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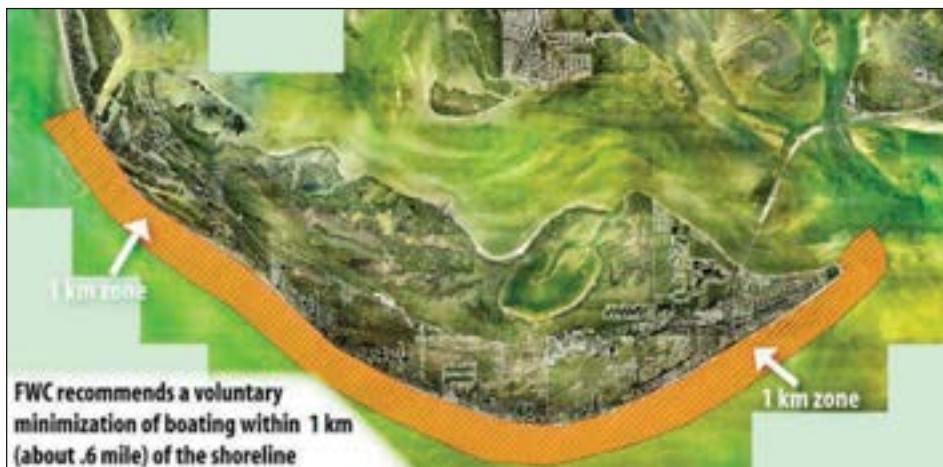
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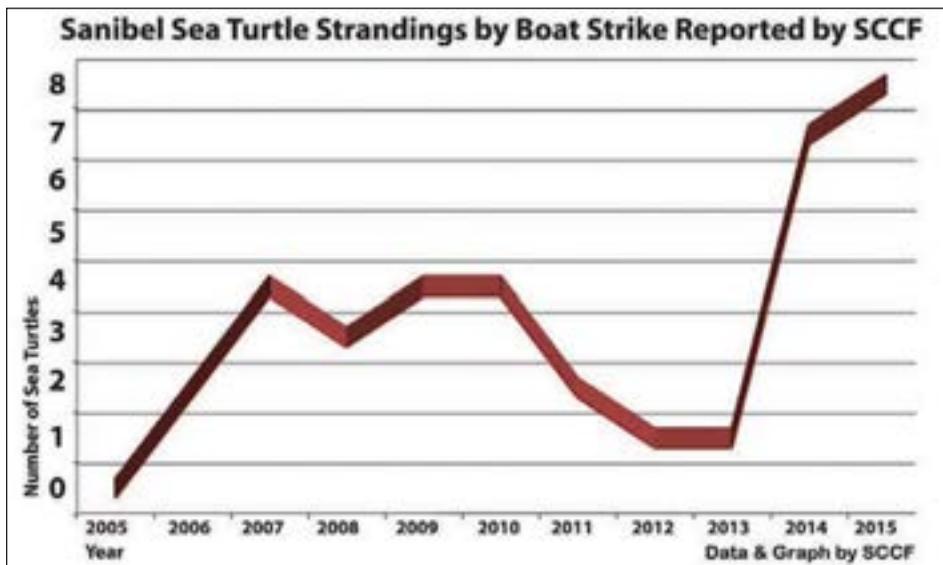
Be On The Lookout For Sea Turtles When Boating



There are things you can do to make boating safer for sea turtles. Obey No Wake Zones. Sea turtles can't read No Wake Zone signs and can be found anywhere in the water; please boat cautiously. Wear polarized sunglasses, which improve in-water visibility.

submitted by Kelly Sloan, SCCF Sea Turtle Coordinator

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation works closely with the City of Sanibel on monitoring the summer nesting of sea turtles. To date in 2015, SCCF has documented eight sea turtle deaths due to propeller and collision impacts from boats. Sadly, five of them were adult loggerheads.



From 2005 through 2014, there was an average of 2.8 strandings due to boat strikes as of April 8. In 2014, there were seven and in 2015 there have been eight.

The timing and location of our heaviest boat traffic correspond with adult sea turtles moving closer to shore for the breeding and nesting season. Because males are clasping females for very long periods during the breeding season, they are both burdened with limited maneuverability. Sanibel is an important beach for loggerheads nesting on the west coast of Florida, and every adult turtle is critically important for conservation efforts.

Experts estimate that only one in 1,000 sea turtles survives to adulthood. Yet that

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Each camper will be assigned his or her own sailboat

Junior Sailing Camps At Captiva Island Yacht Club

Registration is open for the 6th season of the Captiva Island Yacht Club's Junior Sailing Camp, for ages 8 to 15, to be held this summer. Families do not need to belong to the yacht club to participate.

The sessions run Monday through Friday for a two-week U.S. Sailing Beginner or Intermediate certification. The first session of the camp is scheduled for Monday, June 15 to Friday, June 26 and the second session will take place Monday, July 13 to Friday, July 24.

At the end of the first two-week session, every camper will be able to rig and sail a boat single-handed and properly handle a kayak. At the end of the second, campers should be well on their way to becoming skilled sailors. Youngsters will demonstrate their newly acquired skills at a Parents' and Friends' Day luncheon held at the club on the

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Islands Night Scheduled For June 17



Kicking off last year's Islands Night ballgame, the Beacons Quartet from Sanibel Community Church performs the national anthem. Sponsored by Bailey's General Store, the 22nd annual Islands Night returns to Hammond Stadium on Wednesday, June 17 as the Fort Myers Miracle take on the Daytona Tortugas at 7:05 p.m. Pre-game festivities, including the traditional parade around the diamond, begin at 5:30 p.m.

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Special Guests At Historical Village

Second-generation structural movers Charlie Flint and Tommy Doyle will make a presentation at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, at the Sanibel Historical Village. Their talk will take place in the village's Welcome Center, Shore Haven, one of the buildings Flint and Doyle moved to the village. Their presentation will cover the moving of Shore Haven from its previous home on Bay Drive to its new home in the historical village.

Since opening their first business in

1946, Flint and Doyle – and now their sons – expanded to be the largest structural moving company in Florida. Their expertise has brought them around the world as leading consultants in the structural moving business today.

This is the last Twilight Talk of the season. Reservations are required, as space is limited. Call museum manager Emilie Alfino at the museum, 472-4648, or email info@sanibelmuseum.org. The cost is \$5 per ticket; tickets must be paid for and picked up in advance at the museum office.

The Sanibel Historical Village is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays through April.

Beginning in May, the village will be open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The village is located at 950 Dunlop Road (next to BIG ARTS). Admission is \$10 for adults 18 and older; those under 18 and members are free. Docent-guided tours are available at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at no extra charge, based upon docent availability.

There is handicap access to all buildings. Admission for entrance to go only to the Museum Store is free. For information, call 472-4648 during business hours or visit www.sanibelmuseum.org.*

Donations Needed

The Center 4 Life is now accepting donations of clean, gently used items for the Trash & Treasures Sale to be held in November. All items

are tax deductible. You may bring them to the Center 4 Life between 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Please, no books, clothes, shoes, computers or old TVs.

The Center 4 Life is at 2401 Library Way. If you have any questions, call 472-5743.*

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SCA Events

Annual Meeting

Wed, April 22 6PM

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April 24 7 pm
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Chalk Painting

April 23 6p.m.


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Annual Meeting

Sanibel Community Association's annual meeting will be held Wednesday, April 22, at 6 p.m. Attendees will learn the status of the association and The Community House. Appetizers and beverages will follow the report. Reservations are necessary; call 472-2155 to reserve a place or stop by the Community House.



Chalk painting

Painting with Chalk

Have an ugly old wood frame that needs to be revitalized and renewed? Interested in picking up a new skill? Learn how to chalk paint with Carla. All materials provided: choice of color, a coordinating color wax and brush as well as the frame and full instruction from start to finish.

Each person will be painting an old garage sale picture frame. Learn how to turn tired, ugly frames into unique custom pieces that you will want to use in your home or give as a gift. Chalk paint is easy to use and dries quickly, so the frame you paint in class will be ready to take home immediately. If you have a piece at home that you would like to bring in and begin its transformation, feel free to bring it. Sometimes there is a contest to see who can bring in the ugliest piece to paint.

The class is on Thursday, April 23 from 6 to 9 p.m. Cost for Carla's Color Club is \$65 for members, \$70 guests.

Pre-payment and registration are required. Register by calling 472-2155 or go online at www.sanibelcommunityhouse.net, click on "donate now" then put the price in the other line and name of class in the acknowledgement section. Cancellation fees apply. Minimum number of students required.



Bayou Sunset by Sissi Janku is the painting she will be demonstrating April 24

Art and Wine Parties

Colorful sips! Local artist Sissi Janku will encourage the artist within to complete a masterpiece. No experience necessary. Party and paint with The Community House's professional art instructor creating your own work of art to take home. Come with friends, or come alone and make new friends. All the materials will be provided.

Bring your favorite wine and a snack for sharing with others.

The next party is Friday, April 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. Member price is \$40, non-members, \$45.

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St Michael's Last Luncheon

The women of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Sanibel, met April 13 for their last luncheon of the season.

The speaker, Kitty Mollman, has been widely anticipated as she is the daughter of architect Gustel Kiewitt. Her parents built a home on Sanibel in 1950 and she spent many delightful weeks here each year.

The history of St. Michael's tells of Kiewitt, who designed the Gothic style church constructed with interior tracery and a lack of central pillar support. Gothic style calls for walls and ceiling arches to carry the weight of the structure. The original building had seating for about 70 and the entry doors faced Periwinkle Way. A groundbreaking ceremony was held in September, 1960.

On Palm Sunday, 1961, the first services were held in the unfinished structure. Some have said that the inside of the sanctuary reminds them of the inside of a turned over boat (Noah's Ark?) There have been many changes and additions over the past years, but the integrity of the design has been maintained.

For those interested in more information about early Sanibel and the develop-

ment of St. Michael and All Angels, there is a *History of Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church from 1958 to 2008*, written by Dory Rooker and Alex Flesh. The book can be found in the church office.

Sue Fuller was the luncheon chairman ✨

Super Bunny



Chloe Lohser as Super Bunny

Our grand child Chloe, age two, visiting with her parents from Long Island, New York, celebrated Easter as Super Bunny at the beach on Sanibel. This photograph was submitted by proud grandparents Rene and Terry Lohser ✨

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Trouper The Blind Raccoon's Birthday Party And Nature Day



Addison Schriedeker, 3, from Cottage Grove, Minnesota meets Trouper the blind raccoon and his caretaker, Dot Lee, at the 2015 Sanibel-Captiva Lions Arts & Crafts Fair

On Saturday, April 18 from 1 to 3 p.m., the Wildlife Education Project (WEP) presents Trouper's sixth birthday party. The annual event is held this year at the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium in Fort Myers.

The family-fun event features games, photo opportunities and birthday cake. Onsite food service is available or bring a picnic lunch.

Trouper suffered a brain injury when he was eight weeks old and is blind as a result. Dot Lee, a certified wildlife rehabilitator, rescued the injured raccoon and has been his caregiver ever since. The two often travel with Kyle L. Miller, author of several books about the wildlife ambassador, to teach the public about the importance of having respect for all living creatures.

Schedule:

8:30 a.m. Health and nature walk;

10 a.m. Butterfly House and photos and Junior Naturalists provide close encounters with wildlife;

12 p.m. Planetarium show;

12:30 p.m. Meet Smokey the Bear;

1 p.m. Trouper's Birthday Celebration kick-off and meet Trouper;

2 p.m. Trouper's Teachings, wildlife show, Trouper's birthday cake and table activities;

3 p.m. Special planetarium show, Big Bird and the Universe.

Donations help benefit the Wildlife Education Project. Admission supports the Calusa Nature Center. Admission is \$10 per adult and \$5 for children three to 12 years of age.

For more information about Lee, Miller and Trouper, go to www.trouperraccoon.com or www.wildlifeeducationproject.org.

The Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium is located at 3450 Ortiz Avenue, Fort Myers. For more information, call 275-3435.*

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Lookout For Sea Turtles

one turtle that beats the odds can lose its life in an instant to a boat strike.

Every time you operate a boat you risk hitting a turtle. All boaters can save sea turtles lives by following these tips:

- Slow down and stay alert to avoid sea turtles. Wearing polarized sunglasses can help you better see marine life in your path.

- The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is recommending a voluntary minimization of

boating in the 1 km strip along the shoreline. Research indicates that adult loggerheads tend to concentrate in this area during the breeding and nesting season. If you need to boat within this area, please travel at idle speed so the sea turtles have a chance to dive out of your way. (Note: All areas within 500 feet of the beach are designated "Idle Speed" zones on Sanibel).

- Have a designated lookout on board. Be aware that sea turtle heads can look very similar to crab trap buoys.

- Obey all "No Wake" "Idle Speed" and "Slow Speed" zones, but realize that sea turtles are found everywhere, not just within the boundaries of these zones.*

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Jim Pigott chats with Janey Symington while Dave Saunders checks out the buffet table at the Captiva Civic Association's Spring Social held at the Captiva Community Center

Spring Social Staged At The Captiva Community Center

Although many Captivans have headed north to spend Easter with their families or to avoid the spring break crowd on the islands, a fair number stayed behind for food, fun and friendship at the Captiva Civic Association's Spring Social held on the evening of April 9.

An annual pitch-in affair at the Captiva Civic Association, this event signals the end of social season for the CCA. It is also an opportunity for many part-time island residents to say their goodbyes to friends and neighbors before heading north.



Carol Lloyd sticks a name tag on husband Bob Lloyd while Erin Hagen, the new administrative assistant for the CCA, looks on



It was a family affair for Sue Sherlock, far right, at the Captiva Civic Association Spring Social, who introduces her daughter, son-in-law and grandchildren to CCA Executive Director Paul Garvey



Bartender Alan Fugit pours a drink for Phil Union at the Spring Social



Molly Barbee chats with Shirley Stanton while George Barbee signs a name tag and Mathias, Ben and Nick Hitchcock look on

This year's Spring Social was held against the backdrop of the Island Contemporary Art Show that had just ended its exhibition at the Captiva Community Center's gallery. However, the artwork was still hanging on the walls.✧



Jim Pigott and Janey Symington listen to Sally Rheinfrank while her husband, Choppy Rheinfrank, hits the buffet table

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Ted Sawyer and Linda Massey converse over cocktails at the Spring Social



Some Captivans found a comfortable seat to avoid balancing food and drinks while mingling at the Spring Social



There was plenty of food, friendship and fun at the Captiva Civic Association's Spring Social



Ben and Nick Hitchcock find a comfortable seat on the floor while their parents and grandmother mingle nearby at the CCA's Spring Social

Earth Day At The Refuge Features Tours, Hikes, Art

Talk trash, meet Bagzilla, bike Wildlife Drive for free, observe plein-air artists and create earth-friendly crafts at this year's Earth Day at J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Sanibel on Saturday, April 18.

The refuge will celebrate the 45th anniversary of Earth Day in partnership with Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge and Tarpon Bay Explorers. Throughout the day, meet and greet "trashy" refuge educator Bagzilla, costumed in a year's worth of an average person's disposable bag consumption.

"This is the time for cyclists and hikers to do Wildlife Drive for free," said Ranger Becky Larkins, refuge education specialist and event organizer. "You can even get free bicycle rentals if you pick up at Tarpon Bay Explorers, our concessionaire, that day."

Below is the schedule for earth-friendly and free fun throughout the day:

Note: Regular tram tour fees apply (buy tickets at booth in parking lot).

- 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wildlife Drive is open free to bikers and hikers only (\$5 fee



Bagzilla, wearing a year's worth of an average person's disposable garbage bag consumption, and friend

per vehicle). Plein-art painters will be creating along Wildlife Drive throughout the day.

- 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free bike rentals from Tarpon Bay Explorers' location at 900 Tarpon Bay Road (returns by 6 p.m.)

- 9:30-11 a.m. Biking the Refuge Tour: Join a naturalist on the 4-mile Wildlife Drive/Indigo Trail Loop to learn about the refuge's bird life and ecology. Meet at the flagpole.

- 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Ongoing earth crafts in the Education Center Classroom featuring Recycling Educator Bagzilla (Education Center Auditorium) Crafts include soda-bottle flower pots, "Cloud Window" frames, "Mother Earth" ornaments, colorful plastic-bottle butterflies or jellyfish, and Plarn (plastic bag yarn) bracelets.

- 10 to 11 a.m. Guided hike along Indigo Trail. Join a refuge naturalist on a guided nature hike along Indigo Trail to the new wildlife education boardwalk. Meet at the flagpole.

- 10 to 11:30 a.m. Narrated refuge tram tour.

- 11 to 11:30 a.m. Reading in the Refuge. Family storytime about sea turtles. (Visitor & Education Center Auditorium)

- 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Narrated refuge tram tour

Noon to 12:30 p.m. Let's Talk Trash marine debris timeline competition for kids. How long does it take that trash to biodegrade in a marine environment? (Visitor & Education Center Auditorium)

Lunch on your own

- 1 to 1:30 p.m. Reading in the Refuge. Family storytime about manatees. (Visitor & Education Center Auditorium)

- 1 to 2:30 p.m. Narrated refuge tram tour

- 2 to 3 p.m. Guided hike along Indigo Trail with a refuge naturalist. the new Wildlife Education Boardwalk. Meet at the flagpole.

- 2:30 to 4 p.m. Narrated refuge tram tour

- 4 to 5:30 p.m. Narrated refuge tram tour

Regular tram tour fees apply (buy tickets at booth in parking lot).

For more information on Earth Day at the Refuge, call 472-1100 ext. 236 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/earth-day.*

Sanibel Conducts New Resident Reception

by Jeff Lysiak

For the first time since it became a city, Sanibel invited the newest island residents to a welcome reception and information session at MacKenzie Hall last Thursday morning.

A standing-room-only crowd of more than 110 citizens filled the hall, where the new residents were asked to place a foil sticker of where they lived on a giant map of Sanibel. Mayor Kevin Ruane, joined by Vice Mayor Mick Denham and fellow councilman Marty Harrity, offered a few remarks to the audience, and encouraged community participation for all of the newcomers.

"Water quality, financial stability and redevelopment are the top three priorities of this city," said Ruane, who offered a brief overview of how the local government is conducted.

"We live in the sunshine and we operate under the Sunshine Law," Denham told the crowd, explaining the benefits of Sanibel's transparency when it comes to communications between residents and city officials.

City Manager Judie Zimomra, who helped organize the new resident reception, introduced several members of the city's staff attending the event, including Lt. William Dalton of the Sanibel Police Department, City Clerk Pamela Smith,



Mayor Kevin Ruane, left, welcomed more than 100 citizens to MacKenzie Hall last Thursday morning during Sanibel's inaugural New Resident Reception

photos by Jeff Lysiak

Acting Natural Resources Director Holly Milbrandt, Planning Director Jim Jordan, City Attorney Ken Cuyler and Public Works Director Keith Williams.

"We know that this is a world class travel destination, but that's not our focus. Our focus is the day-to-day operations of your city," said Zimomra. "Our city council is really receptive to your input, so that's the direction that this community goes."

Several new residents who attended the reception spoke highly of the city conducting an event like this.

Ray Thompson, who in January moved with his wife, Diane, from neighboring Fort Myers Beach, is enjoying the island lifestyle.

"I love biking, visiting 'Ding' Darling, Bowman's Beach and the restaurants," noted Thompson, a native of Orchard Park, New York. "I like my neighbors... and we have a gopher tortoise that lives on our property."

Fellow newcomer Greg Job, who moved here from Princeton, New Jersey, last December, added his affinity for living on Sanibel.

"It's been crowded, but wonderful," he said. "I wanted to come today to learn more about the community and maybe meet some nice people."

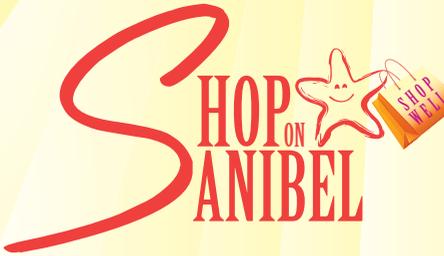
During the reception, audience members were invited to ask local leaders and city staff any questions. Among those discussed were why more people and

facilities on Sanibel don't employ solar panels, why the island doesn't allow circular driveways and how the city is dealing with traffic congestion issues.

Ruane noted that the city is "more than aware" of the traffic congestion experienced in recent months, and promised the topic would be addressed during the May 5 city council meeting.

"The problem isn't just going to go away," he said. "Our job is to ease traffic as much as possible... One thing I don't want to do is overpromise and underdeliver."

"We work for you... get involved," added Harrity. "We're here. We work as a team and we all want to live in harmony."*



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City of Sanibel employees, from left, City Clerk Pamela Smith, Dakota Phillips, Tom Downin and Scotty Lynn Kelly



Planning Director Jim Jordan and City Attorney Ken Cuyler



New island residents placed foil stars on a map of Sanibel indicating where they live



Prior to the reception, residents checked in and received a welcome packet



A standing-room-only crowd filled MacKenzie Hall for the reception



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Looking Back:

Basil Osmond Standing In Front Of John Illyin's House



Visit the History Gallery to learn more about the unique and diverse history of Captiva. Interpretive panels and touch-screen access to historic photos are featured. Step aboard a wooden replica of the old mailboat, *Santiva*, to capture the spirit of the island. The History Gallery is accessed through the Captiva Memorial Library, located on Chapin Lane and open during library hours. This week's image is Basil Osmond, a Russian, standing in front of John Illyin's Fish House on the bay, built by Mr. Long in 1912. The house, located on Captiva Drive, was left to Osmond when Illyin died in 1966.

photo archives of the Captiva Island Historical Society



Instruction begins each morning at Captiva Island Yacht Club, next to 'Tween Waters Inn

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Junior Sailing Camps

closing Thursday of each session followed by a family open sail day on Friday.

Activities begin each morning at the Captiva Island Yacht Club, next to 'Tween Waters Inn on Captiva and move to the waters of Roosevelt Channel. Each Friday, the program will feature Fun Fridays including paddle boarding, kayaking or a sailing outing. Pick-up is at 4 p.m. each day.

The enrollment fee is \$600 per two-week session. Each child will be assigned

his or her own sailboat, and there will be a certified instructor for every three to five students.

The only qualification for participation is successful completion of a swim test (50-yard swim, tread water, put on a PFD (personal flotation device) in the water and swim back 50 yards wearing the PFD).

Early sign up is recommended as enrollment is limited. For enrollment forms or more information, contact Lauren Davies at 472-9627 or Accounting@CaptivaYC.net. Forms are available for download on the club website www.captivaiyc.net/activities/juniorsailing.



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American Legion Post 123

On Sunday, April 19, American Legion Post 123 will hold a celebration of life for past Post

Commander Jim Welker from 2 to 6 p.m. There will be a potluck donation buffet.

The following Sunday, April 26, the legion will serve barbecued ribs and chicken.

Nine-ball pool tournaments are played every Monday at 6 p.m.

"Hump day" specials are served all day on Wednesdays.

On Fridays, a six-ounce ribeye steak sandwich is available all day. There are daily specials as well as the popular half-pound burgers. Food is served from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. The public is welcome.

If you have a flag that needs to be

retired, drop it off at your convenience.

Hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 9 p.m.

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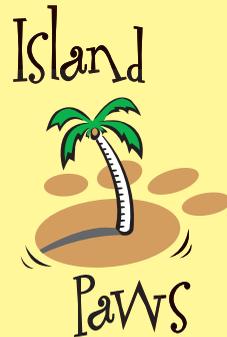
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OBITUARY



JUDY MICHIE

Judy Michie was born December 12, 1938 in Kansas City to Stanley and Arleta Hamilton. She attended Kansas State, majoring in journalism.

Judy started out her career in hospitality as a Harvey Girl, working for her father at the Harvey Restaurants in the midwest and southwest U.S. states.

She and her parents moved to Fort Myers Beach in 1958, where they opened the Newport Star Restaurant. She met and married Donald Michie and they went on to run the Beach Bowl, where Judy was a professional bowling instructor.

After successfully guiding five children through Kindergarten, Judy was awarded a Master of Rhymes from SanCastle Kindergarten on Fort Myers Beach.

She then became the first paid secretary of St. Raphael's Episcopal Church in

1965 and worked in that capacity until 1980. Many hours were spent at the church organizing coffee hours, pancake breakfasts, potluck dinners, weddings, funerals, Shrimp Festivals and anything else you can think of. Judy loved to be in the kitchen and in charge!

She began a new career in 1982 and went into the real estate business, first joining Fantasy Island Realty, then Sanibel Realty for 13 years, and Prudential for another four years.

While at Sanibel Realty, Judy was honored by the Sanibel Captiva Board of Realtors as the Realtor of the Year, without having ever sold a piece of property! She was honored in 1993 by Prudential as the Rental Associate of the Year as well. She was so enthusiastic about her work that it was long rumored that Judy could sell a refrigerator to an Eskimo living in an igloo.

In 1997, she and daughter Sharon started the Cottages To Castles vacation rental agency on Sanibel, where she held court, gave advice for five cents and was known to be a straight shooter. She loved greeting guests and owners first with a handshake, then with a hug. Her July 4 Parade and Luminary Festival parties are the stuff of legend, with her Christmas displays only taking a backseat to her famous Reindeer Punch and much sought after fruitcake.

