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CHR stays on track, eyes fund-raising effort

By JIM LINETTE

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For the last several consecutive months, the Community Housing & Resources (CHR) board of directors was informed that 100 percent of rent payments were collected in September and the organization is on track to do so for October.

At Monday's monthly meeting, the

board also was delighted by the report from board treasurer Melissa Rice of a positive balance in the operating account at the end of last month.

The board also addressed progress toward completing its



Kelly Collini

five-year plan, future fund-raising efforts, a marketing strategy and rental property issues.

CHR executive director Kelly Collini reported a number of items, including a grant submission to the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, a donation from Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Club and a site visit by a Sanibel religious community interested in supporting CHR's efforts.

"A lot of exciting things are happening," said Collini.

Board member Tim Garmager, who heads up the development committee, outlined a plan for 2013 fund-raising strategies.

"Our goal for fiscal year 2013 is \$75,000, but we'd like to stretch that to \$200,000," said Garmager. "That's a

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Amendments up for discussion

By ANDREA GALABINSKI

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The League of Women Voters of Sanibel will hold a voter service meeting from 4 to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30, at the Sanibel Public Library.

The power point presentation will inform voters of the 11 proposed Amendments to the Florida Constitution that will be on the general election ballot Tuesday, Nov. 6. Sanibel voters are encouraged to attend so they may cast an informed vote. The library is located at 770 Dunlop Road.



Linda Kramer

Linda Kramer, league vice president, states: "We will provide a balanced view of the amendments, with the pros and cons of each, so the voters can make up their own mind."

In addition, attorney Mary C. Evans from the Florida Bar Association, will present the Bar's education program: "The Vote's in Your Court."

She will discuss the roles of Florida judges, judicial elections, merit retention and why we vote for judges.

Attendees will receive the LWVF voter guide and the bar association's publication on judicial elections. For more information contact Linda Kramer at sanibellwv@gmail.com.

The League of Women Voters, a non-partisan organization, has fought since 1920 to improve our systems of government and impact public policies through citizen education and advocacy. The League's enduring vitality and resonance comes from its unique decentralized structure. The League is a grassroots organization, working at the national, state and local levels.



Weather delights 10K Race for FISH runners

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Fewer than the predicted 400 runners participated, but last weekend's 10K Race for FISH (Friends In Service Here) could not have expected better weather conditions.

Temperatures in the low 70s with a slight cooling breeze from the northeast, low humidity and a bright sun bathed the 389 runners, untold hundreds of spectators, city dignitaries and 135 race volunteers with a comfortable morning experience.

Fort Myers resident Ryan Stafford, 19, was the first to cross the start/finish

line at the Community House on Periwinkle Way. He ran the looping island course in just 35 minutes, 17 seconds. The first female finisher was Rachel Lee, 42, of Cape Coral, who was timed by the Fort Myers Track Club in 39:14.

Allison Goss, 45 of Sanibel won the female, masters division, 60th overall, with a time of 48:22. Nancy Earle, 52, of Sanibel (48:53) raced to the female grand master title and 65th overall.

Sanibel youths Darren Jenkins, 3, and Claire Kipsaw, 8, claimed honors in their respective 9-under divisions. Jenkins was the youngest registered participant.

"I was pleased to see that we had the highest percentage of Sanibel runners this year than ever before," said event co-chairman John Pryor. "I noticed that as I was handing out the awards afterwards."

All runners received a commemorative medallion as they crossed the finish line. Age division and other awards were handed out, but not all runners knew or stayed for the awards.

"Winners who did not receive their sand dollar shell award can pick them up

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Fort Myers Boat Show just around the corner

Special to the Reporter

One of the River District's most highly anticipated events is just on the horizon. The Southwest Florida Marine Industries Association presents the 40th Annual Fort Myers Boat Show at Harborside Event Center and the City of Fort Myers Yacht Basin on Nov. 8-11.

Widely considered the premier boat show on Florida's west coast, the show features boats of just about every type imaginable, marine products and services for both enthusiasts and novices alike. Now in its 40th year, the show offers seminars on fishing, diving and boat safety. Local guides will be on hand to answer questions and present instruction about fishing in Southwest Florida.

Diving enthusiasts from the Caloosa Dive Club will speak on equipment, schools, resources and hot dive spots. The show also includes a large kayaking section with daily seminars, products displays, and information about Lee County's Great Calusa Blueway paddling trails. The U.S. Coast Guard returns this year with its interactive boating safety trailer displaying a variety of safety equipment.

Students can get in on the action with the new boat building festival. Teams led by experienced instructors, Sharon and David Bickel of the Shipwright Shop, will try their hands at building a 12-foot Bevin's Skiff from scratch throughout the show. Student teams are sponsored by many local businesses.



"This year's show promises to be one of our best to date. We're very excited about the increased

participation of boat and equipment manufacturers this year and how that is going to add to guests'

enjoyment of the event," says John Good of Good Event Management.

Show attendees can tour a large assortment of boat types both in, and out of the water. Visitors can check out luxury yachts and offshore fishing boats, plus dinghies and kayaks.

Resorts and marinas will be on hand to help guests plan waterfront trips, and vendors will display the latest in boating accessories, electronics, marine financing and insurance, motors and fishing gear from manufacturers all over the world.

SWFMIA hosts three annual boat shows, each November in downtown Fort Myers. It has grown to become one of the major shows in Florida with new and brokerage boats in-water and a huge showing of boats and accessories in the Harborside Event Center and outdoors along the Caloosahatchee River. Food and beverages will be available inside the event as well as in downtown restaurants. Admission is \$9 per person, per day. Children under 12 are free. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

More event information is available on Facebook at www.facebook.com/GoBoatingFlorida, SWFMIA's website www.swfmia.com and <http://fortmyersboatshow.com>.

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Former mayor of Sanibel Nola Theiss (center) with Jim Weigand and Dr. Daniel Martinez who recently were inducted together into the Leyden Wall of Fame in Northlake, Ill.

Theiss honored at ceremony

Special to the Reporter

Former Sanibel mayor Nola Theiss was inducted into her high school district's Wall of Fame for her work as a teacher, businesswoman, Sanibel Councilmember, human trafficking educator and founder of Human Trafficking Awareness Partnerships, an organization dedicated to building awareness and prevention of human trafficking.

For more than 30 years, West Leyden High School alumni have been honored at this biennial two-day event and given the opportunity to speak to students and faculty about their lives since they left high school. Theiss, a 1964 graduate, spoke to seven student groups of 200 students each, relating her life's journey

since her graduation from the school in the Chicago suburb of Northlake, Ill.

There was an induction ceremony catered by students in the culinary arts program and a half-time recognition during the Homecoming football game. "This was a real opportunity to reflect on my life and give thanks to the excellent teachers who nurtured me and to encourage kids like me to feel that they can achieve their own goals," Theiss said.

In addition, alumni Jim Weigand, president of DuPont Sustainable Solutions USA, and Dr. Daniel Martinez, a board certified child, adolescent and adult psychiatrist and president of Comprehensive Clinical Services were honored.

Stone crab harvest season under way

Special to the Reporter

Get your claw crackers ready, because Florida's recreational and commercial stone crab claw harvest season opens Oct. 15 in state and federal waters.

To be harvested, stone crab claws must be at least 2 3/4 inches in length when measured from the elbow to the tip of the lower immovable portion of the claw.

Claws may not be taken from egg-bearing female stone crabs.

Recreational harvesters can use up to five stone crab traps per person. Stone crabs may not be harvested with any device that can puncture, crush or



injure the crab body.

Examples of devices that can cause

See STONE CRAB, page 23

'Mystery eyeball' apparently from swordfish

Special to the Reporter

After examining an eye found on a south Florida beach this week, researchers from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) believe the specimen came from a swordfish. Genetic testing will be done to confirm the identification.

