years old. I am extremely lovable with dogs, other cats and all people! I am a beautiful black, long-haired kitty and front-declawed. I'm up-to-date on all shots and spayed. My adoption fee is \$75. I am currently residing with a foster mom. To make an appointment to see me, call Diane at 860-833-4472 or email Haven on Earth Animal League at

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

PAWS Of Sanibel

Hugo And Caramel

PAWS of Sanibel is trying to find a temporary foster for two dogs, beginning in April, while the owner continues to undergo cancer treatment, which is taking longer than anticipated and won't be finished until July. The dogs have been staying with friends since last fall, and the arrangement has been working great. However, they can only continue fostering them until next month.



Hugo and Caramel

The dogs can be fostered together or separate. They are bonded but also resilient and we know that two big dogs can be a lot for anyone. The family is staying with relatives on Sanibel, however, they're in a condo that doesn't allow pets. They would love to be able to visit with the dogs and would like to be able to walk them. They would provide all food, etc.

The two dogs are named Hugo and Caramel, short for Carmelita. Both dogs are around 3 years old. Hugo is a vivacious black labrador with a little mastiff mix and much like big teenager. He knows basic commands. He does great with dogs, so-so with cats, and he would do well with an experienced dog owner. He is a large, healthy dog.

Caramel is medium-sized Chow and Terrier mix, is a real good listener and pretty good at keeping Hugo in line. Caramel is a very obedient and attentive dog. They both are kennel trained and sleep together in the same large kennel.

They also go to the kennel for rest and and time out as their spot. They eat two scoops each of the same food, mornings and evenings. Food, bowls, kennel and supplies will be provided.

If you can help in any way, or foster one or both of these sweet dogs, call Pam at PAWS of Sanibel at 472-4823.*

PAWS Of Sanibel

Prince Harry

This handsome guy needs a forever home. Prince Harry is a young, approximately 1-year-old beautiful light orange Oicat mix with a beautiful



Prince Harry

coat. He has a lot of attitude/personality and loves to jump, run and play. He was picked up by the Sanibel Police on East Lake Road. He has been neutered, microchipped, combo tested and has had all his immunizations.

He seems to do fine with cats, but he does not like DOGS! He's being fostered currently, but only for a couple of weeks. PAWS would love to find him a great home with a wonderful family. As with all of the cats at PAWS, he must be kept inside, unless you teach him to walk on a leash during daylight hours only. Sanibel has become so overrun with wild critters that all small animals should be kept inside at night, and never should be allowed to roam free.

