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## Blue Ribbon Golf



BY SHANNEN HAYES

The Sanctuary Golf Club will host the annual Blue Ribbon Classic Golf Outing Oct. 6, which will benefit The Sanibel School – a national Blue Ribbon school. On Sanctuary's golf course are, from left, Ken Kouril, Sanctuary's general manager; Wil Neil, Sanctuary club member; Terry Igo, club member and president of Sanibel School Fund, which has joined forces with Sanibel School's PTA to present the golf tournament; Jim McHall, club member; Art Cassell, tournament chair and club member; Drew Donnelly, Sanctuary's head golf professional; and Will Peterson, club member.

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# Tickets available for Mental Health Symposium featuring Kathy Cronkite

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Tickets are still available for the Second Annual Mental Health Symposium featuring Mental Health Advocate Kathy Cronkite and other major presenters.

HOPE Clubhouse of Southwest Florida will host the symposium Oct. 12, at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre in observance of Mental Health Awareness Week Oct. 7-12.

Tickets cost \$50 including lunch and \$65 with 2.0 Contact Hours from Florida Gulf Coast University for mental health professionals. Tickets are available at HOPE Clubhouse at 239-267-1777 or may be purchased online at [www.hopeclubhouse.org](http://www.hopeclubhouse.org). Tables for eight may be purchased for \$750 with corporate recognition.

Cronkite, daughter of legendary CBS News Anchorman Walter Cronkite, will dis-

cuss her own journey to wellness from depression and urge others to get help if they need it.

The symposium also will include presentations by Judge Steven Leifman, chairman of the Florida Supreme Court's Task Force on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Issues in the Court, and Joel Corcoran, executive director of the International Center for Clubhouse Development (ICCD).

The symposium will be presented from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., with registration at 10:30 a.m. The Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, The News-Press Media Group, Florida Weekly, WINK Radio, Northern Trust Bank and John & Kappy King are the major sponsors.

Cronkite is the author of *On the Edge of Darkness: Conversations about Conquering Depression*, a collection of interviews with

celebrities who have fought depression, including CBS' Mike Wallace, Joan Rivers, Dick Clark, Kitty Dukakis, and John Kenneth Galbraith, among others. She will be available for book signing immediately after the symposium.

"We are very honored that Kathy Cronkite, Judge Leifman and Joel Corcoran have agreed to join us for our Second Annual Symposium on Mental Health," said Symposium Co-Chairs Dr. Sandra Pavelka of Florida Gulf Coast University and Andrea Prather of the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre. "They have a wealth of knowledge about the mental health field that we can all learn and benefit from."


Cronkite is a popular writer and public speaker. As one of the millions who suffer from clinical depression, she has become a tireless champion for mental health. Her

clear message is "Depression must be accepted as the medical condition it is in order to combat the stigma attached to it and to make help available for those who suffer from it."

Judge Leifman is a Miami-Dade County judge who served as Special Advisor on Criminal Justice and Mental Health for the Supreme Court of Florida from 2007 until 2010. In this capacity, he chaired the court's Mental Health Subcommittee, which authored a groundbreaking report entitled "Transforming Florida's Mental Health System." This report, which has received considerable state and national recognition, outlines recommendations with the goal of decreasing inappropriate and costly involvement of people with mental illnesses in the justice system.

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The sight of the plane stuffs Adam's apple  
deep down my throat, heart plunges into belly.  
Forehead sweats ice.

Fumbling for photo ID, bumbling shoes  
removal offer nervous respite  
and comic relief — like humor at a wake.

Boarding's announced, I ask for a second vodka.  
Front window seat delays my boarding  
till the very end.

Am I afraid of flying or falling?

Clumsy taxiing, ominous minutes  
on runway, menacing roar,  
ungainly heavier-than-air lift and climb.

Am I afraid of flying?

Cruising at height that could piss off Apollo,  
seat belt lights chime off — what about  
hubris?

Third vodka relief due within minutes.

After each air bump I wonder  
how we stay up without propellers,  
trapped hot air or flapping wings.

Am I afraid of falling?

Third vodka magic:  
Adam's apple and heart pop back in place,  
brain buzzes, soars with bravado —

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In the pocket size toilet I calculate:  
my urine skims over Earth at 722 feet  
per second, plus or minus relativity.

Snack time. I toy with possible headline:

**Doomed Passenger Ate  
Hearty Breakfast  
of Salted Peanuts.**

Turbulence tumbles my euphoria down  
into panic, my wife squeezes my hand  
in reassurance, seat belt light snaps on.

I am afraid again of flying-and falling.

"Journey's end lies round the bend."  
Apollo's chariot shaky as we descend  
through dark towers of cumulo-nimbi,

Zeus flashing in the distance. I close  
my eyes. Landing gear thumps into place,  
an lion of suspension until tires screech

on runway and engines roar in reversal, then  
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**12:30 p.m.** — Mah Jongg and Mexican Train: Thursday

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## The Week Ahead and Beyond



### Picasa with Patty

These two-hour sessions at Center 4 Life will introduce Picasa, a free program through Google to help organize and share photos. It is hands-on training, so bring a camera and its cables, memory cards and card reader with 10 to 20 photos - sample photos will be used for practice. Class, which is from 1 to 3 p.m. Sept. 26-27 at Center 4 Life; cost is \$60 for members and \$90 for non-members at signup.