"Experts on site and remotely have viewed and analyzed the eye, and based on its color, size and structure, along with the presence of bone around it, we believe the eye came from a swordfish," said Joan Herrera, curator of collections at the FWC's Fish and Wildlife Research Institute in St. Petersburg. "Based on straight-line cuts visible around the eye, we

believe it was removed by a fisherman and discarded."

The approximately softball-size eye was recovered by a citizen in Pompano Beach on Oct. 10. FWC staff received the eye later that day. Swordfish are commonly fished in the Florida Straits offshore of south Florida at this time of year.

A highly migratory fish, swordfish can be found from the surface to as deep as 2,000 feet. Swordfish in the Atlantic can reach a maximum size of over 1,100 pounds, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Swordfish feed on a wide variety of fish and invertebrates.

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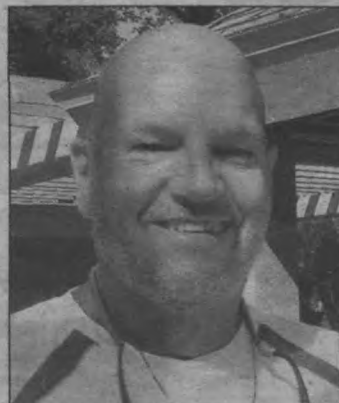
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"Healthcare."



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"Jobs and the economy."

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Whitehead committed to community

To the editor:

In our small community we have two local candidates running for Lee County Commission Seat 3. I know them both. I like them both. I've worked with them both on different issues. Personal experience and public records have proven to me that Charlie Whitehead is the right person for Lee County Commission seat 3.

■ Charlie Whitehead has more than 25 years experience with government, business, community and leadership in Lee County. Charlie kept us all informed on the issues in Lee County Government through his news reporting for more

than 25 years. Florida Elections Office said Charlie registered to vote and has consistently voted since he moved to Lee County. Charlie knows government!

■ Charlie, as president of several Lee County corporations, has been knowledgeable in and responsible for finances, budgets, marketing, development, real estate law, environmental law, corporate law, land development codes, planning, prioritizing, management, communication, etc ... on all levels of government from local to national. Charlie knows business!

■ Charlie has been active in the community in various ways since he moved here in the 1980s. Charlie was a member

of the SAC committee for Beach Elementary School. Charlie has headed up the Town's Little League Program, securing sponsors, coordinating volunteers, coaching, and umpiring. Charlie has been a volunteer coach for Cypress Lake High School. Charlie was on the Bay Oaks Advisory Board and Community Resources Advisory Board. Charlie knows civic responsibility and community!

■ Charlie is a husband, a dad and a friend. In his high school and college years at the University of Louisville, Charlie was voted All American. He not only played, but captained his football and basketball teams. Charlie has worked hard to take care of his

wife and four kids. Charlie, like many parents I know on this island, is often "behind the scenes" doing what needs to be done. Charlie knows the issues facing the residents and businesses and he genuinely cares. Charlie knows leadership and friendship!

■ Charlie's record speaks for itself. He has shown care, commitment and leadership to the community and now he wants to bring those same attributes to Lee County Government. Charlie is grassroots; just what we need. Charlie represents the people! Vote Charlie Whitehead, County Commission Seat 3. CharlieWhitehead2012.com

Tracey Gore
Fort Myers Beach

Letters to the Editor

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Web Poll

Web Poll Results

With the Presidential election approaching and the state of the nation's economy, employment and debt today, is the country better off now than four years ago?

- Yes — 26%
- No — 31%
- Americans deserve better — 3%
- America needs a leadership change — 31%
- America should stay the course — 9%
- I'm not concerned — 0%

Current Web Poll Question

Is your mind made up on which Presidential candidate you are voting for on Nov. 6?

- Yes, Obama/Biden
- Yes, Romney/Ryan
- Yes, I'm voting for third party
- No, I still haven't decided
- I'm not voting

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Oktoberfest opens first weekend

By ANDREA GALABINSKI

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One of Cape Coral's largest celebrations starts this weekend — the German American Social Club's Oktoberfest.

The event is three days (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) on successive weekends, with the finale on Sunday, Oct. 28.

Organizers expect more than 35,000 people to revel in all things German, and revel they have done for more than 25 years.

"We are looking forward to our 27th annual Oktoberfest," said club president Hubert Prem. "I like the camaraderie, the good food and the beer of my native country Germany."

Prem was born in Augsburg, in Bavaria, about 40 miles west of Munich, and says in English this is "the real deal."

It's Munich in October in Cape Coral. There will be everything from continuous music and dancing to all the food and drink favorites, a kids area and more. Prem is very excited about it all, including the music.

"We have a German band being flown in from Maselheim, the Maselheimer Musicians," he said. "They are our feature band flown in from Germany, around a 35-piece, very big, strong brass band."

"We've always had a nice crowd, who is playing and singing along with us and enjoying the fest from the beginning to the end. We have several bands. From the minute from when the gates open to closing at midnight the bands are playing and people are dancing, drinking, eating and having fun."

The club has approximately 800 members.

"Right now, at least half get involved in the annual celebration," he said.

The big opening is today at 4 p.m., but the official opening, he says, "is when the Mayor of Cape Coral — Mayor John Sullivan — taps the first keg at 8 p.m."

If you can't wait for that, come at 4 when the doors open, for the music, German and American beer and the great food.

Food is always one of the highlights of the festival.

"Potato pancakes are the favorite and our headliner. Last year, we made 34,400 and they all went. We had 17,200 servings," said chairman Steve Amann.

There are several specialty kitchens, each preparing all the great food.

"We have knockwurst, bratwurst and hot dogs out of the sausage kitchen," said Amann. "In the chicken kitchen we have chicken fingers, chicken wings with hot sauce, chicken Caesar salads for those who want the lighter fare and a grilled chicken breast sandwich on a kaiser roll. We have all kinds of German lunch meats for sandwiches, and from our main kitchen we will serve schnitzel and sauerbraten dinner and schweinshaxe."

The many volunteers are under the direction of the club's chef.

"Our chef Guido Polman is from Germany and he studied in



Germany, Austria and Switzerland," Amann said. "He looks after volunteers in the three different kitchens."

There also are parades, rides for children. Ms. Oktoberfest, Brooke Hermiller Callahan, and her court will be on hand.

Callahan, 26, a radiation therapist, was crowned Ms. Oktoberfest for 2012 at a pageant held at the German American Social Club on July 28.

"I love the German heritage, the food, the music and the festivities," she said. "I want to continue to learn more about the customs and traditions and then be able to pass them on to the next generation as well."

ation as well."

Rachel Hazelwood was first runner up. Second runner-up was Esma Komsic, a native of Bosnia who fled her native country and went first to Germany where she lived for eight years before immigrating to the United States.

No story on Oktoberfest would be complete without mentioning "Mr. Oktoberfest," the festival's beloved founder, the late Klaus Kohl.

It is a full year's of work for all at the club, to put on the celebration.

"As soon as this is over, we start working on next year's event," Amman said.

Of the Biergarten, Amman said, "The year before last we went through 800 kegs of beer; each keg has 256 glasses. You can do the math."

Oktoberfest is the largest fund raiser for the club.

"We have several charities we give to," Amman said. "For example all the food banks in the area, Hope Hospice, animal shelters and we also give nice donations to the Police Explorers, which will be our future police officers, and the fire academy youth similar to the explorers. All of those people will be here volunteering."

To help with their charitable efforts, he added, "Come hungry, come thirsty and be prepared to have a good time."

Gates at the German American Social Club of Cape Coral, 2101 SW Pine Island Road, open on Fridays at 4 p.m. and the fun goes until midnight. On Saturdays, festive hours are noon to midnight and Sundays noon to 9 p.m.

Admission is \$5 in advance or \$6 at the gate, with children under 11 free.

In Cape Coral, advance tickets can be purchased at the German American Club, all Hess Express stations, the Cape Coral Chamber of Commerce and Trebing Tile.

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Obituaries

Angela J. Longa

Angela "Angie" Longa, nee Romeo, of Sanibel, died on Sept. 22, 2012, after a short illness at Hope Hospice in Fort Myers. She was an inspiration to her family and those around her as she battled an aggressive form of leukemia, with her positivity, courage, and laughter.

