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Edison Ford Chief Curator Mike Cosden



Pure Florida's Capt. Lance Julian

Edison Ford Estates To Host Exhibit And Film Screening

Edison & Ford Winter Estates invites the community to take a historical journey, following along the unique history of film from Thomas Edison's early film years to the making of the movie *Titanic*.

Edison Ford's Chief Curator Mike Cosden, Capt. Lance Julian and Capt. Harry Julian of Pure Florida and filmmaker Jim Scoular will present an all-inclusive look into the evolution of film and its impact on the industry. The special feature will be encompassed in two events at Edison Ford, including a *Titanic* Film Exhibit and Filmmaker Discussion on Sunday, October 25 from 4 to 6 p.m. and movie screening of *Titanic* on

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Photographer Holding Fundraiser For Big Cypress National Preserve

Nationally acclaimed wilderness photographer Clyde Butcher, known throughout Florida for his exquisite black and white, large-format photographs of the state's landscape, and his wife Niki, are hosting a fundraiser to benefit the Big Cypress National Preserve's environmental education program.

The fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, October 31 and Sunday, November 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Butcher's Big Cypress Gallery in the Big Cypress National Preserve in Ochopee, Florida. The weekend's activities will provide guests with the opportunity to meet the husband and wife duo and hear stories about their adventures photographing the preserve, take ranger-guided swamp walks and listen to ranger lectures. Butcher will also be signing books for visitors.

"Big Cypress National Preserve and the Everglades have always been at the heart of my photography," said Butcher. "During this weekend of events, I hope guests will see for themselves the jewel we have in our midst and help maintain the vitality of the Big Cypress National Preserve. It is a legacy we must pass on to our children and their children."

During the two-day event, a 1.5-hour guided classic swamp walk tour will be offered to take participants in waist-deep water through the preserve. A 30- to 45- minute introductory swamp walk tour is also available and caters to those who might be apprehensive about the deeper preserve waters. For every paid adult on the \$50 or \$40 tours, a child can attend for free. All proceeds from the ranger-led swamp walks and a portion of the gallery's weekend sales will be donated to the Big Cypress National Preserve's

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Clyde and Niki Butcher

Local Restaurants And Entertainers Featured At Italian Fest

If you've got a craving for great Italian food and want to help local charities, attend Italian Fest on Sunday, October 25 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Alliance for the Arts. All proceeds raised will benefit the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools' Take Stock in Children Program and the Fort Myers Rotary Trust Fund.

Taking part in this year's Italian Fest are long-time favorite restaurants including LaMotta's Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria, Mario's Meat Market and Deli, University Grill, McGregor Pizza and Deli, and Queenie's Ice Cream. New to the festival this year is Bruno's of Brooklyn Italian Eatery. Restaurants will feature Old Country favorites including eggplant rollatini, chicken parmigiana, Italian sausage and peppers, meatballs, tortellini, pizza, gelato, zeppole, cannoli and Italian cheesecake.

"We are so grateful to the chefs and restaurant owners who dish up not only great food, but do it to help benefit our community," said Steve Russell, president of the Rotary Club of Fort Myers.

The entertainment lineup includes accordion players, young Italian opera super-



Spaghetti eating contest



Sample some of the area's finest food at Italian Fest

star Abby Fletcher, A Moment in Time, Alter Ego Band and Miss CC's Creative Arts Dancers. Family activities will include a marinara contest, spaghetti eating contest, kids area, family games and other activities. Blankets and lawn chairs are encouraged, however, coolers are prohibited.

The Alliance for the Arts is at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the corner of McGregor and Colonial boulevards.

This event is made possible by the generous support of TriCircle Pavers. For more details, visit www.FortMyersItalianFest.org or call 939-2787.*

Historic Downtown Fort Myers, Then And Now:

Travelodge On West First

by Gerri Reaves, PhD



In the early 1960s, large infill projects started to transform West First Street in a flurry of commercial activity. Travelodge was one of the very first of those projects.

In May 1962, the international motel chain Travelodge purchased a riverfront site a bit west of Carson Street.

The 50-unit motel opened in January 1964.

The historic photo was taken years after the opening when a new sign was installed, probably in the 1970s.

Note the building's decorative blocks and the scalloped – or “wavey” – roof of the porte-cochère, typical mid-1960s architectural features that have disappeared in the intervening years.

Travelodge offered an up-to-date alternative to some of the older tourist homes and motorcourts in Fort Myers. Amenities included a heated pool overlooking the river and cable TV, which was a pretty nifty thing in the 1960s, even if there were very few channels.

The national motel chain had begun with the opening of an auto-court in 1935 in San Diego. It was successful, so others were opened in the next five years.

In 1940, the one named Travelodge opened. The company's name became Travelodge in 1946.

The mascot, a nightshirt clad Sleepy Bear featured on the large sign, was born in 1954.

Others signs of infill development visible in the historic photo are the Holiday Inn sign (far left), just beyond the oval Dobbs House Snack Bar sign. The Holiday Inn had opened on the riverfront not long after Travelodge did.

The former Travelodge has outlived its competing Holiday Inn and is still a hotel. The Holiday Inn was demolished several years ago for a planned condo development.

Since Travelodge opened in 1964, high-rise condominiums have become a major feature along West First. In fact, when Travelodge opened, the street's first high-rise condo was under construction, the Riverside



Travelodge opened on West First in January 1964. This photo was taken later, probably in the 1970s, when a new sign was installed. The oval sign on the left is for Dobbs House Snack Bar and the one beyond it for Holiday Inn.

courtesy Southwest Florida Historical Society, Stanley Ink Collection



Today, the former Travelodge building's look has changed – no Sleepy Bear beckons, and condominium towers loom nearby

photo by Gerri Reaves

Club at Clifford Street.

Although only seven stories, that condo was then the tallest structure along West First.

Walk down West First Street and appreciate the engineering ingenuity that turned river into commercial property.

Then, wander over to the Southwest Florida Museum of History at 2031 Jackson Street to learn more about mid-twentieth century downtown.

Call 321-7430 for information, or go to museumofhistory.org. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Visiting the Southwest Florida Historical Society's research center is a must-do for all local-history fans.

The all-volunteer non-profit organization is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard on the campus of the Lee County Alliance for the Arts.

The research center is open Wednesday and Saturday between 9 a.m. and noon and Wednesday 4 to 7 p.m. Call 939-4044 or visit swflhistoricalsociety.org for more information.

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Fort Myers Art:

Battle Of Fort Myers Mural



by Tom Hall

The Battle of Fort Myers was fought on February 20, 1865. Many are surprised to learn that Fort Myers was a Union stronghold during the Civil War, and that the attack was initiated by a home-

grown battalion of Confederate soldiers which was formed to oppose forays by soldiers from the fort into cattle country from Punta Gorda north to Tampa.

Prior to 1864, the ranchers had been supplying beef to Confederate troops, as well as providing steers to blockade runners who were trading them in Cuba for much needed provisions. But towards the end of January 1864, the Union soldiers garrisoned at the fort began confiscating the ranchers' cattle. In fact, they were so successful that by January 1865, they'd appropriated more than 4,500 head, the majority of which they drove to Punta Rassa, where they were loaded on ships and taken to Key West to feed the sailors manning the flotilla that was blockading the coast of Florida.

As if the confiscation of their cattle was not bad enough, two companies

of the Union soldiers garrisoned at Fort Myers were black. Not former slaves, but free men mostly from Maryland. And they discharged their duties with a fervor the Confederate sympathizers especially loathed. The Confederate Army couldn't spare any soldiers to attack the fort, so at the direction of John McKay, Sr., chief commissary for the Fifth District of Florida, the ranchers formed a home-grown battalion to protect their slaves and what was left of their cattle. They were officially named the Florida Special Calvary, 1st Battalion, but everybody referred to them simply as the Cow Calvary, and they headquartered in Fort Meade near Tampa under the command of Col. Charles J. Munnerlyn.

In January of 1865, Munnerlyn sent Maj. William Footman and three companies of the Cow Calvary to destroy Fort Myers. Included in that contingent was Capt. F. A. Hendry, who had raised and was commanding a company of 131 men. So, Footman set out with 275 men on the two-week 200-mile march to Fort Thomson near present-day LaBelle. Some accounts claim that his contingent had swelled to 500 men, as angry local farmers, fishermen and other partisans rushed to join the fray. However, others contend that Footman would not have had provisions to sustain a larger force, although a handful of partisans may very well have joined in.

After resting but a day, they marched down the Caloosahatchee River to mount a surprise attack on the fort the following morning. Unfortunately, the overeager



A section of the ceramic tile mural in the courtyard near First Street and Broadway. It is one of two public works dedicated to the Battle of Fort Myers fought on February 20, 1865.

vanguard of Footman's force ambushed a handful of the black Union soldiers they discovered on picket duty, thereby alerting the Union forces inside the fort to prepare themselves for battle.

Seeing that he'd lost the advantage of surprise, Footman ordered his men to fire a warning shot from their sole piece of artillery, a bronze 12-pounder. Then he sent a messenger under cover of a white flag to demand the fort's surrender. Capt. James Doyle gave a terse response. Via the messenger, he told Footman: "Your demand for an unconditional surrender has been received. I respectfully decline; I have force enough to maintain my position and will fight you to the last."

Led by the black soldiers garrisoned

in the fort, the Union contingent repelled the attack and thereby saved the fort from being burned to the ground. While people living in Tampa and Cedars Key – in need of wood to rebuild their homes – cannibalized the fort in the months following the fort's abandonment in June 1865, enough remained to entice Fort Myers' first settlers, Manuel A. Gonzalez, his 5-year-old son, his brother-in-law John Weatherford and close family friend Joseph Vivas to remain when sailed up the river in February 1866 to make their home in the remnants of the old fort. Had the Cow Cavalry won and destroyed the fort, it is entirely possible that Gonzalez, Weatherford and Vivas might

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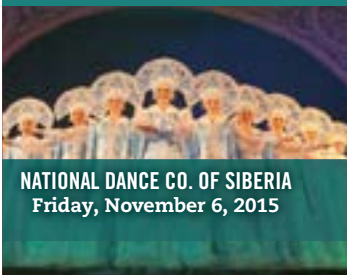
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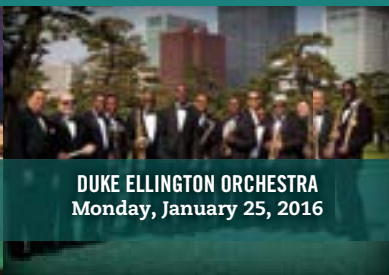
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Goodwill's Festival Of Trees Returns

The Festival of Trees is returning to the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center for its ninth year. The Festival has become a holiday tradition for downtown Fort Myers and is the signature event of The Southwest Florida Goodwill Foundation. The Festival opens December 2 and runs until December 6, with the Tux & Trees Gala being held on December 5.

The Festival showcases 20 lavishly decorated trees, designed by businesses and individuals in the community such as the Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair Association. This year, a selected number of trees will be available to win in a chance raffle. Visitors to the Festival will be able to purchase a raffle ticket for the suggested donation of \$10, or three tickets for \$20. The winning tickets will be drawn at the end of Santa's Block Party on Sunday, December 6. The block party event will feature holiday crafts, a Brunch with Santa, vendors from across the area, and more.

"Adding the raffle element will allow more people the opportunity to take home one of our magnificent trees," said Goodwill spokesperson Madison Mitchell. "Now, anyone who attends the Festival will have a chance- not just those who attend the Gala."

The Tux & Trees Gala is the highlight of the week-long Festival of Trees celebration.. This year's auction includes trees by returning designers The Home Depot, Norris Home Furnishings and other community businesses. The evening will also feature a silent auction with beautifully decorated wreaths and other extravagant gift packages.



Youngsters attending last year's Festival of Trees

Last year, the Festival of Trees and Tux & Trees Gala raised \$90,000 to support Goodwill's mission of helping people in the Southwest Florida community by providing life-changing opportunities to employment and independence.

Sponsorships are still available and range from \$300 to \$10,000. For more information, visit www.tuxandtrees.com or call 995-2106 ext. 2213.

For Festival dates, times, and ticket information, visit www.tuxandtrees.com. For information about Goodwill's programs and services, visit www.goodwillswfl.org.



Santa at the Festival of Trees in 2014

Greeters Club Luncheon November 19

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers will be hosting a fashion show at their Thursday, November 19 luncheon. Selected Bell Tower shops will supply the fashions and club members will be the models. In addition to the fashion show, there will be a trunk show provided by several of the shops. Whether you are a full-time Floridian or arrive here just before the first flakes start to fall, you'll enjoy a delicious lunch, great conversation and get an over-view of the season's latest fashions from several Bell Tower merchants.

Luncheon reservations cost \$20. For more information about joining this dynamic group of Lee County women, send an email to greetersclub@gmail.com. Provide your contact information (your name, email address and phone number); you will receive an email confirming your reservation. The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers' luncheons are held on the third Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. at the Colonial Country Club, 9181 Independence Way in Fort Myers. Visit greetersclubofgreaterfortmyers.com for more details.

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Under The Harvest Moon Fundraiser

Under The Harvest Moon will be an unforgettable evening featuring autumn inspired culinary delights, creative cocktails and luxury live and silent auctions. A dinner fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County with auction items that will feature some of the most desirable destinations in the country, tickets for Under The Harvest Moon are \$100 per person.

Held on Thursday, October 29 from 6 to 9 p.m. at The Club at Renaissance, 12801 Renaissance Way in Fort Myers, the event is presented by Jaguar of Fort Myers, Norman Love Confections and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County.

Under The Harvest Moon will help fund the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County and their after-school programs that help keep the youth off the streets and in a safe place to learn and grow while providing life-enhancing programs and character development experiences.

For more information about the BGCLC or to arrange a tour at one of its facilities, call 334-1886 or visit www.BGCLC.net.

Boys & Girls Clubs Of Lee County Hosting Halloween Costume Drive

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Lee County's Lehigh Acres Club will be collecting gently-used and new Halloween costumes during its Halloween Costume Drive, now through Oct. 23, to benefit the youth of Lehigh Acres.

The collection will be handed out to children at the annual Make A Difference Day event, held at Veterans Community Park located at 55 Homestead Road South in Lehigh Acres, on Saturday, October 24 from noon to 5 p.m. The costumes will be distributed to any youth who attends with a parent or guardian and who participates in the event's costume contest at 4 p.m.

Costumes may be dropped off at the Lehigh Acres Boys & Girls Club, located at 1262 Wings Way, Unit 206, Monday through Friday from noon to 6 p.m. Costumes are also being collected at the Lee County Sheriff's Office Substation, located at 1301 Homestead Road North in Lehigh Acres, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or at Veterans Community Park's Recreation Center Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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Gator Hook in Big Cypress National Preserve

photo by Clyde Butcher

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Big Cypress Fundraiser

environmental education program.

The funds contributed will be used to purchase equipment for the Swamp Water and Me program, which allows Collier County sixth graders to be scientists for the day, collecting data and doing experiments in the cypress, prairie and pine lands environments. For the 2015-16 school season, the program will host about 2,800 sixth graders.

The science students do everything from performing water quality tests and studying the weather to comparing soils in three different habitats and tracking Florida panthers (aka Beanie Babies for this exercise) with radio telemetry.

"We are going on the 17th year of this program, and hopefully this experience will make these students stewards for the environment and help them really understand the importance of the Big Cypress National Preserve and the National Park Service," said Lisa Andrews, the outreach and education coordinator for the Big Cypress National Preserve. "It's wonderful when people like Clyde and Niki assist with our outreach efforts. They have been unbelievable supporters for as long as this program has been in existence, and these events will help us reach the public and bring awareness to the National Park Service, which turns 100 on August 25, 2016."

The Clyde Butcher Big Cypress Gallery is located at Highway 41 Tamiami Trail (mile marker 54.5) in Ochopee, Florida. For more information, visit www.ClydeButcher.com or call 239-695-2428.*

Honor Veterans This National Deployment Day

submitted by Ted Tyson

There are numerous national holidays and days of observance throughout the year, during which we Americans come together to celebrate and honor significant historical events, figures and members of our society. Veterans Day, Memorial Day and POW/MIA Day are just a few occasions marking the service and sacrifice of military veterans, and we hold these as sacred opportunities to remember our brothers and sisters, especially those who never came home.