Judy was active in the church choir, ABWA, water quality issues, the St. Raphael's Church Shrimp & Stone Soup Dinners and the Fort Myers Beach Shrimp Festival. She spearheaded the annual shrimp roll sales for over 50 years, mixing up her famous recipe for all to enjoy.

She is survived by her husband Donald; children LeeAnne Proulx (Marc), William "Chip" (Dina), Andrew, Sharon and Martin (Jen); grandchildren Lauren Proulx Conforti (Ryan), Ian Proulx, Erin Michie, Kristen Michie, Markie Johnson, Deanna Michie, Samantha Rivera and

Evan Michie.

She was loved by many and will be missed by all. Judy was one of a kind. Her lifelong message was to always love one another and to be kind.

A memorial service will be held at St. Raphael's Episcopal Church, 5601

Williams Drive; Fort Myers Beach, on Saturday May 2 at 1 p.m. A good time will be had by all. Per Judy, that's an order!

In lieu of flowers, Judy requested that donations in kind be made to the Saint Raphael's Church Kitchen Fund.*

OBITUARY



MICHAEL ALTERI

Michael Alteri of Wolcott, New York, died peacefully in his sleep on Sunday, March 8, 2015. He was born in Wolcott on September 3, 1921 to Luigi and Sylvia Alteri and was a lifelong resident of Wayne County and winter resident of Sanibel, Florida.

He was raised in Wolcott, graduated from Leavenworth Central and attended Washington College in Chestertown, Maryland. Graduating early, Michael enlisted in the navy and was sent to the U.S. Naval Reserve Midshipmen's School at Notre Dame for an accelerated officers training program. Michael served

as a naval officer in the Pacific Theatre during WWII where he was the skipper of an LCT. After the war, he served as a press liaison officer during Operation Crossroads, an atomic weapon test conducted at Bikini Atoll in 1946.

At the conclusion of his active naval service, Michael returned to Wolcott, raised a family and co-owned and operated the lumber and hardware store now known as Wolcott Building Supply and Home Center. He was always involved in community activities, from coaching the American Legion baseball team to serving as president of the Wolcott Lions Club.

Outside of Michael's local involvement, he served as president of the Northeastern Retail Lumber Association and was a founding and continuous member of the Wayne County Industrial Development Agency for 36 years, much of which time he acted as chairman of the agency's board.

On Sanibel, he was a 20-year volunteer within the community that included the SCCF Native Plant Nursery, official snake deterrent for his wife who was a docent on wildlife walks for SCCF trails, for the historical museum, he was an avid story teller, gardener and docent.

He is survived by his wife Margaret Alteri and two children, Jeffrey and Leslie Alteri, his sister Nathalina Powell and her children Barry and Terry Powell.

In his honor, do something for your community or neighborhood. Talk to those around you. Enjoy someone's company, have a drink, tell a story. That's how he would appreciate being remembered.*

OBITUARY



ELIZABETH HARBAUGH BUTTLER

Elizabeth Harbaugh Buttler - A Life Well Lived.

Elizabeth was born in Mansfield,

Ohio on August 10, 1926. She died April 8 near Sanibel. Ralph Ignacious Harbaugh and Josephine Harbaugh, her parents, predeceased her, along with her beloved brother Ralphie. Surviving her are her daughter Pam Monahan and husband Ken Monahan and her granddaughter Phaidra McDermott and husband Jeff McDermott.

"Mau Mau," which is how she was known to almost anyone, lived life to the fullest.

Mau was married in late 1948 to her Marine sweetheart John Buttler, who later became the police chief of Mansfield, Ohio and then Sanibel's first chief of police. The "Chief" passed away in 2006.

Employment as a bookkeeper in both Mansfield and Sanibel was truly suitable. A "bookkeeper" she really was, with a library of over 500 books, many read multiple times.

Mau was an avid football fan, as you might expect from a cousin of Jim and John Harbaugh. When Notre Dame or Ohio State was playing, you would ask "polite" company to keep their distance, as the unbridled expletives were verbally hurled at her teams' opponents.

Dogs were some of her favorite com-

panions. All K9s sought her out! The cookie jar at Mau's house wasn't filled with human treats. Spooky, Rocky, Mitzie, Carbon, Jimmy Buffet and Sloopie all adored her. Upon hearing of a lady who couldn't afford her dog's needed surgery, she immediately sent money to this complete stranger.

Her compassion and caring extended to all.

Earlier in her life, one might have heard, "No encyclopedia needed, just ask Betty" (aka Mau). Later, her family and friends didn't Google, they just asked Mau. Football teams, college locations, historical dates and facts, geography... she knew it all!

With a talent for design and building, Mau constructed many homes on Sanibel and a couple in North Carolina. When friends or family were remodeling or building, they would always seek her advice.

Navigation was another one of her skills. She was happy at the helm of their trawler, *The Phaidra*, and even happier having margaritas on the fly bridge. Traveling by land or sea, if you wanted to know the best way to get there, Mau would direct you.

After her husband's retirement, she wanted to see the world, particularly the Far East. So cruising they went. From the Philippines to Thailand. Costa Rica was one of her favorites also.

Mau was a dedicated wife, a loving mother, a doting grandmother and a steadfast friend. She will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her.*

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OBITUARY



JIM WELKER

Jim Welker, resident of Sanibel since 1972, owner of J. and J. Grading Company and the Cracker Box restaurant, known as the “piano man” and also the past commander of American Legion Post 123 of Sanibel, lost his battle on December 22, 2014.

One year and five months prior, Jim went in for a routine surgery. The surgery went wrong, leaving him to fight for his life. He gave it his all, living way beyond all doctors’ prognosis. Spending

months and months in and out of the hospital and rehab, he was still able to make it. Not only was he able to play at the Cracker Box for five weeks around February and three and a half months this past summer, he showed up for the American Legion’s monthly meetings. This inspired many to never give up.

Jim and his wife Judy of 58 years moved their family of seven to Florida from Fort Wayne, Indiana to help Jim’s twin brother Gene. They came to help run and play music at his restaurant, the Golden Sands, where the Fish House is today. A few years later they started their own restaurant and later the grading company.

Many lives have been touched by both

his involvement on Sanibel from building the first pool at Sanibel Elementary School to commander of the American Legion for five years. He may have been your favorite customer because he was always a big tipper or he graded your property. Hundreds of people have had the great opportunity to sit in with him to play wonderful music together or just to listen.

He opened for Buck Owens, Jerry Lee Lewis and Jimmy Buffett. His stories have been written up in magazines and newspapers all the way to Germany and Canada, not counting stories locally.

If you were one of the lucky ones to have had the chance to have this wonderful man make a small footprint in your

life, then you were blessed. He has left behind many family members including five children, 12 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and countless kids that are now adults that he helped raise on Sanibel along with the other true islanders.

The day we posted of our loss on Facebook, over 3,600 people viewed this in the first 24 hours, not counting the endless people who are still finding out today and for many more months to come.

The American Legion Post 123 of Sanibel has set aside a day to honor and remember Jim Welker. Please join us for this special day, Sunday April 19, from 2 to 6 p.m.✧

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Saint Isabel Women's Guild Lunch

The March meeting of the Saint Isabel Catholic Church Women's Guild was a fashion show and light lunch. Guild members modeled the newest looks from Sanibel's own Chico's store.

Decor celebrating the Easter season and a lunch of salad and crostini made the perfect setting for viewing the colorful and comfortable outfits. An additional shopping inspiration was Chico's generous offer to donate 10 percent of all purchases made by event attendees to the guild's charitable efforts.

The final activity for this season will be an April luncheon at Captiva Yacht Club featuring the installation of new officers and a review of a very successful year.✧

Card Of Thanks

FISH/Farmer's Market Partnership

After six months of delicious fruits, vegetables, breads, cheeses and other foods, the Sanibel Farmer's Market season is coming to an end. Betsy Ventura and Jean Baer, co-managers of the Sanibel Farmer's Market, organize and staff the market throughout season.

At the end of every market Sunday and at the suggestion of Betsy and Jean, vendors tirelessly pack boxes of unsold fruits and vegetables for the FISH food pantry. FISH volunteers load and unload fresh fruits and vegetables, bagels and treats each Sunday afternoon.

FISH and our clients greatly appreciate the generosity of the farmer's market. We cannot thank Betsy and Jean enough for encouraging the vendors to supply healthy choices for our clients year after year. Their continued support is an integral part of the success of our food pantry.

And, a huge thank you also goes out to our volunteer teams, many of which included island youth earning community service hours. We could not have done it without you.

– Maggi Feiner, FISH president and CEO.✧

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Easter basket table decorations went home with those with upcoming birthdays



Shirley Bonherf sports the latest in casual wear and a beautiful smile.

Continental Club Honors 109-Year-Old

The April meeting of the Continental Women's Club of Greater Fort Myers was a very special one. It honored Jennie Truncale, who was celebrating her 109th birthday. She's still going strong and enjoyed it when all of her Continental sisters serenaded her with birthday wishes and presented her with a special birthday cake.

Jennie made bullets during World War II. She was one of the women who replaced two million men called into the Army and Navy in 1942. She is a longstanding member of the Rosie The Riveter Association.

Continental Women's Club of Greater Fort Myers is open to women living in the area who are interested in both social and philanthropic endeavors. Yearly membership is \$20 and provides members with interesting programs throughout the year. Meetings are held the first Thursday of the month at Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way in Fort Myers. Their next luncheon meeting is May 7 at 11:30 a.m. The cost of lunch is \$19 per person, and reservations are necessary.

If you enjoy meeting with active



109-year-old Jennie Truncale

women who enjoy raising money to award scholarships to young women, provide food and clothing for those in need as well as taking part in numerous social events, think about becoming a member. It has bridge and bunco clubs, a book club, a lunch bunch and dining out group. It also offers various trips for members. For more information, call Margie Connor at 561-8973. ✧

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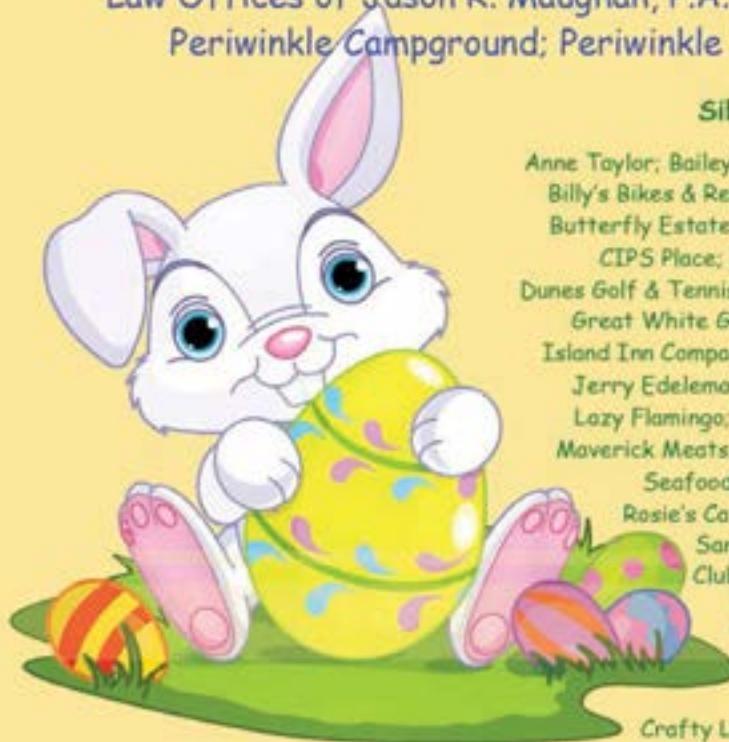
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Childrens Center Spring Festival



A true beach kid, she can't decide between picking up Easter eggs or playing in the sand



Emalee Peach tenderly chooses her favorite egg to pick up



Quin Carter proves that even the littlest ones on the hunt can find some goodies

The Children's Education Center of the Islands held its 21st annual Spring Festival on April 4 at the Sanibel Community Park. The festival, established for the children of our community, attracted the largest turnout in the history of the event. Organizers thanked all the families who came to support the school.

The morning began with the traditional Easter egg hunts for the little and not-so-little ones. Children ages 3 and under took their time collecting eggs while the older kids in different areas gathered eggs in record time. The very popular egg hunts were followed by games, crafts, face painting, a giant slide, bounce house, pony and unicorn rides along with music.

The highlight of the day for the children was a visit from the Easter Bunny and having their pictures taken with him. Coming a close second in popularity were the unicorn and pony rides. Two gigantic Easter baskets and a huge penguin were raffled off and won by excited and lucky winners.

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Even the big kids enjoyed the Spring Festival. Sofia DeCosta poses with her favorite bunny asking for lots of chocolate and candy in her basket for the next day



Chloe Martinez is pleased with the number of eggs she collected during the hunt



Bode Lackenby was spotted sneaking some of his Easter egg hunt candy while keeping cool



Looking fabulous, Liza Agibalova shows off her face paint



Gia Lackenby and Scotty Tongyai, both Children's Education Center alumni, are still best buddies



Children's Education Center alum Phoebe Stimer wore her cat ears while eating her snow cone



Emma Spencer is very proud of the number of ducks she scooped up for a prize



Sean Sawicki takes a break from his cotton candy to smile for the camera



Snow cones are always a tasty treat



Madison Byrne gets a super cool tattoo from Children's Education Center board member Kimm Cavanagh



Children's Center alum Kate Sawicki looks beautiful - with her face painted by Mrs. Wells - creating a visor to shade her face



Charlee Armstrong loved riding the pony



Ally Flynt rides on a unicorn



Kayla Cavanagh riding her very own unicorn

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Spring Festival

Many thanks to all the local businesses that sponsored and donated items for the silent auction. Proceeds from the event will benefit the Children's Education Center of the Island's scholarship fund. The center is a non-profit parent co-op supported by the family friendly communities of Sanibel, Captiva and Fort Myers. ✨

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Maggi Feiner, FISH president and CEO; Pam Dennin, University of Sanibel tennis pro; Ann Runyon, University of Sanibel president; Curt Will, University of Sanibel athletic director; and John Pryor, FISH board chair

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The Fort Myers Symphonic MasterSingers

This Sunday, April 19 at 4 p.m., the Fort Myers Symphonic MasterSingers will be in concert at Sanibel Community Church. The concert features both the Symphonic MasterSingers' large chorus as well as the Chamber Chorus in The Voice of the Masters, a reverent performance of excerpts from master works including music by Schubert, Bach, Hogan, Bernstein and Handel, among others, and accompanied by the orchestra. The concert is free, with a love offering being received.

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FISH of Sanibel-Captiva will be holding the following events in May:

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- Budgeting Workshop with Cheryl McConahy, Tuesday, May 12, 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the FISH Walk-In Center. Call Christine or Jessi at FISH for more information, 472-4775.

- Friendly Faces Lunch, Tuesday, May 12, 11:30 a.m. at George & Wendy's Seafood Grille. Visit with FISH staff, volunteers, and board members. Cost. \$8 per person, all inclusive. RSVP to Sally Ennis, 395-8821.✱

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The recital will be performed by the Chapel organist Lynne Dugan. This is Dugan's eighth season at the Chapel by the Sea as music director and organist. Works by Bach, Buxtehude, Couperin and Langlais will be featured as well as both traditional and contemporary sacred music.✱

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The Tarpon Have Arrived



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Another week of warming water temperatures kept our fishing action going strong despite some of the worst daytime tides we have seen in quite some time. Even

during several hours of slack water we had to deal with on a few of the windier days, the snook and redfish bite was just crazy for what seemed like no logical reason. After the last few weeks of spending lots of time in the passes on a almost non-stop snook and big trout bite, this ground to a halt due to the poor daytime tides on the back side of a full moon. With best tide movement coming late night and really early in the mornings, it will be just a matter of these tides flipping over till the daytime pass bite is back on.

Fishing one morning this week with Jane and Peter Drew of Sanibel, along with Jane's brother David visiting from England, we had what you could only call a on fire trip. We spent roughly two hours on a mangrove shoreline that was our first stop of the day. This wind-blown shoreline was just going off with fish coming from all over to eat our live shiners. When the bite would slow a little, I would pick up and move another 20 yards or so down and it would be on again. Besides catching lots of undersized snook, we had five keeper-sized redfish ranging from 18 to 27 inches along with releasing a super fat 38-inch snook that had to be right around 20 pounds. And just before that monster, we lost another snook of roughly the same size. With no tide running, the only water movement was from the southeast wind. This was an awesome bite and a days fishing I know we will all remember for a long time.

During periods of calm winds on these no tide days, mangrove and pass action proved tough going for a few hours. Mixing it up, I made the choice to run and go look for that first tarpon of the season. Riding through all of the regular bay tarpon hangouts, I was yet to see a



Peter Drew of Sanibel with a 27-inch redfish caught while fishing with Capt. Matt Mitchell this week

single rolling fish until we slid into a favorite deep channel up by Cayo Costa. After watching tarpon roll and free jump for a few hours, we could just not get one to take a bait. The following day, I located lots more tarpon in the bay much closer to home. Despite having them all around us for a few hours, we still did not get a hook up.

Even though the tarpon "monkey" is not off my back yet, it felt great to be hunting tarpon again and watching these fish do their thing. Nothing else that swims in our water brings on this level of angling excitement. With so many tarpon already showing up, it's looking like it could be one of the better tarpon seasons

we have seen in recent years.

Channel edges just inside the bigger passes were a good place to catch a mixed bag of fish during the slow moving tides. Spanish mackerel, ladyfish, jacks, trout and small blacktip sharks all ate free lined shiners. Look for where the white sand channels run against the grass flats to set up and target these fish. With the water so clear in the northern sound, it's super easy to spot these natural fish highways. Silver spoons and jigs worked through these same areas will also get it done. But when the bite is a little off due to slow tides, nothing beats a live bait.

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.*

Send Us Your Fish Tales

The *Island Sun* would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the *Island Sun*, 1640 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, Sanibel, or email to press@islandsunnews.com; or call 395-1213.

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CROW Case Of The Week:**Feeding Babies**

by Patricia Molloy

Springtime means baby feeding time at CROW. Students and volunteers work around the clock to feed a wide variety of adorable youngsters that call Southwest Florida home.

The raccoon room contains dozens of little bandits that chatter day and night. They are generally orphaned and incidents of rabies and distemper are low in baby raccoons. They are also tube-fed and/or bottle-fed a milk supplement until they transition to solid meals.

Virginia opossum babies must be tube-fed a dried milk supplement every three hours. Once they are old enough to eat solid foods, the scavenging omnivores are fed a mixture of fruits, mice and soaked kitten chow.

While raccoons and opossums are kept in species-specific rooms on the ground floor of the clinic, the nursery on the main floor is where tiny birds, young tortoises and baby squirrels are located. The long countertop contains a neat row of towel-lined containers and incubators from which hungry patients chirp and chatter in between meals and naps. Depending on the type, birds are fed special blends of fresh berries and seeds

(songbirds) or fish (seabirds) or even meat (raptors eat rodents). Some birds must eat every hour in order to maintain a healthy weight.

Young squirrels are tube-fed three to four times per day Fox Valley formula, a milk replacer specifically designed for them. Once the healthy squirrels are weened and can eat soaked monkey biscuits, vegetables and fruit, they are transferred outside in preparation for release.

It takes weeks or months for babies to mature enough to survive in the wild. Most of the babies raised at the clinic from babyhood do not need to be returned to the exact location in which they were found, since they were too young to have established a territory.

With baby season in full swing, there are many ways you can help the non-profit hospital care for our native wildlife:

- Volunteer your time. Contact Volunteer Services at 472-3644 ext. 221. Training is provided.

- Allow wildlife to roam on your land. Call Gareth Johnson, hospital office manager, at 472-3644 ext. 222 to find out if your property is suitable.

- Donate items the clinic's wish list, paper towels, Purina ONE Kitten Chow, Purina Puppy Chow (no colored chunks), wild bird seed, bleach, fragrance-free laundry detergent, new or gently used bath and hand towels, red heat lamps (250w), garbage bags (42 gallons) and ceramic crocks of all sizes (ramekins, etc.).

- Make a monetary donation. Go to www.crowclinic.org and click on Support Us.✪



A baby squirrel stays cozy and warm in one of the knitted nests donated by local volunteer group, the Pelican Knitters. The gifts are used daily by dozens of tiny birds, opossums, squirrels and bunnies and give the youngsters a sense of security.

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Fish Caught



Jeff Engleking

Jeff Engleking from Minnesota caught and released a 37-inch snook near Sanibel while on a fishing trip with Sea Reed Charters. ✨

Fish Caught



John Kelley

John Kelley of Fort Myers caught this 38-inch snook on Algiers Beach, Sanibel Saturday, on a Yozuri Silver Minnow. ✨

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Bald Eagle Presentation At CROW

The Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife (CROW) announced that Mark "Bird" Westall will share his comprehensive knowledge of bald eagles on Monday, April 20 at 4:15 p.m. in CROW's Visitor Education Center, located at 3883 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

While chairing/serving on Lee County's Eagle Technical Advisory Committee (ETAC) from 1986 through 1997, Westall learned to think like an eagle. As a result, he was able to design and install seven successful artificial eagle nests in trees/on platforms throughout Lee County and continue to help utilities and environmental groups protect our national bird.

In 2012, he designed a nesting platform for the eagle pair in the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's West Sanibel River Preserve. SCCF and project partner Lee County Electric Co-op (LCEC) installed the 70-foot high platform on March 6, 2012, and the eagle pair began nest-



Mark "Bird" Westall's eagle nesting platform being hoisted into place by a crew from LCEC photo by Marc Beaudin



Eagle pair building their nest on a platform designed by Westall

photo by Mike Hnatow

ing on it in August 2013.

In addition to being an expert on eagles, Westall contributes feature stories to the *Island Sun*, owns/operates Canoe Adventures and contracts with the City of Sanibel to maintain the Sanibel River system.

Join Westall for a fact-filled presentation based on his extensive experience with bald eagles. Admission is \$5 per person and reservations are required. To register, call 472-3644 ext. 228.

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. For more information, visit www.crowclinic.org.✪

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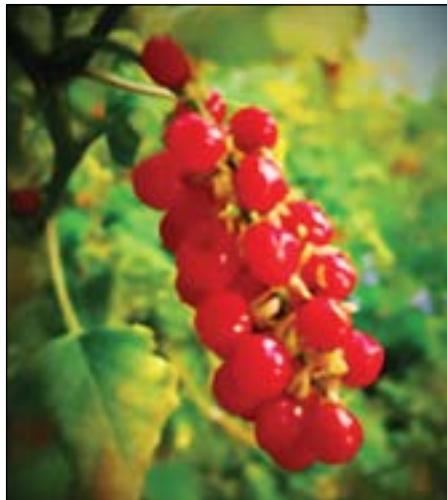
The City of Sanibel Vegetation Committee is offering guided native vegetation and landscaping tours of Sanibel City Hall grounds, planted exclusively with native plants. The next tour is on Saturday, April 25 at 10 a.m.

Come walk the grounds for ideas on planting native vegetation that requires no fertilizer. Learn how you can 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, 800 Dunlop Road, in front of the main staircase. For more information regarding the guided native vegetation tour, contact the Natural Resources Department at 472-3700.

The City of Sanibel is a "walkable and bikeable" community and features one of the most extensive shared use paths in the state of Florida. Attendees to these



Rouge plant (*Rivina humilis*)

photo by J. Zimomra

special events are encouraged bicycle to these events.

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.✪

Congregational Church Artist Of The Month

The Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ will have Carol McCardle as its Artist of the Month For April.

McCardle was born in Jamaica but from age three grew up in Bristol, England. After high school she attended West Surrey College of Art and Design, leaving early to become mostly a self-taught artist. In 1995 she moved to Southwest Florida and became an American citizen in 2001.

McCardle continues to paint from her explorations in areas of preserved nature such as state and national parks, wildlife refuges and preserves as well as recording everyday scenery en plein air.

She has been invited to hold solo exhibits and been accepted into national juried shows. Her work has received recognition, grants and awards. Her paintings have been exhibited in New York; were in the 2008 International Guild of Realism annual Juried Exhibition; the 2009 and 2010 Birds in Art at the Leigh Yawkey Woodson Art Museum; the 2009 Paint America Top 200; and the 2009 Paint the Parks Top 100, which went on tour for a year around the USA. I

In 2011 McCardle was invited to have two solo shows in two separate museums. She was chosen to be the 2008 resident artist of Delnor Wiggins State Park,



Carol McCardle

Naples, and has been awarded art grants from Florida State, the City of Fort Myers and LINC (Legacy Institute for Nature and Culture).

Call the church at 472-0497 for viewing times. Her work can also be seen at www.carolmcardle.com.

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Everglades Palm

by Gerri Reaves

Everglades palm (*Acoelorrhaphe wrightii*), as the name implies, is a native of Florida's southernmost regions, where its natural habitat is brackish wetlands.

Also called paurotis palm and Cape Sable palm, its interesting characteristics and low-maintenance make it a popular landscape tree.

It is listed as threatened by the state of Florida, signifying that the number of this species in the wild is in rapid decline.

The multiple trunks are only a few inches in diameter and sheathed in brown fiber that looks similar to loose-woven burlap. Because of their slightness, they lean and collectively form a graceful "island" of palms with a somewhat open crown.