"Ange" was born on June 7, 1931, in Bayonne, N.J., where she raised her three children, until moving to Sanibel in 1989 with her beloved husband, Richie, who died suddenly last summer. Angie and Richie were known to their neighbors for their hospitality, warmth, and willingness to lend a helping hand when needed. She was an employee of Shearson Loeb Rhodes in New York City and New Jersey, Cablevision on Sanibel, and The Sanibel Hilton.

She was a beloved member of her community, welcoming everyone she met with a warm smile as she took her daily walks. She was always willing to whip up a pot of her famous sauce and meatballs and provide a quick meal for returning seasonal neighbors and friends. Angie's passion was spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, and singing and dancing. Gifted with a beautiful voice, she enjoyed singing everything from opera to scat to Broadway classics.

Angie is pre-deceased by her husband Richard "Richie" "Dick" Longa, sister Grace Romeo Bonner, and brothers Tony, Paul, and Frank Romeo. She is survived by her children, Karen and Chet Dobies of Fort Myers, Dane Longa of Sanibel, and Diane Craft of New York City. Also survived by four grandchildren Dane Michael Longa, Francesca, Isabella, and Amelia Craft, three great grandchildren, nine nieces and nephews, and seven great grandnieces and nephews.

There will be a Memorial service on Sunday, Nov. 11, at 2:30 p.m. at St Michael's All Angels Episcopal Church,

2304 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.

Donations in her name can be made to one of the following:

Hope Hospice, 9470 Healthpark Circle, Fort Myers, FL (482-4673);

Scleroderma Foundation, Tri State Inc. Chapter, 59 Front Street, Binghamton, NY, 13905;

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Donor Services, P.O. Box 4072, Pittsfield, MA 01202.

Jean Wittman (Jeanie)

Jeanie (Jeanie) Wittman, 83, a long time resident of Sanibel Island, Fla., and Cape Cod, Mass., passed away on Sunday, Oct. 14, 2012, and went to be with the Lord after a brief illness in Fort Myers, Fla.

Jean was born on Oct. 24, 1928, in Brewster, Mass., to Howard & Flora Dunnells. She was a graduate of the prestigious Wheaton College in Norton, Mass. Jean married Alfred Wittman and they traveled the world extensively until Alfred's passing in 1985. After his passing she continued her travels with dear friends and had many wonderful memories of her trips. Jeanie lived life to the fullest. She was an active member of the Sanibel Community Church. Her greatest joy in recent years was spending time with her son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey and Debbie, who moved to Sanibel to be close to Mom. She was truly the life of the party, always upbeat and smiling and will be missed by all who knew her.

Jean is predeceased by her daughter, April. Jean is survived by her beloved son and daughter-in-law, Jeffrey Wittman and Debbie, her brother George, many nieces, nephews and friends and her dog Ripley. The family will miss her wonderful nature, love of adventure and fun loving spirit.

A Celebration of Life for Jean will be held at the Sanibel Community Church, 1740 Periwinkle Way, on Sanibel on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012, at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

Ultimate power and hope in small things

While on vacation last year, my husband and I decided to go and see the paintings of Andrew Wyeth in Rockland, Maine. I regret that we had not done it sooner.

I remember in years past leafing through Wyeth's books, often reflecting on a painting for long spaces of time and marveling at his stunning ability to capture the real essence of his friendships and the environment around him.

As I meandered through the quiet gallery, I realized I'd missed Andrew Wyeth. I also realized I'd forgotten some of the deeper, more subtle and poignant aspects of his creations — paintings with titles that seemingly had little to do with much of what one saw on the canvas.

It hit me again when I was standing still and drinking in a painting of a stormy sky, dilapidated tool shed, and enormous spruce tree in the foreground. I marveled at Wyeth's ability to capture the small needles of the tree, the aging, blistered shingles on the shed, and the ominous cloud formations in the distance. I looked down at the title of the painting and saw the word "Puddle." And there for the first time I saw it! Right in the foreground was a minuscule, grayish puddle of water — seemingly insignificant — but the only part of the painting that told the story that a storm had just passed by. I'd almost missed it.

I continued to walk around, gazing at Wyeth's works, and was struck over and over again by some subtlety that, until I read the title, was passing me by. Another canvas of an ancient, weathered shed was there, with yet another immense pine towering in front of it. It was entitled "Geranium." Yes, there inside the window of the little abandoned building was a small, red glow — a struggling geranium blossom responding

to the scant sunlight peeking into the shed. I'd

almost missed it.

Even Wyeth's paintings of his friends and neighbors — Christina, Walt, and Helga — possessed elements of the same simplicity yet powerfulness of the subject. One of Christina, a neighbor of Wyeth's disabled by polio, depicted her in a vast sea of tall grass. Indeed, the grass almost covered the canvas. Yet, even as Christina lies in the field moving slowly toward her home so far in the distance, her small figure is not at all diminished by the ocean of grass. Wyeth captures her strength and power, as her

head is held high and her arms strong and moving forward. Instead of focusing on her plight, I saw her strength and power and hope. But ... I'd almost missed it.

Wherever you may be on your spiritual/faith journey, take stock of the smaller, perhaps unseen people and daily events in your lives — things that don't make the headlines but are filled with potential power and hope. It's clearly a challenge, especially at this time where the larger issues of violence, greed, hatred, and intolerance are the lead actors on the world stage.

Of course, our eyes and ears are naturally drawn to these larger issues. However, close your eyes once in awhile and let your hearts and souls "rule" what is really important in life, even as the front page news might dictate otherwise. Transform your hearts and minds to a place where you hear the smaller powerful voices, discover hope in the midst of so much global anxiety and fear, and see the abundance of simple gestures and compassionate deeds around you.

In the struggling geraniums and the messy puddles of life, visualize how you also might be a power-filled part of building up the whole community of God's people in a radically "small" way!

Rev. Dr. Ellen Sloan is Rector of St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church.



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From left, Sara Holderfield, general manager of Tanger Outlets, Richard Johnson of Bailey's General Store with Christine Jennings and city councilman Jim Jennings.

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Historical Village Speaks at Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon

Special to the Reporter

The Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce held its monthly business lunch on Oct. 9, at the very popular Captiva Yacht Club which provided a wonderful meal.

More than 80 members of the Chamber turned out for this event. The speaker was Emilie Alfino, museum director of the Sanibel Historical Museum and Village. Alfino spoke about the recent developments and improvements that the Historical Museum has been working on. In addition, she spoke about the exciting arrival of the Shore Haven home that was lifted and moved to the Village on Oct. 3.

The Chamber of Commerce holds monthly business luncheons for their members to network and socialize. Anyone interested in more information or joining the Chamber of Commerce log on to www.sanibel-captiva.org.



Guest speaker Emilie Alfino of the Sanibel Historical Museum & Village with Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce chairman Mike Miller.

Phoenix firm expands with Sanibel office

Special to the Reporter

Construction on a new office on Sanibel for Phoenix File & Pagidipati PLLC is now complete. Construction on the space began in February at Islander Center, 2407 Periwinkle Way, and completed on Oct. 1.

The office will further enhance business relationships, and bring the Phoenix-File team and their expertise closer to the island community.

The firm now has three locations serving southwest Florida. The other two are in Fort Myers and Naples.

Featuring a state-of-the-art conference center available to local businesses, the new location is outfitted with Sanibel Island flair — hardwood floors, a white color scheme, paneled 12 foot walls, vaulted ceilings with tongue-in-groove distressed wood, and glass from wall to ceiling to promote an open feel throughout. Designed to look like a retrofit remodel, the building uses cable lighting with many intergraded design features.

Additional features at the new location include "whooshing" fans to simulate the natural Sanibel breezes, operated by remote control with seven speeds, one of which is called "whoosh." LED lighting has been installed to reduce electricity cost, help simulate day light and reduce interior heat.