Call Pam at PAWS at 472-4823 with questions or to adopt Prince Harry.*

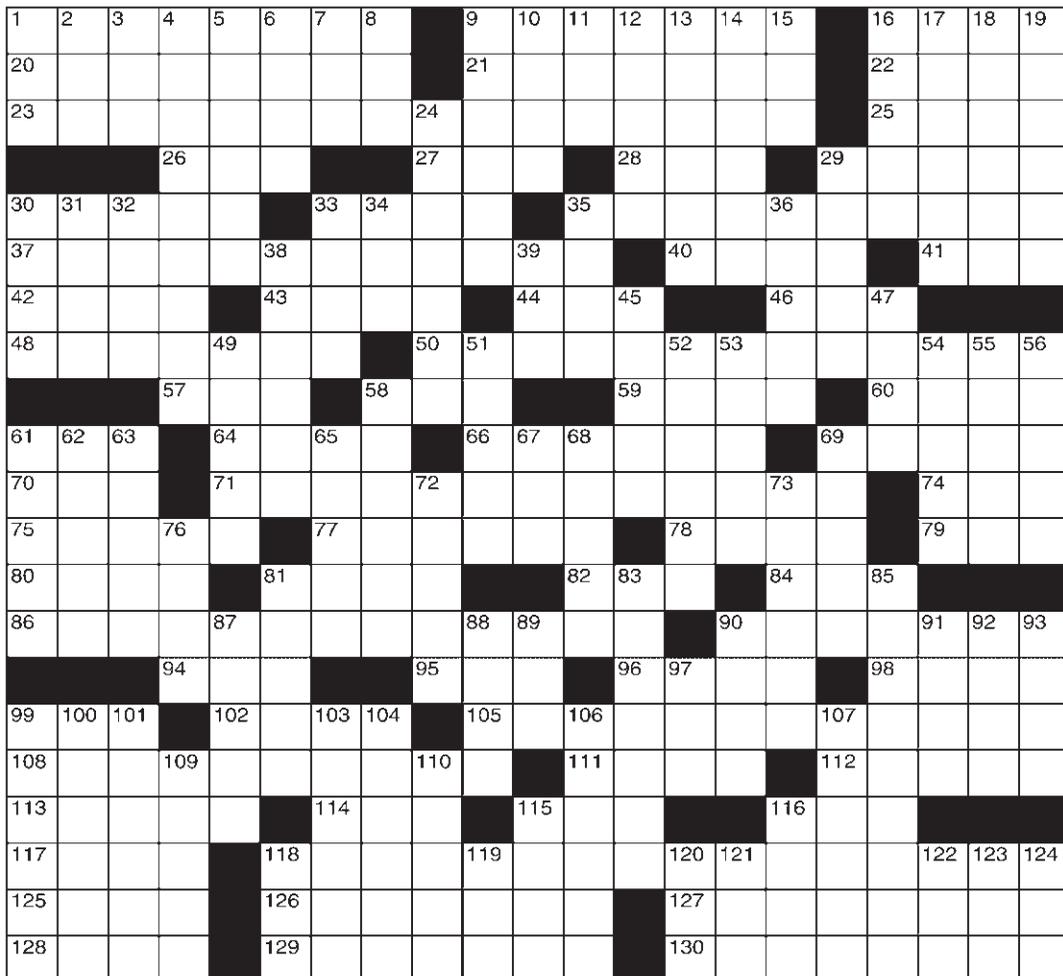
PUZZLES

Answers on page 37B

Super Crossword

SPLITTING THE LAND

- ACROSS**
- 1 Bullfights
 - 9 Taft or Tell
 - 16 Artistic work
 - 20 Natural balm
 - 21 Pundit
 - Huffington
 - 22 One of four on a diamond
 - 23 Lightning rod inventor
 - 25 Partly open
 - 26 Yoko who married John
 - 27 Chant
 - 28 One paying dues: Abbr.
 - 29 Photo, e.g.
 - 30 Pop or jazz, in Germany
 - 33 Throw with force
 - 35 Biblical "verily"
 - 37 Like much deep-dish pizza
 - 40 Arctic slab
 - 41 Pretty — picture
 - 42 Roadwork marker
 - 43 Morales of "Rapa Nui"
 - 44 Name a price of
 - 46 Shaming cluck
 - 48 Gleeful laugh
 - 50 Remotely
 - 57 Old TV's "— Na Na"
 - 58 Zee preceder
 - 59 City just west of Sparks
 - 60 Former coin of Italy
 - 61 The norm
 - 64 Orem's place
 - 66 — Marcus (high-end retailer)
 - 69 Male and female
 - 70 Org. for cavity fixers
 - 71 Korea, e.g. (or any of eight lands split literally in this puzzle)
 - 74 Horace work
 - 75 Numbers on clothing tags
 - 77 Apprehend
 - 78 Sub in a deli
 - 79 Motion "yes"
 - 80 First-time driver, often
 - 81 SI mass unit
 - 82 Apt., e.g.
 - 84 Manet works
 - 86 Old Brooke Shields sitcom
 - 90 "Good goin', kid!"
 - 94 Egg opener?
 - 95 R-V link
 - 96 With 8-Down and 113-Across, big Baja resort
 - 98 City east of Wichita
 - 99 Peculiar
 - 102 AFB truant
 - 105 Earthworm
 - 108 Verdant spot in an urban area
 - 111 Hits hard
 - 112 An inert gas
 - 113 See 96-Across
 - 114 Archaic verb suffix
 - 115 Stifle legally
 - 116 Back-to-sch. day
 - 117 Kuwaiti VIP
 - 118 Social networks or video games
 - 125 Uncourteous
 - 126 Virgin Mary's mother: Abbr.
 - 127 Groups of spreadsheet figures
 - 128 Went hastily
 - 129 Kitchen scourers
 - 130 Kind of
 - DOWN**
 - 1 Jitney cousin
 - 2 Cry at 1-Across
 - 3 Actor Palillo
 - 4 Ones crying "Hallelujah!"
 - 5 Daughter of Donald Trump
 - 6 Test version
 - 7 Onassis' nickname
 - 8 See 96-Across
 - 9 In a kind way
 - 10 Investments for later yrs.
 - 11 Hoopster Jeremy
 - 12 Léo Delibes opera
 - 13 Covered with foliage
 - 14 Creature
 - 15 Dude
 - 16 First lady Michelle
 - 17 — party (sleepover)
 - 18 Applications
 - 19 Tennis great Williams
 - 24 Beef up
 - 29 That is, to Livy
 - 30 Livy's 1,300
 - 31 "This looks very bad"
 - 32 Relating to China: Prefix
 - 33 Wash (down)
 - 34 Uncle Sam's land
 - 35 Rural assent to a lady
 - 36 "That's a lie"
 - 38 Italian ice creams
 - 39 China's — -tzu
 - 45 Merited fate
 - 47 Frilly veggie
 - 49 Sounds upon impact
 - 51 Zellweger of the screen
 - 52 Video game losses
 - 53 Navel variety
 - 54 Watergate president
 - 55 Belief system
 - 56 Simplified
 - 58 Having rapid rotation
 - 61 Histories
 - 62 "Goodbye"
 - 63 Tore down
 - 65 Be of help to
 - 67 Pub. staffers
 - 68 IV part
 - 69 Sty noise
 - 72 Smeltery residue
 - 73 One elocuting
 - 76 Within: Prefix
 - 81 Is sure about
 - 83 Spellbind
 - 85 Like Keelung residents
 - 87 Dale riding Buttermilk
 - 88 — Reader (quarterly digest)
 - 89 Anna of fashion
 - 90 Basics
 - 91 Audacious
 - 92 Roll topping
 - 93 Knitter's ball
 - 97 It spits out moola
 - 99 Leering sorts
 - 100 Solicit, as business
 - 101 Opt
 - 103 Receptive regarding
 - 104 Café drinks
 - 106 Adorns
 - 107 Café lures
 - 109 Dog- —
 - 110 Cut-rate
 - 115 Wedding ring
 - 116 Prefix with carpel
 - 118 Mag. edition
 - 119 Virusoid material
 - 120 Cruel Amin
 - 121 Atlas vehicle
 - 122 Wildcat's lair
 - 123 "FWIW" part
 - 124 Enzyme ending