One such observance that often seems to be overlooked is truly near and dear to DAV's mission of veteran-to-veteran service. October 26 marks the nation's annual Day of the Deployed, which honors the men and women who have been or currently are deployed in harm's way, in other countries, defending the freedom of the USA.

Unless we personally have a friend or loved one serving overseas, it is easy to lose sight of the immeasurable sacrifice being made every day by our troops on our behalf. This seems especially true for the majority of our country, which does not have a connection with active military members.

Recognizing the Day of the Deployed is also in line with one of our most critical functions: ensuring veterans and their families, discharged or disabled, are able to transition back to civilian life as smoothly and successfully as possible.

As you read this, there are men and women standing posts across the world, far from their homes and loved ones. Soon, many of those individuals will be transitioning back to civilian life and will need a friendly face to help guide their way. Our local DAV Chapter 108 stands ready to help.

As members and friends of DAV and the DAV Auxiliary, we understand and have may experienced this very difficult journey, and we have a great responsibility to make sure those who come behind us are well-served by their fellow veterans. It's part of DAV Chapter 108's mission to help raise that awareness and keep

our veterans and military members a part of the conversation. I encourage everyone, on the Day of the Deployed – and throughout the entire year – to encourage and help our local communities remember the sacrifices made by the few on behalf of the whole.

This could be done by spreading the word about DAV's employment resources, job-search tools, All Veterans Career Fairs and our employment website, jobs.dav.org. It may be by helping to direct local veterans to a nearby National, Transition, Department or Chapter Service Officer for assistance with their claims. It might be something as simple as spreading the word in our local com-

munities that DAV will be there for their deployed loved ones when they return home, and supporting local fundraising.

To all my brothers and sisters who answered the nation's call with service overseas, or here at home, thanks to you and your families. Now, let's take our experiences and understanding, and help make things better for our local veterans by supporting our DAV Chapter #108's local fundraising event.

Checks must be made payable to DAV Chapter 108. Mail donations to Sanibel-Captiva Community Bank, 2475 Library Way, Sanibel, FL 33957.

God bless you, and God bless America.*

Fort Myers Mayor's Statement Regarding Shooting At ZombiCon

submitted by Randall P. Henderson, Jr., Mayor, City of Fort Myers

While traveling out of the state to a family event, I have learned of the tragic shooting downtown and the death of Mr. Expaviour Tyrell Taylor, and others injured with non-life-threatening wounds.

On behalf of myself and council, I want to express profound sadness and condolences to the family Mr. Taylor. We pray for all involved in this senseless act of violence. I want to reaffirm our commitment to reign in these criminals and assure all citizens of law enforcement's relentless pursuit of the perpetrators. With the aid of alert citizens and cameras, we remain confident in capturing and bringing to justice those who have attacked our citizens.

These random acts of violence will be deterred and ultimately eradicated through the deployment of cameras, arrest and successful prosecution of the perpetrators. I want to thank all citizens who have shown bravery and resolve in assisting law enforcement through their capturing of these heinous acts with personal cameras and testimony. With

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The Ford Lawn on the Caloosahatchee set for movie night

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Exhibit And Film

the Ford Lawn and Filmmakers Discussion: An Insider's Look, on Friday, November 6 at 6 p.m.

Edison Ford Museum's *Titanic* Film Exhibit and Filmmakers Discussion will feature dialogue on the behind-the-scenes filming of the movie *Titanic*. During the event, Cosden will discuss the history of Edison and his creation of more than 1,000 films through Edison Studios, his inventions and his place in history during the early 20th century. The Edison Ford Museum has a fascinating and extensive collection of Edison's early film equipment and an exhibit of prized artifacts from the film, including production blueprints, photographs of the movie making and a three-foot model of the *Titanic* will be on display in the Edison Ford Museum.

Capt. Harry Julian will discuss the

history of the great ships, including the *Titanic*, as well as the advances in nautical safety that arose after the *Titanic* disaster. Scouler will discuss some of the film techniques used and provide insight into how this fascinating industry has evolved over the years. Capt. Lance Julian, *Titanic*'s Marine Coordinator, will finish the special night with an insider's take on the filming of the movie. Guests can enjoy light appetizers and a cash bar while learning more about the film-making process. Edison Ford members will receive free admission to the event on Sunday, October 25, and general public admission is \$12.

Each year, Edison Ford hosts a novel film-watching experience for the Southwest Florida community that features a unique "historical and insider's approach." The upcoming showing was inspired by the 1912 sinking of the *Titanic*, portrayed in the film, which took place in Edison's era.



Image of the 90 percent scale movie set built for *Titanic*

film photo provided by Marine Coordinator, Capt. Lance Julian

Shortly before the sinking of the famous *Titanic*, Edison traveled to Europe with his family aboard another great ship – the *Mauretania* – in 1911.

The event was inspired by the partnership between Edison Ford and Pure Florida, and Pure Florida's river cruises on the *M/V Edison Explorer*. As the directors of the marine aspects of this film, Capt. Harry Julian and Capt. Lance Julian can provide an insightful perspective of their first-hand experience to the

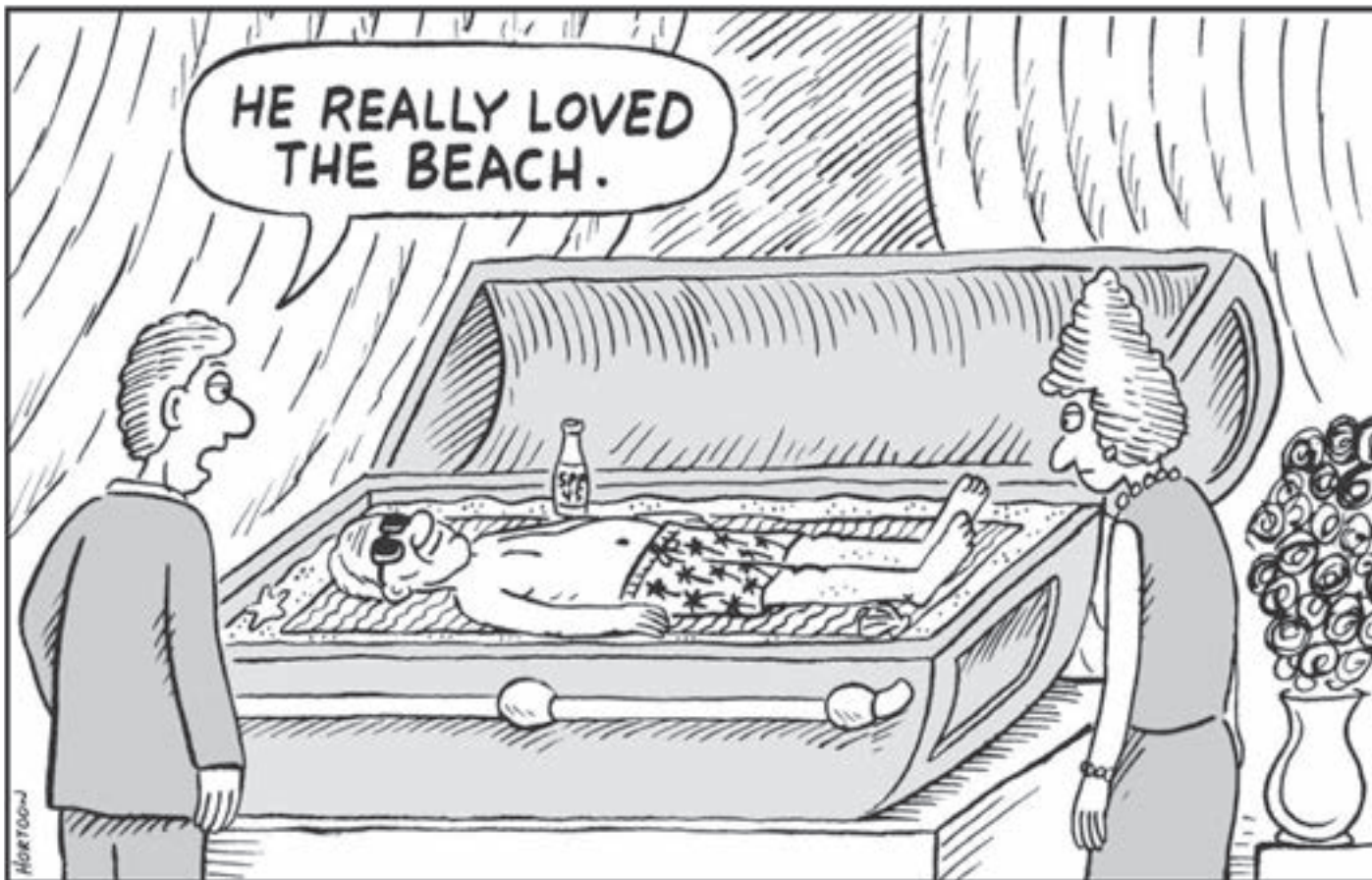
filming of the *Titanic*, the 90 percent scale replica ship that was built for filming in a giant tank on the coast of Mexico, as well as the hazardous filming in the frigid waters off Nova Scotia.

The movie screening of *Titanic* on the Ford Lawn and Filmmakers Discussion: An Insider's Look, will feature a wonderful night of movie watching, film discussion and delicious food. The community is invited to join Edison Ford and the filmmakers on the Ford Lawn to watch the award-winning *Titanic* on the big screen. With the Caloosahatchee and historical views as a backdrop, guests will enjoy a magical evening at Edison Ford. Guests are encouraged to come early and enjoy barbecue, veggie sandwiches, soft drinks, beer and wine, take a tour of the site, get a good seat and watch the sunset. Chairs will be provided on the lawn, and the public is invited to bring their own chairs as well. The film showing will occur after sunset and includes filmmakers comments. Admission to the November 6 movie screening will be \$5 for Edison Ford members and \$20 for the general public. Dinner and beverages will be provided at an additional cost.

Registration is recommended and can be made by contacting Leeanne Criswell, program registrar at Edison & Ford Winter Estates, by emailing lcriswell@edisonford-winterestates.org or by calling 334-7419. This film is not suggested for children.

For more information about the upcoming events or Edison & Ford Winter Estates, visit www.EdisonFordWinterEstates.org.*

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Over the Edge

The Heights Foundation Hosts 'Over The Edge'

The Heights Foundation will host an Altitude Adjustment Party to kick off the Over The Edge Rappelling event on Friday, October 23 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at The Hyatt Regency Coconut Point in Bonita Springs. Tickets are \$75 per person.

Guests will enjoy a "liquid courage" cocktail, hors d'oeuvres, music, live and silent auction items and have the opportunity to watch local celebrities rappel 17 stories down the Hyatt. One lucky attendee will win a spot to go "Over The Edge" on Saturday. Dress is resort casual.

Celebrity rappellers include:

- Honorary Chair Gary Tasman, Chief Executive Officer and principal broker,



Gary Tasman



Heather Fitzenhagen

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- Representative Heather Fitzenhagen
- Frank Giuliano, deputy chief of Fire & Special Operations, Bonita Springs Fire Control & Rescue District
- Jason Gunter, double amputee, Ironman, Fort Myers attorney
- Mike Jung, president and publisher of *The News-Press*
- Brian Kramer, general manager, The Hyatt Regency Coconut Point
- Mark Loren, national award-winning jeweler, designer, Goldsmith
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- Lisa Spooner NBC-2, 4 and 11 p.m. news anchor

Guests will have the opportunity to bid on outstanding adventures and luxury



Frank Giuliano



Jason Gunter



Mike Jung



Brian Kramer

getaways including stays at Hyatt properties locally and in Scottsdale, Arizona, Clearwater and West Palm Beach. Also up for bid will be a dinner with *Dexter* author Jeff Lindsay, a trip to SeaWorld, a Yeti cooler filled with everything you need for a fantastic weekend getaway, a stay at relaxing Tween Waters Inn on Captiva Island, premium golf packages, theater tickets, sports tickets, gourmet holiday-themed baskets and more.



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tion, call 482-7706.

For more information about the Over The Edge Rappelling event, to donate to a rappeller or learn about sponsorship opportunities, visit www.heights-over-theedge.com.

The Hyatt Regency Coconut Point is located at 5001 Coconut Road in Bonita Springs. To purchase tickets, visit www.heightsfoundation.org. For more informa-



Marinara sauce contest judging from 2014

Rotary Club's Italian Fest Calls For Best Marinara Submissions

The Rotary Club of Fort Myers returns to the Alliance for the Arts on Sunday, October 25 for Italian Fest, sponsored by the Tri-Circle Pavers.

Back by popular demand is the Marinara Contest, judged by a friendly panel including Rotarian Bill Valenti, and Rachel Pierce and Natasha Verma from NBC-2. A marinara sauce is a highly seasoned tomato sauce made with garlic and/or other such ingredients such as onions, parsley, olives, etc. but contains no meat. Homemade sauces may be entered by individuals until 12:30 p.m. during Italian Fest on October 25. Preregistration is strongly suggested by completing an entry form and sending your entry fee of \$10 to Rotary Club of Fort Myers, 2101 McGregor Blvd., Suite 102, Fort Myers, FL 33901. Prizes include \$50 for first place, \$25 for second place and a restaurant gift certificate for third place. Sauces must be delivered to the festival grounds on October 25 in a pint size non-returnable container.

For full rules and entry forms, visit www.FortMyersItalianFest.org.

Italian Fest 2015 will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers, on the corner of McGregor and Colonial. Blankets and chairs are allowed, however, coolers are prohibited. Event proceeds will

benefit Lee County Public Schools' Take Stock In Children Program and the Fort Myers Rotary Trust Fund.

For event details, visit www.FortMyersItalianFest.org or call 332-8158.



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Along The River



Photo of a spectacular sunset at Times Square on Fort Myers Beach taken by Scott Novello, bassist and vocalist for High Tide. The popular local band performs there on Fridays as part of the free Sunset Celebration concert series.

In case you missed it last weekend, **Oktoberfest** returns for a second and final weekend. The 30th annual celebration is presented by the **German-American Social Club of Cape Coral** and is held again this weekend from Friday to Sunday.

Oktoberfest offers an extensive selection of homemade German specialties, large tent and outside biergarten, three stages and two dance floors with non-stop live music, hand-made crafts, vendors and exhibitors, and a carnival area for kids featuring rides and games.

Advance tickets are \$5 per person or \$6 at the gate. Admission for children under 12 is free. There is plenty of free parking. All event dates are rain or shine.

The German American Social Club is located at 2101 SW Pine Island Road, Cape Coral. For more information, call 283-1400 or go to www.capecoraloktoberfest.com.

What better place to enjoy live music than on the beach? Every Friday and Saturday night, music lovers gather at Times Square on Fort Myers Beach for the free **Sunset Celebration** series of concerts.

Sunset Celebration provides a great opportunity to hear local bands in a spectacular setting. It is held every Friday and Saturday from 5 to 10 p.m., weather permitting. The concerts are free to the public.

Friday, October 23 features music by popular local band **High Tide**. High Tide plays an unusual but refreshing collection of popular music covers: reggae, classic rock, alternative rock, R&B and funk.

On Saturday, it's the **Manipulators**, a band that has been rocking Southwest Florida for six years.

For more information about Sunset Celebration, call 463-5900.

On Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the **Edison & Ford Winter Estates** and the Southwest Florida Quilter's Guild will be "airing quilts" on the traditional clothes-



Cool cars and classic rock rule at the River District Car Cruise-In on Saturday

lines. There will be dozens of quilts on display on clotheslines alongside Orchid Lane and the Edison home. Antique quilts belonging to Guild members will also be on display.

To add to the nostalgia of the outdoor quilt show, there will be antique cars displayed. The Edisons and the Fords, the living history characters, will be on hand to greet visitors.

An airing or display of the quilts was an ordinary part of life a century ago when blankets and textiles were moved out of doors to air and freshen up before the cold winter months ensued. Edison Ford has been fortunate to not only assemble a small collection of historic quilts but also to engage the members of the Southwest Florida Quilter's Guild, who will join in by airing and exhibiting their collection of handmade contemporary, traditional and historical quilts. Members of the Guild as well as curatorial staff will be on hand to discuss techniques and care.

The basis for the quilt exhibit at the Edison Ford follows the interest of the Ford family in the early 1900s as they collected quilts and other historical objects. Their interest grew so large in collecting Americana they created Greenfield Village in Dearborn, Michigan, a museum complex established in 1929. The collecting extended from household objects and crafts to many important American buildings, among them the original Edison Research Laboratory from the grounds of the Edison Estate in Fort Myers.