September

**26**



### Celebrity Island Dinner

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum will have its Celebrity Island Dinner fundraiser hosted at Trader's Café & Store. This is a reservation only event to help raise funds for programs at the shell museum.

October

**03**



### Discover Florida

This round-trip to Fantasy of Flight and Special World War II Symposium in Polk City includes transportation, admission and lunch at Fantasy of Flight. Fort Myers pick up is 8 a.m. Cost is \$79 for Island Seniors members and \$89 for non-members. Contact Center 4 Life at 472-5743 for further details.

October

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## Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum

### ON-GOING

#### Live Tank Demonstration

Come in and see a fighting conch use its foot for locomotion, watch a lightning whelk slam shut its trap door for protection, or witness scallops zip across the tank with jet propulsion skills! It's all free with admission.

Date Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays - Please call to request docent. Location Great Hall of Shells

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their means of locomotion, and how they protect themselves. Date Every Monday: 2 to 2:30 p.m. Location Great Hall of Shells

#### Free Family Beach Walks

Field experts will teach you how to find and identify shells. You'll learn what mollusks eat, how they move and about the environments in which they live.

Date Last Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. Location Meet at Gulfside Park, Sanibel

### OCTOBER

#### Celebrity Island Dinner 2012

3rd Annual Celebrity Island Dinner hosted in collaboration with Trader's Cafe & Store on Sanibel. All proceeds benefit The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum.

Date 10/03/12 Time 6:30 to 10 p.m. Location Trader's Cafe and Store

#### Friday Lunch Hour at the Museum

Join Author Karen Richards and Illustrator Bruce Kiel as they talk about their collaboration to produce two books, Lovey, the Piano Cat, and more recently, There's A Secret on Sanibel and Captiva, Too. Date 10/12/13 Time Every second Friday of the Month: noon to 1 p.m. Location Museum Auditorium.

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<b>Jacaranda</b> 1223 Periwinkle Way 472-1771	The Mid-Life Chryslers	The Mid-Life Chryslers		Renata 7:30-11:30		Buckeye Ken 7-11	2 Hot 7:30-11:30
<b>RC Otter's</b> 11596 Andy Rosse Lane 395-1142	Steve McDugal, Noon-5pm Frank Thomson, 6-10pm	Royce Allgood, Noon-5pm Pat McCune, 6-10pm	Sam Felker, Noon-5pm Geo, 6-10pm	Royce Allgood, Noon-5pm and 6-10pm	Steve McDugal, Noon-5pm Pat McCune, 6-10pm	Royce Allgood, Noon-5pm Pat McCune, 6-10pm	Sam Felker, Noon-5pm Pat McCune, 6-10pm
<b>Keylime Bistro</b> 11509 Andy Rosse Lane 395-4000	Chris Workman, Noon-5pm Pat McCune, 6-10pm	Sam Felker, Noon-5 pm Mitch Mitchem, 6-10pm	Marc Vee 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.	Paul Rosmus, Noon-5pm Frank Thomson, 6-10pm	Marc Vee, noon to 5 p.m.	Mitch Mitchem, noon to 5 p.m.	Frank Thomson, Noon-5pm and 6-10pm
<b>The Island Cow</b> 2163 Periwinkle Way Nightly 6-9:30pm	Dan Confrey	Diana Lynn	Buckeye Ken				
<b>The Mucky Duck</b> Andy Rosse Lane 5-9pm/472-3434	Buckeye Ken	Gene Federico		Mark Dupuy	Rich Lancaster	Gene Fedenco	Dan Confrey
<b>Traders</b> 1551 Periwinkle Way Tues. & Thurs. 8-11pm					Danny Morgan & Friends	Chris Workman	Danny Morgan & Friends
<b>Blue Giraffe</b> 2075 Periwinkle Way 472-2525							Gessiey Reed
<b>Casa Ybel Resort</b> 2255 W. Gulf Drive 472-9200	John McLane, Thistle Lodge Dining Room	Danny Morgan Coconuts Poolside  Dan Tudor Thistle Lodge	Danny Morgan Coconuts Poolside				
<b>Sweet Melissa's</b> 1625 Periwinkle Way 472-1956	Michael David, Light acoustic jazz guitar	Michael David, Light acoustic jazz guitar				Michael David, Light acoustic jazz guitar	Michael David, Light acoustic jazz guitar
<b>George &amp; Wendy's Seafood Grille</b> 2499 Periwinkle Way 395-1263							Karaoke
<b>Traditions On The Beach</b> 3111 W. Gulf Drive 472-4559	Joe McCormick & Barbara Smith	Joe McCormick & Marvilla Marzan	Closed	Open	Open	Joe McCormick	Joe McCormick
<b>Sharky's Restaurant &amp; Billiards</b> 1451 M. Gulf Drive 395-6014		Jay Heavilin & Friends, jazz, 7-10pm					



# Blue Ribbon golf outing supports Blue Ribbon school

By SHANNEN HAYES

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The Sanibel School serves approximately 375 students in kindergarten through 8th grade that live on Sanibel or Captiva islands. It has been awarded a Blue Ribbon through the U.S. Department of Education's National Blue Ribbon Schools program, which recognizes educational institutions where students achieve overall academic excellence or for success in closing achievement gaps. The school has also earned an "A" rating from the DOE for the past 11 years.