The suckers that sprout around the cluster of trunks can be left to develop, pruned to control spreading, or divided for propagation. The tree can grow up to 30 feet with a 20-foot spread.

The palmate (hand-shaped) leaves have silvery undersides and reach two to three feet across. The thin stems are about a yard long and armed with sharp curved spines, a feature that inspires another common name, silver saw palm.

Flowers and fruit appear in summer and autumn. Broom-like inflorescences of creamy white flowers extend above and beyond the fronds. Both male and female



Clumping water-loving Everglades palm is listed as a threatened species in the State of Florida photos by Gerri Reaves

flowers appear on the same tree.

The one-half-inch spherical fruit ripens from orange to black and are eaten by birds and other wildlife.

This species is easy to grow but grows slowly. For optimum health, give it rich organic soil. If left unpruned, the tree will form thick clumps that function as a privacy or wind screen and cover for wildlife.

Everglades palm prefers full sun but will also grow in some shade. True to its name, it also prefers lots of moisture and will even tolerate standing water, so it's a good choice for planting pondside.



The stems are armed with curved spines, the trunks matted with fiber

Conversely, it is tolerant of short spells of drought. It is salt tolerant but does not like salt spray.

Keep grass from encroaching on the roots.

Depending on the soil, it might need fertilizer to prevent potassium deficiency or manganese deficiency. The latter



Inflorescences extend above the foliage

results in the potentially fatal condition called frizzle-top.

Sources: *Florida Landscape Plants* by John V. Watkins and Thomas J. Sheehan; *Florida, My Eden* by Frederick B. Stresau; *Florida Plants for Wildlife* by Craig N. Huegel; *Florida Trees and Palms* by Lewis S. and Betty M. Maxwell; *A Gardner's Guide to Florida's Native Plants* by Rufino Osorio; *A Handbook of Landscape Palms* by Jan Allyn; *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell; edis.ifas.ufl.edu; and floridata.com.

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Biographer To Lecture At 'Ding' Darling Refuge



Dr. John McIntyre

Dr. John McIntyre, associate professor of English at the University of Prince Edward Island in Canada, will speak about his forthcoming book, tentatively titled *Jay Norwood Darling and the Founding of the Environmental Humanities in America*, at a special lecture at 1 p.m. on Monday, April 13 in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center on Sanibel.

McIntyre teaches courses in 20th-century American literature and culture and has published articles on a wide variety of American authors including Edith Wharton, Willa Cather and F. Scott Fitzgerald. He is currently working on a book about Darling, the namesake of the JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife

Refuge, in which he will place the political cartoonist's work within the context of 20th-century environmental writing.

McIntyre's talk will focus on how Darling relates to other conservationists working in the arts and how he anticipates much of the work within the environmental humanities movement at the time. He will look closely at some of Darling's environmentally focused cartoons to show how he communicated his message of conservation and preservation.

Admission is free to the lecture, which is sponsored by the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), as part of the 2015 Friday Lecture Series. Seating is limited and available on a first-come basis.

For more information on the lecture series, call 472-1100 ext. 241 or visit www.dingdarlingsociety.org/lectures.

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Shell Of The Week

Humphrey Wentletrap



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

The Humphrey wentletrap, *Epitonium humphreysii* (Kiener, 1838), is one of the many

species of the family Epitoniidae present on Sanibel and other parts of the eastern Gulf of Mexico. The species may reach up to 20 mm in length (about 0.8 inch). As is true for other species of wentletraps, it may be found most abundantly on the eastern half of the island, from the Lighthouse to Gulfside City Park beach. Wentletraps are known to feed on soft corals, and these are known to live in the relatively calmer waters of that part of the island. The live wentletrap in the picture was collected by Rebecca Mensch on April 1, 2015, and photographed by José H. Leal. Humphrey wentletraps differ from other local species, among other characters, by having a very dark, almost black, operculum (the "trapdoor" that helps seal the shell shut after the animal pulls into it). Learn more about the spe-



Photos by José H. Leal

Humphrey wentletrap shell and animal photographed by José H. Leal

cies at <http://shellmuseum.org/shells/shelldetails.cfm?id=66>.

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tations by guest speakers, ranging from historical changes in waterways to learning about cephalopods. Visit shellmuseum.org for details.

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EARTH DAY CONVERSATION WITH CHARLES LEBUFF

Founding SCCF Trustee and noted biologist, sea turtle expert and author, Mr. LeBuff will address wide-ranging topics relating to the human and natural history of Sanibel and Captiva Islands. SCCF Education Director Kristie Anders will guide the first part of the interview, but we encourage you to bring your questions. Join us for an afternoon of stories and share in his memories of the islands we love. A book signing will follow this complimentary program.



Wednesday, April 22 at 2 p.m. — SCCF Nature Center. Free.
Thanks to The Donald Slavik Family Foundation for their support of this Earth Day presentation.

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Fish Caught



Gene Taylor
 Local golf pro Gene Taylor, from Sanibel Island Golf Club, caught a 26-inch redfish in Tarpon Bay while on a trip with Sea Reed Charters.✪

Shells Found



Emerson, Brian and Weston Sirk
 Sirk brothers Emerson, age 18, Brian, 20, and Weston, 16, from Silver Springs, Maryland, found a true tulip, turban, shark's eyes, alphabet and Florida cones and whelks near Pointe Santo and at Blind Pass. They were staying at Pointe Santo. This is the Sirk brothers' 13th spring break on Sanibel.✪

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The Future Of Art: High School Students Exhibit At The Alliance



2014 Best in Show winner Maria Thrash Davidson from Mariner High School

Artwork created by high school art students from across Lee County will be exhibited at the Alliance for the Arts. The 23rd annual partnership with the Lee Arts Educators Association (LAEA) offers students the opportunity to display their work in a formal exhibition. The exhibit opened Wednesday, April 15 and will remain on display through April 24. Winners will be selected in several categories and Best in Show will be awarded. Refreshments for the reception will be provided by Evan's Neighborhood Pizza in Fort Myers.

LAEA is a group of art teachers who work to recognize and promote students who show an interest and aptitude in the visual arts. Artwork by LAEA member teachers will be on display in the Alliance Member Gallery. The Theatre Lobby will feature



Attendees at last year's event

Broadsides: Poetry off the Shelf, works created by artists and poets.

The Alliance galleries are open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and are free and open to the public.

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The osprey was released near the Sanibel Causeway

CROW patient #15-0633, an osprey, was taken to CROW (Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife) on Sanibel on March 25 from Fort Myers Beach. The osprey's wings were entangled in fishing line causing soft tissue swelling and mild lacerations. After the lacerations healed and the bird displayed healthy wing extension, it was moved outside to a large flight cage, said Kenny Howell, CROW spokesman.

"Upon completion of a successful rehabilitation, the osprey was released last week near the Sanibel Causeway," he added.*

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HORTOONS



Shell Found



Robby, Rob and Dawn Barnier

Robby Barnier from Cedarburg, Wisconsin, found a big horse conch in Blind Pass. He was staying with his family at Periwinkle Park. Robby said, "This is biggest shell I ever found."**

Ozzie Update From CROW

Ozzie the American bald eagle received physical therapy yesterday for his broken left clavicle and coracoid and has progressed to the next stage of his rehabilitation. According to the Clinic for the Rehabilitation on Sanibel, where Ozzie is being treated, his bandages have been removed from the left wing and has been transferred to a new enclosure to reduce wing mobility. CROW will provide another update early next week after Ozzie's next scheduled physical therapy session.

Also, CROW is asking any local restaurants or fishermen who would like to donate fish heads (especially salmon) to be included in Ozzie's diet to please call 472-3644 ext. 222.*

Rotary Club Scholarships Available

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary is now accepting applications for two college scholarships for the 2015-16 academic year, each with its own special requirements. The club has a long tradition of providing scholarships to students with outstanding academic achievement and financial need. The amount of each scholarship up to \$3,000 will be governed by the annual budget of the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Trust Fund.

If you have any questions, call or email Dan Cohn, scholarship committee chairman, at 472-5187 or dan@dancohn.com.**

Orchid Society April Meeting



Cel Luke of Sanibel oversees the March monthly show of the San-Cap Orchid Society

Australian Orchids will be the topic of the Monday, April 20 meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society. The program will be presented by Wes Higgins. The meeting will take place at 1:30 p.m. at St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church, 2304 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel.

Orchid novices are encouraged to come to the meeting at 1 p.m. to hear a member of the society talk about fundamentals of growing orchids. Anyone with questions or an "ill orchid" that needs diagnosis can bring their plants to the meeting during show-and-tell. San-Cap Orchid Society members are invited to participate in a monthly show. Ribbons are awarded for best hybrid and best species orchids. An orchid raffle will also be held.

Annual membership in the San-Cap Orchid Society is \$20 per person. Guests may attend meetings for \$4.*

'Ding' Darling Lecture Gets Personal With Sea Turtles

Blair and Dawn Witherington will share stories from their new book about the mysterious lives of sea turtles, *Our Sea Turtles: A Practical Guide for the Atlantic and Gulf from Canada to Mexico*.

They will present two Our Sea Turtles – Up Close and Personal programs beginning at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, April 24 in the "Ding" Darling Visitor & Education Center on Sanibel.

Blair, a biologist who has worked intimately with sea turtles for 30 years, and Dawn, a graphic design artist specializing in nature, have authored other books on natural history, including *Florida's Living Beaches*, *Living Beaches of Georgia and the Carolinas* and two books on seashells.

The program will provide a cordial introduction to sea turtles and a deeper dive into their lives. It is a privileged, up-close, virtual encounter with sea turtles presented with unique perspectives and extraordinary images.

Following their presentations, the Witheringtons will sign copies of their books, which are available for purchase in the Refuge Nature Store, all proceeds from which benefit refuge conservation and education programs.

Admission is free to the lectures, which are sponsored by The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company and "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge (DDWS), as part of the 2015 Friday Lecture Series. Seating is limited and available on a first-come basis.

As usual, Wildlife Drive is closed on Friday, but visitors are welcome at the Visitor & Education Center and the recreational opportunities at Tarpon Bay Explorers.

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Goin' Courtin' At Broadway Palm

by Di Saggau

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers, the stage version of the popular MGM movie, comes to life on stage at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. The show is a high-energy musical with outstanding choreography and a talented cast.

The setting is Oregon in the 1850s and it isn't easy for men living in the mountain region to find a wife, especially when there are seven brothers in one family. Adam (Justin Hart) heads to town to find a wife, someone who will do the cooking and housework and raise his brood of brothers. He immediately sets his eye on Milly (Kate Marshall) and with one of the quickest courtships ever, marries her and whisks her home to his cabin. She has no idea there are six brothers at home. Her work is cut out for her and she tackles it graciously, turning the unpolished bunch of brothers into the most eligible bachelors around. Now they just have to find wives.

They all go to a town social and win the hearts of six girls in town, wooing them away from their current beaux. It's easy to see who is going to pair up with whom, because their outfits are all color coordinated. The girls are attracted to the boys, not just for their looks, but for their



A scene from *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*

impressive dancing. The choreography by Kerry Lambert is what brings this show to life.

Once back in their mountain cabin, the brothers try to figure out how to get the girls to marry them. Adam convinces his brothers to do as the Romans did, that is to abduct them from their homes and drag them back to the family farm, and that's what they do. An avalanche blocks the passes so the townspeople cannot rescue their daughters until spring.

From the title of the play we know what is going to happen. Everything in

between is a bit nonsensical, but when it's performed onstage with the talent, enthusiasm and conviction displayed in this production, it all makes sense. You almost don't notice the absurdity of six guys running around the stage with girls slung over their shoulders like bales of hay.

The show has several really great scenes and, again, it's the dancing that grabs you. The sheer joy and enthusiasm in the show makes everything work.

Worthy of particular mention is Marshall as the headstrong Milly. She is energetic and fiery in her performance.

Hart is also well cast as the stubborn Adam, and both have lovely singing voices and carry many of the musical numbers. These two lead a big cast with tons of talent. The show is fun, fast-paced, sometimes sweet, and genuinely entertaining. A slice of Americana that is bound to make you smile.

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers plays through May 23 at Broadway Palm, located at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers. For tickets call 278-4422, visit www.BroadwayPalm.com, or stop by the box office.✪

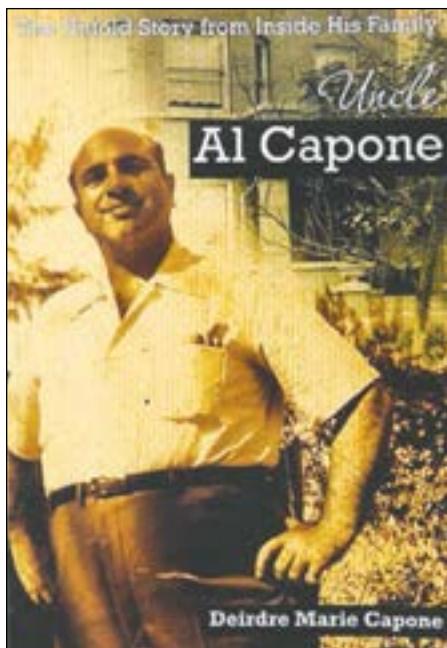
Last Capone Family Member To Share Stories



Deirdre Marie Capone

Savor a lunch and lecture on Monday, April 20 at the Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center with Deirdre Marie Capone, author of the recently published *Uncle Al Capone: The Untold Story from Inside the Family*. She is the only remaining Capone family member with first-hand knowledge of her infamous family's legacy.

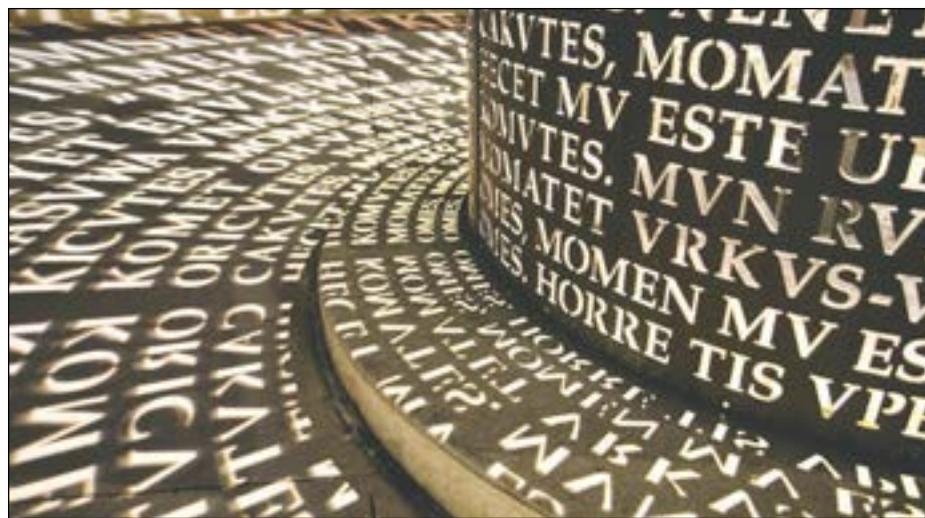
Deirdre Marie Capone was born in



Deirdre Marie Capone is the only remaining family member with first-hand knowledge of Uncle Al

Chicago to a large Italian family – it just happened to be one of the most notorious crime families in American history. Her grandfather was Ralph Capone, brother to the Chicago Crime Commission's Public Enemy #1: Al Capone.

In 1957, 17-year-old Deirdre was fired from her job as a secretary for an insurance company simply for being a Capone. This experience was disillusioning, but eventually she was able to recover and create a life for herself with a man



One of the beautiful light sculptures at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

she met at that very company. Deirdre also sought comfort in her beloved Aunt Maffie, the only sister of Ralph and Al, who went on to share with Deirdre a detailed history of the Capone family.

Unfortunately, some of Deirdre's relatives did not exhibit her strength. When Deirdre was only 10 years old, her father Ralph committed suicide, unable to withstand the pressure of the Capone family legacy. Even now, rumors and allegations swirl about the true nature of Al Capone, the Chicago Outfit, and the family members involved.

Today, Deirdre is a wife, mother and grandmother. Her children and grandchildren are aware of her family's past, but this wasn't always the case. Persecuted for her family ties as a child and young adult, Deirdre chose to hide her true fam-

ily name from everyone but her husband, Bob, for many years. Now, Deirdre publicly acknowledges her identity and seeks to share her story as the last Capone.

The event begins at noon and includes a gourmet salad lunch prepared by Chef Mike Gavala. After lunch, guests enjoy a lecture and a question and answer portion that offer insights on the author and family background, as Capone recounts the inside story of what it is like to grow up in a mob-affiliated family and how it directly impacts everyone in the family, including herself. A book signing opportunity will also be available. Tickets are \$35 each.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street, in the downtown Fort Myers River District. For tickets or information, visit www.sbdac.com or call 333-1933.✪

Florida's Beach-Nesting Shorebirds Need Space To Help Them Survive



Snowy plovers

photo provided by Florida Fish and Wildlife

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) asks beachgoers to watch out for and avoid disturbing beach-nesting shorebirds on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts of the state. Shorebirds build nests out of sand and shells on Florida beaches in spring and summer, hatching chicks that are difficult to see.

Shorebird nests, eggs and chicks are well camouflaged and can be easily missed and even stepped on unless people know to look out for them. The snowy plover, least tern, black skimmer, American oystercatcher and Wilson's plover are several of Florida's beach-nesting shorebird species that face conservation challenges and need people's help to survive.

"People can still enjoy the beach while keeping shorebirds and their chicks safe," said Nancy Douglass, who works on shorebird conservation at the FWC. "Following a few simple steps while at the beach can have a tremendous positive impact on shorebirds. People's actions can directly affect the success of shorebird nesting and whether future generations will get to see these iconic birds along our coasts."

There are several ways to protect beach-nesting shorebirds:

- Keep your distance, whether on the beach or paddling watercraft along the shore. If birds become agitated or leave their nests, you are too close. A general rule is to stay at least 300 feet from a nest. Birds calling out loudly and dive-bombing are giving signals for you to back off.

- Never intentionally force birds to fly or run. They use up energy they need for nesting, and eggs and chicks may be left vulnerable to the sun's heat or predators. Teach children not to chase shorebirds and kindly ask fellow beach-goers to do the same.

- Respect posted areas. Avoid posted nesting sites and use designated walkways when possible.

- It is best not to take pets to the beach, but if you do, keep them on a leash and avoid shorebird nesting areas.

- Keep the beach clean and do not feed wildlife. Food scraps attract predators such as raccoons and crows, which can prey on shorebird chicks. Litter on beaches can entangle birds and other wildlife.

- Spread the word. If you see people disturbing nesting birds, gently let them know how their actions may hurt the birds' survival. If they continue to disturb nesting birds, report their activities to the FWC's Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922), #FWC or *FWC on a cell phone or by texting Tip@MyFWC.com. You can also report nests that are not posted to Wildlife Alert.

Wildlife photographers also should follow the rules that protect shorebirds:

- Remain beyond the posted area, with no part of you or your camera equipment extending beyond the string or signs.

- Restrict photography to no more than 10 minutes. Too much time photographing near the nest may stress birds.

- Don't "push" birds around the beach. Stay far enough away so the birds do not change their behavior in response to your presence. They need to feed and rest without disturbance.

For more information, go to www.MyFWC.com/Shorebirds and download the "Share the Beach with Beach-Nesting Birds" brochure. Read the FWC's plan for four imperiled beach-nesting bird species, part of the broader Imperiled Species Management Plan, at <http://myfwc.com/media/2720106/Imperiled-Beach-Nesting-Birds-Species-Action-Plan-Final-Draft.pdf>. Or go to the Florida Shorebird Alliance at www.flshorebirdalliance.org.



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Cayo Costa Lecture Series With Shelling Expert Pam Rambo

Shelling expert and blogger (iLoveShelling.com) Pam Rambo will be the featured speaker for the Captiva Cruises Lecture Series on April 23 at Cayo Costa State Park. The lecture begins at noon under the Cayo Costa tiki hut pavilion.

The shell artist and "shell-ebriety" will lead a walking tour on the north shore of Cayo Costa sharing shelling tips and insight into sea life as participants search for treasures along the beautiful shoreline. For more than 13 years Rambo has combed the local beaches almost daily, building her collection and fostering her love for shells.

The lecture is free and open to the public. Transportation to Cayo Costa is provided by Captiva Cruises, Adults \$50, children \$35. Reservations are required by calling 472-5300. Attendees are encouraged to bring a bagged lunch or pre-order a boxed lunch when making a reservation.*



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Craft Brews On Tap At SCCF

Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's 3rd annual Beer in the Bushes will take place on Saturday, April 18 from 6 p.m. to 9-ish. It will include live music, dancing, games and an island sunset on the grounds of the Nature Center.

Tickets for this craft beer tasting are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door.

The opening band will be the Sluetown Strutters, followed by the headliner, Scythian. Scythian presents a high-energy mashup of Celtic, gypsy and bluegrass music delivered with rock star charisma. Jensen's Marina & Cottages is the band sponsor.

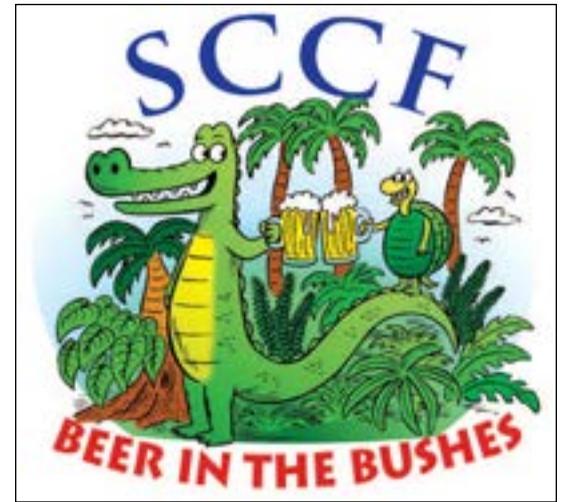
Participants are invited to vote for their favorite as six local craft breweries compete for the SCCF People's Choice Award. They are Point Ybel Brewing Company, Fort Myers Brewing Company, Momentum Brewhouse, Old Soul Brewing, Naples Beach Brewery and Palm City Brewing.

Food will be provided by local food trucks and all tickets include \$5 in TruxBux.

Reservations and advance payment are requested; register online at www.sccf.org and look for the Beer Tickets link under Upcoming Events.

The event helps support SCCF's mission of conserving coastal habitats and aquatic resources on Sanibel and Captiva and in the surrounding watershed.

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DEP Participating In Earth Day Events

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's South District will be participating in a number of Earth Day events this month:

- Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Conservancy of Southwest Florida Earth Day 2015. Activities include kayak rentals, a "little explorer's zone," kids art projects and a guided nature trail walk. DEP's South District will hand out free state park passes. Admission is free for members of the Conservancy. Non-member price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

- Monday, April 20 to Thursday, April 23 – Eighth Annual Call of the Wild Earth Week event in Hendry County. DEP's South District staff will be teaching 1,000 second through fourth graders about estuarine habitats including seagrass, oyster reefs and mangroves.

- Wednesday, April 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. – Collier County Earth Day Reuse

and Recycling Round-up at the Naples Towne Center, located at 3759 Tamiami Trail East. Collier County residents can drop off household hazardous waste items at no charge. Staff will be handing out free state park passes to all participants.

- Saturday, April 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Operation Medicine Cabinet will be taking place throughout Collier County. Old prescriptions and over-the-counter medications that are expired or no longer used can be disposed of for free at multiple locations. Click here for more information and locations. South District staff will be at the Naples Recycling Center, located at 2640 W. Enterprise Avenue.

- Thursday, April 30, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. – Southwest Florida Sustainability Summit, hosted by DEP's South District, in partnership with Vissagio Community Consulting and the Southwest Florida Community Foundation at the Harborside Event Center in Downtown Fort Myers River District. Registration is \$50 with all proceeds benefiting the Imaginarium in Fort Myers.

For more information about the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, visit www.dep.state.fl.us.*

FWC Reminds Residents Of Alligator Activity

As spring weather replaces cold winter, Florida's alligators and crocodiles become active. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) once again reminds state residents and visitors to be cautious when having fun in and around water.

Florida is home to two native crocodilians: the American alligator, which is found in all 67 counties; and the American crocodile, which may be found in coastal areas of the Keys and in Southeast and Southwest Florida. Both species have shared Florida's waters with people for centuries.

The FWC recommends keeping pets away from the water. There are other precautionary measures people should take to reduce the chances of conflicts with alligators and crocodiles, and they are available in the Living with Alligators brochure at www.MyFWC.com/Alligator and the Living with Crocodiles brochure at www.MyFWC.com/Crocodile.

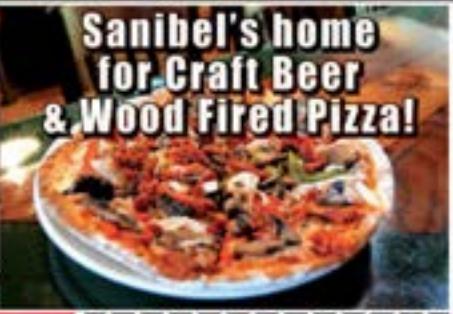
The FWC advises people who have concerns with an alligator or crocodile posing a threat to people, pets or property, to call the FWC's Nuisance Alligator Hotline at 866-FWC-GATOR (392-4286).