Admission to the **Edison Ford Clothesline Quilt Show** is free for members and \$5 for non-members. In the event of rain, the one-day exhibit will be cancelled.

Also on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Edison Caretaker's House, the Estates is offering **Scarf Painting with Artist Marie Dyer**.

Join Dyer and create your own hand-painted, one-of-a-kind silk scarf. Class includes materials and scarf. The cost is \$75 for members and \$80 for non-members \$80. Registration is required by contacting Edison Ford Registrar Leeanne Criswell at lcriswell@edisonfordwinterestates.org or at 334-7419.

Edison & Ford Winter Estates is located at 2350 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Call 334-7419 or go to www.edisonfordwinterestates.org.

On Saturday night, all classic cars are welcome to participate in downtown Fort Myers' monthly **Car Cruise-In**. The free event is held on the fourth Saturday of each month.

From 4 to 8 p.m., the historic River District comes alive with classic rock and cool cars: antiques, customs and exotics. Stroll along the brick-paved streets with friends or family and enjoy good food, music and drinks.

For more information about downtown's Car Cruise-In, call 855-732-3836.

On Sunday, Rotary Club of Fort Myers presents the 7th annual **Italian Fest at Alliance for the Arts**. The family-friendly event runs from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Area restaurants are dishing up a great menu of Italian foods at affordable prices. Fun family activities are plentiful and include a coloring contest, spaghetti eating contest, bounce houses and slides.

One of the highlights of the day is the Marinara Sauce contest. Marinara recipes will be judged on-site by a panel of celebrity judges, with more than \$100 in cash and prizes being awarded to the winners. To obtain a contest entry form, go to www.fortmyersitalianfest.org or call 332-8158.

Proceeds from Italian Fest benefit the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, a non-profit, charitable education foundation which enhances and enriches the quality of public education in Lee County for students and educators.

Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers, near Colonial Boulevard. For more information about Italian Fest, call the Rotary Club of Fort Myers at 332-8158 or go to www.fortmyersitalianfest.org.*

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Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille is named for the Doc Ford character in local author Randy Wayne White's best-selling mystery novels. It's a well known gathering place 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 and there's a well provisioned raw bar. Tropical drinks are a specialty, notably the signature rum drink, Island Mojito. 708 Fisherman's Wharf, Fort Myers Beach. Call 765-9660.

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Ichiban is a downtown favorite for Chinese and Japanese cuisine. The name means "Number One" in Japanese and offers its customers the perfect balance of great quality and affordable prices. Ichiban has been family owned and operated for 10 years and its enduring popularity is a testament to its exceptional, friendly service. 1520 Broadway #106, Fort Myers. Call 334-6991.

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Battle Of Fort Myers Mural

have returned to Key West and that the town would have never developed into the cow town that it did. The Battle of Fort Myers is the subject of two public artworks located in the downtown Fort Myers River District, the memorial *Clayton* by North Fort Myers sculptor Don J. Wilkins, which is located in Centennial Park, and the 20- by 100-foot, sepia-tone ceramic tile Barbara Jo Revelle mural, *Fort Myers: An Alternative History*, which is located in the courtyard shared by the federal courthouse, Hotel Indigo and Starbucks off First and Broadway. Fort Myers newest public artwork, *Marks & Brands*, pays homage to the role played by the cattlemen who migrated to this area and built the fledgling town of Fort Myers in the years following the Civil War's end. Tom Hall is both an amateur artist and aspiring novelist who writes art quest thrillers. He is in the final stages of completing his debut novel titled *Art Detective*. A former tax attorney, he lives in Estero with his fiancé and their four cats.*

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

1619 Llewellyn Drive Fort Myers. Just off McGregor across from the Edison/Ford Winter Estates 334-4978, Pastor Douglas Kelchner, Worship times Sunday's 9 and 10:30 a.m. Website: www.taecc.com

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2439 McGregor Boulevard, 334-8937. Reverend Dr. Jeffrey DeYoe, Senior Pastor. Reverend David Dietzel, Pastor Emeritus. Traditional Sunday service 10 a.m. Nursery available.

CYPRESS LAKE BAPTIST CHURCH

8400 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-5442. Randy A. Alston, Reverend. Sunday Services: Bible study, 9:45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11 a.m., Evening Worship, 7 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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8260 Cypress Lake Drive, Fort Myers, 481-3233. www.clpc.us. Clint Cottrell, Pastor. Prayer Service 8 a.m., Praise 9 a.m., Children's Church 9 a.m., Traditional 11 a.m. Summer Prayer Service 8 a.m.

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15690 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 482-2030. Pastor David Stauffer. Traditional Service Sunday 8:45 a.m., Contemporary Service Sunday 10:30 a.m. Go south on McGregor Boulevard. The church is ½ mile past the intersection of Gladiolus and San Carlos Boulevard on the way to Sanibel.

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Downtown Fort Myers River District, 2466 First Street, 332-1152. www.fumcftmyers.org. Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School; 10:30 a.m. Blended Church Service; 5:30 p.m. Youth Group.

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CONGREGATION

9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers 454-4778. Reverend Ray Buchanan Rector. Saturday 5 p.m., Eucharist with Healing; Sunday 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist, Rite One; 9:30 a.m., Family Eucharist with Healing and Church School. Tuesday 9:30 a.m., Morning Prayer (in Spanish); Wednesday 9:30 a.m., Eucharist with Healing. Child care available Saturday 5 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m. services.

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881 Nuna Avenue, Fort Myers, 481-1143. Masses Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 8 and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

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2154 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, 218-8343. Pastor Randy and Anita Thurman. 10:30 a.m. Sunday Service.

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A few federated Lutheran (ELCA) and Episcopal Congregation. 19691 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers. 267-3525. www.lambofgodchurch.net. Reverend Dr. James Reho. Sunday 7:45 and 10 a.m. Sunday's Cool for Children 10 a.m.

NEW BEGINNINGS CENTER

New Home Church, 8505 Jenny Cae Lane, North Fort Myers, 656-0416. Weekly Friday meeting meet and greet 6:30 p.m. Kingdom Teaching 7 p.m. Fellowship and refreshments. nbcministry@embarqmail.com, www.facebook.com/nbcministry. Alex and Patricia Wiggins, Ministers

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NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Fort Myers Beach Masonic Lodge. 17671 Pine Ridge Road. 267-7400. Pastors, Gail and RC Fleeman. Adult Discussion Classes 8:45 a.m. Countdown to Worship 10:10 a.m. Amazing Grace Worship: 10:30 a.m. www.peacecommunitychurch.com.

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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

13031 Palm Beach Boulevard (3 miles east of I75) East Fort Myers (across from Fort Myers Shores) 693-0818. 9 a.m. Tuesday through Friday. 4 p.m. Saturday, 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday.

SOUTHWEST BAPTIST CHURCH

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TEMPLE JUDEA (CONSERVATIVE)

14486 A&W Bulb Road, Fort Myers, 433-0201, Rabbi: Rabbi Marc Sack Minyan: Monday at 9 a.m. Religious Education: Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Services Friday 6:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. www.tjswfl.org.

THE NEW CHURCH

The New Church of SWFL, 10811 Sunset Plaza Circle #401, behind Zoomers. Reverend Gabriella Cahaley. Sundays 11 a.m. during the season. Other worship events on Fort Myers Beach. http://www.newchurchflorida.com. 481-5535.

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9065 Ligon Court, Fort Myers, across from HealthPark Hospital, 481-2125. Senior Pastor Robert Brunson. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. 11 a.m. Blended Worship. www.westminsterfortmyers.org

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2120 Collier Avenue, Fort Myers. 274-8881. Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m. Bishop Gaspar and Michele Anastasi

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7401 Winkler Road, Fort Myers. 481-4040. Pastor Curtis Deterding. Sunday 8 a.m. Traditional, 10:45 a.m. Blended, 9:30 a.m. Educational Hour. www.zionfm.org.✪

Seasonal Gifts At Shell Point Holiday Bazaar

Find novelty gifts and great deals during the 10th annual Holiday Bazaar, to be held Friday and Saturday, November 6 and 7, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Admission to the event, held in the Woodlands Commons at Shell Point, is free.

This seasonal shopping bazaar, hosted by residents from the Shell Point Crafters Group, offers hand-designed gifts and stocking stuffers that are made or enhanced by Shell Point residents. "Shell Point residents put an incredible amount of effort, originality and care into the creation of quality products to be sold at our annual event. Spread some holiday cheer by purchasing these one-of-a-kind treasures for someone special," said Barbara Hilton, Shell Point resident and chairperson of the craft show.



Purchase handcrafted gifts during the free Holiday Bazaar at Shell Point Retirement Community photo courtesy of Shell Point

More than 60 tables will be filled with an array of diverse crafts for sale on the first and second floors of the Woodlands Commons at Shell Point. Handmade items include intricate wood sculptures, hand painted bags and scarves, pottery, sweet treats, toys, Christmas novelties, books, paintings and three-dimensional paper crafts. After shopping, guests are invited to have a light snack or full lunch at the Promenade Café or Palm Grill, two of Shell Point's onsite public restaurants located in the Woodlands neighborhood.

Admission to the Holiday Bazaar is free, although crafts may be purchased by cash or check only. An onsite ATM is available. Call 454-2290 for more information.

Shell Point Retirement Community is located just before the Sanibel Causeway in Fort Myers.*

Turkeys Sought For Those In Need

The Thanksgiving holiday is right around the corner and the Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida needs to provide about 10,000 turkeys and chickens for families in need. The community can help by

donating frozen holiday birds or making a financial contribution.

This year, it will cost the food bank about \$14 to purchase and distribute each holiday bird through its network partner agencies. The deadline to donate turkeys is Friday, November 20.

You can drop off frozen turkeys or chickens at the food bank's Fort Myers or Naples warehouses. Hours are:

- 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Fort Myers warehouse, 3760 Fowler Street.

- 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Naples warehouse, 2221 Corporation Blvd.

Financial donations can also be mailed to either location. For more information or to donate online, call 334-7007 or visit www.harrychapinfoodbank.org.



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Snow Birds Now Arriving



by Capt. Matt Mitchell

White pelicans are one of our first visual indicators that winter is on the way, and within a period of a few days this week, our skies became filled. These huge

birds (aka snowbirds) travel south every winter from as far north as Canada and Minnesota to enjoy our warmer winter. With weak coldfronts already passing through and bringing us cooler temperatures along with strong winds, now that the door is already open, we might as well get used to it as they will just keep rolling through.

Although the change of seasons in south Florida is not as extreme as in other parts of the United States, it is still

a huge factor for fishing. Changing tactics with the season is all part of the game to catch fish. Taking at least a few dozen live shrimp along on my charters began for me this week. Live shrimp is the winter-time go-to bait and will catch fish when simply nothing else will. Cooling water temperatures mean the live bait shrimp have gotten considerably bigger than the last time I looked.

Several flats that I fished this week I saw skipping pompano. These fish are a blast to catch and often while motoring around on a grass flat or channel, you will spook them and see them skip. Cast silly willy jigs or a live shrimp on a small jig head to get into this often fast-paced action. For their size, they fight really hard and generally travel in large groups. While motoring down a channel on the edge of a grass flat this week, I had a large pompano come up and skip, hit the side of my boat then jump again, landing right in the boat. I've had them bounce off the side of the boat a few times but never land inside.

With big schools of mullet showing up all over the sound, I always enjoy the shallow water sightfishing shark fishing



A pompano that skipped into the boat this week

opportunities this brings. Lots of the areas that are holding large concentrations of mullet are just loaded up with big hungry sharks of all types. Watching 5- to 8-foot long sharks finning around these mullet schools in shallow water is a blast, and getting one to eat a bait is a visual treat. Once hooked up, this only gets better as you can see the shark tear across the shallow water. When you spot these sharks working the mullet schools, cast a half a fresh cut mullet to the general area and you can watch the crime go down.

Lots of fry bait, birds and predators are still scattered through the sound. A few times this week well taking advantage of this easy bite clients hooked into more than they had bargained for. Hooking

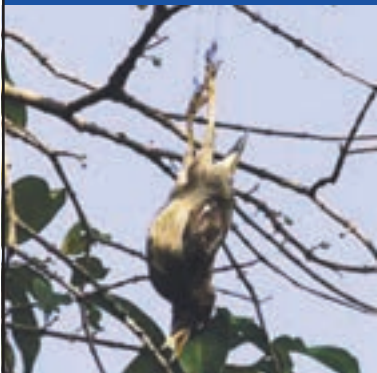
a 5-foot shark or a full sized tarpon, a 10-pound class spinning rod while casting jigs is often a shock. One such tarpon bite happened right at the bow boat and was over very quickly as the tarpon tail splashed us all.

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 River Weekly 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 River Weekly, 1609 Hendry Street, Suite 15, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, or email to press@riverweekly.com.

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CROW Case Of The Week:

Peninsula Cooter

by Patricia Molloy



As one of the most common freshwater turtles in Florida, the peninsula cooter (*Pseudemys peninsularis*) can often be seen near fresh bodies of water like lakes and slow

moving streams. These environments provide soft sandy bottoms, ample basking sites and abundant vegetation on which to feed. They will, however, occasionally enter brackish water. While Florida cooters (*Pseudemys floridana*) are found throughout the southeastern coastal plain, the subspecies *peninsularis* is only found in Florida.

Reaching nearly 15 inches in length as adults, the body and shell are darkly colored with bright yellow lines. One of the most interesting facts about these fresh water turtles is that while primarily omnivorous (youngsters have been known to eat some fish and insects), they become vegetarians with age.

It is a common sight for drivers in Southwest Florida to see a turtle slowly, but determinedly, crossing a road. Be patient. These gentle terrestrial beings have survived on this planet for millions years; a few minutes of your time pales in comparison. If you feel compelled to



The peninsula cooter was injured by a careless driver. An esophagostomy tube was inserted to ensure sufficient nutritional intake.

accelerate its journey and protect it from less attentive drivers, please relocate it in the direction it is traveling. If you return a turtle to its point of entry, it will simply try to cross again once you have driven on your merry way.

A peninsula cooter was admitted to CROW after being hit by a car. In addition to a gaping wound in its shell, it sustained injuries to its spinal chord and lungs – aquatic turtles inflate and deflate their lungs accordingly in order to dive and float. “He’s outside in the tub,” explained Dr. Molly. “There’s been improvement with his buoyancy issues, but he’s still not using his back legs reli-

ably; just his front legs to swim around.”

Shortly after its arrival, the patient was anesthetized so that an esophagostomy tube could be inserted down its neck. The e-tube was necessary to ensure that the turtle is receiving sufficient nutrients, because it was not eating very much on its own. According to Dr. Heather, peninsula cooters do not eat well in captivity.

The turtle is also receiving supportive care in the form of antibiotics and pain medication, and it has been given anti-inflammatories to treat possible hemorrhaging. As a direct result, the cooter’s condition has improved. “Except that he’s not eating, clinically, he’s doing pretty

well,” said Dr. Heather.

It takes three to six months for a cold-blooded reptile’s wounds to heal. If you would like to sponsor this peninsula cooter on its long road to recovery, go to www.crowclinic.org and donate to patient #15-2706.

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

America’s Boating Course

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons that serves South Fort Myers, Fort Myers Beach, Bonita Springs and Estero will be offering America’s Boating Course on three consecutive Tuesdays in November (November 3, 10 and 17) from 6:30 to 9:15 p.m. There will be a final exam on the November 17.

This course is recognized by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) and satisfies the Florida state requirement that anyone born after January 1, 1988 must pass a safe boating course in order to operate a boat with more than 10 HP. Each student will receive a Florida Boater’s card – valid for life – from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission, upon successfully completing the class.

Topics covered include hull design, docking, anchoring, handling boating emergencies, reading channel markers and many other topics to make each boating experience safer and more enjoyable. Students who complete the course are eligible to join the United States Power Squadron at a discounted rate offering 18 months of membership for the price of 12 months.

The cost of the course is \$45, with a \$20 cost for a second person sharing the instruction materials.