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Scrooge's cry
- 4 Astronaut
- Grissom
- 7 Indiana politico Bayh
- 11 Egg
- 13 Fire residue
- 14 Predicate part
- 15 Thin tie with a clasp
- 16 Shelter, at sea
- 17 Corp. bigwig
- 18 Honey bunch?
- 20 Rhett's shocking word
- 22 Fresh
- 24 Shortcoming
- 28 Custodian
- 32 Broadcasting
- 33 PC picture
- 34 Set of tools and parts
- 36 Singer
- Campbell
- 37 Naval prisons
- 39 Own
- 41 Rachmaninov or Prokofiev
- 43 — -jongg
- 44 Volcanic outflow
- 46 Luxury boat
- 50 Bullets and such
- 53 Autumn mo.
- 55 Entrance
- 56 Serve tea
- 57 Pi follower
- 58 Napoleon's exile site
- 59 Nervous
- 60 Evergreen
- 61 Plaything
- com
- 8 Annoy
- 9 Exist
- 10 Peacock net-type work
- 12 Trumpet-shaped flower
- 19 Encountered
- 21 Cow's call
- 23 Stir-fry pan
- 25 Hay bundle
- 26 Falsehoods
- 27 Sea eagles
- 28 Triangular sails
- 29 Land measure
- 30 Black (Fr.)
- 31 Tear
- 35 Male cat
- 38 Cariibbean, for one
- 40 Express
- 42 Tusk material
- 45 Liniment target
- 47 Stallion, as a child
- 48 Vagrant
- 49 Salver
- 50 Gorilla
- 51 Chic, in the '60s
- 52 Coffee holder
- 54 AAA job

DOWN

- 1 Goes up and down
- 2 Acknowledge
- 3 Hawaiian dance
- 4 Guy's partner
- 5 Secondhand
- 6 Bundle of wheat
- 7 1990s Burt Reynolds sit-
- 8 Annoy
- 9 Exist
- 10 Peacock net-type work
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 J H M R O R C V E S A E L N F
 D B B O O I C I Y X D L L O V
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 G E D B Z X I S T N F W U U T
 R Q O N D E E D A I A L J S I
 G F D C A Y X W V P C M T S R

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

- Affidavit
- Deed
- Manifest
- Summons
- Ballot
- Diploma
- Manuscript
- Visa
- Brief
- Lease
- Patent
- Will
- Citation
- License
- Subpoena



"I couldn't make it in business, but as a bum, I've had tremendous _____!"

answer on page 37B

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!