Alligators and crocodiles are an important part of Florida's heritage and play a valuable role in the habitats where they live. For more information on alligators and crocodiles, visit www.MyFWC.com/Alligator.*

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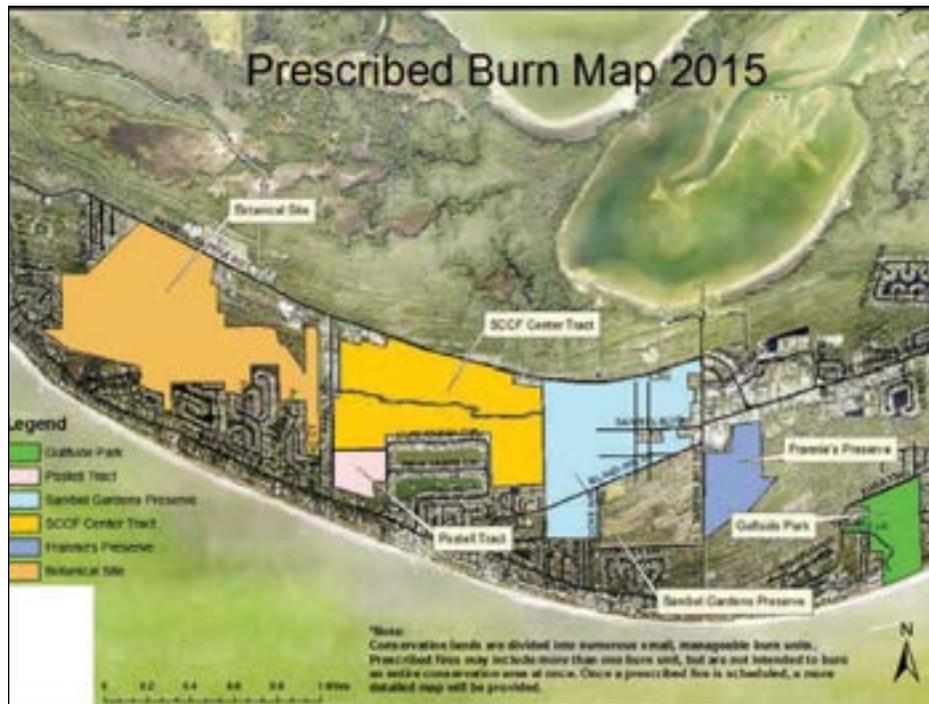
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Public Meeting Monday On Prescribed Burns On Sanibel



During the 2015 spring/summer season, the Sanibel Prescribed Fire Partnership will be looking to conduct prescribed burns on the following conservation lands:

- State Botanical Site
- Sanibel Gardens Preserve
- SCCF Center Tract
- Postell Tract
- Gulfside City Park Extension
- SCCF Frannie's Preserve

Sanibel city officials invite the public to an informational meeting on Monday, April 20 at 1 p.m. in the "Ding" Darling Visitor and Education Center to discuss the burn plans and address any questions or concerns.

When forecasted conditions are favorable, the partnership will issue further notification that a prescribed burn is possible and identify the specific location of the burn. All prescribed fires must be authorized by the Florida Forest Service on the morning of the scheduled burn. A change in the forecast conditions may result in cancellation. A prescribed fire will NOT be conducted if the prescription conditions cannot be met prior to ignition or if conditions change after the prescribed fire has been ignited., according to the Sanibel Natural Resources Department.

A burn plan, or "prescription," has been established for the priority areas within these conservation lands. The prescription details the required conditions that must exist in order for a prescribed burn to take place. These include environmental conditions such as soil moisture, fuel conditions, and recent rainfall as well as forecasted and actual weather conditions including temperature, relative humidity, wind speed and wind direction. Following a predefined prescription allows fire management officers to establish the desired fire behavior (intensity, flame length, direction of fire spread and smoke). The prescription also identifies the number of qualified fire personnel needed to conduct the burn as well as the types and number of equipment required to safely complete the burn.

Why are prescribed fires needed?

Fire is a natural part of Florida's ecosystem, historically set by lightning. Because of this history of periodic fires many of Florida's natural communities are adapted to burning. Fire removes old vegetation, promotes new growth of native vegetation and suppresses the growth of non-native invasive plants. In the absence of fire many plant communities are displaced by dense, woody vegetation which can reduce plant diversity and eliminate foraging opportunities for the island's wildlife. Species such as the gopher tortoise, eastern indigo snakes, and the Sanibel rice rat all depend on a fire-maintained ecosystem. In addition to the natural benefits of fire, carefully planning and conducting managed burns can prevent the likelihood of catastrophic wildfires and help preserve the natural ecology of the area. This technique, called "prescribed fire," reduces the amount of vegetation – or "fuel"—that would be available in the event of a wildfire.

Why can't prescribed burns be conducted some other time?

The window of opportunity for conducting prescribed burns in southwest Florida

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Master Gardeners Lecture May 7

The 73rd Master Gardener Lecture Series continues on Thursday, May 7 at the Sanibel Public Library, beginning at 10 a.m.

The speaker will be Doug Caldwell, PhD. His topics will be pruning and trimming palms, trees and shrubs, and recent insect problems in the area. Dr. Caldwell is an expert in entomology (insects), an internationally certified arborist (care of trees and palms) and director of the University of Florida Extension for Collier County. As a certified, nationally recognized horticulturalist with 30 years of experience, he is a prolific author and speaker with over 50 published papers over the past decade. He has appeared in hundreds of public programs, TV programs and newspaper articles and has his own website. He also has identified 11 new significant pests in Lee and Collier counties.

Dr. Caldwell has directed the University of Florida Extension in Naples for the past 13 years and is connected to the public via newspaper articles, TV programs, over 50 fact sheets and meetings in parks and libraries. He has certified over 1,500 landscapers and 192 companies in proper use of fertilizer, pesticides and proper pruning techniques. He has conducted one-third of the 30 different programs in Spanish to increase the number of Hispanic workers certified, from 18 to 180.

Dr. Caldwell presents his program with a sense of humor and high quality digital images. Take home material will be provided.

The meeting is free and open to the public but seating is limited.

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The Southwest Florida Symphony Presents Masterworks V Program

The Southwest Florida Symphony presents the final Masterworks Series concert of its 2014-15 season, JOY!, on Saturday, April 25 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday, April 26 at 3 p.m.

Prior to the Saturday performance, at 7 p.m., and the Sunday performance, at 2 p.m., patrons are invited to attend a conductor led pre-concert lecture. These lectures are offered in order to better educate audiences about the pieces being performed. Masterworks V: JOY! features an all-Beethoven program; Consecration of the House and Beethoven's 9th Symphony, entitled Joy, with soloists Angel Joy Blue, soprano; Nina Yoshida Nelson, mezzo-soprano; William Ferguson, tenor; Stephen Morscheck, bass and a chorus comprised of more than 100 voices: The Symphonic Chorale of Southwest Florida, The Fort Myers Mastersingers and the FGCU Chorus.

Tickets cost between \$22 and \$82 per person and may be purchased online at www.swflso.org, by visiting the Southwest Florida Symphony Box Office located at

8290 College Parkway, Suite 103 in Fort Myers, by calling the Symphony Box Office at 418-1500 or at the Barbara B. Mann Box Office one hour prior to the concert. Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall is located at 13350 Edison Parkway in Fort Myers.*

An Exceptional Story At Lab Theater

by Di Saggau

The *Diary of Anne Frank* is now playing at Laboratory Theater of Florida. Probably one of the most famous teenagers in history, Anne Frank wrote in the diary she kept while she and her family, along with four others, hid out in an attic in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam. They moved there in July 1942 and were arrested by the Nazis in August 1944. Anne died in the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in 1945, but her diary recovered after the war by her father Otto, endured as a testament to an indomitable hope for humanity even in the face of unspeakable atrocity.

The play begins and ends with Anne's father visiting the attic where his extended family hid before being captured and transported on one of the very last death trains to leave Holland. It is there he discovers Anne's diary, which was first published as a book in 1952. Originally her father favored the published account of the diary to be a sanitized version, with Anne's less-than-charitable, but recognizably teenage thoughts about her mother and her comments on her own budding sexuality expunged.

The production by Albert Hackett and Frances Goodrich honors Anne by restoring to the stage the fullness of her thoughts and refusing to bathe her in a wash of sentimentality.

After more than half a century, this drama remains amazingly relevant and meaningful.

Matthew DeNoncour as Otto Frank, is the patriarch of the entire group. Ellice McCoy plays his dutiful wife Edith, who finally explodes from the pressures of their confinement. Rowan Stafford plays their prim and perfect daughter Margot and Kaycie Lee is the spirited young Anne. She also serves as narrator. Joining the Franks in hiding are the Van



Kaycie Lee as Anne Frank

Daan family. Aricka Shuck and Jack Weld are superb as the parents, as is Marcos Martins as their son and Anne's romantic interest, Peter. Dave Yudowitz is extraordinary as the surly dentist Dr. Dussel, and Mike Dinko and Faith Deterding round out the cast as Mr. Kraler and Miss Gies who risk their own lives by assisting in the hiding of the group.

Lab Theater is extending an invitation to any student in Lee County who is studying about Anne Frank in school to attend a performance to help enrich their study of the Holocaust. This production is very different in that it is done in shades of black, white and grey. No color appears until the very last scene when a red ribbon is removed from Anne's diary.

I found the costuming and set to be very effective, but the make-up was a bit distracting. The theme of confinement is very evident as we view moment-by-moment detail on the lives of people who cannot ever leave the room. Tempers fray, hearts break and trivialities become all-consuming. In the end it's Anne's diary that has come to represent so many millions and why their story has survived. It left behind a record of optimism, anticipation and, above all, existence.

The Diary of Anne Frank plays through May 2 at Laboratory Theater of Florida, located at 1634 Woodford Avenue in downtown Fort Myers.

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The Cypress String Quartet To Perform At Davis Art Center

The Cypress String Quartet – comprised of Cecily Ward, violin; Tom Stone, violin; Ethan Filner, viola; and Jennifer Kloetzel, cello – will perform a recital at the Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center on Friday, April 24 at 8 p.m. The program will include Schulhoff's *Divertimento*, Bartók's *Quartet No. 4* and Beethoven's *String Quartet Op. 59 No. 2*. Cocktails will be served before the concert at 7 p.m. The Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center is located in the historic river district, at 2301 First Street in Fort Myers.

Known for its elegant performances, The Cypress String Quartet has been praised by *Gramophone* for its "artistry of uncommon insight and cohesion," and its sound has been called "beautifully proportioned and powerful" by *The Washington Post*. The quartet was formed in San Francisco in 1996.

The Cypress String Quartet has an extensive discography including numerous recordings of Beethoven, Dvorák, Schubert and others. They continue to maintain a busy national and international



The Cypress String Quartet will perform in Fort Myers on April 24

tour schedule, making appearances on concert series and in venues including the Kennedy Center, Library of Congress, Stanford Lively Arts, Krannert Center, Ravinia Festival and others.

The quartet's members received degrees from many of the world's finest conservatories before coming together as a quartet. These include The Juilliard School, Guildhall School of Music & Drama and the Royal College of Music (London), Indiana University, The Cleveland Institute of Music and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music.

The members of the Cypress String Quartet play exceptional instruments including violins made by Antonio Stradivari (1681) and Carlos Bergonzi



The Cypress String Quartet during a performance

(1733), a viola by Vittorio Bellarosa (1947) and a cello by Hieronymus Amati II (1701).

Tickets to the recital are \$20 in

advance and \$25 the week of the event. To purchase tickets, visit www.sbdac.com or call 333-1933. For more information, visit www.cypressquartet.com.*

A Cappella Group To Hold Benefit Concert

With the recent success of movies like *Pitch Perfect* and the popular television show *The Sing-Off*, music lovers across the country are quickly falling in love with "a cappella" music and the talented vocal community that brings this unique art form of "making music solely with the human voice" to life.

Many may be surprised to learn that we have a gifted group of teen a cappella ambassadors here in Southwest Florida, including senior Dara Craig and sophomore Callie Atkinson, two former students of The Sanibel School, who with 21 other talented vocalists combine their voices to make up "TAG." The A Cappella Group from the Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts.

TAG, who released their 7th studio album, *Stay Gold*, this past fall, has just been nominated for five Contemporary A Cappella Recording Awards (CARAs), the national a cappella world's equivalent to the Grammy Awards. Last year, the group blew away their competition by winning three CARA Awards for their album, *Sunny Days*.

Their most recent album has also earned rave reviews from the prestigious Recorded A Cappella Review Board (RARB), which gives *Stay Gold* top scores, writing "Why? Tight, energized singing. Forward momentum. Beautiful dynamics. Sensitive deliveries: power when it's time to go full-on, delicacy when it's time to step back and let the lis-



The a cappella group TAG will perform a benefit concert in Fort Myers on April 18

tener in. This group is good." The album is available for purchase through iTunes or by visiting cypresslakevocal.com.

During the past year, TAG has performed at more than a dozen different concerts and community events throughout the area, including Luminary Night and various other holiday festivals, Spirit of the Gulf, FGCU, Harborside and Barbara B. Mann. They also participate in a number of educational and competitive a cappella events through

the Southeastern U.S., recently placing 2nd for the Southern U.S. region in the International Championship of High School A Cappella. TAG has been invited to perform at the inaugural National A Cappella Convention in Memphis at the end of this month.

These exceptionally talented students work hard to fundraise for their activities throughout the year, and all monies from their spring concert will go toward recording fees for their next album.

TAG's Spring Benefit Concert on Saturday, April 18 at 7 p.m. promises to be a highlight of the year and an event the whole family can enjoy. Tickets will be available at the door at the Cypress Lake High School Auditorium, located at 6750 Panther Lane (off Cypress Lake Drive) in Fort Myers.

All donations are tax deductible. If you are interested in supporting this dynamic group of teens, contact parent volunteer Dina Craig at 395-2170.*



Gallery at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

Call To Artists For Art Of The Heart

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is seeking submissions of 2- and 3-dimensional art work for its 7th annual juried exhibition. An opening reception will be held on June 5 during downtown Fort Myers River District Art Walk.

Artists are asked to explore Art of the Heart, both the physiological heart as well as art that speaks to what is at the core of their being.

The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street, in the downtown Fort Myers River District.

Art should be provocative, examining passion, essence, heartbreak, love and loss. Pieces submitted to the exhibition should fit the call to artists and the artist statements submitted should serve to explain how those pieces fit. While there are no specific guidelines for dimensions or sizes of the pieces that will be accepted for exhibit, the curator encourages innovative and unique installations – unconventional media and art work of immense proportions can be hung from either its massive walls or from its 20-foot ceiling, or displayed on its magnificent granite floors.

When preparing an entry, send one image per piece of artwork with up to three entries per person. All entries must be digital files uploaded via the Official Entry Form.

Image files cannot exceed 500KB or 800 pixels. The file format must be JPEG.

If your piece is in progress and you do not have images of the completed artwork, submit a detailed description of your entry and images of examples of your work.

Entry deadline is Monday, May 4. Entry fee is \$30 for up to two pieces of art work. You may enter online using a credit card. Each piece of artwork must include title of work, artist name, medium, dimensions, weight, sales price and artist statement (250 words or less) for each piece.

Artists whose pieces are selected for the exhibit will be notified via e-mail on Monday May 18.

A panel of arts professionals and collectors will review the pieces submitted The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center is located at 2301 First Street, in the downtown Fort Myers River District. For more information visit www.sbdac.com or call the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center at 333-1933.

Florida Arts, Inc., founded in 1997 by Jim Griffith as a non-profit organization, leases and operates the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center for the City of Fort Myers.

In addition to its artistic mission, Florida Arts works to preserve history and restore the building which houses The Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, located in the historic former federal building in downtown Fort Myers, which opened in 1933 as an United States Post Office and was converted to a courthouse in the 1960s. It was later continued on page 44

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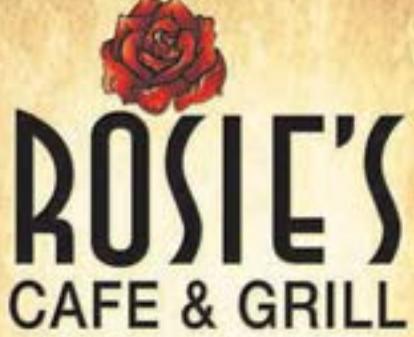
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The concert is on Saturday, April 25 at Harborside Event Center, 1375 Monroe Street, in historic downtown Fort Myers; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Also appearing will be Memphis 56, recreating the sounds of Elvis Presley and Johnny Cash.

The concert will include American diner fare, a cash bar and classic autos.

Tickets for concert only: \$35; an all access pass is \$100 and includes dinner, dessert and VIP reserved seating. VIP table for eight is \$750. Diner fare includes gourmet cheeseburgers, portobello burgers, tomato bisque, deluxe grilled cheese sandwiches, truffle-salted popcorn, macaroni and cheese, hand-crafted chips and rootbeer float .

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Art of the heart

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Call To Artists

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Artwork Requested Open Themed Summer Exhibit

Arts for ACT Gallery is in need of professional and emerging artists for its open themed group exhibit that will open on Friday, July 3 at 2265 First Street in downtown Fort Myers. The exhibit opening will be held from 6 to 10 p.m. that evening.

Artists will choose from three themes. Themes may be mixed. Acceptable works include fine art, jewelry, ceramics, fiber and designer wear and unique artsy fine crafts.

The themes are:

1. Tiny Art – 2D or 3D any medium but created work cannot be larger than 40 cm or 15.75 inches in any direction
2. National Identity – Any medium, inspired by your country. National colors,

icons or flags could be used.

3. Anything Goes With A Feather – Any medium works, but you must incorporate a feather(s) in the work.

Artists entry fee for a single piece of artwork is \$10, two pieces are \$15 and three pieces cost \$20.

Cash awards for first place is \$100, second place is \$75, third place is \$50 and an honorable mention is \$25.

Judges will be announced soon. Exhibits will be showcased in the three exhibiting gallery rooms.

Artists may drop off works to be juried from Monday, June 22 through Saturday, June 27. Art rejected must be picked up on Monday, June 29.

A 40 percent commission from any artwork sold during the exhibit will be retained by Arts for ACT Gallery, with proceeds benefitting the ACT Shelter.

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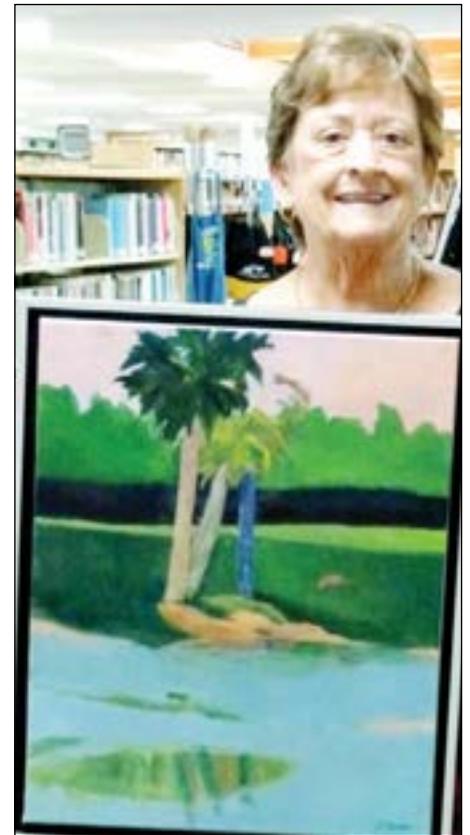
The Sanibel-Captiva Art League is featuring an exhibit of studio art throughout the month of April at the Sanibel Public Library, located at 770 Dunlop Road. For the past 15 years, a group of artists – coordinated by Jane Hudson



Three Generations by league president Marcy Calkins

– have been regularly gathering to paint together indoors in a studio setting. While there is no formal group instruction, friendly critique and fun prevails. Members work at whatever they wish. The current library exhibit is a cheerful and colorful expression of much varied personality and creativity.

More information about Sanibel-Captiva Art League, including the plein air painting schedule open to everyone, may be found online at www.sancapart.com.✱



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Sanibel Author Donates Books To Library Collection

Sanibel author Robert Hilliard has donated nine of his books to Sanibel Public Library for patrons to take home.

Hilliard has been a Sanibel homeowner since 1998 and a full-time resident since 2007.

He is the author of more than 20 plays, some of which have been presented at Fort Myers Theatre Conspiracy and at the Laboratory Theatre of Florida, and is the author or co-author of 40 book volumes.

A Purple Heart combat infantry veteran of World War II, he has been honored for his role in saving the lives of thousands of concentration camp survivors in post-war Germany. In addition to his current occupation as an author-playwright, he has had three previous careers: in professional theater, television and radio and as a journalist, as a federal government official in Washington, D.C., and as a college dean and professor. He earned a Ph.D. at Columbia University.

Among his donated books are a critically-acclaimed novel, *Phillipa*, a memoir entitled *Surviving The Americans: The Continued Struggle of The Jews After Liberation*, and, with co-author Michael Keith, *Waves of Rancor: Tuning In The Radical Right*, which was selected by President Bill Clinton in 1999 as one of 12 books on his annual reading list.

The other Hilliard books which will be available for check out are the novel *The Greener Trees*, and three non-fiction books: *Hollywood Speaks Out: Pictures That Dared to Protest Real World Issues*, *Writing For Television, Radio, and New Media*, and *Dirty Discourse: Sex and Indecency in Broadcasting*.

Hilliard also donated two books he co-authored with Michael Keith: *The Broadcast Century and Beyond: A History of American Radio and Television*, and *The*



Wendy Lambrix of Sanibel Public Library with author Robert Hilliard and his donated books

Quieted Voice: the Rise and Demise of Localism in American Radio.

The Sanibel Public Library is located at 770 Dunlop Road, Sanibel. For more information about the library, call 472-2483 or visit online at www.sanlib.org.

Monday Night Movie

Piazza Fontana: The Italian Conspiracy

by Di Saggau



The BIG ARTS Movie for Monday, April 20 is *Piazza Fontana: The Italian Conspiracy*, a dramatically informative political thriller based on the real-life events surrounding the

1969 bombing of a bank in Milan. The film explores the lead-up to the explosion and its subsequent investigation. During the 1960s until the 1980s, Italy experienced social and political turmoil. Numerous political factions battled for power through corruption, espionage and acts of terrorism. This included communists, anarchists, fascists, neo-Nazis, the police force, the military and the elected government.

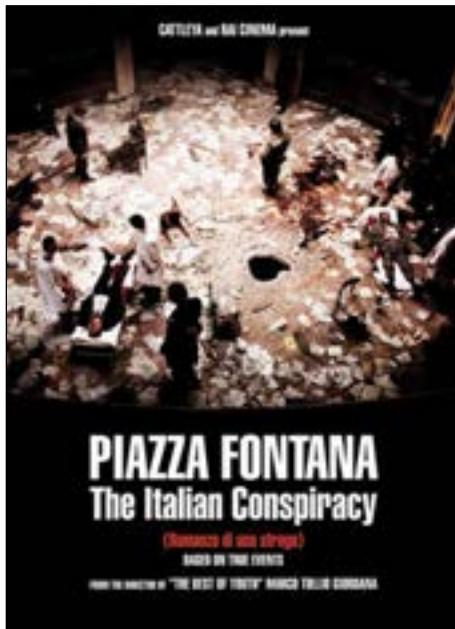
This is the first film to examine Piazza Fontana, which was a turning point in Italian post-war history. The repercussions of the incident are still being felt today. On December 12, 1969, at least four bombs exploded: three in Rome and the most devastating one in a bank in Milan, killing 17 and leaving 100 people injured. To this day, no one has been convicted of these attacks.

At first, the anarchists were blamed. Later, courts pointed the finger at extreme right-wing fascist groups, though many concur that parts of the government and military probably were involved, and almost certainly Italy's secret service. According to investigative journalist Paolo Cucchiarielli, on whose book the film is based, the CIA and American Embassy might have had a hand in it as well.

Piazza Fontana: The Italian Conspiracy is an ever-twisting conspiracy of lies, intrigue and dirty politics. The meticulously staged, real-life story is both enthralling and gripping. It remains dramatically afloat thanks to the remarkably sharp performances of a huge cast, each actor perfectly nailing a particular historical figure. Director Marco Tullio Giordana allows his characters to emerge from realistic acting and, in some cases, extraordinary physical resemblance to the actual people. Throughout the film, we see a world of danger and intrigue fostered by political factions of every type.

Greece is living under a military dictatorship and many believe Italy soon could fall under a similar coup d'etat from the right. At least three groups of fascist extremists flit through the film. At the same time, anarchists and violent left-wing groups like the Red

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Public Meeting

is very narrow and may vary from year to year. By mid to late spring, soils and fuels are often too dry and prescribed fires may be prohibited by State authorities. By mid- to late summer, soils on Sanibel are often too wet, humidity is high, and afternoon thunderstorms render wind conditions unsuitable. Plus, on any given day all the conditions detailed in the prescription must be met and personnel and resources must be available to conduct the burn. To maximize our opportunities for conducting prescribed fires, the Sanibel Prescribed Fire Partnership has identified a number of priority burn sites for 2015. Because the prescription requirements for each site are different, this provides us with the flexibility to determine if the forecast conditions will meet the prescription requirements for any of the priority burns sites and then to schedule the prescribed fire accordingly.