The course will be taught at the San

Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron classroom, located at 16048 San Carlos Blvd. (at the corner of Kelly Road, across from ACE Hardware). Students can register online at www.scbps.com or by calling the office at 466-4040 and leaving their contact information.*

Local Waters/ Local Charts Class

The San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron, a unit of the United States Power Squadrons, will be offering the popular Local Waters/ Local Charts class. The class will be held on Saturday, November 14 from 8:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The class is directed towards new boaters and boaters new to the area, as well as those wishing to learn chart reading. It provides the boater with some of the basics of navigation, oriented to the Fort Myers area.

The class will be taught at the San Carlos Bay Sail & Power Squadron classroom, located at 16048 San Carlos Blvd. (at the corner of Kelly Road, across from ACE Hardware). Enrollment is limited and advance registration is required. Students can register online at www.scbps.com or by calling 466-4040. Students will be using chart #11427 and must bring this chart to class. Information on how to obtain the right chart can be found on the squadron’s website.*

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Carnauba
Wax Palm

by Gerri Reaves

The carnauba wax palm (*Copernicia prunifera*) gets its name from the heat-resistant, long-lasting wax harvested from the leaves. This tree is economically important in its native Brazil, where it grows in semi-arid regions, particularly in savannas.

The white powdery wax, also called Brazil wax or ceara wax, is used in making products such as car and floor wax, the coating on medicinal pills and cosmetics.

Also called the Brazilian wax palm, this ornamental tree reaches up to 35 feet out of its native range. The single trunk's lower two-thirds is covered by knobby leaf bases that often form a spiraling pattern.

The dense rounded crown is composed of fan-shaped yellow- to blue-green leaves measuring about three or four feet across. They are deeply divided into many segments.

The petioles, or leafstalks, are spined. The inflorescences of about seven feet are longer than the leaves and produce brownish yellow flowers.

The black fruit is round and about an inch across.

This is a slow-growing palm and is suitable as a container plant.



The lower trunk is covered by persistent leaf bases photos by Gerri Reaves

It prefers full sun and will tolerate both droughts and occasional flooding.

Sources: *The Encyclopedia of Cultivated Palms* by Robert Lee Riffle, Paul Craft, and Scott Zona; britannica.com; and floridata.com.

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



Non-native carnauba wax palm's leaf wax is harvested for making many commercial products

Hoots And Hisses Halloween
Event And Run Wild 5K

Ecologically friendly Halloween happenings are creeping up at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. On Saturday, October 31 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Conservancy Nature Center presents Hoots and Hisses featuring live animal shows, spooky trail walks, face painting and more. The Halloween spectacular event takes place following the Run Wild 5K race, which will begin at 7:30 a.m. at Gordon River Greenway Park in Naples. Conservancy members and Run Wild participants will receive free admission into the Hoots and Hisses event at the Conservancy Nature Center.

During the 5K race, runners will wind through the new tropical greenway overlooking the Gordon River and lush mangroves below. Children can participate in the Run Wild race as well through a special competition for children. Immediately following the Run Wild 5K race, an award ceremony will take place to recognize the runners and refreshments will be available for all to enjoy. All runners are encouraged to wear a costume and Run Wild in the upcoming 5K race. After the race, a costume competition will take place for the best Halloween costume.

The entry fee for the 5K race is \$30 during the month of October and \$35 on the day of the race. Proceeds from the Run Wild 5K race will benefit wildlife conservation efforts at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida and the Naples Zoo.

For more information about the Hoots and Hisses and Run Wild 5K, or to register for the race, visit www.Conservancy.org.*



Conservancy of Southwest Florida's Hoots and Hisses event will feature live animal shows, spooky trail walks, face painting and more following the Run Wild 5K race on October 31

Learn To Irrigate Your Home Garden

The guest speaker for the Edible Gardening Exchange in November will be Fred Geist. He will discuss home garden irrigation. Geist has been the owner of a successful commercial contracting maintenance company in Denver for 30 years, employing over 65 people. He is a licensed tree trimmer, licensed pesticide applicator in five categories, and has owned a small licensed irrigation service business in Fort Myers for five years. In addition, he is an active master gardener in both Colorado and Florida in which he volunteers his time and expertise.

Join other edible gardeners on Thursday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the North Fort Myers Rec Center located at 2000 N. Recreation Parkway in North Fort Myers. Arrive at 5:30 p.m. for an open and informal chat on edible topics. Consider bringing something to share with other gardeners (seeds, plants or a snack). Bring your own cup for free coffee and tea.

The membership fee for monthly meetings through March is \$10. In addition, a \$10 Lee Parks and Recreation lifetime membership is required. For more information, contact Karen Harty at 610-530-8883.*

Hiking Trails Abound In South
Florida's Unique Ecosystems Miles

Opportunities abound to hike in one-of-a-kind Everglades ecosystems, alongside a kaleidoscope of wading birds, alligators, wildlife, trees and flowers, on thousands of acres of public land managed by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD).

This month, the District joins the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and Governor Rick Scott in recognizing South Florida's environment during Florida Greenways and Trails Month.

In all, the SFWMD manages approximately 621,000 acres of land that are open to the public, including:

- 330 miles of trails
- 50 designated camping areas
- 66 trailhead/parking areas available for public use

Some of the most popular SFWMD trails – many of which also host bike riders and equestrians – are located in Shingle Creek (Orange County); Kissimmee River (Highlands County); Florida National Scenic Trail (Hendry, Palm Beach, Okeechobee and Osceola counties); Ocean to Lake Trail (Palm Beach and Martin counties); DuPuis Management Area (Martin County); Bird Rookery Trail (Collier County) and Levee trails (Broward and Miami-Dade counties).

In all of the state, Florida is home to more than 4,000 miles of paddling trails, 8,000 miles of land trails, 32 national Recreation Trails and eight multi-use state trails.

The South Florida Water Management District continues increasing recreational access to its public lands while managing them to support environmental restoration, flood control, water supply and water quality missions. Many of these properties are in their natural state or have enhancements such as picnic tables, informational kiosks, campsites and hiking trails.

For more information, visit www.sfwmd.gov.*

Pink Tea Held At Burroughs Home

More than 150 ladies and children gathered at the Burroughs Home Pavilion on Thursday, October 8 for the annual Mother-Daughter Pink Tea, sponsored by the Fort Myers Woman's Community Club. The guest speaker was State Representative Heather Fitzhagen.

At this year's tea, guests came not only for an afternoon of tea and desserts by the river, but also to support the Lighthouse of SWFL, a non-profit rehabilitation center that helps individuals with blindness or visual impairment to successfully achieve their desired level of independence.

Guests made monetary donations to the Lighthouse of SWFL's first White Cane Fest 3K Run/Walk. They also donated cases of bottled water and non-perishable snacks. In addition, FMWCC members are donating their time by volunteering at the event to be held on Saturday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center in South Fort Myers.

The event will teach people to walk with the white cane, like those who are blind use to navigate.

The Fort Myers Woman's Community Club was founded in 1927 with the objective to meet for mutual improvement, social entertainment, promote better understanding among its members, and advance the civic welfare of the City of Fort Myers.



Erleene Sanders and State Representative Heather Fitzhagen



Attendees at the Pink Tea

Today, members continue the legacy of traditions, community and friendship through various club events including teas, fashion and flower shows, the Coronation Ball, and the annual Holiday House. The club is also active in community outreach and historic endeavors.

To learn more about FMWCC or to become a member, visit www.fmwcc.com.

Genealogical Society Meeting

The Lee County Genealogical Society will conduct their next meeting on Thursday, November 19 with a presentation entitled Jumping The Pond by guest speaker Donna Moughty. The meeting will be held at Cypress Lakes Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 8260 Cypress Lake Drive in Fort Myers. Doors open at 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting held from 10 a.m. to noon.



Donna Moughty

Before you flyaway to your ancestor's county of origin, you will need to do your homework. Whatever the nationality of your immigrant ancestor, to effectively search you must begin at home. The most important piece of information is the town or parish where your ancestor was

born. If you don't know that information, you must dig through records at home to harvest as much information as possible. This lecture will look at the types of records available in the United States that might help you identify a town of origin in the native country.

At the meeting, visit Shirley's Table, Rea's Information Table and network with Genealogical Society members.

For more information, visit www.LCGSFL.org or call Carol at 567-2686.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

Flu Shots Offered At Lake Kennedy

Remain fabulously healthy by protecting yourself with the flu shot, available at the Lake Kennedy Center on Wednesday, October 28 from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 to 2 p.m.

Be ahead of the game and take the flu shot with our great community partner, Publix Pharmacy Manager Tori Waggoner. After you take the flu shot, as a thank you for taking the positive step to protect your health, you will receive a \$5 Publix gift certificate. Be sure to bring Medicare and insurance cards with you.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard in Cape Coral. For more information, call 574-0575.

Rookery Bay Offers Guided Tours Of Estuary

Unique opportunities to view wildlife while exploring mangrove tunnels and coastal uplands are available November through April during guided boat and kayak tours in Rookery Bay.

During the two-hour guided kayak tours, guests paddle through the shallow mangrove forest with an experienced guide and naturalist. Tours are Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$59 for the public and \$49 for Friends of Rookery Bay members and includes a kayak, all equipment and paddling instruction.

Three-hour guided boat tours offer a more personalized experience, as each both has a six-passenger maximum capacity. Several trips are available, each with a different theme, and are offered Tuesday through Friday from 2 to 5 p.m. Tour offerings include Life is a Beach, Treasure Island, Essence of an Estuary and High Points. Sunset to Starlight tours are offered on evenings around the time of the full moon. All tours provide a chance to see diverse native wildlife and offer an excellent opportunity for nature photography. The cost is \$89 for the public and \$79 for Friends of Rookery Bay members.

The ticket to both guided tours also includes admission to the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center on the day of the tour. Tour proceeds support the non-profit Friends of Rookery Bay.

Registration is required either online at www.rookerybay.org or by calling 530-5977.

Alzheimer's Association Walk This Saturday

The Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's is a movement to reclaim the future for millions. Walk to End Alzheimer's will take place on Saturday, October 24 at Centennial Park, 2000 W. First Street in Fort Myers. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the walk begins at 10 a.m. Nearly 600 people from the Lee County are expected at this year's walk to raise awareness and funds to fight Alzheimer's disease.

Participants will complete a two-mile walk and will learn about Alzheimer's disease, advocacy opportunities, clinical trial enrollment, and support programs and services from the Alzheimer's Association. All are welcome to take part in be a tribute ceremony to honor those affected by Alzheimer's disease.

For more information, visit <http://act.alz.org/FortMyers> or call 405-7008.

Salvation Army Christmas Cheer Registration

The Salvation Army of Lee, Hendry, and Glades Counties has completed the first day of registration for its annual Christmas Cheer program. By closing time on Day 1, 277 families in need submitted applications for toys and clothing. Hundreds more are expected throughout this week.

In 2014, The Salvation Army served 3,683 families and 8,473 children through Christmas Cheer and more than 20,000 individuals through its total Christmas programs.

Registration continues this week at the following location:

The Salvation Army
2400 Edison Avenue
Fort Myers
334-3745

Friday, October 23, 9 a.m. to noon

Saturday, October 24, 9 a.m. to noon

Applicants must have the following items to register:

Adults: photo ID and proof of residency in Lee County (such as lease agreement or utility bill).

Children: proof of birth date for each child (toys are provided for children 12 and under).

Proof of: income and benefits;

expenses

Parents are discouraged from bringing their children to registration.

Christmas Cheer is a community wide effort and is The Salvation Army's largest outreach event each year.

The Christmas Cheer program is funded by donations raised during The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign which begins in mid-November. For registration information, or to volunteer to assist with applications or holiday bell ringing, call 278-1551.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center

We The People Patriotic Concert

The Sounds of Lake Kennedy will present their second concert entitled We The People on Sunday, October 25. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. and the show starts at 2 p.m.

The selected songs are a collection of patriotic and uplifting tunes that will be enjoyed by all. Snacks and beverages will be served. The cost is \$5 per person. Pre-registration is required.

Lake Kennedy Senior Center is located at 400 Santa Barbara Boulevard in Cape Coral. For more information, call 574-0575.

Pure Florida Raises More Than \$5,700 During 'Pure Pink' Weekend Retreat



Pure Florida took 61 aboard the *M/V Double Sunshine* for a sightseeing cruise during its recent Pure Pink weekend retreat.

Pure Florida recently brought in more than \$5,700 to support breast cancer awareness during its first "Pure Pink" event October 9, 10 and 11, exceeding the event's fundraising goal of \$5,000. Pure Florida welcomed a group of breast cancer patients, survivors and their friends and families on a weekend retreat to benefit the American Cancer Society's Making Strides Against Breast Cancer program. Pure Florida's Pure Pink event was inspired by a close friend to the company and colleague, Barb Frederick, who is currently undergoing treatment for breast cancer.

As part of the Pure Pink weekend, Pure Florida took 61 guests out on the water to enjoy a 90-minute dolphin cruise aboard Pure Florida's *M/V Double Sunshine* in Naples. During the cruise, Pure Florida sent a memorial wreath out to sea, a symbolic send-off to honor those who have lost their lives to breast cancer. Complimentary

Henna tattoos of the breast cancer awareness ribbon were offered by Studio 13 Nailtique, and Salons by JC assisted Rosie Rosario, daughter of a Pure Florida team member, in completing a hair donation to be given to charity. The *M/V Double Sunshine* was festively decorated in breast cancer awareness' signature pink color through a donation from Balloon Buccaneers.

The event also featured a live auction at the Residence Inn Naples, where Artistic Science illuminated the building in pink and provided a photo booth for attendees. Guests also enjoyed a dinner theater performance at Broadway Palm Theatre and brunch at The Cider Press Café. The three-day retreat included a two-night stay with complimentary breakfast at the Residence Inn Naples, shuttle transportation provided by Dolphin Tours and discount shopping at the historic Tin City.

"We are overjoyed with the success of the 'Pure Pink' event. As I have been directly impacted by this diagnosis, I am honored to have the opportunity to support and celebrate life with those who have been affected by breast cancer," said Barb Frederick. "The community came together in a big way, and we are so thankful to all who contributed to this special weekend."

The *M/V Double Sunshine* departs from the historic Tin City, located at 1200 Fifth Avenue South in Naples. For more information on Pure Florida and its cruises, visit www.PureFL.com or call 263-4949.✧



Beatrice Cooper of Salons by JC assisted Rosie Rosario in trimming her hair to donate to charity

Art Under 20 Seeking Entries For 2016 High School Art Competition



Last year's Art Under 20 competition and exhibition at ArtFest Fort Myers

Now is the time for high school students to submit their entry form for participation in Art Under 20, Southwest Florida's largest high school art competition. Art Under 20 is a visual art exhibit and competition open to all Lee County high school students, who reveal their work at ArtFest Fort Myers as they compete for \$7,100 in cash awards.

Awards are given to the best student artists in six categories: Digital, Drawing, Painting, Photography, 3-D and Mixed Media.

ArtFest Fort Myers created this festival weekend exhibit and competition to encourage students in their pursuit of art and to promote community support of art programs in our schools.

"Each year, hundreds of students exhibit their marvelous artwork in a gallery style tent to thousands of family members, teachers, friends and 85,000 admiring art festival attendees," said Kristin Woolam, Art Under 20 chairwoman.

All Lee County high school students (public, private and home-schooled) are invited to participate in Art Under 20, showcasing artwork created exclusively by them. Entry forms and more information are available through all Lee County high school art de-

partments or at ArtFestFortMyers.com. Application deadline for the 2016 exhibit and competition is December 4.

ArtFest Fort Myers, Southwest Florida's premier art festival, takes place on February 5, 6 and 7 in the Fort Myers River District. The art festival's mission is to provide the community with an exceptional art experience, nurture the understanding of diverse art forms and support arts in education. Join the experience with 215 artists from across the county and around the world; the largest high school art exhibit and competition in south Florida and free interactive art experiences for children of all ages.

For more information about supporting the ArtFest Fort Myers art education outreach program, visit ArtFestFortMyers.com or contact us as 768-3602 or info@ArtFestFortMyers.com.✧

Vino's Picasso Holiday 4 Heroes Fundraiser

Vino's Picasso is partnering with Lovegrove Gallery & Gardens on Matlacha to raise money for our troops. To date, Holiday 4 Heroes has sent 2,608 boxes and raised more than \$36,000. The goal this year is to send 1,000 boxes to our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. We will need to raise \$15,900 to send those packages.