In order to maintain high-quality education and its top-ranked status by Florida's DOE, the Sanibel School Fund and PTA have joined forces to present the annual Blue Ribbon Golf Outing Oct. 6 hosted at The Sanctuary Golf Club. This event raises money to provide several resources and enhancements that the Lee County School System budget can not afford -- things such as educational software, computers, foreign language programs, steel drums and classroom supplies.

"Together with the PTA, the Sanibel School Fund provides about \$90,000 to sup-

## To Go:

**What:** Annual Blue Ribbon Classic Golf Outing

**When:** Oct. 6  
Registration begins at 11:30 a.m.  
Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.

**Where:** Sanctuary Golf Club  
2801 Wulfert Ave.

**More info:** 239-579-0015  
Paige Babcock  
phbabcock@gmail.com

plement the educational needs of children that otherwise go unfunded," said SSF President Terry Igo. "It is critical we maintain our Blue Ribbon status because it benefits the community through a better quality of life, real estate and more."

During this year's Blue Ribbon Classic, golf superstar and two-time winner of the RE/MAX World Long Drive Championship David Mobley will be partnering with each group of golfers on a par-4 hole as he

attempts to make an eagle putt following his drive.

For more than 16 years, Mobley has been wowing spectators around the world as winner of more than 20 professional long drive events -- his longest drive in competition was 459 yards. He has appeared on dozens of nationally televised shows including The Golf Channel's Big Break Dominican Republic and Big Break X Michigan.

"It's up to you to make the putt and eagle the hole," said Mobley.

In addition, there will be the chance to win a Lexus from Scanlon Lexus of Fort Myers by making a hole-in-one or a two-carat diamond set in a pendant necklace created by Congress Jewelers, along with other donated prizes such as a catered dinner from Le Cordon Bleu Chef Leslie Adams or a get-a-way at South Seas Island Resort. There will also be a helicopter golf ball drop following the tournament.

Cost of the event is \$200 per person, which includes golf and dinner, or it's \$50 for dinner only. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. with a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start. Tournament winners will be announced at

the buffet dinner.

Tickets for the helicopter golf ball drop can be purchased prior to the event on Sanibel for \$10 each or six for \$50 at Cheeburger Cheeburger, 1975 Periwinkle Way; Sanibel Deli, 2330 Palm Ridge Rd.; and MacIntosh Books & Paper, 2407 Periwinkle Way.

Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille is the event's master sponsor; grand sponsors include Sanctuary Golf Club, The Sanibel Captiva Trust Company and Heidrick & Company Insurance and Risk Management Services; platinum sponsors are Associates in Dermatology, Paige and Doug Babcock, Bay Medical, Great White Grill, Law Offices of Jason Maughan, Matzaluna, Timbers and Sanibel Grill, and Sanibel Community Bank. Cheeburger Cheeburger is sponsoring the golf ball drop.

Sponsorship for the Sanibel School's Seahorse Festival, which is March 9, are still available.

For more information about the Blue Ribbon Golf Classic, contact Paige Babcock at phbabcock@gmail.com or call 239-579-0015.

## Symposium From page 2

In October 2010, he was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme court to chair the Florida Supreme Court's Task Force on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Issues in the Court.

As Executive Director of the International Center for Clubhouse Development, Corcoran is responsible for all operations, programs, finances and communications of the ICCD. He has traveled throughout the world working to support the development of Clubhouse programs to be strong and enduring resource centers for people living with

mental illness. HOPE Clubhouse of Southwest Florida is one of 350 clubhouses in the world overseen by Corcoran.

HOPE Clubhouse of Southwest Florida is a model of rehabilitation for people living with severe mental illness such as bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and clinical depression. Hope Clubhouse opened its doors in March 2010, and has 76 active members. HOPE Clubhouse, the only one of its kind in Southwest Florida, fills a significant gap in the mental health system by offering opportunities for meaningful work, education, friendships and access to housing in a

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HOPE Clubhouse is based on the principle that meaningful work is critical in bringing positive change to the lives of those living with mental illness. Clubhouse staff help "members," as they are called, to develop work skills to enable them to return to productive employment in the community.

For more information about HOPE Clubhouse, visit [www.hopeclubhouse.org](http://www.hopeclubhouse.org).

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# LARC Joins Tarpon Bay Explorers for Wildlife Adventures

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Providing opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities in order to achieve independent and responsible lifestyles in our community is the long time mission of LARC. The recent visit to the "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge Aug. 29 was organized by Tom Hoover, who has been a supporter of LARC for years.

Steve and Donna Yetsko, husband and wife team who are naturalists at Tarpon Bay Explorers, led the events throughout the day. The tram tour through the four mile stretch of wildlife drive at the "Ding" Darling NWR was first on the agenda. Along the tram tour, nine different species of birds were spotted, which the participants were able to identify with their bird guides provided by the refuge. Donna discussed the topics of pollution and recycling with the group as they enjoyed the ride.