A grand opening will be scheduled in November.

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VIP names September's best

Special to the Reporter

VIP Realty Group of Sanibel selected its top agents and sales teams for the month of September.

Charlie Sobczak was recognized as top sales agent. Lynda and Kit Traverso were recognized as top listing agents and top producing agents.

Karen Bell's team earned top producing team honors.

Also, Lomano, Nicholson & Associates were recognized as the top listing team and top sales team.



Lynda and Kit Traverso



Chuck Andrews



Steve Fisher

Special to the Reporter

RE/MAX of the Islands has recognized associates Chuck Andrews and Steve Fisher as top producers for the month of September.

Andrews is honored as the top sales associate producer while Fisher is the top marketing sales associate.

Originally from Ohio, Andrews graduated from Ohio State University in 1975 and relocated to Sanibel that same year and became a Realtor in 1986. Since then he has specialized in real estate brokerage on the islands.

Andrews also is the recipient of the RE/MAX International Platinum Club Award, was inducted into the RE/MAX Hall of Fame and received the RE/MAX International Lifetime Achievement Award.

After entering the real estate pro-

fession in 1981, Fisher joined RE/MAX of the Islands in 1991. Since then he has received many RE/MAX International and state

awards and in 2001 was inducted into the highly prestigious RE/MAX International Hall of Fame.



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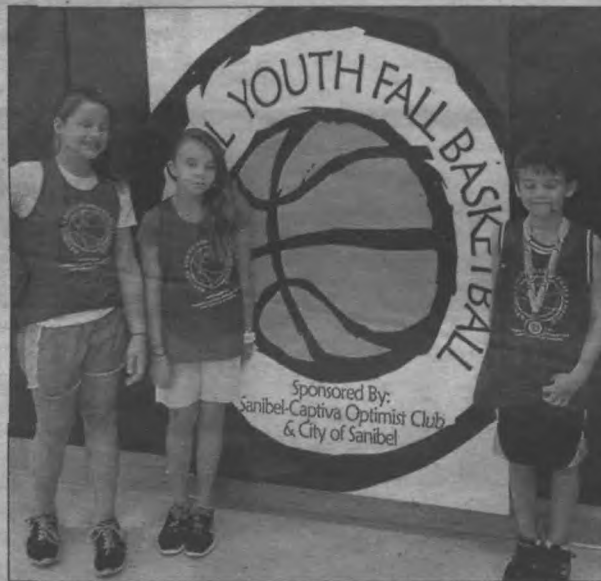
Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club news

Over the summer, the City of Sanibel and the SanCap Optimist Club co-sponsored a youth basketball league for boys and girls from kindergarten through 8th grade at the Recreation Center. There also was a pre-K division of 3- and 4-year-olds.

This league gave children the opportunity to learn and enjoy the game on Saturday mornings from August to October. Practice times were determined by coaches. About 80 kids were involved.

The Optimist Club supplied team uniform shirts, awards and participated with the staff at the Rec Center working with the kids. The activity was a real hit and is tentatively planned for next summer.

Jingle Bell Walk: The Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club will sponsor a



Participants in the Sanibel-Captiva Optimist Club youth basketball summer program show their uniforms and a medal at the Sanibel Recreation Center.

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beach walk for charity currently planned for Dec. 1 at Bowman's Beach. This continues the successful series of walks called Wave of Hope held in the past few years. Please watch for more information and save the date to participate.

Election of Officers: The early October meeting of the club featured the annual election of officers. Stan Howard was elected president who appointed Dani Howard and Randy Carson as vice presidents. Suzanne Baxter is secretary and John Basher is treasurer.

Directors will be Jim Baxter, Mike Macray, Richard McCurry, John F. Jones, Sue Basher, Dan Alton, Mark Steger, and Donna Butz.

Sanibel Rec honors volunteer

Special to the Reporter

Sanibel Recreation Center selected Susan Brown as its volunteer of the month of September.

Brown is an active member at the Center 4 Life where she also volunteers much of her time over the past three years with several of the activities held there.

She enjoys working closely with the



Sanibel Rec Center volunteer of the month of September Susan Brown.

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program administrator Sandi McDougall, as well as the other members and staff at the Center 4 Life. As a member, Brown enjoys "Bridge for Fun" nights on Mondays and Wednesdays and the potluck entertainment during season.

Brown's favorite part of being a volunteer is the

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The Lee County Strikers U14 girls' soccer team took first place at the Florida Fire Shark Shootout U14 Gold Division in Naples played Oct. 6-8. The Strikers defeated the Florida Fire Juniors 98/99 Premiers in the finals to clinch the championship. Players include, from left, Kaitlyn Prado-Barker, Jamie Awiszus, Marley Brown, Nienke Abarbanel, Samantha Domibkowski, Sarah Hagan, Adrienne Baker, Peyton Hornung, coach Abe Abarbanel, co-captain Bitsy Bretton, Karissa Segura, Victoria Mayo, Olivia Talmage, Sydney Hummel, Elena Quinonez, Cassidee Rentsch, co-captain Maddie Sarnac, and assistant coach Sam Hagan.



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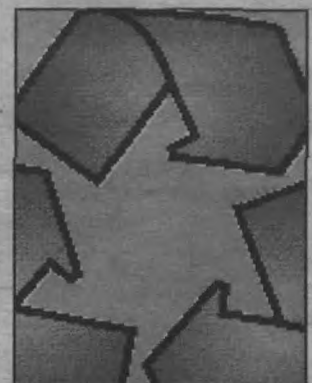
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Snowbirds are returning

Our snowbird Rotarians are flying in and just in the nick of time. The Island is bustling with activities and our members are heading up many of those events.

Hope you didn't miss it, but if you did, the Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum had an amazing island celebrity waiter fund-raiser event at Traders on Oct. 3. We have two remarkable Rotarians sitting on their board of directors, president of the museum board Claire Beckman and board member Janet Strickland.

On Oct. 14, Rotarian John Pryor had the awesome responsibility of chairing the F.I.S.H. (Friends in Service Here) the fourth annual 10 K fund-raising run. Pryor and Rotarians Clair Beckmann and Adair Heath sit on that board. Club members were also counted on the volunteer roster for the event.

Oct. 14, the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club was one of many proud island sponsors for the recent "Ding" Darling Days. And check this out if you get a chance, stop by the Sanibel School soccer field to see our club's youth soccer team play their hearts out. Upcoming Rotary activities: Nov. 2, dictionary day - Rotarians will be delivering dictionaries to all third graders at the Sanibel School; Nov. 8, wine and cheese membership event at Thistle Lodge ... you have an invitation, if you have an interest in Rotary ... just e-mail Janet



Christine Swiersz

Strickland jmslaw@centurylink.net and let her know you will be coming; Nov. 11, collectable Rotary t-shirt sale featuring the art work of Ikki Matsumoto at the Fit for Life/ Senior Center, Sanibel.

For the first two weeks in November we have great guest speakers lined up: (11/2) Roy Gibson, Sanibel Planning

Dept. and (11/9) Lee County Commissioner John Manning.

As part of our regular Friday morning meetings, Rotary invites the most interesting and involved members of our community to present a program about their personal passions, the organizations they are involved with, programs we should be aware of, or ongoing/upcoming fund-raising efforts that need support. Recently, the club invited the program director of Sanibel's F.I.S.H. Christine Swiersz to speak to us.

The mission of F.I.S.H. is to lend a helping hand to those in need who live, work or visit Sanibel and Captiva by providing free services, such as transportation, food pantry, meal delivery, health equipment, and emergency financial assistance through a group of volunteers who care about enhancing the quality of life for all those who request help. This all-encompassing humanitarian organization is the umbrella resource center for a plethora of services that are provided in our community.