What can I expect on the day of a prescribed burn?

Depending on the wind direction and strength, it may be possible to see or smell smoke. The fire prescription identifies the specific wind conditions necessary to achieve the burn objectives while minimizing smoke impacts to roads and communities. However, smoke and ash associated with a prescribed burn cannot be prevented. Smoke sensitive individuals should keep their windows closed and avoid outdoor activities in the affected areas. If you would like to be registered on the City's list of smoke sensitive individuals, please contact Jason Cull in the City's Natural Resources Department at (239) 472-3700. Once registered, the City will notify you in advance of any prescribed burn on Sanibel.

During the prescribed burn operations, residents and visitors are encouraged to:

- close windows
- cover pools
- move cars and furniture indoors

- stay indoors to minimize the impacts from smoke

- visit other areas of the Island away from the burn site

- abide by all signs, road closures, and instructions about closed areas provided by law enforcement and fire personnel

After the prescribed burn has been completed, there may be occasional smoke or burning embers seen from the burned area for several days. Fire personnel will monitor the burned area and adjacent roads, day and night, taking all precautions and maintaining readiness to minimize fire activity and smoke impacts to the public. Do not be alarmed if you see smoke or burning embers within a burned area.

Is Sanibel at risk for wildfires?

Of course. However, prescribed fires, planned and carefully conducted by well-trained and experienced fire personnel are a cost-effective way to reduce fuel loads on Sanibel and reduce the risk of a catastrophic wildfire. To address safety and wildland fire issues on Sanibel, the City of Sanibel, the Sanibel Fire and Rescue District, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge formed the Sanibel Firewise Task Force. To reduce the risk of wildfire around your home, the Sanibel Firewise Task Force recommends that you:

- Trim dead palm fronds from trees;
- Trim tall grasses near the home;
- Prune large, leafy hardwood trees so the lowest branches are six to ten feet above the ground;

- Do not store combustible materials such as gasoline containers, firewood, and building supplies under or around the home; and

- Keep mulch and other landscaping material well watered.

For additional information regarding fire and prescribed burning on Sanibel, contact the City of Sanibel Natural Resources Department at 472-3700.

Poet's Corner



We invite submissions from local poets. Anyone interested may submit their work via email to tutsie@comcast.net. Each week, individual work will be showcased.

swelling buds on maples, hickories, oaks.

Today, dead leaves
skitter across the pavement
blown by a south wind
that brings 90 degrees by noon.
Look up –
the tree is covered with new green leaves!

Spring, summer and autumn together:

the price we pay for iceless winters
made easy
by the scent of jasmine, gardenias
in the April evening air.

Mary LaVelle is a member of Writers Group 4 on Sanibel Island. She attributes falling in love with the lyrics and music of poetry to a high school English teacher and competing in the Illinois state speech contests in Extemporaneous Poetry Reading.✧

selected by Tanya Hochschild

Florida April

by Mary LaVelle

A muddle of seasons
not cruel
but confusing
to northerners accustomed to
biting rain
spring beauties blooming in the
woods

Art League Presents DVDs To Sanibel Library

On April 2, Kathy Taylor, past president of the Sanibel-Captiva Art League, presented two educational DVDs to Margaret Mohundro, director of the Sanibel Public Library. Also in attendance were Marcy Calkins, president of San-Cap Art League, and Rita McLain, who, along with Ann Bischoff, organizes the monthly art displays at the library. This was a gift of appreciation for the opportunity given the Art League to display paintings as well as the enthusiastic and gracious support from the library staff.



DVDs donated to the Sanibel Public Library

The two educational DVD's include *Watercolor Workshop Set* by Don Andrews and *Bold Brushstrokes and Confident Color* by Lori Putnam, who teaches her process of creating paintings in a plain air experience. These DVDs will be of special interest to anyone who is interested in improving their technique of painting, or looking for new directions in artistic expression.✧

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Piazza Fontana

Brigades were also on the rise. The government fears the country is in danger of a communist invasion and NATO is stockpiling weapons near the Yugoslav border for defense. The film runs 128 minutes.

Next up on April 27 is *A Model for Matisse*, a documentary about a young nun's powerful influence on artist Henri Matisse's crowning achievement: The Vence Chapel. I'll have more on that in next week's *Island Sun*. Admission to BIG ARTS Monday Night Film Series is \$8 and all screenings begin at 7 p.m. in Schein Performance Hall. Each film is followed by a complimentary reception and discussion in Phillips Gallery.

Series Sponsors: Bank of the Islands, Stan and Visnja Gembicki, John R. Wood Properties, Penny Wilkinson. Series Supporters: Sanibel Taxi, Jerry's Foods of Sanibel. BIG ARTS is located at 900 Dunlop Road. Tickets are available at the door or by calling 395-0900.✧

Library Book Discussion Group

Readers are invited to come in to the Sanibel Public Library to talk about Jhumpa Lahiri's *The Lowland*, the focus of the Wednesday, April 22 book discussion. The meeting is free and open to the public. The discussion begins at 2 p.m. in Meeting Room Four, located on the ground floor.

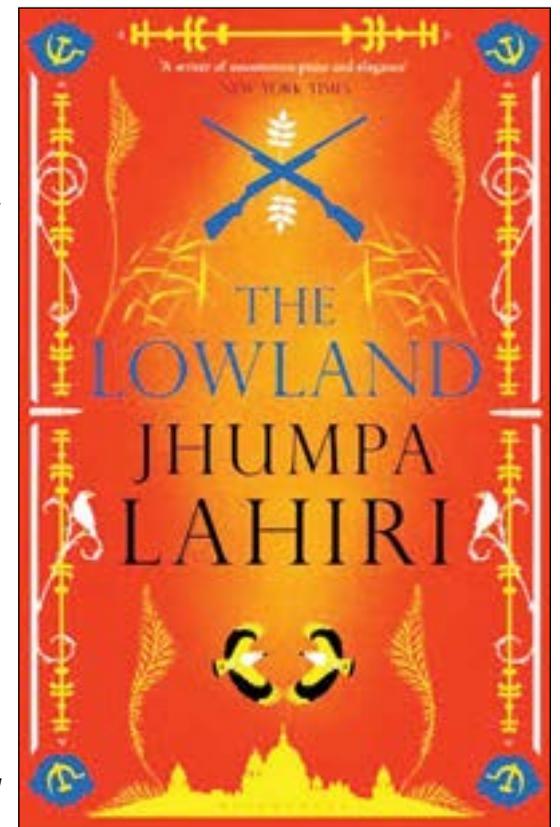
In Lahiri's novel, brothers Subhash and Udayan Mitra pursue vastly different lives – Udayan in rebellion-torn Calcutta, Subhash in a quiet corner of America – until a shattering tragedy compels Subhash to return to India, where he endeavors to heal family wounds.

The Lowland is a *New York Times Book Review* Notable Book, a *Time* Top Fiction Book, and an NPR Great Read.

While it is preferable to come having read the book, all are welcome. The books featured for the group discussions are available in print, on CD as well as in downloadable format. Copies of book club books are located in the library near the Reference Desk.

The May selection is Donna Tartt's *The Goldfinch*, which won the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. The group will review Liane Moriarty's *The Husband's Secret* in June.

If you have questions about the meetings or the library, call 472-2483, or go to www.sanlib.org.✧



Three compelling beach reads by Sanibel author William Hallstead

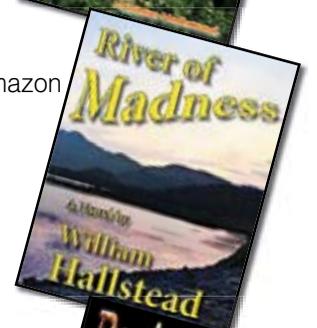
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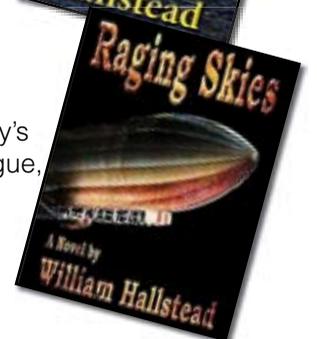
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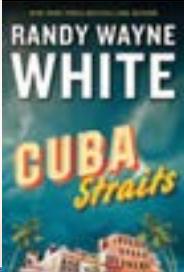


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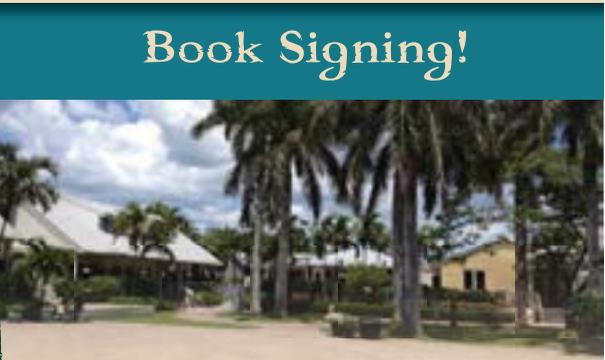


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Survivors And Supporters Take Part In Sanibel-Captiva Relay For Life



Cancer survivors took the first lap during last Friday's 2015 Sanibel-Captiva Relay For Life, held at The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club from 4 until 10 p.m. photos by Jeff Lysiak



During the second lap of the afternoon, caretakers of cancer patients made their way around the marked course



The Caring Stars team, from left, Joan Sperry, Mary Ryan, Ellen Petrick, Mae Okipney, Lois Purviance and Judy Ware



Event organizer and cancer survivor Mary Bondurant



The youngest Relay participant, Blake Walsh, and his mother, Jaclyn



The Surviving Sisters team, from left, Carol Strange, Betty Abbott, Vicki Bundschu, Joan Brusch and Jay Solomon



The Merry Mermaids team, from left, Stacey Gerhart, Mary Bondurant, Brian Gaffey and Lanet Merrill



The Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva was out in full force in support of the local Relay For Life

Rotary Happenings

submitted by Shirley Jewell

Here's a story you've heard before: A man walks into a bar in New York City.



There's only one seat open at the bar and that is where he is destined to sit. He sits beside a beautiful woman, they start up a conversation, and soon he invites her to come to his place. The assumption here is this is a romantic encounter, but that is not the case here. This story is about how Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club President Bill Rahe met *Unsinkable Women* playwright and equity actress Deborah Jean Templin from New York City. And yes, he really did invite her home to Sanibel to perform her play *Unsinkable Women* on Sanibel on April 9 at BIG ARTS' Schein Hall on Sanibel.

What a wonderful night of theater it was. *Unsinkable Women* is based on the lives of nine women who were survivors of the sinking of the *RMS Titanic*. Templin kept the audience spellbound with her exceptional acting ability and the ease with which she is able to morph herself onstage into each of these nine women, have them tell their own stories about that tragic event and how they took this experience and the loss of their



Deborah Jean Templin

loved ones to go on and build lives of purpose.

After her powerful performance, the audience was invited out to the garden for an opulent wine and dessert buffet. Rave reviews from attendees about this performance were expressed and the fine wine and desserts ended this evening with sweet memories of a great evening here on Sanibel.

Proceeds of this Rotary fundraising event will go to the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village, Human Trafficking

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Now, there is more to this story. Templin (a Broadway, touring, television, commercial and trade show actress) was accompanied by Ron Schwinn, *Unsinkable Women*'s production man-in-the-booth. A professional musical theatre veteran for over a half-century (appearing in 13 Broadway productions, five national touring companies, and many regional theatres, film and TV), Schwinn appeared with Templin as special guests the morning after the *Unsinkable Women* fundraiser, at Rotary's weekly meeting the following day).

As Templin told club members, her mother said, "There was no way you would do anything in life but be a performer." The life of a New York actor is not an easy life, and even though Deborah has performed in more than 100 varied musical productions, she still has to go on audition calls. Deborah told us in 2014, she attended 67 auditions and was lucky enough to receive three contracts. She has performed on Broadway and in national touring companies in *Annie*, *Titanic: The Musical*, *Passion of Dracula*, *Young Frankenstein*, *Mamma Mia!*, *Hello Dolly*, *Cabaret*, *Playing For Time* (her favorite) and over 100 productions. Recently, Templin was featured in *Mary*

Poppins as Miss Andrew. In 2013, she was named the New Hampshire Theatre Award winner for her work as Frau Blucher in Mel Brooks/Thomas Meehan's *Young Frankenstein*. Templin was also given Philadelphia's Barrymore Award for Best Actress in a Musical for her work as chanteuse Kay Goodman in Dennis Deal's *Nite Club Confidential*. A proud member of the performers unions of SAG-AFTRA and Actors Equity Association since 1977, she told us, "If you want to be a successful performer, you must be prepared."

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets at 7 a.m. every Friday at The Dunes Golf and Tennis Club, 949 Sand Castle Road. If you have any questions regarding Rotary, e-mail President Scot Congress at scot@scongress.com. ✨



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– If you would like to be on the Page Turners list, email annrodman@aol.com or contact the Center 4 Life.

The featured book on Wednesday, May 13 is *Sophie's Choice* by William Styron. Bring your lunch and watch the movie at 12:30 p.m., followed by a discussion on the book and movie at 2:30 p.m.

Sunset Social on the Causeway

– Tuesday, April 28 at 6 p.m. Spend a relaxing evening watching the beautiful island sunset. Call to RSVP, or sign up at the center. Meet on the causeway and bring an appetizer to share. Bring your beach chair. Meet on the first island on your left as you leave Sanibel. Look for Trish Phillips and the Island Seniors banner. Weather permitting.

Games

Bridge – Monday and Wednesday at 1 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes will be awarded.

Mahjongg – Thursday at 1 p.m. Cost is \$2.50 for members and \$5 for non-members. Prizes are awarded.

Tuesday and Thursday Kayaking

– April 21 and 23 (weather permitting) at 8:30 a.m. There is space for 16 people on eight two-person kayaks and limited space for those who own their own kayaks. Island Seniors will provide kayaks, paddles and life jackets. Bring water, a small 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.

Fitness Classes

Classes are available and all ages are welcome. Cost is \$3.75 for members and \$6.75 for non-members. 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. This class keeps your brain fit and your heart, lungs and muscles strong with a combination of aerobics and muscle conditioning exercises and balance. Hand weights, stretch cords and your body weight will be used. Class begins with a joke and ends with a positive thought for the day. Athletic footwear required. Silvia Villanueva 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 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.

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Sanibel-Captiva Relay For Life



Lanet Merrill, left, checked-in participants with help from Relay For Life specialist Vilma Schwarz



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Survivor Carol Stange with City of Sanibel teammates Grace Towler, Andrea Miller, Matt Fannon and Shar Durand



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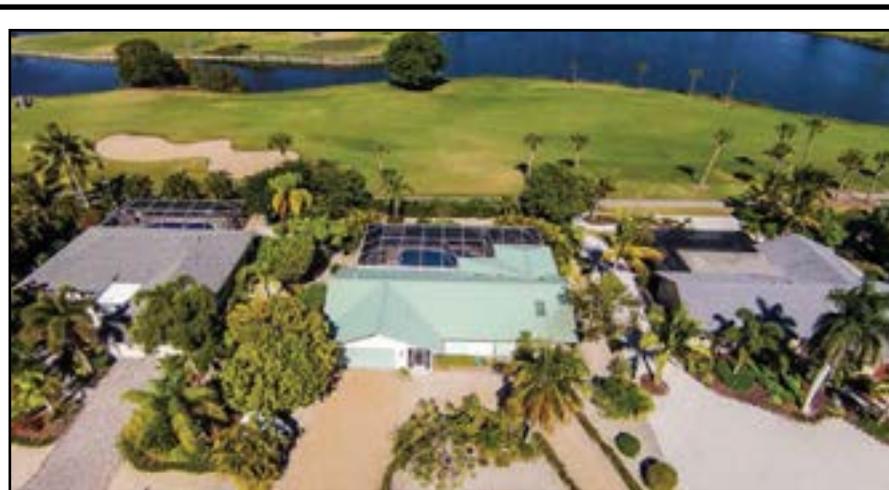
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The Partnership for Philanthropic Planning (PPP) of Lee County will present a forum titled, I want to give you my Monet on Thursday, April 23. Attendees will learn how to navigate the interesting waters of gifts of arts and how to protect from the potential for disaster.

A panel will provide guidance on the steps to take and how to honor the donor's generosity and thoughtfulness to best suit the mission of the organization. The meeting is sponsored by Florida Southwestern State College.

Panel members include:

- Judy Cassidy, senior director of advancement, FGCU Foundation
- Cheryl Charbonneau, CPA, CFP and comptroller/tax operations manager for Grace Advisory Group
- Jade Dellinger, director, Bob Rauschenberg Gallery, FSW State College
- Lee Ellen Harder, executive director, BIG ARTS of Sanibel
- Arlene Knox, senior director of development/planned giving, FSW State College Foundation (moderator)

The meeting will be held at Blue Coyote Business & Social Club, 9854 Caloosa Yacht and Racquet Club Drive, Fort Myers from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Networking begins at 11:30 a.m.;

lunch and program begin at noon. The event is free to members. The cost for non-members is \$25 and includes lunch. Reservation deadline is Monday, April 20. To RSVP go to www.ppplee.org.

The Partnership for Philanthropic Planning provides programs presented by expert speakers, symposiums, networking and guidance to professionals involved in all aspects of charitable giving. PPP members are committed to better serv-

ing their donors and clients by helping them to make charitable gifts that are well planned both financially and philanthropically. The Partnership strives to engage all constituents in the charitable gift planning process: planned giving and major gifts professionals, nonprofit managers and trustees, financial and estate planners, trust managers and administrators. For more information go to www.ppplee.org or call 850-0040.*

Sanibel Rec Center Youth Summer Day Camp Registration Now Open

The Sanibel Recreation Department "Summer Day Camp" is a traditional eleven week day camp which will run from Monday, June 8 through Friday, August 21. Summer Camp is offered to children entering grades first through eighth and will operate Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Campers will participate in activities such as swimming, arts and crafts and athletics, as well as, a variety of games. Special guests along with an enhanced field trip itinerary will also be a part of the action. As part of the registration fee, breakfast and lunch will be provided daily as well as an all-inclusive weekly field trip itinerary. Campers should bring swimsuit, towel and sunscreen daily. Register in advance and receive the "Early Bird" rate:

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Week 10

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Member: \$107.25
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(registration on or after August 4)

Week 11

August 17 to August 21
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New Customer Service Rep

Sanibel Captiva Community Bank has named Kristin Marks customer service representative for its new Myerlee, Fort Myers, location. She is responsible for assisting customers with opening and servicing their accounts, wire transfers and online banking.

A Florida native, Marks has more than eight years of community banking experience, including client services coordinator, assistant banking center manager, office manager and teller supervisor.

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The inaugural Relay For Life of Fort Myers 5K Run has been scheduled for April 18 starting at 6 p.m. at scenic Lakes Regional Park in Fort Myers.

Sponsored by Suncoast Credit Union to benefit the American Cancer Society, this new event will take place during the Fort Myers Relay For Life annual fundraiser. There is no admission fee for the overall event, but there is a \$28 entry fee to participate in the 5K.

Relay is a family-friendly event, beginning at noon with opening ceremonies and ending with the closing ceremonies and final lap at midnight. This year's Relay theme is Disney, so come out and

show your Disney spirit to the runners and all of the various vendors who will be offering food and other activities to help raise money to fight cancer.

The great thing about Relay is that, except for a small amount set aside to fund national research, all of the funds raised in Lee County stay in the county to support local American Cancer society programs that serve and benefit those currently battling this dread disease, their caregivers and survivors.

Registration fee includes a performance T-shirt if registered by April 10. Those registering after that date will not receive a T-shirt.

Registration opens at 3:30 p.m. on Relay day. Be sure to arrive early to avoid the lines and enjoy the Relay For Life.

For additional information, contact Heather Korchma via email at fmrelayforlife@gmail.com or call 936-1113.*

SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who is the only pitcher to strike out more batters in tossing a no-hitter than the Dodgers' Clayton Kershaw, who struck out 15 during a game in 2014?
2. How many times did Hall of Famer Willie Mays hit 40 or more homes runs in a season?
3. Name the only player from the University of Illinois to be chosen No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft?
4. Which was the last NBA team before the Miami Heat (2011-14) to appear in four consecutive NBA Finals?
5. Of the seven hockey Canada Cups/World Cups, the Canadian men's team has won five. Which countries have won one each?
6. In how many consecutive Olympics did Germany win a gold medal in the two-man bobsled before its eighth-place finish in 2014?
7. In 2014, golfer Bernhard Langer set a record by winning the Senior British Open by 13 shots. Who had held the event mark?

ANSWERS

1. Nolan Ryan struck out 17 in a no-hitter in 1973 and 16 in a '91 no-hitter. 2. Six times, including 1984-87. 3. The Soviet Union won in 1981, and the U.S. won in 1996. 4. Three consecutive Olympics (2002, '06, '10). 5. Bob Charles won by seven shots in 1989.

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The New Face Of Golf Is Likeable Jordan Spieth – And The Game Desperately Needs Him



by Ed Frank

The thrilling Masters victory last Sunday by 21-year-old Jordan Spieth was a victory for the ages – one that could provide the needed spark to rejuvenate the interest and participation in the grand old game.

As we all know, Spieth's record-matching 18-below-par was first set 18 years ago by another then 21-year-old named Tiger Woods.

But Spieth brings to the game, and to the public, attributes foreign to Woods – humility, politeness, friendliness and kindness.

He was raised that way by his parents, both former college athletes. If you were one of the millions watching that final round on Sunday, perhaps you saw him give a thumbs-up salute to competitor Justin Rose after Rose hit a spectacular approach shot to Hole No. 7.

And then moments after his final putt on 18 for his wire-to-wire victory, he returned to the 18th green to applaud the spectators and volunteers.

Have you ever seen Woods display these traits?

We wrote about this youngster exactly a year ago when he finished his first Masters tied for second place. That obviously made him all the more hungry to return this year to finish the job.

He became the first golfer in 39 years to lead the famous tournament all four days and, along the way, set a bevy of records including a blistering 28 birdies.

Spieth rode into the Masters on a tear, having a win and two seconds in his last three tournaments. Combined with the Masters, he has won \$4,111,000 in those four events.

His love of family and friends is grounded on a special love for his young special needs sister, Ellie. He calls her his "real hero."

The Jordan Spieth Charitable Fund supports special needs youth, military families and junior golf.

There is little doubt that the game of golf needs Jordan Spieth and others like him. For eight straight years, more golf courses closed in this country than opened, while the number of U.S. golfers dropped from an estimated 29.8 million to 24.1 million, according to recent studies.

The National Golf Foundation reported only 14 new courses opened in the United States last year while 158 closed.

The recession obviously contributed to the decline, but other factors included cost, the length of time to play a round, and the growth of interest in other sports by young and old alike.

Yes, golf needs the gracious Jordan Spieth.

Miracle Open Season 2-2; Home This Weekend

The Fort Myers Miracle opened the 2015 season with a 2-2 record including a home opener victory last Friday over Charlotte before a record 9,203 fans.

The Miracle is home this weekend at Hammond Stadium against Tampa Thursday night and a three-game series with St. Lucie Friday through Sunday. The first pitch Thursday and Friday is 7:05 p.m. with a 6:05 p.m. start Saturday and a Sunday matinee at 4:05 p.m.

Several changes were made to the Miracle roster after our press deadline last week.

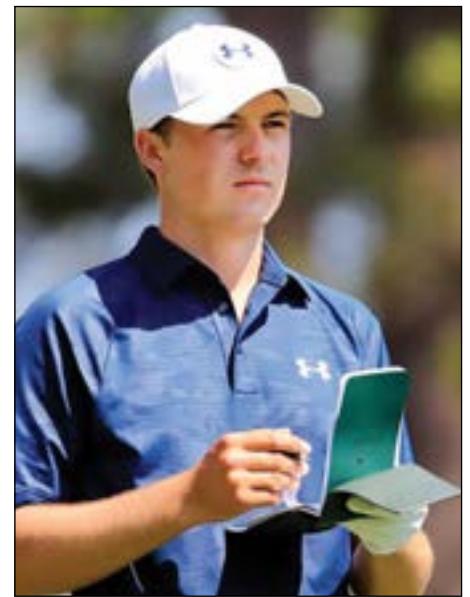
Familiar names to Miracle fans from last year's Florida State League championship team that have returned are shortstop Niko Goodrum and second-baseman Adlerling Mejia.

The outfield features Jason Kanzier, the hero of the 2014 Championship series, whose hitting and fielding sparked the Miracle title run.

Everblades Start Post-Season Run This Weekend.

The Florida Everblades begin their quest for the ECHL Kelly Cup Championship when they face the Orlando Solar Bears in Round One here this weekend.

The first two games of best-of-seven series will be Friday and Saturday nights at Germain Arena. Games three, four and five, if necessary, will be in Orlando. If a game six or seven is necessary, the series will return to Germain on Monday, April 27, and Wednesday, April 29.



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Bricker has 30 years of strategic marketing and public relations experience, including advertising, publicity, brand development, event management, community relations, consulting and team-building.