Dubious
SCUTEPS

Seek
CHERAS

Pop
TRUBS

Train
CHEAT

TODAY'S WORD

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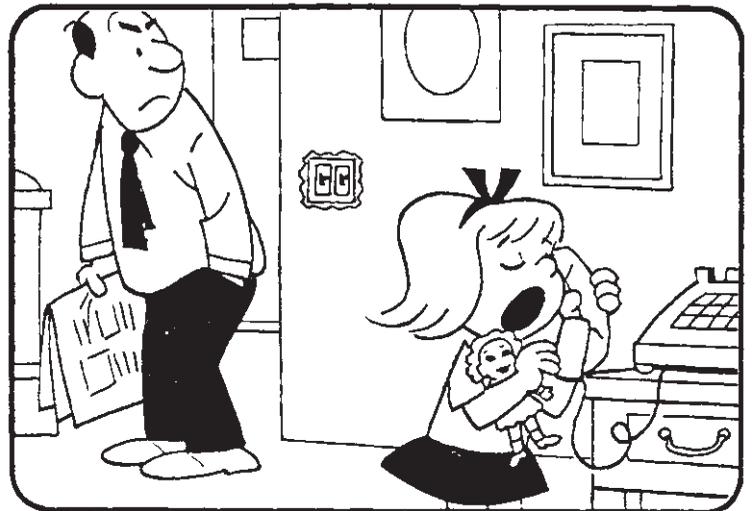
SUDOKU

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

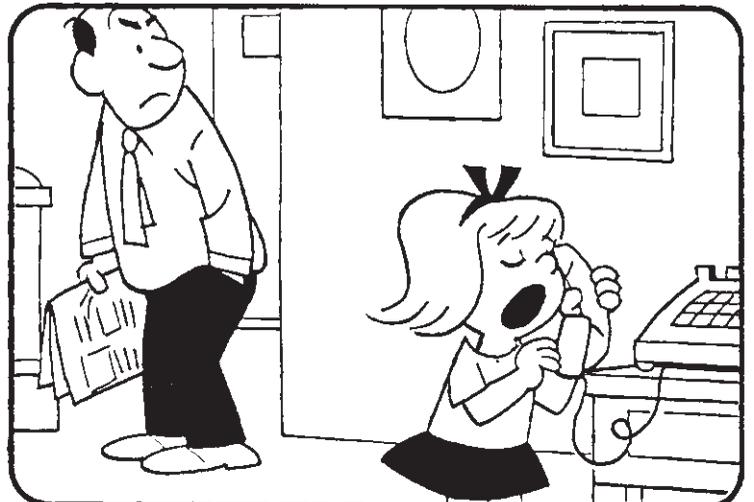
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS



Differences: 1. Tie is different. 2. Newspaper is smaller. 3. Switch is missing. 4. Picture is smaller. 5. Doll is missing. 6. Drawer handle is missing.

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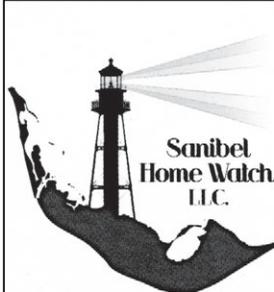
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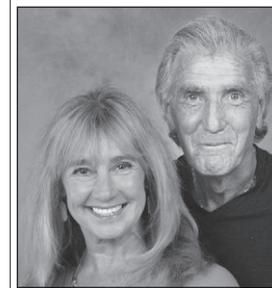


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FOR WEEK OF APRIL 10, 2017

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The Lamb loves to be surrounded by flocks of admirers. But be careful that someone doesn't take his or her admiration too far. Use your persuasive skills to let him or her down easily.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This is a good time to begin setting far-reaching goals and connecting with new contacts. Aspects also favor strengthening old relationships -- personal and/or professional.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A personal disappointment should be viewed as a valuable learning experience. Go over what went wrong and see where a change in tactics might have led to a more positive outcome.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't leave projects unfinished or personal obligations unresolved, or you might find yourself tripping over all those loose ends later on. A relative has important news.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Expect a challenge to the usual way you do things. Although you might prefer the tried-and-true, once you take a good look at this new idea, you might feel more receptive to it.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Much work has yet to be done to polish a still-rough idea into something with significant potential. Expect to encounter some initial rejection, but stay with it nonetheless.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There still might be some communication problems in the workplace, but they should be resolved soon. Meanwhile, that "tip" from a friend should be checked out.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A new relationship appears to need more from you than you might be willing to give right now. Best advice: Resist making promises you might not be able to keep.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That restless feeling encourages you to gallop off into a new venture. But remember to keep hold of the reins so you can switch paths when necessary.