F.I.S.H. serviced 750 clients in 2011, 92 percent islanders, 8 percent island worker families, plus a small fraction of vacationers. 200 volunteers were involved in providing transportation for almost 300 medical related appointments, delivering 2,650 hot meals to 39 clients, ready and delivered 371 pieces of medical/health equipment, made 901 daily reassurance

phone calls, make regular visits to 11 housebound clients, bringing together 295 participants for their monthly Friendly Faces Luncheons, provided 174 holiday meals, assisted 33 elderly or disabled clients with Hurricane preparedness, helped 32 young people with youth summer scholarships, had 121 families use the F.I.S.H. food pantry, provided \$176, 227 of emergency financial assistance and client support, provided 46 children with weekend food through their backpack program.

F.I.S.H. offers a Mommy and Me group two times a week, nutrition workshops, classes for seniors regarding balance and fall prevention. They conduct a Helping Hand Program to access and help clients struggling with rent, mortgage, utilities, and offer emergency financial assistance.

Rotary thanks the F.I.S.H. staff along with its army of volunteers for their devoted service to our community and congratulate Swiersz for receiving the prestigious Elaine McLaughlin-Good Samaritan Award 2012.

Guests are always welcome at our Friday morning meetings at 7 a.m. breakfast and 7:30 meeting. If you would like to join us just contact president, John Grey john@johngreypainting.com or president-elect, Scot Congress scot@scongress.com.

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friendships she has made and working hard to make events special and enjoyable for everyone. She loves to help people and see them smile.

"I feel a great deal of gratitude for being allowed to be part of such a warm, friendly place," Brown said. "The Center 4 Life is like a second home with its members being an extended family. We are fortunate to have such a great facility with so many choices of activities at affordable prices."

Brown, a Georgia native, grew up in Atlanta and graduated from Georgia State University. She and her family have been visiting Sanibel for more than 35 years. Knowing she and her husband John would want live here after retiring they purchased a lot in 2001 and built their home.

Volunteer opportunities are now available. For information on joining your friends and neighbors who serve as Recreation Center volunteers call (239) 472-0345.

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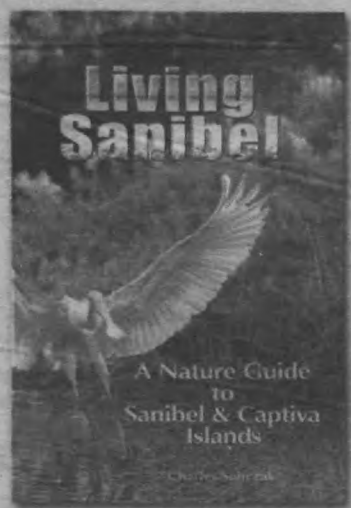


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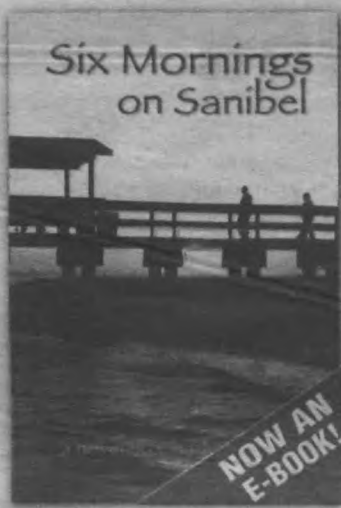
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bullish goal."

Garmager listed four areas from which the funds will come. Major gifts from two donors totaling \$5,000, \$35,000 from private foundations, \$25,000 from direct mail campaigns and \$10,000 to \$20,000 from fund-raising events. He would like to stretch those goals to reach the \$200,000 target.

"I hope we will get to our \$75,000 goal, but I believe we can get a lot more," Garmager said. "We do not have a marketing campaign going right now and we need one. It will help us inform people in the community and our tenants and dispel rumors about CHR. We've got to juice that up and we will do our best to bring the marketing campaign together."

Currently, CHR has three vacant units with one application waiting for approval. Board member Robyn Moran reported having started annual inspections of rental properties and finding

both minor and major repair needs. Tenants often are reluctant to report "the little things" that need repair and the number of requests for repairs has been shrinking in recent months, which concerns the board.

"We're coming off a period of just hanging on by the edge," said board president Richard Johnson. "We're moving beyond that now. As we are getting caught up on repairs we need to work with tenants to encourage them to call so we can deal with repairs."

The last remaining candidate for a Limited Equity Ownership (LEO) property has withdrawn, according to board member Ray Pavelka, who added there is no activity on a second available LEO unit.

Pavelka also reported that negotiations for a new contract are ongoing with the private owner for the Rabbit Road property lease.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Nov. 19.

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CAROL ORR HARTMAN
Ryan Stafford, 19, of Fort Myers was the first to cross the finish line in last weekend's 10K Race for FISH. It took him 35 minutes, 17 seconds to run the 6.2-mile loop around Sanibel in perfect weather conditions.

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at the FISH walk-in center on Periwinkle Way," said Pryor.

Three other Sanibel residents won age division titles. Rachel Varnes, 26, won the women's 25-29 in 41:58, Peter Westlake, 51, took the men's 50-54 (40:08) and Lavonne Larson, 58, captured the women's 55-59 division (54:02).

"The weather was relatively cool," said Pryor. "For the runners it was ideal to run in. Running around Sanibel is different than running on a golf course somewhere and they enjoy that."

As has become the custom, much of the island community throws out the red carpet to welcome runners, their families and friends and casual visitors each year. It's estimated about 75 percent of the runners live off island.

Runners started at the Community House. They headed east on Periwinkle Way to Casa Ybel Road, then south and west along West Gulf Drive to Tarpon Bay Road. After making hairpin detour on Island Inn Road, runners got back on Periwinkle at Bailey's Center for the final jog back to the finish at Community House.

Refreshment tables and water stations were set up around the 6.2-mile course for runners.

"It was euphoric," said Pryor. "It was very well organized this year. It's one of our larger event fundraisers for the year. We are so appreciative of all the support from the businesses. We won't know exactly how much money was raised for several weeks yet, but it was very successful. It's not only a fundraiser, but a fun raiser."

Pryor will meet with his 10-member 10K committee in the weeks ahead to review the race.

"We always write down things that come up and

what we can do to improve there," said Pryor. "We do get better at it each year."

FISH serves Sanibel and Captiva residents with a number of services from transportation to emergency financial assistance. With an army of 200 volunteers, FISH helped 750 people last year through its food pantry, meal delivery, and health equipment programs.

This year's event garnered support from 56 business sponsors throughout the community.

For a complete list of the race results visit www.ftmyerstrackclub.com.



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Stone crab From page 15

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Beach repairs



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SHANNEN HAYES



'Nook' plans reunion Nov. 2-4

Special to the Reporter

Anyone kicking around the Islands in the 1960s, '70s and '80s, and remembers when Captiva had a personality and an eclectic cast of characters, may have spent time at Timmy's Nook in the center of that universe.

Timmy's Nook was located on the bay at the old post office curve where the Green Flash is now. It was owned and operated by T.M. and Beulah Wiles and their five daughters, a true Captiva pioneering family. The atmosphere was legendary and the food historic.

A reunion is planned for Nov. 2-4 at the American Legion Post 123 on Sanibel open to anyone who enjoyed the Nook. Stop by and have a cheeseburger and a CROW sandwich, buy a t-shirt and share a story. Admission is free.

Saturday features live music. For more information call the American Legion 472-9979 or Tim Irving 472-1605.

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■ Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Estuary Kayak Tour in Estero Bay with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Bonita Beach. Learn about the wonders of America's only Mangrove Forest. See herons, egrets, pelicans, osprey, roseate spoonbills, dolphins, manatees and more. Includes all equipment and a Florida Master Naturalist will be your guide. \$40 per person. Reservations required 239 694-5513.

■ Wednesday, Oct. 24 — Cocohatchee River/Wiggins Pass Estuary Kayak Tour with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours 10 a.m.-1 p.m., North Naples. This is a beautiful estuary area, with mangroves and many birds, dolphins, manatees and other critters. Includes all equipment and a Florida Master Naturalist as your guide. \$45 per person - reservations needed - 239-694-5513.