After the 90-minute tram tour the group enjoyed delicious food kindly provided by

George & Wendy's Seafood Grille. George Schnapp served up mouth watering hot dogs along with chips. Bailey's General store provisioned watermelon and water. For dessert the participants had big smiles on their faces while eating ice cream that Tom Hoover donated. Next on the line up was the Nature and Sealife cruise of Tarpon Bay which included a half hour touch tank presentation.

Steve lead the Aquarium and Touch Tank Exhibit, showing the curious group the array of marine life collected from Tarpon Bay. The estuary is teeming with live whelks, clams, sea stars, horseshoe crabs and seahorses. Participants were eager to touch and hold the sea creatures. The group was amazed to learn the spiny sea star can eat an oyster and that the Florida Horse conch can grow up to two feet in length.

Following the lively touch tank experience, the group boarded the Explorer III and ventured out onto the water for a Nature and Sealife Cruise of Tarpon Bay. Steve captained the vessel as Donna entertained by

telling stories about the wildlife that inhabit the refuge and history of the area. The group assisted Donna by presenting bio-facts such as Red Mangrove propagule, manatee and dolphin ribs and pelican bones. Participants were amazed how light weight the pelican bones are. Brown pelicans, although they are a large bird only weigh about four pounds because their bones are hollow. Watching the pelicans dive to catch bait fish was enjoyed by all. During the cruise various species of birds were seen as well as manatee and Atlantic bottlenose dolphins.

Watching the magnificent frigate birds following the dolphin as they hunted fish was a special sighting for the group.

Sponsors include Tarpon Bay Explorers, George & Wendy's Seafood Grille, Bailey's General Store and Tom Hoover, this event was made possible. The laughter and smiles are proof that the participants thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Steve and Donna are excited for this event each year and take joy in being able to share their time with the LARC participants.

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## Silver, the other precious metal Need not always take second place

by Dan Schuyler & Karen Bell



A part of culture for more than 4,500 years, silver has not always been considered second fiddle to its more illustrious cousin, gold. Its simple elemental composition, malleability, and brilliant sheen have made it a popular precious metal since the Sumerian's first used it in burial ceremonies in 3,000 B.C.

Roman's used silver in common household items and for coins in 100 B.C. and fine silver smithing techniques used for jewelry and other implements became popular around the same time-frame worldwide. Proof of this has been found in North America, South America, Europe and Asia.

In the 19th Century, silver became more affordable because of advances in technology. Electroplating, or the ability to cover another metal with silver, was invented. Tiffany and Company began producing Silverware in New York in the mid 1850s and the Navajo tribes of the American Southwest began working Silver (learned from Mexican artists) around the same time.

In England, Queen Victoria's fancies dictated fashion in almost every aspect. She started the revival of ancient Celtic motifs in jewelry design that began in the middle of the

century and at the end of the 19th Century, she started movement that entailed a love of beautiful and individual pieces that lasted until her death in 1901. During this period, fashions in silver jewelry began to move away from the mass produced pieces that were prevalent at the beginning of the industrial revolution and to focus on detailed

individually wrought and hand-crafted items. Initially silver and gold were valued relatively equally as they

were both considered attractive and rare.

Silver was the only white precious metal until the discovery of platinum in the late 1800s and the development of white gold in the 1940s. At this point, silver suffered an eclipse that lasted for decades.

Today silver dominates the "fashion" market segment of jewelry and it has recently returned to fine jewelry too. It is considered to be more affordable, and as such silver is regularly used by creative artisans that are just getting their start - meaning that many fine and unique silver jewelry items are available at a reasonable price.

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# The Purple Gallinule

Clearly related to the coot, common moorhen, and the recently imported European bird, purple swamp hen, the purple gallinule is a member of the rail family of birds. Other members of that family include the sora, clapper, and king rail.

Although common throughout the state in the summer months, most of the northern birds head toward the Everglades and the southern end of the peninsula during the winter months, making it an intra-state migrant. Some of the best places to view this attractive bird are on the Anhinga Trail in the Everglades and throughout the numerous overgrown canals and marshes of Glades and Hendry counties. The purple gallinule is an inland and mainland species and is only rarely observed along the barrier islands of Florida. The species has an extensive range throughout Central and South America, where it can be found as far south as Argentina.



Charlie Sobczak  
Living  
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The purple gallinule is one of the most colorful and beautiful of all the birds of Florida. Its rich, iridescent purple plumage contrasts with its bright, candy-corn colored beak. The purple gallinule is equipped with extremely large, bright yellow feet that allow it to forage atop lily pads and other floating vegetation. There it feeds primarily on seeds, leaves, insects, frogs, snails, spiders, and fish and has even been known to feed on the eggs of other marsh-nesting birds such as red-wing blackbirds and ducks.

This is an excerpt from *The Living Gulf Coast-A Nature Guide to Southwest Florida* by Charles Sobczak. The book is available at all the Island bookstores, Baileys, Jerry's and your favorite online sites.