"Judy has extensive marketing expertise and we are confident that her talents will benefit our clients and communities tremendously. We are delighted to have her as a member of our rapidly expanding team," said Albert Hanser, Founder and Chairman.

Bricker previously was senior vice president and director of marketing for Northern Trust's southeast region, managing a marketing team in support of 21 offices in Florida and Georgia. m that represented clients and industries in the Collier and Lee County markets.

Bricker earned a BS in communications for business at Florida State University and minored in marketing. Bricker will work from the company's Naples office.✧



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2. Helen and Jim McCartney
3. Clara and Terry Terrana

East/West

1. Sue Danford and Linda Drasnin
2. Mary and Dick Butler
3. Rich Conyers and Jim Felsenthal

There are two ACBL-sanctioned games per week, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1 to 4 p.m., at The

Community Houst 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. The games run from the January 1 until the end of April.

For further information, contact Susan Willoughby at 281-3258.✧

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Jordan Spieth

The local hockey team finished the regular season with a solid 49-16-2 record and a second place finish in the 14-team Eastern Conference of the ECHL.

The 2014-15 season was a marked improvement from a year ago when the team went 37-27-3 and failed to earn a post-season slot for the first time in franchise history.✧

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Are The Words 'Choose' And 'Decide' Synonymous?



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

Roget's Thesaurus lists the words "choose" and "decide" as synonymous with one another. But are they?

Dan Sullivan, the founder of the Strategic Coach program, insists that they're not. He adds that understanding the clear distinction between the two is important.

"These are actually very different words that mean entirely different things," Sullivan says. "The word 'decide' is actually dependent upon the word 'choose'. First you have to choose. Only after you have chosen do you then decide upon what actions you should take in the future relative to what you've already been doing."

Sullivan states that the word 'choose' can only be related to the future while the word 'decide' is only related to the past. Choosing always comes from the inside; it comes from something that you create from your imagination. You choose something based upon your passion for a bigger and better future. No one else knows what future you want for yourself.

"Think about choosing as creating," Sullivan says.

Once you've chosen a particular future – after you have defined it, described it and then written it down – then examine your past to decide what part of your past doesn't qualify for this future that you have imagined. While some parts of your past won't qualify, other parts will actually be very helpful in creating this future that you want to create.

"So that's where the decision comes in," Sullivan teaches. "What part of your past is going to be useful in realizing this future that you've chosen and what parts you throw away. It is very liberating to throw away parts of your past that don't help you attain a bigger future. Once this decision has been made, then it becomes clearer what steps you take to maximize the present."

He describes this as a three step process: 1. Create the future; 2. Simplify the past – only bringing forward those things that are appropriate and useful to your future; and 3. Embark on the now clear direction you will have in what you are supposed to be doing now, in the present.

I've found that this exercise can help people when choosing what provisions to put into their estate planning documents when they are torn between two choices. Sometimes a child has not lived up to expectations, or has a problem resulting in the client considering whether to disinherit the child. Other times there's a concern that the beneficiary is going to waste his or her inheritance in a way that the client wouldn't want, so they consider whether or not to impose a third-party trustee such as a bank or trust company to both handle the investments and control the distributions.

In these situations I ask the client to choose the future that they want for this particular beneficiary. Do they envision the inheritance that they are leaving this individual to be used for specific purposes, and if so, what might those purposes be? Education? Retirement? Philanthropy? Some combination?

The next step would include an examination of the past to decide what elements hinder this decision and what elements might be useful in making the choice at hand. Is the client remembering something from the long ago past that is no longer relevant to the situation? One example may be a troublesome spouse that the adult child is no longer married to. The client can decide to jettison this past experience when making choices relevant to how the estate plan will work. On the other hand, there is likely some useful information about the tendencies of a particular beneficiary when choosing how to best implement a bigger and better future for him or her.

Certainly this exercise can also be used to maximize the client's future rather than that of the client's heirs. Almost everyone wants greater freedoms when it comes to their time, money, relationships, and purpose. People tend to become dissatisfied when their lives feel routine – as if they are on autopilot with little or no progress being made. When this happens, imagining the creation of a bigger and better future can move one out of the doldrums.

Once one envisions a bigger and better future, then the decisions have to be made. What activities are you currently doing that don't qualify towards the progression of that future? What relationships work and what relationships don't work in striving towards greater freedoms and purpose? I believe that these are important questions to ask oneself regardless of one's age.

I agree with Sullivan in that when you begin to use the words "choose" and "decide" in their proper context, then what you should be doing in the present becomes much simpler and clearer.

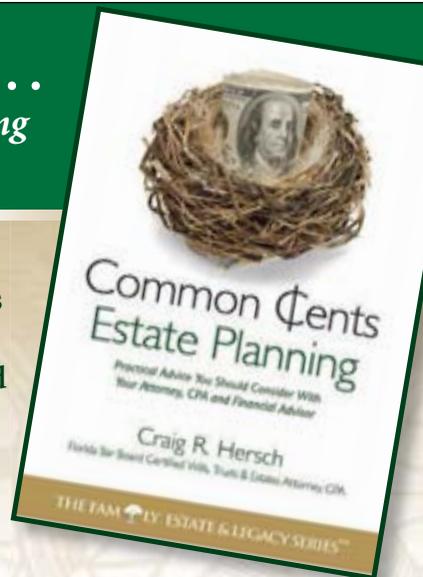
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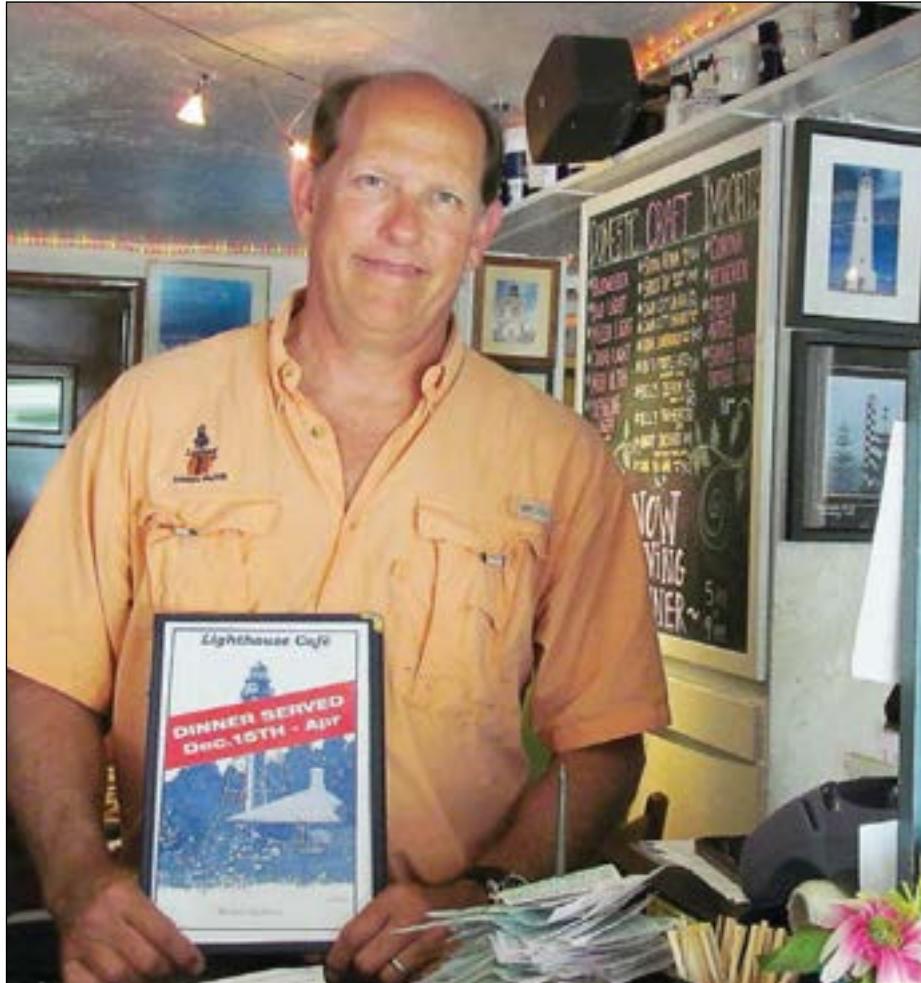
The Coffee Bar at Bailey's serves espresso based drinks, hot chocolate, smoothies and specialty coffees.

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Beach Piez New York style pizza offers carry out and delivery on Sanibel and Captiva. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. With fresh ingredients, mouth watering mozzarella, "secret recipe" dough and homemade pizza sauce, Beach Piez will deliver the best pizza the island has to offer. Stop in for the slice of the day.

BENNETT'S FRESH ROAST

Bennett's Fresh Roast at 1020 Periwinkle Way prides itself on its fresh-from-scratch doughnuts made daily and being the only Southwest Florida doughnut shop offering fresh roasted coffee from the finest beans. They also offer fresh desserts including praline bread pudding and lemon bars, packaged whole bean or ground coffees, breakfast muffins, oatmeal, breakfast sandwiches, strata (a layered baked breakfast dish) and a large variety of Harney & Sons Fine Teas. Lunch offerings including paninis, soups, sandwiches, signature salads and Bennett's Chicken & Donut, Donut Dog and a Lobster Roll are available Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Mike Billheimer at Lighthouse Café

BLUE GIRAFFE

Blue Giraffe serves breakfast, lunch and dinner from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. This restaurant offers casual island dining seven days a week from a menu featuring fresh local seafood, chowders, salads and steaks. Besides dessert choices, you can get hand-dipped Edy's Grand Ice Cream.

Dine outside on the boardwalk or inside at hand-painted tables decorated by a local artist, or sit at the full liquor bar for a mixed drink, glass of wine or cold beer.

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. Jimmy always made time for a good conversation, good company and great food. In Jimmy's memory, Cip's styles itself as a local watering hole. A mural that takes up an entire wall shows lots of 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. And do try the home-made potato chips, the fried buttermilk chicken with sage gravy and the snapper tacos.

Choose between the outdoor garden patio or front porch. Indoor seating and full bar are also available. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily with happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m.

CHIP'S SANIBEL STEAKHOUSE

Chip's Sanibel Steakhouse has many great options for locals and tourists alike. It is open seven nights a week with daily happy hour from 5 to 6 p.m., featuring two-for-one drinks and \$4.95 appetizers. For early diners, there's a three-course prix fixe menu for \$35 including a cocktail. In addition to an updated

wine list, seasonal house-infused liquors such as strawberry-jalapeño tequila, blood orange vodka and cucumber gin are available.

The menu features steaks and seafood, including a six-ounce filet mignon topped with jumbo lump crabmeat finished with Hollandaise and served with of asparagus and choice of potato; Parmesan-crusted seabass served with mushroom risotto and finished with a creamy dill sauce. Save room for dessert though, because whether you are a chocolate lover or Key lime pie fan, Chip's has something for every sweet tooth.

CROW'S NEST AT 'TWEEN WATERS INN

The Crow's Nest at 'Tween Waters Inn is a more casual place than its sister the Old Captiva House. It's home to the famed Captiva Crab Races on Mondays and Thursdays and is a popular venue for live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays.

There is a nightly happy hour.

DOC FORD'S RUM BAR & GRILLE

Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille is named for the Doc Ford character in local author Randy Wayne White's best-selling mystery novels.

In addition to its Sanibel restaurant, Doc Ford's has a Captiva location in Chadwick's Square.

It's a well known gathering place and tropical theme sports bar with indoor and outdoor patio seating. The combined menu offers all the lunch and dinner items from 11 a.m. until closing. It includes cedar plank salmon topped with a mango chipotle glaze or a marinated grilled chicken sandwich. The fish tacos are an island favorite and there's a well provisioned raw bar. Tropical drinks are a specialty, notably the signature rum drink, Island Mojito.

THE DUNES RESTAURANT

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 the Shrimp Po' Boy.

Featured monthly events include Trivia Night, Corks & Canvas, Comedy Night, dinner, dancing and live entertainment, and bridge. There is a Friday a la carte dinner menu with featured selections each week such as fish fry, prime rib, seafood and pasta nights.

Take in the sunset views while sipping on your favorite drink. Happy hour is every day from 3 to 6 p.m.

GEORGE & WENDY'S SEAFOOD GRILLE

George & Wendy's Seafood Grille features live music Fridays and Saturdays and Karaoke on Thursdays. Specials include barbecued ribs on Monday for \$18, prime rib on Tuesdays for \$18, crab legs on Wednesdays for \$18, steak lovers special on Thursdays for \$18 and Friday night fish fry for \$15.

There is a live jazz brunch buffet on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Happy hour is from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. The full bar has an extensive wine list, 20 beers on tap, local, domestic and craft beer, mojitos, martinis and tropical favorites.

Football food and drink specials are available in the bar area only during all NFL and Saturday college games. There are free Jello shots with each Chicago or Buffalo touchdown.

Hours are 11 a.m. to midnight seven days a week.

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 leisurely dine at the Sanibel Marina in view of luxury yachts and modest fishing boats and watch the comings and goings of seagoing folk and fishermen. The menu features a full line of "only 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.

GREAT WHITE GRILL

The Great White Grill is a sports bar featuring 29 beers on tap and a good wine list. It's home of The Steel Curtain Pizza. There's free pizza delivery too. The Great White carries the TV Baseball package and the NFL package for sports enthusiasts and has arcade games for kids of all ages.

The regular menu includes hand-cast fresh dough pizza, wings, fries, chicken fingers, salads, gyros, sandwiches and burgers. Check out the Pittsburgh Salad, which consists of grilled chicken, French fries, cheddar cheese, cucumbers, tomatoes and onions on a bed of lettuce.

GREEN FLASH

The Green Flash has marvelous waterfront views of Captiva'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.

Island Fare

GREENHOUSE GRILL

The Greenhouse Grill has happy hour daily that includes \$2 off house wine, \$1 off draft beer and half price special of the day appetizer from 4 to 6 p.m. There are vegan and gluten free options available. Fresh, local, seasonal ingredients are used to flavor steaks, seafood, pasta, salads and burgers. The signature Bouillabaisse is a seafood lover's delight with fresh shrimp, mussels, clams, scallops, grouper and calamari. Homemade lemonade and green tea with pomegranate are a favorite among guests. Grand finales include Chocolate Fondant, Tiramisu, Crème Brûlée, Cannoli and other delectables. Pet-friendly patio seating available.

The Greenhouse Grill is open daily from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Reservations are appreciated and carry out orders are welcome.

IL TESORO

Il Tesoro serves authentic Italian food "with the taste and feel of a Tuscan holiday," according to owner Chef AJ Black. He infuses flavors from the old world to the new world of cooking using only fresh seasonal ingredients to bring his dishes to life. Daily specials focus on pairing authentic meals with a bold array of fine Italian wines.

Il Tesoro (The Treasure) serves dinner seven nights a week from 5 to 10 p.m.

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.

Breakfast is served between 7 and 11 a.m. Hours are 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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. Bands include Renata, Wildfire, and Cruzan Vibes' reggae on the weekends.

The patio lounge menu includes a selection of "happy apps" for \$5.95 and half price drinks during happy hour, 5 to 7 p.m.

Dinner reservations are suggested.

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 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

LAZY FLAMINGO

The Lazy Flamingo is a famed island hang-out with two Sanibel locations: one at 1036 Periwinkle Way, the other – the original – at 6520 Pine Avenue, near Blind Pass. "If our seafood were any fresher, we would be serving it under water!" is the Flamingo's motto. And that includes, shrimp, grouper, oysters, conch fritters and chowder as well as chicken.

The Flamingo Bread and the Caesar Salad are signature items. Pull up a stool to the rustic bar or take a high or low table. The interior feels like the inside of an old pirate ship with its portholes and hewn wood surfaces. The atmosphere is definitely casual and beer is available by the bottle, on draft or by the pitcher.

LIGHTHOUSE CAFE

Sanibel's popular breakfast and lunch restaurant on the east end also serves dinner from December 15 until the end of April. Owner Mike Billheimer, Sanibel native and member of a family operating one of Sanibel's first restaurants back in the 1950s, took over this legendary cafe in 1988 and has been mentioned in *Gourmet*, *Bon Appetit*, *Country Living*, *Southern Living* magazines for their outstanding food quality and service. Try one of the selections of eggs Benedict, homemade wholewheat granola hotcakes or one of the three-egg omelets.

The French toast is made with a rich custard batter and real French bread. Breakfast is served until 3 p.m. The most popular lunch item is the fresh, local grouper sandwich served crunchy fried, chargrilled, blackened, sautéed or broiled. Open 7 days. Call ahead seating for breakfast and lunch, and reservations accepted for dinner.

MATZALUNA ITALIAN KITCHEN

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 selection including 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 has craft beers on tap. On Wine Wednesdays, every bottle priced \$25 and over will be discounted by \$8 all evening. Hours are 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. daily and happy hour is from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

MUCKY DUCK

The Mucky Duck may well be the most famous restaurant on Captiva due to its longevity and quirky name. Then there's the fabulous sunsets. Patrons gladly wait on the beach for tables. This place draws crowds – sipping cocktails and beverages until they can take their seats. Reservations are not accepted.

The Duck is open for lunch and dinner, serving fresh seafood, pub-style food, sandwiches, steaks and other items.

OLD CAPTIVA HOUSE AT 'TWEEN WATERS INN

Old Captiva House at 'Tween Waters Inn, Captiva, offers romantic sunset dining in an historic setting with live piano music. Executive Chef Jason Miller prepares New Florida island favorites, tropical seafoods, classic meats and daily fresh-baked breads and pastries, served with an extensive selection of wines, liquors and coffees.

First built as a one-room school for children of Captiva's pioneer settlers, the Old Captiva House still reflects much of its original charm – from white French doors to hardwood floors to the Gulf of Mexico sunset that streams through the western windows. Its collection of famed cartoonist J.N. "Ding" Darling's 1930s whimsical vacation illustrations has led to its designation as a landmark in Southwest Florida.

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.

PECKING ORDER

The Pecking Order, features tender, juicy, broasted fried chicken and the fixins. The chicken is marinated and seasoned, and the high-pressure deep-frying system produces a crispy coating and holds 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, red mashed and gravy, fried pickles and veggie chili. Try the Black Betty, a warm, dark chocolate cupcake filled with liquid dark chocolate, sprinkled with sea salt flakes and confectioners sugar.

Take out and outdoor dining available.

POCOLOCO

Need a pick-me-up? Looking for some downtime? Either way, your best bet is Pocoloco on the tropical courtyard at Jerry's Center. Indoors or out you will savor gourmet coffee, tea, signature sandwiches, pastries, or a cone of the region's most popular ice cream, Love Boat. Pocoloco is the Sanibel source for this ice cream and always features a couple dozen delicious favors. Stop by, sit in the sunshine and chatter with six cheerful parrots for a unique and memorable experience.

RC OTTER'S, CANTINA CAPTIVA, SUNSHINE SEAFOOD, KEYLIME BISTRO AND CAPTIVA PIZZA, YOGURT & GIFTS

Five Captiva eateries under the same ownership – RC Otter's, Cantina Captiva, Sunshine Seafood, Keylime Bistro and Captiva Pizza, Yogurt & Gifts – offer a fun and casual dining experience with a tropical flair reminiscent of Key West.

RC Otter's and Keylime Bistro have live music outdoors most of the day. Cantina Captiva serves Mexican food. Sunshine Seafood Cafe Wine Bar specializes in fine dining with a very respectable wine list. You have your choice of dining inside or outdoors.

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 Cheese Steak made from shaved rib eye, grilled mushrooms, onions and green peppers, Ultimate Cuban and Classic Reuben, home-made muffins and cinnamon rolls and Key lime pie, root beer floats and banana splits. A children's menu and carry-out are also available and outdoor seating is available.

Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. and happy hour is from 3 to 6 p.m. seven days a week with two-for-one draft beer and wine and a menu that starts at \$4.50 for items such as nachos with cheese and salsa and \$5.50 wings and chicken tenders. The ice cream bar has 20+ flavors of locally made Royal Scoop ice cream.

SANDBAR

Currently serving happy hour from 4 to 5:30 p.m. every day in the lounge only, and dinner from 5 to 9 p.m. Since opening in 2013, The Sandbar has become known for its fresh seafood and choice cuts of beef and pork.

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.

SANIBEL DELI & COFFEE FACTORY

Sanibel Deli & Coffee Factory offers a gluten free menu in addition to regular choices, along with pizza and wings, Boar's Head meats, frozen yogurt and ice cream. There is indoor seating as well as outdoor tables shaded with umbrellas, and free wi-fi.

SANIBEL FISH HOUSE

Find out why Sanibel Fish House is such a great addition to the list of Sanibel restaurants. We offer a wide range of fresh seafood as well as our great alternative choices at reasonable prices.

Come and see us in our delightful tropical island setting. Open 11 to 10 daily with excellent lunch and dinner specials. Don't miss the best happy hour on the island 11 to 6 daily and all day on Saturdays and Sundays in The Lounge! The Lounge opens 11 to 10 Sunday through Thursday and until 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

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.

SANIBEL SPROUT

The Sanibel Sprout is the island's only vegan cafe and organic juice bar. There is comfortable seating for friends to socialize and taste Chef Nikki's extended menu of plant-based gourmet cuisine. The soups – lentil, Vietnamese Pho, etc. – are popular year-round, as are vegan lasagna, Mexican taco salad, kale salad with avocado chipotle dressing and numerous desserts. The extended menu is posted on the Sprout's Facebook page.

The organic juice bar is popular with locals and visitors of all ages. Kids love the Strawberry Kiss or the Chocolate Bliss Smoothie, whereas adults favor the Coffee Sproutaccino or the green Emerald Mermaid Smoothie. Those are just a few of the juice bar favorites from an extensive menu.

The Sprout is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner 8.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

SUNDIAL BEACH RESORT & SPA

The Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa is open 7 days a week, from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Dine indoors or al fresco, overlooking the gulf. Choose from classic tavern fare, fresh seafood, innovative entrees, salads and sandwiches. There is a daily happy hour from 4 to 6 p.m. with drink specials and bar menu. Every Monday is Margarita Monday with \$5 margaritas from 4 to 10 p.m. and live island-style entertainment from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Turtle's Pool & Beach Bar serves imported and domestic beer, wine and tropical drinks in a casual outdoor island setting just steps from the gulf. A full menu is available at the poolside dining patio from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., including seafood, award-winning burgers and fresh salads. Happy hour is 3 to 5 p.m. every day.

Create your own custom pizza or grab a quick snack at Slice of Paradise, Sundial's newest poolside dining option, featuring slices, specialty and custom pizzas, grab and go salads, hot dogs and hand scooped ice cream, including Sundial's signature flavor, Island Delight. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. All restaurants and bars are open to the public.

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 2 p.m.)

TRADITIONS ON THE BEACH

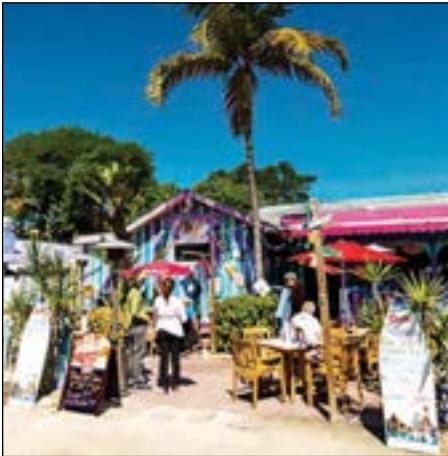
Traditions on the Beach is one of the few Sanibel restaurants with beachfront dining. Located in the historic Island Inn, the recently updated restaurant sits on 10 acres with gulf views, perfect for watching the sunset over the water while you dine. The menu features Italian and Mediterranean cuisine prepared by Chef Aziz and his team. Traditions' dishes are made with fresh ingredients, from seafood and meats, to produce from local vendors. On the menu you will find the classics and specialties including Moroccan lamb, roast duck, lobster and veal. Pasta, grilled items and a raw bar are also available. In addition to the regular menu, specials are offered daily. There's an attractive bar and lounge area that also serves food and an extensive wine and cocktail list. Dining begins at 5 p.m. and continues until late. Reservations are suggested.

ZEBRA TREATS

This bold and bright cafe/store offers a variety of frozen yogurt flavors – try the caramel sea salt pretzel – with more than 50 toppings such as strawberries, blueberries, chopped candy and sprinkles. Other offerings include milk shakes, smoothies and frappes.

Zebra has indoor and outdoor seating.

The store recently added frozen yogurt to go, by the pint and quart.

LIVE ON THE ISLANDS

RC Otter's on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, has live music daily

The Crow's Nest Beach Bar & Grille at Tween Waters Inn has live entertainment with Steve Farst Trio on Friday and Saturday; Steve Farst solo on Sunday; Taylor Stokes on Tuesday; and Bobby Blakely on Wednesday. Crab shows are on Mondays and Thursdays.

George & Wendy's Seafood Grille has live music Friday and Saturday with Rex Bongo Band, playing blues and rock. Saturday is Ladies Night with half-price drinks for the ladies from 9 p.m. to midnight. On Sunday, it's Buckeye Ken on guitar and vocals. There is a live jazz Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday is Aaron Seyferth on guitar and vocals. On Tuesday, it's open mic night from 8 to 11 p.m. John Allender Band plays blues on Wednesday. Karaoke is Thursday from 9 p.m. to midnight.