■ Thursday, Oct. 25 — Bat Kayak Tour in North Fort Myers with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours. 5-8 p.m. Visit a lovely creek in the wilderness of North Fort Myers. This is part of

our estuary system, with many plants and animals. At dusk we will see the bats come out of their hiding places. Learn about these very interesting, ancient and important creatures from your Certified Florida Master Naturalist guide. \$40 per person. All equipment included. Reservations needed. 239 694-5513.

■ Friday, Oct. 26 — Matlacha Pass Back Waters Kayak Tour with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wander through some fascinating mangrove creeks, see many birds, manatees and dolphin. Learn about the critters and the ecology of the estuary. Eat lunch on the water in this tranquil area. \$50 per person includes all equipment and a Certified Florida Master Naturalist as your guide. Cape Coral. Call for your reservation - 239 694-5513.

■ Friday, Oct. 26 — Sunset/Bird Rookery Kayak Tour on the Caloosahatchee River with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours. 4:45-7:45 p.m., Fort Myers. Paddle on the Caloosahatchee and some wild creeks with 1000's of birds. Learn about the plants and animals that are in this part of our estuary. Great view of the sunset! Includes all equipment and a Florida Master Naturalist will be your guide. \$40 per person. Reservations a must. 239 694-5513.

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■ Sunday, Oct. 28 — Rivers and Creek Kayak Tour from Caloosahatchee Creeks Preserve with GAEA Guides - 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Learn about the history of the Caloosahatchee and Orange Rivers, about the estuary that this area is part of and get to know the wild creeks of the preserve. Visit an active bird rookery island with many birds nesting at this time of the year. Learn about the birds, plants and animals that live here. \$50 per person includes all equipment and a Florida Master Naturalist as your guide. Call 239 694-5513 for reservation.

■ Sunday, Oct. 28 — Full Moon /Sunset /Bird Rookery Kayak Tour on the Caloosahatchee River near Ft. Myers with GAEA Guides - Guided Kayak Nature Tours. 4:30-7:30 p.m. Paddle on the Caloosahatchee and some wild creeks with 1000's of birds going to roost for the night. This area is a perfect place to see sunset and moonrise. Includes all equipment and a Florida Master Naturalist as your guide. \$40 per person. Reservations 239 694-5513.

Co-chairs appointed for Luminary

Special to the Reporter

The Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce has appointed Mike and Linda Miller of San Cap CPA as co-chairs of Luminary for the second year in a row.

"Mike and Linda Miller did such an amazing job last year that we had to bring them in again," said Ric Base, president of the Chamber of Commerce. "We had a hugely successful event and all of our guests were truly appreciative of their hard work."

Luminary weekend is Dec. 7 (Sanibel) and Dec. 8 (Captiva).

The streets will be lined with illuminated candles, decorated trees and other festive trimmings. Santa will pay his traditional visit to the shopping centers, and local businesses will be open to enable visitors, residents and our guests to celebrate this magical event.

"Luminary Weekend brings the entire Sanibel and Captiva community together to share in the tropical holiday spirit," said Linda Miller.

"Last year was a huge success and we couldn't have done it without all of the 200 volunteers to help look after the trolleys and guide our guests around the attractions. We are keeping this winning formula again this year," said Mike Miller.

Currently, the Millers are seeking up to 100 people to volunteer for Luminary. Volunteers are needed to help man trolleys and the trolley stations to help ensure safety for all enjoying the Luminary festival.

Anyone who can help is asked to contact Linda Miller at LindaMiller@san-capcpa.com.



SanCap Republicans hosting candidates

On Saturdays, Oct. 20 and 27 at 10 a.m., the Sanibel-Captiva Republican Caucus will host Republican candidates running for federal, state and county office in the Nov. 6 election.

These events will be held at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Rd., Room 1. The meetings are open to the public, and are a great opportunity to meet the candi-

dates face to face, ask questions and express concerns.

The proposed amendments to the Florida Constitution will also be discussed. They will be voted on in the November election.

If you would like more information or are interested in joining the Caucus call Robb Moran at (239) 472-9035.

SCCF hosts coffee with candidates

SCCF invites everyone to attend remaining Coffee with the Candidates series meetings over the next few weeks in advance of the general election.

Attendees can meet, greet and engage the candidates at these opportunities to get to know them and relate priorities of our island community.

The meetings will be held in the SCCF auditorium at the nature center. Please share this informa-

tion with your friends, neighbors and community groups.

County Commission District 3 candidates Charlie Whitehead and Larry Kiker attended the series earlier this week.

Here is the remaining meeting schedule:

On Friday (Oct. 26), 8:30-9:45 a.m. - Jim Roach (US House)

Still pending Trey Radel (US House) and Ray Rodriguez (Elected Fla. House).



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Women's series for 2013 set

Special to the Reporter

The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company will host a 2013 Women's Series to empower women to be better informed and prepared to handle their finances independently and dynamically.

WOW (Women, Opportunity, Wealth.) will include four sessions highlighting various women's issues.

"It is essential for women to feel confident and secure about their

finances in order to thrive in today's challenging times. WOW is designed to help our clients and friends cut through the clutter and make wise decisions about their personal life, career and financial future," said Sanibel Captiva Trust COO Adria Starkey.

Topics for the sessions include: Jan. 29 "Your Purse - Your Life"; Feb. 12 "Maneuvering the Medicare Maze & Senior Living Opportunities

in Lee County"; Feb. 26 "As the World Turns - Estate Planning Ideas in an Ever-Changing World"; and March 19 "Market Outlook: Managing Your Money in a Time of Uncertainty"

All events begin at 10 a.m. and seating is limited.

Attendees should contact Elizabeth Kindt at Sanibel Captiva Trust Company at (239) 472-8300 or EKindt@SanCapTrustCo.com.

Castnet Rodeo approaches

The 19th annual Esperanza Woodring Memorial Castnet Rodeo on Nov. 3 presented by The Bait Box is fast approaching.

The rodeo is a great alcohol-free event for the entire family centered around a free competition for youth under age 16. Prizes are awarded to all who enter. Free lessons and demonstrations for youth begins at 8:30 a.m. with the competition starting at 10:30 a.m.

To register online visit www.baitboxsanibel.com. Proceeds from the event benefits Solutions To Avoid Red Tide (START).

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Cryptoquip

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: B equals A

ANSWER: COULD A DOCUMENTARY ABOUT CORRECT MANNERS FOR GEESE BE CLASSIFIED AS A PROPER GANDER FILM?

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

EHITT

EGOYO

SNENUE

TARRMY

Ans: " " " " " "

Answer: THE HORSE WITH THE OVERLY NEGATIVE ATTITUDE WAS A — "NEIGH-SAYER"

Jumbles: TITHE GOOEY UNSEEN MARTYR

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Sudoku

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

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 through 9. Each number can only appear once in each row, column and 3 by 3 block.

Bridge

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BID YOUR VALUES ONLY ONCE
Both vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ 9 7 3
♥ 9 8 6 5
♦ Q 10 4 2
♣ 10 8

EAST
♠ A 10 8 4 2
♥ A 4
♦ 6 3
♣ K Q 7 2

WEST
♠ K Q 6 5
♥ Void
♦ 9 8 7 5
♣ J 6 5 4 3

SOUTH
♠ J
♥ K Q J 10 7 3 2
♦ A K J
♣ A 9

The bidding:
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH
1♠ Dbl 4♠ Pass
Pass 5♥ Pass Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠

We continue our series of deals from Eddie Kantar's "Thinking Bridge" series, designed for players desirous of improving their bridge.

"South is too strong to overcall two hearts, opting instead to double, planning to jump to four hearts to show a monster hand. However, things seldom work out as planned. West's jump to four spades, the fly in the ointment, is pre-emptive. A jump raise by responder after a takeout double is weak and pre-emptive. With strong responding hands (11-plus high-card points) responder redoubles first. Also a jump to two no trump over a double shows a limit raise or better in partner's suit — it is not natural. With a normal two no trump response, responder redoubles first.