## In the Know Purple Gallinule (*Porphyrio martinica*)

**Other names:** blue peter, mud hen, pond chicken, bonnet-walker, purple swamphen (European species)  
**Status:** FL = stable, IUCN = LC  
**Length:** 14.2-14.6 in. (36-37 cm)  
**Wingspan:** 21.7 in. (55 cm)  
**Weight:** 7.3-10.2 oz (208-288 g)  
**Life span:** to 22 years  
**Nests:** in mainland SW Florida  
**Found:** All Counties, near coast, mainland  
**Months found:** JFmamjjaSOND (lower case indicates nesting season).



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Purple Gallinule.



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# ISLAND FACES

## Coastal Clean Up

The Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation hosted a local coastal clean-up event in partnership with Keep Lee County Beautiful for Ocean Conservancy's 27th annual International Coastal Clean Up. Volunteers swept the islands' beaches picking up debris that can be harmful to marine and wildlife. SCCF reported a successful event this year.

PHOTOS BY SHANNEN HAYES



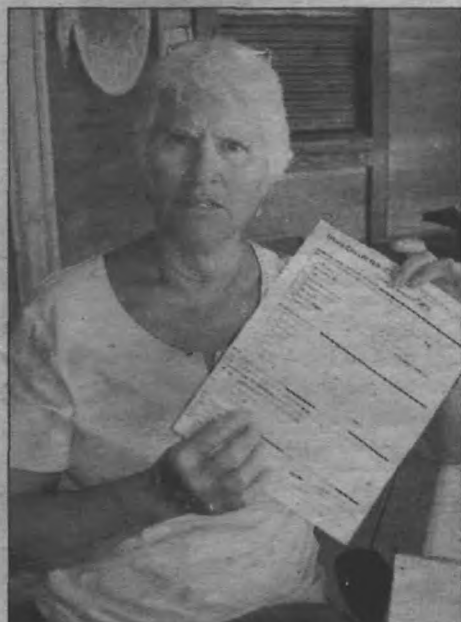
Wally Kain and Tom Lagan, SCCF volunteers, prepare hot dogs for coastal clean-up participants.



Ed and Penny Sessa return from coastal clean up with a great number of butane cigarette lighters and plastic bottle caps they found along the beaches.



Canterbury School students Jesse Blaze, Purva Nagarajan and Paige Pollock



Island artist and SCCF volunteer Randon Eddy is shocked by the 222 cigarette butts reportedly found on the beach at Captiva's Tween Waters Inn.



Greg, Rebecca and Grace Kerns, of Sanibel, found several traps and what appears to be a pontoon float during their clean-up effort.



Fifteen students from Canterbury School, along with 48 Lexington Middle School students and eight adults, volunteered their Saturday morning to help clean up Sanibel and Captiva's coastline.



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## Limited space available on 'Ding' Days Bunche Beach tours

Submitted by Chelle Koster Walton

A limited number of spots remain for two free "Ding" Darling Days Bunche Beach Birding Tram tours. Reservations and a refundable deposit are required; call 239-472-8900 as soon as possible, as space fills up quickly.

Times and dates for the two trips coordinate with low tides. Both tours will be by tram departing from "Ding" Darling Refuge. The first leaves at 8 a.m. Oct. 15 from the refuge flagpole at the Education Center and returns around 11 a.m.; another at 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Oct. 19.

Transportation is compliments of Tarpon Bay Explorers. Knowledgeable birding experts lead the tour and provide spotting scopes to use.

For more information on other birding tours and eco-events during the 23rd Annual "Ding" Darling Days, Oct. 14-20, visit [www.dingdarling-days.com](http://www.dingdarling-days.com).

"Ding" Darling Wildlife Society-Friends of the Refuge sponsors "Ding" Darling Days along with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and Tarpon Bay



**Birders spy on the abundant bird life at Bunche Beach during "Ding" Darling Days.**

Explorers and support from local businesses and individuals.

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# Captiva Current

## Captiva Holiday Village seeks sponsors

### Contributed to the CURRENT

A number of local businesses have already signed on as sponsors for this year's Captiva Holiday Village, but organizers say additional sponsorships are welcome.

The two-week-long Captiva Holiday Village launches its 2012 spectacular the Friday after Thanksgiving with fireworks, tree lightings, holiday readings, musical performances and more.

Now in its third year, Captiva Holiday Village is a cooperative event sponsored by hoteliers, merchants, attraction owners and restaurateurs of Captiva Island. This year's sponsors include the Golf Cart Parade sponsor - The Royal Shell Companies, the Boat Parade Sponsor - Sanibel



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The two-week long Captiva Holiday Village will launch the Friday after Thanksgiving with fireworks, tree lighting, holiday readings, musical performances and more.

Captiva Trust Company, the Junkanoo Parade sponsor - American Realty of Captiva and the Fire Dancing on the Beach sponsor - VIP Realty.

"The Royal Shell Companies are pleased to sponsor the Captiva Holiday Village Golf Cart Parade for the second year in a row," said Randy Bacik, CEO Royal Shell Vacations. "This increasingly popular event, the brainchild of Royal Shell realtor Denice Beggs, has become a source of good-natured competition with both community businesses and residents. The decorated golf carts showcase the creativity of the Captiva community."