Nearly 100 percent of the proceeds for this event will benefit Holiday 4 Heroes to help send troops a care package for Christmas while wine and munchies have been generously donated to you for your generosity. Enjoy this paint session in Leoma Lovegrove's beautiful garden on Matlacha Island for \$60 per seat while we create this popular version from her collection of famous American flags.

The Holiday 4 Heroes event will be held on Sunday, November 1 beginning at noon. For more information about attending, call Taylor Joyce at 288-6953. ✧



Artwork by Leoma Lovegrove

South Cape Spooktacular Drink & Treat Trolley Run, Costume Contest

The South Cape Spooktacular Drink & Treat Trolley Run and Costume Contest will be held this Saturday, October 24 from 7 to 11 p.m. Attendees of this event must be at least 21 years old.

Participating locations will offer a drink sample and candy to participants as they travel on a fleet of trolleys around the South Cape.

Be sure to wear your best costume and get your photo taken at our photo booth in Big John Plaza and have it submitted into a costume contest awarding a \$500 cash prize. Along with the drink specials and costume contest, many of the stops will have live music and/or other specials for you to enjoy.

Wristbands are \$10 in advance or \$15 on the day of the event. Tickets can be purchased online at <https://south-cape-spooktacular.eventbrite.com>.

Participating locations include Backstreets Sports Bar, 915 SE 47th Terrace; Cape Coral Brewing Company, 829 Miramar Street; Coconuts, 850 Lafayette Street; Cruiser's Lounge, 1517 SE 47th Terrace; Dixie Roadhouse, 1023 SE 47th Terrace; Monkey Bar & Steakhouse, 1428 Lafayette Street; Paradise Pizza, 842 Lafayette Street; Rack'em Billiards, 1011 SE 47th Terrace; Ralph's Place of Cape Coral, 1305 Cape Coral Pkwy; Rockade, 1023 SE 47th Terrace; The Dek, 4704 SE 15th Avenue; Tiki Hut @ Dolphin Key Resort, 1502 Miramar Street; and Tubby's City Hangout, 4810 Vincennes Street.

The check-in booths open from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and will be located in Club Square, and Big John Plaza near John Michaels Jewelry. Attendees may park either in Club Square or Big John Plaza and then ride the trolleys to all the other locations. **



An opening reception at the Alliance for the Arts

Alliance's 200 Under \$200 Exhibit

For its exhibit that opens in November, the Alliance for the Arts is asking its member artists to submit two small works priced at \$200 or less. This 200 Under \$200 exhibit is a non-traditional art show. The gallery walls will be filled to the brim, and all sales will be "cash-and-carry" meaning purchasers will get to take the piece with them when they buy it, instead of waiting until the end of the exhibit. The two month long exhibit will evolve as pieces disappear and the remaining pieces are repositioned.

The opening reception is Friday, November 6 from 5 to 7 p.m. It's open to the public. The exhibit runs

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Scene from *Million Dollar Quartet*, now playing at the Broadway Palm

Broadway Palm is thrilled to present the national tour of the Broadway musical *Million Dollar Quartet*, playing now through November 21. This international, Tony Award-winning musical is inspired by the electrifying true story when four rock 'n' roll icons came together as a red-hot band for one unforgettable night!

Million Dollar Quartet is set on December 4, 1956, when an auspicious twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together. Sam Phillips, the "Father of Rock 'n' Roll" who was responsible for launching the careers of each icon, gathered the four legendary musicians at the Sun Records storefront studio in Memphis for the first and only time. The resulting evening became known as one of the greatest rock 'n' roll jam sessions in history. *MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET* brings that legendary night to life with an irresistible tale of broken promises, secrets, betrayal and celebrations featuring timeless hits including *Blue Suede Shoes*, *That's All Right*, *Sixteen Tons*, *Great Balls Of Fire*, *I Walk The Line*, *Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On*, *Fever*, *Folsom Prison Blues*, *Hound Dog* and more.

Join Broadway Palm as they rock the house with *Million Dollar Quartet*, playing now through November 21. Performances are Wednesday through Sunday evenings with selected matinees. Beginning October 27, performances are Tuesday through



Million Dollar Quartet, playing at the Broadway Palm through November 21

Sunday with selected matinees. Ticket prices range from \$39 to \$62, with group discounts available for parties of 20 or more. Tickets are now on sale and can be reserved by calling 278-4422, by visiting www.BroadwayPalm.com or by stopping by the box office at 1380 Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.*

The Calendar Girls Perform At Annual Cops & Joggers 5K



The Calendar Girls at the Cops & Joggers 5K Race

On October 10, The Calendar Girls donned their finest patriotic costumes and enthusiastically performed at the 8th annual Cops & Joggers 5K Race to benefit the Fort Myers Police Department's Fallen Officer Memorial Fund.

Sponsoring Guide Dogs for veterans since 2006, more information on The Calendar Girls can be found online at www.calendargirlsflorida.com.*



The Calendar Girls with a military veteran



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Is The Booming Internet Fantasy Sports A Form Of Gambling Or Games Of Skill?



by Ed Frank

It's that time of the year where there is a crescendo in professional sports with football, baseball, hockey and – in a few days – basketball, all in action and all entwined to grab your attention.

And unless you've been living on another planet, you've been inundated with countless television ads seeking your participation – and your dollars – in online fantasy sports sites FanDuel and DraftKings.

Fantasy sports have captured the interest, imagination and participation for millions of sports enthusiasts for decades, but never to the level that has been created by these two Internet

firms.

And lawmakers have quickly launched probes into this unregulated world of daily fantasy sports.

Just in case you don't understand fantasy sports, in its simplest terms, you select lineups of athletes to create your own team to compete against other fantasy teams.

Internet fantasy sites have flourished under an exemption to a 2006 Federal Internet gambling law that classified it as a game of skill rather than outright gambling. But is it?

DraftKings and FanDuel attract huge numbers of participants with what many say are misleading ads waving banners of success stories about instant millionaires.

One reported study showed, however, that less than two percent of the players won more than 91 percent of the payoffs.

We can debate whether these Internet fantasy sites are gambling or games of skill until the next century without a conclusion. But we all know that gambling is a way of life and will never be stopped, regardless if they are legal or illegal.

Is church bingo gambling? Are lotteries gambling? And what about that \$5 bet you made on the golf course? Get the point?

More to the issue, however, we must be assured that DraftKings, FanDuel and other Internet fantasy sites are being run honestly.

They came into question recently when it was disclosed that an analyst for DraftKings had published an article revealing a pregame listing of National Football League players with their ownership percentages – the players selected the most on fantasy teams.

The next week, that analyst won \$350,000 on FanDuel, the competing site.

That's when the lawmakers started screaming for hearings and investigations. The two big sites immediately banned employees from participating in these paid games.

Nevada, the gambling mecca of the country, recently decreed that these sites involve "wagering on the collective performance of players participating in sporting events" and must apply for state licenses through the Nevada Gaming Commission.

Critics contend the Nevada ruling was to protect the lucrative sports books in the casinos.

The serious, studious players who spend their dollars through these Internet sites will tell you they are involved in games of skill. And maybe they are, although there still is an element of gambling.

This is an issue that's not going to go away. And it's an issue we will likely hear plenty about in the weeks and months ahead.

What are your thoughts?✪

Event To Challenge Homelessness

This November, the Lee County Homeless Coalition challenges the community to take the Homeless Challenge during Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month to generate increased community awareness for those living on the streets in Lee County. The Lee County Homeless Challenge serves as an educational program that focuses on developing personal awareness about the realities of homelessness.

The Lee County Homeless Coalition will sponsor several events during Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month to promote awareness in the community and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers. Recommendations from the Lee County Homeless Coalition include collect-

ing or donating non-perishable food or clothing, volunteering to serve meals at Lee County feeding sites, volunteering professional services to provide aid to the homeless, asking your employer or school to host or sponsor a fundraising event, or donating funds to a non-profit shelter, food pantry or FPL's Care To Share program.

"We are bringing people together for what we hope will be a sustained effort of involvement," said Janet Bartos, executive director of the Lee County Homeless Coalition, "For every person that commits to advocacy and continued involvement, the prospects for ending the root causes of hunger and homelessness are improved."

One activity, Walk a Mile in their Shoes, will take place on Saturday, November 14 from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. During this event, participants will become familiar with the social services network and methods of everyday survival

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Culligan City Of Palms Classic Reveals 2015 Tournament Lineup

Another star-studded event is on tap for fall's time to get in the holiday spirit and here in Southwest Florida that means it's time to order tickets for the 43rd annual Culligan City of Palms Classic, which went on sale last week. The organizers also announced another star-studded lineup of teams and players that will descend upon the Bishop Verot Catholic High School gymnasium in Fort Myers from December 18 to 23 for the best high school tournament in the nation.

Elite teams from across the country will come together in the beautiful 2,300-seat gymnasium at Bishop Verot to take part in the six-day tournament, including: Montverde Academy (Florida), the consensus national champion from 2015; Wheeler (Marietta, Georgia), the 2014 City of Palms and 2015 Class 6A Georgia state champion; and Norland (Miami), the 2015 Class 6A Florida state champion.

Top players expected to take part in this year's classic include ESPN #2 player in the Class of 2016 Jayson Tatum (Chaminade, St. Louis, Missouri), ESPN #22 player in the Class of 2016 Udoka Azubuike (Potter's House Christian, Jacksonville) and ESPN #3 player in the Class of 2017 Michael Porter (Father Tolton, Columbia, Missouri).

Culligan returns for its third year as Title Sponsor, and Enterprise Rent-A-Car is Presenting Sponsor for the second year.

For more information, including a complete lineup of the teams scheduled to play in this year's tournament and to purchase tickets, go to www.cityofpalmsclassic.com.

No fees are collected from players and teams, and Classic Basketball Inc., a 501(c)3 not-for-profit corporation that acts as a foundation for the tournament, covers all



expenses for the players. For many of the players, the tournament represents their first opportunity to travel outside their own city.

More than 530 Culligan City of Palms players have advanced to NCAA Division I competition, with more than 60 advancing to play professionally in the NBA. Hundreds of coaches and scouts at every level use this venue for recruiting.

For more information and to sign up for the eNewsletter, visit cityofpalmsclassic.com.✪

Fracking Summit

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida, Natural Resource Defense Council, Earthjustice, Center for Biological Diversity and Earthworks will present the 2015 Florida Fracking Summit to promote public awareness regarding extreme oil extraction in Florida. The Summit will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 27 and 28 at the Holiday Inn Fort Myers Airport-Town Center. For more information to register, visit www.flfracking-summit.org.

Expert speakers will address the potential effects of extreme extraction techniques on air, land, water and human health. The participants will also discuss current federal and state laws, local government actions around the nation, and the future of extreme extraction in Florida.

The oil and gas industry is now using extreme oil extraction techniques in Florida involving the injection of chemicals and large amounts of freshwater to

fracture or dissolve oil bearing rock to increase production. These operations include hydraulic fracturing ("fracking") and acid stimulation. The "fracking" boom in other parts of the country has led to documented cases of environmental degradation and a growing concern for public health.

Improved extraction and refining technologies have led to a renewed interest in Florida oil. Oil companies are now seeking to explore for oil over thousands of acres of public and private lands, including portions of the Everglades. Currently, extreme extraction techniques are unstudied in Florida, virtually unregulated, and often used in complete secrecy.

With oil exploration proposed for over 170,000 acres of the Everglades, it is important to understand the process of hydraulic fracturing and acid stimulation, current federal and state regulations, and what we can do to safeguard our environment and public health from oil drilling.

For information about the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, call 262-0304 or visit www.conservancy.org.✪

Williams Selyem Winery Named Signature Vintner Of Wine & Food Fest

SWFL Children's Charities, Inc. has named Williams Selyem as the Honored Signature Vintner of the 2016 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest, an annual signature fundraising event to benefit Southwest Florida children.

Winemaker Jeff Mangahas will represent the winery during the upcoming Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest events including the Signature Vintner Dinner in December, a Chef Vintner Dinner on Friday, February 26 and The Grand Tasting and Live Auction on Saturday, February 27 at Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club.

"As honored signature vintner, Williams Selyem Winery plays an integral role in making this event a success and in changing lives of children in Southwest Florida," said Andie Vogt, co-chair of the 2016 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest. "Williams Selyem Winery offers a sublime collection of distinctive wines, and we know that our guests and fellow wine enthusiasts will love this selection."

Head winemaker of Williams Selyem Winery, Mangahas offers a unique perspective into the development of fine wines. A native of Washington, Mangahas graduated from the University of Washington with a bachelor's degree in Cellular and Molecular Biology. Upon launching his career as a research scientist in Seattle, Mangahas explored the deep, tannic vintages of Washington's varied wine regions. When his career



Jeff Mangahas of Williams Selyem will introduce the Southwest Florida community to a unique selection of wines during the 2016 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest



The California-based Williams Selyem, the Honored Signature Vintner of the 2016 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest, is home to the Williams Selyem Winery, which offers tours and tastings of its exquisite selection of vintages

took him to New York City, Mangahas discovered another facet to his fascination with wine through the art of pairing it with fresh and passionately prepared cuisine. During this time, Mangahas also visited the wine regions of France, where his scientific roots, desire to understand the process and ongoing curiosity to discover what made wine taste a certain way, ran wild. He traveled the French countryside of Burgundy and Bordeaux, sampling and discovering how place and climate can create subtle variations in the flavor and complexity of a bottle of wine. He has since cultivated his expertise through his work at Artesa Vineyards, Dutton-Goldfield Winery and Hartford Family Winery before joining Williams Selyem.

For more information, visit www.swflwinefest.org.

Chamber Business Expo And Job Fair



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Find a job or see what the Fort Myers Beach area business community has to offer at the 2015 Fort Myers Beach Chamber Business Expo and Job Fair. This event will take place at Tanger Outlets Center on Saturday, October 24 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Upwards of 30 area businesses are expected to be exhibiting at the Expo offering deals and incentives to attendees. In addition, be sure to bring your resume as some of the exhibitors will be hiring additional employees. Entrance to the Business Expo is free of charge for visitors.

There will also be door prizes provided by exhibitors as well as two grand prizes. The theme for the Business Expo is Halloween, so please feel free to dress up. Free candy will be provided to children attending. Other children's activities like face painting and balloon twisting will be available.

Tanger Outlets Center is located at 20350 Summerlin Road in South Fort Myers.

Chamber members can be either an exhibitor for \$100 or a sponsor/exhibitor for \$150. Non-profit members can be an exhibitor for free and non-member non-profits can exhibit for \$50. For profit companies must be a chamber member in order to participate. For information on joining the chamber, call 454-7500 or email rhonda@fmbchamber.com.

Non-profits can participate in the chili cook-off for an additional \$50.

Confirmed sponsors and participants this year are *The News Press*, Pink Shell Beach Resort and Marina, CFS Roofing Services, Bayfront Bistro, Fish-Tale Marina, Santini Marina Plaza, Molly Maid of Fort Myers, Salty Sam's Waterfront Adventures, *Fort Myers Beach Observer*, Walmart, Patriot Lending, Krusty Pete's, Master Bolt Development, Gavin's Ace Hardware, *Island Sand Paper*, Century 21 Tripower Realty, Sunshine Window Fashions, SWFL Masonic Charities, Bennett Chiropractic and Wellness Center, FGCU's Small Business Development Center, Kiwanis of Fort Myers Gateway to the Islands, Seminole Casino and Florida Helps Foundation.

For more information or an application, visit www.FortMyersBeachBusinessExpo.com.

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Exhibit

through January 2. Artist Lisa Friedus will be featured in the Member Gallery in November. Joanne Marley will be in the Member Gallery in December.

Throughout the 200 Under \$200 Exhibit the Alliance Theatre Lobby will feature holiday wreaths made with recycled items. The Recycled Holiday Wreath Roundup is open to all current Alliance members. Drop off for both the 200 Under \$200 exhibit and the Recycled Holiday Wreath Roundup is Monday, November 2 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Artists may become a member or renew their membership in order to participate in the exhibits.

Current Alliance members are asked to drop off their artworks on Monday, November 2 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A \$10

entry fee will be charged for two entries for the 200 Under \$200 exhibit. Artists may submit one wreath for the Recycled Holiday Wreath Roundup with no entry fee. Individual artist memberships are \$55 and good for one year. Family memberships are \$80. You can learn more or become a member online at www.ArtInLee.org or by calling 939-2787.