"Once a player pre-empts, he is not supposed to bid on in a competitive auction unless he wants to make a penalty double, which is rather rare. In so many words, West should not bid five spades when South bids five hearts. It is a bridge no-no for the weak hand to become the general. The strong hand has a much better idea of what to do.

"When a defender can see what needs to be done to defeat a contract, he does it! East knows that South has at most one spade and there is some danger of losing a club trick on dummy's fourth diamond once the ace of hearts is dislodged. East must smartly overtake the king of spades and shift to his own black king. When in with the ace of hearts, East cashes the queen of clubs, the setting trick. Ole! Do not ask partner to do for you what you can do for yourself — even if it means overtaking partner's trick. It hurts for only a little while."

Sudoku Solution

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

Crossword

ACROSS
1 "— la-la!" wear
4 Blue hue
8 Docket entry
12 Part of TGIF
13 Sitarist's rendition
14 Fairy tale preposition
15 What old soldiers do
17 Actress Gilpin
18 Sea flock
19 Packaged
20 Missouri river
22 One-on-one fight
24 Moistens in the morn
25 Clingy crus-
29 Narc's org.
30 Sightless
31 Melody
32 Small telescope
34 On the briny
35 July birthstone

DOWN
36 Ballet
37 Hiawa-tha's carrier
40 Antitoxins
41 Sand-wich cookie
42 Shake-speare in-law
46 Historic name in TV talk
47 Reed instru-ment
48 Time of your life?
49 Ordered
50 Stare stupidly
51 Thither

21 Leak slowly
22 "Loves me me (not)" flower
23 Grecian vessels
25 Spill the beans
26 Gilligan, notably
27 Stead
28 Historic periods
30 Sad
33 Rut
34 Emana-tion
36 Giggly sound
37 Barber-shop need
38 Geome-try calcula-tion
39 Jock's anti-thesis
40 Halt
42 Swine
43 "The — Daba 'Honey-moon'"
44 Past
45 Longing

Solution time: 25 mins.

1	2	3		4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11
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SPORTS

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Local anglers are welcoming cooler days

Finally, after a long hot summer south-west Florida was greeted with cooler temperatures and much lower humidity this past weekend. A stiff northerly breeze made fishing a challenge for a few days, but overall it was a productive week.

Inshore, redfish were reported in both Pine Island Sound and Matlacha Pass. The southern end of the Sound near Wulfert Keys on the western side and Regla Island to the east yielded reds up to 31 inches. On high water fish were hooked under the mangroves and oyster bars, and for the lower stages fish were feeding along troths along the sandbars. Also in the Sound mid to upper slot reds were reported around Islands near Cabbage Key.

In Matlacha Pass anglers found success on reds south of the bridge near the power lines on both sides of the Pass. Fish from 16 to 28 inches were caught at creek mouths and mangrove points over the higher tides. Large jack crevasses, some pushing well in excess of 10 pounds were also hooked in the Pass as schools were sighted roaming the shorelines and busting bait on the surface.

The better trout fishing came from Pine Island Sound near the Gulf in areas with clean or clear water. Notable areas included grass flats northwest of Mondongo Island, west of the fish shacks, and between Redfish Pass and Roosevelt Channel. A mix of undersize to upper slot fish were found over grass flats averaging 4 to 7 feet in depth.

The same areas mentioned above for trout were also a good bet to give up a few Spanish mackerel. With the cooler weather to our north the annual fall migration of fish heading south is in motion. Every day we can expect an increase in mackerel numbers. Schooling mackerel, often resulting in fast action, were reported at the Sanibel Causeway on either sides of the span, up and down the beaches, in the Sound, and north of Bokeelia. Casting or



Capt. Bill Russell

**On the
Water**

trolling silver spoons is a great way to target the macks; some areas are also holding large schools of ladyfish and a few bluefish.

Pompano catches are also on the rise, fish to 2 pounds were caught in the surf on Captiva Beach, from the Sanibel Fishing Pier, and the Burnt Store Bar on Charlotte Harbors eastern shore. Live shrimp under a popping cork and small white or pink pompano jigs tipped with shrimp were the best methods for bringing home a few of these tasty fish for dinner.

Offshore, we mentioned red tide last week, some anglers are reporting evidence of fish kills several miles out and others have noted nothing out of the ordinary. Red grouper were reported from 25 to 30 miles southwest of Sanibel and west of Boca

Grande Pass. Gag grouper were caught in depths from 30 to 60 feet either by dropping live bait or trolling diving lures. For live bait a hand size pinfish was hard to beat, for trolling the key was to cover as much ground as possible concentrating on ledges. Lures included X-rap 30's, Stretch 30's, and Bombers, preferred colors included red/white, blue mackerel, and dolphin color. At least on big cobia was reported that went for a grouper bait over the week.

Cooler days and migrating fish moving through our waters, what a great time to fish. Take advantage of it, get out there and let us know what you catch!

If you have a fishing report or for charter information, please contact us at: Phone: 239-283-7960, Website: www.fish-pine-island.com, Email: gcl2fish@live.com

Have a safe week and good fishin'.



Everblades start season 2-0

Special to the Reporter

Matt Marquardt scored twice to lead the Florida Everblades to a 4-2 win over the Orlando Solar Bears Saturday night capping an unbeaten two-game, season-opening weekend at Germain Arena.

In Friday's opening game, the Everblades scored just 26 seconds into overtime to post a 5-4 victory.

David Rutherford scored two goals, including the game-winner in OT.

Before dropping the puck, the Blades celebrated their 2012 Kelly Cup Championship title with a banner-raising ceremony. Thirteen players from the championship team took part in the ceremony.

Marquardt shot the puck from the top right of the crease three minutes into the game and scored the first goal to take a 1-0 lead.

Less than a minute into the second period, Justin Shugg slipped the puck past the goalie for his first goal of the season opening the lead to 2-0.

The Blades were poised to claim victory at the beginning of the third period when Shugg outraced a defender to the puck, and sent it to Marquardt for his second goal pushing the lead to 3-1.

Trailing 3-2 with a minute left in the game, Orlando was on a power play. The Bears pulled the goaltender to create a 6-on-4 advantage, but Maxime Langelier-Parent fired a shot from behind the Blades' blue line into the open net to seal the 4-2 victory.

In the opening game, team captain Mathieu Roy scored the first goal of the season just 2:52 into the game with Matt Beca getting the assist. Bobby Raymond scored a rebound shot on a 5-on-3 power play. Beca's shot from the left circle put the Everblades up 3-0 at the end of the first period.

The Solar Bears erased a 4-0 deficit in the third period, including the tying goal with 30 seconds left in regulation, to send the game into overtime.

The Everblades (2-0) and Solar Bears (0-2) meet again at Germain Arena on Oct. 19. Fan favorite Ernie Hartlieb will be in attendance as the Everblades honor his time with the team by retiring his number nine jersey.

Canterbury transitions to 11-man football

Submitted by ERIC PFEIFER

Canterbury School started a new 11-man football program this year in their Middle School. Twenty four young men endured practices in the heat this past summer in preparation for a tough six-game schedule which started in late August.

Fifteen of the players are eighth graders and are looking forward to playing next year on the high school level at Canterbury, which will switch its program to 11-man. Currently the school is competing in a seven-man football program due a lack of players. Last year, the high school played in a six-man league and won the state championship. They are currently undefeated this season.

New head coach Mike Marciano was hired not only to transition the program but also to field competitive teams immediately. Marciano had winning records at each of his previous schools, including another local school in Fort Myers.

"Every day is an exciting challenge as we take the football program to the 11-man level," said Marciano. "The work that Marc Taglieri has done to get us to this point has been instrumental in the foundation of what we have now. The current players along with myself constantly try to represent the Canterbury character in all we do to try and recruit the student body and attract new student athletes. The attitude is positive and within the upcoming years we will make tremendous strides to put a product on the field that will not only compete but make its name in this area and then beyond. As I say



PHOTO PROVIDED

Sanibel residents John Pfeifer and Oliver Goss play for Canterbury's middle school 11-man football program.

to the players and their parents, you're either part of the train or you're in the tracks. Either way, this train is rolling."