The Jacaranda has live entertainment on Friday and Saturday with DVS, playing classic rock and oldies. Sunday is Jamaica Dave & Co., playing reggae and dance. On Monday, it's Renata, playing jazz, funk and contemporary; on Tuesday, it's The New Vinyls, playing classic rock and dance; Wednesday is Barbara Dexter, playing contemporary, top 40s and dance; Thursday is Eric Malibu, playing contemporary, reggae and dance.

The Mucky Duck on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva features music by Gary Earle on Thursday and Friday; Gene Federico plays on Saturday; Gary Earle plays Sunday; Mark Dupuy plays on Monday; Perry English plays on Tuesday; and Gene Federico plays on Wednesday.

Sea Breeze Café at Sundial Beach Resort & Spa features Margarita Monday from 4 to 8:30 p.m. every Monday with \$5 margaritas and island style entertainment. Happy hour is daily from 5 to 7 p.m. with drink specials.

Traditions on the Beach at Island Inn has live music Friday and Saturday with Joe McCormick and Marvella Marzan, playing jazz, Latin, pop and R&B. On Sunday, it's Dusk Duo, playing classic pop, R&B, country and jazz on Sunday. Mike Arnone, "The Jersey Kid," performs selections from Motown to the Rat Pack on Monday. Woody Brubaker and Barbara Smith play dance hits on Tuesday and Wednesday. Joe McCormick and Marvella Marzan play on Thursday.

The Island Cow on Periwinkle Way has live entertainment on Friday with Gene Federico; Saturday, Jay Helt; and Sunday, Dan Confrey.

RC Otter's on Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva, has live music daily with dining inside and out.

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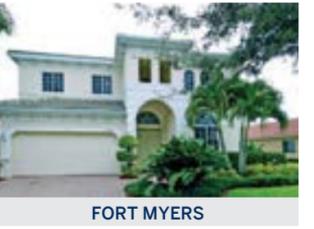
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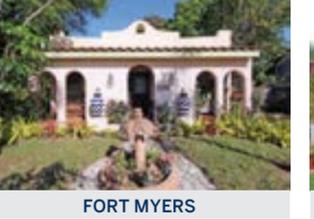
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Pan Grilled Red Snapper with Avocado-Strawberry Salsa

- 4 (six-ounce) red snapper fillets
- 1 jalapeño pepper, finely chopped
- 1 ripe avocado, diced
- 2 cups strawberries, finely chopped
- ¼ cup red onion, finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons cilantro, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon fresh lime juice
- ¼ teaspoon sugar
- Sea salt to taste
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

1½ tablespoons fresh lime zest
 Salt and pepper to taste
 Stir jalapeño, avocado, strawberries, onion, cilantro, lime juice, sugar and sea salt together in a bowl. Cover and set aside.
 Salsa may be made several hours ahead and chilled. When making ahead, add the sugar, salt and avocado when ready to serve.
 Preheat stovetop grill pan over high heat.
 Pat fillets dry, then brush both sides with the oil; sprinkle with the lime zest, salt and pepper.
 Lay fillets on grill pan skin side down and cook 4 to 5 minutes on each side, turning once, until cooked through.
 Transfer fillets skin side up to individual serving plates.
 Carefully remove skin; top with avocado-strawberry salsa.✱



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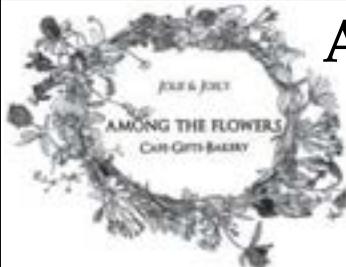
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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley,

My daughter has had a difficult time in second grade. Her reading has developed slowly but she tries hard and likes school. Her

teacher would like her to repeat second grade because she is behind in reading, and math. She says it's a good time to do this since she is young and won't feel too much pressure about it. When is it good to keep a child back?

Brittany L., Cape Coral, Florida

Brittany,

For most kids, retention or repeating a grade is not a great idea. It can be a discouraging experience and should be approached very cautiously. When faced with a recommendation to retain a child, the real task is not to decide to retain or not to retain but, rather, to identify specific intervention strategies to enhance the cognitive and social development of the child and promote his or her learning and success at school.

Most often, it seems that when a child is being asked to repeat a grade, it's because the school or the teacher or the parents – or all of them – think the student is “socially young” for her age and

behind her peers, or because she hasn't mastered the academic skills from the grade.

Often times, upon careful observations, most of the kids who are too “young” or “immature” or not taking in enough information are children who have some issues, making it hard for them to learn, either socially or academically. They could be inattentive or hyperactive, or seriously anxious, or have a learning disorder that is getting in the way. So, the idea of repeating the year doesn't really make sense because what these students who are struggling need is specific help or targeted interventions for the things that are getting in their way.

Before you agree to retention, it would be best if you get more school personnel involved. Ask for observations during reading and math. Observations can reveal if your daughter is paying attention, is spending her time on task, participating in class, asking questions when she needs clarification or assistance or if she might be socializing too much of the time. You may also want to consider how she feels about school, her reading teacher, her teachers in general and classmates. Is she happy with her school situation, does she have friends, is she anxious, bullied in some way, overly sensitive to comments and criticisms from her teachers? Sometimes behavioral issues interfere with learning. You and the school need to think about these issues to make sure that her reading difficulties are not caused by non-academic barriers to learning.

In general, holding a student back is

not a first-choice approach for a child who is falling behind. Remember, retention may be more commonplace today, but there is no evidence that it is effective. Rather, there are many other alternatives to helping children who are experiencing difficulties in school. By asking questions and working collaboratively with school personnel, you should be able to identify, specifically, the cognitive and/or social issues that are causing her slower academic progress.

*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.**

Inaugural Service Academy Day

Congressman Curt Clawson (FL-19) last week announced the details of the 2015 U.S. Service Academy Day. Service Academy Day is an opportunity for area high school students from the 19th Congressional District to learn more about the academy nomination process and to meet with representatives from the nation's military academies, including:

- The United States Military Academy, West Point, New York
- The United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland
- The United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut
- The United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, New York
- The United States Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado

The 2015 U.S. Service Academy Day will take place at Florida Gulf Coast University's Cohen Center Ballroom (2nd Floor) on Saturday, April 25 from 9 to 11:30 a.m., with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m.

In addition to meeting with representatives from the nation's service academies, students may also pick up a nomination application packet, and talk to area students currently attending the academies.

To help him in the selection process of nominees, Congressman Clawson utilizes an Academy Nominations Advisory Committee composed of accomplished community leaders, educators, and retired military officers to screen and personally interview prospective students seeking a nomination to one of the nation's four service academies. This is designed to assure an objective process by which each candidate is assessed for their overall attributes relating to future success at the service academies, while serving our country.*



The Calendar Girls

Calendar Girls Sponsor Guide Dog

The Calendar Girls presented a check for \$5,000 to Katie Morrow, event coordinator, to sponsor guide dog puppy number 14, Valor, at the inaugural Southeastern Guide Dogs Fort Myers Walkathon held at JetBlue Park on April 11.

Since 2006, The Calendar Girls have been sponsoring guide dogs for veterans through the Paws For Patriots program of Southeastern Guide Dogs, located in Palmetto, Florida. For more information, visit www.calendargirlsflorida.com.*

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Marcello	Naples	2014	5,063	\$2,895,000	\$2,525,000	144
Seaspray Subdivision	Sanibel	1985	3,266	\$1,898,000	\$1,898,000	52
Sanibel Harbours	Sanibel	1976	3,092	\$1,750,000	\$1,750,000	8
Winkler Subdivision	Fort Myers Beach	1948	783	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000	176
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2005	3,569	\$1,085,000	\$990,000	131
Castaway Key	Captiva	1994	2,277	\$1,170,000	\$970,000	83
Bonita Beach	Bonita Springs	2007	2,472	\$1,095,000	\$945,000	42
Cape Coral	Cape Coral	2006	3,420	\$959,500	\$912,500	68
Savona	Fort Myers	2014	3,462	\$924,790	\$910,000	399

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Insurance Tip

The Basics About Excess Flood Coverage



by Angela Larson Roehl

Excess Flood coverage provides additional flood coverage over the Standard Flood insurance policy, which provides the maximum limits of \$250,000 for residential build-

coverage mimics the National Flood Insurance Policy coverage.

Keep in mind that the homeowner/business owners policy does not insure for the risk of flood and a separate flood policy is needed in order to respond to a flood loss.

Angela Larson Roehl is a local Sanibel-Captiva insurance agent with over 20 years of insurance experience, who can be reached at info@rosierinsurance.com.✪

Superior Interiors

It's All About You



by Linda Coin

Whether you're about to begin a decorating project, or are in the midst of one, it's a good idea to take stock and consider the following questions:

- Does your home – and the decorating products you've selected – reflect your personality?
- What kind of statement does your home make about you?

It's my belief that your home should indeed say something about you – your personal interest, the area in which you live, your culture, your talents, your loves. In other words, your home should look different from a showroom in a furniture

store. Don't make the mistake of copying someone else's design, instead of pursuing your own personal style.

Of course, you will want to consider current trends and fashions, but try not to use what's "in" to the exclusion of decorating for your individual taste. If you decorate with a personal touch, you will find you will be happy with your choices two years, or even 10 years from now. Once you've learned the basics of good design, it's simple to filter through new looks and the multitude of choices available to you.

One decorating myth that has been discarded in recent years is that good decorating must be limited to only one interior design style. It's not unusual these days to see several different compatible styles within the same household.

If you're starting a project, give serious thought to your personal preferences, current trends, and then set a budget. When making major purchases, such as upholstered pieces, floor coverings and window treatments, you should buy the best quality you can afford, as these pieces will be with you for a long time.

Resist becoming too faddish in shape, color and pattern, and you'll be able to live with your choices for years. Add drama to your rooms with wallcovering or paint, area rugs, pillows and accessories. And by all means, consider consulting with a professional decorator. They know how to help you make your decorating dreams come true.

Linda Coin is an Interior Designer for Sanibel/Captiva Islands and can be reached at linda@coindecden.com.✪

ing, \$100,000 for residential contents, \$500,000 for commercial building, and \$500,000 for business personal property.

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Top Producers

VIP Realty Group announced its top agents for the month of March.

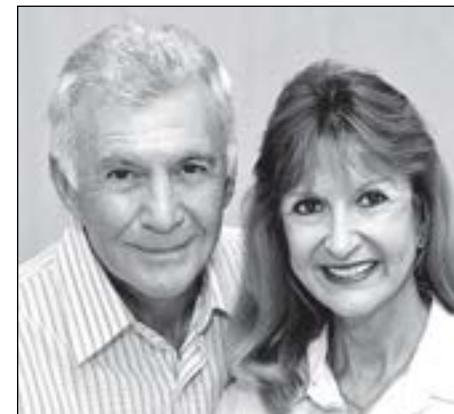
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Florida's Money: Will Governor Scott Do The Right Thing?

The President of the League of Women Voters of Florida, Deirdre Macnab, called Governor Rick Scott's announcement casting doubt on a Senate plan to help 800,000 of Florida's low-income workers get health-care coverage "a sucker punch for all Floridians."

"With all the positive momentum from business and bi-partisan political leaders expressing support for taking Florida's money, Gov. Scott's hopefully temporary lapse of support is bad news for Florida," said Macnab. "This issue effects everyone. If the working-poor are left without coverage, hospitals will have to continue to shift the cost of treating the uninsured to the insured, with experts having already identified an 8 percent cost shift to those with insurance. Continuing to refuse to take these Florida tax dollars, now held by the Federal government and going to other states, means that healthcare costs will only increase and put some hospitals at risk of closing."

Macnab said that although Scott announced in 2013 that he supported taking \$51 billion in federal funds for health-care expansion, he has continued to be "conspicuous by his absence when health care was discussed, a key economic opportunity for the state as shown by growing business support."

Additionally, Macnab charged Scott was also ignoring the fact that the federal government has given Florida and every other state years of warning that the LIP funds, which cover catastrophic care, would be substituted by the medicaid expansion funds which are designed to provide a preventive approach, thus working to reduce emergency room treatment and prevent healthcare from being administered when health problems escalate to their most painful and expensive point.

Joan Alker, executive director of the Georgetown Center for Children and Families, released a statement that said, "The federal government has been clear for some time that the LIP would not be renewed 'as is' given the dramatic changes in the health coverage landscape and problems with the LIP. The state continued to maintain that nothing needed to change despite abundant evidence to the contrary."

"Nobody in the state should be surprised that that LIP money will not continue at its current levels," Alker added.

An alternative free market proposal to expand Medicaid being pushed by Senate President Andy Gardiner, R-Orlando, has become part of key budget negotiations with the House. But Scott said last week he was concerned that on June 30, the federal government would cease funding the \$2.2 billion Low Income Pool, a Medicaid program paying hospitals for care for low-income and uninsured patients, something the Feds have signaled for years they would do.

If the LIP funding was cut off it "would be hard to understand how the state could take on even more federal programs that CMS (the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services) could scale back or walk away from," Scott said in a statement first released to the Associated Press.

With the clock ticking to the end of session, Floridians should call upon Gov. Scott to ensure he sees the economic imperative in taking Florida's tax money and putting it back to work in Florida. ✨

Lee County Hotel Association Learns About Human Trafficking

The Lee County Hotel Association (LCHA) welcomed guests from the SWFL Regional Human Trafficking Coalition and Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships (HTAP) to speak about human trafficking in hotels at their March luncheon.

Nola Theiss, executive director of HTAP, described human trafficking on a global, national, and regional level and how traffickers are currently operating right here in Southwest Florida. Yaro Garcia, president of the coalition and head clinician at Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT), who works directly with local trafficking victims, discussed the recent trafficking case that involved the arrest of 15 traffickers, and then described some of the indicators of human trafficking that hoteliers should be aware of so they can report the activity and get potential victims help.

The coalition recently launched its Hotel Outreach Campaign and is currently available to schedule free trainings for hotel employees. These trainings can be given in both Spanish and English and the format is completely customizable to fit the needs of each individual hotel. The goal of the Hotel Outreach is to increase the number of human trafficking victims identified and helped in southwest Florida. Hospitality is such a huge industry in this area and by scheduling these trainings, hotels have the opportunity to be industry leaders with regards to the safety of their employees and their guests, and to make a significant impact in the fight against human trafficking.

Lee Bellamy, general manager of Homewood Suites Fort Myers-Bell Tower Shops and VP of the LCHA, was the first to schedule a training session at the hotel he manages and intends to have more available over the summer to make sure that every employee gets the information.

For additional information or to schedule a training, send an email to info@humantraffickingawareness.org or call 415-2635. ✨

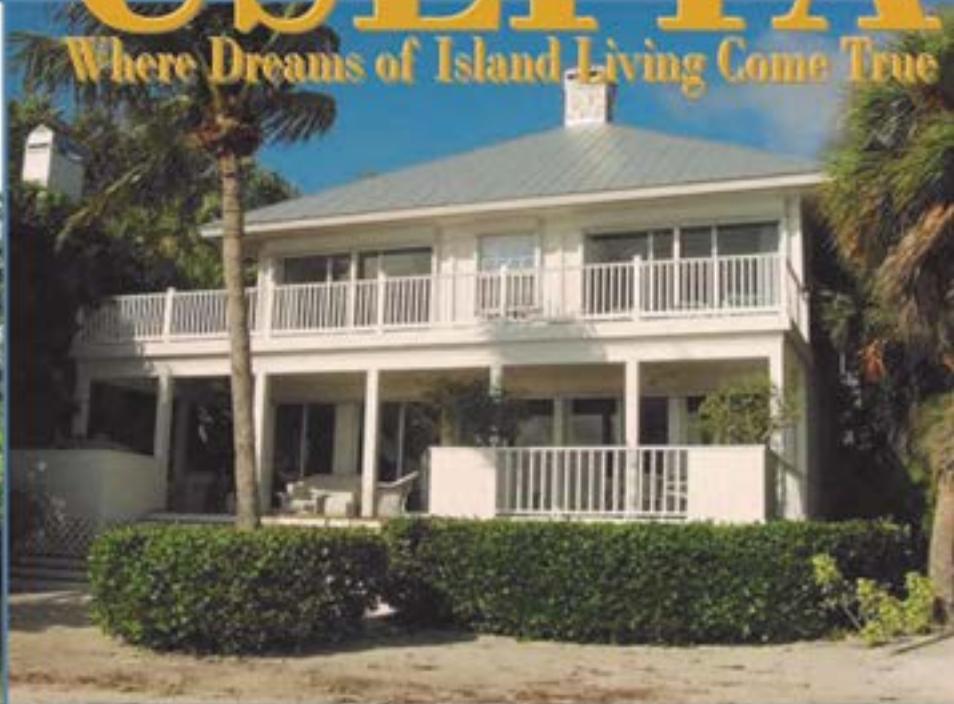
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Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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Dear Mom & Me,

I waited for three years to get the accommodations I wanted at our local retirement home. When they finally called, I immediately put my house up for sale, disposed of all of the household items I would not need and moved in.

I have been in the retirement home for six months and it is lovely, but I will have to move out next month. My house has not sold and the asking price continues to go down so I will be moving back.

Where did I go wrong?

Clarissa

Dear Clarissa,

You did not do anything wrong – you

were in the wrong place at the wrong time through no fault of your own. You applied the advice you were given and waited until it was time to make a move, and then made your move. You, as well as many, many other people, have been caught in the housing market difficulty.

It is important to talk to the director at the retirement community to let her know what is happening to you and what you would like to do in the future: move back if your home sells. Also, she should be able to advise you of the home support services available if you need assistance when you return home.

Pryce

Dear Clarissa,

I am also shocked at the downturn in the economy when I always thought that there were firm controls in place to prevent such a thing. We are told that this is not a depression but a recession, but the housing sector has been severely affected.

I would suggest you contact an attorney who may have suggestions for people in your situation. The attorney may have a possible solution and could contact your retirement complex and maybe they can come to a reasonable solution. They probably do not want you to move out, and they may want to help you to stay.

Your real estate agent may have some suggestions you could consider. Houses are selling but at a much slower rate and if they suggest having a staging expert see your property, I would suggest that you consider it strongly.

Best of luck.

Lizzie

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

Doctor and Dietitian

Farmer's Markets: Healthy Veggies For Every Season



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

Floridians have the wonderful opportunity to enjoy fresh vegetables all year long. Farmer's markets bring fresh produce practically to your doorstep. Healthy fruits and vegetables – many of them locally grown and/or organic – are made accessible and affordable to local families and provided by local vendors: a recipe for success in any community. Luscious commodities such as asparagus, garlic, greens, colorful varieties of tomatoes, carrots, cucumbers and squash, are ready for your consumption.

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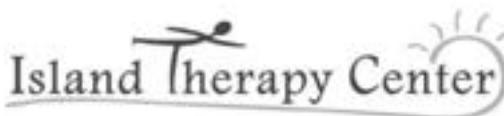
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Weird Causes, Easy Treatments For Dry Eyes



by Suzy Cohen, RPH

Dear Readers Gritty, scratchy, irritated, burning eyes, excess watering and/or blurred vision are all symptoms of dry eyes. Today I'm outlining some causes (including some weird ones) as well as

simple, affordable solutions.

Blinking your eyes allows a complex mixture of oil, water, and mucous (kind of like tears) to bathe the surface of your eye. These tears remove debris, provide lubrication, help reduce your risk of infection and keep the surface of your eye clean. We take for granted this vital function, until we run out, or we develop an imbalance of the make-up of your tear mixture.

Lack of oil for your tears causes the watery layer of the eye to evaporate, making it feel dry and gritty. This is why you often see promotions for fish oil to help with dry eyes. It can improve levels of oil in your body and serves as a lubricant. The causes for reduced tear production vary; let's go over that now:

- Age matters. Anyone over the age of 50 who has gone through hormonal

changes (both men and women) may experience more problems with dry eyes.

- LASIK surgery. This is an unusual but possible cause of dry, irritated eyes.

- Autoimmune disorders. It could be a direct assault to the tear glands or collateral damage. Regardless, dry eyes are associated with many autoimmune disorders including Hashimoto's, Sjogren's syndrome, rosacea, diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, scleroderma and lupus.

- Medication. There's no shortage of drugs that can dry you out. There are literally hundreds. At the top are antihistamines, which are intended to dry you out. That one is no surprise. But also decongestants, many anti-depressants, especially the tricyclics (nortriptyline, amitriptyline and doxepin). Muscle relaxers are big-time dryers, like cyclobenzaprine and baclofen. Sleeping pills, blood pressure medications and thiazide diuretics such as HCTZ are other eye dryers.

Palliative treatments such as natural tear drops are fine but your real goal is to reduce the inflammation and discover the underlying cause. It's pretty well known today that fish oils (omega 3 fatty acids) are able helpful for dry eyes. But you can do better. The new dietary supplement Chia Seed Omega by Essential Formulas contains essential fatty acids from chia seeds, a superfood plus omega 3s. Powerful stuff and sold without prescription at health food stores. What else can you try?

- Eat black currants or take a supplement of black currant seed oil. This significantly increases your plasma concentration of GLA (gamma linolenic acid) which is an omega 6. It also enhances immune

function.

- Place a small humidifier on your nightstand and sleep with it turned on; it can work wonders.

- Vitamin A, especially good if you have a BCMO1 gene SNP.

- Warmth will help loosen up any hardened oil in clogged meibomian glands. Apply a warm compress to your eyes for 10 minutes, morning and bedtime. Try

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In



by Constance Clancy

Q: How can hypnosis help me integrate my mind and body awareness?

A: Hypnoterapy is an alternative therapy using the power of meditation and

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I like to think of hypnosis as direct, focused concentration. All hypnosis is self-hypnosis. You are always in control and can make positive changes in your mind and body through the power of your subconscious mind. Hypnosis is a safe and effective tool to enhance the best in your life.

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- Hyaluronic acid can make a huge difference for your eyes and skin; it helps you hold on to moisture.

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tune away from the outside world, you create an opportunity to turn inward and strengthen the connection between your mind and body. These two aspects are often thought of as separate entities, but through meditation and self-awareness, we discover the power of their intimate relationship. Hypnoterapy is a tool that can help bring you to that place of integration. Our thoughts can trigger a series of physiological responses in a moment's notice. Even the simple recollection of nails on a chalkboard or the laugh of an innocent child can be enough to conjure up different sensations in our bodies. By enhancing your mind-body integration, you can begin to tap into the natural wisdom of your physical body by listening to the cues it offers you.

As you practice honoring the signals of your body, you'll notice yourself becoming more aligned with the health and vitality that you desire.

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Eden Energy Medicine

Shaking Hands? Make Circuit To Keep Your Energy



by Karen L. Semmelman, Certified EEM, JD, AAML (03-12)

Ever watch Bill Clinton shake hands with someone? He has it right - he extends his right hand, places his left hand on the other's shoulder

(let's say it's Henry) and looks Henry straight in the eye. An expert in energy taught him well. By placing a hand on Henry's shoulder, he created a circuit so his energy was not dissipated and given away; rather, Clinton's energy flowed right back to him.

So you ask, what about the Henry's energy? Ahhh, the story is different. Henry didn't create a circuit, so his energy was freely given away (remember that we have six energetic pathways called meridians that begin or end on the hand, each of which controls an organ. On the hands, the meridians are heart, small intestine, triple warmer, pericardium, large intestine and lung).

Now who has the most energetic

power? Certainly not Henry. He got duped. The solution for Henry would have been easy. He could have placed his other hand over top of Clinton's and then Henry would also create a closed loop, maintaining his energetic balance and integrity. Follow a bit further; if Henry was shaking hands at a political fundraiser, he would be exhausted at the end of the event from continually, time after time, just giving away his energy. Using energy to one's advantage has been a tool for thousands of years.

For example, in Eastern martial arts, at the beginning of a bout competitors traditionally "raised" their own central meridian (boosting their self-confidence and feelings of capability and success) by passing their open hand up over their central meridian (running from the pelvic floor to the mouth) while at the same time, they would use their other hand to "zip down" the central meridian of their opponent, to leave them feeling vulnerable and weak.

Now you have the tools to not be unzipped by shaking someone's hand without creating that circuit and thus maintaining all of your own energy.

Have fun with your energy! Next week's topic is Tools To Negate Jet Lag.