Fire Dancing on the Beach takes place at 5:45

See HOLIDAY VILLAGE page 37

## Captiva code adopted by County Commission

By SHANNEN HAYES

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In a 5-0 vote with no discussion, the Board of Lee County Commissioners approved the amendment to the county Land Development Code for Captiva Island, as proposed by the Captiva Community Panel.

"The panel members are delighted the County Commissioners unanimously approved the changes in the Land Development Code," said Panel President Rick Hayduk.

The seven-day rental minimum language for the RSC-2 area -- the estate zoned area or from Blind Pass to the first S-curve where lots are one acre or more and allowed to have multiple dwellings -- was included. In addition, the septic checkoff language for permit applications was modified as follows:

Prior to the issuance of a development order, zoning or building permits for a new building or an addition or remodeling to convert existing space to living area, for properties that contain existing On-Site Sewage Treatment and Disposal System, the applicant must provide written documentation indicating the approximate date the system was constructed and the last date the OSTDS was serviced or received a pumpout by a licensed septic contractor.

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spy whose aims are suspiciously unclear but whose power is unmistakably deadly.

## What They Do In the Dark: A Novel by Amanda Coe

"Spoiled but emotionally neglected Gemma, who seems to have everything, and semi-feral Pauline, who has less than nothing, are two very different ten-year-old girls growing up in a tough Yorkshire town in the 1970s. Pauline longs for the simple luxuries of Gemma's life: her neatly folded socks and her clean hair. Gemma, upset by her parent's breakup, loses herself in fantasies of meeting the child television star Lallie. When Lallie shoots a movie in their hometown, Gemma and Pauline grab the chance for their wildest dreams to come true. But the film becomes a terrible cata-

lyst for the larger forces acting on the two girls, a dysfunctional adult world that trickles down to the children; and playground bullying escalates, with dreadful consequences." \*

## Helsinki White: An Inspector Vaara Novel by James Thompson

"Two days after their daughter is born, Kari Vaara drops a bombshell on his American wife, Kate: He has a brain tumor ... and he's been handpicked to run a rogue black-ops unit, using crime to fight crime. After recovering from surgery, he gets to work. The black-ops unit is small, and reports directly to Finland's national chief of police. They have secrecy, autonomy, and the cash to buy all the high-tech gear. Soon the unit is cleaning house, robbing Helsinki's mobsters blind of their cash, dope, and illegal firearms. But Kari's team is too good, and their actions have unintended consequences. . . . Meanwhile, Finland roils with hatred as its most extreme right political party gains popularity despite having no agenda besides xenophobia. When the country's leading immigrants' rights advocate is assassinated and her head sent by mail to the Finnish-Somalia Network, the president assigns Kari to the murder. Cracking this case will involve the unsolved kidnapping of a billionaire's children, a Faustian bargain with a former French legionnaire-and Kate." \*

## The Dog Who Danced by Susan Wilson

"From the New York Times bestselling author of One Good Dog ... 'My name is Justine Meade and in my forty-three years there have only been a handful of people that I have loved. No, that's an exaggeration. Two. Two that I lost because of stupidity and selfishness. One was my son. The other was my dog.' If there's been a theme in Justine Meade's life, it's loss. Her mother, her home, even her son. The one bright spot in her loss-filled life, the partner she could always count on, was Mack, her gray and black Sheltie -- that is, until she is

summoned back to her childhood home after more than twenty years away. Ed and Alice Parmalee are mourning a loss of their own. Seven years after their daughter was taken from them, they're living separate lives together. Dancing around each other, and their unspeakable heartbreak, unable to bridge the chasm left between them. Fiercely loyal, acutely perceptive and guided by a herd dog's instinct, Mack has a way of bringing out the best in his humans. Whether it's a canine freestyle competition or just the ebb and flow of a family's rhythms, it's as though the little Shetland Sheepdog was born to bring people together..." \*

## Schmidt Steps Back by Louis Begley

"When we last saw Albert Schmidt Esq. ('Schmidt' to all near and dear), he had been expelled from paradise: his love Carrie, the Puerto Rican waitress forty years his junior, had taken up with a blond giant nearer her age and possibly the father of her baby -- assuming it isn't Schmidt. Meanwhile, his only confirmed child, Charlotte, had proposed a truce in their perennially strained relations, which Schmidt accepted, despite its obliging him to resume dealings with her repulsive husband and her mother-in-law-cum-psychiatrist, whose life's work has been turning Charlotte decisively against Schmidt. The curtain rises on Schmidt Steps Back some thirteen years later: New Year's Eve 2008, the dawn of the age of Obama. Schmidt's affection for the young president-elect is boundless, and as he imagines a better day for his country, he dares to hope there's one for him too. It so happens Schmidt is readying his Hamptons house for the visit of a lady from Paris: the irresistible Alice Verplanck, widow of his former law partner and surely a more appropriate prospect for a man now seventy-eight. But there's a history, and it's complicated. In fact, Schmidt hasn't seen Alice since the summer of 1995, when he behaved like a brute upon discovering a betrayal of sorts and pronounced her unworthy of his unstinting love and commitment. Alice is finally

ready to forgive him, but she still doubts that Schmidt can ever be content. She demands that he think long and hard about their past, and while he's at it Schmidt finds himself also reviewing the reversals and tragedies that have brought him to an unimagined isolation and loneliness. With no family he can claim but Carrie, now married and expecting a second child, and only two real friends left -- his college roommate Gil Blackman and the irrepressible billionaire Mike Mansour -- Schmidt sees in Alice's impending visit his last chance, before the sun sets on the Hamptons, for a life that is more than merely staying alive. At once darkly funny and deeply poignant...the most emotionally nuanced installment of the drama that began with the acclaimed About Schmidt." \*