Of the 24 players on the middle school team, only two had ever played tackle football previously. Coach Dave Owens started working with the kids in the summer developing a strength and conditioning program. Thanks to the Cougar Athletic Club, the players were able to utilize a brand new state-of-the-art weight room at the school. By August, they were ready to suit up and start hitting.

Although the kids' inexperience showed at the beginning of the first game, Owens settled them down and the team ended up tying a bigger and stronger Southwest Florida Christian Academy squad 28-28.

Two Sanibel residents, Oliver Goss and John Pfeifer, are playing on the team. Goss brought his superior soccer skills to the team to handle the kicking while also playing on the offensive and defensive lines. Pfeifer plays offensive and defensive tackle where he gets to

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Greenville
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South Carolina
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South Carolina
7:05 p.m.

Canterbury

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beat up on opponents, something he did not have the chance to do in the Sanibel Flag Football League.

After a couple of formidable opponents, the kids pulled it all together and beat ECS last week 48-14.

"We started the season with only two boys that had played football," said Owens. "The boys have worked incredibly hard this season and most importantly they have improved. The future is very bright for the Cougar football program."

ECS scored one offensive touchdown.

"The boys have worked very hard every week to get better," said defensive coordinator Kearney Hall. "We are now beginning to see a winning team."

Canterbury has been known for its strong academic history, but now it is trying even harder to develop some competitive student-athletes. Headmaster Tony Paulus took over the leadership of the school five years ago, and he has always wanted to compete with the other local schools in all sports.

The school recently hired Taglieri as its athletic director.

In one year, Taglieri has proven that Canterbury can compete in more than just academics.

"Five years ago I formed an athletic task force that established goals to improve our then-mediocre athletic program," said Paulus. "One of our goals was to reestablish football at Canterbury School. Last year our six-man team was the first team in Lee County to win a state championship in football. With Marc Taglieri's leadership in place and under the direction of (coaches) Marciano and Owens, we are in the process of establishing what I am sure will be a very successful 11-man program, grades 6-12. Admittedly, never in my wildest dreams did I think we would have an 11-man program in our middle school. I am very proud of our middle school players for winning their first game of the season, for being the first group of middle school football players ever, and for establishing their permanent legacy."



Sanibel Rec Center Calendar

New schedule starts Oct. 1

Monday Hours 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

- 7:00 a.m. 50/50 Cardio-Sculpt
- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 9:00 a.m. Shallow Water Aerobics
- 10:00 a.m. Hi-Low Aerobics
- 10:30 a.m. Deep Water Aerobics
- 12:00 p.m. Slow Flow Yoga
- 5:30 p.m. Bosu Pilates
- 6:30 p.m. Zumba

Tuesday Hours 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

- 7:00 a.m. Flow Yoga
- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 9:00 a.m. Deep Water Aerobics
- 10:00 a.m. Power Sculpting
- 10:30 a.m. Water Pilates
- 12:00 p.m. Zumba
- 4:00 p.m. Ball Core Strength
- 5:30 p.m. Cycle Zone

Wednesday Hours 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

- 7:00 a.m. 50/50 Cardio-Sculpt
- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone Flex
- 9:00 a.m. Shallow Water Aerobics
- 10:00 a.m. Zumba
- 10:30 a.m. Deep Water Aerobics
- 12:00 p.m. Flow Yoga
- 5:30 p.m. Restorative Yoga
- 6:30 p.m. Zumba

Thursday Hours 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m.

- 7:00 a.m. Flow Yoga

- 7:00 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 9:00 a.m. Aqua Jogging
- 10:00 a.m. Power Sculpting
- 10:30 a.m. Water Pilates
- 12:00 p.m. Aquaritis
- 12:00 p.m. Zumba
- 5:30 p.m. Bosu, Ball and Strength

Friday Hours 6:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

- 7:00 a.m. 50/50 Cardio-Sculpt
- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 9:00 a.m. Shallow Water Aerobics
- 10:00 a.m. Hi-Low Aerobics
- 10:30 a.m. Deep Water Aerobics
- 12:00 p.m. Slow Flow Yoga

Saturday Hours 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

- 8:30 a.m. Cycle Zone
- 9:00 a.m. Deep Water Aerobics
- 10:00 a.m. Power Sculpting
- 12:00 p.m. Power Yoga

Sunday Hours Noon-5 p.m.

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FISH 10K fun-raiser

The 4th annual 10K Race for FISH had a larger turnout of participants this year over last year as the event continues to grow and raise funds for this worthy Sanibel organization.

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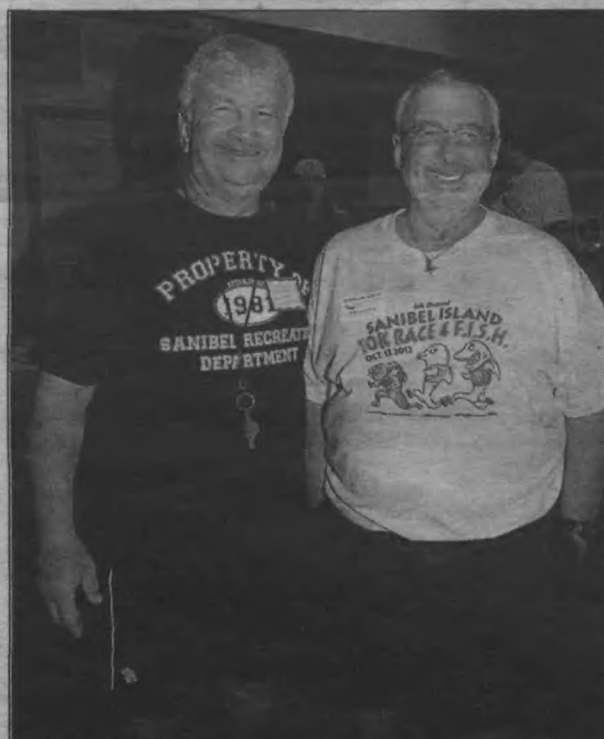
The Swiersz family showed up in force to support F.I.S.H. Christine is a social worker with F.I.S.H. and husband Tom (coach at SWF Christian Academy) and children Mia and Sarah ran, while Lizzie and Annelisa cheered the family along. Don Feiner joined the family for this photo.



Cindi Yeager and Jeanette McMullen found a seat by the fireplace to wait for the race to start.



Ryder, Colby and Chris Archambault supported mom, Caroline on her run.



Barry Roth and Jerry Edelman were ready to cheer the runners on.



Clair Beckman and John Moore (F.I.S.H. board of directors) had raffle tickets for some wonderful prizes.



Christine Donovan and Evette Zurbriggen show off their Zumba strength.



Lyn Kern, Jessi Zeigler and Genny Gray show their sense of humor after the runners left the starting line.



The runners took off at first light for a competitive, cool breezy race in the morning sun.

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Skip Laney and Ozzie decided to do the race course via skateboard.



Ryan Stafford, 19, of Fort Myers was the first to cross the finish line in a time of 35:17.



Rachel Lee, 42, of Cape Coral had the fastest female time of 39:14.



Frank Vecchione managed to smile all the way across the line with his 44:19 time.



Louis Marjon had the quickest time (47:17) among men in the 65-69 age division and managed to give a bright smile at the finish line.



Kevin Ruane Jr., son of Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane, made an impressive showing in his time of 43:14.



Looking cool and calm after their impressive runs are Mark Amato (40:54), Torrin Brauch (38:41), Rachel Lee (39:14), and Dave Cuffe who cheered them on.



Tracy Mathes (50:25) was fastest in her 45-49 age group, Mal Miller (49:37) was fastest in his 70-79 age group (70-99), Frank Vecchione (44:19.31) and fastest in his age group, and Peter Westlake (40:9) was fastest in his 50-54 age group.



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