The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Boulevard, just south of Colonial Boulevard in Fort Myers.

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School Smart



by Shelley M. Greggs, NCSP

Dear Shelley, My high school daughter has an intellectual developmental disability. She is in special classes, works very hard at school and loves it. Her school

will be having a Sadie Hawkins Party in late November and she desperately wants to participate. She has a few friends in her special education class who also want to attend. I want her to go and have a good time, but I know that I need to prepare her for this type of social event. What kinds of things should I do to help her learn how to feel more comfortable at this party?

Katie V., Port Charlotte, Florida

Katie, Your daughter has clearly demonstrated here that she is more similar to her teen peers than different with her desire to attend this social event. All teens (and all people) have the need to belong, connect and grow. Attending high school events are part of the rites of passage that transition teens to adulthood. As adults, we want our children to progress into their social lives with a minimum of angst. While high school events and parties are frequently mythologized by the media with ideas of romance and popularity however these events can also turn

out to be emotionally painful and socially paralyzing. Giving your daughter the skills she will need to negotiate her social life is so very important for her success. I would like to suggest that you form a group with the parents of your daughter's classmates who also want to attend this party and work together to help them learn how to socialize appropriately. Role-playing is a great way to learn the social skills one would need for a party. You may also want to enlist their teacher for advice or suggestions on the most important skills to address. You will want to cover topics such as how to say hello, make eye contact, and participate in a back and forth conversation. These of course are skills that the children have worked on throughout their schooling but you may need to demonstrate how they should be applied in a social setting. New skills might include learning how to ask someone to – or accept an invitation to dance, learning how to touch someone appropriately when dancing, and saying thank you when the dance is over. These are not unique behaviors but you will have to help your daughter generalize them to the party setting. If the party is not being held in a familiar setting I would suggest that you visit the venue ahead of time so she can feel comfortable there.

Of course, the right clothing for high school events is paramount. Perhaps you could organize a shopping trip with a couple of other students who could help out with clothing choices. The school counselor might be able to suggest some fashion mavens who would enjoy going shopping and helping out.

You maybe pushing your daughter a bit outside her comfort zone so go slowly, and be consistent in practicing these skills. With good preparation I think both of you will be very pleased when the party is over.

*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.**

Fort Myers High Alumni Fish Fry

Fort Myers High School will host the annual Fort Myers High School Alumni Fish Fry at the school on Saturday, October 24. The event will begin with an 11 a.m. welcome, with lunch served at noon.

"There will be alumni from over the years at the fish fry, as far back as the graduating class of 1936," said Stefanie Ink-Edwards, Alumni Fish Fry coordinator. "This gathering has become a family tradition. Seeing older generations of alumni having the opportunity to connect with today's alumni is so inspiring. Principal

David LaRosa will also be there to share the current happening at the school."

Cost to attend is \$10 per person, which covers the fried mullet, cheese grits and hushpuppies, and attendees are requested to bring a potluck dish to share. Buy your tickets ahead of time by emailing Stefanieink@gmail.com, or purchase tickets at the door.

Join fellow Fort Myers High School Alumni for a day of good food and fellowship. For more information, call 357-6837 or email Stefanieink@gmail.com.*

Gisburne On CMU Golf Team

Jamie Gisburne, a junior communications and computer sciences major from Fort Myers, was named a member of the golf team at Central Methodist University in Fayette, Missouri. *

Clinton Graduates

Marshall Clinton, a resident of Fort Myers, was among Southeast Missouri State University's summer 2015 graduates. Clinton graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in Business Administration, with a major in marketing: sales management option.*

Oasis Charter School, Luau Of Life Partner To Beat Childhood Cancer

For the second year in a row, Cape Coral's Oasis Charter Elementary School has once again signed on in support of the Luau of Life event, a fundraising effort by parents of pediatric cancer patients to benefit Barbara's Friends – Golisano Children's Hospital Cancer Fund – and Children's Oncology Group, the world leader in pediatric cancer research.

"Last year's inaugural gala raised over \$30,000, which is absolutely amazing to me," said Luau of Life chairperson, 14-year-old leukemia survivor Chansen Savakinus. "We couldn't have done it without the partnership with Oasis Charter Elementary School so I am really excited that they are back."

The school will raise money for this cause using tee shirt sales and a penny competition among the classes. Oasis Charter School system has several children who are cancer survivors including Chansen, who one year ago finished treatment for a second time, suffering six fractures to his spine, a blood clot, stroke, plus losing three friends to cancer. Chansen is all for making a difference and helping in such a way so that other children do not have to go through what he did just to survive. Pediatric cancer hits this school system close to its core and it is only natural for the two groups to combine efforts to make a difference.

Barbara's Friends provides lifesaving medical equipment and specially-trained physicians, nurses and clinicians needed to help young patients from across Southwest Florida win their battles with cancer and life-threatening blood disorders. All children receive services regardless of their families' ability to pay for care. The Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Center at Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida, supported by Barbara's Friends, is the only facility of its kind here in Southwest Florida.

Make plans now to attend the Luau of Life Gala on Saturday, March 19 at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in historic downtown Fort Myers. The event will serve as a fundraiser and celebration for the hard work and fundraising efforts of Oasis Charter Elementary School and scores of other donors, sponsors and businesses who are stepping forward to support lifesaving pediatric cancer care right here in our community.

You can help, too. Donations and sponsorship commitments to help kids beat cancer can be made by visiting www.luauoflife.com. For more information, contact Sally Wilson with Lee Memorial Health System Foundation at 343-6057 or Sally.Wilson@LeeMemorial.org.*

Golf Tournament Breaks Record

The annual LCEC/United Way Golf Tournament broke its record this year, raising \$51,000 for the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee Counties. The tournament was held on October 3 at the Pelican Preserve golf course in Fort Myers. Congratulations to first place winners Zane Taylor, Rodney Jamison, Jason Holley and Dan O'Brien with Southeast Power. LCEC wishes to thank all those who supported this tournament through sponsorships, participation or volunteering.

For more information on LCEC's United Way Golf Tournament, visit www.lcec.net/golf.html.*

Walkathon

Dr. Tim Verwest, DMD, of Pediatric Dentistry of Fort Myers will sponsor the United Mitochondrial Disease Foundation's Energy for Life Walkathon. The walkathon will be held Saturday, November 14. UMDF will be reaching out to the community to bring awareness to mitochondrial diseases and disorders.

The Southwest Florida Group of the UMDF will be hosting the Inaugural Energy for Life Walkathon. This event will be held at 8:30 a.m. on November 14 at the Estero Recreation Center, located at 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd. in Estero. Funds raised help bring awareness for those fighting mitochondrial diseases in our area.

"Not only as a parent, but as a

member of society I believe it is of utmost importance to help raise awareness for any type of disease or disorder," said Dr. Verwest. "At the end of the day, every little bit counts."

The mission of the walkathon and UMDF is to promote research, education, treatment and cure of the mitochondrial disorders and to provide support to individuals and families affected by this disease. The effects of the disease vary: some suffer total debilitation where as others lose the ability to see and hear. It can be linked to Parkinson's, diabetes and some cancers.

For more information, visit www.DrVerwest.com or call 482-2722.*

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Challenge

for those who live on the streets. This challenge will provide participants with an experience that has the power to effect change.

The Lee County Homeless Coalition is a non-profit organization comprised of community and faith-based service providers, local businesses, people who are currently experiencing or who have experienced homelessness, and other advocates committed to ending homelessness. The Coalition's mission is to advocate, educate and promote awareness of issues and obstacles facing homeless individuals in Lee County through community collaboration, planning and implementing solutions.

To help or learn more, contact Janet Bartos, executive director of the Lee County Homeless Coalition, at 322-6600 or visit www.leehomeless.org.*

Financial Focus

When Investing, Put Time On Your Side



by Jennifer Basey

Now that we're well into autumn, the days are getting noticeably shorter. The change in seasons reminds us that time is passing – and it's important to use that time wisely. When used

well, in fact, time can be your greatest gift in many walks of life – and that's certainly true when you invest.

To illustrate the importance of time, let's look at a scenario. Suppose you start saving for retirement when you are 25. If you invest \$3,000 per year in a tax-deferred vehicle, such as a traditional IRA, and you hypothetically earn a 7 percent annual return, you will have accumulated more than \$640,000 after 40 years, when you reach 65 and are ready to retire. (Keep in mind that you will be taxed on withdrawals.)

Now, though, suppose you wait

until you're 55 before you start saving seriously for retirement. If you put that same \$3,000 per year in that same IRA, earning that same hypothetical 7 percent return, you'd only end up with slightly more than \$44,000 after 10 years, when you reach 65. And to accumulate the \$640,000 you would have gotten after 40 years by contributing just \$3,000 per year, you would have had to put in about \$43,500 per year for the 10 years between ages 55 and 65.

Clearly, it's a lot easier to come up with \$3,000 per year than \$43,500. So, to accumulate the resources you need for a comfortable retirement, you'll help your cause greatly by saving and investing as early in your working life as possible – and then continue to save and invest right up to, and even during, your retirement years.

The ability to potentially grow your portfolio sizably is the key benefit of using time when you invest, but it's not the only benefit. You can also use time as a target, or a way to frame a specific investment goal.

For example, suppose you have an 8-year-old child whom you want to send to college in 10 years. When that day arrives, wouldn't it be nice to know that you've been saving money for a decade? One popular college savings vehicle is a 529 plan, which has high contribution limits and allows tax-free withdrawals,

provided the money is used only for qualified higher education expenses. (Withdrawals for other purposes will be taxed and may be subject to an additional penalty.)

You can also use time as a signal to adjust your investment strategy. If you're going to retire in, say, two or three years, you might want to shift some – but certainly not all – of your assets from growth-oriented investments to income-producing ones. As you know, the market will always fluctuate, so you don't want to be in a position where, once you retire, you need to start taking significant withdrawals (i.e., selling investments) when the market is down. Remember the time-honored rule of investing: "Buy low, sell high."

When you invest, make the best possible use of time – remember, it's the one asset that can't be replenished.

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Career Fair

Fort Myers Technical College will offer students and employers the opportunity to network during the Fall 2015 Career Fair – Exploring Employment Opportunities, to be held on Friday, October 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Campus Courtyard. The career fair will provide local and national businesses with a premier opportunity to recruit leading candidates in all fields.

Company representatives from a wide range of industries will be in attendance, including A&E Factory Service, All Service Electric of Fort Myers, Bridgestone Retail Operations, Bruno Air Conditioning, Caliber Collision, CareerSource, E-1 Machine, Exelon Corporation, Health Force, Kelly Services, Lee County Clerk of Courts, Lee Memorial Health System, LeeSar, LegalShield, Lowe's Home Improvement, Sears, Seminole Gaming and Casino, Shell Point Retirement Community and SunStream Hotels and Resorts.

One of the participating companies, Exelon Corporation, will be traveling from Baltimore, Maryland specifically to meet students in Fort Myers Technical College's Turbine Generator Maintenance, Inspection and Repair program.

"The purpose of this event is to connect employers with potential employees – our students," said Michele Witlin, career specialist at Fort Myers Technical College. "We are looking forward to exposing our students to the many employment opportunities available to them, both locally in Southwest Florida and nationally."

Set up will begin at 10 a.m. and the fair will take place from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch is available for \$8 per person with advanced registration. For more information, contact Fort Myers Technical College's Career Services Department by calling 334-4544 ext. 327.

Fort Myers Technical College is located at 3800 Michigan Avenue in Fort Myers. For more information, visit www.FortMyersTech.edu.✪

AHCA Secretary Visits Cypress Cove



Cypress Cove at HealthPark Florida Health Services Director David Gray and Cypress Cove Executive Director Michele Wasserlauf are shown with Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) Secretary Elizabeth Dudek and Deputy Secretary for Health Quality Assurance Molly McKinstry. Secretary Dudek and Deputy Secretary McKinstry toured the continuing care retirement community campus this week and viewed several new expansion and renovation projects currently under way at Cypress Cove

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Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) Secretary Elizabeth Dudek toured the campus of Cypress Cove at HealthPark this past week, along with her Deputy Secretary for Health Quality Assurance, Molly McKinstry. The 48-acre continuing care retirement community in South Fort Myers is in the midst of several major renovation and new construction projects. ✪



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The Amazing Arches Of The Foot



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

The foot requires a high degree of stability as well as flexibility, and with these high demands, injuries may arise. To understand why injuries occur in the foot, it is important to consider the amazing arches of the foot.

The arches of the foot are formed by the bones, ligaments and tendons of the foot and are essential for the two main functions of the foot: movement and weight bearing. In order to fully support any weight, the bones of the foot need to form an arch. In fact, they form three arches with interlocking joint surfaces that form a wedge to provide support.

The arches of the foot are maintained

not only by the shapes of the bones, but also by ligaments. Although skeletal structure is important to arch support, without the ligaments, the arches would collapse. A very important ligament is the spring ligament. It attaches to the calcaneus and navicular bones, allowing this ligament to function like a tie beam in an arch.

It turns out that the ligaments are the most important soft tissue supports for the foot and the arches. One study to determine the role of muscle activity in arch support found that men standing on one foot could support loads of 200 pounds without any evidence of muscular activity. These findings suggest that the ligaments provide the primary mechanism of arch support and that muscle activity provides support only when loads become excessive.

When foot fatigue or pain is experienced on the bottom of the foot, it is typically because ligaments are weakened. When other conservative measures fail to relieve foot pain, it is our experience that regenerative prolotherapy treatments effectively stimulate repair of these ligaments, aiding in their ability to support the arch pain-free.

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dearRPharmacist

How Probiotics Improve Bone Strength



by Suzy Cohen, RPh

Dear Readers Did you hear the report a few weeks ago on *Good Morning America* or *Fox News*? The *British Medical Journal (BMJ)* announced the results of a major study making

headline news. The headline news was "Dietary calcium intake is not associated with risk of fracture, and there is no clinical trial evidence that increasing calcium intake from dietary sources prevents fractures." Calcium supplementation is a multi-billion dollar industry.

Whether or not calcium helps prevent bone fractures and the onset and progression of osteoporosis is a hotly debated topic. So today, I want to defend calcium, and also tell you about new research that could help you build better bones. But

first, the facts:

Fact: Ninety-nine percent of calcium in our body is found in our bones and teeth.

Fact: One percent of calcium is involved in blood vessel and muscle contractions and relaxation, electrolyte function, and other metabolic functions. When we don't have enough calcium, we may experience muscle cramps, hypertension, insomnia, dental caries and bone deterioration.

Fact: Women are at high risk for osteopenia (early stages of osteoporosis) and osteoporosis because of our small frame, post-menopausal declines in estrogen and progesterone, and less muscle mass. It is estimated that half of women over the age of 50 experience an osteoporosis related bone fracture in their lifetime. As for calcium, I don't love supplementation, so I recommend you eat a calcium-rich diet.

Now the new research. Your intestinal health plays a very large role in your bone health. We already know that if we don't have adequate stomach acid (like, we take proton pump inhibitors or Tums) that calcium suddenly fails to get absorbed well. It requires some acid. Acid blockers are "drug muggers" of calcium and other minerals.

There's actually a gut flora-bone signaling 'pathway' and in animal stud-

ies, researchers proved that beneficial probiotic strains (*Lactobacillus reuteri* and *Bifidobacterium longum*) actually mitigated menopause-induced bone loss. Gut bacteria "talk" to the bone bone cells whose task is to remodel bone tissue. These bacteria dictate the rate of remodeling. The more friendly flora you have, the faster your bone remodels.

That's not all. Your microbiome and intestinal hormones improve the absorption of calcium and other nutrients you need for a healthy skeleton. It's about absorbing your calcium, not just dumping a lot into yourself. You have to absorb it or it just goes through you. I take from this that high-quality probiotics are the next frontier to reduce risk for hip fractures and falls. I bet that's weird to you. After all, we don't associate the gut with bones, right? Most people think of probiotics for constipation, so this is really new thinking.

I bet most of us take intestinal health for granted until reflux or food poisoning hits us. The reality is routine ingestion of gluten, antibiotics, foods contaminated with glyphosate, GMO foods and medications increase our risk for osteoporosis by damaging the gut flora. I think that *BMJ* headline really did people a disservice because calcium is important for bones. Apparently, so are probiotics.

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

Lee Memorial Adds New Board Members, Officers

The new members of the boards of directors and officers of the auxiliaries of Lee Memorial Health System were installed recently at a luncheon held at Edison Restaurant.