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

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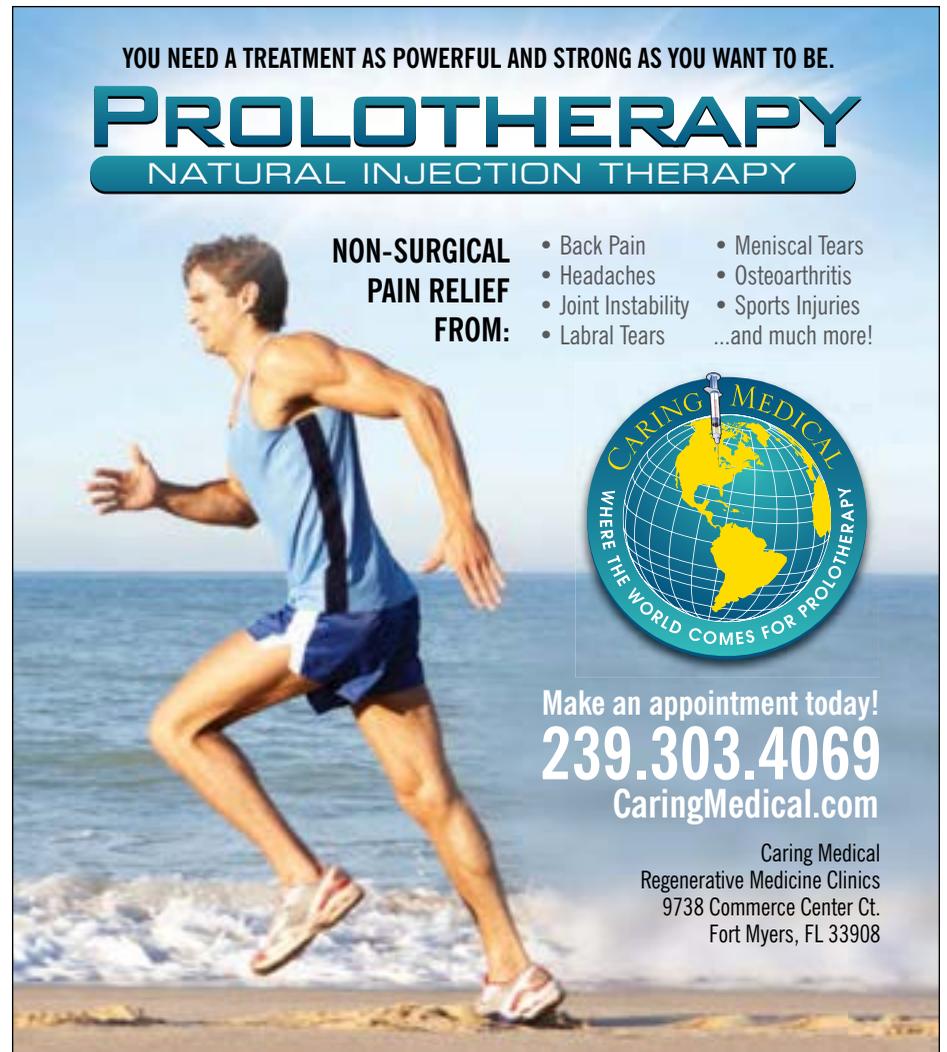
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FOR WEEK OF APRIL 20, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Don't be put off by a seemingly too-tangled situation. Sometimes a simple procedure will unsnarl all the knots and get you in the clear fast and easy, just the way the Lamb likes it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to go through your work space -- wherever it is -- and see what needs to be replaced and what can be tossed (or at least given away) without a second thought.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Someone who disagrees with your position might try to intimidate you. But continue to present a fair argument, regardless of how petty someone else might be while trying to make a point.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You might find yourself exceptionally sensitive to family matters this week. An issue could come to light that you had overlooked. Ask other kinfolk to discuss it with you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You might have more questions about a project (or perhaps someone you're dealing with on some level) than you feel comfortable with. If so, see which can be answered, which cannot, and why.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to clean up and clear out what you don't need before your tidy self is overwhelmed by "stuff." Then go celebrate the Virgo victory over clutter with someone special.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel a mite confused about why something you were sure couldn't go wrong didn't go all right either. Be patient. Things soon move into balance, exactly as you like it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) At this decision point, you could be moving from side to side, just to say you're in motion. Or you could be considering making a move straight up. What you choose is up to you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although your finances should be in an improved situation at this time, thrift is still the savvy Sagittarian's smart move. Advice from a spouse or partner could be worth heeding.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Taking on a new challenge brings out the Goat's skills in maneuvering over and around difficult spots. Best of all, the Goat does it one careful step after another. (Got the idea, Kid?)

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your well-known patience might be wearing thin because of a disturbing (and seemingly unending) problem with someone close to you. This could be a time to ask for help. Good luck.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful about a new venture that lures you into a "just-look-and-see" mode. Be sure that what you're being given to see isn't hiding what you should be seeing instead.

BORN THIS WEEK: Aries and Taurus give you the gift of leadership and the blessings of care and concern for all creatures.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On April 25, 1719, Daniel Defoe's fictional work "The Life and Strange Adventures of Robinson Crusoe" is published. The book, about a shipwrecked sailor who spends 28 years on a deserted island, is based on the experiences of Alexander Selkirk, a Scottish sailor who spent four years on a small island off the coast of South America in the early 1700s.
- On April 21, 1816, Charlotte Bronte, the only one of three novelist Bronte

sisters to live past age 31, is born. Charlotte's two older sisters died of illness while at Clergy Daughter's School. The grim institution found its way into her masterpiece "Jane Eyre" (1847).

- On April 26, 1913, 13-year-old Mary Phagan is found molested and murdered in the Atlanta pencil factory where she worked. Her murder led to one of the most disgraceful episodes of bigotry, injustice and mob violence in American history -- the lynching of her innocent Jewish boss, Leo Frank.

- On April 22, 1934, George "Baby Face" Nelson kills Special Agent W. Carter Baum during an FBI raid in northern Wisconsin. The famed gangster was born Lester Gillis but wanted to be known as Big George Nelson. Unfortunately for him, his youthful looks led everyone to call him "Baby Face."

- On April 24, 1940, bestselling mystery novelist Sue Grafton, creator of private eye Kinsey Millhone, is born. Starting with "A Is for Alibi" in 1982 and titling each of her books with letters of the alphabet in order, Grafton is currently up to W, for "Wasted."

- On April 23, 1967, Soviet cosmonaut Vladimir Komarov is killed when his parachute lines tangle during his spacecraft's landing. Komarov plunged to the ground from 23,000 feet.

- On April 20, 1980, the Castro regime announces that all Cubans wishing to emigrate to the U.S. are free to board boats at the port of Mariel west of Havana, launching the Mariel Boatlift. The first of 125,000 Cuban refugees from Mariel reached Florida the next day.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was 19th-century French historian Edgar Quinet who made the following sage observation: "Time is the fairest and toughest judge."

- The Guinness brewery in Dublin, Ireland, has a 9,000-year lease on the property -- and the rent is a mere 45 Irish pounds per year.

- Researchers at Yale University have determined that the most recognizable scent to American adults is coffee, followed by peanut butter in the No. 2 spot.

- In 1941, the British entered World War II, much to the relief of the USSR. One Soviet admiral was so grateful for the help that when a British naval captain on the submarine HMS Trident commented that his wife had a hard time pushing the baby carriage through the snow in Britain, the admiral declared, "You need a reindeer!" -- and presented the sub's crew with one. Dubbed Pollyanna, the reindeer spent six weeks aboard the sub, where it reportedly liked to sleep under the captain's bed. Pollyanna eventually ended up at the Regents Park Zoo.

- The state of Mississippi takes its name (unsurprisingly) from the river. But how did the river get its name? Etymologists say that the modern pronunciation is from a French variant of "meshi-ziibi," which in Algonquian Ojibwa means "big river."

- Those who study such things say that 20 percent of modern relationships that end in marriage begin online.

- The red panda is a vulnerable mammal species found in parts of Asia. It's about the size of a house cat, but its tail can grow up to 19 inches long.

- When the Crayola company was approaching a production milestone, executives asked Mister Rogers to come to the factory to pour the wax for the one billionth crayon.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

"Imitation is the sincerest form of television." -- Fred Allen

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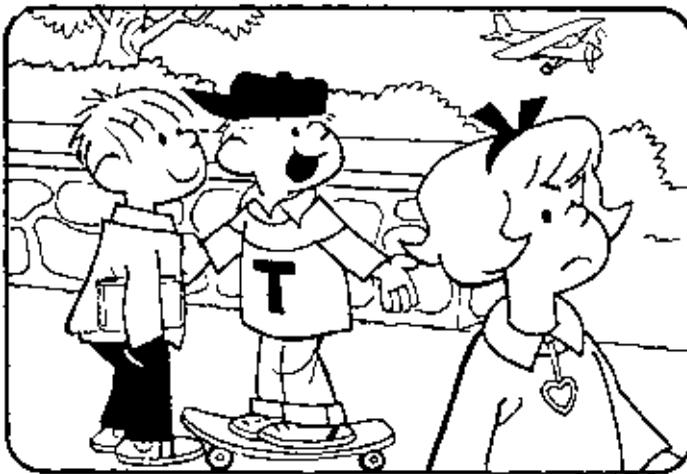
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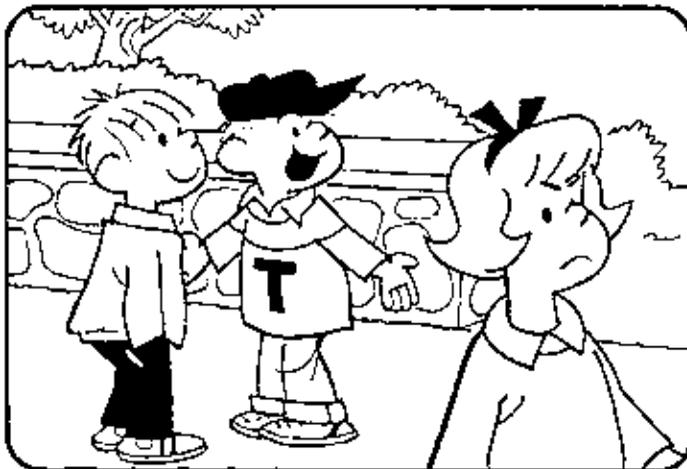
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"It seems I'm always writing checks for the beauty parlor—when are they going to _____ the job?"

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!

Bustle

SHEAT

Mute

LISTEN

Display

UNFLAT

Easy

LIMPSE

TODAY'S WORD

answer on page 27B

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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.

answer on page 27B

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NOW HERE'S A TIP

● Putting in your spring garden? To keep your fingernails from developing a dirt problem, use this classic tip: Rake your nails over a bar of soap. It "seals" the gap underneath, and later when you wash your hands, the soap slips right out ... no need to spend time scrubbing out the dirt! -- JoAnn

● Add these to the list of items to eliminate the odor of cooking cabbage: a heel of bread, a whole walnut or a pinch of baking soda.

● Love beans but trying to save a little money? Don't be intimidated by dry beans, just rinse them and chuck them in the slow cooker. Add water according to package directions and cook on low for up to eight hours. After they cool, you can bag them in freezer-safe zipper-top bags and freeze them for easy use later.

● If you keep a couple of crackers in your sugar jar, they'll keep the sugar from caking.

● If you or your kids have trouble drifting off to sleep, try this aromatherapy trick: Spray sheets with a diluted lavender

essential oil. Lavender is classic for sleep time.

● "To make the handiest long-handled garden tool, do this right now: Lay the tool on the ground (it can be a hoe, rake -- whatever you use most) and, using a tape measure, mark out feet and inches with a permanent marker right on the handle. Now, when you go to put plants in the ground, you can space them out perfectly by laying down your tool along the planting line." -- C.O. in Arkansas

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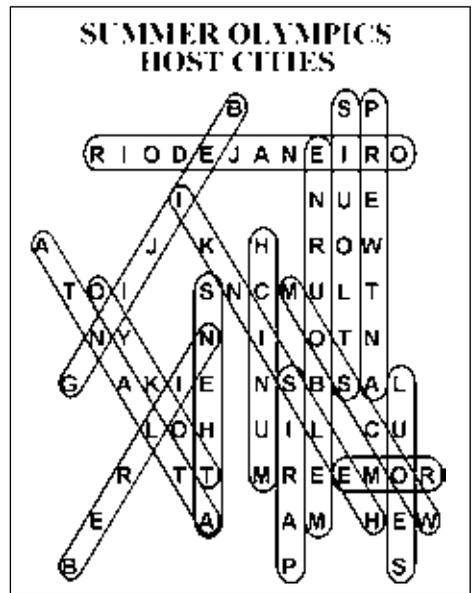
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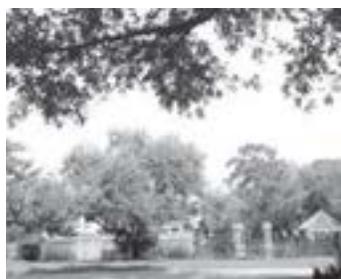
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Pets Of The Week

Hi, my name is Shelle and I'm a two-and-a-half-year-old tan and white spayed female hound mix. Comments: I'm a bit of a naturalist who loves the outdoors. I enjoy bird watching, squirrel chasing and splashing around in the backyard pool. I've socialized well with other dogs at the shelter and walk nicely on leash.

Adoption fee: \$40 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Catch Spring Fever adoption promo for dogs 40 pounds and over.

My name is Pepper and I am a spayed femake domestic short hair gray tabby age two.

Comments: If you are looking for a friendly, cuddly kitty then you'll love me. I get along with the other kitties at the shelter and am very patient when my nails are trimmed. I'm easy breezy and will make a great addition to your family.

Adoption fee: \$50 (during Catch Spring Fever adoption promo; get \$20 off when you donate an item for Animal Services' Kitten Shower throughout April)

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 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive, 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.*



Shelle ID# 595592



Pepper ID# 615618



Queenie

PAWS Of Sanibel

Queenie And Felix

Queenie is a pretty dilute calico, a young female ome to two years old, who was found on Wild Lime Drive in the area of the back gate of Wildlife Drive.

"We have no place to keep her, so we are boarding her at Coral Vet in Fort Myers. She's not a happy camper with all the noise from dogs, cats and birds, plus the construction sounds from the renovation of the clinic," says Diane Barr, PAWS spokeswoman.

She was picked up Saturday, April 4. Her combo test was negative and she will be spayed and get all her shots next week. If she is your kitty, if you know her people, or if you're interested in



Felix The Cat

adopting this beauty, contact Pam at PAWS of Sanibel, 472-4823.

"Felix The Cat, is a wonderful, wonderful cat!" says Barr. He was found at the end of March at Periwinkle Place. His combo test was negative, he's been neutered and had all his shots. He is ready for a new home. He's three to four years old. He's also being boarded at Coral Vet. Make this little boy your own. Call Pam at PAWS of Sanibel, 472-4823.

"We still have kittens available too. If you can help by fostering a kitty contact Pam.*"

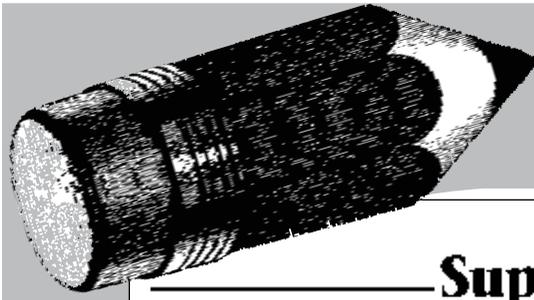
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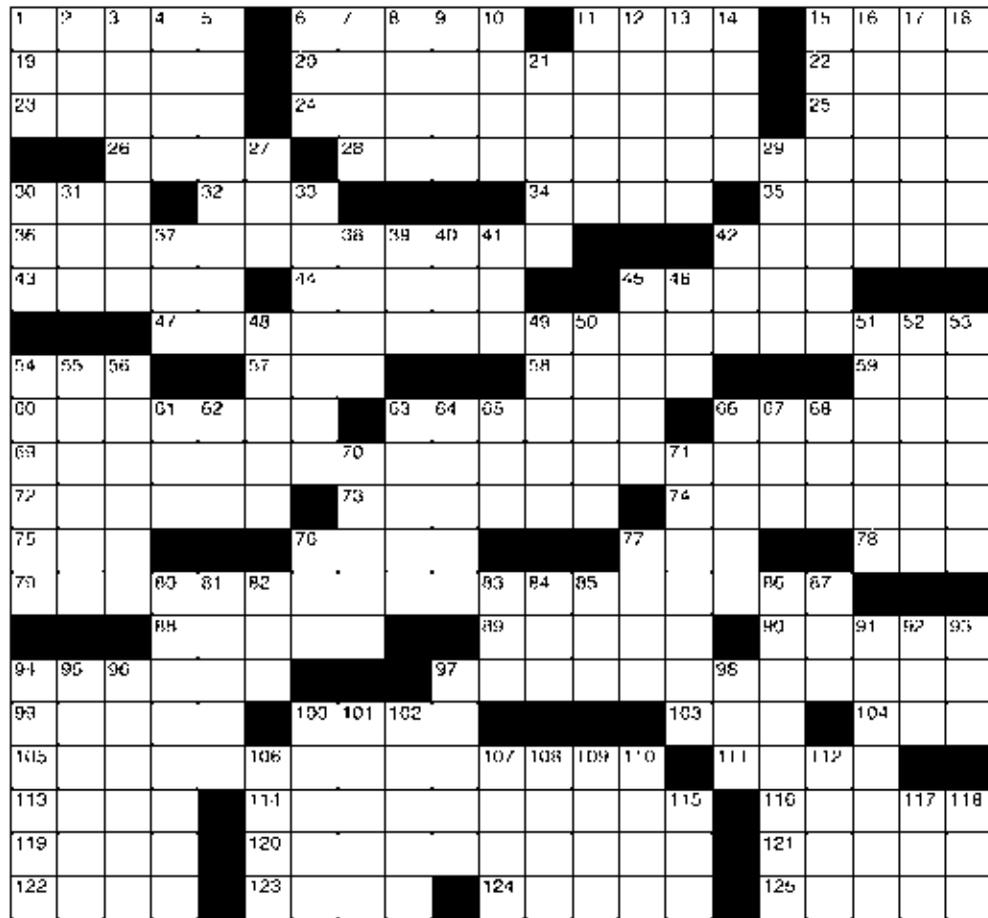


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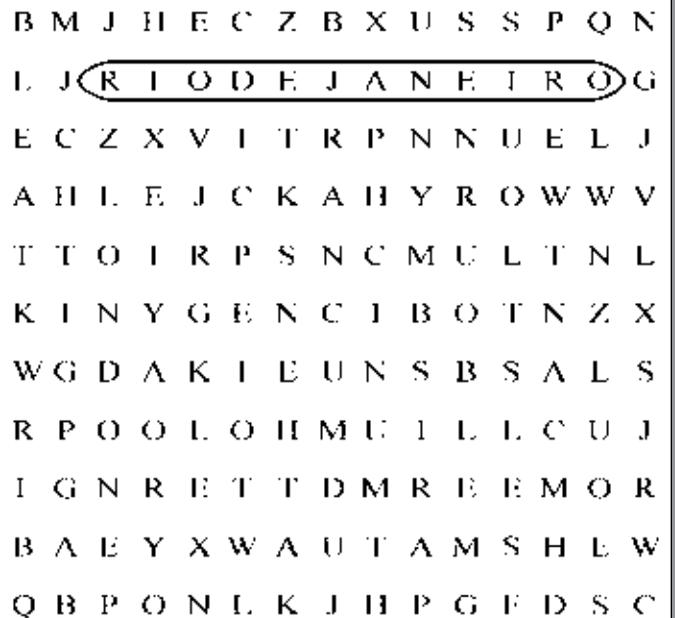
- ACROSS**
- 1 Emmy, e.g.
 - 6 Explorer — Polo
 - 11 Ming's bear
 - 15 Hospital VIPs
 - 19 Spanish man
 - 20 It's made of milk, flour and butter
 - 22 Sharing the secret of
 - 23 "The Matrix" star Reeves
 - 24 Unit equal to 0.338 fluid ounce
 - 25 Knock off
 - 26 Stage muggers
 - 28 Beating the former best
 - 30 4x4, briefly
 - 32 Lousy
 - 34 Ian Fleming's alma mater
 - 35 Jaded
 - 36 Online comparison shopping site
 - 42 More nasty
 - 43 Dance in Rio
 - 44 Has a brawl
 - 45 Prenatal chambers
 - 47 Locker, e.g.
 - 54 U.S. insects
 - 57 Arrest, as a perp
 - 58 Tiddlywink or Frisbee
 - 59 How (DIYers' books)
 - 60 Jurist Scalia
 - 63 Novelist Cranam
 - 66 Camphor or fructose
 - 69 Need-for-speed adage adopted from the Bible
 - 72 Road salt
 - 73 "It's about time!"
 - 74 Separates after a multiplayer tackle
 - 75 Edifice extension
 - 76 Debate side
 - 77 Khan (Islamic imam)
 - 78 Wide shoe spec
 - 79 Building up to the loudest point
 - 88 Parliament's House of —
 - 89 "Win a Little — Luck"
 - 90 Piece-of-cake class
 - 94 Fold, spindle or mutilate
 - 97 Both a near a salad bowl
 - 99 Smell
 - 100 Cannonballs and such
 - 103 Pro-earning union; Abbr
 - 104 Heathful getaway
 - 105 Backlash
 - 111 Banks of modeling
 - 113 Catch with one's ears
 - 114 "Viva Las Vegas" co-star
 - 116 Ancient Greek colony
 - 119 Stanley Gardner
 - 120 Not trued up
 - 121 Kids' caretaker
 - 122 Changed the color of
 - 123 Favorable votes
 - 124 Actor Mike
 - 125 Meal blessing that's "mixed" and hidden in seven answers in this puzzle
 - 2 Itsy-bitsy
 - 3 Disneyland's city
 - 4 Barrett of gossip
 - 5 Snare sound
 - 6 DC double
 - 7 Warlike deity
 - 8 Thinker
 - 9 Carne
 - 10 Drop
 - 11 Latex, e.g.
 - 12 Money spent
 - 13 Sailor's site
 - 14 German man
 - 15 Deny
 - 16 Borrowed
 - 17 Not smooth
 - 18 — of Berlin (snack brand)
 - 21 More crafty
 - 27 Get less taut
 - 29 Lute film critic Roger
 - 30 Happy times
 - 31 In a
 - 33 Sitcom psychiatrist Fraser, to his patients
 - 37 "2 Broke Girls" aier
 - 38 Steed breed
 - 39 Sizable
 - 40 Comb insect
 - 41 Key near F1
 - 42 Sca. to Gigi
 - 45 Flustered
 - 46 Tic toe link
 - 48 Chiliing, as champagne
 - 49 Playwright Clifford
 - 50 City in North Dakota
 - 51 Star, in Nice
 - 52 Having no service charge
 - 53 — ily (African pest)
 - 54 Congregate
 - 55 Gobb down
 - 56 Anois
 - 61 "... — will" (threat endor)
 - 62 — (Geo Wikl slangly)
 - 63 Must.
 - 64 Holy artifact
 - 65 Jose's "that"
 - 66 " — & Kel" (teen show)
 - 67 Psychic skill
 - 68 Prefix with light
 - 70 Turf groups
 - 71 Real aficionado
 - 75 So-so link
 - 77 Slip — (mess up)
 - 80 Made a racket
 - 81 Hulk of a wrestler?
 - 82 Furiousness
 - 83 Slugging stat
 - 84 Essen "a"
 - 85 Enmalod Fr. lady
 - 86 Deteriorating
 - 87 Paddled too
 - 91 Girl told not to cry in song
 - 92 "Uh-huh"
 - 93 "I'm loss for words"
 - 94 Han qu ukly
 - 95 Carotid, e.g.
 - 96 A pep talk may boost it
 - 97 Outspoken
 - 98 Receiving a pension
 - 100 Golf's Palmer, to pals
 - 101 High-IQ crowd
 - 102 The & the Pappas
 - 106 Like verison
 - 107 Quick haircut
 - 108 Punker Pop
 - 109 Alergon's apartment
 - 110 At no time, in verse
 - 112 Mimic a tiger
 - 115 Sa ris' stats
 - 117 Yellow pages abbr.
 - 118 Favorable vote



King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Matternorn, for one
 - 4 Bankrolls
 - 8 "Unh-unh"
 - 12 Vast expanse
 - 13 Others (Lat.)
 - 14 Mountain goat
 - 15 Bald
 - 17 Zlich
 - 18 Zlich
 - 19 Lurches
 - 21 File container
 - 24 Restroom, for short
 - 25 Before
 - 26 Bathroom fixture
 - 28 Malodorous
 - 32 Criterion
 - 31 Space
 - 36 Stash
 - 37 Black tea of India
 - 39 That man's
 - 41 Chaps
 - 42 Varnish ingredient
 - 44 Cheap and shabby
 - 46 Cutting tool
 - 50 Under the weather
 - 51 Wrinkly fruit
 - 52 Lax
 - 56 Compared to
 - 57 Caspian
 - 58 Try the sherry
 - 59 Engaged in karaoke
 - 60 Newspaper page
 - 61 Pippet
 - 9 Feed
 - 10 "Older's partner
 - 16 D-encounter
 - 20 Luftwaffe loc (Abbr.)
 - 21 Greek salad ingredient
 - 22 Haw minerals
 - 23 Carpet
 - 27 "Humbug"
 - 29 Fterna
 - 30 Mid-month date
 - 31 Say it
 - 33 Spilling the beans
 - 35 Snapshot
 - 38 More, to Manual
 - 40 Protect
 - 43 Chocolate source
 - 45 Right angle
 - 46 Shacks
 - 47 Turkish title
 - 48 Family
 - 49 Distort
 - 53 "Nanna —"
 - 54 Perch
 - 55 Agent
- DOWN**
- 1 Blond shade
 - 2 Meadow
 - 3 Distress-free
 - 4 Bitfold
 - 5 Hearty brew
 - 6 Platter
 - 7 Cordage
 - 8 Capital of
 - 9 Old Assyria
 - 10 "Older's partner
 - 16 D-encounter
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions: forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

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