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## Holiday Village From page 35

p.m. Nov. 30 at the beach by the Mucky Duck Restaurant.

The Junkanoo Parade, a cornerstone of Captiva Holiday Village, happens at 4 p.m. Dec. 1 and begins at McCarthy's Marina. This tradition traveled from West Africa to the Caribbean to Southwest Florida and includes musicians in bejeweled costumes with vibrant colors singing and dancing to Caribbean melodies through the streets of Captiva. Before the parade, visitors have the opportunity to create hand-made musical instruments with the Junkanoo performers at the marina.

Following the Junkanoo Parade, the Boat Parade will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 1 just outside Roosevelt Channel, Marker No. 2. The route will follow Roosevelt Channel to Tween Waters Inn and back. There is no entry fee for the boat parade and prizes will be given for the best-decorated vessels. A minimum of 100 lights is required for entry but more are encouraged.

The Golf Cart Parade begins at South Seas Island Resort at 2 p.m. Dec. 8 and is limited to the first 100 entries. All entries must incorporate a holiday theme. The parade route travels from South Seas to Andy Rosse Lane then loops around Chapin and Wiles Drive and back past the Green Flash restaurant before returning to South Seas. A portion of the \$20 entrance fee will benefit the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries.

"The boat parade was so much fun to participate in last year and is one of the more unique events that occurs on Captiva," said Terry Igo, president of

Sanibel Captiva Trust Company. "We like to support community events that our clients are involved in, and we have a lot of wonderful clients and friends on Captiva who are involved in this holiday celebration."

"Captiva Holiday Village is a community event, so having our local companies supporting the event is good for the island and nice exposure to the many out-of-state visitors who attend as well," said Paul McCarthy of Captiva Cruises. "We are looking at forming special partnerships with our leading out-of-state markets like Chicago, Boston and New York, as well."

Each special-themed weekend, beginning Nov. 23 through Dec. 8, will be a fun-filled extravaganza of sight and sound, set against the backdrop of the Gulf of Mexico and evening sunsets. During the event weekends, visitors will enjoy everything from decorated golf-cart and lighted boat parades to Junkanoo and fire dancers, live music and even a Marching Mullet Parade.

All three weekends of events take place in Captiva's "village" center, where its colorful restaurants and shops will be festively decorated.

The village is the heart of the island: a quirky, colorful, pedestrian-friendly hub where people stroll from place to place, enjoying live music, tropical food and drink and the island's legendary sunsets.

Back by popular demand, a feature of this year's Captiva Holiday Village is community Chautauqua, offering educational workshops, entertainment, films, a carol sing, boat cruises, tastings and natural history talks—all offering locals and visitors a chance to learn more about

quirky Captiva.

In addition to Holiday Village festivities, the island offers easy access to an abundance of water sports: kayaking, guided fishing, parasailing, world-renowned shelling and wildlife cruises to the outer islands.

Captiva Island, located on the Gulf coast of Florida adjacent to Fort Myers, is regularly featured in newspapers and magazines around the world. In 2011, Captiva ranked as one of TripAdvisor's Top 10 Travelers' Choice U.S. Beach Destinations.

The small island is also known as a destination for celebrities and creative legends. Visitor lodging options include small inns, deluxe resorts, rental homes and condos, and dockage for boats of all sizes.

According to The Weather Channel, the average daily high temperature for Captiva in December is 77 degrees, and it is the driest month annually with just 1.71 inches of rain.

Captiva resorts, inns, cottages and vacation homes will be offering lodging specials in conjunction with this year's third annual Captiva Holiday Village event.

As a highlight of this annual event, local hoteliers and restaurants have once again teamed up to offer six free two-night Captiva Holiday Village weekends for the 2012 event. Online entries are now being accepted at [www.captivaholidayvillage.com](http://www.captivaholidayvillage.com).

For a list of all events and hotel packages, visit [www.CaptivaHolidayVillage.com](http://www.CaptivaHolidayVillage.com)

## Code From page 35

County staff indicated the reason for a two-year timeframe proposed by Captiva Community Panel was eliminated is due to it conflicting with state statutes. Planner Max Forgey offered the only public comment, and asked that should the statute be changed he hoped the language could be revisited.

"This process began well before the current panel was in place, but the common thread was the diligent work and guidance of panel member Mike Kelly, former Counsel of the Urban Land Institute," said Hayduk. "Using public forums to vet each of the code changes along with guidance from Lee County's community planning leaders, Captiva now has updated language to monitor growth and change while preserving its natural surroundings."