Many auxiliary members were on hand as well as members of the Lee Memorial Health System board of directors and System senior leadership. In addition to honoring retiring board members, the auxiliary members learned first-hand of the benefits of their efforts on behalf of the health system.

The three LMHS auxiliaries – Cape Coral Hospital Auxiliary, Gulf Coast Medical Center Auxiliary and Lee Memorial Auxiliary – together have donated over \$1.5 million for scholarships, projects, programs and technology to benefit our patients, their families and the Southwest Florida Community during the 2014-15 business year.

Elected to serve the auxiliaries for the coming year are:

Cape Coral Hospital

Jim Eberz, President

Carol Anderson, President Elect

Lynne Benson, Vice President – Mem-

bership

Jocelyne Pickel, Vice President – Fundraising

Arlene Tompkins, Recording Secretary
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Mom And Me



by Lizzie and Pryce

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

Dear Mom & Me,

I am fed up with the telephone systems that businesses and most professional offices use. When I call, I want to speak to some one to purchase something or make an appointment. Almost without fail, I get the runaround and finally have to leave a message on their voice mail.

Yesterday, I called my stockbroker and his message said, "Your message is important to me and I will call you back at my convenience." How about my convenience? I am the one spending my money and when I call, I want to speak at my convenience, and that is right now.

I wonder, are these people in business to help me, give me service, or am I really calling to help them? What has happened to service, or is that another old fashioned, outdated idea?

Leslie W.

Dear Leslie W.,

I am fed up also. I get so tired of their laundry list of options, and what I want usually falls between the tracks of their offerings. What annoys me even more is when I finally get to the right office, then I hear, "I am sorry I am out of my office, please leave your name, etc." I often wonder if they are just down the hall at the water cooler, having coffee or is this a deliberate technique to screen calls and just ignore the ones they do not think important.

We older people are maybe just living beyond our time. So many younger people seem to think that we do nothing and have the time to just sit around and wait for their calls. Unfortunately, if you go to another broker his telephone technique will probably be exactly the same.

I hear this complaint very frequently from young and old but it only seems to get worse with every passing day. Best of luck.

Lizzie

Dear Leslie W.,

Do not confuse new technology with poor customer service, and poor customer service with the younger generations. I am sure that before phone mail and voice mail routing technology, poor customer service existed. Poor customer service in the past was probably one of the reasons new technology was created.

I agree with you, listening to long lists of phone selections because "our options have changed" is annoying. I believe improper use of voice mail is the current century's example of poor customer service.

Pryce

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American Heart Association To Host National Eating Healthy Day

The American Heart Association's Southwest Florida Division invites individuals, organizations and companies throughout Lee and Collier counties to join in National Eating Healthy Day on Wednesday, November 4.

National Eating Healthy Day is a campaign to encourage people to eat healthy, get active and kick-off a healthy lifestyle. Through its National Eating Healthy Day Toolkit, the American Heart Association provides individuals, schools, community organizations and workplaces the resources to raise awareness about the importance of good nutrition while providing the tools to change their lives.

An extension of the American Heart Association's Fit-Friendly Workplace program, National Eating Healthy Day's Toolkit provides:

- How To guides for workplaces, community organizations, schools and individuals
- Getting to Know Fruits and Vegetables
- Holiday Healthy Eating Guide
- Graphics, posters, flyers, banner graphics
- Lunch n' Learn PowerPoint presentation
- Four Weeks of Daily Healthy Eating Tips
- Articles on healthy eating and more

"For those who've participated in our September 'Life is Why Family Health Challenge,' our Fit-Friendly companies and those active in local Healthy Lee efforts, National Eating Healthy Day is another way to continue their healthy lifestyle efforts," explained Cindy Brown, vice president of Patient Care Services at HealthPark Medical Center and board chairwoman of the American Heart Association local Chairman's Board. "It's also a great way share the importance of healthy 'food as fuel' as cornerstone in a balanced lifestyle with those we care about."

As part of local activities, Lee Memorial Health System will be hosting their second annual Vegetarian Chef Cook-Off the week of October 19. Each hospital will sponsor a chef to participate and for four days the team will travel to a different hospital promoting a vegetarian dish with guests voting on their favorite recipe. The top two will compete on November 4th, National Eating Healthy Day, for the title of Vegetarian Chef Champion 2015. This will take place amid the Healthy Lee Million Mile Movement, the 90-day challenge to the residents of Lee County to move 1,000,000 miles between October 1 and December 29. Individuals can join the challenge at <http://healthylee.com/million-mile-movement/>.

My Heart. My Life. Sponsors include Lee Memorial Health System and Arthrex. For more information on National Eating Healthy Day, to get involved with local activities, or to learn more about the Fit-Friendly Workplace campaign, call 495-4900, or visit www.heart.org.

Humane Society Training Program Graduates

The Gulf Coast Humane Society announced that the next graduating class from the Second Chance Pals with the Charlotte County Department of Corrections Work Camp will be held on October 27.

The Second Chance Pals program places homeless shelter dogs in an obedience-training program with carefully selected inmates. The dog training programs teach inmates how to obedience train dogs, using the Canine Life and Social Skills (CLASS) program, during an intensive 8- to 16-week course.

"This program promotes positive training and gives the dogs real life skills to become an amazing family member when adopted," said Kelly Legarreta, certified CLASS evaluator and instructor.

Upon graduation, the dogs are highly adoptable and possess obedience skills such as how to heel, sit, recall and stay. They are also house trained, leash trained as well as responsive to voice commands and hand signals. Some dogs in the Second Chance Pals program move on to receive more training to become therapy dogs.

Among the graduating class are the following adoptable pets:

- Caesar, a 4.5-year-old Shar-Pei mix, is a sweet and loving boy who is currently our longest resident at GCHS. Caesar would do well with someone who is home often for comfort and would do well with a canine sibling. He is smart, learns incredibly quickly and is always eager to please.

- Trixie, a 3.5-year-old Plott hound mix has exceeded during every obedience skill in the program. She is affectionate, proud of her skills and prefers larger dogs.

- Winkie, a 4.5-year-old terrier mix has an incredible story of perseverance. He was found at the end of the road missing one eye and recently blind in the other. He had debilitating separation anxiety. It was feared he would not be able to overcome his anxiety, but through love and patience he has come far. He has learned so many amazing skills through the Second Chance Pals program. His obedience training is so advanced he is used to teach some of the new handlers how to work with other dogs. His blindness is complete but he navigates very easily, and adapts well to new surroundings. Winkie would be amazing as a companion for someone who is home a lot or would like a personal therapy dog.

The Gulf Coast Humane Society is located at 2010 Arcadia Street in Fort Myers. To reach Gulf Coast Humane Society or to learn how to adopt a Second Chance Pals Program dog, call 332-0364 or email: Info@gulfcoasthumanesociety.org.

Vino's Picasso To Hold Fundraiser For Special Equestrians

Vino's Picasso is hosting Special Equestrians for a fantastic fundraiser on Tuesday, November 17 from 7 to 9 p.m. Special Equestrians is an all volunteer, self-administered organization that provides therapeutic horseback riding classes and equine assisted activities to individuals with physical and mental disabilities from Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties. Their riders range in age from 4 to 75 years of age. Their organization was established in 1987 and will be celebrating their 28th year of service to the community in 2015.

Help make this fundraiser a success as you spend a night out to paint, enjoy some vino and appetizers. For \$36, guests will have a fabulous two-hour paint session, all materials included, and a chance to win great raffle prizes.

To donate to Special Equestrians, contact 226-1221 or spequestrians@gmail.com, or visit www.specialequestrians.net.

Cash For Halloween Candy Program

Pediatric Dentistry of Fort Myers' Dr. Tim Verwest, DMD, is offering an opportunity to children 13 years or under to trade in their Halloween candy for cash. The buyback program is to encourage children to get rid of their excess candy. The pediatric dentist is offering \$2 per pound from November 2 to 6.

"We want kids to have fun on Halloween, but also give them an option to do something with all that sugar," said Dr. Verwest, who will donate the candy collected to U.S. troops overseas as part of the Operation Gratitude care packages.

Parents must have their child present with them to be eligible. There is no limit on the amount of candy that can be turned in. The candy buyback address is 8016 Summerlin Lakes Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33907. For more information, visit www.verwest.com and click on cash for my candy.

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Shooting At ZombiCon

everyone pulling in the same direction, we will solve this problem.

Moreover, I want to thank City Manager Saeed Kazemi, Chief Eads, FMPD and Lee County Sheriff's Office Sherriff Scott for their teamwork, together with other law enforcement agencies who remain steadfast and engaged to solve this random violence. Over the past several weeks, numerous arrest have been made and violent criminals with long felony histories have been booked and jailed.

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Board Members

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 For more information, visit www.leememorial.org.

Yappy Hour Halloween Fun

The Gulf Coast Humane Society (GCHS) will be having Halloween fun at their monthly Yappy Hour. All dogs and their handlers are invited to join in on the fun on Saturday, October 31 at a special time of 4 to 6 p.m. The event will be held at Cape Harbour, located at 5785 Cape Harbour Drive in Cape Coral.

Bring out your furry friend in their best Halloween costumes to enter for a chance to win a special prize. GCHS will

have adoptable dogs available to meet potential new families. T-shirts will be available for sale and attendees can meet and visit with GCHS adoptable dogs looking for their forever home.

Come and enjoy the evening as a selection of vendors will be set up to promote their businesses and Fathoms Restaurant and Bar, with The French Press Café will provide beer, wine during the event. Proceeds from beverage and T-shirt sales will benefit GCHS.

For more information about the events with the Gulf Coast Humane Society, call 332-0364 or visit www.gulfcoasthumanesociety.org.

DID YOU KNOW

TRIVIA TEST

1. LITERATURE: In which of Shakespeare's plays does the character Titania appear?
2. TELEVISION: What was the name of the oldest girl on "The Brady Bunch"?
3. MUSIC: What was singer Ozzy Osbourne's real first name?
4. HISTORY: What was the first country to allow women to vote?
5. RELIGION: What is generally considered to be the highest group in the Indian caste system?
6. GEOGRAPHY: In what country is the famous Olduvai Gorge located?
7. SCIENCE: What area of study is a lepidopterist concerned with?
8. MOVIES: What was the name of the princess in the 1959 Disney movie "Sleeping Beauty"?
9. LEGAL: What is an inquest?
10. ANATOMY: How long does it take blood to circulate throughout your body?

ANSWERS

1. "A Midsummer Night's Dream." 2. Marcia. 3. John Michael. 4. New Zealand. 5. Brahmins, or religious leaders. 6. Tanzania. 7. Butterflies and moths. 8. Princess Aurora. 9. An inquiry into the cause of an unexpected death. 10. About a minute.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. When was the last time before 2014 (Los Angeles Angels) that a team with the best record in baseball did not win a game in the postseason?
2. In 2014, Kolten Wong hit the fourth postseason walk-off homer in St. Louis Cardinals history. Name two of the first three to do it.
3. How many seasons did Hall of Fame punter Ray Guy lead the NFL in punting?
4. When was the last time before 2013 that Wichita State's men's basketball team reached the Final Four?
5. Name the last time before 2015 that the Anaheim Mighty Ducks reached the conference finals of the NHL's Stanley Cup playoffs.
6. At which Olympics did men's ice hockey make its debut?
7. Who was the first golfer to make three eagles in one round at the Masters?

ANSWERS

1. In 1980, it happened to the New York Yankees. 2. Ozzie Smith (1985), Jim Edmonds (2004) and David Freese (2011). 3. Three times -- 1974, '75 and '77. 4. It was 1965. 5. It was 2007, when they won the Stanley Cup. 6. It was 1920, at the Summer Olympics. Men's hockey became part of the Winter Olympics in 1924. 7. Dustin Johnson, in 2015.

My Stars ★★★★★

FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 26, 2015

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might be growing impatient with a situation that seems to resist efforts to resolve it. But staying with it raises the odds that you'll find a way to a successful resolution.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Travel and kinship are strong in the Bovine's aspect this week. This would be a good time to combine the two and take a trip to see family members for a pre-holiday get-together.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A colleague could make a request you're not comfortable with. If so, say so. Better to disappoint someone by sticking with your principles than disappoint yourself if you don't.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The Moon Child's ability to adapt to life's ebbs and flows helps you deal with the changes that you might confront at work or at home, or both. Things settle down by the week's end.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) It's a good week for Leos and Leonas to get some long-outstanding business matters resolved. Then go ahead and plan a fun-filled family get-away weekend with the mate and the cubs.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A possible workplace change seems promising. If you decide to look into it, try not to form an opinion on just a small part of the picture: Wait for the full image to develop.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A newcomer helps keep things moving. There might be some bumpy moments along the way, but at least you're heading in the right direction. You win praise for your choices.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You could be pleasantly surprised by how a decision about one thing opens up an unexpected new option. Also, assistance on a project could come from a surprising source.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) With more information to work with, you might now be able to start the process that could lead to a major change. Reserve the weekend for family and friends.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This could be a good time to begin gathering information that will help you turn that long-held idea into something substantive. A personal matter might need extra attention.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) That new challenge might carry some surprises. But you should be able to handle

them using what you already know. That new supporter should be there to lend assistance.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Someone might be trying to disguise his or her true motives. But the perceptive and perspicacious Pisces should have little or no problem finding the truth in all that foggy rhetoric.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can always rely on your people skills to help you find solutions to problems others often give up on.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

- On Oct. 28, 1886, the Statue of Liberty, a gift of friendship from the people of France, is dedicated in New York Harbor as the last copper rivet is fitted. The dismantled Statue of Liberty had arrived 16 months earlier in more than 200 packing cases.

- On Oct. 29, 1925, Dominick Dunne, chronicler of high-profile crimes, is born. Dunne reported on the 1995 O.J. Simpson double-homicide trial and provided TV commentary about the case. He was stunned when the former football star was acquitted.

- On Oct. 30, 1938, Orson Welles, age 23, causes a nationwide panic with his broadcast of "War of the Worlds" -- a realistic radio dramatization of a Martian invasion of Earth. "War of the Worlds" was not planned as a radio hoax, and Welles had little inkling of the havoc it would cause.

- On Nov. 1, 1941, President Franklin Roosevelt announces that the U.S. Coast Guard will be under the direction of the U.S. Navy, a transition of authority usually reserved only for wartime. Five weeks later, Japan would attack the U.S. at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

- On Oct. 31, 1957, the Japanese car company Toyota establishes its U.S. headquarters in California to begin selling its inexpensive Toyopet Crown sedans. A sensation in Japan, it flopped in the U.S. The car was too small for many American drivers, guzzled gas and oil, and shook at freeway speeds.

- On Oct. 26, 1984, in Loma Linda, California, Dr. Leonard Bailey performs the first baboon-to-human heart transplant, replacing 14-day-old Baby Fae's defective heart. Baby Fae survived for 20 days, longer than any previous human recipient of an animal heart.

- On Oct. 27, 1994, the U.S. Justice

Department announces that the U.S. prison population has topped 1 million for the first time. The 1,012,851 men and women were in state and federal prisons, and did not include those incarcerated in local jails.

STRANGE BUT TRUE

- It was Pulitzer Prize-winning American journalist, author and historian Garry Wills who made the following sage observation: "Politicians make good company for a while just as children do -- their self-enjoyment is contagious. But they soon exhaust their favorite subject -- themselves."

- According to ancient Egyptian mythology, humans were created from the tears of the sun.

- The Pizza Hut restaurant chain got started when two brothers borrowed \$600 from their mom.

- You might be surprised to learn that, just as there is a market for used cars, there is a market for used roller coasters. With the skyrocketing costs of construction, it can be cheaper to disassemble, move and reassemble a coaster than to build one from scratch.

- In the early 1900s, if you called someone a "geek" it didn't mean that person was nerdy. A geek back then was a carnival wild man.

- Iconic songstress Madonna once worked as a coat-check girl at the Russian Tea Room.

- If you weren't a fan of math in elementary school, it might comfort you to know that students have been struggling longer than you probably realize. It was way back in 1900 B.C., in early Mesopotamia, that the first known multiplication tables were created.

- If all the salt in the world's oceans were removed and spread out, it would cover all the world's land in a layer 40 feet deep.

- Researchers using standard statistical methods have determined that it takes an average of 142 licks to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop.