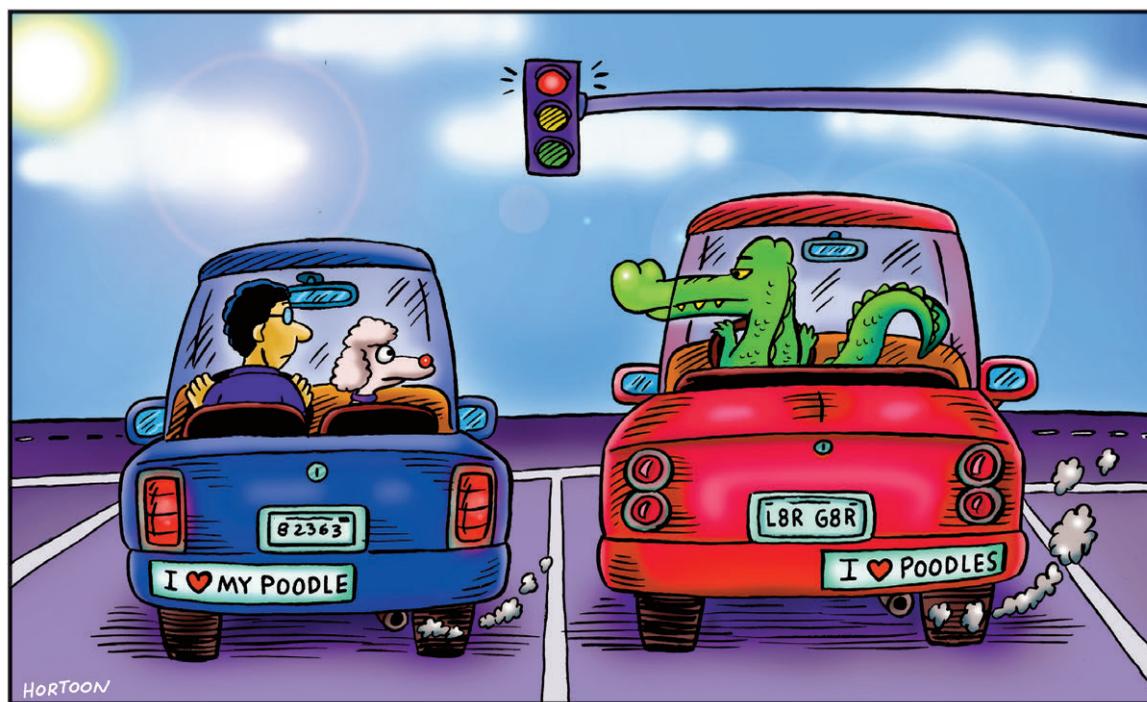
CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A demanding work schedule keeps the high-spirited Goat from kicking up his or her heels. But playtime beckons by the week's end. Have fun. You earned it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're beginning to come out from under those heavy responsibilities you took on. Use this freed-up time to enjoy some much-deserved fun with people close to you.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Before you get swept away by a tidal wave of conflicting priorities, take time to come up for air, and reassess the situation. You might be surprised by what you'll find.

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Barefoot Beach	Bonita Springs	1991	3,368	\$5,975,000	\$5,180,000	568
Bonita Beach	Bonita Springs	2000	4,348	\$3,698,000	\$3,450,000	20
Hermitage	Cape Coral	1998	4,088	\$2,290,000	\$1,720,000	87
St. Charles Harbour	Fort Myers	2004	8,500	\$2,000,000	\$1,925,000	40
Frowes Subdivision	Captiva	1948	2,813	\$1,795,000	\$1,820,000	8
Spring Ridge	Bonita Springs	2003	5,119	\$1,774,000	\$1,718,000	143
Bonita Beach	Bonita Springs	1953	1,440	\$1,499,000	\$1,400,000	70
Butterknife	Sanibel	2002	2,982	\$1,495,000	\$1,375,000	137
Southport On The Bay	Bonita Springs	1998	4,292	\$1,345,000	\$1,200,000	377



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