This is a true testament to community involvement in the land planning process when all forces come together for the betterment and preservation of Captiva's quality of life and architectural aesthetics," concluded Hayduk.

Additional details about the new Land Development Code and when the new regulations take effect will be discussed at the next Captiva Community Panel meeting Oct. 9 at Chadwick's Square.

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		Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
Sunrise		7:17 AM	7:18 AM	7:18 AM	7:19 AM	7:19 AM	7:19 AM	7:20 AM
Sunset		7:26 PM	7:25 PM	7:24 PM	7:23 PM	7:21 PM	7:20 PM	7:19 PM
Redfish Pass	Lo	--	--	--	1:20 AM	3:22 AM	--	--
	Hi	4:19 AM	5:17 AM	6:37 AM	8:23 AM	10:01 AM	12:06 AM	12:25 AM
	Lo	12:51 PM	1:39 PM	3:02 PM	4:09 PM	5:02 PM	4:39 AM	5:36 AM
	Hi	--	--	11:31 PM	11:47 PM	--	11:15 AM	12:14 PM
	Lo	--	--	--	--	--	5:43 PM	6:16 PM
Punta Rassa	Lo	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Hi	4:13 AM	5:11 AM	6:31 AM	1:15 AM	3:17 AM	12:01 AM	12:19 AM
	Lo	12:10 PM	1:34 PM	2:57 AM	8:17 AM	9:55 AM	4:34 AM	5:31 AM
	Hi	--	--	11:25 PM	4:04 PM	4:57 PM	11:09 AM	12:08 PM
	Lo	--	--	--	11:41 PM	--	5:38 PM	6:11 PM
Sanibel Light	Lo	--	--	--	1:22 AM	3:24 AM	4:41 AM	5:38 AM
	Hi	3:24 AM	4:22 AM	5:42 AM	7:28 AM	9:06 AM	10:20 AM	11:19 AM
	Lo	12:17 PM	1:41 PM	3:04 PM	4:11 PM	5:04 PM	5:45 PM	6:18 PM
	Hi	--	--	10:36 PM	10:52 PM	11:11 PM	11:30 PM	11:48 PM
	Lo	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Captiva (Outside)	Lo	--	--	--	12:06 AM	2:08 AM	3:25 AM	4:22 AM
	Hi	2:54 AM	3:52 AM	5:12 AM	6:58 AM	8:36 AM	9:50 AM	10:49 AM
	Lo	11:01 AM	12:25 PM	1:48 PM	2:55 PM	3:48 PM	4:29 PM	5:02 PM
	Hi	--	--	10:06 PM	10:22 PM	10:41 PM	11:00 PM	11:18 PM
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<b>Saturday</b>	Scattered thunderstorms possible. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.
<b>Sunday</b>	A few thunderstorms possible. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.
<b>Monday</b>	Scattered thunderstorms possible. Highs in the upper 80s and lows in the low 70s.

### WEEKEND TIDES

	Cape Coral Bridge	Captiva Redfish Pass	Fort Myers	Mallorca Pass	Pineland	Point Ybel	Punta Rassa	St. James City
<b>Saturday</b>								
Low	1:15 AM	--	2:20 AM	12:41 AM	--	4:43 AM	5:19 AM	5:50 AM
Hi	7:35 AM	5:25 AM	8:23 AM	7:03 AM	6:01 AM	1:34 PM	1:35 PM	2:10 PM
Low	4:56 PM	1:40 PM	5:53 PM	4:22 PM	3:20 PM	--	--	--
Hi	--	--	11:53 PM	--	--	--	--	--
<b>Sunday</b>								
Low	8:50 AM	6:40 AM	9:42 AM	8:18 AM	7:16 AM	5:54 AM	6:34 AM	7:05 AM
Hi	4:36 AM	8:12 AM	4:59 AM	4:02 AM	3:00 AM	2:00 AM	8:06 AM	8:37 AM
Low	10:22 PM	4:14 PM	11:27 AM	9:50 AM	8:48 AM	7:23 AM	4:09 PM	4:44 PM
Hi	7:30 PM	11:50 PM	8:02 PM	6:58 PM	5:54 PM	4:01 PM	11:44 PM	--
<b>Monday</b>								
Low	1:42 AM	1:20 AM	12:25 AM	1:10 AM	12:08 AM	12:24 AM	1:15 AM	1:50 AM
Hi	4:36 AM	8:12 AM	4:59 AM	4:02 AM	3:00 AM	2:00 AM	8:06 AM	8:37 AM
Low	10:22 PM	4:14 PM	11:27 AM	9:50 AM	8:48 AM	7:23 AM	4:09 PM	4:44 PM
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**WEDNESDAY:** MIX OF SUN AND CLOUDS. HIGHS IN THE UPPER 80S AND LOWS IN THE LOW 70S.  
**THURSDAY:** CHANCE OF SHOWERS. HIGHS IN THE MID 80S AND LOWS IN THE LOW 70S.

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CAPE CORAL	88/73
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JACKSONVILLE	85/74
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