- Those who study such things say that half the residents of Spain have never read a book.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

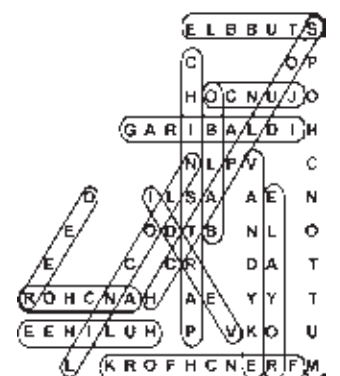
"Nothing sways the stupid more than arguments they can't understand." -- Cardinal de Retz

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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THE HAIR OF MY CHINNY CHIN





Florida Sweet Corn and Jack Cheese Quesadilla

2 ears fresh Florida sweet corn, kernels cut off the cob
 1 cup cooked black beans, drained and rinsed
 1 cup Florida bell peppers (assorted colors), diced small
 8 soft corn tortillas (6 inch)
 2 cups jack cheese, shredded
 ¼ cup fresh cilantro, chopped
 1 teaspoon cumin
 Sea salt and fresh ground pepper to taste
 Vegetable oil for cooking
 Preheat a medium-sized sauté pan over medium heat. Add 1 teaspoon of vegetable oil to the preheated pan. Add the corn kernels and diced peppers to the pan, and lightly season to taste with salt and pepper.

Cook the corn mixture until the peppers and corn start to get slightly golden brown. Add the black beans and cumin to the corn mixture, stir ingredients to combine, and remove from heat.

Place the corn mixture into a bowl. Let cool to room temperature or in a refrigerator until next step.

To assemble quesadilla, lay out four tortillas on a flat, clean surface. Evenly distribute ¼ cup of the shredded cheese on each tortilla.

Next, evenly distribute the corn mixture on top of the cheese, and add even amounts of the fresh cilantro. Add



Florida Sweet Corn and Jack Cheese Quesadilla

the last ¼ cup of cheese on top of the cilantro, and top each one with a tortilla. Lightly press each stuffed tortilla to make it flat.

Preheat a medium-sized sauté pan over medium heat. Add 1 teaspoon of

vegetable oil to the preheated pan. Cook each quesadilla for 2 to 4 minutes on each side or until golden brown and the cheese has melted. Remove the cooked quesadilla from the pan and repeat cooking process.

Hold cooked quesadillas in a 300-degree oven until all are cooked. Slice the quesadillas like a pie and serve warm with fresh salsa and guacamole.*

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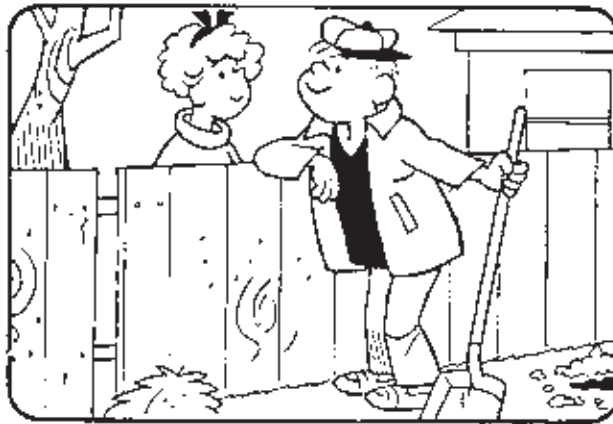
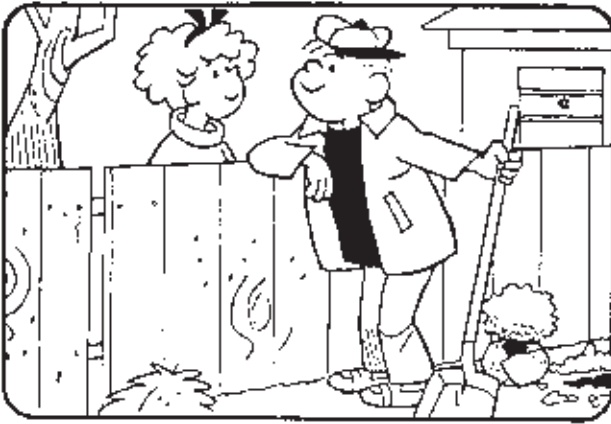
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PUZZLE ANSWERS

SUDOKU

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

SCRAMBLERS

solution

- 1. Stolen; 2. Blunder;
- 3. Master; 4. Portray

Today's Word
SATURDAY

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!



"Oh-oh, another
-----"

Filched

LENTOS

Stumble

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Ace

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PARROY

TODAY'S WORD

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HELP WANTED

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Shore Fishing:



Don't Harm The Fish by Capt. Matt Mitchell

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

- Hold the fish in the water while you unhook it if you're going to release it.
- The less you can touch a fish before release the better for the fish.
- If you want a picture with the fish, support it as you lift it out of the water – and do it quickly.
- Before releasing, revive the fish while holding it in the water; moving it slowly back and forth so water goes over its gills. The fish will let you know when it's ready to swim off.
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4				5			7	
		5		2	4			9
	7		1			8		

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 27

Pets Of The Week

I'm Wira and I just might be the perfect companion for your dog. I'm beautiful, young and playful. I really love other dogs and just want to please. My adoption fee is \$30 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' Dogtober Adoption promotion.

Are you looking for a "Bob" cat? Then, I'm the one. I'm pretty cute and have a personality to match. I'd get along great in your multi-cat household or I would be just as happy to be your one-and-only. My adoption fee is \$10 (regularly \$75) during Animal Services' adoption promotion. Cats and kittens are two-for-one adoption fee.

For information about this week's pets, call 533-7387 (LEE-PETS) or log on to Animal Services' website at www.LeeLostPets.com. When calling, refer to the animal's ID number. The website updates every hour so you will be able to see if these or any other pets are still available.

The shelter is open for adoptions from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The shelter is located at 5600 Banner Drive in Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.

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Wira ID# 636060

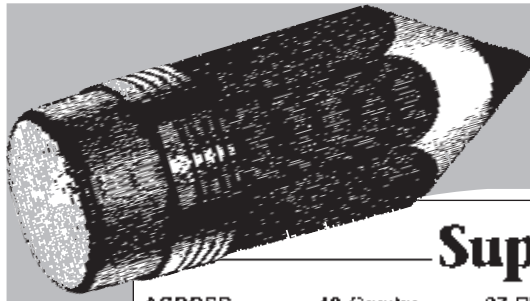


Bob ID# 636644



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- Iona-McGregor 482-0869
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- Fort Myers High Noon 466-4228
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- POLO Club of Lee County 477-4906
- Rotary Club of Fort Myers 332-8158
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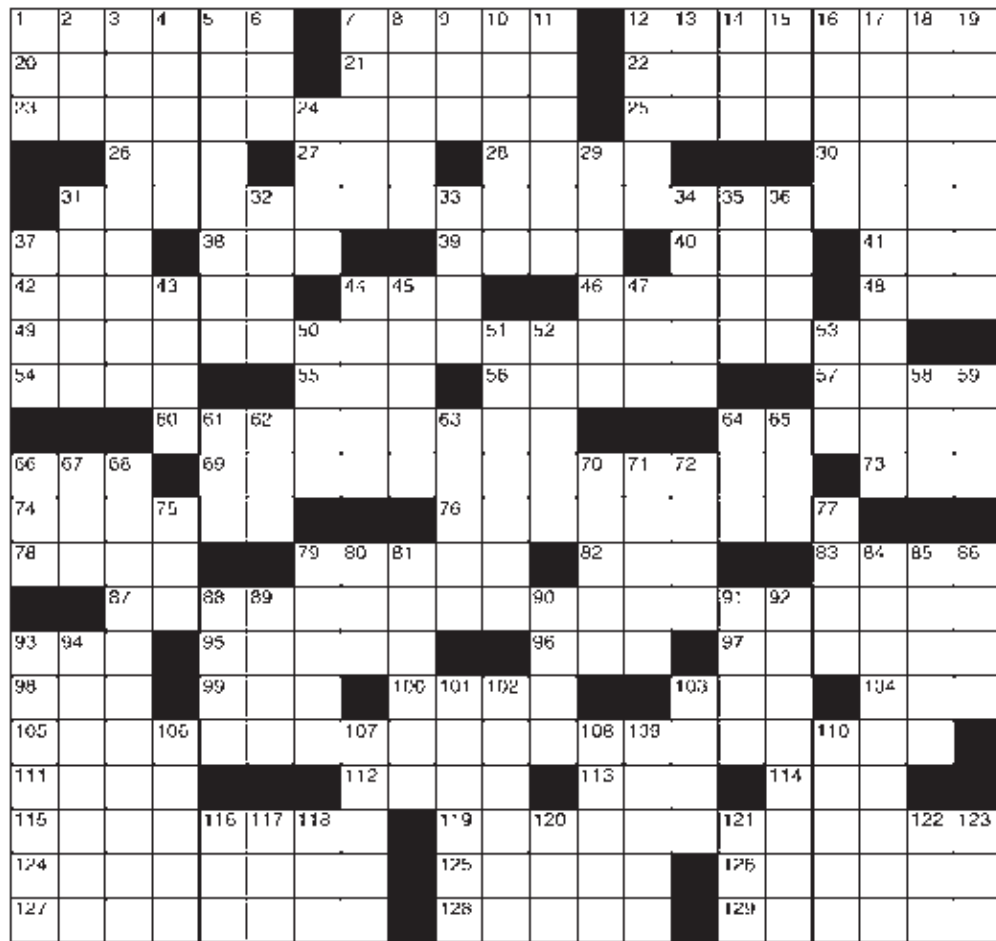
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Super Crossword

NABBING YEARLY AWARDS

- ACROSS**
- 1 A hiker may commune with it
 - 7 Chop
 - 12 Gels entry to
 - 20 Worked hard for
 - 21 The "veni" of "veni, vidi, vici"
 - 22 Slope at the base of a mountain
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 25 Funny actress
 - 26 By way of
 - 27 Big vase
 - 28 Western U.S. gas brand
 - 30 Police attack
 - 31 Riddle, part 2
 - 37 Geller of the paranormal
 - 38 Naval acad. grad's rank
 - 39 Gender-affering suffix
 - 40 Punk music subgenre
 - 41 Hawk-bearer
 - 42 Steady pay
 - 44 Learning ctr.
 - 46 M'ocking mocking y
 - 48 Gender-altering suffix
 - 49 Riddle, part 3
 - 54 TV's Foxx ("South Pacific" tune)
 - 56 — Rock (Australian landmark)
 - 57 Colorful duck
 - 60 M.x with alternate layers of fat
 - 64 Priests, b'shops, etc.
 - 66 Polar worker
 - 69 Riddle, part 4
 - 73 Ball holder
 - 74 Sword or rifle
 - 76 Art of public speaking
 - 78 Falco of "Nurse Jackie"
 - 79 German's "love"
 - 82 Prefix with Inguat
 - 83 Church area
 - 87 Riddle, part 5
 - 93 German's "I"
 - 95 Oven-dry
 - 96 Lines to Penn Sta.
 - 97 Placed paper in incorrectly as a printer
 - 98 Stangy denial
 - 99 TV title alien
 - 100 — only known"
 - 103 ROY G. —
 - 104 OR staffers
 - 105 End of the ndole
 - 111 Israeli diplomat
 - 112 Pressing appliance
 - 113 — Canals (Superior-Huron linkup)
 - 114 Time gone by
 - 115 Appeals for
 - 119 Hiddle's answer
 - 124 Competing directly
 - 125 Ring shape
 - 126 City near San Diego
 - 127 Those going off course
 - 128 Bingo at a mall, say
 - 129 Hawk variety
 - DOWN**
 - 1 With 58 Down, Enya's music genre
 - 2 Hot tub user's sigh
 - 3 Worked hard
 - 4 — the cows come home
 - 5 Crisis signal
 - 6 Old Tokyo
 - 7 Oldsmobile
 - 8 The Huskies of the NCAA
 - 9 Light touch
 - 10 Mark in "Für Elise"
 - 11 View closely
 - 12 Frizzy dos
 - 13 Pigeon noise
 - 14 NYSE listings
 - 15 Summer, in Saint-Lô
 - 16 Biting
 - 17 And stretch in Egypt
 - 18 Weather-affecting currents
 - 19 Large hammers
 - 24 Wordplays
 - 29 Split along the grain
 - 31 Hunger for
 - 32 Novelist
 - 33 Longtime pop brand
 - 34 Princess, e.g.
 - 35 Present operer?
 - 36 Springy slick
 - 37 Tech's client
 - 43 "You — both know ..."
 - 44 Boxy of bees
 - 45 Santiago site
 - 47 Even, in golf
 - 50 Opponents of "us"
 - 51 Noot singer
 - 52 Water, Prefix
 - 53 Sport — (rugby rtd)
 - 58 See 1-Down
 - 59 Caustic a kat
 - 61 Col. or SFC
 - 62 Heavy weight
 - 63 One-celled creature
 - 64 106, to Calo
 - 65 Zodiac beast
 - 66 Sheep that's a sho
 - 67 Was in front
 - 68 Divine cure
 - 70 Rote filler
 - 71 Layers of "called earth"
 - 72 The Rolling Stones' "You Can Make You Try"
 - 75 Slew habit
 - 77 Scottish demals
 - 79 Like lettuce and spinach
 - 80 — "all true!"
 - 81 Swimmer Williams
 - 84 Adope Acrobat, e.g.
 - 85 Composer Camilo
 - 86 Pre-takeoff guesses, for short
 - 88 Impish kid
 - 89 Lie about
 - 90 Blore or Idle
 - 91 Islamic VIP
 - 92 Coastal resort areas
 - 93 Eats
 - 94 Disabling wheel clamp
 - 101 Takes in
 - 102 Tire brand
 - 103 Org with fraternal oeges
 - 106 Soulful Baker
 - 107 Staus lying
 - 108 In the style of Suffix
 - 109 Fxtinguish
 - 110 Pross into small folds
 - 116 Playfully shy
 - 117 Ending for Denver
 - 118 Bare crag
 - 120 LGA
 - 121 "Al be" spin-off
 - 122 Enzyme name
 - 123 "Wahoo!"



King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Health report
 - 4 Actor Lorenzo
 - 9 Muscular usetts cape
 - 12 Paintings et al
 - 13 Put into law
 - 11 Japanese sash
 - 15 Captain's subordinate
 - 17 Pa of Larry and Curly
 - 18 " — Got a Secret"
 - 19 Enlarged a hole
 - 21 1964 Burton/ O'Toole movie
 - 24 Indones an island
 - 25 From — /
 - 26 Pigeon
 - 28 French subway
 - 31 Addition results
 - 33 Hearing organ
 - 35 Ladder rung, e.g.
 - 36 Shout-out from the bleachers
 - 38 Small barre
 - 40 Corode
 - 41 Caspian feeder
 - 43 Cavalry
 - 5 Weapons
 - 45 Straight, "or short"
 - 47 Actress Hagen
 - 48 Rd.
 - 49 Fuss
 - 54 Pitch
 - 55 Wickerwork w/ low
 - 56 That girl
 - 57 Type
 - 58 Transmits
 - 59 Cut the grass
 - 5 Using of Funicello
 - 6 Crazy
 - 7 Lat, in tone or temper
 - 8 All
 - 9 Group of legislators
 - 10 Reed instrument
 - 11 Conked out
 - 16 Ferd'-nand' cartoon st
 - 20 Pub orders
 - 21 Wild party
 - 22 Needle case
 - 23 Many subway riders
 - 27 Tibetan bovine
 - 29 Back
 - 30 Chooses
 - 32 Aching
 - 34 Picked up where you left off
 - 37 Former Philippine leader
 - 39 Crocs' kin
 - 42 Suck
 - 44 Cudgel
 - 45 Loathe
 - 46 Actress Rachel Wood
 - 50 60 secs.
 - 51 Doctrine
 - 52 Discoverer's call
 - 53 Fresh
- DOWN**
- 1 Pouch
 - 2 In favor of
 - 3 \$ dispenser
 - 4 Fall fallers

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- Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions: forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
- Anchor
 - Balbo
 - Chin strap
 - French fork
 - Garibaldi
 - Hulihee
 - Junco
 - Lincoln
 - Mutton chops
 - Reed
 - Royale
 - Soul patch
 - Stubble
 - Van Dyke
 - Verdi

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